

VIRGINIA ARABIAN HORSE ASSOCIATION AWARDS PROGRAM

GENERAL RULES

SECTION ONE. The winners of the awards shall be the registered Arabian horse and the registered Half-Arabian horse which scores the highest number of points during the period ending thirty (30) days prior to the Annual Meeting of the Virginia Arabian Horse Association (VAHA) and beginning the following day for the next year. If a horse show is in progress on the day that is thirty (30) days prior to the Annual Meeting, points won at said horse show shall be allowable in reckoning the total score for the year. Points submitted from the last eligible horse show for the year must be postmarked within twenty-five (25) days prior to the Annual Meeting.

SECTION TWO.

- (a) To be eligible for the awards, a horse must be registered with the Arabian Horse Association. The horse must be shown under its full registered name.
- (b) To be eligible the horse must be recorded with the Awards Committee of VAHA. No points shall be credited toward the trophy until the horse is properly recorded with VAHA.
- (c) Horse recording must be submitted on the official VAHA recording form or a computer printout from the horse show secretary. Horse recording forms are available from the Association. The responsibility of such recording shall rest entirely with the owner. The recording fee is \$10.00 per year per division entered.

SECTION THREE.

- (a) To be eligible for the awards, the owner of the horse must be a member in good standing of VAHA. Membership will be verified by the Membership Chairman.
- (b) In the case of a leased horse, the lessee must be a member in good standing of VAHA and must advise the VAHA Awards Committee Chairman that the horse is leased. Lessees must abide by all rules pertaining to owners.
- (c) When a recorded horse is sold, a transfer of ownership must be submitted to the VAHA Awards Committee Chairman by the seller stating the horse's name, to whom sold, and a full address and phone number of new owner. There is no charge for such transfers.
- (d) Ownership of a horse may be transferred without affecting the horse's score. Awards will be given to the recorded owner at the time the horse wins its last point in competition.
- (e) Points won previous to the date the owner becomes a member of VAHA will not count.

SECTION FOUR.

- (a) Points shall be scored for "A," "B," or "C" rated shows. Points from unrecognized shows shall count HALF that of the rated shows (The Lewisfield Trophies are an exception).
- (b) Points will count from qualifying shows in any state.
- (c) Points for Arabian Horse Association (AHA) Regional and National Competitions shall be scored as follows:

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| AHA Regionals, East Coast Championships | |
| Champion | 40 points |
| Reserve Champion | 24 points |
| U.S. Nationals, Youth Nationals, Canadian Nationals | |
| Champion | 80 points |
| Reserve Champion | 48 points |
| Top Five | 16 points |
| Participation | 10 points |
| Top Ten | 32 points |
| Participation | 20 points |
- (d) Five (5) points shall be awarded for each of all other horse shows entered upon proof of participation in a least one (1) class. Points in classes at each of all other horse shows entered shall be awarded according to the number of horses entered and judged in that class.

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| 1 st Place | Number of horses in class |
| 2 nd Place..... | Number of horses minus 2 |
| 3 rd Place | Number of horses minus 3 |
| 4 th Place | Number of horses minus 4 |
| 5 th Place | Number of horses minus 5 |
| 6 th Place | Number of horses minus 6 |

(e) Placings earned in Championship classes shall be awarded double the points earned in Section Four (d) with the exception of Halter Classes. Championship Halter Classes shall be scored as follows:

- Senior Champion and Junior Champion..... 6 points
- Reserve Senior Champion and Reserve Junior Champion 4 points
- Grand Champion (Mare, Stallion, or Gelding)..... 7 points
- Reserve Grand Champion (Mare, Stallion, or Gelding) 5 points

When Championships are awarded on a point basis, only the Champion and Reserve Champion shall receive points. The Champion shall receive ten (10) points and the Reserve Champion shall receive eight (8) points.

(f) Each phase of eventing shall be scored as a horse show class. Additional points will be awarded as follows:

- Overall High Score..... 25 points
- Runner Up High Score..... 15 points

(g) Dressage points shall be awarded as noted in Section Four (d). Additional points shall be awarded upon completion of a dressage test with a score of 50% or higher as follows:

- Training Level..... 3 points
- Third Level 12 points
- First Level 6 points
- Fourth Level 15 points
- Second Level..... 9 points
- Prix St. Georges through Grand Prix 18 points

Dressage scores over 60% will receive additional bonus points of the score minus 60. Scores will rounded to the nearest whole number.

(h) Points for Judged Trail Rides shall be scored as follows:

- Participation 10 points
- 1st Place participation points plus 10 points
- 2nd Place..... participation points plus 8 points
- 3rd Place..... participation points plus 6 points
- 4th Place participation points plus 4 points
- 5th Place participation points plus 2 points
- 6th Place participation points plus 1 points

(i) Points for recognized Competitive Trail Rides shall be scored as follows:

- Completion of Ride 15 points
- 1st Place completion points plus 20 points
- 2nd Place..... completion points plus 12 points
- 3rd Place..... completion points plus 8 points
- 4th Place completion points plus 4 points
- 5th Place completion points plus 2 points
- 6th Place completion points plus 1 points
- Best Conditioned Arabian or Half-Arabian..... additional 25 points

(j) Points for Endurance Rides shall be scored as follows:

| | <u>100 miles</u> | <u>50 – 99 miles</u> | <u>20 – 49 miles</u> |
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| Completion of ride: | 40 points | 20 points | 10 points |
| Winner of ride: | Completion points + 50 points | Completion points + 25 points | Completion points + 15 points |
| Top Ten: | Completion points + 40 points | Completion points + 20 points | Completion points + 10 points |
| Top Arabian or Half Arabian: | Additional 50 points | Additional 25 points | Additional 15 points |

(k) Points won by any exhibitor or any horse or at any horse show which has been suspended or expelled from any horse show association shall not be scored.

SECTION FIVE. The VAHA Awards Committee shall maintain the only official record of winnings of participants in competition for the awards. It will be the duty of the Awards Committee Chairman to maintain the records of all winnings in competition. VAHA shall furnish free of charge forms for submitting results of competitions. Only points submitted on these forms, or computer printouts from the show secretary, shall be scored. The recording forms must be signed by the secretary of the horse show (in absence of a computer printout). A complete prize list or program must accompany each submission. The responsibility for submitting the completed form and prize list to the Awards Committee Chairman shall rest entirely with the exhibitor. These forms must be postmarked within thirty (30) days of the show date. The Awards Committee Chairman shall score all statements of winnings at his or her sole discretion. However, appeal of scoring may be submitted in writing to the Board of Directors at the least fifteen (15) days prior to the Annual Meeting.

LEWISFIELD PERPETUAL TROPHY

WHEREAS: Mr. and Mrs. James Fielding Lewis, Jr. have so generously donated the beautiful Lewisfield Challenge Trophies to VAHA, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that it should be incumbent upon the Board of Directors to annually award the Lewisfield Perpetual Trophies under the following rules:

PUREBRED ARABIAN

SECTION ONE. The winner of the trophy shall abide by the rules as stated in SECTIONS ONE, TWO, THREE, and FIVE under GENERAL RULES.

SECTION TWO. The winner of the trophy shall score the highest number of points in OPEN competition at horse shows. For the purpose of awarding this trophy, an Open Class is one which is NOT restricted to a particular breed of horse. No points shall be credited toward the trophy for classes restricted to Arabians.

SECTION THREE. Points will be given for the first four (4) place ribbons only, regardless of the number of ribbons offered.

SECTION FOUR.

(a) Placings earned in all eligible classes at member shows of the Virginia Horse Show Association shall be scored as follows:

| | <u>1st Place</u> | <u>2nd Place</u> | <u>3rd Place</u> | <u>4th Place</u> |
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| “A” rated | 20 points | 12 points | 8 points | 4 points |
| “B” rated | 15 points | 9 points | 6 points | 3 points |
| “C” rated | 10 points | 6 points | 4 points | 2 points |
| “D” rated | 5 points | 3 points | 2 points | 1 points |

(b) Placings earned in all eligible classes at member shows of the United States Equestrian Federation shall be scored as above.

(c) Placings earned in Championships and Championship Stakes in Virginia Horse Show Association and/or United States Equestrian Federation member shows shall be awarded double the points stated in Section Four (a).

(d) Placings earned in all eligible classes at unrecognized horse shows shall be awarded points as follows:

| | <u>1st Place</u> | <u>2nd Place</u> | <u>3rd Place</u> | <u>4th Place</u> |
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| Unrated | 3 points | 2 points | 1 point | 0.5 points |

(e) Placings earned in Championships and Championship Stakes in unrecognized shows shall be awarded double the points stated in Section Four (d).

(f) When Championships are awarded on a point basis, only the Champion and Reserve Champion shall receive points. The Champion shall receive ten (10) points and the Reserve Champion shall receive eight (8) points.

(g) When year-end Championships are awarded, the Champion shall receive fifteen (15) points and the Reserve Champion shall receive thirteen (13) points.

(h) Placings earned in Halter, Model, or Breeding Classes in open competition shall be awarded double the points stated in Section Four (d).

(i) Placings earned in Equitation Classes, Horsemanship Classes, Halter Classes divided by breed, or any other class in which performance or conformation is not a deciding factor shall not be scored.

HALF-ARABIAN

SECTION ONE. The winner of the trophy shall abide by the rules as stated in SECTIONS ONE, TWO, THREE, and FIVE under GENERAL RULES.

SECTION TWO. For the purpose of awarding this trophy, an Open Class is one which is NOT restricted to a particular breed of horse. No points shall be credited for classes restricted to Half-Arabians.

SECTION THREE. All applicable rules from the Lewisfield Perpetual Trophy – Purebred Arabian will cover the Lewisfield Perpetual Trophy – Half-Arabian.

VAHA YOUTH ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

The Board of Directors of VAHA shall annually award the Youth Achievement Award under the following rules:

SECTION ONE. The winner of the award shall be the participant who meets the requirements for a Junior member in the current United States Equestrian Federation Rulebook.

SECTION TWO.

- (a) To be eligible a participant must be a Junior member in good standing of VAHA, either as an individual Junior member or through a Family or Breeder membership. Points won previous to the date the youth becomes a Junior member of VAHA will not count. Membership will be verified by the Membership Chairman.
- (b) Points will count from only one (1) horse per show for all classes, including equitation.

SECTION THREE.

- (a) Points for State, Regional and National competitions shall be scored as follows:
 - 4-H State Championships participation.....10 points
 - 4-H Regional Championships participation.....20 pointsAHA Regional, East Coast Championships, U.S. Nationals, Canadian Nationals, Youth Nationals, and all other horse shows shall be scored as stated in SECTION FOUR under GENERAL RULES.
- (b) 1st through 6th places in United States Equestrian Federation or Virginia Horse Show Association “A,” “B,” or “C” rated divisions will be awarded five (5) points per division.
- (c) Points for year-end awards presented to youth by organizations other than this Virginia Arabian Horse Association Awards Program shall be scored as follows:

| <u>Champion</u> | <u>Reserve Champion</u> | <u>Third</u> | <u>Fourth</u> | <u>Fifth</u> |
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| 10 points | 8 points | 6 points | 4 points | 2 points |

SECTION FOUR.

General points shall be scored as follows:

- (a) 4-H member, US Pony Club member.....10 points
- (b) Membership in other riding club.....5 points
- (c) Officer or Committee Chair in riding club.....additional 5 points
- (d) Judging competition (county/state level).....10 points
- (e) Judging team member, horse bowl, hippology contest.....10 points
- (f) 4-H project, VAHA Youth Committee project.....5 points
- (g) Parade on horseback.....10 points
- (h) Parade banner carrier, helper, etc.....5 points
- (i) Organized trail ride.....5 points
- (j) Ride and Tie.....5 points
- (k) Hunt.....10 points
- (l) Mock Hunt.....5 points
- (m) Hilltopping on Horseback.....5 points
- (n) Approved Clinic or Seminar mounted participant.....10 points
- (o) Approved Clinic or Seminar auditor (provide written summary).....5 points
- (p) Volunteer at VAHA “A” rated show.....3 points per hour
- (q) Volunteer at other clinic/show – half-day (4 – 7 hours).....5 points
- (r) Volunteer at other clinic/show – full day (8+ hours).....10 points
- (s) Attend VAHA General Membership meeting (provide written summary).....5 points
- (t) Attend VAHA District meeting (provide written summary).....5 points
- (u) Riding lessons (maximum of 20 points).....2 points per hour

VAHA ADULT AMATEUR ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

The Board of Directors of VAHA shall annually award the Adult Amateur Achievement Award following all applicable rules under the VAHA Youth Achievement Award. To be eligible for an award, an Adult Amateur must meet the requirements for an Amateur member in the current United States Equestrian Federation Rulebook.

VAHA MOST VERSATILE ARABIAN PERPETUAL TROPHY

The Board of Directors of VAHA shall annually award the Most Versatile Arabian and the Most Versatile Half-Arabian Perpetual Trophies under the following rules:

SECTION ONE. The winners of these trophies shall abide by the rules as stated in SECTIONS ONE, TWO, THREE, and FIVE under GENERAL RULES.

SECTION TWO.

- (a) Points MUST be earned in at least six (6) of the following categories. At least one (1) of the six categories MUST be performed outside the show ring or other confined area. Show ring classes held outside the ring shall not count as the outside category.
- (b) NO MORE THAN 50% of the total points may be earned in any one category. Points that exceed 50% of the total in one category shall be forfeited.
- (c) Categories are as follows:
 1. Halter
 2. Country English Pleasure
 3. English Pleasure
 4. Park
 5. Western Pleasure
 6. Show Ring Trail/Western Riding
 7. Stock/Reining/Cutting/Working Cow Horse/Ranch Riding
 8. Hunter Pleasure/Hunter Under Saddle/Bridle Path Hack
 9. Hunter Over Fences/Jumper
 10. Eventing
 11. Pleasure Driving/Formal Driving/Combination/Roadster
 12. Driving Marathon/Obstacle Driving/Dressage Driving
 13. Show Hack Class
 14. Side Saddle Class
 15. Native Costume Class/Parade Horse Class
 16. Parade/Exhibition
 17. Organized Trail Ride/Judged Trail Ride
 18. Endurance Ride/Competitive Trail Ride/Ride-and-Tie
 19. Hunt/Mock Hunt/Hilltopping on Horseback
 20. Miscellaneous (to include, but not to be limited to, Gymkhana, Vaulting, Jousting, Racing, Riding Lessons)
 21. Sport Horse In Hand
 22. Sport Horse Under Saddle
 23. Carriage Driving
 24. Dressage
 25. Western Dressage

SECTION THREE.

- (a) Points will be determined as stated in SECTION FOUR under GENERAL RULES.
- (b) Points for year-end awards presented by organizations other than this VAHA Awards Program shall be scored as follows:

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| <u>Champion</u> | <u>Reserve Champion</u> | <u>Third</u> | <u>Fourth</u> | <u>Fifth</u> |
| 10 points | 8 points | 6 points | 4 points | 2 points |

SECTION FOUR.

Points for other activities shall be scored as follows:

- (a) Organized trail ride.....5 points
- (b) Ride and Tie.....10 points
- (c) Hunt.....10 points
- (d) Mock Hunt.....5 points
- (e) Hilltopping on Horseback.....10 points
- (f) Parade participation.....10 points

- (g) Parade any award.....participation points plus 5points
- (h) Exhibition: in-hand participant.....5 points
- (i) Exhibition: under saddle participation.....10 points
- (j) Jousting tournament.....10 points
- (k) Vaulting competition.....10 points
- (l) Riding lessons (maximum of 20 points).....2 points per hour
- (m) Racing: Completion of race.....25 points
 - First place.....completion points plus 50 points
 - Second place.....completion points plus 25 points
 - Third place.....completion points plus 10 points

(NOTE: An exhibition includes activities such as a horse on display at a fair, a horse used for youth judging contest, a horse used for a demonstration at any show or activity. Any exhibit where the horse is placed in a confined area such as a stall or small area shall not count as an outside-the-ring activity. The Awards Committee shall rule on any activity should its eligibility be questioned.)

DIVISION HIGH POINT AWARDS

The Board of Directors of VAHA shall annually award the High Point in each of the following divisions:

1. Halter/Sport Horse In-Hand
2. Sport Horse Under Saddle/Sport Horse Show Hack
3. Western Pleasure
4. Hunter Pleasure
5. Hunter/Jumper
6. English Pleasure/Country English Pleasure/Park/Driving
7. Dressage
8. Western Dressage
9. Working Western (Trail, Reining, Ranch Riding, Working Cow)
10. Specialty (Sidesaddle, Native Costume, and English Show Hack)
11. Endurance

SECTION ONE. The awards shall be presented in the Arabian and Half-Arabian divisions and will abide by the rules as stated in SECTIONS ONE, TWO, THREE, and FIVE under GENERAL RULES.

SECTION TWO. Points shall be scored as stated in SECTION FOUR under GENERAL RULES.