

## **ONLINE VOTING- Board of Directors Election**

In order to facilitate voting in the **GVHS Board of Directors election**, the GVHS has once again implemented a secure and confidential solution for online voting through the online election platform, www.SimplyVoting.com.

Simply Voting is a web-based online voting system that helps organizations to run elections easily and securely. Visit the Simply Voting website for more information about how Simply Voting ensures a tamper proof, secure and reliable method for GVHS members to vote.

<u>HOW DOES IT WORK?</u> Once the election is open for voting, all eligible members will receive an email notice containing their Simply Voting unique USERNAME, PASSWORD and a link to the GVHS Board of Directors online election ballot. Email blast reminders will be sent periodically throughout this time period to members who have not yet voted.

Note that all emails to members will originate from the email: **vote@simplyvoting.com** from one of the following servers:

Primary Email server: simplyvoting.com

Sending IP: 69.72.46.15

Secondary Email server: o3.email.simplyvoting.com

Sending IP: 198.21.6.73

It is possible that some servers may block this email from being delivered. For most users, simply adding <a href="mailto:vote@simplyvoting.com">vote@simplyvoting.com</a> to their contacts should be sufficient to avoid this. If possible, request from the IT department of your email provider that email from Simply Voting be white-listed and add this email to your safe senders list.

<u>WHAT DO YOU NEED TO DO?</u> If you have not received the email with your voting information, first look to be sure you have a current General or Lifetime membership <u>and</u> own a horse that is registered in your name with the GVHS which qualifies you as a voting member.

Check the latest MEMBERS list online at <a href="www.vanners.org">www.vanners.org</a> to ensure that the GVHS has your latest email address. If not, please update by contacting the GVHS office, 888-520-9777 or <a href="gvhs@vanners.org">gvhs@vanners.org</a>.

Review the *Nominee information*, available on the GVHS website prior to voting. During the election, if you have verified the above information and still do not receive the email notices from Simply Voting, contact the GVHS office for assistance.