

Nebraska Paint Horse Club

Fall General Membership Meeting Minutes
Saturday, November 13, 2010, 2:26 pm
Guest House Inn & Suites
Lincoln, Nebraska

- Call to Order:** President Colleen Dubsy called the meeting to order at 2:26 pm by welcoming the members present.
- Reading of Minutes:** Secretary, Renee Stouffer read the minutes of the General Membership Meeting from March 21, 2010 held in Seward, Nebraska. Motion was made by Michaela Rainforth to approve the minutes as read. Seconded by Jake Junker. 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 October 31, 2010 is \$31,643.87, which includes the main club balance of \$27,421.19 and the Youth club balance of \$4,222.68. A money market account was set up this year. This account currently has \$15,026.05 as a balance with the remaining \$16,617.82 in a regular checking account. Motion was made by Lindsey Pickham-Heiden to accept the treasurer's report. Seconded by Jean Adams. Approved.
- Youth Report:** Mindy Kerwin gave the Youth Club report on their meeting. The youth are creating decorations for the banquet. There was a discussion to find out if any youth would be interested in forming a judging team to compete at the World show.
- Membership:** We have 58 adult memberships and 31 youth memberships.

The dues for 2011 will remain the same as 2010.
- Newsletter:** Mindy Kerwin creates the newsletter. Any note-worthy information should be sent to Mindy to include in the newsletter.
- Directory:** The board has looked into printing fewer directories for 2011. There were 1,300 copies made in 2010 with a proximate cost of \$3,425.00. If we were to only print 750 copies of the 2011 directory, there would be an approximate cost of \$2,600.00.
- Website:** Sue Schimmer takes care of the website. Any information to be added to the website should be sent to Sue. A request for more photos on the website was made.
- Awards:** Courtney Lutjelusche reports that the year end awards are here.
- Old Business:** There are a couple of exhibitors who owe invoices from the April show.

Colleen Dubsy mentioned that the club received \$400.00 from the Nebraska State Fair for the Paint horse show held in September.
- New Business:** The majority of the judges have been hired for the 2011 show season.

We need volunteers to manage all of our shows.

We are waiting for a confirmation from Jan Berry to find out if she will be our show secretary next year.

A suggestion was made from the floor to contact Kathy Anderson at UNL to find out if she would have any students interested in earning extra credit by working our shows. We need an announcer, ring clerk, and gate person. A recommendation to use the same people at each show was made.

Show Schedule:

The majority of the 2011 show dates have been set up.

Our April show will be on the 23rd and 24th at the Lancaster Event Center in Lincoln. Three of the six judges have returned signed contracts. They are Gerald Butler, Mike Short, and Mike Hachtel. A couple of ideas were brought up for this show: (1) have an exhibitors' party and (2) have a sunrise cowboy church service.

Our May show will be on the 14th and 15th at Christiansen Field in Fremont. All four judges have returned signed contracts. They are Mark Smith, Rod Safty, Gary Hersom, and Carly Veldman.

As of right now, we do not have a date or location for a June show. We will discuss at the general membership meeting if we would like to share a show with the Kansas Paint Horse Club. Kansas has a 2 judge show scheduled for June 4th at Salina.

Our July show will be on the 16th. A location and judges have not been determined. The Lancaster Event Center is too expensive for this one-day horse show. Possibilities of having this show in Fremont or Grand Island were discussed.

Our August show will be on the 6th and 7th at Christiansen Field in Fremont. All four judges have returned signed contracts. They are Kim Garrett, James Johnson, Jeff Johnson, and Tim Crowley.

The Nebraska State Fair Paint horse show is currently scheduled for September 2nd in Grand Island. There was a discussion on whether to state point this show or not.

Our September show will be the 3rd, 4th, and 5th at the Lancaster Event Center in Lincoln. Two of the judges have returned signed contracts. They are Margo Ball and Sandy Curl. A discussion on adding a third day to this show was brought up. The format of having a regular show on Saturday, a youth/amateur only show on Sunday, and a regular show on Monday was talked about.

2011 Shows:

Show managers are needed for all of our shows.

For the April show only, the Amateur Showmanship and Amateur Western Pleasure classes will be split.

Show committees will need to be set up for the April show. Some committees that will be needed included: taking care of the saw dust, setting up and taking down the trail class pattern, and setting up the exhibitors' party.

There is interest in getting someone to take pictures at our shows. Michaela Rainforth will check into the costs of getting a photographer.

Show Bill:

The youth will have an open walk/trot class added to the show bills. The youth will provide a year-end award for this class.

Courtney Lutjelusche suggested moving the judging of showmanship from after the color classes to between gelding halter and mares halter. Discussion followed. No decision was made.

APHA has created new classes to be offered at horse shows. They are the "Green" classes and adult walk/trot classes. We are going to add the following "Green" classes: Western Pleasure, Hunter Under Saddle, Trail, Western Riding, and Reining. These are the open level classes only. We are going to add the following adult walk/trot classes: Showmanship, Hunter Under Saddle, English Equitation, Western Pleasure, Western Horsemanship, and Trail. An amateur exhibitor must have his/her

amateur card to compete in the adult walk/trot classes. These classes are not in the Breeders' Trust.

Lindsey Pickham-Heiden suggested moving yearling in-hand trail from the last trail class offered to the first trail class offered at our shows.

Our 2010 show fees were reviewed. Our show fees for 2011 will remain the same as 2010, with the exception of the April show. The April show will have a \$15.00 increase per division.

Election of Officers:

Election of officers for the 2011 season is as follows:

Nomination for President: Colleen Dubsky.

No nominations from the floor.

Motion by Lindsey Pickham-Heiden to accept Colleen Dubsky for President by acclamation.

Seconded by Cindy Shaw. Motion carried.

Nomination for Vice President: Courtney Lutjelusche.

No nominations from the floor.

Motion by Jean Adams to accept Courtney Lutjelusche for Vice President by acclamation.

Seconded by Jake Junker. Motion carried.

Nomination for Secretary: Renee Stouffer.

Nomination from the floor: Lindsey Pickham-Heiden.

A motion is made to close the nominations. Voting followed. Renee Stouffer was elected by the vote of membership.

Nomination for Treasurer: Michelle O'Dey.

Nomination from the floor: Lindsey Pickham-Heiden.

A motion was made to close the nominations. Voting followed. Michelle O'Dey was elected by the vote of membership.

Nomination for Director (1 year term).

Nominations from the floor: Jan Berry, Andy Croghan, and Lindsey Pickham-Heiden.

A motion was made to close the nominations. Voting followed. Andy Croghan was elected by the vote of membership.

Nomination for Director (2 year term).

Nominations from the floor: Jan Berry, Bruce Heidbrink, and Lindsey Pickham-Heiden.

A motion was made to close the nominations. Voting followed. Bruce Heidbrink and Lindsey Pickham-Heiden were elected by the vote of membership.

Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn was made by Greg Rainforth, seconded by Courtney Lutjelusche. Meeting adjourned at 4:11 pm.

SUBMITTED BY:

APPROVED: _____

DATE: _____