



TRILLIUM HUNTER JUMPER
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Everything you need to know for 2024

2024 Memberships, Travel the THJA and Champs Qualifications, Consolidated Central Shows, 50% Rule, 2024 Championships, New Website, EC Coaching Status Requirements and More

To all our returning and new members - welcome to the 2024 season of the Trillium Hunter Jumper Association!! We look forward to seeing all of you at shows across the Province this year culminating in our Championship Show at the end of the summer.

Memberships

In order to qualify for Championships and Zone Awards, both the rider and the owner of the horse **MUST** have their THJA membership before their first competition. **Points cannot be awarded retroactively.** 2024 memberships are currently \$35.00 (plus HST) but the fee will increase to \$40.00 (plus HST) on April 1. Visit www.thja.ca/membership to purchase.

Central Zone Collaboration

Central East, Georgian Bay and South East zones and their show managers have collaborated for 2024 to run consolidated horse shows and one combined banquet. A full list of 2024 show dates can be found on the THJA website and on each zone's website and FB page.

In addition, the Central show managers have put together a "First to Show" Package which can save you money on your Central horse shows. More information can be found on the zone websites and has also been shared by the horse show managers. The First to Show Package is available for purchase by visiting www.thja.ca/membership - just select the First to Show Package icon.

Travel the THJA, Qualifications for 2024 Champs and 50% Rule

The Travel the THJA will return in 2024. The THJA will be accepting points collected at any Ontario Trillium show towards Trillium Championships qualification. Declare your home zone by purchasing a membership in the zone you wish to represent at Champs. Show on your home zone and at any other THJA show to collect additional points towards Champs. (You can still choose to show only in your home zone and collect points) The THJA will maintain a central points list that will reflect each member's standing in the organization as a whole. Each zone will still receive seven spots per division/class for Champs but, in the event that there are remaining spaces, they will go to the next highest ranked competitor on the centralized points list, up to 49 entries.

New for 2024 - the 50% rule for Champs qualifications has been waived. There is no minimum number of shows required to qualify for Champs. NOTE: Zones may still set minimum show count requirements to qualify for year end awards.

2024 Championships

We are pleased to announce that the 2024 Championships will be held at Wesley Clover Parks in Ottawa from August 29 - September 1. Stay tuned for updates throughout the season on what promises to be another exciting Championship show.

If you, or a business you know, is interested in becoming a sponsor of Trillium Champs, please reach out to us.

Updates from Equine Canada for 2024

EC Coach Status Requirements for 2024

- **Canadian coaches must hold a minimum *Licensed EC Coach Status*** to coach at an EC-sanctioned competitions.

Athletes must either indicate the name and Sport License Number of their coach on the entry form or they may declare themselves to be Self-Coached by entering their own name and EC Sport Licence in the fields made available on the entry form.

Registered coaches, coaches listed as "Pending", "Expired", or with no status must purchase Temporary Coach Status.

Temporary Coach Status purchases are DIGITAL and must be purchased on My EC E-Portal.

*this information will be monitored by the Competition Manager and Show Secretary.

Temporary Sport Licences for 2024

Temporary Sport Licences for Competitors will no longer be issued by the Show Office. ALL riders, owners, and coaches MUST hold at minimum a Bronze Sport Licence

(exceptions only in Article A213) and must be purchased on the individual's My EC Portal.

REMINDER: If you are showing in Silver Rated Divisions at our shows the rider **and** owner MUST hold Silver EC memberships in order to accumulate points towards the Trillium Championships

Memberships MUST be purchased in order to compete at an event. Failure to comply with this can result in fines from Equestrian Canada for both the event and the competitor/owner/coach.

Temporary Horse Recording can still be purchased at the show office (\$79/horse).

New Website

Same website address but with a fresh new feel! Our website is still a work in progress, but go to www.thja.ca and check out our new look!

Volunteers

For over 40 years, the THJA has been blessed with the support of countless volunteers - from zone reps and our Board of Directors to all those horse show moms who dedicate themselves to helping our zones and Championship show run so smoothly. If you are interested in volunteering with Champs, sponsorship or marketing, please email us at info@thja.ca. If you would like to volunteer at the zone level, one of your zone reps would be happy to hear from you.

We are looking forward to a fabulous 2024 show season (despite the cold and snow we are experiencing now). If you have any questions or comments, please reach out to us at info@thja.ca.

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