

Puget Sound Zone Rulebook 2012-2013

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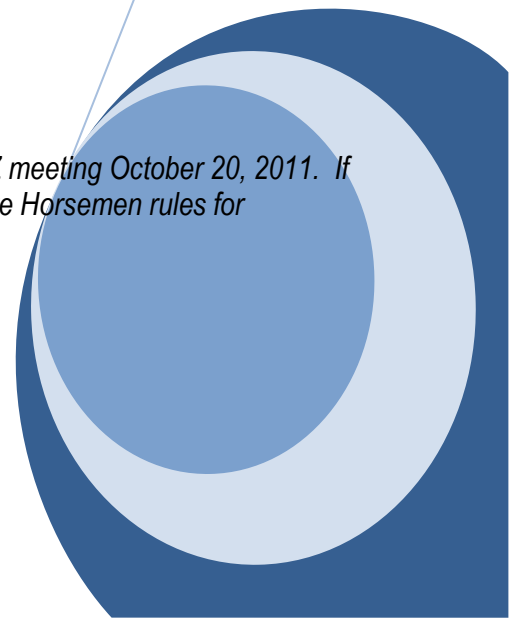


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Section I: Name and Purpose

A: NAME

The name of the Zone shall be Puget Sound Zone (PSZ) of Washington State Horsemen (WSH). Puget Sound Zone or PSZ may also be referenced as Zone within this document.

B: PURPOSE OF THE ZONE

It shall be the purpose of Puget Sound Zone to join together, in common bond, the individuals throughout the Zone interested in horses whether for business or pleasure; and

1. To serve and promote the best interest of Zone Recognized Shows, Zone Competitive Trail Rides, Zone Western Games Shows, Zone Performance Shows, Zone Trail and Pleasure Riding and the Zone riders who participate in them.
2. To make adequate and fair rules governing zone competitions and to endorse the for the common benefit, guided by the regulations of the Washington State Horsemen Horse Show Rules, the USA Equestrian, the Washington State Horsemen Games rules, and the Washington State Horsemen Competitive Trail Riders Rules.
3. To adjudicate questions of Zone violations of the rules and to inflict penalties therefore in accordance with the rules providing the Zone has a method and rules to accomplish this. Where necessary, the State may be asked for assistance.
4. To maintain proper Zone records in connection with the Zone High Score Awards for the use of its members.
5. To approve dates for Horse Shows, Competitive Trail Rides, and Western Game Shows within and for Zone approval only.
6. To establish a Zone information center. (Phone number or address for info).
7. To promote and publicize the operation of the Zone through the Canter and a Zone bulletin if available; to establish rules for Zone activities such as Horse Shows, Games, Competitive Trail and to publish the rules for these activities to benefit all members of the Zone.
8. To better existing conditions within the Zone in trails, roadways, and laws pertaining to horses and horsemen.

Section II: Operation of Zone

A: MEMBERSHIP:

1. Membership in Zone shall be established by the membership in Washington State Horsemen and members shall be affiliated with only one zone.
2. Any WSH member belonging through a club or as a non-club member listed by WSH as a member of Puget Sound Zone shall be eligible for Puget Sound Zone divisional awards providing the Zone divisional requirements have been met.

B: BOUNDARIES OF ZONES:

1. The State is divided into geographical areas called Zones, (see WSH Bylaws)
2. The geographical boundaries of this Zone are as follows: Pierce County in its entirety, with the exception of the West boundary being the Narrows Bridge.

C. MEETINGS:

1. There may be monthly meetings; but no less than seven monthly meetings per calendar year.
2. Meetings are to be held within the Zone.

3. Notice of Zone, meetings; date, time, location, must be published in Zone Bulletin or Canter at least thirty (30) days prior to meeting. When possible, meeting dates for the entire year will be published.
4. Meetings shall be conducted in an informal manner. If formal rules of proceeding are deemed necessary, then Roberts Rules of Order shall cover the manner of conducting the meeting.
5. Puget Sound Zone meetings shall be held on the third Thursday of each month, except November and December, at 7:30 p.m. at designated places available for this purpose.
6. Special Zone meetings may be called by the President or by five members of the Board of Directors provided that all members are notified of the time, place, and purpose of such meetings at least seven days prior to such special electing.
7. All meeting minutes shall be posted to the Zone website one (1) week prior to the next meeting for all to read and review. They are watermarked as 'Unofficial' until approved by a vote by the membership. Once the minutes are approved the watermark is changed to 'Official' or 'Accepted' and they are reposted to the website within 3 weeks. Minutes are kept on the website for one (1) year and are rotated out accordingly.

D. VOTING:

1. The Zone voting system must be identified in the standing rules. Any voting system may be adopted for the efficient and continued operation of the Zone.
2. The PSZ nominating committee shall be appointed by the President, who shall be present at the September meeting, one or more nominees for each office. Nominations any also be made from the floor.
3. At Puget Sound Zone meetings, all business shall be conducted by a vote of the Zone members present.
4. There will be no voting by proxy.

Section III: Officers

There shall be at least three (3) elected officers: President, Vice-President, Director to State Board (no two (2) which shall be combined). Any additional officers may be elected by any Zone. The Secretary and Treasurer may be appointed by the President of the Zone with the approval of the Zone officers. These two (2) positions may be combined. Performance Chairperson, Gaming Chairperson and Trail and Pleasure Chairperson are elected.

A. TERMS:

1. The term of office for the President, Vice President, Performance Chairperson, Gaming Chairperson and Trail and Pleasure Chairperson shall be for one (1) year beginning January 1, or until their successors are elected and qualified.
2. The term of Zone Director to the State shall be for two (2) years beginning January 1, or until their successor is elected and qualified.

B. ELECTIONS:

1. Election of officers shall be held prior to the Convention. This will allow incoming and outgoing officers the opportunity to attend the Washington State Horsemen Convention in November.

C. ZONE PRESIDENT DUTIES SHALL BE:

1. To preside at all Zone membership meetings and the meetings of the Board of Directors
2. To appoint with the approval of the Zone Board of Directors the following: All officers who are not elected and all committee chairpersons who any be necessary and to be an ex-official member of all committees.
3. To sign as President, together with the Secretary, all contracts and other instruments in writing, including evidence of indebtedness, which have been approved by the Zone Board of Directors.
4. To call such meetings as are herein provided to be called.
5. To see that the Washington State Horsemen Bylaws, Zone Standing Rules and Regulations, as may be adopted by the members of the Zone, are properly enforced.
6. To supervise the affairs of the Zone.
7. To report to the members of Zone meetings the activities and general progress of the Zone.

D. ZONE VICE-PRESIDENT DUTIES SHALL BE:

- a. The duties of the Vice-President shall be to perform the duties of the President in their absence or in the inability to serve.

E. DIRECTOR TO THE STATE DUTIES SHALL BE:

1. To represent the Zone at Washington State Horsemen Board Meetings.
2. In addition, the Director to State shall not vote for their personal benefit. If at any time the Zone Director to State is unable to attend the WSH Board Meeting, they shall notify the Zone President who in turn shall appoint an alternate, other than himself. The alternate must be authorized in writing by the Zone President and said authorization to be presented to the State Secretary prior to the WSH Board meeting.

F. SECRETARY DUTIES SHALL BE:

1. To conduct the correspondence of the Zone and keep proper records. To send notices of all meetings.
2. To keep the minutes of the membership meetings and the Board of Directors meetings.
3. To sign, together with the President, all contracts and other instruments in writing, including evidence of indebtedness; which has been approved by the Board of Directors. (Check then due at Zone Coordinating Meeting.)

G. TREASURER DUTIES SHALL BE:

1. To have custody in the name of Puget Sound Zone all funds and securities of this Zone.
2. To keep full and accurate accounts of all receipts and disbursements in appropriate account books.
3. To deposit all monies and other valuable effects in the name of Puget Sound Zone and to the credit of this organization in such depositories as may be designated from time to time by the Board of Directors. Authorization to be determined by those persons whose signatures appear on the signature card at the zone's bank of choice.
4. To carry out such duties as may be prescribed by the Board of Directors, to report the financial status to the members and the Board of Directors at the monthly meetings.

H. ZONE BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

The Zone Board of Directors must consist of Officers and any others that the Zone Standing Rules specify.

1. The Board of Directors shall be composed of the elected and appointed officers of the Zone, and one representative from each member club zone who has been duly authorized by the club to represent them. Any alternate or replacement of club representatives must be appointed by the club.
2. All members of the Board of Directors shall attend all regular and special Zone meetings.
3. The Board of Directors shall meet at least 3 times yearly; at the President's discretion, with no more than 4 months between meetings, (except December) to carry out the business of the Zone, and to ask recommendations to be presented to the member clubs and individual members of the Zone, with each director to make a full report of the Zone action to the club.
4. Vacancies in any elective office shall be filled by appointment by the President of the Zone, with the approval of the Board of Directors.
5. If any director or his alternate shall miss two successive unexcused meetings, his club shall be notified by the secretary, and said club requested to send a new director.
6. A majority of the Board of Directors of Puget Sound Zone shall constitute a quorum.

I. ZONE REPORT:

The Zone Reporter shall be responsible for all publicity of the Zone including articles to the Canter.

J. DUTIES OF ANY ADDITIONAL OFFICERS.

Additional officers of the Zone shall be informed by the Zone as to designated duties.

Section IV: Division Chairpersons, Non-Officer and Committee Positions

There shall be the following standing committees, and a representative from these committees shall be members of the State Committee or Division.

A. FACEBOOK CHAIRPERSON

B. JUNIOR CHAIRPERSON:

The Junior Chairperson shall be responsible for business pertaining to the Juniors of the Zone and between the Zone and the Junior Division of Washington State Horsemen. The Junior Chairperson also shall be responsible for the Junior Achievement program if offered. The Junior Chairperson is elected in October.

C. PERFORMANCE CHAIRPERSON:

The Performance Chairperson shall be responsible for business pertaining to performance events within the Zone and between the Zone and the Performance Division of Washington State Horsemen. The Performance Chairperson will also be responsible for obtaining the necessary personnel to keep the Performance show date calendar, and to record and keep points for the Zone. Performance Judges and Stewards Chairperson shall be appointed by Performance Chairperson and President jointly. The Performance Chairperson is elected in October.

D. TRAIL AND PLEASURE CHAIRPERSON:

The Trail and Pleasure Chairperson shall be responsible for all aspects of Zone year end awards for Trail and Pleasure. The Trail and Pleasure Chairperson promotes all riding disciplines within the Zone and Washington State Horsemen and where appropriate provides information on other riding opportunities known outside of the Zone and Washington State Horsemen. The Trail and Pleasure Chairperson is a position elected in October.

E. WESTERN GAMES CHAIRPERSON:

The Western Games Chairperson shall be responsible for business pertaining to "ones within the Zone and between the Zone and the State Games Division Office. The Western games Chairperson will also be responsible for obtaining the necessary personnel to keep the games show calendar, to record and keep all game times for the Zone, and to either be or appoint a Bases Judge and Timer Chairperson for the Zone. The Western Games Chairperson is elected in October.

Section V: General Rules

A. PERFORMANCE DIVISION

1. Puget Sound Zone performance shows will follow Washington State Horsemen and USEF rules where applicable.
2. Zone performance shows are to be judged by persons holding a WSH, USEF, or WSH Zone level card. A JUDGE MAY OFFICIATE AT ONLY THREE (3) PSZ SHOWS PER YEAR.
3. Stewards must be USEF, WSH or Zone level performance stewards.
4. Age designation will be according to the rider's age as of December 1. Persons born on December 1st shall assume the greater age. A junior exhibitor shall be a person 17 years and under.
5. AGE OF HORSES FOR HORSE SHOW PURPOSES: any horse shall be considered to be one year old on the first day of January following the actual date of foaling. A JUNIOR HORSE is five years old and younger. A SENIOR HORSE is six years old and older.
6. Jump courses, trail courses, and reining patterns must be posted at least 30 minutes before the class. If a trail course is altered at any time during the class, the altered obstacle should not count for any exhibitor. The judge and steward must inspect the course prior to the first horse entering the arena.
7. The in-gate may not be closed sooner than two (2) minutes after the last horse exits the ring from the previous class unless all entries for the next class are present. Timing must be done with a stopwatch.

8. In cases where equipment changes may be necessary on the part of the exhibitor, the gate may be held an additional three (3) minutes at the request of the exhibitor. Timing must be done with a stopwatch. This is a privilege NOT A RIGHT. Exhibitors must notify the gate person when changes are finished.
9. Show management may choose to split any open performance class into exhibitor age groups as long as all age groups are offered.
10. All PSZ approved shows will follow WSH rules, except those classes unique to the individual zone. The show premium MUST specify which classes have zone approval.
11. ROPES/REATAS, HOBBLER AND CHAPS ARE OPTIONAL IN ALL WESTERN CLASSES.
12. Exhibitor's numbers must be worn on the back with pins or yarn ties, or on each side of the saddle pad. Drivers may display numbers on the vehicle. COMPETITORS WILL BE DISQUALIFIED IF NUMBER IS NOT IN PROPER PLACE. **(2004 WSH rule)
13. Exhibitors MUST have a current USEF or WSH amateur card to enter amateur classes. In shows with PSZ approval only, exhibitors may give their USEF or WSH amateur number, or they may sign a form attesting to their amateur status which is to be co-signed by a senior WSH member who is not related to the exhibitor.
14. Artificial tails and extensions are allowed on horses/ponies in all classes except where prohibited by breed division rules.
15. Permanent WSH Numbers-A permanent number is issued to all exhibitors signed up for WSH High Point Program. These numbers will be worn by the exhibitor at all WSH approved shows. Before permanent numbers are issued the exhibitor must sign a WSH blanket release form that will cover WSH for the entire show season. This form does not release the exhibitor from signing the individual show entry form.
16. Breeding Stock Paints are NOT ELIGIBLE to be shown in Paint Horse Halter, Paint Horse Hunter Under Saddle or Paint Horse Western Pleasure.

17. NON-PROTESTABLE DECISIONS:

THERE IS NO PROTEST UNLESS: RULES 1 AND 2 OF THE PROTEST PROCEDURE ARE FOLLOWED TO THE LETTER. Show committees should take time to consider any protest carefully before making any statements or decisions.

- a. The soundness of a horse when determined by an official show Veterinarian or by a judge is not protest able.
- b. A judge's decision representing his individual preference is not protest able UNLESS it is alleged to be in VIOLATION OF RULES.
- c. A show committee receiving protest shall promptly hold a hearing and obtain from witnesses: entry blanks, rulebooks, and other sources of necessary information and evidence. All persons directly concerned shall be notified and given the opportunity to appear. It shall then adjudicate the issue impartially and make effective its decision upon the parties in interest. If the protest is sustained the deposit shall be returned to the protestor; if not sustained the deposit shall be forfeited to the show. If the hearing is not held at the show at which the alleged violation occurred it shall be held after 10 days written notice to the accused.
- d. If the show committee sustains the protest it has the option according to circumstances to: (a) censure the violating party; (b) pull awards and ribbons won at that show; (c) pull awards and redistribute them in accordance with the rules; (d) Re-run a class according to proper specifications and rules (all horses and riders from the original class MUST be present for the re-run); (e) disallow PSZ points for the concerned class.
- e. A report on the protest and its determination MUST be sent to the PSZ Performance Chairperson. In the event a show committee cannot reach a decision in regard to a protest it MUST be referred to a PSZ hearing committee.
- f. Any show carrying a higher (state) approval, or held outside our zone, will follow the protest procedure of the governing body for the concerned area.

Section VI: Year End Award Programs

Year end awards are handed out each January at the Awards Banquet.

A.PERFORMANCE DIVISION YEAR END AWARDS

1. REQUIREMENTS:

- a. In order for an exhibitor to qualify for the Performance Division Year-end Awards, the following requirements MUST be met.
- b. The exhibitor must be a current member of WSH and PSZ. The exhibitor must attend three (3) PSZ meetings. If the horse being shown is owned by someone other than the exhibitor, the owner must also attend three (3) meetings. The meetings are held on the 3rd Thursday of each month, except in November and December, at 7:30 p.m. Attendance sheets are to be signed at each meeting in order to get credit for attending the meeting. Attendees must remain for the duration of the meeting to receive credit. Show season is October 1-September 30.
- a. If a member is unable to attend a meeting then a family member or friend may represent them without any written documentation. The person who is the representative will also get credit for being in attendance at same meeting
- d. Sponsoring a year-end award at the cost of \$35.00 may be substituted for 1 meeting. Sponsoring two classes at \$35.00 per class will count for attending two meetings; however, members must attend one meeting to qualify for year-end awards. This one fee is due at the February meeting of the current year.
- e. It is required that exhibitors, or members of their family, who are competing in the Performance Year-end Awards Program, work a four (4) hour shift at the Puget Sound Zone Benefit Show. The Benefit Show is how PSZ pays for the Year-end Awards Banquet expenses.
- f. Horses shown under a lease must have an official PSZ lease form filed out with the Performance Chair at that time of the sign-up.
- g. Puget Sound Zone Year-end Award sign-up forms must be filled out prior to the first class at the first show in order for the points to be counted for that show. ONLY ONE HORSE PER FORM. FORMS MUST BE COMPLETELY FILLED OUT. FORMS NOT COMPLETED MAY RENDER THAT HORSE OR RIDER INELIGIBLE FOR CLASSES ENTERED. IT IS THE EXHIBITORS RESPONSIBILITY TO MAKE SURE THEY ARE LISTED IN THE CORRECT AGE GROUP AND BREED CLASS. A flat fee of \$40.00 may be paid which will allow the exhibitor to be eligible to receive awards in as many classes as he/she wishes to compete in, or a member may choose to sign up for classes at \$5.00 per class.

2. PERFORMANCE DIVISION HIGH SCORE RULES:

- a. PSZ performance awards will be presented at a banquet at the close of the season. The season runs from January 1 to September 30 of the current year.
- b. For a horse to receive a PSZ award, it must be registered with the PSZ performance chairperson. The horse owner must be a member of WSH and PSZ, and must meet the attendance requirements.
- c. For a rider to receive a PSZ year-end award, the rider must be registered with the PSZ performance chairperson. The rider must be a member of WSH and PSZ AND must meet the attendance requirements.
- d. To qualify for a High Score Award, the horse or rider must show at least 3 times in a given class and place at least once. Year-end awards will be determined by taking the top 8 scores for the horse/rider in each class. Classes that do not have three riders, who have shown three times and have at least one score, will be combined, dropped, or sponsored for the following year. Those classes, which have no other class to combine with, will be dropped if not sponsored.
- e. YOU MAY COMPETE FOR AWARDS IN ONLY ONE ZONE.

- f. Member points will count from the time of PSZ registration. Registration may take place with the performance chair or the steward at any PSZ approved show. Registration sheets must be turned in before the first class ridden in order for the points to count.

3. PERFORMANCE DIVISION HIGH SCORE AWARDS POINT SYSTEM

PSZ performance point books shall be closed. The top 8 placing from each class and their scores shall be posted at the June and August zone meetings. Exhibitors may request, in writing, information concerning their own point accumulations. Points shall be counted based on the number of horses shown and judged in each class and according to the show secretary's records. **Year-end awards will be placed to 8th place. Show management may choose to award to 5th place in Open and Sr. Ex. classes; 6th in breed; and 8th place in Jr. and Sr. Am. classes. All places are to be announced.**

4. PERFORMANCE HIGH SCORE AWARD DESCRIPTIONS

THE HENRY HITTMAN WESTERN TRAIL - 13 and under, 14-17, and 18 and over. Top 8 scores to count.

THE HENRY HITTMAN WESTERN PLEASURE - 11 and under, 12-14, 15-17, 18-30, and 31 & over. Top 8 scores to count.

THE HENRY HITTMAN STOCK SEAT EQUITATION - 11 and under, 12-14, 15-17, 18-30, and 31 & over. Top 8 scores to count.

THE HENRY HITTMAN HIGH POINT WESTERN JR - All aged group classes to count in Showmanship in hand, Stock Seat, Bareback Eq, Western Pleasure and Trail. Top eight scores to count.

THE HENRY HITTMAN HALF-ARABIAN JR AND SR - WESTERN - All western classes to count.

Top eight scores to count.

THE HENRY HITTMAN HIGH POINT ENGLISH JR - All aged group classes to count in Huntseat Eq, Saddle Seat Eq, English Pleasure Hunter Type, and English Pleasure Other Than Hunter type. Top 8 scores to count.

THE HENRY HITTMAN APPALOOSA 18 & OVER - All English & Western classes to count. Top eight scores to count.

JAN ALLEN MEMORIAL ALL AROUND ARABIAN - Jr Ex - All Western, Driving, and English classes count. Top eight scores to count

APPALOOSA 17 and under - All Western & English classes to count. A one horse/one rider combination. Top eight scores to count.

ROBERTA HESS AND ADMIRALTY FARMS APPALOOSA - Appaloosa English classes to count. Top eight scores to count.

ARTHUR J WARD MEMORIAL QUARTER HORSE - ALL AROUND - All Western & English classes to count. A one horse/one rider combination. Top eight scores to count.

ROBERT E. LOOMIS MEMORIAL PERPETUAL - Sr. Am Hunt Seat Ex 31 and over. Top 8 scores to count in Hunt Seat Eq, Age Group English Pleasure, Open English Pleasure, English Color Class or Non Color Class, and Championship English Pleasure. Limited to 1 horse/1 rider.

PSZ INSPIRATIONAL AWARD. To be awarded to the person in PSZ that shows leadership, helpfulness, and support to others. Award to be voted on by the membership.

EVELYN DREITZLER MEMORIAL PERPETUAL HUNT SEAT EQ

11 & under, 12 - 14, and 15 - 17, 18-30 and 31 & over. Top eight scores to count

EVELYN DREITZLER MEMORIAL PERPETUAL ENGLISH PLEASURE/HUNTER TYPE - 11 and under, 12 - 14, and 15 - 17, 18 -30 and 31 & over. Top eight scores to count.

CAT KILO BARS PERPETUAL VERSATILE HORSE AWARD - *Sponsors: Jim and Pat Campbell* - To be given each year to the horse accumulating the most points at PSZ approved shows under the following rules: Must show in versatility if offered as PSZ class, and at least one class out of each of below groups. All classes in each group to count but not mandatory. Top eight scores to count.

GROUP I: Western Pleasure, Color or Non-Color Class, Western

GROUP II: Trail Horse, Western Riding

GROUP III: English Pleasure Hunter Type or other than

GROUP IV: Road Hack, Hunter Hack, or Open Working Hunter. Halter to count but not mandatory. Points to count same as for High Score Awards.

SKIPADOR PETE COLOR HORSE PERPETUAL AWARD:

a. The purpose of this award is to recognize an exceptional color horse other than the Appaloosa breed. Registered Appaloosas are not eligible for this award as that breed is already recognized with 2 perpetual awards in PSZ.

b. Open to horses 14.2 hands and over, who are eligible to compete in color classes. Horse must meet the PSZ class qualification requirements for each class in which they compete. Competition is not restricted to a one-horse/one rider combination. The top 8 scores from the following classes to count: Age group English Pleasure, Age group Western Pleasure, Color English Pleasure, Color Western Pleasure, Advanced English Pleasure, Advanced Western Pleasure

c. In addition, all points accumulated by the horse in the Color Halter Horse Class, if offered, will be added to the total score for that horse.

d. Any ties shall be broken as follows: First, the horse who has accumulated the greatest number of points in the Color Halter Horse Class. Second, if a tie still exists, the award shall be given to the horse with the greatest number of points in the Color Pleasure classes (both English & western combined.) Top eight scores to count.

PSZ SHOWMANSHIP : 13 and under, 14-17, 18-30, 31 and Over. Top eight scores to count. English and Western classes to count.

MOLLY SANDVOLD MEMORIAL LEADLINE AWARD - Top eight scores to count.

MOLLY SANDVOLD MEMORIAL WALK TROT AWARD - Top eight scores to count. *Sponsored by the Gardner Family.*

WALK/TROT PLEASURE, Riders 10 & under – Top eight scores to count.

***COY MAGNUSON MEMORIAL WALK-TROT 10 & UNDER**

“THE BUMPA TROPHY” - Riders must qualify (according to PSZ rules) in all four of the 10 & under walk-trot classes, if offered. (Walk-Trot Equitation, Walk-Trot Pleasure, Walk-Trot Trail, and Walk-Trot Showmanship) The award is based on an overall average of quality, persistence, and versatility. Scores will be averaged to determine the winner. In the case of a tie, the rider with the most improved scores over the year will be determined the winner. Top eight scores to count.

PSZ HI PT PUREBRED ARABIAN - WESTERN. All western classes to count. Top eight scores to count.

TAM JIM MEMORIAL WALK-JOG RIDERS 10 & UNDER – Donated by the Blair Family in Memory of Tam Jim. To be awarded to the Rider accumulating the highest scores in Walk-Jog Equitation and Walk-Jog Pleasure. Top eight scores to count.

SIR RALEIGH LITES - ALL AROUND PAINT HORSE AWARD - All English and Western classes to count.

Breeding Stock Paints are also eligible for this award. Sponsored by the Anderson Family in honor of Sir Raleigh Lites. Top eight scores to count.

THE GEORGE PERPETUAL QUARTER HORSE ALL AROUND YOUTH. Awarded to Quarter Horse in memory of George. Sponsored by Molly Dierking. Top eight scores to count.

THE STEVE BRYSON & LYNDA VINTILO, PERPETUAL HIGH POINT ARABIAN WESTERN PLEASURE

HORSE Awarded to the winner of the Arabian Western Pleasure class. Sponsored by Steve Bryson and Lynda Vintilo

HIGH POINT JUNIOR HORSE: Awarded to the Junior horse (5 years and under) having the highest number of points in English and Western Junior Horse classes. Top eight scores to count

HIGH POINT SENIOR HORSE: Awarded to the Senior Horse (6 years and over) having the highest number of points in English and Western Junior Horse classes. Top eight scores to count.

BEGINNING WESTERN PLEASURE HORSE OR PONY WALK/JOG: Awarded to the horse or pony having the highest number of points in Beginning Horse or Pony Walk/Jog. Top eight scores to count.

BEGINNING WESTERN PLEASURE HORSE OR PONY WALK/JOG/LOPE: Awarded to the horse or pony having the highest number of points in Beginning Walk/Jog/Lope. Top eight scores to count.

BEGINNING ENGLISH PLEASURE HORSE OR PONY – WALK/TROT: Awarded to the horse or pony having the highest number of points in Beginning Walk/Trot. Top eight scores to count.

BEGINNING ENGLISH PLEASURE HORSE OR PONY – WALK/TROT/CANTER: Awarded to the horse of pony having the highest number of points in Beginning Walk/Trot/Canter. Top eight scores to count.

HI POINT ENGLISH BEGINNING RIDER: Awarded to the Rider having the highest number of points in English Beginning Rider classes. Top eight scores to count.

HI POINT WESTERN BEGINNING RIDER: Awarded to the Rider having the highest number of points in Western Beginning Rider classes. Top eight scores to count.

SENIOR HORSE HALTER: Awarded to the senior horse (6 years & over) accumulating the most points in halter classes. Top eight scores to count.

JUNIOR HORSE HALTER: Awarded to the junior horse (5 years & under) who accumulates the most points in halter classes. Top eight scores to count.

SCOOTER MUSIC BARS HIGH POINT EQUITATION HORSE/RIDER. Donated by the Grace Family in memory of Scooter Music Bars. Award to be presented to the one horse/one rider team who has the highest scores in English Showmanship, Hunt Seat, Saddle Seat, Bareback, Western Showmanship, and Stock Seat Equitation. Award is open to both Jr & Sr. riders. Top eight scores to count.

ARABIAN HALTER HORSE – Awarded to the horse accumulating the most points in Arabian Halter. Top eight scores to count.

APPALOOSA HORSE HALTER – Awarded to the horse accumulating the most points in Appaloosa Halter. Top eight scores to count.

QUARTER HORSE HALTER-Awarded to the horse accumulating the most points in Arabian Halter. Top eight scores to count

PAINT HORSE HALTER- Awarded to the horse accumulating the most points in Paint Halter. Top eight scores to count

ALL OTHER BREEDS HALTER-Awarded to the horse accumulating the most points in All Other Breed Halter. Top eight scores to count

ALL OTHER BREEDS ENGLISH-Awarded to the horse accumulating the most points in All Other Breed English. Top eight scores to count

ALL OTHER BREEDS WESTERN-Awarded to the horse accumulating the most points in All Other Breed Western. Top eight scores to count

THE EDWIN F. WITTMER MEMORIAL – RIDERS 40 & OVER: Donated by the Wittmier family in memory of Art Wittmier. Award to be presented to riders 40 & over. Both English & Western classes to count. Top eight scores to count.

THE PSZ HI POINT RIDERS 46 & OVER: Award to be presented to riders 46 & over. Both English & Western classes to count. Top eight scores to count.

THE PSZ HI POINT 4- H RIDER: Award to be presented to riders currently signed up in 4 H must designate on the PSZ sign up. Both English & Western classes to count. Top eight scores to count.

THE DELIGHTFUL SUCCESS MEMORIAL – ADOLESCENT TRAIL IN HAND. Donated by Christine Oliver-Hammond in memory of Delightful Success. To be awarded to the horse/pony accumulating the highest scores in Adolescent Trail in Hand. Top eight scores to count.

BEGINNING ENGLISH PLEASURE - WALK/TROT : Open to horses and ponies, of any age or breed, in their first or second year of showing having not previously qualified for a year-end award. May not have been shown under saddle or harness prior to the current show year at any recognized show, in any division - *excluding pleasure futurities*. (i.e., USEF, WSH, Zone, or Breed Approved Show) Stallions are permitted if shown by a senior exhibitor. To be shown at a walk and a trot both ways of the ring on a reasonably loose rein without undue restraints. Special emphasis shall be on the walk. Horses shall be required to back up. To be judged on performance (60%), conformation (30%), and appointments (10%).

BEGINNING RIDER – open to riders in their first or second year of showing.

GREEN HORSE WESTERN PLEASURE - open to horses in their first & second year of showing.

GREEN HORSE ENGLISH PLEASURE - open to horses in their first & second year of showing.

BEGINNING WESTERN PLEASURE WALK /JOG: Open to horses and ponies, of any age or breed, in their first or second year of showing having not previously qualified for a year-end award. May not have been shown under saddle or harness prior to the current show year at any recognized show, in any division - *excluding pleasure*

futurities. (i.e., USEF, WSH, Zone, or Breed Approved Show) Stallions are permitted if shown by a senior exhibitor. To be shown in a bosal, snaffle or standard western bit. May be ridden with two hands when shown in a bosal or snaffle. To be shown at a walk and a jog/intermediate gait both ways of the ring on a reasonably loose rein without undue restraints. Special emphasis shall be on the walk. Horses shall be required to back up. To be judged on performance (60%), conformation (30%), and appointments (10%).

ADOLESCENT TRAIL IN HAND, THREE YEARS & UNDER : Horses and ponies, three years and under, that are in their first year of being broken to saddle, or have never been ridden. Cross entry to any other riding Trail class is prohibited. The handler will lead the horse/pony through, over, and around the obstacles. A regular halter is recommended. To be shown at a walk and trot. Obstacles will be according to USEF Western Division.

BEGINNING HORSE TRAIL W/T – Open to horses in their first or second year of showing in Trail.

ROOKIE OF THE YEAR:

11 & under, 12-14, 15-17, 18-31, 31-45, and 46 and over. All classes to count towards award. Exhibitor must sign up on the PSZ sign-up sheet for award.

RIDERS TO HAVE NEVER BEEN SIGNED UP FOR PSZ YEAR END AWARDS.

EXCEPTION: LEADLINE, WALK/TROT Riders 10 & Under classes (W/T EQUITATION, W/T PLEASURE, W/T SHOWMANSHIP OR W/T TRAIL) or showing in HALTER ONLY. 9 POINT CALCULATION FOR NUMBER OF HORSES IN A CLASS				
PLACING	1-- 8	9 -- 16	17 -- 26	27 +
1ST	6	7	8	9
2ND	5	6	7	8
3RD	4	5	6	7
4TH	3	4	5	6
5TH	2	3	4	5
6TH	1	2	3	4

****All Other Classes follow Washington State Horseman Rules. If not covered in the Washington State Horseman Rulebook you then refer the USEF or appropriate Breed rulebooks**

B. TRAILS AND PLEASURE DIVISION

Awards will be purchased with funds from the Trail and Pleasure account. Awards are to be left to the discretion of the Zone Trail and Pleasure Chairperson and participants of the Trail and Pleasure awards program. Input from the PSZ Awards Committee will also be considered.

Eligibility for Zone Trail and Pleasure year end awards is as follows:

1. Participants must be a current member of Washington State Horsemen and a member of Puget Sound Zone.
2. Participants must be signed up for both the State and Zone Trail and Pleasure Divisions.
3. Participants must attend a minimum of three (3) Puget Sound Zone meetings by the September meeting. The meetings are held on the 3rd Thursday of each month, except in November and December, at 7:30 p.m. Attendance sheets are to be signed at each meeting in order to get credit for attending the meeting. Attendees must remain for the duration of the meeting to receive credit.
4. If a member is signed up for multiple division Zone year end awards this requirement can be met concurrently with other division meeting requirements. If a member is not signed up for other division Zone year end awards the three (3) meeting requirement shall be met

5. If a member is unable to attend a meeting then a family member or friend may represent them without any written documentation. The person who is the representative will also get credit for being in attendance at same meeting
6. Participants must submit a completed year end award sign-up form and payment to the Trail and Pleasure Chairperson prior to June 1 of the award year.
7. Participants must complete 240 miles of riding. Any time spent riding a horse is eligible to meet this requirement. This includes trail riding, prize rides, arena riding, lessons, riding on public or private lands and horse shows – performance, gaming, cow events and dressage.
8. Participants shall keep a record of their miles ridden using the miles tracking form found on the Washington State Horsemen Trail and Pleasure website. With today's technology a GPS device may be used to track the number of miles ridden when appropriate otherwise the standard of 4 miles per hour may be used.
9. Participants must turn in miles tracking sheet quarterly to the State Trail and Pleasure Director
10. Participants must turn in a copy of the miles tracking sheet quarterly to the Zone Trail and Pleasure Chairperson.
11. Participants must participate in any Trail and Pleasure Division fundraisers conducted throughout the year.

C. WESTERN GAMES DIVISION

(DERIVED FROM 2011 WASHINGTON STATE GAMES DIVISION RULES)

1. **BAD DEBTS:** Any member who has been duly notified by letter from the PSZ Games Division Chair that they have incurred a bad debt to PSZ, after a thirty day grace period, shall be barred from having their times count from date of notice until past debts are paid.
2. **CONTESTANT NUMBERS:** Permanent numbers may be assigned by the PSZ Chair at the first games show. A single number will be assigned to each rider and horse combination. It is the responsibility of the contestant to maintain the number legible and in their possession throughout the year. Those zone numbers that are used each year may not be given out to another rider.
3. All day numbers also include rider's zone identification. The zone letter would follow the day letter, then zone prefix, then the maximum of two numerical digits (01-99). Any rider going on course without a visible, legible and correct number on their horse or on their person will receive a mandatory warning for the first offense and a no time thereafter. (See WSH Disqualifications #14)
4. **INTOXICATION:** Riders will be immediately disqualified from any further competition at a show if they are intoxicated, under the influence of illegal drugs, or under legal age and found to be drinking alcoholic beverages outside of their own camp. Drinking of alcoholic beverages by anyone under the age of 21 is prohibited. Any person under the age of 21 found to be drinking alcoholic beverages will be immediately disqualified from any further competition at the show.
5. **PROFANITY:** It is recommended that show management consider excessive profanity anywhere in the vicinity of the arena, to be grounds for ejection from the show for that day. "Vicinity" is to be defined as being audible in the arena.
6. **PROTESTS:** Refer to the WSH Games Division Rulebook
7. **RULE AND OPERATION CHANGES:** In order to make a rule change, it must to submitted via the PSZ By-Law procedures.
8. **RULE CLARIFICATIONS:**
 - a. For rule clarifications, members must contact the Show Steward who will then contact the Show Committee members.

- b. The Show Committee shall meet and rule on the clarification within a 20-day period.
- c. Responses can be made either by letter, e-mail, telephone call, or in person, but it shall be responded to.
- d. If all Show Committee members are not available, the clarification will be made by simple majority rule.
- e. All concerned parties will be notified within 30 days from the date of the Show Committee's decision and any protests of this decision must be made within 48 hours of receiving the decision to the PSZ Board.

9. **SHOW COMMITTEE PURPOSE:**

- a. To update the rule book annually.
- b. To decide on any points of rule clarification.
- c. To act on and resolve any protests during the course of the season.
- d. The Show Committee shall be chaired by the Show Steward who will be responsible to the Secretary to ensure the By-Laws and PSZ Games Rules remain current in all matters pertaining to the Show Stewards responsibilities.

SHOW SEASON: The PSZ Games runs August 1 to July 31 each year. If August 1 is a Sunday, it will be included with the current show season as the last day of the season.

10. **GENERAL RULES**

- a. Western saddle with horn, Australian stock saddle with horn and western stirrups, or endurance trail saddle with pommel and horn with western stirrups are to be used. Any boot or shoe with heel required in all events using a saddle. Bridle type optional.
- b. **DRESS / ATTIRE** Riders are to wear appropriate attire at shows. Appropriate attire is defined as long pants, must cover the knee when mounted (no cut-offs, shorts), shirt, and **any** boot or shoes with heel. Riders are allowed to wear baseball caps and/or visors at all shows.
- c. **HORSE / RIDER COMBINATIONS** The same horse / rider combination may appear only once in the same event for a qualifying time. Riders are welcome to ride the course multiple times for an additional fee for training purposes. To clarify, a horse may be ridden by multiple people in the same class if said horse is qualified by each of the individuals. Walk/Trot, Buckaroo, Junior, Intermediate, Senior, Super Senior, Open. Classified events are considered separate events.
- d. **EQUIPMENT FOR EVENTS** Refer to equipment specifications for rules concerning equipment. Refer to course specifications for rules concerning events.
- e. **START / FINISH LINE** In all events a white start / finish line may be used. In all events two poles shall designate the start and finish line. A horse must pass between these poles at the start and finish or be off course. Photocell and light to be on the off course side of the line.
- f. **MEASURING A COURSE** When the course is measured, the measurement shall be taken from the center of the barrels, poles, containers, or other properties. If the property is down or moved and not reset, a rider must attempt to run the course properly around the course and if there is any doubt, the benefit should go to the rider.
- g. **TIES** It shall be optional to the riders to flip a coin or accept a runoff. In breaking the tie, the loser takes the next lower position. In the event of a disagreement, the decision shall be left to the judge. If both riders are disqualified on their runoff, the fastest no time wins.
- h. **MOUNTED DEFINED** Riders shall be considered mounted when the knee is over the center line of the horse's back. In events where mounting is required, rider must be mounted when crossing the finish line.
- i. **RE-RIDES** Re-rides are to be run after the last rider in that event has run, if a re-ride is

granted it will be judged as an entirely new ride with new penalties and disqualifications. Re-rides are permitted for: (a) Interference by another rider and / or horse (to be determined by the judge), or (b) Failure of all timing devices, provided no disqualification of event has occurred, or (c) Interference by an individual, i.e. arena crew member, spectator, etc. (to be determined by the judge).

- j. **GROUND RULES** Ground Rules must be posted in a conspicuous place and called to the attention of all the contestants. Emergency numbers including 911, ambulance, doctor and/or hospital, and local veterinarians are to be posted with the ground rules. Show committees must not amend or substitute established rules as written in this Rulebook without proper due process.
- k. **TEAM REGISTRATION FOR 4-MAN TEAMS** For all Shows, Team members shall be entered on registration sheets. Team shall list a captain and address for correspondence. If a team using the same team name or the captain splits members resulting in the possibility of two or more times being recorded for that day, all said team times for that event will be thrown out for the day. Times will be recorded if the same team members compete in one or more shows attended by that team on that day. All four-man teams must have at least one permanent member, all others maybe substitutes. The first qualified ride of the season in each team event establishes the team.
- l. **STALLIONS** No one under the age of eighteen (18) will be allowed to ride a stallion at PSZ Games Shows.
- m. **TOUCHING A PROPERTY** No penalties will be assessed for righting a pole or barrel that has not touched the ground.
- n. **HITTING AHEAD OF CINCH / ELBOW** Touching or patting ahead of the elbow shall not be construed as striking and therefore not a disqualification.

11. DISQUALIFICATIONS

A. RIDER OR TEAM SHALL BE DISQUALIFIED FOR:

- a. Any infraction by the horse or rider of the General Rules.
- b. Any infraction by the horse or rider of the Event Rules.
- c. Leaving the course (at the discretion of the judge), upsetting the starting poles after being given the course, and/or crossing the starting line plane outside the starting poles.
- d. Whipping the horse with the properties of the event.
- e. Intentional striking of the horse ahead of the elbow in any manner while on course.
- f. Unsportsmanlike conduct in the arena. Judges will disqualify riders for use of profane language, unnecessary roughness, excessive use of bat, crop, quirt, or spurs, abusing the horse, excessive discipline whipping, spurring, or jerking on the mouth of the horse will not be tolerated and may cause disqualification of the rider/handler, and disorderly conduct of any kind. Judges will disqualify an unmanageable horse for safety reasons. Decisions by the Judge, Steward, or show committee shall be final and cannot be contested.
- g. Two horses on course. Teams will be disqualified if horse waiting its turn crosses the starting line before the horse finishing the course crosses the finish line completely.
- h. In all events rider must be mounted when crossing the start / finish line.
- i. While mounted, circling or turning any marker considered part of the course, before officially entering the course by crossing the starting line.
- j. Loose horse defined as separated from and out of control of the contestant. A ground tied horse shall be considered in control.
- k. Individual Events Only: Knockdown of a stake, pole, or barrel. In Flag Race, failing to reset a knocked down container prior to exiting the course.
- l. Any rider going on course without a visible, legible and correct number on their horse or on their person shall receive a mandatory warning for the first offense and a "no time" thereafter.

- m. Failure to turn or stay on the correct side of the dot in the event of a moved property.

12. EQUIPMENT

The following equipment shall be used whenever any of the following terms are used. All equipment is to be standardized according to the applicable specifications. Equipment to be furnished by the show committee for all events, equipment is to be uniform on each line of competition. The event will be disallowed if it is run with substandard equipment.

- a. Barrels: Fifty-five gallon plastic barrel, containing approximately eight (8) pounds of dry sand with both ends intact, and set in an inverted position. Barrels must be white or clear plastic and all three barrels shall match. The ring must be sealed down to the bottom of the barrel. Advertising maybe included on barrels as long as the background is white with the exception of the blue, white, or green plastic ring on the bottom of the barrel. Specifications are as follows (may be plus or minus 1/2 inch on all specifications): Height: 35 1/4 inches Diameter: 22 3/4 inches Ring: 23 1/4 inches
- b. Baton: Approximately 18" long; may vary one inch shorter or longer, be made of rubber, plastic or their combination.
- c. Colors: Any equipment designated to be white shall be white.
- d. Flag Containers: Quarter barrels, containing 8 to 10 inches of sand or soil. Containers to be marked inside with a permanent mark at 8" to 10" measured from the bottom of the container up.
- e. Flags: Consists of a staff and a flag. Staff to be 1 inch or 1 1/16 inch wood doweling, 5 feet long, planed the full length, or bottom three feet of the staff, to flatten two sides. Flag staff to be made out of any kind of wood doweling. Flags to be sturdy cloth (double thickness, hemmed 8" x 12 ") securely fastened to flag staff with nails, brads or large staples, one light and one dark, leaving an 8" x 8" portion free from staff.
- f. Pole Bases: Black rubber base (approximately 14 pounds) or black plastic bases to be filled with a substance to equal approximately 14 pounds. Pole bases to be 3 inches tall and 14 inches across. Total weight with pole and converter, approximately 17 pounds (plastic converter is needed to hold pole in base securely).
 - i. Larger diameter white PVC pipe that fits directly into the pole bases without the use of a reducer and screws. Pole is to be 80 to 81 inches long from ground to top of pole.
 - ii. Plastic converter to be used to secure pole in base, either by cotter-key, screw, or nail, cut to fit flush.
 - iii. Pole base is to be black; pole must be white.
- g. Starting Pole Base: Bases can be other than a black rubber based as listed in #6 for starting poles only as long as they are safe and the pole is the correct size.
- h. Safety equipment: Any rider is allowed to wear safety equipment where necessary
- i. Starting Equipment: Shall be defined by the Show Steward at the start of the show.
- j. Tape Measure: The metric side of the tape is used to the set course measurements are to be blacked out at the beginning of the tape for a minimum of 2 inches in order that the metric side of the tape will not be mistakenly used.
- k. Timer's Equipment:
 - i. Electric Clocks: The light and the photocell are to be set on the off course side of the starting line. Two electronic clocks may be used on the line.
 - ii. Hand Watches: To be set at least 100th of a second timepieces when using the sweep hand type watches. Read back to the mark when hands fall between two marks.
 - iii. A current PSZ/WSH Rulebook: To be provided by the show management and located on each timer's table during the show.

13. EVENTS

A. TEXAS BARRELS -INDIVIDUAL



COURSE: Three barrels shall be placed in a triangular formation. No.1 and No.2 barrels are set 33 feet from the start/finish line, and 60 feet apart. No.3 barrel is set 80 feet from No.1 and No.2 barrels. The start/finish line shall be 60 feet in length.

hh = Start/Finish Line (60ft)

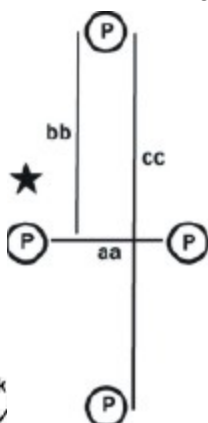
ii = 33 feet

jj = 60feet

kk = 80 feet

EVENT: Rider circles No.1 barrel to the right, No.2 barrel to the left, No.3 barrel to the left and finishes; or rider circles No.2 to the left, No.1 to the right, No.3 to the right and finishes.

B. CALIFORNIA STAKE RACE-INDIVIDUAL



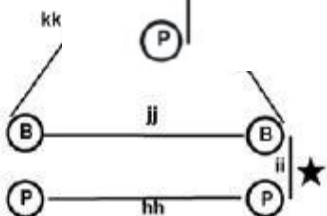
COURSE: One pole placed 120 feet from the start / finish line.

k = Star/Finish Line (30feet)

l = 120 feet

EVENT: Rider circles pole in either direction and return across the finish line.

C. FIGURE 8 STAKE RACE-INDIVIDUAL



COURSE: Two poles are set 120 feet apart at opposite ends of the course. Center poles mark the start / finish line and are placed at a point halfway between the two end poles.

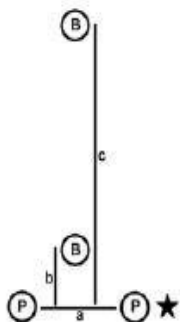
aa = Start/Finish Line (30 feet)

bb = 60 feet

cc = 120 feet

EVENT: Rider may begin on the Right or Left side of poles. Make a figure 8 around poles. Complete course by crossing start/finish line. It is a 5 second penalty for knocking down a pole.

D. FLAGS -INDIVIDUAL



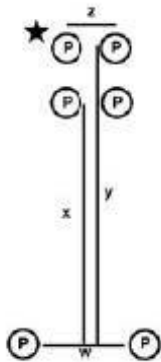
COURSE: Two containers to be set 100 feet apart. No.1 container to be set 20 feet from the start / finish line. A flag is placed in each container and must NOT be tied down or rubber banded, can be wrapped.

a = Start/Finish Line (30 feet)

b = 20 feet

c = 120 feet

EVENT: Rider may designate position of the flags at the start of the run. Rider takes flag out of No.1 container, while turning No.2 container rider places the flag he is carrying in it and removes No.2 container's flag, whereupon he places it into No.1 container and finishes. Rider can circle or turn any container in any direction, as many times as necessary, as long as they put the flags in the proper container in the correct order.

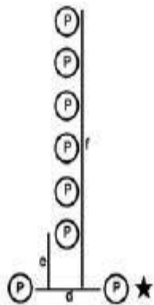


In the flag races, riders must reset the containers and flags. If a rider drops a flag or misses the container, he must retrieve the flag and place it in the proper container. A dropped flag may be reset from the ground before remounting. If a rider knocks over a container, he must reset the container. If the staff is broken, rider must complete the course with the flag portion of the staff.

ADDITIONAL DISQUALIFICATION-Failure to place the flag in the last container or upsetting the last container.

E. KEYHOLE -INDIVIDUAL

COURSE: A keyhole shall be marked according to the diagram with white lime or a similar dry white substance, center of the circle to be 100 feet from the start / finish line. Circle to have radius of 10 feet, the neck length to be 10 feet and the neck width is to be 5 feet. Extend the circle to meet the neck.



dd = Start/Finish Line (30 feet)

ee = 80 feet

ff = 90 feet

gg = 100 feet

d1 = 5 feet

d2 = 10 feet

EVENT: Rider rides into the circle of the keyhole (all four feet must be inside the circle clearing the neck of the keyhole), turns horse and finishes. Stepping on or over any lines of the keyhole shall be off course.

F. KEYPOLAR -INDIVIDUAL

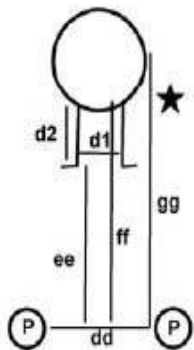
COURSE: Distance 120 feet. Four poles are placed 5 feet apart at marks 110 and 120 feet from the start / finish line.

w = Start/Finish Line (30feet)

x = 110 feet

y = 120 feet

z = 5 feet



EVENT: Rider races between the poles, across the turning plane, turns and reverses course through the poles and finished.

G. POLEBENDING -INDIVIDUAL

COURSE: Six poles shall be set in a straight line with the poles set 21 feet apart. The first pole to be set 21 feet from the start / finish line.

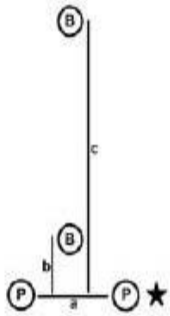
d = Start/Finish Line (30feet)

e = 21 feet

f = 126 feet

When measuring, set the "0" mark at the Start/Finish line, running the tape to 126 feet. Mark poles at 21,42,63,84,105,and 126.

EVENT: Rider may start left or right of the poles. Rider runs, turns No.6 pole, bends through the poles, turns No.1 pole, bends through the poles, turns No.6 pole and finishes; stepping on or across the start / finish line while turning pole No.1 is a disqualification.



H. TWO MAN THREE BARREL FLAGS

COURSE: Three containers and two flags are to be used. No.1 container to be set at 20 feet, No.2 container to be set at 70 feet and No.3 container to be set at 120 feet from the start/finish line. A flag is to be set in No.1 and No.3 containers at the start of each run.

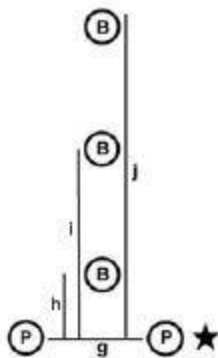
g = Start/Finish Line (30 feet)
h = 20 feet
i = 70 feet

j = 120 feet

EVENT: First rider may designate position of the flags at the start of the run. First rider removes flag from No.1 container and places it in No.2 (middle) container. While turning No.3 container, rider removes flag and places it in No.2 container and finishes. Second rider then takes either flag from No.2 container and while turning No.3 container, places flag into No.3 container. Rider takes remaining flag out of No.2 container and places in into No.1 container and finishes. Riders can circle or turn any container in any direction as many times as necessary, as long as they put the flags in the proper container in the correct order.

In the team flag races, riders must reset the containers and flags. If a rider drops a flag or misses the container, he must retrieve the flag and place it in the proper container. A dropped flag may be reset from the ground before remounting. If a rider knocks over a container, he must reset the container (exception last rider – see below). If the staff is broken, rider must complete the course with the flag portion of the staff. There shall be a 5 second penalty if the last rider misses or upsets the last container and crosses the finish line.

There shall be a five second penalty when the ring crew mistakenly resets either a knocked down container, misplaced flag or their combination.



I. TEAM BATON – FOUR MAN TEAM

COURSE: A barrel is set 120 feet from the start/ finish line.

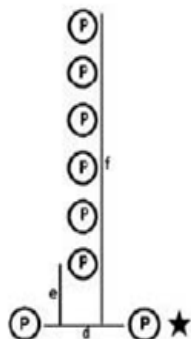
m = Start/Finish Line (30feet)
n = 120 feet

EVENT: First rider with baton runs course around the barrel, crosses the finish line then passes the baton to the next rider. All other members individually complete the same course.

A dropped baton must be retrieved by the riders. If a rider is on course, the rider dropping the baton must retrieve it, crossing start / finish line if necessary. If the baton is dropped on the off course side of the start / finish line, either the passer (who need not remount) or the receiver may retrieve it. With the exception of the last rider, a rider missing the baton may run the course, return for the baton and then correctly run the course. Any member of the team may move up and take the baton if the intended receiver misses, but no rider may run more than once. There

shall be a 5 second penalty for each knock down of a barrel. There shall be a 5 second penalty each time a barrel is knocked down and rights itself.

J. TEAM FLAGS – FOUR MAN TEAM



COURSE: Two containers to be set 100 feet apart; No.1 container to be set 20 feet from the start/finish line. A flag is placed in each container.

a = Start / Finish Line (30feet)

b = 20 feet

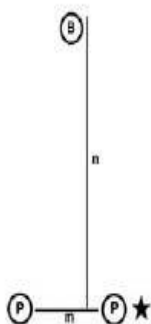
c = 120 feet

EVENT: First rider may designate position of the flags at the start of the run. Procedure of the rider is the same as Flags -Individual. After the first rider completes the course, all other team members individually complete the same course. Riders can circle or turn any container in any direction, as many times as necessary, as long as they put the flags in the proper container in the correct order.

In the flag races, riders must reset the containers and flags. If a rider drops a flag or misses the container, he must retrieve the flag and place it in the proper container. A dropped flag may be reset from the ground before remounting. If a rider knocks over a container, he must reset the container (exception last rider – see below). If the staff is broken, rider must complete the course with the flag portion of the staff.

There shall be a 5 second penalty if the last rider misses or upsets the last container and crosses the finish line. There shall be a 5 second penalty when the ring crew mistakenly resets either a knocked down container, misplaced flag or their combination.

K. TEAM POLEBENDING – FOUR MAN TEAM



COURSE: Six poles shall be set in a straight line with the poles set 21 feet apart; the first pole to be set 21 feet from the start/finish line.

d = Start/Finish Line (30feet)

e = 21 feet

f = 126 feet

When measuring, set the "0" mark at the Start / Finish line, running the tape to 126 feet. Mark poles at 21, 42, 63, 84, 105, and 126.

EVENT: Rider with baton rides the polebending course and when that rider completes the course, he passes the baton to the next rider, until all four riders have completed the course.

A dropped baton must be retrieved by the riders. If a rider is on course, the rider dropping the baton must retrieve it, crossing start/finish line if necessary. If the baton is dropped on the off course side of the start/finish line, either the passer (who need not remount) or the receiver may retrieve it. With the exception of the last rider, a rider missing the baton may run the course, return for the baton and then correctly run the course. Any member of the team may move up and take the baton if the intended receiver misses, but no rider may run more than once. There shall be a 5 second penalty for each knock down of a pole. There shall be a 5 second penalty each time a pole is knocked down and rights itself.

14. JUDGE'S SIGNALS

- a. Course ready. Will be at the discretion of the judge and will be advertised at the beginning of each show day.

- b. General Disqualification (NT). Thumb extended over shoulder.
- c. Five Second Penalty (+5, etc.). Hand raised with 5 fingers extended. Repeat to show 10, 15, etc. +5
- d. Two horses on course (2OC). Two fingers held up.
- e. Safe or clean run. Both hands, palms down and extended arms length in front with a back and forth motion.
- f. Failure to Start on Time (FTS). A No Time signal is given and then the judge clarifies reason by looking at his watch.
- g. Hitting Ahead of the Cinch / Elbow (AOC). A No Time signal is given and then the judge clarifies reason by jabbing the thumb of one hand at his ribs 2-3 times.
- h. Off Course (OC). A No Time signal is given and then the judge clarifies reason by pointing to the ground and making a circling motion with his index finger (2-3 circles).
- i. Unnecessary Roughness (UR). A No Time signal is given and then the judge clarifies reason by jabbing the thumbs of both hands at his ribs 2-3 times.
- j. Whipping with Properties (WWP). A No Time signal is given and then the judge clarifies reason by slapping his leg 2-3 times with his hand.
- k. Shall not leave the show until it is completed. In case of an emergency, another qualified steward must be appointed.

15. JUDGE'S DUTIES:

- a. At least one judge (two recommended) to be provided for each team or rider.
- b. Judge to watch for infraction of the rules.
- c. When the judge is in doubt, the benefit will go to the rider.
- d. Have a current PSZ/WSH Games Rulebook.
- e. Call all penalties and disqualifications.

16. WESTERN GAMES DIVISION AGE DIVISIONS

Age determined as of August first (1) each year.

- a. Leadline 6 and under
- b. Buckaroo 10 and under
- c. Junior-11-13 years
- d. Intermediate-14-17 years
- e. Senior A 18-28 years
- f. Senior B 29-39 years
- g. Super Senior A 40-50 years
- h. Super Senior B 51 and over

C.WESTERN GAMES YEAR END AWARDS REQUIREMENTS

Awards will be purchased with funds from the Western Games account. Awards are to be left to the discretion of the Western Games Chairperson and participants of the Western Games awards program. Input from the PSZ Awards Committee will also be considered

Eligibility for Western Games year end awards is as follows:

1. Participants must be a current member of Washington State Horsemen and a member of Puget Sound Zone. A waiver to compete in Puget Sound Zone may be obtained by getting a release from your current Zone and request Puget Sound Zone for permission to compete as a Puget Sound Zone member.
2. Participants must attend a minimum of three (3) Puget Sound Zone meetings by the September meeting. The meetings are held on the 3rd Thursday of each month, except in November and December, at 7:30 p.m. Attendance sheets are to be signed at each meeting in order to get credit for attending the meeting. Attendees must remain for the duration of the meeting to receive credit.

3. If a member is signed up for multiple division Zone year end awards this requirement can be met concurrently with other division meeting requirements. If a member is not signed up for other division Zone year end awards the three (3) meeting requirement shall be met
4. If a member is unable to attend a meeting then a family member or friend may represent them without any written documentation. The person who is the representative will also get credit for being in attendance at same meeting
5. Participants must submit a completed year end award sign-up form and payment to the Western Games Division Chairperson prior to June 1 of the award year.
6. Participants must participate in at least 1 approved WSH/PSZ Games Show.
7. Participants must work 4 hours minimum at a PSZ or PSZ Club Sponsored Show.
8. Awards will be presented at the Puget Sound Zone Banquet in January. Awards are determined by points earned at each show. Placing in each event determines points. Awards will be given out per age group.
9. See Appendix I for a complete listing of PSZ Western Games Division Rules.

The PSZ YEAR-END PERPETUAL TROPHIES FOR ALL DIVISIONS MUST BE RETURNED TO THE BANQUET CHAIR BY the October Zone Meeting. People not returning their trophies by this date will forfeit year-end awards and any pay back money. **THIS RULE WILL BE STRICTLY ENFORCED.** These trophies are very large and old and must be taken care of. If a trophy comes back with any damage, the person who had the trophy will be charged a minimum of \$25.00 for repairs.

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