



INTERNATIONAL MOUNTED GAMES ASSOCIATION

Mid-year Meeting 2014

Final version (October 8 2014)

Held at the la Bonde Equestrian Centre
Saint-Denis-le-Ferment, France
Friday August 22, 2014

Recorded on the attendance list as present :

International Representatives :

Quentin Voeltzel	Burkina Faso
Nikki Carter	England
Mark Devitt	Ireland
Jacques Cavé	Italy
Margaret Welsby	New Zealand
Inger Hilmersen	Norway
Ian Marr	South Africa
Younes Ahlbom	Sweden
Philippe Gargallo	Switzerland
Paul Greiling	USA
Roger Dawson	Wales

IMGA officials present :

Keith Martin	IMGA
Clive Jones	IMGA
Jens Martin	IMGA
Carol Jones	IMGA
Pola Schal	IMGA
Peter Dale	IMGA
Marilyn Hackman	IMGA

Others present :

Pierre Marsille	Belgium
Nathan Turner	England
Celine Robin	France
Alberta Gambigliani Zoccoli	Italy
Brenda Cross	New Zealand
Colin Carson	Northern Ireland
Rob Lockyer	Scotland
Shirley Donoghue	Scotland
Gunilla Adolfsson	Sweden
Agneta Findholm	Sweden
Ian Hopkins	Wales
Frie Martin	(Taking notes)

Introduction

The Chairman welcomed everyone and explained that the meeting would be informal. Earlier in the year there had been discussion about changing the format of mid-year meetings to make them more formal, but there being no decision yet on this subject, the meeting for this year would remain informal.

Financial Statements for 2013

The exceptional financial situation at the end of 2013 was reviewed.

The figures presented at the November 2013 meeting were (as they always are every year) a snapshot of the financial situation at that moment, whereas the full and official accounts which are eventually presented to Companies House and Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs have to run January 1 to December 31.

So there is always some adjustment to the November figures to arrive at the full end-of-year official accounts.

In 2013 this adjustment was much larger than ever previously because of the difficulties with making payments caused by the long and difficult procedure of changing bank accounts, resulting in large outstanding debts still awaiting payment at the end of the year.

Most of those outstanding payments have now been cleared, although a reserve has been created for some which are still not resolved.

The result of all of this was that an "apparent profit" of EUR 4,315.63 reported last November changed into a loss of EUR 4,078.17 when all outstanding financial transactions and reserves were finally included in the accounts.

This was an unusual situation and should not arise again.

Up-to-date end-of-year accounts were distributed at the meeting, Balance Sheet, and Profit and Loss. They are attached (including correction of one small error noted during the meeting), plus a detailed transaction list.

In addition, a rough analysis of the end-of-year balances was shown. This is also attached. It can be seen that 2013 was the only year recently in which expenditure had significantly exceeded income, resulting in a substantial fall in IMGA's closing balance.

The future structure of IMGA meetings

During the discussions earlier this year about the timing of IMGA meetings, in particular with regard to financial decisions, a message was sent (August 6) to all International Representatives asking for their opinions on this subject.

One conclusion was very clear : out of 21 countries only 10 replies were received, indicating clearly that the option to do more business during the year by e-mail is probably not going to be a realistic possibility. Indeed, during 2013, one attempt to reach a decision on an important matter by e-mail resulted in only 3 replies.

Of the 10 responses received, it appeared that there were several conclusions which could be reached :

- No real support for changing the mid-year meeting format and making it a formal decision-making meeting with a pre-agreed agenda. It was accepted, however, that perhaps an exception to this would have to be made for financial reporting and planning.
- Such an exception, if acceptable, would probably invalidate some suggestions that the main meeting should not take place in November, but early in the year, perhaps February.
- There was some interest in extending the current two days allocated for November meetings to three days, but it was also thought that the practical difficulties for International Representatives to be away for an extra day might invalidate this idea. It might perhaps be better to start the two days earlier in the morning and work later into the evening.

There were then suggestions to make slight changes to the decision making procedures :

- That more decisions should be taken by the officials of IMGA without having to refer to the membership for approval every time
- That sub-committees or working groups be set up to do more preparation work on certain subjects prior to the November meetings and then present their recommendations
- To make the agenda more detailed to allow pre-meeting consultations

Specific proposals for changes were requested, in writing, so that they can be added to the agenda for this year's AGM.

Follow up on decisions

And the point was made that after decisions have been made we need to follow up and ensure that they are fully and correctly implemented.

Proxies

Inger Hilmersen, supported by Quentin Voeltzel, proposed that there should be a limit on the number of proxy votes which can be held by one person. Norway will propose this subject be added to the November agenda.

Presentation of the 2015 World Team Championship

Paul Greiling presented a first outline of the plans for the 2015 World Team Championship in Kentucky.

His document (with apologies for some small errors) is attached.

Given that the decision whether or not to continue with the Under-17 age group at the World Team Championship will only be taken in November, it will be too late to do it in 2015. But it may be possible to do it shortly after the 2015 World Team Championship, as a separate event. This will also be discussed and decided in November.

There was some discussion concerning the allocation of borrowed/rented ponies for visiting teams. The USA would like to use the same procedure as New Zealand last year, which did not allow countries to find their own ponies, but required them to use the pool ponies provided by the organisers.

Not everyone was in agreement with this, and the discussion will be continued.

South Africa and the 2017 World Team Championships

Despite failing to win the hosting of a World Team Championship in the last two years, Ian Marr confirmed that South Africa would again present a bid to host at the November meeting.

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**International Mounted Games Association
Balance Sheet for the accounting period 2013**

01/01/2013 - 31/12/2013

Printed : 12/08/2014



Assets

	EUR (€)	* GBP (£)
Cash and Bank Accounts		
Cash	0.00	0.00
Bank Account	17,992.03	14,954.67
Total Cash and Bank Accounts	17,992.03	14,954.67
Other Assets		
Equipment	1,709.82	1,421.17
Total Other Assets	1,709.82	1,421.17
Total Assets	19,701.85	16,375.84
Liabilities and Equity		
Liabilities	9,491.67	7,889.31
Equity	10,210.18	8,486.53
Total Liabilities and Equity	19,701.85	16,375.84

International Mounted Games Association Profit and Loss for the accounting period 2013

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Income	EUR (€)	EUR (€)	* GBP (£)	* GBP (£)
Affiliation				
IMGA 2013	5,813.65		4,832.21	
Total Affiliation		5,813.65		4,832.21
Rule Books		1,410.73		1,172.57
Royalties		12.00		9.97
Bank interest		0.00		0.00
Total Income		<u>7,236.38</u>		<u>6,014.76</u>
Expenses				
Administration				
Postage & other admin	995.89		827.77	
Meeting expenses (res)	1,500.00		1,246.77	
Travel expenses (incl res)	7,988.65		6,640.03	
Total Administration		10,484.54		8,714.57
Charitable contributions		202.77		168.54
Purchase of IMGA merchandise		619.74		515.12
Bank charges		7.50		6.23
Total Expenses		<u>11,314.55</u>		<u>9,404.46</u>
Total Income - Expenses		<u>-4,078.17</u>		<u>-3,389.71</u>

International Mounted Games Association Transactions for the accounting period 2013

01/01/2013 - 31/12/2013 in euro (€)

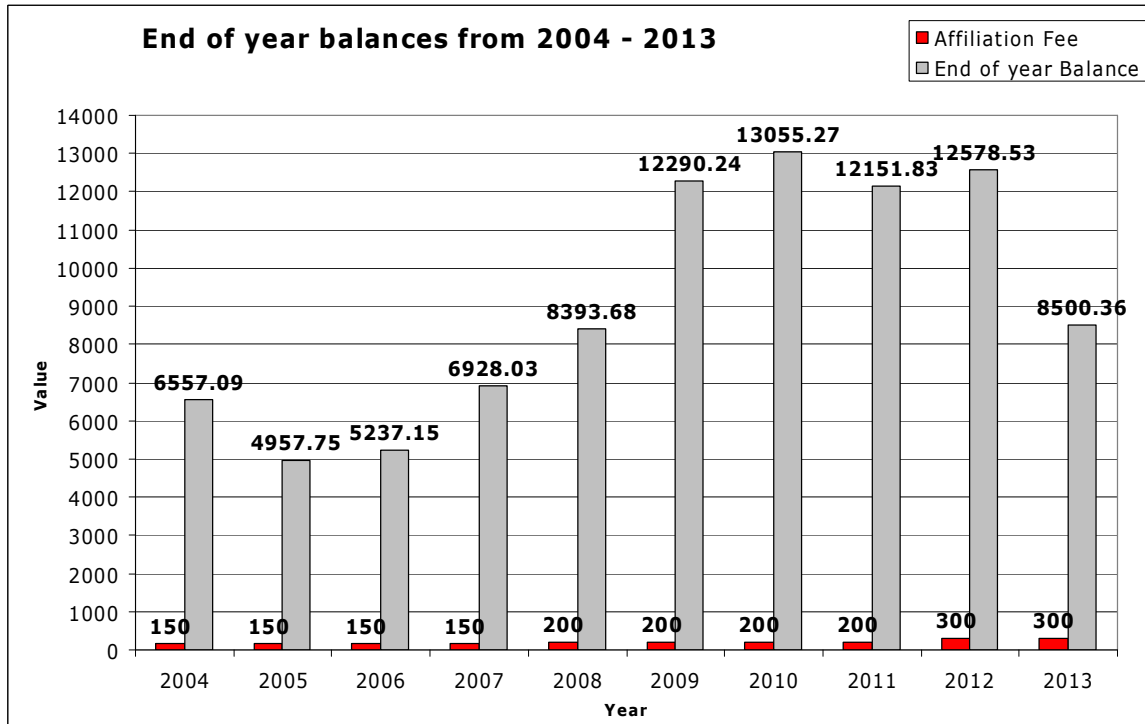
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Opening Balance : EUR 12,578.53

Summary of net transactions

	Income	Expend
02/01/2013 Bank Charges		1.50
18/01/2013 Royalties	12.00	
21/01/2013 Payment to Keith Martin for IMGA Web Site Hosting		77.53
28/01/2013 Payment to Keith Martin for IMGA contribution to Matthew Slade Fund		202.77
31/01/2013 Payment to Keith Martin for IMGA Officer Travel Expenses to 2012 IMGA AGM		481.08
06/02/2013 IMGA 2013 Affiliation Fee - LUX	300.00	
08/02/2013 IMGA 2013 Affiliation Fee - FRA	300.00	
19/02/2013 IMGA 2013 Affiliation Fee - AUS	290.00	
22/02/2013 IMGA 2012 Rule Books - Paypal	178.99	
22/02/2013 IMGA 2013 Affiliation Fee - CAN	287.95	
22/02/2013 IMGA 2013 Affiliation Fee - NIR	289.45	
22/02/2013 IMGA 2013 Affiliation Fee - BEL	300.00	
20/03/2013 IMGA 2012 Rule Books - Paypal	233.61	
20/03/2013 IMGA 2013 Affiliation Fee - ENG	289.45	
25/03/2013 IMGA 2013 Affiliation Fee - IRE	300.00	
26/03/2013 IMGA 2013 Affiliation Fee - DEN	300.00	
28/03/2013 Bank Charges		2.00
02/04/2013 IMGA 2013 Affiliation Fee - NOR	300.00	
02/04/2013 IMGA 2013 Affiliation Fee - SWE	300.00	
02/04/2013 IMGA 2013 Affiliation Fee - SUI	300.00	
03/04/2013 IMGA 2012 Rule Books - Paypal	263.84	
03/04/2013 IMGA 2013 Affiliation Fee - NZL	284.95	
03/04/2013 IMGA 2013 Affiliation Fee - USA	287.95	
05/04/2013 IMGA 2013 Affiliation Fee - SCO	289.45	
05/04/2013 IMGA 2013 Affiliation Fee - RSA	300.00	
05/04/2013 IMGA 2013 Affiliation Fee - ITA	300.00	
08/04/2013 IMGA 2013 Affiliation Fee - AUT	150.00	
11/04/2013 IMGA 2013 Affiliation Fee - GER	289.45	
21/05/2013 Payment to Keith Martin for IMGA Merchandising		396.87
21/05/2013 Payment to Keith Martin for IMGA Postage Charges		344.36
21/05/2013 Payment to Peter Dale for IMGA Travel Expenses		312.77
04/06/2013 IMGA 2012 Rule Books - Paypal	527.84	



29th ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL MOUNTED GAMES ASSOCIATION WORLD Team CHAMPIONSHIPS

Kentucky Horse Park
Lexington, Kentucky
July 6 – 12, 2015

The United States Mounted Games Association is proud to host the 29th Annual World International Mounted Games Association World Team Championships at the Kentucky Horse Park in Lexington, Kentucky.

Located in Lexington, Ky, the heart of the Bluegrass, the Kentucky Horse Park is a working horse farm with 1,200 acres surrounded by 30 miles of white plank fencing. The park is like none other in the world. Dedicated to man's relationship with the horse, the park features two outstanding museums, twin theaters and nearly 50 different breeds of horses. All of these elements combine to make a visit to the park an enjoyable learning experience for everyone - from those unfamiliar with the horse to the horse expert.

A few things which might be helpful in planning your trip:

- The park is 4 miles north of Lexington, and 3 miles south of Georgetown at I-75, exit 120.
- Lexington will be on Eastern Daylight Savings Time.
- The park is open 7 days a week from March 15-October 31. Park hours are 9 AM to 5 PM.
- If you are arriving in Lexington by air, you should plan on renting a car. Lexington does have public bus transportation, but this does not service the park. Also note that an alternative (sometimes cheaper) to flying directly into Lexington is to fly into the Cincinnati Airport, located in Northern Kentucky just off I-75, about 45 minutes to an hour away. You can also fly to Louisville, Ky, which is about an hour and a half from the horse park.
- Ironically, despite the presence of many distillers in the region, Kentucky has the highest percentage of counties in the U.S. prohibiting the sale of alcohol. Lexington and surrounding towns (Georgetown sells only in selected restaurants) do allow sale of alcoholic beverages.

RULES OF THE KENTUCKY HORSE PARK

- Equine's have the "right of way"
- No smoking in or around barn areas.
- No Alcoholic beverages.
- No vehicles in barn area, parking lots are available and every car must have a parking pass.
- Dogs must be leashed.
- No Bicycles.

THE COMPETITION

The competition will consist of four qualifying sessions of ten games each and an A and B final of twelve games. The tentative schedule for the qualifying sessions and the finals as follows:

Session	Date and Time
One	Friday, July 10 1:00 pm – 5:00 pm
Two	Saturday, July 11 9:00 am – 12:00 noon
Three	Saturday, July 11, 2:00 pm – 6:00 pm
Finals	Sunday, July 12, 9:00 am – 12:00 noon
Finals	Sunday, July 12, 2:00 pm – 5:00 pm

All games will be played. All USMGA props meet IMGA standards, but are subject to slight variations. A prop

inspection by each country representative will take place before the briefing on Thursday. The briefing schedule and the final games list schedule will be included in the arrival package.

Awards and Scoring

Scoring will be according to international rules The list of trophies will be included in your arrival packet.

A. PONIES

During the competition all ponies will be stabled on the grounds under the direction of the resident Chief Barn Manager TBA and her assistants. Feed/water/supplements will be given under barn manager direction only. **Competitors should make no additions to the ponies' diet.** Each team will have a USMGA member assigned to them as a stable manager. Though it will be each rider's responsibility to care for the pony, the stable manager will be there to assist. We expect that you will care for the ponies in the same way that you care for your own, that stalls will be kept clean, and that ponies will be hosed off and wrapped if needed. Ponies will be stabled at the KHP from the Monday before the competition until the end of the competition on Sunday. Practice schedules will be posted in the arrival packet and will be in designated areas, at designated times and in groups of 3 teams. ~~Responsible for borrowing ponies from the USMGA. The USMGA is the only source for ponies.~~

A.1 Borrowing Ponies

Almost all ponies for this event will be loaned. Teams will be assigned team ponies with comparable amounts of skill, speed, experience and size. Draw for the teams of ponies will be held Monday, July 6, 2105

A.2 Ponies at the Competition

- The competition grounds will have two large practice rings complete with props.
- Ponies will be kept in assigned stalls at the Kentucky Horse Park
- Tack stalls will be allocated and will be shared by two teams.
- There will be a feeding and cleaning chart posted in all tack stalls for each team.
- Supplies such as buckets, forks, skills, and grooming tools will be supplied to each team.
- All tack except saddles will be supplied.
- **Entry fee Includes a \$500.00 deposit per team on tack and supplies. This fee will be refunded when all loaned equipment is returned in the same shape as when it was distributed.**
- Barn managers and security will be on site 24 hours a day.
- Your arrival packet will include a section on what is expected in caring for your borrowed ponies as well as a detailed profile on each pony including experience, owner name and contact number, pros and cons, likes and dislikes, etc.
- There will be a veterinarian and blacksmith on call or on the grounds at all times.

B. ENTRY FEE

Since most of you will not be bringing your own ponies, entry fees cover:

- Entry fee
- Pony stall
- Tack room
- Stall bedding
- Pony feed and hay
- Cost of borrowing pony
- Cost of transporting the pony to competition grounds

- All activities in listed in **Bold** on Itinerary (for team and trainer)

B.1 Entry Fee Amount and Payment Deadlines (Funds are in US. dollars)

Deadline	Date
Commitment form and \$1000	January 1, 2003
Final entry fee payment and application	April 30, 2003
Total Team Entry Fees (including \$500 deposit for equipment)	
\$4,800 US Dollars per team	

8.2 Entry Fee Mailing Address

First payment of \$1,000 and commitment form must be sent to Pat Nuehauser, Championship 2015 Secretary by January 1, 2015:

Pat Neuhauser
1042 Ransdell Lane
Turners Station, KY 40075
USA
neuhauser1042@aol.com
502-552-5374
Or Carol Jones
44 1730 812253

WORLDS 2015 ~ COMMITMENT FORM ~

NAME OF COUNTRY _____

COUNTRY REPRESENTATIVE:

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Fax _____

Email _____

C. TEAM ACCOMODATIONS

We have reserved 40 spaces in the Horse park camp grounds. We have arranged for travel trailers from the same company we used for the World Equestrian games in KY. Each team will have a trailer sleeps 6-8 included in entry. Other camping spots will be on first come first served basis.

D. TEAM SUPPORTERS

All team supporters are most welcome and encouraged to attend. Attachment A gives a list of

hotels and camping available in the Georgetown area and a website for Lexington hotels. Also included is a list of rental car agencies.

All supporters are invited to attend our planned outside activities such as the Bluegrass tour, Kentucky Horse Park Tour, **Welcome Dinner River Cruise /Tour of Churchill Downs**, barbeque and the final Banquet at Spindletop Club. Provision for their attendance will be sent to you and should be included in the final application. Late additions will be accepted on a "first come/first serve basis" if vacancies are available.

Not only will The Kentucky Horse Park be hosting Worlds 2015 there will be several other horse shows and a music festival. Please use the following link to find out more information on the Kentucky Horse Park <http://www.imh.org/khp/> For information on Lexington and the surrounding areas please use the following link, <http://www.visitlex.com/>

E. ABOUT THE UNITED STATES

- The US has extremely strict anti-drug and gun possession laws.
- Driving is done on the right side of the road. Most vehicles are automatic. Speed limits are imposed. An international driver's license is not required. The minimum driving age is 16. Most rental car companies impose an age restriction of 25 years of age. You must have a credit card to rent a car.
- Drinking age is 21 and proof of age is required in all drinking establishments. Young people will be carded. Drinking and driving strictly prohibited, if you plan to drink, have a designated driver.
- Weather in July is usually hot and humid with temperatures in the daytime reaching 85 Degrees F or above. The sun rises at about 6 AM and sets about 10 PM.
- There is a five-hour time difference between Lexington and Great Britain, and Lexington is 6 hours behind the rest of Europe.
- Most banks open at 9:00 AM till 5:00 PM with many banking centers open longer. Bank machines are available that are open 24 hours. Check with your bank to be sure your bank card will work in the US.
- Most transportation is by air or car. Some cities, such as Chicago, Washington and New York have good public transportation but many others do not. There are low airfare rates from Cincinnati and Louisville to many large cities if you choose to extend your stay and to see more of the United States.

F. WHAT TO BRING

- Valid passport - keep your ID in separate place in case of loss
- Travelers cheques - can be easily cashed in most places
- Light clothing A summer in Kentucky can be very hot and humid
- Saddle and saddle pads
- Helmet and boots
- Spare tack - just the small stuff like martingales, bits, bridles and girths, etc may come in handy.
- Country flag
- Small first aid kit
- Notebook and paper
- Cheering section

G. ITINERARY (Subject to change, session/practice times depend on the weather)

Monday, July 6	8:00 PM	Arrival Day Pick up rental vans at airport Check in — hotel. Meet team ambassador at Kentucky Horse Park Competitor social hour, draw for ponies
Tuesday, July 7	8:00 AM 1:00 PM 6:00 PM	Pony Chores, Practice at KHP Tour of Bluegrass Region Dinner TBA
Wednesday, July 8	8:00 AM 2:00 PM	Pony Chores Practice at KHP Tour of KHP
Thursday, July 9	8:00 AM 10:00 AM 7:00 PM	Pony Chores\Rules Briefing Leave for Louisville/tour of Churchill Downs Welcome Dinner, Cruise
Friday, July 10	8:00 AM 2:00 PM 6:00 PM 7:30 PM	Pony Chores Opening Ceremonies. Session 1 begins Session 1 ends 4 complete pony chores Barbeque
Saturday, July 11	8:00 AM 9:00 AM 12:00 PM 2:00 PM 5:00 PM	Pony Chores Session 2 begins Lunch Break Session 3 begins Session 3 ends, complete pony chores
Sunday, July 12	8:00 AM 9:00 AM 12:00 PM 2:00 PM 6:00 PM 6:30 PM 8:00 PM	Pony Chores Finals begin Lunch Break Finals end Pony Chores Farewell Banquet and Awards

USMGA WORLDS 20015
FINAL APPLICATION (Due April 30, 2015)

NAME OF COUNTRY: _____
COUNTRY REPRESENTATIVE: _____
Name _____ Email _____

Address _____

Phone: _____ Fax _____

RIDER INFORMATION*

	Last name	First Name	Age	Weight	Height
1					
2					
3					
4					
5					

***Each Rider must fill out and return a waiver with this application.**

TRAINER:

Name _____ Email _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Fax _____

USEGA/USMGA host responsibilities commence Monday, July 6, 2015 until Sunday, July 12, 2015. We would be glad to assist you with any sightseeing/travel arrangements if arriving earlier or staying later.

It's assumed all riders and trainers will attend our planned events. The activities listed in bold are included with entry fee. The costs of all dinners, dances, and sightseeing tours etc., are extra costs for supporters. We will have an exact estimate of those costs before final payment is due. Please include a list of names of supporters that are attending along with payment in US Dollars.

RETURN FINAL APPLICATION AND FEES TO:

Pat Neuhauser
1042 Ransdell Lane
Turners Station, KY 40075
USA
neuhauser1042@aol.com

Georgetown motels are listed in the Addendum. For a list of hotels in the Lexington Area

Please contact the Lexington Convention and Visitors Bureau

301 East Vine Street
Lexington, KY 40507-1513
Visitor Info: 1-800-845-3959 or 859-233-7299
Group Info: 1-800-848-1224 or 859-233-1221

List of car rental companies in Lexington area (again it may be less expensive to fly into Cincinnati or Louisville and rent a vehicle there)

- Avis Phone 859-281-1681 FAX: 859-254-3529
- Budget Phone 859-254-5400 FAX: 859-233-1399
- Hertz Phone 859-254-3496 FAX: 859-254-5060
- National Phone 859-254-8806 FAX: 859-231-9881

USMGA WORLDS 2015 ~ Rider Waiver

EVENT DATE: July 6-12, 2015
EVENT NAME: 2015 IMGA World Championships
EVENT LOCATION: The Kentucky Horse Park, Lexington, Kentucky, USA

Note: Each Rider must sign and submit a Waiver to complete the application package.

Name of Rider _____ Date of birth: _____

Address _____ Country _____

Phone _____ FAX: : _____ Email _____

Are you borrowing a pony from the US? Yes ___ No ___ If no, your Pony's Name _____
Owner: _____

THE FOLLOWING WILL AFFECT YOUR LEGAL RIGHT and LIABILITIES
PLEASE READ CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING

The undersigned acknowledges the inherent risk involved in riding and working around horses, which risks include bodily injury from using, riding or being in close proximity to horses among other risks. And further that both horse and rider can be injured in normal use or in competition and schooling. **In consideration** for the privilege of riding and working around horses at the **IMGA World Championships** the undersigned does hereby agree to hold harmless and indemnify the **Kentucky Horse Park, the US Mounted Games Association**, its officers, sponsors and members and further release them from any liability or responsibility for accident, damage, injury or illness to Undersigned or any horse owned by me or to any family member or spectator accompanying the Undersigned on the premises of the **Kentucky Horse Park**.

I fully understand that riding and the playing of mounted games are very dangerous activities. I fully understand that riding is a very dangerous activity with many inherent risks including (i) The propensity of an equine to behave in dangerous ways which may result in injury to the rider, trainer, groom or handler, (ii) The inability to predict an equine's reaction to sound, movements, objects, persons or animals. I wish to participate in these activities knowing they are dangerous. I accept and assume all the risks of injury (including death) to my property or me.

In exchange for being permitted to participate in these activities for myself, my heirs, guardian, and legal representatives, I release and agree not to make or bring any claim of any kind against Kentucky Horse Park, US Mounted Games Association, or its masters, officers, directors, members, employees, or guests or any landowners, landholders or the persons making property available for the **IMGA World Championships**, for injury (including death), to me or any damage to my property whether from anyone's negligence or not, or any other cause, arising out of my participation in these dangerous horseback riding or related activities; and I also agree if anyone makes any claims because of any injury to me (including death), or for any damage to my property, I will keep all those released by this agreement free of any damages or costs because of those claims. My signature hereby indicates my agreement.

Rider Signature: _____ Date _____

Parent Signature: _____ Date _____
(if rider is under 21 years of age)

ATTACHMENT A: Accommodations

Camping:

Campsites and hookups are available on the Kentucky Horse Park Campgrounds.
<http://www.kyhorsepark.com/khp/campground/campsites.asp> Restrooms and showers are available for campers. Hookups include water and electricity. Cost is about \$30d per day.