**Rules for Cheval Leading Rider of the year**

Riders will only accumulate points for competing at their grade. This decision follows on from the NER league format change which allows clear round jumping at lower heights for any rider and no longer allows for the green horse classes (Inter A&B).

**Our main priority is to ensure every Cheval member can actively enjoy participating in riding club events during the year.**

**Leaderboard prizes at the end of the year:**

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| Leading Show Jumper | Leading Event Rider |
| Leading Dressage Rider | Leading Showing Rider |
| Leading Primary Rider | Leading AP Rider |
| Leading Inter Rider | Leading AI/Open Rider |

**Our points system for Cheval Leading Riders 2017 will be as follows:**

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| Win | 8 | Achieving over 60% in dressage (at grade) | 2 |
| 2nd | 7 | Double clear in AIRC Show Jumping (at grade) | 2 |
| 3rd | 6 |
| 4th | 5 | Attending AIRC Shows(at grade) | 1 |
| 5th | 4 |
| 6th | 3 | Cheval training shows (attending, competing within grade & going clear) | 3 |
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**Shows to be included**

1. All AIRC regional shows (i.e. NER league etc.)
2. All AIRC club shows (i.e. Kilronan show, Ashbrook Derby etc.)
3. All AIRC hunter trials & one day events
4. All AIRC national shows (i.e. Championships, RDS Qualifiers, Festival etc.)
5. All Cheval AIRC affiliated shows (i.e. Spring Show, Pre Fest etc.)
6. All Cheval Open to all shows (i.e. Dressage league etc.)
* Dressage, jumping, x country, showing & working hunter shows which provide competitions at the relevant grades (as per grade AIRC rules) with prizes for 1 – 6th place being awarded (subject to sufficient entries).
* P riders may only compete in showing classes designed specifically for their grade and may not compete cross country. Derbies and cross jump will be counted towards SJ points. Riding club horse & WH will be counted towards Showing points. Hunter trials towards Event rider points.
* For Cheval training shows (i.e., clear round jumping with no placings) 3 points will be awarded for attending, competing within your AIRC grade and going clear/getting 60% or more. 1 attendance point will be awarded for attending and competing within your AIRC grade with faults or less than 60% in dressage.
* Points will be awarded to any riders attending or placed in any of the AIRC one day events or hunter trials within or outside the region. ODE points will go towards Event points, SJ points & dressage points.
* **Email your results to Christina:** **Leaderboard@ChevalRidingClub.com**
* Leading Rider Spreadsheet to be updated following receipt of results form members.
* **Members are responsible for providing results & checking the spreadsheet** for any omissions/discrepancies & emailing the Leaderboard email address as soon as is possible with the correction.

**Only the Leaderboard email address can be used for this.**

* **Members will have 30 days to correct** or give feedback otherwise the points will remain as they are on sheet after this.
* Points can only be accumulated for the same horse rider combination
* Leaderboard Period: January to end October
* Awards will be subject to gaining a minimum number of points

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| **Information on other Cheval end of year prizes:** |
| **Prize** | **Detail** |
| Most Improved Rider  | Most improved primary rider of the year. Nominations collected from Committee & voted at AGM |
| Horse of the year  | Open to any club member’s horse. Nominations accumulated from members & voted on at the AGM |
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| Person of the year(open to non members) | Open to any club member or non member who has made a contribution to the club above and beyond their duty. Nominations will be requested from Members but as this often a person that works in the background the final decision will lie with the committee (not open to committee). |
| The committee can also elect to award special one off awards at the AGM.Winners of the previous years award cannot be nominated for the current year’s awards  |

We would strongly encourage members to put forward nominations for the above prizes during the year and not wait until the end of the year – particularly if you witness a person going above and beyond, as even with the best intentions in the world it can be very difficult to recall something that happened during the summer at the end of the year we you are called upon to nominate someone!

**Email nominations to Christina:** **Leaderboard@ChevalRidingClub.com**

**All prizes will be awarded at the AGM - Good luck to all members!**