

BY-LAWS
OF THE CAROLINA CLASSIC HORSEMAN'S ASSOCIATION
A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION

Article I

Name

This organization, organized January 1, 1995 shall be known as the Carolina Classic Horseman's Association (CCHA), Wilmington, North Carolina. The office for the association shall be 139 Country Club Road, Wilmington, NC 28409. The registered agent for the Carolina Classic Horseman's Association shall be the president if the association.

Article II

Objectives

The object of the Carolina Classic Horseman's Association shall be:

1. To aid in educating horse owners in healthcare, foot care, and safety.
2. To foster interest in the family oriented sport of horsemanship.
3. To aid in providing a better standard of horse showing.
4. To provide the community with veterinary clinics and & various educational seminars.
5. To maintain a high standard of requirements for membership in requiring negative coggins testing, forbidding any and all horse abuse, and communicating good sportsmanship.

Article III

Membership

Section 1. Membership shall be open to all persons in good standing and shall not be by invitation only

Section 2. Membership shall run from January 1 to December 31.

Section 3. Membership will be in effect for collection of points as soon as the association receives membership fees.

Section 4. The board of directors for the following reasons may revoke membership:

1. Animal abuse
2. Poor conduct and/or sportsmanship
3. Non-payment of dues

Section 5. Membership fees shall be in the amount of fifteen dollars (\$15.00) per individual membership and twenty dollars (\$20.00) for family membership. Family membership consists of: Parent (s) and any children under the age of 18 years old residing at home. Membership fees are not prorated.

Section 6. All members will be issued a membership number. This number must be presented to the show secretary at each sanctioned show to receive points for the year end awards. If the number is not presented the member will not receive points for that show.

Article IV ***Officers***

Section 1. Elected officers of the association shall be the president, vice-president, recording corresponding secretary and treasurer.

Section 1. The term of office shall be one year.

Section 3. All board of director members are non-paid and operate on a volunteer basis.

Article V ***Election of officers***

Section 1. Elections will be held at the November meeting.

Section 2. Nominees shall have been members of the association board for at least one year.

Section 3. The board of directors shall fill vacancies in elective offices, except president, until the next general election.

Article VI ***Officer's duties***

President

1. The president shall perform duties described in the association by-laws.
2. The president shall preside at all meetings of the association and the board of directors. She/he shall be an ex-officio member of all committees except the nominating committee.
3. The president shall initial all bills approved by the association for payment by the treasurer. Her/his signature shall appear on any and all papers where required.
4. The president shall present various awards given by the association and shall represent the association at all functions.

Vice President

1. Shall keep a record of proceedings of all official meetings and shall read minutes at the next Meeting.
2. She/he shall assume the duties of the president when necessary due to absence or incapacity.
3. She/he may serve in other capacities as designated by the president.

Recording/Corresponding Secretary

1. Shall keep a record of proceedings of all official meetings and shall read minutes at the next meeting.
2. She/He shall file in binders all association board minutes, reports to officers, chairman, and other proceedings and keep them in a safe place.
3. She/he shall be responsible for all correspondence as directed by the president.
4. Shall contact ill and shut-in members with messages of cheer, IE: cards, phone calls, etc.
5. Shall keep such records as may be required by law or association.
6. Shall be responsible for acquiring show results from sanctioned shows.
7. Shall keep a running record off all points earned by members of the association. The points shall be kept in a book. The points shall be available for inspection at all sanctioned shows and meetings.

Treasurer

1. Shall keep records of association finances and collect association financed and collect association dues.
2. The treasurer shall pay bills as initialed and approved by the president and/or the board of directors.
3. Shall receive all funds of the association and shall deposit same in a bank approved by the association. Shall present a financial statement at each meeting, and make three copies of her/his reports:
 - For treasurers record
 - For Recording /corresponding secretaries record
 - For presidents file.

~ Each officer shall keep a folder to be given to his successor ~

Article VII **Boards**

Section 1. The board of directors shall consist of president and all elected officers as well as persons appointed to the board of directors.

Section 2. A person serving on the board of directors must represent each division of showing.

Section 3. All debts to be incurred by the association must have the approval of the majority of the board of directors.

Section 4. Persons may be removed from the board of directors by a majority vote of the board in attendance.

Article VIII
Committees

There shall be a number of committees set up by the board of directors. Each committee shall have a chairperson. These committees shall be, but are not limited to:

- Banquet
- Parade Committee
- Show Committee

Article IX
Fees and Dues

Section 1. Membership fees shall be in the amount of fifteen dollars (\$15.00) per individual and twenty dollars (\$20.00) for family membership. Family membership to consist of parents and any children under the age of 18 residing in the home. Membership fees are not prorated.

Section 2. In the event that Carolina Classic Horseman's Association shall disband, and all funds remaining in their accounts after all debts have been settled shall be donated to the Pender, New Hanover, and Brunswick County 4-H clubs.

Article X
Meetings

Section 1. There shall be a minimum of four general membership meetings a year.

Section 2. The board of directors shall meet monthly, with additional meetings called as needed.

Section 3. At all board of directors meetings five (5) board members constitute a quorum.

Article XI
Sanctioning Shows

Section 1. Shows wishing to be sanctioned through Carolina Classic Horseman's Association must apply to the board of directors at least 90 days prior to the show date.

Section 2. Associations having been sanctioned will retain their weekend the following years providing they confirm these dates prior to April 1.

Section 3. Shows that are rained out are permitted one rain date. That rain date must not conflict with another sanctioned show. If the rain date is rained out as well, the show is cancelled and must be resubmitted to the board for sanctioning at a different date. The rain date must be printed on the class list.

Section 4. All sanctioned shows are required to mail a class sheet to all CCHA members.

Section 5. Sanctioned shows are required to submit the point's secretary their show results within one week after their show.

Section 6. All sanctioned shows must require a negative coggins on in state horses within one year of the show date. Out of state horses are required to be within six months of the show date.

Section 7. Any and all shows not fulfilling their obligation in requiring negative coggins, or running their shows on a sanctioned show date for their rain date, will not be sanctioned the following year.

Section 8. All sanctioned shows must be designated on their class sheet that the show is sanctioned by CCHA and a contact person along with a telephone number must be printed on the class sheet.

Section 9. A twenty five dollar (\$25.00) deposit is required to sanction with CCHA. The deposit will be refunded to the show management upon receipt of the class results for point accumulation to the point's secretary of CCHA

Section 10. Any classes added after the show class list has been published will not count for points.

Article XII

Age of exhibitor

Section 1. The age of the exhibitor is based on the persons age as of January 1 of the current show year. The exhibitor will carry that age group the entire year.

Section 2. It is a violation of the rules to show more than one age group during the course of a year.

Section 3. Exhibitors age 18 and under must submit a copy of their birth certificate upon application for membership. These will be kept on file at all shows.

Article XIII

Points

Section 1. Points at a regular show will be as follows:

1 st	24 Points
2 nd	20 Points
3 rd	16 Points
4 th	12 Points
5 th	8 Points
6 th	4 Points
Participation 1 Point	

Section 2. The points are accumulated on the horse/rider combination, except in academy, reinsmanship, or equitation class where it would be on the rider/driver. Therefore the rider of the horse must be a member of the Carolina Classis Horseman's Association to be eligible for points.

Section 3. To be eligible for year end awards, each show participant must volunteer at shows a minimum for six (6) hours per show season. Children eight (8) and under the parent may volunteer in their place. Participants are responsible for logging in at the entry booth or tent. If your time is not logged in our book your time will not count and awards will not be given at the awards banquet. The rule is to encourage members to be involved and also help to assist our show staff.

Article XIV

Sanctioned Classes

All new classes that are sanctioned for year-end awards must be accompanied by a fifty dollar (50.00) class fee. The deadline will be the awards banquet.

Article XIV

Standing Rules

1. Standing rules may be proposed and voted on at any regular meeting of the board of directors by a majority.
2. Regular membership meetings will be held the first Monday in the month.
3. Membership fees must be paid prior to accumulating points.
4. Membership fiscal year runs January 1 through December 31.
5. All members must be in good standing to received points.
6. Unsportsmanlike conduct or nonpayment of show fees will result in loss of membership and the right to show at sanctioned shows, length of time to be determined by the board.
7. No member shall receive and award unless they are in good standing with the association.
8. Profanity and abusive conduct are grounds for loss of membership and banning from sanctioned shows.
9. All activities must be approved by majority vote.
10. All CCHA functions require proof of negative coggins within one year of function.

Article XVI

Amendments/Modifications

Section 1. Amendments/modifications to the by-laws for the CCHA shall be made by majority vote of the board of directors in attendance.

AMMENDED JANUARY 2007