

Dear FPZV USA members,

As you are aware from Michaels letter last week, we are completing the transition to a not-for-profit corporation. While we work our way through this process, we need to continue with the normal business of the registry, Due to the trauma of this transition, we are going to eliminate the membership fee for 2011. Anyone who has already paid the 2011 dues can have those extended through 2012 with proof of payment.

As Michael stated, we are instituting a new program allowing registration of foals without inspection. Many of you have foals on the ground which will require DNA testing, mares being bred, stallions breeding etc. Attached to this letter are copies of the 2011 forms you will need. We are awaiting additional microchips from Germany to put together the DNA kits, those should be available within 2 weeks. We have made some adjustments to the 2010 fee schedule related to the new foal registration process. Inspection fees will not be included in this years foal registration fees. We will otherwise follow the 2010 fee schedule, review them over this year and consider correction where necessary for 2012. The fee schedule is also attached.

We have been told by many breeders that they have either reduced the number of mares bred the last couple years, or did not breed at all last year. We are attempting to determine if there are enough horses to warrant an inspection tour this year, if we will hold off until 2012 or do an abbreviated tour going to one or two sites and perform the annual stallion keuring at the IFSHA Nationals.

If you would, please let us know by e-mail or phone call, how many foals or aged horses you will have this year needing inspection, it would be very helpful to our planning. In addition, anyone having a stallion that they wish to have kuered this fall or who they would like to enter in the Stallion Performance Test in Feb. 2012, please let us know that as well.

Much of the data from the membership for the last four years remains unavailable to us or corrupted. As a result, there may be a number of members out there who have changed their e-mail accounts, may not have access to the internet or who may not have been current on their membership when the last membership data was sent to Germany. If any of you know of someone who is not receiving messages from us, please let us know or have them call or e-mail one of our Advisors.

We have received information requests from the FPZV regarding a number of members whose registration paperwork was either not received, or received but was not complete, we have contacted most of those members. It would be helpful to us if anyone who has not received their registration papers, ownership transfers etc, would contact us so we can follow up on getting these problems corrected. The only way we know if there is a problem or can fix a problem is if we know about it. Please let us know about any issue relating to your horses or membership, we will do everything possible to help you.

Cassandra is currently working on getting the website back up, and needs any information stallion owners and farm owners may want displayed on the website. She can be reached at: dragonsvalourfarm@gmail.com. Our web address is <http://www.fpzvusa.co/>. While we work through this, you can find additional information on the FPZV website at: <http://www.friesenpferde-zuchtverband.de/> and click on the American Flag to get to the English Page. You can also find information or make comments on our Facebook page: <http://www.facebook.com/sharer.php?u=http%3A%2F%2Ffpzvusa.co&t=FPZV-USA-%20INC>

Thank you for your patience and assistance while we revitalize FPZV USA into an organization worthy of its horses and members,

FPZV USA Board of Advisors