

Indiana Hunter and Jumper Association

Current News

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Points and Results: We are nearing the end of the 2016 IHJA show season. The 2017 season will begin on December 1, 2016. Please check your points very carefully and immediately let Sarah Burton know if you have any questions. The IHJA Annual Awards Banquet committee is already working on year end awards for the banquet to be held on January 7, 2017 at Ritz Charles, Carmel Indiana. Also, be aware that all Division Champions will be asked for a photograph to be sent in to the Chronicle of the Horse for their Horse Show edition. Liz Obrecht will be sending out letters with the requirements for that photograph as soon as the Chronicle forwards her that information. The photo will also be used during the slide show at the Annual Awards Banquet.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Election and General Membership Meeting: Following is the slate for the IHJA Board of Director elections on November 7, 2016 to be held at the General Membership Meeting at 7:00 p.m. at Lucky Farms, Carmel, Indiana. Proxy letters and absentee ballots have been sent out, but if you wish to cast your ballot in person, please attend this meeting. If you do not receive a ballot in the mail, please contact Angela Brown at apietigbrown@hotmail.com for a replacement copy.

If you have any questions or concerns about Indiana Hunter and Jumper Association proposed rule changes for 2017, please either let a current Board member know in writing, or attend the General Membership meeting.

President: Sarah Burton, Vice President: Maggie Boyle, Directors: Terri Foreman, Ingrid Schoenlein, Dawn Stumm and Neal Yerian. Three Directors will be elected to a two year term. Below are bios of two of the candidates. If further bios are received, this page will be updated.

Ingrid Schoenlein

I am a Purdue University Graduate with a Bachelor Degree in Agriculture and longtime resident of Lafayette, Indiana.

I am a Research Assistant for the Basic Medical Sciences Department at the School of Veterinary Medicine.

I am a long time Indiana Hunter & Jumper Association member and have been an exhibitor of many IHJA approved shows. I have previously been on the IHJA board of directors. I have served on Annual Horse show, Medal Finals and Rules committees.

I have served on the Indiana Horse Council board of directors. Serving on Hoosier Horse Fair, Octoberfest Charity Horse Show and Horse Show committees.

I have also served on the SVM Equine Research Committee.

I have been an IHJA approved judge for 16 years. I have judged horse shows in Indiana, Ohio, Kentucky, Michigan, Illinois, Missouri and Kansas. I have attended USEF Judges clinics as well.

I have strengthened in planning events and good organizational skills. I am consistent attending IHJA board meetings and helping at IHJA events.

If elected I would like to help IHJA push forward sponsoring annual clinics with top clinicians that specialize in jumpers, equitation and hunters for IHJA members. I would like to help organize a grass roots judge's clinic for local judges and exhibitors interested in the judging process.

Neal Yerian

IHJA Business Member. Semi-retired business executive and business owner. Multi year IHJA sponsor and volunteer as Blue Chip Private Livery and Windmill-Parts.

Submitted Proposed Rule Changes: Following are the proposed rule changes that have been submitted to the Board of Directors for the 2017 show season. Please read them carefully and let a Board member know in writing if you have any questions or objections to any of these proposed rule changes. The asterisk indicates the page in the 2016 rule book that the rule pertains to.

1) The championship points needs to be changed from 25 to 22 in the table for local member shows (page 15). This is just a typo; change will make this table consistent with other tables. * Page 18

2) Childrens Medal cut off date (for doing jrs) says May 1. Junior Medal says cut off date is June 1st. Can't remember which date is correct. * Page 26 - I checked the past minutes, and it should be May 1st.

3) I believe we need some restrictive criteria on Novice Child/Adult Jumper. I have seen several do Novice jumper as well as 3'6" Jr Hunter and Child/Adult Jumper at the same show. Propose this be based on height as it is for Novice Child/Adult Hunter (where rider is restricted from jumping over 2'6"). * Page 22

Propose that Rider showing in Novice child/adult may not cross over into any class or division over 3'3" at same show. Note - could restrict to 3' - but this will eliminate them from Low Child Adult jumper.

4) Propose eliminating restriction in Low Child/Adult Jumper that they cannot enter Child/Adult jumper at same show. Zone 5 allows cross entry:

Zone 5 Rules for Low Child Adult Jumper Cross Entry: Horse/rider combinations may cross enter into the High Children's Jumpers at the same show competition. Horse/rider combinations may enter only one classic, if both Low and High are offered. Riders in Low Children's Jumpers may not cross enter into any classes held above 1.15m (3'9") at the same competition. Height of Fences: To be set at 1.00m (3'3") *Page 22 - 23

Note - we allow cross entry between Low and High Jr/AO jumper.

Also inconsistency with zone rules creates points tracking issues. Revoking points for low division when also competing in high division at A shows has to be tracked and corrected manually in Org Pro.

5) Need to determine if we adopt Dec 1, 2016 USHJA changes re age equitation (14 and under vs 11 and under); Green hunter vs Pre green hunter, Young hunter. *Page 18

6) Page 12 - Show Results - Add second sentence. * All show results must be sent in electronic format from an approved show results program. If not, a \$30.00 fine will be assessed to reformat the results.

Also change the first sentence. Change the word postmarked to sent.

Change sentence Equitation classes must furnish name of RIDER not owner and Champion and Reserve, if applicable to RIDER and HORSE.

Save The Date: The IHJA Annual Awards Banquet is scheduled for January 7, 2017 at the Ritz Charles. Anyone interested in volunteering to help with this, or donate items for the raffle/silent auction, please let us know. This is always a fun evening for the entire membership and family and friends to celebrate together the 2016 show season.

Congratulations: Congratulations to Claire Azar on her 10th place finish in the Zone 5 Horsemanship Class. Great job Claire. Congratulations also to Claire Azar, Lauren Brown and Emma Green for qualifying and participating in the Pessoa/ US Hunter Seat Medal Final.

Please let me know if you have any member news, horse related or otherwise to share with our membership.