

OHJA Board Meeting Minutes 12/3/2007 6:30PM

Board members in attendance: Jamie Barkhau, Skip Thornbury, Matt Payne, Scott Dehelian, Erica Staib, Tammy Turner, Kathy Valentine, and Maureen Fagan

Website: The new website design looks great. There are generic pictures at the top. Maybe we can get some generic OHJA pictures or maybe pictures of board members? The back button does not work when you go to the Point Standings page. Skip will talk to David about this. Does it have to open in a new window? Carolyn did a great job with the history of OHJA.

Ads: The prices for the ad banners were picked to be very reasonable. Everyone agreed. We are looking into setting up a Paypal account for payment directly to the OHJA. David will take 20% of the earnings to facilitate this.

Banquet: Matt will take care of arranging for a DJ.

Perpetual awards: We toyed around with the idea of having a “keepsake” award given to the winners and the original trophies will be kept in a safe place because of damage to them in the past. We decided that since we don’t have a good place to display them throughout the year, and people really like to take them home—this was not a good idea. Maybe we will include a note with the trophy to instruct the bearer to take good care of the trophy and return it in the same condition it was received. OHJA board members also agreed that new trophies are definitely needed. We will retire the old ones next year. This year someone will work on getting new trophies donated. We will call old donors first. OHJA will decide on the style of trophy. We will also put a notice up on the website looking for anyone interested in donating a new trophy for 2008.

Division points/new divisions: Erica suggested that we award points for champion and reserve champion in the walk/trot and crossrails division. They are currently not given because they are equitation divisions. The majority of shows run these classes as an entire division so we agreed to allow championship points to count for those shows that run these classes as a division starting in 2008. Tammy suggested that we make a separate division for Intermediate Childrens equitation and Intermediate Adult equitation—they are presently combined. The Board voted and agreed that the combined Int. Ch/Ad equitation will be split into two separate divisions starting in 2008.

OHJA Medal: Tammy needs a list of medal winners in 2007.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45PM.