

Northwest Miniature Horse & Shetland Pony Alliance

General Membership Meeting Minutes

Date: Sunday, February 22

Time: 10:00 AM

Location: Zoom Meeting

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 10:04 AM by President Syndi Kanzler.

Attendance

Syndi Kanzler, Janna Niesen, Jennifer BrownOstler, Erin Moore, Debby Sims-Boosalis, Annette Littleton, Lindsey Day, Shyrl Swartz, Greg Swartz, Kristen Florez, Karen Torosian, Kim Grist, Dori Hignight, Kristie Bingaman, Marney McGovern

Approval of Previous Minutes

The minutes from the November 16 General Meeting were read and approved.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's report was read and approved.

Any members wishing to receive a copy of the financials may contact a member of the Board of Directors and a copy will be provided.

Show Report

- Judge: Janice Silvio
- Show Secretary: Tori Shauger
- Steward: Annette Littleton
- Announcer: Phil Keairns
- Gate Personnel: Justin Steward & Alison Freisz-Steward
- Ring Steward / Ribbon Person: Bella Steward
- Volunteers are needed to help set up the center ring on Thursday.
- Erin Moore will be providing donuts.
- Annette Littleton will provide a table for measuring and will make her own RV camping reservation to be reimbursed by the club.
- Special awards and ribbons have been paid for.
- Syndi Kanzler reported next year's ribbons have already been purchased to meet the \$200 minimum requirement from Clear View Ribbon Company.

Show Information

- Shavings will cost \$9.25 per bag this year; distribution is still being discussed.
- The Alpine Club will sponsor the exhibitor pizza dinner.
- Attendees are encouraged to bring potluck side dishes, as well as their own drinks and chairs.
- Tori Shauger will submit show information to the Association soon.
- No additional class changes will be made.

Exhibitor Welcome

Goodie bags will be distributed when exhibitors sign in and receive their numbers.

Performance Awards Table

1st Place: Pony Bucks and one ticket for the award table.

2nd–10th Place: One ticket each.

New Awards Introduced

- The Sandee Powell Performance Award
- The Inspirational Award
- The Rookie Award

Descriptions and eligibility details are available on the club website.

Amateur Supreme Awards

Three Amateur Supreme Awards will be presented to the Over, Under, and Pony winners.

Year-End Program

The Year-End Amateur High Point Program will continue. Nominations are due March 1.

Special Liberty Awards

Carlene Frawley has donated a special award for the Over and Under Liberty winners in honor and memory of Lori Gugliamo.

Random Draw Awards

Random drawing awards will be given out throughout the show.

Fundraising Raffle

- Quilt donated by Annette Littleton
- US Rider certificate valued at \$240 for one year coverage
- Rolling wagon filled with products donated by Kristie Bingaman

Raffle tickets will be sold in the office or by club members around the grounds.

Member Questions

Kim Grist, a new member, asked where she could find information about the show. She was referred to the club website, and members offered assistance with any questions.

Discussion – Show Finances

Kristie Bingaman asked why last year's show lost money. A brief discussion followed about possible reasons. Karen Torosian noted her Itty Bitty show also lost money last year. Members discussed supporting local shows through attendance and sponsorships.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:05 AM.