2021 CHJA MEDAL FINALS CLASS DESCRIPTIONS



CLASS #1

CHJA Horsemanship Challenge

There are two age appropriate tests, one for Ages 12 and Under, and one for Ages 13 and Over. Open to all CHJA Members (both Juniors and Adult Amateurs) competing in the 2021 CHJA Medal Finals or Hunter Classics. This award will identify from among our many qualifiers, the competitor who not only rides well, but whose knowledge expands beyond their riding ability to include all things related to quality horse care. The written test is based on general knowledge of horse, tack and animal care. An individual may only win once.

Tests will be administered at 4:00 pm on Thursday. There will be no admittance after 4:30 pm. Those taking the test will not be able to leave the testing area before 4:30 pm. Cell phones are not allowed. Anyone entering the testing area with a cell phone will be asked to leave it with the test proctor.

The CHJA Horsemanship Challenge Perpetual Trophies will be presented to the individual in each age group with the highest score on the written test. The winners will be announced on Saturday, August 21st immediately after the Adult Medal fence phase. The 13 and Over group will be pinned first. You must attend the presentation to receive your awards and prizes.

Ribbons to 10th Place for each age group

CLASS #2

CHIA Children's Hunter Horse Classic

New in 2021! The CHJA Children's Hunter Horse Classic will be judged as a Hunter Derby, in a two-round format.

To be judged on an open numerical system by two USEF registered judges. In the first round (Classic Hunter Round), all horses will jump a hunter type course consisting of a minimum of 10 jumps not to exceed 3' in height with spreads to 3'. The first round will be judged on performance, hunter pace, jumping style, quality and substance, and movement. It should include at least one in and out, one bending line, one unrelated distance, and one long approach. The obstacles are to simulate those found in the hunt field. Natural obstacles may be used.

The top 10 competitors are eligible to return for the second (Handy Hunter) round. The second round will consist of at least eight obstacles not to exceed 3', and must have a minimum of two handy options, such as: tight turns, different tracks, clever options for jump approaches, pen type obstacles, hand gallop a jump, trot a lowered obstacle not to exceed 2'6" in height, halt and/or back. The second round shall be judged on performance, hunter pace, jumping style, quality and substance, movement, handiness and brilliance of pace.

Scores from the first round will be added together with the scores of the second round to determine the placings. If a tie exists for first place only after the second round, a third round will be held to determine the winner. All other ties will remain tied. No rider may show more than two horses in any one classic.

Note: Does not include high option fences for bonus points in the second round. There are many Children's Medal entrants that also do the Children's Hunter Classic and jumping over 3' would disqualify them from the Children's Medal.

Ribbons to 10th Place

Class Descriptions (continued)



CLASS #3

CHJA Adult Hunter Classic

New in 2021! The CHJA Adult Hunter Classic will be judged as a Hunter Derby, in a two-round format.

To be judged on an open numerical system by two USEF registered judges. In the first round (Classic Hunter Round), all horses/ponies will jump a hunter type course consisting of a minimum of 10 jumps not to exceed 3' in height with spreads to 3'. The first round will be judged on performance, hunter pace, jumping style, quality and substance, and movement. It should include at least one in and out, one bending line, one unrelated distance, and one long approach. The obstacles are to simulate those found in the hunt field. Natural obstacles may be used.

The top 10 competitors are eligible to return for the second (Handy Hunter) round. The second round will consist of at least eight obstacles, and must have a minimum of two handy options, such as: tight turns, different tracks, clever options for jump approaches, pen type obstacles, hand gallop a jump, trot a lowered obstacle not to exceed 2'6" in height, halt and/or back. A maximum of four high option fences set at 3'3" will be offered. After a base score is given, one point will be added (to a maximum of four) for each high option fence jumped. The second round shall be judged on performance, hunter pace, jumping style, quality and substance, movement, handiness and brilliance of pace.

Scores from the first round will be added together with the scores of the second round to determine the placings. If a tie exists for first place only after the second round, a third round will be held to determine the winner. All other ties will remain tied. No rider may show more than two horses in any one classic.

Ribbons to 10th Place

CLASS #4

CHJA Children's Hunter Pony Classic

New in 2021! The CHJA Children's Hunter Pony Classic will be judged as a Hunter Derby, in a two-round format.

To be judged on an open numerical system by two USEF registered judges. In the first round (Classic Hunter Round), all ponies will jump a hunter type course consisting of a minimum of 10 jumps. Small and medium ponies (S/M) will jump fences not to exceed 2' and large (L) ponies will jump fences not to exceed 2'6". The first round will be judged on performance, hunter pace, jumping style, quality and substance, and movement. It should include at least one in and out, one bending line, one unrelated distance, and one long approach. The obstacles are to simulate those found in the hunt field. Natural obstacles may be used.

The top 10 competitors are eligible to return for the second (Handy Hunter) round. The second round will consist of at least eight obstacles (S/M ponies not to exceed 2', L ponies not to exceed 2'6") and must have a minimum of two handy options, such as: tight turns, different tracks, clever options for jump approaches, pen type obstacles, hand gallop a jump, trot a lowered obstacle not to exceed 18" for S/M ponies, and not to exceed 2' for L ponies, halt and/or back. The second round shall be judged on performance, hunter pace, jumping style, quality and substance, movement, handiness and brilliance of pace.

Scores from the first round will be added together with the scores of the second round to determine the placings. If a tie exists for first place only after the second round, a third round will be held to determine the winner. All other ties will remain tied. No rider may show more than two horses in any one classic.

Note: Does not include high option fences in the second round.

Ribbons to 10th Place



Class Descriptions (continued)



CLASS #6

CHJA Master's Medal Final

New in 2021! Fence height is 3'3".

Rider to be a Junior or Adult Member of the CHJA who has qualified in the current year for the CHJA Adult Medal Final or the CHJA Junior Medal Final. The rider may also be a former CHJA medal Champion or Reserve Champion. The class consists of two phases. The first phase is shown over a course of not less than eight obstacles 3'3" in height, which must include one combination including an oxer, and two changes of direction (change of lead) after the first fence. Judges will select 12 contestants (if available) to show at a walk, trot, and canter. The second (flat) phase is mandatory and will count 50%. The same horse to be shown by the same rider in both phases. Judges may require additional testing, using current US EQUESTRIAN Tests 1-19.

Ribbons to 12th Place

CLASS #7

CHJA Junior Medal Final

Rider to be a Junior Member of the CHJA who has not reached his/her 18th birthday. The class consists of two phases. The first phase is shown over a course of not less than eight obstacles 3' in height, which must include one combination including an oxer, and two changes of direction (change of lead) after the first fence. Judges will select 12 contestants (if available) to show at a walk, trot, and canter. The second (flat) phase is mandatory and will count 50%. The same horse to be shown by the same rider in both phases. Judges may require additional testing, using current US EQUESTRIAN Tests 1-19.

Ribbons to 12th Place

CLASS #8

CHIA Adult Medal Final

Rider to be an Adult Amateur Member of the CHJA. The class consists of two phases. The first phase is shown over a course of not less than eight obstacles 3' in height, which must include one combination including an oxer, and two changes of direction (change of lead) after the first fence. Judges will select 12 contestants (if available) to show at a walk, trot, and canter. The second (flat) phase is mandatory and will count 50%. The same horse to be shown by the same rider in both phases. Judges may require additional testing, using current US EQUESTRIAN Tests 1-19.

Ribbons to 12th Place

CLASS #9

CHJA Pony Medal Final

New in 2021! Fence height is 2'0" for Small and Medium ponies, and 2'6" for Large ponies.

Rider to be a Junior Member of the CHJA who has not reached his/her 18th birthday. The class consists of two phases. The first phase is to be shown over a course of not less than six obstacles. Small and Medium ponies to jump obstacles 2'0" in height. Large ponies to jump obstacles 2'6" in height. A combination is optional and must be adjusted according to fence height. If the distance between obstacles is less than 72' then the distance must be adjusted for each height section. Judges will select 12 contestants (if available) to show at a walk, trot, and canter. The second (flat) phase is mandatory and will count 50%. The same pony to be shown by the same rider in both phases. Judges may require additional testing, using current US EQUESTRIAN Tests 1-8.

Ribbons to 12th Place

Class Descriptions (continued)



CLASS #10

CHJA Children's Medal Final

Rider to be a Junior Member of the CHJA who is eligible for Children's Hunter, and has not shown over a course where fences exceeded 3' at a Recognized Show. If rider has ever qualified or shown in a 3' Equitation Final including the CHJA Junior Medal, they are no longer eligible for the Children's Medal. The class consists of two phases. The first phase is over a course of not less than eight obstacles at 2'6" in height, which must contain two changes of direction after the first fence with no combinations permitted. Judges will select at 12 contestants (if available) to show at a walk, trot, and canter. The second (flat) phase is mandatory and will count 50%. The same horse to be shown by the same rider in both phases. Judges may require additional testing, using current US EQUESTRIAN Tests 1-8.

Ribbons to 12th Place

CLASS #11

CHJA Modified Adult Medal Final

Rider to be an Adult Amateur Member of the CHJA who is eligible for Modified Adult Equitation. The class consists of two phases. The first phase is shown over a course of not less than eight obstacles 2'6" in height, which must include two changes of direction after the first fence and no combinations. Judges will select 12 contestants (if available) to show at a walk, trot, and canter. The second (flat) phase is mandatory and will count 50%. The same horse to be shown by the same rider in both phases. Judges may require additional testing, using current US EQUESTRIAN Tests 1-8.

Ribbons to 12th Place

CLASS #12

CHJA Pre-Children's Medal Final

Rider to be a Junior Member of the CHJA who has not shown over fences exceeding 2'6" at a Recognized Show. If a rider has ever qualified for or shown in a 2'6" Equitation Final including the CHJA Children's Medal, they are no longer eligible for the Pre-Children's Medal. The class consists of two phases. The first phase is over a course of not less than eight obstacles at 2' in height, which must contain two changes of direction after the first fence with no combinations permitted. Judges will select 12 contestants (if available) to show at a walk, trot, and canter. The second (flat) phase is mandatory and will count 50%. Riders may show horses or ponies. The same horse/pony to be shown by the same rider in both phases. Judges may require additional testing, using current US EQUESTRIAN Tests 1-8.

Ribbons to 12th Place

