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CGA Rules & Judges/Riders/General Membership Meeting Agenda for November 19th, 2011 Double Tree Hotel, Modesto, CA

I. Opening & Introductory Comments – President

II. Rules & Judges Items (Voting – Rules & Judges) *ALL CGA Members are invited to participate in this portion of the meeting, however ONLY Carded CGA Judges may vote on action items at this point.*

- A. **Rebekah Crill** – Motion to strike the one second penalty for a Western hat falling off.
- B. **Sheri Herchkorn** on behalf of the BOG (from the 3/12/11 BOD Meeting) – Motion to implement the following into the HOF Riders Program to reduce the costs associated with the programs:
 - Sr. Elite HOF will no longer receive the \$75 for a photo (will still receive the brass plate)
 - Horse/Pony HOF will only receive one payment of \$75 for a photo and will get all brass plates to coincide with the awards received
- C. **Andy Krogh** (on behalf of the MAC) - 8.1d Strike “starting gate” and insert “timing poles” ...To be done for clarification of the intent of the rule.....changes nothing
- D. **Andy Krogh** (on behalf of the MAC) – 7.1b Condition 2 - An obstacle was not knocked down in the first run (*Clean Ride*). If an obstacle is knocked down during the second run *or Special Penalty assess (per 8.4)*, the rider will be given the option of a third run and the Penalties of the second run are not carried over to the third run. The time, including penalties, of the third run will then be used as the final time..... Changed items are in italics... all wording changes done for clarification and to encompass current judging practices.....
- E. **Andy Krogh** (on behalf of the MAC) – Appendix “D” Pony Measurement- Strike “The head of the pony may be in any position.” Insert “The head of the pony should be in a natural position, similar to the picture below.”
- F. **Andy Krogh** (on behalf of the MAC) - 3.5 Pony Measurements..... Insert the italic words into the current wording...At State *Finals Show* all ponies that are not on the permanent pony list must be measured before the first event is run (by two master judges). An animal that is measured as 54” (54 ¼” with shoes) or less can compete in a pony class. Any animal that is measured as greater than 54” (54 ¼” with shoes) will run in a horse division. However, this horse measurement will not be retroactive and will only apply for the State *Finals Show* for which it was measured.....Leads to clarification of the intent of the wording of this section.
- G. **Andy Krogh** (on behalf of the MAC) - 3.5 Pony Measurements.... Following the line “A pony may only be measured one time at any pony measuring session.” Insert the following; If you fail your pony measuring session at State Finals Show or at your first measuring session your height will be recoded with State Office (as a horse) and you will not be measured again until the following State Finals Show or the first measuring session you attend the following show season. You may ask for a measurement for information purposes (not a Pony Certificate) one time per season to verify if you need trimming or shoes or a calmer time for your pony. You may ask for the Information & Certificate measurement at the same measuring session- so long as the pony does not leave the measuring area or the visual range of the Master Judge/s doing the measuring..... Leads to clarification of what “one time” and “session” is and leads to a fair measurement practice per show season.
- H. **Andy Krogh** (on behalf of the MAC) - splitting the arena.... What equipment to use and how to set it up? Currently not listed in the rule book and needs clarification. Possible add wording to the rule book for the use of delineators and tape (caution, danger, police or similar plastic material)
- I. **Cheryl Braswell** - Motion to immediately change the flags used for Figure 8 Flags from a 12 inch finished square to a triangle/pennant with the point of the triangle measuring 12 inches, flag will remain affixed to the center of a one foot dowel which is a ½” in diameter with both ends sharpened to a dull point. See example.
- J. **Barry Rahn** - Motion to make single stake a no – time event rather than accessing a 2 second penalty when the pole is knocked down.

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- K. **Amanda Martin** – Motion: Rides with penalty points be disqualified from receiving jackpot money. Description - I propose that the payout of jackpots is to reward participating riders who are competing to the best of their ability. Many times I have seen a AAA+ or AAA rider incur a penalty and as a result win the jackpot money in the 4D or 5D payout level. I feel this is unfair to the slower rider who rode well and had a clean ride, but lost to a faster rider who had a penalty but "got lucky".
- L. **Lea Legnon** – Motion to make it mandatory that a carded judge be present in the arena to oversee course setup.

Riders/General Membership Meeting

III. New Business (Voting – All Members) *ALL CGA Members are invited to participate in this portion of the meeting, all members 12 & over may vote.*

- A. **Rules & Judges items for final vote.**
- B. **Jeannette Stewart** - Motion to have a choice of a Jacket or buckle for the Elite Top Ten awards.
- C. **Judy Sharp** – Motion to modify the Senior Elite Awards program to include the special Senior Elite Top Ten buckle for the Senior Elite Top Ten Riders retroactive to the 2011-2012 season. (section 7.3.5 of the CGA Information Book) *Rationale:* The previous proposal to change this portion (7.3.5) of the Senior Elite program to include only the Top Five Riders instead of the Top Ten for the purpose of saving money for the 2010-2011 season, only discouraged riders from participating in the program. Many riders sign up for this program not in the hopes of being able to reach their Hall of Fame status, but if they are at least AAA rated getting a chance to win a Top Ten buckle. The greater number of riders that can be encouraged to sign up for this program, the more money that is brought into it. Hopefully the increased advertisement in the CGA paper since this last spring, as well as district communication about this program will encourage more riders to participate.
- D. **Dianna Malley** – Motion that at a state sponsored show a rider must ride in more than 2/3 of the events being run as a regular ride in order to qualify for high point, effective immediately.
- E. **Spring Krogue** – Motion that at a state sponsored show in order to qualify for high point awards a rider must ride at least one qualified ride in the division that he/she is competing in, effective immediately. For example, if a rider signs up AAA+ at a state sponsored show, they must run at least one AAA+ time in order to qualify for high point, if they don't run at least one AAA+ time they don't qualify...this goes for all divisions. This will prevent a rider from signing up in a division simply to win an award.
- F. **Phyllis Odom** – Motion that at State Sponsored Shows a rider may accumulate points in a higher division than signed up in. Example - if you are signed up in the A division and run a AA time and place 1st thru 10th you would be able to get points in the AA division as well as the ribbon, buckle etc. You would not however be able to combine points from one division to another.
- G. *(Item also appears above in Rules & Judges Section – to be determined if it should be discussed in Rules & Judges or General Meeting)* **Amanda Martin** – Motion: Rides with penalty points be disqualified from receiving jackpot money. Description - I propose that the payout of jackpots is to reward participating riders who are competing to the best of their ability. Many times I have seen a AAA+ or AAA rider incur a penalty and as a result win the jackpot money in the 4D or 5D payout level. I feel this is unfair to the slower rider who rode well and had a clean ride, but lost to a faster rider who had a penalty but "got lucky".

IV. Other Issues, Concerns & Comments (Non-voting)

V. Adjournment