

Quarter Clips

**November/
December 2011**

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Fall Hammer -in South
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Sponsorship
To Be Appointed.

Newsletter Chair
To be appointed

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Upcoming Events

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

Farriers' Breakfasts—Perkins in Noblesville: Jan.20, Feb.17, March 16, April 20 Contact: Bill Bailey 765-606-6052

April 13—15 : Hoosier Horse Fair, Indiana State Fairgrounds, Indianapolis, IN



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President's Letter

Hi IFA Members,

This will be my last official letter to you as your president. As I look back on the last two years I can see we have kept moving forward. Not without a few bumps in the road, but nevertheless forward. We have had some of the best clinics and hammer-ins the past two years that I can remember, and that is due to certain individuals who stepped up to the plate and worked hard at improving our association. Thanks also to the IFA members who took the time to participate in these events. After all, that is why we offer these events; to further our education and to become better professionals within our trade.

On the subject of the former, this is a volunteer run association and we are in major need of some volunteers. It's said that in most organizations 20 percent of the members do 80 percent of the work. We need a new twenty percent. We have members that have headed up committees five and some up to ten years. Our treasurer has held that office for well over ten years. We have numerous committees without committee heads at the moment: Fall Clinic, Sponsorship, Picnic, Newsletter, Hammer-ins, plus we just need help in general. Some of these committees are more time consuming than others, but they still need to be done if we are going to continue to offer events for *our* membership. I know I have mentioned needing help numerous times already, but this is the current situation. Please take some time to help further your association.

It's been an honor to be able to represent this association the last 2 years. Thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve in this position.

God Bless,
Tim Tritch,CJF
IFA President

Editor's Note

I hope our membership enjoyed the holidays and is looking forward to the best of new years. Being my final newsletter I'd like to again thank everyone who submitted the information that made 'Quarter Clips' happen. When the 'Newsletter Nazi' called my requests were met promptly and the many members I've contacted have been pleasant and accommodating to work with. I've never been good with names or facial recognition but committees like the picnic and newsletter have cemented a great many of the IFA into my memory bank. Volunteering does that -bringing everyone closer through communication.

Speaking of volunteering, no one deserves more credit for this publication than my patient, talented brother in-law George Iverson for the many, many hours of computer savvy he's contributed to the newsletter. Thank you George, and know these words seem so inadequate for all the dedicated service you've given to the IFA. I could not have done any of this without your creativity and expertise.

In closing this chapter of my life I'd like to acknowledge a dear friend and client of twenty years who has been battling cancer for some time now. Brenda is a true horseman; so rare in this day and age. She has taught me much about how horses think, explaining behavior through her many years of acute observation. Having no formal education but a lifetime of vast experience she holds my respect with her down to earth, common sense knowledge about the equine brain and how it works. Brenda has also taught me much about life; how to live, how to love the important things, and how to let go.

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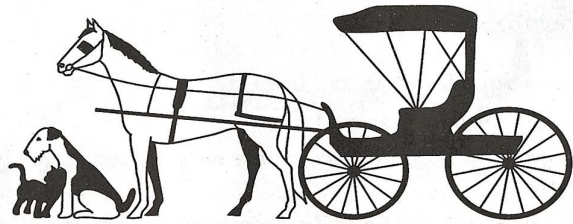
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I'd like to think every day, every moment, is a gift. I'm signing off hoping you all stay safe out there and enjoy life to its fullest.

Sincerely, Julie

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IFA Board Meeting Minutes Nov. 7, 2011 (Draft)

Called to order by: Tim Tritch @ 4:21 pm

Attendees: Jim Keith, Bill Bailey, Dave Bruce, Mike Whisler, Dale Jackson, Jared Jackson, Mike Breen, Tim Tritch, Hank Highfield, Dion O'Brien

Minutes: Approved

OFFICER'S REPORTS

President – Talked to prospective board members and officers

Vice-President— N/N

Bill Bailey

Secretary— Not present

Cody Bogard

Treasurer 5118.32—IFA general fund, 8517.20 injured farriers' fund

Mike Breen

Tim Byrne 92.72 left in fund will go in general fund -
bench and refreshments at ceremony paid for out of fund

STANDING COMMITTEES

Archives— N/N

Clyde Stringer

Achievement— Time for nominations – by mid-December

David Bruce

Banquet—

Ann Griffin

By-laws—

Rob Griffin

Certification—nothing new -

Ryan Clarke

Contest— Sponsored by Mustad

Brad Langhofer

Fall Clinic— \$200 Lowes gift card to Troy Price in appreciation for his participation as clinician @ fall clinic— Bill Bailey motioned , second Hank motion passed Mike Breen will see to card
Bill Bailey stepping down as chairperson for fall clinic



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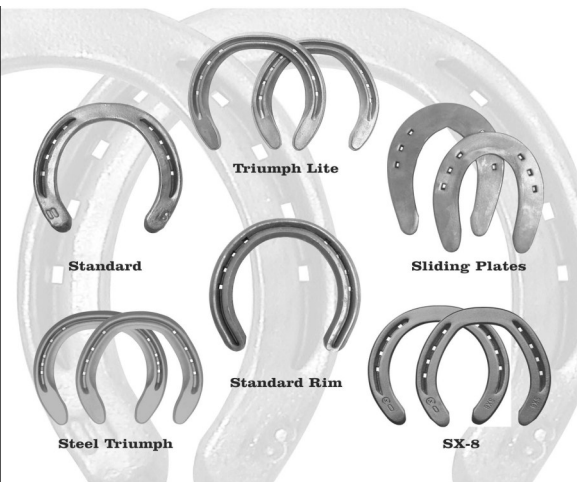
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Hammer-in's— Steve and Hank's hammer-in – benefit auction for Brad Menker was a success

Spring hammer- in chair: Troy Price

Fall hammer- in chair: Steve Comer

Injured Farrier's Fund— nothing paid out

Board of Director

Newsletter— Stepping down January 1. Great job Julie. Discussed getting more sponsors and replacement

Julie Young

Picnic— Julie stepping down – need replacement

Julie Young

Web Site— can't get in to update – Amy got new computer & can't get in - will update as soon as she figures out

Amy Highfield

PSCAAEP— Purdue Student Chapter of American Assoc. Equine Practitioners

Jim Keith 7 Farriers present for wet lab & 6 students with dead limbs

IHC/HHF— HHF Wants a contract with request for what we need – discussed presentation for possibilities of contest there Any input contact Dale Jackson

Membership— Not present

Havilah Elia

Sponsorship—Need person to take charge

Old Business— N/N

New Business—awards for consecutive years of membership changed – implement pin in 2013 awards

Possible changes in awards – example

Jim Keith – pins or mini anvil pins – discussed options

Dion –motion to raise dues from \$35 to \$50 (\$10 INF)

Second Hank Assoc. \$25 to \$40

Life \$300 to \$500

Passed

Announcements—

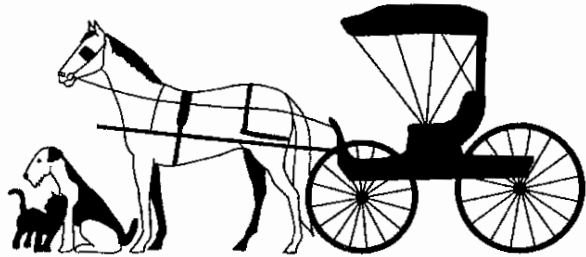
Motion to Adjourn— Jared Jackson , second

Mike Whisler

**Fall Clinic
October 28-29
Submitted by Bill Bailey**

The Fall Clinic was held at Janssen Veterinary Clinic on October 28-29.

Janssen's own Dr. Scott Thompson and staff were wonderful hosts, as usual.



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Friday, after a healthy dose of coffee and donuts, took us directly to the forge. Troy Price, our AFA-CJF certified clinician, was excellent at explaining the craft. I was impressed at how he addressed the anvil. I'm not as proficient as he is at utilizing the anvil; I might be on the wrong side or end. I've been in some awkward positions, even on my knees when shaping.

IFA Dinner Meeting

Mark your calendars
Saturday January 14th, 2012

Where: Indiana Downs (Shelbyville)

Time: 5:30 social hour 6:30 dinner

Cost: 35\$ per person (bring with
you to dinner)

Must R.S.V.P Ann Griffin (317)

727-5461

By January 8th, 2012.



Congratulations!

Darin Griffith and Steve Sermersheim both passed their Therapeutic Endorsement through the AFA this past July! Also Ryan Clarke passed his Forging Endorsement Through the AFA this year.

Lunch arrived with a good time of socialization over pizza and cookies, provided by Jim Keith and the Bailey girls. We took advantage of this time by having the anticipated drawing for door prizes, for which everyone present was able to receive a prize. After lunch, Troy proceeded to skillfully build more shoes. I've been to many clinics through the years, but have never seen farriers have as much fun and camaraderie as we did during this time. We got so caught up in this learning experience and had such a good time that we ended up staying until after 6:00pm. The final shoe Troy built was an "S" shoe for Nate Henry. The first day concluded on an upbeat note with an attendance count of twenty-one.

Saturday morning began with more coffee and donuts for the twelve in attendance. Ron Utterback, a local horse owner, brought his lame horse for us to contemplate. We watched the horse move, read a report from Purdue, and then discussed the various options that could be done to help the horse. After much discussion and thought, Troy shod the horse with egg bars and a 1° pad.

Lunch was subs and cookies, again supplied by Jim Keith and the Bailey girls. During this time, we had another drawing for door prizes, for which everyone got at least two prizes. After lunch, Dr. Mike Wiese, professor of marketing and director of undergrad studies at Anderson University Falls School of Business, dealt with customer relations. The first words he spoke to the group was the straightforward declaration, "I know nothing about shoeing horses." That simple statement got everyone's attention. He then proceeded to take off his shoes and invited us to put ourselves in our customer's shoes. Most of us participated in the lively dialogue that followed. He finished by dealing with the hard top of customer criticism. His suggestion is to look at criticism as an opportunity to improve, not a condemnation.

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Notice

At the November IFA Board meeting the Board of Directors and Officers voted to increase the dues from \$35.00 to \$50.00 per year for regular membership. Associate membership will be increased to \$40.00 per year and life time membership will be \$500.00. Over the years the expenses that the association has had to pay out has increased. We felt that to keep an adequate balance we needed to increase our dues. This will be in effect for our 2012 dues.

IFA President
Tim Tritch, CJF

