

# 2014 ASHA YEAR END AWARDS



The American Saddlebred Horse Association honors its outstanding members each year at the Annual Meeting in February with its most prestigious awards. Award winners receive a custom-crafted julep cup, which is symbolic of the highest honor ASHA can bestow upon an individual, while Wing Commander Medal recipients each receive a medallion.

Members are encouraged to nominate individuals for these honors. Nominations must be submitted in writing, accompanied by a short biography of the nominee and the reason as to why the person or family should receive that specific award. The Board of Directors reviews the nominations and selects a winner.



HORSE OF THE YEAR  
CHCALLAWAY'S ANNABEL ALLISON

## HORSE OF THE YEAR

Beginning in the 2005 competition year, ASHA began designating its Horse of the Year, in order to nominate the outstanding performance horse of that year to the United States Equestrian Federation for consideration in its membership voting for

the USEF's overall Horse of the Year from all competing breeds and disciplines.

The American Saddlebred Horse of the Year is chosen by the officers of the American Saddle bred Horse Association, based on consideration of all performances throughout the competition year at major events, with an emphasis on the World's Championship Horse Show at the Kentucky State Fair (Louisville), the UPHA National Championship at the American Royal (Kansas City, Missouri), the Lexington Jr. League Horse Show (Kentucky), and overall competition records submitted by all registered shows.

- 2013 CHCallaway's Annabel Allison
- 2012 CHCourageous Lord
- 2011 CHThe Daily Lottery
- 2010 CHSprinkles
- 2009 CHOur Charming Lady
- 2008 CHBreaking News
- 2007 CHGrande Gil
- 2006 CHCallaway's Sugarplum
- 2005 CHCallaway's Copyright



MELISSA HERES AND MITCH CLARK

## FRANK OGLETREE YOUTH AWARD

The Frank Ogletree Youth Award was established to honor the late James Frank Ogletree Jr.

Ogletree was an attorney who unselfishly gave his time and talents as an ASHA Director. He was especially interested in young people and encouraged their involvement with American Saddlebred horses up until his death in 1985. He owned and operated Mark Hall Farms in Greenville, South Carolina, the home of several World's Champions.

The winner of the Frank Ogletree Youth Award should exhibit superior sportsmanship throughout his or her show career.

Nominees must be ASHA Junior Members who demonstrated participation and achievement within the show ring, exhibited positive personal characteristics

and true sportsmanship, as well as served as a true role model for their peers. In addition to receiving a julep cup, winners also receive a life membership to ASHA.

- 2014 Melissa Heres
- 2013 Foster Roberts
- 2012 Drew Taylor Hewitt
- 2011 Ashley Biggins
- 2010 Amy Hein
- 2009 Ivy Johnson
- 2008 Kelly Hill
- 2007 Emily Abbott & Kaelyn Donnelly
- 2006 Will Harris
- 2005 Shelby Reimer
- 2004 Catherine Hawley
- 2003 Kristen LaSota
- 2002 Margaret Allen
- 2001 Deveau Zubrod
- 2000 Will Cannon
- 1999 Ann Mary Robertson
- 1998 Brooke Jacobs
- 1997 Matthew Shiflet
- 1996 Sarah Howe
- 1995 Gabe Deknatel
- 1994 Jennifer Richardson
- 1993 Adolph Zell
- 1992 Nicole Bearman
- 1991 Lindsay Lavery
- 1990 Carleton & Melinda Huntoon
- 1989 David Antonacci
- 1988 Kate Harvey
- 1987 Victoria Gillenwater
- 1986 Heather Cairns



BILL MARPLE AND MITCH CLARK

## C. J. CRONAN SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD

C. J. Cronan was a longtime secretary of ASHA and many people considered him "Mr. Saddlebred." Cronan created the first American Saddlebred futurity program in 1927 at the Kentucky State Fair, which is now known as the Kentucky Futurity. Cronan's futurity model is the foundation for more than 50 American Saddlebred futurity programs across the country. As a true equine lover, Cronan was known to have said, "Horses do more for people, than people do for horses." Cronan passed away in 1985.

The C. J. Cronan Sportsmanship Award is presented each year to a male, who

has shown true sportsmanship in and out of the show ring as well as contributed to the breed. Participating, supporting and contributing to ASHA ideals are also all factors in selecting a recipient for this award.

- 2014 Mitch Clark
- 2013 Merrill Murray
- 2012 Rob Wilson
- 2011 William Shatner
- 2010 Fred Sarver
- 2009 Mike Spencer
- 2008 Bud Willimon
- 2007 Bill Becker
- 2006 Carson Kressley
- 2005 Keith Bartz
- 2004 Bruce Hanson
- 2003 Rob Byers
- 2002 Smith Lilly
- 2001 Dick Kearney
- 2000 Jimmy Robertson
- 1999 Harry S. Swimmer
- 1998 Edmund A. Perwien
- 1997 Todd Miles
- 1996 Don Harris
- 1995 Arthur M. Simmons
- 1994 Redd Crabtree
- 1993 C. L. "Honey" Craven
- 1992 Bill Harsh
- 1991 Phil Treiber
- 1990 Joseph Stopher
- 1989 Jim Aikman
- 1988 Ed Teater
- 1987 Don Stafford
- 1986 Dr. Alan Raun



BILL MARPLE AND MELISSA MOORE

### THE MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD

The Meritorious Service Award honors persons for their significant contributions on almost all levels over a long period of time to ASHA.

- 2014 Melissa Moore
- 2013 Nancy Boone
- 2012 Jimmy Robertson
- 2011 Sally Jackson
- 2010 Kay Richardson
- 2009 Michele Macfarlane
- 2008 George and Maggie Robertson
- 2007 Ross Drake
- 2006 Sarah Rowland
- 2005 Ray Sheffield

- 2004 Mary Anne Cronan
- 2003 Tom Pettry
- 2002 Bill Munford
- 2001 Scott Matton
- 2000 John & Dorothy Lenore
- 1999 Ruth Pfeffer
- 1998 Mr. & Mrs. Franklin Groves
- 1997 Marge Greenwell, Pat Nichols
- 1996 Ron & Nancy Dowty, Kris Price
- 1995 Don & Mae Baker
- 1992 Judy Oetinger
- 1991 Helen Hayse, Jessie Pettie
- 1986 James Crow, Jamie Donaldson, Diana Leifheit
- 1985 William Shatner, Betty Weldon

### GORDON JENKINS INTERNATIONAL AWARD

Gordon Jenkins attended the first production sale at Sutton Farm in Australia in the 1960s. The owners of Sutton Farm were the first to bring American Saddlebred horses to Australia. Jenkins, from Canyonleigh, Australia, fell in love with the new breed. By 1978, Jenkins began breeding American Saddlebreds and he and his wife, Betty, owned the largest American Saddlebred horse farm in Australia.

The American Saddlebred Horse Association of Australia was formed in 1977. Jenkins served as president from 1983 to 1988, and then served as vice president until his death in 1990. The Gordon Jenkins International Award was designed to honor a person who has gone the extra mile to introduce and promote the American Saddlebred horse to other countries. In 1993, Betty Jenkins, Gordon Jenkins' wife was the first recipient of the Gordon Jenkins International Award.

- 2013 Michele Macfarlane (United States)
- 2012 Ross Millin (South Africa)
- 2011 Jack Noble (United States)
- 2010 James and Jackie Hale (United States), Yvonne Sohlberg (Sweden)
- 2009 Brent Jacobs (United States)
- 2008 Martin Gueldner (Germany)
- 2007 Cheryl Lutring (England)
- 2006 Charles and Carol Court (Canada)
- 2005 Nancy Becker (United States)
- 2004 Birgitta Andersson (Sweden)
- 2003 Anne Judd (United States)
- 2002 Margaret Elizabeth Biggs (Canada)
- 2001 Harold Poil (South Africa)
- 2000 Isabelle Zingraff (France)
- 1999 Jack & Donna Underwood (Canada)
- 1998 Larry Hodge (United States)
- 1997 Bill Schoeman (South Africa)
- 1996 Larry Edwards (Canada)
- 1995 Piet Joubert (South Africa)
- 1994 Lisa Rosenberger, Walter Schmitz (Germany)
- 1993 Betty Jenkins (Australia)

### BREEDERS HALL OF FAME

The Breeders Hall of Fame was formed in 2006 to include each previous winner of the former Breeders Award. A new class will be inducted each year. The



ROY AND JUDY WERNER AND LISA DUNCAN

Breeders Hall of Fame honors a breeder who over a lifetime has shown or proven serious interest in betterment for the breed; consistently shown improvement and eagerness to learn; exhibited good sportsmanship and good horsemanship; demonstrated long-term interest; had success with more than one horse; has reached a pinnacle of success; and has unselfishly given to others, and encouraged other breeders, in an effort to better the breed.

- 2014 Redwing Farm (Judy & Roy Werner)
- 2013 Fox Grape Farm & Larry Hartsock
- 2012 Jim Stewart
- 2011 Dr. Alan Raun
- 2010 James W. Orr
- 2009 C. Thomas Galbreath and Earl Teater & Sons
- 2008 Ann Tierney Smith
- 2007 Charles R. Crabtree
- 2006 Stonecroft Farm
- 2005 Franklin & Carolyn Groves
- 2004 Dr. Simon Fredricks
- 2003 Richard Witt
- 2002 Glyndle and Randy Tabor
- 2001 Copper Coin Farm
- 2000 Katherine Q. Sinclair
- 1999 Joan Lurie
- 1998 Dr. E. L. Robinson
- 1997 Joan Hamilton
- 1996 William Shatner
- 1995 Marion Hutcheson
- 1994 Faffie Siekman Romero
- 1993 Don Hulse
- 1992 Betty Weldon
- 1991 Carl Fischer Jr.
- 1990 Ellen Scripps Davis
- 1989 Alvin Ruxer
- 1988 Della Large
- 1987 Betty Neil
- 1986 Jean McLean Davis



LISA DUNCAN AND TONY WELDON

## BREEDER OF THE YEAR AWARD

Introduced for the 2006 competition year, recipients of this award are chosen based on a statistical analysis of their successful show performance during the entire competition year, relying on records produced by the American Saddlebred Registry.

- 2014 Tony Weldon/Callaway Hills
- 2013 Blythewood Farm
- 2012 Elisabeth Goth
- 2010 Dr. Alan Raun
- 2009 Callaway Hills Stables / Kathy Capsuto-Walker
- 2008 Mary Gaylord McClean
- 2007 Callaway Hills Stables
- 2006 Callaway Hills Stables



KENT MOELLER, CAROL REEDY, AND NANCY TROUTMAN

## LURLINE ROTH SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD

Lurline Roth was an ASHA Director and one of the great exhibitors in the horse show game. She is remembered as the owner of <sup>CH</sup>Chief Of Longview and <sup>CH</sup>Sweetheart On Parade. However, even after these greats, she continued showing for many years. Roth's sportsmanship was evident, as she was gracious in victory or defeat. She was the California Vice President of ASHA in 1931. She passed away in 1985. The Lurline Roth Sportsmanship Award is awarded each year to a female for participating, supporting and contributing to ASHA ideals, as well as showing true sportsmanship in and out of the show ring.

- 2014 Carol Reedy
- 2013 Vickie Byrd
- 2012 Suzanne Bradshaw
- 2011 Patty Milligan
- 2010 Theresa Vonderschmitt
- 2009 Misdee Wrigley Miller
- 2008 Marilyn Macfarlane
- 2007 Sandra Lilly
- 2006 Jeanette Durant
- 2005 Ann Curl
- 2004 Gayle Lampe
- 2003 Sarah Byers
- 2002 Ann Tierney Smith
- 2001 Victoria Gillenwater
- 2000 Elisabeth M. Goth
- 1999 Morgan Wolin
- 1998 Katherine Q. Sinclair
- 1997 Dr. Helen Neave
- 1996 Michele Macfarlane
- 1995 Jane Mueller

- 1994 Judy Shepherd
- 1993 Mary Jane Sledge
- 1992 Sallie Wheeler
- 1991 Polly Meade Holm
- 1990 Mary Gaylord
- 1989 Helen Crabtree
- 1988 Karen Waldron
- 1987 Isabel Robson
- 1986 Marjorie Fergusson

## WING TEMPO AWARD

The Wing Tempo Award was established to recognize American Saddlebreds that have achieved excellence of the highest order in disciplines and venues not typically considered within the standard show ring structure.

- 2011 Wing Tempo - Shirley Sobol



ASHA PRESIDENT TANDY PATRICK AND NELSON GREEN

## LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

The Lifetime Achievement Award was first awarded in 2004 to Judy Werner. The award honors a person for his or her contributions to the Saddlebred industry. The winner of the award must show sincere dedication to the improvement of the breed as well as support of ASHA.

- 2014 Nelson Green
- 2013 Jim Ruwoldt
- 2012 Dick Boettcher
- 2011 William H. Thompson
- 2010 Redd Crabtree
- 2009 Don Harris
- 2008 Mrs. David Neil
- 2007 Jean McLean Davis
- 2006 Jim Aikman
- 2005 Marty Mueller
- 2004 Judy Werner



SARAH & VERNON WISE, JR.

## PAUL AND DOROTHY GILLENWATER FAMILY AWARD

Introduced in 2006, this award was established by Vicki Gillenwater in

memory of her parents. It is awarded by the Board of Directors in recognition of the American Saddlebred as the ideal family breed, with a suitable horse and competition division for participation by each member of a family. The honoree shall be recognized for its sportsmanship and dedication as an entire family to the advancement of Saddlebreds, as amateurs and purely for the love of sport, whether for recreation, competition, breeding or otherwise.

- 2014 Vernon Wise, Jr. Family
- 2013 The Rowland Family (Ever Glades Farm)
- 2012 The Paul Briney Family
- 2011 Ed and Ada Perwien
- 2010 The Raymond Bible Family
- 2009 Lynn Harvey McNamara Family and Dix Family
- 2008 The Wheeler Family
- 2007 The Pettry/Fergusson Family
- 2006 The McNeese Family



R.H. BENNETT AND CHRISTINE BRODER

## <sup>CH</sup>WING COMMANDER MEDAL

Introduced in 2007 and named in honor of <sup>CH</sup>Wing Commander, who is considered to be one of the, if not the greatest five-gaited American Saddle bred stallion ever, claiming the Five-Gaited World's Grand Champion title six consecutive years between 1948 and 1953. Individuals receive this honor for demonstrating outstanding service to ASHA and the breed, and through their dedication, have attracted interest in the highest quality show horses of the breed, thereby contributing to advancing the popularity of American Saddlebreds to the public.

- 2014 R. H. Bennett
- 2013 Harold Workman
- 2012 Ronald Merwin
- 2011 Keith Bartz
- 2010 Fern Bittner
- 2009 Minna Hankin, Bill Wise and Earl Teater & Sons
- 2008 Robert H. Lewis and Carter Cox
- 2007 Donna Moore, William Munford, Julian B. Thomas