

Oregon Hunter/Jumper Association News: September 2008

Upcoming OHJA Approved Horse Shows

Sept. 4-7 Year End Awards Show, Eugene, OR

Mike & Mollie Gallaway (541) 954-5312; www.triplerisehorseshows.com

Sept. 28 Cornerstone Fall Hunter Show #1, Portland, OR

Linda Worley (503) 351-3253; www.cornerstonehj.com

Oct. 4 Quarry Ridge Farm Friendship Series Hunter/Jumper Show,
Battle Ground, WA

Julia Richard (360) 666-4762; www.quarryridgefarm.com

Oct. 17-19 Triple Rise Fall Schooling Show, Boring, OR

Mike & Mollie Gallaway (541) 914-0052;
www.triplerisehorseshows.com

Oct. 26 Cornerstone Fall Hunter Show #2, Portland, OR

Linda Worley (503) 351-3253; www.cornerstonehj.com

Nov. 14-16 Triple Rise Fall Schooling Show, Boring, OR

Mike & Mollie Gallaway (541) 914-0052;
www.triplerisehorseshows.com

Upcoming Clinics

Oct. 4-5 Jeff Cook Clinic, Cornerstone Stables, Portland, OR

Linda Worley (503) 351-3253; www.cornerstonehj.com

Oct. 31-Nov. 2, Joan Curtain Clinic, Cornerstone Stables, Portland, OR

Linda Worley (503) 351-3253; www.cornerstonehj.com

Nov. 8-9 John Turner Clinic, Molalla, OR

Laurie Swanson (503) 829-2528; lfsfreemanfarm@molalla.net

Nov. 22-23 Jeff Cook Clinic, Cornerstone Stables, Portland, OR

Linda Worley (503) 351-3253; www.cornerstonehj.com

Jan. 3-4 John Turner Clinic, Cornerstone Stables, Portland, OR

Linda Worley (503) 351-3253; www.cornerstonehj.com

OHJA Medal Finals

The medal finals will be hosted at the September Year End Awards Show in Eugene. In addition to the jumping competition, all OHJA riders must complete a written test. The written test results will count toward the combined score for each competitor in the medal finals competition.

Specific information and guidelines to help prepare for the written test, including past newsletter education questions, are posted on the OHJA website. We wish each rider the best of luck at the medal finals competition!

OHJA's purpose is to promote the interests of the hunter/jumper and hunt seat equitation community by providing established rules and guidelines for divisions and classes, sanctioning horse shows, tabulating member points, hosting an annual awards banquet, and offering academic and other scholarships to junior members. The medal finals/year end show is one of OHJA's major fundraising events, and members are encouraged to donate to support the 2008

medal finals. All donations are tax-deductible. Donations should be made payable to OHJA and mailed to Joe Regan, Treasurer, % OHJA, P.O. Box 3890, Wilsonville, OR 97070. For your convenience, a sponsorship form may be downloaded from the OHJA website.

To Our College-Bound Members

We wish the best of luck to our college-bound members and look forward to your return. Have a great year!

2008 Annual Banquet

OHJA's annual awards banquet will be held January 10, 2009 at the Embassy Suites in Tigard. The Board is asking members to volunteer to help coordinate the evening and make the banquet a huge success. Please contact Trish Helmer at historygallopson@hotmail.com to volunteer at whatever level you are able.

Julia Richards of Quarry Ridge has graciously volunteered to coordinate the banquet's silent auction, which is one of OHJA's primary fundraising activities. It's not too early to start thinking of auction donations or to help Julia with preparations for the event. If you have questions about donations or would like to volunteer, please contact Julia at www.quarryridgefarm.com.

Membership Reminders

Exhibitors returning from any out of state horse show are responsible for making arrangements to have their show results forwarded directly from the show secretary to Melanie Pennington. Points accumulated for the 2008 show season are posted on the OHJA website. Please verify your points and contact Melanie if you have any questions regarding your point accumulation or membership.

OHJA Board Nominations

The fall elections will include three (3) regular board positions to be filled for the 2009-2010 term years. In addition, two junior representatives will be elected to serve for the upcoming year. **Member volunteers are a very important part of the success of our organization.** If you would like to volunteer to run for a position on the board of directors, please contact Trish Helmer or Kathy Hall on or before October 15, 2008. Your assistance will be greatly appreciated!

Scholarship Applications

OHJA offers academic scholarships to our college-bound junior members. For more information or to request an application, please contact Trish Helmer or Kathy Hall.

Education Corner

Each month's newsletter will include information that might be included on a written test for a future medal finals competition.

Question: A new "third tier" system will become effective for the 2009 competition year. (1) Name the three tiers of the new system; (2) At which shows can competitors of each system accumulate points? (3) In which system can out-of-state competitors accrue points?

Answer: The rule and bylaw change will create the following tiers:

1. The *open system* will include “A” circuit competitors who compete both within and outside Oregon/SW Washington. Out-of-state members can only accrue points in the open system.
2. The *regional system* will include “A” circuit competitors who compete exclusively within Oregon/SW Washington. Regional system members cannot accrue points at horse shows outside the Oregon/SW Washington area but can accrue points at any USEF-rated show or at OHJA regional system show that is not USEF-rated.
3. The *local system* will include grassroots competitors who generally do not compete at USEF-rated shows. Local system members can accumulate points at local system shows, regional system shows and at USEF “B-” and “C-” rated open system shows within Oregon/SW Washington.

For a complete description of the new third tier system, please visit the OHJA website.