

**NCHA Annual Convention  
General Membership Meeting  
Recommendations to Executive Committee  
June 23, 2024 – Symphony Ballroom  
Loews Vanderbilt Hotel • Nashville, TN**



**STANDING COMMITTEES**

**Affiliate Officers/ Secretaries Committee**

1. The Affiliate Officers/Secretaries Committee recommends Certified Secretaries/Show Management be allowed to charge 15% with minimum a of \$100 to a(n) Owner/Rider that leaves without making arrangements for payment of all fees due and the charge is to be included on the show application and edit sheets.
2. The Affiliate Officers/Secretaries Committee recommend to Show Producers the option to run 35NP and 15AM concurrent with each other, which must be shown on the show application and edit sheets.
3. The Affiliate Officers/Secretaries Committee recommends to the Executive Committee a rule change regarding nonpayment or hot checks collection from 30 days to 60 days.
4. The Affiliate Officers/Secretaries Committee recommends to the Executive Committee an inflation adjustment for the 35NP, 15AM and 2,000 LR entry fee to cap at \$150. This would allow the cutters to possibly win a good portion of the entry fee back and could increase participation in these classes and help some clubs from needing surcharges on these classes.
5. New Business - The Affiliate Officers/Secretaries Committee recommends forming a task force to come up with a list of permissible exceptions for the 30-day rule for changes with a fine regarding Standing Rule 5.

**Amateur Committee**

1. Recommend to Executive Committee, to eliminate 5yr/250,000 Unlimited Amateur Exception. Vote taken all in favor
2. Auditing Members - Anonymous Complaints by Members Recommend NCHA to communicate the process for submitting a complaint. This has been addressed and the committee continues to work with staff to improve communication.
3. Recommend to the Leveling Task Force Committee to review individual entry into the Limited Non-Pro, Intermediate, and Non-Pro. If Amateurs and Limited Non-Pros were able to enter the Intermediate without entering the Non-Pro it could increase entries.

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**Finance and Audit Committee**

No Recommendations at this time.

**Governance Committee**

1. The Governance Committee has recommended doing a complete review of the bylaws of the association by the end of 2024, in time to be presented to the Board of Directors at the 2025 convention.
2. The Governance Committee recommends moving forward with a proposed amendment for Article VI, Section One.
3. The Governance Committee recommends to the Executive Committee that the incoming President keep the current Vice-Presidential Nominating Committee in continuity for two years while the Governance Committee works on the development of a new structure to be proposed at a later date for consideration of approval.
4. Old Business - The Governance Committee recommends keeping the alignment of regions vs. circuit boundaries separated.

**Growth and Development Committee**

No Recommendations at this time due to lack of quorum at the convention.

**Judges Rules Committee**

1. Judges Card Revisions
2. Standing Rules 21-29 Proposed Changes
3. Standing Rule 6.a, Regulations for Approval, Weekend Monitor Guidelines, and Self adjusted Monitor System Proposed Changes
4. Judging Rules 7, and 11 Proposed Changes
5. Proposed verbiage changes to Regulations For Approval LAE (4.b.e page 127); adding a section e.

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6. Proposed verbiage changes to Procedures for Videoing NCHA Approved Events ,19. Pg. 120.

**Limited Age Events Committee**

1. The Limited Age Events Committee encourages the Executive Committee to look at revising the Super Stakes and Summer Spectacular schedule to run division finals on separate days. If the schedule does not allow for separation they recommend running the classes with the largest payout first.
2. The Limited Age Events Committee encourages the Judges Department to determine if division finals can run on the same days as a separate divisions' go-rounds.

**Non-Professional Committee**

1. The Non-Pro Committee recommends to the Leveling Task Force to change the rollback option from 2yrs to 3yrs, lower the intermediate non pro cap and possibly increase the limited non pro cap if the new data supports the changes.
2. The Non-Pro Committee recommends to the Executive Committee to develop a task force to review the option of going to all money won, with designated levels (total lifetime), no exclusions, with levels for am/np, etc.
3. The Non-Pro Committee recommends to the Executive Committee to reverse their decision to include National Championships and Circuit Finals from the new 2025 rule that all earnings count.
4. The Non-Pro Committee recommends to the Executive Committee to communicate to the Directors and Standing Committee Chairs via eblast, website, Facebook and any other means available to ensure the membership is aware of the upcoming EC Agenda prior to the meeting to allow the committee chair and directors to communicate the upcoming items and weigh in to the rule change.
5. New Business - The Non-Pro Committee encourages the Executive Committee to review with the show department the show schedule to allow the higher levels to show first. i.e. non-pro, then intermediate non pro, then limited non-pro and to space the finals out so that the horse is not showing multiple times on the same day if the rider makes multiple finals. Also possibly running two divisions entwined.

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**Professional Trainers Committee**

No Recommendations at this time

**Stallion Owners Committee**

1. Stallion Owners Committee encourages the Executive Committee to look at updated verbiage regarding "Subscribed Stallion".
2. The Stallion Owners Committee recommends the Marketing Department to proceed with the most cost-effective booth to display at the NCHA Futurity and Sales.
3. The Stallion Owners Committee recommends to the Executive Committee the idea of hosting a Stallion Foal Incentive Informational cocktail party during the NCHA Futurity. The committee also recommends reaching out to the sires of Futurity entries who are not subscribed and Futurity entries who are not nominated to the program to raise awareness about the program and the Super Stakes.
4. The Stallion Owners Committee encourages the Executive Committee to proceed with a physical award in addition to the monetary subscriber and nominator awards. The committee will seek pricing for award plaque options and present the awards budget to the Finance Committee.
5. The Stallion Owners Committee recommends to the Executive Committee to update the current refund policy on Duplicate Foal Nominations to include verbiage that would allow NCHA to reserve the right to refund duplicate foal nominations to the member that nominated the foal last.

**Weekend Show Committee**

1. The Weekend Show Committee recommends to the Executive Committee changing the Challenger Fee from \$200 per show to \$100.
2. The Weekend Show Committee recommends no changes be made to the current Eastern payout structure in effect.
3. The Weekend Show Committee recommends supporting the Affiliate Officers/Secretaries Committee efforts in rectifying nonpayment at shows.
4. The Weekend Show Committee encourages the Executive Committee to not support the combining of the 35NP and 15AM classes.

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5. The Weekend Show Committee recommends to the Executive Committee raising the entry fee cap for the 35NP, 15AM and 2,000LR to \$150.
6. The Weekend Show Committee recommends to the Executive Committee not to change the World Standings to a point system or limit the number of shows one association may host.
7. The Weekend Show Committee encourages the Executive Committee to strongly recommend that efforts continue in recognizing the World Finalists and make the World Finals as prestigious as possible.
8. The Weekend Show Committee recommends to the Executive Committee to create a task force to further refine details regarding Championship Shows with no added money being true jackpot shows which would count for the World Finals.
9. The Weekend Show Committee recommends to the Finance Committee to change the 8% fee to a flat fee per entry and the weekend level.

**Youth Committee**

1. The Youth Committee has recommended a change of verbiage on the NYCHA Senior National Officer Application to better align with the NCHA Youth Committee and the NYCHA.
2. The Youth Committee recommends that the awarded scholarships for the NCHA Foundation Scholarship Cutting be listed on the back of the associated draw sheets.

**OTHER COMMITTEES**

**Approved LAE Show Producers Committee**

1. The Approved LAE Show Producers Committee encourages the Finance Committee to look over a recommendation on Monitor Fees.
2. The Approved LAE Show Producers Committee encourages the Executive Committee to look over the proposed first six months of the 2025 Major/Premier Calendar.
3. The Approved LAE Show Producers Committee recommends no NCHA Staff involvement in the American Rodeo and the Run for the Million.

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4. The Approved LAE Show Producers Committee recommends to the Leveling Task Force Committee to add Kathy Cardon to the help with the reviewing of leveling changes.
5. New Business - The Approved LAE Show Producers Committee recommends getting help with tax documentation from The Finance Committee.

**Grievance Committee**

1. The Grievance Committee recommends to the Executive Committee to develop a process to educate and inform the Board of Directors on proper procedures for filing a complaint.
2. The Grievance Committee recommends the Executive Committee consider the proposed revisions to Standing Rule 37.