

2009 November MSHSA Meeting

MSHSA met November 10th, 2009 at the Sheridan Arena Clubhouse. All Officers and Board Members were represented except Saline County. The October minutes were read. There was one correction. I was wrong about the disqualification of Anna Harris. It wasn't that she was riding a stud horse, she grabbed the reins with both hands in her stop. Krista Lybrand gave the treasurer's report. After all pay-outs were made, we have \$879.58 to begin 2010 show season.

The State meeting was attended by Mid-State representatives. Horsemanship patterns will be posted the day before the State Show starts. A list of eligible riders for each event for the entire show will be posted on Thursday, to ensure we don't have the same problems we had last year.

The 2010 Show Schedule is attached. It will be posted on the web site, midstatehorse.com. There are some suggestions for clarifying some of our rules. These are not rule changes, but, hopefully, they will help us better understand our MS Rulebook.

There has always been the question about changing from one age group to another. We want to shadow the State and Quarter Horse rules, so we would like to word this where a rider can move up but can't go back for a show season. All accumulated points in the age category you left will be forfeited. This rule applies only to SPEED EVENTS like Barrels or Poles. This rule needs to specify this.

In 2 Yr. Old Snaffle Bit: the warm-up should be rider optional and the walk-trot rule should be the first six consecutive shows regardless of rain outs.

We are still having the on-going debate about the wrong number disqualification issue. A current coggins is **required**. This is a State law. You will be turned away at the gate without a current coggins.

MSHSA Rulebook should read: AQHA rules apply except where it contradicts Mid-State rules.

Concerning Lead Line and Pony Walk-Trot: Rules should match. Lead Line should be for young or disabled riders who are not able to ride a horse unassisted. If a child goes up to Pony Walk-Trot from Lead Line, intending not to ride in Lead Line again, they will forfeit their points.

Rule changes will be brought up at the January meeting to be taken back to the clubs. Final vote will be at the February meeting.

The motion was made and seconded to purchase Walkie-Talkies. It will be mandatory that the Judges use them to simplify show. Each Club will need to make sure they have batteries for the Timers (9-volt) and set of Walkie-Talkies (AAA).

We need a "Guide Line" for items that are needed at the announcer's stand for each show. If each secretary would turn in a suggestion list to me, I will prepare the guide line list to be handed out with the annual show packets.

MSHSA will meet Thursday, January 7th, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. at the Sheridan Arena Clubhouse. The next State Show meeting will be Sunday, January 10th at 2:00 p.m. at the Farm Bureau Bldg.

Respectively submitted,
Darlene Thomas, MSHSA Sec.

2010 MSHSA Schedule

March 20	Lorance
March 27	Rain Date
April 3	Lorance
April 10	OPEN Easter
April 17	Saline County
April 24	Rain Date
May 1	Saline County
May 8	Rain Date
May 15	Malvern
May 22	Malvern
May 29	OPEN Memorial Day
June 5	Rain Date
June 12	Benton
June 19	Benton
June 26	Benton Benefit
July 3	Open July 4 th Holiday
July 10	Rain Date
July 17	Sheridan Benefit
July 24	Sheridan
July 31	Rain Date
August 7	Sheridan
August 14	Rain Date
August 21	Rain Date
September 3-6	State Show