

# Pacific Coast Arena Polo League 2017

## **OVERVIEW**

The Pacific Coast Arena Polo League is a summer polo competition. Players have the opportunity to compete throughout the season at three different clubs for points. Those points tally, and high points earn season-end awards. Players do not need to participate in every tournament to be eligible.

## **DIVISIONS**:

There will be 3 divisions of competition and overall high point. The divisions are as follows:

A Flight (3-7 goal)

B Flight (1-4 goal) – no players rated above 2 goal

C Flight (-1 - 0 goal) – no player higher than A handicap

All participants must be USPA members. USPA Handicaps will be applied. USPA B rated players will be permitted to play in the C flight only.

### **ENTRY FEE:**

Each host club will charge \$100/player/tournament (\$20 goes to the league and \$80 to host club). Players playing 2 chukkers entry fee is \$75 (\$15 to league and \$60 to host club). Players playing 3 chukkers entry fee is \$85 (\$15 to league and \$70 to host club).

DATE	HOST CLUB	LOCATION
May 20th-21st	Santa Barbara Polo Club	Carpinteria - 3300 Via Real
June 10th-11th	California Polo Club	Lake View Terrace - Osborne St.
July 22nd-23rd	Central Coast Polo Club	Los Osos - 2320 Clark Valley Rd.

Awards Banquet Date late August/early September, location Los Angeles

#### **UMPIRES**

Host clubs are required to use 2 USPA certified umpires for all games. One of the 2 certified umpires for A and B flight games must be a professional Umpires, LLC umpire. (B rated or above for A flight, CC rated and above for B, C and above for C flight).

## **AWARDS**

Awards shall be provided for the following categories:

(Awards are based on highest number of points in each category)

- A Flight High Point Champion
- B Flight High Point Champion
- C Flight High Point Champion
- Most Valuable Player A, B and C Flight
- Best Playing Pony A, B and C Flight
- Best Sportsmanship A, B and C Flight
- Overall, 18 yrs. & Under (Birthday after 10.1.97)
- Overall, 19-54 yrs.
- Overall, Senior (Birthday before 5.1.61)
- Overall Team Champion Each team that remains unchanged throughout the duration of the league will be eligible for this award.

#### RULES

Point System:

Win: 3 points Tie: 2 points Loss: 1 point

Most Valuable Player, Best Playing Pony, Best Sportsmanship: 1 point

- Players who play 2 chukkers receive ½ points
- Points will be tallied and sent to tournament committee no later than 3 days after each tournament. Any discrepancies must be reported in writing within 1 week from email date, or the emailed points will become finalized.
- Each club will host 2 league tournament.
- In round robins awards for MVP, Sportsmanship and BPP count as 1.5 points vs
   1.
- Umpires will select MVP, BPP and Sportsmanship. 3<sup>rd</sup> Man will act as tiebreaker if necessary.
- For 2017 the lowest score of each player will not be counted (we will only count the top 5 out of 6 tournaments).

## **HOST CLUB REQUIREMENTS**

- Provide awards (minimum \$20 value) for winning teams, MVP, Best Pony and Best Sportsmanship for each match
- Each host club must have a minimum of 3 players participating in each of the six tournaments
- Scan and email scoresheets for all divisions to Megan within 3 days of tournament - PLEASE HAVE SCOREKEEPERS CLEARLY MARK WINNING TEAM. MVP. BPP & SPORTSMANSHIP ON THE SCORESHEET.
- Have the arena prepared and provide a working PA system
- Supply meal & beverages for players
- Provide clean stalls, feed and water for horses staying overnight (at a cost not to exceed \$25 per horse), plus ample trailer parking
- Provide announcers (to be arranged in advance with tournament committee)

### TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE

One representative from each Host Club will serve on the Tournament Committee. These players will evaluate and rule on problems that may arise during the tournament. Each Host Club has one vote in the event of a disagreement. In case of a particularly sensitive issue, the committee reserves the right to call in a neutral 3<sup>rd</sup> party to help get it resolved.

California: Kirsten Ludwig
Central Coast: Megan Judge
Santa Barbara: Melanja Jones