

MARSHALL & STERLING CLASSES

- 49. Bit O' Straw Child/Adult Hunter Classic 2'6"
- 55. Junior/Adult Hunter O/F 3' (M&S Round 1)
- 56. M&S Children's/Adult Hunter O/F 3'
- 58. M&S Children's/Adult Medal O/F 3'

WHAT IS THE MARSHALL & STERLING LEAGUE?

The Marshall & Sterling League was first designed to encourage and enhance the competition level of Children's and Adult riders by providing the opportunity to qualify for a prestigious National Finals competition. For over a decade, the Marshall & Sterling League has stayed at the forefront of hunter/jumper competition, having grown from 10 member shows and approximately 100 riders in 1991, to nearly 1,000 horse shows and more than 2,500 riders today.

DO ALL EXHIBITORS NEED TO BECOME MEMBERS OF THE LEAGUE?

Riders must be members of the Marshall & Sterling League in order for points to count. Points will not be retroactive.

HOW ARE POINTS CALCULATED?

(note: PASC points and M&S points are NOT the same!)

In Hunter classes points are awarded to the horse, provided the rider is a League member. In Equitation classes points are awarded to the rider. Points will be awarded through sixth place in each division in the same manner as Hunter Championships (i.e.; 10, 6, 4, 2, 1, ½). Points will be awarded on this scale regardless of the number of entries in the class. Points will be awarded according to the ribbon won. Bonus Points will be awarded to the Champion (10 pts.) and Reserve Champion (6 pts.) in each Hunter division. Only horses shown by Member Riders will have their points recorded.

WHEN AND WHERE ARE THE FINALS HELD?

The National Finals are held at HITS-on-the-Hudson in Saugerties, New York in September of each year. The Marshall & Sterling "season" runs from September 2, 2009 to September 1, 2010.

DO PASC MEMBERS REALLY HAVE A CHANCE AT QUALIFYING FOR FINALS?

YES! Regardless of the number of entries in each class the winner will be awarded 10 points. The maximum any rider can receive through PASC will be 100 points (if a rider wins the class at all 10 shows). This is plenty of points to qualify for finals. In 2009, the number of points the top 5 riders had in each division were:

Bit O' Straw	Adult Medal	Children's Medal
1. 179	170	186
2. 100	92	178.5
3. 95.5	87	123
4. 86	82	116
5. 81	80	112