

## ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AT THE 2022 AGM

1. Recommendation by the MWHS Scholarship Committee - Proposal to use Youth Scholarship funds to also provide MWHS members with an Emergency Crisis Fund. This would assist members who suffer ongoing expenses due to medical or catastrophic event.
2. Discussion/Recommendation - Rulebooks - Do we have books printed each year with the rule updates for the judges and show managers? How do we get the rulebooks to them and when? If someone wishes a hard copy of the rulebook for their own use, do we charge them the cost of printing?

### MEMBERSHIP

2. Rule 1.5.1.a - Add definition of a “family” to the membership form.
3. Rule 1.5.1c (a) - Discussion - Novice - Presently Novices are allowed 40 Open or Breed shows in 5 years. This was established when MWHS averaged 16 -18 shows a year. Currently MWHS is averaging 10 - 15 shows a year. Should this number be reduced to 25 or 30?  
Clarify on the application that MWHS shows are considered Open shows as there seems to be some confusion on this when the question is being answered. Possibly give some other examples of Open or Breed shows on the application.  
Add more clarification under the club show question by adding more questions if they have answered yes such as, how many years they have shown at club shows and how many times a year they show at a club show and list the names of the clubs they show at.  
Add a section to describe their horse show history. Should Breed and/or specific association shows i.e. NRHA, NBHA etc. be added to the Novice application under Open/Breed shows where you have shown
4. Rule 1.5.1c (b) Novice - Discussion - motion to read “cannot have participated in more than 40 shows, registered breed or MWHS, and cannot have won division at MWHS more than three (3) times.
5. 1.5.3 a - Discussion/Recommendation - That notice of the AGM and any known items to be discussed be sent out thirty (30) days in advance of the date of the AGM and that a follow up notice and items to be discussed, be posted seven (7) days ahead of the AGM date.

6. Rule 1.5.3 e - Discussion/Recommendation - That an abstaining vote is the same as no vote. Many other associations and government bodies have this in place.  
Motion: That an abstaining vote is the same as a no vote.

## **GENERAL RULES**

7. Rule 3.5.a - Discussion - Previously when we filled out forms for individual classes Halter was filled out, it was on the forms for Open/Senior classes and thought to fall under the same rules. There is not actual rule defining if there is a height rule to enter halter classes. So the question is, can ponies enter the halter classes? If a height rule is in place, should there be an exception for the 2 & under classes where the horse will not have achieved its' full height, i.e. it could be a weanling.
8. Rule 3.5.b - Discussion - Relook at changing Senior designation to Open. If changed to Open, do we need to add another division with regulations for Adult with clarification? Do we state that Open is for ANY rider riding a horse over 14 hands? There is no definition in the rulebook for Adult or Open divisions so again, nothing that says a pony/horse under 14 hands cannot enter an Adult or Open class. Should there be such a definition since a pony under 13.2 hands cannot enter a Jr. A or a Senior class
9. Rule 3.7 - Discussion/recommendation - That we allow a judge to officiate at a maximum of two (2) shows per year if, another judge that has been booked for a show has an unforeseen circumstance arise and cannot attend the show he/she has been hired for.
10. Rule 3.10 - Discussion - Should we continue to use the new computerized system of entries or go back to the old way of making entries? Have we given the new system enough time to work the bugs out? Do we need to hire a "day of show" show secretary to help with the entries that come in the day of the show like some other associations do? What problems arouse? Can they be solved?
11. Rule 3.12.g - Discussion - Why do speed events need numbers? Can we eliminate them?
12. Rule 3.13 - Recommendation - That it be mandatory for performance riders 18 and under wear helmets? The speed event youth are mandated to wear them so why not performance? This would eliminate any problems going forward with shows being held at REACH.

13. Rule 4.0 (a) - Awards – Discussion/recommendation - The way the current awards are they appear to be just a shopping trip. Why not just hand out cheques and save the awards committee time and effort? The recipients can purchase what they want and fits them or their horse. Should all awards be set awards? Maybe set up something where x number of total points can receive certain awards i.e. 100 points - jacket, belt buckle, horse blanket as an example. Points could possibly be for all classes combined or individual classes at the recipient's discretion.
14. Rule 4.0 (b) Recommendation/Motion - That ALL the awards to be embroidered, plated or engraved with the MWHS logo, class/classes won and winner's name to also be included. Are we not proud of our association and want to promote it?
15. 4.0.1a - Discussion - Continue using a sliding scale for points or go to a standard point system with 1st always being the same amount.
16. 4.0.9 - Clarify rule - All Junior A and B approved classes that are held at least 50% of the 75% of shows during the year will be eligible for individual class awards. All approved classes will count towards the High Point Sr. Performance and High Point Sr. Speed Events awards in Junior A and B divisions. Each Horse & Rider combination must compete in at least two (2) different classes in each division to be eligible for High Point awards (word Sr. should be Jr A or B)
17. 4.0.11 - Discussion - Should we be changing the High Point Senior Performance award to have only 2 classes for qualifying instead of the current 3? Since we have so few performance horses compete in more than 2 of the 5 performance classes used for the Senior High point award should the requirement for 3 classes be changed to 2 classes to qualify? The difference from the High Point Speed horse is that many of the performance horses are competing in Adult Showmanship, Adult Horsemanship and Senior English Equitation which are horse and rider classes and do not count for the High Point Senior Performance Horse. Of course, a Jr. A rider can compete in Senior classes so the Adult classes cannot be used for the calculation for the High Point Senior Performance. Similarly, Equitation is judging the rider so it is not counted.
18. Rule 4.1 - Discussion - Add Ranch Rail to the Senior Performance class list as an optional class. Add Jackpot Barrels and Poles as optional classes to the Senior Speed Event class list

Add Flag to the Jr. B list of speed classes. Make it mandatory for 4 Jr. B events be included in the show program. This may increase the number of ponies coming out.

19. Rule 8.9 c & i - contradiction of rules Presently listed as follows:

c. Apparel and Equipment: (**encouraged but not mandatory**)

**1. No hoof polish.**

**2. No braided or banded manes or tail extensions.**

3. Trimming inside ears is discouraged.

4. Trimming bridle path is allowed, also trimming of fetlocks or excessive (long) facial hair.

5. Equipment with silver should not count over a good working outfit. Silver on bridles and saddles is discouraged

6. It is suggested competitors use a breast collar and a rear cinch.

**i)The following will result in a 0 (zero) score:**

Major disobedience or schooling

Willful abuse

**Illegal equipment including hoof black, braided or banded manes or tail extensions.**

No specific penalties will be incurred for nicks or hits on logs but deduction may be made in maneuver score.

No specific penalties will be incurred for over or under spins but deduction may be made in maneuver score

20. Rule 10 - Discussion - add Jackpot Barrels and Poles 3D Jackpot Barrels and Poles are optional classes. 3D Jackpot time will be used from the Sr., Jr. A, Jr. B, or Novice class. It is not a separate class and will run concurrently with the designated class. It does however have a separate entry fee. A youth or novice must state, prior to the show starting, which time will count towards the jackpot if entering more than one division i.e. youth entering Senior and Jr. A must state, prior to the show starting, whether the time used for the jackpot will be their Senior or Jr. A time. Jackpot payout is based on the fastest time of the horses entered into the jackpot, 2nd D is one (1) second behind the fastest time, 3rd D is two (2) seconds behind the fastest time. Payout example: 1st D 25%, 20%, 15%, 2nd D 15%, 10%, 3rd D 10%, 5%

21. Discussion - Should MWSH host a first aid clinic? Should it be a fund raiser?

22. Discussion/Recommendation – That MWHS purchase a good set of walkie talkies to be used to communicate between the ring steward and the show announcer. This may speed up the shows and eliminate some of the miscommunication that sometimes occurs. They would become part of the timer package that is taken to each show.

