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Dear Professionals and Jr/Am Competitors,

It is that time of year again to renew your CPHA membership for the year 2024. CPHA has many great programs, events, and benefits for our members. Here are some examples:

1. Our professional members receive a \$5000 excess accident policy with their membership to help supplement their current insurance, or to use should they not have any insurance to draw on, in case of an accident at work. In order to draw on this insurance you must be a member before the accident. Farriers, grooms, veterinarians, horse show staff, etc. are all eligible.
2. CPHA and the CPHA Foundation medal classes and our prestigious medal finals are very popular and offer riders and trainers from every level of equitation the opportunity to increase their skills and compete in high quality events at wonderful shows all over California.
3. CPHA presents year-end honors at our CPHA banquet. These awards are given to preserve our history through the years by honoring our lifelong horsemen and recognizing achievements of our members that were truly outstanding,
4. CPHA is involved with H2B-visa program; it effectively enables grooms, as well as riders, and equestrian managers to obtain legal working visas in California and neighboring states.
5. CPHA Green Hunter Incentive program for 3'-3'9" offers our young hunters wonderful stake classes throughout the show year and an amazing Championship with impressive prize money in the fall. All the incentive money collected is going back to add to the prize money at the championships. Horses must join incentive, and riders and owners must be CPHA members.
6. The CPHA offers and funds many programs that will bring our members educational clinics and informational seminars. Tell us what you want/need and we will do it!!

Please spread the word and encourage other professionals to join CPHA. You need to be a member before you can take advantage of these wonderful opportunities. I am pleased to say that last year's membership was 852 members. It is because of the contributions and participation of our members that we have been able to help successfully fund the CPHA Foundation.

In the past the CPHA Foundation has been able to reach out and give aid to CPHA professionals who are in need in the horse industry. The Foundation has given monetary support to members who have had medical issues, suffered loss due to natural disasters, and helped with living expenses of professionals in need. In addition, they award scholarships to children of professionals, young professionals furthering their education, and working students. In 2023 five scholarships were awarded, with donations and support from our equestrian community we hope to do more this year.

Please take the time to fill out the 2024 membership form and return it to our office for processing, you can either email or US mail the application. You can also join on the CPHA website with a credit card. You will find information on our programs, rules for medal classes and the link to the CPHA Foundation on our web site, www.cpha.org Please remember both trainers and riders must be members of CPHA to participate in our medal classes. We encourage all professional horse people to join to be eligible for the other beneficial programs CPHA has to offer. Thanks so much for your support!!

Respectfully,

Jeni Brown, President