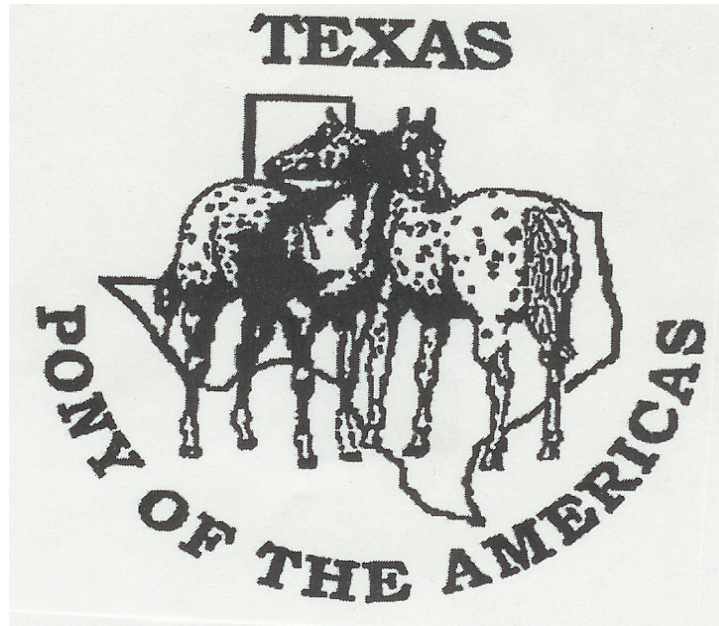


**2007-2008-2009  
MEMBERSHIP PACKET**



**The Texas Pony of the Americas Club is an equine organization catering to families and children and strives to provide an avenue of participation which is wholesome and family oriented and encourages the development of a breed, PONY OF THE AMERICAS (POA).**

**MOTTO**

**TRY HARD.....WIN HUMBLLY.....  
LOSE GRACIOUSLY.....  
(AND IF YOU MUST)....  
PROTEST WITH DIGNITY**

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***THE STATE OF TEXAS***

***SECRETARY OF STATE***

The undersigned, as Secretary of State of the State of Texas, HEREBY CERTIFIES that the attached is a true and correct copy of the following described instruments on file in this office:

**TEXAS PONY OF THE AMERICAS CLUB, INC.**

Articles of Incorporation

April 16, 1964

**(SEAL OF THE  
STATE OF TEXAS)**

**IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I**  
have hereunto signed my name  
officially and caused to be  
impressed hereon the Seal of State  
at my office in the City of Austin,  
this 8<sup>th</sup> day of August, A.D., 1980.

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Secretary of State

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
OF  
TEXAS PONY OF THE AMERICAS CLUB, INC.**

We, the undersigned natural persons of the age of twenty-one years or more, all of whom are citizens of the State of Texas, acting as incorporators of a corporation under the Texas Non-Profit Corporation Act, do hereby adopt the following Articles of Incorporation for such corporation.

**ARTICLE ONE**

The name of the corporation is TEXAS PONY OF THE AMERICAS CLUB, INC.

**ARTICLE TWO**

The corporation is a non-profit corporation.

**ARTICLE THREE**

The period of its duration is perpetual.

**ARTICLE FOUR**

The purpose or purposes for which the corporation is organized is as follows:

1. To cooperate with and aid, in every way possible, the programs and functions of the International Pony of the Americas Club, Inc.
2. Recognizing that the parent organization, the International Pony of the Americas Club, Inc., files records and issues certificates of registration for such ponies thought to be fit for foundation stock, the primary function of this club will be to promote interest in the breed from a state standpoint in complete cooperation with the overall program of the International Pony of the Americas Club, Inc.
3. To gain proper publicity through the medium of radio, television, newspapers, magazines, etc., in the State of Texas.
4. To gain breed and performance classes for ponies registered in the International Pony of the Americas Club, Inc., in local, county, district, and State horse and pony shows and fairs in the State of Texas.
5. To forward historical data, bloodline records, and general information, etc., to the Secretary of the International Pony of the Americas Club, Inc., when it would be requested or helpful to him.

6. To promote and stimulate interest in the International Pony of the Americas Club, Inc., shows and sales for ponies registered in the International Pony of the Americas Club, Inc.
7. To purchase, own, and sell real estate in connection with its other purposes herein set out. In general, to carry on any other business in connection with the foregoing, not prohibited by law.

THE STATE OF TEXAS    )  
COUNTY OF JOHNSON    )

I, L. Harmon, a Notary Public, do hereby certify that on this 4 day of March, 1964, personally appeared before me, O.E. Milliorn and C.J. Shanklin, who each being by me duly sworn, severally declared that they are the persons who signed the foregoing document as incorporators, and that the statements therein contained are true.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year above written.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signed)  
Notary Public in and for  
Johnson County, Texas

**THE STATE OF TEXAS    )**  
**COUNTY OF JOHNSON    )**

I, Harry A. Duke, a Notary Public, do hereby certify that on this 31 day of March, 1964, personally appeared Dr. Terry Sanders, who being by me sworn, declared that he is the persons who signed the foregoing document as incorporators, and that the statements therein contained are true.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year above written.

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(Signed)  
Notary Public in and for  
Montague County, Texas

# TEXAS PONY OF THE AMERICAS CLUB, INC. BYLAWS

## ARTICLE 1: MEMBERSHIP

### SECTION 1

All members should be members in good standing of the International POAC, Inc., and if removed or suspended from membership from the International Club, could be removed or suspended from membership in the Texas Club by the Board of Directors.

### SECTION 2

Membership shall be open to anyone interested in the Pony of the Americas breed. Person(s) may join as a Family Membership (not more than two adults per household including their legal guardian, adopted or natural children (eligible youth participants)) and are allowed one vote per adult. Individual Membership is restricted to one person. Junior Membership: 18 & under as of January 1st and not covered under an individual or family membership and having no vote. This membership is entitled to earn Texas POAC points toward year end awards only. The general membership shall set the annual dues at the year-end meeting for the following year. Dues shall be due January 1st of each year of membership. The annual dues shall include a subscription of TPOAC SPOTTALK.

### SECTION 3

Each individual membership shall have the privilege of one adult vote if in attendance; each family membership shall have the privilege of two adult votes, if both are in attendance, at each general membership meeting, in the election of officers and directors of this club and other items of business of this club. Junior membership is a non-voting membership.

### SECTION 4

Only members in attendance at any membership meeting of this club and in good standing of this club may vote on any item of business that comes before members at any membership meeting of this club. Proxy votes and absentee ballots will not be permitted.

### SECTION 5

No Texas show points will be awarded at any show unless dues are paid prior to that show. Both the owner/lessee and the exhibitor must be paid members of TPOAC for Texas points to count toward Texas awards in any class. (added 1/1/08).

### SECTION 6

Membership in this club is non-transferable.

## **SECTION 7**

Those members abusing or misusing their privilege of membership shall have their membership revoked by the Board of Directors.

## **SECTION 8**

Honorary lifetime memberships have been conferred to persons who have made unusual contributions to the objectives of the club in the past. However, there will be no new appointments. Those current lifetime members will continue with the privileges bestowed to them. Honorary members shall not pay dues, shall be without vote, and shall not accrue Texas show points toward year end awards. This does not restrict an honorary lifetime member from paying dues and activating an individual or family membership in the Texas POA Club with the full privileges of this club. The lifetime membership program is replaced with the "Texas Pony of the Americas Club Hall of Fame," which is modeled around the "International Hall of Fame" and will permit both ponies and people to be inducted and recognized forever.

## **SECTION 9**

Promotional memberships may be conferred by the Board of Directors to a resident of Texas for up to one calendar year for the purpose of promoting the breed. This membership entitles recipient to accrue Texas show points toward year end awards. The membership shall be without vote.

## **SECTION 10**

A Lifetime Individual Membership may be purchased at the one-time cost of \$200 beginning in 2006. The membership will consist of a 20-year nontransferable, nonrefundable membership with full rights, duties, power, and privileges afforded to any individual under an individual membership.

# **ARTICLE II: MEETING OF THE MEMBERS**

## **SECTION 1**

The Annual meeting of the members of the corporation shall be held on a date and place decided by the Executive Committee prior to July 1st of the existing year. There is to be no less than 15 days written notice to the membership of the date of this meeting. Texas POAC general meetings shall not be held during, nor three days prior to, nor three days subsequent to the Classic Shows or International show, nor shall they be held during any other significant POAC meeting, convention, or event.

## **SECTION 2**

Special meeting of the membership of this club, for any purposes, may be called by the President, or by the Board of Directors, and shall be called by the President or the Board of Directors at a request of one-fourth majority of the membership.

### **SECTION 3**

Written or printed notice stating the place, day, and hour of the meeting, and in case of special meeting, the purpose or purposes for which the meeting is called, shall be delivered not less than 15 days before the date of the meeting, either personally or by mail or email. If mailed, such notice shall be deemed to be delivered when deposited in the United States mail, addressed to the member at his address as it appears on the books of the secretary.

### **SECTION 4**

A majority of members present at a duly called meeting shall be considered a quorum.

## **ARTICLE III: BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

### **SECTION 1**

The business and affairs of this corporation shall be managed by its Board of Directors.

### **SECTION 2**

The Board of Directors of this club shall consist of the President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Immediate Past President, and a total of seven directors including the Futurity Chairman. Each officer will be elected for a one-year term. Each director will be elected for a two-year term. The Immediate Past President shall serve a term of one year on the Board of Directors in that capacity. Upon completion of this term, the Board of Directors position will be elected for a one-year term when the position is vacant. These elections will take place at the Annual Meeting of the membership. No member shall serve on the Board of Directors or be an officer of the club who is currently serving on the Board or is an officer of another state POA club.

### **SECTION 3**

Any vacancy occurring in the Board of Directors may be filled by the affirmative vote of a majority of the remaining directors though not less than a quorum of the Board of Directors. A director elected to fill a vacancy shall be elected for the unexpired term of his predecessor in office. Any directorship to be filled by reason of an increase in the number of directors shall be filled by election at an annual meeting or a special meeting of members called for that purpose.

### **SECTION 4**

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors shall be held without other notice than this bylaw immediately after and at the same place as the annual meeting. The Board of Directors may have other meetings called at the request of the President or any two directors.



## **SECTION 5**

All directors must attend the General Membership meetings. If a director fails to fulfill his/her obligation to the club in regard to attendance, he or she may be removed by two-thirds majority vote of the Board of Directors.

## **SECTION 6**

To transact club business at the Board of Directors meeting, a simple majority of the Board must be present.

## **SECTION 7**

No more than two persons in a given family membership may serve on the Board of Directors at one time. The board shall consist of active members in good standing and not classified as youth participants. No director shall be related to any other director by marriage.

## **SECTION 8**

The Texas POAC Board of Directors meetings shall be held on a date and place decided by the President. There is to be no less than 10 days official notice to the board members of the date and place of this meeting. Texas POAC Board of Directors meetings shall not be held during, nor three days prior to or subsequent to the Classic shows or International show, nor shall they be held during any other significant POAC meeting, convention, or event.

## **SECTION 9**

Any officer or director who is unable to attend any TPOAC Board of Directors meeting must notify the President or Secretary prior to the beginning of said meeting for an excused absence.

## **SECTION 10**

Each year two youth members will be elected by the youth club as advisors to the Board of Directors. The youth must be 12 years of age by December 1 of the previous year to be elected as an advisor.

# **ARTICLE IV: OFFICERS**

## **SECTION 1**

The officers of this club shall be a President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. Such other officers and assistant officers as may be deemed necessary may be elected or appointed by the Board of Directors.

## **SECTION 2**

The officers of the club to be elected by the membership shall be elected at the year end general membership meeting of the club. Each officer shall hold office for one year or until his/her successor shall have been duly elected and qualified.

## **SECTION 3**

Any officer elected or appointed by the Board of Directors may be removed by the Board of Directors whenever, in its judgment, the best interest of the club would be served thereby.

## **SECTION 4**

Any state officer, chapter officer, director, or inspector who does not pay his/her state and national dues by January 1st to the Texas POAC and POAC, Inc. shall automatically be removed from such office.

## **SECTION 5**

A vacancy in any office because of death, written resignation, disqualification or otherwise, shall be filled by election by the Board of Directors for the unexpired portion of the term.

## **SECTION 6**

The president shall be the principal executive officer of the club, and subject to the control of the Board of Directors. He/She shall in general supervise and manage the business affairs of the club. He/She shall, when present, preside at all meetings of the general membership and of the Board of Directors. At Board of Director meetings, the president will only vote when necessary to break a tie.

## **SECTION 7**

In the absence of the president or in the event of his/her death, inability or refusal to act, the vice president shall have all the duties of the president and when so doing shall have all the powers of and be subject to all the restrictions upon the president. The vice president shall perform such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him/her by the president or the Board of Directors.

## **SECTION 8**

The secretary shall keep an accurate record of all annual business, regular, and special meetings of the corporation, and shall have the responsibility, upon being notified by the president, of calling meetings and notifying members thereof, as well as any other duties delegated to him/her by the president. He/she shall report the minutes of all meetings upon being notified by the president. The official address of the Texas Pony of the Americas Club shall be the address of the secretary.

## **SECTION 9**

The treasurer shall take charge of all of the cash assets of this corporation and shall promptly deposit the same in a bank determined by the Board of Directors. He/She shall keep an accurate record of all the receipts and disbursements of this corporation and give a report thereof when called upon to do so by the president or Board of Directors, showing the financial standing of the corporation. At the membership meetings, he/she shall give a report of the corporation's assets and financial standing. The financial record shall be subject to annual audit as directed by the Board of Directors.

## **SECTION 10**

The president, vice president, secretary, treasurer, or any other club member approved by the Board of Directors has the authority to enter into contracts and approve dispersal of funds as authorized by the Board of Directors. The president, vice president, secretary and treasurer will be responsible for dispersal of funds.

## **ARTICLE V: EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

### **SECTION 1**

The Executive Committee is composed of the president, vice president, secretary, treasurer, and immediate past president (for a term of one year).

### **SECTION 2**

The Executive Committee shall transact any emergency business between meetings of the Board of Directors. Any business transacted by the Executive Committee is subject to final approval of the Board of Directors.

## **ARTICLE VI: AMENDMENTS**

### **SECTION 1**

These bylaws may be altered, amended, or repealed, and new bylaws may be adopted by a vote of the members representing a majority at any General Membership meeting or at any special meeting when the proposed amendment has been set out in the notice of such meeting.

These bylaws adopted by a majority vote of the members present at the January 29, 1968 meeting held at the Fort Worth Fat Stock Show, Fort Worth, Texas

These bylaws amended by a majority vote of the members at the December 8, 1973 meeting held at Waco, Texas and at the January 26, 1974 meeting held at the Fort Worth Fat Stock Show, Fort Worth, Texas in accordance spelled out in Article VI, Section 1.

These bylaws amended by a majority vote of the membership, meeting at the Fort Worth Fat Stock Show, January 31, 1976.

These bylaws amended by a majority vote of the membership, meeting at the Fort Worth Fat Stock Show January 28, 1978.

These bylaws amended by a majority vote of the membership, meeting at the Fort Worth Fat Stock Show January 26, 1980.

These bylaws amended by a majority vote of the membership, meeting at the Fort Worth Fat Stock Show January 25, 1986.

These bylaws amended by a majority vote of the membership, meeting on July 8, 1989, in Waco, Texas.

These bylaws amended by a majority vote of the membership, meeting on June 6, 1992 in Burleson, Texas.

These bylaws amended by a majority vote of the membership, meeting on December 4, 1993 at Burleson, Texas.

These bylaws amended by a majority vote of the membership, meeting on November 2, 1996 at Burleson, Texas.

These bylaws amended by a majority vote of the membership, meeting on November 13, 2006 at SouthLake, Texas.

Respectfully submitted,

Leslie Hash, Board of Directors Bylaw Coordinator  
Texas Pony of the Americas Club, Inc., 2007

## **TEXAS PONY OF THE AMERICAS HALL OF FAME**

The Texas Pony of the Americas Club has approved the formation of the Texas Pony of the Americas Hall of Fame to be modeled around the International POA Hall of Fame. This program will permit both ponies and people to be inducted and honored. A committee was formed to develop this program and present its findings to the Board of Directors. Implementation commenced in the summer of 2000.

The Texas Hall of Fame Award is given to the person(s) or pony nominated in accordance with adopted procedures.

### **TEXAS POAC HALL OF FAME HONOREES**

#### **HONORARY LIFETIME MEMBERS:**

Mary Ann Cannon  
Quincy & Mary Rutledge  
Jack & Marcia Spanable  
Doug & Mary Ann Goodman  
P.D., Carol & Lance Scott

#### **HALL OF FAME (PERSONS):**

Bill & Kathleen Goree (2000)  
Thomas L. Van Fleet (2001)  
Ernie & Joyce Breeden (2002)  
N.R. "Steve" Stevenson (2006)  
Mack & Nancy Kincheloe (2006)  
Dorene Minder (2008)

#### **HALL OF FAME (PONIES):**

Docs Tough Gambler, 29,166	Supreme Champion (2001)
Tippy's Spotted Chief M.R., 22,693	Supreme Champion (2006)

## **TEXAS PONY OF THE AMERICAS HALL OF FAME**

These lists are meant to be guides only. Limit your comments to two to three typed pages. A 3"X5" photograph must accompany nomination.

### **GUIDELINES - PERSON(S)**

1. Member of the Texas Pony of the Americas Club a minimum of ten (10) years.
2. Describe contributions to the TPOAC.
3. Describe how person(s) have been a role model for Texas youth.
4. List other youth organizations and contributions to those organizations.
5. List and describe other organizations associated with and role in organization.
6. List children (if applicable) that have graduated from the TPOAC and/or grandchildren participating in or participated in TPOAC and accomplishments.
7. Member of the Pony of the Americas Club Inc. for a minimum of 10 years.
8. List contributions at the national level (board member, committee member, etc.)
9. List contributions at state, regional or national/international shows.
10. List incidences where individual(s) help new members at shows or provide transportation, ponies for youth to show, contribute to funds so youth has the opportunity to show.

The Applicant can be an individual or husband/wife. Any other information that the submittant feels pertinent to the nominee may also be included.

### **GUIDELINES - PONY**

1. Pony Name and Registration Number
2. Pony Date of Birth
3. Pony Date of Death (if applicable)
4. Pony must be ten (10) years of age or older. Exception: Pony deceased already having accomplished the Supreme Champion prior to death.
5. Only ponies permanently registered with the POAC, Inc. are eligible.
6. Accomplishments at the TPOAC state level.
7. Accomplishments at the national POAC, Inc. level.
8. Accomplishments of get on state and national levels
9. Copy of registration papers unless pony is deceased, then must list sire and dam.

**TEXAS POAC HALL OF FAME  
NOMINATION FORM REQUIRED INFORMATION:**

1. One 3X5 photograph
2. Biographical information
3. Contributions and achievements to the POA breed

Please submit information by September 1 to Nancy Kincheloe, P.O. Box 120375, Tyler, Texas 75712-0375. No nominations will be considered after the postmarked date of September 1 for the current year. Postmarked nominations after September 1 will be held for consideration the following year.

NAME OF NOMINEE: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS/PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

(If pony nominee, give location of pony. If pony is deceased, place and owner at the time and year of death)

Name of person submitting nomination, address, phone number(s), fax number, email address:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Submit by September 1 to:**

Texas POAC Hall of Fame  
Attn: Nancy Kincheloe  
P.O. Box 120375  
Tyler, Texas 75712-0375

## MEMBERSHIP IN THE TEXAS POA CLUB

The Texas POA Club is a non-profit organization dedicated to fostering a wholesome and family oriented activity with the emphasis on fellowship, sportsmanship, and competition. Recognizing the need for an affordable avenue of participation for horse-oriented families in today's economy, the Texas POAC constantly strives to provide quality competition at "family rates". Fun is an important ingredient in any Texas POAC event; and many shows are highlighted by way of covered-dish dinners, cook-outs, trail rides, dances, and even an occasional "watch your step" football or baseball game in the arena after the show. A 12-person Board of Directors elected by the general membership governs the Texas POAC. All meetings are open and the general membership is invited to attend and participate.

Membership in the Texas POA Club entitles your immediate family members to eligibility for Texas POAC year end awards, voting rights on issues and elections, and a subscription to "TPOAC SPOTTALK," the official publication of the Texas POA Club. Membership dues are due on January 1st and are good through December 31st regardless of time of payment. Dues must be paid before the start of any show where points are to be accumulated for Texas year end awards. Both the owner/lessee and the exhibitor must be paid members of TPOAC for Texas points to count toward Texas awards in any class. (added 1/1/08) Annual dues are set during the general membership meeting for the following year. Membership application form available on the Texas website at [www.texaspoa.com](http://www.texaspoa.com) or by contacting Membership Chairman.

## SPOTTALK AND WORLD WIDE WEB

"TPOAC SPOTTALK" is the official publication of the Texas POA Club and features club and youth news; show dates, coming events, and award winnings. Subscription is free with a membership to the Texas POAC. A non-membership subscription to SPOTTALK is available for \$20.00 per year. You may request a complimentary issue.

Stories, news items, photos, as well as kids' drawings and writings are welcome. Classified Ads must be received in accordance with publication schedule. Rates are \$2.50 for the first 50 words and \$.05 per word thereafter, \$10/half page, and \$15/full page, but subject to change by the Board of Directors. Send copy along with payment to "TPOAC", SpotTalk Chairman.



Other information is available about the club activities on [www.texaspoa.com](http://www.texaspoa.com), the TPOAC website, and nationally at [www.poac.org](http://www.poac.org). Advertising rates on the TPOAC website are set by and subject to change by the Board of Directors.

### **MEMBERSHIP IN THE NATIONAL POAC, INC.**

The PONY OF THE AMERICAS CLUB, INC., is the official breed registry for colored ponies 46 to 56 inches in height. It is the only breed association in existence with a primary objective of youth participation. Catering to youngsters and families, the objectives of the POAC are to develop a breed that is suitable for youth and to provide an avenue of participation that is wholesome and family oriented.

Membership in the National Pony of the Americas Club, Inc. entitles your immediate family members to reduced registration fees, reduced transfer fees, eligibility for national year end awards, eligibility to enter special events and activities, eligibility to consign to the International POA sale, and voting rights on important issues and director elections. All memberships expire December 31 regardless of time of payment. Annual membership dues include the Official Handbook (rulebook). Individual handbooks are available. Send request to: Pony of the Americas Club, Inc., 3828 South Emerson Avenue, Indianapolis, IN 46203. Phone 317-788-0107. Make checks payable to POAC, Inc. More information is available at the National POA website at [www.poac.org](http://www.poac.org).

### **NATIONAL POA MAGAZINE**

Published 10-12 times per year, the POA magazine keeps members, breeders, and other horse enthusiasts abreast on association happenings, show dates, national award programs, sales and youth activities. Regular features include stallion and owner directories, youth and breeder spotlights, club and youth news and coming events. Display advertising adds to the impact of the publication.

The Texas POAC frequently publishes show results in the magazine as well as club and youth news.

For information on the National POA Club, contact the Pony of the Americas Club, Inc., 3828 South Emerson Avenue., Indianapolis, IN 46203.

## **TEXAS POAC/4-H ESSAY CONTEST**

Each year the Texas POAC, in conjunction with the Texas 4-H program, sponsors an essay contest for Texas 4-H members 13 and under. Each entrant must write an essay concerning care and training plans for a pony and what 4-H means to them. They submit the essays along with a personal evaluation from their 4-H sponsor. After preliminary judging, the finalists are invited to a Texas POA show where they must attend a personal interview with the contest judges. The winner is then presented with a registered POA of his or her own. They also receive an assortment of other prizes varying from tack to feed given by businesses and individuals who have over the last several years been faithful contributors and have freely given their donations to this worthwhile program. All finalists receive awards from the National POA office and the Texas POAC. Contest application available on the TPOAC website at [www.texaspoa.com](http://www.texaspoa.com) or contact the 4-H Essay Contest Coordinator.

## **TEXAS PONY OF THE AMERICAS FUTURITY**

The Texas Pony of the Americas Club Futurity is held annually at a date and time announced by the Futurity Committee. Classes are held for registered POA weanling fillies and colts (including geldings), yearling fillies and colts (including geldings), yearling long line, color for weanlings and yearlings, Western Pleasure, English Pleasure, Yearling In-Hand Trail, Trail, and Reining. The Futurity should be self-sustaining financially, including stabling fees, ground costs, administration costs, and awards. Contact Futurity Chairman for forms and further information. Forms are also available on the TPOAC website at [www.texaspoa.com](http://www.texaspoa.com).

## AWARDS

Exhibitors have the choice of rosette ribbons for specifically designated shows such as the Interbreed Competition (IBC no halter) and the Interbreed Competition (IBC-A with halter) or flat ribbons for all other shows unless specifically designed otherwise. In keeping with the Texas Pony of the Americas Club Board's long-standing ribbon policy, a new member, a beginner competitor or a child that has a significant win will be given a rosette ribbon upon request. An effort is made to have a ribbon supply available at the show. Award funds are set aside for year-end participation and other awards as designed by the Board of Directors.

### TEXAS PONY OF THE AMERICAS CLUB YEAR END AWARDS

The TPOAC Board of Directors adopted the following for the Show Season Year End Awards and Points Definition.

Some traveling trophies have been sponsored by various individuals. Once a traveling trophy no longer has space available for additional winners, the trophy's sponsorship will come up for renewal. At that time the original sponsor will be given the first right at continuing the sponsorship. If that sponsor chooses not to continue, then another sponsor is sought. If a new sponsor is not found, then the award will be discontinued.

### QUALIFICATION

In accordance with Texas Pony of the Americas Club bylaws, no Texas show points will be awarded at any show, unless dues are paid prior to that show. Both the owner/lessee and the exhibitor must be paid members of TPOAC for points to count toward Texas awards in any class. (added 1/1/08) Exhibitor must compete in at least half (50%) of the shows in order to qualify for the category. (Change to "Exhibitors who show in at least 50% of shows in a given year will be eligible for year-end awards in ALL youth classes".

### PARTICIPATION AWARDS

A participation award is given to any TPOAC member 18 years of age and under that participates in at least one approved Texas POAC show during the year. A 50% participation award is given to exhibitors who participate in 50% of the shows. To meet 50% stipulation for the year end award in a particular class, exhibitor must have shown in at least 50% of the shows offered in a given year to qualify.

### **BUD HERRING MEMORIAL SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD**

The Bud Herring Memorial Sportsmanship Award is presented to the member voted by the youth organization as the best example of a good sportsman. Voting usually takes place just prior to the annual awards social or at designated youth club election meeting. In the event of a tie, the award is shared throughout the ensuing year. Bud Herring was an avid supporter of the TPOAC. His family provided this beautiful four-foot high traveling trophy in his memory.

### **DIANE GOODMAN TENNANT SHOWMANSHIP AWARD**

A Diane Goodman Tennant Showmanship Award, kept secret until the presentation, is given in each age group (8 & under, 9-12, 13-18) to the exhibitor who earns the most points in Showmanship. Reserve and Runner-up (second and third) awards will be given in each age group in accordance with other high point awards. These awards will be presented by a Goodman Family member or their designee. This traveling award, originally set up by Frank and Carol Ann Neves, honors Diane Goodman Tennant, a beloved TPOAC member whose favorite class was showmanship.

### **LANCE P. SCOTT TRAVELING AWARD**

The Lance P. Scott Traveling Award is presented by the Texas POAC to the rider who accumulates the most points overall each year. This award is given by the Texas POAC in honor of Lance P. Scott, a former POA rider paralyzed in a diving accident. This award will include all approved POAC classes in which the same rider placed, regardless of the number of ponies that rider exhibits in different classes. (If a rider rides two or more ponies in one class, the rider must designate which one should be counted for points prior to the show, or no points will count for the rider or the rider's ponies in that class.)

Halter and the Adult Pleasure Driving classes DO NOT count toward the Lance P. Scott High Point Rider Traveling Award. Lance showed and trained POAs for many years before his accident. An outstanding rider who enjoyed much success and willingly shared his knowledge and experience with fellow competitors, Lance continues to be an inspiration by refusing to let his handicap prevent him from enjoying a rich and fulfilling life.

### **TEXAS TOP TEN RIDER AWARD**

For the Texas Top Ten Rider Award, a rider may have a performance pony and a game pony. If a rider rides more than one pony per class, the rider will only get points on the designated pony. Designation form must be completed prior to start of the show.

As written in the National Official Handbook, "This award will include all approved POAC classes in which the same rider placed, regardless of the number of ponies that a rider exhibits in different classes. (If a rider rides two or more ponies in one class, the rider must designate which one should be counted for points prior to the show, or no points will count for the rider or the rider's ponies in that class.) Halter and color classes and the Adult Pleasure Driving classes do not count toward the High Point Rider Award."

### **HALTER**

High Point Halter Awards are given to the top three ponies in each class division which earn the most points overall each year. Weanlings are not required to meet the 50% participation requirement.

Weanling Filly	Yearling Filly
2 Year Old Mare	3 year Old Mart
4 & Older Mare 46"-51"	4 & Older Mare 51"-54"
4 & Older Mare 54"-56"	Broodmares
Weanling Colts	Yearling Colts
2 Year Old Stallion	3 Year Old Stallion
4 & Older Stallion 46"-51"	4 & Older Stallion 51"-54"
4 & Older Stallion 54"-56"	Gelding Year & Under
2 Year Old Gelding	3 Year Old Gelding
4 & Older Gelding 46"-51"	4 & Older Gelding 51"-54"
4 & Older Gelding 54"-56"	In-Hand trail classes

### **MOST COLORFUL**

The High Point Most Colorful Pony Award is given by the Futurity to the top three ponies which earn the most points overall each year. These awards are funded with monies assigned by the Board to the Futurity from the TPOAC color classes throughout the year.

### **BILL T. GOREE MEMORIAL BEST OF BREED AWARD**

The Bill T. Goree Best of Breed Memorial Award is awarded to the weanling colt or weanling filly and the foal's owner winning the Texas Pony of the Americas Club Futurity Best of Breed. Bill's passion was to produce ponies with the distinctive POA traits suitable for youth and he was well-known for his love and dedication to the POA breed and the TPOAC. While this award established by the Board of Directors in 1995 is not based on points accumulation, recognition of the Best of Breed recipient will be held during the year end award presentations. The Jim Terry family provided this beautiful traveling trophy in Bill's memory.

## **LEADLINE**

The Leadline 6 & under High Point Award is given to the top three riders who earn the most points overall each year in these five class categories: Leadline Equitation (National pointed class); Leadline Pleasure - either western or English (Texas points only); Leadline trail (Texas points only); Open costume class (National pointed class); Native American costume (National pointed class). Year end placings fourth through tenth receive a participation ribbon or other award designated by the Board of Directors.

## **COSTUME - OPEN AND NATIVE AMERICAN**

The High Point Costume Award is given to the top three ponies who earn the most points overall each year. Leadline costume points apply to Leadline High Point.

## **HORSEMANSHIP**

The High Point Horsemanship Awards are given to the top three riders in each age division (8 & under, 9-12, 13-18) who earn the most points overall each year.

## **BAREBACK HORSEMANSHIP**

The High Point Bareback Horsemanship Awards are given to the top three riders in each age division (8 & under, 9-12, 13-18) who earn the most points overall each year. They may ride Western or English.

## **WESTERN PLEASURE**

The High Point Western Pleasure Awards are given to the top three ponies in each age division (8 & under, 9-12, 13-18) who earn the most points overall each year.

## **JUNIOR WESTERN PLEASURE**

The High Point Junior Western Pleasure Pony (pony 5 years and under in age) Award is given by the Youth Club to the top three ponies who earn the most points overall each year. These awards are funded with monies designated by the Board to the Youth Club from the TPOAC Junior Western Pleasure classes each year.

## **SENIOR WESTERN PLEASURE**

The High Point Senior Western Pleasure Pony (pony 6 years and over in age) Award is given by the Youth Club to the top three ponies who earn the most points overall each year. These awards are funded with monies designated by the Board to the Youth Club from the TPOAC Senior Western Pleasure classes each year.

## **REINING**

The High Point Reining Awards are given to the top three ponies in each age division (8 & under, 9-12, 13-18) who earn the most points overall each year. Please note that reining may not be offered at each show.

## **WESTERN RIDING**

The High Point Western Riding Awards are given to the top three ponies in each age division (8 & under, 9-12, 13-18) who earn the most points overall each year. Please note that western riding may not be offered at each show.

## **TRAIL**

The High Point Trail Awards are given to the top three ponies in each age division (8 & under, 9-12, 13-18) who earn the most points overall each year.

## **JUNIOR TRAIL**

The High Point Junior Trail Award is given to the top three ponies (rider 18 & under) who earns the most points overall each year. Individual awards were presented for the first time in 2000 while the traveling award is being built. The High Point Traveling Junior Trail Pony Award is sponsored by Jim and Angie Williams and Karen Freeman of W2 Ranch, Valley View, Texas and the TPOAC Youth Club.

## **SENIOR TRAIL**

The High Point Senior Trail Award is given to the top three ponies (rider 18 & under) who earns the most points overall in the show year. Individual awards were presented for the first time in 2000. The 2000 High Point Senior Trail Pony Award was sponsored by Randi and Rusty Kennedy of Mansfield, Texas. Sponsorship will be sought for each ensuing year.

## **ENGLISH EQUITATION**

The High Point English Equitation Awards are given to the top three riders in each age division (8 & under, 9-12, 13-18) who earn the most points overall each year. This includes English Equitation and Hunt Seat Equitation Over Fences.

## **HUNTER UNDER SADDLE (ENGLISH PLEASURE)**

The High Point Hunter Under Saddle (English Pleasure) Awards are given to the top three ponies in each age division (8 & under, 9-12, 13-18) who earn the most points overall each year.

## **JUNIOR HUNTER UNDER SADDLE (ENGLISH PLEASURE)**

The High Point Junior Hunter Under Saddle (English Pleasure) Pony (pony 5 years and under in age) Award is given to the top three ponies who earn the most points overall each year.

## **SENIOR HUNTER UNDER SADDLE (ENGLISH PLEASURE)**

The High Point Senior Hunter Under Saddle (English Pleasure) Pony (pony 6 years and over in age) Award is given to the top three ponies who earn the most points overall each year.

## **ADULT PLEASURE DRIVING**

The High Point Adult Pleasure Driver Award is given to the top three teams who earn the most points overall each year.

## **YOUTH PLEASURE DRIVING**

The High Point Youth Pleasure Pony Award is given to the top three drivers who earn the most points overall each year.

## **TOP JUMPING EVENT**

The High Point Top Jumping Event Pony Award is given to the top three ponies in each age division (8 & under, 9-12, 13-18) who earn the most points overall each year in POA Hunter Over Fences, Hunter Hack, and Open Jumping.

## **TOP TIMED EVENT PONY**

The High Point Top Timed Event Pony Awards are given to the top three ponies in each age division (8 & under, 9-12, 13-18) who earn the most points overall each year:

Calf Daubing (non-pointed)	Goat Tying (non-pointed)
Roping	Cloverleaf Barrels
Go Go Race	Scurry Race
Combination Dash	Handy Horse
Single Pole	Figure 8 Barrels
Keyhole	Straight Barrels
Figure 8 Stakes	Pole Bending
Texas Rollback	Flag Race

## **YEARLING LOUNGE LINE - OPEN**

The Yearling Lounge Line Award is given to the top three ponies who earn the most points overall each year in Lounge Line class as patterned after the National POAC Yearling Lounge Line Futurity.

## **TWO-YEAR-OLD LOUNGE LINE – OPEN**

The Two-Year-Old lounge Line Award is given to the top three ponies who earn the most points overall each year in the class as patterned after the National POAC Two-Year-Old Lounge Line Futurity.

## **TEXAS POAC OPEN SHOW AWARD**

The Open Show High Point Award is given to the top rider 18 & under who earns the most points overall each year in open shows. An affidavit (the National Open Show Form), along with a recording fee of \$5.00 per show, needs to be postmarked to the Texas Show Secretary or Designated Coordinator (see appointments page) no more



than 30 days after the Open Show participation. Only classes conforming to POA classes will be allowed per open show. If there is a question raised about conformance of any open show class, points will be denied. If recording fee is not included with affidavit, points will be denied. This award is funded strictly from the funds received with Open Show Affidavits. At least one high point award will be given and subsequent placings may be given at the discretion of the awards committee.

### **19 & OVER RIDER**

The 19 & Over High Point Award is given to the top three riders who earn the most points overall each year. This is a change from previous years whereby it was a pony award. Classes considered for the 19 & Over High Point Rider Award are Hunter Under Saddle, Western Pleasure, and Trail. These classes have been added to provide an opportunity to develop young ponies. Adults are allowed to participate and earn awards in other categories such as halter, most colorful, and adult pleasure driving.

### **ADULT RECOGNITION TRAVELING AWARD\***

The Adult Recognition Traveling Award will be given to the 19 & Over member of the Texas Pony of the Americas Club who demonstrates outstanding service to the club, promotes club activities and the POA breed it represents and is a good sportsman. Nominations are to be submitted to the Board President by any current 19 & over TPOAC member no later than October 15 so the nominees may be considered by the Executive Committee of the Board for presentation at the annual awards program. This beautiful traveling trophy was donated in 1991 by Nancy Kincheloe and Dale Bohm, long-time supporters of the POA breed.

### **GRADUATING SENIOR AWARD**

Beginning in 2006, each high school graduating senior will receive a \$250 Gift Card. The graduate must meet the 50% award criteria for two consecutive years just prior to graduation to be eligible for receipt of this award.

# TEXAS PONY OF THE AMERICAS CLUB, INC. FUTURITY RULES

## I GENERAL PROVISIONS

**A.** This Futurity will be held annually. The date and time will be announced by the Futurity Committee. Classes will be held for weanling halter fillies and colts (including geldings), yearling halter fillies and colts (including geldings), combined weanling and yearling color, yearling longe line, Western Pleasure, English Pleasure, Trail, yearling in-hand trail and Reining. The Futurity should be self-sustaining financially, including stabling fees, ground costs, administration costs, etc.

**B.** All POAs must have at least one parent registered in the POAC Registry or I.D. Registry with the POAC, Inc. The POA must be registered in the Tentative Registration with the POAC, Inc., or POA must have been accepted under the hardship clause of the POAC, Inc. All ponies must pass a Futurity Screening committee inspection for color and height in order to show.

**C.** For a POA to be eligible for the Futurity, the owner and exhibitor of the POA must be a member in good standing with the Texas POAC. When the POA is sold, after nominated in the Texas POAC Futurity, they will remain eligible if fees are kept current and the new owner is a Texas member in good standing. Where the new owner is not a Texas member, the POA will remain eligible if fees are kept current and the new owner becomes a member of the Texas POAC on or before August 15<sup>th</sup> of the current year.

**D.** The Futurity will be shown in eleven divisions:

1. Weanling Halter POA Colts (and Geldings)
2. Weanling Halter POA Fillies
3. Yearling Halter POA Colts (and Geldings)
4. Yearling Halter POA Fillies
5. Color (Combined Weanling and Yearling including colts, fillies and geldings shown together)
6. Yearling Longe Line
7. Western Pleasure
  - a. 2-3 year olds
  - b. 4-5 year olds
8. English Pleasure
  - a. 2-3 year olds
  - b. 4-5 year olds

9. Trail
  - a. 2-3 year olds
  - b. 4-5 year olds
10. Yearling In-hand Trail
11. Reining

**E.** All divisions and classes will be judged by three qualified and futurity committee approved judges.

**F.** The Futurity Committee shall make such further rules and provisions as they deem necessary for the fair administration of the Futurity.

**G.** The Futurity Chairperson of the Texas POAC shall act as the agent for the Committee and he/she shall administer the funds.

**H.** At all times the rules and provisions of the Futurity shall be in conformance with the rules of the POAC, Inc.

## **II NOMINATION OF DAM:**

**A.** The nomination of the dam is required for each year's weanling entry only. To nominate a dam in the Futurity, it is required that the dam be an approved type mare. A nomination fee of \$10.00 is to be paid to the TPOAC Futurity on or before January 31st of the current year.

**B.** No late mare nominations will be accepted.

**C.** With reference to the STALLION SERVICE AUCTION INCENTIVE AWARD where multiple mares are bred to a single, eligible stallion, designation must be made at the time of nomination of the dam as to which mare's foal will be eligible. (only foals resulting from breedings purchased at the Stallion Service Auction will be eligible. This applies only to the awards described in Section XII(C).

## **III WEANLING HALTER ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

To make a foal eligible to compete in the weanling division of the Texas POAC Futurity, it is required that:

**A.** The dam must have been nominated with the Texas POAC Futurity before the deadline. (See Section II(A)

**B.** A sustaining fee of \$25.00 must be paid to the Texas POAC Futurity on or before July 1st of the current year.

**C.** An entry fee of \$25.00 must be paid to the Texas POAC Futurity on or before August 1st of the current year.

**D.** To be eligible for the stallion payback, the service must be purchased at the Stallion Auction or the stallion owner must pay a \$150.00 fee. If the stallion owner elects not to pay the stallion fee and the mare owner chooses to pay the \$150.00 fee, the \$150.00 fee will make the mare owner the agent of the stallion owner and entitles the mare owner to the proceeds of the return in Section XIII(B). Deadline for stallion owner subscription will be December 31st of the preceding year. The agent of the stallion owner must present a STALLION AGENT AGREEMENT FORM signed by the stallion owner and the mare owner to the Futurity Chairperson by the December 31st stallion owner subscription deadline.

**E.** Entries after August 1st of the current year must pay an additional \$250.00 late registration fee in addition to the regular fees and late fee penalty.

**F.** NO ENTRIES ACCEPTED AFTER AUGUST 15<sup>th</sup> OF THE CURRENT YEAR.

#### **IV YEARLING HALTER ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

**A.** To be eligible in the yearling division, the yearling must be nominated.

**B.** Fee Schedule will be as follows:

1. Yearling nominated on or before May 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year:

Nomination Fee	\$ 20.00
July 1 <sup>st</sup> Sustaining Fee	\$ 20.00
August 1 <sup>st</sup> Entry Fee	<u>\$ 20.00</u>
Total	\$ 60.00

2. Yearling nominated after May 1<sup>st</sup> and on or before July 1<sup>st</sup>:

Nomination Fee	\$ 60.00
July 1 <sup>st</sup> Sustaining Fee	\$ 20.00
August 1 <sup>st</sup> Entry Fee	<u>\$ 20.00</u>
Total	\$100.00

3. Nominations after July 1<sup>st</sup> and on or before August 1<sup>st</sup>:

Nomination Fee	\$ 60.00
July 1 <sup>st</sup> Sustaining Fee	\$ 60.00
August 1 <sup>st</sup> Entry Fee	<u>\$ 20.00</u>
Total	\$140.00

4. All fees must be paid on or before August 1st. Entries after August 1st of the current year must pay an additional \$250.00 late registration fee in addition to the regular fees and late fee penalty.

**C. NO ENTRIES ACCEPTED AFTER AUGUST 15<sup>th</sup> OF THE CURRENT YEAR.**

## **V COLOR ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

**A.** Weanlings and yearlings, including colts, fillies and geldings, will be shown together in a single class.

**B.** Fee Schedule will be as follows:

1. Weanlings and yearlings nominated on or before July 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year:

Nomination/Sustaining Fee	\$ 40.00
August 1 <sup>st</sup> entry Fee	<u>\$ 20.00</u>
Total	\$ 60.00

2. Weanlings and yearlings nominated after July 1<sup>st</sup> and on or before August 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year:

Nomination/Sustaining Fee	\$120.00
August 1 <sup>st</sup> Entry Fee	<u>\$ 20.00</u>
Total	\$140.00

3. All fees must be paid on or before August 1<sup>st</sup>. Entries after August 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year must pay an additional \$250.00 late registration fee in addition to the regular fees and late fee penalty.

**C. NO ENTRIES ACCEPTED AFTER AUGUST 15<sup>th</sup> OF THE CURRENT YEAR.**

**D.** The color class is judged 80% on color and 20% on conformation, action, substance, quality and manners.

## **VI YEARLING LONGE LINE FUTURITY**

**A.** Ponies are to be shown in halter, regular or show type is acceptable. The only attachment allowed to the halter is the longe line.

**B.** The longe line may not exceed thirty feet (30') in length with a chain or snap attached to the halter. The longe line must hang free from the halter without touching any part of the pony.

**C.** It is permissible to use a longe whip, however, the whip may not come in contact with the pony at any time.

**D.** Judges will be outside of the longeing circle.

**E.** Class Procedure:

1. The exhibitor will enter the arena and be inspected for conformation and soundness. Each entry will be walked into the area to the judge and pause for evaluation individually. They will then trot off straight and around a cone and take a place on the wall inside the arena. All entries will be inspected in this fashion and as the "trot-off" is administered, ponies showing evidence of lameness should be excused from the class at this time.

2. The longeing demonstration will begin at the sound of a whistle or other audible indicator when the pony has reached the perimeter of its circle. Time will not begin until the pony reaches this perimeter. When the "begin" signal is given, the exhibitor will be allowed one and one-half minutes (90 seconds) to present the pony at all three gaits in both directions. A "half-way" signal will be given after 45 seconds to let the exhibitor know the time is half completed. At the end of the 1 ½ minutes, the signal will be given to signify the end of the demonstration

- a. The pony will be exhibited at a walk, trot, and lope in each direction.
- b. The exhibitor may begin work in the direction (clockwise or counter-clockwise) of their choice.
- c. All ponies will remain in the arena after they have been longed and should stand quietly while the other exhibitors are being judged.
- d. An exhibitor may show up to a maximum of three (3) POAs in Longe Line. Other handlers may show the entry in the conformation section of the competition.

**F.** Judging Emphasis:

1. The ponies are judged seventy (70%) percent on their movement and thirty (30%) percent on their conformation.

2. Judges should judge movement of the pony on manners/expression/attitude and conformation to become competitive under saddle..

Therefore, the purpose of this class is to reward:

- A) Quality of Movement,
- B) Manners/Expression/Attitude,
- C) Conformation suitable to future performance. And the pony should be judged with its suitability as a future performer under saddle in mind. This class should define what it means to be a “western pleasure prospect” or “hunter under saddle prospect”.

3. Because these are yearlings, they are not expected to demonstrate the behavior or quality of a finished show horse, and should not be penalized for minimum playing.

**G.** Fee Schedule will be as follows:

1. Yearling nominated on or before May 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year:

Nomination Fee	\$ 20.00
July 1 <sup>st</sup> Sustaining Fee	\$ 20.00
August 1 <sup>st</sup> Entry Fee	<u>\$ 20.00</u>
Total	\$ 60.00

2. Yearling nominated after May 1<sup>st</sup> and on or before July 1<sup>st</sup> :

Nomination Fee	\$ 60.00
July 1 <sup>st</sup> Sustaining Fee	\$ 20.00
August 1 <sup>st</sup> Entry Fee	<u>\$ 20.00</u>
Total	\$100.00

3. Nominations after July 1<sup>st</sup> and on or before August 1<sup>st</sup>:

Nomination Fee	\$ 60.00
July 1 <sup>st</sup> Sustaining Fee	\$ 60.00
August 1 <sup>st</sup> Entry Fee	<u>\$ 20.00</u>
Total	\$140.00

4. All fees must be paid on or before August 1<sup>st</sup>. Entries after August 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year must pay an additional \$250.00 late registration fee in addition to the regular fees and late fee penalty.

**H.** NO ENTRIES ACCEPTED AFTER AUGUST 15<sup>th</sup> OF THE CURRENT YEAR.

## **VII WESTERN PLEASURE FUTURITY AND ENGLISH PLEASURE FUTURITY ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

**A.** Western Pleasure and English Pleasure Futurity will be run in accordance with the General Provisions of the Texas and National POAC Futurity Rule Book.

**B.** Western Pleasure and English Pleasure Futurity will be open to Tentative Registered POAs five (5) years old or younger of the current show year. POAs in the 19 and Over classes and junior ponies shown by any 18 and Under rider will be eligible for the Texas Western and English Pleasure Futurity. Classes to be split as follows:

1. Ponies 2 & 3 years old
2. Ponies 4 & 5 years old

**C.** Classes will be open to any age rider.

**D.** A pony may enter the Western and/or English Pleasure division any number of times through their five (5) year old year. However, upon winning the Western and/or English Pleasure division, a pony becomes ineligible for future entry in the division won. Exception will be, if pony wins division with a 19 and over rider, the same pony can come back and compete with a youth rider.

**E.** The class is judged on the pony only - 60% on performance and manners, 30% on conformation, and 10% on appointments.

**F.** Fee schedule for each division will be as follows:

1. Ponies nominated on or before May 1st of the current year:

Nomination Fee	\$ 20.00
July 1st Sustaining Fee	\$ 20.00
August 1st Entry Fee	<u>\$ 20.00</u>
Total	\$ 60.00
2. Ponies nominated after May 1st and on or before July 1st:

Nomination Fee	\$ 60.00
July 1 <sup>st</sup> Sustaining Fee	\$ 20.00
August 1st Entry Fee	<u>\$ 20.00</u>
Total	\$100.00



3. Nominations after July 1 <sup>st</sup> and on or before August 1 <sup>st</sup> :	
Nomination Fee	\$ 60.00
Sustaining Fee	\$ 60.00
August 1 <sup>st</sup> Entry Fee	<u>\$ 20.00</u>
Total	\$140.00

4. All fees must be paid on or before August 1<sup>st</sup>. Entries after August 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year must pay an additional \$250.00 late registration fee in addition to the regular fees and late fee penalty.

5. Equipment - refer to the POAC Rule Book.

**F.** NO ENTRIES ACCEPTED AFTER AUGUST 15<sup>th</sup> OF THE CURRENT YEAR.

### **VIII TRAIL FUTURITY ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

**A.** Trail Futurity will be run in accordance with the General Provisions of the Texas and National POAC Futurity Rule Book.

**B.** Trail Futurity will be open to Tentative Registered POAs five (5) years old or younger of the current show year. POAs in the 19 and Over classes and junior ponies shown by any 18 and Under rider will be eligible for the Texas Trail Futurity. Classes to be split as follows:

1. Ponies 2 & 3 years old
2. Ponies 4 & 5 years old

**C.** Classes will be open to any age rider.

**D.** A pony may enter the Trail division any number of times through their five (5) year old year. However, upon winning the Trail division, a pony becomes ineligible for future entry in this division. Exception will be, if pony wins division with a 19 and over rider, the same pony can come back and compete with a youth rider.

**E.** The good trail pony should be a good pleasure pony with the ability to navigate obstacles normally encountered in trail riding.

**F.** Rail work is not required except for breaking ties.

**G.** Ponies will be required to perform at a minimum of six obstacles.

**H.** Ponies are judged and penalized on the number of balks and refusals to go through or over obstacles, according to the discretion of the judges. The Futurity Committee or judges may make any variation in obstacles to break ties to further elimination.

**I.** Only one hand may be used on the reins and hands must not be changed, except it is permissible to change hands when an obstacle requires it. Exception: See POAC. Rules 103 and 115.E (bits & biting for junior ponies).

**J.** Tack and Attire: POAC, Inc. Rules prevail for western attire and tack.

**K.** Disqualifications: See performance rules, POAC, Inc.

**L.** Fee Schedule will be as follows:

1. Ponies nominated on or before May 1st of the current year:

Nomination Fee	\$ 20.00
July 1st Sustaining Fee	\$ 20.00
August 1st Entry Fee	<u>\$ 20.00</u>
Total	\$ 60.00

2. Ponies nominated after May 1st and on or before July 1st:

Nomination	\$ 60.00
July 1 <sup>st</sup> Sustaining Fee	\$ 20.00
August 1 <sup>st</sup> Entry Fee	<u>\$ 20.00</u>
Total	\$100.00

3. Nominations after July 1<sup>st</sup> and on or before August 1<sup>st</sup>:

Nomination Fee	\$ 60.00
Sustaining Fee	\$ 60.00
August 1 <sup>st</sup> Entry Fee	<u>\$ 20.00</u>
Total	\$140.00

4. All fees must be paid on or before August 1st. Entries after August 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year must pay an additional \$250.00 late registration fee in addition to the regular fees and late fee penalty.

**M.** NO ENTRIES ACCEPTED AFTER AUGUST 15<sup>th</sup> OF THE CURRENT YEAR.

## **IX YEARLING IN-HAND TRAIL**

**A.** In-Hand Trail will be run in accordance with the General Provisions of the Texas and National POAC Futurity Rule Book.

**B.** This class is open to tentative registered yearling POAs.

**C.** Class Routine

1. The class will be judged on the performance of the pony over obstacles, with emphasis on manners and way of going.
2. Credit will be given to ponies negotiating the obstacles with style, without hesitancy and willingly responding to the handler's cues.
3. Ponies shall not be penalized for any unnecessary delay while approaching the obstacles.

**D.** At least six obstacles must be used. Those may be selected from the list in the POAC Rule 115, except as follows:

1. There shall be no cantering on course.
2. When opening and closing the gate, only the left hand should be used.

**E.** Unacceptable obstacles are listed in the POAC Rule 115

**F.** The judge must walk the course and has the right and duty to alter the course by removing or changing any obstacle that he deems unsafe or non-negotiable.

**G.** Tack and Attire – May be shown in either Western or Hunt Seat Tack. See POAC Rules 103-106.

1. Ponies must be shown in a halter, regular or show type in acceptable. The lead shank may be a regular type or show type. Shank may have a chain, which may be used over the nose, under the chin or through the lead ring on the halter and snapped back to the chain next to the lead strap.
2. Lip chains are strictly forbidden

**H.** Fee schedule for each division will be as follows:

1. Ponies nominated on or before May 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year:

Nomination Fee	\$ 20.00
July 1 <sup>st</sup> Sustaining Fee	\$ 20.00
August 1 <sup>st</sup> Entry Fee	<u>\$ 20.00</u>
Total	\$ 60.00
  
2. Ponies nominated after May 1<sup>st</sup> and on or before July 1<sup>st</sup>:

Nomination Fee	\$ 60.00
July 1 <sup>st</sup> Sustaining Fee	\$ 60.00
August 1st Entry Fee	<u>\$ 20.00</u>
Total	\$100.00
  
3. Nominations after July 1<sup>st</sup> and on or before August 1<sup>st</sup>:

Nomination Fee	\$ 60.00
Sustaining Fee	\$ 60.00
August 1 <sup>st</sup> Entry Fee	<u>\$ 20.00</u>
Total	\$140.00

4. All fees must be paid on or before August 1st. Entries after August 1st of the current year must pay an additional \$250.00 late registration fee in addition to the regular fees and late fee penalty.

**I.** NO ENTRIES ACCEPTED AFTER AUGUST 15<sup>th</sup> OF THE CURRENT YEAR.

**X. REINING FUTURITY ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

**A.** Reining Futurity will be run in accordance with the General Provisions of the Texas and National POAC Futurity Rule Book.

**B.** Reining Futurity will be open to Tentative Registered POAs three (3) years old to five (5) years old of the current show year. POAs in the 19 and Over classes and junior ponies shown by any 18 and Under rider will be eligible for the Texas Reining Futurity.

**C.** Classes will be open to any age rider.

**D.** Credit should be given for smoothness, finesse, attitude, quickness and authority of performing various maneuvers, while using controlled speed.

**E.** A pony may enter the Reining division any number of times through their five (5) year old year. However, upon winning the Reining division, a pony becomes

ineligible for future entry in this division. Exception will be, if pony wins division with a 19 and over rider, the same pony can come back and compete with a youth rider.

**F.** Fee schedule for each division will be as follows:

1. Ponies nominated on or before May 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year:

Nomination Fee	\$ 20.00
July 1 <sup>st</sup> Sustaining Fee	\$ 20.00
August 1 <sup>st</sup> Entry Fee	<u>\$ 20.00</u>
Total	\$ 60.00
  
2. Ponies nominated after May 1<sup>st</sup> and on or before July 1<sup>st</sup>:

Nomination Fee	\$ 60.00
July 1 <sup>st</sup> Sustaining Fee	\$ 60.00
August 1 <sup>st</sup> Entry Fee	<u>\$ 20.00</u>
Total	\$100.00
  
3. Nominations after July 1<sup>st</sup> and on or before August 1<sup>st</sup>:

Nomination Fee	\$ 60.00
Sustaining Fee	\$ 60.00
August 1 <sup>st</sup> Entry Fee	<u>\$ 20.00</u>
Total	\$140.00

4. All fees must be paid on or before August 1st. Entries after August 1st of the current year must pay an additional \$250.00 late registration fee in addition to the regular fees and late fee penalty.

**G** NO ENTRIES ACCEPTED AFTER AUGUST 15<sup>th</sup> OF THE CURRENT YEAR.

## **XI DEADLINE DATES AND LATE FEES**

**A.** Postmarks will be the determining factors in accepting entries. Entries postmarked later than midnight of the deadline dates as contained herein shall be subject to a late fee, except in the case of fees of dams.

**B.** All late fees shall be three times the amount of the regular fees in arrears except in the case of the fees of dams. Entries after August 1<sup>st</sup> must pay an additional \$250.00 late registration fee in addition to the regular fees and late fee penalties as stated in each division.

**C.** No late entries shall be accepted for dam nominations. These must be in before the deadline, which is on or before January 31<sup>st</sup> of the current year.

**D.** NO ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER AUGUST 15<sup>th</sup> OF THE CURRENT YEAR.

## **XII NOTICES AND PAYMENTS**

**A.** If a Futurity Chairperson has not yet been appointed, Mare Nominations can be sent to the Texas POAC President or other designated person.

**B.** All payments and notices shall be made to the Texas POAC Futurity Fund, c/o Futurity Treasurer. There will be no return of payment unless the showing of the Futurity is canceled in that division.

**C.** The Futurity Committee reserves the right to reject any entry and to bar any entry from competition for failure to comply with the conditions of the Futurity Rules and/or the rules of the POAC, Inc. and the Texas POAC.

**D.** Owner/Agents or any attending parties in the Futurity assume all risk, personal and property, and will in no event hold the Futurity of the Texas POAC responsible for damages caused to or by entries, their owners, Agents, or any attending parties. Under Texas Law (Chapter 87, Civil Practice & Remedies Code), an equine professional is not liable for an injury to or the death of a participant in equine activities resulting from the inherent risk of equine activities.

## **XIII PRIZE MONEY FUNDS**

**A.** The value of the Futurity shall be the total amount of the money paid in Futurity fees, one Futurity Sponsored Show Day proceeds, Stallion Service Auction, proceeds of the color classes as approved by the TPOAC Board of Directors, other auctions designated for the Futurity, added miscellaneous donations and late fees, except for up to 20% which shall be withheld for the Futurity expenses.

**B.** Weanling Halter Futurity funds consist of equal division of the proceeds from the Futurity sponsored show and Fun Auction, equal division of the proceeds from the color class, nominating, sustaining, entry, late and penalty fees for this division, and 80% of the Stallion Service Auction proceeds from previous year after deducting \$100 for Stallion Service Auction Incentive Awards.

**C.** The highest placing Colt and the highest placing Filly resulting from a breeding purchased at the Stallion Service Auction would each receive a \$50.00 Stallion Service Auction Incentive Award, taken from the Stallion Service Auction funds (See II(C)).

**D.** Yearling Halter Futurity funds shall consist of yearling nominating, sustaining, entry, late and penalty fees for this division. If there are five (5) or more entries in each division, then equal divisions of the funds from the Fun Auction, the Futurity sponsored show, the proceeds available from the color classes, and the late fees will be added to this division.

**E.** Weanling and Yearling Color Futurity funds shall consist of nominating, sustaining, and entry fees, including late and penalty fees for this division. If there are five (5) or more entries in this division, then the Color Futurity funds shall also include equal division of the funds available from the color classes, auctions designated for the futurity (not including the Stallion Service Auction), Futurity sponsored show and other added money.

**F.** Longe Line Futurity funds shall consist of nominating, sustaining, entry, late and penalty fees for this division. If there are five (5) or more entries in this division, then the Longe Line Futurity funds shall also include equal division of funds from the Fun Auction, the Futurity sponsored show, the proceeds available from the color classes, and the late fees will be added to this division.

**G.** Western Pleasure Futurity and English Pleasure Futurity funds shall consist of nominating, sustaining, entry, late and penalty fees for each division. If there are five (5) or more entries in each division, then equal division of funds from the Fun Auction, the Futurity sponsored show, the proceeds available from the color classes, and the late fees will be added to each division.

**H.** Trail Futurity funds shall consist of nominating, sustaining, entry, late and penalty fees for this division. If there are five (5) or more entries in this division, then equal divisions of funds from the Fun Auction, the Futurity sponsored show, the proceeds available from the color classes, and the late fees will be added to this division.

**I.** In-Hand Trail Futurity funds shall consist of nominating, sustaining, entry, late and penalty fees for this division. If there are five (5) or more entries in this division, then the In-Hand Trail Futurity funds shall also include equal division of funds from the Fun Auction, the Futurity sponsored show, the proceeds available from the color classes, and the late fees will be added to this division.

**J.** Reining Futurity funds shall consist of nominating, sustaining, entry, late and penalty fees for this division. If there are five (5) or more entries in this division, then the Reining Futurity funds shall also include equal division of funds available from the color classes, auctions designated for the futurity (not including the Stallion Service Auction), Futurity sponsored show and other added money.

## **XIV AWARDS**

**A.** In Divisions A & B (weanling colts (and geldings), and weanling fillies), the prize money available shall be paid back to weanling owners through four (4) places, 40%, 30%, 20%, and 10%. If there are three (3) places, it will be 50%, 30%, and 20%, and if there are only two (2) places it will be 60% and 40%. If there is only one (1) entry, then it will be 100%. Prize money in this division will be equally divided between the fillies and the colts (including geldings) (See Section XII(B)). If no ponies show in the weanling divisions, then that money will go to the Futurity Fund.

**B.** In Divisions A & B (weanling colts (and geldings), and weanling fillies), 20% of the Stallion Service Auction Money from the previous year, after the deduction of the \$100 Stallion Service Auction Incentive Award, shall be paid back to the stallion owners or agents that donated services or paid the \$150 fee through four (4) places, 40%, 30%, 20%, and 10%. If there are three (3) places, 50%, 30%, 20%, and if there are two (2) places, 60% and 40%. If there is only one (1) place, 100%. This 20% portion of the Stallion Service Auction money will be equally divided between the owners of the eligible sires of the fillies and the colts (including geldings). If no ponies show in the weanling divisions, then that money will go to the Futurity fund.

**C.** In Division C & D (yearling colts (and geldings), and yearling fillies), the prize money available shall be paid back through four (4) places, 40%, 30%, 20%, and 10%, and if there are only three (3) places, it will be 50%, 30%, and 20%. If there are two (2) places, it will be 60% and 40%, and if there is only one (1) place, then it will be 100%. Prize money in this division will be equally divided between the fillies and colts (including geldings) including the additional money (see Section XII(D)). If no ponies show in this division, then that money will go to the Futurity Fund.

**D.** In Division E (combined weanling and yearling color futurity), the prize money available shall be paid back through four (4) places, 40%, 30%, 20%, and 10%, and if there are only three (3) places, it will be 50%, 30%, and 20%. If there are two (2) places, it will be 60% and 40%, and if there is only one (1) place, then it will be 100%. If no ponies show in this division, then that money will go to the Futurity Fund.

**E.** In Division F (yearling longe line), and in Division G (Western Pleasure and English Pleasure), the prize money available shall be paid back through four (4) places, 40%, 30%, 20%, and 10%, and if there are only three (3) places, it will be 50%, 30%, and 20%. If there are two (2) places, it will be 60% and 40%, and if there is only one (1) place, then it will be 100%. If no ponies show in these divisions, then that money will go to the Futurity Fund.

**F.** In Division H (Trail), and in Division I (Yearling In-Hand Trail) the prize money available shall be paid back through four (4) places, 40%, 30%, 20%, and 10%,



and if there are only three (3) places, it will be 50%, 30%, and 20%. If there are two (2) places, it will be 60% and 40%, and if there is only one (1) place, then it will be 100%. If no ponies show in this division, then that money will go to the Futurity Fund.

**G.** In Division J (Reining), the prize money available shall be paid back through four (4) places, 40%, 30%, 20%, and 10%, and if there are only three (3) places, it will be 50%, 30%, and 20%. If there are two (2) places, it will be 60% and 40%, and if there is only one (1) place, then it will be 100%. If no ponies show in this division, then that money will go to the Futurity Fund.

**H.** A BEST OF BREED AND RESERVE BEST OF BREED will be selected and awarded from the first place winners in Division Weanling Colts (and geldings) and Weanling Fillies. Following the selection of BEST OF BREED, the RESERVE BEST OF BREED will be selected from the second place winner of the division from which the Best of Breed was named and the first place winner in the remaining division. (No pony may be placed above a pony that has defeated it in this Futurity.)

**I.** At the Year End Awards, awards will be provided by the Texas POA Futurity to the three ponies that have received the most points in the color classes (High Point and Reserve High Point and a Runner-up pony). In the event of a tie, the color class on the day of the Futurity will be the tie breaker class. If neither pony shows during the Futurity show in the color class, the pony with the most color class wins during the show year will be the higher placing pony.

**J.** Each POA must show in the corresponding class of the Futurity Show and must pay the ground fee, stall fee and other fees as required by the facility in order to be eligible for the Futurity awards.

## **TEXAS POAC YOUTH CLUB**

### **TEXAS POA CLUB ROYALTY**

Each year the Texas POA Youth Club will vote on Royalty. This will include an election of King, Queen, Princess, and Beau. Only those members who have paid their Youth Dues will be eligible to vote.

### **TEXAS YOUTH CLUB OFFICERS**

Each year the Texas POA Youth Club will vote on the offices of President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Reporter. Only those members who have paid their Youth Dues will be eligible to vote.

### **YOUTH CLUB**

The Texas Youth Club is a separate entity from the Texas POAC. Each year, the Youth Club sets its own goals and plans activities for the upcoming year. In the past, the Youth Club has performed a variety of activities including helping to send a Texas team to the POA World Show, hosting dinners, parties, and games for everyone attending TPOAC horse shows, putting on fund raisers, awarding a scholarship to graduates, and sponsoring the year end senior and junior western pleasure awards. Proceeds from the senior and junior western pleasure classes at TPOAC shows go to the Youth Club.

Youth Club meetings are usually held during TPOAC shows. Youth Club officers are elected annually, generally at the Year End Awards Banquet. Youth Club news and announcements appear in "SPOTTALK", the Texas POA Club newsletter. Annual Youth Club dues are \$10/child and are due on January 1. Youth Club membership expires on December 31 of the same year no matter when paid. To join, complete the membership form and send a check made out to Texas POA Youth Club and mail to the Youth Club Sponsor or bring to the show. Be sure to note child(ren)'s name(s) on the check.

## **TEXAS POAC OPEN SHOW AFFIDAVIT INSTRUCTIONS**

To be eligible for the Texas POAC Open Show Award, fill out the POAC Open Show Affidavit and submit the form, along with \$5.00 per show, to the Texas POAC Open Show Point Coordinator listed on the APPOINTMENTS PAGE. This must be done within 30 days after the open show. Points will be calculated according to the POAC, Inc. Rules.

## GENERAL RULES

**PLEASE NOTE: ALL TPOAC members will be expected to know the show rules and to follow them completely.**

**BILL SUBMISSION POLICY:** All bills must be preapproved and that original invoice MUST be submitted to the TPOAC Treasurer within 60 days of the event such bills pertain to. (3/7/04 BOD)

## GENERAL SHOW RULES

**LONGELINE:** One class of yearling and 2-year-old in-hand trail will be offered. Any pony entered in this class is ineligible for any other trail class. (1/11/04 BOD)

**SHOWBILL ENTRIES AND PAYMENTS:** All TPOAC members MUST prepay with either a signed, blank check or a cash deposit before they will be allowed to show. (12/4/04 GM). If an exhibitor has an outstanding bill at the time of the next show, they will be prohibited from showing until that outstanding bill is paid. (6/4/06 BOD). If TPOAC members entries are not postmarked by the stated date for each show, a \$25 late fee would be charged on a "show all day" fee or a per-class late fee would be charged on individual classes. (6/4/06 BOD)

**ENTRIES:** Once an exhibitor has pre-entered a class, all class deletions MUST be made prior to 7:30 a.m. of the day of the show without penalty. For deletions made after 7:30 a.m., the exhibitor will be charged for the deleted class. (6/4/06 BOD)

**VOLUNTEERING:** If a TPOAC member does not volunteer and help during a show, that member is required to pay to the club a \$20 non-work fee per weekend. A member may elect to pay the fee in lieu of volunteering to work. (11/11/06 GM)

**JUMPING WARMUP:** Two practice jumps will be set up in the warmup arena, if possible, or exhibitors will be allowed to use only two jumps in the arena with one pass allowed in the arena at the discretion of the show committee for jumping warmup. (12/10/06 BOD)