



# Lake Washington Saddler

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## **LWSC Annual Awards Banquet and Auction**

**Saturday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5:00 pm to  
about 10:00 pm.**

**Bellevue Downtown Marriot Courtyard Hotel  
(Same place, same ticket price! Yahoo!)**

*Full info:*

<https://www.lakewashingtonsaddleclub.org/year-end-awards-banquet.html>



### *Tickets?*

***Ticket sales will go live and online soon! A link to the Eventbrite account will be sent out in email blast. This year we are not doing online table reservations. Additionally, if you are able to make your final check out of your auction purchases via CHECKBOOK, it will speed up check out considerably.***

***HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!***

***For those of you who think you might be getting an award, make SURE you have sufficient Volunteer hours. Contact your show manager if you aren't sure. You can get last minute volunteer hours at the last shows of the season, or even AT the banquet itself.***

## **Award Nominations!**

Now is your chance to make sure that special someone in your horsey life gets a chance at recognition for all she or he does.

The categories and an online voting form are at:

<https://www.lakewashingtonsaddleclub.org/annual-awards-ballot.html>



## **Banquet Silent Auction**

We all know that one of the best parts of our annual shindig is the auction! We love the hunt for the coolest items, hovering over our most coveted item, elbowing out our competitors! I love it! It takes a whole lot of procurement to get all those wonderful donations. If we start NOW, we can have the best auction EVER!!!!

**Let us know what you plan to donate!!! The sooner the better~! Complete an online submission form today.**

### **Here are the steps to making a donation:**

1. Can I donate something of my own? Of course! Go to the online form and tell us what it's going to be. <https://www.lakewashingtonsaddleclub.org/auction-item-donation-form.html>
2. Can I help by soliciting donations from someone else, like a business or friend? Yep! Use the 'donation request letter'. Just print it out, take it to the business and give them the blank form. They will fill it out and give you one copy, keeping one for themselves. <https://www.lakewashingtonsaddleclub.org/year-end-awards-banquet.html>
3. Then you go back to our online donation database and log in the donation that you've solicited.

### **Some donation ideas are:**

Gift baskets with goodies, Cookies of the month pass, Basket o'jam, Movie pass w/ finger snacks, A home cooked meal for 4 or 6, Basket o' wine, Bath treats basket

Babysitting

Use of a truck for a dump run

Private riding lessons  
Farrier work  
Guided riding trip  
Use of a vacation home  
Tickets to an event  
Massage/chiro treatments  
Equestrian gear/ clothing (remember it must be either new or so close we cannot tell)  
Custom photo/artwork portraits  
Jewelry, Manicure/ facial, Beauty consultation  
Use of heavy equipment  
Balloon ride? Parachuting? Hang gliding? River rafting?  
Lawn/yard service, String up Christmas lights services, Haul off manure . . .  
Psychiatric services (for those of us putting on this event who need help once it's over)

## **Banquet Volunteers**

If you would like to help out with putting on this wonderful event, contact **Maggie Phillips** at:  
[treasurer@lakewashingtonsaddleclub.org](mailto:treasurer@lakewashingtonsaddleclub.org)

## **Dessert Dash!**

We always need good, preferably homemade desserts for our Dessert Dash. If you are willing to donate a homemade treat, contact: **Karen Perry** at: [kppv@comcast.net](mailto:kppv@comcast.net)

## **Raise the Paddle!**

As we did last year, we plan to have a special fundraising activity where we can raise a 'paddle', and donate big to fund special projects. Last year we received over \$7,000 in cash donations! This was so generous. That money is now in our 'Main Arena Maintenance and Renewal " Fund.

## **Field trips**

I hope you've been taking advantage of some of the wonderful field trips courtesy of our community outreach coordinator, in other words, Ms. Candice Boyd. She deserves a huge thank you. These trips have been one of the best new things we've been doing to bring added value to your membership. She is always open to ideas for future trips.

<https://www.lakewashingtonsaddleclub.org/field-trips.html>

**I know that she is thinking about sneaking in one last activity this fall: another Paint Night!!!!**

## Membership

**We currently have 242 memberships, with 385 actual members**

**Jen Hambleton** has done a great job of organizing and keeping up to date our membership list. If you aren't sure whether you've renewed or not, you can see a basic listing of who has a current membership at this link: <https://www.lakewashingtonsaddleclub.org/membership.html>  
Membership is by calendar year. So, it runs from when you renew, until the end of THAT calendar year.

The best option is to renew at the beginning of the year and get it done with so you can enjoy every benefit of membership.

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## Hunter/Jumper News

It's been a wonderful show season with huge participation! We cannot thank the H/J show team enough, with special thanks to Kate Sharkey , Liz Hambleton, Jen Kniss, Caitlin Hubbard, Michele Jacob and the rest of the crew.

**September 22/23** last hunter/jumper schooling show

**September 29/30** IEA (Interscholastic Equestrian Association) show hosted by the LWSC.

## Dressage News

**September 16** last dressage schooling show.

We have joined the 21<sup>st</sup> century! Show applicants can now signup for shows ONLINE!!

September Show is FULL, but you can sign up on the waitlist using the online tool:

<https://www.lakewashingtonsaddleclub.org/dressage-entry-form.html>

## Trail News

**Last event . . . .**



**October 6 , Halloween themed Scavenger hunt**

Registration opens at 9:30am. First rider out at 10:00am, last rider out at Noon. Prizes awarded at approximately 2:30pm. Must be present to select

prizes. Entry fee is \$15.00 for LWSC members, \$20.00 for non-members. Info:  
<https://www.lakewashingtonsaddleclub.org/trail-riding-events.html>