

## REGION 7 INCENTIVE FUND – TO BEGIN WITH 2021 SHOW YEAR

As many of you may already have heard, the Region 7/Lucky 7 Show Committee is being dissolved. Despite best efforts, we were unable to recruit new committee members and it is time to end the show committee for Region 7. This does not mean there won't still be shows in Region 7 – just that they won't be Region 7 sponsored shows.

The Region 7 Show Committee was formed in 2004, and began operations with a \$4000 loan from TQHA, which was quickly paid back. Since then, this Region has been self-sufficient, and hosted the well-attended Lucky 7 Show Circuit through 2019, with the show being a casualty of Covid in 2020, and TQHA assuming the show dates in 2021. During these years, the show was known for having good numbers, wonderful hospitality events, and great prizes, including drawings for things like Harris work saddles and show halters. However, like all good things it is time to bring this to a close. To that end, the Region 7 Show Committee has decided to give back to the TQHA Region 7 members, using the remaining Lucky 7 Show Circuit profits from our regional show. ***We have developed and will be funding an Owner Incentive Fund, which will begin with the 2021 show year, and continue until the funds are expended!!*** While at this time we do not know how long the funds will allow this to continue, since it does not have a source of on-going funding nor how many owners may qualify and apply for a payment, we are hopeful it may last for a couple of years.

### Region 7 Incentive Fund Requirements

1. The owner of the horse(s) must be a current member in that year of the Tennessee Quarter Horse Association (TQHA).
2. The owner of the horse(s) must reside in Region 7 at the time the points are earned, or be a current or former member of the Region 7 Show Committee. This consists of the following counties: Cannon, Davidson, DeKalb, Macon, Rutherford, Smith, Sumner, Trousdale, Williamson, and Wilson Counties.
3. There will be an assigned value per point, to be determined once we have the total number of points to be paid out.
4. A maximum of 10 (ten) AQHA points will be paid. The points may be in open, novice, amateur or youth classes, or any combination of above.
5. Payment will be made to the owner of the horse, regardless of who is the exhibitor.
6. An owner may only receive a single payment, regardless of how many horses they may own that earn AQHA points during the year. However, an owner may combine points from multiple horses to reach the maximum number of points in the year.
7. The AQHA points may be earned at any AQHA approved show in the continental United States.
8. The individual does not have to own the horse the entire year, but must have owned the horse during the timeframe in which the points being submitted for potential Incentive Fund payment were earned.
9. The Incentive Fund will run for a calendar year (January – December), with 2021 being the first year of eligibility.
10. It will be responsibility of the owner of the horse to submit the following information , **no later than March 1<sup>st</sup> of the following year** ( for example, for the 2021 Incentive Fund payment, all

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required documentation must be submitted no later than March 1, 2022), in order to qualify for payment:

- a. Proof of horse ownership (copy of papers, print out from AQHA, etc.)
  - b. Owner's name, address, phone number and email address
  - c. Documentation of points earned. This may be in the form of a printout from AQHA reflecting the points earned by the horse for the time period, a printout from a show that reflects placings and number of entries from which points can be tabulated, or other documentation that verifies the earned points.
11. Failure to submit the required documentation, or to submit it timely, will result in forfeiture of any Incentive Fund payment for that individual for that year.
  12. Documentation is to be submitted via email to Lisa Elam, Region 7 Show Committee at [blacksmith113@att.net](mailto:blacksmith113@att.net) or may be sent by mail to: 113 St Charles Way, Gallatin, TN 37066. If submitted by hard copy, it must be postmarked on or before the March 1<sup>st</sup> date.
  13. Incentive Fund checks will be sent out by April 1, 2022 for the 2021 show season.