

Washington State Hunter Jumper Association Constitution and By-Laws

As amended December 3, 2014 – WITH PROPOSED CHANGES FOR 2016:

Article I

Section 1: The name of the association shall be "The Washington State Hunter's & Jumper's Association" doing business as Washington State Hunter Jumper Association, and also doing business as WSHJA.

Article II: Objects and Purposes

Section 1: The general nature of the business of the Association is to promote the sport of horsemanship, welfare of the horse and the equestrian art; to hold or arrange matches and competitions and offer or grant or contribute toward the provision of prizes, awards and distinctions.

In pursuit of these objectives, the following shall be deemed official activities of the WSHJA:

- To provide for annual scholarships and educational opportunities.
- To subscribe to, become a member of and cooperate with other associations, whether incorporated or not, or individuals, whose purposes are altogether or in part similar to those of this Association.
- To raise money by subscriptions and to grant any rights and privileges to subscribers.

Article III: Meetings

Section 1: Place of meetings:

- Meetings of the members must be held within the State of Washington.
- Executive Board meetings may be held outside the State of Washington.

Section 2: Annual meeting of members:

An annual meeting of the members shall be held in each year in the month of December.

Purposes of the annual meeting are as follows:

- (a) Election of the Executive Board.
- (b) Proposed By-law revisions, having been presented to the membership prior to the annual meeting along with the ballot, shall be discussed and voted upon in the course of the annual meeting.

Section 3: Special Meetings of Members: A special meeting of the members may be called at anytime by the president of the Association or by a majority of the Executive Board.

- (a) Such a meeting may be called as follow: Upon receipt of a specification in writing, setting forth the date and objects of such meeting, signed by the President or by a majority of the Executive Board, the Secretary shall prepare, sign and mail the notices requisite to such a meeting by his or her signed, stamped, typewritten or printed signature.

- (b) Notice of Meeting of Members: At least 10 days prior to the date fixed for the time and place of such meeting, notice shall be mailed to each member entitled to vote at such meeting, as hereafter provided.
- (c) All notices required to be given by any provision of these By-laws shall state the authority pursuant to which they are issued. They shall bear the written, stamped, typewritten or printed signature of the Secretary. Every notice shall be deemed duly served when the same has been emailed or deposited in the United States mail with postage fully prepaid, plainly addressed to the recipient at his or her last address appearing on the membership record of the Association.
- (d) Meetings of the Executive Board. Meetings of the Executive Board may be called by the President at any time.

Section 4: All meetings of the Washington State Hunter's & Jumper's Association shall be conducted according to Robert's Rules of Order.

Article IV: Executive Board

Section 1: Executive Board:

- (a) The business of the Association shall be managed by an Executive Board of fifteen (15) members
- (b) All candidates for the Executive Board as well as serving officers of the Executive Board, must be members in good standing of the WSHJA at all times during the elective process, including nominations for office as well as term of office once elected.

Section 2: Executive Board Members:

- The Executive Board shall consist of the following:(1) President, (2) Vice-President, (3) Secretary, (4) Treasurer, (5) Hunter Representative, (6) Jumper Representative, (7) Junior Representative, (8) Amateur Representative, (9) Pony Representative, (10) Equitation Representative, Five (11) (12) (13)(14)(15) Member at Large.
- The Board shall annually appoint the following standing committees and their respective Chairs: (1) Show Committee, (2) Junior Committee, (3) Marketing and Communications Committee, (4) Welfare of the Horse Committee, (5) Volunteer Programs and Management Committee, (6) Fundraising and Sponsorship Programs Committee, (7) Education Committee, (8) Annual Year-End Awards Banquet Committee.
- The remaining members of the Executive Board shall fill vacancies in the Executive Board until the members of the Association elect his successor.

Section 3: A two thirds (2/3rd) majority of the Executive Board shall be necessary to constitute a quorum.

Section 4: Removal from Office:

- Members of the Executive Board will be removed from office automatically after missing 3 regularly scheduled Board Meetings. Members of the Executive Board may also be removed from office at a duly called special meeting of all voting members.
- Vacancies on the Executive Board, created by a vote of the majority membership, will be filled by a majority vote of the membership at that Special Meeting or, if not

filled in that manner, the position/s shall remain open until the next General Meeting of the membership.

- Vacancy created by a resignation of an executive board member from office will be filled at a special meeting called for that purpose or, if no such meeting is called, the position will remain open until the date of the next general election.
- Once removed, an officer is not eligible for office until the date when the next election is held.
- Any person under contract in any format with the WSHJA may not hold a seat on the Board or be allowed to be part of the decision making process.

Article V: Officers

Section 1: The Association Officers shall be a President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer.

Section 2: The President shall preside at all Executive Board and General Membership meetings and shall have general management of the affairs of the Association; shall appoint and discharge all agents and employees, subject to the approval of the Executive Board. The President further shall perform all such duties as are incident to the office or as may be required by the Executive Board.

Section 3: The Vice-President shall in the absence or incapacity of the President perform duties of that office.

Section 4: The Secretary of the Association shall keep the minutes of all Executive Board and member's meetings and shall attend to the giving and serving of all notices of the Association and shall attest with his/her signature all written contracts of the association and shall perform all such duties as are incident to his/her office or may be required of him/her by the Executive Board.

Section 5: The Treasurer shall keep regular books of the account and shall submit them together with all his/her other records and papers to the Executive Board at any meeting when required to do so. He/she shall, if required to do so by the Executive Board, give such bond for the faithful performance of his/her duties as the Executive Board may determine and shall perform all such duties as are incident to his/her office or as may be required by the Executive Board. The Executive Board, at its discretion, may order a periodic financial review.

Section 6: Executive board members shall serve terms of one year.

Article VI: Quorum

Section 1: Quorum of Members: A quorum of members at any general meeting shall consist of not less than ten (10) members in addition to the majority of the Executive Board.

Article VII: Voting and Elections

Section 1: Who is Entitled to Vote: Except as the articles or amendments otherwise provide, each regular member in good standing of the Association shall at every meeting of the members be entitled to one vote in person or by signed absentee ballot received before the start of the meeting.

Section 2: Election of Officers and Executive Board

- (a) The Executive Board with the exception of a Secretary and a Treasurer shall be elected by the general membership at the annual meeting using a signed ballot. The final tally and results of the election will occur at the annual meeting.
- (b) A ballot will be mailed to each member of the Association eligible to vote and including voting instructions.
- (c) A ballot may be returned via mail to the Association Secretary prior to the annual meeting or submitted at the annual meeting per instructions.
- (d) The Ballot shall include space for a write-in candidate. Write in candidates must meet qualifications set forth in Article IV Section 1(b).
- (e) A ballot must include membership number to verify eligibility or it will not be counted.
- (f) All nominations to be included and printed on the ballot must be received prior to a date determined by the WSHJA Board.
- (g) A Secretary and a Treasurer shall be nominated by the President and voted upon by the Executive Board.

PROPOSAL #1: Add and renumber:

Article VIII: Administration

Section 1: Chief Executive Officer

The Association shall have a Chief Executive Officer (CEO). The CEO shall be recommended by the President and approved by the Executive Board. A CEO once retained may be terminated upon a two-thirds vote of the Executive Board Members present at a duly called meeting of the Executive Board.

Article VIII: Membership and Dues

Section 1: Any person may become a regular or an associate member in this organization upon receipt of the member application and dues.

Washington State residents join as **REGULAR MEMBERS**. This entitles the member to:

- Participate in the Annual National or State Awards Program
- The right to record horse(s) for the Annual National or State Awards Program
- Apply for WSHJA Scholarships
- Exercise voting privileges at annual and special membership meetings
- Receive all Association benefits.

Out-of-state residents join as **ASSOCIATE MEMBERS**. This entitles the member to the same benefits of a Regular Member with the exception of voting privileges and access to scholarships.

Section 2: Dues and Fees:

- (a) The dues, payable at any time during the membership year shall be as follows:
- (b) Regular Member: \$45 per individual
- (c) Associate Member: \$35 per individual

PROPOSAL #2:

- (d) Horse Recording: \$30 per horse (**exception: Young Jumper**). Owner of horse to be a current Regular or Associate member. See section 6 for further explanation.
- (e) **Young Jumper Recording: \$20 per horse for jumpers 6 years of age and under. Proof of age required.**

- (f) Lifetime Farm: \$10 (no voting or financial aid rights). A one-time recording fee for Farm/Stables/Training Establishments to permit entering horse at shows under farm name. This does not entitle the Farm to record horses nor does it replace the need for individual memberships. No member benefits are included with this recording.

Section 3: Any member in default in monies owed to the Association shall be suspended from privileges of membership and if the delinquency is not cured within a period of ninety days, following notification, the membership of that member is terminated automatically.

Section 4: Membership benefits, horse registration and points accrual begin upon receipt of fully completed application/renewal with valid payment. Date of membership will be the first day of the week of date postmarked on mail, time-stamped online or fax. Proof of payment by cancelled check or credit card statement is required for disputes. **POINTS ACCRUED PRIOR TO YOUR DATE OF MEMBERSHIP AND/OR HORSE REGISTRATION ARE NOT COUNTED.**

Section 5: Member qualifications with regards to recording a horse(s).

- 1) Only current Regular or Associate members may record a horse(s)
- 2) The horse(s) must be owned or leased by said member or a member of their immediate family.
- 3) If a horse is owned by a family member, only one person within that family needs to be a WSHJA Regular or Associate member
- 4) If horse is leased, lessee's name shall be listed on the membership application.
- 5) If a horse is owned by multiple individuals, only one owner needs to be a WSHJA Regular or Associate member.
- 6) If a horse is owned by a farm or any other entity, only one principal owner of the farm or entity needs to be a WSHJA Regular or Associate member.
- 7) USEF recorded owner of a leased horse (Lessor) is not required to be a current WSHJA Regular or Associate member.

PROPOSAL #3:

- 8) If the **owner** of the recorded horse is not a USEF recorded member, or the **lessee** is not at USEF recorded member, or the **rider** is not a USEF recorded member, **or if the horse recorded with WSHJA does not have a USEF number**, then the **Points Chair must be notified in writing within 30 days of the completion of the qualifying USEF rated horse show**. The notification must include the classes and divisions that the horse and/or rider competed in regardless of placings. If this is not received within the 30 days, any points earned from the competition will not be awarded.

Explanation: Many Canadian horses are leased by WSHJA members and many do not have USEF numbers. Because of the missing USEF number, their placings are not picked

up by the points program, and any points earned has to be located manually by going through each placing in each class in each division. This is very time consuming, and could be handled more efficiently if the member sends the points chair a list of classes and placings from each horse show. Placings cannot be verified with USEF, but can be verified against the results report from the horse show.

Section 6: Any member may be removed from membership by a majority vote of the members present at any annual meeting or at any special meeting of the members called for the purpose, for conduct deemed prejudicial to this Association, provided that such member shall have first been served written notice of the accusation against him/her, and shall have been given opportunity to produce his/her witnesses, if any, and to be heard, at the meeting at which such vote is to be taken.

Article IX: Amendment of By-laws

Section 1: These by-laws may be amended, altered, changed, added to or repealed by the affirmative vote of a 2/3 majority of the members entitled to vote at any regular meeting of the members if the content of the proposed amendment, alteration, change, addition or repeal be contained in the notice of the meeting.

Article X: Assets of the Association

Section 1: Any net assets which may be acquired by the Association shall be distributed only upon dissolution to any recognized charity agreed upon by members at the time of dissolution of the organization.

Article XI: High Score Awards

Section 1: Rules and regulations for High Score Awards are to be fixed at the annual meeting without further changes for that year.

Section 2: Qualifications

PROPOSAL #4:

- 1) Points to go with the horse during the membership year in case of change of ownership or in case of change of lessee, providing the new lessee or the new owner is or becomes a WSHJA member. Once transfer is complete, no new points to be credited towards High Score Awards until the new owner or the new lessee is a paid WSHJA Regular or Associate member.

Explanation: Many members lease horses throughout the show season, and sometimes the lease ends before the horse show season ends. The leased horse continues showing in another state under the same owner, but with a different lessee. So although the lessee changes, the owner doesn't. This could lead to issues.

- 2) If horse's name is changed during the year, owner must notify the points chairman in writing so proper horse is credited with points.
- 3) Equitation points to be tabulated for any WSHJA Member as of the membership date.
- 4) Hunter/Jumper points to be credited for any WSHJA Horse as of recording date.

Section 3: Point Scoring

Competition show year is December 1st through November 30th.

PROPOSAL #5:

~~Points for any~~ All U.S.E.F. and/or Equine Canada ~~Regular Member~~ **rated** Hunter and/or Jumper Shows ~~will~~ count towards the WSHJA National Program ~~year-end Awards.~~ **and all** ~~Points for~~ U.S.E.F. ~~Regular Member~~ **rated** Hunter and/or Jumper Shows ~~and U.S.E.F. Local Member Hunter and/or Jumper Shows only~~ in the State of Washington will count toward **either** the WSHJA **National Program or the** State Program. ~~year-end awards.~~

Explanation: Clean up the language to follow USEF terminology

- 5) Each year, each member must select either the National or State awards program for their equitation point recording.
- 6) Each year, each member must select either the National or State awards program for their recorded horse(s) for hunter/jumper point recording.
- 7) Member equitation points only accumulate for High Score Awards in either the National or State awards program.
- 8) Horse hunter/jumper points only accumulate for High Score Awards in either the National or State awards program.
- 9) Each horse or member is allowed one change per year between National or State awards programs by contacting the Membership Chair in writing, with applicable points transferable between programs for changes made prior to June 1st each show year.
- 10) In case of change of horse ownership after June 1st, the National or State awards program of the recorded horse may be changed as of the date of transfer provided the horse has not accrued points prior to the date of transfer and provided Membership Chair is notified in writing of the program change with the transfer of ownership notification.
- 11) **Exhibitors wishing to have points counted, especially from out-of-state shows, must furnish Point Chairman a copy of the prize list and be responsible for having the Competition Secretary email the official results file directly to the Points Chair within 30 days after the show. For shows held in November, within 10 days or by November 25, whichever comes first.**
- 12) Points will not be recorded for result files not received by the deadline.
- 13) No points to be tabulated or changed on or after December 1st.
- 14) Rating requirements of Equine Canada shows shall conform to U.S.E.F. rules for A, B, or C ratings except those required under saddle classes. If number of over fence classes and minimum money are offered, the rating requirements of the section will count accordingly.
- 15) Unrated sections that WSHJA offers awards for will be counted as a "C" rated section. Number of exhibitors in first over fence class required.
- 16) Show Champion or Reserve Champion points to be counted for any award (Champion 2.0 times the total 1st place point value of the first class in that section, Reserve Champion 1.2 times the total 1st place point value of the first class in that section.)
- 17) Points to be counted as follows:

Hunter Increment Points:

In the Hunter section, points are calculated according to the Increment system. In Unrated, "C" and "B" sections, points are determined by the number of horses shown in the class; in "A" rated sections, points are determined by both the rating of the competition as well as the number of horses shown in the class. Hunter Division Increment Chart to match chart listed in the USEF Rule Book GR1131 for the current competition year. All model classes will receive ½ points.

Base points awarded plus one point per entry shown in the class.

	"C" or Non	"B"	"A"	"AA"
1 st	10	20	30	40
2 nd	6	15	25	35
3 rd	4	10	20	30
4 th	3	6	15	25
5 th	2	5	14	24
6 th	1.5	4	13	23
7 th	1	3	12	22
8 th	0.5	2	11	21

Hunter Classic Points:

Points to be awarded as listed in the USEF Rule Book HU145 for the current competition year. The rating of a classic is to be determined by the rating of the horse's respective section at the show. Classic points to be awarded as indicated regardless of prize money offered.

Jumper Points:

Base points awarded plus one point per entry shown in the class.

	JUMPER
1 st	10
2 nd	6
3 rd	4
4 th	3
5 th	2
6 th	1.5
7 th	1
8 th	0.5

Equitation Points (Medal classes not to count where indicated):

Equitation classes offered by age in the Prize list will be awarded points towards the appropriate age group yearend award category.

Equitation classes with specific titles in the Prize list will be awarded points towards the appropriate yearend award category with matching specs.

Base points awarded plus one point per entry shown in the class.

	EQUITATION
1 st	10
2 nd	6
3 rd	4
4 th	3
5 th	2
6 th	1.5
7 th	1
8 th	0.5

- 18) The class must be offered and held in a minimum of 2 Regular Member USEF shows in the State of Washington.
- 19) Credit for all rated classes and sections to follow USEF Rules. Credit for all non-rated classes and sections to follow USEF Rules for C Rated classes and sections.
- 20) **USHJA International Hunter Derby** - Points will be awarded to each horse's respective hunter section as declared at time of entry except horses ridden by juniors or amateurs will be awarded points in their respective sections. Only overall points to be awarded. Points awarded to match the Overall / Top 12 Points listed in the USEF Rule Book HU188 for the current competition year.
- 21) **USHJA National Hunter Derby** - Points will be awarded to each horse's respective hunter section as declared at time of entry except horses/ponies ridden by juniors or amateurs will be awarded points in their respective sections. Points awarded to match points listed in the USEF Rule Book HU189 for the current competition year.

PROPOSAL #6: Add and renumber:

- 22) **USHJA Pre-Green Challenge:** Points awarded to match points listed in the USEF Rule Book HU190 for the current competition year.

- 23) If there are fewer than 3 competitors in any year-end award, the award will be combined with the respective award section combined at competitions.

- 24) High Score Awards will be presented at the Annual WSHJA Banquet.
- 25) **MEMBER MUST SHOW IN AT LEAST 2 USEF SHOWS IN WASHINGTON STATE**, in order to receive equitation year end awards
- 26) **HORSES MUST SHOW IN AT LEAST 2 USEF SHOWS IN WASHINGTON STATE**, in order to receive hunter/jumper year end awards.
- 27) The **Pacific Northwest Equitation Finals** shall count for year end points in respective divisions. Points for all Finals classes to be 1.5 times regular equitation points.
- 28) The Executive Board shall have the ability to add or change point categories or specifications in Section 3 and 4 during the year to align with changes approved by National Governing Bodies.
- 29) WSHJA recorded horses that are USEF/USHJA recorded horses and with owners residing in Zone 9 and WSHJA members residing in Zone 9, competing in the **USHJA Zone 9 Finals** will receive bonus points matching USHJA Zone bonus points

Section 4: Year-end awards to be offered in the following categories:

National Program Year-End Hunter Awards:

- **Baby Green Hunter** - *Perpetual Trophy Sponsored by Hillcrest Training*
- **Pre-Green Working Hunter 3'0** - Horse in 1st or 2nd year of showing
Clarence Belvoir Memorial Perpetual Trophy Sponsored by Legacy Hunters and Jumpers
- **Pre-Green Working Hunter 3'3"** - Horse in 1st or 2nd year of showing
Perpetual Trophy Sponsored by Hillcrest Training
- **Performance Working Hunter 3'6"-3'9"**
- **Performance Working Hunter 3'3"**
- **First Year Green Hunter** - *Perpetual Award Sponsored by Hunter's Run*
- **Second Year Green Hunter** - *Perpetual Award Sponsored by Parkside Stables*
- **Green Conformation Hunter** – *Perpetual Award Sponsored by Hillcrest Training*
- **High Performance Working Hunter** - *Perpetual Award Sponsored by Thumbs Up Farm*
- **Regular Conformation Hunter**
- **Small Hunter** - *Perpetual Trophy sponsored by Val Nelson*
- **Large Hunter** - *Perpetual Award Sponsored by Trilogy Farms*
- **Amateur Owner Hunter 18-35** - *Perpetual Trophy Sponsored by Hunter's Run*
- **Amateur Owner Hunter 36 and Over** - *Perpetual Trophy Sponsored by Olson's Tack Shop*
- **Amateur Owner Hunter - 3'3"** - *Perpetual Trophy Sponsored by Thumbs Up Farm*
- **Adult Amateur Hunter 18-30** – *Dina Happy Memorial Perpetual Trophy*
- **Adult Amateur Hunter 31-39** - *Perpetual Trophy Sponsored by Hunter's Run*
- **Adult Amateur Hunter 40-49**
- **Adult Amateur Hunter 50 and Over** - *Perpetual Trophy Sponsored by Hunter's Run*
- **Junior Hunter 3'3"**
- **Small Junior Hunter 15 and Under** - *Perpetual Trophy Sponsored by Olson's Tack Shop*
- **Small Junior Hunter 16-17** - *Perpetual Trophy Sponsored by Olson's Tack Shop*
- **Large Junior Hunter 15 and Under** - *Perpetual Trophy Sponsored by Olson's Tack Shop*
- **Large Junior Hunter 16-17** - *Perpetual Trophy Sponsored by Florence Fleming*
- **Modified Children's/Adult Amateur Hunter 3'3"**
- **Children's Hunter 12 and Under** - *Perpetual Trophy Sponsored by Hillcrest Training*

- **Children's Hunter 13-14**
- **Children's Hunter 15-17**
- **Children's Hunter 2'9"**
- **Adult Hunter 2'9"**
- **Small Pony Hunter** - *Perpetual Trophy Sponsored by The French Family*
- **Medium Pony Hunter** - *Perpetual Trophy Sponsored by Hillcrest Training*
- **Large Pony Hunter** - *Perpetual Trophy Sponsored by Hillcrest Training*
- **Green Pony Hunter**
- **Short Stirrup Hunter - Pony** - *"Bunny Hop" Memorial Trophy Sponsored by Hunter's Run*
- **Short Stirrup Hunter - Horse** - *Perpetual Trophy Sponsored by Hillcrest Training*
- **Long Stirrup Hunter** - *Perpetual Trophy sponsored by Heatherwood Stables*
- **Pre-Children's Hunter**
- **Pre-Adult Hunter**
- **Children's Hunter Pony** - *Perpetual Trophy Sponsored by Magnolia Ridge*
- **Registered Thoroughbred Hunter**

National Program Year-End Equitation Awards:

- **Short Stirrup Equitation - Pony**
- **Short Stirrup Equitation - Horse**
- **Long Stirrup Equitation** - *Perpetual Trophy Sponsored by Hillcrest Training*
- **Pre-Children's Equitation**
- **Pre-Adult Equitation** - *Perpetual Trophy Sponsored by Hillcrest Training*
- **Children's Hunter Pony Equitation**
- **Pony Equitation** - *Perpetual Trophy Sponsored by The Lewis Family*
- **11 and Under Equitation**
- **12-13 Equitation** - *Perpetual Trophy Sponsored by Hillcrest Training*
- **14-15 Equitation** - *Perpetual Trophy Sponsored by WSHJA*
- **16-17 Equitation** - *Perpetual Trophy Sponsored by Magnolia Ridge*
- **18-30 Equitation**
- **31-39 Equitation** - *Perpetual Trophy Sponsored by Hillcrest Training*
- **40-49 Equitation**
- **50 and Over Equitation** - *Perpetual Trophy Sponsored by Hunter's Run*
- **Children's 2'9" Equitation**
- **Adult 2'9" Equitation**
- **WSHJA Good Seat and Hands Medal 2'6" – Children & Adult**

PROPOSAL #7: Split:

- ~~WSHJA Good Seat and Hands Medal 3'0" —Children~~
WSHJA Good Seat and Hands Medal 3'0" – 13 & under
- WSHJA Good Seat and Hands Medal 3'0" – 14 – 17 *Perpetual Trophy Sponsored by WSHJA*

OR:

PROPOSAL #8: Split:

- ~~WSHJA Good Seat and Hands Medal 3'0" —Children -~~
WSHJA Good Seat and Hands Medal 3'0" – 12 & under
- WSHJA Good Seat and Hands Medal 3'0" – 13 – 17 *Perpetual Trophy Sponsored by WSHJA*

Johnny Johnson Medal

- WSHJA Good Seat and Hands Medal 3'6"- Junior
- WSHJA Good Seat and Hands Medal 3'6"- Amateur
- WSHJA Elite Equitation 3'6"-3'9" - Any nationally recognized medal class (Washington International, ASPCA Maclay, USEF/Pessoa, USEF Talent Search) All corresponding Zone, Regional and National Finals will collect double points.

National Program Year-End Jumper Awards:

All jumper award categories to be based on points according to the Jumper Points table unless otherwise indicated. 1.3m Jumper, 1.4m Jumper, Junior Jumper and Amateur Owner Jumper to be based on one point for every dollar won in their classification.

PROPOSAL #9: Add:

- Low Jumper – Minimum 0.70m – Maximum 0.85m

PROPOSAL #10: Remove Exception:

- **0.90m/2'11" Jumper** - any jumper class set at 0.90m/2'11" with no entry restrictions may count towards year-end points. (In accordance with USEF jumper level standards)
~~Exception: When 0.90m classes are not offered at a horse show points from 0.95m classes will count.~~ *Perpetual Trophy Sponsored by Hunter's Run*

Explanation: This has become a points tracking nightmare when a horse show offers .95m early in the week only and .90m later in the week only.

- **1.00m/3'3" Jumper** - any jumper class set at 1.00m/3'3" with no entry restrictions may count towards year-end points. (In accordance with USEF jumper level standards) - *Perpetual Trophy Sponsored by Sundance Equestrian*

- **1.10m/3'7" Jumper** - any jumper class set at 1.10m/3'7" with no entry restrictions may count towards year-end points. (In accordance with USEF jumper level standards) - *Perpetual Trophy sponsored by Sundance Equestrian*
- **1.15m/3'9" Jumper** - any jumper class set at 1.15m/3'9" with no entry restrictions may count towards year-end points. (In accordance with USEF jumper level standards)
- **1.20m/3'11" Jumper** - any jumper class set at 1.20m/3'11" with no entry restrictions may count towards year-end points. (In accordance with USEF jumper level standards) - *Perpetual Trophy sponsored by Sundance Equestrian*
- **1.30m/4'3" Jumper** - any jumper class set at 1.30m/4'3" with no entry restrictions may count towards year-end points. (In accordance with USEF jumper level standards).
- **1.40m/4'7" Jumper** - any jumper class set at 1.40m/4'7" with no entry restrictions may count towards year-end points. (In accordance with USEF jumper level standards).
- **Washington State Elite Jumper** - based on one point for every dollar won in special jumper classes with no entry restrictions that offer \$5000 or more in prize money. For example: Grand Prix, mini-prix, classics, derbies, futures, etc. *Perpetual Trophy Sponsored by Potcreek Meadow Farm*
- **Modified Junior/Amateur Jumper** - Minimum 1.15m/3'9"
- **Amateur Owner Jumper** - Minimum 1.20m/3'11"
- **Junior Jumper** - Minimum 1.20m/3'11"
- **Children's Jumper - Low - Minimum 0.90m/2'11"**
- **Adult Amateur Jumper - Low – Minimum 0.90m/2'11"**
- **Children's Jumper - Low - Minimum 1.00m/3'3"-**
Perpetual Trophy Sponsored by Hillcrest Training
- **Adult Amateur Jumper - Low - Minimum 1.00m/3'3"**
Perpetual Trophy Sponsored by Hunter's Run
- **Children's Jumper - High - 14 & Under** - Minimum 1.10m/3'7"
- **Children's Jumper - High - 15-17** - Minimum 1.10m/3'7"
- **Adult Amateur Jumper - High - 18-39** - Minimum 1.10m/3'7"
- **Adult Amateur Jumper – High 40 & Over** - Minimum 1.10m/3'7"
Perpetual Trophy sponsored by Trilogy Farms
- **Pony Jumper** – Minimum 0.90m/2'11" - *Perpetual Trophy sponsored by the Cook family*

PROPOSAL #11: Remove and list the existing combined award in this section:

- ~~**Pacific Northwest Five Year Old Jumper** – Open to jumpers with papers indicating a foaling date five years previous to the current calendar year. 1.00m to 1.10m~~
 - ~~**Pacific Northwest Six Year Old Jumper** – Open to jumpers with papers indicating a foaling date six years previous to the current calendar year. 1.10m to 1.15m~~
 - ~~**Pacific Northwest Seven/Eight Year Old Jumper** – Open to jumpers with papers indicating a foaling date seven years previous to the current calendar year. 1.15m to 1.25m~~
 - **National Pacific Northwest High Point Young Jumper** - Highest ranking young jumper, all age groups combined. - *Perpetual Trophy Sponsored by Farpoint Farm*
- Explanation:** For several years not these sections have been combined for the year end awards

- Registered Thoroughbred Jumper

State Program Year-End Hunter Awards:

Due to continually low numbers and lack of participation in some of the sections below, the Points Chair recommends combining for year end awards:

- Baby Green Hunter
- Pre-Green Working Hunter - Horse in 1st or 2nd year of showing
- Green Hunter
- Performance Working Hunter
- Small Hunter
- Large Hunter
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PROPOSAL #12:

- ~~Amateur Owner Hunter~~
- Adult Amateur Hunter 18-35
- Adult Amateur Hunter 36 and Over
- ~~Junior Hunter~~
Amateur Owner/Junior Hunter 3'6"

- Junior/Amateur Owner Hunter 3'3"

PROPOSAL #13:

- ~~Children's Hunter 14 & Under~~
- ~~Children's Hunter 15-17~~
- Children's Hunter 17 & Under

- Children's Hunter 2'9"
- Adult Hunter 2'9"
- Pony Hunter
- Short Stirrup Hunter - Pony
- Short Stirrup Hunter - Horse
- Children's Hunter Pony
- Long Stirrup Hunter
- Pre-Children Hunter
- Pre-Adult Hunter

State Program Year-End Equitation Awards

- Short Stirrup Equitation - Pony
- Short Stirrup Equitation - Horse
- Long Stirrup Equitation
- Pre-Children Equitation
- Pre-Adult Equitation

- Children's Hunter Pony Equitation
- Pony Equitation

PROPOSAL #14:

- ~~Equitation 13 & Under~~
- ~~Equitation 14-15~~
- ~~Equitation 16-17~~
- Equitation 17 & Under

- Children's 2'9" Equitation
- Adult 2'9" Equitation

PROPOSAL #15:

- ~~Equitation 18-35-~~
- ~~Equitation 36 & Over~~
- Equitation 18 & Over

- WSHJA Good Seat and Hands Medal 2'6"
- WSHJA Good Seat and Hands Medal 3'
- Johnny Johnson Medal
- WSHJA Good Seat and Hands Medal 3'6" - Juniors and Amateurs

State Program Year-End Jumper Awards

- **0.75m/2'5" Jumper** – any jumper class set at 0.75m/2'5" with no entry restrictions may count towards year-end points
- **0.85m/2'7" Jumper** - any jumper class set at 0.85m/2'7" with no entry restrictions may count towards year-end points

PROPOSAL #16: Strike and Add:

- ~~0.75m/2'5" Jumper – any jumper class set at 0.75m/2'5" with no entry restrictions may count towards year-end points~~
- ~~0.85m/2'7" Jumper – any jumper class set at 0.85m/2'7" with no entry restrictions may count towards year-end points~~
- Low Jumper – Minimum 0.70m – Maximum 0.85m

PROPOSAL #17: Remove Exception:

- **0.90m/2'11" Jumper** - any jumper class set at 0.90m/2'11" with no entry restrictions may count towards year-end points. (In accordance with USEF jumper level standards) ~~Exception: When 0.90m classes are not offered at a horse show points from 0.95m classes will count.~~
Explanation: This has become a points tracking nightmare when a horse show offers .95m early in the week only and .90m later in the week only.

- **1.00m/3'3" Jumper** - any jumper class set at 1.00m/3'3" with no entry restrictions may count towards year-end points. (In accordance with USEF jumper level standards)
- **1.10m/3'7" Jumper** - any jumper class set at 1.10m/3'7" with no entry restrictions may count towards year-end points. (In accordance with USEF jumper level standards)
- **Open Jumper** - any jumper class set at 1.15m/3'9" or over with no entry restrictions may count towards year-end points (In accordance with USEF jumper level standards)
- **Junior/Amateur Owner Jumper** 1.20m/3'11" or over
- **Children's Jumper - Low – Minimum 0.90m/2'11"**
- **Adult Amateur Jumper - Low – Minimum 0.90m/2'11"**
- **Children's Jumper - Low - Minimum 1.00m/3'3"**
- **Adult Amateur Jumper - Low - Minimum 1.00m/3'3"**
- **Children's Jumper - High - Minimum 1.10m/3'7"**
- **Adult Amateur Jumper - High - Minimum 1.10m/3'7"**
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PROPOSAL #18: Remove and list the existing combined award in this section:

- ~~**Pacific Northwest Five Year Old Jumper** – Open to jumpers with papers indicating a foaling date five years previous to the current calendar year. 1.00m to 1.10m~~
- ~~**Pacific Northwest Six Year Old Jumper** – Open to jumpers with papers indicating a foaling date six years previous to the current calendar year. 1.10m to 1.15m~~
- ~~**Pacific Northwest Seven/Eight Year Old Jumper** – Open to jumpers with papers indicating a foaling date seven years previous to the current calendar year. 1.15m to 1.25m~~
- **State Pacific Northwest High Point Young Jumper** - Highest ranking young jumper, all age groups combined. - *Perpetual Trophy Sponsored by Starfire Farm*

The Executive Board shall have the ability to add or change point categories in Section 4 'State Program Year End Hunter, Jumper, and Equitation Awards' during the year to align with changes approved to Section 4 'National Program Year End Hunter, Jumper, and Equitation Awards.

Special Year-End Awards:

- **High Point Junior Amateur Jumper Award**
"Stage Struck" Perpetual Trophy Sponsored by Shannon Hendrickson
- **High Point Adult Amateur Hunter Award**
Perpetual Trophy Sponsored by Brass Ring Farm
- **Overall Pony Hunter** - *Perpetual Trophy Sponsored by Hillcrest Training*
- **National Pacific Northwest High Point Young Jumper** - Highest ranking young jumper, all age groups combined. - *Perpetual Trophy Sponsored by Farpoint Farm*
- **State Pacific Northwest High Point Young Jumper** - Highest ranking young jumper, all age groups combined. - *Perpetual Trophy Sponsored by Starfire Farm*
- **National High Point Child/Adult Jumpers 1.10m**
"Wavelength" Memorial Trophy Sponsored by Encanto Valley Farm

- **National High Point Child/Adult Hunter 2'9"** – *Perpetual Trophy Sponsored by Judi Gilmore & Houligan*
- **The Junior Sportsmanship Award**
- **The Amateur Sportsmanship Award**
- **The Children's Sportsmanship Award** – *Perpetual Trophy Sponsored by Brass Ring Farm*
- **Lifetime Achievement Award**
- **The President's Cup**

Section 5: Perpetual Trophies

The previously listed Perpetual Trophies are generously donated by some of our members. It is the responsibility of the recipient of each trophy to return the trophy in the same good condition, including any repairs if necessary. If the trophy is not returned at the end of the year, recipient must replace the trophy or pay for a duplicate. The list of Perpetual Trophies in the By-Laws may be added to or amended by the Board of Directors as needed throughout the year.

Section 6: WSHJA Good Seat and Hands Medals and Johnny Johnson Medal

The WSHJA Good Seat and Hands Medals are open to current members of the Washington State Hunter Jumper Association. The WSHJA Good Seat and Hands Medal Finals will be open to any rider who has entered and competed in a qualifying class during the competition year. There will be no cross entry between the medals at the same show, and riders may only compete in one Finals class. Points for all WSHJA Good Seat and Hands Medal Finals classes to be 1.5 times regular equitation points.

PROPOSAL #19: Add to clarify:

In order to compete in all WSHJA medal classes, including Finals, WSHJA membership is required prior to the start of the class.

PROPOSAL #20:

Trainer's of Rider's in all WSHJA medal classes must also be current WSHJA members.

Explanation: Many organizations require that Trainers of participating Rider's be members of their organizations. ASPCA Maclay, California Professional Horseman's Association (CPHA), Pacific Coast Horseshows Association (PCHA), Los Angeles County Horse Show Association (LAHJA), Oregon Hunter & Jumper Association (OHJA) to name a few.

WSHJA Good Seat & Hands Qualifying Classes can only be held prior to the corresponding WSHJA Good Seat & Hands Medal Finals during the competition year.

WSHJA Good Seat and Hands 3'6" Medal

The WSHJA Good Seat and Hands Medal 3'6" is open to junior and amateur riders and can be held over a hunter or jumper type course with fences 3'6" in height. Qualifying classes will include three USEF Equitation Tests 1-19, and/or there may be further testing at the judge's

discretion.

The WSHJA Good Seat and Hands Medal Finals 3'6" will consist of a course including four USEF Equitation tests 1-19. Up to six riders may be called back for further testing, according to the judge's discretion.

WSHJA Good Seat and Hands 3' Medal

The WSHJA Good Seat and Hands Medal 3' is open to junior riders and can be held over a hunter or jumper type course with fences 3' in height. Qualifying classes will include three USEF Equitation tests 1-19.

The WSHJA Good Seat and Hands Medal 3' Finals will consist of a course including four USEF Equitation tests 1-19. Up to six riders may be called back for further testing, according to the judge's discretion.

WSHJA Good Seat and Hands 2'6" Medal

The WSHJA Good Seat and Hands Medal 2'6" is open to both junior and amateur riders and will be held over a hunter type course with fences 2'6" in height. Qualifying classes will include at least one USEF Equitation test 1-9.

The WSHJA Good Seat and Hands Medal Finals 2'6" will consist of a course including two USEF Equitation Tests 1-9.

Johnny Johnson Medal

The Johnny Johnson Medal is open to amateur riders and will be held over a hunter course with fences 3' in height. The course must include one combination, which includes an oxer and two changes of direction after the first obstacle. Testing is optional but may include USEF Equitation tests 1-19. To fill a class three competitors must complete the course. A rider who places in a qualifying class will qualify for the Finals. A rider that has qualified for the Finals may continue to compete in qualifying classes

The Johnny Johnson Medal is open to amateur riders and will be held over a hunter course with fences 3' in height. The course must include one combination, which includes an oxer and two changes of direction after the first obstacle. Testing is optional but may include USEF Equitation tests 1-19. To fill a class three competitors must complete the course. The Johnny Johnson Medal Finals will be open to any rider who has entered and competed in a qualifying class during the competition year. A rider that has qualified for the Finals may continue to compete in qualifying classes.

Points for Johnny Johnson Medal Finals to be 1.5 times regular equitation points.

\$5 from all entry fees for the WSHJA Good Seat and Hands Medal and Johnny Johnson Medal qualifying classes held during the year will be allocated towards awards for the respective Finals classes.

Section 7: Horse of the Year Award

An award to honor WSHJA horses past or present, that represent the true essence of the Hunter/Jumper sport. Nominations are open to the general membership and the board will vote. The criteria for a nomination is as follows; the horse can be either living or deceased, and must have been registered with WSHJA for at least one year

Article XII: Special Funds Allocation:

Section 1: Washington State Finals Scholarships

PROPOSAL #21: Update titles:

Applies to WSH&JA members who participate in out-of-state finals as follows:
The following National/~~Regional~~ Finals qualify for finals scholarships:

- ~~Pessoa~~ USEF ~~Junior~~ Hunter Seat Medal Final
- USEF Pony Equitation Medal Final
- USEF Adult Amateur Zone 8,9,10 Regional ~~Hunter Seat~~ Medal Final
- USEF Junior Zone 8,9,10 Regional ~~Hunter Seat~~ Medal Final
- ~~USET West Final~~ USEF Talent Search
- USET East Final
- ASPCA/Maclay Final
- Ariat Adult Medal Final
- Taylor Harris Insurance Services National Children's Medal Final
- Washington International Junior Equitation Final
- Washington International Pony Equitation Final
- USEF Junior Jumper Prix de States
- USEF National Junior Jumper Championship
- USEF Pony Jumper Final
- National Horse Show Children's Jumper Championship
- National Horse Show Adult Amateur Jumper Championship
- ~~Children's/Adult Jumper Championships~~ USHJA Child/Adult Regional Jumper Championships
- North American Young Rider Championship
- USEF Pony Hunter Finals
- USEF Junior Hunter National Championship - East and West
- USEF National Hunter Breeding Championships (yearling, 2 and 3 year olds)
- West Coast Pony Hunter Finals
- PCHA Onondarka Finals
- WCHR Finals

PROPOSAL #22: Remove:

- ~~USET East Final~~

PROPOSAL #23: Remove:

- ~~USEF Junior Jumper Prix de States~~

PROPOSAL #24: Remove East:

- USEF Junior Hunter National Championship - ~~East and~~ West

PROPOSAL #25: Remove:

- ~~USEF National Hunter Breeding Championships (yearling, 2 and 3 year olds)~~

PROPOSAL #26: Remove:

- ~~PCHA Onondarka Finals~~

PROPOSAL #27: Add:

- USHJA Child/Adult Regional Hunter Championships

That the applicant show in at least two U.S.E.F. rated shows in the State of Washington before leaving to attend out of state finals

That the applicant is a Washington State resident and member in good standing.

That the applicant intending to apply for funding **volunteer a minimum of ten (10) hours for WSHJA** during the show year.

PROPOSAL #28:

That the applicant submit, ~~in writing,~~ the WSHJA Scholarship Form to the ~~Secretary of~~ WSHJA Membership Services Chair with their request to receive funding prior to the day of the final or **NO LATER THAN November 30th**. Applicant to include a list of their volunteer activities and hours. Scholarship is paid to applicant after applicant has shown proof of competition in final or that the applicant has made every attempt to show in the final class they qualified for.

Each year the Executive Board to determine whether to invoke a \$10,000 maximum limit on total board scholarship funds allocated based on current financial and economic conditions. If the limit is invoked, Executive Board to determine scholarship distribution.

Each applicant will receive \$750.00 for the 1st Final attended out-of-state.

Each applicant will receive \$1000 for the 2nd Final attended out-of-state. The second final must occur in a different state than the first final.

PROPOSAL #29:

Each applicant applying for funding must show at the N.W. Autumn Classic Horse show and participate in any corresponding local Final to which they wish to compete in the National or Regional Final, with the exception of those qualified for the USEF Talent Search finals or any Final held during the same week as the N.W. Autumn Classic Horse Show.

Should applicant compete in more than one Final at the same competition, the applicant may only apply for one Final at the competition.

Section 2: WSHJA Fund Raising Programs

The Board shall have full discretion over the use of proceeds raised from the annual auction and other fund raising programs that benefit the Association.

Section 3: Emerging Athletes Program Scholarship

Washington State resident Members in good standing, who qualify and participate in the USHJA

PROPOSAL #30:

Emerging Athlete Program will receive funding as follows: \$500 for Regional Training Level I and \$750 for National Training Level participation. Applicant must submit, in writing, to the Secretary of the WSHJA Membership Services Chair, their request to receive funding prior to December 30. These funds are separate from the Finals allocation and will be disbursed from the General Fund with a limit of \$4000.00. Scholarship is paid to applicant after applicant has shown proof of participation in each Training Session.

The applicant intending to apply for funding **volunteer a minimum of ten (10) hours for WSHJA** during the show year.

PROPOSAL #31:

If a member applies for both a Medal Finals Scholarship and an Emerging Athletes Program Scholarship, the required volunteer hours is a minimum of ten (10) hours for each Scholarship Application.

Section 4: Educational Scholarships

Purpose

Educational scholarships shall be awarded to attend clinics, seminars, or classes related to improving performance or increasing education in equine care, maintenance, or training for participation in the hunter/jumper community. They will be awarded in the amount of \$750.00 to one junior and one amateur each year.

Eligibility

Applicants must be resident of Washington State and member in good standing of WSHJA.

Applicants are not eligible for an educational scholarship if they have received funding from the Washington State Finals Scholarships or the Emerging Athletes Program Scholarships. Applicant must complete **a minimum of five (5) volunteer hours with WSHJA** during the show year in order to be eligible. The applicant must submit, in writing, their request for an Educational Scholarship to the Secretary of WSHJA NO LATER THAN November 30th. Applicant will include a list of his or her volunteer activities and hours.

Process and Operation

At the Annual Meeting the Educational Scholarship recipients names WILL BE SELECTED BY A RANDOM DRAWING from among qualified applicants, one for a junior and one for an amateur. An alternate name will be drawn in each category in the event scholarship winner is unable or chooses not to participate. The Executive Board and/or an Executive Board officer must approve the educational opportunity selected and will arrange payment and/or reimbursement. The board may adjust scholarship amount if the financial status of the Association warrants.

Section 5: 1.20m Championship Team

In order to be eligible for the WSHJA 1.20 Championship Team, riders must:

- a) be current WSHJA members based on the by-laws
- b) have participated in a minimum of one (1) WSHJA show in a 1.20 class (Jr or Am)
- c) riders must be WA state residents

Riders with the top points by August 15th of the competition year will be contacted by the WSHJA Jumper rep to determine interest. Two Junior and Two Adult riders will be selected. If there are not 2 in each category, a Junior or Adult may fill in for the missing rider (ie: 3 Juniors, 1 Adult). Chef de Equipe will be chosen by the WSHJA Jumper Rep - the candidates being the coaches of the current riders.

The WSHJA Team will represent the WSHJA in hanging WSHJA material on site at the show and making any advertising materials available (fliers, etc that the WSHJA may send down). Any Team members interested in sponsorships through the WSHJA need to **volunteer for ten (10) hours for the WSHJA** and submit their written request to the WSHJA secretary per sponsorship requirements listed in the by-laws