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SPRING 2019 NEWSLETTER

NMDHA ANNUAL MEETING

The NMDHA met on Feb. 24, 2019 at "The Landing", Avon, MN with 92 teamsters present. The weather was a challenge with blizzard like conditions. Thanks to all of you that braved the weather to be at our annual event.

We were treated to a reduction in our meal thanks to the teamsters who participated in the 2018 horse expo. The donation they received was used on the balance of our meal. Thank you to all who participated. Thank you to Gene Loxtercamp for bringing the flags to the banquet.

Thanks to everyone who brought door prizes.

Thank you to the Walz family for hosting our 2018 Fall Field Day. They will receive a DVD from the club. Also, we thank all of those who donated their time, potatoes and equipment to provide everyone with a fun filled day.

The \$500 Scholarship will be given out again this year. If you are young or old and your parents or you are a member of the club and plan on furthering your education you qualify. If interested contact Barb Schloemer at campuspark@hotmail. The forms are due back by May 31. The scholarship will be awarded at the summer picnic.

New Directors elected are:

Bob Johnson, Sauk Rapids, MN, Bob is our new President

Justin Schloesser, Miliona, MN

Leaving the Board of Directors was: Dan Welle and LeRoy Ritter, Thanks for your service.

2019-2020 Queen:

Gracie Dobmeier, daughter of Tom and Anita Dobmeier of Albany, MN

Thank You Cameryn Schloesser for you rein of 2018-2019.

New Business:

Changes to our by-laws: The By-Laws now read:

QUALIFICATION-TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD, THE PERSON MUST BE A MEMBER OF THE CORPORATION AND OWN OR HAVE OWNED ONE OF THE SEVEN BREEDS OF HORSES, FJORD, HAFLINGERS, SHIRES, PERCHERON, BELGIAN , CLYDESDALE , SUFFOLK OR MULES, BUT NEED NOT BE A RESIDENT OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA.

NON- OWNERS-ALL PERSONS OVER AGE 18 YEARS, WHO DO NOT OWN BUT HAVED OWNED ONE OF THE SEVEN BREEDS OF HORSES, FJORD, HAFLINGERS, SHIRES, PERCHERON, BELGIAN, CLYDESDALE, SUFFOLK OR MULES, BUT NEED NOT BE A RESIDENT OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA.

FOAL for our raffle for the Fall Field Day is needed. If you have one or know of one, please contact one of the board members,

NEW INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL CLUB EVENTS INVOLVING HORSES:
Due to insurance changes you will be required to fill out the enclosed Northern Minnesota Draft Horse Teamster Registration form and provide us with a copy of your Liability Insurance. If you have any questions of how to obtain a certificate of liability insurance, we advise you to contact your insurance agent. If you have any other questions, please call one of the board members.

A letter from your board of directors:

Over the last few years there have been many questions about our organization's insurance needs. As your board of directors, we met in early February to start planning our 2019 season. A question came up about what our past policy has been when having our organization represented in parades. Is our organization liable if one of our members or the public was hurt by the horses involved, was a question we could not answer with any certainty. As a board we decided to ask our insurance representative Ryan Christensen. During the meeting with Ryan, all of our activities, our policy manual, and the yearend report were discussed. We found that there were ways to protect our club's liability by choosing different wording, adding some wording, and by having our teamsters provide a certificate of insurance at our events. **Over the last several years our teamsters have been required to provide their own insurance at our events. The only change this year is that the teamsters must now provide our organization with a copy of their certificate of insurance at all of our events.** We as a board recognize that some changes are inconvenient but providing a certificate of insurance is far less inconvenient than having our organization involved in a lawsuit where we could be found negligent for not requiring the proper documentation.

Please meet with your insurance provider if you have any concerns or questions about your policy coverage.

At the directors' request Ryan will attend our Summer Picnic to answer any questions about our organization's insurance coverage.

As your board of directors, we thank you

Upcoming club events:

Spring Plow Day: April 27, 2019 at Clayton Berg's, 1892 Falcon ST, Ogilive, MN 320-272-4387

Directions: Hwy 23 NE to Ogilive, Left on 47 N, go 2 miles Right (East) on 190 1 mile to Falcon St Farmon Right.

This is a **pot luck** lunch. Please bring your chairs and dish to share. Utensils are provided by the club.

Summer Picnic: June 23, 2019 at John and Susanne Spletstoesser, 35422 Hwy 47, Isle, MN 320-676-3623 or 602-448-7430

Directions: 16 miles north of Ogilive on Hwy 47, right side of the road by mile marker 85. Red tin with silver tin on bottom barn and beige house. Or you may go 6 miles south of Isle on Hwy. 47 on left side of the road by mile marker 85 turn left

This is a **pot luck** event. Please bring your chairs and a dish to share. Utensils are provided by the club.



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2019 Fall Field Day: Sept. 28, 2019 at LeRoy and Eileen Ritter, 31912 Co. Rd.9, Avon, MN
Directions: I-94 to Avon exit Co. Rd, 9 go South 3 miles to Co. Rd. 156 and turn right.

40th Anniversary NMDHA Cookbook-We are exploring the possibility of having a fund raiser for our 40th Anniversary in the order of a NMDHA cookbook. In order to determine if there is enough interest to pursue this, please contact Ginger Johnson 320-393-2193 or Deb Schreifels 320-654-0727 for more information. We will then determine whether we will proceed with this project. The deadline for contacting either of us is April 26th, 2019.

Non Club events:

Kanabec County Fair, Mora, MN July 24-28, 2019 Draft Horse Show on the 27th

Stearns County Fair, Sauk Center, MN July 31-Aug 4, 2019 Draft Horse Show Aug 2,3,4
If interested in participating in the Draft Horse Show contact Gene Loxtercamp 320-987-3254

When is your membership due? Check your envelope for the Feb. date above your name. If it does not say Feb. 2020 your membership is due. Our membership runs from Feb. to Feb.

Advertisements:

If you are interested in a 2018 Fall Field Day DVD please contact Adeline Boucher at 320-250-6685.

For Sale: Team of draft horse harnesses, quarter horse harness, single pony harness, single horse cart, single pony cart, buggy wheels and lots of other tack. Call 320-333-7400

