Hello INHJA members! May 2024 news from the INHJA Junior Board of directors:

Our INHJA shows and fundraisers this month include:

• D Series @ Valley Park Stables: May 18th -19th

• Stickers will be for sale in addition to a 'Guess the treat' jar

Phoenix B Show @ Phoenix Equestrian Center: May 24th -26th

Just this past weekend, an EF 3 Tornado landed at Quail Run Horse Centre, in Elkhorn, NE during a rated show they were hosting. Some of the show barns, the indoor and a lot of the infrastructure have been destroyed. Quail Run Horse Centre is a barn that many of us INHJA members frequent to and are familiar with, and to show our support to the Urbans, please consider donating to the GoFundMe (linked below) or another option is the Omaha Equestrian Foundation (a 501c3 charitable organization) that started a tornado relief fund for equestrians impacted by the storm. You can go to their donation page (also linked below) and make a tax deductible donation to them, and in the Program Description, put Tornado Relief. Or, you can mail a check to Omaha Equestrian Foundation at **1004 Farnam Street, Omaha, NE 68102** and make a note in the memo line that it is for Tornado Relief. They will then work with the Urbans and Quail Run Horse Centre to defray their expenses as they rebuild. Quail Run Horse Centre is a large part of our organization, and we hope to support them through this tough time.

Link to the Omaha Equestrian Foundation donation page: https://omahaequestrian.org/support/individual/

Link to the GoFundMe: Fundraiser by marjory berkache : Quail Run Horse Center destroyed by an EF3 tornado (gofundme.com)

As a reminder, INHJA Mini Medal and Medal Finals are being hosted at the **Valley Park Stables B Show (July 24th - 28th)**, we hope to see you there! There will be an email sent out later in May with details on who is qualified and who needs to participate in more qualifying classes to be considered qualified for finals. With that, if you have any questions about the qualifying process or about the medal finals please don't hesitate to reach out at <u>inhjajrboard@gmail.com</u>!

We are always looking for help from other INHJA juniors! Volunteering is a great way to meet new people, make new friends and make connections within our association and sport. Volunteering with the Junior Board is a great opportunity to gain service/ volunteer hours too! Volunteer jobs would mostly include helping set up and clean-up fundraisers and helping at the fundraisers. **If you are willing to volunteer and help at these events, please don't hesitate to reach out at** <u>inhjajrboard@gmail.com</u>, and we can get you set up. We greatly appreciate any help we can get!

Make sure you are following us on Instagram & Facebook! @inhjajuniorboard

We appreciate your continued support of the Junior board, and we hope you see you at these events this month as our INHJA show season continues! Summer shows are almost here!

Many Thanks, The INHJA Junior Board of Directors