

2020 AGM AGENDA
FEBRUARY 16, 2020 @ 2:30 PM Grasswood Esso, Saskatoon, SK
Meeting Facilitator : Martine Knudsen

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Martine Knudsen
2. **PRESENT:** Martine Knudsen, Dale Ginter, Corinne Ginter, Kim Rose, Sabrina Michaud, , Gloria Bell, Vicki Braun, Brooklyn Braun, Chester Ehnisz, June Verhelst, Carol Weiler, Lynn Semchuk
3. Motion to accept the Agenda for the 2020 Annual General Meeting made by Dale Ginter, Seconded by Chester. All in favor. Motion carried
4. **2018/2019 AGM MEETING MINUTES - read by Corinne Ginter.** Motion made to accept the 2018/2019 AGM meeting minutes as read made by Corinne Ginter. Seconded by Sabrina Michaud. All in favor, Motion carried

5. PRESIDENTS REPORT - MARTINE KNUDSEN

Despite another year of restructuring the board with a new president, vice president and four directors, 2019 proved to be a successful year with a step in the right direction. The association was running a deficit for quite a few years, so we set a goal early to make financially responsible decisions. Consequently, we went from a \$8238 deficit in 2018 to a profit of \$5123 in 2019. With the mentality of “do more, not less” we increased our fundraising and reached out to more sponsors. Additionally, we also needed to reformat the added money at the Stakes and Futurity show back to what it was prior to the 40th anniversary.

Our four summer series shows went over very well thanks to our hard working volunteers, show staff and competitors. We were also fortunate to see a small rise in our membership. We hope to keep the momentum going for 2020.

As we continue to plan for this upcoming show season, I'd like all members know we are always open to suggestions and ideas.

A wise man once told me, for an idea to happen you need 4 things.

-Someone to come up with the idea

-Someone to organize it

-Someone to do it

-Someone to pay for it

This wise man may or may not have been Chester.

Now having said that, I am confident that with our great membership, hardworking directors and supportive sponsors we will be in great shape for 2020.

- 6. 2019 FINANCIAL STATEMENT - Read by Kim Rose.** Copies of the Review of Engagement were given to each member. 2018 saw a loss of \$8238, with a ending bank balance of \$29,059. 2019 saw a profit of \$5123, with an ending bank balance of \$34,182 which includes the approx. cost of the Accountant for Review of Engagement (\$1500). Grants were down a few hundred dollars in 2019. Memberships were up \$105. Sponsorship was up by \$5800 mostly due to getting \$2000 from Tourism Moose Jaw and \$2000 for added money and buckles for the Kevin Pole Memorial class at Stakes and Futurity. Entries were down in both the Summer Series (\$39, 135 in 2019, \$43,923 in 2018) and Stakes and Futurity (\$53,457 in 2019, \$57,041 in 2018). We raised \$3500 more in fundraising this year and received a raffle rebate from Sask Liquor & Gaming for 50/50 raffle of \$354. 2019 Jackpot payouts and awards were \$1700 less than 2018. 2019 Futurity payouts and Awards were \$8000 less than 2018 due to lowering added money, entry fees and no saddles. We saved \$600 not doing the formatted Stakes and Futurity program in 2019.

Motion made by Kim Rose to accept the Review of Engagement as read. Seconded by Carol Weiler. All in favor. Motion carried.

7. 2019 COMMITTEE REPORTS/DISCUSSIONS

YOUTH REPORT 2019 - CORINNE GINTER

The youth have had a busy year of riding, learning, and volunteering. Eight of the youth attended the Vicki Braun Clinic on April 26th-27th. Vicki did a fabulous job of encouraging and instructing each participant, and they all seemed to have fun! A huge thank you to Vicki and B.V. Braun Ranch for hosting the event.

The youth, along with other family members, volunteered their time to work the gate for each of the four jackpots. Many of them also worked the gate for the schooling runs at the Stakes & Futurities Show. In addition, the youth carried the flags during the singing of "Oh Canada" for each of the five shows in 2019, and they did an excellent job. They also performed a routine at the Opening Ceremonies of the October Show. Their involvement in the SRHA shows is greatly appreciated!

As far as fundraising activities, the youth held a bottle drive at the May jackpot. Thanks to Dianne Wallington and the Ehnisz family for their efforts. The youth worked many hours at the Stakes & Futurities to sell 50/50 Tickets and run the Futurity Board. Everyone enjoyed the entertainment of these activities. In 2019, the youth raised \$2,384.65 and had expenses of \$1,308.82 for a balance of \$1,075.83.

Fourteen Incentive Prizes were awarded in 2019. (These prizes are awarded as a thank you to the youth for their volunteering at our shows. Each youth must submit a form, listing their shows, clinics, and volunteering for the year.) 15 youth attended shows in 2019, with the average being approximately 8-10 per show.

The final social event for the youth was a supper held during the Stakes & Futurities last October. They are an enjoyable group of young people and an asset to our association.

Respectfully Submitted, Corinne Ginter / Youth Director

Corinne is working out the details for the 2020 youth clinic with Tyrell Smith in Saskatoon (hopefully at Friesens). She was going to look for more community grants for youth to help with costs.

SPONSORSHIP: DALE GINTER

The SRHA's sponsorship campaign was quite successful in 2019, which greatly benefited its shows and competitors. I would like to thank all of our sponsors, who generously gave and helped us continue the SRHA's mission to grow and support reining in Saskatchewan. While the SRHA was fortunate to find some new sponsors in 2019, there are also many perennial supporters, who have been faithful to support this Association year after year. For 2019 the sponsorship package was thoroughly updated to make it more concise and cost-effective to print and distribute. It was shared on Facebook and posted on the Sask. Reining website where there is a page dedicated to Sponsorship activities. Through the efforts of the SRHA's board members and general members, all of the buckles for the Summer Series were able to be sponsored. Sponsorship is part of the responsibility of all SRHA members, and I would encourage everyone to put some effort into finding new sponsors this year, and please share our new 2020 sponsorship package.

Need to recognize sponsors more, and designate sponsors to specific awards. We also added product and service sponsors to our sponsorship document, so they can be recognized better.

ADVERTISING - DALE GINTER

To help promote the SRHA's shows for 2019, a graphic with all of our show dates was made and posted on the Sask. Reining webpage and Facebook page. A similar ad listing all of the remaining shows for the year as well as the current Breeder's Group was also prepared and published in the July/August edition of the Western Horse Review. After the Sask. Stakes and Futurity show in October, a final SRHA ad was published in the Nov/Dec edition of the Western Horse Review. This 112page ad featured the NRHA Futurity Champions and the Kevin Pole Memorial Non Pro 7 and up Maturity champions, accompanied by a write-up about the show. This ad was also used as another opportunity to list all of the SRHA's sponsors and the Breeder's Group stallions, as a way of thanking them for their support. While magazine advertisements are fairly costly, they remain a good strategy to reach beyond our Facebook audience to promote the Association and meet our obligation to promote our sponsors. The SRHA's Facebook page and website will continue to be the best places to look for important announcements and updates.

WEBSITE - DALE GINTER

The Sask. Reining Website (<http://www.saskreining.com/>), continues to be where all of the Association's documents, forms, regulations, and show information can be found. Throughout 2019, the website was updated with announcements and entry information for the Summer Series shows and the Stakes and Futurity. Sponsors were also listed according to donor level, along with a small ad-space. Being promoted with ad space on the website is one of the benefits of being a sponsor of the SRHA. Although many announcements and notices are shared through the Sask. Reining's Facebook page, the SRHA will still continue to post important updates on the website. Individual Earnings, current for 2020 have been posted, so be sure to check that information against the SRHA's class eligibility rules to make sure you show in the correct classes. Breeder's Group and Trainer's group information can also be found online, so if you are looking for Sask. Bred reining horses, or a horse trainer, be sure to use this resource. SRHA Membership forms were also

updated and are available online now. Please remember to renew your membership at your earliest convenience.

FUNDRAISING - CHELSEY WEILER

For 2019 the association decided to do small fundraisers at each jackpot event. Either a booze basket draw or a silent auction. Each riding group was responsible for a specific jackpot to run the fundraiser. It was very successful. Chelsey Weiler **50/50 TICKETS, BUCKET RAFFLES AND SILENT AUCTIONS WERE WELL RECEIVED AND PROFITABLE**

TRAINER GROUP - VICKI BRAUN - 4 paid and Vicki Donated to Youth Clinic and Nicole donated from Judging. **Vicki suggested emailing/ mailing the Trainer group forms to all trainers at beginning of the year.**

BREEDER GROUP - CHESTER EHNISZ - 10 BREEDERS IN 2019. **Chester made a banner and new logo for Breeder group**

2020 SUMMER SERIES REPORT - MARTINE KNUDSEN

Last year we had our four regular summer series shows.

We added a SRHA Prime Time class to the buckle series.

We took the Ranch Riding out of buckle series and returned it to plaques.

We had great weather for the May show in Saskatoon. Everything ran smoothly.

June and August were held at Cartier Farms. Cartier's rented tents and set up paneling so all competitors could stay on site. We received good feedback on that. The June show was lower in numbers due to weather and a couple trainers that were unable to attend.

July was our NRHA show which was held in Moose Jaw. We added \$3200 added money to the NRHA classes. We also added a Ladies and Gents class that ran Saturday, and Sunday and our paid warmups were moved to Friday night.

Overall the shows ran smoothly thanks to all those involved.

Discussed making shows start earlier, having the July format for all shows, with paid warmups on friday, and a ladies and gents class on saturday. Also adding Ranch Riding both days. Corinne mentioned she likes having paid warmups available both mornings. Maybe try new format for May show and see how it is received

STAKES AND FUTURITY REPORT - MARTINE KNUDSEN

We had a few changes to our Stakes and Futurity show last fall.

We added a SRHA Beginner Horse, NRHA Novice Horse level 1 and we also had the 7 and up Maturity class which was sponsored.

We changed the pricing of stalling so people in the premium barn paid a bit more.

We brought down the added money and entry fees that were raised for the 40th anniversary. We made sure that our added money and entries were comparable to our neighbors- CCRHA and Reining Alberta.

It was also a financial decision to not have the Saddles for the Futurity last year.

We received a lot of good feedback from competitors about the show again although there was lots of discussion about the prizes, and awards and people tossing around ideas for the upcoming year.

The directors put in a lot of work before and during the show. We also had a lot of great volunteers, so thank you to everyone helped.

Suggestion to remove SRHA buckles at Stakes and Futurity and put that money towards NRHA prizes.

Suggestion to put more emphasis/money on making it an NRHA show and less emphasis/money on the SRHA classes .

Dale mentioned in our constitution it states anyone showing needs to be an SRHA member. (NRHA classes are not exempt)

Dale also suggested the Open and Non Pro should be Morrisons and the Limited Non Pro should be a Morgan not a plaque

OPEN DISCUSSION DONE AFTER EACH COMMITTEE REPORT, SEE BOLD ITEMS ADDED AT THE END

9. NOMINATIONS AND ELECTION OF BOARD MEMBERS

Nomination for Secretary/ Treasurer - Gloria Bell. Motion made to accept Gloria Bell as Secretary Treasurer made by Vicki Braun. Seconded by Chester. All in favor. Motion carried

Tanya Friesen and June Verhelst are stepping down as Directors. Tori Meggison and Renee Zakaluzny were nominated. Motion made by Vicki to accept Tori and Renee as Board members. Seconded by Sabrina. All in favor. Motion Carried.

10. APPOINTMENT OF 2020 AUDITOR AND SIGNING AUTHORITIES - motion made by Corinne to remove Kim Rose and Sabrina Michaud from Signing Authority and add Gloria Bell and Dale Ginter. Seconded by Sabrina. All in favor, Motion carried.

Accountant for Review of Engagement will be chosen by Board at a later date.

11. ADJOURNMENT OF AGM MEETING - Motion to adjourn meeting made by Carol Weiler. Seconded by Sabrina Michaud. all in favor. Motion carried