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FMHA Annual Meeting
January 16, 2021
Southeastern Livestock Pavilion
Ocala, FL

Meeting was called to order by Martha Stein (FMHA President) and she welcomed everyone.

She talked about the changes to the club's By-Laws, that had been previously published in the Winter 2020 edition of the FMHA Newsletter. The changes were passed unanimously.

New business was brought to the floor by Karen Gardner (FMHA Vice President) and Martha.

FMHA Morgan and Me program that Rebecca Waters (FMHA board member) is heading. It is a program open to all FMHA members. It is modeled after the AMHA Morgan and Me program.

New shows for 2021:

SYH All Breed Extravaganza at the WEC

UPHA Ocala International (Formerly Harvest Days)

These shows will count towards High Points.

There are four 2-year term board seats that expired the end of 2020. These were held by Glen Winograd, Valorie Seimer, Janice Scotto and Alicia Davis. They all indicated that they would like to be on the ballot for a new term. There was no one new nominated from the floor.

A motion was made that the nominees on the ballot be elected.

There was a second motion and all were elected to the board.

The 2020 financial report was given by Jeanette Singleton (FMHA Treasurer). Reports were handed out to all tables.

Alicia Davis (FMHA board member and Citrus Cup Chair) gave an update on the renovations to the Alachua County Ag and Eq Center (formerly Canterbury Showcase).

Mary Jo Schmidt talked about the UPHA Ocala International show.

Nannet Read gave a about the SYH All Breed Extravaganza.

On-Line Virtual Dressage Show presentation by Janice Scotto (FMHA board member) and Andrea Arcia (FMHA member). They went over what is required to put on the show and how to film the riders and how to admit the videos to the website. These shows will count towards High Points in 2021 and will be readdressed for 2022.

Glen Winograd (FMHA board member and Summer's End Chair) gave an update on the 2021 Summer's End show. It will be held September 9-12. Jumping and Dressage will be on Thursday. Ocala Hilton will be the host hotel. Larry Bolen will be the Judge in the center ring.

Meeting was adjourned.

COMING SOON!

Citrus Cup Regional April 14-17,2021

The renovations to Canterbury are completed! The ribbon cutting for the facility, now named Alachua County Agricultural and Equestrian center, is Saturday March 6th. The show grounds have had a massive make over I know you will be pleasantly surprised. Although there are some changes, we are fortunate to still have Lee Ferguson in charge of the grounds and Carlie in charge of the office. You know everything will run smoothly.

Citrus Cup is a USEF rated show and we will be following USEF Covid 19 protocols – such as social distancing, wearing of masks, appointment time for picking up numbers in the office and no large social gatherings. Just because parties are limited FMHA will be providing special goody bags daily to the barns and a special prize drawing every night. All exhibitors will be entered into the drawing.

Entries for the show must be received by April 1 to avoid the late fees. The prize list, schedule, sponsorship forms, entry forms, and the USEF wavier can be found on fmha.net and the Citrus Cup Facebook page under files. Move in day is Monday April 12 after NOON as there is a show ending on Sunday. Best Western Gateway Grand is our host hotel. Remember when you stay at the host hotel it helps the club as we do receive a small amount toward the cost of rooms for our officials.

Newberry is growing! Two new restaurants have opened recently the 1906 Farm House and Stone House Grill. Both offer a variety of good food at a reasonable price. The Grill has both indoor and patio seating.

Thank you to everyone who has stepped up and sponsored a class or session. Sponsors are always welcomed! Without your help Citrus Cup would not be a success!

Be sure to check out the Citrus Cup Facebook page for updates. Look forward to seeing you in April!

submitted by Alicia Davis



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FOR CITRUS CUP!**



SOME HAPPY HIGH POINT WINNERS





NEWS FROM TROPICAL TROTTERS

The Tropical Trotters Youth Club is welcoming new members for this year! The goal of our club is to promote friendship among different barns and learn more about horsemanship along the way. There's no membership fee as we are encouraging all interested youth to join. It doesn't matter where you live as our monthly meetings are now held virtually and there's a new Teams Program that allows members to be part of a team together but live far apart! The group will plan charity fundraisers, ways to promote the Morgan horse at local fairs or functions, and plan fun activities during horse shows so that members can get to know each other better. We encourage all members to share their ideas as the club belongs to all of them! Currently there are 21 members! We have boys and girls that are just taking lessons and beginning to learn about horses, and others are seasoned horse girls. The more variety, the better the club becomes! We are continually looking for anyone that would like to be a quest speaker during our monthly meetings.

The AMHA has made exciting changes to the youth programs!

They created the AMHA Youth Patch Project for youth to earn badges for completing and participating in programs such as :

Completing the Figure and Bulrush Workbooks,
Becoming a member of the Teams Point Program,
Participating in the Grand National Youth of the Year Contest,
Win a gold or silver Medal Class, and
Becoming a member of the Youth Council.

The AMHA has a beautiful AMHA Youth jacket that can be purchased on their marketplace to attach the badges to.

Anyone who wants to be a youth member of the AMHA can receive a free year membership by completing the first level Figure Workbook.

There is a Teams Point Program that youth can earn points to be the year end highest earning points winner, and also earn points as a team to be the highest earning points team winner. Points can be earned from doing basic barn chores, helping with camps and lessons, taking lessons, showing, school work, and many others. It's a great program as includes all types of horse related activities to earn the points. The Tropical Trotters are a recognized team if anyone wants to join in. Or if any barns would like to create their own team, they may do so by signing up on the AMHA website. There's still these other programs that haven't changed.

The UPHA Ribbons of Service is a way that youth can volunteer their time helping in their community and raising money for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital or other charities while showing horses.

The Youth Of The Year Contest is a fun way to show how much you've learned about horses! There's four categories to participate in. They are a written test of horse knowledge, a pattern to ride with your horse, a speech about a certain horse related topic, and sometimes a category on horse judging. It's open to all levels starting at walk trot up to anyone the age of 21. The contest will be held April 14-17, 2021 during the Citrus Cup Horse Show.

The Youth Council is a group covering all 50 states and its members have the goal of promoting the Morgan breed, raising awareness of local Morgan horse clubs, and its members strive to be positive role models and offer guidance to other youth.

For more information, you can find the Tropical Trotters FL Morgan Youth Club on Facebook or contact the group leader Andrea by email at Quieara05@yahoo.com



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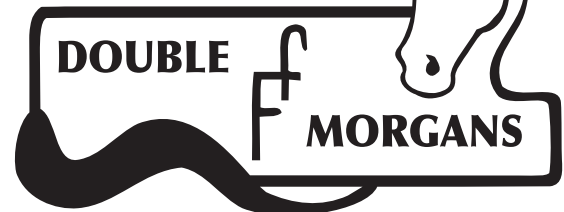
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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April 14-17, 2021 CITRUS CUP HORSE SHOW, Newberry FL

May 6-8 2021, DIXIE CUP, Georgia

May 27-29 2021 SUMMER FUN, Ocala FL

August 13-15 2021, SYH EXTRAVAGANZA at WEC

September 9-12 2021 SUMMERS END, Ocala FL

October 9-16 2021, MORGAN GRAND NATIONAL, Oklahoma

October 26-30 OCALA INTERNATIONAL, Ocala FL