Wisconsin Quarter Horse Association

January, 2017 Newsletter



2016 Awards Banquet & Convention will include a General Membership Meeting, Youth Meeting, Amateur Meeting, Hall of Fame Reception, Awards Presentations, Music and More!

- * Silent Auction to benefit the Scholarship fund!
- * Front & Back Covers of the WQHA Spring Newsletter sell in the Live Auction!

January 15th - RSVP Date for meal selections and rooms:

RSVP FORM

Best Western Premier Waterfront - Oshkosh
For Discounted Room Rate please book by January 15th: 920-230-1900
Indicate you are with the WQHA for the discounted room rate.



WQHA Board of Directors for 2017:

President - Stephanie Lynn

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District 1 Directors - Kay DeBoer & Zoe Miller

District 2 Directors - Michele Andrade, Rhonda Spratto, Cindy Tousey

District 3 Directors - Jim Ramthun, Robert Schmitz

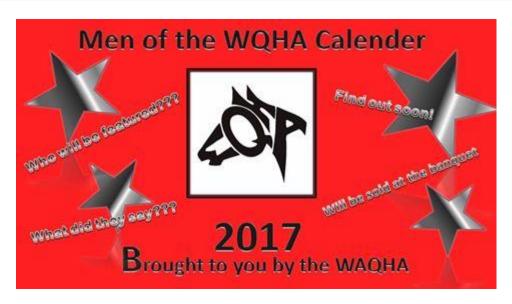
District 4 Director - Danyelle Gabbert

District 5 Directors - Brett Cumberledge, Brenda Lindvall

District 6 Directors - Linda Berg, Sara Hauer

Thank you to our 2016 Directors and Commitee Chairs for your work for the Association!

Please Join Us in 2017! The WQHA has various Committees that are looking for additional members. If you are interested, contact the Committee Chair or a member of the Board for more information. Click here for a list of Committees



Available for Purchase at the Banquet from WI Amateur Association - \$10

Save the Date:



There are several clinicians that will be at the upcoming Midwest Horse Fair, to be held April 21-23, 2017 in Madison, WI. Barbra Schulte-Cutting & Cow Work, Dana Hokana-Western All-Around, Dick Pieper-Horsemanship and Jerry Erickson-Hunter Over Fences. Be sure to stop by the WQHA Booth!

www.MidwestHorseFair.com

Trainers, as you plan your 2017 WQHA Show Schedule, please make copies of the Trainers Tab Sheet and fill out as you book your stalls. Once you arrive at the show you can submit to the Show Office.

Trainers Tab Sheet

Qualifying for the 2018 Level 1 Championships started January 1, 2017. To be a WQHA State Qualifier, be sure to renew or purchase a WQHA Membership for your 2017 Show Season points to count. (You will also be eligible for 2017 WQHA Year End Awards.)



To compete at one of three 2017 American Quarter Horse Association Level 1

<u>Championships</u>, exhibitors have four ways to earn an invitation. Qualifying kicked off January 1, 2016, and continued through December 31.

1. MAINTAIN ELIGIBILITY, THEN ENTER

- Enter cattle classes before the entry deadline. (No qualification method is necessary for cattle classes.)
- Enter Rookie classes before the entry deadline. (No qualification method is necessary for Rookie classes.)
- 2. QUALIFY NATIONALLY: Show at 20 AQHA-approved shows.
- 3. QUALIFY NATIONALLY: Place in the top 10 in *any* Merial AQHA Regional Championships class.

4. QUALIFY THROUGH STATE OR PROVINCIAL AFFILIATE

o To qualify through another affiliate, the exhibitor must be a member in good standing with that affiliate (other than the state/province affiliate you reside in) and be selected by that affiliate as a qualifier. Check with <u>your affiliate</u> on its qualifying method and ask where you stand on their list of qualifiers.

Determining Eligibility

Before you can qualify, first you must determine if you are eligible to compete at the Level 1 Championships. Eligibility is determined on a class-by-class basis. Look up <u>your eligibility</u> or visit <u>www.aqha.com/leveling</u> for more information regarding AQHA leveling.

According to AQHA Rule SHW245.3, if an exhibitor wins a class at a Level 1 Championships, that exhibitor is no longer eligible to compete in that class at any future Level 1 Championships; however, if an exhibitor is Level 1-eligible, the exhibitor can continue to show in that class in any other Level 1 competition.

Additional Level 1 Championship Rules

Find your AQHA Level for 2017:

When entering American Quarter Horse Association classes, AQHA exhibitors and American Quarter Horse owners are required to provide proof of their level eligibility to show management. Exhibitors and owners must print their level eligibility to give to show management during the 2017 show season. To determine level eligibility for 2017, visit www.aqha.com/leveling to access the Web-based AQHA leveling verification system.



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<u>Click Here</u> for the Convention Schedule, Equine Industry Workshops and Reservation Information



2017 Ford Youth World Tentative Schedule - The tentative schedule for the 2017 Built Ford Tough AQHYA World Championship Show is available online. Click Here

WQHYA Hardship Form, Youth World & Congress Team Letters of Intent are available on the $\underline{\mathsf{WQHA}\ \mathsf{Website}}$