

Saturday: March 3, 2018

NEIHC Annual Meeting and Thorrablot Party

Host: Ebba Meehan, Boxford, MA

**2:00 - 3:00 Beat & Balance (Annie and Jermiah Kemp, of Common Ground Hoofcare)**

**3:30 - 4:30 NEIHC Annual Meeting**

- There were 29 NEIHC members in attendance
- Thank you to out-going Board members, Martina Gates and Caeli Cavanaugh
- Introduce new Board and members introduce themselves
- **The members of the Board of Directors are:**
  - Emily Potts, President
  - Brigit Huwyler, Vice President
  - Cindy Wescott, Secretary
  - Leslie Chambers, Treasurer
  - Jessica Haynsworth, Youth Coordinator & Reports, Social Media
  - Ebba Meehan, Promotion & Education
  - Isabelle Maranda, Board Youth Representative
  - Amy Goddard (non Board member, membership and special projects)

**Financial Summary for the NEIHC (April , 2017 to February 28, 2018) - Leslie**

- Filed tax report (April 2017)
- Filed with State of MA (Sept 2017)
- We have a \$0 balance in our Youth Funds
- The NEIHC showed a gain of \$1232.61 for events held in 2017. The USIHC, through Policy #31, Flagship, Schooling Show and Breed demo funding policies, provided \$2450, without this funding the NEIHC would have shown a loss of \$1217.39 for 2017. Please support the USIHC with your membership so these programs can continue and you may enjoy The Quarterly.

### **Membership Report (Leslie for Amy)**

- We have 142 Adult members
- We have 29 Youth
- In 2016, we had 131 Adults and 30 Youth.

### **Changes for NEIHC Open 2018 (Leslie)**

- Leslie suggested no silent auction and an increase in Class sponsorships to \$100 (was \$50)/class. Members want to keep silent auction and class sponsorships at \$50/class. Leah Greenberger volunteered to organize the silent auction.
- FEIF Youth classes will have a fee, no objections to this change.
- USIHC will now require either membership or a non member fee to participate in USIHC sanctioned or sponsored events, NEIHC members in attendance thought this was a reasonable requirement, as other "Breed" clubs do the same.

### **Youth in the NEIHC Open 2018 (Jess)**

- Judged classes will be FEIF classes: T8, T8J, V6 and V6J as well as Fun classes: Pleasure tolt and Three gait. The Fun class: Freestyle will not be judged.

### **Youth Funds are depleted and require additional fund raising. Funds supported:**

- FEIF classes for youth in NEIHC Open (2013-2017)
- Assistance to America Youth Cup for NEIHC members (2015 and 2017)

### **Equine Affaire 2017 (Emily)**

- 2017 was a very successful year with Horses of Iceland partnership.
- 2018 Horses of Iceland will partner again.
- Discussion around USIHC support, whereas funds/club have decreased, overall USIHC funding for these promotional events has increased. The USIHC pays a fee to partner with Horses of Iceland, the NEIHC ended up benefitting from this, as Horses of Iceland split our booth fees 50/50, so whereas direct funding from USIHC to NEIHC is less, indirect support is actually higher.

### **Open Discussion (Leslie)**

- Judge seminar was a good learning opportunity for riders, you need not have a desire to become a judge to attend. 2018 seminar is being held in April, Trout Lake WA. This seminar is organized by the USIHC.
- New USIHC policy may require USIHC membership for USIHC sanctioned or funded events. This may impact the NEIHC Open. The USIHC is our link to FEIF and all are encouraged to become members. The Quarterly (magazine) is one of the many benefits. Regional clubs report news and activities in the

Quarterly, please send pictures and notes on events to Jess. Access to World Fengur is another one of the many benefits.

- Members (at this meeting) feel Equine Affaire is a critical event to drive breed promotion and membership to both NEIHC and USIHC. Please consider volunteering at the booth, November 2018.
- Need to start planning for America Youth Cup 2019. Host farm needs to be established. Dates and the impact on NEIHC Open 2019, all need to be considered and discussed by the NEIHC Board sometime in the next few months, ideally before June 2018. Many NEIHC members were willing to loan their horses for this event.
- FEIF Youth Cup Team: Congratulations to Alicia Flanigan, Grace Strausser, and Isabelle Maranda (all are NEIHC members) who will be representing the United States at the 2018 FEIF Youth Cup in Sweden!
- There was a suggestion to establish an individual willing to coordinate group trail rides.

**5:00 - 6:00 Talk on Trekking by Gudmar Peturssen (Ebba)**

**Following by good food and good conversation.**

## NEIHC Financial Facts for April 1, 2017 through March 2, 2018

<b>Total Funds to Date (3/2/18) =</b>	<b>\$15381.07</b>
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<b>NEIHC Open/Pre show clinic 2018</b>	<b>Deposit</b>	<b>Balance</b>
Stalls (25%)	\$1350.00	\$4050.00
Ritz/Portapotties	\$128.90	\$1,160.10
Tent	\$230.00	\$230.00
Judges Airline Tickets (Alex and Alex, waiting for Will)	\$ 826.60	\$600.00
Clinician travel		\$0.00
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>\$2535.50</b>	<b>\$6040.10</b>

<b>Youth Funds (began 2015)</b>			
<b>2017 Activity</b>	<b>Raised</b>	<b>Distributed</b>	<b>Balance</b>
<b>Balance (January 1, 2017)</b>			\$804.88
2017 funds raised (water sales at NEIHC Open 2017)	\$105.12		\$910.00
America Youth Cup Camp		\$750.00	\$160.00
Youth Classes NEIHC 2017 Open		\$160.00	\$0.00
<b>Dedicated Youth Funds</b>	<b>February 2018</b>	<b>Balance</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>

<b>Event</b>	<b>Dates</b>	<b>Income</b>	<b>Expense</b>	<b>USIHC funds</b>	<b>Net</b>
Judge Seminar Competition Clinic/Schooling Show w/ Alex Dannenmann	April 20-23, 2017	\$2,340.00	\$3,090.00	\$750.00	\$0.00
Trail Tolt Clinic with Alex Pregitzer	June 2-4, 2017	\$1,550.00	\$1,514.40	\$500.00	\$535.60
Pre Show Clinic with Carrie Lyons Brandt	June 21-23, 2017	\$3,360.00	\$3,654.00		-\$294.00
NEIHC Open 2017	June 24-25, 2017	\$16,598.33	\$15,902.57	\$1,000.00	\$1,695.76
Equine Affaire with Horses of Iceland	November 9-12, 2017	\$503.99	\$1,415.00	\$200.00	-\$703.99
<b>Net for 2017 Events</b>					<b>\$1,232.61</b>