



43rd Annual WWPHC

The exit gate was closed on the 43rd Annual World Wide Paint Horse Congress Sunday evening, August 3, 2014. During the eight judge show, competitors from across the United States exhibited the nation's top horses to vie for coveted awards.



The inaugural Beth Buechler Limited Series recognized exhibitors in six limited rider/limited horse classes in trail, hunter under saddle and western pleasure. Spectators of the Beth Buechler Limited Series enjoyed the exhibitor's appreciation barbeque while watching the competition. Family and friends of the Simons family, representatives from the World Conformation Horse Association, and the public gathered Saturday evening to acknowledge winning exhibitors in the first ever Lynn Simons Memorial Futurity. Get of sire and produce of dam classes were included in the Saturday show schedule. An Elite Congress halter champion was named from those horses receiving Grand Champion distinction in any sex division under all eight judges.

Each Congress class winner was presented a champion jacket award while reserve class winners received award plated leather halters. This was the first year for the KPHA to host the Paint Congress in Tulsa, Oklahoma and plans are already being made for next year's show at the same venue.

A special thanks to KPHA volunteers who attended and assisted. These individuals logged over 650 hours during the five day experience. In addition, countless hours of preparation were charted by our members in the 10 months preceding the event. Our WWPHC volunteer list included: Bette Mayfield, Becky Cummings, Gay and Terryl Jordan, Don and Judy Nicely, Tricia Bruce Novak, Cookie Nonken, Richard Hearting, Casey West, Jerry, Sheri, Jessica and Jacob Grinstead, and Ben Kostroske. To those KPHA members who opened a gate, made coffee and popcorn, ran errands, scribed, took pictures, painted, raked, swept and reset trail obstacles, audited calculations, prepared awards, handed out awards, and much, much more---we are grateful for your support. Without these dedicated individuals the Congress would not be

possible. Please thank this group for committing their resources to the 2014 World Wide Paint Horse Congress.

We were also pleased to have volunteers from other paint horse clubs provide services in support of our show. The KPHA WWPHC committee would like to thank APHA Executive Committee members, Susie Shaw and George Ready for assisting with awards presentation and to APHA President, Billy Smith, for his leadership and attendance at World Wide Paint Horse Congress.

We would also like to thank all of our sponsors and exhibitors for making the 43rd annual World Wide Paint horse Congress a success. Check www.kansaspainthorse.com and the Equine Chronicle on line at www.equinechronicle.com for more information and results on the WWPHC.

Blazing Trails and Building Relationships-----Plans are being discussed to hold a one day trail ride at Sand Hills State Park in Hutchinson, Kansas later this fall. This park has recently been improved and now includes trailer hookups, picnic areas, a small pond area, restrooms and other amenities. Invite others to ride along. Come and enjoy horses and our horse family outside the show pen. Watch your email for more details.

Congratulations to those who exhibited in the HotR N Heck show co-sponsored with OPHC and the KPHA Kansas Fall Circuit show held at the Kansas State Fair. Results from all shows will be posted soon for exhibitor review and comment prior to year end award calculation.

KPHA Leadership Opportunities:

Now is the time to consider a leadership opportunity in the Kansas Paint Horse Association. Club elections are several months away, however, it is not too early to consider running for a position on the KPHA Board, committee participation, show management detail etc. Visit with current board members regarding the many ways you can take an active leadership role. Your ideas, input, and energy are always welcome!

SUPPORT OUR NATIONAL APHA ORGANIZATION AND VOTE TODAY!

As an APHA member you have the opportunity to make a difference. Ballots will be arriving later this fall to cast your vote for our APHA Area 31, Director. When formally notified by the APHA, you may vote online at www.aphaonline.org/vote, enter your membership ID and the voter registration number recently received on a mailed postcard OR request a paper ballot by contacting Julie Haney at 817-222-6404 or email

voteAPHA@apha.com. Member candidates running for a new term as an APHA Director will be determined soon. The website will only allow you to vote for one ----so make your vote count!!!

National Director Regional Club Committee Notes from Sheri Grinstead, KPHA President:

Best Practices Manual for Regional Clubs: Billy Smith has charged the APHA National Director Regional Club committee with creating a "Best Practices Manual" to assist Regional Club operations. Committee members are asked to bring ideas to the APHA convention. As a unit, the committee will review suggestions for individual acceptance or rejection. Julie Haney will send out old club manual information to the committee members to assist in this process. Exhibitor's concern; soliciting sponsorships; beyond the show ring; public relations; ideas for yearend awards; formulating an award catalog; where to come up with ideas; "what ifs"; and ideas for events are all topics of interest and may be included. Julie is to converse with Billy Smith to provide more details of his vision and request his assistance in formulating a purpose statement for the manual.

Using "Association" in an APHA club name: APHA is discussing whether "Association" is a more fitting name for individual APHA state organizations than the term "club". Craig Wood, EC liaison and member of the Governance committee shared to the Committee his wishes to have clubs and associations review this potential rule modification. As per Billy Smith, it was clearly shared that it will not be mandatory for clubs to initiate a name change. The process would be voluntary. APHA Leadership proposed to hold a six month comment period regarding this issue. The Regional Club Committee is tasked with communicating this information to our stakeholders regarding the proposed revision.

Concerns include: What are the timeframes to change a club name, what if the club waits several years AND then decides to change their name? What are the legalities of name changes?

***Currently Kansas is one of four APHA organizations in the United States that has been allowed to maintain the word "Association" in their title. Other states include: Rocky Mountain PHA; Minnesota PHA; and California PHA. Article IX State/Provincial Regional Clubs, in the APHA Rule Book, Section 1 states: Only the APHA is empowered to use the term "Association" in its title or name with exception of those clubs who had the term in title or name prior to the adoption of this rule.

Regional Club Sponsorship Recipients: This Program was instituted to provide clubs with additional money to use in their own state/providence clubs to aid in generating and awarding innovative ideas. 28 applications were received by the APHA review committee-- which is an improvement over previous years. Cash awards will be presented to five winning applications at the 2015 Convention. This Award grants each winner \$ 1000. APHA leadership has stated that this will be the last time such awards will be given. The Regional Club committee moved to request the EC to continue with the Regional Club Grant program giving 5 sponsorships each year to chosen clubs in the amount of \$ 1000 each. Julie Haney mentioned Regional Championship Shows were an idea created as an alternative to the Regional Club Sponsorship Program. The EC wishes to repurpose dollars to support Regional Championship events to facilitate other types of recognition.

Your Kansas Paint Horse Association President submitted an application for APHA Gold Star Recognition for activities and events held in 2013. We will be notified of our status in late 2014, early 2015.

Please share your thoughts and ideas.

The KPHA welcomes and encourages members to be actively involved in the association. If you have items of information you would like to see in this publication, please feel free to contact a KPHA board member. Board member phone numbers, addresses and email information are located on the KPHA website. We would be happy to share your news with the KPHA membership and all horse enthusiasts.

Find Us

Current association and show information can be found on the KPHA website at <http://kansaspainthorse.com> or Kansas Paint Horse Association on Facebook for show dates, locations, judges, the show bill and much more.

2014 KPHA Board of Directors

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