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BYLAWS, POLICY & GUIDELINES DOCUMENT

Includes all procedure and policy decisions emanating from General Meetings of the members.

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These procedure and policy decisions are those which do not directly effect the Memorandum and Articles of Association but do have a bearing on our rules, regulations and procedures.

Section 1 –

As introduced by vote at a General Meeting of the members and may only be amended by vote at a subsequent General Meeting of the members.

Section 2 –

General procedure & policy, may be changed from time to time by vote at a Meeting of the Directors.

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SECTION 1

ADMINISTRATIVE

Reference to - ARTICLE 39 –Notices of Motion shall be lodged by members with the Association at least 35 days prior to the Annual General Meeting

Reference to - ARTICLE 42(i)

Proxy voting forms are to be lodged with the Association by 11am not less than three working days before the Annual General Meeting. Proxy forms may be lodged by mail, facsimile, email or in person provided they are in the Association office by the specified time.

FINANCIAL

BUILDING FUND LEVY

PHAA to introduce a building levy of \$10- plus GST to full membership, constituent membership and family membership. The funds collected to be deposited into a building trust account and only to be withdrawn for the purpose of the PHAA purchasing or acquiring their own premises. (AGM2005)

DONATION – RIRDC

\$1.00 each year be donated to the Rural Industries Research & Development Corporation – Equine Research Division for each annually renewed PHAA Full and Constituent membership, excluding Youth membership, as of the date of this meeting, 21.10.01. (AGM2001)

FINANCIAL YEAR

The Board of Directors be vested the authority to investigate the viability of amending the Associations Financial Year to allow the Annual General meeting to coincide with the Annual national Show. The Directors be vested the authority to act and implement a change of Financial Year if found to be viable and approved by A.S.I.C. (AGM2005)

COMPETITION

FUTURITY INCENTIVES – AMATEUR

That the PHAA introduce an amateur owner incentive into each ridden National Futurity classes. Eg: \$100 (or similar) to the highest placed amateur owner in each of these futurities. (AGM2003)

FUTURITY INCENTIVES – GELDING

That the PHAA introduce a gelding incentive in the weanling, yearling and 2yo National Halter Futurities. Eg: \$100 (or similar) to the highest placed gelding in each of these futurities (AGM2003)

REGULAR REGISTER / PAINT BRED COMPETITION

The Paint Horse Association of Australia Ltd will not recognise, approve or give points for Regular Registered Paint Horses (coloured horses) and Paint Bred Horses (solid horses) being shown together in halter or in a designated ridden class with only

both horses competing together. For example Paint, Paint Bred Under Saddle (English or Western). (AGM2001)

POINTS - NATIONAL SHOW

Should the regarding Double points for State Show be passed then the National Show should then award triple points. (AGM2003)

POINTS - STATE SHOW

That from the beginning of the show year August 1st 2003 and thereafter, competitors in all PHAA approved State Championship Shows for PHAA affiliated associations be awarded double the normal points for placings in classes. (AGM2003)

STATE SHOW RESTRICTION

That there be only one State Championship Show on any one weekend. (AGM2002)

YISC PROGENY

That the progeny from the 2009 YISC breeding and onwards are allowed to compete. (AGM 2009)

REGISTRATION

GELDING AMNESTY

~~That the gelding amnesty will close completely on August 1st 2004. (AGM2002)~~
Overturned (AGM2004)

To re-open the gelding amnesty, with the rules of registration to stay the same, applicants to be financial, vet certificate and proof of at least one parent being Paint, Quarter Horse or Thoroughbred Stud Book. (AGM2004)

PAINT BRED / OLWS

All PHAA Paint-Bred (solid) registered mares and colts which are certified as carrying the overo gene should be granted the same status for breeding and progeny registration (ONLY) as Regular Registered horses. (AGM2004)

PROPOSED SHOW AND PERFORMANCE RULE BOOK

That investment in the proposed PHAA Rule Book be suspended until -

1. The Association is in a financial position to support the ongoing cost to maintain and distribute it;
2. The majority of the PHAA members present at an AGM feel that the Australian Western Industry is large enough to source the Judges;
3. There are more than 6 shows (National and State Shows) for the Rule Book to be utilised. (AGM2008)

SECTION 2

AFFILIATED CLUBS REQUIREMENTS AND BENEFITS

The Regional Clubs Rules and requirements have been revised as a consequence of suggestions put forward by our members who attended the workshop at this years National Show. Some of the changes that have made are -

A relaxation in the membership requirements of executive committee and club members

- At least one executive committee member of a regional club must be a financial PHAA member.

- All regional clubs must have of at least five (5) PHAA members.

Requirements to the activities held by each club have also been amended –

Affiliated clubs must run a minimum of *two (2) PHAA* approved shows per year and one (1) other function eg. show, clinic, promotional day etc.

All regional clubs are to provide an audited copy of their balance sheet and provide a copy of *annual general meeting* minutes each year to the PHAA as part of their affiliation. Previously minutes of all meetings were required.

Show Approval Fees have been reviewed and to encourage clubs to hold approved shows an annual fee has been introduced

– Affiliated clubs may pay a blanket \$100- per year annual Show Approval fee that will allow approval of all shows within the year August 1st to July 31st, provided there are no changes to the program as originally submitted. The requirement to advise the name of the judge will be relaxed to 14 days prior to each show date. Should there be any changes to the program a new approval fee will apply. Other approval requirements stand.

Affiliated clubs will be entitled to apply annually for –

- Trophy for High Point Paint Horse of the Year
- High Point Amateur and High Point Youth Buckle for a PHAA Approved State Show
- 6 Champion & 6 Reserve Champion sashes
- Information packs for distribution
- \$300 - Grant for approved camps or clinics (minimum 2 day duration)
– conditional

Affiliated clubs may apply for a \$10- levy for each new PHAA member signed up by and submitted by the club.

AMNESTY ON PHANZ & ~~TPHA~~ REGISTERED HORSES

The Paint Horse Association of Australia Ltd has put in place an amnesty on the registration requirements of horses presently registered with the Paint Horse Association of New Zealand and the ~~Tasmanian Paint Horse Association~~.

Requirements are as follows –

- An amnesty has been established for the period commencing 29.08.04 for horses registered with Paint Horse Association of New Zealand (PHANZ) ~~and Tasmanian Paint Horse Association (TPHA)~~.
- In order for a horse to be eligible for PHAA registration it must be registered with either PHANZ ~~or TPHA~~
- The animal must meet the PHAA bloodline requirements within the first 2 generations (parents / grandparents) in which both parents, all 4 grandparents or one parent and the grandparents of the other parent must be proven to be registered PHAA, AQHA Q or R, Stud Book Thoroughbred, APHA or AmQHA.
- A certified copy of the animals PHANZ ~~or TPHA~~ papers must accompany the application
- Normal registration fees to apply, however no late breeding return or other breeding penalty fees will be applied.
- The owner of the animal must be a PHAA member or join as a member on application.
- The animal must be a minimum of 14 hands if over 5 years and must have a veterinary certificate stating height.

The Amnesty established 29.08.04 for horses registered with the Tasmanian Paint Horse Association has been closed as of the 4th September 2009.

AMATEUR TEAMS CHALLENGE GUIDELINES

Contestants must be current PHAA members and hold a current PHAA Amateur Owner card.

A Team is to consist of 4 riders – one horse/one rider basis. A team of 3 riders will be accepted.

Each Team is to be given a name. Names indicating the region, state or country of the team would be encouraged.

The events which form the Amateur Teams Challenge are – **Showmanship, English Equitation, Western Horsemanship, Amateur Decathlon, Trail, Teams Relay and Amateur Teams Ride.**

Each Team can have 2 members compete in each compulsory event and must nominate which 2 members are competing.

An Amateur Teams Ride forms part of the Amateur Teams Challenge. All members of the Team are to compete. – Judged on originality, choreography, team work and artistic ability. Music is to be supplied by a team member to the National Show office at least 24 hours before hand and is to be on either audio cassette tape or CD. Crude or suggestive lyrics are not permitted. Paint Bred horses not permitted. Fancy outfits / Teams uniforms will be taken into consideration.

A nomination fee of \$110 per team is required.

Point scoring will be based on the PHAA Rule 219A. For example Amateur Showmanship – team members place 1st and 4th in a class of 10. First will receive 6 points, 4th will receive 3 points.

Team members can enter any other class on the program and must pay the usual entry fee.

Exemption for ownership requirements of horse for Amateur Owner Teams Challenge competitors only, these riders will only be eligible for Amateur Teams Challenge Points not PHAA Amateur Owner Points or Awards.

Points earned in the Youth Teams Challenge events will not be counted towards National Show High Point tally or PHAA Honour Roll or Lifetime Points.

Places in Teams Challenge events will not be announced until a special presentation held at the High Point Presentation Dinner. The overall winning team will also be awarded then.”

ANIMAL WELFARE POLICY

The PHAA is committed to the humane and proper treatment of all animals. The treatment of the horse is the primary consideration in all activities. Horses will be treated humanely and with kindness, dignity, respect and compassion at all times. Responsible care will be used by all parties in handling at all times. Owners, exhibitors and trainers will ensure the health and well being of animals in their care at all times.

Therefore, the PHAA will enforce the current PHAA rules and policy regarding Animal Welfare. Any person on the grounds deemed by Show Officials to be in violation of the rules or policy may be subject to disciplinary action or removal from the grounds and cancellation of entries.

No person on the grounds, including but not limited to stables, parking area, show arena, marshalling area and warm up areas may treat a horse in an inhumane manner, which includes, but is not limited to:

- a) Placing an object in a horse's mouth so as to cause undue discomfort or distress.
- b) Tying a horse in a manner as to cause undue discomfort or distress in a stall, trailer or when lunging or riding.
- c) Letting blood from a horse
- d) Use of inhumane training techniques or methods, polling or striking horses legs with objects (ie tack poles, jump poles etc.)
- e) Use of inhumane equipment, including but not limited to, saw tooth bits, hock hobbles, tack collars or tack hackamores.
- f) Intentional inhumane treatment which results in bleeding

The standard by which conduct or inhumane treatment will be measured is that which a reasonable person, informed and experienced in generally accepted equine training and exhibition procedures or veterinary procedures, would determine cruel, abusive or inhumane.

Un-sportsmanlike conduct during an approved event or show, or on show grounds by an exhibitor, owner or on behalf thereof, is prohibited and will not be tolerated.

Upon discovery by a Show Official of inhumane treatment or un-sportsmanlike behaviour, Show Officials shall immediately report the matter to the PHAA and/or Show Management as appropriate.

DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURE

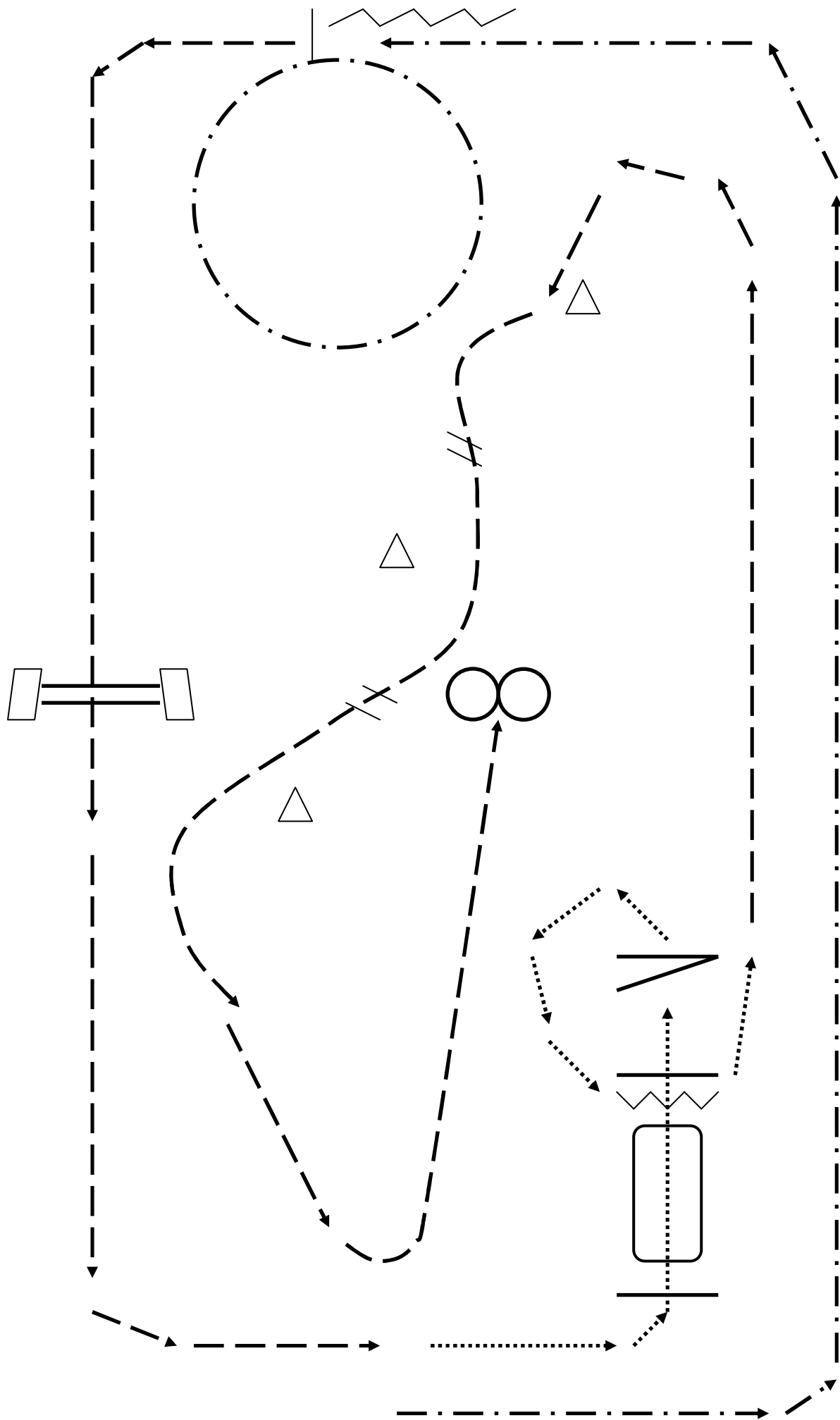
The PHAA Ltd Board may take action in regard to any violation of PHAA Ltd rules and regulations. The PHAA Ltd Board shall have jurisdiction to invoke sanction, including revocation or denial of membership privileges, revocation of participation privileges in all PHAA Ltd approved events for a definite or indefinite period, denial of privileges of access or presence on show grounds of a PHAA Ltd approved show. The PHAA Ltd Board's sanction may include denial of privilege to advertise in PHAA Ltd's official publication.

AMATEUR & YOUTH DECATHLON GUIDELINES

An event designed to show the versatility of both the horse and the rider. The pattern to allow the rider to show the judge that they can proficiently perform many of the requirements of several events. The pattern contains 10 elements and covers events such as – Hunter Under Saddle, English Pleasure, Hunter Hack, Trail, Western Pleasure, Western Riding and Reining.

1. Enter at a Hunter Trot, proceed ½ way around the arena, halt, rein back 4 steps. (Hunter Under Saddle)
2. Change rein handling to one handed (English Pleasure) – trot a circle, canter a circle.
3. At close of circle pick up both reins and proceed at canter, over jump (30cm) (Hunter Hack)
4. At starting point walk, walk over bridge (Trail)
5. Negotiate gate (Trail)
6. Back between bridge & pole (Trail)
7. Pivot right, walk then canter to end of arena
8. Commence diagonally across arena and lope around cones showing 2 lead changes (Western Riding)
9. Continue to end of arena, run down centre of arena and stop (Reining)
10. Demonstrate 2 spins right, 2 spins left (Reining)

Leave arena at a walk



DISABILITY ACTION PLAN

INTENTION:

This Disability Action Plan has been developed to facilitate and encourage the participation of people with disabilities and their care providers and associates in all activities of the Paint Horse Association of Australia (PHAA).

Its provisions are intended to create positive opportunities for these people to access, enjoy and benefit from PHAA activities.

They are also intended to assist members of the PHAA to understand issues around disability so they may action the Plan's proposals well.

The Phaa is committed to continuously improving the provisions of the Plan. Any comments or suggestions on how its objectives might be met more effectively should be made through any member of the PHAA Board or through the PHAA Secretariat.

Likewise any PHAA Board Member will be pleased to accept any statement of concerns regarding alleged failure to implement the Plan, and will undertake to address such concerns through the provisions outlined in Section 4 with due respect to the rights and preferences of the individual(s) raising the matter.

The provisions of this Plan apply to people with disabilities as defined by the Disability Discrimination Act, 1992, and all other comparable provisions of relevant state and territory laws in Australia.

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1. Accessibility

- (i) Any premises leased by the PHAA for use as the PHAA Office will be accessible for people with disabilities. The PHAA will not relocate its central office without regard to the requirements of the Disability Discrimination Act.
- (ii) It is recommended that any premises leased or hired by the PHAA for any PHAA function must be hired with a view to accommodate any member who may have disabilities.
- (iii) The PHAA will meet the requirements of the Disability Discrimination Act and other relevant legislation in its employment practices. The PHAA office/workplace will be equipped to reasonably assist the effective employment of people with disabilities. Likewise workplace procedures will address any special requirements whenever possible.
- (iv) The same principles will apply to the participation of people with disabilities in voluntary positions within the PHAA.
- (v) PHAA phone numbers to be listed in the TTY directory and Yellow Pages.

2. *Communication*

- (i) The Disability Action Plan will be lodged with the Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission within a month of its being adopted by the PHAA.
- (ii) The Plan will be made available upon request in other necessary formats to facilitate understanding by any person with specific disabilities.
- (iii) Copies of the Plan will be held by the PHAA office and the Secretary, and will be made available to employees/members on request and free of charge. Employees/members will be advised of this through the PHAA Journal.
- (iv) Copies of the Plan will be given to all affiliated Paint Horse Clubs and Associations.
- (v) PHAA members will be encouraged to inspect the Plan and will receive a free copy of the Plan upon request.
- (vi) Feedback from employees, members and the public is welcome and should be directed to the PHAA Board. Feedback will be acknowledged.
- (vii) Ongoing information about the DDA and people with disabilities will be provided to members commencing 31 August, 1997. This could take the form of regular articles on people with disabilities and disability issues in the Paint Horse Journal. The Journal will carry regular advice re Disability Action Plan objectives and 'in principle' matters etc.
- (viii) The non-discriminatory employment policy will be affirmed by the Board at its next meeting and a statement to this effect will be incorporated into the next Journal.

- (ix) The PHAA will, as a priority, collect and hold in the PHAA office, information for employees and members about other blood borne diseases such as HIV/AIDS, with a view to assisting the effective participation of these people in PHAA activities. Information will include practical guidance to assist reasonable adjustment measures where this is available. People with disabilities will be encouraged to assist the development and dissemination of this information.

3. Evaluation strategies

- (i) Each Annual Report, starting with the 1997-98 report, will include information on progress towards Action Plan goals.
- (ii) This Action Plan will be reviewed by December 1998 by the Action Plan Project Team and recommendations for changes to the Plan will be made to the Board of Directors at the next meeting.
- (iii) The Board will consider suggested changes at the meeting following the receipt of recommendations and will make amendments to the Action Plan if deemed appropriate.
- (iv) The Board will also take this opportunity to consider the positive outcomes of the Action Plan implementation and will consider ways of publicising these results.

4. Promotion of Responsibility

- (i) The PHAA Board will ensure that any job descriptions are reviewed from 31 August, 1997 and will include a requirement as follows:

“The successful applicant will be required to oversee the implementation of the PHAA’s DDA Action Plan.”
- (ii) Any staff, paid or otherwise, must be educated to implement the PHAA’s DDA Action Plan.
- (iii) Affiliated Paint Horse Clubs and Associations will be required to accept and promote the provisions of this DAP as a condition of their affiliation with the PHAA.

5. Development of an Informed Planning Process

- (i) The Disability Action Plan Subcommittee, being the planning team, will consist of no less than three (3) people and will continue to monitor the ongoing Action Plan policies.

(ii) Members of the planning team will be required to familiarize themselves with the DDA and the function of an Action Plan. Resources will be made available to assist the team to devise plans which comply with this Action Plan. Planners will seek advice from organizations representing people with disabilities where they are unclear about disability issues.

(iii) Members of the planning team will be answerable to the PHAA Board.

6. *Grievance procedure*

(i) Concerns or complaints about failure to comply with the Disability Discrimination Act or the Action Plan may be made to the PHAA Board. The Board will investigate the matter and seek to resolve the problem as quickly as possible. This will include authorization to take any measures as may be appropriate. Any complaint will be tabled at the next PHAA Board Meeting for allocation to the appropriate subcommittee, with appropriate respect for the privacy of the affected individuals.

(ii) Copies of any complaints and information on progress towards resolution will be made by the aforementioned committee and will be made available on a strictly confidential basis to all Board members prior to the meeting following receipt of the complaint.

7. *Rider Exemption Procedure*

a) Philosophy behind the concept of a Rider Exemption Procedure

It is understood and appreciated that many people with a disability are able, and have been involved in Open competition without the need for exemptions, in many cases with great success in different areas of equestrian competition. The PHAA recognizes however, that some people with disabilities do require additional assistance to allow their effective involvement.

- The PHAA encourages any development which assists riders with disabilities to become included into the mainstream equestrian events at whatever level their ability allows, on an equal footing.
- The PHAA does not support positive affirmative actions which discriminate in favor of people with a disability, to give them an unfair advantage over other riders.
- The PHAA believes issues of safety to the rider, other participants, officials or spectators and welfare of the horse to be paramount and will not support any action or regulation amendment which could result in reduced standards of safety to the rider or welfare of the horse.
- There is a procedure by which any rider exemption application will be assessed by a qualified medical practitioner, physiotherapist or occupational therapist to

determine that the applicant has a degree of disability which constitutes a basis for an application for exemption from certain regulations, rules or requirements of competition which the applicant cannot meet due to the effects of his/her disability.

- It must be recognized that not all applicants who apply for an exemption will be granted one. The decision of the Committee will be final.
- There are two (2) types of exemptions possible:
 1. a permanent exemption for applicants with a stable condition e.g. amputee. This will be renewable every two (2) years.
 2. a limited time exemption for applicants with a:
 - i. temporary condition (e.g. broken limb)
 - ii. degenerative condition (e.g. multiple sclerosis)

The limited time exemption card will be valid for a maximum of two (2) years and is able to be reviewed at any time upon additional medical evidence.

The time limit for the exemption card will be advised by the treating Doctor and approved by the Exemption Committee.

In emergent cases an interim card and/or letter may be issued at the discretion of the Exemption Committee.

b) Procedure to establish an Exemption Committee

RDAA recommends the following action:-

“THAT an Exemption Committee be formed by the PHAA with Terms of Reference and Membership as listed below”

i) Terms of Reference

- to investigate the appropriate show rules and regulations to determine which regulations could be amended or waived to allow a rider to gain exemption from certain rules or requirements of conditions, and to determine which exemptions may be relevant for which events.
- to assess which regulations are not open to exemptions due to issues including safety of the rider, welfare of the horse or any other issue of which the Committee may be aware.
- to investigate applications from individuals to determine the appropriate type of exemption for each individual case.

- applications must be submitted according to PHAA approved format and procedure. See attached Appendix A.

ii) Membership of Exemption Committee

- A member of the PHAA who is a qualified Judge in his/her respective field, with wide experience in competition and the approval of the PHAA Board, with extensive knowledge of the regulations and judging of PHAA approved activities.
- An RDAA Nationally qualified Coach, with extensive knowledge of disabilities and their effects on riding plus a knowledge of PHAA approved activities.
- A qualified medical practitioner, physiotherapist or occupational therapist with experience in disabilities and preferably with a knowledge of PHAA rules and regulations applying to competition.

It is felt that the Committee could conduct the majority of their business via correspondence coordinated by the PHAA Office.

c) Rider Exemption Procedure

- Riders wishing to apply for an Exemption Card must make application to the PHAA on the appropriate form with all requested information complete (See Appendix A).
- The PHAA Exemption Committee will consider the application and if necessary seek such further information, clarification or advice deemed necessary to make a decision.
- If an Exemption Application is not approved the applicant will be informed in writing by the PHAA, giving the reasons for the decision, and will be invited to represent their application with additional information which might assist its success.
- If an exemption is granted, the applicant will be advised in writing and the appropriate PHAA Exemption Card will be issued. A register of Exemption Card holders and applicants is to be kept by the PHAA Office.

d) The Exemption Card

The Card:

- will not identify the nature of the disability of the rider.

- will indicate the nature of the exemption and the rules and/or regulations to which the exemption applies.
- must be presented to the Show Secretary prior to the commencement of the Show for the exemptions noted on the card to be taken into consideration during judging in events at the Show. The Show Secretary must notify the Gate Marshall, Show Manager, Stewards and Judge and any other appropriate persons, of exemptions which are noted on the card.
- will be shown to the Gate Marshall by the competitor at each event in which he/she is competing and the Marshall or a designated person shall inform the Judge of the appropriate exemption before the beginning of that class.
- The Judge and Stewards must take into account noted exemptions when judging any event for which an Exemption Card has been presented.

If any event is pre-nominated, the details of an existing PHAA Exemption Card must be included with the entry at that time.

All PHAA approved show entry forms must state that Exemption Cards are to be cited for exemptions to be taken into consideration.

The rider will not be required to discuss the exemption with the Judge, nor will the rider or people associated with the rider be entitled to enter into any discussion with the Judge about the exemption or the performance by the rider.

Any competitor exhibiting with an Exemption Card is not required to discuss the basis of their exemption with any other competitor. The Show Management will advise any competitor who queries a fellow exhibitor competing with an Exemption Card, that the person is not to be approached to discuss the basis of their exemption.

8. Annual Award

A framework for provision of an Annual Award to be awarded by the PHAA to a disabled person nominated by a PHAA member in recognition of their efforts, will be developed for approval by the PHAA Board by June 1998.

**DISABILITY ACTION PLAN
APPENDIX A**

PHAA Application for Exemption by a Rider with a Disability

N.B. ANY INFORMATION GIVEN ON THIS FORM IS STRICTLY
CONFIDENTIAL.

A. PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name of Applicant:

Address of Applicant:

..... P/Code

Phone:

Name of Parent/Guardian if under 18 years of age:

Nature of disability:

Date of onset of disability:

Cause of disability:

Is the disability stable or degenerative?

Medical verification of the disability is required. A Doctor's Certificate giving the Doctor's assessment of the nature of the disability and the amount of functional ability which the applicant retains is required. This Certificate must be attached to the Application Form.

Details of Horse/s ridden by the Applicant

(Attach details for any horses ridden by the Applicant)

Name of Horse

PHAA Registration No. Date of Foaling

Sex (Please tick) Gelding Stallion Mare

Special Equipment used by the Applicant

Please give details of any special equipment, saddlery or aids which the applicant

requires:

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Types of Events in which the Applicant usually competes:

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I certify that the above information is correct

Signature of ApplicantDate

Signature of Parent/GuardianDate
(if Applicant is under 18 years of age)

B EXEMPTION DETAILS

I,, hereby wish to apply for exemption from rules and/or regulations as follows:

(Please quote the rule and regulation number and any relevant sub sections from applicable rule books. Please attach photocopies of applicable sections of any rule book with the exception of the current PHAA Rule Book.)

Regulation No.

and sub section (if applicable)

Name of Rule Book

Type of Exemption sought. (Explain reasons clearly.)

1. Event rules and regulations

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2. Equipment rules and regulations

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3. Attire rules and regulations

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Any other relevant information to support this application should be attached and forwarded to:

**Paint Horse Association of Australia
Exemption Committee
PO Box 1008
Dubbo NSW 2830**

FUTURITY GUIDELINES

General -

Entries are prepaid and are made in progressive payments
Entrants, Owners and Handlers/Trainers of the horses **MUST** be current PHAA members.

All horses entered in the Futurity events must be registered in the PHAA Regular Registry or Paint Bred Registry. Only Regular Registry horses can compete in the Futurity events other than those events specified for Paint Bred horses.

No "pending" registrations will be accepted (excepting weanling nominations up to the third payment).

Both sire and dam must already be registered with an acceptable Association at the time of nomination. No "pending" registrations for sire or dam will be acceptable.

However, one or both Sire and Dam **MUST** be registered in either the PHAA Regular Registry or Paint Bred Registry. Paint Bred parents must have at least one Regular Registered parent.

Any horse that is entered into any of the Futurity events must be registered with the PHAA, or have it's registration application in the PHAA Office for processing no later than December 31st prior.

Any horse which requires DNA prior to registration must have their registration applications in the office prior to 31st December and their DNA samples taken prior to the closing date of nominations.

Weanling Halter - weanlings must have the mare (dam) nominated prior to 1st August of the foaling year. There are no Buy-ins to the Weanling Halter Futurity.

Yearling Halter - the first nomination payment in the previous years Weanling Futurity (as above) must have been paid in order to be eligible for the Yearling Halter. There are no Buy-ins to the Yearling Halter Futurity.

Cancellations - No Futurity event will be cancelled due to lack of numbers.

Refunds - No refunds are given for any reason.

Substitutions - Only ridden horses may be substituted on receipt of notice of disablement or death, each case is then considered on its merits by the Futurity committee. A penalty fee of 50% of the total payment applies to any substitution. A horse can only be substituted in the same event and by a horse belonging to the same owner.

Buy-ins – are able to enter into a Futurity after the due date of any payment up to the final payment due date, the **but no later than final due date**. Buy-ins are not allowed in the Weanling & Yearling Halter events, unless the initial mare nomination fee was paid on time. Buy-ins in the other events are allowed, a fee of **DOUBLE** the

outstanding payments will be charged for buy-ins and subsequent payments are at the normal cost. No prior foal nomination is required for Buy-ins for ridden Futurity events or the 2 Year Old Halter Jackpot.

Payments - are to be received by the due date, post marks are checked for post date. A late fee of double the amount due will be charged on payments received after the due date.

No late payments or nominations are accepted after the date of the final payment. Transfer of payments is not allowed.

Incorrect paperwork – will incur the usual fee applied to other PHAA paperwork which is incomplete or incorrect.

Incorrectly drawn cheques - will be returned to the entrant at the entrants expense. Any late fees due because of entrants errors will be payable.

Returned cheques - any cheques returned by the bank will be charged to the entrant plus all bank fees and postage plus a \$10- handling fee.

Post dated cheques – will not be accepted.

Protests - Refer to PHAA Rule 216A

Drug Testing - may be done on any event, and will be done at random. There must be an announcement or notice informing competitors that drug testing will be carried out on a horse or horses at that show. The drug steward must accompany the horse from the ring to the testing box. The horse is not to be left unsupervised, the drug steward must remain with the horse until the veterinarian has completed the testing procedure and all paperwork has been completed and signed. The drug steward must have PHAA authority to sign any relevant paperwork. The owner / handler of the horse should appoint a representative to also accompany the horse.

Prize money is to be with held until such time as a clear / negative test result is received by the PHAA.

Should a positive swab be returned the Board may take disciplinary action as per the PHAA Official Rule Book. Any prize money will be distributed to the remaining horses as per the Futurity Guidelines, and any awards will be removed from that horse.

Prizemoney - is to be calculated prior to the show and consists of total income from nominations / payments less ALL expenses.

Expenses are calculated by dividing the total expenses by the total number of horses in all futurities. This figure is then multiplied by the number of horses in each event. eg. Total expenses \$1000-, horses entered 100. Cost per horse = \$10-. Weanling Futurity has 42 entries - cost for that class is \$420- (42 x \$10), 2YO Western Pleasure has 6 entries - cost for that class is \$60 etc.

Prizemoney is paid by cheque from the PHAA Futurity Account, and is made payable to the recorded owner of the horse.

Prizemoney is not to be handed out until at least 1 hour after the completion of the class, and there have been no protests lodged.

Prizemoney payouts are calculated according to the number of entries and are as per the following table (see exceptions below) *and are to be rounded down to the nearest \$ -.*

Number of entries	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th
1	1st only - 100% less expenses					
2 - 7	60%	40%				
8 -10	50%	30%	20%			
11 - 20	50%	25%	15%	10%		
21 -30	40%	25%	14%	12%	9%	
31+	35%	25%	14%	12%	9%	5%

Exception – The Board of Directors reserves the right to allow provision to re-allocate a percentage of prizemoney within a futurity to offer incentives to the competitors in that event.

In the event that horses fail to finish and qualify for a placing, the prizemoney payout shall be calculated on the number of horses that finish and qualify for a placing. In the event that no horses finish and qualify for a placing all monies less expenses shall carry over to the same event in the next years futurity program.

Trophies - for first place are to be of the same value for all events. Second & Third place trophies are of lesser value and only given if numbers warrant, ie 5 or more entries.

Ribbons - for all events are to be of the same style.

Ribbons to 10th place if more than 20 entries, - per the following tabled.

Number of entries	Ribbons to
1	1st
2 - 19	1st - 6th
20 +	1st - 10th

Incentives

That the PHAA introduce a gelding incentive in the weanling, yearling and 2yo National Halter Futurities. Eg: \$100 (or similar) to the highest placed gelding in each of these futurities (AGM 2003)

That the PHAA introduce an amateur owner incentive into each ridden National Futurity classes. Eg: \$100 (or similar) to the highest placed amateur owner in each of these futurities. (AGM 2003)

A list of all weanling nominations (showing Sire, Dam & Owner) is to be printed in the Paint Horse Journal (preferably October issue)

A register is to be kept and maintained showing all payments and entrants. This should show dates and amounts of all payments and is to be available at the show in the case of a dispute.

All income & expenditure is to be recorded on the PHAA accounting system.

Estimate all costing prior to the show in order to allow for payout calculations to be completed and checked.

Prepare a Trial Budget - expenses will include - fees for judges, announcers fee, share of arena hire, judges accommodation, ribbons, trophies, meals for judges and staff as above only, and any other incidentals.

HALL OF FAME

HALL OF FAME SELECTION CRITERIA AND REGULATIONS

Horses

- H1 Any horse inducted into the Hall Of Fame must be deceased and must have been registered with the PHAA.
- H2 Any horse inducted into the Hall Of Fame must have aided the promotion of the Paint Horse in his/her area or field of excellence, or have progeny who have promoted Paints in their area or field of excellence.
- H3 Promotion means horses who have won major events in open company for a reasonable length of time of the PAINT Horse Association of Australia, or at Open Feature, State and National shows (such as National Pleasure Horse Association, National Reining Horse Assn; National Cutting Horse Assn; National Rodeo Finals; Australian Campdrafters Assn; Equestrian Federation of Australia; Pony Club Assn etc.)
- H4 Any horse whom through injury is unable to compete, but whose progeny has made a large impact for the Paint Horse Association of Australia may be considered for induction.

People

- P1 Any person considered for induction into the Hall Of Fame should have aided, promoted and / or worked voluntarily for the Paint Horse Association of Australia; and for the promotion of the Paint Horse at promotional stands, State or National shows; for a period of not less than 15 years.
- P2 The first one-hundred (100) members should be given a Hall Of Fame charter member certificate, in recognition of being founder members of the Paint Horse Association of Australia. This does not entitle the holders of aforementioned certificates to Hall Of Fame status unless he/she/they have met all the other criteria set out members.
- P3 The Board of Directors of the Paint Horse Association of Australia can from time to time, when presented with sufficient verified evidence, allow for lassitude in the induction of members into the Hall Of Fame (unexpected death, accident etc).

General

- G1 It is preferred that evidence written, photographic, newspaper/magazine clippings (other than but including the Paint Horse Assn Journal) etc, should accompany any nomination.
- G2 A written submission outlining the horses or members achievements must accompany the nomination. Preferably this submission should not exceed 1500 words.

- G3 All submissions must be type-written.
- G4 The Board of Directors shall appoint a committee of three members (including a board member) to become the “Hall Of Fame” committee. This committee must be given access to all the information supplied regarding any nominee (equine or human) to form an argument for and / or against the induction of said nominees.
- G5 Any Paint Horse Association of Australia registered stallion or mare or gelding, now deceased, who had an impact through their descendents are eligible for Hall of Fame status provided sufficient verified evidence is provided. Stallions gelded at a later date are still eligible

JOKERS TRAIL RULES

Objective: To complete the most trail obstacles within a designated period of time in order to score the greatest number of points

The Course: The rider will be able to choose their own direction and sequence to negotiate each of the obstacles. There will be approximately 8 obstacles.

Scoring: Each obstacle will be assigned a point value. If the rider completes the obstacle, those points will be added to the overall score.

One obstacle will be designated as “The Joker”. This obstacle will be so designed as to allow the competitor a choice of negotiation and degree of difficulty. This obstacle will have 2 point values, one for completing at the higher degree of difficulty and a lesser point value for completing at the lower degree of difficulty.

Timing: There will be a designated start / finish line. The rider will be given a 30 second warning prior to the allotted time. When time is called the rider **must** ride across the finish line. If the rider is involved in an obstacle as time is called, the rider may elect to complete that obstacle and if successful will receive points for that obstacle the rider must then cross the finish line. If the rider is just approaching the an obstacle when time is called , no points will be awarded for that obstacle regardless of the completion of that obstacle.

If the rider has time remaining after attempting all of the obstacles, the rider may increase their score by repeating any obstacle again as long as it is not disrupted or knocked over . The rider may not do the same obstacle back to back unless it is the only obstacle left that is not considered dead (see below).

Dead Obstacle: If the horse or rider knocks down any portion of the obstacle, it will be considered dead, thus the rider may **not** repeat this obstacle. Also if a horse hits a pole or portion of the obstacle and it is severely disrupted, the obstacle is considered dead. Tipping or gently knocking an obstacle not causing it to be dislodged will not be cause for penalty.

Credit: Credit will be given as long as the horse completes the obstacle, the gait the obstacle was commenced in must be maintained throughout the obstacle however switching leads is acceptable. Some obstacles may have points available by completing the obstacle with a higher degree of difficulty. Any bonus points will be clearly marked on the pattern.

Faults: If a horse steps out of an obstacle (i.e .back-through or box), a zero score for this attempt will be given and the rider should move on. However , the obstacle will not be considered dead.

Equipment: No Training equipment is permitted. Equipment must be in line with normal Trail Class tack. Exceptions - Protective leg wraps/boots are acceptable, horses may be ridden in a bridle or snaffle regardless of age, however rein handling must appropriate to the bit / headgear used.

Attire: Up to twenty bonus points are available for costume. Costumes must be deemed to be safe and appropriate.

Ties: Ties will be nominated from the highest point earning obstacle down. In the event of there still being a tie after all obstacles are considered the score for costume shall be considered.

NATIONAL SHOW REFUND REQUESTS

All refund requests are considered by the PHAA Board of Directors at the first available meeting after the National Show.

All requests for refunds must be submitted on the PHAA Refund Request Form and must be lodged with the Show Office during the Show or at the PHAA within 5 days after the last day of showing

No refund requests will be considered after 5 days after the last day of showing

Only horses that have been scratched from a class with the Show Office prior to the event/s will be eligible for a refund

Refunds will only be considered if furnished with a veterinary certificate stating that the horse that was entered was unfit to compete in the specified events OR a doctors medical certificate stating that the exhibitor nominated was unfit to attend the show or exhibit the horse in the specified event.

In all cases an administration fee will be retained

If a refund is approved a cheque will be mailed or credit given to the exhibitor within 30 days of the Board Meeting at which the refund was approved.

Cancellation by telephone will not be accepted.

Insurance and Administration fee will not be refunded

Stabling will not be refunded if PHAA was unable to reallocate the stable/s

YOUTH INCENTIVE SIRES CLASSIC

An annual event whereby progeny of paid-up / nominated stallions are entitled to compete. Part of proceeds to be distributed to the YISC events and also to the Youth Trip & Youth Development Fund on alternating years. Youth Trip odd numbered years, Youth Development Fund even numbered years.

STALLION OWNER

~~Nominates stallion by paying a \$125.00 nomination fee and donating one breeding service to the nominated stallion to the PHAA YISC program.~~

Nomination form ~~and fee~~ must be in the PHAA Office no later than June 30th.

Any usual breeding contract can be made between the stallion owner and the successful bidder.

The stallion owner will be entitled to one free entry into each of the three YISC events that the nominated stallions progeny would be eligible. Provided the entry is sired by the nominated stallion in the year of nomination and that the stallion owner is the owner / lessee of the mare at time of breeding and owner / lessee of the resulting progeny at time of competition.

The free entry is not transferable and has no monetary value.

SALE OF SERVICES

Breeding services are offered for sale at half the normal advertised breeding fee for the nominated stallion.

Breeding services are available for purchase from 9am the first Monday that is at least 1 week after August 1st.

Sale of Breeding Services close 4.30pm the last working day of October in the year of nomination.

Service can be purchased by facsimile, email, telephone, mail or walk through the door.

No bids will be accepted if received prior to 9am on the first day of sale.

In all instances payment for the purchase of the breeding service must be paid to the PHAA within 44 7 days of notification of successful of bid.

PROGENY

~~All Regular Registered progeny of a nominated stallion born from a breeding in the year of nomination are eligible to compete in the ensuing YISC events.~~

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FUNDS

The pool of funds shall consist of –

- ~~Stallion nomination fees \$125.00 each~~
- Sale of Services
- Event Entry Fees

DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS

On conclusion of sales of breeding services –

All income is to be tallied

All expenses are to be tallied

The expenses are to be divided on an equivalent percentage basis. That is, if Part A is 30% of the income and Part B is 70% of the income then the expenses are deducted as 30% from part A and 70% from Part B.

Part A (YISC Fund) consists of -

~~All stallion nominations (\$125.00)~~

Plus \$125.00 from each Breeding Service Sold

Event Entry Fees

Part B (Youth Trip / Youth Development Fund) is the balance of Breeding Services Sold.

EVENTS

The YISC events will be –

- YISC Weanling Halter Futurity
- YISC Yearling Halter Futurity
- YISC 2YO Western Pleasure Futurity

Paint Bred and Breeding Stock progeny are ineligible to enter.

ENTRY INTO EVENT

The entry fee to each of the events (weanling, yearling, 2YO) is \$77.00 and is due and payable by the cut off date of National Show entry fees. This fee is payable for each of the resulting progeny that are to enter the event and in each year that it is entered.

PAYOUTS FOR EVENTS

The funds derived in part B for the nominating year will then be carried over for the progeny of that particular breeding season and distributed as follows to the eligible years event -

- YISC Weanling Halter Futurity – 30% paid to third place (50 / 30 / 20)
- YISC Yearling Halter Futurity – 40% paid to third place (50 / 30 / 20)
- YISC 2YO Western Pleasure Futurity – 30% paid to third place (50 / 30 / 20)

STALLION OWNER RECOGNITION

The owner of each nominated stallion shall be entitled to –

- a 1/6th page mono advertisement of the nominated stallion in the Paint Horse Journal, twice in the year of nomination

- a full page advertisement of the nominated stallion should one of his progeny be declared winner of one of the YISC events
- recognition on the “Supporters of Youth “ notice board at the National Show
- The YISC stallion Service Sale will be advertised on the PHAA website, Paint Horse Journal and Horse Deals.

The PHAA is not responsible for placement of advertising material. If advertising material is not supplied by the stallion owner when requested by the PHAA in order to meet deadline requirements for publications, then the stallion owner will forfeit that advertisement.

The PHAA does not and will not assume liability for anything including but not limited to the conduct and performance of the stallions, stallion owners, mares or mare owners.

The PHAA does not warrant a live foal guarantee. Stallion owners are at liberty to enforce their own Breeding Contracts independently of the terms of the YISC Stallion Service Sale. PHAA will not become involved in the terms, conditions or enforcements of any private breeding contract.

YOUTH TEAMS CHALLENGE GUIDELINES

Contestants must be current PHAA youth members

A Team is to consist of 4 riders – one horse/one rider basis. A team of 3 riders will be accepted.

Each Team is to be given a name. Names indicating the region, state or country of the team would be encouraged.

The events which form the Youth Teams Challenge are –**Showmanship, English Equitation, Western Horsemanship, Youth Decathlon, Trail, Teams Relay and Youth Teams Ride.**

Each Team can have 2 members compete in each compulsory event and must nominate which 2 members are competing.

A Youth Teams Ride forms part of the Youth Teams Challenge. All members of the Team are to compete. – Judged on originality, choreography, team work and artistic ability. Music is to be supplied by a team member to the National Show office at least 24 hours before hand and is to be on either audio cassette tape or CD. Crude or suggestive lyrics are not permitted. Paint Bred horses not permitted. Fancy outfits / Teams uniforms will be taken into consideration.

A nomination fee of \$55 per team is required.

Point scoring will be based on the PHAA 219A. For example Youth Showmanship – team members place 1st and 4th in a class of 10. First will receive 6 points, 4th will receive 3 points.

Team members can enter any other class on the program and must pay the usual entry fee.

Points earned in the Youth Teams Challenge events will not be counted towards National Show High Point tally or PHAA Honour Roll or Lifetime Points.

Places in Teams Challenge events will not be announced until a special presentation held at the High Point Presentation Dinner. The overall winning team will also be awarded then.

YOUTH TEAM MANAGERS

Expectations & requirements of Team Managers—

- ~~Minimum of two Team Managers to take responsibility of the entire Youth Team~~
- ~~Managers must be over 30 years of age~~
- ~~Managers must nominate themselves for approval by the Board~~
- ~~Managers must be financial members of the PHAA at the time of the trip and for at least 2 years prior~~
- ~~Submissions of potential Team Manager to be forwarded to PHAA Board for evaluation.~~
- ~~Suitable applicants presented to Youth for their consideration and comment.~~
- ~~Selection for the positions of Team Managers will be undertaken by the Board of Directors of the PHAA.~~
- ~~The final assessment is to be made by the PHAA Board.~~
- ~~Parents of Youth can accompany them on the trip, but not be part of the official group or be involved in the management of the team~~
- ~~Managers airfares and accommodation will be paid for by PHAA Youth Trip fundraising and other PHAA fundraising, as will Team hire vehicle.~~
- ~~All other expenses incurred by the Managers are the responsibility of the Managers~~
- ~~Managers must be willing to drive a vehicle for the Youth Team and previous experience driving in the USA would be an asset.~~
- ~~Managers are responsible for the organization of the Team Activities, World Show entries and Team itinerary prior to the Team leaving. Activities and itinerary must be approved by the PHAA Board~~
- ~~Itinerary should include away from World Show activities such as Ranch Tours~~
- ~~Managers are responsible for ensuring that the Youth Team members attend all appropriate events, activities and meetings required at the World Show~~
- ~~Potential Team Managers are expected to develop a rapport with our PHAA Youth and to participate and encourage PHAA Youth in the PHAA approved activities (for example PHAA Youth Camp, National Show teams ride or Liaise with New Zealand Youth Team attending he National Show)~~
- ~~Applicants will be required to undertake an appropriate “Working with Children” check~~

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(Updated Guidelines November 2008)

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- Managers must be over 30 years of age
- Managers will be required to undertake the appropriate “Working with Children” check.

- Managers must be financial members of the PHAA at the time of the trip and for at least the previous two years.
- Managers must nominate themselves for the positions and should include a proposed itinerary which must include proposed activities away from the World Show.
- Selection for the positions of Team Managers will be undertaken by the Board of Directors of the PHAA.
- Managers' airfares and accommodation will be paid for by PHAA Youth Team Trip fundraising and any other PHAA fundraising as approved by the Board of Directors.
- All other expenses incurred by the Team Managers, with the exception of the Team Hire Vehicle, will be the responsibility of the Managers.
- Managers' must have a clean driving record and be prepared to drive a vehicle and previous experience driving in the USA while not compulsory would be advantageous.
- The cost of the hire vehicle will be included in the Team fundraising.
- Potential Team Managers are expected to have developed a rapport with our PHAA Youth and to participate and encourage PHAA Youth in PHAA approved activities.
- Once selected, Managers are responsible for the organisation of the Team Activities in the USA, World Show entries and preparation of the final itinerary.
- The final itinerary, which should include activities away from the World Show, must be submitted to the Board of Directors for final approval.
- Managers are responsible for ensuring that the Youth Team members attend all appropriate events, activities and meetings required at the World Show.
- Parents/guardians of Team Members can accompany them on the trip, but can not be part of the official group or be involved in the management of the team in any way.
- Parents/guardians of Youth Team Members are not eligible to be Team Managers.