

Dear European Cutters,

The 2014 NCHA convention in Salt Lake City was another big success for the European NCHA area. We got a lot more recognition and we are working to make the cutting sport in Europe more successful and get a better communication between NCHA USA and Europe.

Here are the main solutions we bring from Salt Lake City:

- The European judges are now under a monitor system, which means that DVD and score sheets of all approved shows will be sent to USA and been reviewed by a monitor judge. This system is standard in USA.
So we will get more feedback and education on our European judges, show the NCHA office what kind of shows we have and get a strong knowledge on our judges.
- We are really pleased to announce that Peggy Parage will work for us as a European secretary. She will take care about questions from members and a steady communication. Peggy and Claudia Zanoni from Italy will work very close together to serve the European cutters.
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Claudia Zanoni email address: claudia.zanoni@yahoo.com
- We are planning to have a European affiliate meeting after the executive committee has given his approval on the recommendations made by the different standing committees. We will invite the official affiliates as well as the affiliates witch are not members of the NCHA to come together.
- The idea came up to make a European Championship. The best 20-25 rider in Open and Non Pro Classes (maybe other classes too) that win the most money on **approved** cutting shows in Europe during the year qualify for a final Show at the end of the year. We will discuss more details on the meeting with the affiliates after August.
- All recommendations made by the different standing committees at the Convention can be read at the NCHA website.
<http://www.nchacutting.com/2014Convention/recommendations/committees.shtml>
- We will have an official NCHA webpage www.joinncha.com translated in the main languages, so it will be easier for European cutters to get information and find forms like the membership form in their native language.
- Show secretaries and show producers have a new website called www.twoandahalfcows.com and a new network called Yammer which is much similar to Facebook but completely private. This network should help to discuss shows and help secretaries and show producers to find answers to their questions. To log in you need an business email address which you can get at info@twoandahalfcows.com (Peggy already sent out an email to all the European secretaries)

Best regards

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