

FALL AMHA DIRECTORS REPORT

The 2024 Annual Meeting is just around the corner – November 14-17, at the Silver Legacy Casino in Reno, Nevada. We encourage all to attend this year's meeting and to vote on the proposals and next year's officers.

The Board has been challenged with some tough decisions this year. The Regional Shows have not been profitable, and with the cost of facilities and awards going up next year some decisions need to be made on how we handle them. This will be discussed and decided at the Annual Meeting in just a few short weeks.

The protests and formal complaints from the World Show are being reviewed and handled according to our Rulebook, with the EC resolving some and some going to the hearing board process.

This has been a tough financial year for AMHA – rising costs, building maintenance, and reduced income have all contributed to a tight financial year. The Finance Committee is working closely with the Board on recommendations for “tightening our belt” in 2025. Many solid and workable solutions are going to be presented and voted on at the Annual Meeting.

AMHA sent out a survey to all the member a few weeks ago. Since having a virtual meeting at this time is too expensive, we sent out the survey to get your opinions on the proposals being voted on at the annual meeting and, most importantly, to hear your comments, ideas, etc. on each proposal. Our Region, (8) had a very good turnout. All measures were “passed” and some very good comments made. These results, and each of the comments, will be presented to the assembly at the meeting so each person there to vote can hear the opinions of our members.

There were some computer “glitches” in the office with calculating the Honor Roll Points, and Val is going to have to start at the beginning and re-enter everything. So if you don't see your points there, don't worry she will be fixing that data base as soon as she returns from the meeting next week.

Please remember to renew your membership for 2025, send in your stallion service reports, nominate your futurity horses and finish up your foal registrations. Lots to do at the end of the year.

Here's looking forward to a great 2025 for AMHA!

Sheryl Peterson
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