AMERICAN SADDLEBRED ASSOCIATION OF WISCONSIN

The American Saddlebred Association of Wisconsin, hereafter referred to as ASAW, is incorporated under Chapter 180 of the Wisconsin Statutes. Persons interested in referring to Articles of Incorporation may contact the ASAW Secretary.

BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I - OBJECT

The object of ASAW is to create, promote and maintain interest in American Saddlebred horses and horse shows, and to work together for the mutual advantages of all who are interested in horses, and also to promote the humane treatment of horses.

ARTICLE II - FISCAL YEAR

The ASAW Fiscal Year shall be from January 1st through December 31st.

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Dues and Definitions. Dues rates shall be set by the board as required to maintain a fiscally solvent organization.

The Definition of Memberships shall be Limited to Individual, Family, Farm and Corporate Memberships. A Family or Farm Membership shall be limited to only the immediate members of (and horses owned by) one family (as defined by the Internal Revenue Service as legally entitled to file a join or head-of-household income tax return). This includes children age 17 and under (as of December 1st).

A corporate membership shall be limited to a legally chartered corporation including owners of the corporation's stock and those horses shown under their corporate business name.

Each membership shall identify one responsible person (voting member of family, farm or corporation) as its Designated Agent to represent his/her family, farm or corporate group in all matters pertaining to ASAW membership interests and obligations.

Section 2. Membership Certificates and Renewal. The Secretary shall issue a Membership Certificate to each voting ASAW member, and this certificate shall be non-transferable. Membership renewals shall be mailed to each member after January 1st of each year.

Section 3. Nomination of Horses, Ponies and Equitation Riders for Season Trophy Awards. Season Trophies shall be awarded only to ASAW members and to horses and ponies owned and nominated by ASAW members. The fee for nominating horses, ponies, and equitation riders for a Season Trophy shall be set by the Board as it deems prudent. Points earned by a contender prior to payment of membership dues and nomination fees for that year shall not be counted toward ASAW Season Trophy Awards. All dues and fees must be in the hands of the ASAW Secretary or postmarked prior to showing for point credit toward Season Trophy Awards. Horses and Ponies must be shown as nominated.

ARTICLE IV - BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1. Number and Term of Directors. The ASAW Board of Directors shall consists of eighteen (18) members, plus (for one year) the immediate Past President if his/her term has expired. Only ASAW members in good standing shall be allowed to serve on the Board. The term for each Director shall be three (3) years. The Membership shall elect six (6) Directors each year to fill the offices of those Directors whose term shall expire. A new Board shall consist of six (6) Directors for each unexpired three (3), two (2), and one (1) year terms, plus the immediate Past President if his/her term has expired.

Section 2. Officers of the Board. Each new Board shall meet following the election to elect the President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer to serve as Officers for the coming year. Any two offices may be held by the same member if said offices do not conflict.

Section 3. Assumption of Positions and Responsibilities. A new Board and its duly elected Officers shall assume responsibility for administration of ASAW affairs immediately following election.

- **Section 4. Resignation from Board.** A Director may resign at any time by filing a written resignation with the Secretary. Resignation from membership in ASAW by a Director shall be automatically accepted as resignation from the Board.
- **Section 5. Absence from Board Meeting.** Any Director who misses three (3) meetings in a year shall forfeit office subject to review action by the Board.
- **Section 6. Vacancies in the Board.** Vacancies in the Board may be filled by a majority vote of the remaining Board members. New appointees shall serve the balance of the term vacated.
- **Section 7. Executive Committee.** The President shall, with the approval of the Board, select an Executive Committee of not less than three (3) nor more five (5) Directors to act for the Board when necessary and inconvenient for the entire Board to meet. The President and Secretary shall be members of the Executive Committee.

Minutes shall be taken at each Executive Committee meeting and the Board shall be informed of the decisions made within ten (10) days. Executive Committee decisions shall be subject to review and approval of the Board.

ARTICLE V. - ELECTION OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- **Section 1. Nomination Committee.** The President shall appoint a Nominating Committee of three (3) Directors. The Nominating Committee shall be approved by a majority vote of the members of the Board of Directors present at its March meeting.
- **Section 2. Eligibility of Nominees.** All nominees considered for election as Directors shall be current members in good standing with ASAW.
- **Section 3. Nomination Committee Nominees.** At the October meeting of the Board, the following actions shall be taken: 1) The Nominating Committee shall present its slate after obtaining the consent of each nominee to serve, if elected. The slate must be approved by a majority vote of those Board members present. 2) The Secretary and the Nominating Committee shall be instructed to mail the voting membership (see Section 5) by October 22nd, the slate of Directors approved by the Board along with instructions and a standardized nomination form for making additional nominations for Directors. (see Section 6)
- **Section 4. Voters Eligibility.** Each Membership shall have one vote. For Individual, Family, Farm and Corporate memberships, the Designated Voter shall be sent the official ballot. To be eligible to vote, dues for the current year must be paid.
- **Section 5. General Membership Nominations.** Nominations for up to three (3) Directors (in additional to the six (6) Board nominees) will be accepted from the General Membership. Each nomination requires the signature of ten (10) voting members by submitting a proposal in writing to the Secretary, together with the written consent of such nominee(s). Such nominee(s) must meet the qualifications under Section 2, and the nominations(s) must be postmarked no later than November 15th. If more than three nominations are received, the postmark will be used to determine the first three nominations. If more than three are received with the same postmark date, the decision for the final three nominees would be at the discretion of the Nominating committee. If no additional nominations are received from the General Membership, the slate is considered accepted and the nominees take office on January 1st and continue in office for the term.
- **Section 6. Ballot Committee.** If additional nominations are made, the President shall appoint a Ballot Committee to supervise the election process. The Ballot Committee shall consist of one member of the Board and two members at large. At the November Board meeting, the President shall present the Ballot Committee appointees who must be approved by a majority of those Board members present.
- **Section 7. Balloting the Membership.** The President shall prepare the ballots, containing the names of nominees arranged alphabetically and including brief biographical information provided by each nominee. A small envelope along with a larger envelope identified as the ASAW Ballot envelope, shall be supplied with each ballot. The reverse side of the large Ballot envelope shall have the eligible voters name typed on it and shall provide space for the voter's signature. The front side of the envelope shall be addressed to the Ballot Committee Chairman and marked "Ballot enclosed". The ballot will instruct the voter to seal the marked ballot in the smaller envelope and place this envelope in the larger ASAW Ballot envelope. The back of the larger ASAW envelope must be signed and dated before mailing.

The ballot shall state that the ballot will not be counted unless the ASAW envelope is signed by the eligible voter. See Section 4 for definition of eligibility.

The ballots will be mailed by the Secretary and Nominating Committee to all voting members by November 25th. Voting will be by mailed ballot only, and the ballot must be returned to the Chairman of the Ballot Committee and be postmarked by December 10th. The Ballot Committee Chairman shall hold the ballots in their sealed postmarked envelopes for counting by the entire Ballot Committee.

The results of the election shall be announce in the next ASAW Board notes. The Ballots shall be retained until January 1st and then destroyed. The Directors shall take office on January 1st and continue for the term.

ARTICLE VI - DUTIES OF BOARD OFFICERS

Section 1. President. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Board and shall have general supervision of all ASAW affairs. The President shall appoint all standing Committees and a Chair-person for each committee. The President shall appoint two (2) Directors to make an annual audit of all ASAW financial transactions including ASAW horse shows and report its findings to the Board at its February meeting.

Section 2. Vice President. The Vice President shall assume and discharge the duties of the President in the event of his/her absence.

Section 3. Secretary. The Secretary shall give seven (7) days notice of all regular meetings of the Board to each Director, take minutes of all Board meetings and keep all correspondence and records of ASAW. The Secretary shall inform the Membership, before show season, of the names and addresses of ASAW Officers, and "A" and "B" Horse Show Coordinators and Point Chairpersons.

Section 4. Treasurer. The Treasurer shall be responsible for all monies of ASAW, collect all dues and fees, pay all bills, and keep an itemized record in a permanent file of all ASAW receipts and expenditures.

Section 5. Executive Secretary. The Board of Directors at its discretion shall have the ability to appoint an Executive Secretary who will be under the supervision and direction of the Secretary of the Board. This position is a non/director - non/officer position.

ARTICLE VII - MEETINGS

Section 1. Annual Meetings. The annual meeting of the Association shall be held each year on such day and at such time and place as the Board may designate.

Section 2. Special Business Meetings. Special Business Meetings of the General Membership may be called by a majority vote of the Board or by 50% petition of ASAW voting members.

Section 3. Board Meetings. Regular Board of Director meetings shall be held on call of The President.

Special Board of Director meetings may be called by the President, or by a majority vote of the Directors or ASAW Membership if advance notice of at least three (3) days is given each Director.

Meetings of the Board may be held at any time and place by consent and presence of the Directors.

Section 4. Awards Meetings. Season Trophies shall be awarded each year at the Annual Meeting or at a special ASAW event as shall be decided by the majority vote of the Board.

ARTICLE VIII - QUORUMS

Section 1. General Membership Meetings. Voting members present at any regular Membership meeting shall constitute a auorum.

Section 2. Board Meetings. The presence of a simple majority of the current number of occupied Director positions at a Board meeting shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE IX - RULES AND BY-LAWS

Section 1. Rules adopted by Board. ASAW Rules adopted by a majority Directors vote shall be binding upon the Membership. Any Rules put forth by the Board of Directors majority vote may be amended or rescinded by a majority vote of the eligible voting members present at any regular or special General Membership meeting.

Section 2. Amendments. These rules may be amended or repealed or changed at any meeting of the Board prior to February 1st of the year in which they are to take effect.

Section 3. Changes in By-Laws. ASAW By-Laws amended by a majority vote of the Board of Directors shall be approved by a majority quorum vote of the Membership before adoption and incorporation into the ASAW Rule Book.

Section 4. Notification of Changes and Revisions. It shall be the responsibility of the Secretary to inform the Membership of all Rule changes and proposed By-Laws revisions and changes within at least sixty (60) days of their adoption.

ASAW RULES OF COMPETITION

Please Read All Rules of Competition Carefully!

ASAW will follow Rules of the US Equestrian Federation for exhibiting and showing of horses and ponies except as otherwise stated in the ASAW Rule Book.

A. GENERAL COMPETITION RULES

- 1. Season Trophies Season trophies are awarded only to ASAW members in good standing and member owned horses and ponies that have been nominated for ASAW Awards. Points earned by a contender prior to payment of membership dues and nomination fees will not be counted toward ASAW Season Trophy Awards. All dues and fees must be paid and received by the ASAW Secretary prior to showing for point credits by ASAW.
- **2. Nomination of Horses, Ponies and Equitation Riders for Season Trophies -** To qualify for an ASAW award, horses and ponies must be owned and nominated by a member of ASAW. A Nomination Fee for each horse, pony and/or rider must be paid prior to showing for earned point credits toward ASAW Season Trophy Awards.

The stated name of the horse or pony being nominated must be the same as it appears on the horse's or pony's name change must be submitted in writing to the ASAW Secretary before points can be counted for Season Trophy Awards.

3. Change in Ownership and Transfer of Points - When a horse or pony is sold prior to the end of a season, earned points already credited by ASAW will remain with, and be awarded to, the previous owner unless or until a transfer of points is submitted to the Secretary. Points will be transferred to a new owner only upon receipt by the Secretary of a statement of consent, submitted in writing and signed by both the previous and new owners of the horse or pony.

No transfer of points earned prior to a horse's or pony's sale, or credit of points earned subsequent to a horse's or pony's sale will be made to any owner who is not, or does not become a member of ASAW. New owners are not required to re-nominate a horse or pony for credit of points earned after a sale if both parties consent to a transfer of points.

- **4. Age of Exhibitors -** For purposes of ASAW competition rules, the age of exhibitor is determined on December 1st and remains throughout the following show season. Exhibitors born on December 1st will assume the greater age on that date.
- **5. Credit of ASAW Points from Rider Age Group Classes -** Points earned will be credited as specified in the ASAW Trophy Class List regardless of age group division of classes at individual member shows. For example, a rider age 15, competing in classes for riders age 17 & Under will have all points credited toward ASAW's 14 through 17 awards.
- All 10 and under equitation rider nominations must declare whether rider is competing for pleasure equitation or saddleseat equitation points. Failure to declare will result in no points credited until a written declaration has been received by the ASAW Secretary.
- **6. Show Entry Misrepresentation -** Misrepresentation of a horse's or pony's ownership name, eligibility for a class and/or division, or other information on a show entry form shall result in forfeiture of any ribbons, trophies, cash prizes or points earned. For example, the first class a horse or pony is shown at a show declares its division for that show and cross entry of that horse into another division is considered misrepresentation of its eligibility and will result in forfeiture of winnings from that cross-entered class. A horse or pony entered under an Owner Name other than what is recorded on the horse's or pony's registration papers is considered misrepresentation and will result in forfeiture of all points from that show.
- 7. Violation of ASAW Rules Complaints regarding ASAW Rules violations must be submitted in writing to the ASAW Secretary for review by the Board not later than ten (10) days following the alleged infraction. Any reported and confirmed rules violations or acts of discourtesy or disobedience to judges and/or Member Show officials by a Member or Member Associate (i.e. trainer, rider, groom, etc.) shall result in forfeit of ASAW points and disqualification from ASAW Season Trophy competition at the discretion of the ASAW Board of Directors.

- **8. Canceled Shows -** Members will be credited with all points earned from classes held at a show that is canceled any time during its scheduled show dates.
- **9. Loss, Damage, Injury -** ASAW shall not, under any circumstances, be held responsible in any way for any loss, damage or injury that may occur in association with and/or the exhibition of horses and ponies.

B. ASAW "A" AND "B" MEMBER SHOW RULES

- 1. Reservation of Show Dates ASAW will reserve each member Show's previous show dates until February 1st of the current year. Show directors must notify ASAW before February 1st of intent to either retain or change previous year dates. Requests for changes in show dates will be considered with respect for dates previously reserved for other Member Shows.
- **2. Violation of Member Show Rules -** Member Show complaints regarding Rules violations by ASAW Members must by submitted in writing to the ASAW Secretary for review by the Board not later than ten (10) days of the alleged infraction.
- **3. Loss, Damage, Injury -** ASAW shall not, under any circumstances, be held responsible in any way for any loss, damage or injury that may occur at the show.
- **4. Association Membership -** Every Member Show must have the words "Member of American Saddlebred Association of Wisconsin" printed in the front section of its prize list (or class list) and program.
- **5. Division of Classes -** Classes may be split at the discretion of a Member Show's management and points earned will be credited to all ASAW member participants.
- **6. Ribbons and Prizes -** Member Shows must award at least five (5) ribbons in each class. Cash prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the show's management. No cash prizes may be awarded in Equitation classes or any other classes where the rider only is judged.

C. ASAW RULES FOR "A" MEMBER SHOWS

- 1. "A" Show Fees A fee of \$150.00 must be paid for Member Show recognition by ASAW and its members.
- 2. "A" Show Dates Two or more "A" Member Shows may be held on the same dates in a season providing they are situated at least 100 miles apart.
- 3. Show Results "A" Member Shows must submit to ASAW a complete record of results within fourteen (14) days of the show's closing day.
- **4. Required Classes -** "A" Member Shows must include in their prize list the offering of at least twenty (20) ASAW "A" Trophy Award Classes for two day or longer shows.
- **5. ASAW Recommendations -** It is suggested that: Shows not schedule Ladies, Gentlemen and Junior Exhibitor classes from a division on the same day as the division's Amateur classes, or age group Pleasure Horse classes on the same day as same age group Pleasure Equitation classes. Prize lists should note that special UPHA and USEF Equitation classes are open to both Saddle Seat and Pleasure Equitation riders. Trimmed Park Horse classes should be limited to riders age 17 & under.
- **6. ASAW Points** Points will be counted toward ASAW Awards only from Show Classes named the same as those listed as ASAW Award Classes. For example, no points are counted for Maiden or Novice horse and rider classes since ASAW does not offer awards for those classes. Additional classes not eligible for ASAW Points includes but is not limited to Prospect Horse, UPHA, ASHA Medal, Good Hands and Pleasure Medallion Equitation classes, Saddle & Bridle Shatner Western Pleasure and Saddle & Bridle Hunt Seat Classic Classes.

D. ASAW RULES FOR "B" MEMBER SHOWS

1. "B" Show Fees - A fee of \$25.00 must be paid for Member Show recognition by ASAW and its members.

- 2. Show Results "B" Member Shows must submit to ASAW a complete record of results within fourteen (14) days of the show's closing day.
- **3. Required Classes -** "B" Member Shows must include in their prize list the offering of at least five (5) ASAW "B" Trophy Award Classes.
- **4. ASAW Recommendations** It is suggested that: ASAW Trophy Classes be listed as for American Saddlebred (ASB) horses; Saddle Seat, Hunt Seat and/or Western division classes should not be combined; Shows offer separate classes for ASB Show and Country Pleasure horses; Careful consideration be given to scheduling classes so that exhibitors and their horses do not have "back-to-back" classes without a reasonable rest period between events.
- **5. ASAW Points** Points will be counted toward ASAW Awards only from Show Classes named the same as those listed as ASAW Award Classes. For example, no points are counted for Maiden or Novice horse and rider classes since ASAW does not offer awards for those classes. Additional classes not eligible for ASAW points includes but is not limited to Prospect Horse, UPHA, ASHA Medal, Good Hands and Pleasure Medallion Equitation classes, Saddle & Bridle Shatner Western Pleasure and Saddle & Bridle Hunt Seat Classic classes.

E. ASAW RULES FOR ACADEMY MEMBERSHIP

1. Academy Membership - A special individual Academy membership is eligible only to riders in an Academy program. The Academy nomination shall be included in the membership cost. Points will be counted from all Academy Equitation classes at "Open" Academy shows. ASAW Season High Point and Reserve Awards will be given to the riders accumulating the most over all points from any Academy Equitation class.

DIRECTORY/RULE BOOKS WILL BE PROVIDED BY THE SECRETARY UPON REQUEST

AMERICAN SADDLEBRED ASSOCIATION OF WISCONSIN SCHOLARSHIP FUND, INC.

The American Saddlebred Association of Wisconsin would like to recognize the members of the Association and American Saddlebred enthusiasts. Three scholarships will be awarded each year to promote involvement in ASAW and commitment to leadership, sportsmanship and community service.

Eligibility

Three scholarships will be awarded each year at the ASAW Summer Fun Horse Show.

One of these scholarship will be the Melvin and Marion Meyer (founders of Lee-Mar Farm) Memorial Scholarship, in the amount of \$3,000 and will be awarded specifically to a graduating high school senior. The second scholarship, the ASAW Scholarship, will be in the amount of \$3,000. The third scholarship is offered in the amount of \$1000. The scholarships will be paid to the educational institution of the winners' choice in the first semester following the awarding of the scholarships.

Application

All scholarship application forms, transcripts of academic achievement and letters of recommendation must be mailed to Mary Markwiese, 2840 North 84th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53222. They must be postmarked on or before March 31 of the application year. Applications and letters postmarked after that date will not be eligible.

Scholarship recipients will be notified no later than May 15 of application year. Upon notification of the award, the student will provide to the Committee a confirmation of college acceptance. Scholarships will be paid in the name of the school upon enrollment for the following fall semester. Recipients must inform ASAW how the school wants this check made out. Applications will not be considered unless all items are submitted.

ASAW SEASON TROPHY AWARDS CLASS LIST AND POINT SYSTEM

ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

A. POINT SYSTEM - Champion and Reserve Champion Season Trophies will be awarded as listed with points counted as follows:

FIRST PLACE 100 POINTS

SECOND PLACE 95 POINTS

THIRD PLACE 85 POINTS

FOURTH PLACE 70 POINTS

FIFTH PLACE 50 POINTS

Points are combined from qualifying, stake and championship classes unless otherwise specified. Award Classes will be divided as specified if there are ten (10) or more entries nominated for either subdivision of that class at the discretion of the Board.

B. POINTS REQUIRED - To qualify for an Achievement Award a contender must accumulate a minimum number of points for competition at ASAW Member Shows as follows:

160 Points - Trophy Classes where points are counted only from classes where no like named Championship classes are offered.

260 Points - Trophy Classes where points are counted from combined qualifying and like named Stake/Championship.

The two qualifying contenders accumulation the greatest and second greatest number of Achievement Points over the minimum required in each Trophy Class will be awarded the Champion and Reserve Champion Achievement Awards respectively.

C. "A" SHOW ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS CLASSES

FIVE-GAITED DIVISION

- 1. Open (260 Points)
- 2. Amateur (260 Points)
- 3. Ladies (160 Points)
- 4. Gentlemen Amateur (160 Points)
- 5. Junior Exhibitor (260 Points)
- 6. Three Year Old (160 Points)

(Including UPHA Classics)

7. Junior Horse (160 Points)

8. Wisconsin Owned (160 Points)

THREE-GAITED DIVISION

9. Open (260 Points)
 10. Amateur (260 Points)
 11. Ladies (160 Points)
 12. Gentlemen - Amateur (160 Points)
 13. Junior Exhibitor (260 Points)
 14. Three Year Old (160 Points)
 (Including UPHA Classics)
 15. Junior Horse (160 Points)

PARK HORSE DIVISION - Horse shown in this division are ineligible to show in any other division at a same show except In-Hand and Equitation classes.

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17. Park - Amateur (160 Points)18. Park - Open (260 Points)
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16. Wisconsin Owned (160 Points)

- 19. Park Junior Exhibitor (260 Points)
- 20. Park Pleasure Horse (160 Points) (Including UPHA Classics)

FINE HARNESS DIVISION

- 21. Open (260 Points)
- 22. Amateur (160 Points)
- 23. Junior (160 Points) (All classes for horses 4 years and under including UPHA Classics)

EQUITATION DIVISION

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23. Walk and Trot Only - Rider 10 & Under (160 Points)
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24. S.S. - Rider 13 & Under (260 Points)

25. S.S. - Rider 14 - 17 (260 Points)

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26. Pleasure - Rider 13 & Under (160 Points)
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- 27. Pleasure Rider 14 17 (260 Points)
- 28. Pleasure Rider 18 & Over (160 Points)

SHOW PLEASURE DIVISION

- 31. Walk/Trot Rider 12 & Under (260 Points)
- 32. Rider 10 & Under (260 Points)
- 33. Rider 11 13 (260 Points)
- 34. Rider 14 17 (260 Points)
- 35. Rider 18 38 (260 Points)
- 36. Rider 39 & Over (260 Points)
- 37. Pleasure Driving (260 Points)
- 38. 5-Gaited Pleasure Adult Exhibitor (260 Points)
- 39. 5-Gaited Pleasure Junior Exhibitor (260 Points)

COUNTRY PLEASURE DIVISION

- 40. Rider 13 & Under (260 Points)
- 41. Rider 14 17 (260 Points)
- 42. Rider 18 38 (260 Points)
- 43. Rider 39 & Over (260 Points)
- 44. Pleasure Driving (260 Points)
- 45. 5-Gaited Pleasure (260 Points)

PLEASURE DIVISION/SHOW & COUNTRY COMBINED

- 46. Owner/Trainer/Rider (160 Points)
- 47. Western (260 Points)
- 48. Wisconsin Owned (160 Points)
- 49. Junior Horse (160 Points)
- 50. Junior Pleasure Driving (160 Points)

IN-HAND DIVISION - Points are counted from all In-Hand classes including Futurity classes.

- 52. Colt and Fillies Age 2 years and under (160 Points)
- 53. Performance Horse Five-Gaited, Three-Gaited, Fine Harness, Park Horse (160 Points)
 - 54. Pleasure Horses (160 Points)

HACKNEY PONY DIVISION

- 55. Hackney / Hackney Harness Combined (260 Points)
- 56. Roadster (260 Points)
- 57. Pleasure Pony (260 Points)

D. "B" SHOW ACHIEVEMENT AWARD CLASSES

- 1. ASB Show Pleasure (260 Points)
 - (a) Rider 13 & Under
- (b) Rider 14 17
- (c) Rider 18 38 (c) Rider 39 & Over
- 2. ASB Country Pleasure (260 Points)
 - (a) Rider 13 & Under
- (b) Rider 14 17
- (c) Rider 18 38 (c) Rider 39 & Over
- 3. ASB Junior Horse Show & Country (160 Points)
- 4. ASB Owner/Trainer/Rider (160 Points)
 - (a) Show (b) Country
- 5. ASB Five-Gaited Pleasure (260 Points)
 - (a) Show (b) Country
- 6. Equitation
 - (a) Walk and Trot Only-Rider 13 & Under (160 Points)
 - (c) Rider 14 17 (260 Points)
 - (d) Rider 18 & Over (160 Points)

- 7. Hunter Seat Pleasure Horse Amateur (160 Points)
- 8. ASB Pleasure Driving (160 Points)
 - (a) Show (b) Country
- 9. ASB Western Pleasure (260 Points)
- 10. ASB Park Pleasure (160 Points)

(Park Pleasure Horses are ineligible to show in any other division at a same show except In-Hand and Equitation classes.)

11. In-Hand/Model (160 Points)
(Pleasure Horses must be shown by an Amateur)

E. ASAW ACADEMY SHOW EQUITATION ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

A Champion and Reserve Champion Trophy will be awarded to the Academy rider accumulating the most points in each of the following Academy Equitation and Horsemanship divisions.

Walk, Trot and Canter Walk and Trot Only

Rider 18 and Over, Walk, Trot and Canter Rider 18 and Over, Walk and Trot

Rider 14 - 17, Walk, Trot and Canter Rider 11 - 17, Walk and Trot

Rider 11 - 13, Walk, Trot and Canter Rider 10 & Under, Walk and Trot

Rider 10 & Under, Walk, Trot and Canter

F. ASAW "HIGH POINT" CHAMPION AWARDS

To be presented in recognition of ASAW Member and Member Horses accumulating the most "Achievement" award points in each of the following Divisions:

NOTE: In-Hand Points do not count toward High Point Trophies

"A" Show Division "B" Show Division

G. ASAW "HORSE OF THE YEAR" CHAMPION AWARDS

To be presented in recognition of the quality and excellence of the American Saddlebred and those horses owned and exhibited by ASAW members. Points for these prestigious awards will be counted only from First and Second places won from "A" Show Division Classes. A minimum of 25 points is required to qualify for this award. Points are counted as follows:

FIRST PLACE - 10 POINTS • SECOND PLACE - 5 POINTS

STAKE/CHAMPIONSHIP FIRST PLACE - 15 POINTS

STAKE/CHAMPIONSHIP SECOND PLACE - 10 POINTS

FIVE-GAITED DIVISION

THREE-GAITED DIVISION

FINE HARNESS DIVISION

PARK DIVISION

PARK PLEASURE DIVISION

SHOW PLEASURE DIVISION

Show Pleasure - Under Saddle

Show Pleasure - Driving

Show Pleasure - Five Gaited

COUNTRY PLEASURE DIVISION

Country Pleasure - Under Saddle

Country Pleasure - Driving

Country Pleasure - Five-Gaited

Western Pleasure

Huntseat

HACKNEY PONY DIVISION

H. STATE PLEASURE CHAMPION AWARDS

To be given by and under the criteria given by the American Saddlebred Horse Association through the accumulation of "A" Show Achievement Award class points.

I. "PEOPLE'S CHOICE" HORSE OF THE YEAR

Horses selected as recipients of this honor should embody the very best characteristics of The American Saddlebred breed and should

Exemplify to all, the very highest standards of The American Saddlebred.

The most important characteristics of an American Saddlebred are its beauty, its willingness to learn, and work, its impressive athletic ability and its personable temperament. While Saddlebreds are extremely alert and curious, they are highly intelligent, people oriented horses. Most Saddlebreds are said to possess that indescribable quality – personality, which endears them to their owners and admirers.

Longevity and stamina of The American Saddlebred horse are an underpinning of the breed. Horses that carry continued success in the show ring convey the essence of what is sought in our horse shows.

It is recommended that horses nominated for this honor demonstrate some, or all of the following criteria:

The horse must be nominated for the award year; the award year is the same year as the year in which all points are accumulated for ASAW Season Trophy Awards.

An ASAW nominated horse that has shown consistently at ASAW member horse shows.

An ASAW nominated horse that has demonstrated consistent superiority by virtue of documented high placings at ASAW member horse shows.

An ASAW nominated horse that has repeatedly placed well at nationally recognized competitions.

• Once a horse has won this award, the horse is no longer eligible in the future.

Nomination applications will be mailed or emailed to the voting membership. Members are asked to nominate their choice for "People's Choice Horse of the Year". The application should include:

- Name of nominated horse
- Name of owner

Brief statement as to why the horse should be considered the "People's Choice Horse of the Year" based on the criteria stated above.

ASAW will only accept one nomination per voting membership. Each nomination must be in writing and mailed to the ASAW Special Awards Committee. A deadline date will be determined by the committee based on when the current awards banquet will be held and announced to the general membership.

The ASAW Special Awards Committee of the Board of Directors will review the nomination applications and determine which horses are to be presented on the official ballot based on the criteria stated above. The official ballot will be mailed to the voting membership of the awards year. Votes are limited to one vote per membership. Only those votes postmarked at least ten (10) days prior to the annual Awards Banquet will be counted. The People's Choice Horse of the Year will be issued to the horse that receives the most votes. In the case of a tie, the winner will be chosen by a draw of chance.

REFERENCE NOTES

- 1. The official show season shall run from January 1 through December 31 of the calendar year.
- 2. Shows may combine or divide age group classes at their discretion.
- 3. Shows are encouraged to offer separate classes for ASB Show Pleasure and Country Pleasure horses. If separate classes are not offered, the words "Show" and "Country" should be eliminated from class descriptions. ASAW points will be counted from all ASB Pleasure classes open to, but not specified for, both Show and Country Pleasure horses.
- 4. In the situation of a combined class, it is up to the exhibitor to inform the ASAW point secretary as to which division to apply earned points.

NOTE: Regarding Show and Country Pleasure Horses, the USEF Rules reads: Shoe bands and pads are permitted in American Saddlebred Pleasure Horses but horses shown in Country Pleasure classes must be plain shod without pads, bands or any device between hoof and shoe.