



# Northern Minnesota Draft Horse Assn. Inc.

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SPRING 2015 NEWSLETTER

The NMDHA met on Feb. 22, 2015 at the Landing, Avon, MN. The weather was very cold outside, but inside there were warm friendly conversations going on. After a wonderful chicken dinner and lots of desserts, we proceeded to our annual meeting.

Mel Klein, President, brought the meeting to order. There were several introductions and thanks to all for their participation in the Field Day.

New items passed:

Anyone who brings machinery to the field day will be paid for each piece they use in the field. Also any teamster who brings horses will be paid for each horse that is used in the field.

Starting in 2016, the NMDHA will be giving out a \$500 scholarship to any club member (member needs to be a member for at least one year) for continued education. This applies to any age.

New Directors elected for the 2015 and 2016 were:

Dan Welle from Melrose, MN and LeRoy Ritter from Avon, MN.

2015-2016 NMDHA Queen is Jamie Nelson daughter of Wes and Cheryl Nelson from Foreston, MN.

The recipient of the Rural Heritage magazine drawing is Sandy Eichhoff from Richmond, MN.

The 2014 Field Day DVD's are ready. The cost is \$20. If you would like one please contact JoAnn Holthaus. When ordering DVDs, remember your loved ones, who may be in nursing homes or other places.

**Future DVDs**-If you are interested in replacing Mel Klein and Gene Loxtercamp in producing the DVDs, please contact the board. The feeling is the market is not there for the DVDs because it is too much of the same thing year after year. We may not produce anymore DVD's in the future. Mel and Gene have narrated the DVDs for 20+ years.

Art Zulawski has approx. 14 acres he would like to plow up this early fall. This will be in the Ronneby area. Tentative dates are Labor Day weekend or the 12<sup>th</sup> of Sept. May be a good day to shine some those plows up before Field Day.

**If you know of a foal that can be purchased this year for the raffle, please contact one of the Board Members.**

**Upcoming club events:**

**Horse Expo, Apr 24, 25, 26, 2015** – 18 teams are participating on Friday and Sat. from 1:30 to 3:30 pm. Only club members and workers may drive teams. Teamsters must have liability on their horses.

**NORTHERN MINNESOTA DRAFT HORSE ASSN.**

**Spring Plow Day, May 2, 2015** –Kent Lindblad, 13480 Panola Dr. Lindstrom, MN, This plow day is one week later.  
Ken's cell # 612-210-8811

**Directions:**

From 35W: 35W N to Forest Lake exit 129 East on Hwy 97 to 4<sup>th</sup> stop light, Take a right (Hwy 97) approx.. 9 miles to Scandia (4 way stop), go N(left) on Co Rd 3 (Olinda Trl) 4 miles to Panola Dr., turn left on Panola, ½ mile to field.

**From Hwy 95(N.B.):** Hwy 95 E thru North Branch, go thru town to 4 way stop sign(Co Rd 14) turn right, go ¼ mile and turn left at church (Co Rd 14) follow 14 to Lindstrom (Hwy 8) left on Hwy 8 thru town just past the Holiday Station, turn right on Co Rd 25 (Olinda) 6 miles to Panola Dr. turn right on Panola, ½ mile to field

**Summer Picnic- June 28, 2015** – John & Sue Splettstoesser and Conrad Thomsen will be hosting.

**Directions:** From Ogilvie, MN go north on State Hwy 47 about 15 miles, turn right on Co Rd 15(320<sup>th</sup> Ave.) 2nd place on the left. From Isle, MN go South on State Hwy 47 six miles to Co Rd 15, 2<sup>nd</sup> place on left. Co Rd 15 is between mile marker post 84 and 85. Conrad's # 320-279-5000

**NMDHA Fall Field Day- Sept. 26, 2015**-Greg and Sandy Theis-Walz Farm, Richmond, MN

**Directions:** From St. Cloud take MN Hwy 23 W. Stay on Hwy 23 past Casey's in Richmond for 1 ½ miles. Take right on Stearns Jct. 12. Continue to the stop sign and take a left. Go approx. a mile to 223<sup>rd</sup> Ave. Turn Right, Watch for signs. From Richmond: 2 ½ miles west out of Richmond on Jct. Rd. #111 which continues into Co. Rd. 12 for about 2 1/2miles.

**Other events:**

**8<sup>th</sup> Annual Hobo Wagon Train-May 9, 2015**-El Rancho Manana Campground, 27302 Ranch Rd., Richmond, MN. Contact Adeline Boucher (320-250-6685) or JoAnn Holthaus (320-293-8594)

**Amish Retirement Farm Auction-May 26,2015**-Mr. & Mrs. Rebuen C. Stutman, 17024 Co. Rd. 11, Osakis, MN 56360 A Dan Winter Auction 320-333-7400 or Contact Rudy Loxtercamp 320-267-8443

**Horse and Machinery Consignment auction-June 27, 2015**-Eddie Swartzentruber, 18444 CR11, Long Prairie, MN 56347 Location: 5 miles south of Long Prairie, MN on ST Hwy 71, then 4 miles west on ST Hwy 27 to CR 11 then ½ mile North 1<sup>st</sup> place on right.

**Mid-American Auction Co.,** Al Wessel 320-547-2206, Kevin Winter 320-352-3803 or contact Eddie Swartzentruber.

**Riverlake Days – July 16, 2015**- The City of Richmond is looking for 10 teams, if you are interested contact Mel Klein.