

Norcal Minutes-General Meeting Feb. 5, 2023

Meeting called to order at 1:03pm by president Bob Kane

Roll Call/Attendance by Secretary, Becky Horat. 17 members were in attendance and all of the Board was present.

Treasurer's Report was given by Yvette Miller

Shows - Touch of Class moved their show date back & it is now the weekend before our April show. We were trying to avoid that and couldn't anticipate their change in date.

-We are not finding any affordable facilities in No. California besides Brookside. They have increased their prices on arena. They're also charging \$150 for use of indoor arena, where in the past it was free

-3 judges. 1 judge will judge both the A & R show and the other 2 judges will judge strictly A or R. This will help to not have the same 2 judges for both shows.

-Free class. Pay for 3 classes and get the next 1 free

-Free class for Youth. If they have never shown at a Norcal show previously, they receive 1 free class. Hand out ribbons for placings vs. show bucks. They can trade in for show bucks if they desire.

-Dates of shows - April 14-16, May 12-14 and June 2-4 all at Brookside

-It was discussed having special awards to be given out in random classes for those placing 3rd or lower. We would draw a placing out of a hat for the prize, similar at what is done at the World show for AOTE

-Slow the show down this year. Last year we had many complaints of the show running so quickly and exhibitors being pushed to get into the classes. It caused many to scratch classes. We will be avoiding

that issue this year. With the show being so small in recent years, there is no reason to rush it through. We want everyone to have fun and get to their classes. Bob Kane has solutions to this problem that will be put in effect this year. Roxy Cortez volunteered to be the gate person this year if needed.

Norcal is the 2nd oldest club in AMHA. And it may be the 1st oldest if we check into that.

Hi Point Dinner - Looking at having it at the Golden Corral in Sacramento . Possibly do a lunch instead

Clinic at Casey Campbell's - Casey has generously donated his facilities and his time for this clinic. We have 60 people signed up at this time. We're also looking into more clinics if able to. Maybe another Carriage clinic and/or Obstacle Clinic. Clinic is free to Norcal members. Pat Anastasio suggested we could also accept donations for those wanting to do so.

April Show - Discussed possibly doing a tack swap, silent auction

VSE Classes - We are adding VSE classes to our show as well as Pony classes. The VSE (Very Small Equine) classes would be a non-rated class we can add to the AMHA portion of the show. It's open to anyone, including non-registered Minis and ponies. This will allow those that have non-registered to show with us as well.

Pro-Am Class - Sharon Housley suggested doing a Pro-Am class as they do in other shows. A trainer/Open exhibitor drives the horse in part of the class and then the Amateur drives the same horse in the 2nd part of class. Could even do a calcutta where we bid on a team. This was thought to be a great idea and would be fun.

Board of Director Nomination- Sharon Housley was nominated for the open BOD position for 2yrs

Committees - We still need chairmen for some open committees. Such as By Laws, Gelding Incentive. Alexis Joseph volunteered to help out on the Youth Committee. Cammy Day is also on the Youth committee as well.

Hi Point committee - Tonya needs some help with funding for the AMHA side of the Hi Point. Area VII club has graciously donated \$500 this year towards awards for the AMHR side of Hi point. Very appreciated !! Hoping to do fundraisers and looking for any ideas or people to help out.

AMHA Director - Jacob Elliott was present as an AMHA director to answer any questions or concerns regarding AMHA. Many were concerned where the Western Regional Champ. Show will eventually be held in 2024 and beyond. This is still in works and no decisions have been made.

Meeting was adjourned at approx. 2:15pm. Tonya 1st and Sharon 2nd