

# KHJA News

The Newsletter of the Kentucky Hunter Jumper Association



Year-End Awards  
Scholarship Winners  
LegUp Grants

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**SPECIAL BANQUET EDITION**

# THANK YOU

KHJA would like to sincerely thank the following organizations and people who provided wonderful donations to the 2019 KHJA silent auction. Proceeds of this auction go toward a \$5,000 annual scholarship awarded to a full-time, undergraduate KHJA member in good standing.

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# A Note from the KHJA President, Joyce Brinsfield

As I started 2019 as President of KHJA, I was still dealing with the loss of my mother. She was my biggest supporter and cheerleader, especially with the horses.

With her loss, I had a great deal of personal family issues to deal with. These issues drew my attention away from KHJA many times.

However, our organization pressed on. The KHJA had so many amazing things happening.

Our Thoroughbred divisions are successful. The breeding division is becoming very popular.

We had many fun activities and clinics in 2019. And, as usual, our KHJA Fall Classic was amazing.

Another thing that was very special is that the scholarship committee decided to award two scholarships this year. Both recipients were beyond the committee's expectations.

All of this would not have been possible without the support of the members. I would like to give a special thanks to our staff. Sarah Coleman, secretary/treasurer, has been Wonder Woman keeping the KHJA flowing. Our points secretary, Mark Llewellyn, goes above and beyond with his duties. And our KHJA Fall Classic manager, J.P. Bordeleau



**Joyce and More Moola (Myrtle) competed successfully in the 2019 RRP Thoroughbred Makeover at the Kentucky Horse Park. Myrtle is for sale! Contact Joyce for details.**

makes our show a wonderful success every year!

Thank you to everyone who has made this group special. I look forward to 2020 being the best year ever.

## The 2019 KHJA Board

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# 2019 KHJA Scholarship Winners:

## Kayla Daugherty & Erin Oberlander

Each year a \$5,000 scholarship is awarded to a KHJA member in good standing to apply toward his or her college or trade-school tuition.

Funds for the scholarship are raised two ways: Through the silent auction that is held each year at the annual awards banquet and through donations made when members join KHJA each year.

Each scholarship application is read by the KHJA Scholarship committee, which is comprised of a minimum of three KHJA Board of Director members. For 2019, the committee had a difficult time determining just one winner, so two KHJA members were awarded the scholarship: Kayla Daugherty and Erin Oberlander.

### Kayla Daugherty

Kayla Daugherty is currently enrolled in Midway University, where she is studying biology, with minors in chemistry and psychology.

Upon graduation, Kayla would like to either go to pharmacy school or be a professional rider.

“I decided to apply for the KHJA scholarship because it seemed like a great way to help fund my undergrad schooling,” Kayla explains. “It wasn’t hard to apply, but it took thought—it wasn’t something that could be tossed together at the last second.”

“I would encourage others to apply because it is a very generous scholarship and it is a great way to help with furthering your education.”



### Erin Oberlander

Erin Oberlander is studying psychology and criminal justice at Bellarmine University in Louisville, KY.

She hopes to be a criminal forensic psychologist. Wonder what that is? It’s someone who evaluates prisoners and their behaviors; they can also assess juries, deal with terrorist negotiations and advise law enforcement on criminal responses.

They can also determine if a suspect is fit to stand trial.

KHJA President Joyce Brinsfield encouraged Erin to apply for the KHJA scholarship.

“Everyone should apply for this scholarship—the application is super-easy and it doesn’t take long!” says Erin.

Want to apply for the 2020 scholarship? Find the application at [khja.org](http://khja.org) under the “News” tab.



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Sign up for membership online at [www.khja.org](http://www.khja.org).

# 2019 KHJA YEAR-END AWARD WINNERS

## LOCAL ADULT AMATEUR HUNTER UNDER 35

Champion: Master Class,  
Georgia Keogh  
Reserve: Bullwinkle, Taylor  
Roby  
3<sup>rd</sup>: West Coast, Lilli Power  
4<sup>th</sup>: Dry Ice, Kathleen Reed  
5<sup>th</sup>: Artano, Jackie Pinch and  
Libby Richie  
6<sup>th</sup>: Rios Rockefeller, Sydney  
Roby

## LOCAL LONG STIRRUP EQUITATION

Champion: Emma Johnson  
Reserve: Cynthia Wells  
3<sup>rd</sup>: Annabelle Rossi  
4<sup>th</sup>: Ryleigh Howell  
5<sup>th</sup>: Sydney Gerber  
6<sup>th</sup>: Clare Kunkel

## REGULAR 11 & UNDER EQUITATION

Champion: Mary Mitz  
Reserve: Ainsley Russell  
3<sup>rd</sup>: Ava Roof  
4<sup>th</sup>: Lilly Yinger  
5<sup>th</sup>: Finley Scheffel  
6<sup>th</sup>: Campbell Cauthen  
6<sup>th</sup>: Rachael Rybicki

## REGULAR JUNIOR HUNTER 3'3"

Champion: Vivendi Boy, Erin  
Hasenoehrl  
Reserve: Can Do, Erin  
Hasenoehrl  
3<sup>rd</sup>: Rios Chimera, Kylie  
Schmidt  
4<sup>th</sup>: Coveted, Melodie Robitaille  
5<sup>th</sup>: Chagall, Sydney Robbins  
6<sup>th</sup>: Slim Shady, Emelia  
Campbell

## LOCAL CHILDREN'S HUNTER PONY

Champion: Brown Bear,  
Madelyn Kuhn  
Reserve: Celtic Creeks First  
Light, Hunter Beasley  
3<sup>rd</sup>: Our Little Rascal, Ava Roof  
4<sup>th</sup>: Windhover Ready To Dance,  
Olivia Murray  
5<sup>th</sup>: Peter Pan, Hunter Beasley  
6<sup>th</sup>: Gentleman George, Madelyn  
Kuhn

## REGULAR THOROUGHBRED HUNTER

Champion: MVP, Tess Fortune  
Reserve: Patrick Henry, Louise  
Riggio  
3<sup>rd</sup>: Shimmy Shack, Heath  
Gunnison  
4<sup>th</sup>: Dry Ice, Kathleen Reed  
5<sup>th</sup>: Sweet Talk, Kelsey Sloan  
6<sup>th</sup>: Picture Perfect, Riley Franks

## REGULAR INTERMEDIATE CHILDREN'S EQUITATION

Champion: Emilie Smith  
Reserve: Kelsey Clarkson  
3<sup>rd</sup>: Reagan Franks  
4<sup>th</sup>: Hayden Wheeler  
5<sup>th</sup>: Mary Cunningham  
6<sup>th</sup>: Abbie Storandt

## LOCAL HOPEFUL JUMPER

Champion: Dark Serendipity,  
Madelyn Yarber  
Reserve: Zeus, Karston Gundry  
3<sup>rd</sup>: King Of Pop, Madeline  
Krentz-Gober  
4<sup>th</sup>: Touched By An Angel,  
Finley Scheffel  
5<sup>th</sup>: New Beginnings, Nadia  
Shurley  
6<sup>th</sup>: Hernitenshingarmor,  
Maggie Stickler

## LOCAL CHILDREN'S WORKING HUNTER

Champion: Arabella, Kelsey  
Clarkson  
Reserve: Granit M, Chloe Truett  
3<sup>rd</sup>: Monsters Inc, Olivia  
Bransford  
4<sup>th</sup>: Heartbeat Joel, Emma Paley  
4<sup>th</sup>: Je T'aime, Ella Russell  
5<sup>th</sup>: MCG's Rainbow, Isabel  
Kaiser  
6<sup>th</sup>: Highlander B, Olivia Brooks  
6<sup>th</sup>: Papa Don't Preach, Niki  
Louden

## REGULAR ADULT EQUITATION

Champion: Emily White  
Reserve: Lilli Power  
3<sup>rd</sup>: Larissa Hufnagel  
4<sup>th</sup>: Tess Fortune  
5<sup>th</sup>: Cecilia Winfrey  
6<sup>th</sup>: Colin Caporusso

## REGULAR INTERMEDIATE ADULT EQUITATION

Champion: Jenna Rieder  
Reserve: Ronda DrummelSmith  
Reserve: Mackenzey Wallace  
3<sup>rd</sup>: Jennifer Kraemer  
4<sup>th</sup>: Courtney Peters  
5<sup>th</sup>: Alex Johnson  
6<sup>th</sup>: Cassidy Gatlin  
6<sup>th</sup>: Kelsey McNabb

## REGULAR GREEN HUNTER 3'

Champion: Wrendition, Lesley  
Arnold  
Reserve: Portofino, Ava Barnes  
3<sup>rd</sup>: I Adore More, Marty  
Richardson

### **LOCAL WALK-TROT EQUITATION**

Champion: Rylee Eilerman  
Reserve: Addison Morgan  
3<sup>rd</sup>: Emily Fissel  
4<sup>th</sup>: Kaleb Alden  
5<sup>th</sup>: Brielle Shively  
6<sup>th</sup>: Peyton Gentry

### **REGULAR OPEN JUMPER**

Champion: Alfie Z, Payton  
Beerbower  
Reserve: Tori's Always Wright,  
River Mountain Farm  
3<sup>rd</sup>: Voodoo S, Grace Camp  
4<sup>th</sup>: Lorstakov, Hester  
Equestrian  
5<sup>th</sup>: Warinde B, Hester  
Equestrian  
6<sup>th</sup>: Volcan De France,  
Elizabeth Conyers

### **REGULAR ADULT AMA- TEUR HUNTER UNDER 35**

Champion: Bastille, Julia  
Cummings  
Reserve: Mapleside Knock  
Wood, Tess Fortune  
3<sup>rd</sup>: Action Figure, Cecilia  
Winfrey  
4<sup>th</sup>: Awaiting Wish, Olivia Lusby  
5<sup>th</sup>: West Coast, Lilli Power  
6<sup>th</sup>: Antebellum Potranka, Lilly  
Boladian

### **REGULAR SMALL PONY HUNTER**

Champion: Macgyver, Lily Beck  
Reserve: Slightly Fabulous,  
Finley Scheffel  
3<sup>rd</sup>: Picturesque Bow Tie,  
Campbell Cauthen  
4<sup>th</sup>: Prima Ballerina, Emily  
Reynolds  
5<sup>th</sup>: Paypal, Lilly Yinger  
6<sup>th</sup>: Windhover Ready To Dance,  
Lilly Yinger

### **LOCAL THOROUGHBRED HUNTER**

Champion: Buckingham  
Phantom, Hannah Henry  
Reserve: Chisholm, Sarah  
Coleman  
3<sup>rd</sup>: Awaiting Wish, Olivia Lusby  
4<sup>th</sup>: Go Biggy Or Go Home,  
Sarah Shanberg  
5<sup>th</sup>: Buddy, Christina Meeks  
6<sup>th</sup>: Dry Ice, Kathleen Reed

### **REGULAR PRE/INTER- MEDIATE CHILDREN'S/ ADULT JUMPER**

Champion: HH Narcos Du  
Marais, Cecilia Winfrey and  
Mary Cunningham  
Reserve: Admire From Afar,  
Jordyn Bagnell  
Reserve: Gentleman George,  
Madelyn Kuhn  
3<sup>rd</sup>: Baton Rouge, Karen Bailey  
4<sup>th</sup>: Monsters Inc, Olivia  
Bransford  
5<sup>th</sup>: Cartier, Sarah Angelucci  
6<sup>th</sup>: Dark Serendipity, Madelyn  
Yarber

### **LOCAL 15-17 EQUITATION**

Champion: Kelsey Clarkson  
Reserve: Olivia Bransford  
3<sup>rd</sup>: Olivia Brooks  
3<sup>rd</sup>: Isabel Kaiser  
4<sup>th</sup>: Kayden Gundry  
5<sup>th</sup>: Ella Russell  
6<sup>th</sup>: Mallory Heitfeld

### **REGULAR SHORT STIRRUP HUNTER**

Champion: Chantilly Blue,  
Ainsley Russell  
Reserve: Rock Star, Charlotte  
Rettig  
3<sup>rd</sup>: Naturally A Beauty, Rachael  
Rybicki  
4<sup>th</sup>: Carry On, Ava Barnes

5<sup>th</sup>: One In A Minion, Charlotte  
Rettig and Rose Mary Rail  
6<sup>th</sup>: Antebellum Potranka, Mary  
Mitz

### **LOCAL INTERMEDIATE CHILDREN'S EQUITATION**

Champion: Finley Scheffel  
Reserve: Cher Ciaburri  
3<sup>rd</sup>: Grace Hildebrand  
4<sup>th</sup>: Holland Kantar  
5<sup>th</sup>: Abbie Storandt  
6<sup>th</sup>: Sydney Simpson

### **REGULAR JUNIOR/ AMATEUR OWNER JUMPER**

Champion: Alfie Z, Payton  
Beerbower  
Reserve: Petrushka III, Ericka  
Houlihan  
3<sup>rd</sup>: Volcan De France, Elizabeth  
Conyers  
4<sup>th</sup>: Sandro's Summit, Haley  
Kane

### **LOCAL SHORT STIRRUP EQUITATION**

Champion: Mary Mitz  
Reserve: Lucy Deskins  
3<sup>rd</sup>: Kylee Redman  
4<sup>th</sup>: Hannah Votel  
5<sup>th</sup>: Ainsley Russell  
6<sup>th</sup>: Rachael Rybicki

### **REGULAR CHILDREN'S JUMPER**

Champion: Ragazzo Carino,  
Adeline Pavlin  
Reserve: Brecourt, Madelyn  
Fisher  
3<sup>rd</sup>: Zippo II, Holland Barnett  
4<sup>th</sup>: Zadermus, Lindsey Jones  
5<sup>th</sup>: Sandro's Summit, Haley  
Kane

**LOCAL ADULT AMATEUR HUNTER 36 & OVER**

Champion: Change Order,  
Michele Power  
Reserve: Rio's First Glance,  
Tracy Scott  
3<sup>rd</sup>: Idyllic, Aimee Kemper

**REGULAR 12-14 EQUITATION**

Champion: Alivia Kohus  
Reserve: Blythe Goguen  
3<sup>rd</sup>: Alexandra Beasley  
4<sup>th</sup>: Hunter Beasley  
5<sup>th</sup>: Emma Paley  
6<sup>th</sup>: Natalie Gray

**LOCAL INTERMEDIATE ADULT EQUITATION**

Champion: Jennifer Kraemer  
Reserve: Alex Johnson  
3<sup>rd</sup>: Hannah Rastopsoff  
3<sup>rd</sup>: Julia Hess  
4<sup>th</sup>: Ashley Allen  
4<sup>th</sup>: Kenneth Arnold  
5<sup>th</sup>: Amelia Parsons  
6<sup>th</sup>: Patricia Conway

**REGULAR MEDIUM PONY HUNTER**

Champion: Miss Bermuda, Lilly Yinger  
Reserve: Paperback Writer, Lily Beck  
3<sup>rd</sup>: Upworthy, Lily Beck  
4<sup>th</sup>: Wish Me Luck, Chloe Shea  
5<sup>th</sup>: Sugarbrook Boogieboard, Annabelle Wood

**LOCAL LONG STIRRUP HUNTER**

Champion: Foster The People,  
Sarah Gatchell  
Reserve: Epic Effect, Emma Johnson  
3<sup>rd</sup>: Valiant Freckles, Alexandra Ronningen  
4<sup>th</sup>: Antebellum Potranka, Mary Cunningham

5<sup>th</sup>: Sweeter Than Honey,  
Mallory Heitfeld  
6<sup>th</sup>: Buckingham Phantom,  
Hannah Henry

**REGULAR AMATEUR OWNER HUNTER 3'3"**

Champion: La Dolce Vita, Alexa Sciortino  
Reserve: Rowan, Camille Camp  
3<sup>rd</sup>: Devout, Larissa Hufnagel  
4<sup>th</sup>: Wingman, Lilli Power  
5<sup>th</sup>: Action Figure, Cecilia Winfrey

**REGULAR ADULT JUMPER**

Champion: Peak Performance,  
Meredith Frank  
Reserve: Memory Lane, Liza Reid  
3<sup>rd</sup>: Tori's Always Wright, Payton Beerbower  
4<sup>th</sup>: Volcan De France, Elizabeth Conyers  
5<sup>th</sup>: Voodoo S, Grace Camp  
6<sup>th</sup>: Cobalt De La Pomme Z,  
Elizabeth Conyers

**REGULAR MEDIUM GREEN PONY HUNTER**

Champion: Paperback Writer,  
Lily Beck  
Reserve: Sugarbrook Boogieboard, Annabelle Wood  
3<sup>rd</sup>: Farmore Royal Ballerina,  
Anna Dickerson

**LOCAL BABY GREEN HUNTER**

Champion: Kentucky Bound,  
Abbie Storandt  
Reserve: Discreet, Georgia Keogh  
3<sup>rd</sup>: Altair, Jennifer Kraemer  
4<sup>th</sup>: Bluegrass Beau, Ashley Duvall  
5<sup>th</sup>: Brunello, Hannah Frede  
6<sup>th</sup>: Sweet Talk, Kelsey Sloan

**REGULAR CHILDREN'S HUNTER 14 & UNDER**

Champion: Yours Truly,  
Trista Keefe  
Reserve: Oracabessa,  
Natalie Gray  
3<sup>rd</sup>: Exclusive, Elizabeth Klein  
4<sup>th</sup>: Heartbeat Joel, Emma Paley

**LOCAL CROSS RAILS EQUITATION**

Champion: Rylee Eilerman  
Reserve: Rylan Kraemer  
3<sup>rd</sup>: Brielle Shively  
4<sup>th</sup>: Abigayle Buttry  
5<sup>th</sup>: Kaleb Alden  
6<sup>th</sup>: Rachael Rybicki

**REGULAR PERFORMANCE HUNTER**

Champion: Checkpoint Charlie,  
Dell Kelly  
Reserve: Cristallo's Carlchen P,  
Alivia Kohus  
3<sup>rd</sup>: Can Do, Erin Hasenoehrl  
4<sup>th</sup>: Rowan, Camille Camp  
5<sup>th</sup>: Sandro's Summit, Haley Kane  
6<sup>th</sup>: Vivendi Boy, Erin Hasenoehrl

**LOCAL TRAINING/SCHOOLING JUMPER**

Champion: Dark Serendipity,  
Madelyn Yarber  
Reserve: Hometown Hero,  
Sarah Shanberg  
3<sup>rd</sup>: Make Mine A Chevy,  
Avery Ehrhardt  
4<sup>th</sup>: Artano, Jackie Pinch  
5<sup>th</sup>: Volcan De France,  
Elizabeth Conyers  
6<sup>th</sup>: Idyllic, Aimee Kemper

**REGULAR SHORT  
STIRRUP EQUITATION**

Champion: Ainsley Russell  
Reserve: Charlotte Rettig  
3<sup>rd</sup>: Rachael Rybicki  
4<sup>th</sup>: Ava Barnes  
5<sup>th</sup>: Mary Mitz  
6<sup>th</sup>: Campbell Cauthen

**LOCAL PRE/INTERMEDIATE  
ADULT HUNTER**

Champion: Heaven Sent,  
Kim Jedlicki  
Reserve: Tribbiani, Alex  
Johnson  
3<sup>rd</sup>: I Adore More, Marty  
Richardson  
4<sup>th</sup>: Altair, Jennifer Kraemer  
5<sup>th</sup>: Art Echo, Kaylee Hardigree  
6<sup>th</sup>: Card Shark, Charlotte  
Beasley

**REGULAR 15-17  
EQUITATION**

Champion: Georgia Murray  
Reserve: Haley Kane  
3<sup>rd</sup>: Emelia Campbell  
4<sup>th</sup>: Gillian Dombrowski  
5<sup>th</sup>: Anissa Wagenlander  
6<sup>th</sup>: Kylie Schmidt

**REGULAR CHILDREN'S  
HUNTER PONY**

Champion: Brown Bear,  
Madelyn Kuhn  
Reserve: Celtic Creeks First  
Light, Hunter Beasley  
3<sup>rd</sup>: Our Little Rascal, Ava Roof  
4<sup>th</sup>: Prima Ballerina, Emily  
Reynolds  
5<sup>th</sup>: Carry On, Ava Barnes

**LOCAL PRE/INTERMEDI-  
ATE CHILDREN'S/ADULT  
JUMPER**

Champion: MCG's Rainbow,  
Isabel Kaiser  
Reserve: Rios Rockefeller,  
Sydney Roby

3<sup>rd</sup>: King Of Pop, Madeline  
Krentz-Gober  
4<sup>th</sup>: Unsolved Mystery, Kaylynn  
Barry  
5<sup>th</sup>: Gentleman George, Madelyn  
Kuhn  
6<sup>th</sup>: Kanoodle SCF, Lea  
Bridgeman

**LOCAL ADULT  
EQUITATION**

Champion: Taylor Roby  
Reserve: Emily White  
3<sup>rd</sup>: Libby Richie  
4<sup>th</sup>: Lilli Power  
5<sup>th</sup>: Olivia Lusby  
6<sup>th</sup>: Georgia Keogh

**REGULAR LOW CHIL-  
DREN'S/ADULT JUMPERS**

Champion: Gideon, Megan Ray  
Reserve: Memory Lane,  
Liza Reid  
3<sup>rd</sup>: Zippo II, Holland Barnett  
4<sup>th</sup>: Backlash, Megan Ray  
5<sup>th</sup>: Zadermus, Lindsey Jones  
6<sup>th</sup>: Kanoodle SCF, Lea  
Bridgeman

**REGULAR LARGE GREEN  
PONY HUNTER**

Champion: Windhover Limited  
Edition, Olivia Murray

**LOCAL NOVICE JUMPER**

Champion: Idyllic, Aimee  
Kemper  
Reserve: Gentleman George,  
Madelyn Kuhn  
3<sup>rd</sup>: Sullivan, Sierra Meyer

**LOCAL BEGINNER  
HUNTER**

Champion: Eagle Creeks Boo,  
Finley Scheffel  
Reserve: Mystic Avenue, Abigail  
French  
3<sup>rd</sup>: Welsh Wizard, Megan  
Stackhouse

4<sup>th</sup>: Two Punch Girl, Olivia  
Stroika  
5<sup>th</sup>: Bluegrass Beau, Ashley  
Duvall  
6<sup>th</sup>: Candy Ruby, Alex Beckstett

**REGULAR AMATEUR-  
OWNER HUNTER**

Champion: MVP, Tess Fortune  
Reserve: Wingman, Lilli Power  
3<sup>rd</sup>: Rowan, Camille Camp

**LOCAL PRE/INTERMEDIATE  
CHILDREN'S HUNTER**

Champion: Kentucky Bound,  
Abbie Storandt  
Reserve: Touched By An Angel,  
Finley Scheffel  
3<sup>rd</sup>: Lou Brissie, Holland Kantar  
4<sup>th</sup>: Artful Catterina, Cher  
Ciaburri  
5<sup>th</sup>: Right On Red, Safiya Kopp  
6<sup>th</sup>: Linus Larrabee, Alexandra  
Beasley

**LOCAL 12-14 EQUITATION**

Champion: Grace Hildebrand  
Reserve: Holland Kantar  
3<sup>rd</sup>: Emilie Smith  
4<sup>th</sup>: Olivia Murray  
5<sup>th</sup>: Alexandra Beasley  
6<sup>th</sup>: Abbie Storandt

**LOCAL BEGINNER RIDER**

Champion: Almond Amaretto,  
Kylee Redman  
Reserve: Light My Fire, Ava  
Thrun  
3<sup>rd</sup>: Give Me A Chance, Ryleigh  
Howell  
4<sup>th</sup>: Sterling, Caroline Duffy  
5<sup>th</sup>: Koda Bear, Riley Kendall  
6<sup>th</sup>: Naturally A Beauty, Rachael  
Rybicki



**REGULAR BABY GREEN HUNTER**

Champion: Fincastle, Dell Kelly  
Reserve: Brunello, Hannah Frede  
3<sup>rd</sup>: Evanescio, Meredith Frank  
4<sup>th</sup>: Last Man, Melissa Murphy  
5<sup>th</sup>: Shimmy Shack, Heath Gunnison  
6<sup>th</sup>: Starman Singer, Mary Moffitt

**LOCAL 11 & UNDER EQUITATION**

Champion: Finley Scheffel  
Reserve: Mary Mitz  
3<sup>rd</sup>: Maelyn Taule  
4<sup>th</sup>: Ava Roof  
5<sup>th</sup>: Ava Thrun  
6<sup>th</sup>: Ainsley Russell

**REGULAR LARGE PONY HUNTER**

Champion: Northwind Marin, Lily Beck  
Reserve: Windhover Limited Edition, Olivia Murray

**REGULAR CHILDREN'S WORKING HUNTER 15-17**

Champion: Granit M, Chloe Truett  
Reserve: Flintstone, Anissa Wagenlander  
3<sup>rd</sup>: St. Stephen, Reagan Franks  
4<sup>th</sup>: Casino, Chloe Hall  
5<sup>th</sup>: Coveted, Melodie Robitaille  
6<sup>th</sup>: Vendome DH Z, Madison Grider

**REGULAR SMALL GREEN PONY HUNTER**

Champion: Windhover Ready To Dance, Olivia Murray

**LOCAL LOW CHILDREN'S/ ADULT JUMPER**

Champion: Prophan, Anna Curtin

Reserve: Casino, Hillary Ocampo  
3<sup>rd</sup>: Artano, Jacqueline Pinch  
4<sup>th</sup>: Krystal Klear, Sydney Baker  
5<sup>th</sup>: Make Mine A Chevy, Avery Ehrhardt

**REGULAR NOVICE JUMPER**

Champion: Gideon, Cecilia Winfrey  
Reserve: Idyllic, Aimee Kemper  
3<sup>rd</sup>: Zelda, Kesley Taylor  
4<sup>th</sup>: Admire From Afar, Jordyn Bagnall  
5<sup>th</sup>: Ragazzo Carino, Adeline Pavlin  
6<sup>th</sup>: Talk Of The Town, Riley Franks

**LOCAL SHORT STIRRUP HUNTER**

Champion: Almond Amaretto, Kylee Redman  
Reserve: Vodel, Zoe Johnson  
3<sup>rd</sup>: Nemo, Mary Mitz  
4<sup>th</sup>: Chantilly Blue, Ainsley Russell  
5<sup>th</sup>: Starlight Starbright, Lucy Deskins  
6<sup>th</sup>: Koda Bear, Riley Kendall

**REGULAR PRE/INTERMEDIATE ADULT HUNTER**

Champion: Card Shark, Charlotte Beasley  
Reserve: Checkpoint Charlie, Dell Kelly  
3<sup>rd</sup>: Art Echo, Kaylee Hardigree  
4<sup>th</sup>: Cannavaro Z, Bridget Hempel  
5<sup>th</sup>: I Adore More, Martha Richardson  
6<sup>th</sup>: Heaven Sent, Kim Jedlicki

**LOCAL THOROUGHBRED JUMPER**

Champion: Unsolved Mystery, Kaylynn Berry

Reserve: Lou Brissie, Holland Kantar  
3<sup>rd</sup>: Biker Boy, Sarah Tluczek  
4<sup>th</sup>: Quick Trial, Mallory Wetherby  
5<sup>th</sup>: Dr. Ben, Emma Lyster  
6<sup>th</sup>: King Of Pop, Madeline Krentz-Gober

**REGULAR PRE/INTERMEDIATE CHILDREN'S HUNTER**

Champion: Linus Larrabee, Alexandra Beasley  
Reserve: Double Play, Emilie Smith  
3<sup>rd</sup>: Bennetton, Madalen Paul  
4<sup>th</sup>: Action Figure, Mary Mitz  
5<sup>th</sup>: Elder, Natalie Hurst  
6<sup>th</sup>: Kentucky Bound, Abbie Storandt

**REGULAR ADULT AMATEUR HUNTER 36 & OVER**

Champion: Checkpoint Charlie, Dell Kelly  
Reserve: Change Order, Michele Power  
3<sup>rd</sup>: Carlotta, Leea Bridgeman  
4<sup>th</sup>: Storyville, Julie Moses  
5<sup>th</sup>: Devout, Larissa Hufnagel  
6<sup>th</sup>: Rio's First Glance, Tracy Scott

**LOCAL YEARLING HUNTER BREEDING**

Champion: Counterpart, Lilli Power

**LOCAL TWO-YEAR-OLD HUNTER BREEDING**

Champion: Thinking Out Loud, Lilli Power  
Reserve: Certainly Ultimate, Melanie Franssen  
3<sup>rd</sup>: Carbon Copy, Marty Richardson  
4<sup>th</sup>: Royal Fairytale, Missy Jo Hollingsworth  
5<sup>th</sup>: Cambridge, Amanda Woodall

**LOCAL FOUR- TO SIX-  
YEAR-OLD HUNTER  
BREEDING**

Champion: Eagle Creeks Boo,  
Finley Scheffel

Reserve: Brunello, Hannah  
Frede

3<sup>rd</sup>: Royal And Rare, Missy Jo  
Hollingsworth

4<sup>th</sup>: King's Pawn, Libby Richie

5<sup>th</sup>: Quick Shine, Laurie Storey

6<sup>th</sup>: Tonights Ablaze, Missy Jo  
Hollingsworth

**KHJA 2' MEDAL**

Champion: Emma Johnson

Reserve: Sara Gatchell

Reserve: Mary Mitz

Reserve: Maelyn Toule

3<sup>rd</sup>: Cynthia Wells

4<sup>th</sup>: Ryleigh Howell

5<sup>th</sup>: Clare Kunkel

5<sup>th</sup>: Laynie Rich

6<sup>th</sup>: Lucy Deskins

**KHJA 2'6" MEDAL**

Champion: Finley Scheffel

Reserve: Cher Ciaburri

3<sup>rd</sup>: Abbie Storandt

4<sup>th</sup>: Safiyah Kopp

5<sup>th</sup>: Kayden Guntry

6<sup>th</sup>: Maggie Stickler

**KHJA 3' MEDAL**

Champion: Taylor Roby

Reserve: Emily White

3<sup>rd</sup>: Ella Russell

4<sup>th</sup>: Makenzie Mentzer

4<sup>th</sup>: Olivia Lusby

4<sup>th</sup>: Lilli Power

4<sup>th</sup>: Kayla Young

5<sup>th</sup>: Olivia Bransford

5<sup>th</sup>: Olivia Brooks

5<sup>th</sup>: Isabel Kaiser

6<sup>th</sup>: Katherine Starkey

**KHJA ADULT MEDAL**

Champion: Georgia Keogh

Reserve: Kaylee Hardigree

Reserve: Libby Richie

3<sup>rd</sup>: Jennifer Kraemer

4<sup>th</sup>: Jenna Yamamoto

5<sup>th</sup>: Jennifer Cain

**GRAND REGULAR HUNTER CHAMPION, JUNIOR:** Miss Bermuda, Lilly Yinger  
**GRAND REGULAR HUNTER CHAMPION, SENIOR:** MVP, Tess Fortune  
**GRAND REGULAR JUMPER CHAMPION:** Gideon, Cecilia Winfrey  
**GRAND LOCAL HUNTER CHAMPION:** Kentucky Bound, Abbie Storandt  
**GRAND LOCAL JUMPER CHAMPION:** Dark Serendipity, Madelyn Yarber  
**GRAND LOCAL HUNTER BREEDING CHAMPION:** Thinking Out Loud, Lilli Power

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# My Junior Equitation Experience

By Georgia Murray

My German teacher would tell our class “Some students can’t be told to stop; they must bang their heads against the wall a few times to figure it out.” I thought to myself “This doesn’t apply to me; I listen to my teachers and follow directions!”

However, it’s amazing how a little perspective completely changed my mindset. This realization didn’t only apply to my schoolwork, but also to the other major puzzle piece in my life: equestrian sport.

I’ve been riding since I was 6 years old and I’ve made my way up the ranks; I am now competing in some of the top equitation divisions.

I am riding the best I ever have and I had the opportunity to compete in some national medal finals like the USHJA Jumping Seat Medal and the ASPCA Maclay Finals in 2019.

I wish I could say the same thing was happening this time last year, and that it was all sunshine and rainbows, but it was quite the opposite. The difference between then and now was my goal.

Last year I was all-consumed with the desire for perfection. I settled for nothing less than the best, which made every mistake I made a catastrophic



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failure. I created a world in my head that caused me to literally shut down with every error I made when I rode.

I showed up to the barn early every morning in the summers and on the weekends, and I stayed late on school days just to ride. I worked countless hours at the barn to gain more respect from my trainer and peers in order to have more opportunities.

I missed parties, school events and vacation because I wasn’t willing to take time off from riding.

I used these things to create a facade of a “driven and hardworking student who wants to get better” to cover up my need for perfection.

I justified this because my trainer gave me her time and my parents gave me their support—I threw all of myself into my riding career.

My emotions, however, weakened this facade and

allowed people to see how hard I was on myself. The people around me would tell me I was being overly critical and I needed to work on seeing the good parts in my rounds. But that didn’t matter to me—I still wasn’t perfect. I brushed off their advice and would tell myself they just didn’t

understand how passionate I was.

After a tough day at a horse show, I was grooming my horse and my trainer was telling me all of the usual stuff I needed to fix and on that list was my attitude.

She told me I was striving for something unattainable and that I got so caught up with the need for perfection that it took away from my riding progression.

Something clicked and I realized I was one of the kids banging her head against the wall. This realization began to break down the world I created in my head.

From that moment on, whenever I rode, I was no longer focused on my mistakes, but I used them to learn. Riding became enjoyable again because I removed the pressure I had put on myself.

Showing up to the barn in the mornings became easier because my goal was no longer perfection; it was simply to do better than yesterday.

All the pieces fell into place as I changed my mentality.

As I look back on my junior



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equitation career, I couldn't be more thankful for my amazing trainer, the awesome horses and all of the people who supported me.

The opportunities I had not only allowed me to grow as a rider, but also as a person. I learned to work hard and never give up, even in the face of failure—a lesson I will never

take for granted.

My one piece of advice to junior equitation riders is this: Enjoy it. Don't get caught up in the end goal because it will drain the fun from the sport we love.

Take one day at a time and be confident in your riding abilities because it will all work out in the end.



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# KHJA Gives Junior Riders a LegUP

In 2016, KHJA launched a program designed to give riders between 10 and 18 years old a “LegUP” on their personal progression within the sport of riding in the hunters, jumpers or equitation divisions with a monetary donation.

Four grants are available: two for \$1,500 and two for \$1,000.

To be eligible for any LegUP 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 LegUP application, questionnaire and trainer recommendation and remit to the LegUP 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 LegUP grants cannot apply for the \$5,000 KHJA Scholarship in the same year.

The 2019 winners were:

- ★ Emma Carroll \$1,000
- ★ Olivia Murray \$1,000
- ★ Finley Scheffel \$1,500
- ★ Kate Wiggins \$1,500

## What the Winners Have to Say: Emma Carrol



When Emma received the LegUP grant, she was riding with Aubrey Sears at Kensley Farm in Goshen, OH. She is now a freshman at the University of Kentucky studying Equine Science and Management.

Emma has slowly been using her LegUP grant money for riding lessons while she’s in school.

“I am so grateful for the opportunity to leave behind my dorm, homework, classes and stress for even a few hours a week to spend time doing what I love.

Riding keeps me sane and the LegUP grant is helping me pay for those lessons.”

Emma notes that she was open to applying for the KHJA LegUP grant because she was in “college application mode”—otherwise she’s not sure she would have thought to apply.

“When the flyer came for the grant, I was in the middle of filling out college applications and thinking about paying for college. I read through the LegUP application and some of it seemed to apply to me, so I decided to give it a try.

Emma didn’t have trouble filling out the application; she said it was very straightforward: She just gave it some thought and gave her case for needing and deserving the grant.

“I’m grateful to the people who provided letters of recommendation for me; I know that writing those took time out of their already-busy schedules. They were very generous with their time and supportive of my decision to apply for the grant!” Emma says. (*Hint for LegUP applicants: Ask for your recommendation letters early!*)

Emma was very surprised when she won the grant. “I didn’t expect to win, at all!” she said. “When my name was called, I was thrilled.

“I was especially excited because my friend Olivia Murray was also on stage with me as a grant recipient—that made it even more fun.



“My barn family back at my table was excited for me, too, which made winning very special.”

Emma encourages other KHJA members who meet the criteria to apply for the grant. “It’s a generous opportunity by KHJA that shows how much the organization values its members. It’s a wonderful opportunity to receive support that allows you to do more of what you love!”

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

Finley Scheffel, daughter of trainer Nori Scheffel, owner of Scheffelridge Farm, rides multiple ponies, including Touched By An Angel (“Sparky”); Eagle Creek Boo (“Boo”) and Tide Creek Abigail (“Fizzy”).

She mainly shows on the local circuit, but has really enjoyed showing at Pony Finals.

“I applied for the LegUP grant because my mom is a trainer and horses are expensive. Showing multiple ponies at

multiple shows takes a toll, so this money has helped tremendously with all the expenses,” Finley says.

“I used the money to help pay for show expenses along with purchasing a breeding at the KHJA Silent Auction to Telynau Royal Charter.

“I bred a very nice pony of my own to bring along and experience everything from breeding to foaling, to hopefully breaking and training myself!

“I am hoping the foal will be something I can show at Pony Finals one day; it’s due in early March,” Finley says.

It wasn’t hard to apply, Fin explains. “It did require some hard work and effort, but it was worth all the benefits! It’s a great way to get a boost in achieving your goals. I am very thankful to KHJA for offering such a cool program!”



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### What the Winners Have to Say: **Olivia Murray**

“I used my KHJA LegUP grant to pay for a clinic with Diane Carney on my pony Epic so I could improve and learn from someone I admire,” says Olivia.

“It wasn’t hard to apply, all I had to do was write about why I applied and about my riding experiences, and what I was going to use the grant for.”

Olivia is a freshman at North Oldham High School. She’s taking AP Biology, Honors Geometry, Spanish, English 1 and World History. Her goal is to enter the medical field. Olivia would like to ride on an IHSA team in college.

“I encourage others to apply for this grant because it’s an amazing opportunity for those who deserve it,” Olivia said.

### What the Winners Have to Say: **Kate Wiggins**

Kate Wiggins rides with Megan Stackhouse of Stackhouse Equestrian. She leases a horse name Jeffrey Dollars,

whose barn name is Jeff. She enjoys showing Jeff at the Lakeside shows and at the New Vocations All-Thoroughbred Charity Horse Show at the Kentucky Horse Park.

“I decided to apply for the LegUP grant because I knew it would expand my opportunities in riding by allowing me to participate in more shows so I can learn and grow as a rider,” said Kate.

“It wasn’t that hard to apply, the application only has a few questions and you can really make the responses your own to best represent you as a rider and applicant.”

Kate said she was grateful and happy to learn she had received the grant. “I actually shed a few happy tears because it really meant a lot!” she said. “I used the grant to participate in several shows. I also got to participate in my first Derby, which was an awesome experience.

“I also used some of the money to participate in new experiences

like cross-country schooling and hunter paces with my horse, which were super fun and confidence building!”

“I would definitely encourage others to apply for this scholarship. Riding horses can be expensive, but this grant can really help. It can give you the opportunity to do things that you otherwise wouldn’t be able to and help you gain experiences that make you a better equestrian. If you’re passionate about horses and riding, like I am, I would really recommend applying for this grant,” Kate concludes about the applying for the LegUP grant.

“I’m just super thankful to KHJA for having this grant available. It was truly a blessing this year and I don’t know what I would’ve done without it. It opened so many doors for me in 2019. The experiences I’ve gained as a result of it have been invaluable and I’m so excited for the recipients of the 2020 LegUP grant!”



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