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Hi All,

National Committee wish to advise that the following amnesties are now in place:-

- 1) Re-joining Members Amnesty: if re-joining now, pay half price Membership Fee until 31 July, 2016.
- 2) Re-joining Member Amnesty: no re-join fee if re-joining anytime up until 31 July, 2016.
- 3) Revoked Fee Amnesty: no revoked fee when upgrading Horses over 4 years 6 months to Adult status, between now and 31 July.

Therefore as an example you would pay:-

Full membership \$100.00 plus re-joining fee \$33.00 would be \$133.00 ... **you pay under the amnesty \$50.00.**

Family membership \$150.00 plus re-joining fee \$33.00 would be \$183.00 ... **you pay under the amnesty \$75.00.**

Joint membership \$150.00 plus re-joining fee \$33.00 would be \$183.00 ... **you pay under the amnesty \$75.00.**

Upgrade of your revoked horses would not have the revoke fee so you save another \$33 for each horse upgraded

If you re-join under any of the above Membership amnesty, this will take your Membership status as current up until 31st July 2016

If you would like the amnesty explained further, email the admin@mhaa.com.au for clarification.

Stallion Breeding Reports (Stallion Returns): Reminder that these can be submitted at any time and we suggest that Members submit them as soon as they have finished mating their Mares, then you don't have to remember to send them to the office by 1 August.

It is also timely to remind Members that Stallion Breeding Reports (Stallion Returns) MUST be printed in landscape format, NOT portrait format. Stallion Breeding Reports (Stallion Returns) submitted in portrait format will not be accepted and will be returned. If you are unsure about this, please do not hesitate to contact the National Secretary or email admin@mhaa.com.au

With regard to your ***Stallion Breeding Reports (Stallion Returns)***: always remember to include all outside Mares, as well as every Mare served, even if they are not registered MHAA® and remember to **keep a copy for your records**. Remember that a Tax Invoice/Receipt is always sent from the office on receipt of your Stallion Return. If you do not receive one within 21 days of posting your Return, contact the National Secretary or email the admin@mhaa.com.au, to make sure it has been received.

If you have purchased a Mare in Foal, make sure that you obtain a copy of the Service Certificate, so that you can register the resultant Foal. Also ensure that you transfer the Mare into your name BEFORE the Foal is born, as in accordance with our Rules, the Foal can only be registered by the Member who owns the Mare in our database at the time of foaling. Therefore the Foal must be registered with the Prefix of the owner of the Mare at the time of foaling.

If you have purchased a Mare in Foal and were given a Service Certificate, or you took your Mare to a Stud and were given a Service Certificate and the mating was inadvertently left off the Stallion Return, you will need to contact the National Committee for clarification.

If your Mare has a Foal and the mating was inadvertently left off a Stallion Return, you can still register the Foal by DNA parent qualification and the registration fee is the same.

Mare DNA: Several Members have contacted us as they are concerned that they have to have their Mare's DNA done now. We remind Members that the DNA of Mares does not have to be recorded on the MHAA® database until Foals born in the 2020/2021 season are registered.

Changes of address or email: Please remember if you change your postal or email address, you need to notify the office by using the change of address form, which is on the website.

Members are also reminded that it is recommended that they send mail to the Registry Office by Express Mail and also make sure that when they post mail that they allow for time delays, which seem to be more frequent with the mail these days. If Members would like to include an Express Post Envelope with their paperwork, then we will send the paperwork back by Express Post.

Don't forget that all Registrations and Membership Renewals are to be sent to the Registry Office, PO Box 454, Drouin, Victoria 3818, which is also noted on all Forms.

If you have any queries about anything at any time, please do not hesitate to contact your National Committee, either by phone (contact details are on the website) or via the admin email address ... admin@mhaa.com.au which is monitored daily.

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