

# TRI-STATE

Horsemen's Association



# 2023

# OPEN SHOW

*SERIES*

June<sup>2-4</sup> July<sup>14-16</sup> August<sup>11-13</sup>

Falls Creek Farm  
368 Bailey Rd, Sterling, CT

## - PRE-ENTRIES -

Pre-entries must be postmarked by the Friday prior to the show date.  
 Pre-entry Postmark Deadlines: May 26th, July 7th, & August 4th  
 All pre-entries must be submitted with payment.

### PAYMENT DETAILS/OPTIONS:

#### Checks payable to: TSHA

- Open Checks: Made out to TSHA & signed with no amount, are accepted.
- With Open Checks, you will be charged for fees and classes entered and not scratched.

#### Credit/Debit Cards accepted:

- Card must be presented to be swiped at show.
- Open checks will be returned upon presentation of credit/debit card for payment.

Return to:  
 Tri-State Open Show Entry  
 180 Paine Road  
 Pomfret Center, CT 06259

## - OPEN SHOW - OFFICE

Hours: 7:00 AM -  
 15 Minutes after  
 the last class is completed.

## - YEAR-END AWARDS -

Tri-State will award Open Show Division Year-End Awards and Superlative Awards at the 2023 Tri-State Horsemen's Association Banquet. Only TSHA members will be eligible for these awards. Superlatives will be based on a weighted point scale calculated as follows: one more point will be awarded than the official number of entries in the class for first place. Points will then descend in the following way through fourth place.

# of Entries	First	Second	Third	Fourth
15	16	14	13	12
5	6	4	3	2

Please be advised: All divisions will receive only one set of Year-End Awards, regardless of splits that may occur at any given show.

There will be no ride-offs or coin toss for ANY ties. Day-End Division ties will be broken by one of the following methods, as applicable, by the Show Manager:

- Barrel Time
- Most points over Fences
- Halter Class (*Breed Divisions*)
- Equitation/Horsemanship in other Divisions
- A tie-breaker class will be selected in Divisions without one of the above methods.
- No tie-breaks for Reserve Champion  
 - *Multiple Reserve Champions awarded as applicable.*

### OUTSTANDING OPEN SHOW EXHIBITOR:

TSHA member exhibitors may compete with any number of horses or ponies in any discipline. All Open Show classes count in determining this award.

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### OUTSTANDING OPEN SHOW HORSE<sup>OR</sup> PONY:

Multiple riders may show the horse. Only TSHA member exhibitors will qualify their classes for said horse. All Open Show classes count in determining this award,

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# TRI-STATE CLASS List

Friday Evening

## 6:00 PM

## RING 2 Indoor Arena

1. Mint Julep
2. Egg & Spoon Race
3. Noodle Race
4. Walk-Trot Arena Race
5. Open Pole Bending
6. Walk-Trot Keyhole Race
7. Open Keyhole Race
8. Walk-Trot 3-Barrel Race
9. Open 3-Barrel Race

**WARM-UP ETIQUETTE:** Please be courteous to other riders in the ring with you during warm-up times. Here are some helpful reminders:

- Leave ample time when calling "rail" or "line".
- Whenever possible, pass another horse left shoulder-to-left shoulder.
- When backing on the rail, remember to look behind you before doing so.
- Refer to Rule #42 regarding lunging of all horses in the warm-up area.

**ABOVE ALL...BE SAFE AND CONSIDERATE OF YOUR FELLOW COMPETITORS.**

## - OPEN SHOW COMMITTEE -

**CHAIR:** Maegen Manning

**MEMBERS:** Jennifer Braiden, Kathy Ross, Nancy Loomis, Jill Loomis, Melissa Lussen, Cynthia Lussier, Nicole Spence, Karol Bennet, Daniel & Jennifer Plouffe

## - TSHA Board of Directors -

**CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD:** Walter Comire

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# TRI-STATE CLASS List

## RING 1 Outdoor

Saturday Morning

**8:00 AM**

NOT TO START BEFORE

**\$5.00 /  
5 minutes /  
3 horses**

Warm-Up: 6:30 - 7:45 AM  
**No altering of courses is allowed.**

- 18. Open Crossrails Hunter over Fences 18"
- 19. Open Crossrails Equitation over Fences 18"
- 20. Open Crossrails Equitation under Saddle

Warm-Up: **2'0"**

- 21. Saturday Baby Green Hunter over Fences 2'0"
- 22. Saturday Baby Green Hunter over Fences 2'0"
- 23. Saturday Baby Green Hunter under Saddle
- 24. Novice Hunter over Fences 2'0"
- 25. Novice Hunter over Fences 2'0"
- 26. Novice Hunter under Saddle
- 27. Children's/Adult Amateur Hunter over Fences\*
- 28. Children's/Adult Amateur Hunter over Fences\*  
\*Small/medium ponies back-to-back trips at 2'0",  
then large ponies/horses back-to-back trips at 2'3".
- 29. Children's/Adult Amateur Hunter under Saddle

Warm-Up: **2'6"**

- 30. Children's/Adult Amateur Equitation over Fences 2'6"
- 31. Children's/Adult Amateur Equitation over Fences 2'6"
- 32. Children's/Adult Amateur Equitation under Saddle
- 33. Puddle Jumpers 2'0" Power & Speed

Saturday Afternoon

**3:00 PM**

NOT TO START BEFORE

Jumpers Set-up & Course Walk-Through

- 34. Puddle Jumpers 2'0" Timed First Round
- 35. Puddle Jumpers 2'0" Timed First Jump Off
- 36. Schooling Jumpers 2'6" Power & Speed
- 37. Schooling Jumpers 2'6" Timed First Round
- 38. Schooling Jumpers 2'6" Timed First Jump Off

## RING 2 Indoor

*Discipline Rail classes will be judged on the quality of execution of the commands given. The horse's willingness, responsiveness, and smoothness will be taken into consideration. Commands may include, but are not limited to, transitions, lateral movements, and extended gaits.*

- 39. Registered Stock-Type Halter
- 40. Saturday Lead-Line Suitability
- 41. Saturday Lead-Line Equitation
- 42. Saturday Lead-Line Pattern
- 43. Registered Saddle-Type Open Pleasure
- 44. Registered Stock-Type Open Pleasure
- 45. Registered Saddle-Type Open Equitation
- 46. Registered Stock-Type Discipline Rail
- 47. Registered Saddle-Type Open Road Hack
- 48. Saturday Adult Walk-Trot Pleasure
- 49. Open Western Pleasure
- 50. Saturday Adult Walk-Trot Equitation
- 51. Open Western Equitation
- 52. Saturday Adult Walk-Trot Discipline Rail
- 53. Open Western Discipline Rail
- 54. Saturday Walk-Trot 10 & Under Pleasure
- 55. Vintage Rider Open Pleasure
- 56. Saturday Walk-Trot 10 & Under Equitation
- 57. Vintage Rider Open Equitation
- 58. Saturday Walk-Trot 10 & Under Discipline Rail
- 59. Vintage Rider Open Discipline Rail
- 60. Saturday Beginner Walk-Trot-Canter Pleasure
- 61. Rookie Walk-Trot Pleasure
- 62. Saturday Beginner Walk-Trot-Canter Equitation
- 63. Rookie Walk-Trot Equitation
- 64. Saturday Beginner Walk-Trot-Canter Discipline Rail
- 65. Rookie Walk-Trot Discipline Rail
- 66. Pet Pony Pleasure
- 67. Saturday Open Adult Pleasure
- 68. Pet Pony Equitation
- 69. Saturday Open Adult Equitation
- 70. Pet Pony Discipline Rail
- 71. Saturday Open Adult Discipline Rail
- 72. Junior 15-17 Pleasure
- 73. Senior Horse Pleasure
- 74. Junior 15-17 Equitation
- 75. Senior Horse Equitation
- 76. Junior 15-17 Discipline Rail
- 77. Senior Horse Discipline Rail
- 78. Saturday Walk-Trot 11-17 Pleasure
- 79. Pre-Junior Pleasure
- 80. Saturday Open Green Horse Walk-Trot Pleasure
- 81. Saturday Walk-Trot 11-17 Equitation
- 82. Pre-Junior Equitation
- 83. Saturday Open Green Horse Walk-Trot Pleasure
- 84. Saturday Walk-Trot 11-17 Discipline Rail
- 85. Pre-Junior Discipline Rail
- 86. Saturday Open Green Horse Walk-Trot-Canter Pleasure
- 87. Mystery Open Class
- 88. Mystery Open Walk-Trot Class

# TRI-STATE CLASSICS

RING 2  
Indoor

Saturday Evening

6:00 PM

NOT TO START BEFORE

## 10 B-C Large Animal Clinic

### Non-Pro Walk-Trot Team Equitation Classic

This is a walk-trot classic open to all Walk-Trot exhibitors of any age in all disciplines. This is a two-rider class. One rider will ride the first way of the ring while the second rider remains in the middle of the ring. A change of rider will then take place in the ring, and the second rider will ride the second way of the ring. No communication, from inside or outside the ring, is allowed at any point during this class. Any communication will result in disqualification. The first rider will remain in the middle of the ring while the seconds rides. A maximum of two grooms may assist riders during the rider exchange. Awards will be given to both riders. Exhibitors must be a member of Tri-State.

## 11 Cornerstone Farm

### Open Pleasure Classic

A walk-trot-canter classic open to all exhibitors in all disciplines, except Walk-Trot riders. Open to horses and ponies. Exhibitors must be a member of Tri-State.

## 12 Checker Board Stables

### Walk-Trot Open Pleasure Classic

A walk-trot only classic open to horses or ponies and riders of any age, who have never competed in any class at any show requiring a canter. Green horses are not eligible to be ridden in this classic. Exhibitors must be a member of Tri-State.

## 13 Sunny-Croft Equestrian Center

### Non-Pro Team Open Pleasure Classic

This is a canter/lope classic open to all NON-PROFESSIONAL exhibitors of any age in all disciplines. This is a two-rider class. One rider will ride the first way of the ring while the second rider remains in the middle of the ring. A change of rider will then take place in the ring, and the second rider will ride the second way of the ring. No communication, from inside or outside the ring, is allowed at any point during this class. Any communication will result in disqualification. The first rider will remain in the middle of the ring while the seconds rides. Awards will be givento both riders. Exhibitors must be a member of Tri-State.

## 14 Fleming's Feed

### Open Western Pleasure Classic

Open to all exhibitors riding western, except Walk-Trot riders. Open to horses and ponies. Exhibitors will be asked to walk, jog, and lope both directions of the ring. Extension may be asked for at the judge's discretion. Exhibitors must be a member of Tri-State.

## 15 Captain Daniel Packer Inne

### Open Hunter on the Flat Pleasure Classic

Open to all exhibitors riding hunt seat, except Walk-Trot riders. Open to horses and ponies. Exhibitors will be asked to walk, trot, and canter both directions of the ring. Extension may be asked for at the judge's discretion. Exhibitors must be a member of Tri-State.

## 16 Infinity Farm

### Open Equitation Classic

A walk-trot-canter equitation classic open to all disciplines and riders of any age, except Walk-Trot riders. Open to horses and ponies. This will be judged as a 2-phase class. The first phase will consist of rail work. The judge will select up to 10 riders to complete a pattern of the judge's choosing for the second phase. The pattern will not be posted. Exhibitors must be a member of Tri-State.

## 17 The Loomis Family

### Open Versatility Classic

Open to all exhibitors. This walk-trot-canter classic will be run in five parts—Gymkhana, Western Pleasure, Crossrails, English Pleasure, and Model Horse. All riders must wear an ASTM approved helmet with a harness when jumping, as well as riders 17 & under for Gymkhana. There will be a 3-minute break for tack changes between the Western/gymkhana portion and the English portion for tack changes. A maximum of three grooms per rider are to be ready at the gate and will be allowed into the ring when the three minutes begins. Exhibitors MUST be on the rail in proper attire for the English portion before the 3 minutes expire. Failure to do so will result in elimination. The same horse/rider combination must be used for all five parts of this class. This class will be limited to 20 horses. Exhibitors must be a member of Tri-State.

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**8:00 AM**

NOT TO START BEFORE

\$5.00 /  
5 minutes /  
3 horses

Warm-Up: 6:30 - 7:45 AM  
**No altering of courses is allowed.**

89. Walk-Trot Hunter Equitation Crossrails 12"
90. Walk-Trot Hunter Crossrails 12"
91. Walk-Trot Hunter Equitation under Saddle
92. Medium/Long Stirrup Equitation Crossrails 18"
93. Medium/Long Stirrup Hunter Crossrails 18"
94. Medium/Long Stirrup Equitation under Saddle
95. Short Stirrup Equitation Crossrails 18"
96. Short Stirrup Hunter Crossrails 18"
97. Short Stirrup Equitation under Saddle

Warm-Up: **2'0"**

98. Sunday Baby Green Hunter over Fences 2'0"
99. Sunday Baby Green Hunter over Fences 2'0"
100. Sunday Baby Green Hunter under Saddle
101. Low Hunter over Fences 2'0"
102. Low Hunter over Fences 2'0"
103. Low Hunter under Saddle

Warm-Up: **2'3"**

104. Children's/Amateur Adult Equitation over Fences 2'3"
105. Children's/Amateur Adult Equitation over Fences 2'3"
106. Children's/Amateur Adult Equitation under Saddle

Warm-Up: **2'6"**

107. Special Hunter over Fences 2'6"
108. Special Hunter over Fences 2'6"
109. Special Hunter under Saddle
110. Amateur Adult Hunter on the Flat Pleasure
111. Children's Hunter on the Flat Pleasure
112. Open Hunter on the Flat Pleasure
113. Amateur Adult Hunter on the Flat Bridle Path Hack
114. Children's Hunter on the Flat Bridle Path Hack
115. Open Hunter on the Flat Bridle Path Hack
116. Amateur Adult Hunter on the Flat under Saddle
117. Children's Hunter on the Flat under Saddle
118. Open Hunter on the Flat under Saddle

## RING 2 Indoor

*Discipline Rail classes will be judged on the quality of execution of the commands given. The horse's willingness, responsiveness, and smoothness will be taken into consideration. Commands may include, but are not limited to, transitions, lateral movements, and extended gaits.*

119. Miniature Halter
120. Miniature Discipline Rail
121. Miniature Hunter in Hand
122. Ranch Horse Halter
123. Open Model Horse
124. Open Showmanship
125. In-Hand Pattern
126. Sunday Lead-Line Pattern
127. Sunday Lead-Line Equitation
128. Sunday Lead-Line Suitability
129. Ranch Horse Pattern
130. Pre-Walk-Trot (August show ONLY)
131. Open Pleasure
132. Sunday Adult Walk-Trot Pleasure
133. Ranch Horse Rail
134. Open Equitation
135. Sunday Adult Walk-Trot Equitation
136. Open Discipline Rail
137. Sunday Adult Walk-Trot Discipline Rail
138. Sunday Open Adult Pleasure
139. Sunday Open Junior Pleasure
140. Sunday Open Adult Equitation
141. Sunday Open Junior Equitation
142. Sunday Open Adult Discipline Rail
143. Sunday Open Junior Discipline Rail
144. Sunday Walk-Trot 10 & Under Pleasure
145. Sunday Open Green Horse Walk-Trot Pleasure
146. Sunday Walk-Trot 10 & Under Equitation
147. Sunday Open Green Horse Walk-Trot Pleasure
148. Sunday Walk-Trot 10 & Under Discipline Rail
149. Sunday Open Green Horse Walk-Trot-Canter Pleasure
150. Sunday Beginner Walk-Trot-Canter Pleasure
151. Sunday Walk-Trot 11-17 Pleasure
152. Sunday Beginner Walk-Trot-Canter Equitation
153. Sunday Walk-Trot 11-17 Equitation
154. Sunday Beginner Walk-Trot-Canter Discipline Rail
155. Sunday Walk-Trot 11-17 Discipline Rail
156. Try the Canter (August show ONLY)

# TSHA 2023 DIVISIONS

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## – FUN & GAMES – *Purina & The Lisa Cote Memorial Fund*

The “Fun & Games” Division is open to riders of all age levels and disciplines on horses or ponies. Games classes will be walk–trot. Riders may be asked to extend gaits, halt, and/or back. Riders 17 and under must wear an ASTM approved helmet with a harness when mounted. Healed shoes are required. Show clothes are not a requirement. No ripped jeans.

### 1. Mint Julep:

Each rider is given a cup of water. The class is worked for a set amount of time. Not doing the requested gait/action is a disqualification. At the end of the time period, winners are based on who has the most amount of water left in his or her cup.

### 2. Egg & Spoon:

Each rider is given an egg & spoon. The egg may be held in place with the thumb until the class begins. Once the class begins, the spoon must be held at least 1” from the bowl. As eggs are dropped, riders are eliminated. Touching the egg or not doing the requested gait/action is a disqualification.

### 3. Noodle Race:

A timed event where the rider carries a foam “noodle” to a bucket on a barrel. The rider places the noodle in the bucket and races home. Elimination is when a noodle is dropped or falls out of the bucket.

## – GYMKHANA DIVISIONS –

Personal Appointments and Tack: Western–type long sleeved shirt that is tucked in, western pants or blue jeans, western–type hat or ASTM approved helmet with harness; hard boots with heels are all required. No ripped jeans please. Chaps and/or spurs are optional. English attire allowed for Walk–Trot and Youth Divisions only. Riders 17 and under must wear an ASTM approved helmet with a harness when mounted. Western–style saddle and headstall (tapaderos prohibited). The following are allowed: bosal and/or hackamore, nosebands, martingales (English Walk–Trot riders ONLY) and/or tie–downs, protective leg bandages or boots, riding bats.

Timing: To be done by electric timer. Failure of electrical device would result in one person taking time by stopwatch. Timer located at the start/finish line.

Restrictions/Disqualification: Running starts prior to the first set of cones. Excessive use of whip/bat or spurs on any horse or pony in or out of ring, not following the pattern, fall of horse and/or rider, or unsoundness of horse or pony in or out of the ring will result in disqualification. You must cross the starting line within two (2) minutes after your number is called to ride, or you will be disqualified.

**Walk-Trot GYMKHANA DIVISION:** Personal Appointments and Tack: Open to horses and ponies. Open to Walk–Trot riders of any age who have not competed at any show, in any class, requiring a canter. Riders may only cross enter into other Walk–Trot classes. Open to any discipline. Riders must use appropriate tack/attire for their discipline.

4. Walk–Trot Arena Race    6. Walk–Trot Keyhole Race    8. Walk–Trot 3–Barrel Race

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## **Open GYMKHANA DIVISION:** *Gales Ferry Animal Hospital*

Open to horses/ponies. Open to riders of all ages.

5. Open Pole Bending    7. Open Keyhole Race    9. Open 3–Barrel Race

## – BREED DIVISIONS –

Requirements: Entries must include registration papers. No exhibitor will be allowed to enter Registered Breed Classes until the Show Secretary has a copy of the registration papers. Neat, appropriate attire for any In–Hand class is required. Appointments and attire for mounted classes shall be consistent with the discipline being shown. No ripped jeans. May be shown in any discipline or riding style.

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## **Registered Saddle-Type BREED DIVISION:** *United Nurses & Allied Professionals*

Open to any horse registered with the AHA (Arabian or Half–Arabian), AMHA (Morgan), ASHA (American Saddlebred), Registered Fresians, or NSHR (National Show Horse) breed registries.

43. Registered Saddle–Type Breed Open Pleasure

45. Registered Saddle–Type Breed Open Equitation

47. Registered Saddle–Type Breed Discipline Rail

**Registered Stock-Type BREED DIVISION:** Open to horses registered with the American Quarter Horse Association (AQHA), Paint (APHA), Pinto (PtHA), Appaloosa (ApHC), Palomino (PHBA), or Buckskin (IBHA).

39. Registered Stock–Type Halter

44. Registered Stock–Type Open Pleasure

46. Registered Stock–Type Discipline Rail

## – IN–HAND DIVISION –

Requirements: Headstall with throatlatch or appropriate halter of the breed is required. Neat, appropriate attire for any In–Hand class is required. Horses or ponies are to be shown in–hand at walk and trot and to 'set-up' according to breed standards. Open to horses and ponies.

123. Open Model Horse 4–Years–Old & Under:

To be judged on conformation, quality, substance and way of going, disposition, manners, and presentation of horse.

124. Open Showmanship:

Judged strictly on the exhibitor's ability to show a horse or pony at halter. The horse or pony is merely a prop to demonstrate the ability of the exhibitor. The ideal showmanship performance consists of a poised, confident, neatly attired exhibitor leading a well-groomed horse that quickly and efficiently performs any requested pattern with promptness, smoothness and precision.

125. In–Hand Pattern:

The course will consist of 4–6 obstacles. Horse or pony to be shown in a halter (does not have to be a show halter) with appropriate lead. Chain on the lead is permitted under the chin only. Baiting (treats of any kind) to encourage horse or pony to perform any of the obstacles is NOT allowed. Horse or pony will be evaluated on responsiveness, willingness, and general attitude.

## – RANCH HORSE DIVISION –

Personal Appointments: All legal western show equipment and apparel allowed. Chink and chaps are acceptable. Working tack is encouraged. Equipment with silver should not count over a good working outfit. Silver on bridles and saddles is discouraged. Hoof polish is not illegal but is discouraged. Ranch Horses should not be banded, braided or have tail extensions. Horses can have trimmed bridle path, and fetlocks but a horse in a natural state shall not be penalized. Horses shown in this division may cross enter other divisions.

Description: Ranch Horse measures a horse's ability to be a pleasure to ride while performing one ranch task to another. These horses should exhibit versatility, attitude, and movement of a working horse. They should have the ability to work at a forward working speed while demonstrating obvious lengthening of stride at extended gaits. Horses should be ridden with light contact or on a loose rein but not on a full drape. Posting or standing in the stirrups at extended jog is acceptable. Pattern class can include but not limited to changes of gait, lead changes (simple or flying), changes of direction, back, 360 degree turns and extension of gait. Rail class will be judged on walk, jog, lope with extensions in both jog and lope in at least one direction. Other movements which may be asked at the judge's discretion is but not limited to: halt, stop, back, one change of direction at the jog, side pass, turns of 360 degrees, or change of lead. Passing of horses is permissible and should not be penalized if the horse maintains rhythm and cadence.

**Ranch Horse Division:** Open to horses and ponies. Open to all riders of any age.

- 122. Ranch Horse Halter
- 125. Ranch Horse Pattern
- 129. Ranch Horse Rail

## – WESTERN DIVISIONS –

Personal Appointments: Long-sleeved western-style shirt, appropriate blouse, or long-sleeve shirt with collar, band, stand-up or tuxedo-style, Western hat or approved ASTM helmet with harness and boots with heel are required. Riders 17 and under must wear an ASTM approved helmet with a harness when mounted. Western-type chaps and Spurs are optional. No ripped jeans.

Tack: Stock-type saddle required. Any lariat, riata or hobbles are optional. Covered stirrups are prohibited. Western-type headstall required. Cavesson-type nosebands are prohibited. No discrimination against any standard western bit (i.e. curb-type with shanks, solid or broken mouthpiece). Horses five years and under using a ring snaffle bit or bosal/hackamore may be ridden with two hands. Horses six years and over must be ridden with one hand in a shank-type bit. Mechanical hackamores are prohibited. Ring snaffles must have a chin strap. Bosals are allowed as appropriate to breed and age of horse. Curb strap or chain chin strap must be at least ½" in width and be of the standard flat variety. No wire or metal other than approved type curb chains allowed. Rounded, rolled, braided or rawhide curb straps are prohibited. Reins may be of split leather variety or romal reins. Breastplate is optional. Nosebands, martingales, tie-downs or draw reins are prohibited. Bandages and/or boots of any type are prohibited.

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**Open WESTERN DIVISION:** *Noelle Merle, Hometown National Reality*

Open to horses and ponies. Open to all riders of any age.

- 49. Open Western Pleasure
- 51. Open Western Equitation
- 53. Open Western Discipline Rail

## – MINIATURE DIVISION –

Open to miniatures of all ages and sexes, not to exceed 38". Personal Appointments: please follow your discipline accordingly. Hunter in Hand you may wear a comfortable shoe for running, that doesn't require a heeled shoe; however no open-toed shoes allowed.

**119. Miniature Halter:**

Handlers are allowed to touch the miniature to set up throughout the class. May be asked to show teeth (mares & stallions).

**120. Miniature Discipline Rail:**

This class is performed on the rail and maybe asked to execute the following: halt, back, side-pass either direction, pivot, trot, and extended trot.

**121. Miniature Hunter in Hand:**

Miniature must be two (2) years of age or older to participate in this class. Tying up or wrapping of tail is permitted. To be judged on style, manners and way of going. Preference given to those miniatures that cover the course at an even pace with free flowing strides, as in a brisk trot or canter, but must maintain same gait throughout the course. There will be a minimum of 4 obstacles. Course may consist of a minimum of 6 jumps and a maximum of 8 jumps. Jumps must be a minimum height of 18" but no more than 24". Major faults to be considered: knockdowns, touches, refusals, bucking or kicking, spooking or shying. Elimination: Three (3) refusals, off course, crossing your own path, fall of miniature or exhibitor, jumping of obstacle by exhibitor, carrying of whip, any unsound horse, jumping of obstacle before it is reset.

## – LEAD-LINE DIVISIONS –

Requirements: Open to riders 7 years of age and under who have never competed in any riding class other than Lead-Line. Open to all disciplines. Riders are required to direct their own mounts in all classes. Handler's interference will be penalized. No covered stirrups allowed. A halter under or over the bridle is mandatory for all classes. NO CHAIN OVER OR UNDER THE MUZZLE WILL BE ALLOWED. Handler must be 14 years or over and dressed in neat, appropriate attire. Diagonals will not count in equitation for hunt seat riders. Position of free hand will not count in equitation for western riders. Side walkers are allowed without penalty for exhibitors 3 years of age and under. ALL riders, regardless of discipline, MUST wear an ASTM approved helmet. Grab straps are permitted, but usage is subject to penalty at the discretion of the judge. For personal appointments and tack requirements, see the descriptions under Hunt Seat, Saddleseat, and Western divisions, as applicable to your discipline. No Green Horses will be allowed in Lead Line classes.

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**Saturday LEAD-LINE DIVISION:** *Nutrena & Snowhurst Farm*

- 40. Saturday Lead-Line Suitability
- 41. Saturday Lead-Line Equitation
- 42. Saturday Lead-Line Pattern

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**Sunday LEAD-LINE DIVISION:** *Plainfield Agway*

- 126. Sunday Lead-Line Pattern
- 127. Sunday Lead-Line Equitation
- 138. Sunday Lead-Line Suitability

## - WALK-TROT DIVISIONS -

Requirements: Open to riders in all disciplines who have never competed in any division at any show requiring a canter. Riders may only cross enter into other Walk-Trot classes. For personal appointments/tack requirements see descriptions under Hunt Seat, Western and Saddleseat Divisions as applicable. Walk-Trot riders cannot enter Green Horse classes, nor can the Walk-Trot riders ride a horse competing in Green Horse classes. Walk-Trot Classes with over 20 exhibitors will be split into A and B sections.

Saturday **WALK-TROT 10 & Under:** *Sponsored by* Fresenius Kidney Care *Inpatient Services*

Open to riders  
10 years  
& under.

- 54. Saturday Walk-Trot 10 & Under Pleasure
- 56. Saturday Walk-Trot 10 & Under Equitation
- 58. Saturday Walk-Trot 10 & Under Discipline Rail

Saturday **WALK-TROT 11-17:** *Sponsored by* Anderson Equine Veterinary Services

Open to riders  
11 years  
to 17 years old.

- 78. Saturday Walk-Trot 11-17 Pleasure
- 81. Saturday Walk-Trot 11-17 Equitation
- 84. Saturday Walk-Trot 11-17 Discipline Rail

Saturday **Adult WALK-TROT:** *Sponsored by* The Lisa Cote *Memorial Fund*

Open to riders  
18 years  
& Over. \*

- 48. Saturday Adult Walk-Trot Pleasure
- 50. Saturday Adult Walk-Trot Equitation
- 52. Saturday Adult Walk-Trot Discipline Rail

Sunday **WALK-TROT 10 & Under:** *Sponsored by* The Leuba Family

Open to riders  
10 years  
& under.

- 144. Sunday Walk-Trot 10 & Under Pleasure
- 146. Sunday Walk-Trot 10 & Under Equitation
- 148. Sunday Walk-Trot 10 & Under Discipline Rail

Sunday **WALK-TROT 11-17:** *Sponsored by* Firearms LLC

Open to riders  
11 years  
to 17 years old.

- 151. Sunday Walk-Trot 11-17 Pleasure
- 153. Sunday Walk-Trot 11-17 Equitation
- 155. Sunday Walk-Trot 11-17 Discipline Rail

Sunday **Adult WALK-TROT:** *Sponsored by* The Lisa Cote *Memorial Fund*

Open to riders  
18 years  
& Over. \*

- 132. Sunday Adult Walk-Trot Pleasure
- 135. Sunday Adult Walk-Trot Equitation
- 137. Sunday Adult Walk-Trot Discipline Rail

**Rookie WALK-TROT:** *Sponsored by* Rockwall Farm

Open to riders in their first year of showing in Walk-Trot classes.

- 61. Rookie Walk-Trot Pleasure
- 63. Rookie Walk-Trot Equitation
- 65. Rookie Walk-Trot Discipline Rail

## - BEGINNER WALK-TROT-CANTER DIVISIONS -

Open to horses or ponies. Open to riders any age in their first or second year of showing in classes requiring a canter. Beginner riders may not show in Green Horse classes. Classes with 20 or more horses will be split into A and B sections.

Saturday **BEGINNER WALK-TROT-CANTER DIVISION:** *Sponsored by* Clayton Off Road

- 60. Saturday Beginner Walk-Trot-Canter Pleasure
- 62. Saturday Beginner Walk-Trot-Canter Equitation
- 64. Saturday Beginner Walk-Trot-Canter Discipline Rail

Sunday **BEGINNER WALK-TROT-CANTER DIVISION:** *Sponsored by* Swagelok Albany | Connecticut

- 150. Sunday Beginner Walk-Trot-Canter Pleasure
- 152. Sunday Beginner Walk-Trot-Canter Equitation
- 154. Sunday Beginner Walk-Trot-Canter Discipline Rail

## - MISCELLANEOUS DIVISIONS -

**Pet Pony DIVISION:** *Sponsored by* Spence Horsemanship & Training

Open to ponies (14.2 and under) being shown by children 17 years & under. Open to all disciplines. Pony measurement required. See Rule #45.

- 66. Pet Pony Pleasure
- 68. Pet Pony Equitation
- 70. Pet Pony Discipline Rail

**Vintage Rider DIVISION:** *Sponsored in Memory of* Susan French *by* Spring Valley Farm

Open to exhibitors age 40 and over. Open to horses and ponies.

- 55. Vintage Rider Open Pleasure
- 57. Vintage Rider Open Equitation
- 59. Vintage Rider Open Discipline Rail

**Senior Horse DIVISION:** *Sponsored in Memory of* "Don't Skip the Honey" *by* The Nellis Family

Open to horses and ponies aged 15 years and older. Proof of age is mandatory to enter this division and must be submitted with entry form. The following are considered acceptable proof of age: breed registration papers or a document signed by a licensed veterinarian stating the age of the horse or pony.

- 73. Senior Horse Pleasure
- 75. Senior Horse Equitation
- 77. Senior Horse Discipline Rail

*\* Adult Riders who have NOT shown in any class requiring a canter within the last five years will be eligible to ride in Adult Walk-Trot Classes.*



## - HUNT SEAT DIVISIONS -

The hunter course is closed to everyone except during specified warm-up times. Any horse and/or person jumping any fence outside of the designated warm-up times will be escorted out of the ring, disqualified and prohibited from exhibiting in any over fence class. No alterations to any posted course without prior authorization from both the Show Steward and judge will be allowed.

Personal Appointments: Riders 17 and under must wear an ASTM approved helmet with a harness when mounted. Riders 18 and over must wear an ASTM approved helmet with a harness when jumping. Helmet regulations will be enforced. Suitable Hunt shirt should be worn under hunt jacket. Removal of jackets is at the discretion of the judge. No sleeveless riding shirts will be allowed if the judge makes jackets optional. Breeches or jodhpurs, riding boots with heel are required. Chaps are not allowed. Half chap systems are allowed with approval from show management. Spurs are optional and must be of un-rowelled type. Crops or bats are optional.

Tack: English-type saddle, hunter-type headstall with appropriate nose cavesson. Hackamore and/or bosals are prohibited. A chain chinstrap must be of standard flat variety. Judge may ask for removal/alteration of any bit deemed unfair/inhumane. Breastplate or cruppers are optional. Standing martingales are allowed in over fence classes only. Draw reins and/or dropped nosebands are prohibited. Bandages and/or boots on horse's legs are permitted in equitation classes only.

Elimination: The following will result in elimination: prohibited tack/equipment, unsoundness of horse, jumping an obstacle before it is reset, bolting from the ring, off course, fall of horse or rider, or three refusals.

## - HUNTER ON THE FLAT DIVISIONS -

Bridle Path Hack classes will have a mandatory extended trot and hand gallop.

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### **Open HUNTER ON THE FLAT DIVISION:** The Paddock

Open to horses and ponies. Open to riders of any age.

- 112. Open Hunter on the Flat Pleasure
- 115. Open Hunter on the Flat Bridle Path Hack
- 118. Open Hunter on the Flat under Saddle

*Sponsored by*

### **Children's HUNTER ON THE FLAT DIVISION:** Tibri

Open to horses and ponies. Open to riders 17 years and under.

- 111. Children's Hunter on the Flat Pleasure
- 114. Children's Hunter on the Flat Bridle Path Hack
- 117. Children's Hunter on the Flat under Saddle

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### **Amateur ADULT HUNTER ON THE FLAT DIVISION:** The Lisa Cote Memorial Fund

Open to horses and ponies. Open to amateur riders 18 years & over.

- 110. Amateur Adult Hunter on the Flat Pleasure
- 113. Amateur Adult Hunter on the Flat Bridle Path Hack
- 116. Amateur Adult Hunter on the Flat under Saddle

## - HUNTER OVER FENCES DIVISIONS -

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### **Walk-Trot HUNTER DIVISION:** Woodstock Acres

A Walk-Trot division open to riders of any age who have not competed in any class that requires cantering and who have not jumped over 18". Horses and ponies allowed. This is stressed as a Walk-Trot division. Any more than three consecutive canter strides will be penalized.

- 89. Walk-Trot Hunter Equitation Crossrails 12"
- 90. Walk-Trot Hunter Crossrails 12"
- 91. Walk-Trot Hunter Equitation under Saddle

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### **Open Crossrails DIVISION:** The Lisa Cote Memorial Fund

A Walk-Trot-Canter division open to riders of any age who have not competed in any class that requires jumping over 18". Horses and ponies allowed.

- 18. Open Crossrails Hunter over Fences 18"
- 19. Open Crossrails Equitation over Fences 18"
- 20. Open Crossrails Equitation under Saddle

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### **Short Stirrup DIVISION:** Johnson Marine Services

A Walk-Trot-Canter division that is open to riders 12 years and under, who have not competed in any class that requires jumping over 18". Riders may not cross enter into any other class in an over fences division with the exception of Open Crossrails. Riders are eligible for any other in-hand divisions or under saddle divisions. Horses and ponies allowed.

- 95. Short Stirrup Equitation Crossrails 18"
- 96. Short Stirrup Hunter Crossrails 18"
- 97. Short Stirrup Equitation under Saddle

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### **Medium/Long Stirrup DIVISION:** Mystic Disc

A Walk-Trot-Canter division that is open to riders 13 years and over, who have not competed in any class that requires jumping over 18". Riders may not cross enter into any other class in an over fences division with the exception of Open Crossrails. Riders are eligible for any other in-hand divisions or under saddle divisions. Riders who win the TSHA Year End Championship twice in this division are no longer eligible to compete in this division. Horses and ponies allowed.

- 92. Medium/Long Stirrup Equitation Crossrails 18"
- 93. Medium/Long Stirrup Hunter Crossrails 18"
- 94. Medium/Long Stirrup Equitation under Saddle

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### **Novice HUNTER DIVISION:** Wolf Ridge Farm

Open to riders of any age who are in their 1st or 2nd year of showing over fences and who haven't competed in any class that requires jumping over 2'0" in height. Fence height to be set at 2'0". Horses and ponies allowed.

- 24. Novice Hunter over Fences 2'0"
- 25. Novice Hunter over Fences 2'0"
- 26. Novice Hunter under Saddle

## - HUNTER OVER FENCES DIVISIONS -

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### **Low Hunter Division:** C&M Farm

Open to riders of any age who haven't competed in any class that requires jumping over 2'0" in height. Fence height to be set at 2'0". Horses and ponies allowed.

101. Low Hunter over Fences 2'0"
102. Low Hunter over Fences 2'0"
103. Low Hunter under Saddle

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### **CHILDREN'S/AMATEUR ADULT HUNTER DIVISION\*:** Captain Daniel Packer Inne

Open to riders of any age. Horses and ponies allowed. Small/medium ponies will jump at a height of 2'0". Large ponies and horses will jump at a height of 2'3". Horse/rider combinations not to have completed in any over fences class that requires jumping over 2'3".

27. Children's/Amateur Adult Hunter over Fences
28. Children's/Amateur Adult Hunter over Fences
29. Children's/Amateur Adult Hunter under Saddle

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### **Saturday Baby Green Hunter Division:** Kristen Kaskela,

Berkshire Hathaway NE Properties

Open to riders of any age. Novice, Beginner, and Walk-Trot riders may not show in Green Horse classes. Open to horses or ponies in their 1st or 2nd year of showing over fences.

Horses and ponies in this division may not show in any other over fences class that requires jumping over 2'0".

21. Saturday Baby Green Hunter over Fences 2'0"
22. Saturday Baby Green Hunter over Fences 2'0"
23. Saturday Baby Green Hunter under Saddle

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### **Sunday Baby Green Hunter Division:** Angel & Anchor Farm

Open to riders of any age. Novice, Beginner, and Walk-Trot riders may not show in Green Horse classes. Open to horses or ponies in their 1st or 2nd year of showing over fences.

Horses and ponies in this division may not show in any other over fences class that requires jumping over 2'0".

98. Sunday Baby Green Hunter over Fences 2'0"
99. Sunday Baby Green Hunter over Fences 2'0"
100. Sunday Baby Green Hunter under Saddle

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### **CHILDREN'S/AMATEUR ADULT EQUITATION 2'3" DIVISION:** Breezy Brook Farm

Open to junior and amateur riders. Open to horses and ponies. Boots and bandages are permitted in equitation classes. To be judged on the rider's seat, hands, the performance of the horse/pony, and suitability of the team. Over Fences classes are judged on the rider's ability to maintain the correct position over fences. Open to riders who haven't competed in any class that requires jumping over 2'6" in height. Fence height to be set at 2'3".

104. Children's/Amateur Adult Equitation over Fences 2' 3"
105. Children's/Amateur Adult Equitation over Fences 2' 3"
106. Children's/Amateur Adult Equitation under Saddle

## - HUNTER OVER FENCES DIVISIONS -

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### **Special Hunter Division:** Pine Acres Farm

Open to riders of any age. Open to horses and ponies. Fence height to be set at 2'6".

107. Special Hunter over Fences 2'6"
108. Special Hunter over Fences 2'6"
109. Special Hunter under Saddle

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### **CHILDREN'S/AMATEUR ADULT EQUITATION 2'6" DIVISION:** Hidden Brook Stables

Open to junior and amateur riders. Open to horses and ponies. Boots and bandages are permitted in equitation classes. To be judged on the rider's seat, hands, the performance of the horse/pony, and suitability of the team. Over Fences classes are judged on the rider's ability to maintain the correct position over fences. Fence height to be set at 2'6".

30. Children's/Amateur Adult Equitation over Fences 2'6"
31. Children's/Amateur Adult Equitation over Fences 2'6"
32. Children's/Amateur Adult Equitation under Saddle

## - JUMPERS -

Personal Appointments: All riders must wear an ASTM approved helmet with a harness when jumping. Helmet regulations will be enforced. Hunt shirt and hunt jacket or buttoned polo shirt. No sleeveless shirts. Breeches or jodhpurs, and riding boots with heel are required. Half chaps are allowed. Spurs are optional and must be of unrowelled type. Crops or bats are optional.

Tack: Hunt-type saddle, hunter-type headstall with standard cavesson, dropped noseband, flash noseband or figure 8 noseband. Hackamores are permitted. Breastplate or cruppers are optional. Standing and running martingales are permitted. Draw reins and/or German martingales are prohibited. Bandages and/or boots on horse's legs are permitted.

Elimination: Unsoundness of horse, jumping an obstacle before it is reset, bolting from the ring, off course, fall of horse or rider or THREE refusals.

An "Order of Go" will be randomly generated by computer. A class closes when the first horse is on course. Jumping out of order is considered grounds for elimination.

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### **Puddle Jumpers Division:** Purina

To be shown over 8 to 12 fences. Open to riders of any age. Open to horses and ponies. Fences not to exceed 2'0".

33. Puddle Jumpers 2'0" Power & Speed
34. Puddle Jumpers 2'0" Timed First Round
35. Puddle Jumpers 2'0" Timed First Jump-Off

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### **Schooling Jumpers Division:** Tufts Veterinary Field Service

To be shown over 8 to 12 fences. Open to riders of any age. Open to horses and ponies. Fences to be set at 2'6".

36. Schooling Jumpers 2'6" Power & Speed
37. Schooling Jumpers 2'6" Timed First Round
38. Schooling Jumpers 2'6" Timed First Jump-Off

## - OPEN DIVISIONS -

The Open Divisions are Walk-Trot-Canter divisions open to all disciplines. For personal appointments and tack requirements, see the descriptions under Hunt Seat and Western Divisions as applicable to your discipline. Open to horses or ponies.

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**Saturday OPEN Adult DIVISION:** Stargazer Farm

Open to riders age 18 and over.

- 67. Saturday Open Adult Pleasure
- 69. Saturday Open Adult Equitation
- 71. Saturday Open Adult Discipline Rail

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**Sunday OPEN Adult DIVISION:** Purina

Open to riders age 18 and over.

- 138. Sunday Open Adult Pleasure
- 140. Sunday Open Adult Equitation
- 142. Sunday Open Adult Discipline Rail

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**OPEN DIVISION:** Saved Saddlery & Tack

Open to riders of any age.

- 131. Open Pleasure
- 134. Open Equitation
- 136. Open Discipline Rail

**Pre-Junior DIVISION:** Open to riders 14 years & under.

- 79. Pre-Junior Pleasure
- 82. Pre-Junior Equitation
- 85. Pre-Junior Discipline Rail

**Junior 15-17 DIVISION:** Open to riders ages 15-17 years of age.

- 72. Junior 15-17 Pleasure
- 74. Junior 15-17 Equitation
- 76. Junior 15-17 Discipline Rail

**Sunday OPEN Junior DIVISION:** Open to riders age 17 and under.

- 139. Sunday Open Junior Pleasure
- 141. Sunday Open Junior Equitation
- 143. Sunday Open Junior Discipline Rail

## - GREEN HORSE DIVISIONS -

Walk-Trot-Canter divisions. For personal appointments and tack requirements, see descriptions under Hunt Seat and Western Divisions as applicable to your discipline. Classes with 20 or more entries will be split for the canter. Open to horses or ponies, of any discipline, in their 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> year of showing, regardless of discipline. May show in other classes as applicable. Beginner & Walk-Trot riders may not show in Green Horse classes.

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**Saturday Open GREEN HORSE DIVISION:** Downeast Performance Horses

- 80. Saturday Open Green Horse Walk-Trot Pleasure
- 83. Saturday Open Green Horse Walk-Trot Pleasure
- 86. Saturday Open Green Horse Walk-Trot-Canter Pleasure

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**Sunday Open GREEN HORSE DIVISION:** Deasy & Moriarty LLC *Attorney At Law*

- 145. Sunday Open Green Horse Walk-Trot Pleasure
- 147. Sunday Open Green Horse Walk-Trot Pleasure
- 149. Sunday Open Green Horse Walk-Trot-Canter Pleasure

## - MISCELLANEOUS CLASSES -

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**OPEN Mystery CLASSES:** *The* Three Amigos

Open to horses and ponies. This class could be judged as a pleasure or equitation class, at the judge's discretion, and will not be announced at the show. At the completion of this class, the judge's card will be handed in, but results will NOT BE ANNOUNCED. Points for this class will be cumulative over the three shows of the season. Final results will be announced at the year-end awards banquet, with only the top rider receiving an award. Exhibitors must be a member of Tri-State.

87. Mystery Open Class

A walk-trot-canter class open to all exhibitors in all disciplines, except Walk-Trot riders.

88. Mystery Open Walk-Trot Class

A walk-trot class open to all walk-trot exhibitors in all disciplines.

## August Show Only CLASSES:

*Sponsored by*

130. Pre-Walk-Trot: Valley View Farm

Open to Lead Line riders who rode in the Lead Line classes at a prior TSHA show this year. Riders must be able to ride his/her horse by themselves, without assistance. This will be a walk-trot class. Once a rider competes in this class, he or she CANNOT enter any other TSHA Lead Line classes in the coming years. Handlers are required during line-up.

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156. Try the Canter: Fisher-Cal Ind., Inc.

Open to Walk-Trot riders who rode in a Walk-Trot age group Division at a prior TSHA show this year. (Green Horse or Novice Walk-Trot Divisions are not eligible). Riders must try the canter when asked. Limit of 8 riders will be asked to canter at a time. There is a 2-year limit to participate in this class, after which the rider must move to Walk-Trot-Canter. Participation in this class does not penalize riders who return to TSHA Walk-Trot Divisions.

# GENERAL SHOW RULES

**1. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor, parent, and/or trainer to READ AND UNDERSTAND the current 2023 Tri-State Horsemen's Association (TSHA) rules, including TSHA Code of Conduct, contained in this book, and to read and understand the eligibility and class/division requirements and qualifications before entering any classes.**

**2.** The Tri-State show year is August 31, 2022 through August 30, 2023.

**3.** Rider's age will be as of January 1, 2023.

**4.** Any person, Youth or Adult, who gives riding instruction and/or receives compensation for riding or training, is considered a professional and, as such, is only eligible for Open/Professional classes.

**5.** The age of a horse shall be computed on the basis of a calendar year starting January 1 of the year foaled. It is a weanling during the calendar year of foaling date; regardless of the time of year foaled.

**6.** Exhibitors agree to abide by all rules and regulations in effect or later adopted and further agree that failure to comply will result in the forfeiture of all entry fees and expulsion from the show grounds.

**7.** Every class offered herein is covered by the rules and specifications printed in this program and will be conducted and judged in accordance therewith. If any other rules not addressed are needed to make a judgment, show management will refer to another rulebook (i.e. AQHA, Paint, USEF, NEHC, etc.) for reference purposes in making our own TSHA decision.

**8. Management reserves the right to relocate classes to an alternative ring, if necessary.**

**9.** TSHA, its employees, its volunteers and Falls Creek Farm will not be held liable for injury, theft, or damage to any person, property, or animal.

**10. A post entry fee of \$20.00 per number will be charged for entries not POSTMARKED by the FRIDAY the week before each show.** We are not responsible for mail delivery time. US Mail delivery time varies from each state/town. The size and weight of your envelope affects delivery time, so please plan your mailing date accordingly and affix proper postage. **Full payment or an open check MUST accompany the pre-entry paperwork. Credit/Debit card payments will be accepted at the show ONLY.** Pre-entered exhibitors who choose to pay by credit/debit card will have their pre-entry OPEN check returned at time of payment. **ONLY OPEN CHECKS WILL BE RETURNED UPON CREDIT/DEBIT CARD PAYMENT.** Credit/Debit cards may also be used for classes added on at the show, as well as post entries.

**11.** TSHA Return Check Policy for all events, as approved by the Board of Directors on February 15, 2012, states: "Writers of all returned checks will be charged a \$35.00 fee. Any exhibitor and/or horse whose show fees said check covers will not be allowed to show, receive awards, or participate in any TSHA event until the debts are paid. Should any individual/farm have two (2) returned checks in a TSHA show year, August 31st of last year through August 30th of current year, this individual/farm will be required to pay with cash, money order, or bank check for the remainder of the current TSHA show year and the next." The returned check must be paid to the Treasurer by the statement date or **all show points covered by said check will be forfeited.**

**12.** Refunds are issued only for injury/illness to horse or exhibitor and will only be made upon receipt, within 7 days after the end of the show, of a vet certificate or a physician's certificate. Refund checks will be mailed after submission of said documentation. No refunds will be issued at the show.

**13.** Membership, post entry fees, and/or office fees cannot be transferred, credited, or refunded.

**14. Paperwork for all horses:** A current negative Coggins test result, current proof of veterinarian administered rabies vaccine within 12 months of show date, and pony cards if applicable should accompany any pre-entry. **If not received with pre-entry, then paperwork MUST BE SUBMITTED TO RECEIVE A NUMBER!** Exhibitors who are post entering must submit paperwork when signing up. **Also, a horse MUST show under the same name all season, and this name MUST match the Coggins and Breed Registration paperwork.** In accordance with CT State Health regulations, it is the exhibitor's responsibility to ensure that he/she is compliant with inter-state health regulations and is in possession of a required health certificates while on the show grounds.

**15.** Copies of Breed registration papers for any horse entering a Registered Breed Class/Division must accompany the entry form. Exhibitors do not have to be the listed owner. **Horses must show under registered name in Breed classes.**

**16.** Exhibitors will be issued an exhibitor number for each horse they ride at the first show they enter. This will be the exhibitor's number with that horse for the entire season. **It is the exhibitor's responsibility to retain the number and use the proper number with matching horse.**

**17.** A signed Add/Scratch Sheet must be used to add or scratch classes.

**Any exhibitor showing in a class they have not entered/added will be charged TWICE the fee. Any exhibitor who hasn't scratched a class BEFORE the class results are announced will be charged for that class.**

**18.** Management reserves the right to combine, divide, cancel, or move classes when deemed necessary to facilitate the smooth running of the show. Management reserves the right to cancel classes with fewer than 3 entries.

**19.** Membership dues can be accepted at the Secretary's booth. Membership dues paid at the show must be received prior to the exhibitor's first entered class for points to count towards year-end awards. Please be sure to completely fill in and SIGN your membership form.

**20. The following Point System will be used for the calculation of day-end and year-end division awards: 1st – 7 pts, 2nd – 5 pts, 3rd – 4 pts, 4th – 3 pts, 5th – 2 pts, 6th– 1 pt**

**21.** All day-end and year-end division awards are based on a Team of same horse/pony and rider except for Breed (horse only), Equitation (rider only), and Lead-Line (child only) Divisions.

**22.** In the Breed Divisions for Year-End Awards, the horse will only earn points accumulated by exhibitors/handlers who are Tri-State members.

**23.** To participate for YEAR-END division awards, the exhibitor shall be a 2023 member of Tri-State Horsemen's Association, with no outstanding debt to TSHA, and will be required to participate in the division, as a member, in at least two (2) of the three (3) shows offered.

**24. **\*\*NEW\*\***** Year-End divisions that have 10 or more **qualifying members** for year-end awards will place to 6th place for year-end awards. All divisions that have 9 or fewer **qualifying members** for year-end awards will place to 4th place for year-end awards.

**25.** There will be a **2-minute gate hold** beyond the normal call to order for tack changes that are requested at the in-gate. The gate keeper will set a stopwatch to keep track of the allowance time before calling the class to order. **Tack changes must be performed at the in-gate within sight of the judge.** You must know the incoming & outgoing exhibitor numbers and the class numbers for requests. Plan your classes accordingly.

**26.** Cell phones, wearable sports cameras (i.e. GoPro), iPods, or any other electronic/communication devices are not allowed in the ring, unless required for compliance with ADA accessibility.

**27.** All Hunt Seat riders 17 & under will be required to wear ASTM approved helmets with a harness whenever mounted. No exhibitor will be penalized for wearing a helmet, regardless of discipline. All riders on the show grounds must also have appropriate footwear whenever mounted.

**28.** No person can ride bareback or with halter and Lead-Lines on the grounds during the weekend. Riding double is expressly prohibited.

**29.** Stallions may not be shown by exhibitors 17 & under except in those Breed Classes where allowed by the rules applicable for that breed.

**30.** Bits may be checked at the discretion of the judge and/or steward.

**31.** An exhibitor must be a current 2023 Tri-State member to enter any TSHA Classic and/or "Mystery Class".

**32.** Riders must have a number presented to the judge while exhibiting in a class. The number must be on the exhibitor or on both sides of saddle pad. **Any exhibitor entering the ring without a number, or wearing an incorrect number, will be disqualified and no refunds will be issued.**

**33. Judges' decisions are final.** No exhibitor or person shall approach a judge as to a decision or any other matter unless permission is obtained from the Show Steward. Any exhibitor or person disregarding this rule may be asked to cancel all entries and forfeit all entry fees. MANAGEMENT DECISIONS ARE FINAL. NO REFUNDS.

**34.** Schooling and warm-up is permitted in the authorized areas and times only. Walk-Trot exhibitors should not be schooling at the canter in the warm-up rings. **Courteous behavior is expected from all exhibitors and trainers.**

**35.** Abuse of horses will not be tolerated anywhere on the grounds. No excessive schooling in or out of the show rings such as, but not limited to, excessive spurring, whipping, etc.

**36.** Horses with their head restrained below the withers with draw reins, bridle reins, lead ropes, shank bits, curb chains, etc. are not permitted.

**37.** No action devices will be permitted anywhere on the show grounds.

**38.** Adult supervision is required for children 17 & under who are staying overnight. It is the responsibility of a parent or guardian to supervise underage children while on the show grounds.

**39.** The drinking of alcoholic beverages by anyone while exhibiting or mounted, as well as any underage drinking at any time will not be tolerated.

**40.** Obscene language will not be tolerated.

**41. ONLY Service Dogs will be allowed outside the camping area during show hours. (Service certificate MUST be provided to the show office.)** All other dogs are to remain in the camping area during all show hours. ALL dogs must be leashed and attached to a responsible handler at all times.

**42.** TSHA reserves the right to remove anyone from the show grounds who exhibits inappropriate behavior.

**43.** Lunging will be limited to 15 minutes per horse, and no more than 2 horses will be permitted to lunge in the same ring at the same time. Children who are lunging horses/ponies must have adult supervision. Please be courteous when using a lunge whip.

**44.** No alterations to any posted course without prior authorization from the Show Office.

**45. All ponies will be required to be measured by Show Management and will be issued a TSHA Pony Card. A copy of the pony card must accompany entry, otherwise the pony will need to be re-measured for verification.** Ponies 7 years or older will receive a permanent Pony Card and will not be required to be measured again in that pony's lifetime. Ponies under 7 years of age will be required to be re-measured each year by TSHA Management until said pony turns 7, unless an official USEF Pony Card has been issued for said pony. **All ponies MUST be measured before entering first class, or points will be lost. Ponies will be measured as presented (i.e. with or without shoes).**

**46.** Any person lodging a formal protest must submit said protest **IN WRITING via US Mail to:** TSHA Open Show Protest, 430 Chopmist Hill Road, Chepachet, RI, 02814. Protests must be postmarked no later than the Tuesday immediately after the show and accompanied by a non-refundable \$25.00 fee. Evidence and supporting documentation of the protest is your responsibility to submit. Protests must be signed and contact information provided. Open Show Chairpersons will present the protest and documentation to the TSHA Sanctions Committee for review and determination of any remedies or sanctions if said protest is upheld.

**47. Any violation of the TSHA rules must be brought to the attention of the Show Steward at the time of the offense.**

**48.** A qualified independent veterinarian may conduct drug testing at TSHA Open Shows according to the Open Show Committee's Random Selection Procedure. Failure to comply will result in forfeiture of entry fees, TSHA points and any prizes/awards.

**49.** The Drug testing at Tri-State Open Shows will be sent to a USEF approved laboratory where testing for the current year's substances and limits will occur. Upon receipt of the laboratory report, in the event that a positive result should occur, TSHA will impose the following Tri-State Horsemen's Association policy:

**Sanctions and penalties imposed when a \*positive\* test result is returned on a Horse at a Tri-State Open Show Competition:**

- Immediate Disqualification of said horse and all exhibitors/owners/lessee, and trainer of said horse from Tri-State competition and year-end awards.
- Suspension of said horse and all exhibitors/owners/lessee, and trainer of said horse from any future Tri-State competitions for a period of no less than one year.
- Suspension of use of Training Facility's name at any future Tri-State event for a period of no less than one year.
- Referral to the Tri-State Sanctions Committee for any further disciplinary action using USEF for reference, including but not limited to: suspension of Membership for a length of time to be determined by the Tri-State Sanctions Committee and monetary fines assessed on the Exhibitor(s), the Trainer(s), and the Owner(s)/Lessee(s) of said Horse.
- This suspension holds true with any and all horses said Trainer exhibits.

# BARN & CAMPING RULES

Stall and camp reservations for the 1st show will be accepted starting with a **POSTMARK DATE of May 1, 2023**. NO EXCEPTIONS.

All Reservations must be mailed and any received with a postmark prior to May 1 will be INVALID and returned for re-submittal with no consideration of the earlier date received. Reservations for the 2nd and 3rd shows will be accepted with a POSTMARK DATE of no sooner than the MONDAY after the previous show.

- Stalls will be assigned on a first come, first-paid basis and locations assigned are at the discretion of the Committee.
- All stall and camper/tent reservation fees must be paid in full prior to the show.
- No blank or post dated checks will be accepted.
- Any returned check will cause forfeiture of stalls and/or camp sites it covered.

Camp Site/Stall Fees:      With hook-up = \$80.00 per weekend  
                                     Without hook-up = \$50.00 per weekend  
                                     Stall fee: \$120.00 per weekend

Refunds for stall/campsite reservations will be considered only in cases where the Barn Manager has been contacted and notified of the cancellation on or before the SATURDAY prior to the show. If you must cancel AFTER Saturday, you will need to provide the Barn Manager with either a doctor's or vet's note PRIOR to the start of the show. Refunds will be issued in the form of a show credit. Any exhibitor due a credit by September 15, 2023, will be issued the credit in the form of a check. You must cancel ONLY with the Barn Manager. (860-304-5848)

## CAMPING RULES

1. Camping passes must be displayed either on the door or in a window.  
The pass must be made visible.
2. There is no saving, roping, etc. camping sites.  
We operate on a first-come first-served basis.
3. Tents/camping without hook-ups must be outside the campsites with hook-ups.
4. There will be NO electric or water hook-ups from any barn area to outside campers or trailers.
5. No tents, awnings, or EZ-Ups will be allowed within 30 feet of the outside front ring.
6. Please DO NOT set up or take down tents, awnings, or EZ-Ups while classes are in progress.
7. No fires will be allowed near the outside ring during show hours.
8. No camping outside of designated camping areas.
9. In consideration of all our exhibitors and campers, quiet hours in barns & camping areas are between 11:00<sup>PM</sup> and 5:00<sup>AM</sup>.

## BARN RULES

1. All stall reservation forms must list horse's name, owner's name, or its use as a tack stall. No empty stalls can be reserved. Reservations not in compliance will be marked incomplete and returned with no consideration of earlier date. The Open Show Committee reserves the right to limit the number of tack stalls requested.
2. No horses will be allowed on the grounds until 12:00 PM on the Friday of the show. Those in violation will not be permitted to unload horses or any equipment until 12:00 PM. Campers are not allowed on the grounds until Friday at 9:00 AM.
3. Names and stall numbers will be posted at the show. There is no sub-letting or resale of stalls allowed. Any exhibitor occupying an unassigned stall, or one assigned to another exhibitor, or tampering with the stall assignments, will be charged a \$120.00 stall fee and asked to vacate the stall. Failure to comply will result in being moved out of said stall by the Committee and future barn privileges will be revoked.
4. Horses must be stabled after show hours - no overnight outside stabling or overnight trailer stabling is allowed at Falls Creek Farm. Anyone in violation of this rule will be assessed a \$200.00 fine.
5. No person shall enter any stall other than their own without the express permission of the owner. Violators will be escorted off the show grounds.
6. Do not touch or feed other people's horses without express permission from the owner/exhibitor.
7. All hosing/washing of horses must be done in the wash stalls. Do not wash horses outside of the barns or in the aisles. You must clean up after your horse in the wash stall. Please do not leave your horse unattended in any wash stall at any time.
8. No mounting or riding of horses in the barn aisles or stalls.
9. No use of whips in the aisles. Abuse of horses will not be tolerated anywhere on the grounds.
10. Stall guards must be attached with four (4) screw eyes. Stall chains, lead ropes, lunge lines, etc. are not allowed to be used as stall guards. Horses must not be left unattended with the stall door open.
11. Do not block the aisle with equipment or horses. Two horses must be able to pass in the aisle at all times.
12. Crossies must be removed for a horse to pass. Do not ask another exhibitor to go under the ties. Absolutely no horses or ponies left unattended on crossies.
13. Do not overload the electrical outlets or use extension cords in an unsafe manner (ie: strung across the aisles or multiple items plugged in at same time).
14. Do not block water taps either with show curtains or equipment. All exhibitors may use hoses left on a water tap.
15. Manure is to be disposed of in designated areas.
16. No grilling or open fires are permitted anywhere in or around the barns.
17. Lights will be shut off in the barn and the arena at 10:00 P.M. or one-half hour after the last class of the evening is completed, whichever comes first. No horses or exhibitors are allowed in any of the arenas after this time.
18. No smoking is allowed in the barn. This is a Falls Creek Farm Regulation and failure to comply results in expulsion from the show grounds by authorities.

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