

New Hampshire Horse Council Annual Meeting Newsletter - January 2021



VIRTUAL ANNUAL MEETING MARCH 6TH, 2021

This year's NHHC Annual Meeting will be held virtually through a ZOOM meeting. The meeting will begin at 10:00 AM and you can begin logging in at 9:50 AM.

Meeting Agenda

- ◆ Welcome and Call to Order
- ◆ Introduction of NHHC Officers and Board of Directors
- ◆ Minutes of the 2020 Annual Meeting
- ◆ Financial Report
- ◆ Trails Committee Report
- ◆ President's Report
- ◆ Legislation Report
- ◆ Voting results for officers and proposed by-law change
- ◆ Presentation of the Horse Person of the Year Award
- ◆ Report on new program "Support Where The Hooves Go Fund"
- ◆ Speaker Presentation - "Trail Safety".

Link for ZOOM

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84710719944?pwd=R3ByUEhtaGo5bno0cEV1bENXeUpEQTO9>

Election of Officers.

Our current officers have agreed to run again for 2021.

President - Jozi Best

Vice President - Fred Klein McNeil

Secretary - Trixie Lefebvre

Treasurer - Patricia Darmofal

Write in nominations are being accepted. If you know of someone (or you yourself), who wants to run for office, the name can be submitted by February 8th (we will be sending out the official ballot on February 15th and at that date, nominations will be closed) . Please make sure your nominee wants to run.

Send nomination to Patdarmofal@msn.com

ZOOM Meeting Info

The link is to the LEFT and we will email it out again when it gets closer to the meeting date.

By now, many of us have experience with video meetings on apps such as Zoom, Webex, Microsoft Teams and others.

It is easy to log into the meeting, but for optimum participation your computer, tablet or smart phone should be equipped with a camera and a microphone. A phone number will also be available for those who don't have access to a smart phone or computer with a camera and microphone..

In the meantime, you can explore options to download a Zoom App for desktop or smart phone at

[Download Center - Zoom](#)



PRESIDENT

Jozi Best, Unity, NH

VICE-PRESIDENT

Frederick Klein-McNeil

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Debbie Briscoe, Brentwood, NH

This year, the voting will be done by online ballot. On February 15th, we will be forwarding you a link to a Microsoft Form to submit your vote and the voting deadline will be March 1st to allow us time to count the votes before the meeting.

To vote you must be a dues paid member of NHHHC. You can pay your dues online via PayPal. There is a link on our website at [NHHHC Membership \(nhhorsecouncil.org\)](#) or you can pay by submitting your Membership Application and dues by mail, but make sure they arrive by March 1st to be counted.

Individual Memberships are permitted one vote

Family Memberships have up to 4 votes, 1 each for 4 adults(18 or over) living in the household

Affiliates, Farm and Business associates, Grand Champion and Pegasus memberships may appoint one delegate to vote.

MAKE SURE YOUR MEMBERSHIP IS PAID IN ORDER TO VOTE AND WATCH FOR THE ONLINE VOTING FORM TO BE EMAILED TO YOU ON FEB 15TH.

Proposed ByLaw Change—proposed changes are in red.

There will be a place on the voting form to vote Yes or No on the Bylaws

ARTICLE III – MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 4: Pegasus.

Pegasus (or Philanthropic) members are granted all the privileges and benefits as Champion and/or Grand Champion members (as stated herein). If an organization, the Pegasus member must satisfy the same requirements as the Grand Champion members as listed above. In addition, Pegasus members may receive benefits not available to Champion or Grand Champion members. **Pegasus has two levels, an annual supporting membership for those making a generous minimum donation or a lifetime membership dependent on applicable donation fee/dues.**

SECTION 8: DUES.

PAYMENT: Annual dues are payable with applications for membership and based on the membership level chosen and thereafter on the date of annual renewal each year thereafter, **except for lifetime memberships.** Membership will become effective upon receipt of appropriate dues by the Treasurer, and recording thereof. Dues are valid from January 1 to December 31st of each year and can be collected throughout the year. The annual dues are subject to change by a majority vote of the Directors.

Support Where The Hooves Go

Recognizing the need in New Hampshire for a program that will support funding for equestrian trail projects, NHHHC is working on a way to provide that funding. Tapping into the many equine related businesses, corporate parties, clubs and individuals that are capable of providing assistance to trail projects, we will provide a place to send funds and support to be administered to trail clubs, horse associations, conservation and state entities that have worthy projects in mind but do not have the funds to bring them to completion. We will have more information and particulars at the meeting.

Guest Speaker - TRAIL SAFETY

We are happy to be able to present a presentation by Frederick Klein McNeil and Avis Rosenfield entitled “Trail Safety” They will be delivering a talk on a subject that is of importance to all of our members and friends who enjoy spending time with their horses on the trails. They both speak from personal experience on trail issues that can help or hinder an enjoyable and safe trail experience.