

Presidents Report 2011

What a wonderful National Show we had! Everyone there thought it was bad because it was cool and rainy the entire time but for those of us from Texas, it was a welcome sight! There were about 60 head there and were a great representation of the breed. For those of you who couldn't attend, Edje has the entire show on the website for all to enjoy. Thanks to Nicole for being there the whole time to help wherever she could. Special Thank You to Clayton, Kathy and Harriet for all their hard work.

The board realized that adding the American Fullblood as a classification for registration fell under the Rules for Registration within the APA Bylaws. According to the Bylaws, the APA Board "has the power to amend the rules of the Association ..." and those changes "become effective immediately unless otherwise specified." So, the American Fullblood was not voted on at the membership meeting. Rather, it was voted on in the APA Board meeting in compliance with the Bylaws. So, effective October 1, 2011 the American Fullblood will be any animal registered as 95% or more Pinzgauer. We will retain Purebred and Austrian Fullblood classifications. Any member wishing to have a currently registered animal re-registered may do so from now until September 30, 2013 for a nominal fee.

Finally, we want your DNA! Thanks to Wamsley Performance, we will be giving away a Cold Air Intake for the vehicle of your choice to one lucky member who has an animal GENESTAR tested from now until May 1, 2012. For each animal you have tested, send your results to me at gertngauers@yahoo.com and you will be entered to win. To test is easy. Simply go to the link on the web for Pfizer and request your test kit. When it arrives, be sure to mark GENESTAR on the form and send it with tail hair and \$27.50 per animal in the envelope provided. Then make sure I get your results. We need this information so that we can effectively promote the breed. Thanks in advance for your support!

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