To the AWMA Membership,

I am humbled to be working as the AWMA DOJ and would like to continue in this position. While it has been a very busy year, with the help of others, we have accomplished a lot of projects. The AWMA Judges’ program has been revamped and I am confident that as AWMA apprentice judges complete the AWMA judges’ program, they will be ready to judge IGP trials. The apprentice judges and then our probationary judges need the support of AWMA clubs so they can reach their goals to become a fully licensed AWMA judge.

To show my support for AWMA and the AWMA Judges Program, I have been waiving my fees to all clubs for judging IGP trials until 12/31/2021. Hopefully, this will reduce expenses for AWMA clubs and help them to host their AWMA trials. AWMA also gives $100 to AWMA clubs for using AWMA judges.

Items that have been accomplished in my first year:

1. The update of official AWMA Trial Sheets.
2. The update of official AWMA Judges Sheets.
3. The creation of AWMA Trial Guidelines.
4. The AWMA Judges Program revamped.
5. Recruitment of apprentice judges.
6. AWMA Helper Committee was formed.

Goals for the next two years:
7. AWMA needs more judges to fulfill its needs. We will be recruiting, with the goal of at least 5, additional apprentice judges over the next two years. Anyone who meets the criteria to become an AWMA apprentice judge should contact the AWMA awmadoj@gmail.com.  See if you meet criteria to become an AWMA apprentice judge at the following website: <http://www.workingmalinois.org/index.php/requirements-for-judges>
8. We will continue working with the web developer so that the website will be easier to update and process AWMA trials.
9. Helper Committee - In addition to adopting the THA program, we need to develop a protection training program for helpers. For this helper program to be successful, we need input from AWMA members of what membership desires from the helper program. We will also be seeking two more individuals to serve on the committee.

Kindest Regards,

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