

**A Letter From Our Points Keeper**  
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Dear ASRBA Members and Board,

I am quite sure many of you have been wondering about the ASRBA Sweepstakes, and why it has not appeared in the Satin News or on the website.

I was asked last year if I would be interested in doing the ASRBA Sweepstakes, and I was indeed flattered. Being very interested in the job, I contacted Dereck and was told a bit later that I had been approved. I was very eager to get started. I had originally written the program to keep the Satin Sweepstakes several years ago, thus I was/am very familiar with the system and process.

At the time I was approved for the job, I do not believe anything had been entered into any program for the current sweepstakes year. The person that had been receiving the show reports from clubs began forwarding show reports to me, and believe me they came in abundance. The Satin Sweepstakes is such that every placing animal must be entered into the program. It is not simply entering the number of points an exhibitor gets. Thus entering reports is much more lengthy and tedious than many other Sweepstakes. As an example, just the ARBA Convention alone required over 1,000 entries for the Open and Youth.

I suffered a couple of personal setbacks in the latter part of 2018 and the beginning of 2019. I don't need to go into detail, as they are really not anyone's problem except mine. Suffice it to say that those are now behind me, and I have had the opportunity to begin catching up on all of the reports I received initially, as well as those I am currently receiving on a daily basis.

This first Standings is not very extensive. I am sure many of you may comment that you exhibited at shows in the last half of 2018 that are not shown in these Standings. I am aware of that, and can only tell you that I am working on them at every opportunity. They will indeed all be caught up, I promise and guarantee you that. Please bear with me. I will try to have an updated Standing to the web person every couple of weeks until we can get current.

If you were an exhibitor at a show that is listed, but you don't have any points in the Standings, please contact me directly at [rwgehr@aol.com](mailto:rwgehr@aol.com). I will respond and we will figure out why you are not listed.

For those of you that are aware of the problems I had, and are kind enough to be forgiving of my tardiness in getting this project underway, I thank you.

Should anyone have questions or concerns regarding the Sweepstakes, your points (or lack of), or any item related to the Sweepstakes, please do not hesitate to contact me. I am more than willing to look into any situation, and resolve same.

Thank you, and I look forward to serving the ASRBA and its members.

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