

Oregon Hunter Jumper Association News: September 2011

Upcoming Oregon Area Approved Horse Shows

- Aug. 31-** Northwest Spectacular USEF "AA" WCHR, Wilsonville, OR
- Sept. 4** Mike Gallaway (541) 954-5312; www.teamnwequestriansports.com
- Sept. 18** Arbor Grove Schooling Show, Woodburn, OR
Joe Regan (503) 981-1978, joe@arborgroveequestrian.com
- Sept. 24** Nancy Wild Hunter/Jumper Equitation Medal Series Finals, Lake Oswego, OR
Gail Stuart-Bowles (503) 636-0674
- Oct. 1** Quarry Ridge Horse Show (Friendship Series), Battle Ground, WA
Julia Richard (360) 666-4762; www.quarryridgefarm.com
- Oct. 1** Cornerstone Fall #1 USEF 'C' Rated, Portland, OR
Wade & Linda Worley (503) 351-3253; www.cornerstonehj.com
- Oct. 2** Cornerstone Fall #1 OHJA approved, Non-USEF Rated (Blue Ribbon Series),
Portland, OR, Wade & Linda Worley (503) 351-3253; www.cornerstonehj.com
- Nov. 5** Cornerstone Fall #2 USEF "C" Rated Horse Show (USEF & OHJA Medal
Classes), Portland, OR, Wade & Linda Worley (503) 351-3253;
www.cornerstonehj.com
- Nov. 6** Cornerstone Fall #2 OHJA approved, Non-USEF Rated (Blue Ribbon Series),
Portland, OR, Wade & Linda Worley (503) 351-3253; www.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; triplerisehorseshows.com

Upcoming Clinics

- Sept. 30-** Kathy Kusner Clinic, Silver Spring Farm, Ashland, OR
- Oct. 2** Nathan Stiles (541) 708-1135, nathankstiles@msn.com
- Oct. 8-9** Jeff Cook Clinic, Cornerstone Equestrian, Portland, OR
Linda Worley (503) 351-3253; www.cornerstonehj.com
- Oct. 28-30** Joan Curtin Clinic, Cornerstone Equestrian, Portland, OR
Linda Worley (503) 351-3253; www.cornerstonehj.com
- Nov. 12-13** Jeff Cook Clinic, Cornerstone Equestrian, Portland, OR
Linda Worley (503) 351-3253; www.cornerstonehj.com
- Dec. 10-11** Julie Winkel Clinic, Quiet Rein LLC, Camas, WA
Angela Wilson, (360) 607-7323, www.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 clinics are not OHJA-sanctioned. Clinic dates are offered solely for information purposes.

OHJA Medal Finals

Please join us at the OHJA 2011 Medal Finals to be held this year during the Oregon Summer Classic at Hunter Creek Farm in Wilsonville. The first phase of the competition will be held Friday evening and will include jumping rounds by all members who have qualified for the event. On Saturday evening, the top 10 finalists in each division will return to compete for the final awards.

In addition to the jumping competition, all medal finals riders must complete a written test, the results of which will count toward the final score of each competitor. Specific information and guidelines to help prepare for the test are posted on our website.

The medal finals competition is one of OHJA's major fundraisers. Members are encouraged to donate sponsorships to support the event. Donations, which may be tax-deductible, should be made payable to OHJA and mailed to Joe Regan, Treasurer, c/o OHJA, 8269G SW Wilsonville Rd., #116, Wilsonville, OR 97070.

Board Nominations

OHJA is currently requesting nominations for four (4) regular board positions to be filled for the 2011-2012 term years. Nominations are also being accepted for two junior representatives to serve for the upcoming year. In past years, board members have included trainers, riders, parents or any member interested in greater involvement in OHJA to provide support for the organization. **Member volunteers are a very important to our success!** If you would like to run for a position on the board of directors, please contact Kathy Hall or Lorna Lowrie on or before October 15, 2011.

Points and Membership

Points accumulated for the 2011 show season are posted on the website. Please note that the summary of points will be updated at least once a month during the show season. It is your responsibility to verify your points and to contact Melanie Pennington if you have any questions.

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.

To Our College-Bound Members

Best wishes to our college-bound members. We look forward to your return. Have a great year!

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. For information regarding scholarships, please visit the "Programs" page of the OHJA website.

JEF

Financial assistance through the Junior Equitation Fund is provided to junior members to help defray costs associated with competing in regional or national medal finals competitions. To be eligible for financial aid, each JEF member must actively participate in the current year's fundraising activities and must make a formal application to the OHJA Board. If you would like more information, please contact a board member.

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) A horse's vision is mostly monocular (single eyed) so that it sees its surroundings as two pictures, one picture seen from each eye.

Answer: True. A horse's eyes are positioned on its head towards the side rather than in the front, which generally allows the horse to see a separate picture with each eye and to have a range of vision of almost 360 degrees. There are two "blind spots" with regard to a horse's vision: The area located in front of its face and directly behind the horse.

Reference: *Horse & Stable Management* by J. H. Brown, S. Pilliner and Z. Davies, 2003 ed., pg. 128