

### SASKATCHEWAN HUNTER JUMPER ASSOCIATION

### **2017 ANNUAL GENERAL REPORTS**

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#### 2017 Board of Directors

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Two Year Director Al Tirk

Two Year Director \*\*

One Year Director \*\*

Vanessa Ethier

One Year Director \*\*

Casey MacLeod

Youth Director \*\*

Taylor Frain

\*\* Position up for election in 2018



#### From the President

On behalf of the Executive Committee and Board, I would like to welcome everyone to the 2017 Annual General Meeting of the Saskatchewan Hunter Jumper Association (SHJA).

2017 continued to build upon the transitional and transformational framework laid out in 2016 related to the operational and governance structure of SHJA, as well as continued improvements to the accessibility and overall transparency of the discipline group.

Some highlights of our 2017 program offerings once again included our "Dessert and Learn" series which were offered free of charge to interested Competition Organizing Committees; the inaugural "SHJA Hunter Classic" rolled out as a replacement to the now defunct Equestrian Canada Hunter Classic class; and our first ever member survey rolled out in order to gain insight into what motivates our hunter / jumper athletes, and the direction they would like to see the discipline group take moving forward.

As the official discipline group for the Province, SHJA is grateful for the ongoing support of the Saskatchewan Horse Federation, Equestrian Canada, Jump Canada, and SaskSport. It is through funding provided both directly and indirectly by these agencies that SHJA is able to continue to function and serve the modern needs of its membership. SHJA is a volunteer board that is membership driven; it is through the hard work and time commitment of these individuals, that we are able to continue acting as "your voice" at the grassroots, local, provincial and national levels.

Respectfully submitted Lisa Ryland SHJA President



### Financial Report 2017

As was also the case in 2016, throughout 2017, the goal of SHJA has been to provide greater transparency and accountability with respect to the financial reporting, and tracking of expenses within the organization to ensure compliance with the Saskatchewan Non-profit Corporations Act, 1995 and our main funding agencies Saskatchewan Horse Federation and Equestrian Canada / Jump Canada. As well, changes in the reporting and funding application requirements at the SaskSport level necessitated changes regarding how our funds were both tracked and allocated.

A copy of the unaudited financial statement for 2017 is available for review.

Respectfully submitted, Amanda Onishenko SHJA Treasurer



### Nomination Committee Report 2017

#### **Board Composition:**

The Board of Directors of the SHJA is made up of the following:

- Executive Committee (President, Vice-President, Treasurer and Secretary), holding 3 year terms;
- Two Directors, holding two (2) year terms;
- Two Directors, holding one (1) year terms;
- Honoree Youth Representative (21 and under) holding 1 year term; and
- Past President, holding a 3 year term.

#### Nominations for 2017 AGM:

There were no nominations received by the President by the February 1, 2018 deadline.

The following positions are open for the 2018 Board:

#### Secretary

• Currently Taryn Grey (Zone 6); Taryn is seeking re-election

#### Two Year Director:

Currently Katryna Williams (Zone 6); Katryna is seeking re-election

#### One year Director(s):

• Currently Vanessa Ethier (Zone 8) and Casey MacLeod (Zone 2), both are seeking re-election

#### Youth Representative:

- Currently Taylor Frain (Zone 6); Taylor is seeking re-election
- Keelin Voykin (Zone 5) is nominated for this position.

Nominations from the floor will be accepted at the AGM prior to finalization of the slate of nominees.

Currently the Youth Representative requires a vote. A member 18 years or older at time of AGM in good standing is entitled to one (1) vote. Ballots will be circulated at the AGM. Ballots with more than one name per line, or of a person not nominated, will be considered spoiled.



The Nomination Committee wishes to thank the Board members that have again agreed to let their names stand for election.

Respectfully submitted SHJA Nomination Committee



### **Constitution Committee 2017**

A cursory review of the SHJA Constitution was under taken in 2017 as a comprehensive review and update had been completed in 2016.

No updates or revisions to the Constitution were required in 2017.

Respectfully submitted SHJA Constitution Committee



### Membership and Member Survey Report 2017

2017 proved to be a year of slightly contracted membership numbers when compared to 2016 with final membership numbers totaling 63, as of December 31, 2017, marginally lower than the membership numbers reported in 2016.

A breakdown by SaskSport Zone # once again indicates that the majority of our membership is based in the following zones:

- Zone 2 (City of Regina / Regina Sport District);
- Zone 5 (Central SK / Prairie Central District for Sport, Culture and Recreation);
- Zone 6 (City of Saskatoon / Saskatoon District); and
- Zone 7 (Northwest SK / Rivers West District for Sport, Culture and Recreation).

NOTE: Zone assignment breakdown per definitions provided by SaskSport and are listed below.

- Zone 1: Southeast SK (Southeast Connection Sport, Culture, and Recreation District)
- Zone 2: City of Regina (Regina Sport District)
- Zone 3: Southwest SK (Southwest District for Culture, Recreation and Sport)
- Zone 4: East central SK (Parkland Valley Sport, Culture and Recreation District)
- Zone 5: Central SK (Prairie Central District for Sport, Culture and Recreation)
- Zone 6: City of Saskatoon (Saskatoon District)
- Zone 7: Northwest SK (Rivers West District for Sport, Culture and Recreation)
- Zone 8: Northeast SK (Lakeland District for Sport, Culture and Recreation)
- Zone 9: Northern SK (Northern Sport, Culture and Recreation District)

A breakdown of membership by age group for 2017 indicates the following:

- Approximately 45% of our membership were juniors, (less than 18 years of age); and
- Approximately 55% of our membership were seniors, (18 years of age or greater).

In an attempt to gain further insight into how the membership views the operational footprint of SHJA, and what direction they would like to SHJA take moving forward, the Board undertook a short membership survey in late 2017. The survey was available to the general public on the SHJA website and the SHJA Facebook page, and emailed out to the 2016 - 2017 membership.



The results showed that the majority of the membership would like the SHJA to continue sport development within the Province by hosting additional events and/or clinics as well as providing educational opportunities. A summary of the survey results are presented below:

#### 2017 SHJA Feedback Survey - 46 respondents

1. Did you purchase a SHJA membership in last 2 years?

Yes	35	76.09%
No	11	23.91%

2. Please indicate all items you identify with:

North SK resident	4	10.26%
Central SK resident	28	71.79%
South SK resident	7	17.95%
Jr Rider	8	17.39%
Sr Rider	30	65.22%
Parent of rider	8	17.39%
Coach	12	26.09%
Official	2	4.35%
Rather not say	0	0.00%

NOTE: Percentages shown exceed 100% due to respondents being able to self identify in more than one category.

3. Have you accessed the SHJA Facebook Page?

Yes and helpful	30	65.22%
Yes and not helpful	6	13.04%
No	10	21.74%

4. Have you accessed the SHJA website?

Yes and helpful	23	50.00%
Yes and not helpful	4	8.70%
No	19	41.30%



### 5. Did you attend a SHJA Dessert and Learn in 2017?

Yes and helpful	23	51.11%
Yes and not helpful	0	0.00%
No	22	48.89%

### 6. Have you contacted the SHJA?

In person and helpful	12	26.09%
Email and helpful	17	36.96%
Facebook and helpful	6	13.04%
In person and not helpful	1	2.17%
Email and not helpful	1	2.17%
Facebook and not helpful	1	2.17%
No	20	43.48%

### 7. I would like SHJA to direct more funding to...

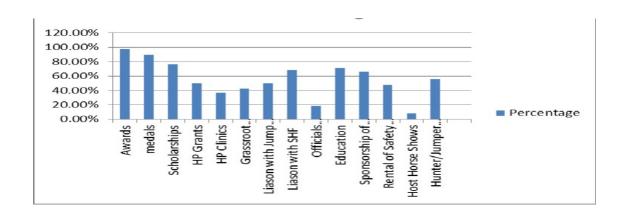
Prizes (awards)	5	11.90%
Grants (Medal, Education, Scholarships)	13	30.95%
Hosting events (Clinics, Provincial Championships)	24	57.14%



#### 8. What do you think SHJA currently does?

### Listed by Most responses:

Awards	97.37%	Top 5:	
Medals	89.47%	Awards	97.37%
Scholarships	76.32%	Medals	89.47%
Education	71.05%	Scholarships	76.32%
Liaison with SHF	68.42%	Education	71.05%
Sponsorship of Shows	65.79%	Liaison with SHF	68.42%
Hunter/Jumper Community Development (rules review, new class initiatives)	55.26%		
HP Grants	50.00%		
Liaison with Jump Canada( Equestrian Canada)	50.00%		
Rental of Safety Equipment	47.37%		
Grassroot Development (clinics, education)	42.11%		
HP Clinics	36.84%		
Host Horse Shows	7.89%		

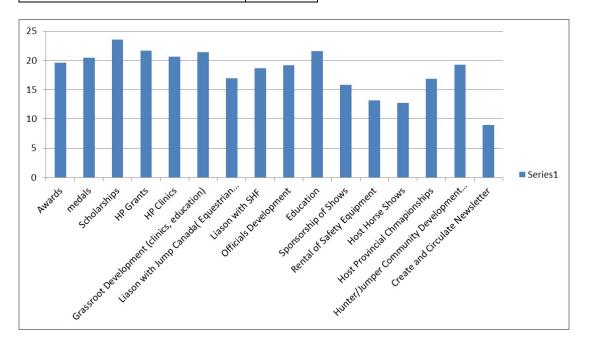




#### 9. What do you think SHJA should do?

### Listed by Most responses:

Ranked by Priority:	Scoring	Top 5:	
Scholarships	23.58%	Scholarships	23.58%
HP Grants	21.69%	HP Grants	21.69%
Education	21.54%	Education	21.54%
Grassroots Development (clinics, education)	21.41%	Grassroots Development (clinics, education)	21.41%
HP Clinics	20.66%	HP Clinics	20.66%
Medals	20.45%		
Awards	19.63%		
Hunter/Jumper Community Development (rules review, new class initiatives)	19.29%		
Officials Development	19.17%	7	
Liaison with SHF	18.65%	7	
Liaison with Jump Canada (Equestrian Canada)	16.93%		
Host Provincial Championships	16.90%		
Sponsorship of Shows	15.82%		
Rental of Safety Equipment	13.17%		
Host Horse Shows	12.75%		
Create and Circulate Newsletter	8.94%		





The SHJA has used the survey results to make adjustments to the programs offered in 2018 and will continue to monitor as well as seeking input from the membership on how to better serve their interests.

As well, SHJA will continue to reach out to under-represented SaskSport Zones in 2018 to promote awareness of the Hunter / Jumper discipline, programming and service offerings available to those competitors, and encourage membership in SHJA.

Respectfully submitted SHJA Board



### High Performance Report 2017

The High Performance (HP) Selection Committee received five (5) applications for the four (4) 2017 High Performance Grants available during the most recent competition season.

To qualify for High Performance a rider must be a Junior or Amateur rider competing at the 1.10m level or higher.

The HP Committee reviewed each of the candidate's applications independently and following the grants criteria, provided on the SHJA website, scored the applicants accordingly based on the content of their respective submissions. Subsequently, the HP Committee then met as a group to discuss each applicant's score and came to a consensus on the four to be put forward to SaskSport.

The 2017 High Performance Grant recipients are:

#### Junior:

Madisson Onishenko (Zone 6) Jaydan Stettner (Zone 2)

#### Senior:

Heather Brodsky (Zone 6) Katryna Williams (Zone 6)

The HP Committee would like to thank all applicants who took the time to send in their applications and encourage all qualified riders to apply in 2018!

Respectfully submitted SHJA High Performance Selection Committee



### **Educational Scholarship Report 2017**

The Educational Scholarship (ES) Selection Committee received three applications for the 2017 Post Secondary Scholarship.

The ES Committee reviewed each candidate's application independently and following the grants criteria, provided on the SHJA website, scored the applicants accordingly based on the content of their respective submissions. Subsequently, the ES Committee then met as a group to discuss each applicant's scores and came to a consensus on the recipient.

The 2017 Educational Scholarship recipient is:

Maggie Omer-Canitz (Zone 5)

The ES Committee would like to thank all applicants who took the time to send in their applications.

Respectfully submitted SHJA Educational Scholarship Selection Committee



### **Awards Program Report 2017**

#### SHJA Hunter Classic

The SHJA created the following program which was new for 2017. The purpose of this program was to offer a class with heights that shows are not offering as divisions with the desire to increase both the height and number of competitors in the hunter ring.

Proposed Heights: 2'9", 3'0", 3'3", and 3'6" (options to 3" higher than rest of course if offered).

The class offered prize money of \$500-\$750 with SHJA supplying  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the money. This class was only offered at EC Gold events in 2017 and competitors in the class must have been SHJA members.

2017 - SHJA Hunter Classic, Summer Sun II Winner: Madeline Staff with Gold Mine.

NOTE: 2017 Saskatoon Classic was canceled by the Organizing Committee.

#### 2017 Year End Awards

The 2017 SHJA Year End awards were:

SHJA 2'6" Medal Doug Sroka SHJA 3' Medal Hunter Duff

Development Hunter: up to and including 2'0" Olivia Irving with All That Jazz Low Hunter: 2'3" and up including 2'6" Doug Sroka with Code Red

Open Hunter: 2'9" and up Sydney Loessin with Steel Your Heart

Low Jumper: up to and including 1.00m Courtney Frain and Sunkist Modified Jumper: 1.10m and up Katryna Williams and Geo

Points are tabulated from shows that request SHJA sponsorship for the current show year. Individual SHJA membership for the current year is required to be considered for year-end SHJA awards.



#### SHJA Hunter of the Year Award

This award is the accumulation of each hunter / jumper show in Saskatchewan that holds an indicated special, hunter derby, and hunter classic classes. These classes can be at any height from 2'6" and up.

Calculations will be as follows:

Class Placing X # of Entries X Height of Class

2017 Hunter of the Year Award winner: Doug Sroka with Code Red

**SHJA Pony Award:** 2017, no nominations received

Respectfully submitted SHJA Awards Committee



### **Education Report 2017**

In 2017, the Dessert and Learn sessions were expanded to include more shows and topics.

These sessions were free to anyone wanting to attend and were publicized on the SHJA Facebook page.

The following competitions held Dessert and Learn sessions in 2017:

- The Saskatoon Riding Club Trophy Show;
- Sandcastle Riding Club Summer Sun Series I, II, III, and IV;
- Ebon Stables Midsummer Masters; and
- The SHF Heritage Circuit Provincial Finals.

Thank-you to all those that came out and participated. We are working on developing additional topics in 2018 and hoping to expand the Dessert and Learn sessions once again.

Respectfully submitted SHJA Education Committee