

VC MORGAN HORSE CLUB

Minutes 08/20/11

The summer meeting of the VC Morgan Horse Club was held at the Jaeger's Flintlock Farm in Chapel Hill on Saturday, Aug 20. President Leanne Jones called the meeting to order at 2pm; a quorum was declared.

The minutes were read and approved.

Committee and Other Reports were given:

From Leanne:

- 1) **High Points** – from Elizabeth Abernathy – Please remember to register for these awards in order to be eligible. Forms are available on the website. Junior members do not have to own or show a horse to be eligible.
- 2) **Membership** – Our numbers have increased since April. We now have 73 individual members comprising 51 memberships. There are 28 adult, 8 family, 7 couples and 5 junior only.
- 3) **Youth** – Southern States put on a great Youth of the Year contest. Our Senior winner, Rebecca Jones, will be going to the Grand National to represent the Southern States Show. Our Junior winner, Kate Zakrajsek sent a lovely thank you letter to the show which was read to the club.
Nancy Merritt, also a VC member, won the senior division YOTY contest at the Mid Atlantic Show.

The AMHAY president, our own Rebecca Jones, is promoting their project, "Just in Time For a Cure," and is requesting donations for cancer research. From the AMHA website: Money raised during the 2011 summer and fall campaigns will benefit the Shirley Bowman Nutrition Clinic, which supports a national nutrition program designed to help cancer patients manage their treatment against cancer. A grand finale event will be held in Oklahoma City, OK at the Grand National & World Championship Morgan Horse Show.

Contact information is available at the AMHA website.

As Leanne had to leave, Vice President, Andrée Vetrano, presided the remainder of the meeting:

- 4) **The Year End Banquet** this year will be held Sat, Nov 19 (the Saturday before Thanksgiving) at McGregor Downs in Cary.
Reservations were made at Briar Creek, but Andree called to verify the dates, and found we were not on their calendar. Further, they have filled their calendar with other events and do not have room for us. Because of the circumstances, McGregor Downs has agreed to honor the rental fees quoted by Briar Creek.
- 5) **The Ed Bowling Sportsmanship Award** will be presented this year at the Year End meeting. Andree passed out forms for nominations and read the requirements. Nominations need to be in by September 30 and the decision will be made by October 15.
- 6) **By Laws** were last updated under Nancy Warren. Andree says they need to be re-visited, and Nancy has agreed to chair this committee again.

