

NRHA COMMITTEE REPORT FORM

Committee name: Professionals Committee

Committee meeting date: 6/1/2011

Members present: Shane Brown- Chair, Brett Walters- Vice Chair, Casey Hinton, Mike Berg, Sam Smith, David Hanson, Meri Shefler.

Not Present: Kim Diercks, Abby Cosenza, Josh Visser, Jordan Larson

Staff: Jessica Johnson, Christa Morris

Agenda Items:

Discussed training donation program

The committee determined that the donation program would not be mandatory to be a Professional. Additionally, being a Professional but not a contributor still allows you to be eligible for the program's crisis fund. Awards for being a contributor were discussed; the committee would like to get something tangible that could be posted with the contributing Professional throughout the year (i.e. stall curtains) was mentioned, in addition, to being listed on the website/*reiner*. This will be a topic at the annual Derby meeting.

Top 20 Revision

The committee reviewed the Top 20 proposal with added divisions. Trophy spurs will still be awarded. This will be a topic at the annual Derby meeting.

Open Rider List

Jessica created and emailed a list of NRHA members who actively show in Open classes. The list was sorted by state/region and committee members were tasked with talking to riders on this list that are not in the Professionals Program.

Webpage/Media

The Professionals website needs to be more interactive and members need a more efficient way to communicate.

Animal Welfare

Brett Walters motioned that the Professionals Committee make a recommendation to have signs posted at all warm-up arenas and have a Steward available that would restrict video camera usage. Seconded by Sam Smith. Roll Call vote was conducted. Motion passed unanimously.

Progress/Action on past committee assignments:

Comments for or requests from Executive Director regarding committee Assignments/issues: