

Michelle Manseau

At this time we would like to take a minute to honor the contributions of Michelle Manseau.

Those of us who think about Michelle remember her glittering green eyes and a smile that stretches miles across her face. Her kind heart, her unrelenting work ethic and her personality that preceded her entrance to any room. And we also recall that exact time we heard about her devastating accident. She is doing incredibly better now and we have God to thank and her unswerving tenacity for her own recovery. We know that Michelle was doing exactly what Michelle's passion was, donating her time to her local 4H club and being able to share her love and experiences with horses.

But this is not about how Michelle has beaten those powerful odds and rising up to rehabilitate herself from that regretful day in 2013, but it IS about her dedication and hard work she puts forth every day in everything she does. Her contributions to this organization mirror her devoted life style. The rule book that we rely on today, was in part designed and orchestrated by Michelle. Few of us have that dedication to detail and have that organizational talent. All someone had to do was mention an idea and Michelle would articulate the details and make it work. For example, the Hall of Fame was an idea presented by Rich Kurzeja, it did not take long for Michelle to have all the pertinent details in line and within one year she had our first nominee's ready to be inducted into the Hall of Fame.

Michelle's story is so much like all of ours, we start out joining IBHA with the sole intent of having an avenue to show our horses. Then it happens. . . the warmth and generosity of the IBHA membership draws and pulls you into their family embrace. It was our good fortune when Michelle so unselfishly offered her expertise to help revitalize this association. From showing at her local Colorado charter, to Charter Delegate, to becoming an Executive Committee Member and to the Hall of Fame Chairperson.

Michelle is an amazing person her contagious laughter and intriguing nature tied in with her work ethic makes her the perfect person to receive this award. Please help us celebrate Michelle's accomplishments with the presentation of this award.

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