

Randi Yocum

Fayetteville, Texas

The Appaloosa Horse Club Hall of Fame welcomes pillar of the breed since 1967, Randi Yocum. "Straightforward, competitive, and devoted," to quote 2010 ApHC Trainer of the Year Dawna Anderson, Randi served as chair of the Non-Pro Advisory Committee for the first nine years, and along with Cindy Meehan and Brenda Flamm-Gillies helped establish the non-pro program and medal system. An ardent trail class rider, she also helped set standards for arena trail classes.

Since 1985, Randi has won year-end non-pro awards each year (141 awards through 2018), and continues to exhibit actively. As of May 1, 2019, she has attained 4,062.0 lifetime non-pro points. Awards also include Non-Pro Supreme Champion (1997) and twice Non-Pro Western Rider of the Year (1997, 2002). She has won championships at the National and World shows, as well as numerous regional championships, and has been an ambassador for the breed in numerous equine magazines and Texas newspaper coverage over the decades.

Some notable horses of hers include Cardinal Joker B, a 1968 gelding that lived to be 34 (Randi bought him as a yearling and trained him to be a great trail horse in the years before the national point system); Ima Jeanie Post, who was the first horse to win a championship in Non-Pro Senior Trail three years in a row at the World Show; JB Persuader, a Hall of Fame horse with medallions in Halter, Trail and Western Riding; and Clouds Paper Doll (dam of current show horse Im Fred), who was Randi's gateway into Western Riding. She is an active breeder of horses as well, with 42 horses listed.

In addition to her breeding and exhibiting, she is an avid nature photographer (a passion she shares with her eldest son, Sam Jr.), and has traveled to Antarctica, Norway and the Canadian Arctic. As of this writing, Randi Yocum's lifetime point total in Non-Pro Trail (1,729.5) is the most lifetime points anyone has in any individual Non-Pro class. Congratulations Randi!

