

### Idaho Miniature Horse Club May 2022 Newsletter

President: Maria Redinger Vice President: Heather Bunting Secretary: Valerie Marshall Treasurer: Donna Bernardelli Directors: Jamey Robbins, Sharon Dudley, and Pam MacFarlane

Minutes of April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022, at Robin Willeman's house, Meridian, ID.

Maria brought the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.

Those in attendance: Valerie Marshall, Maria and Brock Redinger, Donna Gramarossa, Pam MacFarlane, Donna Bernardelli, Jamey Robbins, Sharon Dudley, Rene Gunderson, Kathleen Clark, Robin Willeman, Janet and Ken Fries, and Brenda Paladini.

March's secretary minutes were reviewed. Donna B. motioned to accept the minutes as they were published, and Sharon seconded it. Motion passed by the club.

Treasurer's report: March's beginning balance is \$5,480.33. Payments are \$155.00 in memberships. Expenses are: \$299.94 to Pam MacFarlane for GoDaddy.com. Total expenses are: \$299.94. Outstanding checks are \$250.00 to Western Idaho Fair awards. \$50.00 is still with the secretary. Ending balance for March is \$5,385.39. Sharon made a motion to accept the report, and Pam seconded. Motion passed by the club.

### OLD BUSINESS

- Idaho Horse Expo: Booth went well this year. Jamey put in a word about changing locations, so our booth was next to the other horse booths. There was discussion about making the booth more educational about miniatures and ponies instead of just being about the club. Maria had done a demonstration on beginning harnessing of a mini. It was reviewed by a few, and she thought maybe there would be more interest if next year there was a demonstration about "what to do with a mini or pony" instead of harnessing. Jamey made a motion for the club to continue participating in the expo. Robin seconded the motion. Motion passed by the club.

- Clinic and Schooling show: May 14<sup>th</sup>, Birt Arena, Nampa, ID. The committee asked for volunteers to help check in and register at the clinic. Pam and Donna B. volunteered.

- Meredith Bakula Clinic: There was not enough interest and any available dates collided with other events, so it was decided to cancel this driving clinic.

- IMHC July show: Emails have gone out to judges to see who would be able to judge at the show. The showbill will be in the approval process soon. Silent auction items need to be collected sooner rather than later and given to Maria Redinger.

NEW BUSINESS

- Audit committee said they would meet by the next general meeting.

- WISK: May 6-8, Canyon County Fairgrounds, Caldwell, ID. Silent auction item needed. Please get with Felicia Hiumpherys. It has also been expressed that volunteers would be greatly appreciated to help with set-up and tear down of obstacle courses, ribbon handouts, and cleaning. If interested in helping, please get with Paul Hyde or Felicia Humpherys.

- Jamey would like some new ideas regarding a new parade banner for the club before July 4<sup>th</sup> parade.

Door prize was won by Donna G.!

Next meeting will be May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Location TBA.

Upcoming Events:

-April 15-17 ISHSA Spring Double Point, Idaho Horse Park, Nampa, ID.

-April 23-24 TVWC Bombproofing Playday, Birt Arena, Nampa, ID.

-April 24 Bunny Trail and Smores, Jennifer Green's house, Weiser, ID.

-May 7-8 WISK sanctioned show (AMHR/ASPC), Canyon County Fairgrounds, Caldwell, ID.

Jamey motioned to adjourn the meeting, and Sharon seconded. Motion passed by the club.

Respectfully submitted by your secretary, Valerie Marshall.

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General membership meeting is on Thursday, May 12, at 6:30 p.m. See you at Robin Willeman's, 230 E. Lake Hazel Rd., Meridian.



# Spotlight on Deida Runswick

Big Sky Ranch, Hailey, Idaho



I have 2 minis, Buckshot and Rebel. I am hoping to learn to train Buckshot to push a cart. I have started long lining. In Hailey we don't have many people to work with in that department but i have found a couple mentors. I would love to do some in hand competitions as well with Buckshot who jumps. Sadly when I bought him I didn't care about registration, I never considered competing. He is half registered half grade. So he has WCMHR which I know means nothing. I just enjoy working with him and want to participate somehow! I also own and operate Sky Ranch Idaho. An equine rescue that focuses on miniature horses and donkeys. So I love networking with likeminded folks! We also have several trail horses but the minis are where my heart is!

A big welcome to you, Deida Runswick! We look forward to meeting you and sharing activities and experiences with you.

Several months ago, longtime member, Lois Cant, rehomed her horses, Moe and Blu, to her adorable great-granddaughters. The girls and horses seem to be living their dreams!



Ainsley, 2, brushes Moe while Ainsley, 5, grooms Blu.



Looking relaxed, Blu carries two happy girls on his back!

Thanks to Lois for sharing the sweet photos!

# Horse Expo April 8-10, 2022



Before setting up



Ready for admirers: Ritzy and Sunny



Toddler petting soft Sunny



Adults adoring Ritzy



Heather driving River in the Breed Presentation



Heather Bunting and River



Jim Bunting entertaining River



Toddler discovering Oakley's soft nose with Donna Bernardelli



Jamey Robbins driving Joey



Breed Presentation Group: Jim and Heather Bunting, Jennifer Green, Maria Redinger, Val Marshall, Sharon Dudley, Louise Green, and Jamey Robbins

Enormous gratitude to everyone who contributed, attended the booth, and participated with a horse in the breed presentation, including Jamey Robbins, Donna Bernardelli, Maria and Brock Redinger, Valerie Marshall, Felicia Humphreys, Jane Steele, Heather and Jim Bunting (and Heather's dad), Brenda Paladini, Robin Willeman, Jennifer and Louise Green, Sharon Dudley, and Pam MacFarlane.

Comments after the Expo :

- ...Maria's harnessing demonstration was well-received and she would be willing to do it again. Advertising the demo could have helped attract a larger audience.
- ..Next year, a booth near other horses would be better.
- ..Attendance seemed lighter than previous years.

## Events to Consider

Unfortunately, the June 4-5 Meredith Bakula in-hand and driving clinic has been cancelled. The Snake River Miniature Horse Club Show was rescheduled to those same dates, causing conflict for several of our members. Hopefully, we can make other arrangements with Meredith, who has a wealth of information to help us all.

Idaho Miniature Horse Club has chosen May 14 for an all-day in-hand clinic, with a flyer for it attached to this newsletter. If you haven't preregistered, do let Heather know if you are planning to attend.



Monday, July 4, is the Star Hometown Celebration parade. It's the same route as in the past, and we'll let you know where the horse unloading and trailer parking will be.

We will hold hold our ISHSA Open Show on July 9 instead of in September this year. Donna Bernardelli is working hard to fill judges' and show secretary positions. Items for the silent auction are being accepted by Maria. If you haven't pre-registered with Heather, please contact her by email to let her know that you are attending the in-hand clinic this coming Saturday. Hope to see many of you there!

### Idaho Miniature Horse Club Presents In Hand Clinic and Schooling Show for Miniature Horses and Ponies (46" & Under) May 14th, 2022

Location: Al Birt Arena, 2520 E Lewis Ln, Nampa, ID 83686

IMHC Members: \$25 per person, Non-Members: \$35 per person, Auditors: \$15 per person

Registration/Check In: 8:30am, Clinics start at 9am, Schooling/Practice Show will start after Lunch To Register: Fill out entry form below and mail with payment (Checks made out to IMHC) to Heather Bunting, 11800 Sweet Ola Hwy, Sweet, ID 83670

This will be a fun, low stress day of learning and skill building for all levels from beginner to advanced.

#### **Clinic Round Robin Topics:**

\*Show Registration/Show Bills/Show Etiquette \*Grooming for Shows: Breed & Open \*Halter - TBA \*Showmanship - TBA \*In Hand Trail - Butch Mowdy, Equine Kindergarten \*Jumping - How to start training, Hunter vs. Jumper - TBA

### \*\*\*\*\*Practice/Schooling Show: Judge will give feedback to each participant in every class\*\*\*\*\* Halter/Showmanship/Jumping Judge(s) TBA, In Hand Trail Judge: Butch Mowdy, Equine Kindergarten

1. Halter - Miniature Stallions	17. In Hand Trail Miniature 3 & Under - Adult
2. Halter - Pony Stallions	18. In Hand Trail Miniature 4 & Over - Adult
3. Halter - Miniature Geldings	19. In Hand Trail Miniature 3 & Under - Youth
4. Halter - Youth Miniature Geldings	20. In Hand Trail Miniature 4 & Over - Youth
5. Halter - Pony Geldings	21. In Hand Trail Pony 3 & Under - Adult
6. Halter - Youth Pony Geldings	22. In Hand Trail Pony 4 & Over - Adult
7. Halter - Miniature Mares	23. In Hand Trail Pony 3 & Under - Youth
8. Halter- Youth Miniature Mares	24. In Hand Trail Pony 4 & Over - Youth
9. Halter - Pony Mares	25. Hunter Miniature - Adult
10. Halter - Youth Pony Mares	26. Hunter Miniature - Youth
11. Showmanship - Miniature 19 & Over	27. Hunter Pony - Adult
12. Showmanship - Miniature Youth 12 & Over	28. Hunter Pony - Youth
13. Showmanship - Miniature Youth 11 & Under	25. Jumper Miniature - Adult
14. Showmanship - Pony 19 & Over	26. Jumper Miniature - Youth
15. Showmanship - Pony Youth 12 & Over	27. Jumper Pony - Adult
16. Showmanship - Pony Youth 11 & Under	28. Jumper Pony - Youth

Name:	
Address:	Phone:
Email:	
Mark Applicable:	
Member (\$25): Non-Member	er (\$35): Auditor (\$15):
Please mail form and check to:	
Heather Bunting	Make Checks Out To: IMHC
11800 Sweet Ola Highway	Questions? Contact Heather Bunting at heatherbunting1026@gmail.com
Sweet, ID 83670	

Please see the Idaho Miniature Horse Club Facebook page for many more pictures showing club members at other events, such as:

- \*Spring Double Point Show
- \*Bunny Trail/Egg Hunt at Jennifer Green's in Weiser
- \*The TVW Bombproofing Clinic
- \*Foal announcements
- \*Clipping: poodles or greyhounds?
- \*WISK Show

More event information is on the Events page of <u>www.idahominiaturehorseclub.com</u>. Please share corrections and updates with Pam MacFarlane or Jamey Robbins to add to the page.

# Loving Hands Equine Massage

Did you know that IMHC member Brenda Paladini has earned her Equine Massage Certificate through Western Montana School of Massage?

- Brenda offers massage service for Miniature Horses and regular size horses in the area.
- The purpose of equine massage is to increase circulation, and to alleviate sore muscles, stress, and tension.
- Of course, equine massage should never replace veterinary care or training, and Brenda strongly suggests that you inform your vet about massage being performed on your horse.
- > Prices are \$60.00 for a Miniature horse and \$75.00 for a regular size horse.
- Contact Brenda at 406-599-2738 or bpaladini12@gmail.com.

Pictures and articles/information about what you've been doing, practicing, or celebrating are always welcome for the newsletter. Email me at <a href="mailto:pete\_macfarlane@hotmail.com">pete\_macfarlane@hotmail.com</a>.

**Classified ads** are on the club website <u>www.idahominiaturehorseclub.com</u>. Also, let me, Pam MacFarlane, know if you'd like to list items for sale or if you have sold anything that you listed so the ads are current. *Advertising on Website: Items for sale (horses or other) can be added to the club website, including a photo. Items valued at \$200 or more cost \$5, payable to IMHC and sent to Donna Bernardelli, Treasurer, and those under \$200 are free.* 

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