

Hunt County Horsemen's Associations Newsletter

November/December

Introductions

First, I'd like to make the introductions for your new HCHA officers for 2008. Angie Middleton will continue to be president, for which we are all very thankful. I think we may have to make an amendment to the bylaws so she could just continue on for many more years!! Tara Baldwin is our new vice-president. Vicky Carlson will remain as our treasurer. Don't you think her and Angie make a great team! I am the new secretary, and my name is Dawn Rodden. Your board members are Kent Hoskin, Rodney Gregory, Jim Glick, Christine Weeks, Gina Rushing, Pam Stubblefield, Patrice Patterson, Dana Shortes (anybody else to add?)

We are looking forward to serving you in 2008 and have some new things added to our regular show season. Merry Christmas to you all, and may your 2008 be a blessed year!

Futurity

I am still learning all the ins and outs of this crazy horse world, so bear with me if I sound like I don't know what I'm talking about because chances are I don't! We had lots of babies this year, more than I remember from last year. They seemed to all be so well-behaved and just adorable. Our riding classes were a little smaller than anticipated, but everybody looked like they had a great day, horse and rider alike. The competition was pretty stiff in a couple of classes, and I sure don't envy the judges. All in all it was just a beautiful day and not quite as busy as a regular show day, which from a mom's perspective is always nice! A huge thank you to our two judges, * and *, for doing such a great job!

Awards Banquet

If you didn't come to the awards banquet, you missed out on a lot of fun and awesome goodies! Our treat bags were awesome this year! We received full-sized bottles of Cowboy Magic products, as well as an assortment of other great items. Our goody bag was worth more \$\$\$ wise than the cost of our meal ticket! Then you had the chance to buy raffle tickets and win even more cool stuff! Lots of people walked away with a truckload of items worth way more than they spent in raffle tickets. For our family personally, the Rat was our favorite item!! I would just encourage all of you to attend next year. It really is a lot of fun! Penny Sharp, Karen Hargrave, Ronnie Changers, Thommas Elliott...you all need to contact Angie to pick up your end of year awards!

TITLE

For anyone who would like to nominate their stallion for the 2008 breeding season. or if anyone knows of any stallions that they would like to see in the auction, please let Angie Middleton or Tara Baldwin know so that they can be put in the auction.

Also for our stallion owners whose breedings were unfortunate enough not to have been purchased...remember you can purchase your breeding back so that you have an eligible foal for the 2008 futurity.

For stallion owners who have been donating their stallions since the 2005 breeding season, their foals are now eligible for the breeders lunge line class. Next year they will be eligible for the breeders 2yr. western pleasure and 2 yr. old HUS classes.

High points for 2007

8 and under- Riley Weeks

9 to 13- Morgan Shortes

14 to 18- N/A

19 and over- Mashell Daniels