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**North American League Announces 2015 Year-End Division Winners**

*Annville, PA—September 18, 2015* -- The North American League (NAL) season concluded on August 31 and the top finishers in each of the league's five divisions are now qualified to compete in the NAL National Finals which will take place at the Pennsylvania National Horse Show in Harrisburg, PA, October 8-17, and the NAL West Coast Finals which will take place at the Las Vegas National Horse Show, November 10-15.

The NAL offers a great opportunity for competitors across the country to compete in five divisions: Adult Hunter; Children's Hunter; Adult Jumper Presented by SmartPak; Children's Jumper Presented by EquiFit; and Low Junior/Amateur-Owner Jumper Presented by UltrOZ. The qualifying season for the NAL runs from September 1 through August 31. Anyone can compete in NAL qualifying classes, but only current members are awarded points. Joining the NAL is the best way for riders to get the points necessary to make it to the Finals. Annual memberships are only \$40 per rider.

In the National standings, the winners in the five NAL divisions were Samantha Sommers (Adult Hunter Division); Samantha Karp (Children's Hunter Division); Lindsey Tomeu (Adult Jumper Division Presented by SmartPak); Kesley Taylor (Children's Jumper Division Presented by EquiFit); and Sheer Levitin (Low Junior/Amateur-Owner Division Presented by UltrOZ).

Winning both the East and West Coast Adult Hunter Division titles, Samantha Sommers of Thousand Oaks, CA, and *Small Adventure* are the ones to catch at both Finals. Their point total of 4,498 was enough to place them at the head of the standings from coast to coast. Sommers also placed two other mounts in the standings, making her a busy rider in the Finals.

Samantha Karp of Wellington, FL, and her horse, *Zentina B* finished at the top of the standings in the NAL Children's Hunter Division. They topped the division with 4,828 points.

Lindsey Tomeu of Wellington, FL, winner of the NAL Finals in 2014, and *Bonapart* were at the top of the standings in the NAL Adult Jumper Division Presented by SmartPak for 2015 with an impressive 8,809 points. She hopes to be able to claim back-to-back wins at the Finals.

Kesley Taylor of Naperville, IL, and her horse, *Zelda*, won the NAL Children's Jumper Division Presented by EquiFit. They amassed a point total of 4,278 throughout the season. Taylor is looking forward to the Pennsylvania National Horse Show and the chance to compete in the NAL Finals.

Sheer Levitin of Delray Beach, FL, won the Low Junior/Amateur-Owner Division Presented by UltrOZ with her horse *Nabuco*. They scored a total of 9,457 points to claim the title. Last year she and *Nabuco* captured first place in the NAL Low Junior/Amateur-Owner Final Presented by UltrOZ at the Pennsylvania National Horse Show. Levitin hopes she can repeat that effort in 2015.

Winners of the West Coast standings in the five NAL divisions were Samantha Sommers (Adult Hunter Division); Annabel Briggs (Children's Hunter Division); Ali Randall (Adult Jumper Division Presented by SmartPak); Carson Grisham (Children's Jumper Division Presented by EquiFit); and Megan Hilton (Low Junior/Amateur-Owner Division Presented by UltrOZ).

*Cavalli* and Annabel Briggs of Austin, TX, were the NAL West Coast Children's Hunter Division winners with a point total of 3,568.

Ali Randall of Scottsdale, AZ, and *Red White & Blue* were the winners of the NAL West Coast Adult Jumper Division Presented by SmartPak with 2,592 points.

Carson Grisham of Graham, TX, and *Sampras* were the top placed pair in the NAL West Coast Children's Jumper Division Presented by EquiFit. They garnered 1,867 points to take the top prize.

Megan Hilton of Seattle, WA, and her mount *Washington* were the top finishers in the NAL West Coast Low Junior/Amateur-Owner Division Presented by UltrOZ with 1,700 points.

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