

## Highpoint & Buckle Opportunities

**General Requirements:** To qualify for any of these awards, if Record Books are required, they must be submitted on time and positive sportsmanship/horsemanship must be displayed all week. All awards are based on ONE HORSE/RIDER combination. **Substitute horses are NOT eligible for these awards.** \*\*The HL Executive Board reserves the right to decline eligibility for awards based on horsemanship/sportsmanship both inside and outside the ring.

### BUCKLES

*The members must be 16+ & have shown at Montcalm Fair in any species for at least 3 years in order to be eligible for either buckle. Buckles may only be won one time.*

**Overall Advanced Rider Buckle:** awarded to an Advanced rider, 16+ yrs with the most points in the eligible classes listed below.

**Overall Speed Rider Buckle:** awarded to a rider in the 16-19 yr age with the most points in the eligible classes listed below.

### HIGHPOINTS:

**Novice, Intermediate, & Advanced Level Highpoints** are awarded to members at their level. This highpoint award does not have the 3 year stipulation & can only be won one time. Once a rider has won a level highpoint, he/she must move to the next level. Reserve winners are eligible for the Highpoint in the future.

**Walk/Trot and EWD Highpoint** is awarded to a member based on ALL available Walk/Trot and EWD classes, including speed placings. A member may only win this award once. Eligible classes are listed below.

**Tie Breakers:** ties will be broken by using showmanship placings. If there is still a tie, the total number of 1<sup>st</sup> placings from all eligible classes will break the tie.

**Points:** 1<sup>st</sup> place is 6 points, 2<sup>nd</sup> is 5, 3<sup>rd</sup> is 4, 4<sup>th</sup> is 3, 5<sup>th</sup> is 2 and 6<sup>th</sup> is 1. If fewer than 6 entrants then 1<sup>st</sup> place will be awarded the points based on the number of entrants. Example: If only 4 are in the class, 1<sup>st</sup> place is 4 points, 2<sup>nd</sup> is 3, 3<sup>rd</sup> is 2 and 4<sup>th</sup> is 1.

***Advanced Buckle and Level Highpoint to be awarded based on the placings in the following classes:***

Showmanship	Dressage Equitation	English Bareback Equitation
Western Bareback Horsemanship	English Dressage Test Class 1 & 2	English Equitation
Western Horsemanship	Western Dressage Test Class 1 & 2	Saddle Seat Equitation
Reining	Trail	Hunter Hack
Western or English Riding Pattern	Ranch Riding Pattern	

***Walk/Trot and EWD Highpoint is based on the same point system using ALL of the following classes:***

Showmanship	Western Pleasure	English Pleasure
Trail      Ranch Riding Pattern	Western Horsemanship	English Equitation
Keyhole      Cloverleaf	Down & Back      Flag	Dressage Beginner Test

***Speed Buckle (16-19yr olds only) and Speed Age Awards based on the following classes, horse & pony:***

Pole Bending	Down and Back	Cloverleaf
Speed and Action	Keyhole	Flag Race