

## President's Welcome (Emily)

- Emily Potts, President
- Brigit Huwyler, Vice-President
- Leslie Chambers, Treasurer
- Nikkisue Flanigan, Secretary
- Ebba Meehan, Promotion & Education
- Leah Greenberger, Fundraising
- Rebecca Daddona, Youth Coordinator
- Amy Goddard, Membership & Special Projects
- Keziah Dunn, BOD Youth Representative

## 1. Meet the New Board (Emily)

- Ebba Meehan
- Emily Potts
- Hilary Houldsworth
- Leah Greenberger
- Leslie Chambers
- Nancy Rohlf
- Ona Kwiatkowski
- Brynja Meehan (Board Youth Representative)

## 2. Meet the Members (All)

Members introduce themselves and their location.

*21 members participated in the meeting via Zoom.*

## 3. Treasurer's Report (Leslie)

(See attached.)

## 4. Membership (Amy)

- Adults: 146; Youth: 33
- Total: 179
- USIHC Members: 130 (73%) – this is a 3% increase since 2021

*Amy also demonstrated how to navigate to the current member list through the NEIHC website's JOIN US page.*

## 5. Promotion & Education (Ebba)

(See attached.)

*Despite the challenges of COVID, many farms and members were still able to host clinics and give lessons. Ebba encouraged members to reach out with metrics and please post their events on the NEIHC website's EVENTS calendar, so we can look back on what activities members participated in during the previous year.*

## 6. Fundraising (Leah)

(See attached.)

*Leah is reaching out to members for fundraising ideas and suggestions. Please contact her if you can help with the upcoming Silent Auction at our June show!*

## 7. Youth (Rebecca)

*Becky reported that, due to COVID restrictions, there were no club youth events in 2021.*

## 8. 2021 NEIHC Events Recap

- June Clinic and Fun Show (Brigit)

*Brigit reported that 12 riders participated in the clinic and show. It was a fantastic event, which was carefully hosted (all outside), and required COVID vaccines. There was a nice variety of riding, liberty, and lectures.*

- Equine Affaire (Emily)

*Emily reported that EA was a success, although Horses of Iceland and the Knights of Iceland were unable to attend. HOI donated a banner, and the USIHC also provided a new NEIHC banner. The NEIHC booth was quite impressive!*

*Many thanks for help from Leah Greenberger and Margot Apple, and breed demos by Merrimack Valley Icelandics.*

*Emily also reported that last year's two USIHC Virtual Shows were quite popular: 100 videos/show were submitted by over 60 riders. Five judges judged the classes.*

*The USIHC plans to continue to host virtual shows in the future, as long as there is ample interest.*

## 9. 2022 Upcoming Events & Activities (BOD)

- Pre-Show Clinic: June 14–16
- NEIHC Open Show: June 17–19
- Equine Affaire: Nov. 10–13

## 10. Guest Presentation, Erika Tighe

*"The Benefits of Dressage and How to Prepare the Icelandic Horse for the Dressage Ring"*  
(See attached.)

- Using dressage techniques to create a more supple, adjustable horse
- When and why to use lateral movements
- Expanding your showing opportunities

*Erika Tighe is a Massachusetts-licensed riding instructor with 15 years experience riding dressage and has been working with Icelandics for the last 8 years. She works full time as Merrimack Valley Icelandics' assistant trainer and instructor. She specializes in teaching beginners and children, coaching drill team, and training green horses. She has been competing in dressage for over a decade and has ridden extensively with several USDF bronze, silver, and gold medalists. She loves to combine the precision of dressage with the spirit and freedom of the Icelandic horse.*

## 11. Open Floor / Questions (All)

## NEIHC Financial Facts for April 1, 2021 through March 1, 2022

<b>Total Funds to Date (3/1/2022) =</b>	<b>\$19012.47</b>
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NEIHC Open/Pre show clinic 2022	Deposit	Balance Due	
Stalls (30+% ) on 40 stalls (\$195/stall) total \$7800	\$2376.00	\$5424.00	
Ritz/Portapotties (Total will be \$975)	\$128.90	\$1045.10	
Tent (Total will be \$493) (deposit check #216 3/29/21)	\$246.50	\$246.50	
Judges Airline Tickets (Thorgeir is paid \$500 Alex P will drive)	\$ 500.00	Est. \$500.00	?
Awards ( NEIHC Open, Fun Show and Future Events)		\$0.00	
New Sound System		Est. \$500.00	?
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>\$3251.40</b>	<b>\$7715.90</b>	?

Operating Expenses - Estimated			
Event Insurance	\$565.00		
D&O Insurance	\$928.00		
Website	\$437.81		
State and Federal Tax Filing	\$38.49		
Groups io (group messaging)	\$220.00		
PA System	\$410.39		
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>\$2599.69</b>		

Event	Dates	Income	Expense	USIHC funds	Net
Clinic with Taktur Icelandics and Fun Show	June 16-20, 2021	\$8945.00	\$8334.39	\$250.00	\$860.61
Equine Affaire (Horses of Iceland-not in person)	November 11-14, 2021		\$620.00 <small>(\$500 2020 deposit)</small>	\$150.00	-\$470.00
<b>Net for 2021/22 Events (gain)</b>					<b>\$390.61</b>

**Financial Summary for the NEIHC (April , 2021 to March 1, 2022)**

- Filed tax report (April 2021)
- Filed with State of MA (Sept 2021)

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## **Plans for 2022 Fundraising**

1) Live Silent Auction at NEIHC Open Show at Thor in June:

- Donations welcome!
- Help with getting donations welcome (artists, other Icelandic owners, etc)
- Used tack vs only new tack?
- Artwork
- Icelandic and non-Icelandic riding gear
- Icelandic sweaters, mittens, scarves
- Books on riding Icelandics, Icelandic photo books, etc.
- Stud services, lessons, clinic registrations, etc.
- Riding tours?

2) Any interest in trying to have an online Facebook auction?

3) Interest in having items for sale at the Equine Affaire?  
Big fundraising potential!

4) Other suggestions?