

Oregon Hunter/Jumper Association News: November 2011

Upcoming Oregon Area Approved Horse Shows

- Nov. 5** Cornerstone USEF 'C' rated Show, Portland, OR
Wade & Linda Worley (503) 351-3253; cornerstonehj.com
- Nov. 6** Cornerstone Fall Schooling Show #2, Portland, OR
Wade & Linda Worley (503) 351-3253; cornerstonehj.com
- Nov. 12-13** Avalon Schooling Show (Blue Ribbon Series), Ridgefield, WA
Jody Phillips (503) 750-7383; avalonstables@gmail.com
- Nov. 18-20** Triple Rise Schooling Show (Blue Ribbon Series Equitation Finals), Boring, OR
Mike & Mollie Gallaway (541) 914-0052; triplerisehorseshow.com

Upcoming Clinics

- Nov. 12-13** Jeff Cook Clinic, Cornerstone Equestrian, Portland, OR
Linda Worley (503) 351-3253; www.cornerstonehj.com
- Dec. 2-4** George Morris Clinic, Whip 'N' Spur Farm, Wilsonville, OR
Shelley Fellers (503) 704-1238; Rich Fellers (503) 781-0413
- Dec. 10-11** Julie Winkel Clinic, Quiet Rein LLC, Camas, WA
Angela Wilson (360) 607-7323; quietrein.com

A complete calendar of 2011 OHJA-approved horse shows and prize lists for some upcoming horse shows are posted on our website. Please note that upcoming clinics are not OHJA-sanctioned. Clinic details are offered solely for information purposes.

Points and Membership

As the 2011 horse show season nears its end, it is time for you to make a final review of your points accumulated for the 2011 division year end awards. Points summaries are posted on the website. *It is your responsibility to verify your points.* Any discrepancy in points accumulated in the open system must be reported to Melanie Pennington on or before November 30th. Any discrepancy in points accumulated in the regional or local systems must be reported to Melanie by December 15th.

In each of the three systems, a division must meet specific requirements before division winners may receive year end awards. Please refer to the current OHJA Rules (Rule V--Year End Division Awards, Sections A, B, C) on the website to verify that the requirements for distribution of 2011 year end awards have been met in your division. If you have a question about the requirements, please contact Melanie.

December 1 marks the beginning of a new year for accumulation of points for the 2011 year end awards. It is important to activate your membership before attending your first show of the new season to ensure that your points will count toward the awards. A copy of the membership application may be downloaded from the OHJA website. Please contact Melanie if you have questions regarding your membership.

Board of Directors: Election

A ballot for the election of new OHJA board members will be mailed later this month to each

current member of the organization. Please complete and return your ballot to OHJA early to ensure that it is postmarked by the deadline shown on the ballot.

2011 Annual Banquet

Please mark your calendars: The 2011 annual awards banquet will be held on January 7, 2012, at Marriott Downtown Portland Waterfront in Portland. It's not too early to make your hotel reservation for this year's celebration. A block of rooms will be held for OHJA members. Details about the banquet will be posted on our website.

In addition to the banquet, the OHJA annual meeting will be held at the Marriott on Sunday, January 8th. The meeting will provide an opportunity for members to vote on proposed rule changes, meet the new board of directors, receive information on current and upcoming activities and offer suggestions and comments on strengthening our organization. All members are strongly encouraged to attend!

Silent Auction Donations

It's time to start collecting barn baskets and other auction donations! The silent auction is one of OHJA's major fundraising events, providing funding for year end awards, the annual banquet, scholarships, JEF financial aid and other OHJA activities. Suggestions for donations include wine, clothing, catered meals, theme parties, trips, free rent on a vacation home, sporting and other event tickets (Blazers, symphony, ballet, theatre, etc.), gift baskets, memberships, services (horseshoeing, vet exams, photography, etc.), horse show entry fees and equine equipment. Your imagination and generosity will be greatly appreciated! If you have questions about donations or would like to volunteer to help with banquet preparations, please contact Jen Cox at (503) 516-0275.

Scholarship Applications

Academic scholarships are offered by OHJA to selected college-bound junior members. Scholarship awards will be based upon information provided in an application and upon an individual interview to be held later this fall by the Scholarship Committee. Applications must be postmarked by December 1st. For information regarding scholarships, please visit the "Programs" page of the OHJA website.

Mother and Father of the Year and Sportsmanship Awards

It's time to write your letter describing the reasons you believe your mother and/or father should receive the annual Mother/Father of the Year Award, or your friend, barnmate, or fellow competitor should received the annual Junior Sportsmanship or Sportsmanship Award. Letters must be emailed no later than December 1st to Secretary Lorna Lowrie at lornalowrie@gmail.com. The winning letter will be read at the 2011 Awards Banquet. Contact Lorna if you have questions about the awards.

OHJA Bylaws/Rules

The Rules Committee is compiling potential bylaw/rule changes to be submitted for vote at the January general membership meeting. If you have prospective changes you would like to propose for consideration, please contact Kathy Hall or Kathy Kerron by November 1st. *All potential changes this year must be submitted by the deadline:* Potential changes will not be

considered for approval if the changes are submitted at the January annual board meeting.

Facebook

All members are encouraged to join the OHJA Facebook page for the latest information from our organization. Your comments and suggestions are welcome!

Education Corner

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

Question: (True/False) Standing martingales are allowed in any jumper class lower than 1.20m.

Answer: *False*, Classes offering \$5000 or more (and all classes restricted to young horses)--The only martingales permitted are running martingales used in the conventional manner.

USEF 2011 Rule Book, JP111—Tack and Equipment, (pg. JP7)