### **NOTICES:** Up next:

- Writing Contest
- LP remake



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**MEPSA** is an educational group for model horse enthusiasts, promoting the hobby of model horse mail-in photo showing.

The purpose of this newsletter is to provide information to showers who do not have internet access. It is mailed free of charge (courtesy of Marie Phillips). The newsletter is also available by email and on the website as a secondary source of information and updates for all members.

#### **NEWS**

### In Short (From the Editor) -

As I put this newsletter together I notice we got off track with the newsletter showlistings—January was not included in the last newsletter, so I am including it here! I hope no one has missed a show!

I hope everyone had an enjoyable holiday season and are now ready to get serious in the new year: submitting an article for the annual writing contest, finishing up your Lady Phase for the customization contest, taking new

an article for the annual writing contest, finishing up your Lady Phase for the customization contest, taking new pictures (perhaps pictures of your new horses taken with that new camera you got for Christmas). There is still plenty of time to qualify your models for the next championship!

**Contest News** These contests provide a fun way for MEPSA to raise funds and provide prizes for our annual Championship show. Everyone loves to get great prizes in their champ show box! The writing Contest provides the articles you love to read in the Champ show book!

### **January 15 deadline - Writing Contest**

Prize: U/P AR Brio Sombra sculpted by Sheila Bishop, SM scale)

- We need both longer and shorter articles. 1000-3000 words is the length to shoot for.
- Text should be formatted in Microsoft Word (.doc) or .rtf or .txt.
- Name your text file using your last name (e.g. jones.doc).
- Do not embed images in your article. Send the illustrations for your article as separate .jpg files (no more than 2mb each), named using your last name and the figure/illustration number (e.g. "jonesfig1.jpg"). Illustrations must be original or used by permission from the source. Provide a source for each illustration as they will be listed in the figure captions (e.g. photo by Corina Roberts). Illustrations are an essential part of almost any article.
- You may include a short byline describing yourself/credentials/place in the hobby.
- Email your files to ubersu@verizon.net.
- Choose a subject related to model horses in which you are knowledgeable. Here are some examples that would be topics of interest:

- Performance-the tack, rules, setting, etc. illustrated with photos of real horses/tack and/or model horses.
  - Customizing how to ... (paint, resculpt, do hooves, braid a mane, etc.)
  - How to make tack a halter, bridle, saddle, costume, harness ...
  - How to make props
- Breeds (e.g. "Tiger Horse", "exotics") with real horse illustrations. If you breed, keep or train horses, speak from your experience and illustrate with your horses! What model horses best represent your breed? Why?
  - Photography share your special tips on model horse photography with our readers!
  - Model horse manufacturers: a history of Hagen Renacker or Breyer or artist resins ...
- Fiction/poetry We are willing to accept these submissions. Of course they should be horse related. We will not be printing more than one "creative work" in the Champ book. Others may appear in the club newsletter.
- Other similar subjects of interest to photo model horse showers. To see an example MEPSA Championship book, go to Lulu.com, search for MEPSA, and look at a preview.

Thank you for your consideration! These articles help to make our Champ show book awesome :). Please contact Shana starfroggie@gmail.com if you are interested in participating!

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### February 28 deadline - Custom Contest / Lady Phase

Make over a Traditional scale Lady Phase any way you want, with some customization when compared to the original mold or a simple repaint.

Prize: U/P AR Maggie Bennett Traditional model - TBA either Tumbleweed or Amarant. A seconf lesser prize may also be awarded if entrants warrant.

Winners will chosen from a poll on MEPSA'S blog that will be advertised on MHSP, ModelHorseBlab and Facebook.

Artist provides the model to be customized. The model must fit the criteria (in this case, Breyer Lady Phase) of the contest it was meant to be entered into. Each entrant may enter one model.

Artist may use any technique, any materials, and customize the model and/or item any way they choose. The model customizing contests are open to any equid- not only horses, but donkeys, zebras, fantasy equines, etc.

All finished models and/or items must have a clear digital or scanned photo of each side, sent in to MEPSA-Shana Bobbitt <a href="mailto:starfroggie@gmail.com">starfroggie@gmail.com</a>. MEPSA can do the photographs for you if needed, when we get the model or item.

ALL entered models and/or items become property of MEPSA to raise funds or use as Championship show awards. This is a MEPSA Benefit contest. Artist must send the finished model to MEPSA upon completion- at their own expense. There is no other fee to enter. **Send the finished model to:** 

ELENA LEMM 37103 Robin George Tr Magnolia, TX 77354

The contest will be publicized heavily on the Internet and in model horse groups. Please help spread the word!

We will adhere to the deadlines mentioned should we receive enough entries for that contest. MEPSA reserves the right to extend the deadlines should there not be enough entries. Voting will take place within a month after the latest expressed deadline.

Winners will be selected by majority vote on MEPSA's blog, when the contest entries are announced and the voting completed. Winners will be notified via email or snail mail.

### Platinum Day Lily



In hand – ready to ship.

Unpainted resin \$85 ppd\*. Paypal mepsa3@att.net. Include your name and address.

This limited resin casting was sculpted by Carissa Kirksey and produced only for MEPSA to celebrate our 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary. I look forward to seeing how these models get finished! I'd love to feature some pictures in next year's champ show book.

\*international shipping extra

### Judges - Important reminder -

There are a number of "other performance" classes which allow multiple entries. It is important/critical/required that the judge states what the performance is along with the horses name in the results, *even if* only one photo of the horse is entered. This is so the tabulators can record what **horse AND performance** are qualified, as the same horse could qualify a number of times with different performance entries in the "other performance"

classes. In addition, for class 119, scene, the name of the scene must be recorded in the results. **Showers:** make sure you give your scene a unique name.

### MEPSA Qualifier Show schedule - Third Quarter

#### January 5, 2019 - OF Plastic Regular Qualifier (Div A) - Photo limit 100

ALYSSA BAILEY 4327 Lindenwood Dr. Apt 2W Matteson, IL 60443 alyssa.bailey090611@gmail.com

# January 12, 2019 - OF China/AR/CM Regular Qualifer (Div B,C,D) - Photo limit 100 per division, 150 total

MINDY WINCHESTER
97 Framp Ave
Persia, IA 51563
mcsomethinonothin@hotmail.com

# January 19, 2019 - All Performance Regular Qualifier (Div E,F) - Photo limit 150 per division, 300 total

ALICE MALCOM 26417 S 65th St. E Porum, OK 74455 acmc@crosstel.net

# January 26, 2019 - Stock type Special (all Divisions) - Photo limit 100 halter, 150 total

SHANLY BRYANT 2401 W Brushy Fork Rd Zionville, NC 28698 caranch4@gmail.com

#### February 2019

### February 2, 2019 - OF Plastic Regular Qualifier (Div A) - Photo limit 100

JENNIFER COLE HC 1 Box 5112 Keaau, HI 96749 snyder\_1@hotmail.com

# February 9, 2019 - OF China/AR/CM Regular Qualifer (Div B,C,D) - Photo limit 100 per division, 150 total

**CHARLOTTE MARTIN** 

3097 Hillery Rd Lake Charles, LA 70611 carousel1093@aol.com

# February 16, 2019 - All Performance Regular Qualifier (Div E,F) - Photo limit 150 per division, 300 total

CAROLYN BAILEY 4N742 Honey Hill Cir. Wayne, IL 60184 foggynote@att.net

February 23, 2019 - Mini Special (all Divisions) Stablemate, Little Bit, CollectAs and similar sized models generally around 4" in height and excluding classic scale foals which are still classic scale regardless of height - Photo limit 100 halter, 150 total

BOBBIE ALLEN PSC 76 BOX 8613 APO AP 96319-0065 USA

horsetender@gmail.com A CUSTOMS FORM WILL BE NEEDED. https://cfo.usps.com/cfoweb/labelInformation.html

#### March 2019

### March 2, 2019 - OF Plastic Regular Qualifier (Div A) - Photo limit 100

ALLISON MALONE 7700 Silo Mill Court Manassas, VA 20112

# March 9, 2019 - OF China/AR/CM Regular Qualifer (Div B,C,D) - Photo limit 100 per division, 150 total

VICKI GRIFFITHS 1290 Bay Dale Dr #133 Arnold, MD 21012 skellington007@aol.com

### March 16, 2019 - All Performance Regular Qualifier (Div E,F) - Photo limit 150 per division, 300 total

CHARLOTTE MARTIN 3097 Hillery Rd Lake Charles, LA 70611 carousel1093@aol.com

March 23, 2019 - Draft, Pony/Other pure/mix and Long Ears Special (all

#### Divisions) - Photo limit 100 halter, 150 total

BETTY HOOK 800 Hunters Valley Rd Liverpool, PA 17045 eclipse@pa.net

### March 30, 2019 - Classic Special (all Divisions) - Photo limit 100 halter, 150 total

JENNIFER SNEED 1208 4th Ave. N. Fort Dodge, IA 50501 seifer\_babe@hotmail.com

#### APRIL 2019

April 6, 2019 - OF Plastic Regular Qualifier (Div A) - Photo limit 100 Class List

CHARLOTTE MARTIN 3097 Hillery Rd Lake Charles, LA 70611 carousel1093@aol.com

# April 13, 2019 - OF China/AR/CM Regular Qualifier (Div B,C,D) - Photo limit 100 per division, 150 total

Class List

CORINA ROBERTS
PO Box 702
Simi Valley, CA 93062
redbirds\_vision@hotmail.com

# April 20, 2019 - All Performance Regular Qualifier (Div E,F) - Photo limit 150 per division, 300 total

**Class List** 

KAREN HARPER 700 Happy Valley Rd Pleasanton, CA 94566 cacheymom@comcast.net

April 27, 2019 - Mini Special (all Divisions) Stablemate, Little Bit, CollectA and similar sized models generally around 4" in height and excluding classic scale foals which are still classic scale regardless of height - Photo limit 100 halter, 150 total

**Class List** 

ALYSSA BAILEY 4327 Lindenwood Dr. Apt 2W Matteson, IL 60443 alyssa.bailey090611@gmail.com

### Novice shows -

### **JANUARY 19, 2019 - Halter**

Marie J. Phillips 93 Franklin Ave Oakville CT 06779 riap57@aol.com

#### FEBRUARY 16, 2019 - Performance

Renee Jordan 5415 Mattie Reeves Rd Lake Charles, LA 70611 renee9235@bellsouth.net

### MARCH 16, 2019 - Halter

Betty Hook 800 Hunters Valley Rd Liverpool, PA 17045 eclipse@pa.net

#### APRIL 20, 2019 - Performance

BJ Owens 4862 SW 44th Terrace Ft Lauderdale, FL 33314 donutdudesmom@aol.com

#### **BOD** news

The board of directors meets once a month. Each board member reports on their activities – progress on their assigned tasks, etc. Each board position has different characteristics. As President, I try to keep the overall goals in mind. Very soon, the champ show coordinator will be ordering the awards (ribbons and rosettes) for the 2019 championship. Have any color requests in mind? But most of her job takes place in summer when she is verifying qualifiers and getting photos to (and from) the judges. Soon we will wrap up the annual writing contest and the articles will go to our new "book lady", Kristen Williams. Years ago, when I was the book coordinator, I would start putting the book together in January. Back then we didn't have a writing contest, so part of the job of the champ book coordinator was to solicit articles for the book. Pulling teeth much?

You should always feel free to contact a board member if you have a question or concern that you need help with. We look forward to hearing from you. Thank you.

### MEPSA donation news:

Current season show calendar is available when you make a donation – while supplies last! These calendars feature lovely photos of MEPSA show horses. Please include a sufficient donation to cover postage for shipping the calendar.

### Where to send your MEPSA donations

If you would like to make a monetary donation, you may send a check directly to the treasurer:

Carolyn Bailey, 4N742 Honey Hill Cir., Wayne, IL 60184 Or use Paypal (friends and family) address: mepsa3@att.net.

To donate items for the 2018-19 MEPSA championship season please send them to the Champ Show Coordinator,

Elena Lemm, 37103 Robin George Trail, Magnolia, TX 77354

PLEASE DO NOT send catalogs or other heavy items. And apply the golden rule "Donate to others what you would like to see in your own champ show box!"

### Track your 2018-19 donations using the Donor record:

At the end of the season, did you have trouble remembering what you donated so that you knew what size ad you should get in the Championship book (well guess what so did the champ show coordinator!)? Don't let that happen again! Start keeping a list of your donations today! (and help out the coordinators!) Form available at <a href="http://mepsa1.tripod.com/forms.html">http://mepsa1.tripod.com/forms.html</a>. Record each donation and the value. You can also record judge's fees donated. Get credit for all you do for MEPSA! Value of contest entries should not be included as these have their own separate reward system. Submit your donation record at the end of the season (or with your championship entry). This will make record keeping easier for the BOD. All donors receive ad space in the Championship book. Donate \$100 – get a full page, \$50 gets you half a page and \$25 gets you a quarter page ad. Become a patron level sponsor by donating \$150 or more and get your champ show book (a \$35 value) for free!

# submit your short model-horse-related announcement for publication in the quarterly newsletter

We often have a little extra room, and I will be happy to publish short announcements about your horse club or other news, as space allows. Also, I will happily accept short articles, and as you know, any articles submitted for the writing contest that do not make it into the Champ show book will probably be published here. Email <a href="mailto:ubersu@verizon.net">ubersu@verizon.net</a> or snail mail: Elizabeth Jones, 10241 Battlefield Drive, Manassas, VA 20110.