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Message from the Board



Hello members!

Just a few notes... a Jr/Am Crossrail Hunter 18" class was added to the Franktown prize list for this weekend. See the revised prize list available below and on the SNHSA.org website.

The SNHSA Board of Directors is happy to announce the SNHSA nominees who will represent our SNHSA USHJA Affiliate organization at the USHJA National Championship show this November. Please see our list of nominees below!

Also, to assist new show parents and riders, we've provided a remake of an original article explaining how SNHSA Points are

calculated.

Also, don't forget to submit show and general satisfaction surveys for your chance to win three free classes at our SNHSA benefit show next year! The new deadline for these is Dec. 1.

Susan for the Board

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2023 Points and Upcoming Events



2023 Year-End Points Record as of 7/27/23 2023 SNHSA Show Season Calendar as of 8/2/23

Upcoming:

- Franktown Meadows Hunter/Eq Show - Aug. 26
- SNHSA Benefit Show Weekend - Sept. 16-17 (Hosted at Franktown Meadows, it will feature the Medal Finals, Hunter Team Challenge, the Challenge Cup Tournament and the Pro/Jr-Am Speed Derby!)
- Pair of Aces Stables Show - Oct. 7-8
- Franktown Meadows Jumper/Eq Show - Oct. 14
- AJA Equine and Genesis Equestrian Show - Nov. 4-5

Do you have a clinic or event upcoming that is not an SNHSA-sanctioned event? You can advertise it through SNHSA's calendar and get a social media post with a \$35 contribution. Contact Susan Howe, susanhowe@gmail.com for details.



Aug. 26 Franktown Meadows Hunter & Equitation Horse Show

Note: Class 9b. was added - Jr/Am Crossrail Hunter 18"

[Prize list & Registration form](#) (pre-registration ends Wednesday, Aug. 23 8 p.m.)

[Fillable Registration form](#)

Vaccination proof in past 6 months is required to enter the property.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2023 SNHSA AFFILIATE NATIONALS NOMINEES

2023 SNHSA's Affiliate USHJA Nationals Nominees Announced

Congratulations to the following listed riders on their nomination to represent SNHSA at the USHJA Nationals to be held in Las Vegas, NV from Nov. 13-19. All 1st place nominees are guaranteed automatic entry into their section/divisions. Once USHJA calculates the number of spots remaining, they will then move to second choices and third choices.

SNHSA will be seeking sponsorships to aide 20 riders with the expense of going to Nationals. Please consider being a Nationals sponsor. This is a great honor, as well as a great educational and competition opportunity for the nominated riders. All sponsorship funds will be divided among the 20 riders as we have done in the past. More information will be sent out in future e-newsletters.

The SNHSA nominees for 2023 are as follows:

\$2,000 USHJA AFFILIATE CHILDREN'S HUNTER 2'

1. MacLean Sennhenn/PM I Spy
2. Cali Byrnes/Smart Deck of Spades
3. Clara Blomeyer/Hardly Strictly

\$2,000 USHJA AFFILIATE CHILD'S HUNTER 2'6"

1. Hannah Nelson/Aclamation B
2. Ava Sabin/Maitri
3. Zoa Clayton/Huapongo

\$2,000 USHJA AFFILIATE ADULT HUNTER 2'

1. Jennifer Preman/ReS.U.lution

\$2,000 USHJA AFFILIATE ADULT HUNTER 2'6"

1. Jenny Geisler/Easy Boy Frivol
2. Lisa Mays/Compostella LS

\$1,500 USHJA .70m CHILDREN'S AFFILIATE JUMPERS

1. Emma Smith/Signified
 2. Maddison Hodge/Pot of Gold
 3. Cadence Lacroix/Pearl of Lebanon
- Alt Lainie Patterson/Beyond the Stars

\$1,500 USHJA .80m CHILDREN'S AFFILIATE JUMPERS

1. Cadence Lacroix/Pearl of Lebanon
 2. Sequoia Denton/Call Me Maeby
 3. Emma Smith/Signified
- Alt Cali Byrnes/Smart Deck of Spades

\$1,500 USHJA .90m CHILDREN'S AFFILIATE JUMPERS

1. Aaralyn Egger/Lu Cat
2. Cadence Lacroix/Luckado
3. Maddie Rau/Mango

\$1,500 USHJA 1.0m CHILDREN'S AFFILIATE JUMPERS

1. Cadence Lacroix/Luckado
2. Aaralyn Egger/Lu Cat

\$1,500 USHJA .70m ADULT AFFILIATE JUMPERS

1. Lisa Petersen-Trujillo/Outspoken
2. Rosalie Baker/Tilburg

\$1,500 USHJA .80m ADULT AFFILIATE JUMPERS

1. Rosalie Baker/Tilburg
2. Leah Vengley/Just Nick
3. Carly Garamendi/Dollybell B

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No nominees

USHJA AFFILIATE EQUITATION 2' 17&U

1. Maddison Hodge/Pot of Gold
2. MacLean Sennhenn/PM I Spy
3. Clara Blomeyer/Hardly Strictly

USHJA AFFILIATE EQUITATION 2'6" 17&U

1. Maddie Rau/Mango
 2. Sequoia Denton/Call Me Maeby
 3. Hannah Nelson/Aclamation B
- Alt Ava Sabin/Maitri

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Q & A



SNHSA Q & A 201

By Susan Howe (revised from Aug. 12, 2017 original publication)

Are you new to the Sierra Nevada Horse Show Association (SNHSA) Hunter/Jumper show world? Many are, and whether you are a new or experienced rider, Show Mom or Dad, you probably don't understand the SNHSA point system for Year-End Awards as much as you would like to.

If you have questions, you aren't alone. Many years ago, in another state and lifetime, I began as Nicole's Show Mom and really didn't know what I was getting myself into. When she started showing, we were happy with the green ribbons, then the pink and the white. Fast forward a couple years later, we moved across country, to Reno, and Nicole started showing in the local SNHSA shows. It was so exciting to see Nicole ride and enjoy the sport, but it didn't take long to realize that accruing points could result in earning very nice year-end prizes within the association!

As a new Show Mom, I hoped for the best and tried to be supportive. But points and riding technique were all Greek to me. I had no idea there was even a rule book that offered guidance or how points were calculated. Over the years, I learned from other parents and my daughter's trainer, and when I joined the SNHSA board in 2012, I learned even more. I still know very little as concerns the horse world and I don't pretend to be an expert, but I, along with more experienced trainers, compile and tabulate the points for year-end awards. I've done this since 2012 but never all by myself; there's at least two of us who compile and verify the work after each show and I learn something new every year! We're all volunteers on the Board, and it takes time to prepare and tabulate the points after each show. Between vacations, full time jobs, sickness, family, etc., getting together as a group is sometimes tricky. But we do it and we get the tally out to our members as soon as we are able to.

I occasionally hear from parents, and even some trainers, who inquire about the points. I would like to answer some of the questions that I have received over the years. These rules pertain to our association, but points may be figured differently, but similarly, in other organizations.

How do we qualify for year-end awards?

Riders, and in most cases, their horses/ponies, must be members of SNHSA in order to accrue points for year-end awards. The exception is for horses/ponies ridden **ONLY** in Equitation Divisions 1-3, or the two SNHSA Medal classes. However, if the rider wishes to show the equitation mount in any other SNHSA division for which s/he would like to accrue points for year-end awards, the horse/pony **MUST** be registered with SNHSA.

To be eligible for year-end awards in the Hunter or Jumper divisions, the horse must accumulate at least 10 points and must participate in three (3) different venues, *at two (2) different physical locations, at a minimum.* (New 2023 rule amendment.)

To be eligible for year-end awards in the Equitation division, the rider must accumulate 10 points and must participate in three (3) different venues, *at two (2) different physical locations, at a minimum.*

The **top five** horses/riders in each division will receive a special ribbon and award at the year-end banquet each year.

How many points does one earn for ribbons/placings at a show?

A basic rule for accruing points is that when there are six or more horses/riders in a class, the 1st place ribbon winner receives 7 points, 2nd place receives two less than that, and then it decreases on down the line to 6th place with one point.

For six or more entries:

- 1st place: 7 pts
- 2nd place: 5 pts
- 3rd place: 4 pts
- 4th place: 3 pts
- 5th place: 2 pts
- 6th place: 1 pt

But what happens when there are less than six riders?

The 1st place horse/rider receives one more point than the number of horses/riders in the show ring. (i.e. If there were five horses/riders, then 1st place gets 6 points.) The 2nd place horse/rider

receives two points less than first place, 3rd gets one less, and so on down to 6th place receiving one point. Or, another way to think about it is that 2nd place gets one less than the number of riders, and so on.

From the Rule Book:

5 entries: 6-4-3-2-1

4 entries: 5-3-2-1

3 entries: 4-2-1

2 entries: 3-1

If there is only one rider in the ring, do they get any points?

In order to count for year-end points, there have to be at least two riders in the ring. You can't get points competing against yourself. So, the single rider is in the ring as a schooling round.

What if there is a tie?

The two tied horses/riders get the same points for the place they tied in, but the horse/rider following them will receive the placing and points for two places down. (i.e., two tie for 2nd place and they get the same points, but the next place ribbon winner will get points for 4th place, and so on down.)

What if there are six horses/riders and one is schooling?

For this instance, only five riders are competing, so the 1st place ribbon winner receives 6 points, 2nd place gets 4, and so on. The schooling rider does not count for rider numbers or for points.

Who is awarded the points...the horse or rider? What if more than one rider rides a horse during the season?

In Hunter and Jumper classes, the points go with the horse. If several riders compete on the same horse during the year, the year-end prize winner can get complicated when there are several leasing a horse or riding a schooling horse, but generally, it is up to the horse owner or trainer to figure out who gets the year-end award! The points go to the rider in Equitation classes. Therefore, a rider can earn points in Equitation divisions riding several different horses during the show season.

Contrary to those rules stated above, in the Long/Short Stirrup division, points are awarded to the horse and rider combination. Therefore, if a rider changes horses during the season, they begin to earn points as another horse/rider combination.

Horse name for show registrations

Another item that often occurs is using the horse's barn name when registering for shows. Even though I know a lot of people and horses, I don't often know the horses' barn names. I don't even know the barn names for many of the horses at my daughter's barn! For show points to count for year-end awards, the horse/pony must be entered on the show application form under the exact show name that was provided at the time of horse registration.

Where are points assigned for Equitation over Fences classes?

Even though different age groups compete in this class, the points go to the rider's Equitation (age-group) division. A new cross-entry rule starts this season, designed to prevent cross entry in equitation over fences classes. *Riders entered in the 2'3"-2'6" height may not cross-enter over 2'9" at the same show.*

When Equitation (age-group) flat classes are combined at a show, how are the points calculated and where do they accrue?

Riders who earn ribbons receive the points based on the ribbon placings (based on the rule pertaining to the number of riders in the class) and the points are added to the rider's Equitation (age-group) division.

How are points figured for the new Walk-Trot division?

Throw out everything I said earlier for ribbon placement points! The number of riders in the class has no bearing on points. Points are awarded to the rider based upon the number of Walk-Trot division classes they enter: one point is earned for every Walk-Trot class the rider completes. To be eligible for year-end awards, the only qualifications are that the rider must be a SNHSA member, the horse must be registered with SNHSA, and the rider must participate in three (3) different venues, at two (2) different physical addresses, at a minimum. Year-end awards will be given in Gold, Silver and Bronze categories. (See the 2023 SNHSA rulebook and Rulebook Changes and Amendments for 2023.)

These rules apply for the Beginner Rider Equitation Division except that the horse does not have to be SNHSA registered, and the Gold and Silver points differ.

My daughter turned 14 on June 2. Does she ride in the Equitation 14-17 class now?

Whatever age the rider is as of Dec. 1 of the year prior to the start of the show season determines the age group for the entire competition year. Invariably, at least one rider each season will ride in the Equitation 14-17 class when they should've ridden in the 13 & Under division because they were age 13 on Dec. 1. When this occurs, the points earned at that show will not count for year-end points, but they don't lose the ribbon they earned at the show; they just don't get the Equitation class points for that show.

When there are fewer venues in a season, will you waive the venue rule?

To be eligible for year-end awards, the horse (for Hunter and Jumper divisions) or rider (for Equitation divisions) must participate in three (different) venues, at two (2) different physical addresses, by the end of the show season. This season, there are four barn venues available: Pair of Aces, Brownlee Equestrian, AJA Equine and Franktown Meadows. But if you attend the SNHSA Benefit Show, it will also provide you with one more venue! Even though benefit shows are held at venues you've already been to, they count as a new and separate Wild Card venue because SNHSA is the show host and are paying the local facility for the use of their grounds for their show.

Each year available show venue numbers may change but the SNHSA Board will determine if any allowances are needed. Even during COVID, the Board relaxed the 10-point rule, but still maintained the 3-venue rule.

For more questions regarding points, please do not hesitate to contact me. If I do not know the answer, I know who to ask!

TELL US WHAT YOU THINK



Win Free Classes by Telling Us What You Think

As SNHSA members, your input is very important to us. We are interested in any issues concerning our organization, the prizes offered, the information we disseminate, the rules, etc. Surveys offer a way to tell us what we are doing right OR what might need to improve! All CONSTRUCTIVE and HELPFUL feedback is requested, whether positive or negative. Your responses will be shared with the board to assist in future planning; however, your contact information will not be shared with show managers or Board members if you check the box for anonymity. We request your name and a valid email address on the survey, but the SNHSA secretary is the only person who will

have the contact information.

There are two surveys on the snhsa.org webpage: snhsa.org/surveys/

- **2023 SNHSA General Satisfaction Survey** (complete only once)
- **2023 SNHSA Show Evaluations** (complete one for each show)

At the 2022 SNHSA Year-End Awards, held Jan. 14, 2023, three lucky people won 3 FREE classes for the SNHSA 2023 Hunter-Jumper-Equitation Benefit shows just for filling out at least one of our 2022 SNHSA surveys! The more Show Evaluation surveys completed, the better your chance at winning, as each completed 2023 Show Evaluation Survey provides one raffle chance. With 11 scheduled shows for the 2023 season, each person could earn 11 raffle chances from show evaluations. A completed 2023 General Satisfaction Survey will also earn a person one chance. In all, 12 total chances can be earned!

Surveys must be completed by **Dec. 1, 2023** to be considered for the raffle.

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If you are a member rider, parent of a rider or friend of a rider, please think about business contacts you have in the area and maybe you could reach out to them to ask for support for your sport!

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2023 SEASON SHOW RESULTS

Beginning August 2020, SNHSA show secretaries started using [horshowtime.com](https://www.horshowtime.com) to organize show registration, show management and show results. Go to [horshowtime.com](https://www.horshowtime.com) and search by year, month, and show for results by rider, horse, class, number, owner or trainer.

The following 2023 SNHSA shows are available:

2023

July 8-9.....Pair of Aces 2-day Horse Show

July 7.....AJA Equine Horse Show

June 23-25.....Franktown Meadows Hunter Derby

June 10-11.....Brownlee Equestrian Horse Show

May 14-15.....Brownlee Equestrian Horse Show

April 22-23.....Pair of Aces Stables Horse Show

Apr. 1.....2022 SNHSA Medal Finals Benefit

2022

2021

2020 - August to November

Logo Wear News!



SNHSA Logo items now available through SmartPak!



We have really exciting news to share - you can now order SNHSA Logo wear, and other items, from SmartPak! The SNHSA logo can be added to any item that can be customized with a graphic - saddle pads, shirts, jackets, and much more!

In order to access the logo you simply need to make sure that the Sierra Nevada Horse Show Association address (P.O. Box 19322, Reno, NV 89511) is added into your address book in your SmartPak account. You do NOT have to have the items shipped to the SNHSA barn address - just have the SNHSA barn in your address book so they know you are affiliated with us.

From there, click the "customization options" button, select "Graphic" and you will see the logo color options (one in white threads for a dark background, one is a royal blue and gray/silver for a light background, and another in lighter blue and white). Choose the one you want, and click "Apply".

Please note if you do not see the option to add a graphic or only a graphic to the item you are hoping to order, simply give the SmartPak Customer Care Team a call at 1-800-461-8898. They can confirm if they are able to add a logo to the item and submit a special update on the order. Unfortunately, if you are not seeing an option to customize the item at all, they are likely not able to customize this item due to the material it is made from but would be happy to double-check with their Embroidery Team for you.

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