

The Prez Sez

Congratulations to our June 30th MFQHA show winners:

Senior Horse: Plain Bay Wrapped and Barbara Good

Junior Horse: LS Miss Quail Drift and Cricket Simons

Amateur Horse: Docs Rowdy Hombre and Mary Carroll

Cattle Horse: Sweet Boonita Boss and Dan and Susan Baily

Youth Horse: Wamps Favorite One and Katie Rieckhoff

Remember, you can track your points for all our shows at either www.mfqha.com, or www.ffqh.org. These websites are valuable resources for those of you who are actively marketing your horses. Cricket Simons, FFQH President has indicated the ease at which he sold his horse, Valentine's Red Rock, because the potential buyer could look at his show points online while at the same time talking to Cricket on the phone. He said the entire sale process seemed much easier. Cricket realized the value of these resources, and asked me to extend his thanks to everyone involved in the establishment and maintenance of these websites.

There are a couple issues addressed by the Board prior to the start of the June show. First, an amendment to the 2007 Show Rules involves clarification of the MFQHA Versatility as outlined on page 66 of your rulebook. Language was included to identify the event as a one horse, and one rider combination for the entire season. Also, an amendment was made to the Ranch Cutting rules on page 21 such that there are to be only two helpers rather than four, which is stated in the rulebook.

The Board also took a close look at the participation in particular events at our shows. During the 2007 show season there has only been one roping class with contestants entered. Two man sorting is becoming very popular around the Midwest and the Board voted to drop roping and to include two man sorting for the rest of our shows this year. Rules pertaining to the two-man sorting class will have to be established and approved by the Board, and when complete will be posted and available in the show office on the days of each show.

We are already discussing year end awards and it is not too early to discuss our fourth quarter membership meeting and banquet. Let us know where you would like to have the banquet this year and who you would like to see cater the event. Elections will be held during the banquet, and I encourage each of you to consider a position on the board for the 2008/2009 show seasons.

Remember our Show of Champions on September 15th at the Midway Expo Center. If you have placed in the top six of any class at one of the previous shows you will qualify to compete in the Show of Champions. If you have not yet qualified, you still have two shows left in which to qualify; July 21st and August 18th. All shows are at the Midway Expo Center west of Columbia and begin with

cattle classes at 8:00 am. Stalls are available for \$25, and the concession stand is always open. We hope to see you there.