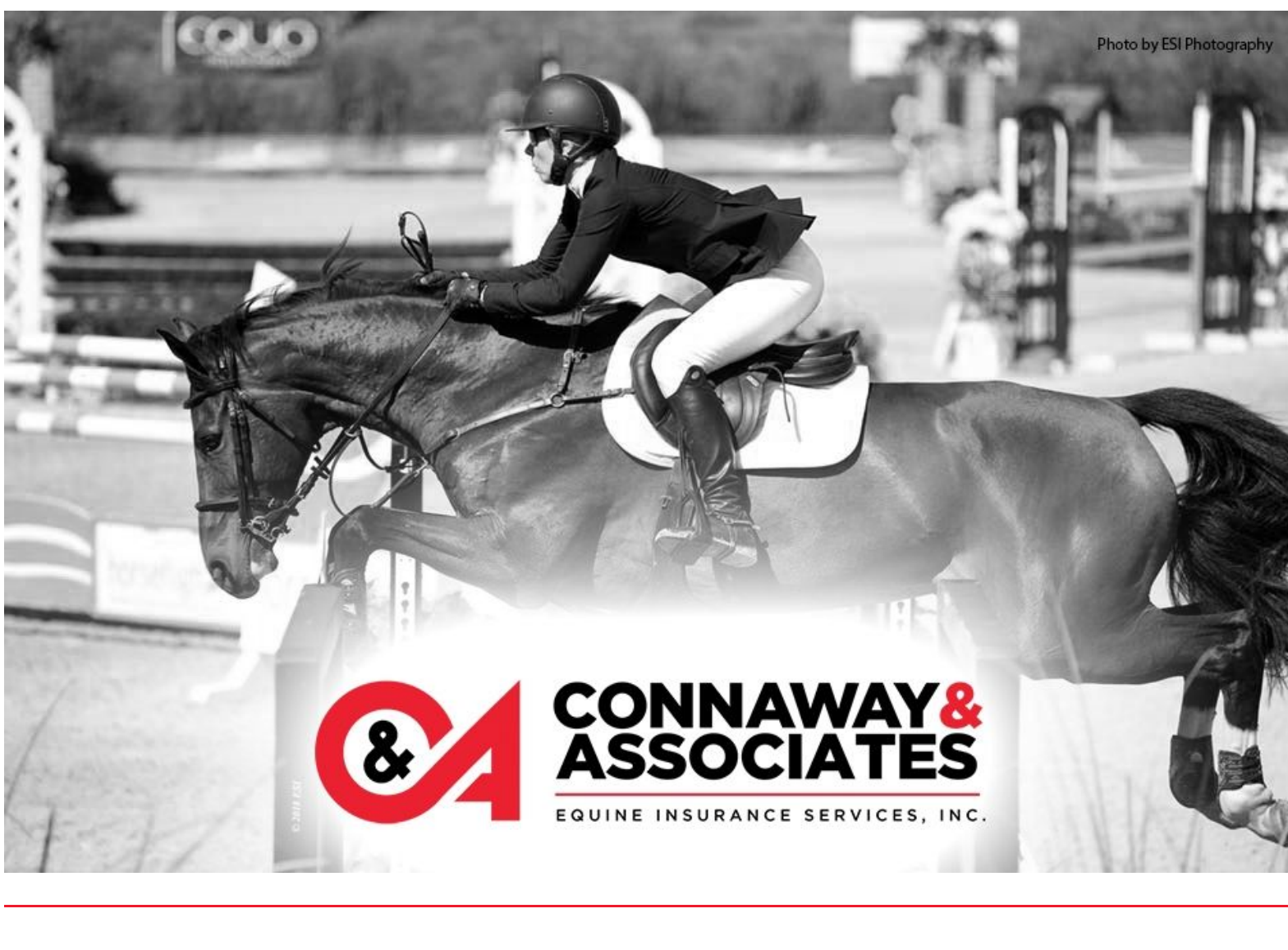




Enter Now for the Connaway & Associates Award at Capital Challenge

Entries are now open for this year's [Connaway & Associates Equine Insurance Services, Inc.](#) High Point North American-Bred Horse Award at the [Capital Challenge Horse Show](#) (CCHS), which runs September 23 through October 4, 2026, in Upper Marlboro, MD.

Laura Connaway of Connaway & Associates will present the eighth annual award to the North American-Bred horse that earns the highest-scoring round across all professional hunter divisions and special classes at CCHS. The presentation to the winning horse will take place on Wednesday evening, September 30.



Monday Balous and Cassandra Kahle won the inaugural Connaway & Associates High Point North American-Bred Horse Award at CCHS in 2019 and did the double in 2020. [Photo by Jump Media](#)

To be eligible for the award, add class 8000 to your entry on [Show Management System](#). No entry fee is required for the award. If you did not add the class when you made your entries, you can add it at any time before Wednesday, September 30.

Horses bred in Canada, Mexico, and the United States that compete in the professional hunter divisions, the green hunter 3' and 3'3" divisions, the North American 3'-3'3" Green Hunter Championship, the WCHR Professional Challenge, and the WCHR Developing Professional Challenge at CCHS are eligible to earn the Connaway & Associates Equine Insurance Services, Inc. High Point North American-Bred Horse Award.

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Latest Winners of the Connaway & Associates Sportsmanship Awards at ExEL

The Connaway team congratulates the latest recipients of the Connaway & Associates sportsmanship awards at the 2026 [Experience Equestrian League](#) (ExEL) summer show, held in June at the Germantown Charity Horse Show grounds in Germantown, TN.



Award winners Alex Enos (left) and McLain Binkley (right). [Photos courtesy of ExEL](#)

[Amateur Sportsmanship Award: Alex Enos with Contento Jowe](#)

Alex was everyone's biggest cheerleader, always offering encouragement, celebrating others' successes, and creating a positive, supportive atmosphere inside and outside the ring. His enthusiasm and kindness stood out, as did his willingness to step in wherever needed, helping keep everything organized, prepared, and running smoothly. Whether it's assisting with horse care, organizing equipment, or making sure everyone is ready for the day ahead, Alex's unwavering support for others truly embodies the spirit of sportsmanship.

[Junior Sportsmanship Award: McLain Binkley with Panda Express and Greymeadows King Of Pop](#)

McLain served as an outstanding example of what it means to be a dedicated horseman. Although still young, he is deeply committed to the well-being of his ponies, taking pride in his involvement in their daily care. His inquisitive nature and passion for learning set him apart. He was a constant source of encouragement for those around him, enthusiastically cheering on his fellow riders and celebrating their successes, and stepping in to volunteer at the show. His kindness, curiosity, work ethic, and positive attitude make him a deserving recipient of this recognition.

Why Full Disclosure Is Critical



When obtaining horse insurance, disclosing full history is vital to avoid unwanted surprises later on. [iStock photo](#)

Read Laura Connaway's insightful thoughts in [Horse Illustrated](#) on how transparency is crucial when insuring your horse.

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