I would like to introduce myself to you – Lee Ann Hall from sunny Queensland, Australia and I have the honour of being a candidate for the APHA Executive committee.

Horses are in my blood and my family, having been involved with one form of equestrian activity or another since I was a child. Consequently my first horse was a tobiano, over 45 years ago. I have been a very active APHA member in Australia and our neighbouring countries for almost 20 years now,

always promoting APHA and its benefits, and an avid supporter of the Paint Horse Association of

Australia (PHAA), my husband & I being 2 of the 3 founders of the Youth Development Fund and sponsors of Youth Ride for Free at our National Show for 3 years running.

Through my past position as Office Manager of the PHAA, I understand the uniqueness of a Breed Association and working positively with the passion held by the members. I have the skills and knowledge that are necessary to consider fiscal responsibilities, organisational matters and am able to make informed decisions when considering budgets and future planning, corporate governance and meeting protocol. My position with PHAA was similar to APHA Executive Director only on a smaller scale, thus giving me wide and varied experience – such as organising and chairing Board Meetings, organising meetings with APHA Executives in Australia, staffing, budgets, Taxation

responsibilities, National Shows, International Youth Team Trips, the importance of regulatory rules and the like.

As a professional within the Equine Industry I see great future growth for APHA internationally, having me as a member of the Executive Committee can only strengthen ties with international organisations. I have been “water dripping on a stone” within my own country, being involved with the formation of the APHA Foreign Registry, having input into the transition of the Youth Teams Tournament to the Youth World Games, pushing for and promoting an APHA Judges Seminar, organising our first APHA Zone Championships and being the driving force behind the inclusion of APHA classes at our National Show and now having APHA approved shows.

Its time we focused on getting greater participation – more People on Paints in Public. Put them out there for the world to see. I believe that I have the qualities, desire, drive and determination to be an active and valuable member of the APHA Executive Committee.

I would love to see you at the 2020 APHA Convention, February  28 through March 1, 2020 at the APHA Headquarters in the Stockyards, and I hope you’ll encourage your area’s director to vote for me as a committee member of the EC. I look forward to seeing you at Convention and hope to serve you in the future.

Cheers

Lee Ann Hall