

**FAIRFIELD / WESTCHESTER P.H.A CHAPTER MEETING
MONDAY OCTOBER 11TH 2021**

The “Zoom” meeting of the Fairfield / Westchester P.H.A. was called to order by President Barbara Filippelli at 7:05 pm. There were 20 members in attendance. The minutes were read from the September meeting which were accepted as read.

TREASURER’S REPORT:

- The treasurer’s report was presented by Treasurer Chris Dwyer and was accepted as read. A copy is on file with the recording secretary.

HORSE SHOW COMMITTEE:

- Our dates are set for 2022.
 - June 5th - 6th, 2022 at Fairfield County Hunt Club, Westport CT
 - July 11th, 2022 at Riverdale Stables, Bronx NY
 - August 5th and 6th 2022 at Riverdale Stables, Bronx NY

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

- The FWPFA is continuing to explore options for investment of funds.

AID TO MEMBERS:

- None at this time.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- None at this time.

CHARITABLE DONATIONS:

- None at this time.

MEMBERSHIP:

- Membership dues for 2022 will hopefully be going out soon.
- PLEASE check your membership status.
- New memberships will be pending for the following applications until they have attended a meeting: Andrea Zaleski, Kelly Stackpole, Dana Moran, Stephanie C. King.

JR/ ASSOCIATE PHA:

- None at this time.

HIGH SCORE PROGRAM:

- The new year’s points will be posted on November 1st, 2021.

USEF / USHJA COMMITTEE:

- Licensed Course designers and Show Stewards are in high demand! The FWPFA encourages anyone and everyone who is interested to get licensed!
- This year’s USEF Annual Meeting will be completely virtual.

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WEBSITE COMMITTEE:

- The website is in transition for web servers. It will be completed as soon as possible.
- Venmo is available via our website for membership payments. @FWPHA-FWPHA

HIGH SCORE BANQUET COMMITTEE:

- The High Score Dinner HAS BEEN RESCHEDULED to January 7th, 2022 and will be returning back to the Italian Center in Stamford, CT. Further ticket information will be available soon.

JUDY RICHTER ESSAY AWARD:

- The topic for this year's Judy Richter Award is:
 - How have horses or riders inspired you?
- The deadline for completed application has been extended until **NOVEMBER 15th, 2021**
- The Judy Richter Award is presented at the FWPHA Awards Dinner. Contestants in three age groups, 12 and under, 13-17, and 18 and over are asked to write an essay on a topic that has been chosen for that year. The committee then reads the essays and chooses a winner from each age group. The winners each receive a \$500 certificate to be used for lessons with any Professional Member in good standing of the FWPHA, a junior or associate membership for one year, and all entry fees on one horse ridden by the winner at either of the PHA Horse Shows. Application will be available on the website ASAP.

NORMAN BRAY AWARD:

- The Norman Bray Award is given each year at the FWPHA Awards Dinner. A committee meets and chooses a professional member who has demonstrated to be an outstanding sportsman and an asset to the horse world. The award recognizes an individual each year that has consistently provided support to the Association through volunteerism, sportsmanship and fulfillment of its mission.
- Please send nominations in to the President Barbara Filippelli, information available on the website. Valleypondfarm@gmail.com

"ART OF" CLINIC COMMITTEE:

- The 2021 Art of Clinic was a success! Thank you to our host Cynthia Williams, and Sunnyfield Farm.
- We had 37 total attendees!
- Thank you to our volunteers and riders.

GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE:

- None at this time.

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OLD BUSINESS:

- The Pegasus Gala was a success.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Sunday October 24th, 2021 at New Canaan Mounted Troop will be a CHJA and Marshall and Sterling Rated Horse Show.

The next meeting will be Monday November 8th, 2021 at 7:00PM on Zoom. Zoom Link will be available on the website.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:55 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Amanda Ek