

To: NRHA Board of Directors

August 22, 2007

Dear NRHA Board of Directors,

This letter comes from a relatively new affiliate, the Tennessee Reining Horse Association. While we can not boast a long history with the NRHA, we are proud of the growth that we have achieved in a short five years. At the time the TNRHA was formed, we were not privileged to have a large number of NRHA professionals in our state, but did have a large number of individuals who wanted a place to show their reiners. In addition, TNRHA was built upon the idea that people needed a safe, unthreatening and affordable venue to "try" reining. Through the support of our green and Rookie reiners, we have built a very successful affiliate.

It is with those green, grassroots members in mind that the TNRHA would like to add its support to the many other affiliates that have written to express their concerns with the current medications policy proposal and the membership fee increase proposal.

With reference to the medications policy, we do not feel that the proposed plan will produce the information you are seeking and will only add to the already growing expense of participating in the NRHA. There are many letters that have been submitted that have proposed other more workable solutions and we sincerely hope you will vote against the current proposal and consider these other options.

In reference to the membership fees increase, we feel that this would negatively affect the membership as a whole and the potential new member in specific. It is confusing and expensive. Before we could consider support of this proposal, we need to be made aware of the detailed information that comprises the individual line items of the NRHA's financial report. We are concerned with financial losses in the Futurity, Derby and convention and would like to better understand specifically where those losses are occurring.

Our affiliate, as with most affiliates, is only as successful as the people who participate and the volunteers who make it happen. Both of these proposals add a burden to those groups...burdens that have not been proven necessary.

Regards,

TNRHA Board of Directors