

NRHA COMMITTEE REPORT FORM

Committee name: International Committee

Meeting date: 2/7/10

Committee Members Present: Gerd Mutscheller (German Reining Horse Assoc), Dennis Klein, Jaroslav Dolezan (IAP – NRHA Czech NAA), Helmut Schulz (IAP – Austrian RHA NAA), Roberto Cuoghi, Leonardo Arcese, Filippo Masi, Cristina Serra (IAP Italian Reining Horse Assn. NAA), Susy Baeck (IAP NRHA Belgium NAA), Katharina Quinte, Rudy Caruso (IAP NRHA of France NAA), Robert Welle (IAP NRHA Switzerland NAA) Helmut Schmaus Gerstenberg, Gerd Wilhelm, Ute Wilhelm (IAP Reining Deutschland NAA), Flemming Winberg (IAP Swedish RHA NAA), Marco Stors (Reining Luxembourg)

Committee Members Not Present:

Excused: Wim Van Gemert (IAP – Dutch RHA NAA), Seppo Perkioe (NRHA Finland), Michal Pec (NRHA Poland)

No reply: Sanne Rasmussen (NRHA Denmark) Francesc Cueto (Spanish Reining Horse Association)

Staff Present: Staff Liaison – Dan Wall, Nick Cornelissens

Guests: None

Mission Statement: To assist, evaluate and communicate the planning and strategic development of reining as a truly international sport by synchronizing global growth of the NRHA with international governing bodies and to ensure that reining grows equally at all levels from the most basic grassroots to the highest international competitions.

Agenda Items:

1. Review European Board Representation Proposal
 - a. The proposal was unanimously supported.
 - b. The recommendation was made that if the designated affiliate representative is unable to attend a meeting that they should be able to send a representative in their place. The recommendation was supported by the committee.
2. Review 2011 European Affiliate Championship Conditions
 - a. It was recommended to take more qualifiers to the EAC and to allow an NAA to send a substitution rider if the qualified rider was unable to go.
 - b. It was decided by the committee to leave the conditions as is.
3. European Office Update
 - a. It was explained that due to tax and legal ramifications that the European Office had to be put on hold. However, that NRHA would be looking into opening an European bank account and would be contracting Nick Cornelissens as an NRHA Representative for Europe.
4. Review European Nomination Program
 - a. It was discussed that with the program allowing horses to enter both US and European NRHA events that US born horses would be able to show in the European Futurity and win money without contributing to the European Futurity purse. This is discouraging for European breeders to participate.
 - b. It was decided by the committee to recommend that a horse must nominate in the continent of their birth and then pay 50% of the

nomination fee of the other program if they wish to show in all NRHA major events.

5. 2010 European Futurity Update

- a. It was announced that all NRHA European Affiliates could set up a booth by the NRHA booth.
- b. It was announced that due to the fact that ancillary class draws were not being put in the program, the late entry fee had been dropped.

6. New Business

- a. The creation of a European Derby was brought up as an incentive for European Breeders to nominate babies as it would give those horses 3 more years worth of shows to run at the money. Italy expressed interest in hosting the event. The discussion was tabled until the next meeting.