

Quarter Clips

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Upcoming Events

July 5th: BOD Meeting, 4:00 PM, Mike Breen's Shop

July 19th: Deadline for newsletter submissions
Contact: Julie Young: 317-502-6348

September 12: BOD Meeting, 4:00 PM, Mike Breen's Shop

September 17: IFA Fall Picnic, Brown County State Park, Horseman's Campground.
Contact: Julie Young: 317-502-6348

October 28&29: (tentative date) IFA Fall Clinic
Contact: Bill Bailey 765-606-6052

November 7th, BOD Meeting, 4:00PM, Mike Breen's Shop

January 14th, 2012: IFA General Membership Dinner Meeting and Elections. Contact: Ann Griffin 317-727-5461



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YES, I'M INTERESTED IN HELPING NO, NOT AT THIS TIME.

President's Letter

Hi Members,

We've all heard the saying "this horse is kid broke, bomb proof, she wouldn't spook if you lit a firecracker underneath her." There is also a saying that goes "that dog don't hunt", meaning every horse has the ability to blow up or just to have a stupid attack. Unfortunately, we as farriers are often underneath them when they choose to do their Fred Astaire impression and dance on top of us. And recently I was the recipient of such a dance, leaving me with a broken toe and my first piece of internal hardware. Two pieces of advice: 1st, steel toes and metatarsal guards would be a good consideration, 2nd, broken toes and manual transmissions don't mix. On the upside it's nice to be in a profession where others will come to your aid when it's needed. Thanks.

On May 8th we had a hammer-in at Selger Stables in Ossian, with Troy Price being the host. We had good participation with 9 people showing up. Troy helped many us on building shoes and dressing up our tools. Good fellowship, good learning experience. Hope more of you will be able to attend our hammer-in this fall.

I hope everyone is staying busy and above all, staying safe and healthy. Have a great summer.

God Bless
 IFA President
 Tim Tritch, CJF

Editor's Note

Hard to believe summer is already in full swing and I hope all of you have been able to enjoy at least some of it. Our busy season can interfere with normal outdoor activities, limiting our vacation opportunities and time spent with our own horses. Whenever a horse-crazed youngster asks me about a career in the equine industry I generally advise them to consider becoming a teacher; choose a profession that can support the addiction and grant some time to enjoy it.

My daughter Magi just graduated High School and is currently embarking on a career in cosmetology. Knowing I'd be a duck out of water researching this line of work I nonetheless boldly went where no farrier wants to go- into the world of professional hair and skin care. With four inches of dark roots showing above a bad bleach job I walked through Empire's glass doors with my enthusiastic daughter. I used to be blond. Don't quite know what happened but I'm not anymore and I'm giving up the thought. The only real thing I know about hair is the more you brush it the less likely it will stay pinned up on your head while under a horse.

We were walked through the busy floor of the salon where I admired intricate braids and corn-rows that rivaled a show hunter's mane and tail. One student's arms were sleeved in tattoos and I thought of a ranch horse I'd worked on sporting brands on both shoulders, hips and cheeks. I remembered polo horses shipped from New Zealand with deep numbers burned into their front hooves; an identification also implemented by the US on army mules serving in the first World War.



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Now we were in a cubicle where Magi and I were educated on how the school functioned and amazingly, the parallels I conjured up got even better. The eleven month course included intense classroom time (we've been there), working on wiggled mannequins (dead legs), progressing to actual floor time (shoeing live horses) to chemicals and their applications (forge work. OK, that one's a stretch). Her final includes both a written and practical exam (sound familiar?) and she has the opportunity to become licensed (certified) at the end of her term. The similarities to a shoeing school astonished me. Incredibly, I got it. I could understand my daughter's passion.

What impresses me most about my daughter's career path is knowing she will be in charge of how far she wishes to fly. Like farriers, she can be self-employed or work for those who are established. Scholarships are offered in New York and an annual national contest (convention) sends the winner to Paris to study under a master for a year. All opportunities similar to those in our profession.

I believe true success is achieved through happiness. If you have a real passion for what you do for a living and can pay your bills you are successful. On whatever level we choose to light may we find happiness as farriers. Stay safe out there and appreciate the little things in life. So often they are the most important.

Sincerely, Julie
crossfireforge@hotmail.com

Minutes of the Indiana Farriers' Association May 2nd 2011 BOD Meeting (Draft)

Called to order by Tim Tritch @ 4:08
Present: Tim Tritch, Bill Bailey, Cody Bogard, Mike Breen, David Bruce, Dion O'Brien
Minutes from the last meeting were approved as corrected.

Officer's Reports

President: Nothing new to report
Vice President: Nothing new to report
Secretary: Nothing new to report
Treasurer: The IFA has \$6153.04, the Injured Farriers Fund has \$8887.20, the Tim Byrne fund has \$3300, the directory made \$507.86, and the contest lost \$2984.32

Committees

Archives: Nothing new to report

Achievement: Nothing new to report

Banquet: Nothing new to report

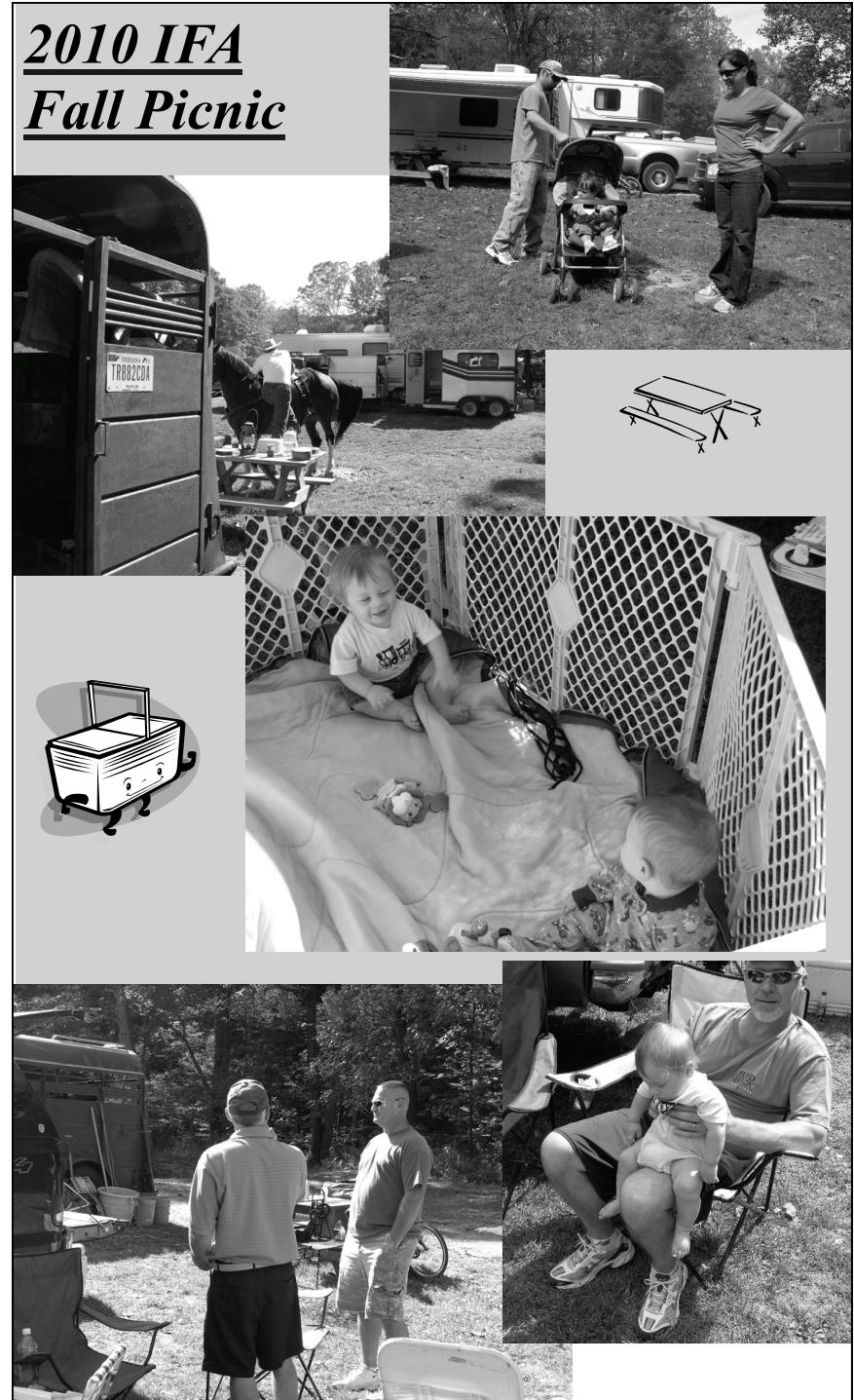
By-laws: Nothing new to report

Certification: Nothing new to report

Contest: Hank Highfield will now be in charge of the contest.

Fall clinic: Clinic ideas were discussed; including business subjects, acupuncture and chiropractic

Hammer-ins: Troy price is doing the spring hammer in; Steven Comer will be putting on the fall hammer in.





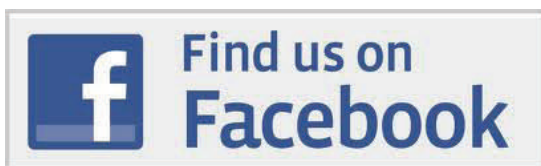
IFA members wishing to camp picnic weekend (Sept. 17) should go online for site reservations: www.camp.in.gov or call:1-866-622-6746 as soon as possible if you haven't obtained them yet. Brown County State Park will be maxed out this time of year.

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Thanks,
Amy Highfield collegeforge@yahoo.com



Newsletter: IFA newsletter
Projected cost out of house type-set
(Figures are rounded off)

Fed-Ex quotes-setup charges:

Off IFA Jan/Feb Newsletter 28 pages (big one) - most newsletters run 20-24 pages
SET-UP=\$244.00/ISSUE; 6 ISSUES=\$1464.00/YEAR

Off Michigan's Newsletter (Different format):

8 pages = comparable to 16 pages our format. SET-UP=\$152.00/ISSUE 6 ISSUES=\$912.00/YEAR

Note: fewer pages in Michigan's newsletter and NOT taking into account advertisements
(Michigan newsletter does not carry ads)

Price quotes are for set-up only; these figures DO NOT reflect printing or postage costs. Currently average printing costs run about \$200.00/issue, postage around \$36.00/issue; total around \$236.00.

Using Fed-Ex to type-set and including printing and postage charges the average newsletter, keeping our format, would roughly cost us \$469.00/issue.

Michigan's format, \$377.00/issue. With 80 members this costs more per person than our annual dues (taking into account injured farriers' fund) : \$35.18 and \$28.28, respectfully.

The budget for the newsletter was discussed as well as adjusting membership prices

Picnic: As of April 30, there are still sites available for picnic weekend, September 17, at Brown County State Park in Horseman's Campground, electrical. Those wishing to camp should go online: www.camp.in.gov or call: 1-866-622-6746 ASAP if you haven't already obtained a reservation..

We will again have a pitch-in and Rob Griffin could use volunteers to help grill.

Website: The website is running well and was being updated today

Pscaaep: Nothing new to report

IHC/HHF: The booth at the horse fair was well received and the council would like us to have the contest at the horse fair again.

Membership: The membership is up to date.

Sponsorship: Still needing someone to take over sponsorship.

Old Business: Dion spoke with Mitch Taylor about the bench in memory of Tim Byrne. Mitch has chosen a bench to place at the school. David Bruce motioned that we let Mitch move forward with purchasing the bench. Dion seconded. Motion carried.

New Business: No new business.

Announcements: None.

Motion to Adjourn: Mike motioned to adjourn Dion seconded Meeting adjourned 5:14pm



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“Quarter Clips” is offering a free classified section for **MEMBERS ONLY**. Ads will be limited to **FARRIER-RELATED ITEMS** for sale; i.e. equipment, rigs, & tools.

(No horses, tack or other extraneous items please).

Contact Julie: (317) 502-6348 prior to July 19th for July/August publication.



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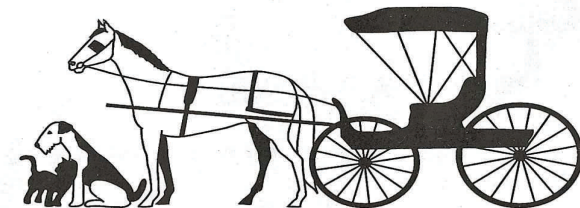
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Spring Hammer-In Report By: Mike Breen

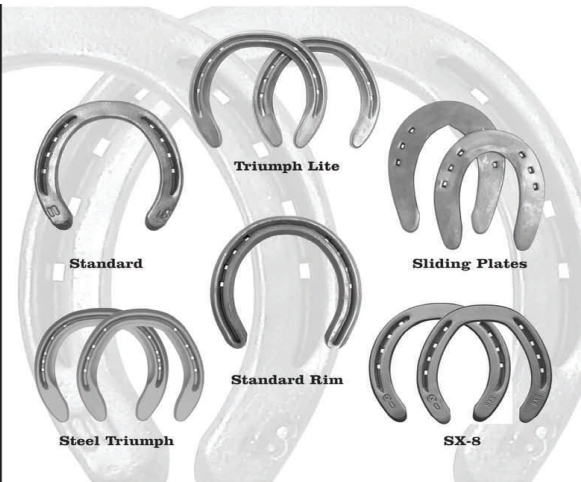
Nine farriers attended the May 7th hammer-in hosted by Troy Price. We met at a small indoor arena south of Fort Wayne. Donuts and coffee were served in the morning, and pizza was brought in for lunch. There were old and young farriers, old hands and those new to the game. Everyone worked on something and everyone learned something. Lynn Dafforn was busy with his camera. Troy shared his wealth of knowledge with everyone. He helped farriers with tool dressing, and spent the majority of his time helping several farriers preparing for certification. I was very impressed with Troy's teaching ability. Many times during the day he held the attention of the whole group sharing methods and tips. We broke up about mid afternoon. A good time was had by all.

~Thanks again Troy.



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