



## Midsouth Boardgram - September 2009

### **Congratulations!**

I just received word that **Neva Lemoine** and **Hannah Horton**, both from Chattanooga PC passed their **HB Rating** - **Way to Go!**

**Regional Games Clinics** - The region is hosting TWO Games Clinics to encourage more participation in our upcoming February 2010 Games Rally!! We will bring the Games equipment...you bring the kids, ponies and the FUN!! Long Run Pony Club is hosting one clinic in Louisville, KY on **Saturday November 14** and Middle Tennessee Pony Club is hosting another one in the Nashville, TN area on **Saturday, November 21!** COME HAVE FUN!! **Sign-up forms will be posted on the regional website on October 1.** Cost for either one-day clinic is only \$15 a rider. Since these are only one-day clinics, space will be limited ...so be ready to sign-up on opening date.

**Club(s) Help Wanted!!** - **The region needs a club(s) to host a Polocrosse Clinic this Fall.** We have Instructors available; we just need a date, place and a host club. The instructors will bring the necessary equipment. This is a great way to try this super fun sport!!

Contact Dalles Phillips (poloxjumper@gmail.com) if you are interested in hosting this clinic. Regional funds and attendee fees will be used to cover the cost of this clinic so club funds will not be needed.

**Annual Meeting and Clinics Registration Forms** have been sent to each club officer and riding center administrator. *Please, DCs, do not schedule club events which will conflict with the activities and meetings of Nov 7.* This is the region's primary meeting/instructional event of the year and each club's representation is vital to the health of the region and to your own club. We all need to be on 'the same page' in our 2010 planning and expectations. **Please encourage all your club ratings examiners and instructors to attend!**

**2010 Midsouth Regional Officers** - The Nominating Committee, composed of Peggi Bindner (pfb5678@aol.com), Margaret Meyer (meyer2@comcast.net), and Ann Lundberg (threehonies3@yahoo.com), are accepting nominations for the following regional Board positions along with names of nominees already submitted:

Regional Supervisor: Nancy Smith  
Vice Regional Supervisor: Sue Colliver  
Vice Regional Supervisor: Becky Logsdon  
Vice Regional Supervisor: Cindi Lacy  
Vice Regional Supervisor: Possible (not mandatory)  
Secretary - Open  
Treasurer - Sharon Leonard  
Regional Instruction Coordinator (RIC #1)\*\* - Open  
Regional Instruction Coordinator (RIC #2)\*\* - Open

\*\* The USPC national office has **approved** our region having two RICs.

**Note:** Fred Roberts requested excuse from his VRS position in order to devote his full attention to the region's hosting of the 2011 USPC Annual Meeting in Nashville. (Thank you for your wonderful support, Fred!) Barbara Sullivan's husband's continuing health situation overrides her availability to serve as VRS for next year. We wish Clayton Sullivan restored health so Barbara may rejoin our Midsouth administrative team in the future!

It is requested that all Club DCs/Jt DCs and Riding Center Administrators distribute this list of Board positions to their members for their volunteer consideration. Riding Center Administrators, although non-voting members of our regional council, are allowed to volunteer for a leadership role.

The deadline for nominations is October 26. This will give the committee time to construct a ballot and distribute nominee qualifications to all clubs/riding centers for their consideration prior to the November 7 regional council meeting elections.

**October 15 is the Deadline** for Upper Level Tests scheduled between 11/26 and 12/31.

### **2010 USPC National Youth Congress Nominations -**

Each region is permitted to send one Upper Level member to represent our region at the National Youth Congress held during the USPC Annual Meeting in January 2010. This is a one-time, annual honor as opposed to the National Youth Board applications, which is a year-around commitment.

#### **Qualifications for National Youth Congress nominees**

An NYC nominee must:

- Be between 18-21 years old as of January 1, 2009;
- Have attained a C3 or higher rating (or have NYC Rating Exemption form);
- Demonstrate leadership and volunteerism;
- Embody the qualities mentioned in the USPC Mission Statement;
- Obey the USPC National Youth Congress Code of Conduct.

#### **INSTRUCTIONS FOR DC'S:**

Clubs should select nominees that meet the above criteria. Each club may recommend one or more youth member(s) for the **National USPC Youth Congress (NYC)** to their Regional Council. Please give the Pony Club member(s) that your club selects the following forms (on *ponyclub.org* website):

- Information for Nominee
- NYC Application Form
- USPC Medical Release
- NYC Code of Conduct

Have the nominee(s) return this paperwork to you and submit the following to me, the Regional Supervisor, by October 7, which is **one month** prior to our Midsouth annual meeting on Nov 7:

- NYC Application Form, including the club recommendation section
- USPC Medical Release
- Biography/resume of nominee (electronic format)
- Pictures: 1 with horse, 1 without (electronic format)
- NYC Code of Conduct

#### **2010 Dates to Remember:**

January 27 - 31	USPC Annual Meeting, Houston, TX
February 28	Games Rally, KHP, Lexington, KY
March 13	Quiz Rally, Cool Springs Marriott, Franklin, TN
April ??	Polocrosse Rally, location/date <b>To Be Determined.</b>
June 19 - 20	Tetrathon Rally, Masterson Station, Lexington, KY
June 21 - 22	Dressage Rally, Masterson Station, Lexington, KY
June 22 - 27	MegaRally (SJ, D&C Rallies), KHP, Lexington, KY

**See Ya'll Soon,  
Nancy Smith, RS**