

A letter from the Board of Directors......

We are entering the home stretch in the competition for AzCHA Year End Awards and for NCHA World Standings. Good luck to all of you who have competed all year and are hoping to enhance your finish for the year. We look forward to seeing you all in Queen Creek November 5-8 to end the show year in Arizona. Please see some interesting news below.

AzCHA Futurity and Oktoberfest

The unseasonably hot weather we faced during our most recent show certainly was challenging for everyone and the horses. A few schedule adjustments and a few fans and swamp coolers helped somewhat, but we thank everyone for hanging in there and for making the show a success. Our new futurity format was very well received and helped to significantly increase the number of futurity entries over 2014. Congratulations to Jade Keller and Katie Costello Peterson who won the Futurity Open and Futurity Non Pro. The weekend portion of the show was also larger than in the past due in large part to so many of the NCHA World Finals Top 15 competitors who came to show with us. Thanks to all who showed with AzCHA and hopefully temperatures next October will be back to normal!

End of the Trail Show, November 5, 6, 7 and 8

Please come to Queen Creek to end the show year with AzCHA November 5-8. This is one of the last chances to earn money for 2015 for the NCHA World Standings and it is the last chance to enhance your AzCHA position. Information for the show can be found at azcha.com.Please remember that if you want an RV space for the show you must contact Jennifer at Horseshoe Park and Equestrian Center in advance for a reservation, 480-358-3793.

AzCHA Website Revised and Updated

We have recently updated the look and functionality of the AzCHA website. We have revised and refreshed the look, but more importantly, we have added some interesting functions. Amongst the changes: we have a link to our webcasts on the homepage, we have included our Facebook page on the homepage and we have a new tab for our newsletters. Additionally, there are two other major changes which will help serve our members much better. First, we have made the website "adaptive." This means that the website will be adapted and scaled to whatever device you are viewing it on. This will make it much easier to use and navigate whether you are viewing on a laptop, a tablet or a smartphone. Secondly, we will now be able to post the draws and results for each class during the shows. If you are lounging in your RV, warming up your horse, watching from the stands

or viewing the show on the webcast, you will be able to view the draws and results minutes after they are completed by the show office. We very much appreciate your continued support and we hope you find these changes helpful! Please log on to azcha.com and take a look.

Time to Vote for Officers and Directors

Voting for AzCHA officers and directors has begun and will continue until November 16. Please contact Lindsey Mills at lindseym68@gmail.com for the password. Once you have the password, click the link on the homepage to cast your ballot. Paper ballots will be available at the November AzCHA show if you prefer. Please vote!!!

Future Shows

Dates for our first 4 shows of 2016 are posted on the website. Our 2015 Year End Awards Banquet will be held with the first show of the year on Friday night, January 8 at HPEC. Once again, the banquet will be fully hosted by AzCHA with no cost to our members. Please plan to attend.

AzCHA will be applying to host the 2016 NCHA Days Show for Area Two at WestWorld in Scottsdale, June 2-5. If you enjoyed the great show we hosted at WestWorld in 2014, please mention to your NCHA Area Two Directors that you would like to see the show in Scottsdale in 2016. The Region Two Directors will be voting on the location in November. Thanks for your help and support.

Thank you to all our generous sponsors who help support AzCHA and cutting as a whole!! Thanks to all our local members and to all of those you travel long distances to cut with AzCHA. We look forward to a big finish to the 2015 show season and then moving on the 2016. See you soon!! Sincerely,

AzCHA Board of Directors.