

OHIO WESTERN HORSE ASSOCIATION, INC.

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BYLAWS:

Ohio Western Horse Association, Inc. Constitution & Bylaws

Revised January 2010

This revised Constitution & Bylaws supersede the existing Constitution & Bylaws

ARTICLE I: THE ORGANIZATION

Section 1: NAME

The name of the corporation is Ohio Western Horse Association, Inc. The shortened abbreviation is O.W.H.A.

Section 2: PURPOSE

The Ohio Western Horse Association, Inc. is organized for promoting horsemanship and sportsmanship in all activities relating to horses, and in the uniting of all those whose interest is enjoying a mutual fellowship among horse enthusiasts. O.W.H.A. will collect, record, and preserve the exhibition and award records of its members and coordinate fun, family oriented activities.

Section 3: OPERATION

The Ohio Western Horse Association, Inc. is at all times to be operated and conducted as a non-profit corporation in accordance with the laws of the State of Ohio, providing for such organizations and by which it shall acquire all such rights granted to associations of this kind.

Section 4: LOCATION

The Ohio Western Horse Association, Inc.'s principle location is to be determined by the Ohio Western Board of Trustees. The members and/or officers may reside in other areas, and the business of the Corporation may be carried out at any place convenient to the members and/or officers.

Section 5: FISCAL YEAR

The fiscal year of the Corporation will start on January 1st of each year and end at midnight on December 31st of that same year.

Section 6: BOARD OF OFFICERS AND TRUSTEE

The Board will consist of the President, 1st Vice-President, 2nd Vice-President, Recording Secretary, Treasurer, Membership/Point Secretary, Editor, Youth Advisor, nine (9) Non-Officer Trustees, and the Youth Club President. The Board of Trustees will assist the President with enforcing the policies, procedures, and rules of the Ohio Western Horse Association, Inc. The Board of Trustees (at least 3) will represent O.W.H.A. between meetings, when urgent business requires prompt and decisive action.

Section 7: MEETINGS

- A. Ohio Western Horse Association will hold general membership meetings on the first Thursday of each month at the time and place determined by the Board of Trustees and published in the newsletter and web site.
- B. The Election of Officers will take place at the annual January meeting.
- C. The general meeting date may be moved forward or back up to ten (10) days to compensate for special needs if notice is given in at least ten (10) days prior to the regular meeting date or ten (10) days prior to the advanced date.
- D. Special membership meetings may be held anytime by the call of the President and at least 7 days notice is given to the membership.
- E. Board of Trustees meetings may be held anytime by the call of the President or by the request of three members of the Board of Trustees. Members of the Board of Trustees must be notified of the time and location of the meeting either in writing, by telephone, by e-mail, or in person at least twenty-four hours before the time of meeting except for the clause stated in BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

Section 8: QUORUM

51% of the Board of Trustees will constitute a quorum at any general membership meeting or special meeting.

Section 9: CORPORATION LOGO

The Ohio Western Horse Association, Inc. logo will consist of the outline of the state of Ohio with a pleasure horse head.

Section 10: USE OF THE CORPORATION NAME AND/OR LOGO

The Corporation name Ohio Western Horse Association, Inc., O.W.H.A., and/or the Corporation Logo may not be used on any documentation, article of clothing, or in connection with any activity or event without the written approval of the Board of Trustees.

ARTICLE II: MEMBERSHIP

Section 1: ELIGIBILITY

Membership in O.W.H.A. is open to any person regardless of race, creed, gender, age, or national origin, having a genuine interest in horses and the welfare of the O.W.H.A. combined with a sincere effort toward fairness and unbiased competition.

Section 2: CLASSES

Class of membership is as follows:

- A. Individual/Youth
- B. Family, including the following: father, mother, any children 18 and under living under their roof and any child that the adult has legal guardianship of.
- C. Lifetime
- D. Honorary

Section 3: REQUIREMENTS

- A. Prospective members will present to the O.W.H.A. Points/Membership secretary a completed and dated membership application and total annual dues. Such application will then be brought before the Board of Trustees for approval. The annual dues for O.W.H.A

membership is set by these Bylaws and will be payable on or before the annual meeting in January of each year, unless the individual or family joins at a later date, then dues must be paid in full at that time. The Ohio Western Horse Association, Inc. reserves the right to refuse membership for just cause.

- B. Points will not start to accumulate until dues are paid.
- C. Honoree Membership, effective January 1, 2010, will be issued to an individual who has served on the Board of Trustees for four (4) terms and is in good standing. They must be approved by the current Board of Trustees and voted on by secret ballot. Membership is non-transferable.

Section 4: ANNUAL DUES

- A. All membership dues will be set by the Board of Trustees.
- B. An Individual/Youth membership is \$15.00 per year if receiving newsletter by email.
- C. An Individual/Youth membership is \$20.00 per year if receiving newsletter by USPS.
- D. A Family membership is \$30.00 per year if receiving newsletter by email.
- E. A Family membership is \$35.00 per year if receiving newsletter by USPS.
- F. Lifetime membership is \$100.00.

Section 5: PRIVILEGES

- A. All members are eligible for year-end awards if the members are in good standings and have met the requirements set forth by the show rules.
- B. Members are eligible to vote if they are nineteen (19) years of age or older and their dues are paid in full for that year.
- C. Members must be present at the general membership meetings to vote. Proxy votes are not permitted.
- D. Membership extends the opportunity to serve on various committees and thus have a say in the conduction of the shows, the selection and presentation of awards, and to be party to the inner workings of the Corporation.

Section 6: TERM

- A. Membership in O.W.H.A. will begin the latter of January 1st or the date the annual dues are paid in full (and upon approval by the Board of Trustees) and expire on December 31st of that same year.
- B. Dues that are paid after January 1st are not pro-rated.
- C. Current members must pay their dues prior to the annual meeting in January to keep their membership active and to participate in the privileges stated in Section 5: PRIVILEGES.
- D. Any member or officer whose dues remain unpaid after April 30th will have their name dropped from the membership.
- E. A new member joining O.W.H.A. after October 1st will automatically be considered to have paid their dues for the following year.

Section 7: TERMINATION

- A. Membership in O.W.H.A. will be terminated by resignation, failure to pay annual dues, expulsion, dissolution or liquidation of the Corporation, or the death of the member.
- B. Upon written and signed complaint, submitted to the officers of the O.W.H.A., a majority vote of members present at a meeting may expel any member for conduct which, in their opinion, is detrimental and/or unbecoming to the general welfare of O.W.H.A. The individual(s) shall be given the opportunity to be present at the meeting by notification of

- registered mail.
- C. The officers and membership may re-examine an application for membership from the expelled individual(s) three (3) years after the date of expulsion. It shall be the responsibility of the officers to be absolutely certain that the complaint is genuine and not the result of petty personal conflicts.
- D. The annual dues are not refundable for any reason.
- E. All of the rights and privileges of a member in O.W.H.A. and its property will cease on termination of membership.

ARTICLE III: GOVERNMENT

Section 1: ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible to serve in any office or official capacity, a nominee must:

- A. Be an O.W.H.A. member in good standing.
- B. Be nineteen (19) years of age or older.
- C. Have attended at least (3) of the meetings during the previous year, with attendance verified by the Secretary.
- D. Have participated in some Corporation function during the past year.
- E. Must be a past or current trustee before becoming eligible to hold an office.
- F. Must be an active member for the last five years.

Section 2: ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND TERM

- A. The election of officers and the non-officer trustees will be held at the annual meeting in January of each year. The new officers and trustees will take office February 1st of each year. Each officer will serve for 1 (one) year, and trustee a 3 (three) year term and the same person may serve for as long as the membership returns the person to the office by a majority vote of the members present at the election of officers. The nominating committee (appointed by the President at the February meeting, and will be comprised of 3 Board of Trustees) will present to the Board of Trustees eligible nominees (section 9 Nomination pg 10). Write in candidates are permitted. The officers will be nominated and voted on in the order of President, 1st Vice-President, 2nd Vice-President, Recording Secretary, Treasurer, Membership/Points Secretary, Newsletter Editor, Youth Advisor, and Non-Officer Trustees. The President will open each office one at a time for nominations. The nominees must accept or decline the nomination. The Secretary will verify that the nominee has met the requirements to hold an office in O.W.H.A. The election of Officers and Trustees will be conducted by secret ballot. The current Recording Secretary will collect the ballots. The current Secretary and Treasurer will count the ballots with the President as overseer. The current 1st Vice-President will fill in for the Secretary, Treasurer, or President when those offices are being voted on.
- B. The Youth Club President will be voted on by the Youth Club yearly.

Section 3: OFFICE, DUTIES, AUTHORITY, AND RESPONSIBILITY

I. PRESIDENT

- A. Will be the principle executive officer and will be responsible for the observance of all Corporation policies, bonds, mortgages, contracts or other instruments of the Corporation's functions.
- B. Will preside over all regular and special meetings to preserve order and conduct the business of the Corporation in a proper manner.

- C. Will appoint as needed any chairperson or committee needed to conduct the operation of the Corporation.
- D. Will be a member ex-officio of all committees except the nominating committee.
- E. Will not vote on any issues except to break a tie vote.
- F. Will appoint a Trustee to chair the Audit Committee.
- G. Will appoint 3 Trustees to serve as the Nominating Committee.

II. 1st VICE PRESIDENT

- A. Will in the absence of the president for any reason, perform the duties of the president with the same powers and restrictions as set forth for the office of president.

III. 2nd VICE PRESIDENT

- A. Will in the absence of the president and 1st vice president for any reason, perform the duties of the president with the same powers and restrictions as set forth for the office of president.
- B. Will be in charge of club philanthropy.

IV. RECORDING SECRETARY

- A. Will keep the minutes of all proceedings of the membership and officers.
- B. Will see that all notices are duly given in accordance with the provision of these Bylaws or as required by law.
- C. Will be the custodian of all Corporation records.
- D. Will perform to the best of their ability any and all other such duties as may be assigned by the officers of O.W.H.A.

V. TREASURER

- A. Will have charge and custody of and be responsible for all funds and securities of O.W.H.A.
- B. Will receive and give receipt for all monies in a specified bank in accordance with these Bylaws.
- C. Will provide a financial report to the officers and membership at each regular meeting or whenever called upon to provide such.
- D. Will perform any and all other duties as may be assigned by the officers of O.W.H.A.
- E. Will be responsible for the reimbursement of any funds required by the membership for the conducting of the business of O.W.H.A.
- F. The Treasurer is the treasurer of all committees.
- G. Will be the statutory agent as required by the Ohio Secretary of State. This agent will be served any legal documents regarding your business entity and is responsible for sharing this information with the Board of Trustees. Information regarding such agent may be found at <http://www.sos.state.oh.us/sos/>

VI. MEMBERSHIP/POINT SECRETARY

- A. Will be required to keep records of each point earned by members eligible for Year End Awards.
- B. Will have the point records up to date after each show and available at each O.W.H.A. function for members to review and will make any corrections or additions to the records.
- C. Will be responsible for tabulating points at the end of the show season and providing information to each club member of standings.

- D. Will receive the applications for membership.
- E. Will issue credentials to members.
- F. Will keep a register of the current address of each member that shall be furnished to the office of the Secretary.
- G. Will perform any and all other duties as may be assigned by the officers of O.W.H.A.

VII. EDITOR

- A. Will communicate the O.W.H.A. affairs to the membership by publishing a timely newsletter containing pertinent club information.

VIII. YOUTH ADVISOR

- A. Will oversee all activities of the O.W.H.A. Youth Club. They will assist the Youth Officers in all Youth activities and approve all expenditures from the Youth Treasury. He/She shall report on all Youth Activities.

IX. YOUTH CLUB PRESIDENT

- A. Will represent the youth club at all O.W.H.A activities.
- B. Will assist the Youth Advisor in all Youth activities.
- C. Will represent the Youth Club at the monthly general meetings.

X. NON-OFFICER TRUSTEES

- A. Will observe the operation of the Corporation by the officers and members to make sure all activities are conducted according to the O.W.H.A. Bylaws, “Roberts Rules of Order, Newly Revised”, and the Ohio Revised Code chapter 1702.
- B. Will be familiar with all rules of the Corporation and have a copy of O.W.H.A. Constitution and Bylaws, “Roberts Rules of Order, Newly Revised”, and the Ohio Revised Code chapter 1702 available at all times.
- C. May have the responsibility to oversee the Audit Committee

Section 4: OATH OF OFFICE: During the January annual banquet, the President will swear in the new officers by having them state the following oath:

“ I _____ do hereby pledge on my honor to perform the duties of my office, as required by the constitution and bylaws of Ohio Western Horse Association, Inc., at all times to conduct myself as becomes a member of this club, and to deliver all books, papers, and other property of the club that may be in my possession at the end of term to my successor in office.”

Section 5: TERMINATION: Any officer or trustee absent from three (3) consecutive meetings without prior notice and/or just cause will be notified in advance in writing that their position will be filled by an election at the next regular meeting. In the event that an officer or trustee should resign their post, an election will be held at the meeting following the meeting of which the resignation is presented in order to fill the post. The expulsion rule described under MEMBERSHIP shall also apply to officers and trustees. On the expiration of the term of any officer or trustee for any reason, the officer or trustee must turn over to the Board of Trustees all money, books, property, and any other assets belonging to O.W.H.A.

Section 6: RESIGNATION:

All resignations must be submitted in writing and addressed to the Secretary to become part of

the permanent records.

Section 7: APPOINTMENTS:

Any special assistants, committees, and/or subcommittees will be appointed, as needed, by the involved officer with the approval of those present at the meeting.

Section 8: AUDIT:

An audit committee, consisting of at least two (2) persons neither of which may be a current officer, and a Trustee, shall be appointed at the first meeting of each year for the purpose of auditing the books from the previous year. Sufficient time must be allowed for the committee to do a complete and proper audit.

Section 9: NOMINATION:

A nominating committee appointed by the President at the February meeting, consisting of at least three (3) Trustees, shall identify qualified individuals to be officers of the Corporation's Board of Trustees, and select the officers and trustee nominees to be presented for election. Before selecting any nominee for office, the Committee shall review the candidate's availability and willingness to serve.

ARTICLE IV: FINANCES

- A. All outgoing funds or payments of debts or obligations of the Corporation are to be made by check unless the funds released are signed for and documented by the Treasurer or the funds are payment of premiums at pre-approved events. They must be approved in an open meeting by a majority vote of all members present before the Treasurer will make payment.
- B. The O.W.H.A. trustees and members may not receive financial compensation for their involvement with O.W.H.A. except for expenses incurred for conducting the business of the Corporation. Anyone seeking such reimbursement must present to the Treasurer a dated and itemized statement clearly explaining the expense and the amount of monies involved.
- C. The President's name and the Treasurer's name will be on all of the Corporation's bank accounts. In the event of the Treasurer's absence or incapacitation, the President will have the ability to pay the Corporation's expenses.
- D. Cards and/or flowers up to an amount set by the Board of Trustees may be sent to Corporation members that are ill, in the hospital, or have a death in the family; or Corporation members that have family members that are ill or in the hospital.

ARTICLE V: DONATIONS AND/OR GIFTS

Any item(s) given, donated, or loaned to the Corporation for any purpose or any length of time must be accompanied by a detailed statement of intent from the donor, clearly explaining the purpose, duration, and eventual disposal of the donation and/or any other general terms that it may involve. This statement will be submitted in duplicate with both copies signed by the donor and at least one officer of the Corporation. The original statement will become part of permanent records of the Corporation and the donor will retain the copy. This transaction is to be recorded in the minutes of a regular meeting for future reference and for the protection of ALL PARTIES INVOLVED.

ARTICLE VI: SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS PROGRAM

Section 1 GOAL:

The goal of the O.W.H.A. Scholarship Awards Program is to provide deserving students post secondary high school financial assistance to further their education in a two or four year college or accredited vocational school of the student's choice.

Section 2: QUALIFICATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS

- A. The applicant must be an active member of O.W.H.A. for at least three consecutive years. All membership dues must be current.
- B. The applicant must be at least a senior in high school who will be entering college during the application year or an enrolled student already attending a two or four year college or accredited vocational school. Applicants must be under the age of twenty-three (23).
- C. The applicant must submit their most recent transcripts, a resume', two (2) letters of recommendation, and a written essay. The essay should address how participating with O.W.H.A. has helped to prepare the applicant's educational plans and career goals.

Section 3: PROCEDURE

- A. The applicant will complete the application provided by O.W.H.A., submit the most recent transcript, the resume', and the essay.
- B. The applicant will submit two (2) letters of recommendation with their application. The letters may come from varied sources such as: Principal, Teacher, Guidance Counselor, Pastor, Community Leaders, 4-H Advisors, etc, but not from immediate family members.
- C. The applicant must be eligible for admission to and must enroll in the selected school or institution for the upcoming school year. Funds must be used within one (1) year or the unused award will be forfeited. The scholarship check will be sent to the school.
- D. Applicants may apply more than one (1) year. Applicants may be awarded the scholarship more than once, however first priority may be given to applicants who have not previously received the award.
- E. New scholarships and renewals will be for the amount of \$500.00. O.W.H.A. may award one (1) or more scholarships per year based on the availability of funds. The Board of Trustees will determine the availability of funds yearly.
- F. The O.W.H.A. Youth Advisor shall serve as scholarship chairperson and appoint scholarship committee.
- G. All applications must be submitted to the scholarship chairperson or a committee member by June 15th of each year unless otherwise noted by the O.W.H.A. Board of Trustees.

Section 4: CRITERIA FOR SELECTION

- A. Upon review of the materials presented, the judges shall make the selection(s) based on the following: academic achievement, community activities, character, personal accomplishments, presentation of application materials, personal interview if required, and contributions to and involvement with O.W.H.A.
- B. The judges and/or Board of Trustees of O.W.H.A. may determine additional criteria for selection as needed.

ARTICLE VII: DISSOLUTION

Section 1: PROPOSAL FOR DISSOLUTION

In order to dissolve this corporation, the President must present a resolution recommending that

the corporation be dissolved to the active membership. A proposal for dissolution may be considered at a regular or special meeting of the active membership only after thirty (30) days notice in writing is given to each member in good standing. The resolution to dissolve shall be adopted upon receiving at least 80% of the votes cast by the active members present at such regular or special meeting. This corporation shall not be dissolved while 20% of the members in good standing dissent.

Section 2: RESOLUTION:

Upon adoption of the resolution for dissolution, this corporation will cease to conduct its affairs, except insofar as may be necessary for the proper completion thereof, and will immediately cause a notice for the proposed dissolution to be mailed to each known creditor and will proceed to collect its assets and apply and distribute them as provided in the next Section of these Bylaws.

Section 3: DISTRIBUTION:

Any money in Ohio Western Horse Association, Inc. bank accounts will be donated to an organization voted upon by the Board of Trustees.

ARTICLE VIII: ORDER OF BUSINESS

The following order of business shall be observed at all meetings:

- Call to order
- Minutes from previous meeting
- Treasurer's report
- Report from current committees
- Unfinished old business
- New business
- Adjournment

ARTICLE IX: RULES OF ORDER

- A. The O.W.H.A. Bylaws, the Horse Show Rule Book, "Roberts Rules of Order, Newly Revised", and any special rules of order the Corporation may adopt will govern the meetings and activities of O.W.H.A.
- B. Only one issue may be open for discussion at any one time.
- C. The presiding officer will open an issue for discussion by stating the issue, and declaring that the issue is open for discussion. The presiding officer will allow a brief time for discussion and debate to clarify the issue, and then the presiding officer will ask for a motion and a second of the motion. If the issue has a motion and a second, the presiding officer will allow a brief time for debate before calling for a vote on the issue. The presiding officer will restate the issue and call for a raising of hands for the issue, then a raising of hands against the issue. The presiding officer and one other officer will count the hands raised. The presiding officer will declare the issue as either passed or failed.
- D. Before a member can ask to open an issue, address the assembly in debate, or make a motion, it is necessary that the member should obtain the floor from the presiding officer.
- E. A member will not interrupt a debate without the presiding officer recognizing them and yielding the floor to them.
- F. If two (2) or more members rise to speak at the same time, the presiding officer will

- decide which is entitled to the floor and recognize that person.
- G. A member when speaking will confine himself or herself to the issue open for debate and avoid all personal and/or sarcastic language.
 - H. The regular order of business may be suspended to handle a pressing issue or problem or to conduct a short meeting. The motion to suspend the regular order, a second of the motion, and a two-thirds majority vote of the members present is required to suspend the regular order of business.
 - I. Any member having made a motion may withdraw the motion with the consent of his or her second as long as the motion has not been debated. A motion once debated cannot be withdrawn except by a majority vote.
 - J. Any member shall state the point of order, and the presiding officer will decide the same without debate.
 - K. The presiding officer will vote only in case of a tie.

ARTICLE X: GENERAL REGULATIONS AND RULES OF THE SHOW

Section 1: PURPOSE:

General Corporation rules and Show rules will be established, updated, and observed by all persons in attendance at any Corporation function, meeting, horse show, or event.

Section 2: MAINTENANCE:

All show rules will be reviewed annually. Updates and revisions will be completed before March 1st of a calendar year so they may be finished and entered into the rulebook and minutes before the start of the next show season. All updates and revisions must be approved at a general membership meeting by a majority vote.

Section 3: HORSE SHOW RULE BOOK:

The Horse Show Rule Book will be a separate document from these Bylaws so that the Horse Show Rule Book may be updated without revising these Bylaws.

ARTICLE XI: AMENDMENTS TO THE BYLAWS

Any and all amendments to the Bylaws may be done by a majority vote of the membership present after membership has been given thirty (30) days notice that a proposed change will be presented. The President may not vote on any proposed changes. In the event of a tie vote on any such proposals, the President will cast the deciding vote to break the tie. Officers of Ohio Western Horse Association Inc. at the time of this revision:

President:	Ashley R. Gossard
1st Vice President:	Laura Gossard
2nd Vice President:	Kim Haines
Recording Secretary:	Kim Bonette
Treasurer:	Robin Townsend
Membership/Point Secretary:	Geoff Oates
News Letter Editor:	Pam Post
Youth Advisor:	Brenda Brooks and Sarah Oates
Trustees:	Geoff Brooks, Alesia Sorgen, Eileen Clement, Angie Foust, Amy Joseph, Lisa Smith, Gwen Clymer, Lisa Scott Reiss, and Ron Rohrbach
Youth President:	Jen Post

HORSE SHOW RULE BOOK
Ohio Western Horse Association, Inc.
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ARTICLE I: AWARDS

Section 1: POINT POLICY

A. Points will be awarded as follows:

# in class	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th
1	1				
2	2	1			
3	3	2	1		
4	4	3	2	1	
5	5	4	3	2	1

- B. Points will be credited to the horse or pony and may transfer to subsequent owner except in the following classes: Showmanship, Equitation, Horsemanship, and Egg and Spoon. Points from those classes will follow the rider/exhibitor.
- C. Points awarded as a result of placing at approved Points Shows shall be recorded by the Association for the purpose of determining the High Point Horse and awarding recognition to such horses or owners at the close of each year's season.
- D. Current point secretary will have the point records up to date after each show and available on the OWHA website for members to review and will make any corrections or additions to the records. Records can be reviewed at www.owha.org
- E. A minimum of five (5) points must be earned in a class to be eligible for a high point award in that class.

Section 2: ANNUAL AWARDS

- A. Awards will be awarded to the horse and pony accumulating the highest number of points in individual classes.
- B. The Board of Trustees will select a minimum number of times that the class must be offered for the awards to be given. Example: Awards to be given to all classes offered at least four times during the year.
- C. In case of ties, duplicate awards will be given. At the annual meeting, five places will be recognized as award winners. This does not mean all places will receive awards, only that they will be recognized. In case of a tie from 1st through 4th place, the two tied will count as two of the five awards.

Section 3: HIGH POINT PLEASURE HORSE/RESERVE HIGH POINT PLEASURE HORSE

Includes all OWHA approved open, adult, youth, junior, and senior pleasure horse classes. Classes are hunter under saddle, western pleasure, open walk/trot pleasure, bareback pleasure, hunter hack, youth and adult novice walk/trot and novice pleasure. Does not include Halter, 2&3 year old Snaffle Bit, 40 years and older, egg and spoon, showmanship, horsemanship, or equitation.

- A. The horse or pony must earn at least 25 points to qualify.
- B. The horse or pony must earn points in at least 3 different classes to qualify.

Section 4: HIGH POINT YOUTH HORSE 9-13, 14-18/RESERVE HIGH POINT HORSE 9-13, 14-18

- A. Will be awarded to a one horse/one rider combination.
- B. Points must be earned in at least 3 youth approved classes. Those classes are: Halter, Showmanship, Hunter Under Saddle, Novice Walk/Trot Hunter under Saddle, Hunt Seat Equitation, Novice Walk/Trot Hunt Seat Equitation, Novice Walk/Trot Western Pleasure, Western Pleasure, Novice Walk/Trot Horsemanship, Horsemanship
- C. The horse/rider must earn a minimum of 25 points to qualify.

Section 5: HIGH POINT ADULT PLEASURE /RESERVE HIGH POINT ADULT PLEASURE

- A. Will be awarded to a one horse or pony/one rider combination.
- B. Points must be earned in at least 3 adult approved classes. Those classes are: Showmanship, Hunter Under Saddle, Novice Walk/Trot Hunter under Saddle, Hunt Seat Equitation, Novice Walk/Trot Hunt Seat Equitation, Novice Walk/Trot Western Pleasure, Western Pleasure, Novice Walk/Trot Horsemanship, Horsemanship
- C. Adult 40 and over classes do not count toward adult high point.
- D. The horse or pony/rider combination must earn a minimum of 25 points to qualify.

Section 6: HIGH POINT YOUTH PONY 9-13, 14-18/RESERVE HIGH POINT YOUTH PONY 9-13, 14-18

- A. Will be awarded to the one pony/one rider combination.
- B. Points must be earned in at least 2 pony approved classes. Those classes are: Pony Halter, Showmanship, Hunter Under Saddle, Novice Walk/Trot Hunter under Saddle, Hunt Seat Equitation, Novice Walk/Trot Hunt Seat Equitation, Novice Walk/Trot Western Pleasure, Western Pleasure, Novice Walk/Trot Horsemanship, Horsemanship.
- C. The pony/rider must earn a minimum of 25 points to qualify.

Section 7: HIGH POINT SMALL FRY PLEASURE/RESERVE HIGH POINT SMALL FRY PLEASURE

- A. Will be awarded to the one horse/one rider combination.
- B. Points must be earned in at least 2 small fry approved classes.
- C. Those classes are: Lead in, Small Fry Showmanship, Small Fry Pleasure (Walk trot), Small Fry Horsemanship (Walk trot).
- D. The horse/rider must earn a minimum of 25 points to qualify.

Section 8: HIGH POINT OPEN CONTESTING/RESERVE HIGH POINT OPEN CONTESTING

- A. Includes all approved OWHA contesting classes except Egg and Spoon. Those classes are; Open Poles, Open Barrels, Open Stakes, Open Flags, Open Dash, and Open Ball Race.
- B. The horse or pony must earn points in at least 3 classes to qualify.
- C. The horse or pony must earn at least 25 points to qualify.

Section 9: HIGH POINT YOUTH CONTESTING 9-13, 14-18/RESERVE YOUTH CONTESTING 9-13, 14-18

- A. Will be awarded to the one horse or pony/one rider combination.
- B. Points must be earned in at least 3 youth contesting classes.

- C. Those classes are: Youth Barrels, Youth Pole Bending, Youth Stake Bending, Youth Dash for Cash, Youth Ball Race, and Youth Flags.
- D. The horse/rider must earn a minimum of 25 points to qualify.

Section 10: HIGH POINT SMALL FRY CONTESTING/RESERVE HIGH POINT SMALL FRY CONTESTING

- A. Will be awarded to the one horse or pony/one rider combination.
- B. Points must be earned in at least 2 small fry contesting classes.
- C. Those classes are: Small Fry Barrels, Small Fry Pole Bending, Small Fry Stake Bending, Small Fry Dash for Cash, Small Fry Ball Race, Small Fry Flags.
- D. The horse/rider must earn a minimum of 25 points to qualify.

Section 11: YOUTH SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD (ROTATING)
YOUTH MEMORIAL AWARD IN MEMORY OF DON DAVIDHIZAR

- A. The award will be given to the youth voted on that has had the most sportsmanship attitude in and out of the show arena. The award will be voted on by O.W.H.A. Youth members during the month of December by secret ballot. The O.W.H.A. Youth secretary will send ballots (listing all Youth members). The ballots must be returned to the O.W.H.A. Youth Advisor by January 10 of the next year for tabulation. The youth Advisors will see that the name is engraved and attached to the trophy. The award will be presented at the annual awards meeting. To qualify, the youth must be an O.W.H.A. member in good standing. It is the responsibility of the Youth President to get the trophy in time to the Youth Advisors. The cost of the engraving will be the expense of the youth club. The ballots must be signed by the member and only one vote per member is allowed. A plaque will be given to each sportsman recipient as he or she returns the trophy the following year.

ARTICLE II: SHOWS

Section 1: SHOW APPROVAL RESPONSIBILITIES

- A. Show Committee's must submit their tentative show bill to the OWHA Show Committee for review by March 1, of the year the show will be held.
- B. Each Show Committee shall appoint a show chairman and secretary.
- C. After OWHA Show Approval Committee returns the final draft of your tentative show bill to you, the Show Committee must submit their final show bill to OWHA 90 days prior to your show in order to guarantee input into our newsletter and website.
- D. Listing of OWHA approved classes on the show bill must be printed with proper wording as outlined in OWHA rule book and approved by the OWHA Show Approval Committee.
- E. If you are conducting an OWHA Pleasure show, the show bill must include 25 or more of the OWHA approved pleasure classes, which must include 4 OWHA Pony Classes and 3 OWHA Small Fry Classes.(non timed events)
- F. If you are conducting an OWHA Contesting show, the show bill must include 5 or more of the OWHA approved contest classes, which must include 2 OWHA Small Fry Classes.
- G. Payback must appear on all show bills. It is recommended that a payback be made regardless of the number of entries.
- H. When offering an adult class, corresponding youth classes must be offered or vice versa.

- I. Only one OWHA approved show per day is permitted.
- J. The Show Committee must abide with all rules of OWHA. Members of the Show Committee should read the Official Association rulebook.
- K. Member clubs or organizations planning multiple (two or more) shows per season must have specific approval by the Board of Trustees.
- L. The OWHA class entry system will be used.
- M. In case the Show Committee requires assistance in setting up their show, they may request such assistance from a representative from the OWHA Board of Trustees.
- N. The classes must be run in the order stated on the show bill.
- O. Lunch breaks and other breaks must be taken as indicated on the show bill
- P. Any class not approved must be noted on the show bill.
- Q. An award MUST be given to 5 places in all approved classes.
- R. Grass arenas and ball diamonds must be designated on the show bill.
- S. The Show Committee is responsible for the selection of the judge and must furnish him/her with an OWHA rulebook as soon as possible after he/she is selected.
- T. All entry cards in ALL approved classes must be turned into the Points Secretary within 72 hours.
- U. The Show Committee will need to furnish their own equipment necessary for all classes including contest classes.

Section 2: FEES

- A. Show Fees are \$45 for one day show or \$55 for a two day show. After receiving an invoice from OWHA, these fees must be paid and received by the OWHA Show Committee by March 1, or we cannot reserve your show date.
- B. The definition of a one day show is either a contest or pleasure show, or a combination of a contest/pleasure show shown on the same day or consecutive day. All other situations are considered a 2 day show.

Section 3: OWHA RESPONSIBILITIES

- A. OWHA will furnish the Show Stewards.
- B. OWHA will provide the official entry forms and judges, cards.
- C. OWHA will provide a OWHA rule book.
- D. OWHA shall print the show date in the newsletter and on the website.
- E. OWHA shall print or enclose show bills in the earliest possible bulletin preceding the show date, and post on the website.
- F. OWHA will invoice each Show Committee on the correct Show Fee amount.

Section 5: STEWARDS

- A. Stewards are appointed after the annual meeting. The President of the Association shall select an officer or member in good standing to serve as Chief Steward for one year whose duty it will be to select and recommend qualified individuals for appointment as stewards to the Board of Trustees.
- B. To be eligible for appointment as a steward, an individual must meet the following requirements:
 1. Be an association member in good standing.
 2. Have a thorough knowledge of the official rulebook currently in use.
- C. The Steward is the official representative of the Association and he shall at all times during his attendance at shows in his official capacity conduct himself in such a manner

so as to improve relations between exhibitors, show committees, and the Association; and to impartially assist them in matters pertaining to rules governing shows.

- D. The Steward in addition to the foregoing shall also be required to perform the following:
1. Shall render decisions on interpretations of rules (on approved classes) to show committees and exhibitors.
 2. Require show committees, officials, and exhibitors to conform to the Association rules. In the event an exhibitor is dissatisfied with the decision of the steward as to the interpretation or enforcement of rules, the exhibitor will document such protest in writing and submit it to the steward.
 3. Will appoint an individual to stand in during his absence of handling decisions.

Section 6: GENERAL RULES

- A. The age of the rider will be determined by their age as of January 1 of the current year and must follow through the entire show season.
- B. As of January first all equine are considered one year older.
- C. Exhibitors must be O.W.H.A. members in order to accumulate points.
- D. Membership is required before entering the class in order for points to count.
- E. An exhibitor may enter one or more horses in a class, but each horse may only have one rider in a class.
- F. Rule changes can be submitted and accepted only from paid O.W.H.A. members.
- G. Western boots are mandatory in all western classes.
- H. Unless prior notification of tack change has been given to the Show Committee, delay of a class by an exhibitor constitutes disqualification.
- I. Riders must have numbers on both sides of the saddle or saddle pad/blanket, or displayed on rider's back.
- J. Ponies and horses can be shown together in open and adult classes.
- K. Youth may not show stallions.
- L. Youth Pony
1. Ponies measure 58 inches and under, and horses are over 58 inches and must show as such.
 2. Any O.W.H.A. youth member wanting to show a pony must have the pony measured by an O.W.H.A. representative/steward in order to receive points in pony classes.
 3. Ponies shown as a pony for youth O.W.H.A. points must stay pony for that current show season.
 4. Youth ponies that show in a youth horse class will not receive any O.W.H.A. points for that day. (i.e. Ponies receiving O.W.H.A. youth pony points may not switch to youth horse classes.)
- M. If posting patterns they should be posted 20 minutes before start of show. Patterns may also be given at gate.
- N. If a junior class is offered, a senior class must also be offered.

Section 7: OBJECTIONS (PROTEST)

- A. Official objections may be filed by owners, lessees or exhibitors when they are dissatisfied with the ruling of the steward, and shall be made as follows:
1. The protest should be documented and mailed accompanied by a money order or certified check for \$50.00 by registered mail to the Association Secretary within a period of three days after the adverse decision was rendered.

2. The Association Secretary shall notify the President that a protest has been filed and the Association President shall set a date, place, and time for the hearing on the protest, and the secretary shall send notice of such hearing to the protesting individual and to such other persons as may be deemed necessary.
3. Hearings on objections shall be held before the OWHA Board of Trustees at a regular or special meeting called for that purpose. The individual filing the objection and all persons concerned shall be present and may present any statements or facts either in support or against the objection.
4. Parties who so desire may have the assistance of counsel at the hearing. The Board after hearing the facts shall render a decision which shall sustain, disallow, or dismiss the objection. If the Board sustains or supports the objection, a refund of the \$50.00 deposit shall be made to the individual filing the objection; otherwise, the deposit shall be forfeited to the Association Treasury. When the Board sustains or supports an objection, it shall take whatever action is necessary and may cancel points which have been illegally earned or restore points to those entitled to such points. The decision of the OWHA Board is FINAL.

Section 8: RINGMASTER

- A. No person shall act as ringmaster while an immediate family member is participating in a class.
- B. No ringmaster shall influence or fulfill the judge's obligations in judging classes.
- C. The Ringmaster will NOT carry on conversation with the judge in the arena. No person shall show or exhibit after acting as Ringmaster that day.

Section 9: JUDGE

- A. The judge is required to place 6 places in each class.
- B. A judge is obligated to adjudicate each class in conformity with the rules and specifications of that class as they appear in the O.W.H.A. rule book.
- C. A judge may but is NOT required to explain his decision to the exhibitor.
- D. No judge is to be approached by an exhibitor at any time during the show unless he first goes through the Steward.
- E. A judge may judge 1 (one) O.W.H.A. approved show per year.
- F. The judge may bar unruly horses or ponies from showing.
- G. Proper attire and appearances are required.
- H. A judge may not exhibit at an approved O.W.H.A. show thirty (30) days prior to the show that he is officiating.
- I. The judge or steward is required to watch the timer and exhibitor in contest classes for possible disqualifications.
- K. The judge must live outside a 50 mile radius of the show.

ARTICLE III. CLASS RULES

Section 1: HALTER

It is recommended the horses upon entering the arena walk to the judge, trot away, and then line up.

Section 2: SHOWMANSHIP

- A. Exhibitor is judged on the fitting and grooming of the horse and on the ability of the showman to present the horse properly and to its best advantage.
- B. Type, conformation, and quality of the horse have no bearing on the judging of these classes. Manners and response to the showman do however indicate the degree of training received by the animal and should be credited to the showman. .

Section 3: YEARLING LUNGE LINE

- A. The purpose of showing a yearling on a lunge line is to demonstrate that the horse has the movement, manners/expression/attitude, and conformation to become competitive under saddle.
- B. The class will consist of two parts: (1) a lunging demonstration lasting one and one-half minutes (90 seconds) and (2) a conformation inspection.
- C. Show Management is required to provide a 5-minute warm-up period for all exhibitors.
- D. The judge may request the use of a scribe.
- E. The lunging demonstration will begin at the sound of a whistle or other audible indicator when the horse has reached the perimeter of its circle. Time will not begin until the horse reaches this perimeter. When the “begin” signal is given, the exhibitor will be allowed 1 and 1/2 minutes (90 seconds) to present the horse at all three gaits in both directions. At the end of 1 1/2 minutes, the signal will be given to signify the end of the demonstration. Show management has the option of adding a “half-way” signal.
- F. The conformation inspection will occur prior to the lunging demonstration. Each entry will be walked into the arena to the judge and pause for evaluation individually. They will then trot off straight and around a cone and take a place on the wall inside the arena. All entries will be inspected in this fashion and as the trot-off is administered, horse showing evidence of lameness should be excused from the class at that time.
- G. It is recommended that lunge line classes be shown in splits of no more than 15 horses at a time. Larger classes may also offer a finalists’ go-round before the class is placed.
- H. Turn around at the walk to take the second direction of the pattern may be considered as fulfilling the walk requirement of the second direction portion of the scoring format.
- I. Horses are to be shown in a halter. Either a regular or show type halter is acceptable.
 - 1. For the lunging demonstration, the only attachment allowed to the halter is the lunge line. The lunge line may not exceed 30 feet in length with a snap attached to the halter. The lunge line must hang free from the halter without touching any part of the horse. It is permissible to use a lunge whip; however, disqualification will occur if the exhibitor blatantly strikes the horse with the whip to cause forward or lateral movement at any time during the lunging demonstration.
 - 2. No other equipment is allowed on the horse during the class. Mechanical or retractable lunge lines are not allowed.
 - 3. For the confirmation inspection, a lead shank, such as used in halter or showmanship classes may be exchanged for the lunge line prior to the lunging demonstration.
 - 4. Exhibitors are not to be penalized for using regular halters and plain lunge lines, nor are they to be rewarded for using show halters and show lunge lines. Only movement, manners/expression/way of going, and conformation are being judged.
- J. Conventional Western attire is mandatory; except if a prospect is considered to be a Hunter prospect, then conventional English attire is suggested. The type of attire worn by the exhibitor is not to be a consideration in placing the horse.

- K. Gaits are to be judged according to the gaits for Western Pleasure and Hunter under Saddle classes.
- L. The horse will be scored at all three gaits in both directions. Western Pleasure prospects are to show at the walk, jog, and lope. Hunter under Saddle prospects are to show at the walk, trot, and canter. Any horse that does not exhibit these gaits in each direction will be disqualified from the class. Additionally, judges shall immediately excuse any horse who exhibits obvious lameness at any time during the class. Exhibitors may begin work in the direction of their choice (counter or clockwise).
- M. At the end of the 1 1/2 minutes, the signal will be given and the exhibitor shall at the request of show management, retire from the lunging area to the far end of the ring. The horses are to stand quietly on the wall while the other exhibitors present their horses.
- N. If the horse is playing on the lunge line, it shall not count against the horse. The judge will, however, penalize the horse for excessive bucking, running off, stumbling, or displaying attitudes that are uncomplimentary to pleasure horses. Falling down will constitute disqualification.
- O. Exhibitors are encouraged to exhibit their horse making full use of a 25' radius circle, as they will be scored on this.
- P. An exhibitor may only show one horse in each lunge line class. The same exhibitor must show both segments of the class.
- Q. The Official NSBA Lunge Line Scoring sheet must be used in each approved class by each judge. The score sheet will be available at the end of the class.
- R. The show management is responsible for re-certifying all scores and totals. If errors in tabulation have occurred they should be immediately corrected and new placing announced at the event.
- S. Judges must sign every completed score sheet.

Section 4: HUNTER HACK

- A. Horses are first required to jump two fences, one foot six to two foot six in height. Jumps may be set on opposite sides of the arena, or in a line. If they are set in a line, they should be set a minimum of 36 feet apart - or more, in increments of 12 feet (36, 48, 60 ft., etc.).
- B. Horses are then to be shown at a walk, trot, and canter one way or both ways of the arena.
- C. Placing will be determined by scoring 70% on individual fence work (jumping style) and 30% for work on the flat. Appointments, bits, and clothing should be the same as in English Pleasure.
- D. Crops or bats are optional.
- E. Boots for use on the horse are prohibited. Fence work should be judged on jumping style.
- F. Horses should maintain an even hunting pace with free-flowing strides.
- G. Preference will be given to horses that meet fences squarely and with a willing attitude, jump at the center of the fence, and clear the obstacle without touching the rails.
- H. Disqualification - three refusals (including stops or run outs), or horse and/or rider falling.
- I. Fence requirements - Fences should be made of plain or striped rails or boards.
- J. No brush, coops, or oxers should be used.
- K. Fences should be single-width poles set on medium to deep jump cups on standards (wings are optional). A ground rail is recommended but not required.

Section 5: HUNTER UNDER SADDLE

- A. If both Open Hunter under Saddle and \$100 Hunter under Saddle are offered in the same show, only those points earned in the Open Hunter under Saddle class will count towards year-end awards.
- B. If a Junior Hunter under Saddle class is offered, then senior Hunter under Saddle must also be offered, and vice versa. If a youth Hunter Under Saddle class is offered, then adult Hunter Under Saddle class must also be offered, and vice versa.
- C. Riders will be asked to walk, trot, and canter and when reversed, do it by turning into or away from the rail. The whole arena must be used.
- D. Light contact with the horse's mouth is recommended. A proper hat with boots are mandatory, however, personal tack and appointments should be consistent with Hunter under Saddle. Coats are optional to the judge.
- E. Approved saddles must be hunt seat type. Boots of any description for use on the horse are prohibited. Artificial appliances are prohibited, as are Western saddles.
- F. Braiding of mane or tail is optional. It is recommended that horses and ponies come to a flat-footed walk before being asked to change gaits.
- G. Bits: English Snaffle (no shank), kimberwicke, pelham and/or full bridle (with two reins), all with cavesson nosebands and plain leather brow bands must be used. In reference to mouthpieces, nothing may protrude below the mouthpiece (bar). Solid and broken mouthpieces may have a port no higher than 1 1/2". On broken mouthpieces only, connecting rings of 1 1/4" or less in diameter or connecting flat bar of 3/8" to 3/4" (measured top to bottom with a maximum length of 2") and which lie flat in the horse's mouth are acceptable. All mouthpieces must be a minimum of 5/16" in diameter with snaffles to be measured 1" in from the cheek or ring. Smooth round, oval, or egg-shaped, slow twist, corkscrew, single twisted wire, double twisted wire mouthpieces and straight bar or solid mouthpieces with a maximum of 1 1/2" high ports are allowed. Bits of any style featuring mouthpieces with cathedrals, donuts, prongs, edges, or rough, sharp material shall be cause for elimination. If a curb bit is used, the chain must be at least 1/2" in width and flat against the jaw of the horse.

Section 6: HUNT SEAT EQUITATION

- A. If both Open Hunt Seat Equitation and \$100 Hunt Seat Equitation are offered in the same show, only those points earned in the Open Hunt Seat Equitation class will count towards year-end awards.
- B. If a Junior Hunter Seat Equitation class is offered, the senior Hunt Seat Equitation must also be offered, and vice versa. If a youth Hunt Seat Equitation class is offered, then adult Hunt Seat Equitation class must also be offered, and vice versa.
- C. Judged 95% on horsemanship and 5% on appointments.
- D. The exhibitor must use entire arena.
- E. The rider will be judged on hands, seat, legs, and general performance. Bits should conform to the rules as stated in the Hunter under Saddle sections of this rule book. No wire curbs or tie-downs allowed.
- F. Equitation patterns are **REQUIRED**. All exhibitors must be asked to perform a pattern before being excused. Horses and ponies must walk, trot, and canter both ways of the arena before a special request can be made (example: removing feet from the stirrups).
- G. If an equitation pattern incorporates all three gaits and a back, rail work is optional at the judge's discretion.

Section 7: ENGLISH PLEASURE SADDLE SEAT

- A. Appointments – suitably attired in jodhpurs and riding coat, boots, hat, and tie. Day coats are acceptable.
- B. Performance shall consist of walk, trot, and canter both ways using the entire arena. Horses may reverse toward or away from the rail.
- C. Light mouth contact should be maintained at all the gaits.

Section 8: ENGLISH SADDLE SEAT EQUITATION

- A. Appointments – suitably attired in jodhpurs and riding coat, boots, hat, and tie.
- B. Day coats are acceptable.
- C. Judged 95% on horsemanship and 5% on appointments.
- D. The exhibitor must use entire arena.
- E. The rider will be judged on hands, seat, legs, and general performance.
- F. If an equitation pattern incorporates all three gaits and a back, rail work is optional at the judge's discretion.

Section 9: WESTERN PLEASURE

- A. If junior western pleasure is offered, then senior western pleasure must also be offered, and vice versa. If youth western pleasure is offered, then adult western pleasure must also be offered, and vice versa.
- B. The exhibitor must show both ways of the arena at Walk, Jog, and Lope.
- C. The Exhibitor must use entire arena.
- D. They must use Western bits, equipment, and attire.
- E. Junior horses may ride with a bosal or snaffle bit, conventional O ring, Eggbutt, or D ring. They must be ridden with two hands on the reins. Bosals shall not contain any metal and must be at no more than 3/4" in diameter. Anyone must be able to slide a finger or a 3/4" gauge between the bosal and the horse or pony's nose.
- F. Judge may ask for additional work or maneuvers after the rail work.
- G. Prohibited Bits: Wire curbs regardless of how padded or covered; chin strap narrower than 1/2 inch; martingales, nosebands, or tie downs. References to a western bit mean the use of a curb bit that has a solid or broken mouthpiece, has shanks and acts with leverage. All curb bits must be free of mechanical device, and should follow these standards: 8 1/2" maximum length shank to be measured from top of top ring (that attaches to bridle) to center of the bottom ring (that attaches to reins). Shanks may be fixed or loose. Mouthpiece bars must be round, oval, or egg-shaped, smooth and unwrapped metal of 5/16" in diameter measured 1" from the cheek. They may be inlaid, but must be smooth or latex wrapped. Nothing may protrude below the mouthpiece (bar), such as extensions or prongs on solid mouthpieces. The mouthpiece may be two or three pieces. A three-piece connecting ring of 1 1/4" or less in diameter, or a connecting flat bar of 3/8" to 3/4" (measured top to bottom with a maximum length of 2"), which lies flat in the horse's mouth is acceptable. The port must be no higher than 3 1/2" maximum with rollers and covers acceptable. Broken mouthpieces, half-breeds, and spades are standard. Slip or gag bits, donut and flat polo mouthpieces are not acceptable. With standard western bits, only one hand may be used on the reins, and the hand must not be changed. The hand is to be around the reins, index finger only between split reins is permitted. Violation of this rule is an automatic disqualification.

Section 10: 2 AND 3 YEAR OLD SNAFFLE BIT PLEASURE

A. Bits

1. References to snaffle bits in western pleasure classes mean the conventional O-ring, egg-butt or D-ring with a ring no larger than 4". The inside circumference of the ring must be free of rein, curb or headstall attachments which could provide leverage. The mouthpiece should be round, oval or egg-shaped, smooth and unwrapped metal. It may be inlaid, but smooth or latex wrapped. The bars must be a minimum of 5/16" in diameter measured one inch in from the cheek with a gradual decrease to the center of the snaffle. Optional loose curb strap must be leather or nylon only and must be attached below the reins. The mouthpiece may be two or three pieces. A three-piece connecting flat bar of 3/8" to 3/4" (measured top to bottom, with a maximum length of 2') which lies flat in the horse's mouth is acceptable.

2. Braided rawhide or leather bosal or rope bosal may be used in lieu of a snaffle bit, no more than 3/4" (three-quarter inch) diameter at the cheek. The core may be of rawhide or flexible cable. The bosal must be a minimum 1" finger space (approximately 3/4") between the bosal and nose. Absolutely no metal or rigid material is allowed under the jaw or on the nose or anywhere on the bridle regardless of how padded or covered it is. Bosals shall be soft and flexible. The bosal should be properly fitted relative to the horse's size and conformation. Horse hair bosals are permitted. This rule does not refer to so-called mechanical hackamores.

3. Reins are to be attached above the curb strap.

4. Standard, leather or woven leather split reins are mandatory, hair reins are not permitted with snaffle bits.

5. Training devices, such as martingales, nose bands or tie downs, are prohibited in the show arena and designated warm-up arena at all times.

6. All horses entered in the event must be present in the arena prior to the completion of the warm-up period and the horses must be ridden with the same equipment required in the event.

7. Contestants may change from bosal to a snaffle bit and vice versa between cuts, but may not use any other equipment between cuts or prior to the finals.

8. All horses must leave the arena after each section, except the finalists of the last cut may remain for finals if so directed by show management.

B. JUDGING

1. All entries must be shown with both hands on the reins, maintaining light contact with the horse's mouth. The rider's hands should be carried near the pommel and no further than 4" out on either side of the saddle horn. Rider's hands must be steady with very limited movement. Rider's hands should be visible to the judge(s) at all times. Reins must be crossed with the tails of the reins on the opposite side of the neck. Reins may be held singularly or together, as long as tails are crossed and on opposite sides of horses neck.

2. All horses will be judged as pleasure horses at the walk, jog, lope and back as well as on all transitions. Horses must work both ways of the ring at three gaits to demonstrate their ability with different leads. At the option of the judge, horses may be asked to extend the walk, one or both ways of the ring. It is suggested that a moderate extension of the jog be asked for in at least one direction. An extension of the jog is a definite two beat lengthening of stride and covering more ground. Cadenced and balanced with smoothness is more essential than speed. Riders should sit at the moderate extension of the jog. Lope with forward motion will become the only gait recognized as a lope. Horses are required

to back easily and stand quietly. Horses must reverse to the inside (away from the rail). They may be required to reverse at the walk or jog, at the discretion of the judge, but shall not be asked to reverse at the lope.

Passing is permissible as long as the horse maintains a proper and even cadence and rhythm.

3. Horses are not to be called into the center of the arena from a jog or a lope.
4. A tight rein or excessive slack is at no time acceptable. Head carriage should be quiet and comfortable.
5. A pleasure horse should be a happy horse and a natural horse. Emphasis shall be placed on good movers, manners, and attitude, as reflected in the horse's ears, mouth, tail and way of going. Judges shall be instructed to pay particular attention to the above mentioned and any attempt to alter the above shall be severely penalized.
6. When entering a warm-up, class or cut, if a horse's mouth, nose or jaw or any other area touched by the bit or bosal shows signs of broken skin, rawness or bleeding, at the discretion of the show steward or judge, the exhibitor MAYBE permitted to change from bosal to a snaffle bit or snaffle bit to a bosal. Prior to the judge's final placing, he/she must inspect the noses, mouths, jaws, and bodies of the horse for raw or abused areas. If a horse's mouth, nose or jaw or any other area shows signs of broken skin, rawness or bleeding, the horse will be eliminated from the class.
7. The same judges must judge all horses in a go-round.

C. FAULTS

1. To be scored according to severity:
 - a) Missed lead or break of gait shall be penalized according to severity at judge's discretion.
 - b) Pertaining to transitions or the reverse, any loss of forward motion may be penalized up to three places on judge's card or be placed last in a small class.
 - c) Refusal to back shall result in a penalty or disqualification at the judge's discretion.
 - d) When a transition is called for, the exhibitor should take the requested gait within 5 seconds. Failure to do so, might at the judge's discretion, result in a penalty.
 - e) Excessive speed (any gait)
 - f) Excessive slowness in any gait, loss of forward momentum
 - g) Touching horse or saddle with free hand
 - h) Head carried too high or too low
 - i) Over flexing or straining neck in head carriage so the nose is carried behind the vertical for five or less strides.
 - j) Excessive nosing out.
 - k) Opening mouth excessively
 - l) Use of spurs forward of the cinch.
 - m) A horse which appears sullen, dull, lethargic, emaciated, drawn, or overly tired
 - n) If reins are draped to the point that light contact is not maintained.
 - o) Overly canted at the lope. (*Overly: When the outside hind foot is further into the arena than the inside front foot, the horse is overly canted.*)
 - p) Stumbling.
 - q) Quick, choppy, or pony stride.
2. Faults which shall be cause for disqualification, except in novice non-pro or youth classes which will be faults scored according to severity:
 - a) Changing hands or two hands on reins, except when showing with a hackamore or snaffle bit.

- b) More than one finger between the reins.
 - c) Over flexing or straining neck in head carriage so the nose is carried behind the vertical consistently for more than five strides.
- D. TWO YEAR OLDS and or THREE YEAR OLD SNAFFLE BIT ELIGIBILITY
- a) Horses must be ridden with two hands with a snaffle bit or bosal as described under Bits. These horses are not restricted as to the type of equipment used while riding in other classes.
 - b) Horse must be shown with two hands and a snaffle bit or bosal.
 - c) It is suggested that all snaffle bit events be held in one go format only.

Section 11: NOVICE WALK-TROT PLEASURE (Adult, youth)

- A. Horses may be shown English or Western style with the appropriate tack.
- B. Horses are to be shown at a walk and a trot/jog both directions of the arena. The entire arena must be used.
- C. No wire curbs or tie-downs. Chaps (Western) are optional.
- D. Rider may not show in any three gaited class except Novice Pleasure class that day..
- E. Rider may show in all Open, Adult, and Youth Walk-Trot Pleasure classes offered.
- F. Once a Novice rider has accumulated 35 points in Pleasure classes (lifetime total), they may not show Novice after the point season ends.

Section 12: OPEN WALK-TROT PLEASURE

- A. English or western, all ages.
- B. Appropriate tack and attire shall be required.
- C. Horses are to be shown at a walk and a trot/jog both directions of the arena. The entire arena must be used.
- D. Exhibitors may show in a three-gaited class. The horse is to be judged as in a pleasure class.

Section 13: 40 & OVER WALK- TROT PLEASURE

- A. May show English or Western and must use appropriate attire and equipment.
- B. This class will follow the appropriate gate for walk-trot/jog rules and guidelines.
- C. May show three gaited.

Section 14: OPEN HORSEMANSHIP(adult, youth, novice, walk trot)

- A. Judged 95% on horsemanship and 5% on appointments. The exhibitor must use entire arena.
- B. The rider will be judged on hands, seat, legs, and general performance.
- C. No wire curbs or tie-downs allowed. Junior horses may be ridden with two hands if ridden with a snaffle bit or bosal. Bosals and bits should conform to the rules as stated in the Western and Snaffle Bit Pleasure sections of this rule book.
- D. Chaps (Western) are optional to the rider at all times.
- E. Horsemanship patterns are REQUIRED. All exhibitors must be asked to perform a pattern before being excused.
- F. Horses and ponies must walk, jog, and lope both ways of the arena before a special request can be made. (Example: removing feet from the stirrups).
- G. If a horsemanship pattern incorporates all three gaits and a back, rail work is optional at the judge's discretion.

Section 15: NOVICE WALK- TROT HORSEMANSHIP (ADULT, YOUTH)

- A. Horses may be shown English or Western style with the appropriate tack and attire.
- B. Horses are to be shown at a walk and a trot/jog both directions of the arena. The entire arena must be used.
- C. Judged 95% on horsemanship and 5% on appointments. Rider will be judged on hands, seat, legs, and general performance.
- D. No wire curbs or tie-downs. Chaps (Western) are optional. Rider may only show in Novice Pleasure class that day, NO other three-gaited classes. Rider may show in all Open, Adult, and Youth Walk-Trot Pleasure classes.

Section 16: EGG AND SPOON

- A. Horses and ponies are allowed.
- B. The exhibitors must use same size spoons.
- C. No hard-boiled eggs are allowed.
- D. The exhibitor must place the egg on the spoon and hold the spoon at the handle end at least one inch from the end of the spoon, placing the handle between the thumb and index finger, with the thumb resting on the end of the spoon.
- E. It is suggested that the horses walk, trot, and canter both ways of the arena before special tasks are asked.
- F. Rider may be disqualified for not following judge's instructions.
- G. Horses and ponies may NOT be reversed at the canter.
- H. **Exhibitor may not be asked to put the spoon in the mouth.**
- I. The points for egg and spoon will not count toward any championship awards, only the class high-point award. Points go with the rider.
- J. Suggested ways for elimination: Take feet out of stirrups, hold spoon above head, extend arm out to full length straight, change hands.

Section 17: NOVICE PLEASURE

- A. Novice Pleasure is for riders ages 9 and up.
- B. May show English or Western, with appropriate tack and attire.
- C. **NOVICE CLASSES ARE FOR BEGINNER RIDERS ONLY.**
- D. Horses should be shown at a walk, trot (or jog) and canter both directions of the arena.
- E. Novice riders may show in any classes that day.
- F. Riders showing Novice walk-trot classes can only three gait in Novice Pleasure.
- G. Riders may show in there appropriate walk-trot division.
- H. Once a Novice rider has accumulated 35 points in Pleasure classes (lifetime total), they may not show Novice after the point season ends.
- I. Small fry points are not counted toward novice.

Section 18: TRAIL

- A. Any obstacles can be used, with a minimum four and a maximum six.
- B. It is the show committee's responsibility to see that all obstacles are in good repair and safe for horse and rider.
- C. Leads and manners are to be considered in this class.
- D. Hand on the saddle is not to be penalized (YOUTH only).
- E. **SUGGESTED OBSTACLES:** Bridge not more than 6" high, side pass, mailbox, dogleg back-in, back in stall, slickers, ground tie, gate, and/or water box. Four logs: spacing should be 20-24 inches from inside to inside for walk-over, 3 feet to 3 ½ feet inside to

inside for trot-over, or 6 feet to 7 feet inside to inside for lope-over. Canter thru obstacles need to be 3 feet 6 inches wide. Obstacles need to be measured with a measuring device.

Section 19: REINING

- A. Must use western equipment and must follow pattern as set up by the show committee.
- B. Scoring will be in accordance with accepted A.Q.H.A. and N.R.H.A. rules.
- C. Two or more horses may be entered and shown by the same exhibitor.
- D. Show committees may choose patterns from the A.Q.H.A. or N.R.H.A. rulebooks.
- E. PROHIBITED: Wire curbs regardless of how padded or covered, chin strap less than 1/2 inch wide, martingales, tie-downs.

Section 20: SMALL FRY

- A. Exhibitor 8 years and under as of January 1st.
- B. If showing Small Fry you must stay Small Fry all day.
- C. Small Fry may not show any three gaited pleasure classes that day.
- D. May show in appropriate Youth showmanship class if Small Fry Showmanship is not offered.
- E. Small Fry Horsemanship is walk-trot only. Small Fry Horsemanship riders will be judged on hands, seat, and ability to control and sit the horse at designated gaits.
- F. Walk-Trot must work both ways of the arena.
- G. Small Fry Pleasure may show English or Western with proper attire.
- H. Small Fry contest classes will follow Youth and Open contest rules.
- I. Only small fry contesting classes may the rider have an assistant and will be placed according to qualified run.

Section 21: LEAD IN

- A. Rider must be 6 years and under, but the leader may be any age.
- B. Rider can only show in appropriate Youth showmanship class and youth or Open Halter classes when showing lead-in that day.
- C. Rider must work both directions of the arena, and must line up and back animal.
- D. Lead-in riders will be judged on hands, seat, legs, and ability to sit and control the horse or pony. Stirrups must be available for the rider.

Section 22: GENERAL RULES FOR CONTESTING

- A. If \$100 Barrels and/or Poles and Open Barrels and/or Poles are offered in the same show, only those points earned in the open class will count toward year end awards.
- B. Each Show Committee will post on the show bill whether a 5 (five) second or a 10 (ten) second penalty will be added for each obstacle knocked over, example: if the top of the obstacle touches the ground.
- C. Horses and ponies may show together.
- D. Electric timer is required or two stop watches used with the two times averaged.
- E. NO reruns for broken personal equipment.
- F. NO hitting of horse or pony in front of the cinch with whip or bat after entering the arena gate until leaving the arena gate.
- G. In case of a tie for any place, if the first horse is assessed a time penalty; the second horse must run his second time within two (2) seconds of his original time to qualify.

- H. Contestants are automatically eliminated when the rider, horse, or pony falls during the class. A fall is when a rider has two feet on the ground or all four feet of the horse or pony are off the ground.
- I. Disqualifications of a fall during the run will be determined from the start timer to the end timer.
- J. No riding double in timed events.
- K. All obstacles' placements must be visibly marked with a substance other than the arena's dirt (example: flour or white paint).
- L. Exhibitors must wear a shirt with a collar and a four inch sleeve. If wearing a hoodie this rule still applies. When wearing a shirt unbuttoned, wear proper attire underneath.
- M. Must wear a Western hat, safety helmet, or no hat at all.
- N. No stallions in Youth classes.
- O. Disqualified rides do not earn a placing.
- P. No contest obstacle (i.e. barrel, pole, stake, etc.) will be closer than fifteen (15) feet from the arena fence or wall.
- Q. Fastest time will prevail in all contest classes.
A five (5) or ten (10) second penalty will be added for each obstacle knocked, missed, or dropped.
- R. Call Judge or Steward is required to watch timer and exhibitor for possible disqualifications.
- S. Exhibitor may touch barrel or pole during ride.
- T. Each show committee will be responsible for the decision of an open or closed gate for the contesting classes.
- U. Unless notification of a delay is indicated to the show committee, once the exhibitor has been designated as "up" and the previous horse has exited the arena, the exhibitor has three (3) minutes to trip the timer.
- V. Horse or Pony may only be entered once in each class.

Section 23: OPEN BARREL RACE

- A. Horses start with a running start, cross starting line and proceed to first barrel on right, circle it from the left side and proceed to barrel directly across from it, circle it from right side and proceed to the end barrel and circle it from the right side, then run to the finish line. This barrel course may be also run to the left. For example: the contestant will start to barrel on the left side, turning to the left around the barrel, then to barrel directly across turning to the right, then to the end barrel turning again to the right, then run to the finish line .

Section 24: POLE BENDING

- A. Six poles will be set in a line 21 feet apart and first pole 21 feet from starting line (timer). Poles are to be 7 feet in height and 2 inches in diameter. The horse will run down either side, bend back both ways at speed and race back to the starting line.

Section 25: STAKE RACE

- A. Five (5) stakes will be set in a line thirty (30) feet apart. The horse will start from a line thirty (30) feet from the first stake. Horses will run both ways at speed. Obstacles must be between 16 and 30 inches. Rubber or plastic cones must be used. The rider will be allowed to hold saddle horn.

- B. In such case that an arena is not long enough to set the first stake (30) feet off timer the first stake may be set on the timer line.

Section 26: FLAG RACE

- A. Obstacles: Three (3) barrels, two flags to be at least 18" but not more than 24", two five-gallon buckets. The sand or dirt in the flag buckets will measure six (6) inches from the top measuring down.
- B. Exhibitor may not use the flag as a bat.
- C. The barrels are to be set in a cloverleaf pattern. The buckets are to be set on the outside edge of barrels one and three with the flag at the edge bucket. The flag may be in bucket one or three. The second barrel is to be used only as a marker. Patterns will be run on the outside of barrels. The rider races to the first barrel, picks up flag, circles around the second or end barrel and places the flag back in the opposite barrel. Pattern may be run to the right or left.
- D. Penalties: Bucket knocked over, Barrel knocked over, Failure to pick up flag, Failure to stick flag.

Section 27: DASH FOR CASH

- A. The horse and rider will enter the arena, run down and around the cone or barrel, and race back across the finish line.

Section 28: BALL RACE

- A. The horse and rider will enter the arena, run down around the barrel while placing a ball in the barrel and return to the finish line.
- B. Penalty will be assessed for missing barrel, or if the ball rolls out of barrel after a barrel is knocked over.

List of OWHA Approved Classes

HALTER

Open Stallions Halter	Youth Horse Mares (18 and under) Halter
Open Mares Halter	Youth Horse Geldings (18 and under) Halter
Open Geldings Halter	Youth Ponies (18 & under) Halter
Open Weanlings Halter	Adult Stallions (19 & over) Halter
Open Yearlings Halter	Adult Mares (19 & over) Halter
Open Stallions & Geldings	Adult Geldings (19 & over) Halter

SHOWMANSHIP

Open English/Western Showmanship	Youth Horse Western (18 & under) Showmanship
Open Western Showmanship	Youth Horse Western (14-18) Showmanship
Adult Western (19 & over) Showmanship	Youth Horse Western (9-13) Showmanship
Adult English/Western (19 & over) Showmanship	Small Fry Horse/Pony Western(8 & under) Showmanship
Adult (40 & Over) Western Showmanship	Youth Horse English/Western 18 & under Showmanship
Youth Ponies Western (9-13) Showmanship	Youth Horse English/Western (14-18) Showmanship
Youth Ponies English/Western 18 & under Showmanship	Youth Horse English/Western (9-13) Showmanship
Youth Ponies English/Western (14-18) Showmanship	Small Fry Horse/Pony English/Western (8 & under) Showmanship
Youth Ponies English/Western (9-13) Showmanship	Youth Ponies Western (18 & under) Showmanship

	Youth Ponies Western (14-18) Showmanship
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HUNTER UNDER SADDLE

Open Hunter Under Saddle	Youth Horse (9-18) Hunter Under Saddle
Adult 40 & over Hunter Under Saddle	Youth Horse (14-18) Hunter Under Saddle
Adult (19 & over) Hunter Under Saddle	Youth Horse (9-13) Hunter Under Saddle
Novice (rider age 9 & over) Hunter Under Saddle	Youth Ponies (9-18) Hunter Under Saddle
Junior (under age of 5) Hunter Under Saddle	Youth Ponies (14-18) Hunter Under Saddle
Senior (6 years and over) Hunter Under Saddle	Youth Ponies (9-13) Hunter Under Saddle
2 year old (rider age 9 & over) Hunter Under Saddle	HUNTER HACK
3 year old (rider 9 & over) Hunter Under Saddle	Open Hunter Hack all ages
Open Walk Trot Hunter Under Saddle	SADDLE SEAT
Adult Walk Trot (40 & over) Hunter Under Saddle	Open Saddle Seat Pleasure all ages
2 & 3 year old Walk Trot (rider 9 & over) Hunter Under Saddle	Open Saddle Seat Equitation

HUNT SEAT EQUITATION

Open Hunt Seat Equitation	Youth Horse (9-18) Hunt Seat Equitation
Adult (40 & over) Hunt Seat Equitation	Youth Horse (14-18) Hunt Seat Equitation
Adult (19 & over) Hunt Seat Equitation	Youth Horse (9-13) Hunt Seat Equitation
Novice (rider age 9 & over) Hunt Seat Equitation	Youth Ponies (9-18) Hunt Seat Equitation
Junior (under age of 5) Hunt Seat Equitation	Youth Ponies (14-18) Hunt Seat Equitation
Senior (6 years and over) Hunt Seat Equitation	Youth Ponies (9-13) Hunt Seat Equitation
2 year old (rider age 9 & over) Hunt Seat Equitation	Small Fry Horse/Pony Walk Trot (8 & under) Hunt Seat Equitation
3 year old (rider 9 & over) Hunt Seat Equitation	Novice Youth Horse Walk Trot (14-18) Hunt Seat Equitation
Open Walk Trot Hunt Seat Equitation	Novice Youth Horse Walk Trot (9-13) Hunt Seat Equitation
Adult Walk Trot (40 & over) Hunt Seat Equitation	Novice Pony Walk Trot (18 & under) Hunt Seat Equitation
Novice Adult Walk Trot (19 & over) Hunt Seat Equitation	Novice Pony Walk Trot (14-18) Hunt Seat Equitation
2 year old Walk Trot (rider 9 & over) Hunt Seat Equitation	Novice Pony Walk Trot (9-13) Hunt Seat Equitation
3 year old Walk Trot (rider 9 & over) Hunt Seat Equitation	

WESTERN PLEASURE

Open Western Pleasure	Youth Horse (9-18) Western Pleasure
Adult (40 & over) Western Pleasure	Youth Horse (14-18) Western Pleasure
Adult (19 & over) Western Pleasure	Youth Horse (9-13) Western Pleasure
Junior (5 years & under) rider 9 & over Western Pleasure	Youth Ponies (9-18) Western Pleasure
Senior (6 years & over) rider 9 & over Western Pleasure	Youth Ponies (14-18) Western Pleasure
Open Bareback Western Pleasure	Youth Ponies (9-13) Western Pleasure
Open Walk Trot Western Pleasure	Open Youth Horse/Pony Walk Trot (18 & under) Pleasure
Adult Walk Trot (40 & over) Western Pleasure	Small Fry Horse/Pony Walk Trot (8 & under) Pleasure
Open Adult Walk Trot (19 & over) Western Pleasure	Novice Horse/Pony Walk Trot (18 & under) Pleasure
Novice Adult walk/Trot (19 & over) Western Pleasure	2 year old (rider 9 & over) Western Pleasure

Novice (rider 9 & over) Western Pleasure	3 year old (rider 9 & over) Western Pleasure
2 & 3 year old (riders 9 and over) western pleasure	

HORSEMANSHIP

Open Horsemanship	Youth Horse (9-18) Horsemanship
Adult (40 & over) Horsemanship	Youth Horse (14-18) Horsemanship
Adult (19 & over) Horsemanship	Youth Horse (9-13) Horsemanship
Junior (5 years & under) rider 9 & over Horsemanship	Youth Ponies (9-18) Horsemanship
Senior (6 years & over) rider 9 & over Horsemanship	Youth Ponies (14-18) Horsemanship
Open Walk Trot Horsemanship	Youth Ponies (9-13) Horsemanship
Novice Adult Walk Trot (19 & over) Horsemanship	Novice Youth Horse/Pony Walk Trot (18 & under) Horsemanship
Junior Walk Trot (horse 5 years & under) rider 9 & over Horsemanship	Open Youth Horse Walk Trot (9-18) Horsemanship
Senior Walk Trot (6 years & over) rider 9 & over Horsemanship	Small Fry Horse/Pony Walk Trot (8 & under) Horsemanship
	Lead-in (Rider 6 & under, Leader any age) Horsemanship

MISCELLANEOUS

Open Egg & Spoon	Youth (9-18) Egg & Spoon
Adult Egg & Spoon	Youth (14-18) Egg & Spoon
Open Trail	Youth (9-13) Egg & Spoon
Adult Trail	Youth (9-18) Trail
Open Reining	Youth (14-18) Trail
Adult Reining	Youth (9-13) Trail
Yearling Lunge Line	Youth (9-18) Reining
	Youth (14-18) Reining
	Youth (9-13) Reining

CONTESTING

BARRELS

Open Barrels	Youth (18 & under) Barrels
Adult (19 & over) Barrels	Youth (14-18) Barrels
Junior (5 years & under) rider 9 & over Barrels	Youth (9-13) Barrels
Senior (6 years & over) rider 9 & over Barrels	Small Fry (8 & under) Barrels

POLES

Open Poles	Youth (18 & under) Poles
Adult (19 & over) Poles	Youth (14-18) Poles
Junior (5 years & under) rider 9 & over Poles	Youth (9-13) Poles
Senior (6 years & over) rider 9 & over Poles	Small Fry (8 & under) Poles

STAKES

Open Stakes	Youth (18 & under) Stakes
Adult (19 & over) Stakes	Youth (14-18) Stakes
Junior (5 years & under) rider 9 & over Stakes	Youth (9-13) Stakes
Senior (6 years & over) rider 9 & over Stakes	Small Fry (8 & under) Stakes

FLAGS

Open Flags	Youth (18 & under) Flags
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Adult (19 & over) Flags	Youth (14-18) Flags
Junior (5 years & under) rider 9 & over Flags	Youth (9-13) Flags
Senior (6 years & over) rider 9 & over Flags	Small Fry (8 & under) Flags

DASH (DOWN & BACK)

Open Dash (Down & Back)	Youth (18 & under) Dash (Down & Back)
Adult (19 & over) Dash (Down & Back)	Youth (14-18) Dash (Down & Back)
Junior (5 years & under) rider 9 & over Dash (Down & Back)	Youth (9-13) Dash (Down & Back)
Senior (6 years & over) rider 9 & over Dash (Down & Back)	Small Fry (8 & under) Dash (Down & Back)

BALL RACE

Open Ball Race	Youth (18 & under) Ball Race
Adult (19 & over) Ball Race	Youth (14-18) Ball Race
Junior (5 years & under) rider 9 & over Ball Race	Youth (9-13) Ball Race
Senior (6 years & over) rider 9 & over Ball Race	Small Fry (8 & under) Ball Race

