



MOTHER LODE ARABIAN HORSE ASSOCIATION

HIGH POINT PROGRAM RULES FOR 2014

ARABIAN, HALF-ARABIAN, ANGLO-ARABIAN, SHAGYA

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INTRODUCTION

In order to participate in the High Point Program, the exhibitor must be a member of MLAHA in good standing prior to the show or ride in which points are received.

The show and event season will be from January 1st through October 31st. Shows and events must be in AHA Region 3, except for National Championships. Endurance and competitive trail competitions have no geographic limitations. There are no restrictions on the type of shows; both Schooling and Rated Shows are permitted.

Horses must be registered Purebred Arabians, Half-Arabians, Anglo-Arabians or Shagyas. Registration papers are required to be submitted for participation in the Horse Awards.

EXCEPTION:

- A. Junior Exhibitor Awards are open to all breeds.
- B. Weanlings may be shown without registration papers, provided the owner signs a statement that the foal is eligible for registration and the registration is pending. The High Point Program Chairperson must receive registration papers by October 31 to be eligible for a year-end award.

SYSTEMS OF AWARDS

Unlike many other award systems – this is not a horse and rider combination. Points earned will be counted for both horse and exhibitor, if both are nominated. Points will be kept separately on each horse as they apply to year-end horse awards

The MLAHA High Point Program offers the following award categories:

A. Horse Award – High Point Horses

The horse is nominated and can be exhibited in any division/category by any number of riders/handlers, with the exception of Equitation, Showmanship, Horsemanship and Leadline – they do not count towards Horse only awards.

B. Senior Exhibitor Award

Senior exhibitors can exhibit any number of horses, including horses that are not nominated in the Horse only category, but they must be registered Purebred/HA/AA. Points will be given for showmanship, horsemanship and equitation classes, but will not count toward Horse awards.

A. Junior Exhibitor Award

Junior Exhibitor can exhibit any number of horses, including horses that are not nominated in the Horse only category, and they can be of any breed, except in the Purebred/HA/AA divisions. Points will be given for showmanship, horsemanship and equitation classes, but will not count toward Horse awards.

All awards will be announced at the club's year-end banquet in December. All High Point Program participants are highly encouraged to attend this great event.



Mother Lode Arabian Horse Association high point year-end awards will be made in the following divisions and categories:

A. HORSE AWARDS

DIVISIONS	CATEGORY
❖ <u>Halter Purebred</u>	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Stallion2. Mare3. Gelding <hr/>
❖ <u>Halter Half-Arabian, Anglo-Arabian, Shagya</u>	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Stallion2. Mare4. Gelding <hr/>
❖ <u>Performance Purebred</u>	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Hunter Pleasure2. Western Pleasure3. Versatility (e.g. Sport Horse Under Saddle, English Pleasure, Costume, Trail, Cutting, Team Penning, Driving, Over Fences, Saddle Seat, Trail Trials, etc.) <hr/>
❖ <u>Performance Half-Arabian, Anglo-Arabian, Shagya</u>	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Hunter Pleasure2. Western Pleasure3. Versatility (e.g. Sport Horse Under Saddle, English Pleasure, Costume, Trail, Cutting, Team Penning, Driving, Over Fences, Saddle Seat, Trail Trials, etc.) <hr/>
❖ <u>Competitive Trail Rides</u>	Combined for Purebreds, Half/Anglo-Arabians and Shagyas <hr/>
❖ <u>Endurance Rides</u>	Combined for Purebreds, Half/Anglo-Arabians and Shagyas <hr/>
❖ <u>Dressage</u>	Combined for Purebreds, Half/Anglo-Arabians and Shagyas <hr/>
❖ <u>Western Dressage</u>	Combined for Purebreds, Half/Anglo-Arabians and Shagyas <hr/>
❖ <u>Sport Horse In Hand</u>	Combined for Purebreds, Half/Anglo-Arabians and Shagyas <hr/>



B. JUNIOR EXHIBITOR AWARDS

JUNIOR AGE CATEGORIES

1. 10 and under
2. 11 to 13
3. 14 to 18

JUNIOR EXHIBITOR AWARDS ARE OPEN TO ALL BREEDS

There are three categories of junior competition. 10 and Under, 11 to 13, and 14 to 18. We will use the USEF (formerly USET) rule for determining age of an exhibitor for competition. "The age of an individual on December 1st will be maintained throughout the entire competition year." Thus, a youth that is 13 on December 1st 2013 will compete in the 11 to 13 age category throughout the 2014 Show season. Juniors may exhibit one or more horses and compete in any division/category listed above. Standings at the end of the year will be based on the total number of points per junior in all divisions/categories. Separate awards will be made in each age range. (Lead line classes will not count for horse or rider/exhibitor.)

Junior Equitation (Dr. Richard Barsaleau Perpetual Trophy)

This perpetual trophy is a Mother Lode Arabian Horse Association "Thank You" for the many contributions Dr. Barsaleau, who was a founding member and staunch supporter of MLAHA, has made over many years. Dr. Barsaleau was firmly dedicated to the idea that good equitation is important in developing good horsemanship.

We salute Dr. Barsaleau and salute the high point youth member with the highest year-end score in equitation competition (open to youth of all ages).

C. SENIOR EXHIBITOR AWARDS

This competition is restricted to amateurs only. We will use the USEF (formerly USAE) rules for determining age of an exhibitor for competition. Seniors may exhibit one or more horses and compete in any division/category listed above. Standing at the end of the year will be based on the total number of points per senior in all divisions/categories.

Certificates of Merit, suitable for framing, will be awarded to each nominee earning points during the show season.



D. MLAHA HIGH POINT PERPETUAL TROPHIES

- ❖ **Dan Scribner High Point Trophy** for the highest scoring horse that earns points in at least two different categories or divisions.
- ❖ **Dr. Barsaleau Junior Equitation Award** for the highest scoring juniors in equitation competition.
- ❖ **Rames es Ranez Memorial Trophy** for the highest scoring rider who has never previously competed in the MLAHA High Point Competition. This rider must be entered separately in the rider competition and have accumulated at least 25 points in one year to be eligible.
- ❖ **Senior Rookie of the Year** for the highest scoring senior exhibitor who has never previously competed in a show or event.
- ❖ **Purebred Halter Stallion** for the highest scoring stallion in the Purebred Halter Division.
- ❖ **Purebred Halter Mare** for the highest scoring mare in the Purebred Halter Division.
- ❖ **Competitive Trail Award** for the highest scoring horse in the Competitive Trail Division.
- ❖ **Endurance Award** for the highest scoring horse in the Endurance Division.
- ❖ **Bint Sabo Meadow** for the highest scoring Half Arabian horse in the HA/AA Halter Division.
- ❖ **Evening Shaide** for the highest scoring horse in the Dressage Division.
- ❖ **Rebel's Raider+//** for the highest mileage horse that completes a minimum of 200 miles in Competitive Trail and Endurance (must be a combination of both).
- ❖ **Aldar Madrid** for the horse that accumulates the most points for Over Fences and/or eventing classes.



ADDITIONAL RULES

Points for show results will not be earned until enrollment fees are paid in full.

A copy of the horse's registration papers must be submitted with the horse nomination; and the horse must be entered and shown under his registered name.

Show Results/Points shall be submitted within 30 days of the show. Late submittals are permitted if

Show Results/Points shall be submitted on the appropriate forms by e-mail or postal mail to the high point chairperson within an acceptable timeframe after the show event, and postmarked no later than November 15, 2014. Please use **ONLY** MLAHA Club forms (available on the Club web page).

It is the participant's responsibility to make sure these points are sent to, and received by, the chairperson. Standings will be distributed to participants upon request and as time and circumstances permit. Participants have fourteen (14) days following the distribution of standings to correct any errors.

If a division/category does not have three (3) entrants by November 15, 2014, Mother Lode Arabian Horse Association reserves the right to combine it with another division/category.

If a stallion is gelded during the show season, points earned as a stallion will be added to the gelding points earned for that horse.

High Point Program Enrollment Fees

- 1. Horse only - \$5** (with new membership \$15 for Juniors, \$30 for Seniors)
- 2. Senior (incl. Rider/Horse combo) - \$5** (with new membership \$30)
- 3. Junior (incl. Rider/Horse combo) - \$5** (with new membership \$15)

All Fees are used to defray the cost of the awards presented at the year-end banquet.



POINT SYSTEM

PLEASE NOTE: All of the following point distributions are based upon full classes. If a class has fewer entries than the number of places, then points will be deducted accordingly. For example, in the Category Two point system, if there are only five horses in the class, then the winner receives five points, second receives four points, etc. If there is only one horse in the class and it successfully fulfills the requirements of the class, then it receives one point.

CATEGORY ONE:

Applies to Competitive Trail Open B, Novice B, Competitive Pleasure B. IAHA Local Competitive Rides (Open only). Trail Trials (Open/Novice). Endurance/LD rides of less than 50 miles.

First place	6 points
Second place	5 points
Third place	4 points
Fourth place	3 points
Fifth place	2 points
Sixth place	1 point

Plus one point for completion per event.

An additional two (2) points for Competitive Sweepstakes Award.

CATEGORY TWO:

Applies to all Show classes, Dressage, Competitive Trail Open A, Novice A, Competitive Pleasure A., and Endurance rides from 50 to 99 miles.

First place	10 points	Sixth place	5 points
Second place	9 points	Seventh place	4 points
Third place	8 points	Eighth place	3 points
Fourth place	7 points	Ninth place	2 points
Fifth place	6 points	Tenth place	1 point

If there are only five horses in the class, then the winner receives five points, second receives four points, etc. If there is only one horse in the class and it successfully fulfills the requirements of the class, then it receives one point.

Plus one point for completion per distance event (this does not include horse shows or dressage).

An additional five (5) points for Best Condition in Endurance or Competitive Sweepstakes Award.

CATEGORY THREE:

Applies to Competitive AA rides (Open only). Endurance rides of 100 miles or more.

Champion	20 points	Sixth place	10 points
Res. Champ	18 points	Seventh place	8 points



Third place	16 points	Eight place	6 points
Fourth place	14 points	Ninth place	4 points
Fifth place	12 points	Tenth place	2 points

Plus one point for completion per event.

An additional ten (10) points for Best Condition in Endurance or Competitive Sweepstakes Award.

CATEGORY FOUR:

Applies to Regional or National Events.

Champion	20 points	Regional Top Five	14 points
Res. Champion	18 points	National Top Ten	8 points

DRESSAGE POINTS:

Will be the same as Category 2 with the exception that the high scoring horse of the horse show is considered the same as the champion and will receive 20 additional points.

Regional or National Events will be the same as Category 4.

No Extra Points will be given for High Point Horse at a show, except for Dressage, as explained above.

In the event that a dispute arises about the interpretation of these rules, the decision of the Mother Lode Arabian Horse Association Board of Directors will be final.