



# POINTS, MEMBERSHIP, YEAR END AWARDS

## FAQ's



Answers to Common questions regarding, year end awards, membership, and points.

- In order to qualify for Year End Awards, the Rider, Owner, and Horse Must be a PHJA member...with one exception...if the rider is showing only in Beginner Divisions, then only the rider must be a member.
- Beginner divisions: Leadline; Pre-Beginner Walk/Halt; Ground Poles; Junior Walk/Trot; Senior Walk/Trot; Adult Walk/Trot; Crossrail - Trotters; Crossrail Equitation; Rusty Stirrup Crossrails; Novice Mini Stirrup. (The Mini Hunter & Crossrail Divisions are open Hunter - - --Divisions and are not considered beginner divisions. Horses competing in those divisions must be members in order for points to count).
- --Rider and Owner Memberships are renewable annually.
- Horse Membership is a Lifetime Membership.
- Process to become a member: complete an application, pay membership fees. All forms and payment portals are available at [www.phja.org](http://www.phja.org).
- Points accrue from the date of fee payment.**
- Membership Applications: please fill out completely with current contact information, including your own email address. We send you important information about the shows and year end awards, such as banquet info and voting for Feature Year End Awards. Junior Birthdates are important, they help determine appropriate age groups for juniors.
  
- Juniors' horse show age is the age they are on December 1st. (so if rider is 11 on December 1st, and then turns 12 on January 1st, rider will still compete in the 11 & Under age divisions for that show year).
- Seniors: anyone over 18 years of age on December 1st.
- Memberships can be paid online on our website [www.phja.org](http://www.phja.org), added to your show bill, or via check and mail.
- Points accrue from the date of membership (**the date the membership fee is paid constitutes date of membership**).
- Each ribbon has a Point Value: First 10; Second 6; Third 4; Fourth 2; Fifth 1; Sixth .5. Champion 20; Reserve 12.
- Placings in Classics receive double points. (e.g. if you got a first place in a classic, then it would be 10 points x 2 = 20 points). You must enter the entire division to compete in the Classics.
- A division must have at least two (2) *complete* the over fences in order for there to be a championship awarded.
- Equitation divisions only have one over fences class. No champion/reserve is awarded for those divisions.
  
- Jumper divisions champion/reserve are awarded over the weekend. In the jumper divisions three of the four classes that make up a division must fill (at least 2 riders complete the course) over the weekend.
- PHJA will award champion and reserve for hunter and qualifying beginner divisions when at least two riders complete the course in each of the classes of that division.
  
- Hunter division championships are calculated by totaling points for each rider from the two over fences classes. The four highest over fences scores qualify for Champion/Reserve. The under saddle points for those top four are added, and the two highest totals determine Champion and Reserve Champion.
- Member Points are posted on our website under the Member tab after each show. We encourage you to keep up with reviewing your points to make sure they are correct. If there is a question or correction, please email [phja@phja.org](mailto:phja@phja.org) asap.
- \*\*\*\*Deadline for corrections to the Year End Points is December 18th of that show year. \*\*\*\*
- Your Horse Show Results can be found online at [www.horseshowsonline.com](http://www.horseshowsonline.com) at the end of each show day.
  
- Thinking you didn't do that well, why bother joining? Remember, not everyone that you are competing with at the show is a member, so you never know how it will all shake out by the end of the year.
- Year End Awards: Ribbons awarded: Champion & Reserve Champion and 3-8th place. Champion receives an award; Reserve Champion receives an award.
- Year End High Point Awards: Beginner, Hunter, Equitation, Jumper.
- Year End Feature Awards Voted by the Membership: Trainer of the Year; Sportsmanship Award & Iole Taylor Memorial Award.
- PHJA offers through The Thoroughbred Incentive Program, 9 At Show TIP High Point Ribbons and Awards. We track the cumulative points throughout the year as a courtesy for the competitors. TIP sponsors and mails the Year End High Point Awards.
- PHJA provides at show TIP High Point information directly to TIP. Riders are responsible for submitting their individual show results directly to TIP.
- PHJA is a participating USHJA Outreach Show. Read more about the progressive awards and year end recognition in our omnibus, and at [ushja.org](http://ushja.org). PHJA provides show results directly to USHJA, the rider does not.