VPHC New Year Update!

Happy 2019 VPHC and VjPHC members! We hope the new year is treating you all well.

2019 Membership

Please take a minute to renew your VPHC/VjPHC membership. We're asking everyone to complete the online membership form found here: https://tinyurl.com/yat2s679

By using the online form we reduce errors in email addresses which helps to ensure that you get all information sent out to members. For those with a family/farm membership, please provide two different addresses in the email box if possible (this helps us at election time). Once you've completed the online form, you can either mail your payment to Jennifer Johnson (PO Box 5, Drewryville, VA 23844) or pay online using the PayPal links at: http://www.virginiapainthorseclub.org/membership.html

<u>Year End Awards Banquet & General Membership Meeting: February 16 at the</u> Hanover Tavern

We hope you will join us to celebrate the 2018 winners at the Year-End Awards Banquet!

Saturday, February 16th from noon - 4pm at the Hanover Tavern (13181 Hanover Courthouse Road, Hanover, Virginia 23069) https://hanovertavern.org/

The banquet reservation form is attached to this email. You can pay for your banquet ticket online at: http://virginiapainthorseclub.org/events.html or please email vphconline@gmail.com to request a PayPal invoice for multiple banquet tickets.

APHA Eastern National Championship: March 22-24 in Lexington

VPHC is thrilled that APHA has selected the Virginia Horse Center as the site for the inaugural Eastern National Championship show! Please note that VPHC is not involved in the planning or management of this show and questions regarding the show should be directed to APHA. You can find the tentative schedule attached to this email and stay tuned to http://Nor/apha.com/eastern-national-show/ for additional show details. *Unlike the Northeast Paint Horse Championship classes, there are no qualifying requirements or eligibility criteria for this show - all APHA horses and exhibitors are invited to attend!

Northeast Paint Horse Championship: May 11-12 in Culpeper

VPHC is also excited that the Delmarva Paint Horse Club has selected the Mid-Atlantic Paint Classic as the host show for the 2019 Northeast Paint Horse Championship. The 15 championship classes to be offered include: Youth Showmanship, Youth Hunter Under Saddle & Youth Horsemanship / Amateur Showmanship, Amateur Hunter Under Saddle & Amateur Horsemanship / Amateur Walk-Trot Western Pleasure / Amateur SPB Showmanship / Open Halter (All Sexes), Open Performance Halter Mares, Open Performance Halter Geldings, Open Trail, Open Ranch Rail Pleasure & Open Ranch Riding / Open SPB Ranch Rail Pleasure (pending APHA approval). The 2019 eligibility criteria for these championship classes are also attached.

With two great championship events taking place in Virginia this spring, we want to make sure everyone understands what will be offered at the APHA Eastern National Championship (Lexington/March) as well as the Northeast Paint Horse Championship (Culpeper/May). We're hoping the attached side-by-side explanation will help. Please don't hesitate to ask if you have questions!

2019 APHA Convention: March 1-3 in Fort Worth, TX

Whether you're an APHA member, national director, breeder, trainer, non-pro exhibitor or just a fan of Paint Horses, YOU'RE INVITED to attend the 2019 APHA Convention March 1–3 in Fort Worth, Texas. Though this year's Convention features a shorter format—reducing costs and travel time for attendees—the schedule is still packed full of can't-miss events. From educational seminars to fun parties to discussions about the association's future, we've got something for everyone at our annual Convention. Please find the Convention schedule as well as all rule change proposals to be considered attached. Go to the APHA website for more info: http://apha.com/news/youre-invited-attend-the-2019-apha-convention/

That's all for now - 2019 award program rules as well as the showbills for the Mid-Atlantic Paint Classic and the Virginia Color Classic Futurity shows will be shared as soon as they are finalized.

Enjoy the snow!

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