

**NORTHERN CALIFORNIA
AMERICAN SADDLEBRED HORSE ASSOCIATION
HIGH POINT PROGRAM FOR ACADEMY AND BEGINNER RIDERS**

- PURPOSE:** To promote participation in the Academy/Beginner rider classes and to provide friendly, competitive FUN for newcomers.
- AWARDS:** Awards will be presented at the annual awards banquet to each rider who participates in at least 2 shows.
- MEMBERSHIP:** The participant must be a member of NCASHA by the opening date of the horse show in order to earn points. An Academy membership is available which carries no voting privileges but does include participation in this program, the club news-letter and all club activities. Regular and family memberships include participation in this high point program as well as the regular high point awards.
- SHOWS:** The shows included in this program are: All NCASHA Fun Shows, Monterey, UPHA Ch 1. (Additional shows may be added at the discretion of the Board). Points will count only for classes designated as Academy and/or Beginner.
- POINTS:** A rider may not enter both the Walk and Trot and the Walk, Trot and Canter classes at the same show. If a rider advances from Walk and Trot to Walk, Trot and Canter during the year, their accumulated points will move with them.
- Points will be awarded as follows:
2 points: Participation in an Academy/Beginner class
1st: 20 points 2nd: 16 points 3rd: 8 points 4th: 6 points
- HORSE:** An academy horse is one that is regularly used in a lesson program for multiple students. It is not a horse that is in training, or leased for the purpose of showing. Classes may combine academy and non-academy horses with beginner riders if there are limited entries.
- RIDERS:** An academy rider is a person of any age who takes lessons and has only exhibited in Academy or Beginner divisions at any show. A beginner rider is a person of any age who is in their first year of showing and has never shown outside this division, or whose experience has been so limited that they would be considered a beginner in a lesson program. A Walk, Trot and Canter rider must be in their first year of showing at the three gaits and/or fit the above description of a beginner.
- REMINDER:** If you enter a class that requires a canter at ANY horse show, you may not re-enter the Walk and Trot division.