Indiana Hunter and Jumper Association

Current News

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As you know, there have been many changes this year in IHJA. We have begun using a new points program, which has been a rather lengthy project involving several members of the Board. It is now up on the website, and totally up to date. Please let Sarah Burton know if there are still any missing points from your season. The website is still under construction, but we hope that it will be totally updated soon.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

There are only a few more days left to send the board any proposed rule changes. Please send these in writing to any member of the Board of Directors for consideration.

Also, time is running out if you are interested in running for a position on the Board of Directors. Positions for election this year are: President, Vice President, and three Directors. Again, let any member of the current Board know of your interest. You must be a current member of IHJA, and willing to attend approximately four meetings a year. All Board members are also required to serve on a committee, and volunteer to help with our major events, such as the Banquet, Annual Horse Show or Medal Finals.

Save The Date: The IHJA Annual Awards Banquet is scheduled for January 7, 2017 at the Ritz Charles. Anyone interested in volunteering to help with this, or donate items for the raffle/silent auction, please let us know. This is always a fun evening for the entire membership and family and friends to celebrate together the 2016 show season.

PAST EVENTS:

The IHJA Annual Horse Show and Medal Finals were a huge hit despite the torrential rains that tried to put a halt to the event. This year had a record turn out of exhibitors and horses, a total of 167. We not only filled the barns, but a portable tent with a total of 176 stalls. Congratulations to Right Lane Farm on winning the Barn Spirit Award this year. Also, congratulations to Taylor Johnson and Cavalli for winning the \$3,000 IHJA Hunter Derby, sponsored by Treesdale Farms and Crossroads Equine Transport. Reserve Champion was Catching Fire and Erica Zirkelbach. Contessa with Chris Johnson were the winners of the \$2,000 IHJA Gamblers Choice sponsored by Blue Chip Livery with Relevance and Alexandra Duffy Reserve Champions. Just A Dream with Anika Pirkle were the winners of the \$1,000 IHJA Welcome Stake, sponsored by Black Dog Farms, with Contessa and Chris Johnson Reserve Champions.

IHJA would also like to thank all of the following sponsors: Blue Chip Private Livery, Black Dog Farms, Treesdale Farms, Crossroads Equine Transport, Master Harley Carr, Tractor Supply Company, Wild Air Farm, McDavitt Veterinary Clinic, County Saddlery, Kimmel Shoe Repair, Wilkins Farrier & Forge, Fedor Feed & Grain, Jared Jackson Horseshoeing, Blue Ribbon Blankets, Sierra Woods, Indy Equestrian, Bending Line Jumps, Greyhavens Farms Sporthorses, Grandview Stables, Grand Champion Tack & Saddlery, Right Lane Farm, Anna Catherine Yerian, Hot Box Pizza, Leah Smalley Photography, and Zionsville Flower Company.

Thank you also to Richard Rinehart, Dawn Stumm, Angela Brown, and Sarah Burton, the Chairmen of this event. Angela Brown and the Junior Board members that helped with hospitality, Amy Tilson-Ochoa for her help with the awards, and of course, the great staff at Wild Air Farms for providing such a wonderful venue for us.

Congratulations to all of the qualifiers of the IHJA Medal Finals. Following are the results:

Maiden Medal	Champion	Hallie Moss	Children's Mini Medal	Champion	Lauren Smith
	Reserve Champion	Luke Rinehart		Reserve Champion	Catelyn Combellick
	3 rd	Cydney Combellick		3 rd	Hannah Lipps
	4 th	Autumn Bradbury		4 th	Rachel Kasper
	5 th	Ellie Hunter		5 th	Anna Catherine Yerian
	6 th	Jacqueline Pratt		6 th	Emma Repenning
	7 th	Rachel Zeh		7 th	Cianna Grummer
	8 th	Lily Swartz		8 th	Alexa Runnels

Adult Mini Medal	Champion	Jessie Ann Bolash	Children's Medal	Champion	Edie Wetzel
	Reserve Champion	Sarah Lipps		Reserve Champion	Ashley Stumm
	3 rd	Hannah Wickert		3 rd	Ashton Underwood
				4 th	Kaylin Tomyn
				5 th	Tatiana Dunipace
				6 th	Stephen Long
				7 th	Emma Rainey
				8 th	Gabriella Lewis
Adult Medal	Champion	Emma Ryan	Junior Medal	Champion	Taylor Johnson
	Reserve Champion	Katie Turk		Reserve Champion	Erica Zirkelbach
	3 rd	Katherine McCormick		3 rd	Amelia Jenson
	4 th	Emily Solan		4 th	Kathryn Kraft
	5™	Sarah Foreman		5™	Sloan Belveal
	6 th	Karlee Reagan		6 th	Isabel Arroyo

Minutes from the Last Board Meeting:

IHJA Board of Directors Meeting, held on August 11, 2016 at Wild Air Farms, 7550 Hunt Club Road, Zionsville, IN 46077. Present were Diane Renihan, President, Maggie Boyle, Vice President, Liz Obrecht, Secretary/Treasurer, Angela Brown, Director, Richard Rinehart, Director, Sarah Burton, Director, Terri Foreman, Director, Dawn Stumm, Director and Amy Tilson-Ochoa - Director. Absent were Lauren Brown, Junior Board Member, and Abigail Boldt, Junior Board Member

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

There was no financial or membership report given.

Old Business: An update was presented on the website and points program. It is now online, but there are ongoing problems to be worked out. Diane explained to the board the process of adding shows to the points program stating that it takes her approximately $1\frac{1}{2}$ to 2 hours to load each show. She is not going to continue with the points at this time as she says it is taking time away from her business. Sarah offered to step in and take over the program.

Next discussed was the invoice that Diane turned in to the Board for payment of hours worked on the program. There was much discussion on this invoice, but it was decided to pay the \$1,400. Diane is willing to train Sarah on the Org Pro program for no further cost, although has more hours to turn in to the board.

It was discussed that IHJA needs to perhaps talk to an IT person to help open the old points program if this program cannot be adequately used for IHJA's points.

Annual Horse Show/Medal Finals Committee: An update on the Annual Horse Show and Medal Finals was presented. The show will be one of the largest ever held by IHJA. The weather could, of course, cause problems with the scheduling. Staffing salaries were discussed and Liz will have everyone's checks ready on Sunday morning.

Schooling and jumps for the medals were discussed. The brush is in place, and jumps are set and ready to go. Schooling times will be posted for the exhibitors.

New Business: A clarification to the current rule regarding Short Stirrup Equitaton was discussed. At many rated shows the Short Stirrup Equitation is a division. In the IHJA rule book only one over fence and one flat class is allowed, and it is not eligible for champion or reserve champion points. This is already in the rule book, but is sometimes misunderstood by trainers and riders.

As there was no further new business, it was moved, seconded and voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Please let me know if you have any member news, horse related or otherwise to share with our membership.