## **Wisconsin Quarter Horse Association**

September 2017 Newsletter



## Upcoming Events

District Meetings:

District 1 - Sunday October 15th 3:00 pm at Meyer's Landing in Mosinee District 2 -

District 3 & 4 - Tuesday October 10th 6:30 pm at Bublitz's in Lomira District 5 & 6 - Tuesday October 10th 6:30 pm at Moys in Elkhorn

November 4, 2017 Show Coordination Meeting 9:30am - All are Welcome! Annual Meeting 2:00 pm Holiday Inn - Fond du Lac

Banquet January 27th LaSure's Banquet Hall in Oshkosh There is a block of rooms at the Hawthorne Inn & Suites that are \$99 until December 27th, after December 27th the price goes to \$159. Call 920-303-1133 for reservations.

## WQHA Board of Directors & Committee Chairs

September meeting has been changed to September 26th at 6:30 pm Holiday Inn & Convention Center, Fond du Lac

## A Recap of the 2017 Built Ford Tough AQHYA World Championship Show

AQHYA exhibitors from the United States, Canada, Costa Rica and Luxembourg headed to Oklahoma City to compete for 35 Ford Youth World championship titles and 33 Adequan<sup>®</sup> Level 2 championships August 4-12.

More than 1,000 horses and 773 exhibitors competed in western, english and halter events. In addition to Level 3 and Adequan<sup>®</sup> Level 2 classes, the top



three 13-&-under competitors were also recognized within each class in both levels.

The fun didn't stop there! Outside the arena youth competed in the <u>Boehringer</u> <u>Ingelheim AQHYA Horse Judging contest</u>, speech and art/photo contests and a team spirit contest. Teams also had their walk of fame at the <u>Parade of Teams</u>, sponsored by Ford, where the 2016 <u>AQHYA year-end high-point winners</u> were recognized and exhibitors learned how to <u>"Make an Impact, Not Just an</u> <u>Impression"</u> from Dr. Rick Rigsby.

AQHA Professional Horsemen taught free Ride the Pattern clinics, presented by Nutrena. These clinics provided exhibitors and spectators the opportunity to learn how AQHA Professional Horsemen approach a class or pattern.

Attendees of the Ford Youth World took home fur-ever friends from The Paws Cause dog adoption event; met with colleges and universities at the college fair and cut a rug at the dance. At the exhibitor party attendees took part in the Nutrena dog race and dog costume contest and competed in the B&W Trailer Hitch contest.

New this year, the AQHYA Community Service and Youth World Show committees partnered with the Regional Food Bank of Oklahoma to host a food and fund drive during the show. More than 740 pounds of nonperishable food and personal care items were donated, in addition to monetary donations that will provide 300 meals to those in need. Region 8 donated the most and earned a certificate from the AQHYA Board of Directors.

If you were unable to join us in Oklahoma City check out results at <u>www.aqha.com/youthworld</u>. You can also watch The American Quarter Horse Journal's Journal Winning Run interviews, and read a variety of stories from the show.

It was a Ford Youth World for the books! Set your goals now to qualify for the 2018 Ford Youth World in or outside of the arena. We'll see you there!

WQHA Year End Award Eligibility - Exhibitors, please be sure that you have WQHA Memberships for owner of horse as well as exhibitors. If you need a membership or renewal,<u>Click</u> <u>Here</u>



Find Your Level - Need help finding your AQHA show level? Follow these helpful steps.

- 1. Visit <u>aqha.com/services/leveling</u> to access the online level verification system.
- 2. Choose a division: amateur, open or youth.
- 3. Choose: exhibitor or horse.
- 4. Enter ID: membership ID for exhibitor or registration number for horse.
- 5. Select "2017" as the show year.
- 6. Click "Check."

Note: A Level 1 eligibility application must be filed each year, and all Level 1 exhibitors are encouraged to complete the <u>Level 1 application</u> and return it to AQHA as soon as possible. Previous Level 1 application information on file with AQHA may conflict with current eligibility, which would affect the eligibility being shown on the level verification system.