



## AUGUST NEWSLETTER 2023

Hello everyone! Well, we had our Denison, IA Show on Aug 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>. Weather was a bit challenging for our Trail class, but we moved the course and stopped the classes for a short time to allow everyone entered in Trail on Sunday to complete it. On Saturday, we had 167 entries with 23 exhibitors and Sunday we had 132 entries with 21 exhibitors. There was one new Sr Youth membership and a family renewal from 2021. Our Judges were Amy Marx and Jill Paxton. Kirk Hatfield announced for us on Saturday and Susie Spry came and announced for us on Sunday. Susie is one of our Association's original Founders and a Lifetime member. Thank you, Kirk and Susie, for announcing! I would also like to thank Doug and Carly Brown for providing concessions for us. They always have amazing food.

Our next Shows are on Sept. 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> in Afton, IA. This is also our last set of Shows this year. Please contact Jane Hatfield to reserve stalls. Camping is first come, first serve. Doug and Carly Brown will be providing concessions. If you want to join us next year, a paid membership at these last 2 Shows in Afton, will be good for all of 2024. Good luck everyone! After these Shows, Joan will get ahold of those that went to every Show this year and Exhibitors will be able to choose which Show to drop for year-end awards. The day with the lowest number of points accumulated will be dropped automatically to calculate year end totals if an Exhibitor does not tell Joan otherwise.

Every year, throughout the year, Board members watch for any issues that need to be addressed within the Association for our Annual Meeting. If you have noticed or have come across any rule issues, please let Tony, Jane or I know. If you have ideas for Show locations or Judges, let us know. Input from our members is very important. Talk to us in Afton, email or call or message one of us after the Afton Shows. This way we can get it to the proper committee and put it on the Agenda for our Annual Meeting if needed.

Hope to see you all in Afton!

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