

GHHJA Newsletter

January 2014

GHHJA Board of Directors

The Greater Houston Hunter Jumper Association would like to welcome new board members Pam Hunt and Amy LeRoy, as well as introduce our 2014 board to our membership.

Merrily Quincoces - President

Pam Hunt - Vice President

Charlotte Seigler – Secretary, Compliance Committee

Amy Uniss – Treasurer, Facebook Support

Sheridan Bradshaw – Compliance/Banquet Chairperson,

Ashley Thourot - Banquet Chairperson, Newsletter

Barbra Bryan – Compliance Committee

LA Kaiser – Director, Newsletter

Amy LeRoy - Compliance Committee

Krystal Cardinal – Junior Director

We would like to thank departing directors Rob Moyar and Regan Scisco for their years of service on the GHHJA board. All of our board members full contact information can be found on our website:

www.GHHJA.com

2014 Rule Changes

Our board of directors would like to announce the following rule changes effective for the 2014 show season:

Rule Change 1:

Article 683 #15 – Horse Show Results - If eligible, the show applicant will receive a refund of the show deposit no later than sixty (60) days after the completion of the show.

Rule Change 2:

Article 307.9- Change the age limit for Long Stirrup to be eighteen (18) and over and Short Stirrup to be seventeen (17) and under at the beginning of the current show year.

Rule Change 3:

307.9- Long Stirrup/Short Stirrup – Open to Junior and Adult Amateur riders on horses or ponies. No cross entry into any other division for the same horse/rider combination. No oxers. No in and out's. Division will include 2 equitation classes and 1 hunter class, and 1 equitation on the flat. Manners shall be emphasized and extreme speed will be penalized. Fence height 2'0". Can be split with no fewer than three (3) entries in each section. Long Stirrup is open to riders age eighteen (18) and older at the beginning of the current show year. Short Stirrup is open to riders seventeen (17) and under at the beginning of the current show year.

Rule Change 4:

Medal Final Class points will count double toward year end points in the GHHJA Medal class.

2013 Year End Awards Banquet

We are very excited to celebrate all of our top riders at our 2013 Year End Awards Banquet. Our Banquet will be held on Saturday January 25, 2014 at The Settlement House in Cypress, TX. Our theme this year is “vintage equestrian” and we hope to have a fun filled night with everyone in attendance. Invitations went out several weeks ago, and RSVP’s and payments MUST be received by January 10, 2014. If you did not receive your invite, or have any questions about tickets, please contact Ashley Thourot at ashleythourot@yahoo.com or 936-697-2892. Late RSVP’s will not be guaranteed a plate, and will not receive preferred seating with their barn affiliation.

2013 Year End Awards Banquet continued:

We are also looking for pictures of our riders, as well as any “vintage” photos you may have for our annual slide show. We need photos of the Champion and Reserve Champion from each division, as well as candid photos. Please contact Regan Scisco at rscisco@relentlesspursuitfarm.com

Silent Auction and Raffle Donations

If you would like to donate to this year’s annual Silent Auction or Raffle (held during our year-end banquet) please contact a board member with your donation. Horse related items are great, but non horsey items are also welcome!

Achievement and Advancement Awards

Trainers, please get your achievement and advancement awards into our President, Merrily Quincoces, (ridinglessons@thehoustonpoloclub.com) as soon as possible! We need to make sure we have enough awards ordered for the riders.

Sponsorships and Advertising

We are still looking for year-end sponsors for some of our divisions. These year-end sponsorships will get you recognition in our banquet program. The costs for year-end sponsorships are as follows:

Hunter or Jumper Division: \$300

Equitation Division: \$150

Walk Trot or Pre-Beginner: \$100

High Point Sponsorship: \$200

Beginning in 2013, GHHJA began offering year-long sponsorships on our divisions.

Year-long sponsorship offers many benefits for any person wishing to purchase one. Year-long sponsors get:

- Recognition in every horseshow prize list
- Logo or name displayed on signage at every horse show (signs ordered three times a year, must sponsor before order deadline, or you will begin to be displayed after next order)
- Name announced at the start of your division
- Year-end sponsorship included

Year-long sponsorships are affordable, and are priced as follows:

Hunter or Jumper Division: \$400

Equitation Division: \$250

Walk Trot or Pre Beginner: \$200

If you are interested in learning more about sponsorships, please contact Charlotte Seigler at seiglervs.charlotte@yahoo.com

In addition to our sponsorships offered, we also still have room for advertising in our 2013 year-end banquet program. These advertisements are great to promote your business within the equine community, or as a congratulatory ad for your special rider! Please contact Ashley Thourot for further information, as well as newsletter advertising at ashleythourot@yahoo.com

Prices for advertisements in our banquet program are as follows:

¼ page ad (business card size) \$25

½ page ad: \$50

¾ page ad: \$75

Full page ad: \$100

Inside front or back cover (in color) \$150

Please email for prices on newsletter advertisements.

2014 Show Schedule

1/4/2014 & 1/5/2014 –GSWEC, Katy, TX
2/22/2014 & 2/23/2014 – Pine Hill, Bellville, TX
3/8/2014 & 3/9/2014 – GSWEC, Katy, TX
4/26/2014 & 4/27/2014 – Pine Hill, Bellville, TX
5/3/2014 & 5/4/2014 – GSWEC, Katy, TX
5/31/2014 & 6/1/2014 – GSWEC, Katy, TX
6/14/2014 & 6/15/2014 – GSWEC, Katy, TX
7/12/2014 & 7/13/2014 – GSWEC, Katy, TX
8/16/2014 & 8/17/2014 – GSWEC, Katy, TX
9/6/2014 & 9/7/2014 – GSWEC, Katy, TX
10/25/2014 & 10/26/2014 – Pine Hill, Bellville, TX
11/22/2014 & 11/23/2014 – GSWEC, Katy, TX

For more information on any of our horseshows, please check our website. Also, be sure to join the Greater Houston Hunter Jumper Association on Facebook for more up to date information on what is going on in our association.

