

Executive Director's Report

The 2016 summer season is winding down. It's been a great summer. We had warm and dry weather for most of our events. Some may say a little too warm, and I think all of us would say too dry. GMHA's event season was fun and successful. We had numbers that were on par with or above last year's entries. As in 2015, we rented tents and portable stalls to accommodate additional competitors for the Summer Hunter Jumper Show, Dressage Days and the Festival of Eventing.

This year's Combined Driving Event was our biggest yet, and it is the only one in New England. This event is also host to the Can-Am Challenge. Canada won the cup this year, but stayed tuned for its return in 2017.

I hope you all were able to participate in some way in the 80th Anniversary of the 100-mile ride. It was a fun-filled weekend! The party began with the Early Bird dinner hosted by Steve and Dinah Rojek Wednesday evening, followed by the Banquet at the Woodstock Inn Country Club Thursday evening, then the Landowner's BBQ in the Upwey Barn Friday night and concluding with the open house and chowder dinner at the Vermont Horse Country Store Saturday night. Sunday afternoon was filled with demonstrations, a reunion and an awards ceremony with an impressive array of beautiful prizes and awards.

Although it's been said before, it can't be said enough. None of our events would succeed without our army of dedicated volunteers. And when I say army, I mean army. Here's just one example of the volunteer effort needed to run and event: 51 volunteers filled 93 volunteer positions at the June Horse Trials. Those 51 volunteers worked 380 hours over the course of the weekend. There were 241 competitors and 51 volunteers - that means 1 volunteer for every 5 competitors. Thank you to everyone who volunteers!

In news around the grounds, Phase II of the Upwey Roof Project was completed last fall and it looks fantastic. We're in the process of fundraising for Phase III, which we hope to complete in 2017.

In closing, I want to thank everyone who contributes to GMHA's success. Thank you to the dedicated staff who make the events happen week after week all season long, the landowners who allow us to use their property, the competitors who choose to come to GMHA, the volunteers who keep the events moving and the donors who believe in what we do.

Here's looking forward to 2017.

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<u>Discipline</u>	2016	<u>2015</u>
Eventing	1,114	1036
Hunter/Jumper	758	696
Pleasure Riding	430	312
Driving	237	252
Competitive Trail	353	302
Dressage	646	680

2016 Membership Statistics

Membership by Categ	ory:	Junior	106	
Business Members	47	Friends	5	
Individual	559	Total Members	1,194	
Lifetime	171	*1 10 1110		
Family	306	* Increased from 1,119 members in 2015.		

We apologize if any names were accidentally omitted from this report.

Special Thanks to

Birch Hill Farm

for the continued use of their beautiful property for our events.

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to all who made 2016 another terrific season at GMHA!

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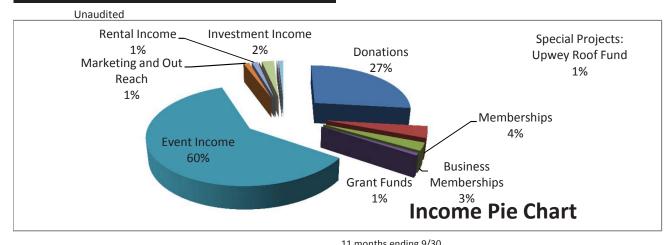
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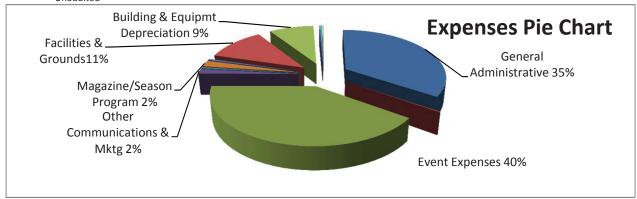
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		11 months ending 9/30	
General & Administrative Expenses	35%	\$	457,496.64
Scholarship Expenses	0%	\$	2,997.00
Event Expenses	40%	\$	534,932.64
Magazine/Season Program Expenses	2%	\$	21,284.40
Cost of Merchandise Sold	1%	\$	5,950.73
Other Communication & Marketing Expenses	2%	\$	27,026.08
Rental Property Expenses	0%	\$	5,870.44
Facility & Grounds Expenses	11%	\$	148,953.89
Building & Equipment Depreciation	9%	\$	111,670.50
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