

# KHJA News

The Newsletter of the Kentucky Hunter Jumper Association

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# A Note from the KHJA President, Ashley Watts

How wonderful for us to be able to award our prizes in person this year! Throughout this past year, KHJA has experienced growth and change that hopefully keeps us moving on a path that promotes our sport and advocates for both our human and equine athletes, all while enduring the challenges of a global pandemic.

Nonetheless, we are happy to have everyone be able to celebrate together to commemorate the year that was Two Thousand Twenty-one. Most importantly, credit is due to the hard-working individuals who put more into this organization than what they would ever expect in return. This is not an exhaustive list, so just know that I am appreciative of all who have graciously contributed to the success of the association.

I'd like to recognize **Trena Kerr** for her diligence in ordering your beautiful prizes and **Alex Nelson** for her efforts in scheduling the evening. **Sarah Coleman** and **Mark Llewellyn**, as always, have gone above and beyond to help ensure a great banquet and smooth 2021 for our members. **Jennifer Kraemer** has blown us away with her social media skills and sponsorships for this past Fall Classic Horse Show. Thank you to our board and membership for making my first year as the KHJA President a fulfilling one.

KHJA has some exciting changes that we hope will enhance the experience of its members. If you have interest in serving on the board and have not been a KHJA member for the required 24 months, you can still participate by serving on a committee. This is a great way to expose yourself to the business and operations of the association to help decide if you would like to further commit to service on the board. Please contact me via email at [khjapresident@gmail.com](mailto:khjapresident@gmail.com) should you be interested.



Another change is that we are lengthening terms for board members from two to three years in an effort to improve continuity across multi-year conventions.

We need your involvement to make this association and its board a fair representation of its members' needs, and the best way to accomplish that is through communication. We would love to hear from you, and if you're on social media, please follow us on Instagram at **khja.juniors** and **kentuckyhunterjumper** as well as **KHJA** on Facebook. These platforms will keep you up to date on the latest KHJA news, and they also serve as the simplest means to communicate your concerns directly to the KHJA elected leadership.

Wishing you the best New Year and looking forward to seeing your faces at shows in 2022!

**The 2022 KHJA Board will be announced at the banquet.**

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# 2021 KHJA YEAR-END AWARD WINNERS

## **Amateur Owner Hunter, Regular**

Champion: MVP, Tess Fortune

## **Green Hunter 3', Regular**

Champion: Pursuit, Laurie Storey

Reserve: No Salt All Sugar, Madelyn Kuhn

3. Discreet, Georgia Keogh

4. Kentucky Bound, Abbie Storandt

5. North Country, Reagan Perkins

## **KHJA 2' Medal, Local**

Champion: Reese Griffin

Reserve: Caroline McCusker

3. Riley Whelan

4. Samantha Wells

5. Sabine Nicoson

6. Leah Schwartz

## **Small Pony Hunter, Regular**

Champion: Weebiscuit, Caroline Parker

Reserve: Tidecreek Abigail, Samantha Wells

3. Our Little Rascal, Ava Roof

4. Patchwork Zodiac, Delanie Borders

## **Children's Hunter Pony, Local**

Champion: Empire's Sun, Ava Roof

Reserve: Once Upon A Time, Emily Reynolds

3. Elf On The Shelf, Delanie Borders

4. Our Little Rascal, Ava Roof

5. VH Paris Rain Beau , Ainsley Russel

## **Crossrails Equitation, Local**

Champion: Lucy Powell

Reserve: Austin Cahill

3. Ellie Kovach

4. Anna Phelan

5. Macie Zuber

6. Palmer Haugh

## **Pre/Intermediate Adult Hunter, Local**

Champion: Gratitude, Taylor Christoff

Reserve: All I Need, Tracy Beavers

3. Bourbon Trail, Jennifer Kraemer

4. In Due Time, Kristin Gettelfinger

5. Leisurely, Sabina Chambers-Hutchison

6. Biker Boy, Sarah Tluczek

## **Thoroughbred Jumper, Local**

Champion: Gottobeperfect, Meghan Carney

Reserve: Two Punch Girl, Olivia Stroika

3. My Pot Of Gold, Karl Hancock

4. Johnie J, Sally Reeke

5. JR Mint, Riley McDaniel

6. Give Me A Chance, Ryleigh Howell

## **15-17 Equitation, Regular**

Champion: Melodie Robitaille

Reserve: Hayden Wheeler

3. Alivia Kohus

4. Alexandra Beasley

5. Madelyn Kuhn

6. Grace Hildebrand

## **Long Stirrup Equitation, Regular**

Champion: Piper Gray

Reserve: Ashley Lankford

3. Delanie Borders

4. Safiyah Kopp

Riley Whelan

5. Gina Sparacino

6. Reese Griffin

## **Low Children's/Adult Jumper, Regular**

Champion: Venturo 9, Emma Paley

Reserve: Prophan, Anna Horton

3. Idyllic, Aimee Kemper

4. Bastille, Julia Cummings

5. Boom, Madeline Gober

6. Reagan 85, Rosemary Rail

## **Junior/Amateur Owner Hunter 3'3", Local**

Champion: Shameless, Emilie Smith

Reserve: No Salt All Sugar, Madelyn Kuhn

3. Discreet, Georgia Keogh

## **Amateur Owner Hunter 3'3", Regular**

Champion: Oh Brother, Vanessa Mazzoli

Reserve: Lukelele, Rachel Kolar

3. Discreet, Georgia Keogh

4. Devout, Larissa Hufnagel

## **Training/Schooling Jumper, Local**

Champion: Pumped Up Kids, Alicia Harbin

Reserve: Sweet Anne Lea, Jon Thompson

3. Dark Serendipity, Madelyn Yarber
4. Unsolved Mystery, Kaylynn Berry
5. Ever After, Kaitlyn Jenich
6. Othello, Samantha Dolan

### **Adult Equitation, Local**

- Champion: Lilli Power  
Reserve: Georgia Keogh
3. Tracy Beavers
  4. Jennifer Kraemer
  5. Reagan Perkins
  6. Jessica Harrison

### **Junior/Amateur Owner Jumper, Regular**

- Champion: Pumpkin, Vanessa Mazzoli  
Reserve: Quabelle, Jenna Yamamoto
3. Trevisa, Keely McIntosh
  4. Inne Van De Plataan, Keely McIntosh
  5. So Live Helau, Keely McIntosh
  6. Quarterletto, Kylie Schmidt

### **Baby Green Hunter, Regular**

- Champion: HP Copernicuz, Larissa Hufnagel  
Reserve: Qizmet SF, Meg McTiver
3. Leisurely, Sabina Chambers-Hutchison
  4. Si' Vous Plait, Rylee Eilerman
  5. Primrose, Elaine Schott
  6. This Is Me, Heath Gunnison

### **KHJA 2'6" Medal, Local**

- Champion: Finley Scheffel  
Reserve: Riley McDaniel
3. Shannon Casazza
  4. Rylee Eilerman
  - Taylor Christoff

5. Larissa Paduchik
6. Abigayle Buttry

### **Medium Pony Hunter, Regular**

- Champion: Wish Me Luck, Lilly Yinger  
Reserve: Custom Havana, Finley Scheffel
3. Sugarbrook Boogieboard, Annabelle Wood

### **Adult Jumper, Regular**

- Champion: Othello, Samantha Dolan  
Champion: Quabelle, Jenna Yamamoto  
Reserve: Royal Rumor, Laura Janke

### **Adult Amateur Hunter Under 35, Local**

- Champion: Olive U, Reagan Perkins  
Reserve: Wingman, Lilli Power
3. Kings Pawn, Libby Richie
  4. All I Need, Tracy Beavers
  5. Discreet, Georgia Keogh
  6. North Country, Reagan Perkins

### **Short Stirrup Hunter, Local**

- Champion: Tidecreek Abigail, Samantha Wells  
Reserve: Caerindoll's Picture Perfect, Rylie Cann
3. Right On Red, Sophia Gibson
  4. Rockin Roxy, Chloe Smith
  5. Pappy Van Winkle, Shelby Reynolds
  - Noahs Mark, Kendell Hutchison
  6. Wingardium Leviosa, Finn Keating

### **Pre/Intermediate Children's/Adult Jumper, Local**

- Champion: Double Dipped, Maranda Crittenden  
Reserve: Give Me A Chance, Ryleigh Howell
3. I'm A Burrito, Kaleb Alden
  4. Reba, Elizabeth Feeney
  5. Lucky Kitten, Hailey Schmitt
  6. Revere, Kimberly Michelson
  - Waterfall Des Negres, Rylee Eilerman

### **Two-Year-Old Hunter Breeding, Local**

- Champion: Park Avenblu GES, Lauren Ensor

### **12-14 Equitation, Local**

- Champion: Finley Scheffel  
Reserve: Ava Roof
3. Ainsley Russell
  4. Emilie Smith
  5. Emma Heron
  6. Rylee Eilerman

### **Green Hunter 3'3", Regular**

- Champion: Purely Grateful, Kelly Fleming

### **Children's Working Hunter 14 & Under, Regular**

- Champion: Astra Road, Frances Conti  
Reserve: Dalliance, Charlotte Kunes
3. Captain Jack, Lilly Yinger
  4. Obsession, Elli Harper
  5. North Country, Elli Harper

### **Large Pony Hunter, Regular**

- Champion: Mortons Tom Cat, Ella Norman

Reserve: Kissed By The Bay,  
Ava DeFelice  
3. VH Paris Rain Beau,  
Ainsley Russell  
4. Empire's Sun, Ava Roof  
5. Neverland, Chloe Shea  
6. Once Upon A Time, Emily  
Reynolds

### **Children's Hunter Pony, Regular**

Champion: Elf On The Shelf,  
Delanie Borders  
Reserve: Once Upon A Time,  
Emily Reynolds  
3. Wish Me Luck, Chloe Shea  
4. Empire's Sun, Ava Roof

### **KHJA 3' Medal, Local**

Champion: Kayden Gundry  
Reserve: Jessica Harrison  
3. Meghan Carney  
4. Samantha Dolan  
5. Karston Gundry  
Madelyn Kuhn  
Lilli Power  
6. Camryn Mulzer  
Megan Riddle  
Abbie Storandt

### **Open Jumper, Regular**

Champion: Tori's Always  
Wright, Peyton Beerbower  
Reserve: Trevisa, Keely  
McIntosh  
3. Alfie Z, Payton Beerbower  
4. Boom, Madeline Gober  
5. Inne Van De Plataan, Keely  
McIntosh  
6. Limerick, Keely McIntosh

### **Novice Jumper, Regular**

Champion: Boom, Madeline  
Gober  
Reserve: Waterfall Des  
Negres, Kaleb Alden  
3. Idyllic, Aimee Kemper  
4. Olaf SCF, Abbie Storandt

5. Cassius, Sydney Roby  
6. Kanoodle SCF, Leea  
Bridgeman

### **Intermediate Children's Equitation, Regular**

Champion: Ainsley Russell  
Reserve: Finley Scheffel  
3. Rylee Eilerman  
4. Elaina Davis  
5. Ava Roof  
6. Lucy Deskins

### **Pre/Intermediate Children's Hunter, Local**

Champion: New Beginnings,  
Nadia Shurley  
Reserve: Custom Havana,  
Finley Scheffel  
3. Lorentino, Larissa Paduchik  
4. Si' Vous Plait, Rylee  
Eilerman  
5. Vodel, Zoe Johnson  
6. Strong Suit, Emery Weston

### **Long Stirrup Hunter, Local**

Champion: Churchill, Marilyn  
Meyer  
Reserve: Max In A Million,  
Caroline McCusker  
3. Shda Puta Ring On It,  
Caroline McCusker  
4. Quintessential, Susanna  
Schwartz  
5. Just What The Doctor  
Ordered, Ashley Lankford  
6. Right On Red, Chloe Evans

### **Adult Equitation, Regular**

Champion: Mark Richter  
Reserve: Reagan Perkins  
3. Lauren Murphy  
4. Kelly Fleming

### **Beginner Rider, Local**

Champion: Remington, Reese  
Griffin

Reserve: Rudy, Sarah Jurgens  
3. Just What The Doctor  
Ordered, Ashley Lankford  
4. Hanson Avenue, Lexi Alford  
5. Caesar Z, Lily Shireman  
6. Otis Spunkmeyer, Addison  
Morgan

### **Pre/Intermediate Chil- dren's Hunter, Regular**

Champion: Ilandia, Caroline  
Duffy  
Reserve: Spotlight, Annabelle  
Wood  
3. Clayton 35, Sarah Steele  
4. Play It Again Sam,  
Morgan Monroe  
5. Assendruplunds Cameroun,  
Emma Heron  
6. High Hopes, Gracie Stamper

### **Novice Jumper, Local**

Champion: Waterfall Des  
Negres, Kaleb Alden  
Reserve: First Tiz Best, Amy  
Paulus  
3. Rochebelle, Madeleine  
Jayme  
4. Fancy Curtain Call, Grace  
Hildebrand  
5. Ever After, Kaitlyn Jenich  
6. Unsolved Mystery, Kaylynn  
Berry

### **Three-Year-Old Hunter Breeding, Local**

Champion: Counterpart, Lilli  
Power  
Reserve: Sweet Anna, Joyce  
Brinsfield  
3. Fabulous Platinum,  
Mackenzie Rockefeller  
4. Lasting Ovation, Kyle Davies  
5. The Oracle PF, Meg McTiver

### **15-17 Equitation, Local**

Champion: Madelyn Kuhn  
Reserve: Kayden Gundry

3. Karston Gundry
4. Melodie Robitaille
5. Paige Thomas
6. Lauren Smitha

### **11 & Under Equitation, Local**

- Champion: Rylie Cann  
Reserve: Margaret Mitz
3. Zoe Johnson
  4. Addison Morgan
  5. Katelyn Votel
  6. Phoebe Konopka

### **Long Stirrup Equitation, Local**

- Champion: Caroline MCusker  
Reserve: Riley Whelan
3. Ellessar Petros
  4. Piper Gray
  5. Leah Schwartz
  6. Chloe Evans

### **Children's Working Hunter 15-17, Regular**

- Champion: Cosmo Cool,  
Grace Hildebrand  
Reserve: No Salt All Sugar,  
Madelyn Kuhn
3. Go On Top DVE, Chloe Shea
  4. Castlebridge Cassius,  
Natalie Gray
  5. Eye Spy, Carys Wasil
  6. Olive Martini, Lindsey Jones

### **Children's Jumper, Regular**

- Champion: Leonardo, Camryn  
Mulzer  
Reserve: Killian's Red, Avery  
Ehrhardt
3. Quarterletto, Meredith  
Denton
  4. Freestyle 3, Elizabeth Klein

### **Pre/Intermediate Children's/Adult Jumper, Regular**

- Champion: Dark Serendipity,  
Sarah Angelucci  
Reserve: Waterfall Des  
Negres, Kaleb Alden
3. Give Me A Chance, Ryleigh  
Howell
  4. Casino, Hillary Ocampo
  5. Kissed By The Bay, Ava  
DeFelice
  6. Reba, Elizabeth Feeney

### **KHJA Adult Medal**

- Champion: Emma R. Owens  
Champion: Nicole Akey  
Reserve: Safiyah Kopp
3. Reagan Perkins
  4. Amy Bailey
  5. Jessica Harrison  
Savanna Rennirt

### **12-14 Equitation, Regular**

- Champion: Emilie Smith  
Reserve: Caroline Smith
3. Hunter Beasley
  4. Mary Mitz
  5. Elli Harper
  6. Leah Buzard

### **Modified Children's/ Adult Hunter, Local**

- Champion: Change Order,  
Michele Power  
Reserve: West Coast, Lilli  
Power
3. Top Shelf, Kelly McAninch
  4. Kings Pawn, Libby Richie
  5. Marauder's Dash, Julia  
Thompson

### **Children's/Adult Jumper, Local**

- Champion: Fashion Mint,  
McKenna Chow  
Reserve: Assendruplunds

- Cameroun, Emma Heron
3. Stealing Home, Elizabeth  
Sullivan
  4. Prophan, Anna Horton
  5. Reagan 85, Rosemary Rail
  6. Spitfire's Pilot, Briana  
Ancalmo

### **Walk-Trot Equitation, Local**

- Champion: Palmer Haugh  
Reserve: Abigail Miller
3. Caroline Smith
  4. Lilly Stackhouse
  5. Riley Wilson
  6. Skylar Fivecoat

### **Long Stirrup Hunter, Regular**

- Champion: Just What The  
Doctor Ordered, Ashley  
Lankford  
Reserve: Churchill, Marilyn  
Meyer
3. High Hopes, Gracie Stamper
  4. Lorentino, Larissa Paduchik
  5. Lonaroo, Hannah Hobbs
  6. Dunkirk's Spirit, Danica  
Porter

### **Thoroughbred Hunter, Local**

- Champion: Leisurely, Sabina  
Chambers-Hutchison  
Reserve: Hush Up, Lilly Musso
3. Clean Slayte, Alicia Harbin
  4. Chisholm, Sarah Coleman
  5. JR Mint, Riley McDaniel
  6. Top Shelf, Kelly McAninch

### **Short Stirrup Hunter, Regular**

- Champion: Caerindoll's  
Picture Perfect, Rylie Cann  
Reserve: Hidden Springs  
Kashmir, Avery Rosser
3. Carlotta, Caroline Potter



4. Practically Perfect, Emily Tinch

### **Children's Working Hunter 15-17, Local**

- Champion: Cosmo Cool, Grace Hildebrand  
Reserve: Eye Spy, Carys Wasil
3. Final Edition, Kayden Gundry  
Olive Martini, Lindsey Jones
  4. Moose Tracks, Madelyn Kuhn  
Hush Up, Paige Thomas

### **Adult Amateur Hunter 36 & Over, Local**

- Champion: Change Order, Michele Power  
Reserve: Gottobep perfect, Meghan Carney
3. HP Cosmopolitan, Larissa Hufnagel
  4. Biker Boy, Sarah Tluczek
  5. Purely Grateful, Kelly Fleming

### **Hopeful Jumper, Local**

- Champion: Pumped Up Kids, Alicia Harbin  
Reserve: Waterfall Des Negres, Kaleb Alden
3. We're Not In Kansas Anymore, Tyler Pyle
  4. Gottobep perfect, Paige Thomas
  5. Give Me A Chance, Ryleigh Howell
  6. Marauder's Dash, Julia Thompson

### **Low Children's/Adult Jumper, Local**

- Champion: Prophan, Anna Horton  
Reserve Champion: Leonardo, Camryn Mulzer
3. Olaf SCE, Abbie Storandt

4. Venturo 9, Emma Paley
5. Royal Rumor, Laura Janke
6. Idyllic, Aimee Kemper

### **Short Stirrup Equitation, Local**

- Champion: Samantha Wells  
Reserve: Katelyn Votel
3. Margaret Mitz
  4. Rylie Cann
  5. Shelby Reynolds
  6. Lila Beshear

### **Performance Hunter, Regular**

- Champion: Captain Jack, Lindsay Yinger  
Reserve: Castlebridge Cassius, Natalie Gray
3. Cristallo's Carlchen P, Alivia Kohus
  4. Cosmo Cool, Grace Hildebrand
  5. Constellation, Lauren Hampson
  6. Je T'aime, Lauren Murphy

### **Intermediate Children's Equitation, Local**

- Champion: Finley Scheffel  
Reserve: Anna Kuhn
3. Ainsley Russell
  4. Rylee Eilerman
  5. Nadia Shurley
  6. Larissa Paduchik

### **Thoroughbred Hunter, Regular**

- Champion: Purely Grateful, Kelly Fleming  
Reserve: Eye Spy, Carys Wasil
3. MVP, Tess Fortune
  4. Leisurely, Sabina Chambers-Hutchison
  5. Olive U, Reagan Perkins
  6. Welsh Wizard, Megan Stackhouse

### **11 & Under Equitation, Regular**

- Champion: Caroline Parker  
Reserve: Margaret Mitz
3. Rylie Cann
  4. Blaire DeHope
  5. Samantha Wells
  6. Caroline Potter

### **Short Stirrup Equitation, Regular**

- Champion: Avery Hore  
Reserve: Avery Rosser
3. Rylie Cann
  4. Katelyn Votel
  5. Margaret Mitz
  6. Caroline E. Potter

### **Green Hunter 3', Local**

- Champion: Discreet, Georgia Keogh  
Reserve: Pursuit, Laurie Storey
3. Purely Grateful, Kelly Fleming
  4. Gottobep perfect, Meghan Carney
  5. No Salt All Sugar, Madelyn Kuhn
  6. President Carter, Alicia Harbin

### **Junior Hunter 3'3", Regular**

- Champion: Encore B, Chloe Shea  
Reserve: No Salt All Sugar, Madelyn Kuhn
3. Shameless, Emilie Smith
  4. Exclusive, Elizabeth Klein
  5. Go On Top DVE, Chloe Shea
  6. Captain Jack, Madeline Brooks

### **Walk-Trot Equitation, Regular**

- Champion: Caroline Smith  
Reserve: Lillian Carroll

3. Jillian Geiman
4. Zoe Long
5. Jena Geiman
6. Cameron Keating

### **Beginner Horse/Pony, Local**

- Champion: Thinking Out Loud, Lilli Power  
Reserve: This Is Me, Heath Gunnison
3. Max In A Million, Caroline McCusker
  4. Custom Vibes, Finley Scheffel
  5. Summer Stone, Stacey Miller
  6. Bourbon Trail, Jennifer Kraemer

### **Intermediate Adult Equitation, Regular**

- Champion: Tracy Beavers  
Reserve: Lindsey Gibbons
3. Kelly McAninch
  4. Amy Bailey
  5. Stacey Miller
  6. Jenna Rieder

### **Children's Working Hunter 14 & Under, Local**

- Champion: Kentucky Bound, Abbie Storandt  
Reserve: Clayton 35, Sarah Steele
3. Don't Blink, Mary Cunningham
  4. Dalliance, Charlotte Kunes
  5. Olaf SCF, Abbie Storandt
  6. Obsession, Elli Harper

### **Junior Hunter, Regular**

- Champion: Exclusive, Elizabeth Klein  
Reserve: Encore B, Chloe Shea
3. Shameless, Emilie Smith
  4. Cristallo's Carlchen P, Alivia Kohus

### **Adult Amateur Hunter Under 35, Regular**

- Champion: Change Order, Lili Power  
Reserve: Constellation, Lauren Hampson
3. Discreet, Georgia Keogh
  4. Olive U, Reagan Perkins

### **Pre/Intermediate Adult Hunter, Regular**

- Champion: Denver S, Brittany Haugh  
Reserve: Constellation, Lauren Hampson
3. Olive U, Reagan Perkins
  4. Granite Bay, Amy Bailey
  5. Rainier, Katherine Sheehan
  6. Change Order, Michele Power

### **Baby Green Hunter, Local**

- Champion: Leisurely, Sabina Chambers-Hutchison  
Reserve: Qizmet SF, Meg McTiver
3. Clean Slayte, Alicia Harbin
  4. Ulterior Motive, Shannon Casazza
  5. Si' Vous Plait, Rylee Eilerman
  6. Carbon Copy, Marty Richardson

### **Crossrails Equitation, Regular**

- Champion: Austin Cahill  
Reserve: Sarah Smith
3. Lillian Carroll Lesley Arnold
  4. Caroline Potter
  5. Jillian Geiman
  6. Anna Phelan

### **Beginner Jumper, Local**

- Champion: Butterscotch Kisses, Phoebe Konopka  
Reserve: Ricky Bobby, Kate McCoy

3. Perfect Mark, Kara Hertz
4. Summers Night, Willow Horst
5. Celia Weelia, Andrew Grogan
6. Idol, Reese Griffin

### **Four-To-Six-Year-Old Hunter Breeding, Local**

- Champion: Thinking Out Loud, Lilli Power  
Reserve: Tiz A Hercules, Joyce Brinsfield
3. Bourbon Trail, Jennifer Kraemer
  4. Ballyhigh Nightsun, Joyce Brinsfield
  5. Always Lucky, Kara Hertz
  6. Qizmet SF, Meg McTiver

### **Intermediate Adult Equitation, Local**

- Champion: Stacey Miller  
Reserve: Amy Bailey
3. Mackenzey Wallace
  4. Tracy Beavers
  5. Mary Ormsby
  6. Eileen Cody

### **Adult Amateur Hunter 36 & Over, Regular**

- Champion: Corallo Z, Dell Kelly  
Reserve: Purely Grateful, Kelly M. Fleming
3. Je T'aime, Lauren Murphy
  4. Cannavaro Z, Bridget Hempel

### **Small/Medium Green Pony Hunter, Regular**

- Champion: Patchwork Zodiac, Delanie Borders  
Reserve: Bluegrass Sensation, Finley Scheffel
3. Custom Havana, Finley Scheffel

## GRAND CHAMPION AWARDS

Regular Grand Champion Hunter, Senior: Oh Brother, Vanessa Mazzoli  
Regular Grand Champion Hunter, Junior: Mortons Tom Cat, Ella Norman  
Regular Grand Champion Jumper: Pumpkin, Vanessa Mazzoli  
Local Grand Champion Hunter: Lesiurely, Sabina Chambers-Hutchison  
Local Grand Champion Jumper: Butterscotch Kisses, Phoebe Konopka  
Local Grand Champion Hunter Breeding: Counterpart, Lilli Power



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### Hunter / Jumper Shows

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# KHJA Gives Junior Riders a Leg Up

In 2016, KHJA launched a program designed to give riders between 10 and 18 years old a “Leg Up” on their personal progression within the sport of riding in the hunters, jumpers or equitation divisions. Four grants are available: two for \$1,500 and two for \$1,000.

To be eligible for any Leg Up grant, a rider must:

- **Be a member of KHJA for at least 2 years**

- **Perform a minimum of 6 hours of community service (younger riders can complete this requirement by volunteering at their trainer’s farm)**

- **Fill out the Leg Up application, questionnaire and trainer recommendation and remit to the Leg Up Committee (forms can be downloaded at the KHJA website)**

- **Complete the USHJA Horsemanship Challenge Quiz, Level 1 minimum**

It’s important to note that KHJA members can be awarded a grant a maximum of two times and not in consecutive years; those not awarded the grant can reapply each year. Applicants for the Leg Up grants cannot apply for the two \$2,500 KHJA Scholarships in the same year.

2021 winners include:

- **Lucy Deskins: \$1,000**
- **Holland Kantar: \$1,500**
- **Ava Roof: \$1,500**
- **Finley Scheffel: \$1,000**



## What the Winners Have to Say: Lucy Deskins

Lucy Deskins rides her horse Cartier with Liza Barcomb at Holladay Hills Stable. Lucy says that she’s been a member of KHJA since she began riding in walk-trot poles at age 5.

“I heard others talk about how they won or received the grant and how it helped them be able to do more lessons or horse shows and advance in their riding,” she explains about applying for the Leg Up grant. “I wanted to be able to grow as a rider and the grant helps me where I may not have been able to afford to do it on my own.”

It wasn’t hard to apply for the scholarship, Lucy says—and she was so excited to win. “I was happy to hear some of my friends from other barns had also won!” she says.

Lucy used her grant money for horse shows and on equipment for her horse. “Horses are

not cheap, but that doesn’t mean you cannot have opportunities to advance your riding or have certain goals. If you’re willing to work hard, there are ways to make it happen. KHJA rewards those who want to work hard and reach new heights in their riding dreams with this grant,” Lucy explains. “I also used the funds to care for my horse, who always comes first. His care and happiness are the most important to me, from his head to his feet to his big heart.”

## What the Winners Have to Say: Holland Kantar

Holland Kantar rides with Nori Scheffel at Scheffelridge Farm in Paris, KY, where she lessons regularly on school horses. She competes locally and her favorite shows are home horse shows at the farm.

The Leg Up grant allowed Holland to take additional lessons and lease a horse at the farm.

“It wasn’t too difficult to apply, although you do need to put effort into your application, along with completing the Horsemanship Quiz,” Holland said. “I was extremely happy and grateful when I won the grant; it meant a lot to me. I would encourage everyone to apply for this scholarship; it can help a rider in many ways.”

### **What the Winners Have to Say: Ava Roof**

Ava Roof rides with Jamie Mills at Empress Valley Farm in Johnstown, Ohio. She competes on ponies Our Little Rascal (“Spanky”) and Empires Sun (“Roo”). One of Ava’s favorite shows is the KHJA Fall Classic because of the amazing prizes they give.

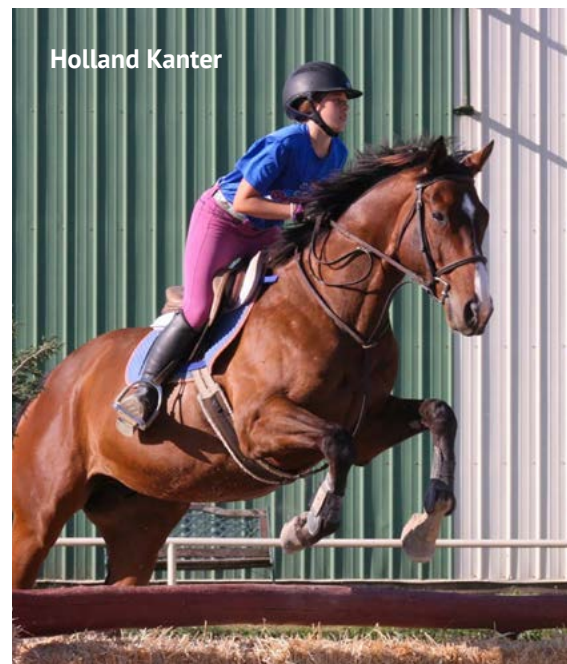
“I decided to apply for the KHJA Leg Up grant because it was easy to apply and I figured it was worth a shot since it would benefit my showing experience,” says Ava. “Even though it took some time and effort, it was worth it to win the grant money!”

Ava used the grant money to help with the cost of bringing Roo to Florida during the winter for more show experience. “I was so glad and appreciative that the grant money helped me get to Florida so that I could gain more experience with my large pony,” Ava says.

### **What the Winners Have to Say: Finley Scheffel**

Finley Scheffel rides with her mom, Nori Scheffel, owner of Scheffelridge Farm in Paris, KY. She rides and shows multiple ponies, but the one she showed most consistently in 2021 was Custom Havana (“Havana”). “Horse showing is a huge part of my life and it’s one of my favorite things to do!” says Finley. “My favorite show hands down is Pony Finals. Everyone is there for the same reason: PONIES! Because Pony Finals is such a prestigious show, no matter how you do when you step into the arena, you’re just so proud to be there.”

Knowing how much Finley shows, it would be understand-



Holland Kanter

able to think she would use the Leg Up grant to apply toward her show bills – but that wasn’t what she had in store.

“I applied for the Leg Up grant because I’ve always wanted to grow my own ponies from the ground up. I figured the Leg Up grant could get me started” financially, Finley said. “I didn’t find it particularly hard to apply because I had an end goal. I knew exactly what direction I was going to go, which made



Ava Roof



Finley Scheffel



my essay a whole lot more fun to write because I could write about something I was passionate about.”

“I was extremely excited when I won because I could start this big goal of mine even earlier than originally planned,” she explained. “I used the grant money for a breeding to Missy Jo Hollingsworth’s stallion, Telynau Royal Charter. I now have two Charter 2-year-olds from that batch of ponies. They are teaching me so much about the fundamentals and the groundwork that starts way before the actual riding part. My colts can stand tied, lunge, cross tie, and stand for trimming, and I’m even trying to teach them to lay down! This has been an amazing journey so far and it’s only getting started.”

“I would definitely encourage others to apply for the Leg Up grant because it can open even more opportunities than you thought were possible,” Finley advises. “There are endless options on how to use the money, but I will say that it’s a whole heck of a lot easier to apply if you choose to use it on something that you’re genuinely passionate about.”

### 2022 Leg Up Scholarship Winners

Abigayle Buttry  
Danica Porter  
Abbie Storandt

## 2021 KHJA \$2,500 Scholarship Winners

### Georgia Murray

Georgia Murray is the 2021 recipient of the \$2,500 KHJA scholarship, which was applied to her tuition at the University of Kentucky. Two \$2,500 scholarships are awarded each year to KHJA members in good standing to apply to his or her college or trade school tuition.

“I decided to apply for the KHJA scholarship because it is a great opportunity to help relieve the financial pressure of college,” Georgia explained. “It also helped me afford the UK Equestrian Team dues!”

The application itself wasn’t difficult, Georgia says. “Overall, the application process is simple and is very similar to any other scholarship application. I had to get service hours at KHJA sponsored events, which was fairly simple because I was horse showing frequently at the time and often could help the show staff to accumulate hours,” she explains of the scholarship prerequisites. “I also had to write an essay about the impact the KHJA and the horse world in general had on my life, which was easy to write because they are a major part of who I am.”

Georgia is a sophomore in the biomedical engineering program at UK. “When I graduate, I’m planning on working in the industry and hopefully will be able to contribute to advancements in healthcare,” she explains. “I also plan to still be involved in the horse world as it will forever be my favorite way to spend my free time!”



Georgia Murray

When asked about advice for young riders looking forward to attending college, Georgia says simply: Accept change. “The transition to college for me presented quite a challenge in my life. I went from riding all the time and competing on top equitation circuits to only being able to ride a couple days a week because of my busy school schedule,” she says. “I often remind myself that one day when I’m finished with my studies, I will have more time to do other things I’m passionate about, like riding.”

Georgia’s final piece of advice for students is truly applicable to everyone: “Life is full of transitions and learning experiences, so embrace the change the best you can!”

### Kayden Gundry

Kayden Gundry also received a \$2,500 scholarship.

Learn how to apply for the KHJA scholarships at [www.khja.org](http://www.khja.org).



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