

OHJA BOD Meeting

March 11, 2010

Members Present: Matt Payne, Skip Thornbury, Anne Thornbury, Kathy Valentine, Scott Dehelian, Jamie Barkhau, Theresa Pickens, Erica Staib, Frankie Stark.

Final review of the 2010 rulebook.

There is a concern among some board members about the show managers running more than one multiple day show within a 7 consecutive day period such as Waterloo and now Far and Away Farm. All agreed that this type of scheduling will bear watching as it could lead to a “point stacking” opportunity. The board is more concerned about “show barns” putting on shows that do this more than an independent manager that is not trying to garner points for customers.

The board has decided to align our divisions specs with Zone 5 wherever possible to make point keeping simple. In Zone 4 they have added a sentence to the Children’s Pony that we feel would be appropriate for OHJA. That is that if there are not enough children’s ponies to fill the division they may be combined with the children’s horse division, jumping their respective heights.

Many shows are now offering separate low and high jumper divisions. We currently have no rule that says a rider/horse combination may show in only one division. We would hope that people would only show in one division. Kathy will track this. The board feels that points should only be counted from one division.

The board is thinking of trying to have some open forums for the members to attend at some of the shows this summer to get more feedback. More about this will be discussed at the next meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Thornbury