NATIONAL DRIVE - POLICY CHANGES

In order to restore fairness to the process while making the results easier to manage, the office staff has implemented some new policies regarding stalls and campsites.

For each event, spring and fall, stall requests and campsite preferences will be handled by paid entries on a first come, first served basis starting with the February 1st and July 1st **postmarks**. This means when you "mail" your entry, not when we "receive" it. Entries will NOT be accepted without payment.

EXAMPLE: If you and two friends want to stall together, you had better arrange for ALL entries to be mailed in the same timeframe. Commonly, we get an entry stating they want to be stabled next to A, B, and C. We have the entry for A, don't know B and never hear from C. See our dilemma? We can no longer "hold" stalls in case entries from B & C show up 6 weeks later. We WILL still have space. Just not the preferred space.

Same holds true for campsites. We understand A, B, and C usually like to camp next to each other, but we can't anticipate future entries. That's not fair to other folks and can make for some very dicey scheduling.

If A,B,C want to wait a while to send in their entries, we will still have room for them in stalls and sites. It just might not be preferred locations, so plan ahead.

NOTE: Entries can be mailed together, if you like, but there's no need to send by express mail. Remember it's the postmark that counts. While we appreciate each person paying for their own expenses, it's not a requirement.

* The Park is getting cranky about folks driving trucks and trailers between the barns to unload and load. This means south side of L and between J-K, too. I realize it's inconvenient, but too much damage is being done to the barns including \$4000 damage to Barn L (55-60). Trailer's AC unit tore up several trusses in the overhang area. She was sure she could make it. We want to help preserve the facilities, not cause damage. <u>DON'T DO IT!</u>

Some tips on filling out the registration form:

- Put the person's name first that's the driver and/or the person responsible for communications. Also put your name down as you'd like it on your name badge. EX: Trish instead of Patricia
- Fill in the top section as completely as possible. Never know when we have a truck that needs moved with no idea who it belongs to.
- Be sure it's all legible esp. the email address. Some people write it in all caps. That helps a lot.
- Use the DAY of the week not the date. Then there's no confusion on either our parts.
- Be sure you double check your math. You'd be surprised what gets left out.
- Campers, the question about amperage is important. FYI all 30A sites (17-32) have 30A and 20A receptacles. All other sites (1-16, 33-70) have 50A, 30A and 20A receptacles. Sites 1 & 19 are poor quality and are not assigned.
- Don't forget the dreaded "stall stripping fee". It's for horse stalls, separate check please. If your stall is adequately cleaned (stripped not picked), we will shred your deposit check.
- Stabling and camping requests: send along a note if you like. That's fine.
- Finally, don't staple the pages. We'll do that after we send your confirmation. And it really helps if the form is copied in Landscape instead of Portrait. Makes it more legible in the folders.
- We're always looking to streamline forms and make them easier to understand. Send us your suggestions.

Thank you for your understanding.