

Continued Growth

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AS WE WRAP UP THE FIRST HALF OF 2016, I'D LIKE TO TAKE A STEP BACK AND LOOK at how much NRHyA has grown in the past few years. Each year we see increased involvement with the organization's activities and memberships! Our hope as an officer team is for that involvement to continually grow. Since 2001, the NRHyA has given nearly endless opportunities to youth kids who love their reining horses. Besides the opportunities, we have been given a wide variety of connections that we can use in the future. I know that I have already put these connections to good use!

On a different note, I would like to bring up a few details about our memberships and how important they are. As mentioned on NRHyA's website, all reiners showing in a youth or youth rookie class are required to have a Youth membership card. (Most of you already know this, but for anyone just joining the reining world, it is an important fact.) In addition, youth members are not considered non pros automatically. Youth members planning to show in a rookie or non pro class are required to sign and complete a Non Pro Declaration. This is an important step to complete before showing in either of these classes. You can find the application on NRHA's website nrha.com or contact NRHA if you have any further questions.

This month, the 2016 officer team will be attending AQHYA's annual Y.E.S. conference in Amarillo, Texas. This conference is a three-day long adventure that will offer us valuable leadership skills and tons of fun. Each year there is a fresh, fun, inspiring speaker to listen to and new interesting things to learn. Having attended before, I know what to expect, but it is something that I think more NRHyA members should be informed about. The Y.E.S. conference taught me so much in past years and gave me time to bond with others that share my passion for horses! For more information, log onto aqha.com/yes.

In conclusion, I would like to remind all of our youth to continue selling those raffle tickets and keep up the hard work! Also, I would like to remind all of our youth to remember to thank all of those who have helped our organization grow as a whole. This includes NRHA's staff, our trainers, and especially our parents! Without all of these people our organization would not be where it is today.

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