

HUNTER/JUMPER & WESTERN PLEASURE

SHOW SERIES

APRIL 28 JUNE 16 JULY 28 AUGUST 18

HUNTER/JUMPER CLASSES

CROSSRAIL HUNTER

Open to any age rider on horses or ponies. Adults may ride ponies. Judged on performance, manners, soundness, and suitability. Fences may be cross rails, boxes, gates, etc. not to exceed 18". Simple changes will not be penalized. Any horse/rider combination entered in Crossrail Hunter may not cross enter into any divisions jumping higher than 2'.

PLEASURE HUNTER

Open to any age rider on horses or ponies. Adults may ride ponies. Judged on performance, manners, and soundness, with an emphasis on suitability. Riders may be asked to do an extended trot or hand gallop in the under saddle class. Martingales prohibited. Fences will be 2'.

LOW HUNTER - 2'

Open to any age rider on horses or ponies. Adults may ride ponies. Judged on performance, manners, soundness, and way of going. Fences will be 2'.

WORKING HUNTER - 2'6" OR 3'

Open to any age rider on horses or ponies. Adults may ride ponies. Judged on performance, manners, soundness, and way of going. Fences will be 2'6" OR 3'.

JUMPERS - 2'6" or 3'

Open to all horses/ponies and riders. Fences will be 2'6" or 3' rider's choice. In the first class all riders will jump the first round. Riders who go clear will remain in the ring for a timed jump off round. The second class will be a power and speed round. Riders who go clear in the "power" part of the course will continue to the timed "speed" section. While the jumpers are a speed division, unsafe and/or dangerous riding WILL NOT be tolerated. We are concerned about the safety of all riders and horses.

PLEASURE CLASSES

YOUTH ENGLISH PLEASURE

Open to riders ages 18 and under. Judged on manners, performance, and suitability. Martingales prohibited. To be ridden on a reasonably loose rein on command. Entries may be asked to back and halt.

ADULT ENGLISH PLEASURE

Open to riders ages 19 and older. Adults may ride ponies. Judged on manners, performance, and suitability. Martingales prohibited. To be ridden on a reasonably loose rein on command. Entries may be asked to back and halt.

LEADLINE (ENGLISH & WESTERN)

Open to children ages 8 and under. Judged 50% on child's hands & seat and 50% on the quietness & suitability of mount. May be asked to drop and pick up reins and stirrups. In the second class, riders will show off lead at the walk (with a side walker) and can be asked to go back on the lead and individually demonstrate a trot.

STARTER (ENGLISH & WESTERN)

Open to beginner riders of any age, English or Western. Adults may ride ponies. Judged 50% on hands, seat, and control of mount, and 50% on suitability and manners of horse/pony. In the second flat class the rider may be asked to halt and/or back up. Riders may not cross enter into any cantering classes.

IN-HAND (ENGLISH & WESTERN)

Open Showmanship: English or Western. Judged on the handler's ability to present the horse to the judge. The horse is not judged in this class except as it pertains to its response to the handler.

Open Halter: English or Western. Judged on the conformation (bone structure, musceling, and balance) of the horse.

PLEASURE CLASSES (cont.)

MINIATURE HORSE

Open to horses 38" and under. The division will consist of in-hand jumping class, mini trail class, and pleasure driving class; additionally, scores from Open Showmanship and Open Halter classes will count toward the championship ribbons. The mini classes will be judged on performance and way of going with emphasis on manners throughout the course. Entries will be evaluated on responsiveness and willingness, plus general attitude.

TRAIL (ENGLISH & WESTERN)

Classes will be held outside of the ring. No practice of the obstacles are permitted the day of the show. Class is judged on the horse's ability to navigate a series of obstacles that might be encountered on a trail ride or riding outside of a ring.

OPEN WESTERN HORSE (W/J)

Open to horses of any age. The Western All Day will be judged on the horse/rider team that exhibits a true, natural, smooth ride that one would want to ride "all day". Manners, calmness, obedience, and a smooth, consistent gait are paramount in the All Day Pleasure classes. The Western pleasure class the horse will be judged on quality of movement while staying quiet and calm, traveling on a loose rein. The Western Horsemanship class will be judged on the rider's position and performance. Will be required to complete a pattern ONLY, No rail work.

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Show Series Rules

- Year End Awards will be given to the top six horses in each division. Points are accumulated from the date the nomination fee is paid.
- Must compete in a minimum two shows to qualify for yearend awards.
 The same recorded rider/horse combination must show in the same division for the minimum of the 2 shows to qualify.
- 3. Champion and Reserve ribbons will be awarded for every division. Ties will be broken by points over fences or by the most difficult class.
- 4. Martingales are prohibited in flat classes.
- 5. Point scale will be as follows:
 - First—8, Second—6, Third—4, Fourth—3, Fifth—2, Sixth-1
- 6. Nomination is not required to compete in shows.

General WCHC Event Rules

- The Washington County Horse Council and its officers, volunteers and any other event staff are not responsible for any accident, damage, injury or loss that may occur to any person, animal or property at or in connection with any event.
- Proof of current negative Coggins required for all horses on the grounds, whether participating in the event or just on the grounds "for experience."
- All event participants must submit an entry form which includes a release
 of liability before participating. Participants under the age of 18 must have
 parent/legal guardian sign.
- 4. No alcoholic drinks allowed.
- 5. All decisions of the judge and event management are final.
- 6. Classes may be split, combined, added, or canceled at the discretion of event management. Similarly, management may cancel, ad, modify any event, or change any obstacle, course or pattern. Please see our website or Facebook page for any updates and changes.
- All mounted riders are required to wear ASTM/SEI riding helmet (properly secured at all times) and boots with a heel. Show attire is expected in all classes unless excused by the judge or management.
- No person is allowed in the ring, in the secretary's stand, or near the judge's/clinician's stand unless invited by the management or the judge.
- 9. Management or the judge (or clinician) may decline an entry (whether before or during the event) and otherwise excuse any rider, horse, trainer, or other attendee from the grounds at its discretion, whether for soundness, safety, discourtesy, or other reason. Participants and other attendees are notified that an act of discourtesy or disobedience or any harsh behavior (in management's or judge's or clinician's sole discretion) on the part of any owner, rider, trainer, or other attendee may be excused or disqualified, with entry or similar fees forfeited.
- Only stallions who have not reached their first birthday will be permitted at WCHC events. Such uncastrated colts are restricted to in-hand classes.
- 11. Well behaved, leased dogs are permitted; however, dogs may be excused from an event at management's sole discretion.
- 12. Cash and personal checks (with proper identification) are the only forms of payment accepted. Checks should be made payable to Washington County Horse Council. There is a \$25 fee for all returned checks. Management may refuse to accept a personal check for a previously unresolved issue.
- 13. Questions, comments and concerns should be brought to the attention of the event secretary.