

Delegate's Report
January 25th Board of Directors & General Membership Meeting

The PFHA board of directors and general membership meeting took place in Orlando, FL on January 25th.

The meeting was called to order at 9:05 am. Roll call/vote determination followed. Kentucky had a total of 63 votes. A total of 2510 votes was there. Total majority votes were 1256. (Florida 1072 and Ocala 421) We did have several regions that did not attend. This does hurt because Florida and Ocala regions have over the majority votes when this happens.

Minutes were approved for the meeting held in November.

President Londono presented next. She mentioned the Youth Nationals for 2021 could be a dual Nationals with another breed. The Youth Mundial team are selling tickets for a Kuda saddle. She also told us that we have a new corporate sponsor, State Line Tack.

- Appointed Kati Martin as the 3 year Hearing Member
- The Ethics Chair is open at this time
- Shaw Laney was appointed as the 3 year Director of the Board
- Appointed the following to the Diagonal Task Force: Amy Collingsworth, Jose Colon, Staige de Benedetti (Chair), April Hughes, and Katreena Haley

Liza Holland, our executive director, gave her report next. She stressed that PFHA sanctioned shows must be approved before they are advertised. Since this wasn't in policy, a motion was made that any PFHA sanctioned events must have preapproval before advertising. The motion passed.

A motion was passed to have a flash sale on registrations from Jan 27- Feb 7. Pay for 1 horse registration and get \$50 off the 2nd registration.

Treasurer's Report was presented. Total current assets is \$854,441.66.

Budget was approved.

The Olympic style of judging was approved for the 2020 GNS. This is what has been used for the last few years.

Membership Committee had a couple motions that were passed regarding matching grants that are available.

- Regional Co-Op Advertising Matching Grant: Goal is to provide professional displays and marketing of the Paso Fino Horse at multi-breed equine events. Events and displays to be coordinated with the executive director.
- Membership Appreciation Matching Grant: Goal is to assist regions with the retention of members. Up to \$500 maybe requested per region. Allowance of \$10 for each participating member. This grant encourages a social activity that all regional members have an opportunity to participate and is intended to be a separate activity from the Trail Horse Test program and the Co-Op Advertising grant.

Regions must submit their grant request in writing no later than the Spring Board of Directors meeting.

(We need to think of what we would like to do with our membership appreciation day)

Motion was approved to offer Business Members a \$50 annual discount off the full price of a business card advertisement in the PFHW. The discount to be adjusted for the number of remaining issues for 2020 at \$8 per issue.

Side Note: Trail Horse Test program has a regional grant of \$200.00.

Everyone turned in the Rule Change Proposals vote to be calculated.

Historical Committee will be talking to founding members and recording them. They plan on posting them to the website.

Nominating Committee was appointed as follows: Patti Blichman (Chair), Nicolas Burgos, Sandy Mixon, Yvonne Bowen, Ellen Perez

Three representatives from USEF attended our meeting. Terri Dolan, Director of the National Breeds & Non FEI Disciplines Sports, and Jackie Barr, National Breeds and Disciplines Program Coordinator. (I didn't catch the name of the other one). This was amazing that they took the time to attend our meeting. I didn't realize just how prestigious this organization actually is. The Paso Fino is the only gaited horse that is a part of this. We should feel pretty special. They are the organization that oversees the Olympics!!! Just think about that for a minute. Wow!!!

Beginning, February 1st, USEF is offering health insurance to all members to purchase. This is awesome for horse trainers and farm help that doesn't have health insurance. USEF also offers different types of insurance that all members can purchase. Please go to USEF website to find out more information.

We all participated in a Visioning Workshop conducted by Liza Holland.

Finally, we received the results of the RCP. I will attach the results.

At the end of the meeting, Denise Van Ness, Ocala Delegate, made a motion to give \$300 per Youth Mundial participant (Youth had to raise \$300) and Alex Amador, Florida delegate, seconded the motion. There is a total of 30 participants. This is a total of \$9000.00. A motion was made to table this until the next meeting but Ocala and Florida had enough votes to overturn it and the original motion passed. Ocala and Florida didn't need any other votes to get this passed. The rest of us walked away feeling like a whooped pup. Not necessarily that we didn't want this but the fact that all of the regions had no voice besides Ocala and Florida. Denise said they were originally thinking of asking \$1000 per participant, then \$500 and then settled on \$300.00. The budget was passed earlier and this was not in there. \$9000 will have to come from somewhere in the budget.

Meeting adjourned before 5 pm.

Report submitted by Candala Gibson - Delegate, Kentucky Region

2019 RULE CHANGE PASSED

Any addition wording to an existing rule is in bold text.
Any wording to be deleted from an existing rule is crossed out.

C-7 Gold Life Member

Constitution, III,4,A-4, Pg.5-6

Change: ADD bold:

4. Golden Life Members: Persons who desire to be **a** member for life and who have advanced appropriate dues for this classification to the Association, which shall constitute payment of dues and assessments for the life of the member. During the year membership is purchased, membership includes a gold lapel pin, ~~five (5) free videos, special listing in the Farm Directory, special seating at the Grand National Championship Show, recognition at Grand National Championship Banquet and free stud book.~~ Annual recognition will be given in the Grand National Championship Show Program **and special listing on the PFHA website. The Association through BOD policy may from time to time create additional incentives to promote upgrading to this category of membership.** Note: He/she must meet the age requirement for voting and office holding.

C-10 Regional Designation

Constitution, IV,Reg G, 4,Pg.7

Change: Section 4. Regional Designation.

The official regional designation of all members will be determined by the geographical location of the permanent residence of the member unless the member notifies the Association in writing of his or her desire to be listed as (1) non-specified or (2) as affiliated with another Regional Group.

. Any changes to regional designation, other than those done with the Membership application or Membership renewal, must be provided to the Association office in writing and must be signed by each member requesting the change in designation.

Members may change their regional designation by 1) signed written notice to the Association office or 2) via the member account feature of the Association website using their membership # and their security pen.

A member may designate "non-specified" if he/she chooses not to affiliate with a Regional Group to be represented on the Board of Directors.

C-11 Change to Executive Director Section

Constitution, V,1, Pg.9

Change: REPLACE first paragraph with: The Board shall hire or contract an Executive Director to the run the day-to-day operations of the Association. Selection of candidate shall be through a hiring committee chaired by the Chair of the Personnel Committee. The recommended candidate would then be ratified by the Board, or the Executive Committee. The Executive Director shall be appointed Assistant Treasurer and as such will conduct the routine operations of the office of Treasurer upon his or her direction. The other duties of the Executive Director: Duties of are as

follows:

C-12 Require Regional Delegates to have been a member of region for 1 year

Constitution, VII, 9, Pg.11

Change: Add the wording in bold italic to 2. Is in good standing with the Regional Group *and has been a member of the Regional Group for at least one (1) year prior to any Board or Membership Meeting*. The vote tally for each Regional Group is determined by the number of designated voting members of that Region on record in the Association office thirty (30) days prior to the meeting. No member shall be represented by a Director of more than one Regional Group. The Regional Director must have been designated voting member of the Regional Group represented and of the Association for thirty (30) days prior to the meeting. Substitute may be authorized.

C-19 Committee Minutes and Number of Members

Constitution, X, Pg.15

Change: Add to first paragraph, second sentence under **Committees**, after “Committee Chairs shall appoint subject to the approval of the President, *between 5 and 7 additional committee members...*” and add verbiage in bold italic to the last sentence to read: “*A quorum is required for official committee meetings, and a vote must be determined by a majority of the full committee. In addition to the duties specified below, committees will record and submit official minutes to the Association office within 2 weeks of each meeting, stating what motions passed by majority vote of the full committee. Each* committee shall perform such other duties as may be assigned on a regular or temporary basis by the President and/or the Board of Directors.”

2-2 L & All Breed shows

Chapter 2, I A, Pg. 44

Change: Add paragraph after sections 3 (L Shows and 4 (AB shows) **Local and All Breed Shows may be sponsored by an individual club, group, association, or PFHA Regional Group. A steward is not required. A PFHA judge may be used or a judge sanctioned by any recognized horse organization may be used with approval as a guest judge under these rules. All other show requirements must be met for points to be awarded for these shows.**

2-3A Change Publication Timing

Chapter 2, 1, Pg.47

Change: Remove "Quarterly"

2-3B Add Email to Board of Directors Action by Mail

Chapter 2, 1, Pg. 47

Change: Add "or email" to the first sentence.

2-4 Add Show Validation Certificate

Change: Pg 52 To be eligible for entry and exhibition in a show, a horse must be registered with the Association **or have a valid PFHA Show Validation Certificate**, and must be entered and exhibited under its full registered name and registration number or **certificate number**. All participants (owners, agents, lessees, trainers, riders, exhibitors and handlers) must be current members of, and in good standing with the Association. **A PFHA Show Validation Certificate is good for one year and the fee will be determined by the Finance Committee.**

Pg 53 3. A copy of each horses entry's registration papers **or Show Validation Certificate (back side only if it contains the owner's name.)**

2-6 Classic Fino Horses Must be Shown Shod

Chapter 2 IV, C Pg. 54

Change: Replace 2nd sentence with:

All horses showing in Classic Fino must be shown shod. The length of the **shod** hooves is not to exceed four and one-half (4-1/2) inches, including shoes.

Also add in Chapter 2 III, A at the end of the first paragraph: **All horses showing in this division must be shown shod**

2-9 Remove Exception for use of Metal in Cavesson, Nosepiece or Headriser in Schooling Pleasure classes.

Chapter 2, VII, A and C Pg. 58 & 59

Change: page 58

Except for Schooling classes in the Classic Fino **and** Paso Performance **and** ~~Pleasure~~ divisions, metal is not permitted in, under, over or attached to the cavesson, nosepiece and/or headriser except for necessary buckles.

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In a Schooling class in the Classic Fino **and** Paso Performance **and** ~~Pleasure~~ divisions, metal may be used if covered in a nosepiece or under the chin, but it must not be considered cruel or inhumane by the Judge or show committee and be sufficiently covered to ensure comfort to the animal.

This would also need to be reworded in the Tack Guide where it also states metal is allowed in Schooling Pleasure classes. TG 23.

2-10 Clarify Usage of Bumps, Knots and Balls on Nose/Chin Pieces

Chapter 2, VII, A, Pg. 58

Change: A. Metal on Nosepiece/~~Bosal~~/Cavesson and Alzador/~~Barbada~~

A curb chain or curb strap is permitted, but shall not be cruelly tight. **Bumps, balls and knots are not allowed in either nose piece or chin pieces in any class.** Except for Schooling classes in the Classic Fino **and** Paso Performance **and** ~~Pleasure~~ divisions, metal is not permitted in, under, over or attached to the cavesson nosepiece except for necessary buckles.

2-11 Allow Metal Decorations on Bridles and Breastplates

Chapter 2, VII. B, Pg.58

Change: Delete current paragraph B add: **B. Metal on Bridles and Breast Straps/Breastcollars. Flat and or engraved metal decoration is allowed on browbands, cavesons and/or cheek pieces of bridles as well as on the straps of breast straps/breastplates.**

2-12 Add Description of Curb Chain Requirements

Chapter 2, VII.I Pg. 60

Change: Insert immediately following "All bits with shanks must have a curb strap or curb chain attached and used for leverage. **"Curb chains and leather chin straps must be flat and at least 1/2" in width and lie flat against the jaws of the horse.**

2-13 Adjust Description of Allowed Bits to Match That Used in Other Breeds with Western Style Tack.

Chapter 2, VII.I Pg. 60

Change: This change to the wording of **Ch 2.VII.I Bits** should then read:

Bits are required in all classes except Schooling classes or other classes as specified. **Bits may be of any humane approved type, curb or snaffle. See Paso Fino Tack Guide.**

There shall be no discrimination against any standard curb bit. A standard curb bit is defined as having a shank with a maximum length overall of 8 1/2". When a curb bit is used a curb strap or curb chain is required and must be at least 1/2 inch in width.

The mouthpiece will consist of a metal bar 5/16" to 3/4" in diameter as measured one inch in from the shank. The bars may be inlaid but must be smooth or latex wrapped. Nothing may protrude above or below the mouthpiece (bar) such as extensions, prongs or rivets designed to intimidate the horse. Rollers attached to the center of the bit are acceptable, and may extend below the bar. Jointed mouthpieces are acceptable and may consist of two or three pieces and may have one or two joints. A three-piece mouthpiece may include a connecting ring of 1 1/4" or less in diameter or a connecting flat bar of 3/8" to 3/4" (measured top to bottom with a maximum length of 2"), which lies flat in the mouth, or a roller or port as described herein. The port must be no higher than 3 1/2" maximum with roller(s) and covers acceptable. Jointed mouthpieces, half-breeds and spade bits are standard. Slip or gag bits, rigid donut mouth- pieces and flat polo mouthpieces are prohibited. Roping bits with both reins connected to a single ring at center of cross bar shall not be used.

Reins must be attached to each shank. Any rein design or other device which increases the effective length and thereby the leverage of the shank of a standard curb bit is prohibited. Anything that alters the intended use of the equipment as described in the appointments for a given class is considered to be an artificial appliance.

A standard snaffle bit is defined as a center jointed single rounded, unwrapped smooth

mouthpiece of 5/16" to 3/4" diameter metal as measured from ring to 1" in from the ring with a gradual decrease to the center of the snaffle. The rings may be from 2" to 4" outside diameter of either the loose type, eggbutt, dee or center mounted without cheeks. The inside circumference of the ring must be free of rein, curb or headstall attachment hooks. Snaffle bits do not require a curb chain. If a curb strap is used it must be attached below the reins.

Measurement will be taken by placing a straight edge at the bottom of the bars to have an accurate line as the "bottom" when measuring the height. See drawing. The length of the shank shall be measured in a straight line from the inside of the uppermost part of the headstall slot to the point on the rein ring where the rein would pull from when pressure is applied to rein. See drawing. At any PFHA sanctioned show at any time, the show steward may require a rider or riders to dismount and drop their horse's bit(s) for inspection. Show officials may select entire classes or individuals in any division for inspection.

2-14 Change to Breastplates

Chapter 2 VII. G. Pg. 60

Change: Other. An English breast strap or breastplate not exceeding one inch may be used. **Flat or engraved decorative metal adornment on the straps is allowed.** No reflective vinyl is allowed on headgear, breast straps or breastplates.

2-15 Western Breastplate

Chapter 2, VII, H, Pg. 60

Change: page 60 Western Tack
Insert "**Western style breastplates, which may exceed one inch, may be used.**"

2-16 Spurs Not Allowed in PFHA Competitions

Chapter 2, VII, J Pg. 62

Change: Remove spur image from tack guide. Modify section J as follows: (pg 62)
Crops and No Spurs. J.

Spurs may not be used in any Paso Fino competition, except in Specialty classes. A riding crop not exceeding thirty (30) inches in length may be used.

2-17 Add Further Description of Conservative Colors and Where to Find the Information

Chapter 2, VII, M, 1, Pg. 62

Change: Modify the placement of "(see Glossary)" and the Glossary definition as follows:

1. Official Paso Fino Show Costume. In classes requiring the official Paso Fino show costume, the attire shall be a long sleeved bolero-type jacket and full length riding pant or jumpsuit which

covers the boots. The bolero jacket and pant or jumpsuit must be conservative in color and trim.
(see **Glossary- Conservative**)

Glossary page 172

Conservative Colors - Conservative colors (including trim) are black, white, off white, darker/muted shades of grey, blue, green, red, brown and purple. Bright shades of any color (hot pink, lime green, fuchsia, fluorescent orange, etc.) are not conservative. Reflective stitching and fabric with reflective glitter threads are not conservative.

2-19B Official Paso Fino Costume Pants

Chapter 2, VII, M Pg. 62

Change: Change last sentence: No part of the Official Paso Fino Costume shall be used except for riding boots, jumpsuit or pants (**exception-tuxedo style pants**)

Will need to be changed in additional areas of the rulebook

2-21 Clarify Age Calculations

Chapter 2, VIII.C, Pg. 64

Change: However when a horse's age is stated in months, as for saddle or driving classes, a horse is considered to be thirty months (30) to eighty four (84) as counted from its actual foaling date.

2-23 Horses Age Measured in Months not Years

Chapter 2, VIII, C Pg. 64

Change: Change content of section VIII, C to read as follows:

C. Horses Age

A horse's age requirement will be counted in months.

For purposes of determining the appropriate class for competition at a specific horse show, a horse's age is determined in months from the foaling date to the last day of the month preceding the month of the show.

Delete the rest of current section C.

2-24 Delay of/Commencement of Classes

Chapter 2, VIII, Pg. 64

Change: Following Ring Conduct and prior to Time Out
Delay and/or Commencement of Classes.

Show management may choose to apply a timing procedure if a delay occurs, such as follows:

a. When horses are competing collectively, if the first horse does not enter the in-gate within 1 minute after the in gate is open the class is cancelled.

b. When the first horse enters the in-gate within 1 minute and there are remaining exhibitors who have not entered the ring, a 3 minute warning may be issued. If the remaining horses do not enter at the end of the 3 minute

warning, the gate will be closed.

c. Judging must commence when the gate is closed

2-25 Jumps

Chapter 2, VIII, H, Pg. 66

Change: In all classes calling for jumps, the jumps may be either horizontal bar jumps or cross rails. The jumps must include two vertical poles, appropriate jump cups, and a bar for a ground line. All material should be white or some other color that is in contrast to the ring. Jump rails for a horizontal bar jump must sit firmly in jump cups and cannot be on the cup edges. Ground lines must be on the approach side of the jump and no farther than two (2) feet away from the crossbar. The horizontal bar jump will be a minimum of eighteen (18) inches and a maximum of two (2) feet. The height of a cross rail may not exceed 18" and shall be measured at the top of the center of the intersection of the poles. The height of the jump cups should be set so the angle of the poles does not exceed approximately 30 degrees. Hay bales cannot be used as jumps. All jumps in the warm up area also must conform to the above guidelines.

3-5 Replace Gold/Silver Medal with International Equitation

Chapter 3, 8, Pg. 80

Change: For Equitation International to replace Gold and Silver Medal Advance Equitation. USA does compete international level, this will give our youth the ability to compete in what they will face in the World Cup as a team.

3-6 Add C. International Fino

Chapter 3, III,B,Pg. 87

Change: Add new paragraph under Procedures
C. International Fino

At International Competitions: The following procedures will be performed in all Fino Classes:

Exhibitors shall enter the ring to the right on the rail and circle the arena in a counterclockwise manner until instructed to reverse or halt. Horses must work both directions, reverse, halt and proceed in gait. The reverses must be performed towards the center of the ring. After completing the rail work, horses must traverse the sounding board in both directions then line up. Breaking gait on reverses, stops or starts shall be penalized. Only inanimate objects may be used as "posts" for the figure eight as long as they do not present a danger to horse or rider. The distance between the posts shall be 3 meters (9.9 feet). A solid, continuous surface allowing no more than one-half inch of space between the boards, ground level, hard surface sounding board forty-eight (48) feet or longer shall be used in this class to clearly exhibit the rhythmic consistency of the horse's cadence and impact when available. The Performance of the horse on the sounding board shall not be given preference over the horse's work on the rail. During competition while being judged, exhibitors are not allowed to turn on the sounding board.

After line up inspection is complete- all horses moving forward in competition will be required to perform individually 3 figure eights (2 in one direction, make a straight line then

one additional eight in opposite direction); halt in the center between post; back 4 to 6 steps; traverse the sounding board in both directions.

Should additional work offs be requested it must be requested in the following order: 1) Reverse of directions on the rail four times. 2) Traverse the sounding board in both directions. 3) A parallel comparison up and back. 4) Circle the entry 3 times in one direction then change direction to perform 3 additional circles in the opposite direction. These tests can't be combined and must be performed independently and in sequential order starting with #1 with two or more horses. After the first test is completed, if the judges are not ready to pin, they can request the next test in the order and so on.

Add to Glossary: INTERNATIONAL SHOW - Any show that uses in their title/description/rating using the word "International" will need to comply to Fino class descriptions that describes International Fino.

Add to Chapter 2 1A pg. 45.

5. All Paso International (AP-I) AN AP-I shows shall follow the same guidelines as an AP show except the Classic Fino classes will follow the rules for International Fino Chapter 3, III,C,Pg. 87

Note: Add additional show code to the show application form as "AP-I".

3-7 Classic Fino Classes within Division

Chapter 3, III,D, Pg. 88

Change: 1. Classic Fino Schooling. Replace b & c with:

b. May be divided into Open Schooling 37-48 months and Open Schooling 49-60 months.
c. May be divided into 37-48 months Schooling Fillies, 37-48 months Year Old Schooling Colts and Geldings (or Colts and Geldings also may be separated), 49-60 months Schooling Fillies and 49-60 months Schooling Colts and Geldings (or Colts and Geldings also may be separated).

2. Classic Fino. Replace b, c, e & f with:

May be divided into Open Schooling 37-48 months and Open Schooling 49-60 months.
c. May be divided into 37-48 months Schooling Fillies, 37-48 months Year Old Schooling Colts and Geldings (or Colts and Geldings also may be separated), 49-60 months Schooling Fillies and 49-60 months Schooling Colts and Geldings (or Colts and Geldings also may be separated).

3-8A AOTR Pleasure No Championship

Chapter 3, V,D, 2,e Pg. 95

Change: Amateur Owned and Trained Classes also may be offered. They will be OPEN for all age horses. Exhibitor must be Amateur, and horse must not have been trained by a Professional for 6 months. Horse must be owned by exhibitor or their family. ADD: **This class does not qualify for the Amateur Pleasure Championship**

3-8B AOTR Performance No Championship

Chapter 3, IV, D,2, e, Pg. 91

Change: Amateur Owned and Trained Classes also may be offered. They will be OPEN for all age horses. Exhibitor must be Amateur, and horse must not have been trained by a Professional for 6 months. Horse must be owned by exhibitor or their family. **ADD: This class does not qualify for the Amateur Performance Championship**

3-8C AOTR Fino No Championship

Chapter 3, IV, D,2, e, Pg. 89

Change: Amateur Owned and Trained Classes also may be offered. They will be OPEN for all age horses. Exhibitor must be Amateur, and horse must not have been trained by a Professional for 6 months. Horse must be owned by exhibitor or their family. **ADD: This class does not qualify for the Amateur Fino Championship**

3-11 Horses Age Measured in Months not Years

Chapter 3, III, D, Pg. 90

Change: Change content of section VIII, C to read as follows:

C. Horses Age

A horse's age requirement will be counted in months. For separation into classes by age in months at horse shows, a horse's age is determined by the number of months it would be when counted from its foaling date to the month of the competition.

3-12A Classic Fino Classes within Division

Chapter 3, III,D, Pg. 88

Change: 1. Classic Fino Schooling. Replace b & c with:

b. May be divided into Open Schooling 36-48 months and Open Schooling 49-60 months.
c. May be divided into 36-48 months Schooling Fillies, 36-48 months Year Old Schooling Colts and Geldings (or Colts and Geldings also may be separated), 49-60 months Schooling Fillies and 49-60 months Schooling Colts and Geldings (or Colts and Geldings also may be separated).

2. Classic Fino. Replace b, c, e & f with:

b. May be divided into Open Schooling 36-48 months and Open Schooling 49-60 months.
c. Schooling classes may be divided as provided in this Section III., D., 1., c., above, and Classic Fino divided into Mares 61-84 months , Mares 85 months and over, Geldings 61-84 months, Geldings 85 months and over and Stallions 61-84 months, Stallions 85 months and over.

Amateur classes also may be offered. They may be Open or, if divided, they must be divided into 61-84 months yrs old, Mares 85 & older, Geldings 61-84 months.

e. Amateur classes also may be offered. They may be Open or, if divided, they must be divided into Mares 61-84 months, Mares 85 months and over, Geldings 61-84 months, Geldings 85 months and over and Stallions 61-84 months, Stallions 85 months and over.

Amateur

Schooling classes may be offered and may be divided the same as provided in this Section III., D., 1., c.

f. For regional shows not offering classes as described in d and e above, points accrued by horses of the 60-83 months age group...

3-12B Paso Performance Classes within Division

Chapter 3, IV, D, Pg. 90

Change: 1. Paso Performance Schooling. Replace b & c with:

b. May be divided into Open Schooling 36-48 months and Open Schooling 49-60 months.

c. May be divided into 36-48 months Schooling Fillies, 36-48 months Year Old Schooling Colts and Geldings (or Colts and Geldings also may be separated), 49-60 months Schooling Fillies and 49-60 months Schooling Colts and Geldings (or Colts and Geldings also may be separated).

2. Paso Performance. Replace b, c, e & f with:

b. May be divided into Open Schooling 36-48 months and Open Schooling 49-60 months.

c. Schooling classes may be divided as provided in this Section III., D., 1., c., above, and Classic Fino divided into Mares 61-84 months , Mares 85 months and over, Geldings 61-84 months, Geldings 85 months and over and Stallions 61-84 months, Stallions 85 months and over.

Amateur classes also may be offered. They may be Open or, if divided, they must be divided into 61-84 months yrs old, Mares 85 & older, Geldings 61-84 months.

e. Amateur classes also may be offered. They may be Open or, if divided, they must be divided into Mares 61-84 months, Mares 85 months and over, Geldings 61-84 months, Geldings 85 months and over and Stallions 61-84 months, Stallions 85 months and over.

Amateur

Schooling classes may be offered and may be divided the same as provided in this Section III., D., 1., c.

f. For regional shows not offering classes as described in d and e above, points accrued by horses of the 60-83 months age group...

3-12C Paso Pleasure Classes within Division

Chapter 3, V, D, Pg. 94

Change: 1. Paso Pleasure Schooling. Replace b & c with:

b. May be divided into Open Schooling 36-48 months and Open Schooling 49-60 months.

c. May be divided into 36-48 months Schooling Fillies, 36-48 months Year Old Schooling Colts and Geldings (or Colts and Geldings also may be separated), 49-60 months Schooling Fillies and 49-60 months Schooling Colts and Geldings (or Colts and Geldings also may be separated).

2. Paso Pleasure. Replace b, c, e & f with:

b. May be divided into Open Schooling 36-48 months and Open Schooling 49-60 months.

c. Schooling classes may be divided as provided in this Section III., D., 1., c., above, and Classic Fino divided into Mares 61-84 months , Mares 85 months and over, Geldings 61-84 months, Geldings 85 months and over and Stallions 61-84 months, Stallions 85 months and over.

Amateur classes also may be offered. They may be Open or, if divided, they must be divided into 61-84 months yrs old, Mares 85 & older, Geldings 61-84 months.

e. Amateur classes also may be offered. They may be Open or, if divided, they must be divided into Mares 61-84 months, Mares 85 months and over, Geldings 61-84 months,

Geldings 85 months and over and Stallions 61-84 months, Stallions 85 months and over.

Amateur

Schooling classes may be offered and may be divided the same as provided in this Section III., D., 1., c.

f. For regional shows not offering classes as described in d and e above, points accrued by horses of the 60-83 months age group...

3-14 Horsemanship Points

Chapter 3, C, Pg. 101

Change: Regional Group shows may offer this class at their discretion. This class shall be judged: 50% on horsemanship of rider, 10% on the suitability of the horse to the rider and 40% on the performance of the horse. **ADD: Points shall be accumulated based on the specific Rider/Horse combination for Year End High Point awards and National qualification points. These points will count for Society of Merit for the rider.**

3-16 Remove Canter or Lope from Qualifying Gaits in Paso Trail Class

Chapter 3, VII, C, I, d, Pg. 106

Change: Delete Ch. 3 VII.C.1.d Canter or Lope

3-17 Trail Obstacles

Chapter 3, VII, C, 2, Pg. 107

Change: The course is to include a minimum of six obstacles and a maximum of eight obstacles (See USEF Western Division, Dimensions of Trail Obstacles WF. 126), as it may be amended from time to time, for dimensions of trail obstacles **ADD: only, does not include section on Unacceptable obstacles .)**

3-18 Trail concurrent

Chapter 3, VII, C, \$, Pg. 107

Change: Change to: Classes **may be** run concurrently

3-19 Bella Forma Championship Not only for 1st and 2nd placed horses

Chapter 3, VIII B, Pg. 109

Change: Remove this sentence

~~However, in the Bellas Formas Division, all Championship classes shall be composed of the entries who placed first (1st) and second (2nd) in their qualifying classes~~

3-20 Pleasure Back

Chapter 3, V, A, 392 Pg. 109

Change: The back should be straight, calm and controlled, and refusal to back **excuses** the horse from placement

4-1 GNS Committee May Combine Classes

Chapter 4, 1, E, Pg. 108

Change: The Grand National show committee (with approval of the PFHA Board of Directors) prior to Show Scheduling has the authority to combine classes at the Grand National Show and have them judged as one class. Except for the those classes specifically required to be separated according to our rules

4-2 Certification Requirement for National Show Judges

Chapter 4, I,B, Pg. 111

Change: In the first paragraph, replace fifth sentence as follows:
Each Judge shall be a **Certified** Judge of the Association and hold a USEF recorded "r," registered "R" or a Guest Judge card.

4-4 Clarifying qualifying for Nationals if changes to Months

Chapter 4, 1, E Pg. 111

Change: Except as provided in the next sentence to be eligible to enter and competition in the National, an entry must have accumulated in the **specific division, it/he/she is entering**, a minimum of twenty (20) points in Association sanctioned shows during that show year. Divisions are (Pleasure, Amateur Pleasure, Performance, Amateur Performance, Fino, Amateur Fino).

5-1 Add Easements for Judges

Chapter 5, IX, Pg. 128

Change: Move Rule: Chapter 5, X M, Geographic/Time Restriction
TO: Chapter 5 IX, insert new "I"- Re-letter remaining
THEN: Under Chapter 5, IX, L Easing of Restrictions for Substitute Judge
CHANGE: C through H
TO: C through I

5-2 Judges/Stewards Acceptable Attire - Guayavera shirts

Chapter 5, VII, Pg. 122

Change: A traditional formal Guayavera shirt may be worn. In all cases, all shirts or Guayaveras must be long sleeved.

6-3 Society of Merit

Chapter 6, II, A, Pg. 133

Change: Association registered horses and riders in Costume class may accumulate points toward the Title of Proficiency, Legion of Merit and Supreme Merit awards. Association Youth members may accumulate points toward Rider of Merit award in Equitation **ADD: Horsemanship and other**" Youth classes .**ADD: "Also Adult Equitation and Adult Horsemanship"** may accumulate points toward the Rider of Merit award. They may ride any horse to accumulate these points.

1. **Title of Proficiency (T. O. P.).** An appropriate award shall be presented to a horse who has accumulated at least five hundred (500) show points in recognized classes in any Association sanctioned shows, ADD:"**Sport Horse**" and sanctioned trail rides.
2. **Legion of Merit (L. O. M.).** An appropriate award shall be presented to a horse who has accumulated at least one thousand (1,000) show points in recognized classes in any Association sanctioned shows, ADD:"**Sport Horse**" and sanctioned trail rides.
3. **Supreme Merit.** An appropriate award shall be presented to a horse who has accumulated at least one thousand five hundred (1,500) show points in recognized classes in any Association sanctioned shows, ADD:"**Sport Horse**" and sanctioned trail riders.
4. **Rider of Merit (R. O. M.).** An appropriate award shall be presented to any Youth or ADD "**Amateur**" member who has accumulated at least five hundred (500) show points in any Youth division classes, ADD: ", **Adult Equitation or Adult Horsemanship**" at any Association sanctioned show, ADD:"**Sport Horse**" and sanctioned trail rides.

6-4 Add Amateur of the Year Award

Chapter 6, J, Pg. 136

Change: Add Amateur of the Year award to read:

Amateur of the Year Award may be given annually to a member. Nominations may be submitted by any PFHA member and will be voted on by the membership. Winners will receive an appropriate award and be listed on the PFHA website.

6-5 Add Hall of Fame Awards

Chapter 6, J, Pg. 136

Change: Add Hall of Fame award to read:

Hall of Fame Awards may be given annually to a horse and to a member. Nominations may be submitted by any PFHA member and will be voted on by the board of directors. Winners will receive an appropriate award and be listed on the PFHA website.

7-1 Condition Points

Chapter 7, IV, B, Pg. 142

Change: The Association shall also award 18 points to a horse that is awarded Best Conditioned Horse (BC) on any approved limited distance ride (ride of twenty-five through thirty five miles). The Association shall award 36 points to a horse that is awarded Best Conditioned Horse (BC) on any approved endurance ride (ride of fifty through one-hundred miles).