# ARABIAN HORSE ASSOCIATION

# **REGION I**

# Director's Message

From Kathy Callahan-Smith



Well, since my last newsletter message, who would have thought we would be under an order for Physical Distancing! The name it is more commonly known by, COVID-19, has been a wakeup call for us all. This is a time to follow restrictions, stay safe and connect by other means. So much uncertainty can lead us to realize how lucky we are to have good friends and horses in our life. I don't

The Region One Show is still a go. We are monitoring the data and numbers carefully. Who knows what the next 2 weeks will bring, so check our Facebook page and Regional website for any up dates.

think we will take these things for granted ever again.

I'm keeping this short and if I can answer any questions, please contact me at KCSequestrian@aol.com

# Now go wash your hands!

Signing off...

Kathy Callahan-Smith

Region One Director

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# REGION I OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

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Our Next Meeting Will be in August

Further information
Will be shared
On Facebook and
Our Website

AMATEUR — JoAnn Harlan

ANNUAL CONVENTION PLANNING — Mary Ann Hughes

BUDGET AND FINANCE — Bob Henry

COMMUNICATIONS — Carol Spangler

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DRESSAGE — Carol Spangler

EQUINE STRESS — Debbie Price

EQUITATION — Debbie Price

EVENTING & DRIVING — Ted Lange

HUNTER/JUMPER —Ted Lange

JUDGES SELECTION — Kathy Callahan-Smith

MEMBERSHIP — Mary Ann Hughes

NEWSLETTER — Joan Lawson

PACIFIC SLOPES — Phil Bourgeois

PROFESSIONAL HORSEMEN — Debbie Price

RACING — Leslie Smith

SCHOLARSHIP — Laurie Henkel

SPORT HORSE — Carol Spangler

USEF — Nancy Harvey

WORKING WESTERN — Bill Hughes

YOUTH ACTIVITIES — Debbie Price

YOUTH DIRECTOR — Isabella Fajardo

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# Region I Arabian Horse Association Meeting Minutes - 3-14-2020

Call to order: At \_5:03\_\_pm Roll Call: Roll was confirmed by those who called in.

**Executive Board**: Director; Kathy Callahan Smith, Vice Director; Debbie Price; Treasurer; Ann Whitley, Secretary; Carol Spangler, Past Director; Mimi Gaffey. Present: 6 Delegate(s) - This does not include the Executive Board: Mary Ann Hughes, Bill Hughes, Christine Lawson, Bob Insko, Ted Lange, Phil Bourgeouis 1 Alternate(s) – Margie Insko, 4 Guest(s) – Nancy Harvey, Joan Lawson, Judy Kibler, Stacie Kelley

**Minutes: Corrections:** 2 typos were corrected. Mimi made a motion to approve the minutes with the corrections from November 14, 2019 meeting – Mary Ann 2<sup>nd</sup> – approved by attendees

Correspondence: None

**Treasurer's Report:** Given by Ann Whitley – Report filed for audit.

**Annual Budget:** Given by Ann Whitley – Mimi made a motion to accept the budget, Phil 2<sup>nd</sup> – approved by attendees.

**Directors Report**: Report Given by Kathy Callahan Smith: in the interest of time Kathy will email the director's report to the delegates.

**Horse Show Report** – by Phil Bourgeois – Volunteers are still needed to help with the gate from Thursday evening through Sunday, help is needed to set up and tear down the trail and dressage arenas. Premium updates are on the website. 2 judge changes were made and are listed on the website. We also need sponsors even if just for one class.

#### **Committee Reports:**

**Amateur-** Joann Harlan- No Report

**Annual Convention-**MaryAnn Hughes. – Reminder for flying to Reno, travelers will need a passport, Real ID or Military ID.

**Budget & Finance-**Bob Henry – No Report

By Laws - Diana Bien - No Report

**Stan Morey Update –** Stan had a major heart attack last week. He is improving but still in ICU. Cards can be sent to AHA and they will forward them to him in the hospital.

**Communications-** Carol Spangler/Christine Lawson- Updates for club or region events can now be done by any member on AHA website.

**Distance Riding-**Bob Insko – Spring Fling May 29-31, Nancy also told us AHA is submitting to USEF to be the Endurance Affiliate

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**Dressage** – Carol Spangler – Western Dressage Eq is being discussed, AHA class list currently does not support the type of Eq classes listed in the WD chapter. Carol will be talking to Leslie Lockhard in the near future. So far the APHC Dressage show is still on for 4-19-20.

Equine Stress - Debbie Price- No Report

**Equitation-**Debbie Price – Committee is working on patterns for showmanship and horsemanship that will not utilize cones or just a start cone

**Eventing/Driving –**Ted Lange- No Report

**Hunter/Jumper -** Ted Lange – No Report

Insurance - Debbie Price- No Report

Judges Selection –Kathy Callahan Smith- 2 judges were changed for Region 1 show. Roxanne Schall will do the preshow replacing Jill Mitchell and Scott Brumfield will replace Richard Petty. Membership- Mary Ann Hughes- Reminder to check membership first of June, 35 members equals 1 delegate, 36 members – 2 delegate, 71 members = 3 delegates and so on. Cut off is June 30<sup>th</sup>. Newsletter-Joan Lawson- send information you want in the newsletter to Skyehawkk@gmail.com Pacific Slopes-Phil Bourgeois- No Report

Professional Horseman- Debbie Price No Report

**Racing-** Leslie Smith – Report given by Nancy – Racing is going on in Texas including Darley's **Scholarship-**Laurie Henkle- A discussion on Scholarships awards for 2020 took place. A Motion to award 2 scholarships of \$1000 each for 2020 to "qualified applicants" was made by Mimi, Phil 2nd **Sport Horse-**Carol Spangler– No Report

**USEF** – Nancy Harvey – USEF is now looking for a new president, they must have international experience, applications are online.

**Working Western-**Bill Hughes – Kathy reported there would be no more cutting at US Nationals, Herd futurity will take its place. New score sheets are out for Ranch Cow and Ranch Trail.

**Youth Activities-**Debbie Price- Our Youth Director was not able to make it to the BOD due to the Virus concerns. There are 2 Team Tournament applicants so far this year.

Youth Director-Isabella Fajardo- No Report

**Old Business-** Debbie gave us an update on research into Insurance for Event Cancellations. She also gave us an update on Directors and Officer Liability insurance. She is going to look into whether that will cover club delegates.

#### **New Business-**

- a. **Region 1 2020 meetings –** we will have 4 not 5, Tentatively the next meeting will be Aug 16, the October meeting is tentatively Oct 10<sup>th</sup>, Kathy is asking delegates to email her their preferred dates and timeframes for future meetings.
- b. **Club bylaws** AHA is asking for all clubs to make sure that any time they update their bylaws they send them in to AHA. Please make sure that your club has done so.
- c. **AHA Convention Sponsor** Motion made by Phil and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Debbie to approve \$100 sponsor for AHA convention.
- d. **AHA Endurance** Motion was made by Bob and 2<sup>™</sup> by Mimi to send \$100 sponsor for Distance Nationals.
- e. Cal Poly Day of the Horse is Oct 4th They need help and volunteers
- f. Coronavirus Nancy updated us all with the AHA communication that came out.

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#### **Club Reports**

**Arab Horse Assoc So Cal –** Working on a Fall Show to be held in Burbank Sept 11-13

Arabian Performance Horse Club- April 19th Dressage show in Norco

Ramona Arabian Horse Assoc - Spring fling May 29-31

Rancho Cal Arab Horse Assoc - Show cancelled

So Cal Half Arab Horse Assoc -

San Diego Arab Horse Assoc – May 3<sup>rd</sup> AVS show at Deer Springs San Marcos

Motion to Adjourn: 7:05 PM, motion made by Mimi, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phil

Submitted Respectfully by

### **Carol Spangler**



Scholarship information can be found <u>here</u>.

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Click here for an informative article on Covid-19 barn safety.

# Show Updates and Cancellations As of April 3, 2020

**Stepping Into Spring Dressage Show** ~ Saturday, June 13, 2020, at Pepperglen in Norco. Judge ~ Carolyn Lindholm. More info ~ Carol Spangler 909-573-4983 Wrks4good@aol.com.

**San Diego AHA** ~ The May 3 show has been canceled. Next show will be Sunday, August 30, 2020, at the International Equestrian Center at the San Diego Country Estates in Ramona.

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AHA Updates from Board of Directors Meeting

Dear Arabian Horse Association Members,

We would like to start off by thanking you, our members and the community, for the support, patience, and understanding you have given us as we navigate this unprecedented situation. It is our number one priority to promote safety. Therefore, we are taking the necessary precautions to ensure the health of our staff and community. The leadership of the Arabian Horse Association including the Executive Committee, Board of Directors, Emergency Response Team, Budget and Finance Committee and AHA Staff have been working tirelessly to adapt to this ever-changing world. This leadership has worked tirelessly to ensure the financial stability of AHA in this upcoming fiscal year which begins April 1, 2020 and ends March 31, 2021.

The leadership of AHA have met and made the following changes. The items listed below are organized by the points of emphasis outlined by the Emergency Response Team.

#### 1. Establishing confidence with our members

Multiple avenues have been created for consistent and transparent communication to our membership.

All qualifications requirements for 2020 Regional shows have been waived.

All qualification requirements for the 2020 Youth National Arabian and Half-Arabian Championship Horse Show have been waived.

#### 2. Fiscal responsibility to AHA

Funds allocated for staff raises and 401k matching have been eliminated effective immediately.

The hiring of an Executive Vice President for the Arabian Horse Association will be delayed. After Glenn Petty's retirement on June 30, the Executive Committee will be working with Senior Staff to insure that the day to day activities of the association are still being addressed in an efficient way.

The 2020 August Board of Directors meeting has been changed from in-person to a zoom conference to alleviate the expenses to AHA and the individual Regions affected by this pandemic.

No money will be spent from the Half Arabian Designated Fund.

The Judges and Stewards in-person School and Seminar will be cancelled for 2020. The Judge's and Stewards Commissioner's office is working on alternative web-based education for our officials and will be working with USEF to request extensions on license maintenance requirements.

Travel expenditures of staff and volunteers of the Arabian Horse Association must be approved by the Executive Vice President and/or the President effective immediately. Officials and staff at our national events have been instructed to hold on purchasing of travel for those events until travel and event restrictions are lifted.

The Executive Committee of the Arabian Horse Association approve travel expenses by the President of the Arabian Horse Association.

We believe these actions will save AHA approximately \$300,000 during this upcoming fiscal year.

#### 3 and 4. Plan for Shows and Recovery Post COVID-19

The Arabian Horse Association is a member service organization that has been severely impacted by COVID-19 and we realize that all of our members have also been affected at very different levels by this pandemic. After much discussion between the Board of Directors, Executive Committee, Emergency Response Team and Budget and Finance Committee, it was determined that we have a fiduciary responsibility to the health and continuation of the Breed Association. Therefore, the following was decided upon unanimously by the Board of Directors:

A \$25 per horse recovery charge at regional horse shows be paid to the Arabian Horse Association to offset the revenue loss of shows cancelled in 2020.

Thank you for your support and I look forward to seeing you tomorrow night on the AHA Town Hall,

Nancy Harvey, Arabian Horse Association President

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