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Racking Horse Breeders Association of America
67 Horse Center Road
Decatur, AL 35603

Re: Board of Directors

I, Greg Johnston, a member in good standing (7132), on behalf of the PRHTA, would like to recommend the following amendments to the rule book:

Amendment to Section 11.15 pg75 Specialty Action Division

The last sentence in paragraph 1 reads:

Championship classes for this division will be limited to this division only and will be unable to show in any other Championship class.

Change to read:

Championship classes for this division will not be limited to this division only.

Section 11.15 p75, Specialty Action Division add the following:

(E) Horses in this division may cross over and show in the open division.

Amendment to Section 12.4 pg 107 Fall World Championship

The first sentence reads:

Any horse which has shown in a previous class, except for Pleasure and Specialty Action Classes, is eligible to show in the World Grand Championship.

Change to read:

Any horse which has shown in a previous class, except for Pleasure, is eligible to show in the World Grand Championship class.

The intention of these amendments is to allow the Specialty Action Division to show in the Open Show Division and vice versa. The rule book states to qualify for a championship class, horses must show in a previous class so restricted.

We would like to request the Board of Directors send a mail out to the membership to vote on the following Amendment. We feel this is essential for passage.

Amendment to Section 11.2 pg 66 Pleasure Division

(A) The last sentence reads:

The Pleasure Division of racking shall be open only to Amateurs and Juveniles.

Change to read:

The Pleasure Division of Racking shall be open to Amateurs, Juveniles, and Trainers as specified (i.e., Trail Pleasure Amateur, Trail Pleasure Juvenile, or Trail Pleasure Open).

The objective of this amendment is to allow Professional Trainers to show in Pleasure classes where specified, i.e. Country Pleasure Amateur, Country Pleasure Juveniles, and Country Pleasure Open.

It is our position that shows, such as the Spring and Fall Celebrations, should require the exhibitor card issued for exhibitors to be Trainers Cards so they may show in the open classes. The trainers may not show in the Amateur classes, but the Amateurs may show in the Open classes.

The rule book requires an Exhibitor Status Committee to approve exhibitor status.

We hope that you will consider and pass these amendments for the upcoming show season. We believe that this will not only help the industry, but also aid in show participation. Furthermore, we feel the crossover of the Specialty Action division into the open division will increase entries in the open division. These amendments were passed by the members of the PRHTA at the fall meeting.

Thank you for your consideration,

Professional Racking Horse Trainers Association

Greg Johnston

President