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## CGA Annual General Meeting Agenda for Saturday, November 21, 2009 Radisson Hotel, Fresno, CA

### Opening Comments by CGA President – Skip Hofman

#### Item I – Committee Items

**ALL CGA Members are invited to participate in this meeting,  
however ONLY Carded CGA Judges may vote on action items at this meeting**

#### A. Rules & Judges Items

1. **Scoreboards with Running Times (Section 5.1b)** – MAC, Shannon Rahn (*In an effort to prevent violating Section 5.1b, specifically state in the rules that any scoreboard used for display at a show may not display running times.*)
2. **Barrel Color (Section 7.4) & Covers** – Andy Krogh (*Remove the word “painted” form the last sentence in Section 7.4 (They shall be ~~painted~~ any color but shall have a contrasting band around the center section of the barrel), and discuss the possible use of barrel covers.*)
3. **Barrel Specifications (Section 7.4)** – MAC, Shannon Rahn (*Insert the word “unaltered” into the first sentence so it shall read “Fifty-five gallon unweighted, unaltered plastic barrels shall be used.”*)
4. **Judges Test** – Dave Bach (*Change the judges test to make it more ‘hands on’ & less paper intensive by decreasing the length of the written (multiple choice) test & increasing the number of times an apprentice must judge*)
5. **Addition to Section 6.1 Requirements to Become a Judge** – MAC, Shannon Rahn (*Add Section 6.1 h “CGA judges have the option to be on inactive status for up to one year (with current membership) when they request the status with the State Office or their Master Judge. If they are inactive for over one year, they must judge with an active judge until they are ‘up to speed’ & then seek approval from their Master Judge for reinstatement to active status. After one year of expired CGA membership, judges lose status & if they want to become a judge again they must start the process over.*)
6. **Consequences for Riders Under 18 Not Following Helmet Rules (Section 3.1a)** – MAC, Shannon Rahn (*Clarification of the consequences for riders not following the helmet rule: If a rider under 18 is mounted on a horse without a helmet they should be asked to dismount until properly attired & a warning should be issued. If a rider under 18 enters the arena without a helmet correctly worn they will be disqualified from the event. If a rider under 18 has more than one violation of the helmet rule in the same day, they should be disqualified from the show.*)
7. **Violating Section 5.11 Use of Illegal Drugs or Alcoholic Beverages** – MAC, Shannon Rahn (*Clarification for members who violate the drug or alcohol rule: Anyone who has been seen violating or willfully admits to violation of the drug & alcohol rule when questioned shall be notified by a judge that they are banned from further participation in the show for the remainder of the day*)
8. **Addition to Section 4.3 Enter the Arena & Begin the Course** – MAC, Shannon Rahn (*Add a final sentence to the paragraph that shall read “By starting the course the rider accepts the course.”*)
9. **Lead Line Wording Change (Section 2.3)** – MAC, Shannon Rahn (*Change the wording in the Section 2.3 heading & first sentence so it shall read “2.3 Special Lead Line Rules for Riders Who Need Assistance / The CGA is interested in providing an opportunity for riders who need assistance to participate in CGA shows.”*)
10. **Figure 8 Flags & Lead Line (Section 2.3)** – Barry Rahn (*Due to safety concerns, Figure 8 Flags should no longer be an event for Lead Line riders*)
11. **Addition to Section 4.1 General** – Shannon Rahn (*To provide clarification for when re-rides are necessary, add Section 4.1 f “Re -Rides: The only time a rider should be required to rerun an event is if the timers malfunction or a course is improperly set. If a rider has successfully completed a legal course & then it is determined there was a problem (for instance the ground is/was unsafe or there was some sort of interference) the affected riders should be given the option for a re-ride.”*)

12. **Wording Change to Section 6.1g** – Lea deMontigny (*In Section 6.1g Strike the word “volunteer” and insert “required to judge” in so the sentence shall read “CGA Judges are required to judge and may not accept payment for their services.”*)

**ALL CGA Members are invited to participate in this meeting all members 12 & over may vote.**

## **B. Rules & Judges Committee Items for Final Vote**

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## **C. Riders Program Items**

1. **Senior Elite Awards** – Sheri Herchkorn (*Change the Senior Elite awards program to Top 5 instead of Top 10 to help reduce costs for an awards program that does not pay for itself*)
2. **Require Senior Elite Rating in Twelve (12) Events** – Sally Rivera Lingafeldt (*Change the number of events a Senior Elite rider must rate from ten (10) to twelve (12) events to match the ROC Program. By increasing the number of events a rider must rate it will make the program more cost effective but also increase the difficulty. In addition, modify the rating matrix for the most difficult events so they are achievable for Senior Elite riders – matrix proposal based off five (5) years of Senior Elite times.*)
3. **Require AAA Rating to Earn ROC & Senior Elite Awards** – Sally Rivera Lingafeldt (*Rating AAA is already a requirement for Top 10, but not Champion & Reserve Averages or Record Holders. By changing the requirement to rate AAA for all ROC & Senior Elite awards it would increase the cost effectiveness of the programs & ensure riders ride a sufficient number of events before earning expensive awards*)
4. **CGA Junior Ambassadors Council**– Dave Bach (*Create a Junior Ambassadors Council for members 12-17 years of age to work with the President & board members to bring items to the attention of the board. The council would also work in their local area to promote CGA & its’ family values.*)
5. **Information Manual Wording Change to Section 9.3.4 a** – Lea deMontigny (*Change the wording in Section 9.3.4 a so that districts are required to provide the help of judges, secretaries, announcers and others at State Run shows and no longer asked to provide help on a voluntary basis.*)
6. **Information Manual Wording Change to Section 10.5** – Lea deMontigny (*Change the wording in Section 10.5 by striking the words “they are volunteers” and inserting “and are required to judge” so the sentence shall read “CGA Judges are not compensated for their work and are required to judge.”*)
7. **Addition to Information Manual Section 10.5 Judge**– Lea deMontigny (*Add wording that gives all carded judges the same status options (active, inactive or retired) as granted to Master Judges in Section 11.7 Master Judge Status.*)
8. **Information Manual Wording Change to Section 11.4 d**– Lea deMontigny (*Add the wording “refusing to judge at a show” so the sentence shall read “If a Judge is not judging fairly, making bad calls consistently, refusing to judge at a show, ect., the Master Judge has the authority and responsibility to temporarily suspend that Judge’s card, pending a review by the MAC.”*)

## **D. By Laws Items**

1. None

## **Item II – Other Comments/Discussion (Non-Voting)**

1. **CGA Manual Summary/Overview** – Stacey Rivera (*In an effort to resolve any confusion of CGA manuals/documents, a brief overview of what goes in them, who can change them & the voting percentages it takes for amendment*)

## **Item III – Convention location for 2010 – Skip Hofman – Discussion/Vote**