

First	Last	Desig.	City	State	Status	Governance Exp.	Current Committee Member	2023 Attendance
Ellen	Gates	Jumper	San Juan Capistrano	CA	Professional	X	Y	91%
Edward	Glynn	Jumper	Carpinteria	CA	Professional	X	Y	82%
Elizabeth	Lacroix	Jumper	Reno	NV	Professional	X	N	
Gry	McFarlane	Jumper	Fairfield	CA	Professional	X	Y	82%
Stephanie	Simmonds	Jumper	Danville	CA	Professional	X	Y	100%

**USHJA Zone Nominee Biography Form**

Name: Ellen Gates

City & State: San Juan Capistrano CA

USHJA Number: 57997

Zone: 10

Professional/Amateur Status: ☒ Professional ☐ Amateur

Primary Designation (select one): ☐ Hunter ☒ Jumper

How are you currently involved in the sport? Please list your equestrian experience.

I'm mostly judging hunters, jumpers, and equitation. I do have a couple of clients and a horse of my own. I've previously shown and had clients show at all levels.

Do you have prior governance experience on a Board, committee, or task force? If so, please list.

I've served locally (oshsa) and on the zone ten board as well as zone council

Do you have non-equestrian business experience? If so, please list.

No

What is the biggest challenge the sport is facing in your opinion?

Adapting to our sport as it continues to evolve and keep a level playing field.

How do you hope to contribute on the Zone Committee?

Hopefully continue to work on keeping the sport in our sport and to encourage more people to participate.

What is your favorite thing about the sport?

The horses and being able to meet and get to know so many amazing people from different backgrounds.

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USHJA Zone Nominee Biography Form

Name: Ned Glyn  
City & State: Carpinteria Ca.  
USHJA Number: 148711

Zone: 10

Professional/Amateur Status: ☒ Professional

☐ Amateur

Primary Designation (select one): ☐ Hunter

☒ Jumper

How are you currently involved in the sport? Please list your equestrian experience.

Trainer, owner, volunteer

Do you have prior governance experience on a Board, committee, or task force? If so, please list.

member of Zone 10 committee for many years  
as well as show standards committee.  
Past president of NHJA

Do you have non-equestrian business experience? If so, please list.

graduated from U.C. Davis with  
degree in Economics

What is the biggest challenge the sport is facing in your opinion?

The cost of the sport.  
Values of horsemanship not being passed  
to future generations

How do you hope to contribute on the Zone Committee?

Continue with the programs that we  
are currently implementing

What is your favorite thing about the sport?

Horses!

USHJA Zone Nominee Biography Form

Name: Elizabeth Lacroix

City & State: Reno NV

USHJA Number: 5206605

Zone: 10

Professional/Amateur Status: ☒ Professional ☐ Amateur

Primary Designation (select one): ☐ Hunter ☒ Jumper

How are you currently involved in the sport? Please list your equestrian experience.

I am a H/J trainer in Reno NV, I breed Welsh ponies and Dutch warmbloods. I am also in the process of earning my course designer license

Do you have prior governance experience on a Board, committee, or task force? If so, please list.

Yes, I have been on several boards and committees including 5 years on my local horse show association board 3 years on the Region III arabian board. And 4 years as a United States Marine.

Do you have non-equestrian business experience? If so, please list.

I own and run a 501C3 non profit for Female Veterans, I also own and run a photography business.

What is the biggest challenge the sport is facing in your opinion?

accessability and affordability. We are loosing our mid level participants due to sky high costs and elitist Practices

How do you hope to contribute on the Zone Committee?

I Operate a program centered on Outreach Kids. I have many ideas for the program and would love to help improve it!

What is your favorite thing about the sport?

I have always loved that this sport allows people to make relationships that defy age and class for the love of the horse.



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**USHJA Zone Nominee Biography Form**

Name: Gry McFarlane

City & State: Fairfield CA

USHJA Number: 58567

Zone: 10

Professional/Amateur Status: ☒ Professional ☐ Amateur

Primary Designation (select one): ☐ Hunter ☒ Jumper

How are you currently involved in the sport? Please list your equestrian experience.

Currently involved and have been an active successful professional for over 45 years.

Do you have prior governance experience on a Board, committee, or task force? If so, please list.

I have served on the Board the past 3 years

Do you have non-equestrian business experience? If so, please list.

No

What is the biggest challenge the sport is facing in your opinion?

The cost of showing has become too expensive and is driving out many people that would otherwise love to participate.

How do you hope to contribute on the Zone Committee?

I would like to help build the Local level and to strengthen the Affiliate Programs that support the Local shows.

What is your favorite thing about the sport?

I love the horses and the family of people that surround the Horse show Industry.

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**USHJA Zone Nominee Biography Form**

Name: Stephanie Simmonds

City & State: Danville, CA

USHJA Number: HJ249685

Zone: 10

Professional/Amateur Status: ☒ Professional ☐ Amateur

Primary Designation (select one): ☐ Hunter ☒ Jumper

How are you currently involved in the sport? Please list your equestrian experience.

I am currently involved in our sport as a USHJA Credentialed Instructor as well as the full time General Manager of the Stanford University Red Barn.

Do you have prior governance experience on a Board, committee, or task force? If so, please list.

Yes, I currently serve on the Zone 10 USHJA Committee

Do you have non-equestrian business experience? If so, please list.

No

What is the biggest challenge the sport is facing in your opinion?

I believe our sport is doing a great job facing a multitude of challenges from DEI, the rising costs of horse ownership and how to offer affordable avenues for everyone to have the opportunity to experience the joy of horses.

How do you hope to contribute on the Zone Committee?

I hope to continue to contribute by offering ideas and actions related to the issues we discuss each month. For example rule change proposals and Chef D'Equipe application reviews.

What is your favorite thing about the sport?

By far, without a question, the Horses are my most favorite thing about our sport.