## Important Information Regarding Funding and Non Pro Status - please read in full

WCRA has received requests from competitors regarding funding opportunities for travel and/or show cost assistance when attending such shows as the Regional Affiliate Finals in WInnipeg or the Affiliate Finals in Oklahoma.

Horse Council BC receives Government funding for athlete and sport development and the Athletes Assistance Program may applicable to some competitors.

The second program which may help competitors is the Zone Funding which can be applied for in your local areas. This is member driven funding.

The third program is the SportsFunder Youth Travel Assistance Program again funded by the Government and available through Horse Council BC to those who meet the criteria.

For Non Pro Competitors: Under NRHA Rules, 2007 Rulebook page 26 Section B. Non Pro Conditions a Non Pro currently would not be able to access any of the three programs listed above except in the case of "demonstrations, exhibitions, or international competitions where the Non Pro is representing their National Federation, or competition where the Non Pro is representing their college or university as an individual or part of a team." without it affecting their Non Pro status. This includes Youth competing as Non Pros.

Information on the above funding programs has been sent to the NRHA Non Pro Committee for review so that they can determine if changes can or need to be made to accommodate such programs.