

CEDAR VALLEY RIDERS FUN SHOW SERIES 2023

RULES:

1. **THESE ARE FUN SHOWS.** The goal is to learn with your horse and grow as a rider and horseman throughout the year while having fun. Good sportsmanship will be expected from everyone on the grounds.
2. These are equine only fun shows
3. This is a great place for people of all ages and experience levels to come and enjoy friendships, old and new! We want to make sure that this is possible at each and every show.
 - a. If a rider is unable to control their horse or it is a danger to others in a class, you may be excused from the class. If the behavior continues outside of the arena show staff may excuse you from the grounds.
 - b. As horsemen we will experience all types of riders, Equine (Mares, Stallions etc.), and lots of uncalculated events and obstacles. We understand that things happen, but still wish to keep the safety of all in mind.
4. **Class Information:**
 - a. Class age Divisions - (Breakdown, unless noted differently for the class) Age as of Jan. 1, 2023
 - i. Leadline: Beginner rider and Therapeutic- Walk Trot
 - ii. 9 & Under: Walk Trot
 - iii. 10 - 14: Walk Trot
 - iv. 15 & Over: Walk Trot (Allows beginner adults/Green horse)
 - v. 13 & Under: Walk, Trot, Lope
 - vi. 14 - 18: Walk, Trot, Lope
 - vii. Adult 19 and Up: Walk, Trot, Lope
 - b. If the rider is in a younger age division, they may move up if they feel their skill levels are higher than the age division they fall into. Rider/Horse combos may not move down age divisions once moved up.
 - c. One person may not cross enter in walk/trot classes and walk/trot/lope classes *unless* (see below)
 - i. Riders cross entering walk/trot and walk/trot/lope with the intention of schooling. They must forfeit the right to be placed and indicate that to the judge by placing their back number upside down.
 - ii. Rider is on a different horse in their respective divisions
 - d. You may not enter the Leadline division and be entered in any other division in the same show.
 - e. Walk/Trot riders that lope 3 or more strides will be placed at the bottom of the class in judged classes and receive a 60 second penalty in timed classes.
 - f. A rider may only cross enter divisions if they are riding different horses in the divisions (for example adult class on one horse and open walk trot/green horse on a different horse)
5. **Show management (Entry fee, Family rate)**
 - a. In order to speed up show times, we will announce upcoming events as far in advance as possible. Once the majority of the class is entered in the arena the announcer will give 3 warnings, once the final call has been announced the gate will close and the class will begin.

- b. If classes are small, we will combine them but have them judged separately. (For example, if 9 & Under has 3 riders and 10 -14 has 4 riders we run both classes at the same time)
 - i. Rule 5a (above) does not apply if 5b is in place as we understand some riders may not be immediately ready.
- c. The family rate discount only applies for full show entry
- d. To earn the family rate discount, you MUST be immediate family members, does not apply to groups or friends.
 - i. Family rate can also be applied to one rider showing multiple horses on request
- e. There will be no horses tied in the entry and exit gate areas and we ask that you do not hold horses by the gate during classes either. Find a place to tie or hold horses not in the class entering or exiting the arena out of the way, this will help shows run smoother and be safer for all participants.
- f. Dogs need to be on a leash
- g. Please refrain from bringing foals- if necessary, make sure they are haltered to lead

6. Judging (Judging rules/Pattern info)

- a. The judge's decision is final
- b. Participants must be wearing jeans and boots; button down long sleeve shirts and a hat are not required but may affect the judge's decisions for the judged classes.
- c. Classes will be placed out to 5th
- d. Patterns for classes requiring them and additional information will be posted on the Cedar Valley Riders Fun Show Series Group on Facebook before the shows.
- e. Patterns may be adjusted the day of the show at the judge's discretion
- f. Patterns and additional information will be posted on the "Cedar Valley Riders Fun Show Series" group on Facebook as well as on cedarvalleyriders.com 1 month prior to the first show

7. Year end awards (Members only)

- a. If you attend 2 shows you will be eligible for yearend awards.
- b. There will be high point awards given to the high point in each division and additional prizes as the year's income allows. Prizes will increase in quality and quantity the more participation and money generated throughout the year including sponsorships
- c. All members are automatically entered in high point once they attend 2 CVR shows.
- d. Points will be awarded by place in each class with first place being worth 6 points and 5th place being 2 pts. All riders will receive 1pt for participation unless scratched or removed from the class.
- e. The rider will earn the points from their overall highest scoring horse/rider combo per division per show.

Event Descriptions:

- Splish Splash will be for the Leadline and 9 and under class only, entries will have to hold a cup of water while they ride around the pen, going through the maneuvers as they are called out and the one with the most water in the cup at the end of the class wins
- Discipline rail is similar to western pleasure mixed with Simon says. You will be asked to perform random action and will be judged on the speed and quality of execution. Actions may but are not limited to, turn left 180°, lope, walk, back one stride, etc.

- The Scurry Race involves three elevated bars. The rider will begin on one side of the arena and make their way along the rail over the three elevated logs. If the horse knocks over the bar they will receive a 2 second penalty for every one knocked over. If the horse avoids the step the contestant is DQ from the class.
- Candy Bar Race the rider will have to cross the timeline and go around a barrel and grab the candy off the top of the barrel and go back across the timeline.
- Keyhole is a timed event when the rider swiftly makes it way to the center arena where a keyhole shape will be created with flour on the ground. The rider will need to go into the top of the keyhole, circle and run past the timer. If the rider steps on or out of the shape, they will be DQ'd.
- Catalog Race is a down and back pattern. Similarly, to the candy bar race the rider must grab the catalog on the barrel and rip out the page number which will be called out by the announcer. Rider must keep forward motion, circling the barrel is permitted.
- Costume Jackpot is an all age class during the October/Halloween funshow with 60% payout + Sponsorship pot. Contestants will have from now till the show date (Oct 21st, 2023) to create a costume for the rider and their horse. Costumes must be family friendly; we reserve the right to remove you from the class with no refund if we feel they are not appropriate. **Entry is not included in the all-day entry fee.** Payout breakdown will depend on the total number of participants as well as the total pot raised. See here:

Total Participants/total pot	Placings paid	Percentage breakdown
1-8	1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd	50%, 30%, 20%
9-15 / (>\$400)	1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd , 4 th	47%, 26%, 16%, 11%
16-20 / (>\$700)	1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd , 4 th , 5 th	44%, 25%, 16%, 10%, 5%
21-30 / (>\$1000)	1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd , 4 th , 5 th , 6 th , 7 th	40%, 21%, 13%, 10%, 8%, 5%, 3%

- Ranch Buckle Show is a show that the events will all be done in the ranch discipline. These include Ranch Reining, Ranch Riding, Ranchman ship, Ranch Trail, Showmanship, and Confirmation. Some of the classes will offer buckles to the champion of the class as well as High Point buckles for the Champion and Reserve Champion for the show in each age division. This show will **not** count towards the CVR year end awards.

Ranch Show Age Descriptions:

Leadline: Beginner rider and Therapeutic being lead – Walk/Trot

Walk/Trot: All ages - Walk/Trot

Novice Youth: Ages 10 & Under – Walk/Trot/Lope

Youth: Ages 11 to 18 – Walk/Trot/Lope

Amateur: Ages 18 & Up – Walk/Trot/Lope

Open: Professional Riders All Ages, paid to preform/train/ride – Walk/Trot/Lope

We look forward to a fun year and watching the growth in everyone and their horses!