

## December General Membership meeting

Attendance: Aprille Tomlinson, Becky Ramsey, Linda Hayes, Kayleigh Davenport, Linda Slezak, Karlene Bushey, Joshua Donovan, Brynlyn Bushey, Margie Petchel, Jane Moulton, Jamie Pisculli, Carly Ostrander, Meghan O'Brien, Roger Loren Nicole Michael, Jessie Szary, Zeke Visser, Lydia Visser, Ruth Visser, Isabella barber, Alaina Burek, Michelle Burek, Kyrsten St. Pierre, Juliana Wickham, Alicia Craft, Olivia Craft

\*Opening,

Please visit, the youth Bowl & a Roll fundraiser

Walkers save more coupons for EMRHA members attending the meeting.

Encouraging Members to get involved.

Introduction to 2022 board,

President: Carly Ostrander

Vice President, Karlene Bushey

Treasurer: Meghan Obrien

Secretary: Jamie Pisculli

General Board, Aprille Tomlinson, Becky Ramsey, Michael Dunn

\*Reviewed year end award requirements, showing at 3 shows and 1 meeting,

Meeting Schedule, Friday in June/August open ended schedule for September to see how May combined NYRCHA/EMRHA show runs

Definite meeting June/August 3 pm

\*Banquet, 2/11/23 at The barn @ Hansen Hill, no price increase, will have a kids menu option but will need to be preordered

\* Feed bunk will no longer be the food truck, there will be a BBQ truck that has breakfast options, we will still have the Saturday night dinners but TBD what they'll be

\* Award suggestions

Muck Buckets, Forks, Ribbons etc.

Highpoint suggestions

- Give options
- Vest
- Cooler
- Buckles

- Spurs
- Chairs
- Stools

\* Selfie station with fancy ribbons,

Karlene will set up,

Make announcements

Suggestion for drawings if EMRHA is tagged

\* Changing Buckle sponsors to “Class Sponsor” to give the recipient an option of a different prize vs a buckle

Upping class sponsors to \$125 from \$100

\* Brief discussion about financials, where we started vs where we are now,

No Stallion Auction

No Yankee Debt

Lots of costs covered by sponsorships and lifetime memberships

\* Discussed All Breed, decided going back to original rules, everyone eligible, not included in flat fee

\* Discussed 2 joint shows with New York Reined Cow Horse Association,

Show bill

Concurrent run classes i.e.: herdwork

Hoping for new members

Cross entries

Praying for good weather

All cattle classes inside

All ARHA dry outside

\* Discussed flat fee, All Age, Amateur Youth \$500

Novice Amateur, Novice youth \$400

Office fee, reduced

Flat fee includes ALL eligible dry classes, 1 division of cattle

No longer a discount on additional cattle fees, any cattle classes above your division will be a full cattle charge, i.e., \$40 for Boxing/Ranch cutting \$50 for herd work (1 cow worked vs 3)

Trucking is crippling due to fuel prices

\* Announced our Amateur and youth most improved and sportsman

\* Discussed Clinics that will be determined

Ranch Horse 101 will be presented again, date TBD

Intro clinics will only be open to Newcomers unless it's not filled then we will open it to the general membership

\* All 2023 board ran unopposed; a motion was made to accept by Linda Slezak without a vote and seconded by Jane Moulton with no objection

#### 2023 Board

President: Meghan Obrien

Vice President: Karlene Bushey

Secretary: Jamie Pisculli

Treasurer: Roger Loren

\*General Board Members

Aprille Tomlinson

Nicole Michael

Becky Ramsey

Discussed weather or not to allow Augusts Dry show count towards Year end points

Membership voted, 7 For, 6 Against

August will count towards year end but not towards versatility

discussion was had to make the versatility year end prizes bigger, or more emphasis put on them vs year end awards

\*Close of meeting

Here's to a great 2023 season!