

2023 MN POAC YEAR-END AWARDS CRITERIA

A pony or member must show under 51% or more judges at MN POAC pointed shows during the 2023 show season (including MN POAC sponsored and MN POAC pointed shows) to be eligible for year-end awards, high point awards, participation awards, or graduating senior awards.

PARTICIPATION AWARD: Participation awards are given to each-exhibitor who participates in at least 51% of MN POAC sponsored and pointed shows.

HALTER AWARD: High Point and Reserve High Point halter awards are given in each division: Mare, Gelding, and Stallion, in both the Junior and Senior divisions, based on total points accumulated.

LEAD-LINE HIGH POINT: Points are accumulated by youth 6 and under in the following Lead-line classes: Showmanship, Horsemanship Costume, Trail, Barrels, Texas Rollback, Single Pole, and Go Go regardless of which POA is shown. Awards given for six placings.

SHOWMAN AWARD: Points are accumulated in Showmanship, Bareback Horsemanship, Hunt Seat Equitation on the Flat and Over Fences, and Western Horsemanship, regardless of which POA they exhibit. This award will be given to the 9 and under, 10-13, 14-18 age categories. Awards given for six placings.

NON-TIMED AWARD: Non -Timed awards are calculated on pony points; therefore, points are listed for each pony/rider combination. Non-timed High Points include: Halter, Hunter In Hand, Costume, Jumping, Western Pleasure, Junior Western Pleasure, Senior Western Pleasure, Hunter Under Saddle, Junior Hunter Under Saddle, Senior Hunter Under Saddle, Junior Trail, Senior Trail, and Ranch Riding. This award will be given in the 9 and under, 10-13, 14-18 , WJ/WT 18 & Under, NOVICE WJL/WTC 18 & Under, 19 & Over, WJ/WT All Ages, NON PRO WJ/WT 19 & Over, NON PRO WTC 19 & Over, SELECT 45 & Over, OPEN 18 & Under, and OPEN 19 & Over. Awards given for six placings. ***The Overall High Point YOUTH in this division will receive the Leonard Lewis Memorial Traveling Trophy.***

TIMED AWARD: Timed awards are also calculated on pony points; therefore, points are listed for each pony/rider combination. Timed high points include: Cloverleaf Barrels, Flags, Figure 8 Barrels, Scurry, Texas Rollback, Single Pole , Go Go, Pole Bending, Straight Barrels, Handy Horse, and Keyhole. This award will be given in the 9 and under, 10-13, 14-18, OPEN 18 & Under, and OPEN 19 and Over. Awards given for six placings. ***The Overall High Point YOUTH in this division will receive the Leonard Lewis Memorial Traveling Trophy.***

ONE PONY/ONE RIDER AWARD: One pony/one rider awards are calculated from all points accumulated by a one pony/one rider team. This award will be given in the 9 and under, 10-13, 14-18, and 19 and over, NOVICE WTC 18 & Under, WJ/WT All Ages, SELECT WJ/WT 45 & Over, OPEN 18 & Under, OPEN 19 & Over categories and Timed: OPEN 18 & Under, and OPEN 19 & Over. Awards given for six placings. ***The Overall High Point Youth in this division will receive the Gordon Krueger Memorial Black Swan S Ultimate Pony Traveling Trophy.***

NOVICE AWARD: One pony/one rider awards are calculated from all points accumulated by a one pony/one rider team. This award will be given in the NOVICE WTC 18 & Under category. Awards given for six placings.

JPFC AWARD: High Point and Reserve High point will be awarded for the JPFC nominated pony accumulating the most points in the following JPFC classes: Hunter Under Saddle, Western Pleasure, Reining and Trail.

IN-HAND AWARD: High Point and Reserve High Point will be awarded for the pony accumulating the most points in the following classes: Halter, Longe Line, In-hand Trail. The Divisions include Yearling, 2 year old, and OPEN.

BRAVO AWARD: This award represents youth recognizing other MN POAC youth for their achievements and/or contributions to MN POAC, sportsmanship, or other special efforts to enhance the breed or POA experience. An essay nomination should be submitted by a MN POAC youth member nominating another youth member for the award. Nominations will be reviewed and a winner selected by the Executive Committee and Board of Directors to be awarded at the Annual Banquet with year-end awards. ***The awardee will receive the Bravo Award Traveling Trophy sponsored by Hestedalen Farm.***

SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD: Nominations for the Sportsmanship Awards for each age group are voted on by the show committee of each show. This award will be nominated by adult members of the club. Youth members may submit nominations; however, it must be signed on by an adult. Nominations will be reviewed and a winner selected by the Executive Committee and Board of Directors to be awarded at the Annual Banquet with year-end awards.

MEMBER OF THE YEAR: Member of the Year award is designed to recognize the volunteer contributions of that member in the support of the club and its shows as demonstrated throughout the year. This award will be nominated by adult members of the club. Youth members may submit nominations; however, it must be signed on by an adult. Nominations will be reviewed and a winner selected by the Executive Committee and Board of Directors to be awarded at the Annual Banquet with year-end awards.

NOTE:

- Points are accumulated beginning on the date of MN POAC member registration.
- If more than one exhibitor receives the same number of total points, it will be listed as a tie in the placings for year-end points.

