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NEWS

CORRECTION!

**Vol. 23 Errata – New address for
October 7, 2017 - OF Plastic Regular Qualifier (Div A)**
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In Short (From the Editor)

Welcome to our 20th season! The new show season is underway and running smoothly. Judges seem happy with the new split of divisions in the qualifiers, and the shows are well attended. Thank you to Alyssa Bailey for joining the Tab team (Div E&F), and thank you to the other team members (Kay Myers, Betty Hook, Charlotte Martin, and Marie Phillips) for continuing in this capacity!

BOD news – 2017-18 Board of Directors confirmed.

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Stephanie Michel joined the board as Vice President, and she has jumped in with both feet. In honor of our 20th season, Stephanie designed a special “platinum” logo. We will have other surprises planned for this special season, so stay tuned! (Did you see the sneak peak on the back of the MEPSA champ show book?) You may also have seen the FAQ (frequently asked questions) segments on the list or on Facebook. Please join us in thanking Stephanie for these new features and offering her a very warm welcome! We are also lucky to have Laurel Dedes back for one more year. As of the publication of this newsletter, we are in the middle of a special sales event to convert some wonderful donations/ contest entries into funds to support our activities this year. Many thanks to Laurel for handling this event! A report on champ show finances for 2017 is given on page 5.

MEPSA is an educational group for model horse enthusiasts, promoting the hobby of model horse mail-in photo showing.

The purpose of this newsletter is to provide information to showers who do not have internet access. It is mailed free of charge (courtesy of Marie Phillips). The newsletter is also available by email and on the website as a secondary source of information and updates for all members.

UPCOMING FUND RAISERS

Great prizes to be won! MEPSA 2017-2018 CONTEST SCHEDULE
Laurel has selected some drool-worthy prizes!

TACK OR PROP ACCESSORY CONTEST

Entries Due: November 15, 2017

Prize: Rio Rondo \$30.00 gift certificate award

WRITING CONTEST

Entries Due: January 15, 2018

Prize: An unfinished Welsh Cob classic scale resin from Horsing Around! See him here (top right).

DRAFT MARE MAKEOVER CHALLENGE

Entries Due: February 15, 2018

Prize: An unfinished Kilimanjaro Traditional size unicorn resin! See him here (center right & Wow!!!)

If there is a 2nd winner, a current regular release NIB Breyer of winner's choice will be awarded.

MINI CUSTOMS CONTEST

Entries Due: April 1, 2018

Prize: u/f AR from Horsing Around, Marcimello, a darling miniature donkey! See her here (bottom right, OMG she is cute!)

TACK CONTEST

Entries Due: May 31, 2018

Prize: C.O.W.S. u/f cow resin or possibly a doll from Field of Dolls!



PERFORMANCE CLINIC

The MEPSA Performance clinic — Is it for you?

For some years, some of us in the Open division have eyed the Novice division with some envy We wanted someone to advise US – on performance showing! But as everyone knows, Open division showers cannot show in Novice. Two years ago we introduced a specialty qualifier to help Open showers interested in competing in the performance divisions. The Performance Clinic returns this season!

This is your chance to have a knowledgeable judge critique your OPEN DIVISION performance photos. This year the show is on October 28, so get busy and make new props, shoot new photos, and label them well (INCLUDING a pattern and description of the performance, where applicable) ... See you there!

October 28, 2017 Performance Clinic Special Qualifier - this limited entry show is for both E & F and the judge will provide showers with individual feedback on their performance entries. Limit 20 pictures per one division (20 total) or fifteen pictures for each division (30 total)

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Corvallis, OR 97333-1561
khalife@proaxis.com

Judges – Important reminder

There are a number of “other performance” classes which allow multiple entries. It is important/critical/required that the judge states what the performance is along with the horses name in the results, *even if only one photo of the horse is entered*. This is so the tabulators can record what **horse AND performance** are qualified, as the same horse could qualify a number of times with different performance entries in the “other performance” classes. In addition, for class 119, scene, the name of the scene must be recorded in the results.

Showers: make sure you give your scene a unique name.

MEPSA QUALIFIER SHOW SCHEDULE – FIRST QUARTER

November 4, 2017
OF Plastic
Regular Qualifier
(Div A)

Photo limit 100

CAROLYN BAILEY
 4N742 Honey Hill Cir.
 Wayne, IL 60184
 foggynote@att.net

November 11, 2017
OF China/AR/CM
Regular Qualifier
(Div B,C,D)

Photo limit 100 per division,
150 total

CARISSA KIRKSEY
 PO Box 31
 Creston, OH 44217
 sprucewoodfarmsstudio@gmail.com

November 18, 2017
All Performance
Regular Qualifier
(Div E,F)

Photo limit 150 per division,
300 total

ELENA LEMM
 37103 Robin George Tr
 Magnolia, TX 77354
 ejlemm12@gmail.com

MEPSA QUALIFIER SHOW SCHEDULE – FIRST QUARTER

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November 25, 2017

Mini Special (All Divisions)

Stablemate, Little Bit, CollectAs and similar sized models generally around 4" in height and excluding classic scale foals which are still classic scale regardless of height.

**Photo limit 100 halter,
150 total**

ANNE GILES
359 Stickney Hill Rd
Union, CT 06076
annesrockinhorse@yahoo.com

December 16, 2017

All Performance Regular Qualifier (Div E,F)

**Photo limit 150 per division,
300 total**

JOAN YOUNT
294 E 550 N
Rensselaer, IN 47978
she_flies_she_flies_@yahoo.com

January 13, 2018

OF China/AR/CM Regular Qualifier (Div B,C,D)

**Photo limit 100 per division,
150 total**

JENNIFER COLE
HC 1 Box 5112
Keaau, HI 96749
snyder_1@hotmail.com

December 2, 2017

OF Plastic Regular Qualifier (Div A)

Photo limit 100

SHERRY BALL
809 Lynn Ann Dr
Red Oak, TX 75154
thunderglenranch@yahoo.com

December 30, 2017

Light/Sport/Spanish/Gaited Special (All Divisions)

**Photo limit 100 per division,
150 total**

SHANA BOBBITT
227 SE Scenic View Dr.
College Place, WA 99324
starfroggie@gmail.com

January 20, 2018

All Performance Regular Qualifier (Div E,F)

**Photo limit 150 per division,
300 total**

ANNE FIELD
350 West St. Lot 38
Ludlow, MA 01056
fieldofdolls@gmail.com

December 9, 2017

OF China/AR/CM Regular Qualifier (Div B,C,D)

**Photo limit 100 per division,
150 total**

CORINA ROBERTS
PO Box 702
Simi Valley, CA 93062
redbirds_vision@hotmail.com

January 6, 2018

OF Plastic Regular Qualifier (Div A)

Photo limit 100

MARY LINEMAN
PO Box 167
Dunlo, PA 15930
mmlineman@comcast.net

January 27, 2018

Stock Type Special (All Divisions)

**Photo limit 100 per division,
150 total**

CHARLOTTE MARTIN
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FEATURE ARTICLE

What color is my Appy?

This year, in Division A, we have made some permanent splits so that we can recognize more worthy horses in the championship show. One of those splits is in appaloosa color: 53a, blanket patterns, and 53b, other patterns. This has really challenged us to understand our appaloosa patterns!

All appaloosas have the “Leopard complex”: characterized by striped hooves (on solid color legs), mottled skin, white sclera, and varnish roan. Varnish roan is a progressive change (like grey), resulting in color loss with age, which may reveal small spots, as well as leaving residual color over bony areas. It is possible to have no additional pattern genes and just be a “varnish roan” appaloosa (class 53b), or a horse may carry additional pattern and modifier genes. A horse must carry the gene for leopard complex (Lp) in order to express any appaloosa “Pattern” genes it may carry. If it carries two (LpLp) genes, there will be no (few) spots expressed, colored legs will have shell colored hooves with a few dark stripes, and the horse will have night blindness.

Although there are a number of recognized appaloosa patterns, only the “PATN 1” gene has been located. Pattern 1 is “leopard”. The horse is born with a white or mostly white basecoat. There may be color on legs, joints, elbows, head and neck, which will varnish out with age. With a single Lp gene, the horse will be white with spots all over (“nose to toes”, class 53b). With LpLp (homozygous for leopard complex), the horse will be born white or mostly white (no spots). In other words, a horse that is homozygous for Leopard complex and carrying PATN1 could be pure white, and should be shown along with homozygous sabino in class 56 as a “genetic white horse”, or it may have some color and show in class 53b. PATN1 may be modified by other genes. For example, the leopard pattern may be shrunken to a blanket size – with proportionately shrunken or elongated spots. Because it is hard to tell this modified pattern from a true blanket pattern, these should be entered in the blanket class (class 53a).

There are several other recognized appaloosa patterns, including blanket, frosted, and snowflake. In the blanket pattern, the horse is born with a white pattern across the hips and sometimes extending forward. The blanket will have spots if the horse is heterozygous Lp. If the horse is LpLp, the blanket will have no spots (called a “snow cap” pattern). Both of these blanket patterns show in class 53a. The frosted pattern involves white hairs amongst colored hairs (like roaning) mostly along the topside. The Snowflake pattern appears as small white spots that may be distributed all over the horse. Frosted and snowflake appaloosas show in class 53b.



Photos by Steph Michel

FINANCIAL REPORT

What does it take to hold the Championship Show?

Financial Report

Champ show costs:

Judge payments	-\$75
Prizes: ribbons & rosettes	- \$865
Models/other prizes	-\$1250
Results Books	-\$1280
Shipping (to judges/owners)	<u>-\$1647</u>
TOTAL:	-\$5117

Champ show income (entry fees): \$1662

WE OWE THE DIFFERENCE TO FUND RAISING AND DONATIONS!

Thank you to everyone who participated in a contest, purchased a MEPSA item, or made a donation!

DONATIONS AND CONTRIBUTIONS

Where to send your MEPSA donations

Monetary Donations

If you would like to make a monetary donation, you may send a check directly to the treasurer:

Carolyn Bailey
4N742 Honey Hill Cir.
Wayne, IL 60184

Or use Paypal (friends and family) address: mepsa3@att.net.

Item Donations

To donate items for the 2017-18 MEPSA championship season please send them to the Champ Show Coordinator,

Elena Lemm
37103 Robin George Trail
Magnolia, TX 77354

PLEASE DO NOT send catalogs or other heavy items. And apply the golden rule “Donate to others what you would like to see in your champ show box!”

If you have questions about donating or entering a contest, please contact Laurel Dedes dserthorse@aol.com.

Track your 2017-18 donations using the Donor record

At the end of the season, did you have trouble remembering what you donated so that you knew what size ad you should get in the Championship book (well guess what so did the champ show coordinator!)? Don't let that happen again! Start keeping a list of your donations today! (and help out the coordinators!)

Form available at <http://mepsa1.tripod.com/forms.html>. Record each donation and the value. You can also record judge's fees donated. Get credit for all you do for MEPSA! Value of contest entries should not be included as these have their own separate reward system. Submit your donation record at the end of the season (or with your championship entry). This will make record keeping easier for the BOD.

All donors receive ad space in the Championship book. Donate \$100 – get a full page, \$50 gets you half a page and \$25 gets you a quarter page ad. Become a patron level sponsor by donating \$150 or more and get your champ show book (a \$35 value) for free!

Some of the prizes awarded for the 2017 Championship Show thanks to our generous donors!

Photo by Terry Boaz



Photo by Bobbie Lee



Photo by Katrina James



DONATIONS AND CONTRIBUTIONS

Another way to contribute to MEPSA

Want to donate custom finish work to MEPSA? These bodies are available for artists to finish!

STABLEMATES

- G2 galloping Drafter (32)
- G2 Morgan (5) (one missing lower rear leg)
- G2 Paso Fino (2 – 1 unpainted/prepped)
- G2 Rearing Arabian (4)
- G2 Rearing Arabian (partially painted may need stripping)
- G2 Canterng Foal
- G2 Scrambling foal
- G2 Shetland
- G3 Rearing Andalusians (1)
- G3 Standing Thoroughbred (2)
- G3 TWH
- G3 WB cantering
- G3 WB jumper (no stand)
- Unknown plastic MFT?? Walk/trot?
- Light Grey halfinger? Welsh? G4? Rear and foreleg cracked. (Resin?)
- Grey halfinger? Welsh? G4? Foreleg cracked (resin?)

MINI WHINNIES etc(?)

- Draft(2) (Empire)
- Small galloping (1)
- Foals (2)

SCHLEICHS

- Schleich Halflinger
- Schleich Andalusian
- Schleich Draft gelding (2)
- Schleich standing foal
- Schleich Appaloosa foal

LITTLEBIT / STONE PEBBLES

None available

CLASSIC

- Andalusian Mare
- Andalusian Stallion (2)
- Black Beauty (2)
- Duchess
- Ginger (2)
- Keen (2)

DONATIONS AND CONTRIBUTIONS

CLASSIC (continued)

Galloping QH foal

Western Pony (Needs sticky paint stripped)

CL. scale other make (Hong Kong), broken tail

TRADITIONAL

Action Stock Horse Foal (2)

Andalusian (rear leg broken-piece missing.)

Black Beauty (old Mold) rear leg broken have piece.

Justin Morgan (2)

Laying Down Foal

Man O War (old mold)

Phar Lap (3) One is partially etched-be nice if someone finished him! Have pic

Proud Arab Foal

Proud Arab Stallion

San Domingo - (broken rear leg-have piece)

Running Foal (2)

Running Stallion (front leg broken-have piece)

Stud Spider

Shetland Pony (2)

Stock Horse Mare

Stud Spider

Trad. TWH, broken leg, lifted fore-missing

Trad. Breyer Jumping horse with jump, broken leg-missing

Trad. Laying foal with broken tail (tail included)

Touch of Class



2012 "Body Box" Finish Donation by Joan Yount

The MEPSA Mission Statement:

The mission of the Model Equine Photo Showers Association is to serve as an inclusive organization to promote photo showing in the model horse hobby.

