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Northern Minnesota Arabian Horse Association



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Dates to Remember:

March 13, 2021— Meeting & Ambassador Awards, Paynesville Community Center @ 1:00 PM. Meeting is also available via zoom.

President's Perspective

Thoughts from my perspective.....

At the time of our last meeting, we were mid-way through January and having a nice winter with mild temps and not a lot of snow, at least in central Minnesota. As I write this article, we are looking at a very cold spell that will be around for a number of days.

Our shows are fast approaching. This means we are looking at our membership for a couple of things that are essential to our shows and the club being able to offer and support the programs that we do. Those two items being: Sponsorships and Volunteering.

Volunteer opportunities abound and we ask that our members help at our shows. We will be putting out a google document on-line to allow for easy sign up.

We also ask our members to seek class sponsors. Approach your feed store, local farm supply or any other business you frequent or perhaps sponsor a class as a member. Sponsorship is essential as our shows support the other programs we offer.

Currently - we are looking at our March meeting being both in person and virtual via Zoom meeting. I look forward to some of you at our March meeting where we will present awards to our members for the Ambassador program.

Last item I want to encourage membership in our club. Please be sure to renew your club membership and invite someone you know to join.

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

Spring must be on the way as my horses are shedding their hair. (Of course, from Hippology knowledge, that will occur in January regardless of when spring arrives.) But I hope it comes without delay.

Looking forward to riding, a new foal in May, being able to have our shows this year and to see NMAHA friends.

In the meantime, I wish you all the best of health.

Lynda Frenchick

NMAHA President

Meeting Minutes

January 2021

On January 23, 2021, the meeting was held via Zoom. President, Lynda Frenchick called the meeting to order at 1:12 PM. Members present were: J. Liestman, V. Temp, J. Liestman, L. Mueller, R. Gilbert, J. Riebe, K. Frenchick and M. Miller.

A motion was made to approve the minutes from December as published in the newsletter by Jean L. and a second by Roz G.

Treasurer Report:

Valerie T. had emailed the officers/board the current Treasurer's report prior to the meeting. She reported that there hasn't been much activity.

-We do currently show a loss, but that was due to show expenses for 2020 when shows weren't able to be held.

-Certificate of Deposits mature in March. The decision to transfer the funds or partial funds into the checking account has been tabled until the March meeting.

Roz G. made the motion to approve the Treasurer's report with Jaime L. seconding that motion.

OLD BUSINESS:

Committee Reports:

The One Day Shows:

Roz G. and Kaitlyn F. all gave an update on the May show for 2021.

-Awards, judges and show fee/prize list schedule is all set.

Youth Day:

-Kaitlyn will order a buckle for the youth highpoint.

-Region 10 Youth Directors like the idea of having a sole spot for the youth to meet. Youth Day would switch show/location each year, with 2021 being NMAHA expense. Kaitlyn F. will attempt to get sponsorships for the youth classes for Saturday.

Kaitlyn F. made a motion to donate up to \$500, depending on entry fees, in addition to 90% of the dollars earned from the Poker In-Hand Trail to the Region 10 Youth. This motion was seconded by Roz G.

Hippology:

-The hippology contest will be virtual this year with an entry fee being required.

Volunteers:

-Kaitlyn F. has the Google document created and ready for someone else to be in charge of lining volunteers up.

Sponsorships:

-NMAHA members are encouraged to find sponsors.

Facility Contract:

-R & J was renewed in 2020 for one year (2021). This will need to be renewed again if we want to continue holding the May show at R & J. The Great Arabian Get Together will be held at Double F Arena in Hinckley. This could be an opportunity for members to look at the facility in July.

Meeting Minutes Continued

Committee Reports (Cont):

Silent Auction:

-Each Barn and/or family is asked to donate a basket filled with items to be donated for the silent auction, which will be auctioned off. The proceeds will go towards the NMAHA Youth activities. Kaitlyn F. will oversee this auction.

June OIEP/WSCA Show:

Sponsorships/Volunteers:

-Both sponsorships and volunteers are needed.

Judge(s):

-Steve Bobzin is one judged who is booked.

- Jean L. has offered to reach out to WSCA judges and see if we can line up a second judge.

Ambassador:

Jean L. reported that the awards have been purchased. The personalization needs to be completed yet.

Royalty:

Jaime L. gave an update on the Royalty.

-Individual photos have been taken of the two royalty members.

-The dates have been updated on the Royalty application/guidelines and this was sent to Lynda F.

-Articles are being written introducing our Princess and Sweetheart.

-Jaime asked that NMAHA Royalty masks could be ordered for our royalty.

NEW BUSINESS:

Best Mess:

-Waiting for the flash drive to be returned with the latest updates.

Newletter/Meeting Links:

-Lynda F. will plan on emailing the newsletter and meeting links out to our members on a regular basis, unless anyone else is interested in doing this. If so, please contact Lynda.

Term of Board Members:

Kathy Monico's term is up as a member of the Board of Directors. She has opted to not run for the board member position again.

Valerie T. made the motion to accept the Officer positions as is published in the previous newsletter, with the addition of Mesa Lieser being added as a board member for a white ballot. This motion was seconded by Kaitlyn F.

-President = Lynda Frenchick

-Vice President = Missy Beecroft

-Treasurer = Valerie Temp

-Secretary = Jaime Liestman

Meeting Minutes Continued

NEW BUSINESS (continued):

Region 10 Report:

Kaitlyn F. reported on the Region 10 meeting, which was held via Zoom on January 17, 2021.

- Budget is in place for 2021. Hoping for a profit this year.
- There was positive feedback from the AHA convention that was held virtual.
- June 9-13, 2021 is the Region 10 show.
- Scholarships are available to all ages. The applications are due April 1-15, 2021.

Other:

Upcoming Meeting Dates:

March 13, 2021 – Meeting and Ambassador Awards (tentatively at the Paynesville Community Center, but also the meeting will be available via Zoom) @ 1:00 PM

April 17, 2021 – Meeting @ 1:00 PM

Meeting was adjourned at 2:32 PM.

Jaime Liestman,
NMAHA Secretary

2021 NMAHA Royalty

Hello! My name is Lily Schlangen. I am the 2021 NMAHA Princess. This is my third year as a member of the Northern MN Arabian Horse Association Royalty.

I take lessons at Reflection Farm, where I also keep my mare, RF Pitch Perfect. I have ridden many horses during my lessons. I also ride where my best friend goes and at my other friend's place. At the place my best friend goes, I rode Arion and Sundae. At my other friend's place I rode Winnie.

Me and Kira like to go shopping and to be outside.

I enjoy riding horse, dance and snowboarding. In the summer I like to skateboard and rollerblade. My goals for 2021 are to get better at riding horse, dance and snowboarding.



Lily Schlangen
2021 NMAHA Princess

Hi! My name is Maddie and I'm 10 years old (possibly 11 depending if you read this after March 4th). I am the 2021 NMAHA Sweetheart.



I like to do art. My favorite thing to do is paint and draw! I have a horse named, Hattie and she is 16 years old. I like to groom my horse when I go to Reflection Farm. I do a lot of drawing and painting. I dream of being an artist and a horse trainer or breeder when I grow up! Hattie's foal is due in late May and I'm very excited!

I've been in the NMAHA royalty a few times and have been a Sweetheart rank. I haven't been a princess yet, but I aspire to be one day!

My goals for 2021 are to get better at riding my horse and training her in general. I also want to get better at art and fitness. I am pretty good at art at the moment, but I still want to get better. I want to be able to ride my horse eventually, but once she

has the baby I can't really focus on that for a bit.

Maddie Beecroft
2021 NMAHA Sweetheart

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