

OHJA Board of Director's Meeting
November 10, 2008

The meeting began at 6:40 pm. Members attending were: Skip Thornbury, Anne Thornbury, Erica Staib, Jamie Barkhau, Jeremy Sims, Matt Payne, Maureen Fagan, and Frankie Stark.

1. 2009 show date reservations: 2009 is a "rollback" to the original dates year for the USEF but some of the major USEF competitions that conflict with local OHJA shows such as KY Spring did not move forward so they will not roll back. Kathy is trying to get all of the show dates as close to the weekend they are supposed to be on. The OHJA May group of shows never really "rolled" in 2008 as well as November so those will not change. The Delaware dates did not roll either due to facility conflicts. Kathy asked that all the board members review what she has published and refer any conflicts to her. Currently the only conflict she is aware of is between Tammy Turner and Delaware. Tammy rolled her dates as she should have but Brentlingers had already applied and could not roll due to a conflict with the facility. Kathy will e-mail Tammy and try to work out the conflict.
2. Jennifer Tommerdahl seems to be a bit confused about her date situation for 2009. She currently holds shows on Tuesdays in the summer. Scott Dehelian mentioned to her that the board would try to get her an open day on a weekend to get her off a weekday which prevents a lot of people from attending the competition. Kathy will e-mail her the list of available Sundays.
3. This year the Class B directors positions are up for re-election.
4. Mailings for ballots for perpetual awards and B.O.D. positions will be going out soon. The first mailing will have ballots for the general membership to nominate horses/people for the perpetual awards. The second mailing will contain the perpetuals consolidated and the few awards that the board will be nominating.
5. In 2008, the OHJA had 484 members, 339 recorded horses, with 182 of these members also being members of the USEF and 156 being members of the USHJA.
6. Banquet news: The menu is done, all info on times, menu options, when to send Anne the Chronicle of the Horse year end award pictures, and anything else one could want to know about the banquet is on the website. Click on the banner on the home page and it goes right to the info. Matt is taking care of the DJ arrangements. Tammy Toodle and Jamie Barkhau will man the door and Jamie will be accepting the reservations. Sponsorships for different divisions are available to anyone who would like for \$250 for the division.
7. The perpetual trophies need to be replaced this year. Cici Grant is replacing her trophy for the most improved rider award. Skip and Anne will replace Jr. Sportsmanship and Trainer of the Year. Jeremy will contact other trophy sponsors to see if they want to replace or if we should find new sponsors for the remaining trophies. The retired trophies will be placed in the OHJA Hall of Fame.

8. Comments on the OHJA medal finals. We feel the awards should be presented after the riders in the flat phase have been excused from the ring. The winners will then be called back in for awards in reverse order.
9. A pay raise for Kathy Valentine was approved. The amount will be discussed at the next meeting.
10. The problems with the OHJA medal finals class at Midwest Indoors were discussed and tabled for further discussion.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Thornbury