

**USHJA ZONE 10 JUMPER COMMITTEE  
COMMITTEE MINUTES  
May 14, 2007**

**Committee Members Present:** Larry Langer, Chair, Carol Dean-Porter, Jennifer McLaughlin, Charlotte Skinner, Ned Glynn, and Gay Talmey. (6)

**Committee Members Not Present:** Linda Allen, Vice-Chair, Robert Ridland, Dale Harvey and Susan Hutchison. (4)

**Also Present:** Melissa Pylant (Zone Coordinator) and Sally Hudson.

A quorum was met with 6 members present.

**I. Roll Call**

Larry Langer opened the meeting and performed the roll call.

**II. Communication Update**

Ms. Dean-Porter gave a communication update. The Young Rider points are now listed on the website for the riders to view. Ms. Dean-Porter agreed to write up a synopsis using the minutes from the last three conference calls so everyone can see what is being done for 2008.

**III. NAYRC Criteria**

Mr. Glynn supports creating more selection trials in Northern California in order to stimulate more interest in that area. Mr. Langer would like to find ways to raise the caliber of Northern California competition. Mr. Glynn and Ms. Talmey will look into ways to do this.

Ms. Hudson received a lot of complaints from exhibitors who did not like having a trial in Southern California and then the following weekend having one in Northern California. Ms. Hudson suggested flipping the first two selection trials so that the Northern California trial is first and then the second trial is in Southern California. Ms. Skinner made a motion in support of this and Ms. Talmey seconded. The motion was approved with everyone in favor. Mr. Glynn suggested having a Northern California selection trial later in the year since weather has a significant effect on the trials. Having a selection trial at Woodside was discussed but it was agreed to wait until the 2009 discussion to decide on this.

Mr. Langer would like to see changes made to the current prize list for the final selection trial. He would like it run more like the actual championship. Mr. Langer would like the specifications changed so that the final selection trial is explained better and there are no unanswered questions. The committee agreed to change the Young Rider Trial fence heights from Level 8 to 1.45m (4'9") and where the course has two verticals at 4'9" and two oxers at 5'3" change to 1.45m and 1.60m respectively. For the speed leave it at 375 meters/minute but in

parentheses have 350 meters/minute for indoor venues. For the Junior Trials, fence heights changed from level 7 to 1.40m (4'7") and where it says two verticals at 4'6" and two oxers at 5' change to 1.40m (4'7") and 1.50m (4'11") respectively. Also the same change for speed as the Young Riders. Karen Healy had put in a request that the trials increase the prize money given from \$3500 to \$10000. There was no decision made on that item.

It was also agreed that the riders present their passport at the Del Mar selection trials so that changes can be made before the final selection trial where it must be presented again. Mr. Langer would also like to see a soundness jog at Del Mar and at the final selection trial done by a vet delegate not a treating veterinarian. Also, if the horse is spun, the horse/rider combination should be eliminated at that trial. The committee agreed that a FEI steward should be present at the Del Mar trials and at the final selection trials to ensure FEI schooling rules are followed at these two selection trials. The committee will ask the events to require an FEI steward. For the drug testing, Ms. Hudson and Ms. Skinner would like to require that the trainers and riders sign an agreement for the FEI drug testing at the final selection trial. If a positive is found, the combination will be removed from the team. Mr. Glynn asked that the criteria state clearly that the FEI drug testing will only be done at the final selection trial.

The committee would like to change the Junior substitution event to state at 1.45m or above. The committee would also like the Grand Prix points in the substitution events to be added to the Juniors as well. Mr. Langer would also like the USEF residency rule that is coming into effect in December 2007 to be stated on the criteria as well. A motion was made to approve all of the changes stated above and approved with everyone in favor.

#### **IV. 2008 Budget**

The committee agreed to keep the 2008 budget be the same as the 2007 budget. Ms. McClaughlin made a motion and Ms. Skinner seconded. The motion was approved with everyone in favor.

#### **V. Prix des States**

The committee agreed to leave the current criteria as is. Ms. Talmey made a motion and Ms. Skinner seconded. The motion was approved with everyone in favor.

#### **VI. Choosing Host Event for the 2007 Zone 10 Jumper Championships and Zone Finals**

Mr. Glynn suggested issuing a press release to contact show management to find interested sites for the Zone Finals and the Zone Championships. Ms. Dean-Porter will write up a member email asking the show managers.

#### **VII. Distribution for the 2007 Jumper Zone 10 Awards**

The committee agreed to continue at the Pacific Coast banquet for 2007. Mr. Glynn made a motion and Ms. Talmey seconded. The motion was approved with everyone in favor.

**VIII. Old Business**

Ms. Talmey reported that Bernie has not responded to any emails yet for the clinic. Ms. Talmey is going to try to call him.

**IX. New Business**

There is no new business.

**X. Adjourn**

With no further business to discuss, the committee adjourns.

Respectfully Submitted,



Melissa Pylant  
Zone Coordinator