

## **Stallion Auction**

**Purpose:** To encourage the breeding and showing of the miniature horse and registered shetland pony. The futurity is a means by which to reward the serious breeder for their knowledge in breeding. Also to allow miniature horse & shetland pony owners the opportunity to breed to other stallions whose breed fees would normally be out of reach. And to perpetuate a larger and broader gene pool of miniatures in the area currently being bred.

The futurity is to be held at the last multi judge ASPC/AMHR sanctioned club point show.

Stallion auction is open to any ASPC/AMHR registered stallion. Stallion owners do have to be a member of MWMHSPO in order to donate a breed.

Stallion breed must be donated in order for any foals to be eligible for futurity. Stallion owner is required to complete the stallion nomination form, breeding contract, and **MUST** enclose a photo before stallion will be eligible for auction. Stallion owners must comply with the terms to be set forth in the nomination form and breeding contract.

Stallions must be of at least 3 years of age as of Jan 1 of the year they are standing to the mare. The mare is required to be at least 3 years of age as of Jan 1 of the year they are to be bred. Terms shall include a Live Foal Guarantee-"a live foal is one that from the resulting breeding stands and nurses on its own and is a viable foal for 24 hours from it's foaling time." Stallion owners, by signing the nomination form and breeding contract, shall also guarantee that their stallions meet the minimum requirements set forth by the ASPC/AMHR Standard of Perfection. However, it shall be the sole responsibility of the mare owner to have fully and personally inspected that stallion of which they are interested in purchasing a breed from. MWMHSPO shall not be responsible for any claims made by stallion owners. Stallion owners also must list any mare requirements, and any additional fees to be paid such as mare care on nomination form and breeding contract. Mare owners should note that these mare requirements are for this auction only and may not necessarily reflect the stallion owner's mare requirements if approached for a private breeding purchase.

The starting price for each breed donated will be \$250.00. The auction will then proceed at the discretion of the auctioneer. Phone bids and mail in bids will be accepted. The auctioneer will determine the winning bid. If mailing or phoning in a bid, MWMHSPO must have in it's possession at the time of the auction a check or cash equal to at least 1/2 the amount of the bidders "highest bid". If the phone or mail bidder does not purchase a breed at the auction the check or cash will be refunded in full. Winning bidders present at the auction will also be required to pay at least 1/2 of the purchase price of any breed they purchase at the auction. All breeds purchased at the stallion auction must be paid in full within 30 days after the stallion auction. If payment is not received in 30 days all previously paid monies shall be forfeited. The person with the next highest bid to that stallion, if any, shall be contacted to sell this forfeited breeding, if those persons choose

not to buy that breed, that breed will become a no-sale breed. Absolutely no mare may be bred until payment is made in full to MWMHSPO and any checks have cleared. The Stallion Auction Chairman shall send a "paid" in full voucher to stallion owners whose breeds have sold. No breeds will be sold after the auction date.

**If a breed sells**, the foal resulting from that sale will automatically be eligible for the futurity and no additional fees will be charged. The breed must be used in the breeding season following the purchase of the breed. Additionally, the stallion owner may enter one of his or her own foals from said stallion at no additional cost. However, these foals must have their entry forms turned in 30 days prior to the Futurity. All other foals from said stallion will be eligible for the futurity, in the year following the auction only, with timely payment of the foal nomination fee of \$50.00.

**If a breed does not sell** the stallion owner is allowed to put one foal in the futurity for a nomination fee of \$50.00. No additional foals from that stallion will be eligible unless the stallion owner chooses to pay the \$250.00 minimum breed fee. This will enable all subsequent foals, in the following year, from that stallion whose breed did not sell, to be eligible for the futurity. If this option is chosen one foal, owned by stallion owner, from said stallion, may be entered into the futurity at no additional fee. However, this foal must have its entry form turned in 30 days prior to the Futurity. A \$50.00 nomination fee for each additional foal must also be paid no later than 30 days prior to the futurity.

If the breed sold at auction does not result in a live foal in the year following the breeding, the stallion and the foal resulting from the stallion auction only, shall be eligible to receive pay-backs and/or show in the year the "auction foal" actually shows. Other foals showing from that stallion may only show and/or receive pay backs in the year following the auction.

If a stallion is sold before the actual futurity, only the stallion owner at the time of the auction will be eligible to receive any payback monies unless written authorization is received from that stallion owner transferring his/her rights to the new owner. In the event the stallion dies, becomes infertile or becomes unfit for breeding, before producing a live foal; the breed fee will be refunded by MWMHSPO upon receipt of written documentation from a licensed veterinarian.

Owners of mares who are not pronounced in-foal, prove to be infertile, die, become unfit for breeding, or are sold prior to breeding; may (upon full written consent of stallion owner) substitute another mare. The stallion owner may require written documentation from a licensed veterinarian.

In the event a live foal dies before the futurity the nomination fee (if any) will be refunded by MWMHSPO, upon receipt of written certification from a veterinarian. However, the breed fee will not be refunded.

There shall be no refund in the event that the mare owner changes their mind, or does not get the mare or a substitute mare to the stallion for breeding.

Foals will be split into the following height divisions for Miniatures: Division 1- foals 30" & Under - Division 2- foals over 30" up to and including 32" - There shall be a splits in the Shetland divisions ONLY if necessitated by type, i.e., foundation, classic, modern, show pony.

The "auction foal" will be the determining factor on the division of the auction money received from its sire. The breed money from the auction, for each sire will go to the division in which their "auction foal" shows. The money earned from the auction will be paid out in the year the auction foal actually shows. If the auction foal is not shown in the year it is eligible the money will go to the futurity that year and will be put in the division in which a greater number of that stallion's foals are shown. If no foals are shown by that stallion then the money shall be divided evenly between the two divisions. Nomination fees will go toward the division in which each individual foal shows.

Foals showing in the stallion auction futurity must be ASPC/AMHR registered. Foals are to be judged in accordance with ASPC/AMHR rules for halter classes. Score cards with places to 5th place will be turned in to the show manager at the conclusion of the class. Points will be awarded as follows: 1st-5pts; 2nd-4pts; 3rd-3pts; 4th-2pts; 5th-1pts; A tiebreaker judge shall be designated, by lottery, in the event of a tie. Winners shall be announced after the show manager, stallion auction chairman, and show secretary each check and tabulate the scores. Horses are to remain in or near the ring until the winners are announced. Judges will be dismissed from the ring while winners are announced. Administration of the futurity program shall be held by the Stallion Auction chairman who shall be voted in each year at the MWMHSPO club elections. The Stallion Auction chairman shall ensure that all records are kept accurately, that all applications are complete, all fees are paid in full, and that each foal nominated has a current sire eligible from the stallion auction.

In the event of any circumstance not generally or specifically covered; a written outline of concerns is to be submitted to the Stallion Auction Chairman. The current Board of Directors; including the Stallion Auction Chairman will consider and discuss these concerns and a decision will be made within 30 days of submission. All decisions by the board shall become final.

**Distribution of monies:**

5% of the total from auction will be used for purchase of futurity ribbons and awards

15% of total from auction will go to support MWMHSPO

80% of total from stallion auction plus all foal nomination money shall be split between the two divisions as stated above. Pay backs in each division:

28% 1st place foal 19% sire of 1st place foal

15% 2nd place foal 10% sire of 2nd place foal

9% 3rd place foal 7% sire of 3rd place foal

5% 4th place foal 3% sire of 4th place foal

3% 5th place foal 1% sire of 5th place foal