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October 16, 2021— NMAHA Meeting, Royalton, MN

December 1, 2021— NMAHA Ambassador Forms Due

December 1, 2021—NMAHA Hands & Hooves Forms Due

President's Perspective

Thoughts from my perspective....

I will start my thoughts with giving thanks where gratitude is due.

Thank you to Jean and Jaime Liestman of Reflection Farm, for hosting our trail ride and meeting. It was certainly a beautiful day for a trail ride and unfortunate that only a handful of people could ride.

Thank you to all our members and friends/family who volunteered at our shows this year. We could not put on the shows without you!

Thank you to our sponsors at each show, your support helps us tremendously. For a complete list visit our website on the Sponsors page.

Summer sure has gone by too fast. At least for me it has. It has been great to have all our regular shows again this year. I look forward to attending a couple more. Wonderful times with friends.

I wish to welcome our new members to our club and our renewing members. Thanks to you our club can have two delegates for the AHA Convention this year. It will again be a virtual meeting. Resolutions will be posted on the AHA website and we will be reviewing them at our October meeting. Please let an officer or board member know your thoughts or concerns on any of them if unable to attend the next meeting.

As we keep an eye on the local Covid concern we do plan currently to meet in person in October. Zoom meeting will also be offered. Please watch our website and our face book page for information.

Until then, stay safe, enjoy your horses, enjoy the cooler weather that is coming. Praise the Lord for the recent rains!

Lynda Frenchick

NMAHA President



Meeting Minutes

August 2021

The meeting was held at Reflection Farm, Litchfield, MN on August 14, 2021. A trail ride was enjoyed by a few prior to the potluck and meeting. President, Lynda Frenchick called the meeting to order at 1:00. Members present in person were: J. Liestman, L. Frenchick, R. Gilbert, J. Liestman, L. Schlangen, K. Frenchick, M. Smith, J. Riebe and J. Woolcott. Members present via Zoom were: L. Mueller and M. Beecroft. Visitors present were: K. Possail.

There was a motion made to approve the minutes as published in the last newsletter by Mary S. and a second by Jean L.

Treasurer Report:

Prior to the meeting, Valerie emailed reports to the officers and board. Lynda F. gave an overview from Valerie's email.

Funds will be put into a CD from the checking account in the near future.

At a later date Mary S. and Valerie will go over the numbers from the May shows in more detail.

Roz G. made the motion to approve the Treasurer's report and Kaitlyn F. seconded the motion.

Committee Reports:

The One Day Shows for 2021 & 2022:

An overview was given:

- There was a nice profit made for the May shows this year.
- Thank you to all of the numerous show and class sponsors.
- The contract has been signed for another three years at R&J Arena in Verndale, MN. Stall price has increased \$5.00 per stall for the new contract.
- Any ideas are welcome for awards/prizes, as our supply has been depleted.
- Perhaps in 2022 there will be PtHA classes added to our show.
- Since the numbers are down in the Halter classes, for 2022 that might be a TBA class.
- A pizza party for exhibitors on Friday night of the 2022 show is a possibility as a way of saying "Thank You".
- There will not be a Hippology contest offered in 2022, due to lack of participation in 2021.

Region 10 Youth:

Kaitlyn F. shared that \$600.00+ was gathered between the Poker In-Hand Trail class and the Youth Entries for Saturday's show. \$500.00 of that will be donated to the Region 10 Youth, as that was what the board agreed upon prior to the show.

Silent Auction:

Kaitlyn F. reported that \$336.00 was raised during the Silent Auction at the May shows. This will be available for NMAHA Youth programs.

June Show:

Lynda F. gave a recap on the June show.

- It was a pleasure to work with Agnes at the Meeker Co. Fairgrounds. There was a fire hose provided and Josh C. from the fair board watered the arena down prior to our show.
- Our numbers were greatly down this year.
- Thank you to all of our volunteers and sponsorships for this show.
- The fairgrounds are booked for June 4, 2022.

Meeting Minutes Continued

Committee Reports (Cont):

- The fairgrounds are booked for June 4, 2022.
- We need to decide if in 2022 we will still offer two judges.
- Check to see what the rules are for qualifying for WSCA Champ Show. In 2021, the exhibitor needs to pre-register online to show at Champ show, regardless if they qualified by placings.

Ambassador Program:

Jean L. gave an update:

- Members need to keep tallies of hours spent with their registered Arab/Half-Arabs to participate in the Hands & Hooves Program.
- Members to turn in forms for Non-rated shows, parades and competitive rides to participate in the Ambassador Program.

Royalty:

Jaime L. reported on the Royalty.

- The 2021 Royalty had a fun night out at the Starlite Drive-In movie.
- The hair tiara for the Sweetheart broke. Jaime had an extra less expensive crown as a backup.
- No applications were received by the May 15 deadline to compete for 2022 Royalty.

OLD BUSINESS:

Club Membership:

Lynda F. stated that we attained 38 members by June 30th, therefore we have two delegates.

NEW BUSINESS:

Delegates:

- The submission of Delegates for the AHA Convention has been completed online. Lynda F. and Kaitlyn F., with alternates being Mesa L, Roz G. or Valerie T. These can be changed up to August 31, 2021.
- Registration for attendance can be completed online or mailed in.
- Resolution submissions are due August 15, 2021. Resolutions can be printed or AHA can mail them.
- AHA has determined that the Convention will be virtual.
- 2022 is planned to be at Myrtle Beach, as well as the option of virtual attendance.

Election of NMAHA Officers and Board:

- The election of officers and BOD will be at the October meeting. One board member position and the officers terms are up in 2021. Let Jaime L. know if interested.
- In 2022 three board positions are up. Should we stagger this by extending one of those positions for an additional year?

Meeting Dates:

October 16, 2021 – Residence of Lee Ann Mueller - Royalton, MN

December – Date and Location - TBD

Meeting Minutes Continued

Other:

Thank you:

Lynda F. extended a Thank You to all who contacted individuals/barns/businesses for our Patron and Class sponsorships for our shows. This income helped our shows be financially successful!

Club Documents and History:

Mary S. is still looking for a home for the club history/documents. These items need to be stored and at some point it would be beneficial to have them transferred to digital form.

Christmas party/meeting for 2021:

At the October meeting further discussion will be had regarding not holding a Christmas party with a gift exchange and club gifts, due to the lack of attendance. Perhaps a drawing or two can be held for a Visa gift card.

Kaitlyn F. made the motion to adjourn the meeting with a second by Roz G. The meeting was adjourned at 1:57.

Jaime Liestman,

NMAHA Secretary

Trail Ride



NMAHA

Trail Ride

at Reflection Farm



Nominations



**NMAHA is currently accepting nominations
to serve as an *Officer of the Board*
or
a *Board of Directors member*.**

If you would like to nominate an individual or run yourself,
please contact the NMAHA Secretary, Jaime Liestman as soon as possible.
Voting will take place at the October 2021 meeting.

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