

## **Idaho Miniature Horse Club**

Where four tiny hooves create the biggest smiles!

### **November 2023 Newsletter**

President: Heather Bunting Vice President: Jennifer Green Secretary: Valerie Marshall Treasurer: Donna Bernardelli

Directors: Jamey Robbins, Sharon Dudley, and Maria Redinger



# You're invited!

# IMHC Year End Awards Banquet

will be held at 1:30 p·m· on Dec· 2 at Louie's in Meridian, ID·

Enjoy lunch and socializing while celebrating all the entries in the Year End Awards categories as they are announced.

Gift exhange is always full of surprises!



PLEASE, When you RSVP, include the word Yes or No indicating whether or not you plan to attend. And, most important, indicate the number of people attending, including yourself.

Menu as chosen at the November meeting:

Caesar Salad

Variety of Pizza

Lasagna and Fettucini Alfredo

Cheesecake or MudPie

If you wish to participate in the gift exchange, please bring a gift valued at \$15 or less.



# **Idaho Miniature Horse Club General Meeting Minutes**

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

Minutes of November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023, at Sharon's house, 5020 E Feather Creek Ln., Nampa, ID.

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

Those in attendance: Jamey Robbins, Heather and Jim Bunting, Felicia and Amy Humpherys, Jane Steele, Valerie Marshall, Donna Bernardelli, Donna Gramarossa, Pat Granere, Jennifer and Lou Green, Jennifer Smith, Valerie Ellis, Kelli Phillip, Pam MacFarlane, Maria and Brock Redinger, and Sharon Dudley.

October's secretary minutes were reviewed. Jamey motioned to accept the minutes as they were published, and Maria seconded it. Motion passed by the club.

Treasurer's report: Ocober's beginning balance is \$3,431.28. Payments are \$265.00 from the Hallowed Hauntings and \$10.00 from the silent auction. Expenses are: \$14.30 for ball bags from Amazon, \$6.34 for envelopes from Bi-Mart, \$123.95 for Year-end, \$39.60 for Stamps, \$290.46 for Year-end, \$150.00 to ISHSA for Versatility sponsorship. Total expenses: \$624.65. \$50.00 is still with the secretary. Ending balance for September is \$2,839.69.

Donna said the buckles expense for the Who Dun It series should be around \$400.00 for the mini club portion, maybe less. Reserves still need to be figured out.

Felicia made a motion to accept the treasurer's report. Maria seconded the motion and it was passed by the club.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

-Club Elections Vote Tally & Results- Pat, Felicia, and Valerie Ellis counted the ballots.

2024 Executive Board:

President- Heather Bunting

Vice President- Jennifer Green

Treasurer- Donna Bernardelli

Secretary- Valerie Marshall

**Director- Jamey Robbins** 

Director- Sharon Dudley

Jamey made a motion to accept the ballots and have Sharon destroy them. Sharon seconded the motion and it passed by the club.

- -Halloween Haunting Playday- Expense wise, the club broke even. Heather and the fun committee would like to have any ideas to make more challenging "walk-only" games. The playday was well attended!
- -Driving Cones Check Out Policy- Jamey reported that if anyone wants to check out cones to just email her and she can email back the form.
- -Credit Card Processing Options- An accounting email for PayPal and Venmo has been set up, so the

accounts should be available soon.

- -2024 Idaho Horse Expo- Jamey reported that a normal booth size is \$225.00, and a double booth size is \$400.00. Getting two booths and splitting with the WHIPS actually saves the club a little money. Jamey also mentioned that the expo is wanting to do some kind of driving competition. More information to come on that when the expo decides. Felicia made a motion to split the booth fee with the WHIPS club. Valerie Ellis seconded the motion and it was passed by the club.
- -Magic on Main Street Lighted Parade in Emmett- Heather had previously asked Jennifer Green if she would be willing to be the club's Parade Coordinator. Jennifer said that she would. It was discussed that dress up for the Emmett parade would be red and white clothes covered in lights. Staging starts at 3pm in Blaser Park, but the parade doesn't start until 6pm. An email with all the information will be sent out soon.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

- -IMHC Year End Awards Banquet- Menu selection was made and it will be Caesar salad, lasagna, cheese tortellini with alfredo sauce, mud pie, and cheesecake. YOU MUST RSVP with how many people you plan to bring. We don't want to be short on food or chairs! Please RSVP to <a href="mailto:imhcbusiness1993@gmail.com">imhcbusiness1993@gmail.com</a>.
- -AMHA/AMHR Renewals- Heather brought up that renewals were due for these associations. Both cost \$25.00 and it puts our clubs name out in the publishing of each association. Jamey motioned the club pay the renewal fees for both. Felicia seconded the motion and it was passed by the club.
- -Middleton Christmas Parade- It was reported that the parade is on December 9<sup>th</sup> with the theme Christmas in Toyland. Meet up at Middleton Middle School, lineup is at 12:30pm, judging at 1:30pm, parade starts at 2pm. There is a \$25.00 entry fee. Sharon made a motion for the club to pay the entry fee. Pam seconded the motion and it was passed by the club.

### UPCOMING EVENTS- REMEMBER TO CHECK OUR WEBSITE FOR EVENT UPDATES.

- -November 25<sup>th</sup> Magic on Main Street Lighted Parade in Emmett- 10 Activity Points
- -December  $2^{nd}$  IMHC Year End Awards Banquet @ Louie's in Meridian, ID @ 1:30PM- YOU MUST RSVP IF YOU AND ANY OTHER GUESTS WISH TO ATTEND.
- -December 9<sup>th</sup> Middleton Parade Christmas in Toyland- 10 Activity Points

Door prize was won by Jamey!

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

Next meeting will be January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at Sharon Dudley's house, 5020 E Feather Creek, Nampa, ID at 6:30pm. Please bring a chair as seating may be limited.

Respectfully submitted by your Secretary, Valerie Marshall.

### October Idaho Miniature Horse Club General Meeting Minutes

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

Minutes of October 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023, at Sharon's house, 5020 E Feather Creek Ln., Nampa, ID.

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

Those in attendance: Jamey Robbins, Heather Bunting, Felicia Humpherys, Jane Steele, Valerie Marshall, Donna Bernardelli, Priscilla Castillo, Donna Gramarossa, Janet Fries, Pam MacFarlane, Kathleen Clark, Tania Laycock, Maria and Brock Redinger, and Sharon Dudley.

September's secretary minutes were reviewed. Jamey motioned to accept the minutes as they were published, and Felicia seconded it. Motion passed by the club.

Treasurer's report: September's beginning balance is \$3,715.91. Payments are \$230.00 for Misc and \$138.00 in deposits. Expenses are: \$599.00 for American Reliable Insurance, \$27.13 for Amazon-Halloween, and \$26.50 for Mixed Greens-VSC. Outstanding checks is \$41.94 for Donna B.- Pole for banner. \$50.00 is still with the secretary. Ending balance for September is \$3,431.28.

Sharon made a motion to accept the treasurer's report. Maria seconded the motion and it was passed by the club.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

- -Halloween Haunting Playday- October 21st, starts at 10am, \$10 per person, BYOL and BYOD.
- -Club Elections- Jamey reported that the existing board of executives are the only nominations for 2024. It was decided that Jamey will make and send out the ballots. Donna G. will be the receiver for the ballots. After some discussion Sharon made a motion to include stamps on the return envelopes this year, as well as to add a survey at the bottom of the ballots to explore other options (online or keep mailing). Felicia seconded the motion and it was passed by the club.
- -Driving Cones Check Out Policy Input- Discussion included that a contract would be made up so that the responsible party would accept any damage made. Check-out time would be 2 weeks. Cones will stay at Donna B and Jamey's house, where they must be picked up and dropped off. More details will be worked out as time passes. Maria made a motion to have Jamey look for a storage container for the balls off the cones to keep them together. Jane seconded the motion and it was passed by the club.
- -Credit Card Processing Options- It was discussed that the club would like to open electronic accounts to have people pay by card at the show and for the silent auction. Venmo, PayPal, and Square were options. After some discussion it was decided that the club could add a card fee to combat the percentage Venmo and PayPal would keep. Jamey made a motion to set up an account with Venmo and PayPal. Maria seconded the motion and it was passed by the club. Heather will set up the accounts.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

-ISHSA Fall Double Point Review- Low numbers in mini classes, as well as big horse classes. There were no youth so the club did not pay for the sponsorship. Donna B suggested that maybe the club should offer to pay for the youth's entry fees instead of the buckle. Discussion was tabled until February.

- -ISHSA Miniature Breed Versatility Year End Award Sponsorship- ISHSA is looking for sponsorship for the breed versatility award. Sponsorship would be \$150.00. Jamey motioned that the club pays the sponsorship. Felicia seconded the motion and it was passed by the club.
- -Magic on Main Street Lighted Parade in Emmett- Heather wanted to let members know that the parade is November 25<sup>th</sup>. She wanted to see who would be willing to take point in organizing members that were interested. Jamey was volunteered and accepted. Heather will send in the sign up sheet for the club, which has no cost. More details to follow.
- -2024 Horse Expo- Jamey reported that the Treasure Valley WHIPS was interested in sharing a space with the mini club at the next horse expo. The idea is the mini club would have their normal space and horse stall, then the WHIPS would be beside our space with a harness and cart set up. They are willing to split the fee and will also have members at the booth with mini club members. Jamey was going to reach out to the Horse Expo and see what they say. She will have more information in November.

### UPCOMING EVENTS- REMEMBER TO CHECK OUR WEBSITE FOR EVENT UPDATES.

- -October 21st Halloween Haunting Playday @ Birt Arena- 5 Activity Points
- -October 28th 29th TVW Fall Pleasure Driving Show @ Birt Arena- 10 show points + placing points
- -November 25<sup>th</sup> Magic on Main Street Lighted Parade in Emmett- 10 Activity Points
- -December  $2^{nd}$  IMHC Year End Awards Banquet @ Louie's in Meridian, ID @ 1:30PM- YOU MUST RSVP IF YOU AND ANY OTHER GUESTS WISH TO ATTEND.

Door prize was won by Jane!

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

Next meeting will be November 9<sup>th</sup> at Sharon Dudley's house, 5020 E Feather Creek, Nampa, ID at 6:30pm. Please bring a chair as seating may be limited.

Respectfully submitted by your Secretary, Valerie Marshall.

# Halloween Play Day Memories

Photos are courtesy of Jamey Robbins, from Facebook posts.

See many more photos on the IMHC Facebook page!!!

Hats off to everyone making Halloween Hauntings 2023 such a success! A special thank you to the Fun Activities Committee (including Heather, Maria, Donna, Valerie and Jamey), for planning the games and prizes and for making the games accessible to those who walk, as well as those who run. The adult costume class was especially competitive, always showing creativity, originality, and hours of work.



Lou Green and Little Blue won the youth costume class.

Jennifer Green and Easy won the adult costume class.

Gabby and Oakley observed the games.



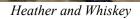
## More Halloween Memories





Janet with Rosie and Ken with Don Quixote in the Spoon and Eyeball Race





happiness with friends and horses



Not just a few, but 13 adults entered the Costume class. In costume were Maria Redinger with Zip, Robin D. with Little Abby, Janet with Rosie, Ken with Don Quixote, Jennifer S. with Miss T, Lisa with Jazz, Jennifer G. n with Easy, Sharon with Tango, Tamara with Spaz, Kristen with Toby, Valerie with Candy, Tess with Wind. and Jamey with Oakley. Don Quixote definitely won the prize for best vocalist.



The three creative youth who made their class were Brock with Ricky, Brooke with Goliath, and Lou with Little Blue.

### **Upcoming Parades**

Jennifer Green has volunteered to be the parade coordinator. She will contact members through email to share specific information about each parade.

Shared at the Nov. meeting, the Emmett Night Light Parade is on Nov. 25, with judging at 5 p.m., and 5:30 p.m. will be staging. Participants are asked to wear red and white, with horses wearing Christmas tree skirts. Humans and horses alike wear lots of battery-powered lights since this is a parade in the dark. Parking for trailers is tight and at Blazer Park as in the past. Jennifer will send out additional details.

As posted on middletonidahochamber.org, here's info about the Middleton Christmas parade, too. The date for this parade is December 9, and the theme is Christmas in Toyland. The parade begins and ends at the Middleton Middle School and is an easy walk. Lineup starts at 12:30, judging is at 1:30, and the parade begins at 2 p.m.The club will pay the \$25 entry fee. Decor for humans and horses will be discussed at the Awards Banquet, and Jennifer will contact everyone with other details.



# Announcements

Jamey announced that the Whips club would like to share a double space with us at the Horse Expo in the spring. We would have the pen for our minis and ponies as usual. The Whips will pay half the booth fee. And Jamey mentioned that a driving exhibition might be part of the performances in 2024. Also,IMHC owns a set of driving cones/balls that are available to members who want to borrow them for a week at a time. Call Jamey or Donna to reserve the cones/balls. You are responsible for picking up and returning the cones to Jamey and Donna.

Several members have expressed interest in the onlinehorse shows, such as virtualhorseshowseries.com and OnlineMini/Pony Show. To help with that endeavor, Sharon has offered room on her property to set up patterns and obstacles so that handlers and horses could get together and help each other record the classes that are required for submission..



On Facebook, Maria, Val, Jennifer G., and Felicia and others have posted about several events, including One Mane Ranch Obstacle Challenge and the recent Whips show. So much going on and so many possibilities for our little horses!!

And posted on Facebook by **Hyde Away Ranch** 

The dates for the 2024 Western Idaho Summer Kickoff (WISK) Show will be May 4 & 5. We are again planning to get 4 Judges. We are planning a Play Day on May 3, so after you arrive and are settled in, you can play with your horses on the obstacle course that will be set up as we had last year. Stay tuned for more information.



Time to join/renew memberships! The membership forms are on the Forms page of the idahominiaturehorseclub.com website. Please join/renew ASAP!

### **2023 Committee Volunteer Updates**

Audit Committee: Brenda, Sharon, Robin W., and Donna B. Ballot counting: decided later in the year

By-Laws: Directors

Clinics/Fun Activities: Donna B., Jamey, Heather B., and Maria

SWAG: Maria Horse Expo: Jamey

Newsletter/Publicity: Pam, Jamey, Maria, and Valerie M.

Nominating: assigned in October/November

Show: TBD,

VSC: Donna B., Valerie E., and Jennifer G.

Year-end awards: Valerie M., Heather, Sharon, and Maria

Year end banquet: Brenda Youth: Maria, Felicia, and Sharon Parade Co-ordinator: Jennifer G.

# Offered by Our Members

## **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.

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# New memberships will be added soon!

Want to submit something for the newsletter?
Want to list equine-related objects for sale on the website? Want your business card added to the business page on the club's website (must be approved by the Board first)?

Contact Pam MacFarlane, 208-922-1685 or <a href="macfarlane@hotmailcom">pete\_macfarlane@hotmailcom</a>, or Jamey Robbins, 208-870-3660 or <a href="macfarlane@amail.com">jameyandshady@gmail.com</a>.

Want to share something on the Facebook page?

Contact Maria Redinger, 509-554-4567 or <a href="mailto:shortmexican2mr@gmail.com">shortmexican2mr@gmail.com</a>, or Valerie Marshall, 541-215-2732 or <a href="mailto:valenged-evr@gmail.com">valenged-evr@gmail.com</a>