



**RICHIE FISHER**  
**MEMORIAL JACKPOT**  
**REINING & BARREL RACE**

MAY 29TH  
(RAIN DATE MAY 30TH)

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BOHEMIA EQUESTRIAN CENTER  
(BOHEMIA, NY)

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# **Richard A. Fisher III**

**February 7, 1944 – February 5, 2021**



**“Oh the last goodbye’s  
the hardest one to say  
and this is where the  
Cowboy rides away”  
-G. Strait**

Born in Brooklyn, it seemed unlikely for Richie to become a horse trainer, let alone one of such world-renowned status. He started riding horses in Brooklyn with a few friends that he still has today. When he moved to Long Island, he started working with horses full time. This was when you had one horse that you showed in different disciplines. I think this was the impetus of Richie learning about many disciplines and what it took to make a horse succeed in each. He did it all - from barrel racing, to reining, and even dressage. He mastered it all.

Loving reining, he pursued this as his show discipline. His show records with NRHA date back to 1979 with a horse named "Mr. Brass". Richie was the first African American to be part of NRHA as both a rider and judge. In 2003 he was 6th in the world in Intermediate Open. This career took him all over the world. He judged and taught in Italy and showed and placed 2nd in the German Open. It would take pages and pages to list all his accomplishments.

Richie, having lived on Long Island, New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Georgia, has a huge clientele. Anyone that ever trained with him, loved him. He was inspiring, informative, and just fun to be with. Many people can train horses. Many can teach riding. Richie could do both!

We're here to honor him today. You bet he's looking down on us. So, let's show, let's smile, let's have fun and let's "work the program"!



Richie Fisher & Bob Seele

Submitted by Bob Seele

## Tentative Day of Timeline\*

- 9:00a Check in/warm ups
- 10:30a IHA “*Spirit of Long Island*”  
Mounted Drill Team
- 10:50a Singing of the National Anthem  
by Taryn Gatti
- 10:55a Memorial Speech by Bob Seele
- 11:45p Begin Jackpots
- End of Show Buckle Ceremony

*\*This schedule is a rough estimate, subject to change day of.*

Special Thanks to show committee who has gone above and beyond for making this memorial show happen in Richie’s honor...

Bob & Sue Seele  
Haley Sorensen  
Vicki Piropato  
Michelle Murphy  
Kayla Hollborn

**Thank you** to everyone who has generously sponsored this event in Richie’s honor.

**Thank you** Joey Stetz for donating your time to judge the Reining portion of the show.

**Thank you** Joey & Fern Artego for donating the tractor and your time to drag for this event.

Know that Richie is looking down on us, especially on show day with a tooth pick in his mouth yelling “**RIDE, RIDE, RIDE**”.

# SPONSORS WANTED

for the Richie Fisher Memorial Jackpot  
Reining & Barrel Race.

50% of all money raised will be donated  
to Pal-O-Mine Equestrian, a non profit therapeutic riding  
organization Richie held near & dear to his heart.

The remaining 50% will be split in half as  
money added to the Reining & Barrel Jackpot\*\*.

All sponsors will be noted on our FaceBook Event page along  
with the day of. Ads & bannners welcomed.

\*\*There will be a \$1000 added cap  
once reached for added money.

Sponsorships can be made  
through the following...

- Checks made out to IHA mailed to  
PO Box 39 East Islip, NY 11730
- PayPal (friends & family)  
kayler00@optonline.net
- Venmo @KHollborn



Any questions  
please contact  
Kayla  
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Islip Horsemen's Assoc., Inc. is taking sponsors for the event. If you're interested  
in donating (*any denomination is greatly appreciated*) please see flyer above.

Donations can be personal or business.

All sponsors will be shared on our FaceBook page along with posted the day of  
the event. Ads and bannners welcomed.

The Fisher Family has chosen for proceeds to be donated to  
Pal-O-Mine Equestrian (Islandia, NY). All additional money raised will go to  
Pal-O-Mine as well.

A LITTLE INFO  
ABOUT ONE OF  
RICHIE'S FAVORITE  
PLACES...

“Pal-O-Mine Equestrian began in 1995 as a therapeutic horseback riding program for individuals with disabilities and other vulnerable populations. Our mission has been, and continues to be, to provide a comprehensive therapeutic equine program using horses to facilitate growth, learning and healing. Our populations include children and adults with disabilities, those who have been abused or neglected, the military and the impoverished.”



See what a horse can do for you!

[www.pal-o-mine.org](http://www.pal-o-mine.org)

# **BARREL RACE JACKPOT**

80% payback to riders (\$8/entry to be donated to Pal-O-Mine)

Open Payout 1-4D \$700 added

Youth Payout 1-3D \$300 added

Warm ups start at 9:00a

Drag every 5 riders

Maximum of 3 warm ups per horse/rider combo

Western Attire or RF Memorial t-shirt/hoodie

Buckles awarded to 1<sup>st</sup> place in each Division

Entry Fee... \$40

Warm Ups... \$5 ea.

SCP Fee... \$5

**Entries and payment taken day of in CASH ONLY.**

For more information please refer to the IHA RF Prize Book

[www.isliphorsemensassociation.com/events](http://www.isliphorsemensassociation.com/events)

Any questions please contact Kayla Hollborn

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# REINING JACKPOT

\$500 added Open Reining · \$300 added Non-Pro Reining · \$200 added Rookie Reining  
80% payback to riders (\$8/entry to be donated to Pal-O-Mine)

Judged by Joey Stetz

Paid warm ups starting at 9a.

Western Attire

Buckles awarded to 1<sup>st</sup> place in each Division

Richie Fisher Memorial Show - Reining Classes		
Class Name	Eligibility and Rules	NRHA Pattern
Rookie Reining	Non-Professional riders who are still Green and/or Rookie eligible as per NRHA. *Riders may ride with one or two hands. Reins must remain in the same position (one handed or two) as they are when the rider enters the show pen.	4
Non-Pro Reining	Open to all non-professional riders.	6
Open Reining	Open to all riders.	9

Entry Fee... \$40

Warm Up Fee... \$10/4 minute ride

SCP Fee... \$5

**Entries & payment will be taken the day of.  
CASH ONLY**

For any questions, please contact  
Vicki Piropto 516-768-4495  
vpiropto@gmail.com



## RICHIE FISHER MEMORIAL SHOW

### T-SHIRT & HOODIE

can be purchased from now until April 1<sup>st</sup> along with IHA club apparel.

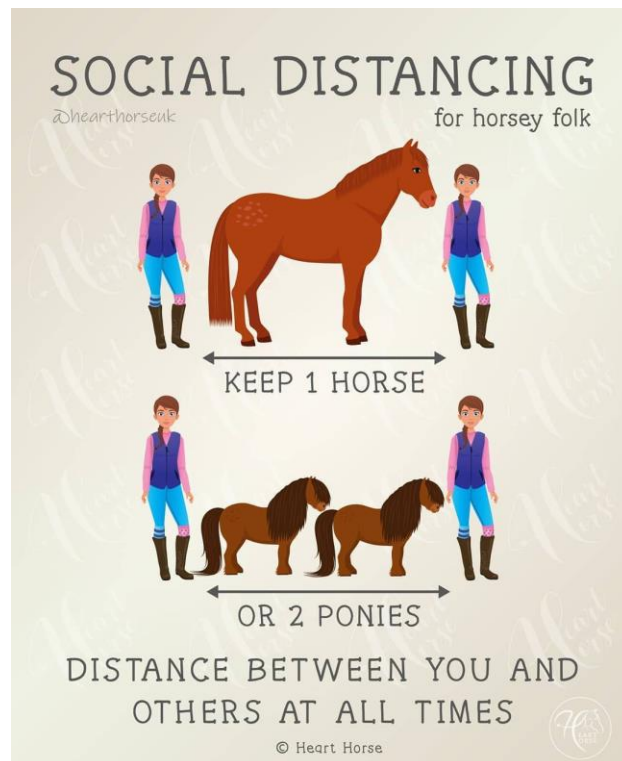
\$2 for every Richie Fisher clothing item purchased will be donated to Pal-O-Mine Equestrian.

<https://www.bsnteamssports.com/shop/IHA2021>



## SAFETY PROTOCOL AND GUIDELINES TO BE FOLLOWED FOR ALL ISLIP HORSEMEN'S ASSOC., INC. EVENTS DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

- Limit the booth to 1-2 people. Table(s) will also be set up outside of booth to ensure social distancing while participants check in if needed.
- Require all to wear mask when they are within 6ft of someone. Those mounted on horseback will be exempt from wearing masks.
- The organization will only accept pre entries for events which will be paid electronically- no in hand payments (cash or check) will be allowed the day of. Post entries will not be permitted for events.
- Signage will be posted from the CDC in reference to hand hygiene, social distancing, etc. Please see attached signage to be used.
- There will be no sale of food/drinks.
- Hand Sanitizer will be provided for volunteers/participants as the facility does not have hot running water. As per CDC handwashing rules, if using soap and water, water must be warm in order to properly disinfect.
- No participants/spectators will be allowed on premise if experiencing signs/symptoms of Covid-19, in quarantine and/or within contact of someone who is Covid positive.
- Completed version of the Safety Protocol Guidance will be readily available at all times in case it is requested by government officials, Suffolk County Parks Dept, and/or participants.



## 2021 Islip Horsemen's Assoc., Inc. Rules/General Information

All classes will be run in accordance with the Islip Horsemen's Association rules & regulations along with AQHA's current rule book. IHA rules supersede any other others. The Islip Horsemen's Association encourages qualified persons 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 Kayla Krenicky-Hollborn in advance of your participation or visit.

Pre-entries will be taken by phone/email until 9:00p the Monday preceding the show date. Mailed entries or emailed entries are the responsibility of the entrant and must be received by the above deadline. Pre-entries sent through Facebook WILL NOT be accepted. No one will be permitted to perform without payment of all fees. All exhibitors must sign a release form and a parent/guardian's signature is required for all junior riders.

When a horse show extends the courtesy of taking an advance entry by phone, it is with the understanding that said entries will be paid and credit is extended on these terms. If said entries are not canceled by 9:00p as per the dead line above, and not paid for, the exhibitor will have their name posted. Future IHA shows/events may refuse entry unless indebtedness is settled. Returned check fee is \$25.00.

After closing dates there will be no refunds without a licensed veterinarian's certificate of the horse's unsoundness or a doctor's note of the rider's inability to perform. Notes are to be submitted to the show committee within 10 days.

No stallions will be permitted at any IHA sanctioned events.

IHA show committee has the right to refuse entries to anyone deemed ineligible to ride.

Any person treating any animal in an inhumane manner or anyone not obeying regulations will be asked to leave the show grounds. No refunds will be given.

All participants enter and ride at their own risk and shall not hold IHA, the show committee, or any affiliates of the County of Suffolk Department of Parks, liable for any injury to rider or horse during, or in connection with, the show.

No horses are permitted in designated spectator areas.

For safety of horse and rider, there shall be no congregating at the entrance gate to the rings.

The Islip Horsemen's Association shall not be held liable or be in any way responsible for services or equipment volunteered by members or non-members. This includes damage, loss, theft or repairs of any sort.

No alcoholic beverages are permitted at IHA-sponsored Events.

No exhibitor will visit or socialize with a judge 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 their representatives), spectators and all other persons present on the show grounds or in show facilities shall be orderly, responsible, sportsmanlike, courteous and respectful. Direct abusive and threatening conduct while on the show grounds will not be tolerated and the offending person(s) may be asked 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(ies) 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.

Should a question or dispute arise that is not covered in the rule book it shall be referred to the **Show Management, whose decision will be final.** Any and all disputes must be made within 24hrs of the commencement of the show. IHA rules and regulations book will be available for a nominal fee. Protest must be lodged the day of the show, and in writing, with the show management or committee chairperson. All decisions will be final by said person and will also be answered in writing if necessary.

**All judges, committee members, IHA Board Members, and volunteers shall be treated with courtesy, cooperation and respect.** No person, exhibitor, owner, or otherwise, shall direct abuse or threatening conduct toward them. *A violation of this rule will result in a written warning from the show committee, 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.*

**Correct western attire is mandatory** in all western classes, except where noted. Shirts must be properly fastened and tucked in. We hate to disqualify a good ride because of improper dressing before you enter the ring.

**Please note- NYS LAW** requires that all children under 18 years of age must wear ASTM approved helmets at all times when mounted. Parents and trainers are responsible.

**Amateur Eligibility Rule-** To those who have not received payment to show, judge, train or assist in training a horse whether monetary or otherwise, either directly or indirectly, nor received payment whether monetary or otherwise, for instruction a person in riding, driving training or showing a horse for 5 calendar years to application for amateur membership regardless of the discipline.

