

Miniature Horse Club Europe Newsletter January 2008



Welcome to 2008, a year that hopefully will bring joy and success to all our supporters and their families!

2008 will be a year where we will be able to present several new ideas and plans for the MHCE, and we hope that this will help to make the club grow and become stronger.

At first we want to thank the new sponsors on the sales list – This is a great way to promote your farms, and our sales page is even more interesting to visit, because now you are able to “go visit” some of the farms and see what other horses they have!

But we do have a little prayer: Would the people that use the free sales add, please be so kind to let the [Web Master](#) know when the horse is sold? A lot is already remembering this, so this is only a reminder...

We still have some supporters who haven't paid their support fee for 2008,
Please do it as soon as possible.

All supporters who have not paid by 1st of February will be removed from the link page.

It is important that you take your time to fill out our supporters form, because we have just started with a new computer system, and will therefore need your information.

**AND REMEMBER TO PLACE YOUR NAME ON THE BANK WIRE
WHEN YOU DO THE PAYMENT!**

Activities:

January / February:

The show season is getting closer, and soon we have to start working with our show horses again. Like last year Ben & Carla van de Wetering is offering seminars about grooming and show training. The first training session will be the 26th of January in Boekel –Holland. You can read more about this on the MHCE web site, or contact [Ben van de Wetering](#).

March:

We have been so lucky to be able to arrange a driving clinic with USA trainer Darin Southwick. This will be in March in Denmark on the 29-30 / 3. – Please see attached invitation for more information. This will also be available on the MHCE website. We are considering inviting him to come back in November to our annual meeting, so he will be able to follow up on the horses, and helping new ones getting started.



April:

Remember that we have our first training clinic in Austria. Learn how to groom, clip and show your horse the right way. We will also talk about show rules... More information about this will be in the next newsletter.

European Championship 2008:

We have heard a lot of questions about the European Championship, and decided to explain a little more about it. There is still a lot of work to do, to make this event be the big success we hope for, but we are working hard on it! If anyone could be interested in helping us, please let us know by either email or phone, any ideas is more than welcome...

We are also looking for sponsors! Who could be interested in sponsoring this event? More information about a sponsor packaged will be available in the next newsletter.

Below are three questions we have heard several times, and that we would like to answer:

- Do I have to qualify - **YES**.
- How? **Your horse must** participate in minimum 2 MHCE affiliated shows before the European Championship show.
- Facilities; where will it be held? In an indoor arena named „[Manege Meulendijks](#)“ in Holland.

Promote you farm in the MHCE News letter!

This is a new idea, which we hope breeders will see as a good way to promote their farm. The MHCE news letter has around 100 readers every month, so if you want to do some serious advertising about your farm, this could be an interesting opportunity for you.

Every month **one** Farm will get a full page (Word document) add, where they can tell about their farm, breeding, showing, and sales ex., no limitations!

The price is 75 euro, and will include a **free** banner in our Championship catalogue!

The money will go directly to the “2008 Championship Fund”.

Sign up to this great offer, by contacting MHCE secretary: [Malene Nielsen](#)

Passport service:

Because of new rules around Europe, it has now become even more necessary to have a passport on the Miniature Horses. Many breeders and owners have already arranged this with

the studbook in their own country, but some do have a problem to registry the imported AMHA horses. The MHCE is **not** a studbook and have **no** plans to become such, but we still feel responsible to help our supporters to get the needed passport on their Miniature Horses, so they are able to travel across Europe.

We would like to ask our supporters – **YOU** - to email us with links on who is offering the passports on AMHA horses, and if possible a price list. Our plan is to have a link on our web site to **all** studbooks that is able to offer this service, so we can help each other! Thank you...

This will be all for now, we are looking forward seeing you all again during our activities the next couple of months.

Take care
MHCE