

## *Youth Team Tournament*

### *2010 Youth Team Tournament competitors should be prepared for the following Youth Team activities during the National Show:*

➤ Youth Team Parade & Introduction

The **first** Youth Team Parade will be held during the Tuesday morning opening ceremony. At this time, each team will be asked to enter the arena and the announcer will introduce your Team. The information for the team announcement is **limited to 2 minutes per team and must be turned into the show office by 6:00 pm Monday**.

The **second** Youth Team Parade will be held during the Thursday Evening Performance. At this time, each team will be asked to enter the arena. The name of each team and each team member's name will be announced by the Announcer.

➤ Youth Team Native/Pageant Costume Class #716

The team members involved in Class 716 are invited to the Announcer's Stand for a practice session on Thursday evening for one hour following the last class of the day. You do not need to wear your Costume/Native Dress at this time, but come prepared to practice for the verbal presentation segment of this class. For the Friday Evening Performance, the reader for your team should be at the Announcer's stand 10 minutes prior to class #716 to prepare.

➤ Family & Youth Social

Following the Tuesday classes, a Family & Youth Social will be held **for all attending the show**. Please be sure to come!

➤ Youth Team Stall Decorating & Stable Management

Youth Team Tournament participants are not only being judged while in the show ring. "Secret Judges" will be circulating through the barns and will be selecting the recipient of the Youth Team Stall Decorating & Stable Management Award. "Secret Judges" will be looking for cleanliness of the stabling area, care of horses, stall decorations and maintenance of them, courtesy and politeness of Youth Team participants, etc.

➤ Youth Sportsmanship

**All youth participants** at the show will be judged at all times during the National Show by "Secret Judges" to determine the recipient of the Youth Sportsmanship Award. One of the founding principles of the ApHCC is to promote good sportsmanship.

All horses that are entered in the 2010 Youth Team Tournament, must complete a 2010 National Show entry form, pay the office fees, and drug test fees. All youth competitors must be youth members of the Appaloosa Horse Club of Canada.

Closing date for Youth Team tournament entries is June 15, 2010.

Following are the Youth Team Tournament Rules as printed in the *ApHCC Official Handbook*. Please be sure to refer to the *ApHCC Official Handbook* and the *ApHCC Guide for Youth Teams*. If you have any questions, please contact the ApHCC office.

#### **Excerpt from ApHCC Official Handbook**

753. Teams of not more than six (6) youth may enter the tournament as the representatives of an affiliate, province, state or other organization. A team name must be submitted at the time of entry.
754. Each team may also have two standby or alternate youth. A standby entry may be used only in case of illness or injury to a team member or horse. If a standby is used to replace a team member or horse, the original entry may not then re-enter the tournament.
755. A list of team members and their horses' names, plus the list of the classes in which each entry will compete, must be submitted by closing date of entry for the National Show, and entries cannot be changed after that time.

756. Horse and rider are an entry and may not be split.
757. Each contestant may enter up to five team tournament classes.
758. Each team may enter a total of 28 entries. Using the first 15 mandatory classes, each team may skip one class, or enter one rider in each of two classes. A maximum of two (2) team members may be entered into any one class. Rule #762 recommends that the standby youth enter in class 16. If standby youth are not available, other team members may enter in this class in addition to the five classes as stated in Rule #757.
759. A team need not consist of a full compliment of six team members plus two standby youth. A team may be entered with a minimum of three youth.
760. All contestants in the team tournament must be youth members of the ApHCC for the current year, in good standing. Youth age is 18 years of age and younger as of January 1st of the current year. Married or divorced individuals do not qualify as youth.
761. Horses used in tournament classes must be owned by the youth competing with the horse, or a member of that youth's immediate family, or the horse must be under a current lease filed with the ApHCC.
762. YOUTH TEAM TOURNAMENT NATIVE INDIAN OR PAGEANT COSTUME CLASS

The Youth Team Tournament Native or Pageant Costume Class has been added to the mandatory classes for Youth Teams. Rules #611 through #622 apply to this class, with the following additions:

Addition to rule #611. Costumes may be from "A", or "B" and should depict a youth from any era (may not be a chief or a married woman with baby board).

The description of the costume and era represented are to be delivered by a team member. No mention of the name or past accomplishments of the horse or rider may be given by the team member giving the verbal presentation. Ideally the costume exhibitor and presenter should be the Youth Team alternates, but if the team does not have alternates, two team members are to be selected for this class. The class will be judged 50% on the costume, and 50% on the verbal presentation. One costume entry per team.

**See the *Class List* for complete listing of Youth Team Tournament classes.**