

Northern Minnesota Arabian Horse Association

NMAHA NEWSLETTER

January/February 2019

Meeting Minutes

January 2019

President, Kaitlyn Frenchick called the meeting to order at 12:35 January 12, 2019 at Cedar Pointe Community Room in St. Augusta, MN, hosted by Kaitlyn F. Those who attended enjoyed a potluck prior to the meeting. Members present were: K. Frenchick, J. Liestman, L. Frenchick, R. Gilbert, L. Schlangen, J. Liestman, J. Woolcott, L. Mueller and M. Lieser. Visitors present were: S. Woolcott, and K. Lieser.

A motion was made by Roz G and a second by Lee Ann M. to approve the minutes as published with the following corrections:

Mary was elected in March as Region 10 Director not in August as stated in the December minutes. She officially took over these duties after the National Convention, not during.

Treasurer Report: Kaitlyn F. gave an overview on behalf of Val T. A couple of highlights are:

- -AHA Convention expenses were less than in 2017 due to one delegate less attending
- -President Award Expenses for 2017 & 2018 were both paid in 2018 as the 2017 Award wasn't presented/ordered until 2018
- -Yearly Budget for 2018: There was a loss, however it was under what the club budgeted for the year

A motion to approve the Treasurer's Report was made by Roz G. and followed by Mesa L. seconding the motion.

Committee Reports:

The One Day Shows:

Roz G. & Kaitlyn F. gave an update on the ODS and Value Show (May 18th and 19th, 2019).

- -A farrier has been booked for the show.
- -Hotels have been booked for the judges-Kaitlyn F. will create a Google document for volunteers to sign up
- -Sponsorship forms can be found on the NMAHA website—these are important for the success of the show
- -Awards have been ordered-Kaitlyn F. has started putting the Hippology contest together and has made a flyer
- -Kaitlyn F. will look into ordering buckles for the Highpoint Awards

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Dates to Remember:

Next Meeting:

Ambassador Awards: March 23, 2019—Litchfield Pizza Ranch —Noon buffet, meeting and awards to follow

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Committee Reports (Cont):

June OIEP/WSCA Show:

Lynda F. gave a report on the show on the 2019 June show.

-The Meeker County Fairgrounds has been reserved. Lynda will send a contract

-A grant has been granted to the horse barn. This will allow stalls to be leveled out and matts placed in the stalls

-The showbill will be very similar to in 2018 if not the same

Royalty:

Jaime L. reported on the Royalty.

-Shirts have been ordered for the 2019 Royalty

-A tentative schedule was sent to the 2019 Royalty for events for the year

Ambassador Program:

Jean L. gave an update.

-Awards will be ordered within the next week

Old Business:

Arabians Unplugged:

Roz G. made a motion to that NMAHA pay the requested \$150 for dues, with a second by Jeanne W. A discussion about donating extra to AU has been tabled until the August 2019 meeting once the NMAHA shows are completed

Facebook:

The old Facebook account is still active. Kaitlyn F. will check with Lynda F. about the password to get this account deactivated

New Business:

Postcards:

-Not sure the club saw enough benefit to send postcards out again promoting our shows. Perhaps use Social Media as the advertising avenue instead. Jeanne W. suggested creating a Twitter Account

Judging Team:

- -March 16th in New Berlin, WI is where the contest will take place. If a team attended, it was suggested by Kaitlyn F. that they arrive the evening prior
- -At least three members are needed to form a team. There may be additional cost due to the location

Other:

Bylaws:

Jaime asked if the Bylaws state a requirement for board members to attend a certain number of meetings to be on the board, as this should be a requirement. Kaitlyn F. will look for the hard copy since it does not specify on the website.

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Meetings for 2019:

March 23rd @ the Area Community Center—Paynesville (*NOTE: location change to Pizza Ranch—Litchfield)

April 13th @ hosted by Muriel B. at the Railroad Crossing Community Rm - Sauk Centre

August 24th @ the residence of Roz G. – Sauk Centre

October 5th @ Mille Lacs Kathio State Park – Onamia

December 7th @ ElmerZ's – Sauk Centre

Roz G. made the motion to adjourn the meeting, with a second by Lee Ann M. The meeting was adjourned at 1:33 PM.

Jaime Liestman,

NMAHA Secretary

President's Perspective

Hello,

I hope everyone survived the cold that January brought. I know that the idea of warm weather coming hopefully in a few months made it a little easier to do chores. Here is my short list that I would like to communicate to you.

A push that we are seeing from even the Regional level is the need for sponsorships for our shows. It has shown in the past that each level of sponsorship received has helped make the shows successful. This is important for our club, as these are the main activities we put on throughout the year that give us funds to fund special and mission specific items. These items include: Arabians Unplugged, donations to local 4-H club projects, donations to the Arabian Horseman's Distress Fund, etc. One way that we can continue to support these mission critical items would be to cooperate sponsors for our show would like to challenge active members to try and get 2 different sponsors for our club. They can be class level at twenty-five dollars per class, or patron level starting at one-hundred dollars per sponsorship. Try to think of businesses that you support for your own horses, and see if they would be willing to also support you. Even though the show is in Verndale or Litchfield many of our exhibitors come from other locations around Minnesota, Wisconsin, and the Dakotas and those businesses will receive advertisements throughout the show for their support. So get out there and asked those businesses!

The final thing I want to mention is volunteering at the shows. Even though our club is not overly large, the shows still require support in this manner. If you will be at the shows, we would also appreciate if you can still volunteer when you have downtime. Each year our royalty does a great job with the ribbons, and all the gate help is awesome, but it is a long two days and being able to be relieved for even thirty minutes feel incredible.. Just like last year, I will have a link up soon for sign up in Google Doc. If you would prefer to contact me directly versus using the Google doc, please do so.

Kaitlyn Frenchiek NMAHA President

2019 NMAHA Royalty

Queen—Ally * Princess—Zoe * Sweetheart—Lily



Congratulations!

Queen ALLY EBLEN



Hí, my name ís Allyana Eblen, but I prefer Ally. I am 16 years old and a juníor ín hígh school. I'm homeschooled and taking PSEO classes through Ridgewater.

I am active in Meeker County 4-H and I have two Arabian geldings that I show in Showmanship, Western and Huntseat Pleasure and training project. I also participate in hippology, horse judging and horsebowl. I'm on the horse project development committee and I mentor younger and new youth.

I am looking forward to seeing what this year brings as the NMAHA Queen.

Ally

2019 Royalty Continued

Princess 10f fblf1



Hello! My name is Zoe Eblen. I am super excited to be the NMAHA Princess for 2019. I wanted to run for the royalty program for a long time, and finally decided to do it. It was a pretty easy process and fun too! I would encourage everyone to give it a try. I have participated in the NMAHA ambassador program for two years.

I am 14 years old and I am in 8th grade. I have an Arabian gelding named Mahogany's Masque (Maq) who I show, and a miniature horse named Gambler. Both of my horses were rescues!

I am active in Meeker County 4-H where I show my horses, dairy prospect steers, and many general exhibits. I also participate in horse bowl, hippology, judging, and I am a mentor for younger youth in the horse project.

I am looking forward to having fun and learning as the NMAHA Princess!

Zoe

Hello!

I am Lily Schlangen and I am 11 years old.

I like to dance, ride and spend time with my horses. I also love to read Harry Potter!

My favorite food is apples with salt.

I am looking forward to this coming year as the NMAHA Sweetheart!

Lily

Sweetheart LILY SCHLANGEN



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