

NOTICES:

- Annual Championship Show entries due June 20, 2020
- Upcoming fund raising contests:
- Mini CM - May 1
- Traditional and mini deco/fantasy - June 30



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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. Contact Marie to sign up for email or snail mail!
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NEWS

In Short (From the Editor) –

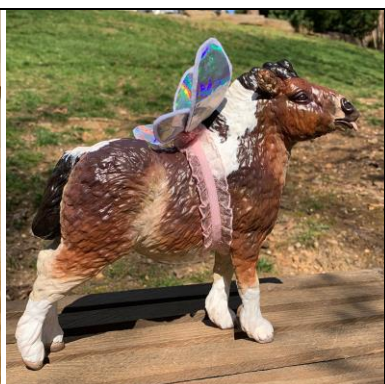
So much has changed since our last quarterly newsletter. Most of us are staying at home, isolating, alone or with our families. Some of us are working at essential jobs. Either way, Stay safe. During times like this it is particularly nice to have a hobby, like model horses, to distract you. Simply taking a little time for art or crafts can bring a little relief and joy from the day's trauma. MEPSA continues to hold qualifying shows, and we plan to hold the MEPSA championship for qualifying entries received by June 20. That said, there are reports that the post office is having funding issues and service might be cut back. If you do not have access to a computer and the newsletter is your only means of getting info from MEPSA, please drop a card to Marie Phillips (in charge of newsletter production). If there is an issue that arises with holding the championship show, we will keep members posted via Facebook and mepsa-list@io.groups, and we will mail cards or make phone calls to those of you who submit a contact card.

Contest News

The annual remake fund raising contest was completed at the end of March. All the entries were amazing and none of them looked like the starting model, a Breyer San Domingo. Hannah Tripp won the popular vote (receiving a prize of a Platinum Daylily mini artist resin by Cariisa Kirksey) and the top auction piece was by Ruth Sheridan. Ruth wins a Traditional AR Juggernaut sculpted by Rayvin Brewer. Thank you to each of the amazing artists who entered! We raised almost \$2000 to support the MEPSA championship show. And thanks to Shana for holding the contest and obtaining such an amazing prize for the contest.



Julie Brooks



Erika Isbell



Corina Roberts



Hannah Tripp – winner of the popular poll will receive a Platinum Daylily mini artist resin.



Ruth Sheridan – Top auction horse will receive the artist resin Juggernaut.

Mini Custom Contest Deadline: April 15, 2020.

Prize: Hwesta AR by Amanda Brock

Mini Custom Contest

Deadline: May 1, 2020

Prize: Hwesta AR by Amanda Brock



Rules for contest:

1. Artist provides the model to be customized. The model must fit the criteria of the contest it was meant to be entered into - in this case a Stablemate/Chips or Little bit/Pebbles scale model. Each entrant may enter one or two models.
2. Artist may use any technique, any materials, and customize the model any way they choose. The model customizing contests are open to any equid- not only horses, but donkeys, zebras, fantasy equines, etc.

3. All finished models must have a clear digital or scanned photo of each side, sent in to MEPSA-Shana Bobbitt (starfroggie@gmail.com). MEPSA can do the photographs for you if needed, when we get the model.
4. ALL entered models 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 to Elena Lemm, 37103 Robin George Tr, Magnolia, TX 773545 - at their own expense. There is no other fee to enter.
5. The contest will be publicized heavily on the Internet and in model horse groups. Please help spread the word!
6. We will adhere to the deadline 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.
7. For this contest, 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.
8. While we LOVE looking at in progress photos, to preserve the integrity of this contest, we are asking that all entrants NOT reveal through personal means via website, on MEPSA sites, or MHSP and the like of their connection with contest entries to encourage equity and fairness of all entries. Please preserve anonymity to make it fun for all!
9. Please state your intent to enter any of the above contests to Shana Bobbitt at starfroggie@gmail.com. Please note that this is just to field participation numbers, and doesn't require you enter. Conversely, please also advise if you decide to change your mind regarding entering.
10. Once you have committed to entering and have sent your entry to MEPSA, it becomes the property of MEPSA.
11. Entries must be sent AT ENTRANT'S EXPENSE to Elena Lemm and BECOME THE PROPERTY OF MEPSA to use how they see fit. This could mean as a piece "for offers", for outright specified sale, or as a prize for contests in their end-season Championship show.
12. Violation of these rules and requests may result in inability to enter future contests. Please keep it fun for all.

Unrealistic & Fantasy Custom Contest

Deadline: June 30, 2020

Prize: Mini: Unpainted Micro Alma and Trad/Classic: AA Morgan 2002 sculpted by Donna Chaney

Rules for contest:

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2. Artist may use any technique, any materials, and customize the model any way they choose. The model customizing contests are open to any equid - not only horses, but donkeys, zebras, etc. Models must be unnatural or unrealistic or fantasy based creations. No realistic pieces for this contest.
3. All finished models must have a clear digital or scanned photo of each side, sent in to MEPSA-Shana Bobbitt ([starfroggie @ gmail.com](mailto:starfroggie@gmail.com)). MEPSA can do the photographs for you if needed, when we get the model.
4. Upon completion, the artist must send the finished model to MEPSA at entrant's expense. Please mail to Elena Lemm, 37103 Robin George Tr, Magnolia, TX 77354. There is no other fee to enter.
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Prize for the mini fantasy/deco contest

Prize for the traditional scale fantasy/deco contest

MEPSA Qualifier Show schedule – Open series, Fourth Quarter

Last chances to qualify for the championship!

April 4, 2020 - OF Plastic Regular Qualifier (Div A) - Photo limit 100

Brenda Bednar
2 Olympic Annex
Stafford Springs, CT 06076
stone_prince25@yahoo.com

**April 11, 2020 - OF China/AR/CM Regular Qualifier (Div B,C,D) -
Photo limit 100 per division, 150 total**

GAYLE GOODLING
2198 Molasses Rd
Liverpool, PA 17045
stockhorse_lady@yahoo.com

**April 18, 2020 - All Performance Regular Qualifier (Div E,F) - Photo
limit 150 per division, 300 total**

Stephanie Michel
2358 Standridge Ave.
Maplewood, MN 55109
msjmicel@comcast.net

**April 25, 2020 - 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**

ELENA LEMM
37103 Robin George Tr
Magnolia, TX 77354
ejlemm12@gmail.com

May 2020

**May 2, 2020 - OF Plastic Regular Qualifier (Div A)
- Photo limit 100**

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

**May 9, 2020 - OF China/AR/CM Regular Qualifier
(Div B,C,D) - Photo limit 100 per division, 150
total**

ELIZABETH JONES
10241 Battlefield Dr.
Manassas, VA 20110
ubersu4u@yahoo.com

**May 16, 2020 - All Performance Regular Qualifier
(Div E,F) - Photo limit 150 per division, 300 total**

JOAN YOUNT
294 E 550 N
Rensselaer, IN 47978
she_flies_she_flies_@yahoo.com

The novice show series is designed to help you improve your photography and to help you with other aspects of showing. Entries are limited to 15 per show and you will receive critiques on all your entries.

2019-2020 Novice Show Season – third quarter of qualifiers

APRIL 19, 2020 - Performance

Susan Hargrove
c/o MISSION AUTO REPAIR
1020-B Linda Vista Drive
San Marcos CA 92078
scootee2@gmail.com

MAY 18, 2020 - Halter

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

Find your fillable entry forms here: <http://mepsa1.tripod.com/forms.html>

The MEPSA Annual Championship Show June 20! For models that qualified 1-3 (or 1-6 in classes with at least 100 entries) in qualifiers from August 2019 through May 2020.

Submit your champ show entry to the champ show coordinator by June 20, 2020. No SASE is required. Instead you will send a base shipping fee for the return of your photos and prizes. The entry fees also help to cover the cost of shipping photos to and from the judges and home to you. WE highly recommend you order the champ show results book, which includes full color pictures of the champions as well as informative and entertaining articles relevant to our hobby, and is a keepsake you will enjoy for years to come!. If you do not order the print copy of the book, a digital download will be available at Lulu.com. MEPSA is working very hard to ensure timely return of results and champ show boxes this year. May it be the highlight of your summer! At the end of this newsletter you will find the entry form for the championship show. Remember, entries are due June 20. The champ show coordinator will verify the qualifications of each entry and then ship the entries to the judges for each division. After each judge completes judging, the results will go to the champ show book coordinator who will add them to the book. The judges or the champ show coordinator will scan pictures of the champions for the book, and shoe will select and pack up prizes for each entrant. The book will go to press and once the books arrive, boxes will be sent out to each entrant. Good luck!

We hope you kept track of your donations, because all donations earn you an ad in the championship show results book! Kristen would like your ad as early as possible. Some donors like to send their donations with their champ show entry and that is okay too.

2020 Champ Show Book Ads

ADS FEE BREAKDOWN

USE THIS BREAKDOWN TO CALCULATE YOUR

AD SIZE FOR YOUR DONATIONS AS WELL, BASED ON DONATION VALUE (E.I. A \$25 DONATION MERITS A 1/8 PAGE AD)

< \$25 = 1/8 page ad

\$25-49 = 1/4 page ad

\$50 - 99 = 1/2 page ad

\$100 or more = a full page ad

\$150 or more = a full page ad plus a free champ show book

HOW TO SUBMIT ADS

SIZES

Please see below for ad measurements.

SOFTWARE

You can use any software to design your ad, so long as your program can save your ad in the below file formats...

FILE FORMATS

Please save the finished ad as a **.jpeg, .tiff, .pdf, or .png**. PDF saved at the highest quality is usually best. Word documents are also accepted. Please try to keep the final file size below **10MBs** to ensure successful email delivery.

SENDING

All ads can be emailed to Kristen Taylor, MEPSA Champ Book Coordinator, at **kristen@bluemountainstable.com**

PAYING FOR ADS

If you are buying ad space outright, instead of receiving it in exchange for a donation, please paypal your fee to the MEPSA club treasurer, Carolyn Bailey, at **mepsa3@att.net**.

**1/4
Page
Ad**

**3.25 inches wide and
4.5 inches high**

1/8 Page Ad

**3.5 inches wide and
2 inches high**

Half-Page Ad

**7 inches wide and
4.5inches high**

News from the MEPSA Board of Directors

Most of the current board members have served for ten years or more. Shana Bobbitt (donations coordinator), Carissa Kirksey (secretary), Jennifer Cole (website coordinator), are among those board members who would like to retire. Please consider stepping up to serve the MEPSA community by joining the board of directors. The annual election will be held in July. Candidates will be announced in the July newsletter.

Submit your short model-horse-related article or announcement for publication in the quarterly newsletter

Practice your writing skills and share your knowledge with fellow hobbyists!

As room allows, I will be happy to publish short announcements about your horse club or other news. Also, I will happily accept short articles. Send your announcement to Elizabeth Jones, newsletter editor, at ubersu@verizon.net.

MEPSA



Model Equine Photo Showers Association

2019-2020 MEPSA CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW (JUNE 20, 2020) ENTRY FORM:

Instructions: Please enclose this form with your entry. Only models that qualified, placed 1st-3rd (or 1st-6th in classes in excess of 100 entries) in a MEPSA qualifying show of the current season (Aug 2019 - May 2020) may be entered in the Championship Show. Limit is one photo per model per class except for performance classes where multiple entries are specified. (In those classes, all entries that qualified may enter, no limits as long as they are of different disciplines). Place photos for each division in separate baggies, (**alphabetized by horse's name, not first-class order, in halter and class order then alphabetized in performance**). Write your name and the number of photos on the outside of the baggie. Make sure your class numbers are correct. Make sure your NAME (not your stable name) and address is on each photo. Please be sure to have your 5-letter code on EACH photo (e.g. ELLEM=Elena Lemm). Please include a list of the qualified model's names (in alphabetical order). MEPSA may request additional postage funds for international packages. Novice entrants please enter the Novice Division. Minis may enter either the Mini Division or the regular division, but not both.

Please include all headstudy photos with your E (OF) or F (CM/AR) entries, regardless of which division they qualified).

Special Mini Division Instructions

The halter sections of the Mini Division will have the same class numbers and classes as the normal Open Division. They will be combined into OF Plastic/China (Division G) and AR/CM (Division H). The Mini Division Performance will be combined OF/CM (Division I) and have the following modified classlist (multiple entries for a single horse are permitted in all classes that have multiple entries or were combined from the original classlist (i.e. roping/cutting, hunter/jumper, costume/parade):

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| 1. Western Pleasure | 12. English Trail (arena/natural) |
| 2. Western Bareback | 13. Hunter/Jumper |
| 3. Western Trail (arena/natural) | 14. Dressage |
| 4. Roping/Cutting | 15. English Games |
| 5. Other Stock Work | 16. Other English Performance |
| 6. Barrels/Poles | English Performance Grand Champion/Reserve |
| 7. Other Western Games | 17. Harness |
| 8. Other Western Performance | 18. Costume/Parade |
| Western Performance Grand Champion/Reserve | 19. Showmanship |
| 9. Huntseat Pleasure | 20. Liberty |
| 10. English Bareback | 21. Other Performance |
| 11. Saddleseat/Park/Sidesaddle | Other Performance Grand Champion/Reserve |

Entry Form

Send your photos, entry fee and this entry form to:
Elena Lemm 37103 Robin George Trail, Magnolia, TX 77354

Email: ejlemm12@gmail.com

Entrant info

Name: _____ 5-letter code: _____

Mailing address: _____

Phone number: _____ Email address: _____

Entry info

Number of entries per division:

Open

Div A: _____ Div B: _____ Div C: _____ Div D: _____

Div E: _____ Div F: _____ Div G: _____ Div H: _____ Div I: _____

Novice: _____ Headstudy: _____ Total number of photos entered: _____

Do you want your photos shipped to an address other than the entrant address? If so, what address?

Do you want your prizes shipped to an address other than the entrant address? If so, what address?

Prize preferences: Possible prizes may include the following. Please mark your preferences:

Traditional size models	Y/N	Classic models	Y/N	LB/SM models	Y/N
Ribbons	Y/N	Rosettes	Y/N	Other (please specify)	

By tradition, MEPSA publishes copies of some of the entered photos (such as champions) in the MEPSA Championship results book. Please indicate if you do NOT want your photos published. _____

Entry Fees

- _____ Championship Show Entry Fee: Based on number of photos entered (\$3.00 per 50 photos). Includes ribbons, rosettes, awards, and a flat shipping fee* (\$10.00).
0-50= \$13 51-100= \$16 101-150= \$19 151-200= \$22 201-250= \$25 251-300= \$28
301-350= \$31 351-400= \$34 401-450= \$37 451-500= \$40, etc.
- \$15.00 Results Book: A copy of the Results book with articles, ads and full color photos of the winners. (Please do not add \$15.00 if you are a Board member, a Patron Donor (>\$150 in donations) or do not wish to receive a copy of the results book. The results book will be available as a pdf file download from Lulu.com, for a nominal cost, to those who choose not to receive a book.
- _____ Optional Donation: Entitles you to an ad in the results book. This would include any sponsorships. Please use donation form available online.
- _____ Finance Charge (If using PayPal add \$2.00)

_____ Total: Please make checks payable to Elena Lemm or via PayPal to mepsa3@att.net

*International entrants may be required to pay additional shipping costs.