

Islip Horsemen's Association, Inc. 2026 Gymkhana Show Series



June 7th • July 12th • August 9th

Rain Date August 30th
Bohemia Equestrian Center

Fun Jackpot following the July 12th show!

ISLIP HORSEMEN'S ASSOCIATION, INC.

Welcomes all exhibitors and spectators to our
2026 GYMKHANA SHOW SERIES

June 7th · July 12th · August 9th

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**Half Pint starts 8:30a sharp in Ring 2.
Regular Gymkhana divisions will begin 9:00a in the main arena.**

ENTRY FEES

Entries are to be received by 9:00p the Thursday before the show for Gymkhana. **If you Pre-Enter you will be responsible for all fees whether you show or not.** If you don't pay them, you will be refused entry to subsequent shows or events.

PRE-ENTRY IHA MEMBERS.....	\$12.00 per class
PRE-ENTRY NON MEMBERS.....	\$15.00 per class
ALL POST ENTRIES.....	\$20.00 per class
HALF PINT CLASSES.....	\$10.00 per class

Suffolk County Parks Fee.....	\$5.00 per rider
Secretary/Timer Fee.....	\$15.00

ENTRY FORM is located on the IHA website under the "Gymkhana" tab.

Questions/Concerns please contact

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**NYS LAW requires that all children under the
age of 18 wear ASTM approved helmets
when mounted.**

THEMED SHOWS THIS SEASON!

June 7th "¡Viva la Barrel!" · gets the sombreros & maracas ready!

July 12th "Run Run Rudolph" · wear your best Christmas in July attire!

**August 9th "Spooktacular Gallop of the Ghouls" · break out those
Halloween costumes!**

Islip Horsemen's Association, Inc. 2026 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

All Memberships expire 12/31 no matter when you joined prior to that date.

IHA WEBSITE: <https://isliphorsemensassociation.com/membership>

IHA Memberships are ONLINE ONLY.
There will be NO paper forms to join the day of a show.
Please renew/join PRIOR to the show.
Your cooperation is greatly appreciated!



Michelle James

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Come join the IHA Youth Group

IHA Youth Group is looking to add more members!

**COME ENHANCE YOUR KNOWLEDGE &
MAKE MEMORIES TO LAST A LIFETIME**



Educational Activities

Enjoy presentations from local vets & farriers to learn about horses and their care.



Give Back to the Community

Volunteer opportunities to become an active member of the community.



Fundraisers

Help us fundraise so that we can enjoy outings such as Top Golf, Museums, Clinics, Etc.



Make New Friends

Most importantly, come make new friends and connect with other children who love horses as much as we do!



Run a Horse Show

Have an opportunity to run our Jack Benny Horse Show, which is run by the IHA Youth Group.

**You don't need to own your own horse to
become a member of the IHA Youth Group!**

Youth Group is open for any children under the age 18.



Lea Johnson
IHA Youth Group Advisor



**CALL OR TEXT
631-742-1156**



GYMKHANA END OF YEAR AWARDS REQUIREMENTS

To be eligible for the End of Year awards listed below, you must be a paid member by the conclusion of your first show. You must ride the same horse throughout the show season*. In case of conflicts with End of Year Awards, PROOF OF MEMBERSHIP (membership card or payment) must be submitted.

*If horse is unable to perform, please see *General Information*.

HIGH POINT OVERALL GRAND CHAMPION

Trophy saddle with High Point Overall Grand Champion Ribbon
Must attend all 3 shows & participate in all 5 pointed classes.

HIGH POINT OVERALL RESERVE CHAMPION

Buckle with High Point Overall Reserve Champion Ribbon
Must attend all 3 shows & participate in all 5 pointed classes.

DIVISION AWARDS

Grand and Reserve Champion awards with ribbons through 6th place.
Must attend 2 out of the 3 shows and participate in 4 out of the 5 pointed classes.

FASTEST TIME AWARDS

An award will be given to the horse/rider combo with the fastest time of the season in each class.
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GYMKHANA DIVISIONS

HALF PINT

All classes are run using a modified smaller pattern; cloverleaf, dash, tie the bow & mini poles.

Leadline: For riders 8 years and under as of December 1, 2025 on a lead line only. Walker may not be ahead of the horse when crossing the timer; if so, this will lead to a *No Time*. Division will be split by age- up to 3 years old or 4 - 8 year olds if entries warrant; 3 or more riders needed to make the split. Bridle with reins must be worn by horse/pony; no halter only. Canter not allowed, rider will get disqualified.

Cowpoke: For riders 8 years and under as of December 1, 2025 to ride unassisted. Riders in this division must trot the entire pattern however are allowed to canter home. Canter home to be defined as finishing the last turn or passing the last pole, then picking up the canter. Riders will receive a *No Time* if they gallop.

Buckaroo: For riders 10 years and under as of December 1, 2025 to ride unassisted.

JUNIOR BEGINNER & ADULT BEGINNER

Open to riders who have not won an end of year Grand Champion or Reserve Champion in their present division (except Half Pint) and/or competed in an entire show season; open to riders who have never ridden in a novice or advance/open division at any other discipline. Trainers are NOT eligible for the Beginner division. Junior rider is anyone 17 and under as of December 1, 2025.

Note: A maximum of two years can be ridden in this division for any riders. Junior and Adult Beginner will be combined if lack of entries warrant.*

JUNIOR NOVICE & JUNIOR OPEN

Open to riders 17 and under, as of December 1, 2025. Junior Novice will be combined with Adult Novice and Junior Open will be combined with Adult Open if lack of entries warrant*. Trainers are NOT eligible for the Novice division. Novice riders to move up to the Open division if receiving Grand or Reserve end of year for two consecutive years or 3 years maximum in division.

ADULT NOVICE & ADULT OPEN

Open to riders 18 and over as of December 1, 2025. Adult Novice will be combined with Junior Novice and Adult Open will be combined with Junior Open if entries warrant*. Trainers are NOT eligible for the Novice division. Novice riders to move up to the Open division if receiving Grand or Reserve end of year for two consecutive years or 3 years maximum in division.

**Fewer than 3 entries per division in a class*

2026 General Rule Information

All gymkhana classes will be run in accordance with the Islip Horsemen's Association rules & regulations along with AQHA's current rule book. IHA rules supersede any other others. The Islip Horsemen's Association encourages qualified persons with disabilities to participate in its programs and activities. If you anticipate needing any type of reasonable accommodation or have questions about the physical access provided, please contact Kayla Hollborn or Allison Schwab in advance of your participation or visit.

Pre-entries will be accepted until 9:00p the Thursday preceding the show date. All entries are the responsibility of the entrant and must be received by the above deadline. Entries are to be submitted via the Google Form located on the organization's website under the "Gymkhana" tab. Pre-entries sent through Facebook WILL NOT be accepted. No one will be permitted to perform without payment of all fees. All exhibitors must sign a release form and a parent/guardian's signature is required for all junior riders.

When a horse show extends the courtesy of taking an advance entry, it is with the understanding that said entries will be paid and credit is extended on these terms. If said entries are not canceled by 9:00p as per the deadline above, and not paid for, the exhibitor will have their name posted. Future IHA shows/events may refuse entry unless indebtedness is settled. Returned check fee is \$30.00.

After closing dates there will be no refunds without a licensed veterinarian's certificate of the horse's unsoundness or a doctor's note of the rider's inability to perform. Notes are to be submitted to the show committee within 10 days.

If your horse is unable to perform, you will be allowed to use another horse. Then upon presentation of a valid veterinary note (within 10 days of the show) you will be eligible for end of year awards. You may revert back to your original horse if he/she becomes fit. You must finish the season on that horse and will be allowed no other changes to remain eligible for end of year awards.

Champion and Reserve ribbons will be awarded in each division. Grand and Reserve High Point End of Day will also be awarded. In order to qualify for End of Day awards, riders must participate in four out of the five classes. End of Day Tie Breaking: In the event of a tie, the rider with the most first-place wins will be ranked higher. If the first-place finishes are equal, the rider with the most second-place finishes will rank higher, and so on for subsequent places. The committee has the final decision on tie breaking.

End of the Year Tie Breaking: Will be resolved in the same manner. If riders have identical finishes across all places, it is up to the committees discretion to break it (I.e which rider scored higher in a more challenging class, fastest time in a class, etc).

No exhibitor will visit or socialize with a judge the day of the show. Furthermore, exhibitors shall not approach judges for any reason prior to or after the completion of judging unless a request is made to show management and with the ring steward or other show official present.

Conduct by judges, IHA members and non-members, volunteers, exhibitors, trainers, owners (and their representatives), spectators and all other persons present on the show grounds or in show facilities shall be orderly, responsible, sportsmanlike, courteous and respectful. Direct abusive and threatening conduct while on the show grounds will not be tolerated and the offending person(s) may be asked to leave the show grounds in order to preserve the decorum of the show.

A violation of either of these rules will first result in a written warning from the show committee to the party(ies) involved in the initial violation, which shall also be forwarded to the IHA Board, within five (5) days of the incident; a second violation of these rules will be brought to the IHA Board for review and any action will be left up to their discretion, which may include but not be limited to removal of points earned on the date of the incident, disciplinary action and/or suspension from IHA club activities for a period of time to be determined by the IHA Board.

Classes with less than three (3) riders will be combined or if canceled money will be refunded. Junior beginner will be combined with Adult beginner, Junior Novice combined with Adult Novice and Junior Open combined with Adult Open where warranted. All class entries will be closed when the preceding class enters the ring.

Should a question or dispute arise that is not covered in the rule book it shall be referred to the **Show Management, whose decision will be final**. Any and all disputes must be made within 24hrs of the commencement of the show.

Protest must be lodged the day of the show, and in writing, with the show management or committee chairperson. All decisions will be final by said person and will also be answered in writing if necessary.

All judges, committee members, IHA Board Members, and volunteers shall be treated with courtesy, cooperation and respect. No person, exhibitor, owner, or otherwise, shall direct abuse or threatening conduct toward them. *A violation of this rule will result in a written warning from the show committee, a second violation of these rules will be brought to the IHA Board for review and any action will be left up to their discretion.*

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Correct western attire is mandatory in all gymkhana classes, except where noted. Shirts must be properly fastened and tucked in. We hate to disqualify a good ride because of improper dressing before you enter the ring. Riders are NOT allowed to have their feet strapped in the stirrups. The only exception will be if rubber bands are used.

Please note- NYS LAW requires that all children under 18 years of age must wear ASTM approved helmets at all times when mounted. Parents and trainers are responsible.

INFAMOUS HAT RULE! If your hat falls off to the ground, at any time you are in the arena, a one second penalty will be assessed and added to your time. You are strongly encouraged to wear a *stampede string* to keep your hat with you! The hat rule does not apply to the money class.

Division eligibility when switching disciplines, amendment to Rule #36. Any rider, with the exception of trainers, may go from one discipline to another with no instruction as to what division they should enter. It shall be left to the rider's discretion.

Amateur Eligibility Rule- To those who have not received payment to show, judge, train or assist in training a horse whether monetary or otherwise, either directly or indirectly, nor received payment whether monetary or otherwise, for instruction a person in riding, driving training or showing a horse for 5 calendar years to application for amateur membership regardless of the discipline.

Trainer/Professional- Any person who has shown, ridden, judged, trained or assisted in training a horse for remuneration, either directly or indirectly; has received remuneration for instructing another person in riding, driving or training a horse; or has received remuneration for instructing another person in showing a horse in competition.

Exhibitors (or their trainer) are responsible for entering their correct division/classes. Any exhibitor found to have entered the incorrect division/class shall forfeit any points earned in the incorrect division and shall start from "0" points in the correct division.

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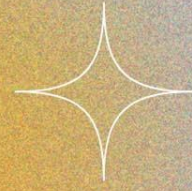
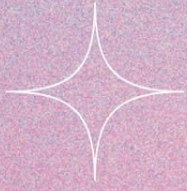
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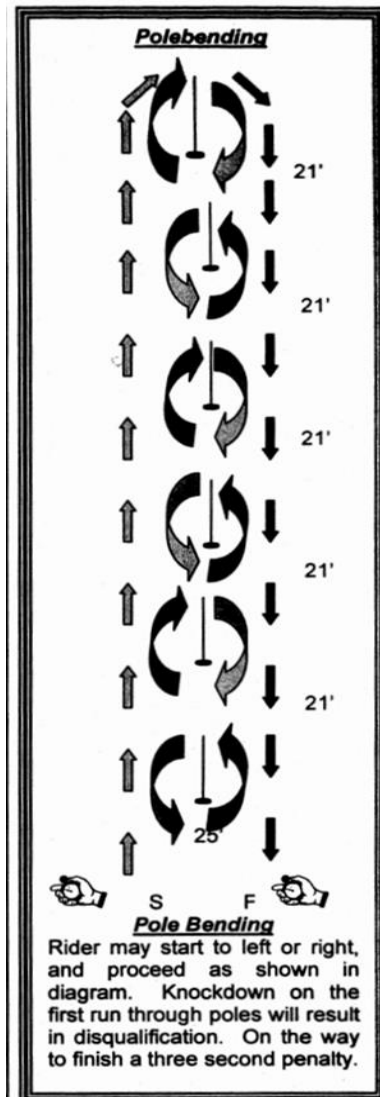
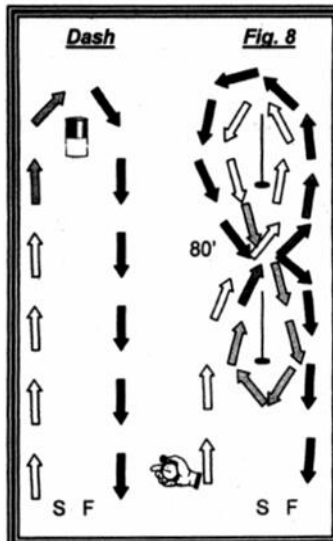
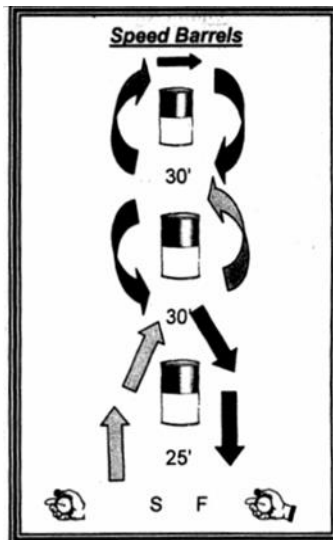
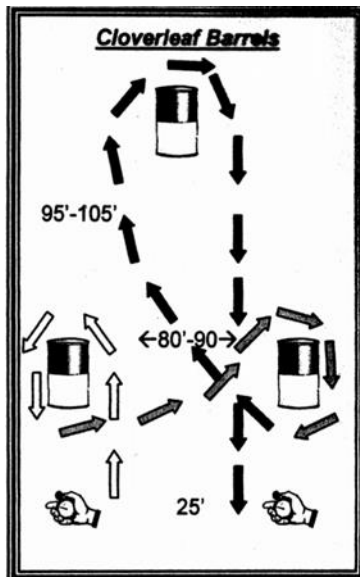
to all the IHA Gymkhana riders this season.
See you at the ribbon table!

Linda & Bryan Krenicky



GYMKHANA EVENT PATTERNS

Ride it like you stole it!



Rider may start to left or right, and proceed as shown in diagram. Knockdown on the first run through poles will result in disqualification. On the way to finish a three second penalty.

Cloverleaf Barrels
The rider races to barrel #1, passes to the right of it and turns around it, then proceeds to barrel #2, passes to the left of it and proceeds around it to barrel #3, passing to the left of it, and around it and then proceeds to the finish. This course may also be run as left, right, right. Each knockdown is a three second penalty.

Dash
Rider may go to right or left of marker, knockdown of marker, no penalty.

Figure Eight
See diagram, pattern may be reversed by starting on the right side. Knockdown of poles is a three second penalty except for the last turn of top pole.

Speed Barrels
Rider may start to left or right, and proceed weaving through barrels, turn past last barrel, and weave back to finish line. Knockdown on the way up will be disqualification. On the way to finish will be a three second penalty.

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ENGLISH



April 12th * May 10 * June 14
Rain Date August 2nd

WESTERN PLEASURE



May 17 * June 28 * July 26
Rain Date August 16th

GYMKKHANA

April 26th * June 7th * July 12
Rain Date August 9th



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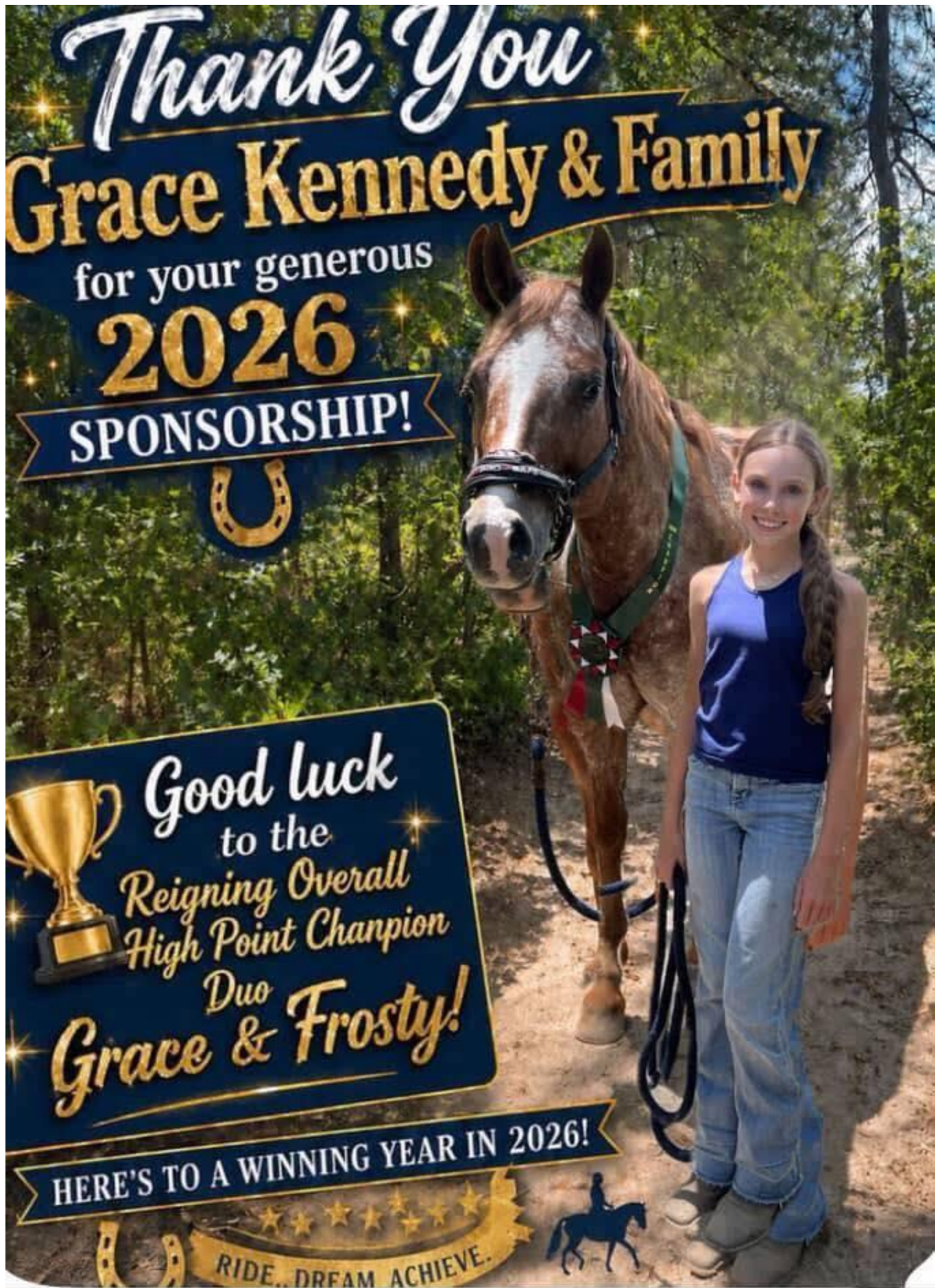
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