

# Nebraska Paint Horse Club

Spring General Membership Meeting Minutes  
Sunday, February 27, 2011, 1:20 pm  
Seward County Extension Office  
Seward, Nebraska

- Call to Order:** President Colleen Dubsky called the meeting to order at 1:20 pm by welcoming the members present.
- Reading of Minutes:** Secretary, Renee Stouffer read the minutes of the General Membership Meeting from November 13, 2010 held in Lincoln, Nebraska. Motion was made by John Hertner to approve the minutes as read. Seconded by Mindy Kerwin. Approved.
- Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer's report was given by Michelle O'Dey. Reports of the bank balance and show income/expenses were handed out. Balance of the bank account as of February 23, 2011 is \$26,830.37, which includes the main club balance of \$22,928.47 and the Youth club balance of \$3,901.90. The main club's balance is split between a money market account and a regular checking account. The money market account has a balance of \$15,025.80 and the regular checking account has a balance of \$7,902.67. Motion was made by Mindy Kerwin to accept the treasurer's report. Seconded by Lindsey Pinkham-Heiden. Approved.
- Directory:** The directory has been printed. It has been mailed to NPHC members and Iowa exhibitors. There were 14 club member pages, 10 paid advertiser pages, 2 pages traded with other clubs, and 7 1/2 club pages. This year's directory had 12 color pages compared to 16 color pages in the 2010 directory.
- Lindsey Pinkham-Heiden has offered to help find advertisers for next year's directory. Any member who is interested in helping with the directory can contact Mindy Kerwin.
- Newsletter:** Mindy Kerwin creates the newsletter. Any note-worthy information should be sent to [NPHC@live.com](mailto:NPHC@live.com). There is a section included in the newsletter referred to as the "Braggin Book". Another note of interest is show schedules for Nebraska, along with Kansas, Iowa, Missouri, Congress, and World. Our next newsletter will be completed before April 1<sup>st</sup>.
- The club has created a page on FaceBook. Our club can be found at Nebraska Paint Horse Club.
- Website:** Lindsey Pinkman-Heiden has updated our website. Any information to be added to the website should be sent to Lindsey. A request was made to add an adobe reader link for members to download in order to view our website.
- Youth Report:** Angie Eberspacher is the youth advisor. The youth club is in charge of the paid trail practice at the April show. The youth will be laminating our show numbers as a fund raiser. A suggestion was made to look into a western pleasure decal as a possible fund raiser.
- The youth club scholarship application due date is in May. The scholarship is for \$250.
- April 2011 Show:** The first shows of the year are less than two months away. We have set up committees to help the April shows run smoothly.
- Andy Croghan will be in charge of the gate. Juanita Serafini and Michaela Rainforth have expressed an interest in helping manage the gate during the show.

Renee Stouffer will be in charge of setting up the trail patterns along with the barrel, poles, and stake race patterns.

Michelle O'Dey and Beth Junker are in charge of the awards. Each exhibitor will receive a cuzie. Each class winner will receive a bucket. The Hi Point award for each category is a bridle bag. The reserve Hi Point award for each category is a saddle pad carrier. A third place award for the highest Nebraska club member in each category will receive a hay bag. The Grand Champion halter stallion, mare, and gelding (in both Open and Amateur) will receive a grooming tote, and the Reserve Grand Champion halter stallion, mare, and gelding (in both Open and Amateur) will receive a gear bag. An exhibitor must present to all six judges to be eligible for the awards.

Bruce Heidbrink will provide a Gator for moving the wood shavings to the correct stalls. The Lancaster Event Center provides a 3 ply form for purchasing wood shavings. This form will be stapled directly to an exhibitor's control sheet. A suggestion was made to have a separate sheet with a list of stalls and number of wood shavings bags delivered to each stall located by the Gator.

Bruce Heidbrink and his family are taking care of the exhibitors' party. The party will be on Saturday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>, and run from 6:30 to 8:00 pm. Each plate will consist of a hamburger, chips, and brownie.

Angela Tordsen has agreed to take care of the paid Trail practice on Friday night. The youth club will be asked if they would like to help out and count this as a fund raiser for their club.

Courtney Lutjelusche has been in contact with Edye Wright to take pictures for the show. The club will provide wood shavings and a backdrop for the pictures. Courtney will ask the photographer if she has ever taken pictures at LEC and if the photographer has a certain location where she would like to have the still shots taken.

Mike Emmelbrink will be the ring steward. Glenda Mastellar will be the announcer.

#### **Other 2011 Shows:**

Jim Berry has agreed to be the ring steward for the May through September shows.

There is a judge change for the May show. Don Beard will be replacing Carly Veldman.

The judges for the Kansas June show are Carl and Karen McCuiston. Kansas members will receive double points for this one day show.

The state fair will be enforcing health papers and late entries. The fees have been raised by \$1 per class. The judges are Dee Dee Douglas and Kay Calvin.

We still need a volunteer to manage the September shows in Lincoln. Five of the six judges have been hired. The judge hiring committee is waiting for the list of new judges to be released.

The board has approved the purchase of poles to be used in Trail classes. A discussion on who would like to paint the poles was brought up.

#### **National Director:**

The alternate National Director will be voted on this year. Two of our members have filled out paperwork to be nominees. They are Marian Adam and Colleen Dubsy.

#### **National Convention:**

John Hertner gave a brief presentation from the recent National Convention. Points of interest included:

- 1 - A study of the effects of separating the Youth and Open shows.

- 2 - Ideas of moving the World show to different locations within the United States instead of keeping it at Fort Worth Texas are not feasible. The shows are too big to move.
- 3 - Registering cropout discussions are in the executive committee.
- 4 - Product identification is an issue that both the Paint horse and Quarter horse breeds are dealing with.

**Fall Meeting:** November 19<sup>th</sup> has been chosen for the Fall meetings, banquet, year end awards, and youth auction. The location is still undetermined.

**Adjournment:** Motion to adjourn was made by Courtney Lutjelusche, seconded by Bruce Heidbrink. Meeting adjourned at 2:22 pm.

SUBMITTED BY:

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_