**Scholarship Committee**

Updated: December, 2018

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| Job or Activity Awarding annual scholarships | Person Responsible: Lora Bannon, scholarship@pner.net |
| Elected or Appointed? Appointed | When? 2019 |
| Specific Qualifications? No | If so, what are they? |
| If this is a committee, list other members | Paul Latiolais, Gail Williams, Sandy Cheek |
| Other positions interface with this one. | Treasurer |
| By-laws Description: | None. |
| Expected monthly time commitment: | Oct-Jan 4-6 hours |
| **Basic Responsibilities:**  PNER offers a scholarship of up to $1,000 to young riders age 17-21, which may be awarded to one recipient or split between two applicants, if appropriate.  **ELIGIBILITY:**   * Completed or on schedule to complete high school or equivalent, * Current PNER member in good standing, and * Attending/planning to attend post-secondary educational institution.   A recipient may reapply for this scholarship if all eligibility requirements are met.  **TO APPLY:  Write a letter of application** to the Scholarship Committee which describes your involvement with PNER (as rider, crew, and/or volunteer); involvement in your home community; your leadership experience and your educational plans.  **Write an essay** on a topic relevant to the history of PNER and endurance riding.  For example, past topics have included interviews with longtime ride managers, history of a specific ride or set of events, and a historical exploration of endurance equipment.  **Include a transcript of current academic records** (unofficial transcript is acceptable).  **Scholarship application and essay are judged against the following criteria:**  On-topic, organization and accuracy - 30%  Of interest to PNER members - 25%  Grammar, spelling, and citation of sources - 15%  Writing quality and style - 15%  PNER involvements & accomplishments - 15%  All decisions of the committee are final.  **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**Young riders may apply for this scholarship their senior year of high school in advance of being accepted by a post high school educational institution, or once accepted to a post high school educational institution, or while already attending such institution.  Scholarship materials may be submitted to the Scholarship Committee chair via email (preferred) or via postal service to the address listed below.  **Submissions are due (postmarked) no later than October 1st.**  Questions regarding the scholarship and application process may be directed to the committee chair.  Scholarship funds are issued directly to the recipient’s post high school educational institution and the scholarship award(s) will be announced at the annual PNER Convention. | |