

# 2009 POAC OFFICIAL SUPPLEMENT

## PROTEST, CHARGES AND HEARINGS

**Rule 11,3,D., pg 28 – change to read as follows:** If made to a Show Committee, it must be received by the show manager, or a member of the Show Committee within 48 hours of the alleged violation. **If made to the Hearing Committee, it must be received by the POAC office within thirty (30) days and sent by registered mail with return receipt. All protests and charges to be sent to the POAC certified with return receipt requested.**

## REGISTRATION

**Rule 16,F., pg 40 – add:** Membership in the POAC is required to conduct registry business, **except in the transfer of ownership with the \$15 transfer fee paid by the seller with no requirement of membership for the buyer.**

**Rule 18,H., pg 41 – change to read as follows:** Roan—is a color with a mixture of base color and white hairs that are on places other than the flanks and tail head with hairs that can be seen from 40 feet. Two of the three characteristics must be present—Sclera, striped hooves, mottling. Mottling must be present in 3 or more separate locations.

**Rule 27., pg 49 - change to read as follows:** A letter will be sent to the current owner of a Tentative POA who needs to be inspected for Permanent registry.

**Rule 50,A., pg 57 – delete:** Approved (Recognized) Breed Associations for Crossbreeding to POA's: **American Buckskin Registry Ass., Galiceno Horse Breeders Assn., International Buckskin Assn., Palomino Horse Breeders of America, American Shetland Pony Club, and Spanish Mustang Registry Inc.**

## SHOW REQUIREMENTS & CLASSIFICATIONS

**Rule 53,D,1(a), pg 59 – change to read as follows:** The three (3) show maximum may be extended to four (4) if the shows are in a week or weekend of a state or national holiday.

**Rule 60., pg 61 – add:** Inter-breed Competition with Halter (IBC) – “This show allows POAs to combine with all other breed associations in order to produce a profitable show. **IBC shows are required to offer a minimum of five (5) 19&Over classes.** All classes, including halter, will be offered with all breeds showing together. Classes will be divided by age group of rider, by height of animal in halter (51” and under; over 51-54”; and over 54”). POAC show posting fees (only for POAs), points and placings are as in B&P shows. Each state will allow six (6) IBC Shows per year.”

**Rule 63,F,1(b), pg 62 - change to read as follows:** Equitation patterns (except Leadline) shall be mandatory with walk, trot (jog) (8 & Under), lope (canter) both leads with either a simple or flying lead change (9-12, 13-18, 12 & Under, or 18 & Under).”

**Rule 64., pg 63 - add:** The POAC may sponsor a Promotional show in conjunction with the Classic Shows.

**Rule 66,H,2., pg 64 - change to read as follows:** Equitation patterns (except Leadline) shall be mandatory with walk, trot (jog) (8 & Under), lope (canter) both leads with either a simple or flying lead change (9-12, 13-18, 12 & Under, or 18 & Under).

**Rule 67,G., pg 65 - change to read as follows:** Equitation patterns (except Leadline) shall be mandatory with walk, trot (jog) (8 & Under), lope (canter) both leads with either a simple or flying lead change (9-12, 13-18, 12 & Under, or 18 & Under).

**Rule 67,N,12., pg 65 - New Rule:** Oldest Pony Award to be presented at the International Show starting in 2008. This pony must be exhibited in either halter or a performance event at the show.

**Rule 81,A,5., pg 76 - add:** Any pony found to be over 56” shall be reported immediately to the POAC office **and the Registrar shall react within 15 days of third notification. After Registrar is notified by three (3) different inspectors, with one being a national inspector, a letter will be written to the owner of pony and request the surrender of tentative registration papers. The papers will then be changed to ID registration. If pony is not able to be measured three (3) times, it is up to the Executive Secretary to establish a time and date for the pony to be inspected.**

**Rule 84,G., pg 77 - add at end of paragraph:** Any pony found to be lacking necessary color or characteristics shall be immediately reported to the POAC office and the Registrar shall react within 15 days of receipt of notification. After Registrar is notified by three (3) different inspectors, with one being a national inspector, a letter will be written to the owner of pony and request the surrender of tentative registration papers. The papers will then be changed to ID registration. If another inspection for color is needed, it is up to the Executive Secretary to establish a time and date for the pony to be inspected.

**Rule 87,A., pg 78 - add:** Most Colorful Class does not count towards high point awards.

**Rule 87,C., pg 78 - add:** Most Colorful Class does not count towards high point awards.

## PERFORMANCE RULES AND SPECIFICATIONS

**Rule 98,D., pg 87 – New paragraph D:**

Adult; 19&over points awarded to pony for ROM (Adult)

- Any rider 19 & over riding any age pony, to include JPFC nominated ponies.
- May show in one or more of the four classes offered for National points
  - Western Pleasure
  - Hunter under Saddle
  - Trail
  - Reining

3. Any of these four (4) classes offered to the youth at a show must also be offered to the 19 & over. (Example if reining and/or trail is only offered to the youth on one day, it will only be offered to 19 & over on one day). It is also the state show committee's option to offer none of the 19 & over classes. All four (4) 19 & over classes must be offered at Regional, Classic and International shows.

4. Year-End Points to be published in the POA Magazine.

High Point year-end awards to be given out if sponsored.

This program will be for a trial period of five years and during that time, no additional classes from the four listed in the above proposal be added to this program.

**Rule 99,F., pg 87 - add:** Any one exhibitor is not allowed to participate in both the traditional 3-gait 8&Under Pleasure and the W/T Pleasure during the same show. However, it would be possible for an exhibitor to show 3-gait Western Pleasure and W/T English Pleasure or vice versa.

**Rule 100,Q., pg 88 - New paragraph:** At the discretion of the judge, any rider receiving assistance from outside the ring (i.e. coaching a rider through a pattern) may be disqualified from the class.

## NON-TIMED DIVISION

**Rule 114,A., pg 110 - change to read as follows:** Trail class may be run at a separate location and concurrently with other classes. The Show Committee or judge may designate a qualified person(s) **over the age of 18 to judge the trail class. Judges cards MUST be signed by person judging the class. A Ponyrama is two judges judging simultaneously.**

**Rule 116,A., pg 118 - add:** In 9-12, 13-18 and 18 & Under Western Riding, the pony must do a minimum of four (4) flying lead changes at Classic, Regional and International Shows.

**Rule 116,F., pg 118 - add:** Score sheets will be made available for the judges to use, but are not mandatory.

## OTHER EVENTS AND AWARDS

### New Rule 146., pg 161. POAC HALL OF FAME

The Hall of Fame for POAC was established in 1989 with a committee of 6 long-time POA members who nominated and then voted on the first inductees into HOF. The winners were announced at the POAC Convention held in Indianapolis in February of 1990. After that first year, the committee remained the same but nominations for ponies and people were then taken from the membership and carefully considered. The six members of the committee were chosen because of their long association with the breed of at least 30 years. Membership on the committee was to be replaced only upon a member's death. However, a few years after its inception, the committee was enlarged to 12 to include a wider representation of the country and in 2007 was increased to a 14-member committee.

### POAC Hall of Fame Award For People:

- Candidates for this award may be nominated by POAC members. The candidate must have had great and favorable impact on the POA industry or regional and national distinction, or have rendered outstanding service to the Pony of the Americas Club.
- Procedure and Presentation of Award. Nominations will be submitted to the POAC. Inductees into the POAC Hall of Fame will be chosen by the POAC Hall of Fame Committee Members. The recipient will then be honored at the Annual POAC Convention Awards Banquet. An engraved plaque with a photograph and biography of each Hall of Fame inductee will be placed on permanent display at the POAC office. An identical plaque will be awarded to the inductee.
- A Nomination Application can be obtained from the POAC office or off the POAC website. Please use the application to nominate an individual who has contributed to the POAC or POA industry through personal, professional, or volunteer achievements. To assist the POAC Hall of Fame Committee in evaluating the candidate, please provide as much detailed information as possible. Include significant personal history, service to the Pony of the Americas Club, regional activities, professional achievements and other pertinent data. Attach additional sheets as necessary. Please keep nominations to the 2-page form and no more than five (5) additional pages and confidential. Deadline for nomination is November 1 of current year and should be sent to the POAC office.
- Inductees into the POAC Hall of Fame get a lifetime membership in POAC.

### POAC Hall of Fame Award for POAs

- Candidates for this award may be nominated by POAC members. The candidate must have had great and favorable impact on the POA industry, received breeding, regional and national distinction or have rendered outstanding performance. Candidates need not be deceased.
- Procedure and Presentation of Award. Nominations will be submitted to the POAC. Inductees into the POAC Hall of Fame will be chosen by the POAC Hall of Fame Committee. The recipient will then be honored at the Annual POAC Convention Awards Banquet. An engraved plaque with a photograph and a biography of each Hall of Fame inductee will be placed on permanent display at the POAC office. An identical plaque will be awarded to the owner of the inductee.
- Nomination Application can be obtained from the POAC office or off the POAC website. Please use the two-page application form to nominate a POA who has contributed to the POAC or POA industry through breeding, showing or

other achievements. To assist the Hall of Fame Committee in evaluating the candidates, please provide as much detailed information as possible. Include significant historical data, owner/trainer information and any other pertinent data. Attach additional sheets as necessary. Please keep nominations to the two-page form and no more than five (5) additional pages and confidential. Deadline for nomination is November 1 of current year and should be sent to the POAC office.

#### Hall of Fame Ballot Voting Procedure:

- A. The POAC Hall of Fame Committee selects the inductees into the POAC Hall of Fame by vote using a rating sheet ballot with a rating scale of 0 (not recommended) to 5 (highly recommended). The total votes received by a Hall of Fame nominee shall be calculated by tabulating the votes cast for each nominee.
- B. To be inducted into the POAC Hall of Fame, a nominee must receive at least 47 points (of a possible 70). All nominees receiving 47 or more votes shall be inducted. Unsuccessful nominees who receive at least 33 points shall be automatically nominated for the succeeding year. Failure to be inducted the second year will require the nominee to wait 3 years to again be nominated through the regular nomination process in order to be considered in subsequent years.
- C. Information on each nominee provided by the nominator is listed and the office does not verify the information for accuracy or content and no additional information is added.

#### New Rule 147., pg 163. FAMILY OF THE YEAR

This award honors a family that has helped above and beyond at the state level and, if they could, at the national level. It is an award that honors a family not for how many first places they had received showing ponies, but for working together as a family and how their membership has benefited the state club as well as the national.

Every organization is unique in some way. The Pony of the Americas Club is unique among horse organizations because of the special relationship it enjoys with its families. The purpose of this award is to recognize and honor an individual POA family each year. By annually awarding a POA family, our organization formally recognizes the contributions that family makes to the success of the POA breed and its organization. You must request an official award form from POAC or off the website (no copies) to be used for your nomination. We suggest you make a copy of the forms to practice on, then type your good copy. Please make a copy of the final forms for your club files. Please read the following rules regarding the forms:

- A. The forms MUST BE typed.
- B. Each state club or chapter may nominate only one family per year.
- C. At least one member of the nominated family must be available to attend the annual convention in February. Please check with them.
- D. Information not specifically requested will be discarded.
- E. All parts of the form, including essays and letters, must be sent in together.

Please send all forms and information to:

Pony of the Americas Club  
Family of the Year Award  
3828 South Emerson Avenue  
Indianapolis, IN 46203

#### New Rule 148., pg 164. THE GOLDEN LEGACY AWARD

In memory of "Kootenai's Spring Fever" an ordinary pony that was a champion to her humans, but was never a "Supreme Champion".

This award recognizes a registered POA that has made a significant impact on the lives of others or who has been a positive image for the POA breed.

#### Judging Criteria

1. may be **any** Pony of the Americas (POA) in the U.S. registry
2. must have enriched the life of one or more persons through exceptional contributions or accomplishments
3. show ring accomplishments are not necessary to qualify

Your nomination must include:

1. ONE (1) clear photo of the pony
2. An essay of **up to 1500 words**
3. Include: Pony's Name & Registration Number, Nominator's name, address, phone Number/email and relationship to Pony
4. **DO NOT** include video tapes or letters of recommendation.

Nominations judged by a panel of five from across the country

Nomination deadline is November 30 of current year.

Please mail your entry to: Jeanette M. Krueger, P. O. Box 913, Forsyth, MT 59327 (406) 356-7047

Winner will be announced at the next POA Convention.

#### New Rule 164. DANIELS HUNTER UNDER SADDLE FUTURITY

This Futurity is held in conjunction with the International Show.

##### A. General Rules

1. This is a Hunter Under Saddle Futurity.
2. Entries are open to any registered POA, five years and younger.
  - a. Both the owner and exhibitor must be active members of the POAC to be eligible to participate. See Rule 2
3. Riders may be any age.
4. The same pony/rider combination may not compete two consecutive years.  
A pony may, however, compete two consecutive years, if ridden by a different rider.
5. Current POAC Rules and Regulations apply.
6. All ponies should be stabled the night before the Futurity Show. The stalls should be inside if possible.
7. Owners of entries in the Futurity assume all risk, personal or property, and will in no event hold the Futurity or the POAC responsible for damages caused to or by entries, their owners, or any other attending parties.

##### B. Fees.

1. An entry fee of \$50 may be paid to the Futurity on or before June 1 (postmarked no later than June 1).
2. Entry fees paid after June 1 and postmarked no later than July 1, are \$75.
3. Entries made after July 1, and no later than 12 noon the day of the Futurity, are \$125. Entries may be made at the show.
4. A \$10.00 office charge will be due when futurity class entry is made.

##### C. Show Committee

1. The Futurity Show Committee consists of the POAC Board of Directors.
  - a. The Futurity Show committee shall make such further rules and provisions as they feel shall be necessary for the fair administration of the Futurity.
  - b. The Futurity Show Committee reserves the right to reject any entry and to bar any entry from competition for failure to comply with conditions of the Futurity or POAC rules.
2. The Executive Secretary shall act as the agent for the Futurity Show Committee and shall administer the funds of the Futurity.

##### D. Awards.

1. All entries will be jackpotted except prorated judge's expenses and trophy fees to cover costs.
2. Paybacks will be to four placings – 40, 30, 20, 10 percent. If the Futurity class does not have full entries to place four winners, the vacant prize money will be divided equally by the number of winners placed in the class.
3. First place winner will receive a traveling trophy

**New Rule 171,G,5. – New paragraph:** Warm up time for JPFC ponies. This will be left to the discretion of the show committee but not mandatory for all events.

#### INTERNATIONAL POA SALE

**New Rule 173,A,5. – change to read as follows:** Geldings 3 years and older must be ridden under saddle in the sale ring or driven outside of sale ring in designated area."

**New Rule 173,A,10. – New paragraph:** All owners, exhibitors and agents of a Futurity entry must sign an agreement to pay the 10% commissions to POAC for any pony sold during Sale and Futurity week at the grounds of the Sale locations as a result of the Sale and/or Futurity. If an agreement is in place, prior to arrival on said grounds, for the sale of such a pony, that agreement must be put in writing and a copy of same must be provided to the Sale Chair or Vice Chair. Violators will be dealt with according to POAC rules. This must list the specific pony and specific person of interest.

**New Rule 173,C,1(a).** - New paragraph: If a pony has been measured two (2) previous times, when it is presented for its third (3<sup>rd</sup>) measurement, one of the inspectors who measured it previously will be present to observe the measuring process and it must be within the inspection times published.

**New Rule 173,C,4. – New paragraph:** All inspections for the Sale and Futurities will be done at the prescribed place and times by members of the Inspection Committee. This includes the correct number of inspectors, viewing the inspection and signing the forms.

**New Rule 173,E,7(b).** - New paragraph: No pony may sell in the barn for less than the highest last bid in the Sale ring.

**New Rule 177. - change to read as follows:** Scholarship Availability. Scholarships are given annually by the POAC to the top applicants who are members of the POAC families or participating youth in POAC activities. **Applications must be postmarked by March 1 and received by March 10 of each current year. Also added at end of paragraph:** No one will be able to win a POAC Scholarship more than one time.

Add to back cover of Handbook: "Try Hard...Win Humbly...Lose Graciously... Protest with Dignity.