



EMAA

Eastern Michigan Arabian Association

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2018 SHOW DATES

EMAA II - June 22 - June 24
MSU Pavilion

EMAA III - July 13 - July 15
Shiawassee County Fair

EMAA IV - Sept. 7 - Sept. 9
Ingham County Fairgrounds

President's Letter

Hello EMAA,

With EMAA I under our belts, the board has been busy analyzing the effectiveness of the 2018 changes. Aside from a few hiccups, the main goal of time management was achieved. It was nice to sit and talk with fellow EMAA members and have a good night's sleep. Overall, I think all the countless hours on the show bill really paid off. I would like to thank the membership for all the support and patience at the first show as we worked out the kinks.

For MSU the main ring will be split on Saturday morning with halter on the North end and showmanship on the South end. If you are in a class and your other class is going in soon please let the gate person know. **WE WILL WAIT FOR YOU!!** It is very important to us that you make both classes and will do everything we can although if we are not aware we cannot help. We are anticipating both halter and showmanship to end approximately the same time as it did at the first show. There will be an hour break after all in hand classes are completed Saturday in the main ring. The main ring will be open that hour for warm up. Please note that ring changes may occur pending weather, listen for announcements.

About 30 mins after showmanship and halter classes are complete we will begin English/Western riding in the North end make-up ring. This class should be done about the time that the Main ring hour break is complete and warm up will then be moved to the usual north end ring.

Trail will be set up in the far north ring across the parking lot and open for 2 hrs for participants after English/Western riding is complete. **Please note that no one has permission to enter the trail course prior to the class except when the trail coordinator allows an on foot review. Anyone going through trail obstacles to practice prior to the class will be disqualified and all year end points for that class will be eliminated.**

Pending time constraints, Liberty will start approximately one hour after the last class. There is currently a waiting list for Liberty. If you would like to be on the list please email dowrebec@gmail.com.

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President's Letter Cont.

A friendly reminder for Friday. You will see a few different faces in the office while our office manager and assistant are finishing up an annual meeting. Please be courteous and patient with our volunteers.

I spoke with our past President a few weeks ago and she wanted to let us all know how lucky we are to be part of this great association. It is definitely one of a kind and other members who have moved have also said they really miss having an association like EMAA to be part of.

Lastly, I'm sure everyone has heard of the many suicides, severe depression and anxiety issues in the news lately. Everyone can probably think back and remember at least one negative comment or act that has followed them through the years. Sometimes it is only one negative act that has cost families the loss of a loved one. All it takes is one friend, one compliment or one act of kindness to help someone. I see a great bunch of compassionate people at our shows and events. I ask that everyone put aside their differences and be kind to one another. We are all unique and have our quirks but all deserve each other's respect. As adults and professionals we need to be role models for our youth and help shape them into caring, compassionate adults. If nothing else, at the next show say "hello" to someone you don't know, congratulate someone on a placing or offer assistance to someone in need. Although I did not have the privilege to know Darin Miller, she is who I think of when I think of this association. A beautiful soul that was a fierce competitor in the ring and a great friend out of the ring. Her memorial trophy will expire this year but I hope EMAA will continue to love each other and be their best in her honor.

I am excited to see everyone at EMAA II, we are going to have a great time.

Sincerely,
Danielle Hawes, President

Board of Director Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order at 7:11pm.

Attendance: Danielle Hawes, Larissa Lincoln, Kristan Sayers, Sharon Murch, Dani Maser, Kelly Beaubien, Jennifer Edwards, Rebecca Rett, and Steve Taylor.

Absent: Patricia Cole, Kim Winger

1. Steve Taylor from Crest View Tack Shop joined the meeting to present a proposal. For every bag of shavings that EMAA members purchase from Crest View Tack during shows held at Ingham County Fairgrounds, Crest View Tack will provide EMAA \$0.50 back for every bag at the close of the show. In return EMAA will not have vendors that sell comparable merchandise that is sold at Crest View Tack. Motion carried
2. Old Business
 - a. Spring Meeting Recap: Reviewed corrections to show bill. For Shiawassee County Fairgrounds show in July main ring events will be held in the outdoor arena (weather pending).
 - b. Dressage Cones/Letters vs Ring Investment: Additional research is needed, item has been tabled.
 - c. Show trailer maintenance: This has been completed with total cost of \$80.
 - d. Trophy Sponsorship Forms: Both forms have been received. Board has reviewed and accepted proposed trophies.
 - e. Inventory Log: In progress.
 - f. Main Ring Judge Contracts: Still have not received 2 contracts back for main ring.
 - g. Logo/Shirts: We will be moving forward with working with 3BL Logo to provide EMAA logo merchandise. Jennifer Edwards is working with vendor currently.

Be sure to follow us on Facebook: facebook.com/emaanet
Sign up for EMAA Marketing Emails on our website: emaanet.org

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Presentations of Colors

- a. Danielle has purchased a flag and everything she will need to carry and present
- b. Proud to be an American and Leann Rimes version of National Anthem are the songs we want to play and Kristan will get a CD made.
- c. Kristan will send Kait an email

4. News

- a. Larissa and Pat need to submit Bios for next month

5. Treasurer's Report

Chase balances:

i) April 1 - 30: \$30,338.30 - \$28,839.30

Deposits: \$0, Withdrawals: Paymentech fee: \$65.00 and INK Credit Card payment - \$0

Checks paid: \$1434.00: Webmaster - \$100, Treasurer - \$150, Liability Insurance - \$1184.00, Debit paid: \$0

ii) May 1 – May 9: \$28,839.30 - \$28,546.94

Recent Transactions: Paymentech fee - \$65, Webmaster - \$175, CNA Surety - \$249, Petty Cash - \$300, Deposit – \$496.64, INK Credit Card balance: \$?? (\$121.56?), PayPal funds: \$196.90 - Memberships & Advertisement, Check for deposit: \$120.00, Pending bills: Treasurer - \$150, NSF checks: None, 2018 Memberships: 22 Family, 1 Family w/additional child, 34 Individual, 9 Youth

a. Mason (EMAA I) – May 18-20, 2018

- i. Contract, Concessions, Security confirmed
- ii. Hotel reservations @ Staybridge confirmed
 1. 2 for 2 nights (extra rooms cancelled)
 2. Confirmations sent to judge & announcer
 3. CC authorization sent to Staybridge & confirmed receipt

iii. Judges:

1. MR Judge:
 - a. Saturday: Karen Waite
 - b. Weekend: Taylor Cunningham - Hotel: Y

iv. DR Judges:

1. Friday: Rebecca Bastianelli
2. Weekend: Janice Smith - Hotel: N

v. Announcer: Kevin Tersigni – Hotel: Y

b. DR contracts, MR contracts (status)

| Show | Judge | Contract Received (Y/N) |
|----------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| EMAA I – Sat & Sun | Taylor Cunningham | Y |
| EMAA I – Sat | Karen Waite | Y |
| EMAA II – Sat & Sun | Donna Spears | N |
| EMAA II – Sat | Jessica Pickford | Y |
| EMAA III – Sat & Sun | Pepper Proffit | Y |
| EMAA III – Sat | Bobbie Joe Jaakola | Y |
| EMAA IV – Sat & Sun | Duane Esser | N |
| EMAA IV - Sat | Maria Rising | Y |

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- a. 2017 Tax Return – Accountant is working on it
- b. Insurance Renewal – w/Waiver of Subrogation
 - i. Other companies:
 - 1. AHAM – Ann Knoop told me that they use Equisure
 - a. I will pursue a quote
 - 2. WMAHA – Dee Bozek said that they are insured with Jarvis
 - a. Jarvis cannot provide a waiver but would like to quote us next year
 - 3. AAHA – Alamo Arabian Horse Association (in Texas) – Bill Eash (treasurer & USEF Steward) said that they have used Agri-Risk (I will pursue a quote)
- c. Chase
 - i. Accounts (bank & Merchant Services)
 - 1. Merchant Services Account
 - a. Follow up – removing the former officers
- d. Review of Merchant Services vs PayPal Here
 - i. Would “PayPal Here” work for us?
 - 1. 2.7% for card transactions; card readers range from \$14..99 > \$79.99
 - 2. Card reader connects wirelessly via Bluetooth to the PayPal Here app on your compatible smartphone or tablet (or laptop?)
- e. Discussion:
 - i. Advertising – NewsFlash “custom”
 - ii. EMAA Prize Drawing
 - a. \$1 each and \$20 for 30 tickets
 - b. We will have Steve from Crestview order us a large retail item of up to \$450
 - iii. Printing requests to Rebecca by May 11, 2018
 - 1. Kim has already contacted Rebecca
 - iv. Names of staff for concessions:
 - 1. Rebecca, Megan
 - 2. Kevin
 - 3. Kim, Allison
- f. Changes/Considerations to Date
 - i. We did not increase class prices, instead we reduced the early entry discount and in the case of dressage we eliminated the discount completely.

- i. We increased camping and stalls (\$2/weekend).
- ii. We are going to try to hold people accountable for fines cause by them camping/plugging into restricted areas (it's in the updated Rules and Regulations).
- iii. We are going to give the concession vendor the names of people that can charge food.
- iv. We are going consolidate all printing to get the bigger discounts and if this doesn't reduce costs we will consider doing our own printing next year.
- v. We did purchased a less expensive ribbon this year.
- vi. We may start offering refunds for ribbons turned in.
- vii. We may run 50/50's at each show.
- viii. As for the banquet, we will have a budget defined and we may only allow discounted meal tickets to members; all others would have to pay the price of the meal.
- ix. The Chase fee should be reduced this year but we are still looking at other options for Chase Merchant Services.

6. Show Office Report : We are good on walkie talkies and batteries, Show trailer has the cones to split the arena for halter/showmanship, Show help is confirmed, Show bill corrected, break after class #37

Meeting Adjourned at 10:10PM motioned by Dani and seconded by Kristan

Minutes approved via email

Show Office Report

EMAA II is quickly approaching! Just a few things to remember

- *Liberty is full at the moment, but if you would like to be added to the waitlist, please let me know as soon as possible!
- *For those who have already entered in Liberty, please be sure to send you music choices to Kristan ASAP!
- *Yesterday, Saturday, June 17th was the last day for pre-entries and to send in Stall Reservations. If anything needs to be changed, please let me know!

Let me know if there is anything else you need! - Rebecca -

Youth Update

Remember all EMEA youth to join us at Liberty to judge for the KLA (kids Liberty Award) and enjoy a pizza party! There will be a special section for you!

Also, keep up the good work showing kindness to others for the A OK award! Remember anyone can report for an "Act of Kindness" that any youth has done for you!!

See you all soon! - Dani -

Each month we will be including a “Meet the Board” section in our newsletter.
Board Member of the month: KRISTAN – SECRETARY



My name is Kristan and I have been your secretary for 4 years now. I started showing EMAA during college because I wanted a change from the classes offered for Adults on the Class A circuit.

I started showing Arabians when I was 4 years old and had a gorgeous white Arabian that lived with me for well over 20 years. I have never taken even 1 year off showing since then, which is shocking even to me. I was blessed riding many beauties throughout my lifetime that took me to Nationals a few times where I recieved 7 National Top Tens. I was so lucky to have a fabulous mom and dad who would do anything for me to have my horses.

My love in the ring has always been in my patterns; Trail, Equitation, Showmanship and Dressage. That is why EMAA became such a huge impact for me because we offer such a great collection of classes that I enjoy and can only do here. I currently am showing

Grady-Hunt, Dressage, Showmanship and Josie- Dressage, Western, Trail, Western Riding. I have to say, the bond is strong with these two and I can't get enough of them. They are both Half Arabians and my main squeezes.

When I am on the road, I have two amazing trainers Tia and Lisa Zukowski, at Zukowski Meadowview Farms, that help me keep the kids in shape. My sister is Danielle, our President of EMAA, and together with her kids, Dylan and Trenton, we never miss a show.

Outside of the ring I show and train my dogs in Agility, Garden, am married to the love of my life (even 18 years later) and work-a lot:) I am an International Hair Artist with Neuma Beauty where I travel the world educating hair stylists and students and am the owner/stylist of K Bella Hair Studio & Spa, located in Brighton Michigan. I love EMAA and would love to meet you if we haven't. Make sure to say stop and say “hi”. See you in the ring!

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