

Northwest Sport Horse Breeders Association Board Meeting
February 19, 2006, Olympia, WA

Meeting Commenced 12:00pm

Attendance:

Present

President: Rod Gregg

Vice President: Andrea Clibborn-Anderson

Secretary: David Clibborn-Anderson

Board Member at Large: Dressage/WA: Christy Callendar

Lisa Gardner: Show Manager

Diane Clemans

Absent

Treasurer: Stacy Fuoco

Board Member at Large: Hunters/WA: Jessica Wisdom

Board Member at Large: Dressage/OR: Deborah Hausman

Board Member at Large: Hunters/OR: Kathy Hall

Agenda:

A: Judges for the Show

Lisa Gardner circulated an e-mail prior to the meeting requesting all members to review and recommend Hunter and Dressage judges. Rod Gregg brought lists of Hunter & Dressage judges and each present member provided their feedback for Lisa to use as she begins finding judges for this year's show.

B: Show Report

1. Lisa Gardner reported having two Hunter breeding days is not financially viable.

VOTE Lisa Gardner motions for a vote to change Hunter show to 1-day, Rod Gregg seconds motion: 5 for / 1 against / 1 abstain.

2. Proposed schedule:

- a. Friday's show will start at 11am or Noon (allowing those who must travel long distances the flexibility to arrive Thursday evening or Friday morning). Finish will be approximately 8pm.
- b. Saturday's show will start at 7:30am.
- c. Sunday's show will start at 7:30am.

3. Sport Pony

- a. A request has been fielded from a Sport Pony breeder Carolyn Guinotte to include classes for American Sport Pony and to change the name of our Association.

b. There were several concerns voiced regarding costs of changing registered name, difficulty, and whether the name change to include Sport Pony should wait until after we offer Pony classes and there are sufficient Pony entries to warrant a name change.

Question was tabled: can Sport Pony show separately in USDF and if so, how does it count towards year-end?

Question was tabled: what is the definition of a pony? Is it different according to USEF for Hunter Pony (14.2) and USDF for Dressage Pony (14.2 3/4)?

c. Lisa Gardner will add Hunter Pony to Sunday's schedule, listing classes separately but with note that classes may be combined if entries warrant.

VOTE Lisa Gardner motions for a vote to change Association name to include Sport Pony (NWSPPA). Rod Gregg seconds motion: 6 for / 1 abstain

Question was tabled: Will Sport Pony be eligible to compete in Futurity?

4. Awards/Year End Points Discussion: There were many questions that should be discussed at a separate meeting:

- Can horses show in multiple breed/type classes?
- What breed specific classes should we offer?
- What classes count towards USDF or NWSHBA year-end points?
- Should we continue awarding double-points for our show?
- Should we include NWSHBA Year-end Award for Materiale?

5. Weanling Bonus Program

Andrea Clibborn explained that in its current form, the possibility exists for the Breeder's Bonus Program to pay the breeder of the winning horse even when the owner pays all the showing expenses. This does little to entice new people to show. Christy Callendar explained that this did happen to her once in the past. Unanimous decision was made to move forward with new wording and publish it to the website and make it available to Lisa Gardner for the show program.

6. Show Sponsors

Lisa Gardner asked for everyone to begin contacting local sponsors. Sponsors who sign up early will be listed in the prize list sent out end of March, those that sign up later will be listed on the website, those that sign up before the show will be listed in the show program. Lisa distributed sponsorship contracts for everyone to begin contacting local tack shops and vendors.

C. Stallion Auction

Advertising

Flying Changes; we have typically run two ads, once as the NWSHBA News Page.

Horses Inc; ad rates for the stallion auction in the past have been negotiated based on stallion owners running ads concurrently. Unfortunately ad rates have increased substantially.

Mane Event; Showcase the NWSHBA Stallion Auction at next year's Mane Event.

D. Accounting

Ledger was distributed, but does not include any transactions from January 2005. Also membership dues taken does not total membership count x \$40.

Question was tabled: was there an opening balance that is not shown in the ledger?

Question was tabled: was an exchange rate used for Canadian members?

E. August 12/13 is the Oregon Breeders Showcase.

VOTE Andrea Clibborn motions to recognize this show, Rod Gregg seconds

6 for / 1 abstain

F. 2006 NWSHBA Show list; what Hunter & Dressage shows will be recognized.

G. 2006 Stallion Auction

It was suggested that the format for the Stallion Auction be uniform and published:

Booking fee disclosed (can be \$0)

Minimum bid set at 40% of regular stud fee

Buy It Now (Instant Bid) set at 70% of regular stud fee

Christy Callendar offered to run next Stallion Auction, Andrea Clibborn offered to assist,

David Anderson offered to do ad layout to save fees from magazine

H. Clinics

Judy Hedreen & Mike Boggs are offering a North handlers clinic on May 13th at North Star Farm.

Jessica Wisdom has offered to run a South clinic, date and location to be determined.

Christy Callendar moved to adjourn meeting, Andrea Clibborn seconds

Meeting adjourned at 3:20.

Since the Board did not have an official quorum present to vote (5 Board Members). The following electronic ballot was sent out to all eight Board Members and seven returned their vote via email.

-----Original Message-----

From: Rod Gregg

Sent: Saturday, February 25, 2006 5:21 PM

To: Jessica Wisdom; 'Stacy Fuoco'; 'Andrea Clibborn'; 'Christy Callender'; 'David Anderson'; 'Deborah Hausman '; 'Kathy Hall'; Rod Gregg

Cc: 'Cuteloper@aol.com'

Subject: BOARD MEETING EMAIL BALLOT VOTE ON KEY ISSUE - RESULTS

Importance: High

Hi Everyone,

Below in **Red** are the results of our electronic vote on the six key issues. I want to thank the all of you that voted and sent them back so promptly. We can now move forward.

(1) Change our Association name :

Proposed Change :

From Northwest Sporthorse Breeders Association to: **Northwest Sporthorse and Pony Breeders Association** ? **Please vote .**

DID NOT PASS - NAME WILL REMAIN THE SAME.

(2) Weanling Bonus program :

Currently and for the past 2 years the Weanling Bonus Program has been structured and approved by the Association Membership to be as follows:

The Weanling Bonus shall be awarded to the Owner and the Breeder of the eligible colts and fillys in the weanling Futurity divisions. Prize money to be split 30% to the owner and 20 % to the breeder for each of the first place colt and filly.

Proposed Change :

All the prize money available will go to the Owner of the horse only. Not the breeder ? **Please vote .**

PASSED. It should also be noted that the prize money will go to the 1st and second place filly and colt in the Futurity Divisions.

(3) Breeders Classic Double Points System :

Currently we offer Double Points when attending our show VS. only offering single points for attending other shows such as Ft. Vancouver or Letter Perfect.

For horses to be eligible to win NSBA year-end awards they must enter classes in at least two of the following list of shows. Double Points towards NWSBA year end awards will be awarded for classes held at the 2005 NWSBA Breeders Classic Show. Awards are offered for both Dressage and Hunter Breeding.

Proposed Change :

Eliminate the Double Points system at our show and go **back** to a single point's platform ? **Please vote.**

DID NOT PASS.

(4) Breeders Classic Hunter Classes :

Last year we offered Hunter Classes on Friday and Sunday . We do not get enough entries to offer classes both days and we lose money .

Propose Change :

Offer Hunter Classes on Sunday only ? **Please Vote . PASSED**

(5) Oregon Breeders Showcase :

This is two separate Breeders shows held over one weekend in Oregon . They are new for 2006 and will give everyone **two** more potential shows to attend and meet our requirements of attending 2 shows to be eligible for NWSBA Year End awards. We need a vote to recognize these two shows as "Approved" NWSBA shows? **Please vote.**

PASSED

(6) Horses For Sale Website Link :

It is currently set up to Post a farm name , link to SALES PAGE of a member's website and a have 25 word description of the **horse for sale** and not also be a vehicle to advertise Stallions.

Proposed change :

Leave the Tab on the Website as "Horses for Sale" but make it a list of Links to the Breeders Websites for the person to explore not only the Standing Stallion but all horses for sale on their specific page. They would then be responsible for keeping their site and sales page updated. **Please vote.**

PASSED

Rod

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