

## Inspection Committee Minutes August 9, 2022, 1:00 Central Time

**Attendance:** Marq Laude, Chair, Jason Tice, FHANA Executive Director, Annie Muilwijk, Tiffany van der Kooi, Secretary, Jancy Morgan, Annette Carpenter, Carrie Blair, and Rick Butts

**Absent:** Dan Dali, Jo Clough, BOD Liaison

**Budget Information:** Jason indicated that the committee would have a difficult year meeting FHANA's Inspection budget expectations. This is due in large part to expenses for mailing items to Canada and escalating expenses for travel including hotels, airfare, and car rentals due to inflation. We will take a big hit this year given one of the judges for Circuit 2 is unable to make the trip; all of the airline tickets are non-transferable and non-refundable. The tickets can only be used within the year by the same person. Jason will work with the KFPS for a solution. We do not have a replacement KFPS Judge yet. So our #1 priority is to fill the judging void and second, resolve the refunds and ticket issues.

**Approval of Minutes:** Rick Butts made a motion to approve both the June and July minutes. Carrie Blair made a 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion was passed unanimously.

**Dahl Graphics (Programs books):** Shipping costs continue to increase especially to Canada. It was suggested that we increase the price for each site to \$100. Jason did confirm that this year we are ok at \$50 per site with an additional \$1.50 per book ordered. We do need to look at possibly having the Canadian site programs printed in Canada so that we can save on shipping. Interestingly, orders for each site are far lower this year than they have been in the past.

**Mare Show Updates:** All is going well with planning for 2022. Jo has been working on a draft on the Mare Show to add to the Inspection manual. Tiffany suggested cleaning up the application wording relating to the deadline of October 15<sup>th</sup>. The committee members are to email revisions and editing suggestions to Jo.

**Meeting with Judges:** On the 29<sup>th</sup> Jason, Eric, Marq and Jo participated in a meeting with the judges. The judges were informed that some sites do not have runners. The judges understand the challenges this could present and will work with these sites, taking this issue into consideration during judging. The judges also understand our award system and will follow the handbook.

**Inspection Site Updates:** Circuit 1 - everything is done and shipped. Circuit 2 and 3 plans are being finalized. Horses2Fly has sent some goodies for their sponsorship and site hosts will receive a hat to wear. There are other nice items included in each site host box. T-shirts are not part of what FHANA provides to site hosts; however, they can be obtained on a club or personal level outside of the FHANA organization.

**Ribbons:** We have a new ribbon company for Inspection awards. Our FHANA inventory was almost completely depleted, so everything being shipped to sites is new. The gold coins in the ribbons were supposed to be lighter, but we have received feedback that the coins are falling off. Site hosts in Circuit 1 will have to glue them back on. Jason will try to get Circuit 2 and 3 ribbons more secure before shipping. IBOP ribbons are supposed to be representing sponsors, Iron Spring Farm and Dream Gait, but they say IBOP A and IBOP B. Given that, Jason will ship the correct ribbons after the Inspections to the award winners. The ribbons for Kroon and Model are different colors this year. There was some confusion as to whether or not we award Reserve Champion of the Day. The handbook indicates we do, and we will grant Reserve awards. Jason will mail these ribbons to the respective winners after the Inspections.

**Spring Inspection:** A FHANA member asked that we consider future spring Inspections. We will ask the FMC to determine what sites actually want a Spring Inspection and if they could support it. From there, we would need to determine if we can get KFPS judges and what time of year they have availability. We will await a response from the FMC before we take further action(s).

**Discussion for Fall Meeting-** The Inspection Committee will need to establish procedures for next year for site host duties along with timelines and required documentation to reduce logistical challenges. It was advised that there be firm due dates for requested paperwork.

**Next Meeting:** September 13, 2022, at 1:00 CST

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Annie and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Annette