2023 AREA 3 ADULT RIDERS EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITY SCHOLARSHIP

USEA Area III Adult Riders has established a scholarship program for 2023 competition year (Dec 1, 2022 – Nov 31, 2023) to support eventing-related educational activities such as clinics, camps, etc. A maximum of 10 scholarships of \$50 each is available per approved activity. Once 50 awards have been approved no additional participants/ activities will be considered for the remainder of the competition year.

INDIVIDUAL ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA. To be eligible for a scholarship the individual must:

- 1) Be a member of the Area 3 Adult Riders program as of the approved activity's registration close date.
- 2) Provide proof of an accepted entry for the subject activity by the activity's registration close date.
- 3) Provide proof of volunteering at a USEA supported recognized event during current competition year (copy of voucher/coupon, statement from volunteer coordinator, report from Eventing Volunteers, etc). This is optional.
- 4) Individual cannot have been a recipient of any Area 3 scholarship award during the preceding 12 months.

INDIVIDUAL SELECTION.

- 1) Members will email the Area 3 Adult Rider Coordinator (<u>area3adultriders@gmail.com</u>) their interest and eligibility for scholarship award and attach a copy of their accepted entry.
- 2) If 10 or fewer requests are received, and Individual Eligibility is met by each, all will be approved for award.
- 3) If more than 10 requests, those with volunteer hours will be in Group A and without volunteer hours in Group B. Group A will be selected first, by blind draw if more than 10. Remaining awards, if any, will be selected from Group B by blind draw.

<u>ACTIVITY ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA</u>. Participants in activities that meet the below criteria will be considered for scholarship awards:

- 1) Activity must be located within Area 3. End date of activity must be prior to November 31, 2023.
- 2) Activity must be registered as an USEA Educational Activity OR the sponsoring organization (e.g. GDCTA, SCDCTA) must be recognized by a national federation (e.g. USEA affiliate, USDF GMO, etc).
- 3) Activity Organizer must agree to email the Area 3 Adult Rider Coordinator (area3adultriders@gmail.com) a verified participant list after the start date and prior to end date of the activity.

<u>APPROVED ACTIVITIES</u>. Educational activities approved for scholarship awards will be posted on the Area III Adult Riders Facebook page. Area III Adult Riders and Educational Activity Organizers are encouraged to contact the Adult Rider Coordinator with suggested activities meeting the criteria above.

<u>SCHOLARSHIP PAYMENT</u>. The approved participant list will be compared to the organizer submitted verification of attendance. Depending on the activity/organizer, funds will be:

- 1) Paid to the approved participant as a reimbursement toward activity registration fees if payment has been made in full, or
- 2) Paid to the activity/organizer to complete registration payment for approved participants if organizer allows partial registration payment.

For additional information, contact Cindy Kennedy, Area III Adult Rider Coordinator, at area3adultriders@gmail.com.