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AWARDS FOR THE AMERICAN SADDLEBRED HORSE

Hi-Points & Awards on offer | LJ

YOU HAVE AN AMERICAN SADDLEBRED... SO NOW WHAT?

The American Saddlebred Horse ... the Ultimate Show Horse and what better way to celebrate than to take part in the United Saddlebred Association's many awards.

Whether you compete in traditional English classes, the flamboyant American saddle seat ones or in affiliated dressage or endurance – whatever you do with your American Saddlebred Horse the United Saddlebred Association has an award for you.

Don't compete? That's no problem as we have awards for you to.

Read on to find out more ...



AWARDS

All our Awards are open to any USA-UK member and their registered American Saddlebred and run annually.

We have two basic categories – in hand and ridden and then after that everything is FREE, you simply nominate what you want to be considered for.

All our forms are available online, or a paper copy can be ordered for those of you without access to the internet.

IN HAND PUREBRED – open to all purebreds, any age, for any in hand class that they have competed in.

IN HAND PARTBRED – open to all partbreds, any age, for any in hand class they have competed in.

RIDDEN PUREBRED – open to all purebreds, for any ridden class they have competed in.

RIDDEN PARTBRED – open to all partbreds, for any ridden class they have competed in.



SUBDIVISIONS

MEMBERS CUP – open to all members that have entered the Hi-Points. Accumulative score for their horse counts (in hand and ridden combined) and is based on individual horse/exhibitor combinations.

YOUTH AWARD – open to all youth members that have entered the Hi-Points. Accumulative score for their horse counts (in hand and ridden combined), plus points earned in any of our Youth Quizzes. Entry is completely FREE for youth members.

VERSATILITY AWARD – open to all members that have entered the in hand and ridden Hi-Points and whose horses have competed in at least 3 different divisions during the course of the year (e.g. in hand, hunt seat and western). Bonus points awarded if they compete in more than one division at the same show.

FUTURITY AWARD – open to all Saddlebreds aged 3 years or under that have entered the in hand Hi-Point division. Accumulative score at nominated shows to count.

NEWCOMERS AWARD – open to all members entering the Hi-Points for the first time.



MORE AWARDS

The United Saddlebred Association runs their own version of State Pleasure Awards which are FREE to all members that have entered the ridden division of the Hi-Points and comprise of:

- **HUNTER** – for Saddlebreds shown American Hunter/Riding Horse at any show offering Saddlebred, Foreign Breed or World Breed classes.
- **3-GAITED** – for Saddlebreds that are shown in the American saddle seat style 3-Gaited (walk, trot and canter) at any shows offering Saddlebred, Foreign Breed or World Breed classes and include classes such as pleasure, country pleasure and park.
- **5-GAITED** – for Saddlebreds that are shown in the American saddle seat style 5-Gaited (walk, trot, canter, slow gait and rack) at any shows offering Saddlebred, Foreign Breed or World Breed classes.
- **ENDURANCE** – for Saddlebreds that compete in long distance and pleasure rides.
- **TREC** – for Saddlebreds that compete in Trec competitions.
- **WESTERN** – for Saddlebreds that are shown in the Western Pleasure division at any shows offering Saddlebred, Foreign Breed or World Breed classes.
- **HARNESS** – for Saddlebreds shown in Harness classes at any show.
- **SPORT HORSE** – for Saddlebreds that compete in any dressage, show jumping or eventing, affiliated or non-affiliated.

AND MORE

The United Saddlebred Association also has SASH Awards – Show Awards for Saddlebred Horses. These are where we keep a running total of the accumulative score of your horse and you receive awards at certain levels, culminating in achieving Championship status and being able to use the CH prefix in front of your horses' name – we'll even amend your horse's USA-UK passport and Certificate of Registration free of charge to show this. Awards are made at Bronze level – 1,000 competitive points, Silver level – 2,500 points and Gold level – 5,000 points. Upon reaching Gold level, Championship status is also bestowed upon your Saddlebred. There is even an ELITE status for this reaching the magical 10,000 points.

We said we catered for those of you that don't compete? Well, not only do we do that, these Awards are FREE for members.



PROMOTIONAL AWARD

For those of you that promote the American Saddlebred Horse and/or the United Saddlebred Association in a variety of ways, with or without your Saddlebred. From writing articles, to giving clinics and demos - if you are out there promoting the breed then we honour you with this annual award.

HACKING SCHEME

If your best part of owning an American Saddlebred is to ride the local countryside, then this is for you. Each time participants clock up 100 hours they receive an award and then again at 250, 500 and 1000 hours. Forms are returned annually and we keep a running total on the website for you to follow your horse's progress.

AND EVEN MORE

The American Saddlebred Horse Association, our parent body in America, runs a **Regional Hi-Point Championship**, which is open to any ASHA registered Saddlebred (pure or partbred) owned by an ASHA member. At the moment you still need to nominate shows in the UK that you will be competing in (they don't need to be restricted to Saddlebred type shows – any are eligible, from showing, to jumping, eventing to Trec and anything in between) and email results to us within 7 days of the competition. (The list of Saddlebred type shows on our website will indicate if they are ASHA nominated or not). Best of all it's FREE to take part in these ASHA awards.

Then there is the new **ASHA AMBASSADOR PROGRAM** that recognises anything you do with your Saddlebred to promote the breed – from showing, taking part in parades and trail ride, to hosting a clinic, giving lessons or even advertising in a magazine. This is open to purebreds only, who must be ASHA registered and owned by an ASHA member. If you have done anything like this, let us know so that we can tabulate everyone's results and submit them annually to the ASHA.

Event	Points
Showed (your Saddlebred) at an all-breed open show	20
Took your ASB to an all breed event – parade, group trail ride etc.	30
Took your Saddlebred to an Expo or other public promotional event	20
Get written up in an all-breed print or on-line publication	15
Advertise in all-breed print or on-line magazine	5
Participate in school or club seminar with a Saddlebred	20
Participate in school or club seminar as a speaker	15
Taught a public lesson programme	2
Hosted a barn show open to public or other barns	40
Hosted a clinic or a camp or a public Open House	20
Active in more than one discipline:	
Western	10
Jumping	10
Saddle Seat	10
Hunt Seat	10
Dressage	10
Eventing	10
Driving	10
Other (please describe)	10

Don't forget about our annual European Championships and our annual British National Championships. Beautiful prizes on offer, plus goodie bags filled with donated items.

For details and schedules, view online at www.american-saddlebred.co.uk

So, not only do we offer you all these Awards, but while you are earning them your horse is earning points towards his Championship Status. Carry on earning points to reach “Elite” status and your Saddlebred will receive a beautiful embroidered rug/saddle cloth or similar item, FREE! In addition we also ensure your horse is entered in the ASHA Awards too – at no additional cost to yourself.

As well as this, we offer rosettes to our Members at a variety of shows throughout the country. The vast majority of Saddlebred classes are open to anyone, however many Saddlebred Championships are open to United Saddlebred Association members only.

Whatever your reason for joining the United Saddlebred Association, we would be happy to welcome you and Saddlebred and look forward to seeing you both on our Roll of Honours each year.

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