

EASTERN SHORE SHORT CIRCUIT HORSE SHOW ASSOCIATION 2010



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2010 SHOW SCHEDULE

| Date | Show Name | Location |
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| April 17 | ESSCSHA I | Deer Run Farm, Parksley |
| May 1 | Montessori Benefit Show | El Caserio, Franktown |
| June 12 | ES Realtors | Deer Run Farm, Parksley |
| July 31 | ESSCHSA II/ Franktown CHC* | In Remembrance Farm, Nassawadox |
| August 28 | Habitat for Humanity | Deer Run Farm, Parksley |
| September 11 | ESSCHSA Medals | In Remembrance Farm, Nassawadox |

***Double Judged Show**

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2010 ESSCHSA POINT CLASSES

New Classes in Bold Italics

1. Halter
2. Showmanship
3. Leadline Walk
4. Leadline Offline
5. Leadline Walk, Trot
6. ***Leadline Over Poles***
7. Leadline Special Needs
8. ***Junior Equitation Walk***
9. ***Junior Equitation Walk, Trot***
10. ***Junior Equitation Walk, Trot, Canter***
11. ***Junior Equitation Pattern***
12. Junior Pleasure Walk, Trot
13. Junior Pleasure Walk, Trot, Canter
14. Junior Pleasure Mount
15. *Junior Pleasure Go As You Please*
16. Green Walk, Trot
17. Green Walk, Trot, Canter
18. Green Go As You Please
19. ***Green Go As You Please***
20. English Pleasure Mount
21. English Pleasure Hack
22. English Pleasure Walk, Trot, Canter
23. ***English Pleasure Go As You Please***
24. Open Equitation Walk, Trot, Canter
25. Open Equitation Without Stirrups
26. Open Equitation Pattern
27. ***Open Equitation Mount***
28. Beginner Hunter Under Saddle
29. ***Beginner Hunter Hack***
30. Beginner Hunter Over Fences #1
31. Beginner Hunter Over Fences #2
32. Regular Hunter Under Saddle
33. Regular Handy Hunter
34. Regular Hunter Over Fences #1
35. ***Regular Hunter Over Fences #2***
36. Bradley Open Walk Trot
37. Bradley Open Walk, Trot, Canter
38. ***Bradley Open Mount***
39. Bradley Open Go As You Please
40. Western Pleasure
41. Western Command
42. Working Western
43. ***Western Pleasure Go As You Please***
44. Trail
45. ESSCHSA Medal Class
46. ***Adult Pleasure Walk Trot***
47. ***Adult Pleasure Walk Trot Canter***
48. ***Adult Pleasure Go As You Please***
49. ***Adult Pleasure Mount***

Notice to Show Management:

When ordering ribbons, please note there are **49 classes** but only **11 divisions** which require Champion and Reserve Champion ribbons (each division being made up of three or four classes).

Each class is awarded a ribbon for the top 5 with the exception of the Leadline Special Needs class (in which all riders receive a blue ribbon).

Also, the ESSCHSA does not give out high point horse/rider awards for individual shows.

Classes do not have to be offered in this order. A minimum of three classes per division must be offered, with the same number of classes offered in each division. For Hunter divisions, at least two jumping and one flat class must be offered.

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BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I. NAME

Section 1.1

The name of this Association shall be the Eastern Shore Short Circuit Horse Show Association (E.S.S.C.H.S.A.).

ARTICLE II. PURPOSES

Section 2.1

The purposes for which this Association is formed and the businesses and objects to be carried on and promoted by it shall be as follows:

- (a) To promote the use and welfare of all horses and ponies regardless of their breed.
- (b) To establish a common basis under which to show our horses and ponies.
- (c) To foster the improvement of horses and ponies in our area.
- (d) To foster and preserve the interest of breeders, owners, and handlers of horses and ponies in our area.

ARTICLE III. MEMBERSHIP

Section 3.1 Eligibility

Any person who is interested in the improvement of horses and ponies as described in the purposes of this Association shall be eligible for membership.

Section 3.2 Classes of Membership

There shall be three (2) classes of membership:

- (a) Individual: Individual members age 18 (as of January 1) and over shall be entitled to one (1) vote on matters subject to membership voting. No proxies shall be allowed. Members who are 12 to 17 years of age as of January 1 shall be entitled to one half (1/2) vote on matters subject to membership voting. No proxies shall be allowed. Individual members under age 18 are not eligible to serve on the Executive Committee, the Finance Committee, the Grievance Committee, the Nominating Committee, or the Rules Committee.
- (b) Family: Family memberships include members of all ages living in the same household.

Section 3.3 Applications for Membership

Application for membership shall be made on the Eastern Shore Short Circuit Horse Show Association Membership Application Form and submitted to the Association. The effective date of the membership is the date the application and the current fees are received by the Association. The E.S.S.C.H.S.A. membership year begins January 1st. All memberships expire December 31st.

Section 3.4 Membership Dues

Annual dues of not less than \$1.00 per member shall be set by majority vote of the voting membership at the December meeting.

ARTICLE IV. MEETINGS

Section 4.1 Regular Meetings

Regular meetings shall be held in January, December, and monthly as deemed necessary. The Executive Committee shall meet monthly with applicable committees to conduct the regular business of the Association. Minutes of monthly meetings shall be circulated to the membership as soon as reasonably possible.

Section 4.2 Special Meetings

The business of the special meeting shall be limited to the purpose(s) contained in the notice for calling the meeting. Special meetings may be called by the President, the Executive Committee and/or at the written request of ten voting members submitted to the Executive Committee.

Section 4.3 Quorums

The quorum for regular and special meetings shall be 6 senior members. The quorum for Executive Committee meetings shall be a simple majority of members present.

Section 4.4 Voting

- (a) Each senior member shall be entitled to one (1) vote.
- (b) Each junior member shall be entitled to one-half (1/2) vote.

Section 4.5 Order of Business

The order of business at a regular membership meeting shall be as follows:

- (a) Call to order by the President
- (b) Reading of the minutes
- (c) President's Report
- (d) Treasurer's Report
- (e) Committee Reports
- (f) Old Business
- (g) New Business
- (h) Adjournment

The deliberation of the Association shall be governed by these Bylaws and when not controlled by the By-Laws, then by parliamentary usage as contained in the most current edition of Robert's Rules of Order.

ARTICLE V. OFFICERS

Section 5.1

The officers of the Association shall be the President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer, who shall be elected by the membership at the December meeting for a term of one year and shall hold office until their successors have been duly elected. The President shall not serve more than two terms consecutively. Officers shall be drawn from the membership. If an officer misses three or more meetings during the course of a year, the executive committee may ask him/her to resign.

Section 5.2 Parliamentarian

The President shall have the right to appoint a Parliamentarian. The Parliamentarian shall be a member of the Association.

Section 5.3 Duties of the President

The President shall preside at all meetings of the Association and enforce the observance of all parts of the By-Laws of the Association and, subject to the approval, direction, or authorization of the Association, shall oversee the general charge and care of the business and property of the Association, and do and perform all acts which are incident to the office of the President or required by Law.

Section 5.4 Duties of the Vice-President

The Vice-President shall be vested with all powers and perform all of the duties of the President in his absence and shall have such other powers and perform such other duties as may be assigned him by the Association or the President, and perform all acts which are incident to the office of the Vice-President.

Section 5.5 Duties of the Secretary

- (a) The Secretary shall give or cause to be given all required notices of meetings and shall keep accurate records of the business transacted at such meetings in a book or books to be kept for that purpose, and shall perform such other duties as may be assigned by the President, and perform all acts which are incident to the office of the Secretary.
- (b) A membership ledger containing the names and addresses of the membership will be kept. A copy of the ledger shall at all times during the usual hours of business be open to the examination of such persons as may be entitled thereto by the Law or by the By-Laws.

Section 5.6 Duties of the Treasurer

- (a) The Treasurer shall keep full and accurate accounts of receipts and disbursements in books belonging to the Association and shall deposit all moneys and other valuable effects in the name and to the credit of the Association in such depositories as may be designated by the membership. He shall disburse the funds of the Association as may be ordered by the membership, taking proper vouchers for such disbursements, and shall render to the President and the Association at the regular meetings and whenever they may require it, an account of all his transactions as Treasurer and of the financial condition of the Association, and perform all acts which are incident to the office of the Treasurer.
- (b) The Treasurer shall submit the books of the Association to the Finance Committee no later than June 30th and December 31st of each year for the purpose of an audit.

ARTICLE VI. COMMITTEES

Section 6.1

There shall be standing committees and there shall be ad hoc committees, which will be established by the President and the Association as deemed necessary. The President, subject to the approval of the Association, shall make appointment of each committee except where specified herein. The President will not appoint members to the Nominating Committee. All committee members shall be members of the Association.

Section 6.2

All committees shall report to the Association.

Section 6.3

No standing or special committee shall represent the Association in advocacy of or opposition to any project without the special confirmation of the Association or such confirmation as may be clearly granted under the general powers delegated by the Association to that committee.

Section 6.4

The President or the chairman of such committee may call meetings of the committees at any time. The President shall be an ex officio member of all committees unless otherwise prohibited. The President will not be an ex officio member of the Nominating Committee.

Section 6.5

The standing committees, their duties, and composition shall be as follows:

- (a) **Executive Committee:** The Executive Committee shall be comprised of the officers of the Association and two (2) members. The President of the Association shall be the chairman of the committee. The Executive Committee shall keep a record of its proceedings and shall report at the next meeting of the Association any matters which require the actions of the members. The Executive Committee shall be responsible for the day-to-day business of the Association between membership meetings.
- (b) **Finance Committee:** The Finance Committee shall be comprised of the Treasurer and an auditor. The Finance Committee shall have three (3) functions:
 - 1) Preparation of the annual budget.
 - 2) Investigate and report to the Association on ways and means by which funds can be raised by the Association to accomplish its objectives and goals.
 - 3) Assist the Treasurer in the performance of duties and provide accountability to the Association. The semi-annual audits shall be presented to the Association at the next regular meeting following audits.
- (c) **Grievance Committee:** The Grievance Committee shall be comprised of the Vice-President and two (2) members appointed by the Association. The Vice-President shall be the chairman of the Committee. The Grievance Committee shall hear protests and charges in connection with alleged violations of the Rules of the Association and investigate complaints against members and officers of the Association. In conducting its business this committee shall be governed by the applicable portions of Robert's Rules of Order.
- (d) **Public Relations, Advertising, and Publication Coordinator:** The coordinator may designate subcommittees and assign additional members to accomplish its goals. Duties include:
 - 1) Plan the yearly advertising campaign and public relations strategy.
 - 2) Develop support for programs and projects and develop plans to attract new members.
 - 3) Provide information to the membership via a newsletter, yearbook, etc.
- (f) **Rules Committee:** The Rules Committee shall be comprised of five (5) members appointed by the Association. The Rules Committee shall develop and modify the Rules of the Eastern Shore Short Circuit Horse Show Association, which shall be consistent with the By-Laws of the Association. If a matter cannot be resolved in interpreting the Rules of the Eastern Shore Short Circuit Horse Show Association to the letter, the solution to be adopted will be determined by the Rules Committee. The Rules shall be submitted to the Association for approval and implementation.
- (g) **Show, Seminar, Clinic, and Awards Committee:** The Show, Seminar, Clinic, and Awards Committee shall be comprised of three (3) members appointed by the President and three (3) members appointed by the Association. The President shall appoint the Pointskeeper for a term of one year. This committee may designate subcommittees and assign additional members as needed to accomplish its goals. The Show, Seminar, Clinic, and Awards Committee shall:
 - 1) Act as liaison between the Association and horse shows to encourage divisions and classes showcasing horses and ponies of the membership.
 - 2) Maintain records for the year-end high point scores and awards.

- 3) Supervise and implement the annual awards program.
 - 4) Plan and implement any appropriate educational seminars or clinics to benefit the members or attract new members.
 - 5) The points shall be audited semi-annually by July 31st and on or before November 1st.
- (h) **Ad Hoc Committee**: The President or the Association may appoint such Ad Hoc Committees as may be deemed desirable and define their duties. Unless otherwise provided, it shall be the function of the Ad Hoc Committee to investigate and make recommendations.

ARTICLE VII. BANK ACCOUNTS

Section 7.1

The moneys belonging to the Association shall be deposited in one or more financial institutions to be designated by the Association and shall be drawn out only on checks co-signed by the President or Vice-President and the Treasurer. Expenditures in excess of \$500.00 shall require Executive Committee approval prior to the distribution of funds.

ARTICLE VIII. ASSOCIATION SEAL

Section 8.1

The Executive Committee shall have the authority to secure a corporate seal upon which shall be inscribed the words: EASTERN SHORE SHORT CIRCUIT HORSE SHOW ASSOCIATION.

ARTICLE IX. AMENDMENTS

Section 9.1

These By-Laws may be amended at specially or regularly called meetings of the members of the Association provided fifteen (15) days notice has been given to each member of the proposed changes to be acted upon at such meeting. The fifteenth (15th) day shall be counted from the day of the postmark.

2010 RULES AND REGULATIONS

Note: New sections are in bold italics

It is the responsibility of show management, exhibitors, and members to understand and abide by all rules of the ESSCHSA.

GENERAL RULES:

1. All classes will be conducted and judged in accordance with the current rules and regulations of the ESSCHSA. All rules will stand for the entire year. Changes will be made at the December open membership meeting with the exception that if a situation is brought up that no rule covers, then the Rules Committee will meet with their suggestions and it will be voted on by the membership at a special meeting.
2. ALL riders/drivers under the age of 18 must wear ASTM approved helmets while mounted or driving on the show grounds, including INSIDE and OUTSIDE the show ring. All adult riders must wear ATSM/SEI approved helmets while jumping on the show grounds, both INSIDE and OUTSIDE the show ring. Western and Park riders and drivers may wear safety helmets without penalty from the judge. The ESSCHSA reserves the right to spot check helmets during a show.
3. Any rider may choose to wear an equestrian body protector vest in any class without penalty from the judge.
4. Chaps will not be required for Western classes.
5. All dogs **MUST** be in a pen or on a leash. This includes participants, grounds owners, and management of sanctioned shows.
6. No persons will be allowed in the show ring during the time of judging, except those who have duties to perform.
7. It is advisable that show management notify a veterinarian, a farrier, and EMTs of the date, time and location of a show.
8. All horses and ponies must be serviceably sound. Any lameness, broken wind, or other impairment which interferes with the performance of the animal will be considered unsoundness, and the horse/pony will be excused from the class. A steward may relay the concerns of a participant, spectator, or other attendee regarding the soundness of a horse to the judge. The final determination of soundness is at the discretion of the judge.
9. **Any** horse/pony of any rider/handler that is uncontrollable may be asked to leave the ring and/or show grounds. A steward may relay the concerns of a participant, spectator, or other attendee regarding the conduct of an uncontrolled horse or rider to the judge.

10. Stallions will not be handled, shown, driven, or ridden by any junior at any time during ESSCHSA sanctioned shows.
11. A mechanical hackamore may be used only when written notification from a licensed veterinarian that the use of a bit is not recommended is presented.
12. Riders, trainers, handlers, and/or owners committing an abusive act (like excessive use of whip) to animals or acting in any unsportsmanlike manner will be asked to leave the grounds.
13. The use of any type of drugs to alter the horse's/pony's soundness and/or behavior is ABSOLUTELY prohibited. If proven, the horse's/pony's owner, trainer and/or handler will be asked to leave the grounds, and any points accrued on that day will be taken away. The trainer, owner, and/or handler will be barred from showing at ESSCHSA sanctioned shows for the remainder of the year.
14. The ESSCHSA may certify breed points for competitors showing on breed circuits.

RULES REGARDING THE AWARDING OF POINTS:

1. Year-end points will only be awarded for ESSCHSA-approved classes and to ESSCHSA members. Points will begin to accumulate effective the day of payment of all applicable fees and presentation of all required forms and breed papers.
2. Points will be kept by the Points Keeper and audited by the Points Auditor. Sanctioned shows will have the responsibility to report points accurately.
3. All divisions (except the Games Division) will offer Champion and Reserve Champion ribbons. A first place prize/trophy equal to a minimum of one-half of the entry fee of one class plus 5 ribbons will be offered in each class. A participation prize will be offered to each Leadline rider who does not place in the first five. Credit will be given for the top 5, regardless of ribbons offered.
 - a. Points in all classes will be given as follows:

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| First place | 6 points |
| Second place | 4 points |
| Third place | 3 points |
| Fourth place | 2 points |
| Fifth place | 1 point |
| Division Champion | 5 points |
| Division Reserve Champion | 3 points |

In the event there are only two entries in a class, points will be scored as follows:

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|----------------------------------|-----------------|
| First place | 3 points |
| Second place | 1 point |
| Division Champion | 3 points |
| Division Reserve Champion | 1 point |

There shall be no ties awarded in 1st-5th place in any class. Classes will not be run with less than two riders, with the exception of Leadline Special Needs.

In the event of a tie for Champion or Reserve Champion in a division at a show, the riders/drivers will have the option of a hack-off or a coin toss. If one rider wishes to hack off and the other rider does not, the Champion/Reserve Champion will be awarded to the one who wanted to hack off.

EXCEPTION: In the Hunter Divisions, in the event of a tie for Champion or Reserve Champion, the horse/pony with the most over-fence points will win. If there is a tie in over-fences points there will be a hack-off on the flat or a coin toss.

A show steward must be present when the decision is made. If both participants have left the show grounds, the Champion/Reserve Champion Points will be split equally between the tied participants, and no ribbons will be awarded.

4. In the event that a show is cancelled prior to all classes being judged, any earned points will count towards year-end class and division awards but not towards high point horse or rider awards nor multi-division/class trophies.
5. There is an annual rider/handler membership fee. Year-end award points accumulate from the date all of the following have occurred:
 - a. The date a photocopy of registration papers are filed with the Points Keeper for breed-specific awards (if applicable)
 - b. The date the annual membership fee is paid.
6. Optional Divisions will be held at the request of at least three association members. Requests for the optional divisions to be held must be made no later than 30 days prior to the show date and must be submitted in writing (faxes are acceptable) to show management.

SHOW MANAGEMENT RULES:

1. All classes that are in the ESSCHSA list of classes must be represented as they are written. No changes may be made, including splitting classes * or combining of classes. (*Note: Classes may not be split into A/B sections for judging. However, if the class is large, riders may be divided and asked to perform work, such as canter or hand gallop, in smaller groups which will then be judged as part of the same class).
2. At least 3 classes in each division and all non-divisional classes in the ESSCHSA Class List must be offered. (NOTE: Beginner and Regular Hunter Divisions must include the Under Saddle class.)
3. Show management reserves the right to cancel any class with fewer than two entries.
4. There will be NO change in class description and/or order of classes offered after the prize list has been mailed unless inclement weather mandates the cancellation or rescheduling of classes. Judge/show stewards' decisions will be final. An exception to this may be made to allow for the timing of the Lead Line Special Needs class. Show management must submit a copy of their prize list to the Show Committee for approval 30 days prior to the show date.

5. It is the responsibility of the show management to ensure that the jumps for over fences classes and hack classes are the proper height. There will be a fine for jumps that exceed the maximum height (see fee listing).
6. See Fee Listing for show sanctioning fees. ESSCHSA will provide duplicate forms to be used for judges forms, entry forms, and championship forms. These completed forms must be returned the day of the show to the ESSCHSA.
 - a. ESSCHSA entry forms, judges' sheets, and championship forms furnished by the ESSCHSA **must** be used. Should the ESSCHSA entry form not meet the requirement of show manager's insurer, show management may attach an addendum to ESSCHSA entry form to fulfill insurer's requirements. The Show Committee, prior to the show, must approve any addendum.
 - b. Show must apply for sanctioning by April 1st of the show year. The show management will sign an agreement with the ESSCHSA to abide by ESSCHSA rules and regulations. The sanctioning fee must accompany the application. If applying after April 1st, a late filing fee may be assessed.
 - c. ESSCHSA will provide a volunteer to coordinate the Show Secretary stand *whenever possible*.
7. The show secretary will notify the Show Committee of any unpaid entries (with the name of rider/handler and address) within 5 days of show, so that proper restrictions are enforced. The person and/or persons responsible will be barred from horse shows that are sanctioned by the ESSCHSA until such fees are paid.
8. Horse show jumps and sound equipment are available only to ESSCHSA sanctioned shows for a fee. Renter must sign an agreement, and equipment must be returned within 1 week after show, or a penalty will be assessed. Loss or damage of said equipment is the responsibility of the renter. The equipment trailer must be re-loaded in the same manner as when unloaded by show management. Exceptions will result in forfeiture of deposit.
9. There is a **mandatory fee** to be paid by each horse/pony and rider/handler combination. NOTE: A separate entry form must be used for each horse/pony and rider/handler combination. It is the responsibility of the entry booth to collect this fee for the ESSCHSA.
 - a. A grounds fee will be charged to each entry.
 - b. A late fee will be assessed and collected for any and all entries submitted after noon on the Thursday (or 48 hours prior to a show) before a show.
10. A negative Coggins test, taken within the last 12 months, is required by the ESSCHSA for ALL horses and ponies entering the grounds of sanctioned shows. It is the responsibility of the show management to check for negative Coggins certification at the entry booth prior to issuing a number.
11. It is the responsibility of the show management to obtain a judge, 2 show stewards, an announcer and other necessary volunteers. Show stewards must be approved by the ESSCHSA. At least 1 steward **must** be on the show grounds at all times. ESSCHSA will provide the services of a show secretary *whenever possible*.

12. Schooling in the jump and trail rings is at the discretion of show management. *If show management does not allow schooling over jumps, it must be so noted on the prize list.*

13. Ring Requirements:

- a. The **minimum** size for a ring is 100' x 150' unless otherwise approved by show committee chairperson.
- b. The ring must be fully enclosed with an in-gate/out-gate.
- c. Safe fencing is a must. NO BARBED WIRE. High tensile wire is only allowed when there will be only 1 exhibitor in the ring at a time.
- d. No jumps/obstacles are permitted in rings where flat classes are held except for the Medals, English Pleasure, Beginner Hunter, and Regular Hunter divisions.

14. Show Grounds Requirements:

- a. Show Management is solely responsible for all setup and takedown of show grounds, including but not limited to jumps, trail equipment, secretary stands, concession stand, etc. If schooling over fences is permitted, jumps courses should be set up no later than 7:30 a.m.
- b. There will be a schooling (practice) area of no less than 200' x 200' with at least 2 schooling jumps *if show management does not allow schooling over fences.*
- c. The grounds must be free of debris and other obstacles.
- d. The footing of the ring and grounds must be safe (no holes and level). If rope fencing is used it must be highly visible to horse and rider.
- e. There must be ample parking for at least 25 trailers, and whenever possible, the parking area should be enclosed.
- f. There must be an adequate sound system that can be heard in the ring as well as the schooling and parking areas.
- g. There must be a proper restroom.
- h. Water must be available at all times.
- i. There must be suitable lighting for night shows.
- j. All electric fencing must be turned off during the show.
- k. The Show Committee will inspect all show grounds at least 1 month prior to an ESSCHSA-sanctioned show. If the grounds cannot be made to meet the ESSCHSA requirements, the show will not be sanctioned and the sanctioning fee will not be refunded. The Show Committee will inspect new show grounds within 30 days of receipt of sanctioning application and fee.

15. Show management, organizers, committees, and/or ground owners, and the ESSCHSA will not be responsible for any injury or injuries to any person, horse, animal, or property incurred while on the show grounds.
16. A judge may not judge more than twice in one year and no more than once in a thirty-day period. *Persons who have taken a lesson, participated in a clinic or otherwise had business (i.e. sold, purchased or trained horse/pony) with the judge during the past 90 days may not show under that judge. Judges may not judge their own horse/pony.*
17. There will be a 3-minute limit to wait for entrants in any class unless the ringmaster or announcer is notified of a tack change, in which case a **maximum** of 5 minutes will be allowed. There will be a five-minute intermission when a class has been cancelled.
18. *Judges should initial all judges sheets before submitting them to the entry booth.*
19. *Course designers (trail, jumping, pattern, etc.) should not compete in classes for which they have designed the course.*
20. *The executive committee will have the final decision on cancelling or postponing an ESSCHSA show. If a show is cancelled or postponed, announcements will be made on WESR. For ESSCSHA sanctioned show that are postponed or cancelled, no refunds will be given. Volunteers will be provided on the rescheduled day if they are available.*

GRIEVANCE PROCEDURES:

Any grievance should be brought to the attention of the stewards on the day of the show to see if it can be resolved. If it is not resolved, a person may file a formal grievance with the Grievance Committee. There is a fee for filing a grievance, which will be returned if the grievance committee finds in your favor. This must be done within 48 hours of the show. The Grievance Committee will then meet in an appropriate amount of time to either agree or disagree with the grievance.

If a participant or spectator has a question or comment during a show, it **MUST** be addressed to a show steward. Should questions or disputes arise that are not covered by these rules, they shall be referred to the Show Committee, Show Committee Chairperson, the judge, and show stewards who will refer to the USEF Rules. All decisions shall be final.

YEAR END AWARDS

The ESSCHSA offers annual awards in all divisions and classes under the regulations set forth.

(NOTE: All applicable fees must have been paid.)

1. Champions shall be those horses/ponies and riders/drivers/handlers that score the highest number of points in their classifications at sanctioned shows.
2. Reserve, third, fourth, and fifth place ribbons will also be awarded. A participation ribbon will be awarded to all Leadline riders who participated in at least 2 shows, in the Leadline Division, regardless of points earned.
3. Two annual high point awards will be awarded:
 - a. An award for Equitation will be awarded to the rider who scores the highest number of points in classes judged on Equitation (includes: Short/Long Stirrup, Showmanship, Open Equitation, and **ESSCHSA Medal Class**. Excludes Leadline).
 - b. An award for Performance will be awarded to the horse/pony which scores the highest number of points in classes judged on the performance of the horse/pony (includes: Trail, Green, English Pleasure, Western Pleasure, Beginner Hunter, Regular Hunter, Bradley Open, Junior Pleasure, Adult Pleasure, Halter, and Performance Conformation).
4. In the event of a tie, an annual high point award will be awarded to each member.
5. For Year-End High Point, points begin to accumulate upon receipt of a photocopy of breed registration papers to be filed with the Points Keeper and payment of applicable fees.
6. All donors of perpetual/challenge trophies must make their donations and trophy criteria prior to February 1st of the show year. The donor is responsible for the initial engraving of the trophy name. The ESSCHSA Show Committee will be responsible for having perpetual trophies engraved thereafter.
7. When originally placed in competition, the perpetual trophy becomes the property of the E.S.S.C.H.S.A. and cannot be withdrawn by the donor. The conditions of the perpetual trophy may not be changed.
8. The winner of a perpetual trophy is entitled to possession of the trophy for a period of nine months from the date of the annual banquet. At the end of the nine-month period, it is to be returned to the current Show Committee chairman at the recipient's expense.
9. In the event a perpetual trophy is stolen, destroyed, damaged, or for any reason cannot be returned, the recipient who last had possession of it must pay the E.S.S.C.H.S.A. the cost of replacing it with a trophy acceptable to the Association, together with all necessary engraving to date.

10. Should the conditions of a trophy not be met in any show year, the previous recipient is to return the trophy at the end of his possession to the current or last Show Committee chairman.
11. Should the conditions of a trophy not be met for two or more successive show years, the Show Committee and the Executive Committee shall jointly determine whether to retire the trophy and return it to the donor.
12. When a trophy has been fully engraved on its face, the trophy is to be returned to the donor or the donor's legal representative. Replacement to be at the option of donor.

Perpetual trophies will be awarded in the following areas:

Perpetual Equitation Trophies:

1. Equestrian Pastimes High Point Equitation Perpetual Trophy: Awarded to the rider who scores the highest number of points in classes judged on Equitation (includes: Leadline, Beginner Equitation, Short Stirrup, Long Stirrup, and Showmanship, and Open Equitation classes). Donated by Equestrian Pastimes Farm.
2. Fast Buck Freddy Perpetual Trophy: Awarded to the High Point Showmanship handler. Donated by Charlie Purnell.

Perpetual Performance Trophies:

1. Almosta Farm Perpetual Trophy: Awarded to the High Point Halter horse or pony. Donated by May Hickman.
2. Equestrian Pastimes High Point Horse Perpetual Trophy: Awarded to the horse/pony, which scores the highest number of points in classes judged on the performance of the horse (includes: Trail, Green, English Pleasure, Western Pleasure, Beginner Hunter, Regular Hunter, Bradley Open, Halter, Performance Conformation, and Junior Pleasure Divisions). Donated by Equestrian Pastimes Farm
3. Peanut Brittle Teacher of the Year Trophy: Awarded to the horse/pony with the most collected points in Showmanship, Leadline, Short Stirrup, Long Stirrup, and Junior Pleasure. Donated by Mr. and Mrs. John S. Kirkpatrick.
4. Bayview Green Horse Trophy: Awarded to the Green horse or pony that has accumulated the most points in all hunter classes. This horse or pony must be in its first two years of showing, therefore eligible to complete in the Green Division. The points for this award are accumulated from Halter, Performance Conformation, Green, Regular Hunter, Beginner Hunter, Bradley Open, English Pleasure, and Junior Pleasure Divisions. This award is in honor of Kahlua - a student, a teacher and a champion. *Rider/owner of green horse or pony is solely responsible for notifying ESSCHSA of horse's or pony's eligibility for this award.* Donated by Bayview Farms.
5. Skip-the-Pedigree Perpetual Trophy: Awarded to the unregistered horse/pony rider/handler combination with the highest total points of all ESSCHSA classes in all divisions. Donated by Mrs. Alice Custis.
6. Drummondtown Tavern English Pleasure Perpetual Trophy: Awarded to the horse with

the highest accumulated points in English Pleasure division. Donated by Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Dahlke.

Perpetual Breed Year-End Trophies:

1. R and S Appaloosas Perpetual Trophy: Awarded to the Western Division High Point horse or pony. Donated by Stella Rohde and Renee Freeman.
2. The Bradley Award: Awarded to the Morgan Pleasure horse with the highest cumulative points in the English, Western, and Bradley Divisions. Donated by Mr. and Mrs. Brooks Wallace and Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Thompson.
3. High Point Arabian Perpetual Trophy: Awarded to the registered purebred Arab with the highest total collected points. Donated by Eyreville Farm.
4. High Point Quarter Horse: Awarded to the most versatile registered Quarter Horse that best exemplifies the breed with the highest total collected points. Donated by Joan Bowden and Diane Johnson.
5. High Point Appaloosa: Awarded to the most versatile registered Appaloosa that best exemplifies the breed with the highest collected points. Donated by Joan Bowden and Diane Johnson.
6. High Point Welsh/Welsh Cross: Awarded to the most versatile registered Welsh pony or registered Half-Welsh pony that best exemplifies the breed with the highest total collected points. Donated by the Rakowski family.
7. Elusive Reward Perpetual Trophy: Awarded to the Registered Thoroughbred with the highest accumulated points in performance and equitation classes combined. Donated by Jeanne Noonan.
8. Moody Blues Marti Paint Horse Challenge Trophy: This perpetual trophy is awarded to the Registered Paint Horse and rider combination with the highest cumulative points for the show season in both equitation and performance classes. Points accrue only for an eligible horse and rider combination, not for the horse individually with different riders. In the event the trophy is won by the same horse/rider combination, for three consecutive show years, the trophy will be retired. Donated by Pat Gorman.

Achievement and Recognition Awards:

1. Junior Achievement Award: Awarded to a junior rider who has demonstrated significant improvement over the previous year. Donated by Pat Gorman and Susannah Warner.
2. Peanut Brittle Perfect Pony Award: Awarded to the Youth or Junior rider/handler with a "perfect pony" as described in a short essay of no more than 2 hand-written pages. Essays must be submitted **60 days prior to the awards banquet**. Donated by Susannah Warner.
3. Yosemite Sam Super Horse Award: Awarded to a horse that has made a significant contribution to the sport of riding on the Eastern Shore. To be eligible, a horse must be

nominated in writing. Nominations must be signed and cannot be made by the owner or rider/handler for the year. Nominations must be submitted in a sealed envelope by the final show of the season. PLEASE do not tell the owner or rider/handler you have submitted the nomination. Donated by Suzannah Warner.

4. Jillian Gorman "Tough Kid" Award: This award is open to any rider/handler 17 and under. It is to be awarded to a rider/handler who (for any reason, i.e., falling off, horse/pony becoming lame, riding or handling a particularly difficult horse or pony, etc.) had a particularly tough show season and still continued to smile through his or her trials and support other riders. The award is not based on ability, experience or points; just attitude. This award is given in honor of Jillian Gorman. Nominations should be made secretly and submitted to Michelle Surran by the last show of the season. Michelle and Jillian will make the final decision for the award. Donated by Michelle Surran.
5. Favorite Show Award: Votes will be cast and tallied at the banquet for the favorite show of the season.

EASTERN SHORE SHORT CIRCUIT HORSE SHOW ASSOCIATION

LIST OF CLASSES FOR ALL DIVISIONS 2009

Any lettering in bold italics indicate changes for 2009

IN-HAND CLASSES

- Eligibility: Open to all handlers, all breeds of horses and ponies
- Tack Specifications: English or Western tack is permitted. To be shown in-hand either in a halter or bridle. Excessive use of the whip or actions that disturb other entries will be severely penalized. Handler's attire not to be penalized in halter class.
- Cross-Entering Restrictions: None for Showmanship or Halter classes. Cross entering not allowed to Performance Conformation from Short Stirrup, Long Stirrup, Beginner Equitation, Junior Pleasure, Leadline or Limited Trail.
- Judging Criteria: Halter Class is judged entirely on conformation and the animal's way of going.
- Showmanship is judged on "turn out" of horse and handler and handler's ability to present his/her animals. If showing English, horse/pony must be presented in an English bridle, and handler should be completely dressed in English attire (should include hat, jacket, breeches or jodhpurs, shirt, boots, and gloves). If showing Western, horse/pony must be presented in a Western halter, and handler should be completely dressed in Western attire (should include: hat, boots, long sleeved shirt, bolo or tie, long pants, and gloves.)

CLASSES:

HALTER: Judged at a walk, trot and standing.

SHOWMANSHIP: Judged at a walk, trot and standing. Exhibitors may be asked to perform a simple showmanship pattern.

EQUITATION DIVISIONS

LEADLINE DIVISION

- Eligibility: Open to riders who have not reached their 8th birthday as of January 1 of the show year. Winners of two consecutive year-end championships are not eligible for this division in subsequent years.
- Tack Specifications: English or Western tack is permitted. No dropped or flash nosebands or martingales.
- Cross-Entering Restrictions: Rider may cross-enter only into Showmanship, Halter, and *Junior Equitation Walk*.
- Judging Criteria: This is a general equitation class. Horse and pony size not to be penalized. Fall of horse and/or rider results in automatic disqualification.

CLASSES:

LEADLINE WALK: To be shown at a walk, both ways of the ring.

LEADLINE OFF-LINE: Handler to walk beside the pony with Leadline unattached. To be shown at a walk, both ways of the ring.

LEADLINE WALK, TROT: Will be asked to trot on an individual basis. To be shown both ways of the ring.

LEADLINE OVER POLES: *Riders will be asked to negotiate a series of poles on the ground.*

LEADLINE SPECIAL NEEDS: Limited to special needs riders only. To be shown at a walk both ways.

JUNIOR EQUITATION DIVISION

- Eligibility: Open to riders who have not reached their 18th birthday as of January 1 of the show year. Winners of two year-end championships are not eligible for this division in subsequent years.
- Tack Specifications: English or Western tack is permitted. No dropped or flash nosebands or martingales allowed.
- Cross-Entering Restrictions: Cross entering at the same show is allowed only in Showmanship, Halter, Junior Pleasure, Trail, and Beginner Hunter. *Leadline may cross enter into Junior Equitation Walk.*
- Judging Criteria: This is a general equitation class to be judged on hands, seat, and suitability of rider to mount. Judge may ask riders to drop stirrups at a walk only. Fall of horse/pony and/or rider results in

an automatic disqualification.

CLASSES:

SHORT STIRRUP WALK : To be shown both ways of the ring.

SHORT STIRRUP WALK, TROT: To be shown both ways of the ring.

SHORT STIRRUP WALK, TROT AND CANTER: To be shown both ways of the ring.

SHORT STIRRUP PATTERN: Riders will perform a simple individual pattern as specified by the judge. No harsh stops.

OPEN EQUITATION DIVISION

Eligibility: This division is open to all English and Western junior and adult riders.

Tack Specifications: English or Western tack is permitted. Martingales are not permitted. Regular cavesson only. Hackamore, curb, snaffle, bits are permissible. Absolutely no iron is permitted under the jaw. Curb chains are permissible but must meet with the approval of the judge and must be at least ½" in width. No wire curbs no matter how padded are permitted.

Cross-Entering Restrictions: Riders may not cross enter into Leadline, Beginner Equitation, Junior Equitation Division, and Junior Pleasure Divisions.

Judging Criteria: This is a general equitation class to be judged on the rider's hands, seat, guidance and control. Fall of the horse/pony and/or rider constitutes disqualification.

CLASSES:

OPEN EQUITATION WALK, TROT, CANTER: To be shown at a walk, trot/jog, and canter/lope both ways of the ring. Riders may be asked to drop stirrups.

OPEN EQUITATION – NO STIRRUPS: To be shown at a walk, trot and canter both ways of the ring and judged on equitation without stirrups.

OPEN EQUITATION PATTERN: Riders will perform a simple individual pattern as specified by the judge. No harsh stops. Riders may be asked to drop stirrups.

OPEN EQUITATION MOUNT: To be shown at a walk, trot/jog and canter/lope both ways of the ring. Riders may be asked for an extended jog/trot, extended canter/lope, hand gallop, to drop stirrups, dismount and mount.

ESSCHSA MEDAL CLASS

- Eligibility:** This division is open to all English riders. Fence heights are determined by rider's age (see below). The top five places in the over fences class will be called back to compete in flat classes. (See details below.)
- Tack Specifications:** Refer to Beginner Hunter and Regular Hunter Divisions tack specifications.
- Cross Entering Restrictions:** May not cross-enter into Beginner Equitation, Junior Equitation, Junior Pleasure, Leadline
- Judging Criteria:** This is an equitation class to be judged on the rider's hands, seat, guidance and control. Fall of the horse/pony and/or rider constitutes automatic disqualification.

CLASSES:

| <u>Rider Age:</u> | <u>Fence Height:</u> |
|---------------------|----------------------|
| <i>15</i> and Under | 2' 3 |
| <i>16</i> and Over | 2' 6" |

Riders will first complete a handy-style hunter course of no more than 10 jumps. At the judges discretion, 5 riders will be called back to compete in the flat portion of the class. Flat work will consist of a walk, trot, and canter at least one way of the ring. Riders may be asked to drop stirrups.

Rider must accumulate 12 points in order to qualify for the medals final. Once a rider has accumulated 12 points he/she may no longer compete in the remaining shows. In the event that fewer than 5 riders qualify, the riders with the highest number of points will be invited to participate. Points for this class do not count toward year end high point equitation.

The ESSCHSA Medal Finals class will be held during the last ESSCHSA Show of the season. The top 5-point earners in previous Medal classes will be invited to compete in the final class. No schooling will be permitted prior to the Medal Finals class. Riders may be asked to switch horses in the Medals Final class.

PERFORMANCE DIVISIONS

JUNIOR PLEASURE DIVISION

- Eligibility: Open to riders who have not reached their 18th birthday as of January 1 of the show year. Horse and rider combinations may only enter this division for four consecutive show years. Recipients of two year-end championships are not eligible for this division in subsequent years.
- Tack Specifications: English or Western tack is permitted. No dropped or flash nosebands or martingales permitted. Hackamore, curb, and snaffle bits are permissible. Absolutely no iron is permitted under the jaw. Curb chains are permissible but must meet with the approval of the judge and must be at least ½” in width. No wire curbs no matter how padded are permitted.
- Cross-Entering Restrictions: Cross entering with the same horse/pony rider/handler combination is allowed only in Showmanship, Halter, Short Stirrup, Long Stirrup, Pleasure Driving Division, and Beginner Hunter Division.
- Judging Criteria: To be judged on performance, manners, ability to provide a pleasurable ride, and to back and stand quietly. Fall of horse/pony and/or rider results in an automatic disqualification.

CLASSES:

JUNIOR PLEASURE WALK, TROT: To be shown at a walk and trot/jog both ways of the ring.

JUNIOR PLEASURE WALK, TROT, CANTER: To be shown at a walk, trot/jog, and canter/lope both ways of the ring.

JUNIOR PLEASURE MOUNT: To be shown at a walk, trot/jog, and canter/lope. Riders may be asked for an extended trot but no hand gallop. Riders may be asked to dismount, but will not have to mount.

JUNIOR PLEASURE GO AS YOU PLEASE: *Riders enter at a walk and may show at the trot or canter. Rider must perform the same gait in both directions.*

GREEN DIVISION

- Eligibility: Classes will be open to all breeds of horses and ponies of any age. **THE GREEN DIVISION IS OPEN ONLY TO HORSES OR PONIES IN THEIR FIRST OR SECOND YEAR OF SHOWING UNDER SADDLE.**
- Tack Specifications: English or Western tack is permitted. No dropped or flash nosebands or martingales permitted. Hackamore, curb, and snaffle bits are permissible. Absolutely no iron is permitted under the jaw. Curb chains are permissible but must meet with the approval of the judge and must be at least ½” in width. No wire curbs no matter how padded are permitted.
- Cross-Entering Restrictions: Cross entering is NOT allowed in Beginner Equitation, Junior Pleasure, Short Stirrup, and Long Stirrup.
- Judging Criteria: To be judged on performance, manners and soundness. Fall of horse/pony and/or rider results in an automatic disqualification.

CLASSES:

GREEN WALK, TROT: To be shown at a walk and trot/jog both ways of the ring.

GREEN UNDER SADDLE: Walk, trot/jog, and canter/lope both ways of the ring.

GREEN GO AS YOU PLEASE: Riders enter at a walk and may show at the trot or canter. Rider must perform the same gait in both directions.

GREEN GO AS YOU PLEASE: *Riders enter at a walk and may show at the trot or canter. Rider must perform the same gait in both directions.*

ENGLISH PLEASURE DIVISION

- Eligibility: Open to all breeds of horses and ponies.
- Tack Specifications: To be shown in English tack with no dropped or flash nosebands or martingales permitted.
- Cross-Entering Restrictions: Cross entering is allowed only in Showmanship, Halter, Beginner Hunter, Regular Hunter, Open Pleasure, Western Pleasure, Open Equitation, Bradley, and Green Divisions, and Trail.
- Judging Criteria: To be judged on handling with emphasis on the pleasure of the ride. To back readily and to stand quietly. Fall of horse/pony and/or rider results in an automatic disqualification. No more than 8 horses will be asked to hand gallop at one time.

CLASSES:

ENGLISH PLEASURE WALK, TROT, CANTER: To be shown both ways of the ring at a walk, trot and canter.

ENGLISH PLEASURE MOUNT: To be shown at a walk, trot, extended trot and canter both ways of the ring. Riders may be asked to mount and dismount and hand gallop.

ENGLISH PLEASURE HACK: To be shown at a walk, trot and canter at least one way of the ring. Riders shall be called upon to negotiate two obstacles that may include 18" jumps. Judged 75% on flat; 25% on obstacles.

ENGLISH PLEASURE GO AS YOU PLEASE: Riders enter at a walk and may show at the trot or canter. Rider must perform the same gait in both directions.

BEGINNER HUNTER DIVISION

Eligibility: Open to horses and ponies and riders of all ages. Horse/rider combination may only stay in Beginner Hunter for two show seasons. Each horse may only enter once per class.

Tack Specifications: To be shown in English tack with no dropped or flash nosebands. Martingales are permitted in over fences or hack class but not in the under saddle class.

Cross-Entering Restrictions: The same horse and rider combination may not cross enter into the Regular Hunter Division at the same show. The rider may cross enter into Regular Hunter on a different horse. Horses may be cross-entered into Regular Hunter with a different rider. No cross-entering to or from Beginner Equitation.

Judging Criteria: To be judged on suitability, horse's performance, and manners. Fall of horse/pony and/or rider, 3 refusals, or going off course, results in disqualification. One may ride in the under saddle class without being required to jump. Over Fences classes to be judged on even pace, jumping style and way of moving over a course with emphasis on manners. Trotting or cantering is acceptable, rider's option.

CLASSES:

BEGINNER HUNTER UNDER SADDLE: To be shown at a walk, trot and canter both ways of the ring. Light contact with mouth required. No hand gallop. (Note: This class must be offered)

BEGINNER HUNTER HACK: Riders enter at a walk and may show at the trot or canter at least one way of the ring. To show over two jumps at either a trot or canter.

BEGINNER HUNTER OVER FENCES I: To be shown over a course of eight (8) jumps, 18" or 2', with no more than one change of direction.

BEGINNER HUNTER OVER FENCES II: To be shown over a course of eight (8) jumps, 18" or 2', with no more than one change of direction.

REGULAR HUNTER DIVISION

- Eligibility: Open to horses and ponies and riders of all ages. Each horse may only enter once per class.
- Tack Specifications: To be shown in English tack, no dropped or flash nosebands. No martingales are permitted in the under saddle class.
- Cross-Entering Restrictions: The same horse and rider combination may not cross enter into the Beginner Hunter Division at the same show. The rider may cross enter into Beginner Hunter on a different horse. Horses may be cross-entered into Beginner Hunter with a different rider. No cross-entering to or from Junior Pleasure, Beginner Equitation, Short Stirrup, and Long Stirrup.
- Judging Criteria: To be judged on suitability, horse's performance, and manners. Fall of horse/pony and/or rider, 3 refusals, or going off course, results in disqualification. One may ride in the under saddle class without being required to jump. Over Fences classes to be judged on even pace, jumping style and way of moving over a course with emphasis on manners.

CLASSES:

REGULAR HUNTER UNDER SADDLE: To be shown at a walk/trot and canter both ways of the ring. May be asked to hand gallop, but not more than eight horses at a time. Light contact with mouth required. (NOTE: This class must be offered).

REGULAR HUNTER OVER FENCES #1: To be shown over a course of eight (8) jumps with at least one change of direction. Jumps will be set at either 2'3", 2'6" or 2'9" at the discretion of the rider.

REGULAR HUNTER OVER FENCES #2: *To be shown over a course of eight (8) jumps with at least one change of direction. Jumps will be set at either 2'3", 2'6" or 2'9" at the discretion of the rider.*

REGULAR HANDY HUNTER: Course of 8 jumps, at least 2 changes of direction and at least one trotting fence. Jumps will be set at either 2'3", 2'6" or 2'9". Jump height at the discretion of the rider. Horse/pony may be required to halt, turn, back, make tight turns, or perform other tasks that would be expected of a field hunter.

BRADLEY OPEN DIVISION

- Eligibility: Open to English and Western riders.
- Tack Specifications: Refer to Western Pleasure and English Pleasure divisions.
- Cross-Entering Restrictions: No cross-entering from or to Junior Pleasure, Short Stirrup, Long Stirrup or Beginner Equitation Divisions.

Judging Criteria: To be judged on performance and suitability. Fall of horse/pony and/or rider, or going off course, results in disqualification.

CLASSES:

BRADLEY OPEN WALK, TROT: Walk, trot/jog both ways of the ring.

BRADLEY OPEN WALK, TROT, CANTER: Walk, trot/jog, and canter both ways of the ring.

BRADLEY OPEN GO AS YOU PLEASE (GAYP): Riders enter at a walk and may show at the trot or canter. Rider must perform the same gate in both directions.

BRADLEY OPEN GO AS YOU PLEASE: *Riders enter at a walk and may show at the trot or canter. Rider must perform the same gait in both directions.*

WESTERN PLEASURE DIVISION

Eligibility: Open to Western riders of all ages.

Tack Specifications: Hackamore, curb, and snaffle bits are permissible in the Western Pleasure Division. Absolutely no iron is permitted under the jaw. Curb chains are permissible but must meet with the approval of the judge and must be at least ½” in width. No wire curbs no matter how padded are permitted.

Cross-Entering Restrictions: Cross-entering not allowed in Beginner Equitation, Short Stirrup, Long Stirrup or Junior Pleasure Divisions.

Judging Criteria: To be judged on suitability of horse to rider, manners, performance and the ability to give a safe comfortable ride and ability to rein and handle easily. Riders should use a reasonably loose rein with restraint. Fall of horse/pony and/or rider results in disqualification.

CLASSES:

WESTERN PLEASURE: To be shown both ways of the ring at a walk, jog and lope.

WORKING WESTERN: To work a pattern individually and execute stops.

WESTERN COMMAND: Riders failing to immediately obey command are eliminated.

WESTERN PLEASURE GO AS YOU PLEASE: *Riders enter at a walk and may show at the trot or canter. Rider must perform the same gate in both directions.*

TRAIL CLASS

- Eligibility: Classes will be open to all breeds of horses and ponies. Each horse may only enter this class one time per show. Each participant will be allowed 3 attempts at each element and then must move on to the next obstacle.
- Tack Specifications: English or Western tack is permitted. No dropped or flash nosebands or martingales permitted. Informal attire is permitted, but all riders must wear a hat and boots.
- Judging Criteria: To negotiate a course of no more than 6 obstacles simulating those found on a trail. Riders may be asked to dismount, mount, back, canter, etc. To be judged on promptness and suitability of the mount to rider. Each obstacle is to be judged independently. Refusal or non-performance of individual obstacles does not disqualify entry. Taking obstacles out of order constitutes rider as off course and automatic disqualification.

ADULT PLEASURE DIVISION

- Eligibility: Open to any rider who has reached his or her 18th birthday as of January 1st of the show year.
- Tack Specifications: English or Western tack is permitted. No dropped or flash nosebands or martingales permitted. Hackamore, curb, and snaffle bits permissible. Absolutely no iron in permitted under the jaw. Curb chains are permissible by must meet with the approval of the judge and must be at least ½" in width. No wire curbs regardless of padding are permitted.
- Cross-entering Restrictions: None other than rider must meet age requirements.
- Judging Criteria: To be judged on performance, manners, ability to provide a pleasurable ride, and to back and stand quietly. Fall of horse/pony and or rider results in an automatic disqualification.

ADULT PLEASURE WALK, TROT: *Walk, trot/jog both ways of the ring.*

ADULT PLEASURE WALK, TROT, CANTER: *Walk, trot/jog, and canter both ways of the ring.*

ADULT PLEASURE GO AS YOU PLEASE (GAYP): *Riders enter at a walk and may show at the trot or canter. Rider must perform the same gate in both directions.*

ADULT PLEASURE MOUNT: *To be shown at a walk, trot, extended trot and canter both ways of the ring. Riders may be asked to mount and dismount and hand gallop.*

OPTIONAL DIVISIONS

PLEASURE DRIVING DIVISION

- Eligibility: Open to Drivers of all ages.
- Tack Specifications: Appointments - Single harness (breast collar or collar) appropriate to the animal and vehicle (2 or 4 wheel). Stirrup-type carts, chariots and racing sulkies are prohibited. Bridles must have blinkers and may have overcheck or sidecheck. No tie downs. Running martingales are optional. Drivers must be appropriately attired: hat, gloves and whip in hand. Passengers should compliment the driver. Driving apron is optional.
- Cross-Entering Restrictions: None.
- Judging Criteria: Open: To stand quietly & rein back readily. Excessive speed is to be penalized. To be judged 70% on performance, manners & way of going; 20% on condition & fit of harness & vehicle; 10% on neatness of attire.
- Turnout: To be judged 40% on the performance, manners and way of going; 30% on condition, fit and appropriateness of harness and vehicle; 15% on neatness, and appropriateness of attire and 15% on overall impression.
- Pattern: To be judged on the performance of the animal executing a pattern determined by the judge.

CLASSES:

PLEASURE DRIVING - OPEN: Animals are to enter the ring to the right at a park (normal) trot. To be shown both ways of the ring at a walk, park trot & road (extended) trot. Reversing will be done on the diagonal at the direction of the ringmaster at the walk or park trot.

PLEASURE DRIVING - TURNOUT: Same as OPEN, plus entries may be chosen to individually work both ways of the ring and/or execute a figure 8.

PLEASURE DRIVING - PATTERN - Drivers will execute a pattern as determined by the judge.

OPTIONAL GAMES DIVISION

NO POINTS AWARDED

- Eligibility: Open to all riders/handlers, horses and ponies.
- Tack Specifications: Refer to Junior and Regular Pleasure divisions as applicable.
- Cross-Entering Restrictions: None.
- Judging Criteria: Refer to each class specifics for awarding prizes.

CLASSES:

- Bareback Dollar Class: To be shown bareback at a walk, trot and canter both ways of the ring. Riders shall provide their own \$1.00 bill and place it under their right knee. Dollar bill may only be held in place by the rider's knee. Gait and direction commands will be called until such point as there is only one rider left still holding a dollar bill under his or her right knee. Said rider then collects all dollars from all other riders in class.
- Pairs Jumping Class: A pair of riders to negotiate a pre-determined jump course and to be judged on evenness of pace, synchronicity, and style.
- Pairs Flat Class: A pair of riders to perform a test course - may be called.
- Egg/Spoon Challenge: Riders holding an egg in a spoon – rider with most unbroken eggs wins.
- Simon Says Classes: Similar to Command Classes, but open to all riders.
- Futurities: Criteria to be determined by the sponsors of the futurity.
- Test Classes: Refer to Tests at the end of the Rule Book. Tests may be called.
- Other Classes as Approved by Show Committee, except that no timed events may be held.

FEE LISTING

Show Management Fees

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| Sanctioning Fee prior to Feb 1. | \$75.00 + 5.00 per horse/rider |
| Late Sanctioning Fee (in addition to above) | \$50.00 |
| Equipment/Jump Rental | \$100.00 |
| Equipment/Jumps Returned Late | \$5.00 per day |
| Jumps set that exceed maximum height | \$25.00 |

Participant Fees

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| Individual Membership | \$15.00 |
| Family Membership | \$25.00 |
| Horse/Rider Combination Fee | \$5.00 |
| Grounds Fee | \$5.00 |
| Late Show Entry Fee | \$10.00 |
| Filing a Grievance (refunded if committee finds in your favor) | \$50.00 |