

SOUTHWEST VIRGINIA HUNTER/JUMPER
ASSOCIATION



2008 ANNUAL REPORT

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Much like the rest of the nation this past year, 2008 found the Southwest Virginia Hunter/Jumper Association focused on strengthening its financial health and stability. The primary efforts of the board revolved around refining the Annual Show in order to make it more profitable while improving manageability for exhibitors.

This year's show, although with fewer entries in many divisions — possibly a reflection of these uncertain economic times — generated the most revenue since the windfall success of the 2005 show. The revised three-ring schedule was well-received, and provided exhibitors with much “kinder” and shorter show days, with a minimum of inter-ring conflicts. Sponsorship continued to be strong, and the board is already looking at several potential title sponsor opportunities which have been presented for upcoming years.

Membership in the association has its privileges, but is itself a privilege, and with membership comes a responsibility to abide by the association's rules and uphold its mission, for the benefit of all. We should continue to stress horsemanship and sportsmanship ringside, within the association, and at home. An area in which we all can improve is better attention to deadlines — it is almost a necessary evil of the horse business in that we are so busy taking care of the animals in our charge that we run out of time for those related details to which we need attend. Whether it is sending in our money for the annual banquet, submitting an ad for the yearbook, or being sure all our paperwork is in order before we walk into the show office, I encourage everyone to look to 2009 as the year to have it done on time.

Danny Young produced another fantastic installment of our annual yearbook, providing so many of our members with lasting images of their achievements. The board is working with Mr. Young to change ad deadlines and submission procedures to expedite the production of this valuable asset for the members. We need membership assistance in providing materials early enough that production does not become enmired in tracking down information.

SWVHJA suffered a great loss this year in the passing of Jon Conyers, long-time member and supporter, whose efforts on behalf of the association and the horse community at large were exceeded only by his spirit and generosity in being a selfless proponent of our industry. His legacy of contributions and students is immense, and he will remain with us in our hearts forever.

It has been a privilege to serve you this year. Thank you for your support in 2008, and good luck for the 2009 season.

Sincerely,

Gordon P. Reistrup
President

2008 FINANCIAL REPORT

INCOME	
08 Clinic	
Clinician fee	-\$1060.00
Participant	\$1225.00
08Clinic – Other	\$9.07
TOTAL 08 Clinic	\$174.07
2007 Year-end	
Year end awards	-\$8836.09
Ribbons	-\$80.20
TOTAL 2007 Year-end	-\$8916.29
2008 Year-end	
Coolers	-\$1100.40
Ribbons	-\$958.85
Show application fee	\$600.00
TOTAL 2008 Year-end	-\$1459.25
2009 Year-end	
Show application fee	\$2400.00
TOTAL 2009 Year-end	\$2400.00
Annual Show 07	
Awards	-\$76.00
TOTAL Annual Show 07	-\$76.00
Annual Show 08	
Awards	-\$2446.94
Entries	\$53218.60
Facility	-19882.30
Flowers	-\$1839.75
Food	-\$3531.26
Hospitality	-\$183.26
Motels	-\$1692.75
Officials	-\$3967.40

Postage	-\$147.50
Prize list printing	-\$694.86
Sponsorship	\$7660.80
Staff	-\$17416.75
Supplies	-\$625.07
Vendor	\$1175.00
Annual Show08 – Other	-\$1675.00
TOTAL Annual Show 08	\$7951.56
Annual Show09	
Facility	-\$500.00
TOTAL Annual Show09	-\$500.00
Banquet07	
Attendees	\$4465.00
Facility	-\$5975.11
Banquet – Other	-\$513.70
TOTAL Banquet07	-\$2023.81
Interest Inc	\$128.33
Mailing Labels	\$45.00
Membership08	
Farm	\$240.00
Horse Recording	\$2430.00
Horse Transfer	\$225.00
Junior	\$3810.00
Life	\$600.00
Name change	\$30.00
Senior	\$4715.00
Membership08 – Other	\$5.00
TOTAL Membership08	\$12055.00
Returned Check fee	\$50.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$9828.61

EXPENSES	
Bank Charge	\$331.10
Banquet08	
Facility	\$500.00
TOTAL Banquet08	\$500.00
Board meeting	\$260.00
Donation	\$600.00
Exec Secretary Salary	\$6600.00
Insurance, Bus	\$585.00
Internet Access	\$736.40
Junior Scholarship	
Silent auction	-\$1627.25
Scholarships	\$1000.00
TOTAL Junior Scholarship	-\$627.25
Licenses and Permits	\$35.00
Office space	\$6000.00
Office Supplies	\$697.83
Postage and Delivery	\$363.60
Printing and Reproduction	\$242.76
Refund	-\$26.25
Storage Unit	\$56.00
Tax, Business	
CPA Fee	\$780.00

TOTAL Tax, Business	\$780.00
Tax, Payroll	
Fed	-\$297.00
Medicare	-\$47.91
SDI	\$6.77
Soc Sec	-\$204.60
State	-\$11.00
TOTAL Tax, Payroll	-\$553.74
Utilities	
Telephone	\$733.91
TOTAL Utilities	\$733.91
Website Hosting	\$225.00
Yearbook08	
Ad	-\$2185.00
Gallery	-\$1730.00
Postage	\$238.65
Printing	\$4409.00
TOTAL Yearbook08	\$732.65
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$18262.01
OVERALL TOTAL	-\$8433.40

Opening Balances 12/1/2007

Checking: \$4539.21

Money Market: \$8927.92

Ending Balances 11/30/2008

Checking: \$9066.55

Money Market: \$2399.42

ANNUAL SHOW COMMITTEE REPORT

COMMITTEE

ENTIRE BOARD

No report available.

ANNUAL SHOW SPONSORSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT

COMMITTEE

Diane Hinch

The fund raising for the SWVHJA Annual was very successful this year. By the October 7th board meeting, we had reached 84% of our goal and with the help of the entire board and SWVHJA members; we were able to surpass our goal with pledges at the time of the show. We had not quite collected all pledges when the last financials came out on the show, however, the show was a success and came out financially on the positive side.

Thanks to all for their help and commitment to this association.

BY-LAWS REVIEW COMMITTEE REPORT

COMMITTEE

ENTIRE BOARD

The membership should be sure to check the web site or contact the SWVHJA office for the most current version. This document should be an evolving document as the Association grows and changes. The Board invites members to suggest any revisions that would continue to benefit the Association.

JUNIOR COMMITTEE REPORT

COMMITTEE

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

COMMITTEE

ENTIRE BOARD

No report available.

SHOW STANDARDS COMMITTEE REPORT

COMMITTEE

ENTIRE BOARD

The Show Standards Committee exists to enforce the Association's rules governing competitions. The committee monitors the horse shows to ensure that managers comply with these rules. This year, the committee worked diligently to assist managers in making much-needed changes in the quality, safety and efficiency of their horse shows. Horse show evaluations were reviewed monthly. Sanctions and fines were issued resulting in major improvements.

Comprised of the entire board, this committee depends on the feed back of exhibitors, trainers, and spectators. The horse show evaluation form is a valuable tool for identifying and correcting problems. The committee strongly encourages all participants to provide feedback in this manner.

SWVHJA CLINIC COMMITTEE REPORT

COMMITTEE