<u>December Newsletter</u>

The awards banquet will be February 20th at the Fallon Golf Course (see attached reservation form for details and directions). We had tentatively scheduled it for the end of January, however, some of our members had conflicting schedules with other events so we moved it to a time that would include everyone. Keep your fingers crossed for good weather, otherwise, bring your chains! If you want to participate in the 'Golf Tournament' to be played before the banquet, please contact David Ruby @ (775)267-2668 or email @ <u>SRuby123@aol.com</u> for more information before 12/31/04. The tournament will benefit the Youth Program, so why not give it a try???

I hope you have contacted Sharon Avery if you have any special award requests. Remember you must do this before November 30th, if not, I'm sure you'll be pleasantly surprised with her choices, she does a great job with the awards, year after year.

Please remember to bring an item or two for the NPHC raffle table at the banquet. This is always a lot of fun and only the tickets purchased at the banquet will be drawn for these items, so bring lottsa' money, because the more you buy, the more you might win. Also, the Youth group will be drawing for some items from the tickets that were purchased throughout the year at the horseshows, so if you participated during the year, you may be a winner there too.

Sharon Avery and Sheila Plimpton attended the Zone II meeting held in Las Vegas on 11/14/04. With the move to Utah and change of dates, California decided not to approve it for their points. It was also decided that no California or Nevada fees would be collected, so the 2005 Zone II show will not be counted for the NSCC awards program. Please be sure and check the NPHC directory for the 2005 NSCC rule changes.

I received a note from Bonnie Schwier that she has her weanling filly and colt for sale. She is asking \$4500 for the filly and \$4000 for the colt, both are sired by her good stallion BC City Slicker. Both of these babies have been hauled and shown this year in NV and CA, with many awards coming their way. You can reach Bonnie @ (775) 575-4740.

There are a lot of forms included with this newsletter, please sort through them carefully. We have included 2005 NPHC membership form, NSCC nomination form, ENPHC membership and nomination form and the banquet reservation form. Be sure to get your banquet reservation form and check back to Sharon by <u>January 31</u>st.

Remember, this is your club.......if you don't participate, you shouldn't grumble about what is or isn't happening. I continue to ask for your comments through the newsletter so that we as a club can benefit from fresh input and ideas. However, the ideas are slow coming while the rumors, and assumptions run amuck based on insufficient or inaccurate information. If we all work together, the coming years tasks will not only be easier, but more enjoyable for all concerned.

From NPHC to you and your families, have a wonderful and safe holiday season......see you at the banquet.