

NORTHWEST BORDER ZONE

August 2018

Message from the President

I hope this newsletter finds everyone enjoying the summer sun and all the wonders the Pacific Northwest has to offer!

The Northwest Border Zone has been through many changes over the last eight months. In case you've missed any of them, I want to share what we've been doing and outline our goals and efforts coming up in the next few months.

Fundraising

A silent auction was held at the Splash of Colors show in April, netting the Zone approximately \$1500! The money was disbursed among the General, Horse Show, and Working Horse funds.

We will be hosting a silent auction at the Jerry Prigge Memorial Horse Show in Monroe. The auction will run from Thursday evening through Saturday, ending at 7 p.m. It is requested that all items be presented in baskets that are wrapped in cellophane to keep items clean and secure. If you cannot bring your basket to the horse show in Monroe on September 20, please bring it to the September 14 Zone meeting or make arrangements with other members. Donors should make a notecard to go with the basket indicating contents and value. All proceeds will go to the Horse Show Division year-end award fund. If you can volunteer at the silent auction, especially for the wrap-up on Saturday night, please let me know: hidnriver@comcast.net.

Governance

NWBZ members voted this spring to delete the mandatory volunteer hours for year-end award qualification. (However, we would truly appreciate volunteers for events and donations for silent auctions!)

NWBZ members voted to limit the number of Zone meetings in the summer. The next meeting of NWBZ will be Friday, September 14, at 6 p.m., at Round Table Pizza in Sunset Square, Bellingham. Phone your order in 24 hours in advance to get a discount on food and free fountain drinks: 360-671-6305.

The NWBZ has moved to a new bank, saving the Zone \$60 annually in administration fees.

At the Washington State Horsemen Board meeting in April, the Northwest Saddle Club was accepted as an Affiliated Club of WSH. Welcome, Northwest Saddle Club!

I would personally like to thank everyone who is involved with NWBZ! You have made us the largest Zone on the west side! Our Zone has grown from approximately 15 members last year to more than 50 this year!

Here's to good rides and a great rest of 2018!

~Susan Adrian, NWBZ President

Scenes of the Season











Get Involved!

We have four divisions within our Zone, serving the diverse interests and activities of our members:

Horse Show (<u>Allison Aurand</u>, Director)
Working Horse (<u>Nikki Larson</u>, Director)
Trails & Pleasure (<u>Ana McIntyre</u>, Director)
Youth Merit (<u>Kirstin Foster</u>, Director)

Year-End Awards: Nominations Now Open!

Most year-end awards are based on the points a competitor accumulates over the course of the year. However, there are a few special awards that are by nomination!

Johnston Inspirational Trophy

This trophy was sponsored by Mrs. George Johnston of Bellingham in honor of her husband. It is awarded to a junior rider based on recommendations received from clubs and individuals within NWBZ.

Performance Horse Rookie Award

This award is to be nominated in writing and is awarded to a horse/rider combination in their first year of participation in NWBZ High Score Awards.

Zone Spirit Award

This award is to be nominated in writing and is awarded to an individual who goes above and beyond in promotion of the Zone and its values. The winner need not be a participating rider.

Send your nominations to the <u>Horse Show Division</u>. Questions? Contact <u>Allison</u> Aurand. Horse Show Division Director.

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Congratulations to our

Bovan Junior Hunt Seat Trophy

Qualifiers!

Samantha Harvill
Tylor Harvill
Jaimie Knode
Jordan LeCompte
Kendra Lee
Rachel Semrau

Congratulations to our

Trost Junior Western Seat Cup

Qualifiers!

Olivia Gospodinovich
Samantha Harvill
Tylor Harvill
Jordan LeCompte
Kendra Lee
Rachel Semrau
Jada Talley

The Bovan Junior Hunt Seat Trophy and Trost Junior Western Seat Cup classes and ride-off events will be held in October. Junior competitors still have an opportunity to qualify by placing first or second in an English equitation (for Bovan) or western equitation (for Trost) class. For more information about these classes, consult the NWBZ rulebook (Chapter 3, Rule 4, Section 10).

Save the Date: WSH Convention, November 9-11

Washington State Horsemen's Annual Convention will be held in Bellevue this year, November 9-11.

We would love to have some volunteers help out Convention organizers with check in on Thursday/Friday, hospitality cookies, and welcome bags. WSH also needs Youth Merit silent auction items; we will discuss what NWBZ might contribute at the September meeting.

Let's also show how strong NWBZ is by putting together the best table centerpiece in the state! The best table centerpiece basket will get to go to dinner first - it is western-themed, so if every Zone member could find a western-themed item to put into that basket and bring it to the October 25th NWBZ meeting, we will definitely be first in the door!

The Convention theme is "Hoedown!" Dress accordingly and get ready to learn line dancing for Saturday night's live entertainment!

From Friday afternoon through Saturday morning, the agenda is filled with fun, awards, and division meetings. If you are a Zone Division Chair, plan on being at the Convention to represent your division at these meetings. And if you're a member and you've never been to Convention, here is a great chance to participate!

If you are interested in carpooling or sharing a hotel room, contact <u>Susan</u> Adrian and she will get us organized!

WSH Convention Agenda





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