

# Northern Minnesota Arabian Horse Association

## NMAHA NEWSLETTER December 2017

### Meeting Minutes

The NMAHA Christmas Party, Royalty Crowning and meeting was held December 2, 2017 at Elmer Z's – Sauk Centre, MN. Prior to the meeting being called to order by President Kaitlyn Frenchick at 12:37 PM, those present ordered from the menu. Members present were: L. Frenchick, J. Liestman, V. Temp, M. Besser, M. Smith, S. Brekke, K. Brekke, S. Beecroft, M. Beecroft, L. Mueller, M. Beecroft, K. Frenchick and J. Liestman. Visitors present were: J. Brekke, T. Brekke, S. Brekke, L. Schlangen and J. Sorby.

There was a correction to the minutes from the previous meeting as posted in the newsletter. Under "Old Business", Jaime Liestman was listed as the Treasurer instead of the Secretary. Mary S. approved the minutes with the correction and Jean L. seconded the motion.

Val T. presented the Treasurer Report. Not much activity has occurred since the last meeting. Checks were issued to our club delegates. Val will be sending a check of \$200.00 to the Arabian Horseman's Distress Fund. The treasurer's report was approved by Missy B. and a second by Jaime L.

### Committee Reports:

#### *The One Day Shows:*

Mary S. gave an update on the One Day Shows for 2018. Lorne Robertson from Canada has been mailed a contract to be the judge for the show on Saturday. Roz G. is working on the prize list. Forms will be available on the website as the show date gets closer.

Kaitlyn F. is hoping to expand the Hippology contest making it a Regional contest.

#### *June Community Show:*

Lynda F. reported that the show will be on June 2, 2018 at the Meeker Co. Fairgrounds in Litchfield. Judges have not been hired at this time.

#### *Ambassador Program:*

Jean L. reported that she's hoping to get a few more participants in yet.

#### *Royalty:*

Jaime L. crowned the 2018 Royalty. Queen- Missy Beecroft, Princess- Kate Brekke, Sweetheart – Madelyn Beecroft, Prince- Jack Kuechle and Duke- Spencer Beecroft.

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### Dates to Remember:

#### **Next Meeting**

January 13, 2018

Bob & Jenny Johnson's Home , Brainerd

Potluck at noon, meeting at 1:00 PM

# Meeting Minutes Continued

## **Old Business:**

### *Facebook:*

NMAHA has a new facebook page, Northern Minnesota Arabian Horse Association. Encourage individuals to “Like” and “Follow” this page. The old page, which was a personal page will be closed.

### *WSCA Show Membership:*

Lynda F. reported that our membership with WSCA is renewed for 2018.

## **New Business:**

### *AHA National Convention:*

Mary S. and Kaitlyn F. gave feedback from their time at the National Convention. There were 25 Resolutions discussed at the convention, 20 of which were approved. The resolutions can be viewed on the AHA website. The convention will be held in Tulsa for the next four years, then be held in Reno. In 2019, an Arabian Value Show will be offered. This would be similar to the current One Day Shows. Mary S. thanked NMAHA for their support of the delegates.

### *Region 10:*

Kaitlyn F. reported that the judges have been set and the class list is being worked on for the 2018 Region 10 show.

## **Other:**

Next meeting is January 13, 2018 at Bob and Jenny Johnson’s home in Brainerd. Potluck prior to the meeting.

*Jaime Liestman.*

NMAHA Secretary

# President's Perspective

One of the biggest things that I pulled from going to the National Convention is that we need to promote the Arabian Breed whenever we can. We have to show how special they are, as well as how they are amazing creatures. I feel that we, as a club, have started to do this over a decade ago with the start of the ambassador program. I still remember receiving the first Junior award. However, there has been a decline in participation. We need to try and get more people out there showing the Arabian at open and 4-H shows, promotional event (Horse Expo), and try to reach out to schools and FFA teams to give them exposure. So, my challenge for you, is to try and reach one person or group to build the Arabian breed.

I am also glad to welcome new faces to the club, board positions, and even the royalty program. It makes me happy to see the club is still growing with youth members and that we can continue to be a group for many years to come.

Another reminder, we are switching our Facebook page, so please make sure that you are following the new one. You are able to invite people that you know that can benefit from any information that is put up on the page. <https://www.facebook.com/Northern-Minnesota-Arabian-Horse-Association-132953320762374/>

Kaitlyn Frenchick



Mary Smith and I on our way to the National Convention back in November



Receiving the Junior Ambassador award for the 2006 show season

# 2017 AHA National Convention

## National Convention Recap:

### General Session overview

Roughly 65% of delegates attended National Convention (287 delegates credentialed out of 441 eligible to attend)  
PAT (Purebred Arabian Trust vs AHA) court date March 2018  
Arabian Value Show (multi-day show not approved by USEF, approved only by AHA)  
MDP wants to promote HORSE, not organization  
Financially, AHA is stronger than ever before, few areas of struggle  
AHDF ~ \$29,000 donated at Convention  
Region 10 awards were given to Hilary Hoffman and Gail Rentmeester from WDHA  
National convention dates and locations for next 4 years have been set  
    Tulsa for 2018 & 2019  
    Reno 2020 & 2021  
New MDP program to get new people into industry ~ \$5000  
AHF( Arabian History Foundation) Convention donations \$4,800

## Resolutions:

25 resolutions were brought to convention  
20 were approved  
    Requirements of membership copies  
    Co- Ownership and eligibility to show in JO/AO with restrictions  
    Arabian Scoring System optional at all levels  
    Revised trail horse penalties  
    Transfer of ownership by someone will get that person an AHA membership  
    Other were “housekeeping” changes  
    Full details and final wording will be on the AHA website  
1 disapproved- Liberty  
4 were withdrawn before reaching the floor or at the floor

## Elections:

Had to do a ballot for only one committees opening. That election resulted in Nancy Harvey to appoint new person to Probable Cause Panel since Chuck Bass is not able to serve on that Panel and Ethical Practice Review Board, which he was elected.

## Committee Meetings:

Mary and Kaitlyn attended a variety of committee meetings, seldom in the same ones, so we came out with a good overview of the more controversial topics.



# 2017 NMAHA Christmas Party

## *Merry* CHRISTMAS



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