

KCRFTHA Trail Award Program

The KCRFTHA strives to promote the Missouri Fox Trotter through numerous activities including its Trail Award Program. This program is designed to recognize the accomplishment of the many Missouri Fox Trotters that participate in trail activities as well as the numerous KCRFTHA members that ride.

The award program has two divisions:

1. **Rider Division:** This division is open to any KCRFTHA member. Points are accrued by the rider regardless of what horse they are riding.
2. **Horse Division.** This division is open to Missouri Fox Trotters. Points are accrued by the horse regardless of the rider.

Nominations: Nominations (including a completed nomination form and payment) for both divisions must be received by May 15 with points beginning to accumulate on November 1 of the previous year. Nominations will still be accepted following this date; however, points will begin to accrue from the date the nomination is received by the KCRFTHA treasurer. Nomination forms are available on the KCRFTHA website or by contacting the KCRFTHA Trail Committee.

Tracking Sheets: Members are responsible for maintaining their own tracking sheets. Tracking Sheets must be submitted to the designated person no later than November 1.

To be eligible for year-end trail awards: Each nominated horse and/or rider must participate in **three KCRFTHA scheduled events**.

Qualifying trail point activities: Each of the following riding activities will qualify for one point per day:

- Trail Ride
- Parades
- Trail competitions (i.e. ACTHA, NATRC, etc)
- KCRFTHA Spring Seminar and Show
- KCRFTHA Annual Show and Parade of Foxtrotters

Earn **BONUS trail points**, in addition to the QUALIFYING point per activity, when your ride also meets the requirements below:

1. **KCRFTHA scheduled events, i.e. trail rides, seminars and shows; and MFTHBA National Trail Rides***
 - **One BONUS trail point** per scheduled activity/ride day; **plus bonus points (up to 4 maximum) for each KCRFTHA member you ride with.** (The plus bonus points do not include your spouse or youth you've sponsored.) For example: you will be awarded one qualifying trail point + one bonus trail point for each day you ride in a KCRFTHA scheduled ride; plus bonus trail point for each club member you ride with (up to a maximum of 4 points) on that KCRFTHA ride. These bonus points are only applied to the dates of the KCRFTHA/MFTHBA scheduled ride dates. A trail ride the day before or day after a scheduled ride date would count for a qualifying trail point, but no bonus points.

*MFTHBA National Trail Ride dates are available at www.mfthba.com

2. **One BONUS trail point for wearing Missouri Fox Trotter Apparel** at qualifying and KCRFTHA scheduled events; and MFTHBA National Trail Rides:
 - To receive the apparel bonus point, the rider when riding must wear a visible article of clothing or hat that clearly states or shows a Missouri Fox Trotting Horse. This item must be worn so that it is clearly visible (i.e. a Missouri Fox Trotter t-shirt with a non-related sweatshirt or jacket over it, does not earn bonus point). The intent of this bonus point is to help promote the amazing breed to others you might meet on your ride.
 - Horses are eligible for this bonus point if the rider meets the above criteria, regardless if the rider is nominated.

Categories: A horse and/or rider can be nominated for all the categories they qualify for in their division. First through fifth will be awarded in each category. Awards will be announced during the KCRFTHA Holiday Party and Awards Banquet held in December.

Rider Categories:

- High Point Adult Rider
- High Point Youth Rider (age 17, as of Jan 1, and under)
- High Point New Rider (new KCRFTHA member within the last 3 years, once you win 1st you have to move out of the category regardless if you still meet the three year requirement)

Horse Categories:

- High Point Mare
- High Point Stallion & Gelding
- High Point Missouri Horse
- High Point Kansas Horse
- High Point Horse (7 and over)
- High Point Horse (6 and under)

Trail Horse of the Year: To be eligible, a horse must be nominated and qualified in at least one equine category. Award will be **based on hours ridden** within the point year. Riding log must be turned into the trail committee chairperson by November 1.

High Point Trail Horse: To be eligible, a horse must be nominated and qualified in at least one equine category. Award will go to the **horse with the most cumulative points**. Only points for the categories the horse has officially been nominated will be counted.

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