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**The Place to SHOW!**

Class lists and entry forms for the shows will be available online at [jocohss.com](http://jocohss.com)

Copies of all show programs, entry forms and rulebook will be available at each show.

Please call (910) 489-8848 or email [johnstoncountyhss@gmail.com](mailto:johnstoncountyhss@gmail.com) – if you have questions or need forms.

Check out our Facebook pages Johnston County Horse Show Series, Freedom Reins Equestrian Center, LLC., and Freedom Reins Equestrian Events, LLC. for more information

## Location

All shows are located at the Johnston County Livestock Arena in Smithfield, NC.

The physical address of the arena is 520 County Home Road, Smithfield, NC 27577



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## **Show Intention**

1. All exhibitors, trainers and parents are expected to act in a sportsmanlike manner in.
2. The decision of the judge is accepted with a good attitude. The judge gives an honest and professional opinion to the best of their abilities for which they were hired.
3. All inappropriate conduct is reported, as soon as possible to the JCHSS staff.
4. JCHSS supports a family-like atmosphere that encourages participation and learning.
5. There will be no drugs, profanity, alcohol or abuse permitted or tolerated.
6. Violators of any of the above intentions are subject to immediate expulsion for the show day or show season.

## **Judges**

1. Judges are selected from the N. C. Open Show Judges List and other lists and are in the top of their class.
2. The judge is expected to become familiar with rules and regulations concerning JCHSS.
3. The judge shall not discriminate as to breed, type, class, color, age or sex. The judge shall have the authority to place an exhibitor or equine in whatever position in a class he/she thinks merit of the exhibitor or equine justifies. The judge's decision is final.
4. The judge shall conduct their business with show officials only and be in their company while on the show grounds. Competitors will not approach the judge without prior authorization from the show manager.
5. Neither the judge nor members of their family or clients shall exhibit or handle an equine in any class at a show where they are judging

## **Diversity of Riders, Disciplines and Equine/Mule Breeds**

We believe in the policy and philosophy that ALL equines can do ALL things within the diversity and distinction of their breed and thus should be presented with all opportunities to do so. JCHSS has attempted to "open" its show program to as many breeds as possible with the least restrictive environment in which all breeds can showcase their talents. Riders of all ages and skill levels have divisions that are suitable to promote their talents and disciplines to allow them to expand and enrich their experience. We hope that you enjoy this expanded show schedule and look forward to this year.

## General and Misc. Rules Show Series

*JCHSS offers a multitude of classes / divisions for the benefit of their competitors. However, competitors must understand that they must make a decision which classes / divisions they wish to participate in. Ring holds may be made at the discretion of show management, but can not be guaranteed. We appreciate your understanding in this matter.*

- A negative Coggins test within one year is required to be admitted to the show grounds.
- All decisions made by the Judge are final.
- Payment for entry fees are expected at time of signup. Cash, Paypal, Venmo, CashApp, check, or card (subject to fees) is acceptable and a blank check may be left with the signup secretary if desired.
- All participants are required to sign a NEW Release of Liability on a per show basis. If it is a minor, a parent or trainer must sign the form.
- All dogs must be on a leash and under the control of the owner without causing any distractions.
- All returned checks will be assessed a \$25.00 processing fee AND a \$25.00 insufficient funds fee from the bank.
- Judges are selected from the N. C. Open Show Judges List, as well as other lists, and are in the top of their class.
- We support and follow all rules required under the N. C. Equine Liability Law.
- Equines are not to be schooled in any area other than the riding arena or designated schooling areas. Please check with show management as to where the schooling areas are located.
- Equines are not to be ridden in the vicinity of the arena while classes are being conducted.
- Trainers /parents are not permitted in the arena while classes are being held except in those classes where it is specified (i.e. leadline, etc.).

- Any equine and/or rider exhibiting unsafe or unpredictable behavior during a class will be immediately excused from the arena for the safety of themselves and other riders and/or equines without refund of show fees. Show management reserves the right to ascertain what qualifies as “unsafe and unpredictable behavior”.
- Any equine that is deemed lame or unsound by show management will be excused from the ring.
- Show management reserves the right to refuse an exhibitor entry into any class when unsafe behavior is exhibited.
- The show management, ring steward, or judge may disqualify anyone mistreating an animal or displaying unsportsmanlike conduct.
- No drugs, alcohol, profanity or unruly behavior will be tolerated. This is a family event. Violators will be asked to leave.
- All persons are expected to conduct themselves in an appropriate manner towards one another and show staff. If a violation of this rule is reported and / or witnessed by anyone the offending parties will be dealt with by the show management.
- Show management reserves the right to change, add or delete any classes from any show.
- Failure to enter the show ring within 2 minutes after class call will result in rider elimination from that class and a non-refund of monies. A tack change may be requested to avoid this issue.
- Scratching from a class must be made to the entry secretary at least **THREE (3)** classes in advance or the entry fee will be charged for the class. A class may only be scratched one time for a refund. It may be added back, but if the rider chooses to scratch again, the class will be charged.
- Sign up for a class must be made to the entry secretary at least **two (2)** classes in advance.
- We support all Breed Competition Programs that recognize open shows as alternative shows and will assist with any necessary paperwork for riders / equine to earn points through their registered equine.

- Point earnings for each show will be based on one rider / one equine combination unless otherwise noted.
- Leadline riders may only compete in their respective classes one time during the show day.
- The exhibitor is responsible for errors on the entry blank.
- Exhibitors may enter or leave the ring only at the direction of the judge or ringmaster.
- Action devices such as chains, rollers, etc and those similar are not permitted on the show ground. Such equines/owners found violating these rules will immediately be excused from the show grounds. Built up/stacked up equines, other than thin protective/therapeutic pads, are not permitted.
- If an equine is deemed not capable to complete the show season due to an injury or other health related complication and has official notification from a licensed veterinarian, a rider may switch their points to another mount. This may only be done with notification from a veterinarian. Also, if an equine is sold during the show season, points can be transferred if the bill of sale and date is recorded with the JCHSS Points Secretary in writing (only once per year). If a problem occurs with a leased equine, special considerations may also be given depending on the circumstances. Show management must be notified of these changes prior to showing. Points are based on a one rider / one equine system, unless otherwise noted.
- Trainers and / or parents are expected to be with their students under age 18 years at all times while the students are schooling their equines in the riding arena.
- Management reserves the right to cancel a show due to weather conditions, lack of pre-entries/entries, etc.
- **All concerns shall be brought to Show Management in the Main Office. Show Management reserves the right to solve any conflicts or concerns as they see best fit.**

**Statement of Responsibility: The JCHSS or Show Management will in no way be responsible for any loss or damage that may occur, and it will be a condition of the entry that each exhibitor shall hold the equine show and the Johnston County Livestock Arena blameless for any loss or accident to his or her equine, equines, or equipment that may occur from sickness, fire or otherwise. Nor shall they be held responsible for any article of any kind or nature that may be lost, destroyed, or stolen and will not be responsible for or liable for injury sustained in any way to exhibitors, spectators, employees or any other interested parties or third parties. All owners and exhibitors will be held responsible for any damages incurred by them or their agents to any properties on the show grounds and will be billed accordingly.**

## **Definitions:**

### **Action Devices**

- Action devices such as chains, rollers, and those similar to this are not permitted. Equines with platforms or stack shoes are NOT permitted on the show grounds. Exception for protective/therapeutic pads may be made on a per case basis

### **Non-Trotting Equine Policy**

- Non-trotting equines are permitted to enter any classes that are GAYP, ask for Secondary Gait, or specify Saddle Pleasure Type or Non-Trotting, with the exception of Stock and Field Type Classes. They will be expected to perform their pleasure gait in lieu of the trot or jog. This is the only distinction that will be made.

### **Secondary Gait (SG)**

- Trot, jog or pleasure gait. The pleasure gait is for non-trotting breeds.

### **Go as you please (GAYP)**

- Go as you please classes, shall include a walk and then any other gait desired by the rider. Same gait should be performed in both directions.

### **Stock Type**

- This includes Quarter Equines, Paints, Appaloosas and any equine fitting this general classification (registration papers are not required.) This type of equine may not cross enter into classes for Field Type, Saddle Pleasure, or Non-Trotting Equines. Miniature equines are not permitted.

### **Field Type**

- This includes Thoroughbreds, Warmbloods, Drafts and any equine fitting this general classification (registration papers are not required). This type of equine may not cross enter into classes for Stock Type, Saddle Pleasure, or Non-Trotting Equines. Miniature equines are not permitted.

### **Miniature Equine**

- A Miniature Equine is defined as any equine, horse or longest, that stands at 38 inches or shorter. Miniature Equines may NOT enter the Saddle Pleasure, Non-Trotting, Field, Stock, or Show Pony type classes. Cross entry between these classes is not permitted.

### **Show Pony**

- A Show Pony is defined as any equine that stands over 38 inches, but not more than 48 inches, or 12 hands.. Show Ponies may NOT enter the Saddle Pleasure, Field, Stock, or Miniature Equine type classes. Cross entry between these classes is not permitted.

### **Green Equine**

- A green equine is an equine that is in their first (1st) or second (2nd) year of showing. This is not discipline specific.

### **Seasoned Equine**

- A Seasoned equine is an equine that is in their third (3rd) year, or beyond, of showing. This is not discipline specific.

### **Leadline**

- Leadline is for a rider who must have an assistant, with an attached lead, while riding. Leadline riders may not cross enter into any other riding classes. Points from this division will be based on the rider only; the equine will not be considered. A rider may use multiple mounts during the year without penalty. If a Leadline rider rides/handles a Miniature Equine or Show Pony, they may show said equine in their respective classes.

### **Novice Rider**

- A novice rider is a rider who has shown less than 4 years, not including showing in the Future Entry Division.
- All riders age 10 and under are considered novices.
- Points from Novice classes will only count towards the Novice division

## Size Classification

- **Show Pony:** over 38 inches to 48" (12 hands).
- **Miniature Equine:** 38 inches and under
- Equines over 48" shall not cross enter into any classes that specify Show Pony or Miniature Equine.

## Age Divisions

- Age division shall be determined by the exhibitor's age as of January 1st of the show year.
- **Youth** - 17 years and under
- **Adult** - 18 years and over

## Class Performance Rules

- Rules in this pamphlet will have precedent over all other rules. Under other circumstances, consultation of the USEF Handbook and breed specific books such as but not limited to AQHA, APHA, APHC, AHA, ISHR, PTHA, PHBA, ADMS, AMHR, ADS, TREC, NASMDA, TAMMA, TWHBEA Versatility Handbook and others will govern with exception being given to age divisions listed above
- Cross entry of Horse/Rider combinations between Ranch and Western classes is not permitted, aside from Horsemanship.
- Show management reserves the right to make exceptions to any tack or attire that may be in question. A competitor requesting a review, must do so BEFORE the show day.
- Equines and riders to be shown with correct, **safe**, and appropriate English or Western attire. Formal dress is not required. However appropriate shoes with heel, shirt with at least a 4" sleeve, and pants (no shorts)
- Bitless Bridles/Hackamores shall be permitted in rail/flat classes, so long as the equine remains safe and predictable. Show management reserves the right to ascertain what qualifies as "unsafe and unpredictable behavior"
- In Western and Ranch classes, equines of any age may be shown in a snaffle bit with use of 2 hands on the reins.
- In English classes, bridles shall be light show type; either snaffle, Pelham, full bridle or kimberwicke bit acceptable.
- Unacceptable tack shall include figure eights, drop or flash nosebands, martingales and tiedowns –
- **See Rule Exceptions below**
  - **Over Fences Classes** - Standing martingales are permitted, but are prohibited in all flat classes.
  - **Saddleseat Riders** - martingales are permitted
  - **Future Entry** - martingales are permitted
- All riders 12 years of age and under are required to wear an ASTM approved helmet while mounted.

- Youth over the age of 13 may show a stallion. If at any point management observes unsafe, unpredictable behavior, the exhibitor may be excused from the arena, for their, and others, safety.
- All riders in over fences classes or schooling over fences are required to wear an ASTM approved riding helmet which must be securely fastened.
- Protective boots, leg wraps and bandages are allowed in jumping, Ranch Riding, Western Horsemanship, English "type" equitation on the flat, and over fences classes.
- Training equipment is not permitted in any classes unless otherwise stated.
- A canter / lope and backup (at the judge's discretion) is required in all Pleasure classes, unless otherwise specified.

## Class Specifications

### **Halter**

#### **Halter - Most Colorful - All Ages / Cannot enter in Solid Color**

- Equines in this class should be an equine whose partial breed standards are based on color such as pinto, paint, appaloosa, palominos, buckskins, gruellas, cremellos, and possess such markings.
- To be shown in hand at a walk and secondary gait
- To be shown in English or Western tack
- Equines of all ages can enter this class; Miniature equines are NOT permitted in this class.
- May not cross enter into Halter - Solid Colored

#### **Halter - Solid Colored - All Ages / Cannot enter in Most Colorful**

- Equines in this class should be a solid colored equine not being of a paint, appaloosa, pinto or other equine whose partial breed standards are based on color: bays, greys, sorrel/chestnuts, black, etc.
- To be shown in hand at a walk and secondary gait
- To be shown in English or Western tack
- Equines of all ages can enter this class; Miniature equines are NOT permitted in this class.
- May not cross enter into Halter - Most Colorful.

#### **Halter - Field Type - All Ages**

- To be shown in hand at walk and trot
- To be shown in English or Western tack
- Only Field Type equines are permitted in this class – cross entry is not permitted.
- Equines of all ages can enter this class. Miniature equines are NOT permitted in this class.

### **Halter - Stock Type – All Ages**

- To be shown in hand at a walk and trot
- To be shown in English or Western tack
- Only Stock Type equines are permitted in this class – cross entry is not permitted.
- Equines of all ages can enter this class. Miniature equines are NOT permitted in this class.

### **Halter - Non-Trotting - All Ages**

- To be shown in hand at walk and secondary gait.
- To be shown in English or Western tack
- Only Non-Trotting Type equines are permitted in this class – cross entry is not permitted.
- Equines of all ages can enter this class. Miniature equines are NOT permitted in this class.

### **Halter Championship(s)**

- First (1st) and second (2nd) place horses from specified qualifying halter classes
- To be shown in hand at walk and secondary gait.
- To be shown in English or Western tack

### **Showmanship at Halter Youth and Adult / English or Western attire**

- Equine to be shown in English or Western attire
- Exhibitors are to show in their respective age divisions only. (Youth: 17 & younger; Adult: 18 & older)
- Judge 30% on appearance of equine, 10% on appearance of exhibitor and 60% on showmanship (poise, knowledge, alertness and attitude)
- Pattern will be posted a minimum of 1 hour before the class

### **Showmanship at Halter - Green Equine –English or Western attire**

- Only green equines are permitted in this class
- Equine to be shown in English or Western attire
- Judge 30% on appearance of equine, 10% on appearance of exhibitor and 60% on showmanship (poise, knowledge, alertness and attitude)
- Pattern will be posted a minimum of 1 hour before the class .

### **Showmanship at Halter - Seasoned Equine –English or Western attire**

- Only seasoned equines are permitted in this class
- Equine to be shown in English or Western attire
- Judge 30% on appearance of equine, 10% on appearance of exhibitor and 60% on showmanship (poise, knowledge, alertness and attitude)
- Pattern will be posted a minimum of 1 hour before the class

### **Showmanship at Halter - Novice Entry –English or Western attire**

- Only Novice Entries are permitted in this class
- Equine to be shown in English or Western attire
- Judge 30% on appearance of equine, 10% on appearance of exhibitor and 60% on showmanship (poise, knowledge, alertness and attitude)
- Pattern will be posted a minimum of 1 hour before the class

## **Leadline**

### **Leadline - Walk Only**

- Trainer or parent must accompany rider and have secure hold on a lead rope attached to the equine at all times
- Only the rider is being judged
- English or Western attire and tack may be worn.
- Rider may not cross enter into other riding classes
- Equines must be wearing a tack that allows the assistant to have control.

### **Leadline - Walk/Secondary Gait**

- Trainer or parent must accompany rider and have secure hold on a lead rope attached to the equine at all times
- Only the rider is being judged
- English or Western attire and tack may be worn.
- Rider may not cross enter into other riding classes
- Equines must be wearing a tack that allows the assistant to have control.

### **Leadline - Horsemanship**

- Trainer or parent must accompany rider and have secure hold on a lead rope attached to the equine at all times
- Only the rider is being judged
- English or Western attire and tack may be worn.
- Rider may not cross enter into other riding classes
- Equines must be wearing a tack that allows the assistant to have control.
- Walk and Secondary gait pattern shall be performed

## **Western**

### **Cross entry of Horse/Rider combinations between Ranch and Western classes is **not permitted** except for Horsemanship.**

In Western and Ranch classes, equines of any age may be shown in a snaffle bit with use of 1 or 2 hands on the reins.

#### **Western Walk / Jog – Stock Type**

- Equines to be shown under appropriate western attire and tack
- Equines to be shown at a walk and jog.
- Only Stock Type equines are permitted in this class

#### **Western Walk / Jog – Field Type**

- Equines to be shown under appropriate western attire and tack
- Equines to be shown at a walk and jog.
- Only Field Type equines are permitted in this class

#### **Western Walk / Secondary Gait – Non-Trotting**

- Equines to be shown under appropriate western attire and tack
- Equines to be shown at a walk and secondary gait.
- Only Non-Trotting equines are permitted in this class

#### **Western Walk/Secondary Gait - Novice**

- Equine to be shown at a walk and secondary gait.
- Equines to be shown under appropriate Western attire and tack
- A novice rider is a rider who has shown less than 4 years, not including showing in the Future Entry Division. All riders age 10 and under are considered novices.
- shown under appropriate Western attire and tack
- Points from Novice classes will only count towards the Novice division.

**Western Walk / Secondary Gait – Adult**

- Equines to be shown under appropriate western attire and tack
- Equine to be shown at a walk and any other gait. Other gait must be the same both ways of the ring
- Rider must be in the Adult age division of 18 years and over.

**Western Walk / Secondary Gait – Youth**

- Equines to be shown under appropriate western attire and tack
- Equine to be shown at a walk and any other gait. Other gait must be the same both ways of the ring
- Rider must be in the Youth age division of 17 years and under, as of Jan 1st of the show year

**Western Walk / Secondary Gait / Lope – Adult**

- Equines to be shown under appropriate western attire and tack
- Equine to be shown at a walk, secondary gait, and lope.
- Rider must be in the Adult age division of 18 years and over.

**Western Walk / Secondary Gait / Lope – Youth**

- Equines to be shown under appropriate western attire and tack
- Equine to be shown at a walk, secondary gait, and lope.
- Rider must be in the Youth age division of 17 years and under, as of Jan 1st of the show year

### **Western GAYP - Green Equine**

- Only green equines are permitted in this class
- A green equine is defined as an equine that is in its first or second year of being shown.
- Equine to be shown at a walk and any other gait. Other gait must be the same both ways of the ring
- Equines to be shown under appropriate Western attire and tack

### **Western GAYP - Seasoned Equine**

- Only seasoned equines are permitted in this class
- A Seasoned equine is an equine that is in their third (3rd) year, or beyond, of showing.
- Equine to be shown at a walk and any other gait. Other gait must be the same both ways of the ring
- Equines to be shown under appropriate Western attire and tack

### **Western Horsemanship Walk / Secondary gait (Pattern & Rail)**

- Only the rider is to be judged
- There is pattern and rail work.
- Pattern will be posted a minimum of 1 hour before the class
- Equines to be shown under appropriate Western tack and attire.
- Equine to be shown at a walk / secondary gait.

## Ranch Division

Cross entry of Horse/Rider combinations between Ranch and Western classes is **not permitted** except for Horsemanship.

In Western and Ranch classes, equines of any age may be shown in a snaffle bit with use of 1 or 2 hands on the reins.

This division is open to all equines. The object of the Ranch Division is to promote the abilities of the all around versatile working equine whether ridden on the ranch, on the trail, or in the ring and where true western tradition is genuinely honored. The purpose of the ranch riding class is to measure the ability of the horse to be a pleasure to ride while being used as a means of conveyance from performing one ranch task to another. The horse should reflect the versatility, attitude, and movement of a working ranch horse riding outside the confines of an arena. The horse should be well-trained, relaxed, quiet, soft, and cadenced at all gaits. The ideal ranch horse will travel with forward movement and demonstrate an obvious lengthening of stride at extended gaits. The horse can be ridden with light contact or on a relatively loose rein without requiring undue restraint, but not show on a full drape of reins.

### GROOMING:

- A. In conformation classes, equines are to be shown in good working halter; rope, braided, nylon or plain leather. No silver will be allowed on halters.
- B. Hair dyes or hoof black, hoof polish and/or oil is not allowed and will result in the equine being disqualified from the class.
- C. Braiding or banding of the mane is prohibited
- D. Tail extensions are prohibited
- E. Trimming of bridle path, fetlocks, facial hair, and ears is permitted but a horse left in a natural state will not be penalized.

**SADDLE/SILVER REQUIREMENTS:**

- A. Silver on bridles and saddles is discouraged. In no circumstance is any amount of silver to have any advantage over good working tack. Exhibitors cannot be disqualified for silver on the saddle or headstall, except when it is very excessive (beyond conchos and small corner plates).
- B. Tongue Tying is prohibited
- C. Competitors are encouraged to use a breast collar and a rear cinch
- D. Romal reins are allowed in all classes

**EXHIBITORS ATTIRE:**

- A. Appropriate western attire includes:
  - a. Long sleeve shirt (in times of heat, a shirt with a 4" sleeve may be worn) with collar (buttons or snaps are preferred),
  - b. Western hat - **helmets may be worn in place of western hat,**
  - c. Boots with heels

**Ranch Walk / Jog – Stock Type**

- Equines to be shown under appropriate western attire and tack
- Equines to be shown at a walk and jog.
- Only Stock Type equines are permitted in this class

**Ranch Walk / Jog – Field Type**

- Equines to be shown under appropriate western attire and tack
- Equines to be shown at a walk and jog.
- Only Field Type equines are permitted in this class

### **Ranch Walk / Secondary Gait - Novice Entry**

- Equine to be shown at a walk and secondary gait.
- Equines to be shown under appropriate Ranch attire and tack. Please read the special rules regarding tack, attire and grooming for this division.
- A novice rider is a rider who has shown less than 4 years, not including showing in the Future Entry Division. All riders age 10 and under are considered novices.
- Points from Novice classes will only count towards the Novice division

### **Ranch Walk / Secondary Gait – Adult**

- Equines to be shown under appropriate western attire and tack
- Equine to be shown at a walk and any other gait. Other gait must be the same both ways of the ring
- Rider must be in the Adult age division of 18 years and over.

### **Ranch Walk / Secondary Gait – Youth**

- Equines to be shown under appropriate western attire and tack
- Equine to be shown at a walk and any other gait. Other gait must be the same both ways of the ring
- Rider must be in the Youth age division of 17 years and under, as of Jan 1st of the show year

### **Ranch Walk / Secondary Gait / Lope – Adult**

- Equines to be shown under appropriate western attire and tack
- Equine to be shown at a walk, secondary gait, and lope.
- Rider must be in the Adult age division of 18 years and over.

### **Ranch Walk / Secondary Gait / Lope – Youth**

- Equines to be shown under appropriate western attire and tack
- Equine to be shown at a walk, secondary gait, and lope.
- Rider must be in the Youth age division of 17 years and under, as of Jan 1st of the show year

### **Ranch GAYP - Green Equine**

- Only green equines are permitted in this class
- A green equine is defined as an equine that is in its first or second year of being shown.
- Equine to be shown at a walk and any other gait. Other gait must be the same both ways of the ring
- Equines to be shown under appropriate Western attire and tack

### **Ranch GAYP - Seasoned Equine**

- Only seasoned equines are permitted in this class
- A Seasoned equine is an equine that is in their third (3rd) year, or beyond, of showing.
- Equine to be shown at a walk and any other gait. Other gait must be the same both ways of the ring
- Equines to be shown under appropriate Western attire and tack

**Ranch Riding.**

- There is a patterned class
- Pattern will be posted a minimum of 1 hour before the class
- Each horse will work individually, performing both required and optional maneuvers, The required maneuvers will include the walk, trot, and lope both directions and the extended trot and extended lope at least one direction, as well as stops and back. Three optional maneuvers may include a side pass, turns of 360 degrees or more, change of lead (simple or flying), walk, trot, or lope over a pole(s); or some reasonable combination of maneuvers that would be reasonable for a ranch horse to perform. The maneuvers may be arranged in various combinations.
- Equines to be shown under appropriate Ranch attire and tack. Please read the special rules regarding tack, attire and grooming for this division.

## **Dressage Suitability**

The ideal dressage horse should display freedom and regularity of the gaits; harmony, lightness and ease of the movements; lightness of the forehand and engagement of the hindquarters, originating from a lively impulsion; and the acceptance of the bit, with submissiveness without any tension or resistance.

Exhibitors may show in any English type or Western type saddle with stirrups; the saddle may be constructed with or without a tree.

### **Dressage Suitability W/SG**

- Equine to be shown at a walk and secondary gait in both directions
- To evaluate the horse's potential as a Dressage mount.
- 70% - gaits and transitions 30% - rider position, seat, and effective use of aids.
- Open to all breeds

### **Dressage Suitability W/SG/C or L**

- Equine to be shown at a walk secondary gait, and canter or lope in both directions
- To evaluate the horse's potential as a Dressage mount.
- 70% - gaits and transitions 30% - rider position, seat, and effective use of aids.
- Open to all breeds

### **Dressage Suitability Equitation W/SG**

- Only the rider is to be judged
- Riders may be asked to drop stirrups, sit or extend the trot, or back at the judge's discretion.
- Class can be patterned or rail work
- Should there be a pattern, it will be posted a minimum of 1 hour before the class
- Equine to be shown at a walk / secondary gait.

## **English**

### **English Walk / Trot – Stock Type**

- Equines to be shown at a walk and trot
- Equines to be shown under appropriate English attire and tack (may consist of huntseat, saddleseat, dressage or any “English style”)
- Only Stock Type equines are permitted in this class – cross entry is not permitted.

### **English Walk / Trot – Field Type**

- Equine to be shown at a walk and trot
- Equines to be shown under appropriate English attire and tack (may consist of huntseat, saddleseat, dressage or any “English style”)
- Only Field Type equines are permitted in this class – cross entry is not permitted.

### **English Walk / Secondary Gait – Non-Trotting**

- Equines to be shown under appropriate English attire and tack (may consist of huntseat, saddleseat, dressage or any “English style”)
- Equine to be shown at a walk and secondary Gate.
- Only Non-Trotting Type equines are permitted in this class

### **English Walk/Secondary Gait - Novice**

- Equine to be shown at a walk and secondary gait.
- Equines to be shown under appropriate English attire and tack (may consist of huntseat, saddleseat, dressage or any “English style”)
- A novice rider is a rider who has shown less than 4 years, not including showing in the Future Entry Division. All riders age 10 and under are considered novices.
- Points from Novice classes will only count towards the Novice division

### **English Walk / Secondary Gait – Adult**

- Equines to be shown under appropriate English attire and tack (may consist of huntseat, saddleseat, dressage or any “English style”)
- Equine to be shown at a walk and secondary.
- Rider must be in the Adult age division: 18 years of age and over.

### **English Walk / Secondary Gait – Youth**

- Equines to be shown under appropriate English attire and tack (may consist of huntseat, saddleseat, dressage or any “English style”)
- Equine to be shown at a walk and secondary
- Rider must be in the Youth age division of 17 years or younger, as of Jan 1st of the show year

### **English Walk / Secondary Gait / Canter– Adult**

- Equines to be shown under appropriate English attire and tack (may consist of huntseat, saddleseat, dressage or any “English style”)
- Equine to be shown at a walk, secondary gait, and canter.
- Rider must be in the Adult age division: 18 years of age and over.

### **English Walk / Secondary Gait – Youth**

- Equines to be shown under appropriate English attire and tack (may consist of huntseat, saddleseat, dressage or any “English style”
- Equine to be shown at a walk, secondary gait, and canter.
- Rider must be in the Youth age division of 17 years or younger, as of Jan 1st of the show year

### **English Go As You Please - Green Equine**

- Only green equines are permitted in this class
- A green equine is defined as an equine that is in its first or second year of being shown.
- Equine to be shown at a walk and any other gait. Other gait must be the same both ways of the ring
- Equines to be shown under appropriate English attire and tack.

### **English Go As You Please - Seasoned Equine**

- Only seasoned equines are permitted in this class
- A seasoned equine is an equine that is in their third (3rd) year, or beyond, of showing.
- Equine to be shown at a walk and any other gait. Other gait must be the same both ways of the ring
- Equines to be shown under appropriate English attire and tack.

### **English Equitation Walk / Secondary Gait (Pattern & rail work)**

- Only the rider is to be judged
- There is pattern and rail work.
- Pattern will be posted a minimum of 1 hour before the class
- Equines to be shown under appropriate english tack/attire
- Equine to be shown at a walk / secondary gait.

## **Hunter**

### **Hunter Under Saddle Go As You Please**

- Equines/ponies to be shown under appropriate huntseat attire and tack
- Horses are judged on if they appear to be a "pleasure to ride"
- Equine to be shown at a walk and secondary gait.

### **Hunter Under Saddle Equitation**

- Only the rider is to be judged
- Equines/ponies to be shown under appropriate huntseat attire and tack
- Equine to be shown at a walk, secondary gait, and canter

### **Hunter Hack - Crossrails, 18 inches, and 2 foot**

- This class is open to All Types of equines / ponies.
- ALL RIDERS MUST WEAR HELMETS IN OVER FENCES CLASSES
- Equines/ponies/riders to be shown under appropriate huntseat attire and tack
- To be shown at a walk, trot and canter both ways of the ring.
- Judges may ask for a hand gallop but no more than eight to hand gallop at one time.
- After completion of rail work, exhibitors will be asked to jump two fences at the class's respective height.
- To be judged on performance and soundness with an emphasis on manners. Under Saddle performance to count 50%, Over Fences performance to count 50%.
- The jump pattern will be posted at least 1 hour before the class begins

## **Miniatures and Show Pony**

### **Miniature Equine Halter – Stallions/Geldings**

- This class is open to Miniature equine Stallions and Geldings only.
- Horses must stand no taller than 38 inches.
- Youth shall not show a senior stallion. Stallions are considered Senior from their 3 year old year and beyond.
- May not cross enter into Miniature Horse Halter – Mares

### **Miniature Equine Halter – Mares**

- This class is open to Miniature equine Mares only.
- Horses must stand no taller than 38 inches.
- May not cross enter into Miniature Horse Halter – Stallions/Geldings

### **Show Pony Halter – Stallions/Geldings**

- This class is open to show pony stallions and geldings only
- A show pony stands over 38 inches to 48 inches (12 hands).
- Youth shall not show a senior stallion. Stallions are considered Senior from their 3 year old year and beyond.
- This class is open to show ponies of all ages.
- May not cross enter into Show Pony Halter – Mares

### **Show Pony Halter – Mares**

- This class is open to show pony mares only
- A show pony stands over 38 inches to 48 inches (12 hands).
- This class is open to show ponies of all ages.
- May not cross enter into Show Pony Halter – Stallions/Geldings

### **Multi Color Mini Equine and Show Pony - All Ages**

- Class is open to pinto, appaloosa, and pintaloosa horses only.
- This class is open to miniature equines and show ponies only standing 48 inches (12 hands) and under.
- Equines and Ponies of all ages can enter this class.
- May not cross enter into Solid Color

### **Solid Color Mini Equine and Show Pony - All Ages**

- Class is open to any color other than pinto, appaloosa, and pintaloosa.
- This class is open to miniature equines and show ponies only standing 48 inches (12 hands) and under.
- Equines and Ponies of all ages can enter this class.
- May not cross enter into Multi Color

### **Halter Championship - Mini Equine & Show Pony**

- First (1st) and second (2nd) place horses from specified qualifying classes.
- To be shown in hand at walk and secondary gait.
- To be shown in English or Western tack

### **Showmanship - Miniature Equine and Show Pony**

- This class is open to miniature equines only.
- Equines must stand no taller than 38 inches.
- Equines of all ages can enter this class.
- Judge 30% on appearance of equine, 10% on appearance of exhibitor, and 60% on showmanship
- Youth under the age of 12 may not show a stallion
- Showmanship pattern will be posted 1 hour before the class.

### **Miniature Equine Hunter In-Hand**

- This class is open to miniature equines standing no taller than 38 inches.
- Equines must be age 3 or older
- HUNTER - The Hunter Class should be in keeping with the traditional country-setting Hunt, where elegance, style, and ease in stride and overcoming obstacles such as walls, fences, waterways, and so forth were overcome quickly and at an even pace. Overall way of going while maintaining a steady, even, stride and overcoming the jumps or obstacles in sequence without refusals, knockdowns, or circling is what the Hunter Class will be judged upon. Three refusals will result in elimination as well as fall of the equine and/or exhibitor. Being off course or crossing your paths will also result in elimination.

### **Show Pony Hunter In-Hand**

- This class is open to show ponies standing over 38 inches to 48 inches (12 hands).
- Equine must be age 3 or older
- HUNTER - The Hunter Class should be in keeping with the traditional country-setting Hunt, where elegance, style, and ease in stride and overcoming obstacles such as walls, fences, waterways, and so forth were overcome quickly and at an even pace. Overall way of going while maintaining a steady, even, stride and overcoming the jumps or obstacles in sequence without refusals, knockdowns, or circling is what the Hunter Class will be judged upon. Three refusals will result in elimination as well as fall of the equine and/or exhibitor. Being off course or crossing your paths will also result in elimination.

## Driving

### General Rules:

1. All carriage classes are open to single or multiple horses unless otherwise specified.
2. All carriage driving classes are open to stallions, mares, and geldings unless otherwise specified.

**Equine:** The main trait for any pleasure driving horse is its ability to give a pleasurable drive. Soundly obedient yet responsive, (a horse that would drive out privately on the road) has a strong presence. Elasticity in its step, working with a lifted back, flexed at the poll, hind-end engaged and not on the fore-hand, head straight while traveling and keeps its balance while bending in turns. Collected, walks and stands willingly and quietly

**Driver:** The driver should be seated comfortably on the seat so as to be relaxed and effective. Either one or two-handed methods of driving is acceptable. Elbows and arms should be close to the body with an allowing but steady hand enabling a consistent “feel” of the horse’s mouth. Drivers should not be penalized or rewarded for using one style over another.

**Exhibitor Attire:** Drivers should strive to present an appropriate turnout. “Appropriate” indicates the balance and pleasing appearance of the combination of the horse and vehicle. Factors determining the above include compatible size, type and weight of horse and vehicle. The way of going of the horse may also affect the overall appearance.

### Tack and Equipment:

1. Light harness (breast or collar type)
2. To be shown in a suitable two or four wheeled carriage pleasure type driving vehicle.

### **Miniature Equine Driving - Working**

- This class is open to miniature equines only standing no taller than 38 inches.
- Gait requirements - Equines shall enter the ring counterclockwise (to the right) at a Slow Trot. All equines are to be shown both ways of the arena at a Walk, Slow Trot, Working Trot, and Strong Trot. All gaits to be performed in a smooth, relaxed, balanced manner. Each equine shall be required to back readily and straight and stand quietly.
- Martingales are optional.
- An equine may be shown in all driving classes offered for their division.
- An appropriate driving whip shall be carried (in hand or in vehicle) at all times while driving.
- Headers: A header is a capable person 13 years of age or over. This attendant shall take NO action that will affect the performance of any Miniature equine. Only one header is allowed per equine. The header must not have a whip and shall remain at least two (2) paces distant from the head of the equine when the judge is inspecting the equine, and at all other times unless assistance in controlling the equine is needed. Adult (18 years of age or older) headers are mandatory for all youth drivers and optional for all other drivers.
- No youth 12 years of age or under may drive a stallion.
- Equine must be 3 years of age or older.

## **Miniature Equine Driving - Reinsmanship**

- This class is open to miniature equines only standing no taller than 38 inches.
- Entries are judged primarily on the rein handling ability and skill of the driver. 75% of the score is on the handling of the reins and whip, control, posture, and overall working appearance of the driver. 25% is on the condition of the harness and vehicle and neatness of attire. Control is judged by the consistency of movement at various gaits; smooth, rapid gait changes consisting of three to four steps to be in the called gait; accuracy of performing the requested maneuver on the rail or by the complete, symmetrical pattern requested for individual work.
- At no time should the equine appear to be out of control or heavily checked up.
- Whip must be in hand at all times when the driver is in the ring.
- Drivers are asked to perform reinsmanship skills on the rail as a group. They will be asked, in addition to working both ways of the arena at a walk, collected trot, working trot, and strong trot, to perform according to the judge's calls. Judge may select one, several or all of the following maneuvers and may repeat the same maneuver as many times as desired to determine driver's reinsmanship skills:
  - Stop on the rail, until judge calls to move forward at a walk or collected trot.
  - Stop on the rail, back 2 or 3 steps, stand quietly, then proceed when judge calls to move forward at a walk or collected trot.
  - Reverse on the rail at a walk or collected trot.
  - Stop on the rail, do a 90 degree pivot turning inward and pause, standing quietly. Upon judge's call, return with a 90 degree pivot back to the rail in the original

direction of go, or continue to turn with a 90 degree pivot to end up on the rail in the reverse. Move forward at a walk or collected trot per judge's call.

- Stop on rail, do a 180 degree pivot, pause, standing quietly. Then on judge's command, drive on in the reverse of the original direction at a walk or collected trot.

### **Show Pony Driving - Working**

- This class is open Show Ponies standing over 38 inches to 48 inches (12 hands).
- Gait requirements - Equines shall enter the ring counterclockwise (to the right) at a Slow Trot. All equines are to be shown both ways of the arena at a Walk, Slow Trot, Working Trot, and Strong Trot. All gaits to be performed in a smooth, relaxed, balanced manner. Each equine shall be required to back readily and straight and stand quietly.
- Martingales are optional.
- An equine may be shown in all driving classes offered for their division.
- An appropriate driving whip shall be carried (in hand or in vehicle) at all times while driving.
- Headers: A header is a capable person 13 years of age or over. This attendant shall take NO action that will affect the performance of any Miniature equine. Only one header is allowed per equine. The header must not have a whip and shall remain at least two (2) paces distant from the head of the equine when the judge is inspecting the equine, and at all other times unless assistance in controlling the equine is needed. Adult (18 years of age or older) headers are mandatory for all youth drivers and optional for all other drivers.

- No youth 12 years of age or under may drive a stallion.
- Equine must be 3 years of age or older.

### **Show Pony Driving - Reinsmanship**

- This class is open to Show Ponies standing over 38 inches to 48 inches (12 Hands).
- Entries are judged primarily on the rein handling ability and skill of the driver. 75% of the score is on the handling of the reins and whip, control, posture, and overall working appearance of the driver. 25% is on the condition of the harness and vehicle and neatness of attire. Control is judged by the consistency of movement at various gaits; smooth, rapid gait changes consisting of three to four steps to be in the called gait; accuracy of performing the requested maneuver on the rail or by the complete, symmetrical pattern requested for individual work.
- At no time should the equine appear to be out of control or heavily checked up.
- Whip must be in hand at all times when the driver is in the ring.
- Drivers are asked to perform reinsmanship skills on the rail as a group. They will be asked, in addition to working both ways of the arena at a walk, collected trot, working trot, and strong trot, to perform according to the judge's calls. Judge may select one, several or all of the following maneuvers and may repeat the same maneuver as many times as desired to determine driver's reinsmanship skills:
  - Stop on the rail, until judge calls to move forward at a walk or collected trot.
  - Stop on the rail, back 2 or 3 steps, stand quietly, then proceed when judge calls to move forward at a walk or collected trot.
  - Reverse on the rail at a walk or collected trot.

- Stop on the rail, do a 90 degree pivot turning inward and pause, standing quietly. Upon judge's call, return with a 90 degree pivot back to the rail in the original direction of go, or continue to turn with a 90 degree pivot to end up on the rail in the reverse. Move forward at a walk or collected trot per judge's call.
- Stop on rail, do a 180 degree pivot, pause, standing quietly. Then on judge's command, drive on in the reverse of the original direction at a walk or collected trot.

### **Driving - Working**

- This class is open to equines over 48 inches (12 hands)
- An equine may be shown in all driving classes offered for their division.
- To be shown both ways of the arena at a walk, slow trot, working trot and strong trot. To stand quietly, both on the rail and while lined up, and to rein back.
- All entries chosen for a workout may be worked both ways of the arena at any gait requested by the judge and may be asked to execute appropriate tests.
- To be judged:
  - a. 70% on performance, manners and way of going of the horse(s).
  - b. 20% on the condition and fit of harness and vehicle.
  - c. 10% on neatness of attire.

### **Driving - Reinsmanship**

- This class is open to equines over 48 inches (12 hands)
- An equine may be shown in all driving classes offered for their division.

- A Pleasure Driving class in which entries are judged primarily on the ability and skill of the driver.
- To be shown both ways of the ring at a walk, slow trot, working trot and strong trot. Drivers are required to rein back.
- All drivers chosen for a workout may be worked at any gait requested by the judge and may be asked to execute appropriate tests.
- The driver should be seated comfortably on the box so as to be relaxed and effective.
- Either the one- or two-handed method of driving is acceptable. Common to both methods, the elbows and arms should be close to the body with an allowing but steady hand enabling a consistent “feel” with the horse’s mouth. Drivers should not be penalized or rewarded for using one general style over another.
- To be judged: •
  - 75% on handling of reins and whip, control, posture, and overall impression of driver.
  - 25% on the condition of harness and vehicle and neatness of attire.

## **Trail**

### **In Hand Trail - Over 48"**

- This class is open Equines over 48 inches (12 Hands) only.
- Equine of all ages can enter this class.
- Equines to be shown under appropriate English or Western tack and attire.
- Equines to be shown in the pattern at the walk, secondary gait and back up
- Obstacles may consist of gate, logs, bridge, ground tie, backing through shape, slicker and other similar maneuvers
- The obstacle course is judged upon an even-paced style in approaching and overcoming each obstacle. Elimination after three refusals. Moving through the obstacle quickly and without knockdowns, refusals, unruly behavior or undue circling is the objective of this course.
- The class consists of pattern work only and will be posted at least 1 hour before the class begins

### **Open Trail Walk / Secondary Gait**

- This class is open to all age exhibitors.
- Equines over 2 years old can enter this class.
- Equines to be shown under appropriate English or Western tack and attire.
- Equines to be shown in the pattern at the walk, secondary gait and back up
- Obstacles may consist of gate, logs, bridge, backing through shape, slicker and other similar maneuvers
- The obstacle course is judged upon an even-paced style in approaching and overcoming each obstacle. Elimination after three refusals. Moving through the obstacle quickly

and without knockdowns, refusals, unruly behavior or undue circling is the objective of this course.

- The class consists of pattern work only and will be posted at least 1 hour before the class begins

### **In Hand Trail - Mini Horse or Show Pony**

- Equine must show in class for respective size division.
- Equine of all ages can enter this class.
- Equines to be shown under appropriate English or Western tack and attire.
- Equines to be shown in the pattern at the walk, secondary gait and back up
- Obstacles may consist of gate, logs, bridge, ground tie, backing through shape, slicker and other similar maneuvers
- The obstacle course is judged upon an even-paced style in approaching and overcoming each obstacle. Elimination after three refusals. Moving through the obstacle quickly and without knockdowns, refusals, unruly behavior or undue circling is the objective of this course.
- The class consists of pattern work only and will be posted at least 1 hour before the class begins

## Trail Obstacle Guidelines

### In-Hand Trail Obstacle Measurements - Miniatures and Show Ponies

- Overs (plank, bridge, tarp, etc. Horse only to cross)
  - Minimum width 18"
- Overs (bridge, tarp, etc. Horse and handler to cross)
  - Minimum width & Minimum length 48"
- Multiple pole walk over between poles
  - 18"–24"
- Multiple pole trot over between poles
  - 24"–28"
- Elevated single pole walk or trot over
  - Maximum height 12"
- Elevated multiple pole walk or trot over
  - Maximum height 10" \*Note: W/T over poles may be angled, however, the distances of actual track, where animals cross, must meet the above distances.
- Walk through/trot through patterns Distance between markers
  - Minimum 8' Maximum 12'
- Back through
  - Minimum width 30"
- Curtains/Tunnels
  - Minimum height 7' Minimum width 5' \*Curtains must freely move over the animal and handler\*
- Side Pass
  - Minimum Width 24"
- Side Pass (Elevated)
  - Maximum Height 6"

## **In-Hand Trail Obstacle Measurements - Over 48 inches (12 Hands)**

- Enough space must be provided for a horse to jog [at least 30 feet (9 meters)] and lope [at least 50 feet (15 meters)]
- Spacing for walkovers shall be 20'' to 24'' (50 - 60 cm) and may be elevated to 12'' (30 cm). Elevated walkovers should be set at least 22'' (55 cm) apart.
- Spacing for trotovers shall be 3' to 3'6'' and may be elevated to 8'' (20 cm).
- Backing obstacle.
  - Backing obstacles to be spaced a minimum of 28'' (71 cm). If elevated, 30'' (76 cm) spacing is required.
  - Back through and around at least three markers.
  - Back through L, V, U, straight or similar-shaped course. May be elevated no more than 24'' (60 cm).
- Optional trail course obstacles include but are not limited to:
  - Water hazard (ditch or small pond). No metal or slick-bottom boxes will be used. When a water hazard/box is used, it shall remain dry at all times in all divisions.
  - Serpentine obstacles at walk or jog.
    - Spacing to be minimum of 6' (1.8 meters) for jog.
  - Carry object from one part of arena to another.
  - Ride over wooden bridge.
    - Suggested minimum width shall be 36'' (91 cm) wide and at least 6' (1.8 meters) long.
  - Put on and remove slicker.
  - Remove and replace materials from mailbox.
  - Side pass (may be elevated to 12'' (30 cm) maximum).
  - An obstacle consisting of four logs or rails, laid in a square.
- Minimum width of the square should be 6' (1.8 m).

## Open Trail Obstacle Measurements

- Enough space must be provided for a horse to jog [at least 30 feet (9 meters)] and lope [at least 50 feet (15 meters)]
- Spacing for walkovers shall be 20" to 24" (50 - 60 cm) and may be elevated to 12" (30 cm). Elevated walkovers should be set at least 22" (55 cm) apart.
- Spacing for trotovers shall be 3' to 3'6" and may be elevated to 8" (20 cm).
- Spacing for lopeovers shall be 6' to 7' or increments thereof, and may be elevated to 8" (20 cm).
- Gates
  - Approximately 60" high with latch available at that height
- Backing obstacles
  - Backing obstacles to be spaced a minimum of 28" (71 cm). If elevated, 30" (76 cm) spacing is required.
  - Back through and around at least three markers.
  - Back through L, V, U, straight or similar-shaped course. May be elevated no more than 24" (60 cm).
- Optional trail course obstacles include but are not limited to:
  - Water hazard (ditch or small pond). No metal or slick-bottom boxes will be used. When a water hazard/box is used, it shall remain dry at all times in all divisions.
  - Serpentine obstacles at walk or jog.
    - Spacing to be minimum of 6' (1.8 meters) for jog.
  - Carry object from one part of arena to another.
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    - Suggested minimum width shall be 36" (91 cm) wide and at least 6' (1.8 meters) long.
  - Put on and remove slicker.
  - Remove and replace materials from mailbox.
  - Side pass (may be elevated to 12" (30 cm) maximum).
  - An obstacle consisting of four logs or rails, laid in a square.
    - Minimum width of the square should be 6' (1.8 m).

### CLASS PLACING

# of riders	1ST	2ND	3RD	4TH	5TH	6TH
1	1					
2	2	1				
3	3	2	1			
4	4	3	2	1		
5	5	4	3	2	1	
6 or more	6	5	4	3	2	1

\*In case of a tie regarding Day points – If there is a tie for 1st or 2nd place for High Point or Reserve High Point in a division, ties will be broken first on the entry/combination earning the greatest number of first places. Then, second place through sixth place. If a tie still remains, the winner will be the entrant who entered in the greatest number of classes.

\*In case of a tie regarding Year End high points – If there is a tie for High Points in a division, ties will be broken first on the entry/combination, attending the greatest number of shows. If a tie still remains, attendance and/or highest points earned from a predetermined tie-breaker show will be used to break the tie.

\*Any ribbons/awards not collected, or arrangements for collection made, within a month of earning shall be forfeited. Points and awards for each show shall be posted within a week of the show, except for in extenuating circumstances, so that arrangements can be made.

\*Points for each show shall be final one (1) month after posting.

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## Awards & Divisions

Class Awards – Six places will be awarded for all classes. Classes with more than twenty people will be split. ALL awards are based on a one equine / one rider combination, with the exception of:

Leadline - based on rider

Green, Seasoned, Mini Equine, & Show Pony - based on the equine

For Miniature Equines and Show Ponies, an equine must compete in at least 2 classes in their respective divisions to be eligible for day points at a show. (Ex. Multi Color **and** Hunter in Hand, or Multi Color **and** Driving, etc.)

At the end of the year, should weather and scheduling allow, there will be an awards banquet for the Johnston County Equine Show Series where year end awards and prizes will be presented. Exhibitors are required to participate in a minimum of 3 shows (show cancellations may cause adjustments by management), and register for year points, to qualify for year-end awards

Explanation of Year End Awards:

- Division Awards are placed – Grand, Reserve, third, fourth, fifth and sixth.
- Jessica Ferraro Perpetual Sportsmanship Award (at discretion of management) - In memory of Jessica Ferrara, this award is given on a yearly basis to the show member who displays and emulates the true meaning of outstanding sportsmanship. This award being given is at the discretion of show management.

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## Divisions

### 1. Halter

- a. Halter – Most Colorful
- b. Halter – Solid Colored
- c. Halter – Field Type
- d. Halter – Stock Type
- e. Halter – Non-Trotting
- f. Showmanship- Youth
- g. Showmanship- Adult
- h. Showmanship- Green Equine
- i. Showmanship - Seasoned Equine

### 2. Leadline

- a. Leadline – Walk only
- b. Leadline – Walk / SG
- c. Leadline - Horsemanship

### 3. Western

- a. Western W/J – Stock Type
- b. Western W/J – Field Type
- c. Western GAYP - Non-Trotting
- d. Western W/J – Adult
- e. Western W/J – Youth
- f. Western W/J/L – Adult
- g. Western W/J/L – Youth
- h. Western GAYP - Green Equine
- i. Western GAYP - Seasoned Equine
- j. Western Horsemanship W/SG – Pattern

### 4. Trail

- a. In-Hand Trail - over 48"
- b. Open Trail W/SG
- c. In-Hand Trail -Mini Horse
- d. In-Hand Trail - Show Pony

### 5. Ranch

- a. Ranch W/J – Stock
- b. Ranch W/J – Field
- c. Ranch W/J – Adult
- d. Ranch W/J – Youth
- e. Ranch W/J/L – Adult
- f. Ranch W/J/L – Youth
- g. RanchGAYP - Green Equine
- h. Ranch GAYP - Seasoned Equine
- i. Ranch Riding - Pattern

### 6. English

- a. English W/T – Stock
- b. English W/T – Field
- c. English W/SG - Non-Trotting
- d. English W/T – Adult
- e. English W/T – Youth
- f. English W/T/C – Adult
- g. English W/T/C – Youth
- h. English GAYP - Green Equine
- i. English GAYP - Seasoned Equine
- j. English Equitation W/SG – Pattern

### 7. Dressage Suitability

- a. Dressage Suitability W/SG
- b. Dressage Suitability W/SG/C(L)
- c. Dressage Suitability Eq. W/SG

### 8. Hunter

- a. Hunter Under Saddle GAYP
- b. Hunter Under Saddle Equitation
- c. Hunter Hack - Crossrails
- d. Hunter Hack - 18 inch
- e. Hunter Hack - 2 foot

**9. Stock**

- a. Halter – Stock Type
- b. Western W/J – Stock
- c. Ranch W/T - Stock
- d. English W/T – Stock

**10. Field**

- a. Halter – Field Type
- b. Western W/J – Field
- c. Ranch W/T - Field
- d. English W/T – Field

**11. Non-Trotting**

- a. Halter – Non-Trotting
- b. Western GAYP - Non-Trotting
- c. English GAYP - Non-Trotting

**12. Novice**

- a. Showmanship – Novice
- b. Western W/SG - Novice
- c. Ranch W/SG - Novice
- d. English W/SG - Novice

**13. Youth**

- a. Showmanship- Youth
- b. Western W/SG – Youth
- c. Western W/SG/L – Youth
- d. Ranch W/SG – Youth
- e. Ranch W/SG/L – Youth
- f. English W/SG – Youth
- g. English W/SG/C – Youth

**14. Adult**

- a. Showmanship- Adult
- b. Western W/SG – Adult
- c. Western W/SG/L – Adult
- d. Ranch W/SG – Adult
- e. Ranch W/SG/L – Adult
- f. English W/SG – Adult
- g. English W/SG/C – Adult

**15. Green Equine**

- a. Showmanship- Green Equine
- b. Western GAYP - Green Equine
- c. Ranch GAYP - Green Equine
- d. English GAYP - Green Equine

**16. Seasoned Equine**

- a. Showmanship - Seasoned Equine
- b. Western GAYP - Seasoned Equine
- c. Ranch GAYP - Seasoned Equine
- d. English GAYP -Seasoned Equine

**17. Mini Equine (2 class minimum req)**

- a. Mini Equine Halter - Stallions/Geldings
- b. Mini Equine Halter - Mares
- c. Mini Equine and Show Pony Multi Color
- d. Mini Equine and Show Pony Solid Color
- e. Showmanship - Mini Equine/Show Pony
- f. Hunter In-Hand - Mini Equine
- g. Mini Equine Driving - Working
- h. Mini Equine Driving - Reinsmanship
- i. In-Hand Trail - Mini Equine

**18. Show Pony (2 class minimum req)**

- a. Show Pony Halter - Stallions/Geldings
- b. Show Pony Halter - Mares
- c. Mini Equine and Show Pony Multi Color
- d. Mini Equine and Show Pony Solid Color
- e. Showmanship - Mini Equine/Show Pony
- f. Hunter In-Hand - Show Pony
- g. Show Pony Driving - Working
- h. Show Pony Driving - Reinsmanship
- i. In-Hand Trail - Show Pony

**19. Driving**

- a. Driving - Working
- b. Driving - Reinsmanship
- c. Show Pony Driving - Working
- d. Show Pony Driving - Reinsmanship
- e. Mini Equine Driving - Working
- f. Mini Equine Driving - Reinsmanship



