

Region 14 Meeting Minutes
August 1, 2022 @ 7:00 PM
ZOOM Virtual Meeting

Director Jeff Caldwell called the meeting to order, with First Vice Director Dave Daugherty, Second Vice Director Jennifer Tucker, Secretary Debbie Swigart and Treasurer Joe Hull in attendance. Ten clubs were represented: ABAHA, BAHA, BAHAA, DBDR, KAHABA, KARABS, NEOAHA, OAATS, OHAHA, OVAHA and SAHIBA.

Minutes: Duane Esser moved, and Jennifer seconded a motion to approve the minutes as submitted. This passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: Joe reported that he had been paying expenses for Equine Affaire and Breyerfest. He also reported that the Awards Banquet netted \$3900. Tom McManas moved, and Kara Hatzia seconded a motion to approve the treasurer's report. This passed unanimously. Also, Joe moved, and Duane seconded a motion to waive the payment of regional club dues for 2023. This also passed unanimously.

Director's Report: Jeff presented his report (see attached Addendum #1):

Recently there has been a lot of negativity circulating on social media related to our Region 14 events. Jeff stated that this will not be tolerated. He is asking that everyone practice the *Golden Rule*, i.e., treat others as you would want to be treated ... what you wish upon others, you wish upon yourself. Joe has prepared a statement as guidelines based on the AHA Electronic Communication Policy model that has been presented to all judges, stewards, directors, executive officers, etc. More will be discussed later in this meeting.

Jeff noted that the deadline to submit your name for an AHA office is midnight tonight (August 1st).

The Board has determined, based on the Budget & Finance Committee recommendation, that, due to low entries (225) and the financial strains it would put on AHA, the 2022 Canadian Nationals has been postponed for this year. AHA is working to process refunds for all those that had entered. It was also decided that the Futurity classes will be held at U.S. Nationals.

This year's AHA Convention will be held at the Sheraton Marriott, Myrtle Beach, SC. The Early Bird pricing for delegate packets will be available through September 15th. Also, don't forget about the group rate pricing of \$109 + taxes for your hotel room reservation. There is a cost to park at the hotel, \$8 per day. Added this year will be a Trivia Night event Wednesday, November 9th. This will be a fund raiser for the Arabian Horsemen's Distress Fund (AHDF). Deadline for resolution submission is August 15th.

Sport Horse Nationals (SHN) will be held at WEC-Ohio (Wilmington) again this year, September 12th – 17th.

To enter the U.S. Nationals Performance Futurity/Maturity Derby, you must be enrolled into the program by August 1st.

Dave reported that the 2022 Mid-Summer / Youth Nationals was well received with 1100 horses (down about 250 from 2021). There was lots of fun with a block party that included a dunk tank, and they raised \$9000 for the Youth. They had face painting, tie-dyed t-shirts, food trucks, a bounce house and live band. Our Region 14 youth did participate in the Golf Cart parade, with the theme of the Kentucky Derby. Our youth director Kate Bonafede represented us well. It was very hot. There were several that did get COVID.

Dave, who is barn manager for Sport Horse Nationals doesn't have a number yet of entries, but they are expecting about 700 this year and they anticipate a great show. Danny Thompson reported that they added a 3-year-old Futurity Sport Horse in Hand class and a 7-year and older Sweepstakes ATR Sport Horse Under Saddle class. Joe asked about the welcome banners. Carl reported that our Region 14 banners were stored by AHA in the SHN supply pod. He and Dave will make sure they get displayed.

2022 AHA Convention – AHA released a Power Point presentation on this year's convention that was made available to the membership in from June. Jeff noted that so far two (2) clubs have submitted their delegate/alternate list to AHA.

- Joe reported that we have budgeted \$100 for door prizes.
- Joe also verified that we have budgeted \$500 for the Arabian Horse Foundation, towards the Bill Pennington Scholarship, and \$500 for the AHDF.
- We have a budget of \$1000 for our caucus dinner. Jeff has asked Linda Ferris to handle the details. Based on the costs of the hotel meal plans, Jeff feels if we may need “bargaining power,” so Joe moved, and Dave seconded a motion to allow up to \$1500 as a maximum budget for the meals. This passed.
- Based on a motion passed in 2019, delegates are eligible for the Early Bird cost of their packet if they fulfill the following requirements:
 - The delegate must have attended either two (2) regional meetings OR one meeting and volunteered at one Region 14 budgeted event; AND
 - They must attend the caucus meeting and the last meeting of the General Session.

Currently, the Early Bird cost is \$225 plus 3% credit card convenience fee.

Jeff announced that the 2023 Budget committee will be the Region 14 Executive Board: Jeff, Duane (incoming director), Dave, Jennifer, Debbie S. and Joe. They will meet via ZOOM, early in January. Dave moved and Duane seconded a motion to approve this committee.

Jeff read a letter from Anne Knoop, Region 13 Director referencing the approval of the 2023 Region 13 shows (letter attached as an Addendum #2). Cindy doesn't want to go back to our “old dates” and wants to re-affirm that these approvals must be made annually. Jeff has been advised that he put the shows “On Hold” with AHA until our Caucus meeting. Joe wondered if we can decide before our Caucus meeting. Cindy will know the numbers, etc. by end of September. Danny suggested that Region 13 pay Region 14 a stipend for approval. Donna Lassanske asked if Cindy Clinton felt their show is a conflict with our show. But Cindy notes it is not a conflict UNLESS it hurts our regular shows. Dave noted that they have been holding their show in our area for about 10 years and it was to be a temporary situation due to the construction at Indianapolis facility. While he appreciates her letter, this cannot be decided until after our regional show this year, and we also need to review the figures from the Medallion. Maybe this could be discussed in mid to late September. Duane agreed with Dave's points and that this is a good thing for our breed to have these shows in our region. Some of the unknowns are how the changes in qualifications affect the shows going forward. Jeff reminded the meeting that we will be voting on three (3) shows – Region 13 Sport Horse, their regional Pre-show and their regional championship show. Joe moved and Cindy seconded a motion to postpone a decision until October 1st via a ZOOM meeting. Jackie McLaren noted that Region 13 Sport Horse show was small this year (per Jeff it had 105 horses). She attended both and felt that there were different horses that attended the Medallion and the Region 13 show. Tonya Taylor asked why Region 13 holds their Sport Horse separate to their main ring show. Why can't they combine them like we do our Region 14 show. Per Cindy it has never been done. Dave noted (and Debbie S elaborated) that the Region 13 Sport Horse show has been held in combination Hoosier Horse Classic show (put on by the Indiana Half-Arabian Horse Club [IHABC]) vs. our Sport Horse classes that has always been held with our regional show. Duane commented that, with the WEC facility, there may be some issues in the future with holding both divisions at our regional show.

Region 14 Horse for Humanity – “Believe” - Duane hopes to have an update by our next meeting. Cindy noted that Region 12 has loaned their statue to display in WEC-Ocala. Could we display ours at WEC here in Ohio, either in The Sanctuary lobby or the Vendors Village. Jennifer asked if we could also have it at our events. Dave noted that the AHA statue “Goldie” got beat-up a lot and had to be repaired from all the travels. Cindy will follow-up with WEC-Ohio on whether this could happen.

Joe reported that in April, the Judges & Stewards Commission of AHA, sent out their Electronic Communication Ethical Considerations Policy. He drafted a Region 14 version of this policy (see attached Addendum #3) to be presented and adopted by the Region 14 membership. While it is voluntary and is not enforceable, we would like to see our membership abide by the behavior of being civil and present accurate information when conversing via electronic communications, like social media. He would like to move that we pass this document. Dave seconded and the motion passed. We will make it available on our web page.

First Vice Director’s Report: Dave didn’t have a report. He deferred to the Awards Banquet report.

Awards Banquet: Debbie Glasener wanted to thank everyone for one of the best banquets. We have a contract with the hotel for March 11, 2023, and we will have BINGO again. She is planning on the committee to meet in early December. If anyone has any suggestions, please let Dave, her or the committee know. This was the 17th year. The meeting rooms for the clubs are available, at a nominal cost. Our meal charge is the price the facility is charging us and then the region takes on the cost of the room for the banquet. Dave thanked Debbie G and the entire committee for all their work. With Jennifer’s help, this year’s awards nominations and voting were handled via the internet through Google. Deneb Thompson won the TV. Debbie G appreciated everyone that used VENMO to reserve and pay. We will plan on using that again next year, as well as with the Silent Auction payment, along with credit card or cash/check.

Second Vice Director’s Report: Jennifer noted that the MDP committee has been quiet this summer, partially due to preparing for the Key Stone Arabian Experience at the Thanksgiving show and the PAT lawsuit settlement. The “Meet the Arabian Horse” activities in May included visiting schools, nursing homes, farm tours, etc. The Local Level Committee plan on focusing on doing this in May only. A Membership Initiative Task Force has been formed. She needs to have feedback from club presidents on what they need. She also reminded those present that any information for the AHA Regional Insider eBlast by the 15th of each month. “We Love Arabian Horses” – a group led by Paul Kostial – held an ambassador’s contest May through July centered on outreach and promotion. Also, there is still money left in our Promotion Budget, so Jennifer is going to check into making more videos during the Region 14 show and/or Sport Horse Nationals.

Equine Affaire – Jennifer said it felt so good to be back in-person. She reported that we had 10 horses participate at the stall and in the demos. She presented a video to the meeting, and it will also be posted on Facebook. Jennifer noted that the deadline to reserve for 2023 was July 29th. Duane moved and Tom seconded a motion use the \$4000 budgeted to reserve our spot for 2023. This passed.

Breyerfest – Lorie Henderson was unable to participate since they went to Mid-Summer / Youth Nationals. Jennifer was helped with booth set-up. We had a new backdrop from AHA, plus new drawstring bags, and crayons to pass out. She had several new volunteers. Kara, attending for the first time, said that this was an amazing venue to promote our Arabians. We have one of the few breed booths. She hopes that we can do the breed demos again next year.

Dave attended Equine Affaire with his wife Anngie on Sunday. He encourages folks to go to these events and see why we go to the “trouble” of being there to present our horses. Being there will rejuvenate your enthusiasm for our promotions. Region 14 sets the bar for clubs coming together. The Kentucky clubs have been there to make things possible like WEG, Breyerfest, Equitana, etc. For Ohio, we have Equine

Affaire. He challenges all clubs to get involved and maintain the “rock star” image that Region 14 has when it comes to promotion of the Arabian horse. Tonya is so proud to be there talking to the kids, it’s better than a horse show. It is such a positive activity to have your kids involved with horses. She noted that it would be nice if more Ohio trainers to bring their horses out to all these events.

Jeff reported that Kate Bonafede, our Youth Director, helped with presenting awards at Youth Nationals. Lorie Henderson also noted the other things that Kate participated in. She helped with the stick horse workshop, selling the “piggies” etc. Lorie thanked Dave for loaning his golf cart for the Parade. Kate was scheduled to present the American flag at the final session, but they left the show early. It was also noted that Kate was elected as the new AHYA treasurer and gave a speech at their Youth convention.

Region 14 Youth Scholarship: - Jennifer brought the need for this and that Dave stated that it was the original intention that, if we made money at our awards banquet, it was to be used for the youth. Jeff also commented that we are one of the two (2) regions that doesn’t offer a youth scholarship. Cindy reported that the trainer Brian Murch proposed that Region 14 have six (6) 3-year-old classes added as a Jackpot type class and all donations, entry fees and sponsorships would raise money for the youth. Dave moved and Jennifer seconded a motion that, from 2022 forward, any net profit from the Awards Banquet be put into a Scholarship fund and that our director form a committee to set the criteria for this fund.

Youth Director Report: no report given

Regional Show Report: Cindy reported that to date, she had 1025 stalls reserved, with the hope of up to 1105. No one can arrive before 3 PM Monday, August 15th. For the first time, she has sponsorships, including Bill Hillsamer for the donuts and coffee for the week, Signature Oaks for a pizza party and there will be cookies available on Tuesday and Sunday. Friday there will be a BBQ at the Paddock Club. She added Western Dressage classes, so another judge was added plus an additional ring for dressage classes. The plan is for the R & L Arena will have a warm-up in the middle and then have Sport Horse at one end and Dressage at the other end. She needs help with Trail and Sport Horse classes. Jeff will be there as scorer. Jeff can set-up the trail on Tuesday for pre-show. Danny and Deneb Thompson will be bringing the trail to WEC the weekend before the show. Cindy feels that there is a lot of excitement about the show.

Election of Region 14 Officers: Cindy, chair of the Nominating Committee presented the slate of officers that will serve the region for 2023-2024:

Duane Esser - Director
Dave Daugherty - First Vice Director
Jennifer Tucker - Second Vice Director
Debbie Swigart - Secretary
Joe Hull - Treasurer

Cindy moved and Dave seconded a motion to elect these officers by acclamation. The slate was passed unanimously by the 17 delegates attending this ZOOM meeting. Cindy thanked these folks for their service to the region and the nominating committee.

Jeff reminded the meeting that Joe has asked that he would like to work with someone as a mentor to eventually take over a treasurer for the region. A background in finance would be helpful.

Old Business: none

New Business: Debbie S noted that, although the regional website appears to be working to those that visit it, she is having difficulties working on the site after Word Press loaded updates. She checked with the Help center with our host server – Host Gator. Basic help is free, but she would like to learn more to work on these issues. We can pay \$1200 for unlimited training for a year to help improve the site OR a month-to-month fee of \$149. This includes LIVE chat for one hour or a 25-minute phone conversation. She is

requesting that the region pay for two (2) months to see if this help is worth it. Joe moved and Tom seconded a motion to approve this expense. This passed.

Dave wants to thank Jeff for his four (4) years of service as our regional director. There have been many ups and downs these past four (4) years. Jeff said he has valued the support of his peers.

We will meet via ZOOM October 1st at 7:00 PM to determine whether to approve the three (3) Region 13 shows at WEC for 2023.

Dave moved and Tom seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting.

[Our convention Caucus meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 10th at 7:00 PM, at the in-person AHA convention in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina.]

Respectfully submitted,



Debbie Swigart
Region 14 Secretary

ADDENDUM #1



To All Region 14 Members,

July 24, 2022

I feel as your regional director; I have an obligation and responsibility to keep you informed, as to what is happening in our association.

I would like to first start with saying, it's time we apply this:

The **Golden Rule** is the principle of treating others as one wants to be treated.

- Treat others as you would like others to treat you
- Do *not* treat others in ways that you would *not* like to be treated
- What you wish upon others, you wish upon yourself

I cannot express enough all the negativity that has taken place within our region, among our members and we **MUST** put a stop to it, with that being said we will be putting more emphasizes into place, especially for all the negativity it is causing within our region, and it will not be tolerated!

Have a Say-Nominate Future Officers by August 1st....

The Nominating Committee would like all potential officer candidates for 2022 to submit the application form to Courtney McLees, by August 1, 2022.

You may want to first review the Competency Model to become familiar with the concepts and the skill sets desired of leadership in AHA. Second, you'll want to review the Executive Committee Job Description document as it contains information that will help you understand the commitment and expectations of the leadership offices of the AHA.

Upon submission of the profile, the Nominating Committee will review the forms and take appropriate action that is consistent with an equitable presentation of eligible candidates. A decision on whether to have a candidates' forum will be predicated on the number of new candidates submitting applications. Contact Courtney McLees at (303) 696-4530 or courtney.mclees@arabianhorses.org with any questions.

April 4th, 2022, Judges and Stewards Commissioner Mary Jane Brown sent out an Eblast about social media and electronic communications, there are many topics the EEC would like to touch on during the year, but we have chosen social media/electronic communications as our first topic. The steering committee was charged with developing a document that the officials would abide by certain directives regarding electronic communication.

We appreciate your continued support in keeping social media/electronic communication comments positive and appropriate. If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to Mary Jane Brown at Email: Mary-Jane.Brown@arabianhorses.org or call: 720-495-0646.

The resulting electronic communication document can be found on the AHA web site.

The AHA Board of Directors recently received recommendations and made decisions at the July 6th meeting.

The board received an extensive presentation by the Canadian National Show Commission on entry statistics regarding the Canadian National Championship Show for 2022.

The board received the recommendation from our Budget and Finance Committee that the 2022 Canadian National Championship Show be cancelled based on the financial strain the event would post to the Association given the lower than projected levels of participation.

Entries are believed to be low due to a number of reasons, including high fuel prices and continuing vaccination requirements. The low participation threatened to devalue the competition in many categories. We want to express a very special thank you to the individuals, businesses, clubs, sponsors and patrons for their contribution and support of the Canadian Nationals.

Ultimately, the Board after much thoughtful deliberation voted to postpone the 2022 Canadian National Championship Show.

The number of entries at close of entry deadline was 143, after receiving all mail in entries totaled 225. Results of entries: Entry Level/Classes very low, 40% of classes with 2 or less entries, only had 1-class with a full Top Ten.

Financial results are a significant LOSS to the association, the commission and the board have a financial responsibility to the members.

Optional Discussion: Members will be given option on refund or apply to other AHA events, applies to patron sponsorships, entries into other AHA National Events, Sponsorships or Advertising.

This was a very DIFFICULT decision for all involved and all are looking to the future success of Canadian Nationals. As you know the AHA Board of Directors postponed the 2022 Canadian National Championship Show.

July 13, 2022 - Since that time the following has occurred:

- The AHA has been contacting exhibitors to address refunds for entries to Canadian Nationals and answer questions exhibitors may have regarding the show.

- The AHA Futurity Commission has made the recommendation that location of the Canadian Futurity classes for 2022 be held at the US Nationals. That recommendation is currently under review by the Board.
- The AHA has been in contact with Tex Kam, President of the Canadian Arabian Horse Registry regarding a group of individuals hosting a show in Red Deer, Alberta September 27-October 2, 2022, and future opportunities.
- The AHA realizes it cannot recognize the show for 2022 due to a myriad of complexities.
- The AHA understands the need for Canadian members to create a horse show in Canada and we support and commend their efforts.
- Conversations will continue with the AHA and its elected Canadian National Show Commission.
- Conversations will continue in support of the Arabian Horse Association mission to provide opportunities for Arabian members and exhibitors.
- AHA will continue to explore viable options for the future.

Thank you to all who have provided important input on these matters. We are grateful there are so many members participating in shaping the future of the Arabian horse community. We are pleased to find mutual understanding so we can advance and celebrate the Arabian horse industry for the benefit of all.

Hi Board Members,

You have raised solid questions regarding the application of our rules/handbook as they pertain to why we can't recognize the proposed show in Red Deer or allow Futurity classes to be held there. Our rules are peppered throughout AHA Handbook with regulations as to how we promote, operate and manage our National Championship Shows. They also are clear with the authority and responsibility of the Board. Please let me know if you have any questions and if this helps in understanding our lane.

Stan has discussed the new Canadian Show with Tex Cam, who is President of the Canadian Arabian Horse Registry. They are wishing to run the show as a "National" Championship show however, this does cause issues with our rules and steps on the authority of the Canadian National Show Commission. The most important issue is that AHA would open itself up for anyone who wants to put on a National show to do just that. **A tad bit of history - the Canadian National Championship Show many years ago had an issue with embezzlement and those members received a lifetime ban from IAHA/AHA. IAHA (this occurred well before the merger) then pulled the show back in house and took over the complete running of the show.**

The Canadian National Show was "postponed" due to the potential loss of approximately \$100K. The word postponed is being used as we have every intent of running Canadian Nationals next year. The verbiage "cancellation" we felt implied that the show is no longer going to be held.

In looking at CBP 111.29, we have defined our National Show Commissions and their duties to our National Championship Shows.

In addition, COMP 102 states "All AHA Recognized Shows and Events will be run in accordance with policies and procedures as stated in the AHA Handbook and as determined by the USEF/EC rules. In addition to the above, the National Championship Shows will also be run in accordance with the said

National Championship Show Commission and the guidelines set forth by the National Shows Directorate.”

Other rules such as COMP 104.3 state that the Show Commission is required to negotiate a contract to provide mandatory drug testing and the Champion and one horse selected from all Top Ten classes are required to have one foot and shoe measured.

COMP 206 in its entirety dictates how the National shows are run, in particular, COMP 206.10 states that “That in the event that any of the AHA National Arabian and Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian Championship Shows are unable to be held, the appropriate National Commission, in concert with the AHA Board of Directors, will determine at which national event a portion of the canceled classes could be held. (Res. 16-20)”. The Canadian National Show Commission does not want classes moved to another show which is not run by AHA.

Additional sections in the Handbook also need to be followed for a National Championship as outlined in:

COMP 303 National Prize List Requirements and Entry Closing

COMP 403 National Entry Form Requirements

COMP 509 National Scoring Systems

REQ 105.3 Breeding and In-Hand requirements at US and Canadian National Championship shows

REQ 108.11 National Shows Equitation Class Requirements - specifically states show commission

REQ 110 Futurities - refers to entire Futurity chapter

REQ 201.3-6 awards and dividing classes at Nationals

REQ 202 workouts for National Shows

REQ 204 Posting of Judges Cards

REQ 204-205 Dividing Guidelines and Scoring/Judging procedures for National shows

Scoring Specific Classes

REQ 208 -302

Disqualifications

REQ 402

OFFC 103-104 National Judges General Information

Chapter 14 - National Show Qualifications - The proposing body wants to waive these - would be in direct conflict with the Board motion to require qualifications as presented by the CAC.

The Sweepstakes Commission has earmarked payout for the Canadian National Championship Show so funds will not be moved to this other “National” event.

The Futurity Commission has voted to place the Canadian National Futurity classes at U.S. Nationals based on the past precedence set in 2020 and 2021.

Many thanks and please let me know if you have any questions or if this helps in understanding our position.

Deborah Johnson
President

Mid-Summer / Youth Nationals update on show results: Entries are down 350 horses compared to last year 2021.

2022 AHA Membership Convention to be held in-person at the Sheraton Myrtle Beach November 9th – 12th, 2022.

September 15th - Early Bird Registration Deadline

October 15th – Convention Registration Final Deadline

Book your group room rate \$109/per night (tax and city-imposed facilities fee are extra) is good for both standard king and double rooms. **An additional charge of \$10.00 per person, per room per night will apply for triple and quadruple occupancy. Additional \$8.00/per day parking fee for parking garage.**

IMPORTANT: The last day to book at this special rate will be October 6th.

Tuesday November 8th: Main Arrival Day for Delegates and Guests, Presidents Reception at the M Bar in the Hotel.

Wednesday November 9th: Board of Directors Meeting & Trivia Night benefiting the Horseman's Distress Fund.

Thursday November 10th: Committee Meetings (throughout the day) General Session I, Regional Caucus Meetings & Luncheon with Judges Panel.

Friday November 11th: Committee Meetings (throughout the day), General Session II & Presidential Awards Banquet.

Saturday November 12th: General Session III, to end at 12:00 noon & Youth Board Meeting

2022 Resolutions are due August 15th (postmarked/electronic transaction dated) and may be submitted by any Member Organization (Adult Member), any standing Ad Hoc Committee of AHA, by a Regional Board of Delegates or by the Board of Directors of AHA.

Resolutions must have:

- Received a majority number of affirmative votes (either in person, by phone, by facsimile, by mail, by email or by hand delivery), and
- must be accompanied by an actual tally of the votes received, and
- indicate which body voted (Member Organization members, Member Organization Board of Directors, Regional Board of Delegates, etc.), and
- indicate how the vote was taken (at a meeting, by phone, by facsimile, by mail, by email or by hand delivery), and
- list where the vote is recorded (Member Organization minutes, Member Organization Board minutes, Regional Board of Delegates minutes, etc.).

Note: Resolutions may also be submitted by the AHA President.

Sport Horse Nationals September 12-17, 2022 “WEC” Wilmington, OH (**entry close date: July 19, 2022**)

Entries submitted (postmark/electronic transaction dated) after July 19, 2022 will be assessed an additional \$750 late fee.

US Nationals October 21-29, 2022 Tulsa, OK

U.S. NATIONALS PERFORMANCE FUTURITY/MATURITY/DERBY

Planning to show your horse in a US National Performance Futurity/Maturity/Derby Class? Be sure your horse is enrolled in the U.S. Nationals Performance Futurity/Maturity/Derby Program. Enrollment into the program is required in order to show in these classes.

The deadline for third payment (or payment in full) for the Performance Futurity/Maturity/Derby Program for U.S. Nationals is **August 1, 2022**. In order to avoid late fees, the entry can be paid in full (\$905 per class or \$1,205 for Reining). Entries must be postmarked/electronic transaction dated by the original close of US Entries, which is August 23, 2022. Entries postmarked/electronic transmitted after the original close of entries will be assessed an additional late fee of \$750 or \$1,000 for reining. Nomination fees do not include the show entry fees, drug fees, stalls, etc.

If you chose the payment option, the third payment must be submitted on or before August 1, 2022 (postmarked/electronic transaction dated to the AHA office). Payments that are postmarked/electronic transaction dated after the first of each month will be assessed late fees.

Nomination fees do not include the show entry fees, drug fees . All entries into the Performance Futurity/Maturity/Derby Program must also be entered into the corresponding class for the U.S. National Championship Show via an official show entry form.

Sincerely,

Jeff Caldwell

Director Region 14

ADDENDUM #2

In the Fall of 2021, the delegates of AHA Region 14 voted to not allow AHA Region 13 to hold its Sport Horse Regional Championship show or its preshow within Region 14. Region 13 has been in the position of having to hold our Regional Show outside our Region for over 10 years. We have been fortunate that Region 14 has allowed us to be able to do so. There is no facility within Michigan or Indiana that compares to the World Equestrian Center located in Wilmington, Ohio. The exhibitors love the footing, stalls, arenas, amenities, staff and security of the WEC.

It has never been Region 13's intent to threaten the viability of the Medallion show or any other AHA sanctioned shows. In fact, Region 13, for many years, has approved the Medallion Concurrent show as a Region 13/14 Concurrent qualifying show.

Together with the Karabs club, this past winter, Region 13 agreed to support the Medallion show by making a onetime donation, in 2022, of \$ 5000, and further agreed to promote the Medallion Show to the Arabian horse community. (The negotiating committee consisted of Duane Esser, Karabs, Cindy Ryan, President of Karabs, Jeff Caldwell, Region 14 Director, Jan Decker, Region 13 show manager, Rebecca Fleck, Region 13 Vice Director and Ann Knoop, Region 13 Director.) Region 13 fulfilled both commitments, with the monetary donation as well as promoting the show in local show prize lists within Region 13, Facebook and Instagram posts, email blasts to all Region 13 members and additional names on the email list, promotion in the monthly AHA Regional Insiders and posting on the Region 13 website. With the support of Region 13 members and Medallion committee members, the Medallion Sport Horse numbers increased significantly from 2021 to 2022: Horses increased from 65 to 118. Sport Horse in Hand entries increased from 19 to 32, Sport Horse Under Saddle increased from 24 to 28 and Dressage rides increased from 16 to 67.

Regions offer preshows as a courtesy to exhibitors. Is the goal to make money? Absolutely, but exhibitors show in preshows for many reasons, not just to qualify but to get new or young horses in the ring or to allow exhibitors the ability to ride in a class situation, before the regional show. An example of this is the largest class at the Region 13 preshow this year was a walk trot 10 & under class.

Region 13 believes that a large number of local and regional shows have experienced lower attendance, in part, due to Covid 19, no qualifications, the date change of the USEF calendar and the addition of the MidSummer Championship Show. Region 13 also believes that it is important to support the local clubs,

their members and Regions within our organization. By working together and supporting each other, we can build and promote our breed, clubs and the prosperity of the Arabian Horse Association into the future. Ultimately, we believe we are all stronger if we work together rather than against each other, sharing and promoting each other's strengths and ideas. The goal should be a viable Arabian horse industry, made possible through the strength and prosperity of our members, local clubs, regions and our National association working together.

Ann I. Knoop, Region 13 Director

July 19, 2022

ADDENDUM #3

**REGION 14 ARABIAN HORSE ASSOCIATION
ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS
ETHICAL CONSIDERATIONS**

Social media and networking sites, as well as emailing and texting, (collectively referred to herein as "Electronic Communications") are common and popular means by which people communicate. However, there are unintended consequences if Electronic Communications are used improperly. Members of Region 14 Arabian Horse Association need to be particularly careful when using these means of communication. The following Ethical Considerations are established to set guidelines and expectations for members of Region 14 Arabian Horse Association who engage in Electronic Communications. The following Ethical Considerations are aspirational in character and represent objectives toward which each member of Region 14 Arabian Horse Association should strive.

- 1.** Consider Electronic Communications as public at all times – even if created with private intentions. If you are going to use social media in any form, assume your communication may be read by anyone at any time.
- 2.** You, as a member of Region 14 represent the Arabian horse industry and your fellow Region 14 members. Promote Region 14 and the Arabian horse industry in a positive light with a general feeling of pride and professionalism. Instill confidence among exhibitors and the public in the Arabian horse industry, avoiding any action conducive to discrediting it.
- 3.** Do not post negative comments regarding decisions made by Show Officials.
- 4.** Be aware and cautious when communicating on controversial issues that might involve Region 14 and the Arabian Horse Association (AHA) without knowing where Region 14, or AHA stands on the issue.
- 5.** Do not use Electronic Communications to criticize the policies of Region 14. If you have a concern for Region 14, please contact one of the Region 14 Officers, directly, to discuss the issue before resorting to Electronic Communications to voice concerns. Again, as a member of

Region 14, you should always be a positive representative of Region 14 and the Arabian horse industry.

6. Do not make negative comments regarding the performance or ability of other members of Region 14.

7. Remember, accountability, civility and integrity should always be your guiding principles.

Thank you for keeping these Ethical Considerations in mind, and for your commitment to the high standards expected of you as a member of Region 14.