

Oregon Hunter/Jumper Association News: February 2009

Upcoming OHJA Area Horse Shows

Feb. 7-8 Avalon Horse Show, Ridgefield, WA

Jody Phillips (503) 750-7383; www.skittlehorse@aol.com

March 7-8 Cornerstone Spring Horse Show #1, Portland, OR

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

March 18-22 Spring Hunter/Jumper Show, Salem, OR

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

Apr. 4-5 Avalon Horse Show, Ridgefield, WA

Jody Phillips (503) 750-7383; www.skittlehorse@aol.com

May 2-3 Cornerstone Spring Horse Show #1, Portland, OR

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

May 6-10 Mother's Day Spring Classic, Eugene, OR

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

May 23-24 Freeman Farm Horse Show, Molalla, OR

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

May 27-31 Rose City Opener, Wilsonville, OR

Shelley Campf (503) 704-7985; www.hapshows.com

Prize lists for upcoming local horse shows may be posted on the OHJA website.

Upcoming Clinics

Feb. 7-8 John Turner Clinic, Molalla, OR

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

Feb. 13-15 Joan Curtain Clinic, Cornerstone Equestrian, Portland, OR

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

Mar. 14-15 Jeff Cook Clinic, Cornerstone Stables, Portland, OR

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

Apr. 25-26 Jeff Cook Clinic, Cornerstone Stables, Portland, OR

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

2008 OHJA Awards Banquet

We wish to give a huge thank you to the 2008 Board and volunteers and especially to Lorna Lowrie and Linda Worley for hosting the banquet and auction. Additionally, we wish to thank Wade Worley as the announcer for the evening and Mike and Mollie Gallaway for organizing the Zone 9 awards for the event. Your teamwork was exceptional!

The awards presentation, which included both division awards and certificate of merit recognition, was a wonderful celebration of our members' accomplishments for the 2008 show season. In addition to the show season awards, several other honors and trophies were presented:

Kubicek Perpetual Trophy: Lauren Worland

Michael McMullen Perpetual Trophy: Avery Worthington

Winning Hands Perpetual Trophy: O'Connor, owned by Max Thompson

Senior Sportsman of the Year Award: Heidi Thornburgh

Junior Sportsman of the Year Award: Margret "Margo" Blasco

JEF Scholarship Award: Courtney Kleck

If anyone has not yet received his/her ribbon or award, please contact a board member. A complete list of division winners and certificate of merit recipients is posted on the OHJA website. Our congratulations to all participants!

OHJA Mother and Father of the Year

Congratulations to this year's Mother of the Year and Father of the Year award winners: Judy and Tom Brawley! Please visit the OHJA website to read the winning letter.

Each year OHJA receives many nominations for these awards. Every letter is heartfelt and well written. It is clear that our juniors truly appreciate the support and commitment of their parents!

Annual OHJA Board Meeting

The first general membership meeting of the new year was held Sunday, January 11. The meeting included the introduction of the new board of directors, discussion and voting on proposed rule changes and an opportunity for feedback and discussion with members. The new rule/bylaw changes will be posted on the website. Thank you to all members who attended the meeting. Your input is very important to the success of our organization!

2008 Board of Directors

Newly elected board members include David Eith, Kathy Hall, Lorna Lowrie and Linda Worley. Our new junior representatives are Alexandra Holmes and Olivia Morgan. The Board wishes to thank departing board members Kathy Hall, Trish Helmer, Tamara McShane and Linda Worley and junior representatives Kara Fergusson and Risa Reichelt for their contributions in the leadership and management of OHJA. For a complete list of the 2009 directors and officers, refer to the OHJA sidebar shown in this newsletter.

OHJA Membership

Have you renewed your OHJA membership? December 1 marked the beginning of a new year for accumulation of points for the 2009 year end awards. It is important to activate your membership and register your horses *before* attending your first show of the 2009 show year to ensure that your points will count toward the awards. Your prompt renewal will also guarantee that you receive *Flying Changes*, which will be included as part of a membership package for those who join or renew by March 31, 2009. A copy of the membership application, which reflects the change to our new three tier system, is shown in this newsletter or may be downloaded from the OHJA website. Please contact Melanie if you have questions regarding your membership.

Website Update

All members are encouraged to visit the OHJA website www.oregonhunterjumper.com for the organization's latest information. We are continuing to design and update the site with the help of Webmaster Bryan Drennen and welcome your comments and suggestions! Please direct all website correspondence to Patty Shannon. If anyone has photos from the 2008 banquet which they would be interested in posting on the website, please contact Patty for further details.

Education Corner

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

Question: In the jumper division (according to USEF rules), what restrictions are placed on the use of martingales?

Answer: (a) For classes offering less than \$1000 in prize money, there are no martingale restrictions.

(b) For classes offering \$1000 to \$4999 in prize money, only standing or running martingales used in the conventional manner are permitted.

(c) For classes offering \$5000 or more in prize money (and all classes restricted to young horses), only running martingales used in the conventional manner are permitted.

Reference: *USEF 2009 Rule Book*, Jumper Division subchapter JP-1, Subject—Tack and Attire (pg. JP7)

(Thanks for helping me with this, Wade!)