

Dorvan Solberg

Born May 20, 1934, in Williston, North Dakota, Dorvan Solberg is an AQHA Director Emeritus and a NDCHA Director Emeritus. He was one of the individuals who signed on the original Articles of Incorporation of the North Dakota Quarter Horse Association on January 20, 1969. After incorporation he was also listed as one of the initial directors.

Dorvan grew up in Ray, North Dakota and graduated from Ray High School. Upon graduation, he attend North Dakota State College of Science at Wahpeton, North Dakota.

Dorvan has been a rancher all his life. He is a member of the Ray Lutheran Church Council and Williams County Farmers Union. For 20 years he was President of the Board of Directors for Mountrail-Williams Electric Cooperative and now serves as Secretary-Treasurer. From 1999-2008 he served as a member of the North Dakota House of Representatives, representing District 2.

For many years, Dorvan has successfully competed in the cutting pen and is known for always taking time to help and encourage his fellow cutters. For 35 years he has served as a judge for American Quarter Horse Association, National Cutting Horse Association and American Paint Horse Association events. Dorvan has judged throughout the USA, Canada, Hawaii and Europe and judged major events such as the AQHYA World Championship Show and the AQHA Select World Championship Show.

As an AQHA Director some of the positions and responsibilities that Dorvan has assumed are: past chairman of the AQHA Hall of Fame Committee, member of the Nominations & Credentials Committee, and member of the Ranching Heritage Committee. He currently is a member of the Public Policy Committee. Dorvan also served AQHA in Washington, D.C., lobbying Congress on issues of importance to the American Quarter Horse Association.

Dorvan and his wife Eileen have four daughters. They split their time between homes in Ray, North Dakota and Rio Verde, Arizona.