

PNER Awards Information

One of the main activities of PNER is year end awards in many different categories. This award list is grouped into three separate sections. The first section lists the awards that the Points Secretary will automatically calculate. The second section lists the awards you MUST nominate for. These are awards that the Points Secretary is unable to determine your eligibility without your help. Most of the awards requiring nomination have an August 1, 2011 deadline for declaration. The third section contains the awards that don't fit in Section I or II.

The fine print: To receive any PNER awards, members must pay their annual dues before the ride they wish to count for points/miles/awards. Riders and horses will receive no points, miles or completions toward PNER awards when the horse is ridden by a non-PNER member. All PNER awards are for achievements in a single ride season. PNER does not track lifetime points, mileage or completions, except for 100 mile lifetime completions. Only rides within the PNER region will count towards PNER awards. Rides results must be submitted to the PNER Points Secretary to be recorded. Please refer to AERC/PNER rules. Junior rider definition is found in the by-laws. PNER Points scale is printed in this PNER Handbook. For accurate record keeping be sure to use the same name for yourself and your horse all year!!! Errors must be reported directly to the Points Secretary within 30 days of publication in the monthly newsletter.

Section 1: Calculated by the Points Secretary.

Top 25 Senior Horse and Rider Points

Top 25 one-horse-one-rider combinations accumulating the most points throughout the PNER ride season.

Top 10 Junior Horse and Rider Points

Same as senior criteria, but for junior riders only. Duplicate rider placings will be recognized once with multiple placings indicated on one award.

Top 5 Senior Horse and Rider State/Province

Top five high point one-horse-one-rider combinations, *but only the rides in the rider's home state or province of residence, according to membership data, are counted for these standings.*

Top 5 Junior Horse and Rider State/Province

Same criteria as seniors, but for junior riders only. Duplicate rider placings will be recognized once with multiple placings indicated on one award.

Top 5 Limited Distance Senior Rider

Top 5 one-horse-one-rider combinations accumulating the most points throughout the PNER ride season on rides less than 50 miles.

Top 3 Limited Distance Junior Rider

Same criteria as seniors, but for junior riders only. Duplicate rider placings will be recognized once with multiple placings indicated on one award.

Top Three Mileage Horses

Award is to the horse, any number of PNER riders. Horse must be owned or leased by PNER member.

Champion Overall Best Condition Horse

Honors high point Overall Best Condition horse, using AERC's BC point system of 1 point/mile, minus 10% per starter if less than ten riders start. There must be at least 2 starters. Horse must be owned or leased by PNER member.

Champion Junior Best Condition Horse

Honors high point Junior Best Condition horse, using AERC's BC point system of 1 point/mile, minus 20% per starter if less than six junior riders start. There must be at least two junior starters. Horse must be owned or leased by PNER member.

Top Three Mileage Seniors

Top three mileage seniors, any number of horses.

Top Three Mileage Juniors

Same criteria as for seniors

Young Rider Team

Top high mileage 16-21 year old rider. Rider mileage may be accumulated on any number of horses.

Oliver Jones Perpetual Award

A perpetual award for the High Point, Purebred Arabian in honor of Breeder Oliver Jones who shared

an interest in endurance and rode the Tevis Cup. Award is to the horse. Horse must be owned or leased by PNER member.

Top Five 100-Mile Senior Horse/Rider

Sponsored by Endurance.net

Top 5 senior horse/rider teams accumulating the most completions on 100+ mile PNER rides run in 24+ consecutive hours. No two-day rides. Points to break any ties.

Top Two 100-Mile Junior Horse/Rider

Sponsored by Steph Teeter

Same criteria as for seniors

My First 100 Award

Sponsored by Charleen Farrell

This award recognizes each PNER Member who completes his/her career first 100 mile/1 day ride on any horse. Rider cannot have completed any 100 mile ride prior to the current season, and the first 100 mile ride must be done in the PNER region. Verifiable by AERC records.

Sandybaar Award

In honor of Sandybaar, an Arabian stallion who competed in the early days of PNER/AERC. He was never pulled. Awards go to all PNER horse/rider teams who complete a minimum of ten consecutive PNER rides, any distance.

Animal Horse

Sponsored by Mary McGinty

To the PNER horse/rider team with the most consecutive miles during the ride year on any distance PNER ride. A pull returns your mileage count to zero, and you start over.

250 Mile Achievement

Recognition of all PNER horse/rider teams who complete 250 miles or more in one season.

Golden Years

Award to the rider of 60 years or more at the beginning of the current ride year with the most points accrued through the PNER season. Any distance, any number of horses.

Top 3 Novice Seniors

For the new rider, never having entered an endurance or limited distance ride prior to the ride season. Total

miles, any distance PNER ride, any number of horses. Verifiable by AERC records.

Top 3 Novice Juniors

Same criteria for Novice Seniors.

Top Five Family Award

A family is defined for purposes of this award as all Senior and Junior/Young Rider PNER members related by blood or marriage. At a minimum one adult and one child/young rider (age to 21 years old) must complete any sanctioned distance offered at the same PNER event for points to count. Any additional family members completing any sanctioned distance at the same event will also receive family points. Any horse/rider combination is acceptable. **Nomination to the Points Secretary by August 1 is required.**

Top Five Couples Award

For couples both completing any PNER event. A couple is defined as two people living together in a committed relationship. They need not ride the same distance, but they must both complete at the same event. Any combination of horses may be used, total points to count. **Nomination to the Points Secretary by August 1 is required.**

100 Mile Horse Lifetime Achievement Award

This award recognizes those horses actively competing at the one-day hundred mile distance. This award is based on the number of 100 mile completions over the lifetime of the horse. Retroactive 100 mile completions will be included once the horse completes a one day 100 mile ride in the current ride season. The owner and rider must be PNER members and only rides within PNER region will count.

MILESTONE AWARDS:

300 miles: plaque with name plate and miles

500: miles: name plate with miles for plaque, embroidered fitted cooler

1000 miles: name plate with miles for plaque, embroidered blanket

1500 miles: name plate with miles for plaque, to be determined

2000 miles: then in 1000 mile increments with award to be determined

Top Five Teams

A team is comprised of up to 15 paid PNER members. A team roster is to be submitted to the Points Secretary by the team representative prior to the first ride that the team wants to count for points. Eligibility for a team will be determined by the Points & Membership Secretaries. Once a team accrues points, the team roster can only be changed between June 1-7. Teams may drop members and/or add new members to a maximum of 15. New members' points prior to June 1st will not count toward to team total; only those points obtained after June 1 may be counted for updated team members. A team must have a minimum of three riders complete the same distance of any PNER ride. If more than three members complete the same distance, the top three overall placings will count for team points. Any horse/rider combination allowed; membership on a team belongs to the rider.

Section II: Requires Nomination

Horse of the Future

Sponsored by Sue McLain

For the first year horse that has never *started* in any endurance or limited distance ride. Award goes to the horse with the most *consecutive completions* on PNER rides of 50+ miles. Any number of PNER riders. If at any time the horse fails to complete a 50+ mile ride, the count returns to zero. Total mileage on 50+ mile rides breaks any tie. Horses must be owned or leased and ridden by PNER member. ***Eligibility must be declared to Points Secretary by August 1st.***

Sophomore Horse

Sponsored by Glen & Flo Paget

For the horse in its' second year of competition, following consecutively after the first. Award goes to the horse with the most consecutive completions on PNER rides of 50+ miles. If at anytime the horse fails to complete a 50+ mile ride, the count returns to zero. Any number of PNER riders. Total mileage on 50+ mile rides breaks any tie. Horse must be owned or leased and ridden by PNER member(s). ***Eligibility must be declared to Points Secretary by August 1st***

Gaited Horse Award

Sponsored by Gaited Teams

For the gaited horse with the most miles on any distance, any number of PNER riders. Horses must be registered with a recognized breed/gaited horse association. Send nomination with hard copy of registration papers to Points Secretary before August 1. Points will determine the winner in case of a mileage tie. Direct any questions regarding recognized gaited associations to sponsor or Points Secretary.

Senior Rookie Horse & Rider of the Year

Sponsored by Carlene & Wally Benson

For the new horse and rider team *neither of which has completed* more than 100 miles of endurance and/or limited distance competition. Award goes to the Horse/Rider team with the *most consecutive completions* on PNER rides less than 50 miles. If at any time the horse/rider team fails to complete a limited distance ride, the count returns to zero. Total mileage on limited distance rides breaks any tie. ***Eligibility must be declared to Points Secretary by August 1st.***

Junior Rookie Horse & Rider of the Year

Sponsored by Melissa & Jim Coy

Same definition as Senior Rookie for Junior riders.

Top Mileage Stallion

To be awarded to the High Mileage Stallion, any PNER distance, any number of PNER riders. Owned or leased by PNER member. ***Eligibility must be declared to Points Secretary by August 1st.***

Drinkers of the Wind

Sponsored by Ron Sproat and Carol Giles

Award is to honor all horses owned by a PNER member with a minimum of 5000 AERC miles that are still competing in AERC 50+ mile rides within the PNER region. Award honors horses that continue mile after mile, consistently completing rides, because their lifetime efforts epitomize the true endurance horse. Awards will be given annually to all those who qualify. ***Must notify the sponsor prior to December 1st if their horse qualified. See membership directory for contact information.***

Section III: Special Awards

Veteran Horse

Sponsored by Martha & Mike McMurray

For horses with outstanding performance in endurance over the years. To be considered, the horse must have a minimum of 2500 AERC career miles and have competed in long distance rides for 3 current consecutive years. Emphasis will be placed on high mileage and consistent performance on 75-100+ mile ride within the last three years. Rider/owner must be PNER member. Sponsor selects the recipient.

Ambassador Award

Awarded by the PNER Executive Committee

Annual award presented in honor of Gene Peterson and Wayne Stobie, to any member of PNER who best exemplifies the characteristics shown by these people: unselfish, helpful, friendly, dedicated to the sport of endurance riding, and to PNER. Wayne and Gene were not riders. They came to the rides with their respective spouses but were always willing to help anyone who needed it. Send nominations to PNER President, with the final decision to be made by the Exec. Comm. ***Must be received by Dec. 1.***

\$3000 Scholarship will be awarded each year.

Depending upon the applications received, it may be awarded to one recipient or split among two or more. Eligibility qualifications are:

- * Completed high school or equivalent
- * Current active PNER member in good standing
- * Attending post high school educational institution
- * To request specific application requirements

contact **Aarone Storms**, 25118 Jim Creek Rd
Arlington, WA 98223, (425) 318-2493 or
aarenex@haikufarm.net **Completed application**
deadline is December 1.

Tsyd Award

Sponsored by the Fiedler Family

Presented to a horse/rider team with at least 2,000 miles or 5 ride seasons together. Send nomination to Becky Fiedler, 8967 Cascade Hwy NE, Silverton, OR 97381 or bsfiedler@hotmail.com explaining how this horse and rider partnership demonstrates teamwork and exemplifies "to finish is to win". Must be a current and active PNER member. ***Nominations must be received by December 1.***

Region IV Arabian Horse Association Awards

Any AHA member riding a registered 1/2 Arabian or Purebred is eligible. Nomination of each eligible horse is required. Contact Region IV representative Janelle Wilde. 541-849-2460 (phone & fax)
jwilde@wildevents.info .

Ride Manager of the Year *sponsored by Susan Favro & Healthy As A Horse*

This award honors the hard-working ride managers. Any current PNER member may nominate a current or former ride manager of a PNER Ride. Send nominations to Susan Favro, 5155 West Fork Petty Creek Rd., Alberton MT 59820. Or to:
susan@healthyasahorse.net by December 1.

Past PNER Veteran Horse Awards

Horses with at least 2500 AERC career miles who have outstanding records in long distance rides.

<u>Horse</u>	<u>Owner</u>
1990 – RT Muffin	Darla Westlake
Moka's Pat-A-Dott	Karen Bumgarner
1991 – Mustang Lady	Naomi Preston
1992 – Kootenai Zizzero	Suzanne Hayes
1993 – Boxcar Willy	Sharon Westergard
1994 _ Messaouds Peeco	Arlene Morris
1995 _ Mojave	Patricia Murray
1996 – Lady Bug	Lindsey Westergard
1997 _ Mc Star Brite	Arleen Neale Wood
1998 _ No award presented	
1999 _ MC Rams Z presented in 2003	Terry & Darla Westlake
2000 _ Dandy McCoy	Ona Lawrence
2001 _ Raymond Blur	Dennis & Sue Summers
2002 - Air Lite	Cynthia Peticolas
2003 – Copper Breeze	Mary Forrester
2004 – CR Flash Gordon	Patricia Murray
2005 – Zahin Al-Din	Marie Mallon
Firajaaza: - Emeritus Award	Lorie Stobie
2006 – SAR Tiki Stranger	Carol Giles
2007 - Rustie	Lois Fox
2008 – LJ Ohadi Cedar	Martha McMurray
2009 LJ Jasuur Haraka	Nance Worman
2010 Junior	Max Merlich

2011 Eligibility Declaration Form

Nomination is voluntary, but you **MUST** nominate by August 1, 2011 to be considered.

Mail to: Lori Walker, PNER Points Secretary. 3014 Victor Pl, Everett, WA 98201 or email little.leo@frontier.com. Must be postmarked or emailed on or before August 1, 2011. To determine eligibility, refer to the Awards Descriptions.

Rookie Horse & Rider (For rides less than 50 miles) Check one: Junior Senior

Neither myself, _____ nor my horse, _____ have completed more than 100 miles of endurance and/or limited distance prior to the current ride season.

Horse of the Future (For rides 50+ miles)

My horse, _____ has never started in any endurance or limited distance ride prior to the current ride season. Owner: _____

Sophomore Horse (For rides 50+ miles)

My horse, _____ is in his/her second year of consecutive endurance/limited distance competition. This horse's first year of competition was _____.

Owner: _____

Novice Rider for the rider never having completed any distance ride: Check one: Junior Senior

Name: _____

Family Award: List all members within your family unit and relationship to you competing for this award: List additional names on the back, if necessary.

Adult name: _____ Relationship: Self _____

Adult name: _____ Relationship: _____

Child/Young Rider: _____ Relationship: _____

Child/Young Rider: _____ Relationship: _____

Child/Young Rider: _____ Relationship: _____

Couples Award: Name _____ Name _____

Stallion: _____ **Owner:** _____

Gaited Horse: _____ Copy of registration papers must accompany form