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# Quarter Clips

**October 2009**

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### **From State Road 37 South:**

Heading south on 37, pass State Rd. 144 and take next left - Banta Road. Follow Banta Road through 4-way stop at Whiteland Road. Continue through next 4-way stop at Banta. The Barn is the first place on the left (north) side of the road #2571. Follow drive past house to barn.

### **From I-65:**

Take the Whiteland exit #95. Head west on Whiteland Road. Go Approximately 8.5 miles to the 4-way stop at Banta Rd. Turn left onto Banta Rd. Follow it through Banta 4-way stop. The Barn is the first place on the left, #2571. Follow drive past house to barn.

# IFA Hammer In

**When:** Saturday Oct. 17th, 10:00 am.

**Where:** Woodland Farm, 2571 Banta Road  
(see directions below)

*Come spend a day improving your forging skills! There may be some Ponyclub kids observing during the day. Please answer any questions they may have. Please take care when driving up to the barn as there are some dogs owned by the barn owners that follow cars.*

**Try not to hit the dogs, thanks!**

Coffee, doughnuts, and peanut butter sandwiches will be provided.

Location is south of Indianapolis near Bargersville. Call Heather for more information or if you get lost.

## President's Letter

Dear Members:

It's been a great long summer. Glad to see those of you who came to the picnic in Brown County. The band was great. Thanks to Julie Young for all her hard work on the picnic and volunteering now to take over the newsletter. If you have a contribution to the newsletter, please contact her.

Anyone interested in being a Board Member or if you have a nomination for President, Treasurer or Board of Directors, please let Rob Griffin know so we can get the ballot completed for the January election.

Hope to see you all at the Fall Clinic.

Till Later,

Dion O'Brien

**Minutes of the Indiana Farriers' Association Board of  
Directors Meeting**

**September 19, 2009**

Board Minutes 9/19/09

Meeting called to order at 10:31 am in Brown County State Park,  
Horseman's Camp.

Members Present: Havilah Elia, Bill Bailey, Larry Jones, Julie  
Young, Sharon Wirey, Mike Breen, Lance Kendrick, Rob Griffin,  
Ann Griffin, Jared Jackson, Brad Langhoefer, Chip Hunt, Dion  
O'Brien

Minutes from the previous meeting were not available.

President – No report

Vice President – No report

Secretary – Not present

Treasurer – Mike Breen reported that the Injured Farrier's Fund  
totals \$8,542.50. The IFA balance is currently \$6,385.00. The  
Tim Byrne fund is \$3,300.

Archives – No report

Banquet – Currently checking on date availability – planning for  
second weekend in January.

Certification – Three people tested. Travel for the examiner was  
\$569.68. The AFA fee was \$135.00. Troy Price was the tester  
and he didn't charge a fee. There was \$330 collected, total ex-  
penses were \$704.68, so the IFA had a loss on the certification of  
\$374.68.

Bylaws – No Report

The Al Morgan Service Award is presented  
to an IFA member who gives dedicated ser-  
vice to the IFA.

Past recipients of this award are: 2000 -  
Sharon Wirey; 2001 - Mike Breen; 2002 -  
Hank Highfied; 2003 - Lance Kendrick;  
2004 - Heather Holly; 2005 - Matt Gillis;  
2006 - Ann & Rob Griffin; 2007 - Havilah  
Elia & Julie Young; 2008 - Brad Langhofer  
& Chip Hunt; 2009 - Chip Hunt

I nominate

\_\_\_\_\_ to re-  
ceive the Al Morgan Service Award.  
Comments:

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Nominations are needed for the Clyde Stringer Award and the Al Morgan Service Award to be awarded at the Annual Dinner Meeting in January 2010.

Please fill out the form below or call in your nominations to:

Dion O'Brien  
3490 W. 200 N.  
Lebanon, IN 46052  
(765)427-6154

**Nominations must be received by January 2nd.**

The Clyde Stringer Award is presented to an IFA member who goes out of their way to promote education and communication between farriers and to share their knowledge and experience for the good of all.

Past Recipients of this award are: 2000 - Charlie Helton; 2001 - Danvers Child; 2002 - Steve Spencer; 2003 - Lynn Dafforn; 2004 - Dion O'Brien; 2005 - Mike Breen; 2006 - Tim Tritch; 2007 - Jim Keith; 2008 - Dale Jackson; 2009 - Mike Breen

I nominate \_\_\_\_\_ to receive the Clyde Stringer Award.

Comments:

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Contest – Mitch Taylor is confirmed as judge.

Election – Two members have been nominated for President - Tim Tritch and Chip Hunt.

There was a nomination made for Mike Breen as treasurer.

Fall Clinic – The clinic will include a contest using the Vettec product.

Hammer In – There will be a hammer in on October 17 at Spandau Farms.

Injured Farrier's Fund – motion by Dion O'Brien to send Brad Menker another payment. Sharon Wirey seconded the motion and it passed.

Membership – There are 89 current members paid.

Newsletter – Secretary not present – no report

Picnic – Reservations for camping for picnic weekend worked okay. Julie thanked Havilah for her help. Julie will chair the picnic committee again next year.

Sponsorship – Sharon presented the sponsorship proposal. Proof-read during meeting, some changes made.

Website – Everything is updated.

New Business – Concerns with newsletter timeliness presented by several members. Dion O'Brien appointed Julie Young as new committee chair for the newsletter.

Larry Jones motioned to adjourn. Seconded by Havilah Elia.

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October 3, 2009

Hello

I am running for **President** of the **Indiana Farriers' Association**.

I trimmed my first pony 39 years ago, not really knowing what I was doing. I guess that becoming a farrier was in my blood. With continuing my education over 18 years as a farrier and 13 years as a tool maker, I feel that I am an accomplished professional farrier.

I have been the President once, Secretary three times, and the Chairman of many Committees in my tenure with the Indiana Farriers' Association, which I have been a member since 1992.

I feel that our association can grow even more with my **Leadership**, through **Organization**, can encourage **Participation**, to promote **Education** for all our members. Let's focus on the principles our By-Laws.

Article II – Purpose

Promote quality farriery,  
Build and encourage community  
Sponsor and promote activities and educational meetings

I would appreciate your Vote.

Thank you,

Chip Hunt CJF

# Welcome New Members

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- Dustin Kendrick #375  
Fort Wayne, IN
  - Billy Walther #376  
Oakley, IL
  - Perry Welch #377  
Franklin, IN
  - Thomas Cristel #378  
Hoffman Estates, IL
  - Joseph Sileo #379  
Poland, IN

Tim Tritch  
9735 W. 400 S.  
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October 3, 2009

Hi, my name is Tim Tritch and I would like to have the opportunity to be the next president of the Indiana Farriers Association.

I live in northeastern Indiana along with my wife Missy and our two boys Jake and Morgan. Being in the northeast corner of the state my practice serves parts of Michigan and Ohio as well as Indiana. Primarily I shoe western pleasure horses, trail / backyard, ropers, reiners, and barrel racers.

In the fall of 1983 I went to Western's School of Horseshoeing in Phoenix, AZ. It wasn't long after that that I realized there was so much that I didn't know and a lot that I needed to know. So I joined the IFA in 1991 to become a better farrier, and to join a network of other farriers who are willing to share their knowledge. Through that knowledge I was able to obtain my AFA Journeyman Certification. During the past 11 years I have been the chair for the five-year planning committee and most recently taking on the certification chair. Also I have served two terms on the Board of Directors.

I would like the opportunity to help this association move forward and grow, by increasing our membership and providing educational opportunities for farriers within our state. Through education we can not only increase our own knowledge, but will be better equipped to serve the industry, our clients, and most of all, the horses.

Thank You

Tim Tritch, CJF



# Indiana Farriers' Association Web Site

[www.indianafarriers.org](http://www.indianafarriers.org)