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ANNUAL FEBRUARY MEMBERSHIP MEETING

February 13, 2017

News!!

4-H Tack Auction Sat. Feb. 18, 2017 at 4 pm Marshall IL

FRIENDLY REMINDER TO
PLEASE RENEW YOUR
MEMBERSHIP

** Thank you to all that have already renewed AND especially Thank our new members!! **

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From Our President

Hello Everyone!

I am excited to see what 2017 has in store for everyone and especially for the Illinois Fox Trotter Horse Association! We have the Illinois Horse fair in March and a gaited horse clinic is in the works as well as a poker run on horseback...How fun!!!!!!!! We are also making plans for a tack sale and exchange!

If you are interested in helping out with any of these events please contact a board member today!

I for one believe that this is going to be a great year for all of our equestrian activities! I encourage you to send in your articles and pictures on what you and your equine partner are up to!

2016 was a great year to serve as your president and I look forward to the great things that we can do for our club and breed in 2017!

Thank You! Larissa Seward- Malott

Next Meeting:

Saturday July 8, 2017
At the Trail Ride Poker Run
Panther Creek/Site M
Chandlerville, IL
Please plan to attend!
We'll have a potluck lunch
after the 10:00 a.m. ride
Several will be camping – come join us!

Spring is only 35 days away!

AND

Daylight Savings Time begins

March 12th!!

Get out the shedding blades! :)

Check out
Pages 4 and 5!!

Order your hoodie
With the IFTHA Logo!

GLITTER logo for the ladies!!

AND

We haven't forgotten the men
They can order the matte logo
Print the form and send it and your
Check to Cheryl Crowdson

Illinois Horse Fair needs:

Theme this year "Horses and Heroes"

- Posters with your horse hero
- 2 Help decorating on Thursday
- 3 Help at the Booth Fri Sat Sun
- 4. Help tearing down Booth Sun.

IFTHA Upcoming Events





Friday 10 to 7 Saturday 9 to 7 Sunday 9 to 5

DAILY ADMISSION Advance \$13, Gate \$15 WEEKEND ADMISSION Advance \$27, Gate \$30

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Please join us at the Illinois Horse Fair! www.illinoishorsefair.com

We'll have a Booth near our horse stalls in Barn 18
and of course the Breed Demos!
This year you'll find the Demos in the Livestock Center
Members Dawn Brown, Lauren Curless, Danielle Sill and Jennifer West and
their amazing Fox Trotters are participating . . .

Don't forget the Clinics and Shopping!!! Everything horsey!!

The Gaited Horse Clinician is Steve Lantvit Here is his website: http://stevelantvit.net/

Clinic - who, when, where? Suggestions anyone??!?!?

Do we want to have a Tack Sale/Exchange there as a fundraiser?

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Trail Ride/Poker Run:
July 8, 2017 at 10:00 am
Panther Creek/Site M near Chandlerville IL
Potluck at noon and Prizes!!

More details soon . . . Several will be camping all weekend - come join us!

MEMBER NEWS - Minutes from Feb. 5, 2017

PLEASE BE AWARE THE MINUTES ARE NOT APPROVED UNTIL THE NEXT MEETING

- 1. Meeting was called to order by Larissa Malott at 2:05 p.m. Meeting held at Monical's Pizza in Forsythe, II. Dawn Brown read the previous minutes of 10/28/16 meeting taken by Danielle Sill. Minutes approved by Jennifer West and Seconded by J.D. Otey. Motion carried
- 2. Treasurers Report was given by Cheryl Crowdson. \$1,191.35. Dawn Brown approved the report and seconded by Brian Malott. Motion carried
- 3. Discussion on the Horse Fair and Breed Demo: Horses and Riders participating will be Jennifer West on Secret, Loren Curless on Dolly, Danielle Sill on Tornado and Dawn Brown on Joey. J.D. Otey will be in the Stallion Parade with his horse Widow Maker.

The Horse Fair Theme is Horses and Heroes. Would like to encourage members to send photos and write-ups of Hero Horses to make a collage. Fliers or Directories were discussed being put out on our table to give away. The Flier idea was accepted as our hand-out. Trinkets to give out free provided by MFTHBA.

- 4. Sweatshirts were modeled and ordered as a fundraiser for the group.
- 5. Budget: 2017 Estimated Budget was approved by Betty Horn and seconded by Marilyn Stoll. Motion carried \$450.00 Insurance for 3 Events
- \$65.00 quarter page MFTHBA Journal ad OR \$75.00 half page for Clinic/events
- \$300.00 Arena Rental for Clinic
- \$100.00 for Trail Rider/Poker Run
- \$925.00 Total Estimated
- 6. Clinic Dates: Discussed in previous minutes was April 29, 30, and May 1st. Subject to change. No Clinician is hired as of yet. Jennifer West confirmed that the MFTHBA will do cost sharing of \$300.00.

7. Fundraisers:

Becky Whitfill brought up a Tack Sale with a fee charged for individuals to set up a Table and sell new or used Tack, similar to a Flee Market. Discussion was held as to the Building to hold such an event. Betty Ann Horn to ask Mike Richner, Mt. Pulaski, for the American Legion building and price. Betty Ann Horn and Larissa Malott to check on prices for Building Rental in other cities. Maybe combine this event with our Clinic.

- 8. Jennifer West talked of the Poker Run. This Event would be for all Breeds. You would not have to be a member of IFTHA to participate in the Poker Run, but Members would get a discount on the entry fee. Potluck following the ride. Places suggested were Panther Creek, Wolf Creek, and Sand Ridge. Tentative date was set for July 8th, 2017 at Panther Creek.
- 9. Newsletter Cheryl Crowdson would like a small article from our 3 new people and any from our old members would be greatly appreciated.
- 10. Next Meeting is scheduled for July 8th, 2017 at Panther Creek.
- 11. Becky Whitfill made a motion to adjourn at 3:22 p.m. It was seconded by J.D. Otey. Motion carried

MEMBER NEWS - Hoodies!! Full Zip Hooded Sweatshirt

ADULT FULL-ZIP HOODED SWEATSHIRT ORDER FORM



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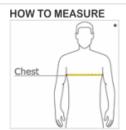
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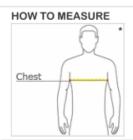
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I've had my pony, Red, for about 3 years. I got interested in driving from Upper Midwest Endurance Competitive Riding Association (UMECRA) when I was riding my Arabian in rides and some members were driving their horses down the trails. I looked on Dream Horse on a whim and found a driving pony, harness and cart that a lady in Michigan had for sale. He was trained by the Amish and she told me two boys had driven him to school. She had a mini she drove. So my JRT and I took a ride up there, tried him out on the roads and trails and my husband and I went back with the trailer. Then I got lessons from a friend who drives her draft horse and from Tony and Tim, who were driving their Arabians down the trails.

Our older trainer, Don, who lives a couple miles from us said, "You're really getting lazy now, Kathy" but we've put on the miles even winning a 15 mile drive in Matthiessen Park down the canyon, up hills and riding trails which Tony encouraged me to enter, competing with the horses. We've placed in others too.

He's been fun when friends visiting with children or grandchildren- they all like to get a ride. We even put on sleigh runners in place of the wheels (which you see in this photo) but didn't get much snow this year. Well, soon I'll be back to the roads and trails again to get in shape. He's a character too, Mr. Red with McCord, my Arabian and A. J. my Missouri Fox Trotter- he's the little boss. Hope to see you at the Illinois Horse Fair and out on the trails.

Kathy Skoza, Morris, Illinois

Announcing Seward Stables' Youth Advancement Course!

IFTHA President Larissa Seward-Malott and J.D. Otey will be helping low income children learn about horses!!!

The Youth Advancement Course will begin March 1, 2017
The Course will teach the children responsibility and accountability!

This free course will help the children grow into young adults with a sense of purpose. Self-worth will be a positive attribute of this program. So many young adults have little ambition when they grow up in low income families. Some families do not have the means to pay for extracurricular activities and therefore kids are not taught sportsmanship, team work, friendships or responsibility. This Course for youth will help to teach them all of this and will use the wonderful horse as a way to reach out and grasp their imaginations and give them strength that they didn't know that they had.:)

If you have horsey items you can donate, please contact Larissa

Items needed: riding helmets of various sizes, riding boots, mud boots, chaps, show clothes

Of course money is always welcome!

Larissa requested a grant, but that funding is limited (She will receive the grant at the Illinois Horse Fair on Saturday March 4 at 4:00 pm if you'd like to attend.)

Donations for this Course can be made through PayPal to sewardstables2002@yahoo.com

Missouri Fox Trotting Horse Breed Association News

From the February 2017 Journal:

New All-Around Youth Buckle Competition Coming to MFTHBA Spring Show

Youth exhibitors should start preparing for a new all-around competition at the Spring Show. Just approved by the MFTHBA Board of Directors, the program is designed to recognize youth that exhibit in various types of competitions and encourage youth exhibitors to try new activities.

"I think this is a wonderful idea," shared Larissa Seward-Malott, MFTHBA member from Illinois and MFTHBA Youth Committee Member. "Once the kids and parents see that their hard work pays off, I think that it will encourage them to work harder to participate in classes that may be outside if their comfort range."

Two All-Around titles will be up for grabs. One for youth 11 and under and one for those 12 to 17. Youth may utilize different horses to earn points toward the All-Around Award. Youth classes will be split into different divisions including model, performance, versatility, trail, and ranch horse. Youth will need to participate in at least three areas to be eligible with their highest placing in the division going toward their overall points.

Specific information on how the classes will be separated will be announced once the final showbill for the Spring Show is released.

"We plan to try this competition at our Spring Show. If it goes well, I hope we can expand it to include the World Show and Celebration," shared Lisa Cantrell, MFTHBA Vice President.

Exhibitors should watch for more information on the program to be released in the coming months.

Did you know that MFTHBA members get a discount on ads in The Journal?

Journal rates have been reduced and your membership will save you an additional 20%!

If you have a business, farm, stallion, boarding facility or training operation, spread the word among readers who love the Missouri Fox Trotter!

Contact Phyllis Ormsby at phyllisormsby@gmail.com or 501-428-3775 for more information about advertising or to share story ideas!

To become an MFTHBA Member
Go to this website
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While you're there check out the other Benefits of Membership!

Spring Show and Futurity - June 7-10, 2017

Fall Show and Celebration - September 4-9, 2017

What's there to Celebrate?

For my first time attending the Show and Celebration in September 2016, it wasn't at all what I expected it to be; it was so much more! Clinics, trail rides, obstacles, team sorting, karaoke, friends (even after the karaoke), vendors, food and literally way more than anyone can digest in a week.

I've owned a Missouri Fox Trotter since 2007, and have been a member of the MFTHBA since that time. Many journals and programs passed with me always thinking, we should make it to Ava someday. Am I glad that we were finally able to make it happen! The comradery we experienced and the friends we made were beyond my expectations. After all, isn't it a competition? I lost count of how many offers we received to use others horses so that we could experience the show ring. I am a trail enthusiast you see.

Two of my favorite activities were the trail rides and the team sorting clinic. We had the option of three different trail rides all while earning double points towards an award. I was able to earn my MFTHBA buckle this year. With the team sorting, the MFTHBA brought in a group to teach us how to sort cows. My horse had never seen a cow but by the end of that clinic, she was pinning her ears and movin'em out like a pro. It was an unbelievable first time experience, I will never forget. Hope to see some of you as the clinic is coming back for an encore'!

For anyone that has never been, I would tell you that it is an experience you don't want to miss. There are things to do for everyone, no matter what your specialty. How great an opportunity to have like-minded people all together in one place, for one purpose - Celebrating the Missouri Fox Trotting horse!

Respectfully submitted,

Tania Herke

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For the Fall Show and Celebration held in September for \$150.00 each

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