

CQHA News

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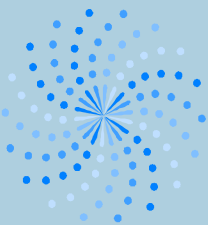
April 23 CQHA Show starts!

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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- First CQHA Show of the Season
- AQHA Next Generation Records
- Youth Highlights—What's in store for this year
- Contest—Name the Newsletter



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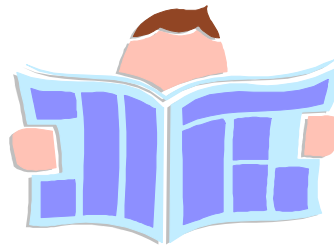
Newsletter début

Christine Griffin

As our lives are thrown to cyberspace at lighting speed, sometimes its just nice to reach into the mailbox to hold on to something tangible. Hence the CQHA newsletter has been resurrected. Our goal is to bring updated information to all members of CQHA households. By consolidating and putting it in printed form; it will make the information on the website easier to obtain. Most of the articles herein will be highlights taken from the various websites, with additional links to gather further information, such as letters of intent, show schedules, contact info, etc...

Our newsletter in itself will hold a wealth of information, including a Calendar of Events listing show dates and events, Updates from our CQHA President, AQHA News, Regional Six updates on

what's happening in the region, CQHYA highlighting what YA is planning and their goals for the year, Board News on what committees are working on and how



Name the Paper Contest!

you can become involved, the search for a Congress Queen, Congratulating & Thanking those special members who make a difference, and Membership News on perks of continuing membership and staying connected. Members are encouraged to submit information and

suggestions as well.

The first publication has been mailed to all households. Hereafter you may choose to have it emailed as a pdf file and print to read at your leisure (ha!) or continue to receive via snail mail.

The Newsletter committee is holding a **contest** to name our publication, so put on your thinking caps and stir the creative juices. Summit a name (as many times as you like) and hopefully we'll have a new name for the next issue!!!! Not only will you see your name in print, but you have a chance to win a cool prize!

Email entries to:

cgrif@snet.net - reference CQHA name

CQHA Show Season Starts.....

April may bring spring showers but is also starts the CQHA show season. The first show will start Thursday evening April 23, ending Sunday the 26th. Single judged the first day with a split combine Saturday and Sunday.

Coming soon this year is a updated **Falls Creek** Website (www.fallscreekfarm.com) which will enable you to print and fill out your entries prior to arriving on

the grounds. Contact Ellie Keene for stall reservations 860-564-5554 or 401-231-1241 at FCF.

As customary there will be the **Battle of the Barns** fundraiser with the Basket Raffle (*Barn affiliates rally your troops*). Don't forget to stop by for complimentary **coffee** and **doughnuts** Saturday morning under the show office. **CQHA** will also be selling tee shirts and sweatshirts. **Pizza** will

be served Saturday evening sponsored by **Showstring**

Watch for the **Trail Challenge** sponsored by **CQHYA!**

See CQHA website for a updated show schedules and information





Oneco, CT
Home of CQHA
Shows

Calendar of Events

April 23(Thurs eve) 24,25,26
CQHA, Oneco,CT

April 27—(Monday eve) Board meeting—Natalie Olson house. 7:00pm

May 22, (Fri eve) 23,24, 25 **CQHA**, Oneco,CT

June 18, (Thurs eve) 19,20,21
CQHA, Oneco,CT

July , 7,8,9,10,11,12 **Regional 6**,

Springfield Ma

July 16,17,18,19 CQHA, Oneco,CT

Sept 10 (thurs eve) 11,12,13
CQHA, Oneco,CT

Sept 26, 27 CQHA, Oneco,CT

April Show— Highlights

Battle of the Barns—Basket raffle

Pizza—Sat Nite Showstring sponsored

Coffee & Donuts—Sat morn CQHA sponsored

Trail Challenge— CQHYA sponsored

Words of Wisdom.....

Everyone involved with CQHA is aware that showing our great Quarter Horses is difficult in economic times like these. We sincerely appreciate everyone who continues to support CQHA and CQHA approved events

and look forward to seeing everyone at the April and May shows in Oneco, CT. We all hope and pray that the signs that the current economic downturn is ending and will turn out to mark the beginning of

of another great era for the Quarter Horse show industry in Connecticut.

Yours truly
Miss Amy Rader
CQHA President

CQHA PRESIDENT

AQHA UPDATES.....

The Next Generation AQHA Records have debuted, making the process of researching your favorite American Quarter Horse easier to access, read and understand.

"A lot of research went into the development of AQHA's Next-Generation Records," said Tammy Garrison, AQHA director of customer service. "We wanted to develop a site that was more conventional for both members and non-members. Not only are records enhanced a great deal, but the

site is more consumer-friendly in guiding users through their purchases."

The American Quarter Horse Association offers the only records available linking official records with official pedigree information maintained by the Association. Official AQHA records are the current, authoritative tools available for breeders, trainers, stallion owners and general horse enthusiasts who enjoy learning more about the world's most popular horse.

AQHA first introduced pedigree records on the internet in 1999. Since then, more records have been added and functional improved. Today's Next-Generation Records are the result of a decade of learning from and listening to members, and using advances in internet technology, including online shopping systems and portable document formatting .

American's Horse, February 2, 2009

www.aqha.com

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Region Six.....

AQHA is excited to announce the addition of a new funding program for Region 6 AQHA. R6AQHA now has its own travel website! This is a full featured travel website private labeled with the R6 Travel name and logo.

This program will benefit

the Willard Rhodes Scholarship Fund and the Regional Six Horseman's Crisis Fund. Go check it out!

www.r6travel.com

How it works: each time travel is arranged through an online travel website, travel companies pay commissions for your

reservation. When travel is booked on this new website, Region Six AQHA will receive 60% of these commissions paid as royalties. This is an exciting program that AQHA has made available to their supporters.

For more detailed information please visit www.r6aqha.com

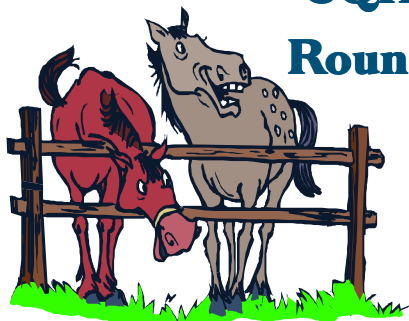
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"AQHA debuts
Next-Generation
enhanced records to
make researching
your favorite horse
easier."



CQH YA Roundup



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The **Youth Association** is selling lines on their **Banner of Support**, please see a youth board member for details or visit **CQHA** website for more information.

New Trail Challenge! This is a contest that will combine riders in sets of two and cash prizes will be awarded in each division. The divisions will be Novice (N AM & N YA), Youth (13 U & 14-18), Amateur (AM & SEL), and Open (Jr & Sr) trail riders. Please listen for sign ups at the show during trail warm-up. We must have 10 teams per division to run challenge! *Tell your friends who compete in trail.*

Youth members who are interested in attending the **Yes Conference** in Amarillo, TX, June 25-27, should get in touch with Emily or Grace as soon as possible to secure a spot.

Watch for and please support other fundraisers that the **CQH YA** will be doing throughout the season. They plan to sell iced coffee and other cool drinks, do a tail wash, along with other ideas that are on the drawing board.

“Your needed support will keep our Youth Association active and viable”.

*Gather your Stuff!!
Used Tack Sale
June 6th at
Tri-State Show
sponsored by
CQHA
Details to follow*

**Board of
Directors Meeting**

Monday April

27th @ 7:00pm.

Hosted at Natalie

Olson’s home, all members are welcome to join us!



Hats off to you!

Congratulations to our CQHA President **Amy Rader**, who in the first quarter of 2009, has earned both the AQHA’s Show Managers Certificate and Specialized All Novice Judge credentials. *Way to go Amy!!!!*

A special **Thank You** and appreciation to **Natalie Olson** for coordinating the banquet and **Carol Watson** for the awesome awards presented, the overall success of the night was no

doubt attributed to Natalie and Carol along with their helpers who made it a very enjoyable evening. *A round of applause for you guys!!!*

A **HIGH FIVE!!** to our 2008 High Pointers: **Heather Lange:** AM, **Susan Sinnott:** No AM, **Alex Raniuk:** YA & 14-18 YA, **Lauren Consoli:** No YA, and **Tristen Perry:** YA –13 YA. *Good Luck in 2009!!!!*

Thanks to Nutrena for their support check of \$3,868.40! *Keep those labels coming!*

www.cqha.com



Be the Next CQHA Congress Queen

The Connecticut Quarter Horse Association’s annual Queen Contest is open to young ladies between the ages of 18 to 26 who have never been married or a single parent.

The contest consists of a horsemanship ride, a written test, and a oral interview.

As stated in the contest guidelines, “The CQHA Queen serves as a ambassador on behalf of the association, encouraging membership in the association, making appearances at state and regional Quarter horse functions, as well as visiting related open shows and breed association to raise awareness of CQHA”.

The Queen also represents the association in the All American Quarter Horse Congress Queen Contest held in Columbus, Ohio.

For additional information or to obtain an application, please contact queen committee chair:



**Past CQHA Congress Queen 2006
Kristyn Ceruti**



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“Aiding and encouraging the breeding, exhibiting, use and perpetuating of American Quarter Horses”



Celebrating 40 years



CQHA—Who we are!



The Connecticut Quarter Horse Association is a non-profit organization of people and business engaged in the cooperative activity of aiding and encouraging the breeding, exhibiting, use and perpetuation of American Quarter Horses; promoting, encouraging and guiding all CQHA approved shows within the state of Connecticut, or CQHA sponsored shows outside the state. CQHA provides beneficial services for its members which enhance and encourage American Quarter Horse ownership and participation

In a typical year, CQHA holds five of its own AQHA recognized Quarter Horse Shows and sanctions some eleven more within the state. All shows are open to any AQHA member, showing AQHA registered horses; CQHA members also earn state points towards year end awards and titles. The facility at Falls Creek Farm in Oneco, CT is the site of most CQHA show circuits.

Each year, CQHA sponsors three Youth Teams which compete at the AQHYA World Champion Show, the All American Quarter Horse Congress Show, and the Regional Six Show. A scholarship program, administered by AQHA, is available to college bound CQHA youth members.

For updated information, and membership application (printable pdf file) log on to www.cqha.com.

Won't you join us?

**Lisa E. Rosner
Membership & Points
Chairman**

Membership incentives*:

- Membership Discounts
- High Point Trophy Awards
- Superlative & Challenge Awards
- Team tournaments
- Queen Contest
- Annual Banquet of Champions
- Circuit Awards
- Youth Club
- Open & Youth Walk Trot Divisions
- Instructional Clinics
- Futurities
- 16 AQHA/CQHA Pointed Shows

*subject to change

CQHA is a dynamic and multifaceted organization with much to offer the owners of American Quarter Horses.