

August 2018

After a long delay between shows, the next show is coming up fast. Weather for the August show is predicted to be in the mid-eighties which is good for horses, cattle & people. Entries are due on Thursday, August 23<sup>rd</sup> @ 9 pm and if you need a stall, don't forget to get a hold of Pete Sartin to make a reservation. The August show will be sponsored by Janie Larsen and I understand fruit of the vine will be given to those finishing first in their class.

We in the Northwest have had a prolonged warm dry spell and a lot of smoke with new fire still cropping up daily. We hope most everyone is out of harm's way and we are sad for all of the loss in California and the Pacific Northwest. We owe a so much to the firefighters who've been battling these fire in unimaginable conditions while sustaining their own personal losses. Thank you to all of you for your hard work & sacrifices.

I'd like to take a moment to extend BMC's condolences to Pete Sartin on the recent loss of his companion, Leona Graham. Leona always attended the BMC shows and greeted everyone with a smile. S&S Performance Horses will be a little lonelier without her but we are grateful to have shared a path with her for awhile.

BMC would like to take this opportunity congratulate Merrick Veit and Michelle Beauniaux on their marriage August 18<sup>th</sup> in Yakima. We wish you both much happiness as you ride off into your new adventure.

And so we move forward; forward to the August show, forward to the approach of fall and forward to the remaining shows of the 2018 season. We're a little behind getting to the mid-point of the 2018 season but the second half of the season will be fabulous. Cattle get really good in the fall and of course the weather is a bit more user friendly. After the August show, we've got 3 fall shows concluding in late October with a 2 show weekend and our Bridleless class. The calcutta proceeding this class is always fun.

See everyone on the 25<sup>th</sup>.