

NMAHA NEWSLETTER

January/February 2020

Meeting Minutes

January 2020

The meeting was held at residence of Kaitlyn Frenchick in St. Augusta, MN on January 25, 2020. Prior to the meeting a potluck was enjoyed. President, Lynda Frenchick called the meeting to order at 12:34. Members present were: J. Liestman, K. Frenchick, R. Gilbert, J. Liestman, L. Mueller, M. Beecroft, M. Lieser, K. Lieser and M. Beecroft.

There was a motion made to approve the minutes as published in the last newsletter by Roz G. and a second by Kaitlyn F.

Treasurer Report:

Roz G. made the motion to approve the treasurer's report with Missy B. seconding that motion.

OLD BUSINESS

Committee Reports:

The One Day Shows:

Roz G. gave an update on the ODS and Value Show for 2020. (May 16-17th)

Awards:

- Roz is waiting to hear back from Melissa to see if she is able to complete more towels.
- We have 40 towels remaining from last year.
- The ribbon order should be rather small, due to the amount left from last year.
- Look into having a few different award options (Vet wrap, gift cards, etc).
- The Potted Pony has some gift/prize options that could be pursued.
- Maybe a table with items or prize baskets for them to choose from.

Online Show Survey:

-Kaitlyn received feedback from 8 individuals. As a whole, people seem to be happy with our show(s), but a couple suggestions are:

- More Specialty classes
- Additional Awards or Awards in place of ribbons—Gift cards

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Dates to Remember:

March 21, 2020—Potluck at noon—meeting and Ambassador Awards to follow at the Paynesville Area Center—Paynesville, MN

May 15, 2020—2021 Royalty Applications due to Jaime Liestman

May 16-17, 2020—NMAHA Show, Verndale, MN



Meeting Minutes Continued

Committee Reports (Cont):

Showbill:

- Arabian English Show Hack will be added to Saturday's classes, #43
- Half-Arabian English Show Hack will be added to Sunday's classes, #27
- Age split for the horse has been eliminated for the Halter classes
- No Sport Horse Classes are being offered
- Can look at adding Halter Showmanship 10 & Under, W/T as one of the TBA classes
- A motion was made by Kaitlyn F. with a second by Mesa L. to raise the entry fee for In-Hand Poker to \$15 from \$12, giving 90% of the entry fees to Region 10 Youth as a fundraiser, with the remaining 10% plus \$200 being awarded to the class winner.

Judges:

- The contracts for both judges have been received and hotel rooms booked.

Hippology:

- The hippology contest will be from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM on May 16th.

Volunteers:

- Kaitlyn F. will head up the Google sign up sheet.

Sponsorships:

- Sponsorships are always welcomed even from businesses outside of the Verndale area.

Patrons:

- Mesa L. will continue to be in charge of the patron baskets and promoting.

Contract Renewal with R&J:

- 2020 is the last year we are contracted with R & J Arena. If we wanted to renew, Ron would have to be met with.
- The arena at Hinkley has made changes. A committee of Jaime L., Jean L., Lee Ann M., and perhaps Kaitlyn F. & Missy B. could find a time to look into this location, as well as other locations.

June OIEP/WSCA Show:

Lynda F. gave an update.

Sponsorships:

- Jaime L and the Royalty will work on gathering sponsorships.

Volunteers:

- This is very important to help the show run smoothly.

Judges:

- Still waiting to finalize a second judge. Looking into a non WSCA judge.
- There is a wedding the same day as our show, so there might be an issue with restrooms.
- Perhaps we need to consider a 2-3 year contract for the upcoming years for the fairgrounds.

Ambassador Program:

Jean L. reported that awards are in, just need to finalize them.

Royalty:

Jaime L. reported on the Royalty.

- The 2020 Royalty were given a tentative schedule for the year.
- The 2021 Royalty Guidelines and Application is available. Deadline is May 15, 2020.

Meeting Minutes Continued

NEW BUSINESS:

Bess Mess:

-Mary S. has the information regarding that.

Region 10 Youth Fundraising:

-Kaitlyn F. reported that Region 10 Youth is holding a raffle as a fundraiser. Tickets to be sold at all Region 10 Shows, but it is being looked into as far as requirements that other states have for selling tickets.

-Could look into doing a silent auction at our May show. Get a list of individuals willing to donate items.

Region 10 Report Eau Claire, WI – January 12, 2020:

Clinics:

-April 4th, 1:00-3:00 PM – Show Prep at Dan McConaugh

-July – Rob Bick Clinic

Judging Contest:

-Hasn't been scheduled yet.

Awards:

-There was a discussion regarding awards and some new possibilities, such as a Yeti cup or cash.

Scholarship:

-Deadline is March 15, 2020

Meeting Dates:

March 21, 2020 – Paynesville Area Community Center – Ambassador Awards, Paynesville, MN

April 18, 2020 – Sauk Centre, MN

August – Date TBD, Location Darwin Ski Hill – Trail Ride

October - Date and location TBD

December 5, 2020 – Location TBD, looking at possibilities.

These dates are to be discussed further at the March meeting, as well as the rewording of our annual meeting.

At 2:21 PM Kaitlyn F. made a motion to adjourn the meeting, with a second by Lee Ann M.

Jaime Liestman,

NMAHA Secretary

President's Perspective

Thoughts from my perspective.....

As January comes to a close, we are experiencing mild weather compared to last year at this time. It helps our spirits and our thoughts turn to spring and all that it brings. Trail riding, new foals, new show season and the shedding hair!!

I certainly pray that we have a better spring than last year and that our weather is not quit as wet with late snow. I look forward to a new show season and hopefully some trail riding,

Our shows are fast approaching and if you attend our May show please complete the survey that we have put out there. Your input is important.

Volunteer opportunities abound and we certainly hope that our members help at our shows. We also would like to ask our members to seek class sponsors. Approach your feed store, local farm supply or any other business you frequent. Sponsorship is essential as our shows support the other programs we offer.

I look forward to seeing many of you at our March meeting where we will present awards to our members for the Ambassador program.

Please also encourage membership in our club. Our numbers have declined - we will need several new members in order to maintain a membership above 36 adults.

To all of our active members and non-members. Thank you for all that you do!

Lynda Frenchick

NMAHA President

Royalty Guidelines and Application

Application for 2021 NMAHA Royalty

Welcome to the Northern Minnesota Arabian Horse Association Royalty Program. We are proud to offer this program to our members and are excited about the upcoming year. Please read the following carefully, and return application to the Royalty Advisor no later than May 15, 2020. If any questions should arise during the Royalty Contest, please contact Jaime Liestman at 320-434-0273 or jimmyjunel@hotmail.com

NOTE: If there are any changes, postponements or cancellations at any time during the contest or the reigning year, they will be announced via the NMAHA website, the NMAHA Facebook page and/or email.

2021 NMAHA Royalty Guidelines and Rules

Qualifications

- Each NMAHA Royalty member is being chosen to represent and be an ambassador for the Northern Minnesota Arabian Horse Association.
- Candidate must be a member of AHA with designated club of Northern Minnesota Arabian Horse Association the year of the contest, as well as the year of their title. **Current membership card to accompany Royalty Application.**
- Queen candidate must be a member of Northern Minnesota Arabian Horse Association for at least two (2) years prior to the reigning year before she can be eligible to compete.
- Age of the contestant will be determined by their age as of January 1st of the reigning year.

Categories of Northern Minnesota Arabian Horse Association

General ages are listed, but are subject to change according to the number of contestants.

***Depending on contestants, there will be no age limit for the title of Queen.**

Queen	18- Over	Sweetheart	8 & Under
Jr. Queen	14-17	Prince	14 & Over
Princess	9-13	Duke	13 & Under

- Royalty members must volunteer a minimum of 4 hours at one of the NMAHA Shows (can be divided between shows). These jobs and tasks may include, but not limited to, answering questions about NMAHA, presenting awards, running errands for show management, assisting with gates, etc.
- Participate in one Royalty Ride, preferably at the NMAHA Show in June (Royalty Member does not have to be the owner of the horse).
- Assist a representative from NMAHA with sponsorship efforts for one of the two NMAHA Shows.
- NMAHA Queen is to write three articles for the NMAHA Newsletter
 - Introduction of oneself at the beginning of your reign (Jan/Feb issue).
 - About your activities as NMAHA Queen (Jul/Aug issue).
 - Farwell as NMAHA Queen (Dec issue).
- NMAHA Royalty title holders are to write two articles for the NMAHA Newsletter
 - Introduction of oneself at the beginning of your reign (Jan/Feb issue).
 - Farwell as Royalty Member (Dec issue).
- NMAHA Queen must attend a minimum of three (3) Northern Minnesota Arabian Horse Association meetings during the reigning year.
- NMAHA Jr. Queen, NMAHA Princess and NMAHA Prince must attend a minimum of two (2) Northern Minnesota Arabian Horse Association meetings during the reigning year.
- NMAHA Sweetheart and NMAHA Duke must attend a minimum of one (1) Northern Minnesota Arabian Horse Association meeting during the reigning year.

Royalty Application and Guidelines—Cont.

Competition for Queen

1. Must complete the Royalty Contest Application
2. Horsemanship, at any NMAHA or Arabians Unplugged show, choose a Showmanship, Horsemanship or Equitation class for your age division. Name and date of show must be listed on the Royalty application. Scoring is determined by your placing on the judges card for the class.
3. Speech
4. Written Exam
5. Essay
6. Personal Interview, to take place by one NMAHA member and one non-NMAHA member
7. Secret Judging

Competition for Royalty

1. Must complete the Royalty Contest Application
2. Horsemanship, at any NMAHA or Arabians Unplugged show, choose a Showmanship, Horsemanship or Equitation class, including Walk Trot or Lead Line, for your age division. Name and date of show must be listed on the Royalty application. Scoring is determined by the placing on the judges card for the class.
3. Written Exam, candidates 8 years old and younger may have an adult present to assist with the reading of the questions
4. May be asked to write an essay.
5. Personal Interview, to take place by one NMAHA member and one non-NMAHA member (depending on number of candidates competing)
6. Secret Judging

****If a contestant does not meet all of the requirements for the competition, they will forfeit the possibility of receiving a title.***

Upon Receiving a Royalty Title

- Each female title holder will be given a sash and each male title holder will be given a baseball cap with their title and year of their reign to keep.
- Each title holder will be given a shirt to be worn at different functions, to keep.
- Each female title holder will be allowed the use of two (2) crowns---(1) Tiara & (1) Hat Crown, to use throughout her reign. Any alteration to the crown(s) must be approved by the Royalty advisors (s), or else a charge for the full price of the crown(s) will be assessed.
- If any damage has been inflicted upon a crown (i.e a rhinestone falling out, bending, etc.) contact a Royalty Advisor as soon as possible so the correct repairs can be made before further damage occurs.
- Crowns are to be returned to the Royalty Advisor at the meeting prior to the crowning of the next years royalty, unless other arrangements have been made.
- If a NMAHA Royalty title holder holds another Royalty title within another breed association or club, it is under the discretion of the NMAHA Royalty Chairperson(s) whether that member should continue that title position for the remainder of the year. This is to avoid confusion among interested members while promoting Northern Minnesota Arabian Horse Association.
- NMAHA Queen is eligible to compete for WSCA Queen, as long as she meets the requirements of the WSCA Royalty Program.

Royalty Application and Guidelines—Cont.

***This application must be postmarked & mailed (or emailed) to: Jaime Liestman
61650 320th St. Litchfield, MN 55355, by *May 15, 2020***

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____ DOB: _____

School Activities/Awards, Hobbies and Special Honors:

Horse Activities/Awards and Involvement with NMAHA:

Name & Date of Show to compete in for Horsemanship (class can be listed day of show):

Alternate Name & Date of Show to compete in for Horsemanship (class can be listed day of show) **To be used only upon the approval of the Royalty Advisor.**

I am a NMAHA member and have read and understood the contents of this application including the approved guidelines, and will adhere to all rules during the contest for the NMAHA Royalty.

Royalty Contestant Signature: _____
Member # _____

I hereby give permission to the above person to be a contestant for the 2021 NMAHA Royalty. I have read and understood the contents of this application including the approved

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

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