

Erie Hunt & Saddle Club

December 2009

2009 Awards Banquet

The EHSC Annual Awards Banquet was held on Saturday, November 7th at Nunzi's Place. Attendance was outstanding, the food was abundant, and the camaraderie was heart warming. Our thanks go out to Darlene Mills and Katie Passerotti for organizing such an enjoyable event.

Our President, Dan Deitch, started the evening with a brief welcome which was followed by a family-style Italian dinner. Between courses Vice-President, Peg Hull, delivered an encouraging State of the EHSC address—much has been accomplished in the past year and exciting things are still to come. Dan then delivered his first ever President's Message in which he recognized our past presidents and all of the lifetime members in attendance. Next our Treasurer, Sue Strohmeier, presented a very detailed and informative Treasurer's Report—who knew it costs \$31,000 just to run the club for a year! Sue then presented the By-Law Changes which had been mailed previously to the general membership for approval. After correcting the omission of the Lifetime Members classification the By-Law Changes were approved.

Looking ahead to next year, Program Chairpersons, Darlene Mills and Katie Passerotti, oversaw the installation the officers and chairpersons for 2010:

President – Dan Deitch
Vice-President – Peg Hull
Secretary - Brenda Rzepka
Treasurer – Sue Strohmeier
Programs – Mary Ellen Longnecker
& Sarah Taylor
Membership – Karen Clabatz
Publicity – Ann Blood
Ads & Sponsors – Char Deitch
Awards – Tina Learn & Jen Williams
Scheduling – Kathy Antus & Lew Trumble
Clubhouse – Carla Werling
Properties – Jim Wray
Grounds – Gary Riethmiller
Stabling – Jan Madigan
Land Development – Gene Strohmeier
Webmaster – Judy Cook

The evening then proceeded to the Awards portion of the program. Awards Chairpersons, Tina Learn and Jen Williams, presented a championship ribbon and a plaque to all the division winners and a reserve championship ribbon to all the division runner-ups. Congratulations to all of our 2009 Year End Award winners:

2009 Erie Hunt & Saddle Club Year End Awards

Horse of the Year – Tyler Bright Star (Brittany Hartley)
Reserve – Shift Eyed Lee (Sara Gresh)

Pony of the Year – Rappin Beanie Baby (Bailey Battko)
Reserve – Famous Amos (Cassidy Rowley)

Game Horse – Cinco C Dakota (Cally Harrington)
Reserve – Shawnee (Katie Riethmiller)

Western Pleasure Horse – Shifty Eyed Lee (Sara Gresh)
Reserve – Untouchable Version (Frank Gresh)

English Pleasure Horse – Ima Righteous Babe (Hannah Vogt)
Reserve – BJ (Jen Williams)

Pleasure Pony – Rappin Beanie Baby (Bailey Battko)
Reserve – Simon Sez Jump (Cady Rowley)

Saddle Seat Horse – Tiki (Sheril Kolenda)

Jr. Jumping Award – Rappin Beanie Baby (Bailey Battko)
Reserve – Famous Amos (Cassidy Rowley)

Sr. Jumping Award – Tyler Bright Star (Brittany Hartley)
Reserve – I Love Lucy (Carly Strohmeier)

Jr. Event Rider – Courtney Bryant (First Edition)
Reserve – Kelly Tighe (Heza Cool Dude)

Sr. Event Rider – Debbie McCaughtry (Ottomar)
Reserve – Anne Blood (Cody Red Chaps)

Jr. Dressage Rider – Cassidy Rowley (Famous Amos)
Reserve- Haley Bolding (On High)

Sr. Dressage Rider – Debbie McCaughtry (Ottomar)
Reserve – Debbie McCaughtry (Rugby)

Jr. Hunt Seat Equitation – Bailey Battko (Rappin Beanie Baby)
Reserve – Hannah Vogt (Ima Righteous Babe)

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2009 EHSC Year End Awards (continued)

Sr. Hunt Seat Equitation – Carly Strohmeier (I love Lucy)
Reserves (tie) – Jen Williams (BJ)

Erica Naculich (Sassy)

Sr. Saddle Seat Equitation – Sheril Kolenda (Tiki)

Jr. Stock Seat Equitation – Sara Gresh (Shifty Eyed Lee)
Reserve – Jake Learn (Scotch's Maximum Cookie)

Sr. Stock Seat Equitation – Frank Gresh (Untouchable Version)
Reserve – Jen Williams (Scotch's Maximum Cookie)

Walk/Trot Award – Erica Naculich (Sassy)
Reserve – Haylee Dowlen (Gator the Great)

Elsie Morgan Trophy – Heather Hough

2009 Hunter Pace Series Awards

Over Fences Division

Champion - Tanya BeGole (Pardon My French)
Reserve – Christine Longnecker (One Fine Bay)

Training over Fences Division

Champion – Rebecca Clementson (Cloverhill Lady)
Reserve – Lisa Reed (Elmo)

On the Flat Division

Champion – Danielle Kiehlmeier (Refuse to Lose Rebel)
Reserves (tie) – Hannah Ciotti (Kapper)
Maia Edwards-Borowicz (Trooper)

Pleasure Single Division

Champion – Meredith Borstorff (Smokes "Bandit" Farbig)
Reserve – Judy Cook (Demi)

Pleasure Teams Division

Champions – Nancy Carrol (Jasmine) &
Renee Schmader (Quick Draw)
Reserves – Greg Sambor (Moon) &
Liz Sambor (Carmel)

Following the Year End Awards presentations, the focus of the evening then turned to recognizing some of our outstanding members. Outgoing board members Wendy Bolding, Darlene Mills, Katie Passerotti, Judy Osiecki, Mary Wray and Dianne Olmstead all were presented with Brass Horse Head Awards in appreciation for their service to our club.

In lieu of another Horse Head Award, Ron Olmstead received a special recognition for his many years of extraordinary service on the EHSC Board. In the past Ron's service has included, but is not limited to, EHSC President and Vice-President, chairman of numerous EHSC committees and events, and editor of the Show Book. With great appreciation, Dan Deitch presented Ron with a jacket and a gift card and named him an Honorary Director of the EHSC Board. Thank you Ron—we will miss you!

Next, in a moving presentation, Peg Hull surprised Barb Nash as the recipient of the Hull Cup. The Hull Cup is awarded annually to a non-board member that provides exemplary service to the club. Peg noted that Barb's willingness to volunteer whenever anything needed done in her quiet manner was instrumental in the success of our horse trials. According to Peg, Barb serves as the D.C for Lost Hounds Pony Club and still finds time to show up to all of EHSC's workdays and volunteer at the horse trails—now that's dedication.

In the final recognition of the night, Dan Deitch honored a stunned Jan Madigan with the President's Award. The President's Award is given annually to a board member that has provided outstanding service to the club. Dan cited Jan's dedication as the stabling chairperson, work in revamping the prizes for the horse shows, and willingness to step up whenever there was a need all as reasons he chose her as the recipient of the President's Award. Congratulations Jan—you deserved it!

Upcoming Events

January 5th – Board Meeting at the Clubhouse at 7:30

Membership Renewal

If you haven't renewed your membership yet please take a few minutes and do it now. The membership form is available on our website at www.ehsc-lhpc.org.

Reminder

We are still collecting Nutrena labels. Help the club earn some cash by dropping your labels off at EHSC or the Critter Connection in McKean.

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