

**FAIRFIELD / WESTCHESTER P.H.A CHAPTER MEETING
MONDAY FEBRUARY 14TH 2022**

The “Zoom” meeting of the Fairfield / Westchester P.H.A. was called to order by President Barbara Filippelli at 7:00 pm. There were 12 members in attendance. The minutes were read from the January 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.

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

- No report at this time.

AID TO MEMBERS:

- No report at this time.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- No report at this time.

CHARITABLE DONATIONS:

- No report at this time.

MEMBERSHIP:

- Membership dues will be DUE by February 15th, 2022
- IF PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS HAVE NOT BEEN BROUGHT TO CURRENT BY MARCH 1ST, 2022, ALL POINTS ACCRUED TO THAT POINT WILL BE FOREFEITED.
- Professional members who are in arrears for 3 or more years will need to re-apply for membership, with a completed membership form, signed by two current professional members, and attend a meeting before membership will be voted on.
- PLEASE check your membership status.
- Professional applicants are required to attend a meeting within 90 days of their application date to introduce themselves. If a member has not presented to a meeting in this time period all membership fees will be forfeited but applicants are invited to reapply.
- New memberships will be pending for the following applications until they have attended a meeting: Andrea Zaleski and Dana Moran.

JR/ ASSOCIATE PHA:

- The JR/Associate Committee is looking for active members to add to the committee. If you are interested, please contact Barbara Filippelli.

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HIGH SCORE PROGRAM:

- The new year's points were posted on November 15th, 2021, and are up to date within a week
- It is the responsibility of the rider and the trainer to ensure that they are PHA members in good standing. If the rider and/or trainer is not a member in good standing, their points will not count. **IF YOU DO NOT SEE YOUR NAME, YOU ARE NOT A CURRENT MEMBER.**
- NEW For this season – Modified Adults/Children's Hunters → Low Adults/Children's Hunters - UPDATE
 - If a show only offers 2'6 Low Hunters only the FWPHA will count 2'6 Low Hunters and also count as 2'6 Low Child/Adult Hunters points
 - If a show offers both the 2'6 Low Child/Adult Hunters and the 2'6 Modified Child/Adult Hunters FWPHA will count the 2'6 Low Child/Adult Hunters and will not count the 2'6 Modified Child/Adult Hunters for points.
 - If a show offers 2'6 Low Hunters and the 2'6 Modified Child/Adult Hunters and does not offer the 2'6 Low Child/Adult Hunters the 2'6 Modified/Child hunters will be counted as the 2'6 Low Child/Adult Hunters
 - This is to retire the 2'6 Modified Child/Adult hunters and replace with the Low Child/Low Adults for which have the same class specifications but with the name change count for USHJA and other organizations as well as the FWPHA.

USEF / USHJA COMMITTEE:

- No report at this time

WEBSITE/SOCIAL MEDIA 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
- The FWPHA is looking for current photos and content for our website and social media! If you have any photos to submit, please send them to Scott@TwinLakesFarm.com.

HORSE SHOW COMMITTEE:

- Our dates are set for 2022.
 - June 5th, 2022 at Fairfield County Hunt Club, Westport CT
 - July 9th, 2022 at Riverdale Stables, Bronx NY
 - August 7th 2022 at Riverdale Stables, Bronx NY
 - **FWPHA Finals are tentatively scheduled for September 10th and 11th, 2022 with location to be determined**
- The FWPHA is looking for a donation of a folding room divider, preferably 3-4 panels. If you have one that you would like to donate, please let us know! We will be happy to give it a new home.

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HIGH SCORE BANQUET COMMITTEE:

- Prizes, ribbons and awards have been delivered to barns from the 2021 High Score Dinner.
- We look forward to next year's dinner.

JUDY RICHTER ESSAY AWARD:

- 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.
- The 2021 award winners have been decided! The 12 and under winner is Nya Treuel. The 13-17 award winner is Ania Mentis. The 18 and older winner is Donna Nelson. Congratulations to our winners!
- The Judy Richter Committee is looking for active members to add to the committee. If you are interested, please contact Barbara Filippelli.

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.
- The 2021 Norman Bray winner is Tricia Dencker! Congratulations!

“ART OF” CLINIC COMMITTEE:

- None at this time

GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE:

- None at this time.

OLD BUSINESS:

- None at this time

NEW BUSINESS:

- None at this time.

The next FWPHA Meeting will be March 14th 2022 at 7:00 PM. Zoom information will be available on the website.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:22 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Amanda Ek