

NRHA COMMITTEE REPORT FORM

Committee name: Animal Welfare / Stewards Committee

Meeting date: April 3, 2012

Committee Members Present: Mario Boisjoli (Chair), Lyle Jackson (Vice Chair), Shane Brown, Butch Carse, Cathy Herbert, Mike McEntire, Karen McCuiston, Colleen McQuay and Beth Himes (E.C.)

Committee Members not Present: Tim Bartlett, DVM; Jan Boogarets; Todd Crawford; Sven Friesecke; Phyllis LaMalfa; Rod Leibring, DVM; Tom McCutcheon; Dori Schwartzenberger and Rick Weaver

Staff Present: Christa Morris, Michelle Wrigley, Chris Potter and Melanie Rinehart

Mission Statement: To protect the welfare and integrity of reining horses

Agenda Items

- Discussed Stewards Selection, including the voting process, for the NRHA Derby Show and NRHA Cowtown Classic.
- Discussed problems and situations that arise at shows. Discussed a Warning Card proposal to deal with abuse witnessed during a show. Created a subcommittee to draft guidelines for warm-up areas as a first step. Discussed the need to educate show managers (rules for conduct, schooling schedule, etc.) and the need to work on exhibitor perception of the role of Stewards.

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Meeting date: July 31, 2012

Committee Members Present: Lyle Jackson (Vice Chair), Shane Brown, Cathy Herbert, Beth Himes (E.C.), Mike McEntire, Karen McCuiston, Colleen McQuay, Rick Weaver

Committee Members not Present: Mario Boisjoli (Chair), Tim Bartlett, DVM; Butch Carse, Jan Boogarets; Todd Crawford; Sven Friesecke; Phyllis LaMalfa; Rod Leibring, DVM; Tom McCutcheon; Dori Schwartzberger

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- Staff presented the subcommittee's recommendation for a Warm Up / Schooling Policy for NRHA events. In addition, they presented comments and suggestions from the Animal Welfare Summit. The policy was approved with the addition of the Animal Welfare Summit recommendations and the committee's recommendation for verbiage discouraging alcoholic containers in the riding areas.
- The committee discussed stewards for the 2012 NRHA Futurity and finalized a recommendation.
- At the Animal Welfare Summit, attendees discussed developing a program where current, experienced Stewards served as mentors to educated others about their responsibilities. The committee agreed to move forward with this recommendation.
- The committee reviewed 2013 rule change proposals and developed their recommendations.