



USHJA Zone Election Nomination Form

Zone: 6

Candidate USHJA #: 30598

Candidate Name: Elizabeth (Betsy) Kieffer

Equestrian Participation:

I have ridden and shown for over 50 years, starting in the junior hunters, amateur owners, and now show in the USHJA Low Amateur due to health causes. I have owned only six horses over that span, and they have all lived long, happy and sound lives. My horses have earned multiple Zone HOTY awards, and many Minnesota Hunter Jumper Association awards. While I enjoy showing, my favorite part of horses (perhaps because it's the only way I could afford them) is patiently bringing along a young horse and having them be successful in life.

Governance Experience:

I have been on the Board of Directors for the MHJA for over 40 years. (I'm not sure exactly because records got lost.) I have served as President, Vice-President and Secretary; and chair of points, show specifications, and membership; and run the MHJA Horse Show in my varied career. Beth Miner was a good friend of mine and it was through her I got involved in USHJA. Except for the first year , I have served on some committee of USHJA, most recently at least eight years on the Zone 6 Committee, three as Vice Chair. On that committee, I created the Powers Horsemanship Class, wrote the specs for the Handy Hunter Challenge, which has been very successful for Zone 6, and also came up with the concept that morphed into the new Children's Adult Regional Team Challenge. As a committee member, I carry through on my duties and have a very good attendance record. I'm also fairly tolerant and am able to listen to different points of view. I enjoy governance and I like being able to give something back to the sport that has given me so much pleasure over the years.