Howdy folks,

Thank-you to everyone who attended the annual general meeting at the year-end awards and thank you to all of our sponsors. Here is a quick update and I apologize if I have missed anything.

## Upcoming clinics:

(Remember, all non-MGRA members must complete a waiver claim before participating in any of the clinics.)

- Guy Robertson has confirmed he will be available May 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> for a weekend clinic. Registrations are now welcome. Fees will be \$260 for non-MGRA members and \$200 for MGRA members. The clinic will focus mostly on reining. Contact **Eveline Juce** for information and to register.
- Christine Little is still willing to do a clinic mid to late June. She will mostly focus on western pleasure and horsemanship. Fees will be \$260 for non-MGRA members and \$200 for MGRA members. Contact Eveline Juce for information.
- There is possibly a barrel racing clinic this spring with Rick and Patti White in March or April as long as there is enough interest. Contact **Patti Thiessen** for information.
- Mandy Taylor, Brandi Matheson and Eveline Juce have expressed their interest in helping to do a clinic
  and/or meeting with the pee-wee members. Running this will be dependent on how much interest there is
  from the pee-wee members. A section in this year's membership form has been added so that pee-wee
  members can express their interest in attending. If you are a senior member interested in helping, please
  contact Eveline Juce.

Membership forms and fees are due May 15<sup>th</sup> this year, otherwise please add a \$25.00 late fee. If you are participating in any of the clinics, then please have your membership forms and waiver claim in <u>at least two</u> weeks before the clinic start date. We hope to decrease the amount of postage and paper costs this year so please consider e-mailing your forms!

MGRA will be doing a progressive 50/50 this show season. Once memberships have been received, you will be sent your fundraising package. **Every member must sell at least one sheet of tickets** if they wish to receive year-end awards. The draw will be made at the Kelwood fair in 2020. Contact **Susan Wright** for information.

As I receive information and sanctioning forms from the fair boards, I will pass the information along to all of you. Once shows are confirmed, there will be a sign-up sheet passed around for members to be the liaison for each show so fair boards can get help from a MGRA member if needed. Friendly reminder to respect the Ag. Societies, their show deadlines and to say thank-you to the volunteers that run them - we need them!

All membership forms, waivers and sanctioning forms can be found on the website as well. The website has been updated and will be updated throughout the entire year. Please contact **Eveline Juce** or **Shauna Gerelus** if you have suggestions and/or updates for the website.

The three main ways I will be sending out information regarding shows will be on the MGRA Facebook page, by e-mail to all those that have forwarded me their email address and the MGRA website. If there is anything I can do to help the year to run more smoothly, then please send me your suggestions. Stay warm and see you all again in the spring!