



## **The Ellen Scripps Davis Memorial Breeders' Cup**

*(Inaugural Year 1998)*

*In 1998, USA Equestrian officers instituted a new award called the Breeders' Cup to honor the memory of American Saddlebred owner and breeder Ellen Scripps Davis.*

*They chose five initial recipients.*

**Criteria:** The Ellen Scripps Davis Memorial Breeders' Cup recognizes an individual and/or breeding enterprise that consistently breeds outstanding performance and show horses. The award honors the role that good breeding plays in developing and improving performance and show horses.

**Selection of Winner:** Nominated by National Breed/Discipline Affiliates and Committees, including the Breeders' Committee and selected by the Awards Committee. In the event insufficient nominations are received by the Breed/Discipline Affiliates and Committees, USEF Marketing and Sports Staff may put nominations forward.

**Award:** Given at the Pegasus Awards Dinner during the US Equestrian Federation's annual meeting.

**Timeline:** The Awards Desk will send out reminders to Sport Program Liaisons to initiate tracking potential candidates for The Ellen Scripps Davis Memorial Breeders' Cup. Mailings will then be sent to National Breed/Discipline Affiliates and Committees containing informational packets and nomination forms. Nominations will begin to be accepted in **August** with a deadline for nominations of **October 15, 2025**. Nominations with short bios are forwarded to the USEF standing Awards Committee.

Bios should include:

- Number of years breeding horses
- Champions or other notable highlights
- Number of horses produced
- Impact on breed or discipline

**Perpetual Trophy:** Sterling silver two-handled cup; horse handle on the cover

### **Past Winners:**

2019	Cedar Ridge Farm Barbara Ellison
2020	Rolling Woods Farm / Dr. Ruth Wilburn Oak Hill Ranch / Richard Freeman
2021	Sporting Chance Farm
2022	Eleanor Hamilton Maryanna Haymon
2023	Dragonsmeade Farm
2024	Larry Jerome & Dr. Tom Sayvetz



## Ellen Scripps Davis Memorial Breeder's Cup

Nominee Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee City/State: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

*Please respond to the questions below to the best of your knowledge. It is strongly suggested you include letters of recommendation with award nominations. Please include THREE (3) high-resolution images of the nominee that could be used in promotion for the award.*

**How many years has this individual been involved in equestrian sports?** \_\_\_\_\_

**How many years has this individual been breeding horses?** \_\_\_\_\_

**How many horses has this individual produced?** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please list Champions produced or other notable highlights:**

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**Please describe the impact this individual has had on their breed or discipline:**

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**What do you believe makes this person an outstanding nominee for this award?**

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**Nominated By:** \_\_\_\_\_

**What is your relationship to the nominee?** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone Number:** (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ **Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please submit this form by October 15, 2025, via mail or email.**

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