

THE TTEA CHRONICLES AUGUST - OCTOBER 2016

...BIG UP CORNER

Dear All,

We ended the year on a high note! A large number of our kids stepped up for the final Mini League and they were marvelous. It was lovely having the press cover the day's proceedings (albeit part) and having printed press coverage also. Well-done Simone! Of course it would have been so much nicer to have all our winners featured with their rosettes and awards but unfortunately we have no control over how long the TV crew can ever stay. We need someone to work on that. Very special congratulations to all the winners on the day as well as all our overall winners. Your hard work paid off. Special thanks also to all the stables for supporting the Mini League. I am certain that you are very proud of your riders. Many thanks must also go out to our hard - working judges and support staff; timers, scorers, stewards and announcers. Our competitions could not take place without you and we are always grateful for your assistance. The same goes for so many others who work quietly in the background. Thank you for your service. But all focus is on our winners. Enjoy your special moment and may you have many more! I look forward to seeing all of you next year in winners row. For those who are not aware our Riding for the Deaf still continues and Riding for kids from the Princess Elizabeth School began in September. Thus far, both programs have been progressing quite well. Thanks to the participating stables and the cadre of volunteers. These programs really exhibit the powerful and positive relationship between horse and human and shine a very bright light on the TTEA and its efforts. Very importantly, special thanks to our parent body the FEI for its assistance with this program as well as Hadco and Massy Stores, and finally thanks to the Ministry of Support for its continued support and assistance to make all that we do possible. It is much appreciated. Till next time. Happy Riding!

...FROM OUR SECRETARY

We are thrilled that Massy has kindly donated \$10,000 towards jump sponsorship and therapeutic riding. Hadco has also kindly sponsored \$1000 towards therapeutic riding. Thank you so much to our new sponsors and look out for our soon to be unveiled new Massy show jump!

We still need more sponsorship to keep our therapeutic riding programs going so please spread the word and send us the names and contacts of any companies or persons interested in helping us out. Plus our jumps are looking a bit sad and need sprucing up so new sponsors or refurbishment help from existing sponsors would be grand.

Government Subvention: Quite recently the TTEA received a disbursement of funds for the period (2015-2016). Attached to it was a caveat of sorts to guide us on how said funds should be allocated. A very important issue that was raised was prioritising our spending in a manner that would be most beneficial to as many members as possible.

...FROM OUR TREASURER

AUGUST 2016

Since our last newsletter, not much has happened, as we have had no TTEA shows, so I don't have much to report on expenses. As for income, the Massy Foundation made a donation to the TTEA and we will like to extend our sincere thank you to them for that. We have also received a government subvention from the Ministry of Sport and Youth Affairs, although there is a caveat to the expenditure of that sum of money. There is a host of requirements but to summarize Transparency, Equity and Accountability will be paramount. The TTEA Executive remains committed to ensuring the finances of the association are utilized with the sole objective of bringing value to all its members, but please bear in mind the various constraints that we are challenged with from the source of some of these funds.

At the end of June 2016 all documents were submitted to the new accountant who has perused everything and made recommendations and additional requirements for the new financial year 1st July 2016 - 30th June 2017. I will also like to take this opportunity to remind members that membership fees are due. **Please make every effort to pay your fees**. Also, all competitors must be paid members of the TTEA, so again please take that into consideration. Until next time...

SEPTEMBER 2016

Another relatively quiet month has gone by. In terms of income, we received a donation from HAADCO and membership fees continue to come in although at a very slow pace. I will like to take this opportunity to remind you yet again that membership fees are now due for the financial period 1st July 2016 - 30th June 2016. Please remember, to take part in any TTEA competitions or courses, you ought to be a paid member. Thank for your consideration in this matter. With respect to expenses, Riding for the Deaf continues, website, etc. Not much to report, so until next time....

OCTOBER 2016

Hello again everyone!

In the month of October, we unfortunately incurred a loss as we had major expenses for purchasing airline tickets for the coaches for the upcoming FEI Jumping Solidarity to be held in January. This promises to be another fruitful event and trust that you will be taking advantage of learning from these expert FEI Coaches. On the subject of FEI Solidarity, we were granted some financial support for the Riding for the Deaf programme. This money, however, will only be received in January 2017, but it is great of the FEI to recognize the benefits of this programme and choose to support it financially. Membership fees are not coming in as fast and furious as it should be, so I will like to take this opportunity AGAIN to remind members that fees are now due. Until next month.... Happy Riding!!

...SHOWJUMPING

SEPTEMBER 2016

September was a quite month for jumping there was one show held at San Antonio Stables on September 10th and the results are as follows:

Lead line clear round class:

Melissa Vlieger - clear

Myrissa Maundy- clear

Annabella Hill - 4 faults

Charlotte Mack- 8 faults

Lead line equitation:

Melissa Vlieger - 3rd

Myrissa Maundy- 4th

Charlotte Mack - 1st

Annabella Hill - 2nd

Micro Mini Clear round class:

(Children)

Katie Darlow - clear

(Adults)

Sandhya Moll - clear

Fazal Razak- clear

Asha Bansee - clear

Gabrielle Marhue - 4 faults

Micro mini equitation:

(Children)

Katie Darlow - 1st

(Adults)

Sandhya Moll - 1st

Asha Bansee - 2nd

Gabriella Marhue - 3rd

Fazal Razack - 4th

OCTOBER 2016:

The TTEA Mini League Finale and Goodwin Heights Show jumping competition was held on 16 October 2016. See below for the press release and some pictures from this event.

Press Release For Immediate Release

What a spectacular showdown for the TTEA Mini League Finale and Goodwin Heights Showjumping Competition held on Sunday, October 16, 2016 at Goodwin Heights Stables in St. Ann's. It was a beautiful Sunday morning as riders, coaches, parents, family and friends gathered for the last time at Goodwin Heights Stables to cheer on and celebrate the end of a wonderful 2016 Showjumping season. The three major stables participated; coaches Margaret "Muffy" Auerbach, Sarah McCartney, Patrice Stollmeyer, Anja Taylor, Natalie Rapier and Sandhya Moll and their riders from Goodwin Heights, Saddle Valley and San Antonio stables were represented so we knew we were in for a treat.

With clear skies and plenty of sunshine, our exceptional master of ceremonies, retired police Inspector Errol Grant, kicked off the day with the crowd standing at attention and singing the national anthem lead by Michelle Sabga-Aboud. The day's proceedings began with our tiniest riders in the Lead Line Class. Ten young participants gave their best and rode their little hearts out and made us all proud to envision a bright future for equestrian sport in Trinidad & Tobago. The day's results are as follows for the amazing horse and rider combinations:

- *1st place- Annabella Hill with Dream Weaver
- *2ND place Charlotte Mack with Saxon Dancer
- *3RD place Zoe Rutherford with Unbridled Dream
- *4TH place Mila Aleong with Sheba
- *5TH place Seanna George with Starlight
- *6TH place Lily-Marie Jordan with Sheba
- *7TH place Scarlett Selby with Starlight
- *8TH place Elle Aleong with Sheba
- *9TH place Myrisa Maundy with Saxon Dancer
- *10TH place Alianna Gunness with Morocco

Note: Isabella Ashley and Matthew Marhue - two lead line participants that did not take part in the final but they both had a total of 90 points for the 2016 season.

A prize giving ceremony was also held to announce the overall champion of the 5-event mini league series held throughout the year in the respective classes. These charming young rider's overall placing are as follows:

- *Champion Zoe Rutherford with a total of 590 points over 5 events
- *Reserve Champion Annabella Hill with a total of 510 points over 4 events
- *3rd place Charlotte Mack with a total of 410 points over 3 events
- *4th place Myrisa Maundy with a total of 400 points over 4 events.

Continuing on to the **Micro Mini League (Adult & Children**) with outstanding performances by all the placing's are as follows for day's event:

Children:

- *1st place Katie Darlow with Dream Weaver
- *2nd place Meaghan Khoury with Unbridled Dream
- *3rd place Joanne Benjamin with Dream Weaver
- *4th place Isabella Powell with Unbridled Dream

- *5th place Ryan Mohammed with Morocco
- *6th place Jessica Pagee with Morocco

Note: Kate Skinner did not participate in the final but finished off the 2016 season with 90 points.

The overall results over the series of 5 Micro Mini League events held throughout the 2016 season are as follows:

- *Champion Meaghan Khoury with a total of 410 points over 3 events
- *Reserve Champions Katie Darlow with a total of 330 points over 2 events and Ryan Mohammed also with a total of 330 over 4 events
- *3rd place Isabella Powell with a total of 270 points over 2 events
- *4th place Jessica Pagee with a total of 230 points over 3 events

Adult:

*1st place - Gabriella Marhue with Morocco

The overall results over the series of 5 events in the Adult Micro Mini League:

- *Champion Gabriella Marhue with a total of 450 points over a series of 4 events
- *Reserve Champion Avalene Stewart with 310 points for three events

Continuing with the Mini League Results:

*Champion - Amy Costelloe with 130 points for three events

Note: Other adult participants for the 2016 season that did not participate in the final were:

Asha Bansee with 90 for one event

Kemlyn Gower-Allum with 110 point for one event

Kimberly Harrylagan with 10 points for one event

Sandhya Moll with 100 points for one event

Fazal Razack with 90 points for one event

The TTEA would like to thank all riders, coaches and officials for their dedication and selflessness during the 5 legs of competition. Special thanks to Margaret "Muffy Auerbach for her wonderful hospitality and the use of her facility. Thank you to our judges, timekeepers, course designer, master of ceremonies - Nikki Chattoor-Grainger, Lyn Mahon, Sara Macartney, Rebeccca Mazeley, Claire Hobday and retired police Inspector Errol Grant. Lastly The TTEA looks forward to a new, improved and expanded Mini League Competition in 2017.

NOTE: TO VIEW PHOTOS FROM THIS EVENT, PLEASE VISIT OUR TTEA WEBSITE AT liequestrian.org

... UPCOMING EVENTS



SAN ANTONIO STABLES CHRISTMAS SHOW

DATE: Saturday 10th December TIME: 2:30pm Parade of Horses 3:00pm Event 1

Non riding events- sack race & on foot jumping race. \$50 each or \$100 for both

Fun riding events- ball & spoon, water balloon relay & jumping team relay. \$50 each or \$150 for all 3.

Show jumping event- .40 show jumping class \$100

DRESS CODE: Christmas themed. Prizes for best rider costume, best horse costume & best horse/rider combo

PLEASE CONTACT SANDHYA OR NATALIE TO CONFIRM YOUR EVENTS.

UPCOMING EVENTS ...

DRESSAGE SHOW

27 NOVEMBER 2016

STARTING AT 10AM

SVS - INTRO A, INTRO C, PRIX CAPRILLI, TRAINING LEVEL 3

FREEPORT - LEVEL 2 AND LEVEL 3

SADDLE VALLEY STABLES XMAS FUN SHOW

17 DECEMBER 2016

STARTING AT 9:30/10

MORE INFO TO FOLLOW