



# NEWSLETTER

May 2020



## PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Well this is the toughest President Message I have had to write in my two-year presidency. We usually have lots going on and lots to share. There are always so many positives within WHO that I enjoy sharing them with you. Knowing all of you as I have for all these years, I am certain you still have positives in your life with lots of family time 😊 something I LOVE and cherish. (I just have not seen any of you to know what they are for sharing purposes.) Sometimes we may question where we are headed, especially in this Corona Virus time period, but I have faith our WHO family will come out of this with our family-oriented team spirit - charged and ready for camaraderie, competition, and fun.

Your Board has met through a Zoom meeting and many have contacted me personally to discuss concerns for WHO. They have not forgotten that they represent you and we are all in need of leadership through this for our WHO season to get up and going, once we can. I must say, "THEY HAVE BEEN BUSY thinking of and working for you."

We will have an updated, new rule book coming out soon. Thanks to Tully Ferrando and Yvonne Cook for keeping up with this goal I set for us last year. It is mainly just updated with clarifications and rules that we have discovered were left out since our last printing in 2016. One clarification to be aware of is the updated options for verifying your times at WHO sanctioned shows. REMINDER: You are responsible for verifying results on the pink sheets in the office within 30 minutes of the end of a show and asking for the show secretary to fix any discrepancies. However, we have cleared up procedures for after the show has actually posted as well.

We are hoping still for possible shows in May. We understand that the state's "group gathering restrictions and distancing requirements" may put our shows off longer than we want, but we are ready for last minute additions and leaving current shows scheduled up to the last minute. Tully has

mentioned an option to add an additional last-minute show in Canby in late May. (Thankful that the Clackamas County Fairgrounds has been such a good partner with us over the years.)

YOU NEED TO STAY TUNED TO THE WEBSITE and our social media sites. If fairgrounds do not open, we do have some private facilities that may become a possibility. However, we do not want to put any private facility in jeopardy of creating a poor reputation within their community and we certainly do not need WHO's reputation for social responsibility to be questioned. We realize a lot of other equine activities have been canceling. We are a bit different in that we do not depend on large sponsorships and vendor commitments and we certainly do not have a large group of spectators. WHO is much smaller scale, but there are many decisions we need to START thinking about and try to be ready for. Our discussions have included:

- some of our members may have lost their income source through this period and so we also need to consider the hardship it could put on some of us who feel like we need to get to the shows
- extending the season; hoping for a couple more qualifying shows
- the need some of us have for social time with each other and our mental stability
- THE NEED FOR COMPETITION – we are tired of trying to stay in shape for what?????
- we may need to change some of our norms in order to abide by the distancing regulations and social responsibility
- shows would probably go longer, but maybe we could set them up so we could at least have them
- what does the upcoming 2020 INTERSTATE look like? – can we get qualified even??? And will it happen at all?????
- what happens with the Annual Awards & Convention? Summer show? Beat WA show?

INTERSTATE 2020 has not been canceled yet. However, we do need to realize that INTERSTATE is not like one of our other regular seasonal shows. It does take a lot more planning, sponsors, vendors, and financial commitment. Our princess is asking for sponsorships during a very poor economic period. We also need regular shows in order to get qualified!! There are some changes that have been put in place by the Interstate Committee that we would like our Oregon Team (riders, officials, and members) to be aware of:

1. There will be a fee of \$5.00 per event for riders. This fee will go into the Interstate Fund to help cover expenses.
2. Camping fees are PER NIGHT: \$10 dry camping/day & \$25/day with hookup
3. Stalls are PER DAY: \$25/day

The WHO board has started discussion on ways to possibly supplement our OR Team with these costs. A lot will depend on our future show season and how many shows actually get to happen. WHO's financial situation is very stable, but we still have a lot of costs to cover through our year. Ideas from you would be helpful or volunteers to help conduct ANY type of fundraiser to help cover costs for our Oregon Team would be much appreciated. Here is a chance to get involved and be a part of the leadership for WHO!

Please contact me or any Board Member if you have concerns, ideas, suggestions, would like to volunteer, or help out with WHO's future. We are a great, family-oriented group who cares about our members.

STAY IN TOUCH! Watch the website and social media announcements. STAY SAFE AND HEALTHY 😊 I love WHO and you all are each a part of it.

Lastly, maybe more so than usual.....

*Head Up ~ N ~ Keep Goin' - We got this!*

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## CONDOLENCES

Chris Ross passed away March 20<sup>th</sup>, losing her battle with cancer. Western Horsemen of Oregon lost a very special lady, friend, helper, timer, rider and longtime member. Chris is now at comfort and reunited with Jerry, however WHO will miss them both. Heartfelt sympathy to Chase, Stormy, and their families.



## REMINDERS

Just to highlight a couple reminders from the president's message.

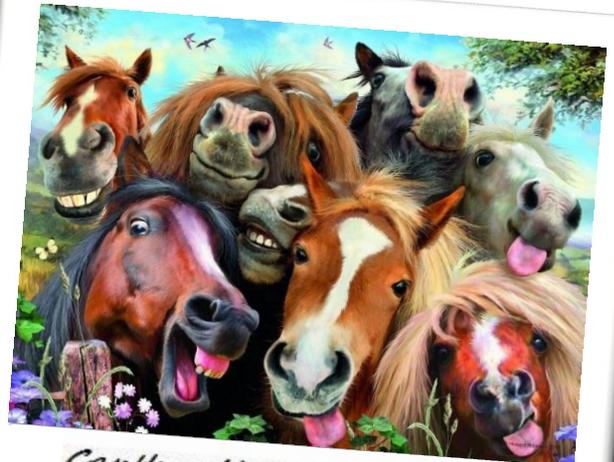
Keep watching for current information via the website, social media, and email.

When we start going to shows again, be sure and check the pink sheets to verify results. It is also your responsibility to make sure your horse/rider info on the entry sheets are correct.



## HISTORIAN

Be sure and send Kenra your "quarantine" photos so we can see what you all were doing during this historic time. [kenradeangelis@gmail.com](mailto:kenradeangelis@gmail.com).



*Can't wait until we are all  
"Horsin Around" again!!!!*

**WHO Board Meeting**  
**February 15, 2020**  
**Elmer's Restaurant Salem, Or**

Meeting called to order by Terri Leach at 5:56pm.

Board Members in attendance: Terri Leach, Nick Meuret, Sherri Henry, Leslie Davis, Tosha Ferrando, Kelsey Bault, Austin Kennell, Marilyn Norris, Terri Weber, Suzie Kennell, Von Cook, Kenra DeAngelis, Tasha Ballstaedt, Jade Ballstaedt, Tyler Weber, Alyssa Kennell, Kathy Moody.

**Prior Meeting Minutes:** Motion made by Tosha Ferrando to approve November's minutes which had been emailed and seconded by Kelsey Bault. Motion approved.

**Treasurer's Report:** Leslie reported that Nick Meuret had given back his check for \$350.00 so the cost of Convention shown on the report would be less that amount. Tosha Ferrando made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report, seconded by Tasha Ballstaedt. Motion approved.

**Correspondence:** Terri Leach read a Thank you card received from Madison Fouts who was one of our Jr Scholarship recipients. Terri mentioned that Chris Ross is doing ok, a little weak, but ok.

Committee Reports:

**Interstate:** Haven't had an Interstate meeting since our last WHO meeting. Next one is scheduled for March 8<sup>th</sup>. Nick Meuret volunteered to be the alternate on the Interstate committee.

**Judges & Timers:** Sarah Hart and Kayla Sawyer are apprentice timers. Jake Hart is an apprentice judge. Everyone is current on their tests, except for Ted and Tammy Hansey. Nick will send a letter to the Hansey's informing them that they are no longer approved judges and timers. Nick will be sending out a list of approved judges and timers to Terri Weber to be included in all show packets. We will look at adding wording back into the rule book on how to remove a judge or timer. Tully will also add the definition of a senior judge or timer in the rule book. Nicki Teune has taken her test but needs to apprentice under a timer to get her card back. We go Convention to Convention as far as the time frame to complete the requirements for judges and timers. Issue was brought up by Suzie Kennell, that she had been contacted about. Rider has a video of a clean run, but the show sheet shows a +10 for her run. Discussion was that riders are supposed to check the pink sheets by end of day. Discrepancy should have been brought to the attention of the show secretary at the end of the show. Nothing we can do about it now. Try to make sure that those who are volunteering as time writers and announcers are up for the job and are paying attention. It can get very chaotic in the office. There were mixed reviews on the new awards presented at Convention for judges and timers. Some felt that by presenting the new awards, we might be making other judges and timers feel inadequate.

**Show Approvals:** Jr Show will be at Twisted Bit. Summer show is the last weekend of July, location TBD. There is a show at Strobel's July 11 & 12. Beat Wa will be August 22, with a WHO show the 23<sup>rd</sup>. Location TBD. Interstate is September 5-7.

**Classifications:** Eileen Barker would like to stay on as our person in charge of Classifications but will not be able to make all meetings.

**Points:** Suzie and Sherri agreed that everything is going ok.

**Historian:** Kenra had nothing to report.

**Hall of Fame:** Kathy had nothing to report.

**Gold Card:** Kathy reported that she has received 4 Gold Card nominations. A blurb will be put on Facebook and added to the newsletter about Gold Card nomination requirements to bring more awareness to them.

**Jr Director:** Tosha is trying to think of ways to give out more awards at the Jr Show.

**Jr Scholarship:** Tosha wanted to know why the Jr Scholarship does not come out of the Jr Fund. Discussion about the fact that it used to, but at some point, they didn't have the funds, so it had been coming out of the general fund. Tosha made a motion to have the Jr Fund begin paying for it again, seconded by Austin Kennell. Motion approved.

**Jr Representative:** Jade had nothing to report.

**Rules Committee:** Tully has gone through the rule book, along with older ones. He will be sending his findings of sections that need to be cleaned up, along with the things discussed during the judges and timers portion of tonight's meeting to Von. She and Marilyn will get them typed up and it will then be brought back to the next meeting to be looked over and finalized. We will need to get new rule books printed, and also add the new updated rule book to the website.

**Annual Awards:** Tosha would like to do some fundraising to be able to add to the awards fund. Maybe sell some WHO gear. We will be retiring the Frank Fitch award plate as there is no room left to engrave names. Tosha will get a new plaque to use.

**Newsletter:** There were a couple of memberships that Von couldn't read the emails for but has gotten them figured out. Deadline will be February 25<sup>th</sup> if you have anything to send to Von that you would like added to this month's newsletter.

**WHO Annual Convention:** Tully said there were 9 or 10 people that didn't show up for dinner, so we had to pay for those meals. Tully will continue to do convention if no one else wants to take it over. He will check into some other venues.

**Beat WA:** Discussion about going back to a 2-day show. Decided to stay with a 1-day format for the Beat Wa show, with WHO putting on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day. Budget wasn't really clear to Nick for the show. Should stay about \$1,000 or less. Discussed other arenas to have it at. Philomath is not available that weekend. Tillamook ground is not good. Trying to stay centrally located. Would someone be willing to work the ground prior to the show? Are we willing to pay to have the ground worked? Woods arena, Horse Haven and Cottage Grove are possibilities.

**Website:** Nothing to report.

**Social Media:** Kelsey is trying to think of fun things to have on Facebook to make it more interesting. She would like to have a "spotlight" on a board member to put on maybe twice a month. Kelsey handed out questionnaires that the board members can fill out and send to her.

**Club Representatives:**

**SOGO:** Nothing to report.

**NORA:** Nothing to report.

**CCGA:** Everything is great.

**Board Members:** Nothing

**Old Business:** Board discussed having sign-up sheets for volunteers at shows. It was decided that it was time consuming, hard to monitor and not very beneficial.

**New Business:** Terri went over some of the concerns/suggestions that were submitted at Convention. There was discussion as to why ALL the directors don't get yearend appreciation awards. Marilyn asked about the info sheet we talked about doing for new members. Kelsey has it ready to go. She will send it to Sherri to be emailed out with the minutes from this meeting. We can add feedback. Kelsey will then post it to the Facebook page, and Von will add it to the Newsletter. Copies will be available at the sign-up table at shows.

Next meeting scheduled for April 18<sup>th</sup>.

Tosha made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Kenra. Meeting adjourned at 8:13pm.

Submitted by Sherri Henry

## 2020 CALANDER

### MAY

**9** SOGO - Douglas County Fairgrounds Lower River Arena 2110 Frear St Roseburg, OR 97471  
**16 & 17** CCGA - Strobel's Arena Indoor 54444 Kalberer Rd Scapoose, OR 97056  
**30 & 31** CCGA - Horse Haven 24952 SE Bohna Park Rd Damascus, OR 97089

### JUNE

**6 & 7** CCGA - Clackamas County Fairgrounds 694 NE 4th Ave Canby, OR 97013  
**13 & 14** CCGA - Strobel's Arena Outdoor 54444 Kalberer Rd Scapoose, OR 97056  
**27 & 28** CCGA - Horse Haven 24952 SE Bohna Park Rd Damascus, OR 97089

### JULY

**4 & 5** WHO Junior Show - Twisted Bit Arena 24221 Suttle Rd Veneta, OR 97487  
**11 & 12** NORA - Strobel's Arena Outdoor 54444 Kalberer Rd Scapoose, OR 97056  
**18 & 19** CCGA - Horse Haven 24952 SE Bohna Park Rd Damascus, OR 97089  
**25 & 26** WHO Summer Show - TBA

### AUGUST

**15 & 16** CCGA - Horse Haven 24952 SE Bohna Park Rd Damascus, OR 97089  
**22** Beat Washington Show - TBA  
**23** WHO - TBA

### SEPTEMBER

**4** Interstate Open Show Rim Rock Riders Event Center 17037 SW Alfalfa Rd  
Powell Butte, OR 97753  
**5 & 6** Interstate Championship Games Rim Rock Riders Event Center 17037 SW Alfalfa Rd  
Powell Butte, OR 97753  
**19 & 20** CCGA - Horse Haven 24952 SE Bohna Park Rd Damascus, OR 97089

