



Roper Thompson and Cricket

Islip Horsemen's Association 2026 Western Show Series

May 17, 2026

"Spring Has Sprung"

Main Ring: Melissa Tucker

Reining/Trail Ring:

June 28, 2026

"Lazy Summer Dayz"

Main Ring: Kennis Fairfax, NJ

Reining/Trail Ring:

July 26, 2026

"Summa In The Hamptons"

Main Ring: Melissa Lallie, CT

Reining/Trail Ring:

Rain Date

August 17, 2026

SHOW INFORMATION

Entry Fees

Pre-Entry IHA Members:	\$17.00
Pre-Entry NON-Members:	\$22.00
All Entries after Thursday deadline:	\$27.00
Mandatory Fees - SCDP Fee:	\$ 5.00
Secretary Fee:	\$10.00
Judge's Fee:	\$10.00

Pre-Entries close at 9:00pm on Thursday prior to the show.

Pre-entries are being taken **online only**

at: <https://iha.horsespot.net/shows>

Email questions to: IHAWesternPleasure@gmail.com

Entry fees may be paid by STRIPE at <https://iha.horsespot.net/shows> and by Zelle, check or **EXACT CASH (PLEASE)** the day of the show.

Pre-Entry Special Rebate: For every 5 classes pre-entered by the same horse & rider combination, the 6th class will be free.

****REBATE DOES NOT APPLY TO POST ENTRIES****

Show Day: Check-in begins at approximately **7:30** am.

Reining will begin promptly at 8:30 am.

Pleasure classes will begin promptly at 9:00 am

****MEMBERSHIP: Memberships are online only and will NOT be taken the day of the show. The application may be found on the IHA website at isiphorsementassociation.com under the "Membership" tab. PLEASE APPLY FOR MEMBERSHIP PRIOR TO SHOW DAY****

****Each horse/rider combination will be given one set (2) of numbers for the entire show season. If the number is lost or misplaced, it is the rider's responsibility to replace it with the same number or may obtain a replacement number for a fee of \$5.00. Numbers are not to be shared or changed during the show season and must be displayed prominently during competition****

No exhibitor will visit or socialize with a judge on the day of the show. Furthermore, exhibitors shall not approach judges for any reason prior to or after the completion of judging unless a request is made to show management and with the ring steward or other show official present.

Conduct by judges, IHA members and non-members, volunteers, exhibitors, trainers, owners (and/or their representatives), spectators and all other persons present on the show grounds or in show facilities shall be orderly, responsible, sportsmanlike, courteous and respectful. No one on the show grounds or during any event associated with IHA shall engage in misconduct that is irresponsible, illegal, indecent, profane, intimidating (including but not limited to bullying, either verbally or physically), threatening or abusive misconduct, nor emotional misconduct, which includes but is not limited to verbal acts, such as verbal assault that repeatedly attacks someone personally or repeatedly and excessively yelling at any person in a manner that serves no productive training or motivational purpose. Any and all direct abusive and threatening conduct while on the show grounds will not be tolerated. Anyone witnessing such misconduct shall immediately report the act(s) to a committee person at the time of the incident, and the offending person(s) will be issued a warning as to their behavior. If the conduct persists, the offending person(s) will be directed to leave the show grounds in order to preserve the decorum of the show.

A violation of either of these rules will first result in a written warning from the show committee to the party(is) involved in the initial violation, which shall also be forwarded to the IHA Board, within five (5) days of the incident; a second violation of these rules will be brought to the IHA Board for review and any action will be left up to their discretion, which may include but not be limited to removal of points earned on the date of the incident, disciplinary action and/or suspension from IHA club activities for a period of time to be determined by the IHA Board.

DIRECTIONS: Show grounds are located at 1380 Sycamore Avenue, Bohemia, NY, 1 mile south of Veterans Highway (Rt 454), and 3 miles North of Sunrise Highway (Rt 27) adjacent to Connetquot Park.

END OF DAY (EOD) AND END OF YEAR (EOY) QUALIFICATIONS

1. Exhibitors must be members of IHA **by the end of their first show** to qualify for EOY awards.
2. Points for both EOD and EOY are for horse and rider combination.
3. Only one horse/rider combination may qualify for EOD and EOY Overall High-Point Awards. If an exhibitor is riding more than one (1) horse, he/she must declare at their first show which horse will be used for EOD and EOY Overall High-Point awards for the show year.
4. See **General Rule #11** regarding horse substitution.

End-of-Day Division High Point Awards - Champion & Reserve: Exhibitors must show in a minimum of three (3) classes in a division (showmanship, pleasure, horsemanship and/or trail). **Ranch only:** Must show in a minimum of two (2) classes (ranch rail pleasure [individual lope for intro], ranch riding and/or ranch trail), except for Leadline, which only has two (2) classes. Placings are determined by the highest cumulative points by a horse and rider combination in each division.

End-of-Day Overall High Point Awards (HPA) (Intro Walk/Jog & Open): Awarded to the exhibitor with the highest accumulative points in two (2) divisions. Exhibitors must show in three (3) classes in one division and two (2) classes in another division. All halter, showmanship, in-hand trail and reining classes will not count towards EOD HPA's. Places are determined by the highest cumulative points by a horse and rider combination for each class in the two (2) divisions. An exhibitor may ride in more than two (2) divisions but must declare prior to entering the arena at the first show which divisions will be used for EOD points. These divisions will be used throughout the show season.

End-Of-Year Division Award Qualifications: To qualify for end-of-year awards, an exhibitor must have shown in two (2) out of three (3) shows and with a minimum of three (3) classes per division per show (showmanship, horsemanship, pleasure & trail), except for Leadline, which only has two (2) classes. **Ranch only:** Must show two (2) out of three (3) shows and in a minimum of two (2) classes per show (ranch rail pleasure [individual lope for intro], ranch riding & ranch trail). Placings are determined by the highest cumulative points by a horse and rider combination for each class in the division.

End-of-Year Overall High Point Award (HPA) Qualifications (Intro Walk/Jog & Open): In order to qualify, exhibitors must have shown in two (2) out of three (3) shows and placed in three (3) classes in one division and two (2) classes in another division, except for Leadline, which only has two (2) classes. An exhibitor may ride in more than two (2) divisions but must declare prior to entering the arena at the first show which divisions will be used for EOY points. These divisions will be used throughout the show season. All halter, showmanship, in-hand trail and reining classes will not count towards EOY HPA's. Placings are determined by the highest cumulative points by a horse and rider combination for each class in the two (2) divisions.

EOY Class Awards will be presented to the overall Grand and Reserve Champions and ribbons to 6th place in Reining, Halter, Colorbreed Halter, Ranch Halter, and In-Hand Trail. **NOTE: Reiners must post a score in two (2) out of three (3) shows to qualify for class award(s).**

WESTERN DIVISION DESCRIPTIONS

****PLEASE READ RULE #18 UNDER 2026 RULES AND REGULATIONS REGARDING EQUIPMENT & BIT REQUIREMENTS****

REINING CLASS DESCRIPTION

Reining.

Open to riders of all ages and levels. May be split into Beginner & Amateur division(s) provided there are three (3) riders in all three divisions.

Leadline

Open to riders eight (8) years old and under who have never ridden unassisted in any other discipline. Leadline riders may show in Leadline classes only and must show both classes in two (2) of the three (3) shows to be eligible for end-of-year awards. Handlers must be 16 years old and over. Side walkers shall be allowed in all Leadline classes. Leadline exhibitors may not enter any in-hand classes.

Buckaroo

Open to riders who are 12 years of age and under who have advanced from the Leadline division. Classes are walk/jog only. Exhibitors may ride two-handed regardless of the type of bit being used. Riders are excluded from riding in any other division (including Intro to Ranch) but may show in halter and in-hand classes.

Walk/Jog (Youth & Adult)

1. Open to riders who: (1) have advanced from the Buckaroo division; (2) have never shown in any regional or national club or association which would require them to perform above the walk/jog gaits, (3) ride in any beginner division or under in any discipline (English, Gymkhana, Western, etc.) which does not have riders lope in a group or go faster than a lope/canter individually (may not run or hand-gallop); and (4) any adult riders who have not shown in any discipline in the past ten [10] years. With the exception of (3) above, any rider who crosses over into Western from any other discipline which requires the rider to lope/canter in a group, run/hand gallop individually and/or ride a hunter/jumper course which requires riders to canter/hand gallop and/or jump a course with jumps two (2') feet or higher may not ride in this division and should enter a corresponding division closest to the discipline division in which they are currently riding. If you are unsure of the correct division to enter, please contact the committee.
2. In Walk/Jog, riders must ride one-handed with split reins only. **Romal reins are not permitted in this division.**
3. Classes may be split into Youth and Adult provided there are three (3) or more riders in **EACH** age group. Riders may ride in the Walk/Jog division for a maximum of three (3) years. Riders who have earned a Champion or Reserve Champion EOY award twice will advance to the Beginner Division after two years.
4. **Walk/Jog riders may also enter the in-hand classes (In-Hand Trail, Halter and Showmanship) and cross-enter into Intro to Ranch division/classes.**

Beginner

Walk/Jog/Lope division open to riders who have advanced from the Walk/Jog Division or who are crossing over to Western from any other discipline with no restrictions on previous wins. **Trainers are not eligible for this division, regardless of discipline.** Class may be split into Youth and Adult provided there are three (3) or more riders in **EACH** age group. Riders who have earned a Champion or Reserve Champion EOY award twice will advance to the OPEN division. **Beginner riders may cross-enter the Beginner Ranch or All Age division/classes.**

Open

Open to any rider (including trainers) who does not meet the qualifications for any other division(s). Riders in this division may not revert to a lower division at any time. **Riders may cross-enter into the**

Open Ranch or (except trainers) All Age division/classes.

All-Age

Open to all riders (except those in the Walk/Jog and Intro to Ranch division), excluding trainers. Beginner riders should take into consideration their ability to control and navigate their horse in a large group class.

WESTERN CLASS DESCRIPTIONS

Halter/Colorbreed Halter

Horses to be shown in hand are judged on overall confirmation, balance, and soundness. Exhibitors will be asked to walk & jog their horses at the direction of the judge and to line up head to tail and stand for inspection. Colorbreed halter is restricted to horses of color organizations (Paint, Pinto, Palomino, Appaloosa, Roan, Buckskin, etc.).

Showmanship at Halter

Horses to be shown in hand with emphasis on exhibitor's ability to groom a horse to show at halter and follow a pattern. Exhibitors will be judged on their ability to execute maneuvers described in a pattern.

In-Hand Trail

Horses to be judged over a series of obstacles at the walk and jog, including but not limited to: Ground tying, side-passing, backing, bridges, walking/ jogging over ground poles or obstacles you would see in an under-saddle trail class. A horse can be shown in a leather, nylon, or rope halter with a standard-length lead. No training aids, such as crops or carrot sticks, may be used. Proper western attire is required.

Leadline

To be judged at the walk and jog, on horsemanship and suitability. Riders in this class must ride in a western saddle and may ride two-handed regardless of the age of the horse/pony or approved bit used.

Horsemanship

Exhibitors are judged on their ability to execute a prescribed pattern, performing each maneuver as smoothly as possible, while keeping a balanced body position. Exhibitors may be asked to walk/jog/lope as a group in at least one direction of the arena. **Exception:** Walk/jog exhibitors shall show on the rail at the walk and jog only. **EXTENSION of all gaits may be asked for at the discretion of the judge.**

Western Pleasure

Judged on performance, manners, condition, and conformation as a pleasure mount. Horses will be judged at the walk, jog and lope on a reasonably loose rein. Horses will be asked to back up either on the rail or in the lineup. **Exception:** Walk/jog exhibitors shall show on the rail at the walk and jog only and lope individually as directed by the judge. **EXTENSION of all gaits may be asked for at the discretion of the judge.**

Trail

Exhibitors will be asked to maneuver their horses over a series of natural obstacles at the walk, jog, and lope. Obstacles may include those described in the In-Hand Trail.

*****PLEASE NOTE: EXHIBITORS ENTERED IN REGULAR TRAIL AND THE RANCH DIVISION/CLASSES, YOU MUST COMPLETE YOUR REGULAR TRAIL CLASS PRIOR TO THE RANCH DIVISION/CLASSES*****

RANCH DIVISION RULES & DESCRIPTIONS

1. The Ranch division will be split into three (3) subdivisions: Intro (Walk/Trot only), Beginner (Walk/Trot/Lope) and Open (Walk/Trot/Lope).
2. Walk/Jog exhibitors may cross-enter into the Intro to Ranch Division. If an exhibitor cross-enters and shows in the Beginner, Open or All Age Divisions requiring loping in a group, they **CANNOT** show in Intro (W/T) Ranch classes.
3. Exhibitors entering the Ranch division (except for Intro) may cross-enter into their respective Western pleasure division (Beginner or Open Youth or Open or All Age).

Intro Ranch (Youth & Adult)

1. Open to riders who: (1) have advanced from the Buckaroo Western Pleasure division; (2) have never shown in any regional or national club or association which would require them to perform above the walk/jog gaits, (3) ride in any beginner division or under in any discipline (English, Gymkhana, Western, etc.) which does not have riders lope in a group or go faster than a lope/canter individually (may not run or hand-gallop); and (4) any adult riders who have not shown in any discipline in the past ten [10] years. With the exception of (3) above, any rider who crosses over into Intro Ranch from any other discipline which requires the rider to lope/canter in a group, run/hand gallop individually and/or ride a hunter/jumper course which requires riders to canter/hand gallop and/or jump a course with jumps two (2') feet or higher may not ride in this division and should enter a corresponding division closest to the discipline division in which they are currently riding. If you are unsure of the correct division to enter, please contact the committee.
2. In Walk/Jog, riders must ride one-handed with split reins only. **Romal reins are not permitted in this division.**
3. Classes may be split into Youth and Adult provided there are three (3) riders in **EACH** age group. Riders may ride in the Intro Ranch (Walk/Trot) Division for a maximum of three (3) years. Riders who have earned a Champion or Reserve Champion EOY award twice will advance after two years into the Beginner Ranch Division.
4. **Intro Ranch riders may also cross-enter into in-hand classes (In-Hand Trail, Halter and Showmanship) and Walk/Jog Western Pleasure division/classes.**

Beginner Ranch

Walk/Trot/Lope division open to riders who have advanced out of the Intro (Walk/Trot) Division, and/or who have never shown in any regional or national club or association which would require them to perform above the walk/jog gaits, or who are crossing over from any other discipline which does not require them to perform above a walk/jog gait with no restrictions on previous wins. Class may be split into Youth and Adult provided there are three (3) or more riders in **EACH** age group. Riders may ride in this division for a maximum of three (3) years. Riders who have earned a Champion or Reserve Champion EOY award twice will advance to the OPEN division. **Trainers are not eligible for this division, regardless of discipline. Riders may cross-enter into Beginner or All Age Western pleasure division/classes.**

Open Ranch

Open to any rider (including trainers) who does not meet the qualifications for any other divisions. Riders in this division may not revert to a lower division. **Riders may cross-enter into Open or All Age Western pleasure division/classes.**

RANCH HORSE CLASS DESCRIPTIONS

****PLEASE SEE "RANCH EQUIPMENT" FOR PERMITTED & PROHIBITED EQUIPMENT****

Ranch Halter

To be shown in a leather halter and a lead with or without a chain. **SILVER SHOW HALTERS** are discouraged. All entries will be judged at a walk, trot and/or extended trot at the judge's discretion. Entries will line up at the judge's direction. To be judged 60% on correctness, balance, and conformation suitable for a working ranch- type horse and 40% on manners and disposition.

Ranch Rail Pleasure

The Ranch Horse Rail Pleasure Class measures the ability of the horse to be a pleasure to ride, while being used as a means of conveyance from one ranch task to another. The horse should be well-broke, relaxed, quiet, soft, and cadenced at all gaits. Horses are ridden on a relatively loose rein with light contact and without requiring undue restraint. Horses should be responsive to their rider & make timely transitions smoothly and correctly; should be soft in the bridle and yield to rider contact. The ideal stock horse should have a natural, level-headed carriage at each gait. Gaits may include ordinary walk, extended walk, trot, extended trot, lope, extended lope and stop (from the trot and/or lope or both). When asked for an extended gait, the ranch horse shall show a lengthening of stride with the same cadence that will cause an increase in speed. **NO MORE THAN SIX (6) HORSES ARE TO PERFORM ON THE RAIL AT THE EXTENDED LOPE.** All horses will be asked to back separately.

Ranch Riding

The purpose of the Ranch Riding class is to measure the ability of the horse to be a pleasure to ride while being used as a means of conveyance from performing one ranch task to the next. The horse should reflect versatility, attitude, and movement of a working ranch horse outside the confines of an arena. The horse should be well-trained, relaxed, quiet, soft, and cadenced at all gaits. The ideal ranch horse will travel with forward movement and demonstrate obvious lengthening of stride at extended gaits. The horse is to be ridden with light contact, or on a relatively loose rein, without requiring undue restraint, but not a full drape of reins. Overall manners and responsiveness of the ranch riding horse to make timely transitions in a smooth and correct manner, as well as the quality of the movement, are primary. Horse should have a natural head carriage at each gait.

Ranch Trail

The Ranch Trail Class, as the name implies, tests the horse's ability to cope with situations encountered in everyday riding. The horse is ridden through a pattern of obstacles which should nearly approximate those found during everyday work. The horse/rider team is judged on the correctness, efficiency, and pattern accuracy with which the obstacles are negotiated, and the attitude and mannerisms exhibited by the horse. Judging emphasis is on identifying the well-broke, responsive, well-mannered horse which can correctly navigate and negotiate the course. Obstacles may include but not be limited to walk-, trot- or lope-overs; opening, passing through and closing a gate; riding over wooden bridge; backing and side-passing obstacles; step in and out of obstacles, etc. Obstacles should not be of the type to trap the horse/ rider team or eliminate it by making it too difficult.

Ranch Equipment

Horses shall be shown in a western stock saddle. Silver equipment is discouraged, but will not count over good, clean working equipment. Horses, regardless of their age, may be ridden in an AQHA-approved curb or snaffle bit, or bosal. Split reins or romal reins shall be used with all curb bits; split reins shall be used with snaffle bits; mecate shall be used with a bosal. Riders riding with an AQHA-approved curb bit shall use one hand on the reins with either one finger or no fingers between the reins and the excess rein on one side of the horse (left-handed on left side, right-handed on right

side; exception are romal reins). When riding two-handed in a snaffle bit or bosal, reins shall be bridged as described in the AQHA equipment rules. Curb straps or curb chains are required for curb bits, must measure at least ½ inch in width and must lie flat against the horse's chin. Curb straps are required with snaffle bits. No wire curbs are permitted regardless of the amount of padding or tape.

Prohibited Equipment: Tiedowns, cavessons, gag bits, twisted-wire mouth pieces, side-pulls, bitless bridles, all hackamores, running martingales, training forks, and protective legwear (leg wraps, splint boots, bell boots, etc.) are prohibited.

Ranch Attire

Neat, clean western hat or protective head gear (ASTM-approved helmet for exhibitors 17 years of age and under is mandatory), western long-sleeved button-down or snapped shirts, jeans, and Western boots, including lace-up ropers, shall be worn. All other footwear is prohibited. The use of spurs and chinks/chaps is optional.

2026 RULES & GENERAL INFORMATION

1. To comply with IHA rules, age status is determined as of December 1st of the previous year. Youth riders are 17 years of age or under; Adult riders are 18 years of age and over as of December 1st.
2. The Islip Horsemen's Association encourages qualified people with disabilities to participate in its programs and activities. If you anticipate needing any type of reasonable accommodation or have questions about the physical access provided, please contact Annmarie McAuley at 516- 319-0761 in advance of your participation or visit.
3. All classes being offered will be conducted and held in accordance with IHA Rules and Regulations and the current **AQHA Rule Book** unless otherwise specified. **IHA rules supersede any other rules.** Should a question or dispute arise that is not covered in the IHA rules and regulations, the judge and show management shall defer to the current AQHA Rule Book, and the resulting decision shall be final. A protest, in writing, must be lodged on the day of the event to the show manager or a committee chairperson. All decisions by said person will be final and protests will be answered in writing if necessary.
4. No person on show grounds, including but not limited to parking areas and show arena, may treat a horse in an inhumane manner. Any person treating any animal in an inhumane manner will be asked to leave the show grounds. No refund of any fees will be given in such an event.
5. Riders will be notified of their advancement to a higher division. A rider may voluntarily advance to a higher division; however, they may not return to a lower division at any time in the future.
6. Pre-entries will be accepted online at Horseshowing.com (preferred), by phone or e-mail until 9:00 PM the Thursday before the show. All other forms of entry, such as mail, are the responsibility of the entrant and must be received by the Thursday deadline. When a horse show extends the courtesy of taking an advanced entry(ies) over the phone, it is with the understanding that said entry(ies) will be paid and credit is extended on these terms. No exhibitor will be permitted to perform without payment of fees. **PLEASE NOTE: If a pre-entry is not canceled at least 24 hours prior to the show, all entry fees will be due even though the exhibitor did not show. Non-payment may result in an exhibitor's inability to show in any succeeding show until all fees are paid.**
7. All pre-entry and post-entry forms must be completed in their entirety. Any entry form which is NOT complete will be rejected, and post-entry fees may be due if not submitted prior to 9:00 pm the Thursday prior to the show.
8. A signature on the entry form and/or release is required for all riders, including those of a parent or guardian for exhibitors 17 years of age or under. If a release is not signed either on the membership form or provided release form, the exhibitor will not be permitted to ride in the show.

9. All checks are to be made payable to: **ISLIP HORSEMEN'S ASSOC.** A \$25 handling fee will be assessed for any returned checks.
10. **Exhibitors (INCLUDING Trainers) are responsible for entering their correct division. Exhibitors found entering an incorrect division will lose all points accumulated in the incorrect division and start accumulating points in the correct division. If you are unsure of which division you should ride in, please contact the Western committee at ihawesternpleasure@gmail.com.**
11. No refunds of entry fees will be issued for a horse that becomes ill, lame or injured unless a licensed veterinarian's diagnosis of the horse's condition is conducted and a letter from the veterinarian is submitted to the show committee **within five (5) days** of the show. If your horse is unable to perform due to illness, lameness or injury and there is a valid veterinary note, you will be allowed to substitute another horse under the same number and will be eligible for EOY awards. You may revert to your original horse if he/she becomes fit or continue with the second horse, but there may be no other changes. There will be no refunds offered beyond **five** days of the show date. **NOTE: There may be no horse substitution for any Halter class(es) as these classes are judged on the horse.**
12. All participants and spectators enter the premises and ride at their own risk. IHA and Suffolk County Department of Parks disclaim any liability for any accident or occurrence no matter what the cause.
13. Due to the nature of stallions in close proximity to other horses, absolutely no stallions will be permitted in competition or on the show grounds during any IHA function, event or show to ensure the safety and welfare of our exhibitors and spectators.
14. Show Management reserves the right to cancel, combine, or divide any class or division prior to or on the day of the show to ensure that the show runs smoothly. Classes with less than three riders may be combined with a corresponding class. Classes with less than three (3) riders may be held, but no points will be awarded for that class. If cancelled, money will be refunded by mail or credited to another show date.
15. All class entries will be closed when the preceding class enters the show ring. A two-minute rule to enter the ring will be strictly enforced. *****It is the rider's responsibility to be ready for his/her class*****
16. **ANYONE COACHING AN EXHIBITOR FROM THE RAIL OR WITHIN HEARING DISTANCE OF THE EXHIBITOR ONCE THE CLASS IS BEING JUDGED IS PROHIBITED and may result in the exhibitor being excused from the class or not being placed. No entry fees in this instance will be returned. This rule will be strictly enforced throughout the duration of the show.**
17. Correct, mandatory western attire is required: long-sleeved western shirt, hat or protective helmet, and boots. Chaps are recommended but not required. Riders under the age of 18 must always wear an ASTM approved safety helmet when mounted (NYS law).
18. Proper Western equipment is mandatory. A western stock saddle shall be used for all riding classes. Horses five (5) years old and younger may be shown in an AQHA approved curb (shank) bit, a snaffle bit, or bosal. Horses ridden in a snaffle bit or bosal may be ridden with two hands. Horses six (6) years old and older may only be shown in an AQHA approved curb (shank) bit **unless otherwise specified in the division/class description**. Hackamores, side-pulls and bitless bridles are prohibited. Riders must ride one-handed with any shank or curb bit with either one or no fingers between the reins and with the excess rein on one side of the horse (left-handed on left side, right-handed on right side; exception are romal reins) **unless otherwise specified in the division/class description**. Curb straps or curb chains are required for curb bits, must measure at least ½ inch in width and must lie flat against the horse's chin. Curb straps are required with snaffle bits and at least ½ inch in width. All curb straps and curb chains must meet the approval of the judge. No wire curbs are permitted regardless of the amount of padding or tape. Curb chains cannot be tied to the bit with string or cord. A broken strap or chain is not necessarily a cause for disqualification.

19. First through sixth place ribbons will be awarded in each class and points awarded per the following point schedule:

Placing		1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th
No. of Horses in Class	6	7	5	4	3	2	1
	5	6	4	3	2	1	
	4	5	3	2	1		
	3	4	2	1			
	2	3	1				

20. Champion and Reserve will receive an award in each division at the end of the day. Overall High Point Champion and Reserve will also be awarded to the horse and rider combinations accumulating the highest points for the day per the requirements for end-of-day awards as defined in the beginning of this prizebook.
21. **End of Day Tie Breaking:** In the event of a tie, the horse/rider combination with the most first- place wins will be ranked higher. If the first-place finishes are equal, the rider with the most second-place finishes will rank higher, and so on for subsequent places until the tie is broken. If riders have identical finishes across all places, it is up to the committee’s discretion as to how to break it (i.e, which horse/rider combination scored higher in a more challenging class, fastest time in a class, etc).
22. **End of the Year Tie Breaking:** Will be resolved in the same manner.

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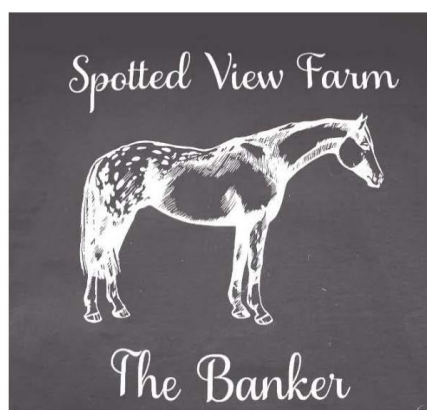
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Good Luck to all the riders in 2026!
Cindy & Chip Hilary

2026 Western Show Series Saddle Award

The IHA Western Show Series will be presenting a Reiner/Ranch saddle to the horse/rider combination who accumulates the most points for the season and qualifies by meeting the following requirements:

- Rider must be an IHA member prior to the first show;
- Rider must compete in all three (3) shows in the series and must compete in at least two (2) out of three (3) classes in two (2) different divisions;
- Open to Youth and Adults;
- Only one horse and rider combination will be allowed. Anyone riding more than one horse shall declare at the first show prior to entering his/her first class which horse will be used to qualify for the saddle and this horse shall be ridden for the duration of the show series to qualify;
- The following divisions will be used for qualifying:
 - Walk/Jog, Beginner, Open, All Age, Intro to Ranch (walk/jog), Beginner Ranch, and Open Ranch;
- The following classes are excluded as qualifying classes:
 - All reining classes (beginner, amateur and open), all in-hand classes (halter, colorbreed halter, ranch halter, in-hand-trail, and showmanship), Walk/Jog/Individual Lope, and Intro Walk/Jog/Individual Lope.
- The saddle cannot be won by the same exhibitor two years in a row.



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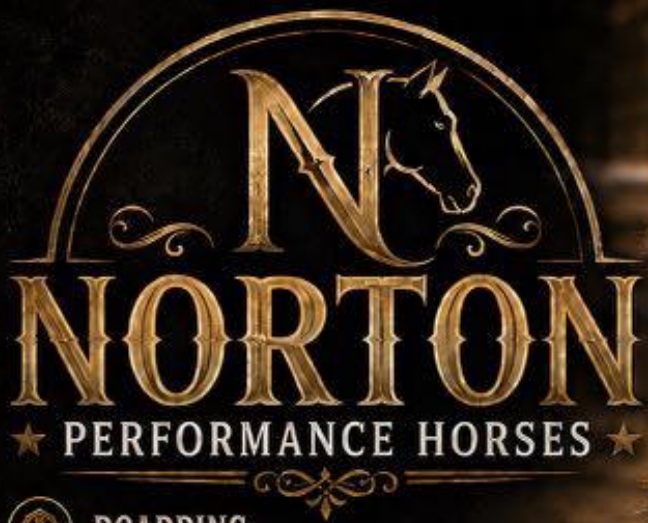
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CLASS LIST

****REINING: 15 MINUTE WARM-UP 8:00-8:15 AM****

Leadline Classes begin promptly at 8:30 AM
Reining classes begin promptly after Leadline
Pleasure classes begin at 9:00 AM



Leadline Classes

1. Leadline
2. Leadline Walk/Jog

Reining

3. Beginner
4. Open

Break to set up Trail course In Ring 2

In-Hand Classes

5. Halter
6. Colorbreed Halter
7. Ranch Halter
8. In-Hand Trail

Showmanship

9. Buckaroo
10. All Age
11. Walk/Jog - Adult
12. Walk/Jog - Youth
13. Beginner - Adult
14. Beginner - Youth
15. Open

Buckaroo Classes

16. Pleasure
17. Horsemanship
18. Trail

15 minute break in Main Ring #1

Western Pleasure

19. All Age
20. Walk/Jog - Adult
21. Walk/Jog Individual Lope - Adult
22. Walk/Jog - Youth
23. Walk/Jog Individual Lope - Youth
24. Beginner - Adult
25. Beginner - Youth
26. Open

Horsemanship

27. All Age
28. Walk/Jog - Adult
29. Walk/Jog - Youth
30. Beginner - Adult
31. Beginner - Youth
32. Open

****PLEASE NOTE: IF AN EXHIBITOR IS ENTERED IN REGULAR TRAIL AND THE RANCH DIVISIONS/CLASSES, YOU MUST COMPLETE YOUR REGULAR TRAIL CLASS PRIOR TO THE RANCH DIVISION/CLASS.**

Trail***

33. All Age
34. Walk/Jog - Adult
35. Walk/Jog - Youth
36. Beginner - Adult
37. Beginner - Youth
38. Open

Break to set up Ranch Trail after regular Trail In Ring 2

15 Minute Break Before Ranch Classes In Ring 1

Ranch Rail Pleasure

39. Intro Walk/Trot - Adult
40. Intro Walk/Trot/Indiv Lope - Adult
41. Intro Walk/Trot - Youth
42. Intro Walk/Trot/Indiv Lope - Youth
43. Beginner - Adult
44. Beginner - Youth
45. Open Ranch

Ranch Riding

46. Intro Walk/Trot - Adult
47. Intro Walk/Trot - Youth
48. Beginner - Adult
49. Beginner - Youth
50. Open

Ranch Trail***

51. Intro Walk/Trot - Adult
52. Intro Walk/Trot - Youth
53. Beginner - Adult
54. Beginner - Youth
55. Open

END OF DAY

DIVISION CHAMPION & RESERVE

Leadline – Buckaroo - Walk/Jog Adult*
Walk/Jog Youth* - Beginner Adult*
Beginner Youth* - Open - Intro Ranch Adult*
Intro Ranch Youth* - Beginner Ranch Adult*
Beginner Ranch Youth* - Open Ranch

END OF DAY HIGH POINT

Intro/Walk Jog Champion & Reserve
Overall Champion & Reserve

*See division requirements as these awards are dependent upon the rules for splitting these divisions.