



Professional Riders Organization

PRO: The Liz Cochran Memorial Groom's Award

The Liz Cochran Memorial Groom's Award will be offered annually to an outstanding groom of a PRO professional member who has had a large influence on their rider's career and the health and well-being of the horses under their care. Grooms 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 winning groom will receive an engraved award and a cash award of \$5,000. In addition, a \$500 contribution to a designated cancer research fund will be made in the recipient's name.

AWARD CRITERIA:

Nominees must currently, or have recently worked for a PRO Professional Member. Nominees should epitomize the example set forth by Liz Cochran in setting the standard for a professional groom and will be chosen based on the following criteria:

- ❖ The groom always puts the horses first
- ❖ The groom always has immaculate turnout of horses at competition and at home regardless of the level
- ❖ The groom communicates effectively with owners, riders, students and staff
- ❖ The groom is able to rally a positive stable atmosphere both home and away
- ❖ The groom has an infectious, positive attitude
- ❖ The groom freely shares knowledge of their job in an effort to educate others
- ❖ The groom demonstrates that there is no job that is beneath them
- ❖ The groom is always well-presented in their attire and is courteous in both manner and speech
- ❖ The groom enhances their rider's career

NOMINATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY EMAIL BY November 15, 2011:

Please Email Nominations to Samantha@professionalriders.org with following information:

Your Name: _____

Groom Name: _____

How many years has this groom been involved in the sport as a groom? _____

How has does this groom embody the criteria set forth above?

How has this groom influenced your career and the sport of eventing?

What makes this groom stand out from others?