2009 CPHA FOUNDATION EQUITATION

Open to junior and amateur riders who are current members of the CPHA and PCHA. Trainers of riders in this class must be professional members of the CPHA. To be shown over an equitation type course of at least 8 fences 3'3" in height with at least 2 USEF Tests (1,2,6,10,12,15,17 or 18) included as part of the course. This class will be judged on the current standards of the US Equestrian Federation.

QUALIFICATIONS: 21/under riders must earn 6 points during the qualifying season.

They may continue to ride in the class for the yearend high point award. Amateur's 22/over and Juniors 14/under must ride in one class prior to the 2009 championships to qualify. They may continue to ride for their division for yearend high point award. The highpoint division leaders will receive special awards as the California Professional Horsemen's Association may bestow at its annual awards presentation held at the PCHA Convention.

Points are awarded: 6 4 3 2 1.

To fill a class, three (3) riders must compete and complete the class. Unconventional equipment may be penalized at the discretion of the judges. Qualifying period will be from the first weekend after the finals to the last weekend before the finals.

2009 CPHA FOUNDATION EQUITATION CHAMPIONSHIP FINAL

QUALIFICATIONS: Open to junior and amateur riders who are current members of the CPHA and the PCHA. The **21/under class must have earned six points** during the qualifying period and the 14/under and the amateurs (22/over) must have ridden in at least one Foundation Equitation Class prior to the 2009 championships. **Trainers of riders in this class must be professional members of the CPHA and current members of the PCHA.**

Warm Up Class: The warm up class (21/under) will be judged. 22/over and 14/under will be judged upon judge availability. If not judged all riders must follow posted track. Any natural obstacle used in the final must also be used in the warm up class.

CLASS SPECIFICATIONS: There will be two rounds consisting of courses with at least two changes of direction. Two judges will sit apart but may sit together during the work off and use the open numerical system. The rider's score in each round will be an average of each judge's score. The order of go for Round 1 will be drawn, and this round will count 50%. The order of go in Round 2 will be the reverse order of Round 1. Round 2 will count 50%. After the completion of Round 2, the riders with the top 4 scores and any additional riders with scores within 3 points of the leader and any rider whose score is 80 or better will be required to perform additional tests at the discretion of the judges. The work off score will be announced and added to the rider's total score. The score in Round 2 will decide ties not involving 1st place

An exhibitor may only compete in one section of the championships regardless of age eligibility.

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Substitutions: The same horse must be ridden through all phases of the competition. However, due to illness or injury of the horse a rider may petition to ride a substitute horse. This substitution must be approved by the Appeals Committee consisting of the Show Manager, the Chief Steward and the Official Veterinarian, who has in fact examined the horse and determined it's unsuitability to continue.

Schooling:

Follow USEF Jumper schooling rules EXCEPT: Swedish Oxers (max 12" difference), tarps, coolers, and liverpools are acceptable.

If size of schooling area permits, one hour before the class begins the horse show will set the jumps in the schooling area (s). The jumps will be flagged to show the direction of the jumps.

These flags may be changed, red on right, white on left. Verticals can be made into oxers, oxers can be made into verticals. The jumps may be raised or lowered, widened or narrowed.

Classes for schooling before finals are held at the discretion of the horse show management.

Approved USEF attire for schooling is required.

There is to be no contact between exhibitor or trainer to either the judges or the course designer prior to or at the conclusion of any round without the specified technical delegate or show steward present.

Riders 14 & Under. Fences 3'3" in height. Two tests (USEF Eq. 1,2,6,10,12,15,17 or 18) will be part of the original course in Round 1 and 2.

Riders 21 & Under. Fences 3'3" in height. The course will be an advanced equitation type using banks, Liverpool (in at least one round) triple and double combinations. Two Tests (USEF Eq., 1,2,6,10, 12, 15,17 or 18) will be part of the original course in Round 1 and 2.

Riders 22 & Over. Fences 3'3" in height. Two tests (USEF Eq. 1,2,6,10,12,15,17 or 18) will be part of the original course in Round 1 and 2. Riders will not be asked to dismount, mount or jump without stirrups.

AWARDS

Hap Hansen Perpetual Trophy presented to the 14 & Under Champion Sponsored by the Van Sickle Family.

Barbara Worth Oakford Perpetual Trophy presented to the 21 & Under Champion Sponsored by Hester Equestrian.

Victor HugoVidal Perpetual Trophy presented to the 22 & Over Champion Sponsored by Far West Farms and the CPHA Foundation.

Special awards will be presented to the top three finishers in each division. Ribbons through 10th will be presented for all Rounds.

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ORDER OF GO

The order of go for Round 1 will be drawn at the exhibitors' party. If a rider or his/her representative fails to attend the draw, the USEF Steward, Technical Delegate or CPHA official will act on his/her behalf.