APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION by Jan Decker, That the Board of Directors agenda of November 18, 2017 be approved.
Motion Passed Unanimously.  (Motion #1-11/18/17-BOD)

COMPETITION/ENDURANCE QUALIFICATIONS

MOTION by Cynthia Richardson:
Whereas,  It has become difficult to qualify for Competitive Trail Regional and National Championships because there are limited numbers of CTR rides in some areas; and
Whereas,  There is the desire to make the qualifications for Endurance and CTR as similar as possible to avoid confusion between riders; and
Whereas,  The current two year restriction on CTR entry has made it a hardship if a horse is out of competition for a period of time yet is still a well-qualified horse; and
Whereas,  By changing qualifications to lifetime mileage, horses that have competed in one regional ride and had met the mileage requirement would be qualified for life; and
Whereas,  By changing qualifications to lifetime mileage, horses that have competed in a National Championship and had met the mileage requirement would be qualified for life;
Therefore, Be It

Moved,   That CTR 110.1 be changed to read:
1. Qualifications. All horses ridden in a Regional Championship Competitive Trail Ride must have qualified in a Competitive Trail or Endurance Ride held within the two preceding calendar years and that period of the current year prior to the closing of entries for the ride at which the Regional Championship Ride is held and will meet one of the following criteria:
   a. Complete 50 miles of an AHA Recognized/Approved competition of no less than 25 miles per ride. At least 25 miles must be Competitive Trail miles. See CT 103.1.a. for the Approved List.
   b. Placing Top Five in a Regional Championship Competitive Trail Ride.
   d. Previous recognized National Champion Competitive Trail Horses are qualified for life. Previous Reserve National Champion Competitive Trail Horses are qualified for four years, plus the portion of the current year prior to closing of entries.

Moved,   That CTR 113.1.d be changed to read:
d. Have qualified in a Competitive Trail or Endurance Rides that was held within the two preceding calendar years and that period of the current year prior to the closing of entries for the ride in which a National Championship ride is held and will meet one of the following criteria:
   i. Complete 100 lifetime miles of an AHA Recognized Competitive Trail Ride(s) or an Open Competitive Trail Ride(s) sanctioned by an AHA Approved Ride Organization or at ride(s) sanctioned by AERC of no less than 25 miles (of which at least 50 miles must be in an AHA Recognized Competitive Trail Ride(s) or an Open Competitive Trail Ride(s) sanctioned by an AHA Approved Ride Organization)
   ii. Placing Top Five in a Regional Championship Competitive Trail Ride, or
   iii. Placing Top Ten in a National Competitive Trail Ride, or
iv. Previous recognized National Champion Competitive Trail Horses are qualified for life and may re-enter any National or Regional Championship Competitive Trail Ride. Reserve Champion Competitive Trail Horses are qualified for four years, plus the portion of the current year prior to the closing of entries for the National CTR, and may re-enter the National Championship Competitive Trail Ride within that period.

; and

Moved, That END 107.6 be deleted:

6. Previous AHA Recognized National Champion Endurance Horses are qualified for life and may re-enter any National or Regional Championship Endurance Ride. Reserve National Champion Endurance horses are qualified for four years, plus the portion of the current year prior to the close of entries for the National Endurance Ride, and may re-enter the National Endurance Ride within that period. (BOD 8/15)

Effective: Immediately.

Motion Passed Unanimously. (Motion #2-11/18/17-BOD)

COMPETITIVE VET JUDGES

MOTION by Cynthia Richardson:

Whereas, It is becoming increasingly difficult to acquire vet judges for the AHA Distance National; and

Whereas, The rule is not required for the endurance portion of the Handbook; Therefore, Be It

Moved, That the last sentence from CT 114.1 be removed; and, Be It Further

Moved, That CT 114.1 shall henceforth read:

1. Judges. All judges must be veterinary judges. Two judges are required for the first 50 horses and one additional judge is recommended for each additional 25 horses.

Effective: January 1, 2018.

Motion Passed Unanimously. (Motion #3-11/18/17-BOD)