

March Newsletter Posey County Saddle Club

Wow!! We are just over a month away from our first show of 2019. I cannot wait until we get going again and are able to see the excitement and joy in our competition this season. It has been a good winter, but I am sure you all are as excited be back in the saddle, trying our luck, and seeing if our hard work paid off.

On Thursday, February 21st, we had our February meeting. Thank you to everyone who was able to make it to the meeting. We discussed our banquet in January and again appreciate everyone who came, brought items for the Chinese auction, and bought tickets to make this a very successful banquet. We are listening to your concerns on space. The rent on the community center has become too expensive to hold our banquet there. We are looking for new suggests and/or help to locate a bigger or cheaper alternative. Any help or suggestions would be appreciated.

We also made some minor changes to the show bill, improving the English classes that we voted to add at our November meeting. The motioned was to change the Open Hunter Hack to Open Show Jumping. This is an event more commonly liked in this area, which hopefully will bring in more competitors. This change will help improve time of this event from a possible 5 minutes per rider to a timed event making it more efficient, helping to keep the running of our shows to a timely manner. A motion was also made to change Open Hunt Seat Walk-Trot to Open English Walk-Trot, and to change Open Hunt Seat to Open English Pleasure. At year end, we will have a new English Performance Overall awards for high point and reserve, along with grand and reserve trophies in these events.

With the adding of English classes, a motion was made to change Open Halter, Open Showmanship, and Open Pleasure to Open Western Halter, Open Western Showmanship, and Open Western Pleasure. The decision was also made to change Senior Pleasure to Open Western Walk-Trot and to be added into the Western Performance High Point Overall year end awards.

The next meeting will be March 21st at the Community Center on the 4-H Grounds at 7 pm.

We are still greatly in need of sponsors. Our sponsors are greatly appreciated as they help us keep cost of show fees low, help make improvements, and provide awards at our banquet. We are still needing help to raise money to pay off the tractor. We would like to get that paid off as soon as possible as we might need funds to help fix the arena. We are currently working with the fair board and are looking for any help we can receive to help us fix the hole dug into the middle of the arena at last year's fair. If you know of anyone in excavation that would like to donate time, the machinery, and dirt please let us know!