



July 2017 Newsletter

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### **Short-Sleeve, No-Bling, Beat-the-Heat!**

Our popular 'Short-Sleeve, No-Bling, Beat-the-Heat' All Breed Open Horse Show is Saturday, August 5 at the Travis County Expo Center in Austin! Patterns will be posted on our website one week before the show.

**You can reserve stalls NOW for the August show.**

**\*\* NEW \*\* Due to changes in facility prices, we must receive your reservation for stalls on or before Monday, July 31<sup>st</sup>. Without a reservation, we cannot guarantee that we will have a stall set up for you!\***

*\*See Expo Center Update, elsewhere in this newsletter*

Email Janine Hess at [jmmaustex@yahoo.com](mailto:jmmaustex@yahoo.com) with the following information:

1. Number of stalls needed & designate: Horse (mare, gelding, stallion) and/or Tack Stall
2. Number of shavings needed (if any) - exhibitors are welcome to bring their own shavings
3. First and last name for whom stall should be reserved
4. Trainer name (if applicable)
5. Description of preferred location, if any
6. 1st, 2nd and 3rd choice of stall location, if any

Stalls will be assigned on a first come-first served basis via email, and will also be available on a first come-first served basis the night prior to and on show day, if available.

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## **Pre-Enter and SAVE TIME the morning of the show!!**

Your early entry helps our show secretary and eliminates some of the long lines on the morning of the show.

1. *Download the 2017 Entry Form (landscape format), Membership and Series Award Nomination Form and Showbill (schedule of classes / class numbers) from our website – [caqha.com](http://caqha.com) – under the Open Shows tab.*

2. *Complete the Entry Form and (if applicable) the Membership Form. Scan Entry Form and email to Amber Parr at [amber.parr@me.com](mailto:amber.parr@me.com)*

3. *DO NOT send check or money with your pre-entry. There are no charges if you can't make it to the show.*

*Amber Parr, our show secretary, will be at the Expo Center Friday night until 8 PM. She will be ready to take your entry information and help you register for classes.*

*Our final show of 2017 is Saturday, September 9!*

## **Point Standings have been updated, corrected and are OFFICIAL!**

The Point Standings for our All Breed Open Shows are on the website. If you nominated in one or more divisions, you can see your point totals from the January and June shows. With two more shows to go, anything can happen before our 2017 Series is over. Thanks to all exhibitors for your patience and understanding as we recreated the January show (including the points for each exhibitor in each division) and added the June show. We are blessed that our own CAQHA Board Member, Amber Parr, has tackled this job and worked diligently to correct errors from January and is now on track to finish our show season with a computer program that works. Thank you, Amber!!

## **CAQHA Ranch Horse Shows**

Our Ranch Horse Shows held at Dripping Springs Ranch Park and at the Llano Events Center were a tremendous success!! Thanks to all Ranch exhibitors for making our Ranch Shows such a success. Look for THREE Ranch Horse shows in 2018!! Dates will be posted in the next newsletter.

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## Congratulations to these High Point and Reserve High Point Champions from the Llano Show:

### 13 and Under Division:

High Point – Kylie Baker / Hang Ten Jessie

Reserve High Point – Jewel New / Slidin By The Bay

### 14 to 18 Division:

High Point – Addison Paulson / Blue Roan Boon RX

Reserve High Point – Cindy Swartzel / Smartly Sweetened

### 19 & Over Amateur Division:

High Point: Teena Davis / Henry

Reserve High Point: Nancy Marchioni /  
Raylan

### Junior Horse Division:

High Point: Luke Hayden / Call Me Chic Stik

Reserve High Point: Taryn Batcheller /  
Boonies Lil Gem

### Senior Horse Division:

High Point: Jodie Fuchs / Instantly Impressive

Reserve High Point: Pam Klotz / Dun It Like A Twist

### Never-Won-A-Buckle Division:

High Point: Joleen Moden / Mr Poco Dual

Reserve High Point: Kaila Tomlin / Hickory  
Dixie Doll

### Walk / Jog Division:

High Point: Jenni Johnson / NC Jackie  
Hancock

Reserve High Point: Amber Parr / Blaze



## **Exciting Changes for 2018 – Save The Dates!**

We are excited to announce these changes to our 2018 Show Season:

- CAQHA will host THREE All Breed Open Horse Shows on May 5, August 4 and October 13 at the big, beautiful Dripping Springs Ranch Park indoor arena.
- CAQHA's THREE Ranch Horse Shows will be held in three locations: the Llano Events Center in the spring; the Williamson County Expo Center in Taylor in the summer (both dates TBA soon); and in conjunction / celebration with our All Breed Open Show in the fall, on Sunday, October 14 at Dripping Springs Ranch Park.

### **Travis County Expo Center Update – or – Why is CAQHA Changing Show Venues?**

As some of you know, CAQHA has been in discussions with the Travis County Expo Center since November 2016 regarding their new fee structure that went into effect this year. The new fees more than doubled the cost to rent the Expo Center. Our initial arena rental cost increased from \$900 in 2016 to \$1500 in 2017.

In addition, we are now charged for *everything* – stalls (\$20 including all stalls erected but not used), tables, chairs, portable bleachers, picnic tables, two custodial fees, stall cleaning fees (another \$10 per stall), a shavings removal fee, water connection fee, RV parking with hookups, RV parking without hookups, and a \$200 catering concession.

The grand total for our shows is now upwards of \$4000 per show. This not a fee we can afford to pay. This is not a fee we will pass on to exhibitors. Part of our mission is to offer quality competition at an affordable cost. The new rate structure at the Travis County Expo Center makes affordable shows impossible, hence, the need to find another facility for our all breed open shows in 2018.

After researching the arenas in the Central Texas area, the CAQHA board met on July 9<sup>th</sup> and voted to hold our 'classic' horse shows at Dripping Springs Ranch Park. In addition to being affordable, DSRP has enough stalls to accommodate even our largest show. The size of their indoor arena will enable us to continue to offer our popular work-at-will trail classes.

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The RV hookups just outside the stalling area are convenient. Their air-conditioned restrooms are spacious, clean and well-maintained. DSRP is eager to host horse shows and is thrilled that CAQHA has chosen their facility as our new 'home' for 2018! We realize this change may make it a longer drive for some folks but we thank all of you in advance, for making the effort to support this new venue in 2018.

Please feel free to contact any of us on the board if you have questions regarding our 2018 show season. We host these shows for YOU and are more than happy to answer questions and give more detailed explanations regarding the issues we have faced and the decisions we have made for next year.



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