



HOLSTEINER HORSE ASSOCIATION OF NEW ZEALAND INC.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT FROM THE PRESIDENT

You may remember the optimistic days of last November at the time of our AGM. We thought that we had a unified society and were looking forward to a Classification tour. Unfortunately things went rapidly downhill after that meeting. There was no tour and in February, a rival organisation interested in Holsteiner breeding in New Zealand was registered as an incorporated society. Both societies received a letter from the Verband in Germany saying they would not recognise either of us so long as there were two societies.

Thus in February, our two organisations formed a “merger group” of Diana Rickerby and Catherine Smith from the other group (NZHSBA) and Lynnette Watson, Louise Dunn and myself from the HHANZ. I am pleased to let you know that we reached an agreement.

In brief we plan:

- We have already written to the Verband to keep them updated.
- Merge the two organisations under the banner of the HHANZ.
- Have an Extraordinary General Meeting (EGM) of the HHANZ to do this.
- Adopt new rules which represent the views of and are acceptable to both societies.
- Form a committee that has members from both the old societies.
- After the EGM, ask the Verband for a classification tour for March, 2010.

The proposed new rules are in their final stages of preparation and should be available on this web site from the 21st August along with the Agenda for the EGM. The EGM is to take place where we held the AGM in November, at **Brooklands Park, 12noon for light lunch*, 1pm EGM on Saturday, 19th September.** Directions are on this web site.

All those interested in supporting a Holsteiner Society in New Zealand are welcome to attend the meeting. To take an active part in the meeting or vote, you have to be a paid up member. You will have a chance to join between noon and 1pm on the day of the meeting. Alternatively, you can join by sending in an application to our treasurer (form is on this web site) with subscription. Joining now or at the EGM will make you a member for the EGM and covers next season - the 1st Oct. 2009 – 30th Sept. 2010 year.

Even if you can't make the meeting, join up and help us make the Society a success.

Denis Friedlander

Pres. HHANZ

*Tea and coffee available. Waikato people, please bring a plate.