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2010 NRHA AFFILIATE TOOL BOX

NRHA Affiliate Tool Box

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Dear NRHA Affiliate Liaisons,

It is with great pride that we present to you the 2010 NRHA Affiliate Tool Box. This document will be a living, breathing document that will be updated as NRHA Affiliates continue to grow and change.

Our shows and Affiliates have grown tremendously in the past five years. NRHA's success wouldn't have been possible without the help and support of Reining advocates much like you, and we would like to make the process of becoming an established Affiliate much easier.

This document will serve as a collection of information from the NRHA departments that make up the core of an Affiliate Show. In this Tool Box you will find information concerning affiliate development tools, show approvals, conditions, class structures and youth programs.

The dedication given from all of the returning Affiliates and the influential support from the new applicants has largely contributed to the success of NRHA. It is through you and other supporters that we find ourselves in a great position for 2010.

Again, thank you for all your support and dedication to the sport of Reining!

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Central Kentucky RHA – Lexington, KY
Central Ohio RHA- Findlay, OH
Illinois RHA- Peoria, IL
Indiana RHA- Lebanon, IN
Michigan RHA- Midland, MI
Midwest RHA- Hampshire, IN
Ohio Valley RHA- Catlettsburg, KY
Tennessee RHA- Harriman, TN

Mountain

Cowboy States RHA-Wapiti, WY
Eastern Plains RHA- Peyton, CO
Intermountain RHA- S. Jordan, UT
Montana RHA- Helena, MT
Northern Rockies RHA-Kalispell, MT
Rocky Mountain RHA- Denver, CO
Western Slope RHA- Grand Junction, CO
Yellowstone RHA- Livingston, MT

Northeast

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East Coast Reining Assoc.- Long Island, NY
Eastern Pennsylvania RHA- Catasauqua, PA
Northeast RHA- Wilmington, MA
Tri state- Valencia, PA
Virginia RHA- Richmond, VA
Yankee RHA- Eden, NY

Northwest

Idaho RHA- Idaho Falls, ID
Northwest Reining Assoc- Mt. Vernon, WA
Oregon RHA- Eagle Point, WA
RHA of Northwest- Spokane, WA
Snake River RHA- Boise, ID
Washington RHA- Wenatchee, WA
West Coast RHA- Elk Grove, CA

North Central

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Central Plains RHA-Albion, NE

Southeast

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Kansas RHA- Baldwin, KS
Louisiana RHA- Monroe, LA
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AGREEMENT OF AFFILIATION

THIS AFFILIATION AGREEMENT (“Agreement”) is entered into by and between [insert Affiliate name] (“Affiliate”) and the National Reining Horse Association (“NRHA”).

Recitals

WHEREAS, Affiliate desires to become an NRHA Affiliate Association and receive the benefits and privileges associated with such designation.

WHEREAS, NRHA desires to designate Affiliate as an NRHA Affiliate Association subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

FOR AND IN CONSIDERATION of the mutual covenants contained in this Agreement, Affiliate and NRHA agree as follows:

1. NRHA does hereby designate Affiliate as an NRHA Affiliate Association thereby making Affiliate eligible to receive such benefits and assistance from NRHA as NRHA may determine.
2. Affiliate agrees that it will abide by (a) the terms and conditions of this Agreement; (b) the provisions of the *NRHA Official Handbook of Bylaws, Rules & Regulations* as it may be amended from time to time; (c) the policies and procedures of NRHA as they may be amended from time to time, and (d) the conditions of NRHA programs as they may be amended from time to time.
3. The Affiliate shall, in no manner, have authority, express or implied, to act for or bind NRHA in any manner.
4. NRHA does not assume responsibility for the acts or omissions of the Affiliate, its officers, directors, employees, or any other of its representatives. NRHA affiliation exists on a voluntary basis, according to prerequisites and guidelines set forth by NRHA, designed to promote the Reining Horse and protect its welfare, while creating a program of dissemination of information and allocation of benefits and assistance to members at the affiliate level.
5. If, in the NRHA's sole opinion, the Affiliate does not support, serve or represent the reining interests within Affiliate's region/country, NRHA reserves the right to revoke the Affiliate's NRHA affiliation and designate one or more other affiliate(s) in the state/province/country to represent the interests not served or represented by the Affiliate.
6. Affiliate understands and agrees that the general affiliation prerequisites for obtaining and maintaining this affiliation are as follows:
 - a. Affiliate's general purpose shall be the promotion and welfare of the Reining Horse.
 - b. Affiliate must be a democratic membership organization where each member of the affiliate in good standing has equal rights, privileges, and the right to vote on Affiliate matters. Voting for NRHA officers, Directors at large, Regional Directors, NAA Directors, or NRHA Bylaws require a current NRHA membership in good standing.
 - c. The Affiliate must conduct at least one (1) annual membership meeting, with adequate advance notice as to the time and location, where membership matters may be discussed and voted upon.
 - d. The Affiliate must have a governing body, board of directors, or executive committee, which is elected by its general membership, composed of members in good standing with NRHA.
 - e. Although NRHA membership is not a prerequisite, each NRHA member or person eligible for NRHA membership shall have access to and may become a member of the Affiliate. The Affiliate's membership must be available to all eligible adults, and if the Affiliate has a youth division, available to all youth who are either National Reining Horse Youth Association members or eligible for National Reining Horse Youth Association membership.
 - f. If NRHA suspends an NRHA member's participation privileges, the Affiliate shall likewise suspend such person's participation privileges regarding Affiliate's events. Unless waived by NRHA, persons suspended or disciplined by NRHA are ineligible to participate as officers or directors of the Affiliate.
 - g. The Affiliate shall exercise reasonable efforts to communicate and develop working relationships with the NRHA Directors representing the region/country to fully convey the interests of the Affiliate to NRHA and disseminate NRHA's interests within the affiliate/region/country.
7. Affiliate understands and agrees to adhere to the following requirements concerning submission of affiliate compliance items/documents:
 - a. Annually, upon renewal, Affiliate shall comply with Article IX. NRHA Affiliates, Section 6, when applicable, and in the case of corporations, certification of good standing with the state/province/country's corporate regulatory agency if applicable, shall be on file with NRHA.
 - b. Annually, the Affiliate shall pay an affiliate membership fee determined by the NRHA Board of Directors and submit a completed Affiliate Application providing a listing of all officers and a designated contact person for communication with NRHA. The listing shall include names, mailing addresses, telephone, fax and email addresses. The Affiliate shall provide an updated list to NRHA within thirty (30) days of any changes.
 - c. Within thirty (30) days after the first show Affiliate hosts during the calendar year, Affiliate shall submit a complete list of affiliate's members to NRHA. The Affiliate shall provide an updated membership list to NRHA monthly in the format specified by NRHA, during the National Finals qualification period, if new or changed information is received. A final membership list shall be submitted as specified by NRHA no less than thirty (30) days prior to their Regional or National Affiliate Finals, whichever comes first, for Affiliate qualifiers to be recognized.
 - d. Affiliate shall submit to NRHA, within 30 days, any Affiliate documentation/information NRHA may request for just cause.
8. Affiliate warrants and agrees that it will (a) conduct its business affairs with integrity, sincerity, accuracy, and in compliance with NRHA bylaws, rules, regulations, policies and procedures, in an open and forthright manner; (b) handle its business and operations in a manner which promotes the image of the Reining Horse industry; and (c) instill confidence among its members

and the public in the Reining Horse industry, avoiding any action conducive to discrediting the Affiliate and NRHA or membership in the Affiliate and NRHA.

9. NRHA hereby grants to Affiliate a non-exclusive, nontransferable, non-assignable and indivisible right and license to use the NRHA Marks, as set forth in Exhibit A solely in conjunction with Affiliate activities/pursuits related to the promotion/advertising/marketing of the Reining Horse. The NRHA Marks and the identification numbers are set forth in Exhibit A. All marks reproduced by Affiliate must be in original form as provided to Affiliate by NRHA Marketing Department. Affiliate agrees that all its uses of the NRHA Marks shall be subject to prior approval of NRHA. Affiliate acknowledges the goodwill which NRHA has developed in connection with the NRHA Marks. Accordingly, Affiliate agrees that it will not knowingly and intentionally take any actions which could adversely affect such goodwill as developed by NRHA. All rights to the NRHA Marks, other than those rights licensed under this Agreement, are reserved by NRHA for its own exclusive use and benefit, and NRHA may, at any time and at its sole discretion, terminate the license made subject of this section. Affiliate understands and agrees that upon the expiration or the earlier termination of this Agreement for any reason, all of such rights and interests licensed herein in the NRHA Marks shall cease, and all such rights and interests shall revert to NRHA. Affiliate acquires no ownership interest in any federal copyright protection of NRHA's name, logos or any of NRHA's trademarks or service marks presently in use, or later acquired.
10. All affiliates may participate in the nomination of Regional or NAA Directors in their respective region or country.
11. Except to the extent due to the sole negligence of NRHA, Affiliate agrees to indemnify and hold harmless NRHA, its officers, directors, employees, and other representatives, from all third party claims, demands, causes of action, suits, judgments, liabilities, costs and expenses of any nature, whenever or however arising out of any negligent act or omission of Affiliate with regard to Affiliate conducting its services, events or programs.
12. Affiliation with NRHA is a privilege, not a vested right, granted or rejected at NRHA's discretion on an annual basis according to its procedures and requirements. NRHA, at its sole discretion, may terminate this Agreement with or without cause by providing Affiliate thirty (30) days prior written notice.
13. Any ambiguity be discovered between the terms of this Agreement and/or its addenda, if any, and the NRHA Bylaws, Rules and Regulations, the NRHA Bylaws, Rules and Regulations shall prevail. This Agreement shall be construed under the laws of the State of Oklahoma. The Parties agree to the exclusive jurisdiction and venue of the courts located in Oklahoma County, Oklahoma.
14. This Agreement shall constitute the entire agreement between the parties and supersedes all negotiations, representations, warranties, commitments, offers, contracts and writings executed prior to the date hereof. To the extent a previous Affiliate Agreement existed between the Parties, such agreement is hereby terminated and replaced with this Agreement. This Agreement may only be altered, amended, or modified by a writing signed by the persons authorized to sign agreements on behalf of NRHA and Affiliate.

EXECUTED this _____ day of _____, 20____.

NATIONAL REINING HORSE ASSOCIATION

By: _____
Executive Director

AFFILIATE

By the execution hereof, the Affiliate, acting by and through its President, a duly authorized corporate officer, does hereby agree to abide by and be bound to the above terms and conditions of this Affiliation Agreement.

EXECUTED this _____ day of _____, 20_____.

Affiliate Name

Affiliate President Signature

Affiliate President Printed Name

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION AFFILIATE ADDENDUM

(Choose One: New Application _____ Renewal _____)

NOW COMES _____ (Affiliate) referred to as Affiliate, representing that they meet the prerequisites for eligibility to receive National Association Affiliate (NAA) designation from NRHA and are ready, willing and able to perform those functions and responsibilities of an NAA contained herein.

1.
 - a. Affiliate must be in compliance with all NRHA Bylaws and Rules.
 - b. Affiliate is in good standing with NRHA and has met all conditions of the Affiliate Agreement.
 - c. Affiliate has submitted a complete Affiliate and NAA Application and membership fee.
 - d. Affiliate will submit a written annual report of its past and current year activities and future plans to the NRHA Board at the first NRHA Board of Directors Meeting of each calendar year.
2. Affiliate understands that designation as an NRHA National Association Affiliate is a privilege, not a right, bestowed by the NRHA Board of Directors and may be revoked by the NRHA Board of Directors at their discretion. Affiliate agrees to perform the following functions and responsibilities to the satisfaction of the NRHA Board of Directors. These responsibilities and functions may be further detailed or expanded in the NRHA Handbook of Bylaws, Rules and Regulations or, at the discretion of the NRHA Board of Directors, by amendment to this addendum.
 - a. Affiliate shall review all Non Pro declarations from its country and make a recommendation to NRHA.
 - b. Affiliate shall be responsible to provide support of NRHA related activities to all NRHA members within the NAA country, including those who are not members of the NAA.
 - c. NAA designation will provide the NAA country with the ability to have representation on the NRHA Board of Directors as described in the NRHA Bylaws. Affiliate shall administer the nomination and election process of the NAA Director(s) from that country to the NRHA Board of Directors, and shall allow participation by all NRHA members in good standing residing in the country. This process must be documented and attached to this application for approval by the NRHA Board of Directors.
3. Once Affiliate has received the NAA designation and its membership includes 100 NRHA members, Affiliate will be eligible to apply for acceptance into the International Affiliate Program. Application must be made by October 31. Program participation, if accepted, will begin on January 1 of the following year.
EXECUTED this _____ day of _____, 20____.

NATIONAL REINING HORSE ASSOCIATION

By: _____
Executive Director

AFFILIATE

By the execution hereof, the Affiliate, acting by and through its President, a duly authorized corporate officer, does hereby agree to abide by and be bound to the above terms and conditions of this Affiliation Agreement.
EXECUTED this _____ day of _____, 20____.

Affiliate Name

By: _____
Affiliate President Signature

Affiliate President Printed Name

INTERNATIONAL AFFILIATE PROGRAM

Choose One: Application _____ Renewal _____

NOW COMES _____ (Affiliate) referred to as Affiliate, representing that they meet the prerequisites for eligibility into the International Affiliate Program (IAP) offered by NRHA and are ready, willing and able to perform those functions and responsibilities of IAP participation contained herein.

1. Affiliate represents that the following general prerequisites for participation in the IAP have been met and understands that, to be eligible to renew participation in the IAP, these general prerequisites must be maintained from year to year.
 - a. Affiliate is in good standing with NRHA and has met all conditions of the Affiliate Agreement and NAA Addendum.
 - b. Affiliate membership must include at least 100 NRHA members in good standing.
 - c. An NAA will not support, promote or be involved in any reining that is not NRHA approved.
 - d. Renewal in the IAP must be made by October 31 each year and will be effective, if accepted, January 1 of the following year.
 - e. Affiliate shall submit with their NAA Application, financial profit and loss statement for the previous year end, and completed "Applied NRHA Rebate" form showing full financial accountability on application of rebates received from NRHA.
 - f. Affiliate will submit a written annual report of its past and current year activities and future plans to the NRHA Board at the first NRHA Board of Directors Meeting of each calendar year.
2. Affiliate understands that participation in the IAP is a privilege, not a right, bestowed by the NRHA Board of Directors and may be revoked by the NRHA Board of Directors at their discretion. Affiliate agrees to perform the following functions and responsibilities to the satisfaction of the NRHA Board of Directors. These responsibilities and functions may be further detailed or expanded in the NRHA Handbook of Bylaws, Rules and Regulations or, at the discretion of the NRHA Board of Directors.
 - a. Affiliate shall provide organization and leadership for the promotion of NRHA programs and the sport of Reining on a national level within that country.
 - b. Affiliate understands the responsibility that is associated with rebate dollars paid by NRHA to promote reining and support NRHA programs within their country and agrees to apply any rebate dollars received from NRHA accordingly. Any dispute over the application of rebate dollars shall be addressed by the NRHA Board of Directors.
 - c. Affiliate may adjudicate all official NRHA protests originating within their country with appeals brought to the NRHA Executive Committee subject to the process described in the NRHA Handbook of Bylaws, Rules and Regulations, or they may defer the protest to the NRHA disciplinary procedures at the Affiliate's discretion.
 - d. Affiliate shall review all show approvals in their country and make recommendations to NRHA.
3. In support of Affiliates participation in the IAP, NRHA will provide the following:
 - a. NRHA will rebate to the Affiliate, a portion of the NRHA membership fees and NRHA's show fees according to the provisions in the NRHA Handbook of Bylaws, Rules and Regulations.
 - b. All historical performance records will be maintained in the official NRHA database. Reports are available to Affiliate through NRHA.

EXECUTED this _____ day of _____, 20____.

NATIONAL REINING HORSE ASSOCIATION

By: _____
Executive Director

AFFILIATE

By the execution hereof, the Affiliate, acting by and through its President, a duly authorized corporate officer, does hereby agree to abide by and be bound to the above terms and conditions of this Affiliation Agreement.

EXECUTED this _____ day of _____, 20____.

Affiliate Name

By: _____
Affiliate President Signature

Affiliate President Printed Name



2010 Affiliate Designation Form

- ✓ ALL EXHIBITORS MUST HAVE A PRIMARY AFFILIATE DESIGNATION REGISTERED WITH THE NRHA OFFICE NO LATER THAN AUGUST 1ST OF EACH YEAR. Once a designation is registered, it will apply from year to year unless changed by the exhibitor. Changes must be in place no later than August 1st. Any changes made to the designation after August 1st will not be effective until the next year's qualification period. Horse and rider RAF qualification will not be recognized through any affiliate that the rider has joined after August 1st. Any affiliate joined after August 1st will not be subject to an affiliate designation during the remained of that qualification period.
- ✓ If you have a designation from a previous affiliate and have joined another affiliate and are no longer a member of the original affiliate you will need to re-designate.
- ✓ The deadline to designate the affiliate you intend to represent for the current year is **AUGUST 1, 2010**. Designations received between August 1 and December 31 will apply to the next calendar year. NRHA is not responsible for designations not received by the deadline. Please verify that your designation has been received by the NRHA office.
- ✓ Affiliate standings are, on the NRHA web site, nrha.com. Riders who have not designated an affiliate will appear in red. A riders name will also appear in red if a rider has designated a previous affiliate and has not changed it even though he or she is no longer a member of the original affiliate.
- ✓ If you have questions, contact the NRHA Affiliate Program Services at 405-946-7400. For a complete set of NAAC Conditions please visit the NRHA website (nrha.com) or look in the *NRHA Reiner*.

NAME: _____ **NRHA ID#:** _____

PRIMARY AFFILIATE: _____

SIGNATURE: _____

E-MAIL: _____

MAIL TO:
NRHA, 3000 NW 10th St.,
Oklahoma City, OK 73107-5302
Or fax to 405-946-8425

DON'T FORGET TO TURN IN YOUR AFFILIATE DESIGNATION BY AUGUST 1st!

Late designations will not be accepted.

New or Renewal Form

NATIONAL REINING HORSE ASSOCIATION

2010 AFFILIATE APPLICATION

Year _____

New

Renewal

Affiliate Name _____

Location _____

Website Address _____

Designate the town, state or province and country that will be considered the home address of this affiliate. This is not required to be the President's location or the Secretary's location, which may change from time to time, but should be a decision of the affiliate and will be considered the home location as long as this affiliate is in existence.

Per bylaw, Article IX, Section 3, "An affiliate in good standing has the right to recommend to the Board of Directors, one representative whose name will be published in the *NRHA Reiner* magazine." Please indicate your one representative below. This person will also be responsible for disseminating all information forwarded by the NRHA to all affiliate members.

Affiliate Contact: (please check one box)

President

NRHA #

Address

City, State, Zip

Telephone

Fax

E-mail

Vice President

NRHA #

Address

City, State, Zip

Telephone

Fax

E-mail

Treasurer

NRHA #

Address

City, State, Zip

Telephone

Fax

E-mail

Secretary

NRHA #

Address

City, State, Zip

Telephone

Fax

E-mail

Youth Contact

NRHA #

Telephone

E-mail

Billing Contact

NRHA #

Address

Phone/E-mail

NRHA AFFILIATE CIRCUIT APPLICATION

Affiliate Name: _____

Number of shows: _____ Circuit Contact: _____ NRHA #: _____

Phone# _____

Affiliate Website: _____ Email: _____

- List dates as accurately as possible and list only the dates the slate of classes will be held. Circuit shows may not be added, deleted or changed in any way once the first circuit show is held.
- Each affiliate must hold at least 3 full slates of classes to qualify riders to regional affiliate finals and to receive a year end affiliate support check.
- List each separate slate of classes on individual lines, even if they are within the same event. If you have two slates of classes within one event but only wish for one to count towards the circuit please list only that slate's information
- All circuit shows must be completed 30 days prior to your regions affiliate finals.
- Separate NRHA show approval forms must be submitted at least 90 days prior to entry closing date for B level events and 180 days prior to entry closing date for AA and A level shows.

Office use Only

	Circuit Show #: _____	Name of Show: _____
	Show Date: _____	Location: _____
	Circuit Show #: _____	Name of Show: _____
	Show Date: _____	Location: _____
	Circuit Show #: _____	Name of Show: _____
	Show Date: _____	Location: _____
	Circuit Show #: _____	Name of Show: _____
	Show Date: _____	Location: _____
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	Circuit Show #: _____	Name of Show: _____
	Show Date: _____	Location: _____
	Circuit Show #: _____	Name of Show: _____
	Show Date: _____	Location: _____

Please submit to NRHA: Attn: Show Department, 3000 NW 10th St., Oklahoma City, OK 73107

2010 ADEQUAN NORTH AMERICAN AFFILIATE CHAMPIONSHIPS & NRHA AFFILIATE CIRCUIT SERIES

(for NRHA Affiliates in the United States, Canada & Mexico)

This program is designed for NRHA affiliates in North America and gives them the freedom necessary to structure a circuit responsive to the needs of its members and location. This program provides a format by which the local champions can compete against their peers for a NRHA Morrison Bronze or a NRHA Pewter Trophy, while also offering the opportunity to advance to a national level. It is the aim of the NRHA, the Affiliate Committee, and this program to increase the emphasis on "grass roots" reining and continue to promote our sport at all levels.

CIRCUIT SERIES CONDITIONS

1. Individual circuits may begin January 1, 2010 and must end at least 30 days prior to that affiliate's Regional Finals.
2. Each affiliate circuit show must be sponsored by a current NRHA affiliate or a combination of current NRHA affiliates.
3. Circuits will only be approved for affiliates that have paid their current year NRHA affiliate dues. 2010 NRHA Affiliate dues are due and payable on or before December 1, 2009.
4. The affiliate circuits are required to include a minimum of three (3) shows. All affiliate circuit shows must be NRHA approved and meet the requirements for approval as stated in the NRHA Handbook.
5. An affiliate will determine which of its shows it will consider circuit shows. Affiliates must turn in their tentative circuit schedules to the NRHA Office by December 1, 2009. There can be no changes made to a circuit after the first affiliate circuit show is held. Circuit approval forms are available online and from the NRHA Office. All approved circuits will be published in the REINER. Any circuit applications filled out incorrectly will be returned to the affiliate.
6. Each affiliate will determine which classes they will offer as qualifying classes for the regional Affiliate Finals. Each Affiliate Finals will offer the following classes: Open, Intermediate Open, Limited Open, Rookie Professional, Non Pro, Intermediate Non Pro, Limited Non Pro, Prime Time Non Pro, Novice Horse Open I, Novice Horse Open II, Novice Horse Non Pro I, Novice Horse Non Pro II, Youth 13 & Under, Youth 14-18, and Rookie II.
7. For an affiliate to qualify a rider for a class, that specific class must be offered in at least three (3) circuit shows. There is no minimum or maximum number of shows that a horse and rider must attend.
8. Each affiliate will be responsible for providing the NRHA office with a complete list of all placings, including zeros and no scores, in each class in each circuit show.
9. The affiliate will be required to provide a list of its current members, including the beginning date of membership, with the results of their first affiliate circuit show to verify affiliate membership. Updates to the membership rosters must be submitted to the NRHA office monthly. The last updated roster is to be turned in to the NRHA offices in the correct format 30 days before that affiliate's regional finals. Anything received after this date will not be accepted.
10. All membership rosters must be turned in the correct format with all the necessary information. Rosters not submitted in the correct format will not be accepted and processed by the NRHA office. Questions regarding the correct formatting of the roster can be answered in affiliate department at the NRHA offices. A template showing the correct format can be found on the affiliate pages of the NRHA website.
11. Affiliates may not require memberships in the local affiliate for participation in an affiliate circuit show; however, the rider must be a member of their local affiliate at the time of competing for points to count toward Regional Finals qualifications.
12. Affiliates may not charge any additional fees for participants in the circuit qualifying classes. An example of fees charged improperly would be a registration fee for the horse in that particular affiliate or any additional fees to be eligible to qualify for circuit finals.
13. Upon completion of the circuit series, NRHA will provide an appreciation support check for \$500 to the affiliate.
14. Affiliates sponsoring a circuit may award pewter trophies to its circuit champions and plaques to its circuit reserve champions in NRHA approved Category 1 classes only. In NRHA approved Category 3 and Category 5 classes, plaques may be awarded to circuit champions and reserve champions. The deadline for ordering these trophies is December 31 of the title year. Providing these awards is an option for each individual affiliate and must be ordered through the NRHA Office.
15. It is acceptable for affiliates to conduct fund raising activity throughout the year to support those exhibitors from their affiliate who qualify for RAF and/or NAAC competition as they may determine so long as all qualified exhibitors are provided equal access to the

funds. Funds raised through these efforts may not be applied to entry fees. No penalty or disqualification of an exhibitors non-pro status shall be brought as a result of this activity. Affiliates who participate in this activity shall keep records and receipts of funds disbursed.

REGIONAL AFFILIATE FINALS QUALIFICATION

1. A rider may qualify in only one region and for only one affiliate.
2. The rider must be a member of their local affiliate at the time of competition for points to count toward regional finals qualifications.
3. **ALL EXHIBITORS MUST HAVE A PRIMARY AFFILIATE DESIGNATION REGISTERED WITH THE NRHA OFFICE NO LATER THAN AUGUST 1ST OF EACH YEAR. This designation may be registered on paper form or maintained in the Members Only section of the NRHA website. Once a designation is registered, it will apply from year to year unless changed by the exhibitor, either on the NRHA website or in writing to NRHA Member Services. Changes must be in place no later than August 1st. Any changes made to the designation after August 1st will not be effective until the next year's qualification period. Horse and rider RAF qualification will not be recognized through any affiliate that the rider has joined after August 1st. Any affiliate joined after August 1st will not be subject to an affiliate designation during the remained of that qualification period.**
4. The affiliate membership lists will be used to determine a horse and riders qualification within an affiliate.
5. Points are to be calculated on a one horse/one rider format for all classes.
6. Points will be awarded based on the number of horses actually competing in the class, i.e. if fifteen (15) horses compete, first place will be awarded 15 points, first - 14 points, etc. Points will be calculated on horses actually competing, excluding the horses entered but scratched. Zeros and no scores will not be awarded points. Horses with no points do not qualify for RAF competition.
7. The top ten (10) horse and rider combinations plus ties from each class offered in a circuit qualify for the regional affiliate finals. Substitutions of a rider or horse for any reason shall not be allowed in the Regional Finals or the North American Affiliate Championships.
8. The NRHA office will post the standings of each affiliate's qualifying exhibitors on the NRHA web site.

NORTH AMERICAN REGIONAL AFFILIATE FINALS CONDITIONS

1. One Regional Affiliate Finals (RAF) per region will be held for affiliate circuit qualifiers from the affiliates located within each respective region in the United States, Canada and Mexico. Qualifiers to the Adequan/NRHA North American Affiliate Championships will be determined from the Regional Affiliate Finals in each region.
2. All RAF locations and affiliate hosts will be chosen by the NRHA Board of Directors. Affiliates may obtain guidelines for submitting bids to be an RAF host from the NRHA office.
3. The affiliates from California and Nevada may chose between the Northwest and the Southwest Finals and must notify the NRHA office of their intent upon renewal or application of their NRHA affiliation.
4. The affiliates from Idaho may choose between the Northwest and Mountain Finals and must notify the NRHA office of their intent upon renewal or application of their NRHA affiliation.
5. The affiliates from Mexico will qualify riders to North American Championships through the Mexican affiliate finals. The top four plus ties at fourth in each class will advance to the North American Affiliate Championships.
6. A NRHA Morrison Bronze will be awarded to the Regional Affiliate Finals winner in each class except for Rookie and Youth, which will receive a NRHA pewter trophy.
7. A rider may not show more than three (3) horses per class and may enter only those championship classes for which they qualify.
8. Any misrepresented entry (this pertains to the eligibility of both rider and horse) will be subjected to disciplinary action per the NRHA Handbook.
9. In the event a corporate sponsor is procured, the Affiliate Show Committee must agree to abide by contract stipulations between the NRHA and said sponsors.

10. The NRHA Affiliate Committee reserves the right to amend these rules at any time with immediate notice of any such changes to the affiliates.

REGIONAL AFFILIATE TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP

1. Each of the regional Affiliate Finals will offer a Team Competition among recognized affiliates.
2. Any affiliate sending riders to the Affiliate Finals is eligible to participate.
3. Points will be awarded using the NRHA Youth Point scale.
4. The top three point earners per class for each affiliate will be used to determine each team's total points per class.
5. The affiliate with the highest placing team will be awarded \$500.

ADEQUAN/NRHA NORTH AMERICAN AFFILIATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

1. The North American Affiliate Championships (NAAC) shall be held in conjunction with the 2010 NRHA Futurity & Championship Show in Oklahoma City, OK.
2. Points are awarded on a one horse/one rider format. Horses with zeros or no scores do not qualify for NAAC competition.
3. The top eight (8) horse and rider combinations, plus ties, from each of the Regional Affiliate Finals will advance to the North American Affiliate Championships.
4. Substitutions of a rider or horse for any reason shall not be allowed. In the event of the veterinarian certified death of a qualified horse, the stall deposit will be refunded.
5. Horses must be exhibited by the same rider who qualified with the horse at the Regional Affiliate Championships.
6. Championship classes will run concurrent with ancillary classes.
7. Added money: \$2000 Open, \$1000 Intermediate Open, \$500 Limited Open, \$500 Rookie Professional, \$2000 Non Pro, \$1000 Intermediate Non Pro, \$500 Limited Non Pro, \$200 Prime Time Non Pro, \$1000 Novice Horse Open I, \$1000 Novice Horse Open II, \$1000 Novice Horse Non Pro I, \$1000 Novice Horse Non Pro II, \$100 Youth 13 & Under, and \$100 Youth 14 –18.
8. The first two placings of each class will be named the North American Affiliate Champion and the North American Affiliate Reserve Champion.

NRHA ROOKIE OF THE YEAR COMPETITION

1. The top eight (8) horse and rider combinations plus ties from each of the Regional Affiliate Finals Rookie II category are eligible to compete for the coveted Rookie of the Year title and trophy at the NRHA Futurity and Championship Show in a separate and special class presentation. There will be no alternates.
2. Rookie of the Year rider will be named from the Rookie II category.
3. The competition will be a clean slate final with the class winner receiving the Rookie of the Year title.
4. No entry fee will be charged and the stall fee shall be half price.
5. There will be no substitutions.

Payouts will be as follows: 1st place - \$500, 2nd place - \$400, 3rd place - \$300, 4th place - \$200, 5th place - \$100

TO READ MORE ABOUT ROOKIE OF THE YEAR, CHECK OUT OUR AFFILIATE DEVELOPMENT CHAPTER!

2010 NRHA EUROPEAN AFFILIATE CHAMPIONSHIP CONDITIONS

This program is designed for the NRHA European affiliates and gives them the freedom necessary to structure shows responsive to the needs of their members and location. In addition, this program provides a format by which the local champions can compete against their European competitors for NRHA awards. It is the aim of the NRHA and the NRHA International Committee for this program to increase and promote the “grass roots” reining and continue to promote our sport at all levels.

GENERAL SHOW CONDITIONS

1. The qualifying period will be May 1, 2009 – April 30, 2010.
2. A country must have an NRHA affiliate to participate. -
3. If a rider or the owner of a horse wishes to participate but resides in a country that does not have an NRHA affiliate and has less than 20 NRHA members, that rider or owner may join an NRHA affiliate in another country and participate in that country's qualifying shows, however the rider and horse will represent their country of residence at the European Affiliate Championships.
4. An affiliate must be an NRHA Affiliate member in good standing prior to January 31, 2010 in order to participate in the 2010 European Affiliate Championship.
5. A country must hold a minimum of two (2) shows to qualify riders during the qualifying period. All shows must be NRHA approved and meet the requirements for approval as stated in the NRHA Handbook.
6. The European Affiliate Championships will be held not less than 8 weeks following April 30, 2010 for the qualifiers from the affiliates and will be hosted by a selected affiliate.
7. The European Affiliate Championships will offer the following classes: Open, Intermediate Open, Limited Open, Non Pro, Intermediate Non Pro, Limited Non Pro, Youth 13 & Under, Youth 14-18, and Rookie II.
8. It is not mandatory for a show to offer all classes, but a class must be offered in at least two (2) qualifying shows within each country to qualify riders for the European Affiliate Championships.
9. In the event a corporate sponsor is procured, the management of the European Affiliate Championships must agree to abide by contract stipulations between the NRHA and said sponsors.
10. The National Reining Horse Association reserves the right to amend these conditions at any time with immediate notice of such changes being made to the recognized affiliates.

QUALIFICATION

1. **A rider in the Non Pro, Intermediate Non Pro, Limited Non Pro, Youth 13 & Under, Youth 14-18, or Rookie II class may only qualify in the country in which they reside (live) at end of each qualifying period. Residence will be determined by the address as recorded in the NRHA database.**
2. **In Open, Intermediate Open, and Limited Open, the horse must qualify in the country in which the owner of the horse resides at the end of the qualifying period, as determined by the mailing address recorded in the NRHA database.**
3. Owners and qualifying riders must be members of an NRHA affiliate and the NRHA to qualify and show in the Championships. Any monies earned prior to obtaining these memberships will not be counted for qualifying purposes.
4. **If a rider or the owner of a horse wishes to participate but resides in a country that does not have an affiliate and has less than 20 NRHA members, that rider or owner may join another affiliate and participate in that country's qualifying shows, however the rider and horse will represent their country of residence at the European Affiliate Championships.**
5. **Points will be awarded based on the number of horses actually competing in the class, i.e. if fifteen (15) horses compete, first place will be awarded 15 points, 2nd-14 points, etc. Points will be calculated on horses actually competing excluding the horses entered but scratched. Zeros and no scores will not be awarded points.**
6. **A horse/rider combination may only qualify to European Affiliate Championships if at least one (1) point has been earned during the qualification period. Horse/Rider combinations not earning at least one (1) point will not be eligible to qualify to the European Affiliate Championships.**
7. **The points are to be awarded on a “one horse-one rider” combination in the Non Pro, Intermediate Non Pro, Limited Non Pro, Youth 13 & Under, Youth 14-18, and Rookie. The points in the Open, Intermediate Open, and Limited Open are to be awarded to the horse.**

8. **A horse/rider must have participated in the specific class in at least two of the qualifying shows offered in the country of residence. When this requirement is met, ALL points earned at NRHA approved shows in Europe throughout the qualifying period will count toward his/her qualifying total for that class.**
9. **The top ten (10) qualified placings plus ties at 10th in each class offered during the qualifying period from each country will qualify to attend the Affiliate Championships.**
10. **The 20 highest money earning European owned horses in each open class and the 20 highest money earning Non Pro and the 20 highest point earning Youth horse and rider combinations will also qualify to participate in the Affiliate Championships.** All other affiliate membership conditions must also be met (see #3)
11. Riders not earning any points during the qualification period are not eligible to qualify to the European Affiliate Championships.
12. **A qualified Youth or Non Pro rider may substitute a horse for the Championships if the qualified horse is deceased or has been sold.** A substitution fee of 250€ will be charged for any substitution made. Payment must be submitted to the NRHA office prior to European Championships. **In the instance that a horse has been sold, a transfer must be completed with the NRHA office.** If the transfer is not available then either a bill of sale or a letter from the agent providing proof of purchase to the new owner must be submitted to the NRHA office. **If a horse is deceased, the original NRHA competition license must be returned to the NRHA office to be marked "Deceased".**
13. **Show management will be responsible for reporting a complete list of entries in each show to the NRHA office with its NRHA show results. The NRHA will be responsible for determining class qualifiers by calculating NRHA approved monies and points earned.** Show results NOT RECEIVED by May 15, 2010 will not be used for determining qualifiers.
14. **Those entries qualified for the Affiliate Championships may enter only the Affiliate Championship classes in which they have qualified, even if they are no longer eligible for that class at the time of the European Championships.** Category 1 eligibility will be used to determine rider eligibility. **Riders qualified in Non Pro classes including Rookie must have current NRHA Non Pro status to enter any Non Pro classes including the Rookie class.**
15. **Rookie class qualification will be the top ten riders from each country in the Rookie II division.**
16. **A horse may qualify in more than one class and a rider may qualify more than one horse per class. However a rider may show only three (3) horses per class at the Championships.**
17. **An open rider may represent more than one country at the Championships.**
18. **Each affiliate is responsible for reporting to the NRHA Office/International Committee monthly updates in their membership list,** in order to verify eligibility of qualified riders. These lists will be combined with the results and will produce the current list of riders on the website. Failing to submit a membership list will result in the affiliate standings being left off the website.

AFFILIATE TEAM RECOGNITION

1. **The European Affiliate Championships will offer a Team Competition between affiliates.**
2. **Each country sending riders to the Affiliate Championships is eligible to participate.**
3. **Winners will be calculated based on points, not money earned.**
4. **Points will be awarded based on the number of horses placing below the rider plus one (1) point. For instance, a rider who placed first in at class of 15 will be awarded 15 points; the second place rider will be awarded 14 points, etc.**
5. **The top three point earners per class for each country will be used for the Teams total points per class.**
6. **Special awards will be presented to the highest placing team.**

**2010 Australian Affiliate Championships
and Australian Affiliate Circuit Series**
(For NRHA Affiliates in Australia)

This program is designed for NRHA affiliates in Australia and gives them the freedom necessary to structure a circuit responsive to the needs of its members and location. This program provides a format by which the local champions can compete against their peers for a NRHA Morrison Bronze or a NRHA Pewter Trophy, while also offering the opportunity to advance to a national level. It is the aim of the NRHA and this program to increase the emphasis on "grass roots" reining and continue to promote our sport at all levels.

CIRCUIT SERIES CONDITIONS

1. Individual circuits may begin July 1, 2009 and must end by June 15th, 2010
2. Each affiliate circuit show must be sponsored by a current 2009/2010 NRHA and Reining Australia recognized affiliate or a combination of current NRHA/Reining Australia affiliates.
3. Circuits will only be approved for affiliates that have paid their current year NRHA affiliate dues. 2010 NRHA affiliate dues must be paid prior to December 1, 2009.
4. **The circuit affiliate sponsor(s) is required to hold a minimum of two (2) shows. All affiliate circuit shows must be NRHA approved and meet the requirements as stipulated for approved Australian shows for 2009/2010.**
5. **All shows held by an Affiliate will count as a qualifying circuit shows. All approved circuit shows will be published on the NRHA Website.**
6. Each Affiliate Finals will offer the following classes: Open, Intermediate Open, Limited Open, Rookie Professional, Non Pro, Intermediate Non Pro, Limited Non Pro, Prime Time Non Pro, Novice Horse Open I, Novice Horse Non Pro I, Youth 13 & Under, Youth 14-18, and Rookie II.
7. For an affiliate to qualify a rider for a class, that specific class must be offered in at least one (1) circuit show.
8. **Each affiliate will be responsible for providing the NRHA office with a complete list of all placing's, including zeros and no scores, in each class in each circuit show.**
9. **Affiliates may not require memberships in the local affiliate for participation in an affiliate circuit show; however, the rider must be a member of their local affiliate and their National Association Affiliate where applicable at the time of competing for points to count towards the Australian Affiliate Championship qualifications and the affiliate may require membership to qualify for year end awards. Circuits may not charge any additional fees for participants in the circuit qualifying classes. An example of fees charged improperly would be a registration fee for the horse in that particular affiliate or any additional fees to be eligible to qualify for circuit finals.**
10. **Qualification to the Australian Affiliate Championships will be tracked by the NRHA according to the state of residence recorded in the NRHA database.**
11. **Each state will qualify twenty (20) riders to the Australian Affiliate Championships in each of the approved listed Affiliate Championship classes.**
12. **Affiliates sponsoring a circuit may award pewter trophies to its circuit champions and plaques to its circuit reserve champions in NRHA approved classes only. The deadline for ordering these trophies is December 31 of the title year. Providing these awards is an option for each individual affiliate and must be ordered through the NRHA Office.**

AUSTRALIAN CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIPS RIDER QUALIFICATION

1. There is no minimum or maximum number of shows that a rider must attend.
2. A rider may show at any NRHA/Reining Australia show to earn qualification points. However a rider must still place in the top twenty (20) in his or her respective state to qualify to the Australian Affiliate Championships no matter which show points are earned from.
3. A rider must designate which affiliate they will be representing at the Australian Affiliate Championships. If a rider belongs to more than one affiliate, then he or she must choose which affiliate they will represent for the finals. This declaration must be filed with Reining Australia by July 1st of the current show year.
4. The rider must be a member of local affiliate and their National Association Affiliate where applicable at the time of competition for points to count toward regional finals qualifications.
5. Points will be awarded based on the 10 point system. The winner of a class will receive 10 points, 2nd -9 points, etc through to 1 point. Ties will be added up and divided by the number of ties. Each person in the tie will receive the same amount of points. Zeros and no scores will not be awarded points.

6. The top twenty (20) horse and rider combinations plus ties from each class in each state will qualify for the Australian Affiliate Championships. There will be no alternates, nor will substitutions be allowed.
7. Riders not earning any points during the qualification period will not be eligible to qualify to the Australian Affiliate Championships.
8. The NRHA office will post the standings of each affiliate on the NRHA web site.
9. Those qualifying for the affiliate championships may only enter the championship classes for which they qualify.
10. A rider may show more than three horses per class

AFFILIATE FINALS CONDITIONS

1. The Australian Affiliate Championships will be held in conjunction with the 2010 Reining Australia National Show.
2. The top twenty (20) horse and rider combinations plus ties at 20th from each state will advance to the Australian Affiliate Championships.
3. There will be no substitutions allowed
4. Championship classes will run concurrent with ancillary classes
5. All championship classes will be run according to Reining Australia eligibility
6. It is the responsibility of the rider to know his or her Reining Australia eligibility. Eligibility will be recognized for what an individual is eligible for at the beginning of the qualification period. Example: If a rider is eligible for Rookie II at the beginning of the qualifications in 2009 and earns out of Rookie II by the beginning of 2010 but maintains a top twenty placing in the province then he or she is eligible to ride in the Rookie II class at Australian Affiliate Championships.
7. A rider may show more than three (3) horses per class
8. The first two placing's of each class will be named the Australian Affiliate Champion and Australian Affiliate Reserve Champion
9. Any misrepresented entry (this pertains to the eligibility of both rider and horse) will be subjected to disciplinary action per the NRHA Handbook.
10. In the event a corporate sponsor is procured, the Affiliate Show Committee must agree to abide by contract stipulations between the NRHA/Reining Australia and said sponsors.
11. The NRHA International Affiliate Committee reserves the right to amend these rules at any time with immediate notice of any such changes to the affiliates.

AUSTRALIAN AFFILIATE TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP

1. The Australian Affiliate Championships will offer an Affiliate Team Competition among recognized approved NRHA/Reining Australia affiliates.
2. Any affiliate in good standing with the NRHA and Reining Australia, sending riders to the Australian Affiliate Championships is eligible to participate.
3. Points will be awarded using the NRHA 10 point affiliate championship qualifying scale.
4. The top three point earners per class for each affiliate will be used to determine each team's total points per class.
5. The affiliate with the highest placing team will be awarded \$500 USD.

ROOKIE OF THE YEAR COMPETITION

1. The top twenty (20) horse and rider combinations plus ties from each respective state in the Rookie category are eligible to compete for the coveted Rookie of the Year title and trophy at the NRHA Australian Affiliate Championships in a separate and special class presentation. There will be no alternates.
2. Rookie of the Year rider will be named from the Rookie category.
3. The competition will be clean slate finals with the class winner receiving the Rookie of the Year title.
4. No entry fee will be charged.
5. There will be no substitutions.

Become an NRHA Affiliate

Regional Affiliate requirements:

- Must have at least 25 members
- \$100 dues must be in the NRHA office by March 1st

International Affiliates

- National Association Affiliates (NAA)
 - 25 members
 - Four (4) full slates of classes
 - Submit annual summary report
 - \$100 dues must be in the NRHA office by March 1st
- International Affiliate Program (IAP)
 - 100 members
 - Four (4) full slates of classes
 - All reining in the country must be NRHA approved
 - Submit annual summary report
 - \$100 dues must be in the NRHA office by March 1st

If you are interested in becoming an NRHA Affiliate please contact Hannah Spitler at (405)946-7400 ex. 113 or hspitler@nrha.com

NRHA Affiliate FAQs

How do I designate and what date do I have to be designated by?

A: Every NRHA member must be designated to an affiliate in order to be eligible to participate in the Regional Affiliate Finals (RAF). You designate by filling out and submitting a designation form to the NRHA office. It has to be received in the NRHA office no later than August 1st.

Do I have to be a member of an Affiliate to qualify for the RAFs?

A: Yes, you must be a member of an affiliate to earn points to qualify for the RAF's. Any points earned prior to your affiliate membership will not count.

Can I belong to more than one Affiliate?

A: Yes, you may belong to multiple affiliates and the NRHA encourages all members to join affiliates. However, you can only qualify to your RAF with one affiliate. Therefore you must designate.

Can multiple affiliates host a show together?

A: Yes, NRHA encourages affiliates to work together to put on shows. Each affiliate will need to make sure that the show is listed on their individual circuit application. Then members for all affiliates involved will receive qualifying points.

NRHA Regional Affiliate Finals Bidding & Hosting

Hosting your Regional Affiliate Finals is an esteemed title that challenges Affiliates to submit the winning bid. In addition to the many promotional benefits of hosting an RAF, you also get the opportunity to be exclusively involved with all Affiliates within your region. Check out the information below, and begin preparing your bid today!

Bidding:

- Every NRHA affiliate will receive a bid packet to return to the NRHA office.
- Each bid will be reviewed by the Affiliate committee, and then a recommendation will be made to the NRHA Board of Directors for final approval.
- The RAF will be awarded to the winning bid for two consecutive years.

Benefits of hosting the Regional Affiliate Finals:

- Support from the NRHA
 - \$1,500 bonus for hosting the RAF
 - \$500 stipend to help cover the cost of judges
 - 1 saddle & 5 saddle gift certificates to go in a drawing of RAF champions
 - Ribbons provided by NRHA
 - Award product for RAF classes
 - Scholarships, medallions and buckles for the Youth Team Tournament
 - \$500 bonus to the winning affiliate of the Affiliate Team Tournament
 - NRHA 5% fee is waived from all RAF classes.

If you would like to know more or are interested in hosting your Regional Affiliate Finals please contact Hannah Spitler at (405)946-7400 ex. 113 or hspitler@nrha.com

What's in it for me as an Affiliate at the Regional Finals?

Look at the Team Championship Rewards:

\$500 bonus to the winning affiliate of the Affiliate Team Tournament

NORTH AMERICAN REGIONAL AFFILIATE TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP

1. Each Regional Affiliate Finals will offer a Team Competition among recognized affiliates.
2. Any affiliate sending riders to the Regional Affiliate Finals is eligible to participate.
3. Points will be awarded using the NRHA Youth Point scale.
4. The top three-point earners per class for each affiliate will be used to determine each team's total points per class.
5. The affiliate with the highest placing team will be awarded \$500.

EUROPEAN AFFILIATE TEAM RECOGNITION

1. The European Affiliate Championships will offer a Team Competition between affiliates.
2. Each country sending riders to the Affiliate Championships is eligible to participate.
3. Winners will be calculated based on points, not money earned.
4. Points will be awarded based on the number of horses placing below the rider plus one (1) point. For instance, a rider who placed first in at class of 15 will be awarded 15 points; the second place rider will be awarded 14 points, etc.
5. The top three point earners per class for each country will be used for the Team's total points per class.
6. Special awards will be presented to the highest-placing team.

AUSTRALIAN AFFILIATE TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP

1. The Australian Affiliate Championships will offer an Affiliate Team Competition among recognized approved NRHA/Reining Australia affiliates.
2. Any affiliate in good standing with the NRHA and Reining Australia sending riders to the Australian Affiliate Championships are eligible to participate.
3. Points will be awarded using the NRHA 10 point affiliate championship qualifying scale.
4. The top three-point earners per class for each affiliate will be used to determine each team's total points per class.
5. The Affiliate with the highest placing team will be awarded \$500 USD.

Also, keep an eye on our Adequan North American Affiliate Championships that are annually held at the NRHA Futurity.

HOW TO DEVELOP YOUR AFFILIATE

Having your affiliate approved by NRHA is only the first of many steps when striving to create a successful program. We realize the importance of having developmental programs and have created such programs to better suit your needs. Recently, NRHA has seen extreme interest in its entry-level programs, and with added encouragement from current NRHA Affiliates, we have developed a program which we feel has great potential to branch out into all aspects of the NRHA family. The Entry- Level Program has been designed to assist affiliates with their developmental programs and to increase their membership. These classes are specifically designed to target an entry-level audience. The program also grasps the attention of equine enthusiasts worldwide, by allowing them to embrace the opportunity to ride a reining horse.

Step 1: Deciding which class best suits your affiliate.

The general class design allows show management to determine the entry-fee and retainage, also, NRHA doesn't collect the NRHA 5% show fee. The three available classes give you the opportunity to select one based on your affiliate's criteria. The Green, Ride and Slide only require a general membership, but the Slide class will require a Non Pro Declaration and a Competition License. The Green Class offers incentives to the riders for their achievements. Green rider patterns can be relaxed (simple or flying lead change/one hands or two hands). You may run Green classes concurrent with your club classes, and still give riders the opportunity to reach milestone achievements. A Green class must be held in conjunction with NRHA ancillary shows. The Ride class is very similar to the Green, but small differences still exists. The rider may use one or two hands and patterns can be relaxed or determined by show management. The only pattern requirements are 2 sliding stops, 2 circles each direction, 4 spins to the left and 4 spins to the right. Ride classes are offered in open, non pro and youth divisions. Slide classes require a Non Pro Declaration (if riding in the Non Pro Slide class) and an NRHA Competition License. Slide classes offer open, non pro and youth divisions.

The application fees are as follows:

Green	\$0
Ride	\$30
Slide	\$50
Ride & Slide	\$50

Step 2: Submitting your show approval.

- Send in show approval application, complete with applicable trophy fees and application fees.
 - If you are selecting the Ride class please enclose the pattern diagram you will be using.
 - All other approval guidelines will exist.
- Call NRHA to make sure the approval was received.
 - After we receive the approval an email will be sent asking for show management's approval.

Step 3: Who is eligible?

Green Reiner 2	Associate membership or general membership	Less than \$100 lifetime NRHA earnings, less than 25 youth points, less than 100 Green points.
Green Reiner 1	Associate membership or general membership	Less than \$100 lifetime NRHA earnings, less than 25 youth points, less than 50 Green points.
Entry Ride Open	Associate membership or general membership	\$0 NRHA lifetime earnings and 0 youth points
Entry Ride Non Pro	Associate membership or general membership	\$0 NRHA lifetime earnings and 0 youth points
Entry Ride Youth	Associate membership or general membership	\$0 NRHA lifetime earnings and 0 youth points- Must be under 18 years of age as of January 1.
Entry Slide Open	Associate membership or general membership, horses must have competition license	Less than \$500 NRHA lifetime earnings and 50 lifetime youth points
Entry Slide Non Pro	Associate membership or general membership, Non Pro status, horses must have competition license	Less than \$500 NRHA lifetime earnings and 50 lifetime youth points
Entry Slide Youth	Associate membership or general membership, Youth status, horses must have competition license	\$0 NRHA lifetime earnings and 0 youth points- Must be under 18 years of age as of January 1.

Please note: As of January 1, 2010 Green point totals were at 0 for all riders. Riders may use horses without restrictions of ownership. Eligibility will be based as of January 1 of the current year.

Now let's select the class that fits your affiliate program!

Green, Ride & Slide

Come Play with NRHA! The National Reining Horse Association recently approved a revolutionary entry level program to welcome riders of all backgrounds to the reining arena. The entry level format began in 2010 and provides a fun, educational and family-oriented ladder of competition with an inexpensive \$20 Associate membership. Each rung of the ladder welcomes beginning reiners to compete with others of the same skill level while gaining more experience. In addition, an awards program recognizes riders for their achievements.

The new program offers an inexpensive membership fee accompanied by a sampling of NRHA member benefits. The membership gives riders the ability to participate in this program, earn points toward a host of awards and experience NRHA activities. An even more appealing facet to this program is that some levels do not require ownership or an NRHA Competition License. Overall, the program makes it easier to show, easier to compete at an enjoyable level and easier to develop reining skills.

***Look at the following and find out more about these great entry level opportunities.
We're sure there's a level perfect for you!***

The first option for the entry-level classes is the Green Reiner.

Green Reiner Classes

What Is a Green Rider Class?

- Recognizes achievement levels of Green Riders through the Green Rider Rewards Program. The program awards jackets and Montana Silversmiths trophy buckles at two achievement levels

- Family oriented, fun, and educational for all ages of riders

- Exhibitors can gain more knowledge by being given the opportunity to talk to judges at the conclusion of the class

What I Need To Show?

- Associate NRHA Membership required (Only \$20)

What Is NOT Required To Show?

- Non Pro declarations are not required

- Competition licenses are not required

- Ownership requirements do not apply since records are not kept on horses shown in these classes

- Use NRHA Patterns 1-10

- The rider can choose to ride with one or two hands

- The rider can choose to perform either simple or flying lead changes

- Standard NRHA Rules for legal bits and attire (long sleeve shirt, hat/helmet, boots, western saddle and western bridle) apply

- Green Level 1 - Open to riders who have less than \$100 in NRHA earnings, have less than 25 NRHA Youth points and less than 50 Green Rider points

- Green Level 2 - Open to riders who have less than \$100 in NRHA earnings, have less than 25 NRHA Youth points and less than 100 Green Rider points

- NRHA records are kept on riders who show in these classes in Category 10. Results do not count toward NRHA Top Ten or NRHA Year End awards.

- These classes must be held with standard NRHA shows

How Does The Class Work?

GREEN REWARDS POINT STRUCTURE

After achieving 100 points, the rider is no longer eligible for the Green Rider class format. Points awarded based on the number of horses in the class on a sliding scale from one to ten. The point scale can be found on page 81 of the 2010 NRHA Handbook.

Class	Points	Award
Green Reiner 1	50 points	Jacket
Green Reiner 2	100 points	Montana Silversmith trophy Buckle

YES! NRHA does offer awards for these classes, they are at no cost to the affiliate. We will keep track of points and send out awards to the riders when they are earned.

Next, look at the Ride Classes.

Ride Classes

What Is a Ride Show?

- Often provides a less expensive place to play as entry fees should be less than a typical show
- Family oriented, fun, and educational for all ages of riders
- Exhibitors can gain more knowledge by being given the opportunity to talk to judges to talk to at the conclusion of the class

What Do I Need To Show?

- Associate NRHA Membership required (Only \$20)

What Is NOT Required To Show?

- Non pro declarations are not required
- Competition Licenses are not required
- Ownership requirements do not apply since records are not kept on horses shown in these classes

How Does The Show Work?

- Reduced patterns are permitted
- The rider can choose to ride with one or two hands
- Any bridle is permitted
- Standard NRHA Rules for legal bits and attire (long sleeve shirt, hat/helmet, boots, western saddle and western bridle) apply
- Open to riders who have \$0 in NRHA earnings and 0 Youth Points
- Pure jackpot format – No added money offered which should make entry fees lower than most current shows
- Only offers open, non pro and youth classes
- NRHA records are kept on riders who show in these classes in Category 10. Results do not count toward NRHA Top Ten or NRHA Year End awards.
- These shows may be held with standard NRHA shows

The third tier, is the Slide Division

Slide Class

What Is a Slide Show?

- Provides another level of competition between Ride Shows and more competitive NRHA approved classes like NRHA Rookie or Non Pro
- Exhibitors can gain more knowledge by being given the opportunity to talk to judges to talk to at the conclusion of the class

What Do I Need To Show?

- Associate NRHA Membership required (Only \$20)
- Non Pro declaration to show in Non Pro (Only \$25). This declaration would still apply if the Associate member progresses to an NRHA membership.
- Competition Licenses are required (Only \$30)

What Is NOT Required To Show?

- Ownership requirements do not apply

How Does The Show Work?

- Standard NRHA Patterns and Rules apply
- Standard NRHA Rules for legal bits and attire (long sleeve shirt, hat/helmet, boots, western saddle and western bridle)
- Open to rider with \$500 or less in NRHA earnings and less than 50 NRHA Youth points
- Offers less than \$500 total added money or a jackpot only format
- Only offers open, non pro and youth classes
- NRHA records are kept on riders and horses that show in these classes in Category 10. Results do not count toward NRHA Top Ten or NRHA Year End awards
- These shows may be held with standard NRHA shows

This level was added to assist affiliates with offering jackpot shows.

NRHA Affiliate Level Shows

What Is An NRHA Affiliate Level Show?

- This is a type of show hosted by an NRHA Affiliate
- Often provides a less expensive place to play as entry fees should be less than a typical show
- Family-oriented, fun, and educational
- Exhibitors can gain more knowledge by being given the opportunity to talk to judges to talk to at the conclusion of the class

What Do You Need To Show?

- Standard NRHA memberships are required (\$95). Current Associate members can upgrade to a standard membership for \$75.
- Non pro declarations are required to show in Non Pro
- Competition Licenses are required
- Ownership requirements follow standard NRHA rules

How Does The Show Work?

- Uses standard NRHA Patterns and Rules around one hand on the reins
- Standard NRHA Rules for legal bits and attire (long sleeve shirt, hat/helmet, boots, western saddle and western bridle) apply
- Can be a jackpot only show or be a \$500 total added money show
- Should have a lower entry fee than most shows since it can be held as a jackpot
- Eligibility is determined based on NRHA eligibility categories (i.e. each class offered has different eligibility levels like Non Pro, Intermediate Non Pro, Limited Non Pro, etc.)
- NRHA records are kept on riders and horses that show in these classes in standard NRHA categories. Results do count toward NRHA Top Ten or NRHA Year End awards.

These shows are considered level C events. They must be held by an NRHA affiliate. They may be jackpotted or have up to \$500 added money.

What Else Do I Need To Know?

What are Associate Member benefits? People wishing to compete in Green, Ride or Slide classes or shows can join NRHA and participate with an Associate membership. Associate memberships are a great way to get a taste of what NRHA has to offer at a lower cost. Associate memberships are only \$20 per year, while general NRHA memberships are \$95. Associate members receive a sampling of NRHA member benefits including a free electronic subscription to the *NRHA Reiner* magazine, the eNRHAnewsletter and access to the “Members Only” section (including \$10 worth of records look-ups each month), plus access to entry level opportunities like the Green Rewards Program. Associate members cannot vote in NRHA elections and cannot own horses shown in standard NRHA competition.

Can I upgrade from an Associate membership to a standard NRHA membership? Yes. If you have a current Associate membership, you can pay the \$75 difference to become a standard NRHA member. A standard NRHA membership is necessary if you wish to show in standard NRHA classes or wish for a horse you own to be shown in standard NRHA classes.

Can general NRHA members show in Green, Ride and Slide competitions? Yes. General NRHA members can show in entry level classes as long as they meet the eligibility requirements for the class.

Who will I be competing against? You will compete against other riders who have the same or close to the same experience as you. Green, Ride and Slide shows have eligibility requirements. In a sense, this ‘caps’ the class at a level of competitiveness based on either NRHA earning or points.

Who offers these shows and classes? Ride and Slide shows can be hosted by anyone who is interested. Green shows must be held in conjunction with an ancillary show. NRHA Affiliate Level shows only can be held by an official NRHA Affiliate. NRHA Affiliates are listed at nrha.com.

Is there a similar standard of judging used at these shows? NRHA judges are used at all of these shows. They all have gone through the same training and testing to be accredited as an NRHA judge. Rules for judging can be found in the official *NRHA Handbook*.

Do I have to use a certain type of saddle or chaps?

No. The only requirement is that riders wear a long sleeve shirt, hat (or helmet), boots; and use a western saddle and bridle.

How do I find shows in my area? All NRHA approved shows are listed at nrha.com and in the *NRHA Reiner*. Also, other NRHA Affiliates are a great contact for you to find Reining opportunities like shows, clinics, awards programs and more. You can find a list of NRHA Affiliates at nrha.com or by calling **405-946-7400**.

Rules & Regulations

Rules & Regulations of the Entry-Level Classes, can also be found on pages 63-65 of the 2010 *NRHA Handbook*.

Category 10 Classes

10001 GREEN REINER LEVEL 2

10002 GREEN REINER LEVEL 1

10100 RIDE OPEN

10101 RIDE NON PRO

10102 RIDE YOUTH

10200 SLIDE OPEN

10201 SLIDE NON PRO

10202 SLIDE YOUTH

ENTRY LEVEL SLIDE OPEN – Open to any rider holding a valid NRHA membership card which has less than \$500 in NRHA lifetime earnings, all categories, and less than 50 lifetime Youth points.

ENTRY LEVEL SLIDE NON PRO – Open to any rider holding a valid NRHA Non Pro membership card as defined in the membership and Non Pro section of the *NRHA Handbook* and has less than \$500 in NRHA lifetime earnings, all categories and less than 50 lifetime Youth points. Rider may use a horse without the restrictions of ownership as defined under the Non Pro Conditions.

ENTRY LEVEL SLIDE YOUTH – Open to any rider under 18 years of age and holding a valid NRHA Youth membership card and has less than \$500 or less in NRHA lifetime earnings, all categories and less than 50 lifetime Youth points. Rider may use a horse without the restrictions of ownership as defined under the Youth Conditions.

ENTRY LEVEL RIDE OPEN – Open to any rider holding a valid NRHA membership card and has \$0 (zero) in NRHA lifetime earnings, all categories except Category 10 and zero lifetime Youth points.

ENTRY LEVEL RIDE NON PRO – Open to any rider holding a valid NRHA membership card with \$0 (zero) in NRHA lifetime earnings, all categories except Category 10 and zero lifetime Youth points. Rider may use a horse without the restrictions of ownership as defined under the Non Pro Conditions.

ENTRY LEVEL RIDE YOUTH – Open to any rider under 18 years of age as of January 1 holding a valid NRHA Youth membership card and has \$0 (zero) in NRHA lifetime earnings, all categories except Category 10 and zero lifetime Youth points. Rider may use a horse without the restrictions of ownership as defined under the Youth Conditions.

GREEN REINER LEVEL 1 – Open to any rider holding a valid NRHA Associate card with less than \$100 in NRHA lifetime earnings, all categories, has less than twenty five (25) lifetime Youth points and less than fifty (50) Green points.

GREEN REINER LEVEL 2 – Open to any rider holding a valid NRHA Associate card with less than \$100 in NRHA lifetime earnings, all categories, less than twenty five (25) lifetime Youth points and less than 100 Green points.

ENTRY LEVEL SLIDE SHOW CONDITIONS

- Entry Level Slide shows cannot be restricted by any means other than the requirements set forth.
- A \$50 show application fee must be submitted with the show approval for all Entry Level Slide shows
- Any Entry Level Slide class from Category 10 can be held in a Entry Level Slide show.
- Entry Level Slide shows can be jackpot only or may have up to \$500 added money in the entire show.
- All riders must be an NRHA member prior to showing in an Entry Level Slide show. If the rider wishes to show in any non pro classes, they must apply for non pro status prior to showing.
- All horses must have an NRHA Competition License prior to showing in an Entry Level Slide show.
- Entry fees are to be determined by show management.
- Judges fees cannot exceed the entry fee.
- Show management does not remit the NRHA five percent (5%) retainage fee.
- Show management can retain any percentage of the entry fees.
- All standards of Judging will apply. (See Rules for Judging in *NRHA Handbook*)
- Must use NRHA patterns 1 – 10.

ENTRY LEVEL RIDE SHOW CONDITIONS

- Entry Level Ride shows cannot be restricted by any means other than the requirements set forth.
- A \$30 show application fee must be submitted with the show approvals for all Entry Level Ride shows
- Any Entry Level Ride class from Category 10 can be held in an Entry Level Ride show.
- Entry Level Ride shows must be jackpot.
- All riders must be an NRHA member prior to showing in an Entry Level Ride show. Non pro status is not required to show in the non pro class.
- Horses do not have to have an NRHA Competition License prior to showing in an Entry Level Ride show.
- Entry fees are to be determined by show management.
- Judges fees cannot exceed the entry fee.
- Show management does not remit the NRHA five percent (5%) retainage fee.
- Show management can retain any percentage of the entry fees.
- Relaxed judging practices apply. (See Rules for Judging)
- May use relaxed patterns. Must submit a pattern diagram with show approval forms. It is the responsibility of the show management to inform the judge of the relaxed pattern prior to horses being shown. The required maneuvers are at least two (2) sliding stops, two (2) circles in each direction, four (4) spins to the left and four (4) spins to the right. **(Patterns should be submitted with the show approval form, a diagram and written description will be sufficient.)**

GREEN LEVEL SHOW CONDITIONS

- Green Level shows cannot be restricted by any means other than the requirements set forth.
- A Green Level show must be held in conjunction with an NRHA Ancillary show.
- Any green class from Category 10 can be held in a green show.
- Green Level shows can be jackpot only and will award Green points.
- When exhibitors reach the point levels to earn out of the class they will receive an award.
- All riders must be an NRHA member prior to showing in a Green Level show.
- Entry fees are to be determined by show management.
- Show management cannot charge exhibitors a judge's fee.
- Show management does not remit the NRHA five percent (5%) retainage fee.
- Show management can retain any percentage of the entry fees.
- Relaxed judging practices apply. (See Rules for Judging)
- Must use NRHA patterns 1 – 10. However, simple lead changes are allowed and the rider may use one (1) or two (2) hands at any time during the pattern.

So you are probably wondering why... Why should you host NRHA Entry-Level classes? Besides the many advantages of moving your Affiliate forward and taking the necessary steps in order to develop and establish your affiliate, there are also several other advantages:

Advantages of the hosting an Entry-Level show:

- Opportunity to make money (look at the payback schedules on the following two pages).
- Promotional efforts from NRHA including national advertising, online show calendar and more.
- Exhibitors can gain more knowledge by being given the opportunity to talk to judges at the conclusion of the class.
- Family-oriented, fun, and educational for all ages of riders.
- Often provides a less expensive place to play as entry fees should be less than a typical show.
- Recognizes achievement levels of Green Riders through the Green Rider Rewards Program. The program awards, jackets and Montana Silversmiths trophy buckles at two achievement levels.

The following calculation worksheets represent sample payback scenarios.

NRHA PAYBACK CALCULATION WORKSHEET

Schedule A

\$40		X	20	=	\$800	(A)	
Entry Fees			Number of Entries		Gross Entry Fees		
\$800	(A)	-	0	=	\$800	(B)	
Gross Entry Fees			Trophy Fee				
\$800	(B)	X	0	=	\$0	(C)	
			NRHA Fee of 5%		Amount owed to NRHA		
\$800	(B)	-	\$0	(C)	=	\$800	(D)
			Amount owed to NRHA			Net Entry Fee	
\$800	(D)	X	50%	=	\$400	(E)	
Net Entry Fee			% Show Retainage		Amount Retained by Show Committee		
\$800	(D)	-	\$400	(E)	=	\$400	(F)
Net Entry Fee			Amount Retained			FINAL NET ENTRY FEE	
\$400	(F)	+	\$0	=	\$400		
FINAL NET ENTRY FEE			ADDED MONEY		Purse from which paybacks are figured		

Please round to the nearest cent.

SUMMARY: If you charged \$40 entry fee and had 20 entries in the class, you could payback 50% to the exhibitors and still retain \$400 for show management!!!

NRHA PAYBACK CALCULATION WORKSHEET

Schedule B

\$40		X	20	=	\$800	(A)
Entry Fees			Number of Entries		Gross Entry Fees	
\$800	(A)	-	0	=	\$800	(B)
Gross Entry Fees			Trophy Fee			
\$800	(B)	X	0	=	\$0	(C)
			NRHA Fee of 5%		Amount owed to NRHA	
\$800	(B)	-	\$0	(C)	=	\$800
			Amount owed to NRHA			Net Entry Fee
\$800	(D)	X	100%	=	\$800	(E)
Net Entry Fee			% Show Retainage		Amount Retained by Show Committee	
\$800	(D)	-	\$800	(E)	=	\$0
Net Entry Fee			Amount Retained			FINAL NET ENTRY FEE
\$0	(F)	+	\$0	=	\$0	
FINAL NET ENTRY FEE			ADDED MONEY		Purse from which paybacks are figured	

Please round to the nearest cent.

SUMMARY: We did something slightly different with this scenario, show management kept 100% of the entry fees, which is permitted with Entry-Level Classes only. This show example profited \$800.

NRHA Rookie of the Year

Many of your riders will have aspirations of running for NRHA Rookie of the Year. You should direct them to enter into Rookie Level 2 classes, which are the only classes counting towards qualifier points, from there they must show at the Regional Affiliate Finals and place in the Top 8 (plus ties). The top 8 from each region will then be cordially invited to show at the NRHA Futurity & Adequan NAAC Show in Oklahoma City, that is where the champion Rookie is decided.

Awards given to the NRHA Rookie of the Year:

Bob's Custom Saddle
Montana Silversmith Belt Buckle
Pard's Western Shop Gift Card
Anderson Bean Boots Certificate
Classic Equine Equipment
Arenus Gift Certificate
Platinum Performance Gift Card
& much more!

NRHA ROOKIE OF THE YEAR COMPETITION

1. The top eight (8) horse and rider combinations plus ties from each of the Regional Affiliate Finals Rookie II category are eligible to compete for the coveted NRHA Rookie of the Year title and trophy at the NRHA Futurity and Adequan NAAC Show in a separate and special class presentation. There will be no alternates.
2. Rookie of the Year rider will be named from the Rookie II category.
3. The competition will be a clean- slate final with the class winner receiving the NRHA Rookie of the Year title.
4. No entry fee will be charged and the stall fee shall be half price.
5. There will be no substitutions.

Payouts will be as follows: 1st place - \$500, 2nd place - \$400, 3rd place - \$300, 4th place - \$200, 5th place - \$100

ROOKIE OF THE YEAR AUSTRALIAN COMPETITION

1. The top twenty (20) horse and rider combinations plus ties from each respective state in the Rookie category are eligible to compete for the coveted NRHA Rookie of the Year title and trophy at the NRHA Australian Affiliate Championships in a separate and special class presentation. There will be no alternates.
2. NRHA Rookie of the Year rider will be named from the Rookie category.
3. The competition will be clean-slate finals with the class winner receiving the NRHA Rookie of the Year title.
4. No entry fee will be charged.
5. There will be no substitutions.

RHSF Rookie Day

ORGANIZERS' GUIDE

BENEFITS TO AFFILIATES & ROOKIES

• REACH OUT TO POTENTIAL MEMBERS

RHSF Rookie Day, presented by Classic Equine, is a one-day event that gives rookies a chance to learn from reining horse trainers including many NRHA Professionals. The rookie riders are then given the chance to compete against the other rookies. During Rookie Day, beginning reiners learn the ins and outs of reining in a comfortable, relaxed setting that focuses on having fun. It's designed for reining at the grassroots level and encourages new members to become more familiar with NRHA competition, local trainers and affiliates.

• INCREASE MEMBERSHIP AND PARTICIPATION

Affiliates have a great opportunity to reach out to future members at Rookie Days. The fun learning atmosphere is a great recruiting tool. It is a great way to bring rookie riders, local trainers and affiliates together to get the rookie further involved with the reining and the affiliate. Moreover, new non-member participants receive an affiliate membership with Rookie Day fees.

• MONETARY INCENTIVE FOR AFFILIATES

In addition, there is a direct monetary benefit to the hosting affiliates. A portion of each attendees fee will go right back to the affiliate starting in 2009. This money can be used in whatever manner the affiliate deems necessary to help with the Rookie Day clinic. The youth will only be eligible for the Youth division if they pay the \$100 entry fee. If they choose to be eligible for the Rookie division they are required to pay the \$200 fee, as well.

Clinic fees for attendees: Incentive to affiliate per attendee:

Rookie -- \$200 & Youth -- \$100 For every 10 riders, \$200 stipend awarded to affiliate.

• WIDE-SPREAD BENEFITS

Aids the RHSF Crisis Fund - More than \$25,000 each year.

Increase membership and participation through a fun and relaxed learning experience for rookies.

Provide additional income for the affiliate (direct incentive and additional memberships).

• HELP FOR ORGANIZERS

Assistance from RHSF and NRHA staff

Organizers' Guide (including template news release, shell posters, etc.)

Webinar to assist affiliates in planning, promoting and hosting Rookie Days.

Awards and gifts provided by Classic Equine - 1 Champion and 1 Reserve Champion Pad, Bell Boots for the Top Ten, Caps, Bucket Straps and Legacy Boots for trainers.

• PROMOTIONAL TOOLS

One free ad in the *NRHA Reiner* for each Rookie Day.

Website listing of dates and locations of Rookie Days schedule.

eNRHAnewsletter listing of upcoming Rookie Days.

NRHA Inside Reining spots to promote attendance.

Print advertisements in horse industry publications.

Additional e-mail and website promotion (including introductory video).

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• CHOOSE A DATE

When planning your RHSF Rookie Day, start by choosing a date. Ideally, you should choose a date 6-8 months out to take full advantage of advertising opportunities and NRHA marketing efforts. At minimum, be sure your dates do not conflict with any other major events or weekend events in your area. A current Rookie Day schedule is enclosed so that two clinics will not be scheduled on top of each other.

• FIND A FACILITY

When securing a facility, be sure you will have enough room for your group. You will probably need two trainers to work with a single group of Rookies. Typically, 10 Rookies are placed with two coaches. However, any combination may work (one coach with five Rookies, two with eight, etc.). Bear in mind that the team competition is an important aspect to this event.

After you have established an estimate of the number of teams you will have, start calculating the work area needed for the clinic portion of the event. For example at some Rookie Days, two arenas are divided into five work areas. Each team is provided with a 100' x 150' area to work on spins, circles, lead changes, etc. Towards the end of the clinic phase, the five groups come together and share the arenas for fencing and stopping.

ROOKIE DAY STRUCTURE

AFFILIATE RESPONSIBILITIES

- Responsible for providing lunch to both trainers and participants.
- Provide the arenas and all miscellaneous expenses involved with the clinic.
- Provide someone to write an article for the *NRHA Reiner*. They should submit good quality, high resolution photographs to the *Reiner* with the article.

Once you have established the work areas required, search for a facility that can provide the space. We know that compromises in every aspect may be necessary and the examples given are only suggestions. However, the team concept and keeping the coach/rider ratio no larger than 5:1 has proven to be the most successful format.

• TRAINERS AND OTHER VOLUNTEERS

Ask ten NRHA Professionals to participate, but try to secure at least six professionals. You can locate these professionals on the NRHA website at nrha.com. Be sure to have at least two back-up trainers in case you have last minute cancellations. The more "headliners" you have, the better. Pair "younger" professionals with the "headliners," as this will help them learn to conduct a more effective clinic.

Be sure these professionals know you will need them ALL DAY from 8 a.m. to around 4-5 p.m. Ask a judge in your affiliate to donate the judging, as well as a scribe, a secretary and an announcer. Encourage the professionals to bring horses. This is a great time for them to "get the young horses out" and use the arena during the lunch break or after the show for "FREE" paid warm-ups. **Coaches are NOT to be judges.**

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• ADVERTISE

*Every Rookie Day receives one free ad in the NRHA Reiner.
Take advantage of it! Get it in by the deadline!*

To advertise your event, contact:

NRHA Reiner

Sharon Barr, Advertising Manager

419-628-3711 or advertising@nrha.com

• ENTRIES

Have a contact person to take pre-entries over the phone. The cost for Rookie Day is \$200. The cost for Youth participating in Rookie Day is \$100. Have rookies send a check or money order made payable to "RHSF Rookie Day" to ensure a place in the clinic/show. Also contact NRHA for your Classic Equine banners to hang in the arena.

• ROOKIES

Try to shoot for as many rookies as possible. In the past some clinics have had over 50 rookies! Regardless of your numbers, be sure to split up the groups evenly. If your clinic has around 30 rookies, split them into three equal groups of ten. Keep track of entries, and try to plan your numbers around that. If you are two months out from your Rookie Day, and already have 40 entries but only two professionals or a small venue, start hunting for more Professionals or making other arrangements.

ADVERTISING DEADLINES

Publication Advertising

Month Deadline

January November 15

February December 15

March January 15

April February 15

May March 15

June April 15

July May 15

August June 15

September July 15

October August 15

November September 15

December October 15

- Every ad sent to the Reiner must be camera ready.
- Be sure to advertise **ONLY** your Rookie Day. If any other shows, horses, etc. are included in your ad, we will not be able to run your ad free of charge.
- Included in this packet, are various templates to help you advertise and promote. Take advantage of these templates to help you update your website or affiliate newsletter. There will be a template for posters and flyers that will help you advertise your Rookie Day at local feed stores, arenas, etc.

ENTRY FEES

Rookies -- \$200

Youth -- \$100

- *There is an affiliate incentive of \$200 for every 10 riders. This money is a portion of the entry fee that goes back to the affiliate to use in whatever manner they deem necessary to help with the Rookie Day clinic.*
 - *Youth will only be eligible for the Youth division if they pay the \$100 entry fee.**If they choose to be eligible for the Rookie division, they are required to pay the \$200 entry fee.*

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THE BIG DAY

• CHECK-IN AND THE MORNING

8 a.m. - All Rookies must check in no later than 8 a.m. Have them draw for their "Trainers" at that time. Be sure to tell them to be saddled and in the main arena at 8:45 a.m. Have packets prepared with information provided by RHSF and NRHA, along with an entry form and their back number for the show. All this information can be found in your Rookie Day Organizers' Guide.

8:30 a.m. - Have a meeting with all Trainers to line out the day. Remind them this is a clinic on "how to show your horse". They should keep it as simple as possible, by working on basic show day preparations. They will be needed to help coach and critique each person's performance in their respective group. They are not there to learn how to train a reining horse, which is what a Professional is for.

8:45 p.m. - Riders saddled and in main arena.

9 a.m. - The clinic portion will start at 9 a.m. and end at Noon. Introduce the trainers and split them up with their groups.

• THE DRAW

Once the clinic is underway and all Rookies have been checked in, do the draw for the show. Draw one Rookie from each group for the first five horses in the class, than draw horses six to ten, one Rookie from each group and so on.

(See Below)

Group: #1 #2 #3 #4 #5

Draw: 1 2 3 4 5

6 7 8 9 10

11 12 13 14 15

16 17 18 19 20

21 22 23 24 25

26 27 28 29 30

31 32 33 34 35

36 37 38 39 40

41 42 43 44 45

46 47 48 49 50

It is very important that the draw be done in this manner, as it will give the trainers time between horses to provide one on one attention with his/her Rookie.

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- **THE LUNCH BREAK**

Provide lunch for all the trainers free of charge and participants. This should be a two hour maximum break. This is a good time to have a "town talk" about the RHSF, NRHA and your affiliate to help pump up your affiliate membership. Ask a "top" Non pro to speak to the Rookies on how they got started, how they advanced, how they achieved success.

Classic Equine is the presenting sponsor for Rookie Day. If Classic Equine endorses one of your trainers, be sure to have them speak about the product. If you think having an educational lecture during your lunch break would be beneficial, please contact the RHSF to arrange for someone to come discuss nutrition, tack needs, or other useful subjects with your Rookies. The NRHA has a number of willing Corporate Partners that would love to help out new Rookies.

- **THE ALL ROOKIE HORSE SHOW**

START NO LATER THAN 2 P.M. NRHA RULES APPLY! LONG SLEEVE SHIRTS AND HATS ARE REQUIRED IN ORDER TO SHOW. CHAPS ARE OPTIONAL.

Choose an easy pattern, such as Pattern 5 or Pattern 8. NO RUN INS!! Have a photographer available to shoot stopping, win and group photos, as these will be used in an article covering your event in the *NRHA Reiner*. Add all the scores together for each group to make one composite score. This will determine the team champions. If a group has more people than another, throw out the lowest score to ensure the equal number of scores to be counted. Encourage and teach Rookies how to cheer on their teammates!

- **AWARDS AND GIFTS**

AWARDS

Provided by Classic Equine

1 Champion Pad
1 Reserve Champion Pad
Bell Boots for the Top Ten
Caps and Bucket Straps
Classic Legacy Boots

Classic Equine will provide one Champion and one Reserve Champion Pad, Bell Boots for the Top Ten, Caps and Bucket Straps. The Trainers will receive white Classic Legacy Boots compliments of Classic Equine. Ideally, you may want to secure a gift for your judge, scribe, secretaries and announcer. Try to get buckle sponsors for the Rookie Champion, Rookie Reserve Champion and Youth Champion buckles. These should be purchased through NRHA's official buckle maker, Montana Silversmiths.

In the case of ties for Champion and Reserve Champion, the host can determine if it wishes to break the tie with a coin flip or wishes to order duplicate awards. Duplicate awards can be purchased through Brian Bendele at RHSF.

REGIONAL CLINICS

Hosting a Clinic to benefit the NRHyA:

Thank you for your support of the NRHyA. Here are some helpful tips to successfully run a clinic. Please remember this is a fundraising clinic to help support the NRHyA. While we will cover any expenses as necessary, all donations are greatly appreciated.

- **Choosing a date:** Start planning your clinic by choosing a date before the first of the year. Be sure these dates do not conflict with any other events or holidays in your area. Consider the local affiliate show schedule, and avoid conflicting with one of their shows.
- **Find a facility:** First, you need to estimate the number of trainers/ coaches that will be available for the clinic. We would recommend no more than 10 riders per clinician. After you have determined an estimate of attendees, start calculating the work area needed for the clinic. Once you have established the work areas required, search for a facility that can provide the space. Please keep in mind that privately-owned facilities are often easier to book and more affordable.
- **Advertising:** NRHA Youth and Outreach Program Manager will place an ad in the *NRHA Reiner* the month prior to the clinic as well as post advertising on Inside Reining. All advertising for In Side Reining must be provided by the first week of December and can be injected throughout. Registration information will be provided in the ad and on the NRHA web site. Also local affiliates will be contacted to ensure they are aware of the activities. In addition press releases will be sent out to all equine publications, regional associations and an email alert will go out to all regional NRHA members.
- **Registration costs:** Adults 2 days \$450 and 1 day \$250, Youth 2 days is \$250 and 1 day \$150 and Auditors \$25 (currently working on bulk rates). Auditors and riders will be limited only by the space and capabilities available. We would like to encourage youth participation by offering them a discounted rate. Pre entries can be made over the phone. The attendees will need to send a check or money order made payable to NRHyA to guarantee your place in the clinic. Because space is limited we will take reservations via the phone.
- **Obtaining local sponsorships:** Approach local businesses requesting their support. Encourage them to donate the funds for the meal or prizes to be awarded throughout the day. Invite them to attend the clinic and make a short presentation during the lunch break promoting their business. *Suggestions would be, a feed store, vet clinic, or tack shop.*
- **Participant Prizes:** can be given at your discretion.
- **Lunch:** Order the meals in advance. Ideally, a hearty sandwich, fruit, chips and snack. Be sure to have plenty of beverages available to the participants throughout the day. Again, it is ideal to have the lunch hosted by a local sponsor to keep costs down and to get more individuals involved.

The Day Of:

Check – In: 8:00 a.m. – 8:45 a.m.

- All riders must be checked in by 8:45 a.m.
- Trainers will establish training schedule, preferably allowing participants to work with both throughout the day.
- All riders must be saddled and ready by 8:45 a.m. with their designated trainer.

Clinic: 8:45 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

- Rotate the schedule you have established.

Lunch Break: 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.

- Provide lunch for both the Trainers and the riders.
- The break should last about an hour.

Clinic: 1:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

- Continue with training sessions.

May repeat this on the second day if available.

NRHA Reiner Promotional Opportunity

Writer Guidelines

In The Show Pen

Coverage of a specific Affiliate show, which is provided by the Affiliate at no cost to either the Affiliate or the *Reiner* magazine.

Information on event:

- a. Give the full and complete name of the event as it appears in the NRHA show approvals and/or appears in the *Reiner*.
- b. Include byline.
- c. Give the full and complete name of the Affiliate involved, spell out acronyms.
- d. Give the dates of event; spell out the name of the facility, town, state, province or country.
- e. Include information on NRHA-sanctioned events only. Results will be verified in the NRHA office.
- f. Recognition of sponsors, show management, volunteers, and judges is okay, but no personal "Thank yous," please.

Class coverage:

- a. Group by divisions, i.e. open, non pro, youth. Do not capitalize divisions or classes, unless in a formal title, such as 2007 WRHA Open Futurity champion. Otherwise, lowercase, such as "Sally Smith won the intermediate and limited non pro divisions." **Note:** Please don't capitalize words for the sake of emphasis.
- b. Always include the owner's name and town with the horse and rider mentioned.
- c. Horse's sire and dam should be mentioned if possible.
- d. No need to mention scores or money earned – unless the numbers are spectacular.
- e. Give information on only the horses/riders placing first and second including ties.
- f. Use quotes from the rider and/or owner if possible.
- g. If there is more than one full slate of classes (two complete shows in one), designate as show #1 and show #2 and combine results i.e. Joe Blow won the #1 open on Jane Doe's Little Doll by Big Daddy. They placed second in the #2 open.)
- h. Include special awards such as saddles, buckles, etc.
- i. When including photos (see below), write captions that identify all persons and horses in order from left to right. Explain who they are and what they won. Give photo credit to photographer.
- j. Don't use special formatting, underlines, logos or graphics, etc.
- k. Write in the third person, no use of "our" or "we."

Special Event: If the focus of the show is an aged or special event, such as a futurity, derby, USEF or FEI/CRI, place emphasis on that class, all divisions.

Word Count: 1,000 words or less.

Photos: Will use photos if space permits. Award presentation, action or candid photos are acceptable. Please identify photos with complete captions including names of all people and horses in photos. Give appropriate photo credit. Such identification should be included on the show report as well as when photos are sent to NRHA.

Show committee should provide photos to NRHA at no charge. Pictures should be e-mailed or sent to the NRHA office in care of Senior Director of Publications Carol Trimmer (ctrimmer@nrha.com). They should be 300 dpi quality and at least 4 inches on the shortest side. Call Carol for detailed specifications at 405-946-7400 ext. 117.

Deadline: As soon as possible after the show; however, material will not be printed in the *Reiner* until results are verified by NRHA office staff. Material should be received approximately five to six weeks prior to publication, i.e. if received by January 20, material will be in March *Reiner*; received by February 20, material will be in April magazine, etc.

Send to: Executive Editor Kathy Swan at kswan317@aol.com. Word document is preferred.

On The Rail

This section is devoted to NRHA Affiliates and their members. It's a way to acknowledge members' accomplishments, club activities, i.e. clinics, awards banquets, volunteers, sponsors, special fund-raisers etc.

Article: 700 words or less. Send to Executive Editor Kathy Swan at kswan317@aol.com. Word document is preferred.

1. Give full and complete names of events, places, horses, people, dates, etc.
2. Please don't capitalize words as a means of emphasis. Also, don't capitalize classes or divisions, unless specific titles, such as 2007 WRHA Futurity champion.
3. No special formatting, underlines, logos or graphics.
4. Mention sponsors, officers, volunteers, etc., but no personal "thank yous."

Photos: We will use pictures if space permits. Pictures should be sent directly to the NRHA office, 3000 NW 10th St., Oklahoma City, OK 73107-5302, attention: Carol Trimmer, Senior Director of Publications. Or you can email photos to Carol at ctrimmer@nrha.com. They should be 300 dpi with the shortest side measuring at least 4 inches. Identify all people and horses in photos with complete captions, including names from left to right. Explain what is going on in the photo.

There is no charge to affiliates to participate in this section of the magazine. No remuneration is paid to the writer by NRHA, however bylines are included.

Deadline: Five to six weeks prior to publication. If something is received by January 15, it will be in the March magazine. If something is received by February 15, it will be in the April magazine and so on.

Interested in hosting a Judges Applicant Seminar in your area:

NRHA Membership Education & Judges Applicant Seminar

- Lodging for Clinician(s)
- Meeting room rental
Meeting Room Size – handle 50 attendees seated at tables
- *Audio Visual equipment rental:*
Television(s) or projector & screen- depending on room size and arrangement, you may need one in front and others down the sides
- *DVD Player and cables to “connect all” if more than one TV is used.*
 - Easel
 - Flip chart
 - Markers
- If there is a college/university in your area, they may donate the meeting space and video equipment in exchange for allowing college students to attend the seminar at no charge (does not include testing).
- Refreshments at your discretion
- It is the responsibility of the host to guarantee a minimum attendance of at least 25 attendees or make up the difference in cost.
- NRHA charges \$50 per attendee for seminar and \$100 additional if they choose to test and meet membership qualifications.
- NRHA allows the host of the seminar to charge up to \$25 for a hosting fee in addition to the NRHA fees. These fees are meant to help cover cost of hosting the seminar and the host must notify all registrants prior to the seminar.

NRHA Responsibilities

Clinician Travel Expenses

Clinician Wages

Seminar Teaching Materials

NRHA will send a shipment of tests, scorecards, Handbooks, Patterns books, membership forms, and registration materials prior to your seminar. If you will have more than 50 people in attendance, please contact NRHA at least 3 weeks prior to the seminar date so additional materials can be included.

Important Notes

All attendees who wish to test must be current NRHA members. Membership status should be verified by checking membership cards during registration.

Membership applications will be provided in the registration materials.



Membership Education & Judges Applicant Seminar Request Application

Name of entity/affiliate to hold the Seminar: _____

Contact Person: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email Address: _____

1st Date Choice: _____ 2nd Date Choice: _____ 3rd Date Choice: _____

NRHA will provide:

- The clinician and cover the clinician's fee and travel expenses.
- All seminar materials such as tests, videos, NRHA Handbooks and other promotional materials.

The seminar host will provide:

- Lodging for clinician(s).
- The seminar meeting room, flip chart/chalk board, refreshments, television(s) and video equipment.

Location of the Seminar:

Name of Facility: _____

Address of Facility: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Send Seminar Teaching Material To:

Name of Facility: _____

Address of Facility: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Please mail or fax to: NRHA, 3000 NW 10th St, Oklahoma City, OK 73107 or fax: 405-946-8425.

Attention: Michelle Wrigley

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Date Rec'd _____ Date of Seminar _____

Clinician _____ Date Teaching Materials Mailed _____

NRHA International Membership Education & Judges Applicant Seminar

- Lodging for Clinician(s)
- Airfare for Clinician(s)
- Meeting room rental
Meeting Room Size – handle 50 attendees seated at tables

- *Audio Visual equipment rental:*
- *Television(s) or projector & screen- depending on room size and arrangement, you may need one in front and others down the sides*
DVD Player and cables to “connect all” if more than one TV is used.

- *Easel* • *Flip chart* • *Markers*

- Refreshments at your discretion.
- It is the responsibility of the host to guarantee a minimum attendance of at least 25 attendees or make up the difference in cost.
- NRHA charges \$50 per attendee for seminar and \$100 additional if they choose to test and meet membership qualifications.
- NRHA allows the host of the seminar to charge up to \$25 for a hosting fee in addition to the NRHA fees. These fees are meant to help cover cost of hosting the seminar and the host must notify all registrants prior to the seminar.
- \$150 for judges holding a current NRHA Judges Card
\$300 for judges whose NRHA Judges Card has lapsed
- Submit a list of registered attendees to the NRHA office at least 10 days prior to the school for verification of eligibility and membership.
- If a list cannot be provided, verify membership and judges status during registration

NRHA Responsibilities

Clinician Wages

Seminar Teaching Materials

NRHA will send a shipment of tests, scorecards, Handbooks, Patterns books, membership forms, and registration materials prior to your seminar. If you will have more than 50 people in attendance, please contact NRHA at least 5 weeks prior to the seminar date so additional materials can be included.

Important Notes

All attendees who wish to test must be current NRHA members. Membership status should be verified by checking membership cards during registration.

Membership applications will be provided in the registration materials.



International Membership Education & Judges Applicant Seminar Request Application

Name of entity/affiliate to hold the Seminar: _____

Contact Person: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email Address: _____

1st Date Choice: _____ 2nd Date Choice: _____ 3rd Date Choice: _____

NRHA will provide:

- The clinician(s) and cover the clinician’s fee.
- All seminar materials such as tests, videos, NRHA Handbooks and other promotional materials

The school host will provide:

- Travel Expenses for the clinicians (2-3)
- Lodging for Clinicians.
- The seminar meeting room, flip chart/chalk board, refreshments, television (s) and video equipment.

Location of the Seminar:

Name of Facility: _____

Address of Facility: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Send Seminar Teaching Material To:

Name of Facility: _____

Address of Facility: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Please mail or fax to: NRHA, 3000 NW 10th St, Oklahoma City, OK 73107 or fax: 405-946-8425.

Attention: Michelle Wrigley

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

Date Rec'd _____ Date of Seminar _____

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Hosting Your NRHA Show

Want to begin hosting your own shows?

This is what you need to do:

- 1) Find a certified show secretary, you can check our website for a list of secretaries.**
- 2) Select a show manager/representative.**
- 3) Contract a facility.**
- 4) Select which classes you want to host and how much added money you are offering.**

Hint: Try to get sponsorships from local businesses, trainers, ranches, farms, etc.

- 5) Contract your NRHA judges, you can find a list on the website.**
- 6) Complete & submit a show approval application to NRHA.**
- 7) Wait for your show to be approved**

Hint: you can find out if your show is approved by checking the NRHA website or by calling the office.

- 8) Advertise your show in your local area.**
- 9) Get Ready, Set, GO!**

HAVE FUN & CREATE A SHOW THAT FITS YOUR AFFILIATE!

NRHA SHOW APPROVAL ADVANTAGES

NRHA is the governing body of the sport of Reining. The objectives of the Association as spelled out in the NRHA ByLaws are to promote the sport of reining, develop suitable and proper standards of competition and judging, and produce informational material about Reining. Standards of competition governed by an international body add credibility and prestige to a show. Seeking and receiving NRHA approval for Reining events provide many advantages.

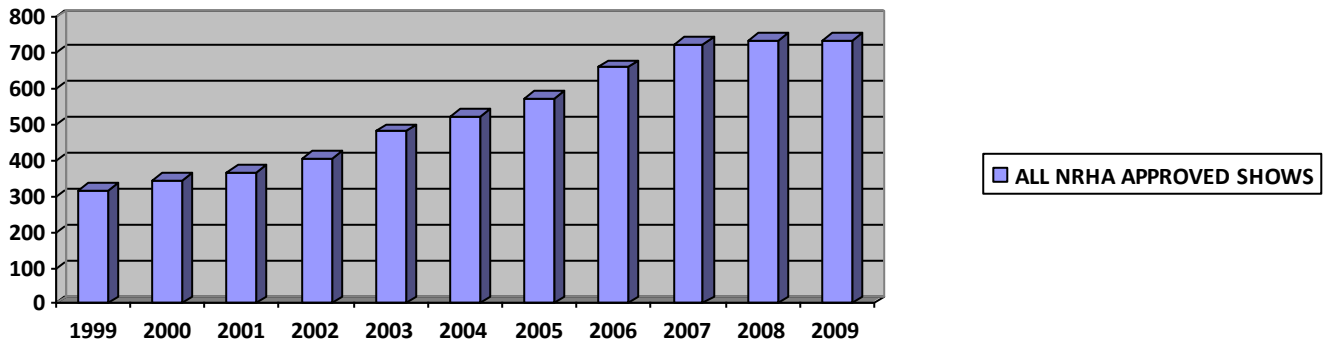
- NRHA maintains records of earnings for both horse and rider in all approved competition. Currently, NRHA records more than \$12 million per year from nearly 750 approved competitions. These earnings are accessible to NRHA members and the media for marketing purposes, advertising, and personal use.
- Approval guarantees exhibitors an expected standard of competition with clear rules of competition developed and set by a well-rounded, experienced Board of Directors representing many aspects of the horse industry.
- Approved Shows have access to NRHA approved judges. Non NRHA approved shows are not allowed to use NRHA judges. These judges have been schooled and tested to use all rules properly in the judging of reining. Any time Show Management expresses dissatisfaction, approval allows for a review by the NRHA judges Committee via the show representative's report.
- The coveted NRHA trophies are awarded only at approved events providing show management with prestigious awards easily identified in the industry.
- With NRHA approval comes participation in the following NRHA Awards Programs:
 - **World Championships**
 - **Certificates of Achievement**
 - **Youth Incentive Awards**
- Approved shows are listed in the NRHA's official publication, the *NRHA Reiner*, as well as being posted on the NRHA web site (nrha.com), in order for every NRHA member to be informed about upcoming events. The affiliate sections of the magazine allow for further recognition of winners and promotion of upcoming approved shows.
- Using the well-developed NRHA payback system, paybacks are verified to allow fair competition for all exhibitors.
- Show Management has access to the NRHA office and staff for support in rule interpretations, possible problems that arise, and handling protests.
- Approval avoids conflicting dates, which may hurt or dilute competition.

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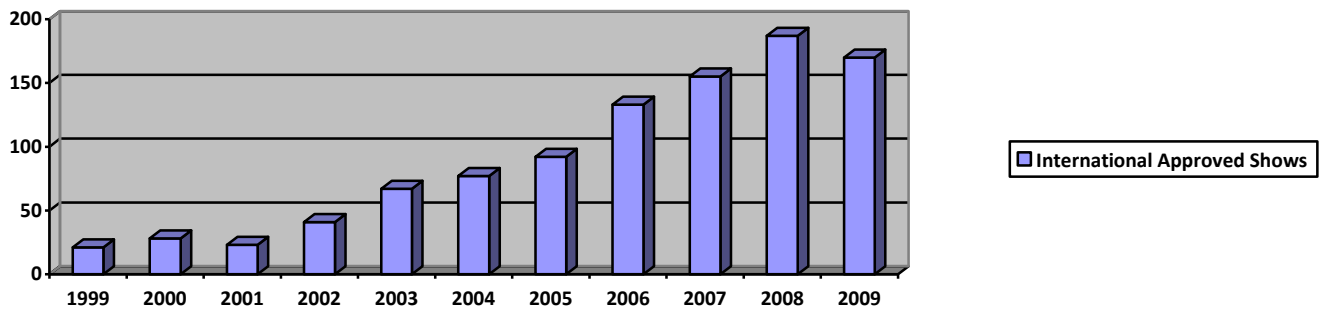
- ▣ Event – the entire show, from finish to end
- ▣ Slate – a group of classes
- ▣ Class – a group of exhibitors
- ▣ Categories (classes) – grouping of classes used to figure NRHA eligibility
- ▣ Ancillary – includes Top Ten classes
- ▣ Top Ten – used to determine World Champions
- ▣ Aged Show – restricted by the horse’s age only (Futurity – 3 yr old, Derby 4, 5 & 6 yr old, Maturity)
- ▣ Closed Aged Show – restricted by the horse’s age and another factor (i.e. Breeder’s program enrollment)
- ▣ Breed Restricted Show – restricted by the breed of horse only.
- ▣ Entry Level Show- Category 10 classes, Ride, Slide, Green
- ▣ Affiliate- An organization owner or controlled in whole or in part by NRHA
- ▣ Affiliate Circuit Show- Show hosted by an affiliate that will count towards qualifying points
- ▣ Affiliate Entry-Level Classes- classes that may be hosted by an Affiliate but are not NRHA Approved

SHOW STATISTICS

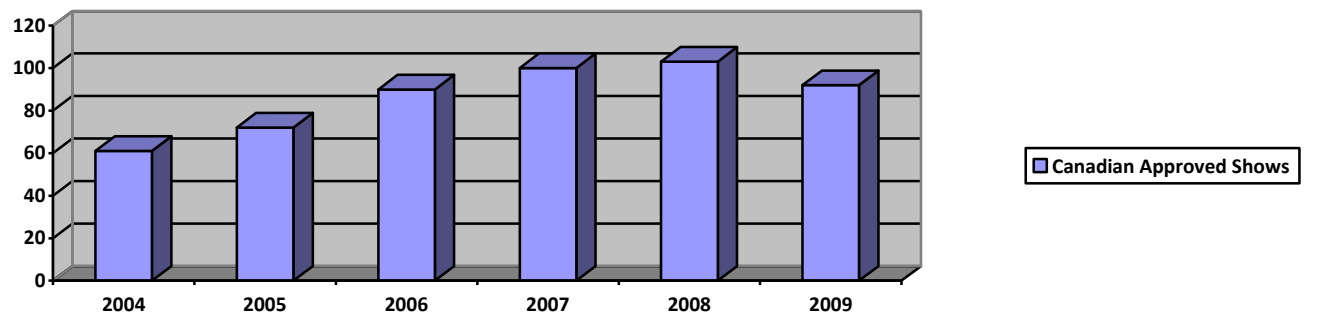
NRHA APPROVED SHOWS:



INTERNATIONAL APPROVED SHOWS:



CANADIAN APPROVED SHOWS:





International Governing Body of the Sport of Reining

NRHA SHOW APPROVAL FORM

***PLEASE RETURN TO NRHA OFFICE with the EVENT SUMMARY APPROVAL BOOK ***

NAME OF SHOW _____

Affiliate Circuit Show? Yes No
 *only mark this box if it is a regional qualifying show

List only judges that are judging this slate of classes:

AFFILIATE HOST _____

JUDGE 1 _____ NRHA # _____

JUDGE 2 _____ NRHA # _____

SHOW DATE(S) _____

JUDGE 3 _____ NRHA # _____

STARTING TIME _____

JUDGE 4 _____ NRHA # _____

ENTRY CLOSING DATE _____

JUDGE 5 _____ NRHA # _____

SHOW RETAINAGE _____ %

Signature: _____

NRHA CLASS #	CLASS NAME	ENTRY FEE	ADDED \$ OR JACKPOT	JUDGES FEE	PATTERN	TROPHY FEE
		Total Added Money	\$		Total Trophy Fee	\$
MORE INFORMATION ON BACK						

For Aged Show and Closed Aged Shows ONLY:

Which payback schedule will be used? Payback schedule A Payback schedule B

Other *if "other" is selected, you must submit your schedule with approval forms.

Please select one of the following:

Horses are to be shown one handed

The following options are deviations from NRHA rules and are subject to approval:

Horses are to be shown one handed or may show two handed in snaffle bit or hackamore.

Horses may be shown one or two handed in any legal bridle.

Junior horses _____(age) & under may show two handed in snaffle bit or hackamore.
(for Breed Restricted show only)

Please list restrictions for Closed Aged Show or Breed Restricted show:

BRIEF description of any other information (i.e. stall reservations, health paper/coggins requirements, etc.) to be put in the NRHA Reiner.

What other classes are you also offering: (Green, AQHA, APHA, USEF, etc.)

Additional Information:

2010 NRHA APPROVED CLASSES

CATEGORY 1 (Top Ten classes)

1100 Open
1200 Intermediate Open
1301 Limited Open
1350 Rookie Professional
1400 Non Pro
1500 Intermediate Non Pro
1600 Limited Non Pro
1650 Prime Time Non Pro
1700 Novice Horse Open Level 1
1750 Novice Horse Open Level 2
1800 Novice Horse Non Pro Level 1
1850 Novice Horse Non Pro Level 2

CATEGORY 2 (Aged events)

2100 Level 4 Open – Aged Event
2200 Level 3 Open Intermediate Open –Aged Event
2300 Level 2 Open Limited Open – Aged Event
2325 Level 1 Open – Aged Event
2400 Level 4 Non Pro – Aged Event
2500 Level 3 Intermediate Non Pro – Aged Event
2600 Level 2 Limited Non Pro – Aged Event
2625 Level 1 Non Pro – Aged Event
2700 Youth Non Pro – Aged Event
2350 Prime Time Open-Aged Event
2650 Prime Time Non Pro - Aged Event
2900 SnaffleBit/Hackamore (3 YO) Open
2920 SnaffleBit/Hackamore (4 & U) Open
2930 SnaffleBit/Hackamore (5 & U) Open
2940 SnaffleBit/Hackamore (3 YO) Non Pro
2960 SnaffleBit/Hackamore (5 & U) Non Pro

CATEGORY 3 (Youth)

3100 Youth 13 & Under
3200 Youth 14-18
3300 Youth Rookie
3400 Unrestricted Youth
3500 10 & Under Short Stirrup

CATEGORY 4 (Ancillary restricted by breed)

4670 Open
4680 Junior Horse
4681 Senior Horse
4690 Non Pro
4691 Amateur
4692 Youth

CATEGORY 5

5901 Open Gelding-Ancillary
5910 Limited Open Gelding-Ancillary
5920 Non Pro Gelding-Ancillary
5930 Limited Non Pro Gelding-Ancillary
5940 Novice Horse Open Gelding-Ancillary
5950 Novice Horse Non Pro Gelding-Ancillary
5110 Prime Time Open
5120 Prime Time Intermediate Open
5130 Prime Time Limited Open
5170 Prime Time Novice Horse Open
5300 Rookie Level 1
5310 Rookie Level 2
5301 Prime Time Rookie
5750 Intermediate Horse Open
5850 Intermediate Horse Non Pro

CATEGORY 6 (Restricted Aged events by breed or gender)

6210 Level 4 Open -Closed Aged Event
6220 Level 3 Intermediate Open - Closed Aged Event
6230 Level 2 Limited Open - Closed Aged Event
6231 Level 1 Open – Closed Aged Event
6240 Level 4 Non Pro - Closed Aged Event
6250 Level 3 Intermediate Non Pro - Closed Aged Event
6260 Level 2 Limited Non Pro - Closed Aged Event
6261 Level 1 Non Pro – Closed Aged Event
6235 Prime Time Open-Closed Aged Event
6265 Prime Time Non Pro - Closed Aged Event
6236 Open Gelding-Aged Event
6266 Non Pro Gelding-Aged Event
6237 Open Mare – Aged Event
6267 Non Pro Mare – Aged Event

CATEGORY 9 (Freestyle classes)

9100 Freestyle Open
9200 Freestyle Non Pro
9300 Freestyle Invitational

CATEGORY 10 (Entry-level)

10001 GREEN REINER LEVEL 2
10002 GREEN REINER LEVEL 1
10100 RIDE OPEN
10101 RIDE NON PRO
10102 RIDE YOUTH
10200 SLIDE OPEN
10201 SLIDE NON PRO
10202 SLIDE YOUTH

Please see the eligibility requirement for classes NRHA offers to better suit your members. These can also guide you in helping select the classes you wish to host.

2010 NRHA Eligibility requirements

Ancillary Requirements:

- ☐ **Open** – open to any rider with a valid NRHA membership card
- ☐ **Intermediate Open** – open to any rider with a valid NRHA membership card and who has not earned more than \$25,000 in all categories except 3, 7 & 9 over the previous three years.
- ☐ **Limited Open** – open to any rider with a valid NRHA membership card and who has not earned more than \$10,000 in lifetime earnings in all categories except 3, 7 & 9.
- ☐ **Rookie Professional** – open to any rider with a valid NRHA membership card who is not a Non Pro, Youth or Youth Non Pro member and who has not earned more than \$5,000 in lifetime earnings in all categories.
- ☐ **Novice Horse Open Level 1** – open to any horse that has not earned over \$5,000 in lifetime earnings in all categories except 3, 7 & 9.
- ☐ **Novice Horse Open Level 2** – open to any horse that has not earned over \$25,000 in lifetime earnings in all categories except 3, 7 & 9.
- ☐ **Non Pro** – open to any rider who has a valid NRHA Non Pro membership
- ☐ **Intermediate Non Pro** – open to any rider who has a valid NRHA Non Pro membership and who has not earned over \$15,000 in all categories except 3, 7 & 9 over the three previous years.
- ☐ **Limited Non Pro** – open to any rider who has a valid NRHA Non Pro membership and who has not earned over \$4500 in all categories except 3, 7 & 9 over the three previous calendar years.
- ☐ **Prime Time Non Pro** – open to any rider who has a valid NRHA Non Pro membership and is over 50 years of age. Age can be verified by their date of birth on their membership card.
- ☐ **Novice Horse Non Pro Level 1** – open to any horse who has not earned over \$5000 in lifetime earnings in all categories except 3, 7 & 9. Rider must also have Non Pro status.
- ☐ **Novice Horse Non Pro Level 2** – open to any horse who has not earned over \$25,000 in lifetime earnings in all categories except 3, 7 & 9. Rider must also have Non Pro status.
- ☐ **Intermediate Horse** - open to any horse who has not earned over \$50,000 in lifetime earnings in all categories except 3, 7 & 9. Rider must also have Non Pro status.
- ☐ **Rookie Level 1** – open to any Non Pro rider who has earned less than \$200 in lifetime earnings in all categories and has earned less than 50 youth points (excluding points earned in 10 & Under Short Stirrup)
- ☐ **Rookie Level 2** – open to any Non Pro rider who has earned less than \$500 in lifetime earnings in all categories and has earned less than 100 youth points (excluding points earned in 10 & Under Short Stirrup)

Aged-Event Requirements

- ☐ **Level 4 Open-** Any ride holding a valid NRHA card may show in this division.
- ☐ **Level 3 (Intermediate) Open** – open to any rider who is not in the top 40 money earners in open classes based on earnings in category 2 and 6 for the previous three calendar years. Also those Non Pro riders that are in the top 25 based on total earnings in category 2 and 6 events for the previous three calendar years are not eligible.

- ☐ **Level 2 (Limited) Open** - open to any rider who is not in the top 140 money earners in open classes based on earnings in category 2 and 6 for the previous three calendar years. Also those Non Pro riders that are in the top 50 based on total earnings in category 2 and 6 events for the previous three calendar years are not eligible.
- ☐ **Level 1 Open** – open to any rider who has earned less than \$50,000 in lifetime NRHA earnings in all categories.
- ☐ **Prime Time Open**- Any rider holding a valid NRHA card who is 50 or older as of January 1 of the NRHA year.
- ☐ **Level 4 Non Pro**-Restricted to Non Professional riders.
- ☐ **Level 3 (Intermediate) Non Pro** – open to any rider who is not in the top 25 money earners based on total earnings in categories 2 and 6 over the previous three calendar years.
- ☐ **Level 2 (Limited) Non Pro** – open to any rider who is not in the top 125 money earners in Non Pro classes based on Non Pro earnings in Category 2 and 6 over the previous three calendar years.
- ☐ **Level 1 Non Pro** – open to any Non Pro rider who has earned less than \$25,000 in lifetime NRHA earnings in all categories.
- ☐ **Prime Time Non Pro**- Any rider holding a valid NRHA card who is 50 or older as of January 1 of the NRHA year.

2010 Entry-Level Requirements

- **ENTRY LEVEL SLIDE OPEN** –less than \$500 in NRHA lifetime earnings, all categories and less than 50 lifetime Youth points.
- **ENTRY LEVEL SLIDE NON PRO** –less than \$500 or less in NRHA lifetime earnings, all categories and less than 50 lifetime Youth points. Rider may use a horse without the restrictions of ownership as defined under the Non Pro Conditions.
- **ENTRY LEVEL SLIDE YOUTH**- less than \$500 or less in NRHA lifetime earnings, all categories and less than 50 lifetime Youth points. Rider may use a horse without the restrictions of ownership as defined under the Youth Conditions.
- **ENTRY LEVEL RIDE OPEN** –\$0 (zero) in NRHA lifetime earnings, all categories except Category 10 and zero lifetime Youth points.
- **ENTRY LEVEL RIDE NON PRO** –\$0 (zero) in NRHA lifetime earnings, all categories except Category 10 and zero lifetime Youth points. Rider may use a horse without the restrictions of ownership as defined under the Non Pro Conditions.
- **ENTRY LEVEL RIDE YOUTH** –\$0 (zero) in NRHA lifetime earnings, all categories except Category 10 and zero lifetime Youth points. Rider may use a horse without the restrictions of ownership as defined under the Youth Conditions.
- **GREEN REINER LEVEL 1** – Open to any rider holding a valid NRHA Associate card and has less than \$100 in NRHA lifetime earnings, all categories, has less than twenty five (25) lifetime Youth points and less than fifty (50) Green points.
- **GREEN REINER LEVEL 2** – Open to any rider holding a valid NRHA Associate card and has less than \$100 in NRHA lifetime earnings, all categories, has less than twenty five (25) lifetime Youth points and less than 100 Green points.

NRHA Proudly Announces the Addition of our Buckle Program:

NRHA/Montana Silversmiths Buckle Program

Buckles can be ordered for, but not limited to, weekend shows, aged events, affiliate qualifier shows and year end awards. Stock buckles receive a 40% discount from the price listed in the catalog. The engraving is a \$1.24 per letter, but there is also a 40% discount off the total lettering per buckle. Custom spurs can also be made to order for \$175.

STOCK BUCKLE ORDERS FROM THE CATALOG

The customer picks out the buckle or buckles from the Montana Silversmiths Trophy Award catalog and places the order with NRHA representative, Lauralee Flamm, at lflamm@nrha.com or at 405-946-7400 ext. 125. The customer will need to provide the information that is needed on each ribbon for the buckle(s). If you are not exactly sure how to arrange the wording on the ribbons of the buckle, Lauralee will work the verbiage out and email the customer for approval. **Please allow eight weeks from the order date to the date that the buckles are needed in hand.**

CUSTOM BUCKLE ORDERS

If you chose to have a custom buckle designed, you must contact Callie Freeman, cfreeman@MontanaSilversmiths.com with Montana Silversmiths directly. She will get all the information from you on what your buckle needs to consist of verbiage, figures, etc, and what your budget is. After she gets a design sketched out, she will email it to you for approval. To stay on schedule, you must approve or make changes to the design within 24 hours of receiving it from Callie. Once you approve it, Callie will inform NRHA of the the custom buckle and give me your contact information so that NRHA can contact the customer for the class names and how many buckles will be needed. Then NRHA will give the order a purchase order number and return the order to Montana Silversmiths. Within 24 hours, NRHA will be emailed an acknowledgement of the order and will then forward the acknowledgement on to the customer for proofing and for payment. Again, NRHA will need approval from the customer within 24 hours of my email and how payment will be made before proceeding with production of the buckle order. **Please allow ten weeks from the order date to the date that the buckle(s) are needed in hand.**

If payment is to be made by check, the check is to be made out to NRHA and sent to the NRHA office to my attention.

If the order is being shipped within the United States, it will be shipped directly from Montana Silversmiths. If the order will be shipped outside of the United States, Montana Silversmiths will ship the order to me at the NRHA office and NRHA will ship it out the same day via UPS.

Most of the interaction between Montana Silversmiths, NRHA and the customer is done primarily by email, for approval purposes, so please use an email address that is checked often.

Buckle Examples



MONTANA SILVERSMITHS CUSTOM SPURS

NRHA shows may also order custom spurs. However, the spurs cannot hold as much information. There are only two lines of text that can be put on the spurs along with a figure, like the reining horse, and the year. The first line of text can hold up to 16 characters including spaces. The second line of text can hold up to 12 characters including spaces. These spurs are \$175 and are not discounted. They come in three color choices, rust, blue and silver plated black. There are also three shank sizes to choose from, 1", 1 ½" and 1 ¾". Please contact Callie Freeman, cfreeman@MontanaSilversmiths.com with Montana Silversmiths for these orders.



NRHyA

Dear Youth Club Coordinator,

Congratulations on having been chosen for a very important task, helping guide the future of Reining through its youth. This manual will help you get started or give you new ideas on how to best utilize all the tools the National Reining Horse Association (NRHA) has to promote your youth and keep the reining horse industry thriving for years to come.

Please read this manual to learn about guidelines you can follow on an affiliate-club level, which impacts the sport of Reining locally, regionally, nationally and internationally. It will provide you with tools to make your job easier with information about the National Reining Horse Youth Association (NRHyA).

Lastly, please provide feedback or submit additions, as this will serve as a guide for new advisors for years to come. Thank you for supporting the future of Reining.

OUR MISSION:

To provide a character and leadership building program that will enable youth to become the future leaders of the reining horse industry.

- The National Reining Horse Youth Association (NRHyA) offers young reiners of all ages and experience levels the opportunities they need to get started in the sport of Reining.
- Since 2001, young reiners in the NRHyA have benefited from their membership through college scholarships, learning experiences, life-long friendships and a whole lot of FUN along the way.
- NRHyA fosters leadership qualities and provides our young members with a roadmap for success as they pursue their future career plans.

All Youth Coordinators should possess these qualities.

1. Patience
2. Time
3. A love of Reining
4. A love for kids
5. Commitment
6. Knowledge
7. Passion
8. Understanding

If you truly want to make a difference in a young rider's experience, play a role in the future of Reining and serve as a positive influence, you will be an excellent youth advisor.

This manual will be a useful tool for you; it will serve as a comprehensive resource for ideas, programs and contacts.

The youth we influence today will lead our industry tomorrow. They will become industry trainers, performers, breeders and supporters.

DELEGATE INFO:

Early on NRHA established an Officer and Delegate program to allow NRHyA members the opportunity to learn valuable character building skills that would allow them to be successful leaders later on in life.

The first step for NRHyA members to become leaders is the Regional Delegate program where members have the opportunity to run for a Delegate position at their Regional Affiliate Finals or European, Australian, Mexico Affiliate Championships.

This is their chance to be ambassadors for the NRHA and NRHyA in their region and help grow the sport of reining locally with other youth who are interested in NRHyA.

Delegates will work closely with the NRHyA Executive Committee which is comprised of five officers. They will be the first to know about youth activities at the Derby, Futurity and Convention.

Their voice will be heard as they participate on scheduled conference calls. Also, there will be times where they will be asked to review certain items and be required to give their opinions on certain programs.

Also the Delegate program serves as a stepping stone for NRHyA members to prepare them for the ability to run for a National Officer position.

Below is an example of the agreement form to become a Delegate. Voting will take place at the Regional Affiliate Final.



Regional Delegate Responsibility Agreement Form

Effective for the 2010 year, I _____ agree to the following requirements as an NRHyA Regional Delegate.

1. I have signed the Agreement for Participation in NRHyA Activities. ____
2. I have signed and will follow the NRHyA Event Clothing Guidelines. ____
3. I have provided my contact information and a biography of myself for the NRHyA website.

4. I commit to becoming an active member of the NRHyA Varsity Reining Club. _____
4. I commit to participating in the annual fund-raisers to help raise money for the NRHyA. ____
5. I agree to participate in the Delegate Conference calls, to be held quarterly. ____
6. I agree to submit articles about the youth in my region to be posted on www.nrhya.com.

7. I commit to hosting youth meetings and/ or activities to help further develop and strengthen the NRHA youth programs. ____

Name	
Address	
Phone	
Cell Phone	
E-Mail	
Affiliate	
Region	
Parents Name	
Phone	
Cell Phone	

Signature of NRHyA Member: _____ Date: _____

Signature of Parent or Guardian: _____ Date: _____

Delegate Bio Information:

Name	
Address	
Phone	
Email	
Affiliate & Region	
Age	
Grade	
Years Reining	
Other Disciplines / Hobbies	
NRHA Awards	
Awards / Accomplishment outside of NRHA	
Talents/Interests & Extra- curricular Activities	

If a youth member is interested in running this information must be filled out with the correct information. This will serve as contact information if chosen as a Delegate.

NATIONAL OFFICER INFO:



To serve as a National Officer is a major accomplishment. Not only has the youth member been honored by their peers to represent them on such a high level; but by serving as a National Officer those elite individuals begin developing a networking opportunity that will last a lifetime.

Each Officer will have their travel and rooms reimbursed to the NRHA Futurity and Derby. An independent account set aside for Youth Officer “activities” will allow Officers who are not already showing or attending these events for other purposes, the opportunity to participate and promote NRHyA.

Officers will work in conjunction with the NRHA and NRHyA Youth Committee to help develop new programs, plan entertainment and educational activities as well as develop volunteer and fundraising programs.

**Voting takes place at the NRHA Futurity and candidates MUST
be Delegates in order to run.**

National Officer Responsibilities

1. Must become an active member of the NRHyA Varsity Reining Club.
2. Must commit to participating in the annual fund-raisers to help raise money for the NRHyA.
3. Must agree to participate in the Officer Conference calls.
4. Must agree to submit a minimum of six articles about the youth in your region to be posted on nrhya.com.
5. Must commit to hosting a minimum of six youth meetings and/or activities internationally to help further promote, develop and strengthen the youth programs on an international level.
6. Must agree to participate in the following activities; NRHA Futurity and Derby.
7. Most importantly a National Youth Officer must understand it is their responsibility to promote the sport of reining among youth on an International level and will commit to educate peers on all the benefits of being a member.

YTT – if chosen to host an RAF these are the guidelines for the NRHyA YTT

2010 NRHYA Youth Team Tournament Terms & Conditions

General

- The NRHA Youth Team Tournament (YTT) Scholarship Reining will be held at the NRHA regional NRHA Affiliate Finals & Championship Shows.
- This contest should be added to any and all show promotion. The team draw time should also be posted and participants should be entered before teams are drawn. This is not mandatory, but will help in the overall process.
- Riders must be members of NRHA, and participating horses must have NRHA competition licenses.
- Definition of Youth. A youth competitor shall be defined as stated in the current *NRHA Handbook*.
- NRHA ownership rules will apply. (*NRHA Handbook*, Youth Show Rules and Regulations, A, 4.)
- Note: NCAA rules may prohibit collegiate youth from accepting awards. Show Secretary should provide a box on entry form that will notify NRHA Rep, Regional Youth Rep or Show Secretary **that these individuals cannot compete in Youth Team Tournament or accept prizes.**

Team Selection

- Any state, regional, national breed association or group can send members to participate in the YTT (examples: breed associations, NRHA affiliates, individual stables or farms, and/or service organizations).
- Eligible youth classes to draw from are as follows:
 - Youth 13 & Under
 - Youth 14 to 18
 - Youth Rookie (18 & Under) *exemption from NRHA rider/ownership rules.
- Not eligible youth classes:
 - Youth 10 & Under (Short Stirrup)
 - Unrestricted youth
- Each team will consist of three (3) members, at least one of which shall meet qualifications of 13 and under youth competition. If there are no 13 and under competing, teams will consist only of 14-18 competitors, vice versa if there are no 14-18 competitors. Exhibitors are allowed to compete in the tournament on only one horse.
- If all 13 and under competitors in the class have been exhausted to create a team, all 13 and under competitor's names will be put in a hat and a competitor's name will be drawn to complete a team without a 13 and under competitor. In the event two riders are needed to complete a team, the same process will be used to select the 14-18 competitors.
- The NRHA Rep or Regional Youth Rep will randomly select the teams prior to the youth classes at the competition. Team members will not be required to be qualified for the Regional Affiliate Finals but must be entered in either age division of the youth classes and or affiliate finals youth classes. Each team will be required to have a name to promote team spirit.

- All youth riders are to be placed on teams, even late entries. Teams that have been formed, posted, or announced should not be changed. No rider should be deleted from a team unless that rider removes herself or himself voluntarily. Additional teams may be added to accommodate late entries until the beginning of the class and before the first youth rider enters the show pen. This may be done by using a random draw, just as it is done at the original draw for teams, to complete the team. The addition of new teams must be announced by the announcer prior to the first rider and the team members read aloud.
- The new teams should be added to the posted teams as soon as they are formed.

Scoring and Placing

- Judging will be done according to the current *NRHA Handbook*.
- The total score of all three team members will comprise the team score. The team tournament reining will run concurrently with the NRHA youth reining classes allowing exhibitors to enter and participate in both. The Top 10 teams will be placed.
- Any ties for teams placing first through third will be broken by using the scores of the highest scoring team members. If the tie remains, the next highest scores will be used. If the tie cannot be broken in this manner, a coin toss will determine the winner.

Scholarships

- Scholarship awards will total \$1,800 per tournament and will be allocated as follows:
- \$1,200 to the highest-placing team to be divided equally among team members.
- \$600 to the second-place team to be divided equally among team members.
- Continuing education opportunities and benefits in countries outside of North America will be addressed on an individual basis.

Awards

- The first place team will receive Youth Team Tournament Championship buckles.
- First through tenth place teams will receive YTT medals according to their placing.
- Scholarships will be awarded to the first and second place teams.

VARSITY REINING CLUB:

Varsity Reining Club (VRC) – The VRC is an online program that rewards NRHyA members for their accomplishments outside the show pen.

Youth members are awarded points separate from their NRHA Show points. VRC points can be earned by doing any combination of projects. These points can be redeemed for prizes ranging from T-shirts to free stalls and admission to the NRHA Futurity and Derby. The VRC participant will accumulate a spending total that will go back to zero with each purchase while a cumulative total will be kept for year-end scholarship prizes.

Five scholarships will be awarded in both the Varsity and Junior Varsity to those who have worked the hardest and submitted the most points all year. These scholarships will be presented at the NRHA Convention & Awards Banquet.

The mission:

- VRC's main goal is to promote teamwork and volunteering, while allowing NRHyA members the opportunity to be more creative and artistic. In addition to the youth members interacting with one another and participating in the program, we also want to provide life skills that will help them grow and mature. Stressing the importance of community service, being an active member in a group and learning to work with others, public speaking, written communications skills and creativity are all important skills that can be further developed by participating in this program.

The Program:

- VRC contains two levels 14-18 Varsity and Junior Varsity 13 and under. VRC members select various activities and are then awarded points based on the value of the activity and each level accomplished.
- Each activity lists specific guidelines, provides examples and the specific amount of points awarded for completing that activity. Some activities are restricted in the amount of items the members are allowed to submit. All items must be submitted within 30 days of completion, credit will not be given for items submitted after 30 days.
- The points are tracked through a database. As a youth registers for the program, they submit their name, member number, email address, phone, age and address. From that point on, when they submit activity forms, the points will be added and a total will be kept.
- VRC is designed to allow members to update activities any time and any place. The youth are responsible for submitting a completed form to receive points for their efforts. The forms will be unique to each activity and contain information the member must provide in order to be given credit for their work. All submissions must be posted online.

Parents play a key role in the success of this program. Activities are submitted based on the honor system and we ask the parents to be accountable for the youth's actions and activities. At the bottom of each form, a parent is required to enter his or her NRHA member I.D. or post an electronic signature to the form.

SCHOLARSHIPS:

Over \$40,000 Youth Scholarships Awarded Annually

We are proud to award our most qualified NRHyA members annually with college scholarships to help with their future education.

RHSF – The Reining Horse Sports Foundation (RHSF) is the foundation arm of NRHA; a non-profit organization that is dedicated to promoting the education of our youth members. It offers \$10,500 in scholarships to be split among seven annual scholarships to individuals based on financial need, academic achievement, career choice and both NRHA and NRHyA involvement. * This scholarship may be subject to change. Go to www.nrhya.com for updated information, applications and deadlines.

Youth Team Tournament – NRHyA members can also participate in the Youth Team Tournaments that are held at each NRHA Regional Affiliate Finals and NRHA Affiliate Championships (currently Europe, Australia, and Mexico). The NRHA awards over \$23,400 annually in scholarship opportunities and other prizes.

NRHyA's Paul Horn Memorial Scholarship – The NRHA awards the \$500 Paul Horn Memorial Scholarship, funded by Mitch and Sylvia Zuckerman and Bill and Kim Horn, then adds the winners name to the Paul Horn trophy, which is displayed at the NRHA office. The perpetual trophy is awarded at the NRHA Futurity & Adequan[®] North American Affiliate Championship Show to the highest scoring youth in either the 13 & under or 14-18 class. The award is dedicated to excellence in the reining horse industry as exemplified by the late Paul Horn, an NRHA Hall of Fame member and past Futurity Champion.

John McQuay Memorial Scholarship – The NRHyA awards a \$250 John McQuay Memorial Scholarship to the highest scoring youth in the combined Youth 13 & Under and Youth 14-18 classes at the NRHA Derby. This scholarship is awarded in memory of John McQuay, the father of NRHA Two Million Dollar Rider, Million Dollar Owner and Hall of Fame member Tim McQuay.

Varsity Reining Club Scholarship – The VRC program awards \$5,000 to top Varsity and Junior Varsity members.

NCAA/IHSA

As the sport of Reining has continued to grow so has our sister programs that support our sport. Collegiate programs such as NCAA Varsity Equestrian and the Intercollegiate Horse Show Association (IHSA) offers Reining programs and scholarships to young athletes. NRHA is a proud sponsor of both programs and their National Championships.

IHSA has no restrictions on their riders or their winnings and functions more like a club with programs in over 300 schools.

NCAA or Varsity Equestrian functions under a different set of rules that closely monitors participant's winnings and amateur status.

Information from the Varsity Equestrian Program

- You may have already experienced a situation where in an individual earned prize money that she was not allowed to accept according to NCAA amateurism rules. Varsity Equestrian has been working to provide an option for you to make use of these unclaimed funds. In an effort to help student-athletes avoid an NCAA rule violation, please review the attached NCAA guidelines regarding amateurism rules and prize money.
- An NCAA violation occurs if and when a student-athlete (SA) riding in an event qualifies for prize money which she or her representative (parent, trainer or horse owner) accepts or assigns to another beneficiary (even a charity).
- Varsity Equestrian would like to offer you this opportunity to promote your entity or company by becoming a sponsor of the Varsity Equestrian National Championships (VENC) and thereby utilizing these unclaimed funds. Upon receipt of this money, Varsity Equestrian will establish an advertising account in your company's name, and you will be considered an official sponsor of the VENC, held annually in April. This money will go directly towards off-setting entry fees paid by the competing teams and could become a substantial amount depending on the number of varsity riders competing in your events. As your balance accumulates throughout the year your sponsorship level will also increase.
- Upon receipt of your check, you will be contacted by a representative of Varsity Equestrian to discuss your sponsorship level within the VENC. Being a sponsor of VENC will carry no extra costs or effort on your part, instead it will give you the benefits of whichever sponsorship level you reach with your company's contributions.

NOTE: These funds can also be kept by the show to support your youth awards for next year or donated to RHSF or NRHyA Programs. There are no rules stating where a show manager should designate these funds that are not recaptured by the NCAA Athlete.

In order to help identify student-athletes competing in your show, please consider adding a space on your entry form asking competitors if they are an NCAA student-athlete.

Below are true NCAA rules

NCAA Rules:

12.1 - GENERAL REGULATIONS. *An individual must comply with the following to retain amateur status. (See Bylaw 14 regarding the eligibility restoration process.)*

12.1.2 - Amateur Status. *An individual loses amateur status and thus shall not be eligible for intercollegiate competition in a particular sport if the individual:*

- (a) Uses his or her athletics skill (directly or indirectly) for pay in any form in that sport;*
- (b) Accepts a promise of pay even if such pay is to be received following completion of intercollegiate athletics participation;*

12.1.2.1 - Prohibited Forms of Pay. *"Pay," as used in Bylaw 12.1.2 above, includes, but is not limited to, the following:*

12.1.2.1.4.1 - Cash or Equivalent Award. *Cash, or the equivalent thereof (e.g., trust fund), as an award for participation in competition at any time, even if such an award is permitted under the rules governing an amateur, noncollegiate event in which the individual is participating. An award or a cash prize that an individual could not receive under NCAA legislation may not be forwarded in the individual's name to a different individual or agency. (Revised: 4/25/02 effective 8/1/02)*

12.1.2.4.2 – Exception for Prize Money for Student-Athletes – Outside the Playing Season during the Summer Vacation Period.

In individual sports, a student-athlete may accept prize money based on his or her place finish or performance in an open event (an event that is not invitation only), provided the competition occurs outside the institution's declared playing and practice season, during the institution's summer vacation period. Such prize money may not exceed actual and necessary expenses and may be provided only by the sponsor of the open event. The calculation of actual and necessary expenses shall not include the expenses or fees of anyone other than the student-athlete (e.g., coach's fees or expenses, parent's expenses).

16.10.2.2 Prohibited Expenses. *A student-athlete may not accept money for expenses that are prohibited by the rules governing an amateur non-collegiate event in which the individual participates.*

16.10.2.5 Expenses Based on Place Finish. *Receipt of expenses is prohibited when the amount received is based on the individual's place finish achieved in the competition (e.g., tennis, golf, track and field).*

Name of Company: _____
(As you would like it to appear in the official sponsor listings of VENC)

Mailing Address: _____

Phone Number(s): _____

Email Address: _____

Amount enclosed: _____

Show Manager (or contact person):

Print name

Signature

Date

To donate to RHSF or NCAA contact:

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Attn: Brian Bendele Manager of RHSF & NRHyA Committee
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Oklahoma City, OK 73107
(405) 946-7400

Baylor Athletics Department
Nancy Post – Varsity Equestrian Sponsorship
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