



Professional Riders Organization

The Seema Sonnad Above & Beyond Event Personnel Award

The Seema Sonnad Above & Beyond Award will be offered annually to an event organizer, secretary, volunteer, or other staff member who throughout the year went “above and beyond” to make PRO riders’ event experiences positive ones. Awardees shall be nominated by PRO professional riders and their peers and selected by PRO’s Award Committee. The award will be presented at the PRO Awards Reception at the USEA Convention each year. The winner will receive an engraved award and a cash award of \$1,000.

AWARD CRITERIA:

Nominees must currently or have recently functioned as an organizer, secretary, staff member or volunteer at one or more recognized events and should have carried out their work in a manner that notably improved the experience for those attending the event as competitors, owners or spectators. They will be chosen based on the following criteria:

- They put the well-being of the horses and experience of the riders at the forefront when carrying out their work
- They communicate clearly and are able to work with riders to keep the event running smoothly
- They communicate effectively with riders, grooms, coaches, other event officials and spectators
- They create a positive and calm atmosphere in their area of work
- They have a generous, positive attitude
- They share their knowledge and work to help riders compete safely and successfully
- They go beyond the required duties of the job

NOMINATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY NOVEMBER 1st:

Please email Nominations to samantha@professionalriders.org with the following information:

Your Name:

Nominee Name:

How many years has this person been involved in the sport as event staff/volunteer?

How does this person embody the criteria set forth above?

How has this person impacted your experience and the sport of eventing?

What makes this person stand out from others?