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Upcoming events

October 9th: D.L. Schwartz Farrier Clinic & Open House
Contact: 1-(800) 955-3064

October 29-30: Indiana Farriers' Association Fall Clinic Sponsored by FPD, Inc. Conrad Trow, Clinician and John Crane, CPA
Contact: Bill Bailey(765) 606-6052

November 1st: BOD Meeting, 4:00pm, Mike Breen's shop.

November 15th: Newsletter submissions deadline. Contact: Julie Young (317) 502-6348 crossfireforge@hotmail.com

December 13th & 17th The Kentucky Horseshoeing School will be hosting a clinic in Richmond. Dallas Morgan will be the clinician. For more information, call: begin_of_the_skype_highlighting (859) 575-4063

January 6th, 7th, & 8th, 2011 The Michigan Horseshoers' Association will host it's 42nd annual contest and clinic in East Lansing, MI. Judge: Todd Walker, CJF Contact Richard Becker (810) 614-9538 or Jennifer Horn (906) 632-3041

January 15, 2011: IFA General Membership Meeting and Elections, Indiana Downs, Shelbyville, IN. Contact: Ann Griffin (317) 7275461

February 1st-4th, 2011 International Hoof-Care Summit, Cincinnati, OH (866) 839-8455

February 17th, 18th, & 19th, 2011 World Horseshoeing Classic, World Championship Blacksmiths Competition & Super Clinic, Kentucky Horseshoeing School, Richmond, KY Call (575) 868-2414 or cathorseshoeing@aol.com or www.anciledge.com

February 23rd, 24th, 25th & 26th 2011 American Farrier's Association 40th annual Convention and National Competition, Lexington, KY Call (859) 233-7411 or: info@americanfarriers.org

President's Letter

Hi Everyone,

Fall brings on many things: Clinics, Contests, Picnics, and best of all, a break from the heat. We also have opportunities to hone our skills, to increase our knowledge and to relax a little and enjoy friends. We're fortunate to be in a profession where we can participate in many different venues and at the same time learn and build relationships within our trade. With our clinic coming up soon let's take the time to invite a fellow farrier. Hopefully we will be able to increase everybody's knowledge and build a few bridges in the process.

The IFA sponsored an AFA certification clinic earlier this month. It was well attended, and most participants enjoyed some sort of success. Also this month was our annual picnic at Brown County State Park. With almost fifty people attending there was plenty of food and fun. And by the time you read this MEFA will have had their contest. These are great events to show other farriers what the IFA and other farrier associations are all about. Sometimes it can be frustrating to exchange ideas and knowledge with other farriers. But the purpose of this association is to promote quality farriery, build and encourage community and sponsor and promote activities and educational meetings. This means when we have a chance to invite other farriers to our events, regardless of whether or not we agree with their philosophies, we should ask them. Some will say yes, some will turn and walk away. But if done with respect new relationships can be formed regardless of whether they accept our invitation or not. We all know farriers who are not part of this association. Let's make them feel welcomed at our events.

I hate to keep harping on this subject, but the IFA operates on volunteers. And volunteers are needed. Elections are coming soon and there are numerous positions open. If you are interested in a director position or officer position please contact Rob Griffin. I may be contacting a few of you to give you a friendly nudge.

Until next time, have a great fall and hope to see you at the clinic.

God Bless

Tim Tritch, CJF *IFA President*

Editor's Note

This computer of mine seems to have molasses in its hard drive but I'm grateful to have internet connection. My dogs managed to chew through the land line wire-again. No, I don't talk **that** much if you've tried contacting me on my home phone and gotten a busy signal. My cell phone should work: 317-502-6348 unless my pups find that, too.

I don't think fall has ever been so welcomed as its advent this year. This summer's brutal temperatures put a whole new meaning to the words "hot shoeing". Down south we're still dealing with drought conditions and concrete hooves. We've had no appreciable rainfall since mid July. On an up note we haven't had to mow for over a month.

Remember this newsletter needs your contributions to be interesting and informative. I'm certain most of you could drop some ideas in "The Quench Bucket" so please email me any trade tips or advice you'd like to share. Don't forget we also have a classified section free to members.

Take advantage of our upcoming events and stay safe out there.

Julie

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We Can Use Your Help!

Can we contact you about helping out? (Don't forget this is a non-profit organization relying solely on volunteers)

- Yes, I'm interested in helping No, Not at this time.

Rev: A Date Rev: 5-9-2009
 To revise Document please contact IFA Secretary to receive Rev.

We will try printing a membership form in each newsletter so they will be readily available to members. Handing these forms out explaining why we enjoy the fellowship of the IFA is a step into the future of the IFA. As with anything, we may only capture 10,5,2, % of the folks this form is handed out to, but even 1% is a positive change. Capturing new members has many positives for the IFA, and the farrier industry as a whole. First, and foremost, it unites the fine folks of the farrier industry toward a common goal. Second, it gets more folks talking about the IFA which creates the best advertisement known to the Farrier industry (*word of mouth*). This word of mouth not only promotes the IFA to farrier's, but also to horse owners (clients and potential clients). The third, and most likely not the final positive, is the more members, the greater potential for educational opportunities. So in short, please do not toss these membership forms out with the bath water. Instead, hand them to another farrier or vet and promote your organization. Thank Havilah Elia for supplying the membership form and all the work she does on membership next time you see her.

Minutes of the Indiana Farriers' Association September 7th BOD Meeting (Draft)

Called to order by Tim Tritch @ 4:14 pm

Attendees: David Bruce, Tim Tritch, Bill Bailey, Hank Highfield, Mike Breen, Rob Griffin, Cody Bogard, Jared Jackson, Michael Whistler

Officer's Reports

President: Nothing new to report

Vice-President: Nothing new to report

Secretary: Nothing new to report

Treasurer: Mike reported that the association has \$8131.39, the Injured Farriers Fund has \$8415.04, the Tim Byrne fund is still at \$3300.00

Standing Committees

Archives: Nothing new to report

Achievement: Nothing new to report

Banquet: The banquet will be held at the same place as last year, Indiana Downs. The date is confirmed for January 15.

By-laws: Rob Griffin looked up what was needed to change wording in the bylaws as the section on lifetime members was called into question. The issue was resolved as there was a typo on the website copy, the original is worded correctly. It was suggested that the bylaws be updated and clarified.

Certification: 17 participants are confirmed for the practical portion of the exam.

Contest: Nothing new to report.

Fall Clinic: The clinic will be held October 29th and 30th at Janssen Veterinary Clinic. FPD is sponsoring Conrad Trow CJF to be the clinician on the 29th, and CPA John Kane and Lawyer Casey Eckert will be presenting on the 30th. Any ideas for topics for the clinicians would be appreciated. Bill Bailey can be contacted with ideas.

Hammer-Ins: A barn is still needed for the fall hammer-in. Jared Jackson offered the use of Jackson Farrier Supplies. David Bruce also offered his place.

Injured Farriers Fund: \$300 was paid to the family of Wayland Arney.

Newsletter: Nothing new to report .

Picnic: Nothing new to report .

Website: The website is almost complete. There have been some problems with the logo.

PSCAAEP: Nothing new to report .

IHC/HHF: The president of the IHC has assured us that we will not have to pay for our spot at the horse fair in the future, and he expects that we will continue to have the same location.

5:08 PM **Membership:** Nothing new to report.

Sponsorship: Nothing new to report.

Old Business: no old business

New Business: No new business

Announcements:

Motion to Adjourn: Jared motioned to adjourn Mike seconded. Meeting was adjourned at 5:08 PM .

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REMINDERS

CERTIFICATION REPORT

BOD Meeting: 11/1. **4:00pm** Mike Breen's shop.

From the Achievement Committee Chairman:

It's time to start thinking of people that you would like to see receive the Clyde Stringer or Al Morgan awards. The Clyde Stringer award is presented to an IFA member who goes out of their way to promote education and communication between Farriers, and to share their knowledge and experience for the good of all. The Al Morgan award is presented to an IFA member who gives dedicated service to the IFA.

The Banquet will be here before we know it. Please mail your selections to me:

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Fall Clinic Date: October 29-30th, **SPONSORED BY FPD, INC.**
Conrad Trow, Clinician and John Crane, CPA. Contact: Bill Bailey (765) 606-6052

Farriers' Breakfasts
9AM at Perkins in Noblesville
Oct 15, Nov. 19, Dec 17
For information call Bill Bailey
(765)606-6052

It's Friday afternoon and farriers are starting to arrive at Circle T stables for the AFA certification testing. What makes a farrier want to add a few letters behind their name? It's pride in their profession. It's a desire to become better. To be recognized by your peers as being more than just another farrier. Long hours go into learning to make shoes, modifications, and honing skills at trimming and setting horses. They travel hours to get to the test sites, all the while giving up income for a day or two. And for what? To put their work out there for their peers to judge; it's nerve racking to say the least. But if you go to a certification you will soon discover that there are no harsh words spoken or put down, only the utmost respect for all who participate, regardless of whether they pass or not. These are not easy tests, nor should they be, so when you finally earn a CF, CTF, or CJF it is an accomplishment to be proud of.

Ryan Clarke put together the certification this year. It was held at Circle T Stables in Brownsburg on September 10th and 11th. Danvers Child was the examiner, and Ryan Clarke, Steve Sermersheim, Vance Sterrenburg, and Lyle Jenkins were the testers. The men who tested were Cody Bogard, Mike Whistler, Tom Cristel, Edwin Leon, Robbie Hunziker, Bryce Bodway, Steve Flock, Richard Gingrich, Chris Kline, Jeremy Miller, Dan Puckett, Diego Almeida, and Boddy Gregory.

The IFA collected 1990.00, paid out 1250.00, leaving a net of 740.00. Thanks to everyone who worked, tested, or just showed up to encourage others. A certification could not happen without all of you.

IFA President
Tim Tritch

IFA Fall Picnic Report

Nearly fifty IFA members and family attended this year's picnic held September 18th at Brown County State Park. The weather once again cooperated for this annual function giving us warm temperatures with lots of sunshine. Trail conditions were ideal over the weekend for those who brought horses and camping was delightful, despite a coyote invasion Friday night. I apologize to all those who endured my bloodhound's fifteen minute baying spree- coyotes had to have known he was tethered as they scavenged my site. Bet "Dora 'Splora" would have made short work of them had she not been locked up in her bat cave inside John and Marie's motor home.

Several had time to ride Saturday morning before the picnic began. Dion O'Brien brought his big charcoal grill and Griffin's provided another. Many thanks to Rob, Hank and Dion for grilling (on short notice) some really tasty hamburgers and brats. Ann kept them warm in Dutch ovens which turned out to be a brilliant idea. The pitch-in dishes were creative, abundant and delectable.

John Vanada once again entertained us with his guitar Saturday evening as we gathered around a bonfire. Thankfully Brown wasn't included in the fire ban counties and thankfully we didn't give them reason to do so. John's music rose with the barium lights and a big moon. Left over picnic food was attacked in a round two feeding frenzy as we all thoroughly enjoyed ourselves Saturday night.

Farrier Classifieds

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I want to extend my heartfelt thanks to all those who contributed to making this function such a success. I was told you are not an attention seeker, Rob, however I can't begin to tell you how much easier you made my life when you drove to my house and took custody of the big canopy. I was threatening canopy abuse, or thinking maybe it could just stay home this year. Rob announced he would not only transport it but handle its set-up and tear-down for the picnic. My love/hate relationship with that heavy, cumbersome, space swallowing canopy is now over. Rob has even offered to build a new coffin to store it in. (My description, not his.)

Lastly I'd like to acknowledge all those who assisted me when my Bronco blew a brake line Sunday morning. Mike Breen had installed a new muffler on his own truck shortly after his arrival, demonstrating his skills with geriatric vehicles and yet more uses for duct tape and rasps. Mike managed to crimp Bronco's brake line which might have worked had I not stomped air into it. Larry Jones Sr. and wife Debbie searched camp, then Nashville, for brake fluid. My neighborhood buddy with his very handy car hauler arrived within the hour - sure helps being local and knowing those with resources. This was Mathew's 2nd Bronco/park rescue and he knew the procedure. Larry Sr. and Debbie Jones brought my trailer and mare home for me after borrowing a 2" ball Reese attachment from Dion and Kendra. Joe and Sharon kept my two dogs until they were picked up later. I told Larry Jr. "It takes a village to get Julie home." That's exactly how I feel about our IFA family. We are quite an amazing, resourceful group of people and I'm honored to be a part of this association. Really makes me appreciate the value and meaning of "paying it forward."

Thanks to all who attended and looking forward to next year's picnic September 17th, 2011. Promise I'll have a new towing vehicle so don't be afraid to come.

Sincerely, Julie



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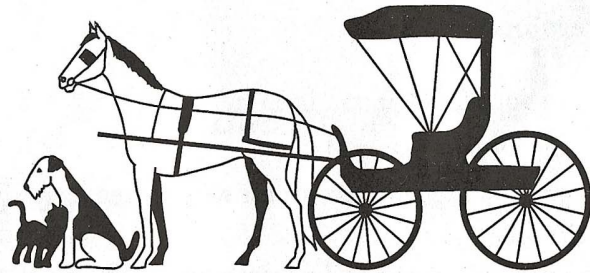
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Please check out the information on both the Directory and the Find a Farrier pages for its correctness. Check for spelling, address, phone numbers, correct capitalization where wanted, business names added how you want it and certification levels. Also, please make sure you are listed in the right county. Board members please check your board member page and make sure I have all your information correct there also.

If anyone has items that have been approved by the board but need to go on the calendar before the next newsletter is printed you can email me that information and I will get it updated right away.

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