

THE POWER OF A QUARTER PONY!

Ring in the New Year – Let’s all do the QP Happy Dance! Come on now - It’s easy! With your hands, just make a fist, place fists on either side of your face (not touching your face), extend index fingers upward, then alternately raise and lower the extended fingers up and down using your arms, all the while index fingers point toward the sky! For added effect, you may also sing “Do Do Do Do Do” as you alternate the motion. Of course, the singing portion is optional among members. Go ahead, you know you want to – just give it a try! Woo Hoo – you got it! Ain’t it fun?! That said (or done), let’s see...

WHATSA GO’N ON WITH QPA (human membership)

Time has come to renew your membership. For those that have already renewed, QPA thanks you for your continued support. Now is also the time to invite all those interested in QP’s to become members of QPA – please come join us! Please contact Membership Services through the QPA website for additional information, if needed.

In addition to membership, as you all know, QPA needs sponsors for QPA to continue offering quality awards. Now is also the time to become a sponsor for QPA. Business and individuals are encouraged to accept our invitation to become a QPA sponsor. Please contact Michelle Scran, through the QPA website for information on becoming a QPA Sponsor; and the rewards that come with QPA sponsorship.

WHATSA GO’N ON WITH IQPA (pony registry)

Quarter Pony breeders and Quarter Pony stallion owners, desiring listing on the IQPA Breeders or Stallion listings web page, should contact IQPA as soon as possible. The IQPA Breeders and Stallion listings web page updates, typically, once a year. In addition, to the Breeder and/or Stallion listings, all Quarter Pony friendly trainers are encouraged to submit for listing on the QP Trainers page as well. The QP Trainers page will be a new addition for the IQPA website in 2009. Again, IQPA website updates generally occur once annually. So, please don’t miss out. Contact IQPA as soon as possible – Get yourselves listed!

OREGON MAKES ITS’ MARK WITH QP’s in 2008

Oregonian and proud QPA member, Wendy Loper, does the QP Happy Dance as she bursts with pride over Quarter Ponies in her state. Wendy (a long time QP supporter) wants all QPA members to know Oregon QP’s are a force to be reckoned with! According to Wendy, QP’s are picking up steam and increasing in popularity in her great state – with more joining in 2009. Wendy’s pride, in Oregon’s QP’s, is supported by QPA website Points Report as of 11/03/08. Oregon boasts home to four of the reported top six overall leading QP’s through said date. As such, Wendy, along with QPA, extend sincerest congratulations and loud applause to Oregonians and their QP’s as follows:

- In the #3 position: Buenos Soft Jazz owned by Valerie Diblasi
- In the #4 position: Cruisin My Lexus owned by Madison Ross
- In the #5 position: Skippers Peppy Lena owned by Wendy Loper
- In the #6 position: Smokin DoubleDutch owned by Tami Platt

Wendy notes, “I am pleased to know each and every one of them (ponies #3-#6) and their owners. They are wonderful examples of Quarter Ponies and their owners are wonderful examples of great QPA members.” Wendy closes by stating, “we are all very good friends and show at the same shows.”

Now, some may be tempted to grumble because not *all* of the top ponies are named above. Honestly, people, can’t we give our Oregonian members their just due – just them, this time? I thought so too (smile). Oregon deserves it. Besides, we will all find out in April 09 how 2008 finally winds up. In the mean time, guess we’ll all just have to wait and see what states rise to the Oregon challenge in 2009!

HAPPY NEW YEAR EVERYONE! LET'S MAKE IT A GOOD YEAR!

REMINDERS:

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or www.QuarterPonyAssociation.com.

International Quarter Pony Association official website is www.IQPA.com .

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