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Aurora Arabian Newsletter
Winter (Jan/Feb) 2022

A REVIEW OF THE IMPORTANT THINGS!

Our board members for the year after our September AGM and elections:

President: Gary Millar

Vice President: Faith Yaworski (Seward)

Treasurer: Ellen Cust

Secretary: Jean Kot

Directors: Karen Caughell, Kim Seward, Carla Jackson, Jacqui Girard, and Heather Downey and Alicia Baikie (our new Youth Director!)

AHA CONVENTION

November 15th-19th, 2021

Each year, AHA Convention is put on to discuss and vote on new resolutions, report on the year, present awards, and in general, be a hub for discussion and networking.

With COVID, Convention was virtual again. This not only allows for easier attendance, but gives many who may not normally attend, an opportunity to do so as a Guest or even a Delegate.

Over the next few pages, our directors Karen Caughell and Carla Jackson expand on the meetings they sat in over the course of convention.

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“2021 AHA Convention

The convention theme this year is Resilience. The convention was supposed to be held in Niagara Falls, but due to ongoing covid restrictions, it was held virtually again.

There were 226 registered delegates.

Amateur Committee

There were 149 people who attended this meeting. They talked about the 4 USEF rule changes that affect amateurs. It will allow amateurs to be paid for barn duties that will now include lunging as well as grooming and bathing. It will allow amateurs to teach the beginner riders under the supervision of a USEF professional. They can be brand ambassadors using social media activities. The other change would allow anyone under 25 years of age that had worked as a professional, to get their amateur status back after only 3 months instead of one year. This will be allowed only once per person. It was also mentioned that the Youth Commission was going to ask the BoD to make the Mid Summer show a National Championship show. The survey after the show showed that people would not attend the show if it was not a National show.

Awards Committee

There were 35 people at this meeting. They discussed the nominated horses for the Ambassador and Open Competition awards. They voted on Intentionally Adira+// and JAG Kalico Kid+// as the Ambassador winners and Bristol Blaze and Trade Secret CC+// as the Open Competition award winners. They discussed the issue of the sport horses blowing through the achievement levels so fast as they can enter several classes at one show and can win an award or two at one show or two shows. What is the actual cost of the awards and staff work compared to the cost of entering the program. A sub committee was formed to look into this issue and the effect of the new qualifications and how it will affect the achievement awards and earning points.

Board of Directors Meeting

The BoD meeting was all day Wednesday. There were 112 people that attended. The Treasurer said that AHA is currently in the best financial position since the 1990's, but they still need to be careful with the spending. They still need the local shows to occur for income from the 5-90 fees for the Judges and Stewards program. They haven't had an offer yet on the AHA building. They would like to get it sold and downsize to a smaller one. Mary Jane Brown has been named as the new Judges and Stewards Commissioner. Stan Moray will stay on as the Executive VP. PAT initiated another lawsuit for the Registry software. A court date for that is set for December of 2022. The Arabian Horse Foundation awarded \$85,000 in scholarships.

Breeders Sweepstakes

57 people attended this meeting. New for 2021 was adding PB and HA SHUS AAOTR Jackpot classes at Sport Horse Nationals. It is for horses 4 years and over and must be a Breeders Sweepstakes nominated horse. This was a huge success. The entry fee is \$500 (same as the other ABS Jackpot classes) and Sweepstakes will add in \$1000 per entered horse up to a maximum of \$15,000. Payout is 20% for Champion, 10% for Reserve Champion and remaining Top 10 is 8.75%. Money is paid out for all the Top 10, not the 50% rule. As of 2021, HA Yearling classes at US Nationals will no longer be Sweepstakes classes.

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Breeding in Hand Committee

There were 64 people who attended this meeting. They have a proposal they are going to send to the CAC about halter qualifications. They want to be moved from Category 1 to Category 2 so they can minimize the number of shows they take the horses too. The more shows they go to, the horses tend to lose their sparkle if they are shown too many times before Nationals. They also asked if a Scottsdale Championships could qualify a horse. They like showing in the Pavilion as it has an electric atmosphere that everyone enjoys. They were open to the idea of having some classes in the Ford, possibly some futurity classes. They also suggested that maybe a few performance classes (like the AEPA) could be held in the Pavilion one evening.

Canadian National Show Commission

75 people attended this meeting. The commission is planning on a show for 2022. It will be the 65th anniversary of the show. It is the oldest AHA National show. There is a new hotel across the street from the facility. It is a Holiday Inn Express. There are some patrons already signed up and people are interested in attending. The government rules may keep some people from crossing the border. If the BoD decides to make the Mid Summer show a National show, it WILL hurt the Canadian National show.

Competition Advisory Committee

This meeting had 91 people attend. They spoke about the qualification changes that will take effect Jan 2022. If you showed at a Class A show in 2021 and placed 1st-6th, you are qualified for 2022. If you did not place, you are not qualified. If you went Top 5 or better at a Regional show, you are qualified for Nationals. The participation part where you showed but did not place was not able to be tracked this year. That has been set up and is ready to go for 2022. One of the purposes of the participation change was to end the marathon days at class A shows and there is no need to hold all the classes. It was suggested to get rid of the age splits as many classes had one or two horses in them. It stays the same as before with an amateur qualifying for amateur and open classes and a professional can only qualify for open classes. Equitation riders must qualify for themselves, same as before. They said to do what works best for your area and your show.

Convention Planning Committee

The 2022 AHA Convention will be in person in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina Nov 9-12. The 2023 Convention will be virtual. The 2024 convention will be at the Silver Legacy Resort in Reno Nevada. It was supposed to be in Reno in 2020, but canceled due to Covid. They decided to have the Election year convention in person and every other year will be virtual.

Membership Committee

There are 15,259 AHA members. Last year there was 15,688 which is a 2.7% decrease from last year. Of those members, 9450 have a club affiliation and 9060 have a competition card. There are 215 clubs. 116 of those clubs sent/registered 226 delegates. 99 sent none. 49 clubs sent 1, 39 sent 2, 15 sent 3, 8 sent 4, 2 sent 5 and 1 club sent 6. National Shows Directorate 49 people attended this meeting. This is a committee that involves all four national show commissions. They discussed the number of people

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allowed in photos. It was also brought up that people would bring dogs in the arena as well. It is already a USEF rule that no dogs are allowed in the arena. AHA will have to put something in the Omnibus and post signs by the rings that dogs are not allowed in the arena and for photos. They discussed Patron stabling policies and it needs to be consistent between all four national shows. They set up a subcommittee to set the guidelines so it is fair for everyone. No subletting the patronship and how to deal with families that pass down the patronships, as well as tag a longs and seniority. They talked about cut sizes at US and perhaps the classes that have 60+ horses should have four sections instead of three. They discussed the chain of command on the show commission. USEF says the head is the show manager and AHA says it is the show chair. Each commission has their members in charge of certain areas or rings, but they make decisions together. The Show Commissions are elected by the BoD. Names come up and they sometimes don't know if they are an achieving or underachieving worker. How they deal with or get rid of an underachieving worker. They talked about possibly setting up a review/evaluation form to identify strengths and weaknesses. A job description of each position needs to be developed.

Nominating Committee

This committee is charged with finding candidates to run for the Executive positions if there are no self-reporting candidates. Since it is not an election year, there was no business to discuss.

US National Show Commission

There were 105 people at this meeting. It was Glen True's last year on the show commission as the stabling manager. They thanked him for his years of service. They had 3500 stalls for the show and used all of them. They had to take some tack stalls away from some barns in order to have more stalls for horses. They had 1886 horses.

The Ranch division is growing and could use another half a day in the schedule. Performance halter was a huge success and they used the open card format this year and it worked well. There was some discussion about holding some halter classes in the Ford on Friday and Saturday nights. That will be looked at with the halter people to see what they want. There was an issue with the show program as the entry numbers in the back did not match the actual entry.

Working Western Committee

The Working Western committee met twice with 74 people attending. The first part of the discussion was about the classes at Youth and US Nationals. The Youth were asking for the patterns for the classes to be posted two weeks before the show. All other breed shows have their patterns posted two weeks before the show. It allows for a longer prep time instead of practicing at the show. The cows were sponsored at Youth which resulted in higher entry numbers. For US, the Ranch Riding has grown so fast that they almost need another half a day for all the classes. They talked about the Reiners going back to one go instead of two as some of those horses also go in Ranch and Trail classes so they go several times. The general consensus was to leave it as two goes. They talked about the ABSN Jackpot classes and perhaps holding those four classes one evening and showcasing them and the amateurs. These would be single go classes. For Trail, they asked that the course designer have a different level of patterns for the Open and the

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Derby. The Derby is for greener horses and the open pattern was a bit too tough for them. They will approach the US show commission about some scheduling changes.”

Karen Caughell
Aurora Delegate

“AHA 2021 Convention Report

Thank you for allowing me to attend as an Aurora delegate. The opportunity to be a part of the convention is always a great learning platform. The AHA virtual experience definitely takes on a life of its own. Within the comfort of my own home office, I listened to more horse talk than I have heard in my entire horse training career.

For those of you who have not been able to attend a convention I can offer an explanation to what it entails. AHA has an approximate membership of 18,000. These avid members and enthusiasts participate in a number of committees, commissions and panels. Here is a list of the 45 groups organized to aid in delivering the mission statement of AHA.

Mission Statement

To promote:

- growth in the interest in, and demand for the Arabian, Half-Arabian and Anglo-Arabian horse;
- preservation of the integrity of the breed;
- increased participation in activities involving the Arabian, Half-Arabian and Anglo-Arabian horse;
- recognition by the equine industry and general public about the value and attributes of the Arabian, Half-Arabian and Anglo-Arabian horse; and
- ensure that services and benefits are valuable and convenient for AHA members.

COMMITTEES:

Professional Horsemen	Competition/Advisory
Working Western	Amateur
Membership	USEF Arabian Division
Judges & Stewards Selection	Equine Stress/Research & Education
Bylaws	Sport Horse
Judges & Stewards Steering	Budget & Finance

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Nominating	Racing
Breeding In Hand	Distance Riding
Hunter/Jumper	Eventing & Driving
Awards	Dressage/Western Dressage
Local Level Involvement	Youth
Resolution 5-90	Internal Audit
Equitation/Showmanship	Annual Convention Planning

COMMISSIONS:

Agenda & Resolutions	Market Development & Promotion
Education/Evaluation	US National Show
Sport Horse National Show	Canadian National Show
Youth National Show	AHA Nationals Distance
AHA Futurity	Arabian Breeders Sweepstakes
Registration	

OTHERS:

National Shows Directorate	Purebred Arabian Trust
Arabian Horse Foundation	Commissioner's Review Panel
Probable Cause Panel	Ethical Practice Review Board
Emergency Response Team	Arabian Breeders Trustees

Each group listed above has a chairperson, vice chair, and secretary. Many of the committee members have signed up prior to convention registration. Delegates if not already involved can sign up at time of enrollment. The core group of these committees and commissions have been working throughout the year. These are the volunteer members that are helping us to achieve our goals with our Arabian horse. As delegates or guests, we can participate in the meetings held throughout the week. This is where the brainstorming from the year comes to a head and decisions are possibly made.

I had signed up for the Professional Horsemen, Equitation/Showmanship, Equine Stress/Research and Education, and the Working Western Committees. A strict schedule was adhered to throughout the week which allowed me to sit in on other

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interesting group meetings. A Region 17 caucus meeting on Thursday evening brought delegates from other clubs within Western Canada together. We had an opportunity to collaborate and share our experiences with one another.

This past Monday, November 15, 2021 at 9:00am I had coffee with the Professional Horsemen Committee and 100 other meeting participants. Jim Hitt chaired the meeting for Chris Culbreth addressing four of the initial 16 resolutions. The PHC talked about show horses on the local scene and the National level. There was discussion regarding shoeing, judging and safety of the Arabian horses.

From there I attended the Education/Evaluation commission meeting where they discussed several of the resolutions. Even though I was not a committee member I can attend and listen into the open session portion. Resolution conversation revolved around the shoeing and “to burgundy or not to burgundy” with the hunt coat in our hunter pleasure classes. The EEC is moving forward with Judges School and Seminar beginning December 2-5, 2021. A portion of the school will be on site in Scottsdale Arizona and Judges interviews will be virtual. Details are on the AHA website.

The working western division has definite hotbeds within the US and Canada but overall is growing rapidly. Therefore, the Working Western committee is hopping. Discussion on assigned resolutions were mostly housekeeping or verbiage related. However, there is a difference of opinion in having the 10 & under class enter at the walk versus management deciding if their exhibitors are capable of entering at the jog/trot. WW committee and guests' lot of discussion re the number of go rounds for the reiners. The question out there is to run concurrent classes or individually. They have added ABS reiner jackpots at US Nationals and therefore increasing the classes and go rounds for patterning horses. My quick notes state they were thrilled to have a Ranch Horse Championship show this year. The one-hour time allotment did not meet the needs for the WW committee and they definitely had to continue discussions into a scheduled Friday slot.

The Equitation/Showmanship committee is talking patterns also. They want to see pattern selection appropriate to the level of exhibitors. There are some new penalties for hitting a cone in showmanship coming into play. Score cards for halter showmanship are being taught in the judges school. AHA is encouraging judges to use the scorecard and become familiar with it. Exhibitors are excited to see them but this time it will not be mandatory that they be posted. This group wants all 10 and under classes to enter at the walk. First year for Adult Hunt Seat Equitation at US Nationals. And stay tuned there will be mandatory patterns at this level. The Equitation committee reminds everyone there are equitation manuals for each seat that are available to AHA members. Check the website resources. These are great learning tools for our riders.

Competition and Advisory people talked about how to bring fun into shows. Show management groups are encouraged to minimize 1-3 horse classes and to “customize their shows.” No need to offer ALL age groups. The qualification rules have been accepted by the majority of people. Your 2021 shows will count for 2022. Regional Top 5 placings qualify you for Nationals. A 1st to 6th in 2021 will qualify for one show but no participation records were kept in the transition year. The use of a 1-6 placing will count

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for 2022 qualification but not if you simply participated in the 2021 class. Please note it is no longer necessary to qualify for a specific Region. In 2022 do remember it is show participation not class participation.

The Amateur committee played a big part in the qualification changes. They worked very hard along with Competition and Advisory to meet wishes of membership and make all workable. Lisa Blackstone AHA Vice President is also a liaison with USEF. She had a presentation which I may cross over in time with Equine Canada. Please see the following document:

4 RULE CHANGE PROPOSALS TO THE USEF AMATEUR RULE

The first *three* proposals deal with what amateurs can do for *remuneration*.

Rule Change Proposal #1. Barn Duties:

Amateurs have always been allowed to do chores such as grooming, bathing, clipping, braiding, etc. In the past they were prohibited from lunging. This rule change permits them to lunge horses as well. That is the only change to the existing rule.

Rule Change Proposal #2. Teaching Beginner Lessons:

This rule change will allow amateurs to teach basic riding lessons to rank beginners. These lessons are for people who do not know how to ride at all, hoping to introduce horseback riding to a broader audience and grow our sport. It was more controversial with the Hunter/Jumper population, but very popular with the Breeds. Because of that, there will be a "carve out" for those affiliates who *want* to permit this from those who do not. We added some "teeth" to better enforce the new rule:

- a. The amateur must register with USEF before they start
- b. They can't exceed 20 hours per week teaching
- c. They must be under the supervision of a USEF professional
- d. They can't teach lessons at competitions
- e. Student must be a beginner who has never shown at any level of competition whatsoever (USEF or otherwise)
- f. The amateur-teacher must keep a detailed log of their lessons
- g. This log must be reviewed and signed off by the professional

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h. Both the amateur and the professional are responsible for compliance

i. USEF may request proof of the lesson log and if either fail to comply, that's a violation of the rule and both are subject to penalties.

Rule Change Proposal #3. Social Media Conduct:

Brand Ambassadors and Social Influencers are permitted to earn money by engaging in these activities. But amateurs cannot be Sponsored Athletes. (There are specific definitions of these terms that I can share if needed.)

Rule Change Proposal #4. Reapplying For Amateur Status:

This rule will allow people 25 and under to reapply for their amateur status with only a three-month waiting period. The intent is to keep our young adults in the saddle and not penalize them too harshly if they simply make a mistake in their decision to become a professional. However, this is available ONE TIME only. After that, the individual would need to wait one-year after ceasing professional activities to reapply, as is currently the case for everyone.

These rules will be voted on by the USEF Board in the very near future. If passed, they will be in effect for the 2022 competition year.

The Youth National Show Commission is very happy with 1425 horses attending in 2021. Bringing adults into their show for Midsummer has doubled their horse count from 707 in 2018. The plan to continue with this venue is a definite yes. The question is will it have a National designation or will it be a Championship show? This is to be determined at the AHA Board meeting December 13, 2021.

The Canadian National Show Commission meeting was chaired by Gerald MacDonald. The show is scheduled for August 14-20, 2022 in Brandon, Manitoba. International travelers will have to comply with border crossing rules. There will be strong competition with other shows running in and around the traditional Canadian dates. The Commission is willing to work at offering the classes that draw the people to their show. They are confident in the facility and believe that the Canadian Nationals will be a great venue.

Arabian Horse Foundation reported a successful year with giving scholarships to young people for secondary education. They have also been progressive in assistance to research for equine wellness. Information re scholarships and funding at: www.arabianhorsefoundation.org

Thursday morning the Equine Stress and Education group was steer headed by Lori Conway. Conversation on the shoeing rules were lively and it was decided to take the upcoming 2022 year and do a revision of the rule. They are looking towards shoeing horses according to discipline. Rules for overweight and length will probably remain but

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pad configuration and lead weights may become an option. They will study and have a new shoeing resolution by convention 2022.

Judges & Stewards Steering Committee spoke highly of the value show. We are not seeing a lot of Academy or Value shows in Canada at this time. They appear to run on lighter budgets and offer similar classes and if small enough do not require a show steward. Great practice and fun for all.

The Nominating Committee is responsible for making sure there are people to take on the positions required in the above listed groups as well as executive positions. Creating a succession plan if you will, assuring the roles and duties are handed along.

Each of the meeting blocks were easily an hour and most committees used all of their time.

AHA President Deborah Johnston delivered an amazing speech for the opening of the general session Saturday morning. She spoke of the year in quarters, starting early on with new committees and the onboarding of new delegates. She commended the staff for surviving two malware attacks and living through the restrictions of covid. President Johnston assured us that no files or documents were lost and service continued to customers and members as per usual even though the computer systems were severely compromised.

The second quarter saw excitement in the many Discovery Farms that became active. A simple, free program that anyone can sign up to. A Discovery Farm will put you on a map as one of the 'go to places' to visit, an Arabian horse. Currently they have over 200 farms listed.

Along with some good news came some bad news. The Purebred Arabian Trust wants all income from the Purebred Arabian Registry. Currently AHA pays PAT for each registered horse since they merged the Registries in 2002. Earlier this year the courts had ruled in favor of AHA maintaining the Registry. It was in the second quarter that PAT decided to sue AHA once again. This trial date is now set for December of 2022.

Third quarter for President Johnston the qualification conversations were lively. Effort to communicate better with membership and be more transparent in decisions. AHA increased the number of meetings, podcasts and offered virtual town hall sessions where people could speak out. A move to sell the AHA building, start the process of updating the antiquated computer system was put into motion.

In the third quarter of this year, it is confirmed that Canadian Nationals 2022 will proceed. Youth/Midsummer National Show and the Ranch Horse Championship were on record as lucrative events. The Distance riding Nationals with combined breeds offered rides that were 25, 50 and 100 miles long.

And finally, the fourth quarter which has not come to close but included success at Sport Horse and US Nationals. Plans for the Judges school and seminar beginning in December are well under way.

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The general session saw the majority of the resolutions pass by consent. See the website for amended versions of resolutions. Resolution 2-21 and 16-21 were withdrawn. Next year's convention Myrtle Beach, North Carolina Nov 9-12, 2022. Convention 2023 will be virtual and Convention 2024 is to be held in Reno, Nevada.

A few other notable comments:

I would like to congratulate Mary Jane Brown on her appointment as Show Commissioner. Several special presentations for the volunteers were made at the Friday evening Award Ceremony. Our own Rob Calnan presented Karen Caughell and Emma Dybka with Region 17 volunteer awards. Congratulations to both of these hard-working ladies. There were four Regional Directors terms that had been completed. Rob Calnan was recognized as one of them. The incoming Directors were acknowledged as well. I would like to thank Rob for his dedication to Region 17. I look forward to representing our Regional membership at future AHA events.

The entire virtual Convention was very informative. I did miss the camaraderie with fellow horsemen and just being with friends overall. Home is a wonderful place to have coffee but by the 6th day I needed a substitute stimulus.

The AHA staff did an amazing job. These people work very hard at servicing their membership. The number of people it takes to make our world go round is unbelievable. I am proud to call myself one of them. If ever the opportunity arises that you can spend one day at the convention, I highly recommend it even if it is in your own office.”

Aurora Delegate

Carla Jackson

FEBRUARY CONTEST ANNOUNCEMENT!

Starting February 1st, we will accept photo submissions for our February contest via Facebook messenger or by email @ auroraarabian@gmail.com until Monday February 14th. Voting for board members and then our club members will happen during the week of the 14th and 21st.

Winners will be announced on February 28th!

February Theme: Ponies in the Snow

We encourage photos to be high resolution quality. You must be a member in good standing to participate.

We are so excited to see all of your photos and announce a winner!! (A great prize is up for grabs!)

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QUALIFICATION RULES

1. Qualification period is the previous year plus the current year up to the close of entries. (Placings in year 2021 count towards next year's qualification period – if your placing was not previously recorded, you will need to qualify in year 2022 under the participation system)
2. Compete in any qualifying AHA Recognized show in any region (which includes Concurrent, Pre-Show, Value Show).
3. An Amateur must qualify the horse to participate in an Amateur or Amateur Owner class.
4. Compete in a recognized section, i.e., HA/AA Western Pleasure, Arabian Country English Pleasure, Arabian Hunter Pleasure, etc.
5. Compete in any recognized class within that section (Note: for Dressage, each level is considered its own section).
6. Participating in that one recognized class in that section now qualifies you to compete in as many classes within that section at any one Regional Championship Show of your choice. a. Example: Participate at a qualifying show in HA/AA Western Pleasure ATR qualifies for any and as many classes in HA/AA Western Pleasure as long as you meet the definition for an Amateur, Amateur Owner, Leveling, Jr. Horse, etc. The qualification could have been earned in Region 8 but was used for the Region 6 Championship Show.
7. Participate at two (2) AHA Qualifying Shows and compete at any and as many Regional Championships in that section.
8. Equitation is based on the rider and the rider must participate in their qualifying section.
 - A. Youth - National Championship Show, a rider must win:
 1. A Medal, in a class of three or more entries; or
 2. obtain participation qualifications in AHA Medal classes (see current chart); or
 3. a Top Five or better from corresponding classes in Regional Championship Shows, East Coast Championship or Pacific Slope Championship, or a Top Six or better from corresponding classes in Eastern or Western Canadian Breeders Championship Classes.
 - B. Adult - National Championship Show, a rider must win:
 1. obtain participation qualifications in classes requiring a pattern; or
 2. a Top Five or better from corresponding classes in Regional Championship Shows, East Coast Championship or Pacific Slope Championship, or a Top Six or better from corresponding classes in Eastern or Western Canadian Breeders Championship Classes.
9. Participation can also be used to qualify in Specialty classes and can be obtained through Open Shows (and placings for Working Western/Dressage/Western Dressage).

10. A National Show Commission has the right to place restrictions on cross entry into classes.
11. The USEF/EC family definition and two distinct non-family owner definitions must be adhered to.
12. East Coast and Pacific Slope (Top Five), Eastern and Western Canadian Breeders (Top Six) all count as Regional Placings.
13. Participation definition:
 - a. In a class where horses compete together, participating means a horse/rider/driver/handler must have been entered, shown, and judged (perform at all required gaits both ways of the ring and remain in the ring until excused by the judge). In other words, finishing the class.
 - b. In a class where horses compete individually, participating means a horse/rider must have completed the individual requirements of the class and be eligible to receive a score.
 - c. Horses which are excused/disqualified/eliminated/received a “no score” are not considered “adjudicated”.

Category I - Main Ring

Regional Qualifications:

Participate in one AHA Qualifying Show in order to compete at one Regional Championship of your choice
Participate at two AHA Qualifying Shows in order to compete at any and as many Regional Championships

National Qualifications:

Regional Top 5 or better or
Participate in three AHA Approved Shows (one of which may be a participation from a Regional Championship)

Category II – Main Ring Exceptions/Sport Horse/Working Western (cannot receive a “no score”)

Junior Horses (unless affected by another category below)
Pleasure Driving
Country Pleasure Driving
Park Horse
Walk Trot - 10 and Under/11 & Over (Pleasure, Equitation and other)
Sport Horse In-Hand
Sport Horse Under Saddle
Sport Horse Show Hack
Reining
Trail
Reined Cow Horse
Limited Reined Cow Horse

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Working Cow Horse
Herd Work
Cutting
Ranch Riding
Ranch Reining
Ranch Trail
Ranch Working Cow
Ranch Horse Cow Work
Versatility Ranch Riding
Ranch Cutting
Ranch Rail
Ranch Horse Conformation

See Category IV for Youth cattle classes

Regional Qualifications:

Participate at one AHA Qualifying Show
Or “Open Qualifying Show” (for Working Western) in order to compete at any
and as many Regional Championships

National Qualifications:

Regional Top 5 or better or
Participate at two AHA Approved Shows or
“Open Qualifying Show” (for working western)
(one of which may be a participation from a Regional Championship)

Category III – Program Enrollment

ABS Yearling Classes (Arabian Filly/Colt/Gelding & HA/AA Filly/Gelding) –
Breeding Entry only and received a Top 10 from Regional ABS Yearling class
ABS Sport Horse Yearling Classes – Breeding Entry only
ABS Canadian Yearling Classes – Breeding Entry only
ABS AAOTR Jackpots (Arabian and HA/AA Western Pl, County Pl, Hunter Pl,
English Pl, Reining) – Breeding or Original Entry
ABS AAO Performance Halter – Breeding Entry or Original Entry – must be
adjudicated at Nationals in a Performance Class
ABS Sport Horse Under Saddle AO Jackpot – Breeding or Original Entry
ABS Dressage Prospect Incentive – Breeding or Original Entry
ABS Green Working Hunter Derby – Breeding or Original Entry Performance
Futurity/Maturity/Derby – program enrollment
Breeding/In-Hand Futurity – program enrollment

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Category IV - Other

Youth Herd Work

Youth Reined Cow Horse and Limited Reined Cow Horse

Carriage Driving (all)

Working Hunter

Hunter Seat Equitation Over Fences

Hunter Hack (all)

Jumpers

Green Working Hunter

Dressage Seat Equitation

Regional and Nationals - No Qualifications - (same as it was 2020 and prior)

Category V – DRESSAGE/WESTERN DRESSAGE - Horse/Rider must not be eliminated

Regional Qualifications:

Participate at one AHA Qualifying Show or

“Open Qualifying Show” in order to compete at any and as many Regional Championships

National Qualifications:

Regional Top 5 or better or

Participate at two AHA Approved Shows or “Open Qualifying Shows” (one of which may be a participation from a Regional Championship)

Freestyle – Must have a Minimum Score of 63% in Fourth Level and below, and 60% for FEI Levels, in highest test in level or higher level

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Region 17 Show Dates 2022

Spring Fling	Ponoka, AB	April 15-17
AAHABC Classic	Langley, BC	May 5-8
Parkland Arabian/Saddlebred	Red Deer, AB	May 20-22
Aurora Summer	Ponoka, AB	June 2-5
Beat The Heat Arab/Open Breed	Melville, Sask	June 10-12
Canadian Breeders	Red Deer, AB	June 29 July 3
Preshow Region 17	Langley, BC	July 18-19
Region 17 Championship	Langley, BC	July 20-24
Canadian National Horse	Brandon, MB	Aug 14-20
AAHABC Fall Frolic	Langley, BC	Sept 2-4
Beat The Blizzard Arab/Open Breed	Brandon, AB	September 9-11



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