

Indiana Hunter and Jumper Association

Current News

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Website points: Please let the Points Secretary know of any problems or errors with your points. Please remember that equitation and medal points are recorded under the member's name and hunter and jumper points are recorded under the horse/pony name. Also, points are in the system, but do not show up on the website until two shows have been competed making the member or horse eligible for year end awards. The same is true for Champion/Reserve Champion points.

Annual Horse Show and Medal Finals: The Annual Horse Show and Medal Finals committee are busy with plans for the annual event to be held at Hill Top Stables, Zionsville, IN on August 02 – 05, 2018. The Annual Horse Show will be held from the August 02 – 04 followed by the Medal Finals on Sunday, August 05. The committee always welcomes volunteers and sponsors to help with this event. Please let a member of the Board know if you are interested.

This year will be the first year that points will be tripled at the Annual Horse Show. The committee has ordered the prizes, and the prize money offered will be over \$10,000.00. Please be aware that stalls are limited, so get your stall reservations in early. As always, there will be several exhibitor parties during the show!

The last date for qualifying for the medal finals is July 22. If you have any questions about qualifying, please contact any board member, or Secretary Liz Obrecht at indiana-ihja@sbcglobal.net.

Board of Directors meeting minutes: The IHJA Board of Directors met on May 14, 2018 at Lucky Farms, LLC, 9919 Towne Road, Carmel, IN 46032. Present were Sarah Burton, President, Maggie Boyle, Vice President, Liz Obrecht, Secretary/Treasurer, Amy Ochoa, Director, Richard Rinehart, Director, Amy Sandhu, Director and Ingrid Schoenlein, Director. Absent were Neal Yerian, Director and Terri Foreman, Director. Guests were Elyse Chualas and Diane Renihan

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m.

Liz presented the Board with a Financial and Membership Report. The checking balance is currently \$7,546.48 the savings balance is \$43,095.88 for a total of \$50,642.36, There was a pending deposit from the Pay Pal account on this date of \$319.23, and a transfer made today of \$38.54. This gives IHJA a balance of 51,000.13.

The current renewed membership is 163 members with 140 horses registered. This is a nice increase from April of 50 members and 45 horses.

OLD BUSINESS

Sarah reported that the points are now totally up to date. All shows that have presented results have been imported into the Org Pro program.

Annual Horse Show and Medal Finals Committee: A report on the progress of the Annual Horse Show and Medal Finals was next on the agenda. Maggie reported that she is still acquiring judges for two of the rings and the Medal Finals. Several judges were suggested by the Board, and Maggie will contact them to see if they are available.

The portable stalls have been ordered and will be set up in the available barns. Liz will contact the stall company to find out what date they will be able to deliver and pick up the stalls.

Liz ordered postcards which will be mailed out to the membership and other interested exhibitors. Extra copies were ordered to hand out at horse shows to further promote the show. The postcards will be available for the May 19 Hill Top Stables show. As stalls are going to be limited, it will be necessary to get reservations turned in as early as possible. Richard suggested contacting non member trainers as well to see if they have any customers to bring. The show offers prize money and triple points this year.

Amy reported on the prizes and awards for both the Annual Horse Show and the Medal Finals. She presented the board with several options, and is just waiting on the budget to make the final decision. Other suggestions were made by the Board members. It was decided to call the tee shirt company used last year for the finalist prize. Amy will contact them to see if they are available again this year.

Next, the discussion turned to hiring a course designer for the weekend. Several suggestions were made, and Maggie will follow up to find out their availability and cost. Dawn Stumm will be contacted to see if she is willing to do the pre show managing. This will include all hiring of staff and securing the shavings, portable toilets and other arrangements. She will then work with the course designer for the show days of the event. Liz will contact her to make sure that this is agreeable with her and to see if she can provide the board with a fixed fee for these services.

Pam Holdgrafer will be handling all stall reservations and assignments as well as help during the show. Pam will also be in charge of taking the golf cart rentals for Hill Top. Liz will find out the cut off for the rentals. Sarah will provide Liz with a copy of the contract to take to Hill Top at their May 19-20 show.

Sarah is going to contact a videographer that reached out to her to see what the cost for this would be. It was also suggested that horse show photographers be contacted to see if they are available/interested in taking pictures during the show. This would be nice to have especially for the Medal Finals.

Elyse reported on sponsorships for the show. Sponsor letters were passed out to all board members to use to solicit sponsorships for this year. There are already some commitments made. Each board member will be responsible for making contacts. As Sarah will be creating the prize list again this year, all sponsorships need to be turned in to her as soon as possible.

The Annual Horse Show and Medal Finals are still in need of help with the Hospitality. Ingrid volunteered to help over the weekend. IHJA still needs volunteers to pick up the items and be in charge of the parties planned during the weekend.

Changes to the schedule were discussed. Maggie will make the changes necessary and send the schedule to Sarah for inclusion in the prize list.

Rules and By-Laws Committee: The Committee will discuss changes to be made to the by-laws of the organization. Sarah has been doing research into this, and will provide information at the committee meeting to be held after the Annual Horse Show and Medal Finals. Discussion was also made of the specs for the Intermediate Child/Adult Jumper class held at WEC. The specs do not totally match the specs for any divisions IHJA currently gives points for. It was discussed to have the Mini Jumper become Intermediate Child/Adult Jumper for 2019. (Update: - the specs more match Puddle Jumper due to height than Mini Jumper). It was suggested that the Committee look into the WEC divisions to see if any changes need to be made to IHJA's divisions in order to count points there.

Banquet Committee: No report was presented at the meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

The Annual Horse Show Committee will meet on June 18 at 7:00 at Rinchart Farms.

It was moved, seconded and passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:43 p.m.

News: Please let a board member know if you have any news to include in the current newsletter.