



August Reined Cow Horse Show

August 14/15 Ancaster Fairgrounds (630 Trinity Road, Jerseyville, ON L0R 1R0)

Show Judge: Peter Swales, Show Secretary: Mary Jo MacDonnell, Show Organizer: Mary Baks, Show Representative: Nicole Crispin

General Rules and Show Information

****Please note: up to date COVID-19 protocols will be posted closer to the date and must be followed by all who attend the show. ****

- The horse shows are NRCHA approved both days. All regular NRCHA and NERCHA classes qualify for year-end points.
- All NRCHA rules apply to NRCHA classes, including bridle spectacular classes (with the exception of the NERCHA Beginner Bridle Spectacular), and the 4-event challenge. This includes equipment limitations in each class. All NERCHA rules apply to NERCHA classes.
- All riders and owners must have an NERCHA membership prior to competing (and NRCHA membership for NRCHA classes). Please see www.nercha.ca for information on the NERCHA membership and www.nrcha.com for information on the NRCHA membership.
- All fees are due in Canadian dollars or the equivalent thereof.
- All winnings will be paid in Canadian funds and will be processed after the show.
- By submitting an entry, in any format, the contestant acknowledges that they meet the criteria to compete in the classes entered according to the guidelines set forth in the NRCHA and NERCHA rulebooks.
- The show begins at 8:00 am on both Saturday and Sunday.
- Move in: 2:00pm Friday, August 13. Please be mindful of those setting up the arena for the show. If you are able to help set up the arena, that would be greatly appreciated!
- The arena is open for general warm-ups at 2:30pm on Friday, August 13, will close for dry paid warm-ups at 7:00pm, and will reopen for general warm-ups after that.
- **Stall Fees:** \$110/stall (includes Fri. and Sat. night) *Shavings are available for \$8.50/bag and must be ordered on your entry form.
- **Camping with electrical trailer hook-up:** \$70 *must be ordered on your entry form
- **Camping no electric hook-up (staying on site):** \$20 *must be ordered on your entry form

Paid Warm-Ups

Dry paid warm-ups are available \$20 for 4 minutes (**must sign up on entry form**). They will take place on the Friday at 7:00pm.

Entries

- Entry forms are found at www.nercha.ca and are due **by August 1, 2021**.
- One entry form per horse/rider combination.

- Entries are to be emailed to nerchainfo@gmail.com or mailed to Mary Jo MacDonnell, 022546 Grey Rd 16 Chatsworth Ontario N0H 1G0 (must be received by August 1st).
 - *Please include your NERCHA (and NRCHA, if applicable) membership numbers on your entry form.
 - *For NRCHA classes, a copy of your horse's papers are required. Any grade horse must be registered through the NRCHA by filling a grade horse registration.
 - *Please remember that the owner of the horse also requires an NERCHA (and NRCHA, if applicable) membership in order for the horse to compete.
- Please refer to www.nercha.ca for NERCHA membership form and payment information.
- Late entries will be accepted with a late entry penalty of \$50 until noon the day before the class starts. All late entries will assume "late" draw positions (last in the herd work, first in the reined cow work). **Please note:** Those who have pre-entered may enter additional classes at the show up to 2 classes before.
- *Due to COVID-19 protocols, Ancaster Fairgrounds is asking participants to pay at the show by e-transfer. E-transfers can be sent to nerchaon@gmail.com Password: nercha.

Special Events

Bridle Spectacular Classes: All classes will run concurrently with their corresponding NRCHA classes on Sunday, August 15 (Open Bridle Spectacular—Open Bridle/Ltd. Open Bridle; Non-Pro Bridle Spectacular—NP Bridle/Novice Non-Pro Bridle; Non-Pro Ltd. Bridle Spectacular—NP Ltd./NP Ltd. 5K/NP Ltd. 1K; Beginner Bridle Spectacular—Beginner 1/Beginner 2). If you are entering this class and not the corresponding NRCHA class, you will still show during that time, based on your eligibility (ex: Open, Non-Pro, Non-Pro Ltd.).

- **Open Bridle Spectacular:** This is a 3-part class with herd work, rein work, and cow work (fence). Horses can be of any age. Horses are required to be ridden in an approved bit and reins with romal. Only one hand may be used on the reins and hands must not be changed. All NRCHA rules apply.
- **Non-Pro Bridle Spectacular:** this is a 3-part class with herd work, rein work, and cow work (fence), and is open to approved non-pro riders. Horses can be of any age. Horses are required to be ridden in an approved bit and reins with romal. Only one hand may be used on the reins and hands must not be changed. You must be the owner recorded on the registration papers. All NRCHA rules apply.
- **Non-Pro Limited Spectacular:** This is a 3-part class with herd work, rein work and boxing cow work, and is open to approved non-pro riders. Horses are required to be ridden in age appropriate head gear. All NRCHA rules apply.
- **Beginner Bridle Spectacular:** This is a 3-part class with herd work, rein work, and cow work (boxing). A beginner rider must be Non-Pro riders as per the NERCHA rule book and cannot have earned more than \$100 or 2.0 points in any sanctioned organization's cow class (or combination of classes) as of January 1st of the current year. Riders cannot have participated in any down the fence classes prior to, nor can they cross-enter into any down the fence classes at any point during the current year. The rider does not need to own the horse. Horses are required to be ridden in AQHA approved age specific head gear (see page 181 - SHW509.1.1 through to SHW510 in the AQHA Official Handbook of Rules and Regulations). The same head gear needs to be used for all three events. Riders who start the class with two hands on the reins must stay two-handed for the remainder of the class. Riders who start the class with one hand on the reins must stay one-handed for the remainder of the class. Cutting: the class will consist of the rider demonstrating the ability of the horse to work a cow by separating it from the herd and holding it to demonstrate the horse's ability to work the cow during the 2 minutes and 30 seconds. Riders are required to do a deep cut. Reined Work: simple lead change in the reined work will be accepted and marked accordingly. The pattern should

be followed as listed for all other maneuvers. Boxing: the cow work will comprise of 50 seconds of boxing the cow. All other NERCHA rules apply.

NERCHA 4-Event Challenge:

For the second time, the NERCHA is putting on a 4-Event challenge at the August 14/15 show at the Ancaster Fairgrounds! This class will run on Saturday, concurrently with the regular NRCHA classes and has \$500 in added purse money. The challenge consists of the rider and horse combinations competing in four events: herd work (cutting), reined work (reining pattern), ranch riding, and cow work (boxing or fence run). If you are entering this class and not the corresponding NRCHA class, you will still show during that time, based on your eligibility (ex: Open, Non-Pro, Non-Pro Ltd.).

- The challenge is open to all breeds of horses at any age, regardless of their show history.
- The challenge is open to all NRCHA riders (must compete in either Open, Non-Pro, or Non-Pro Limited classes).
- Horses are required to be ridden in age appropriate head gear and must use the same head gear in each event.
- All NRCHA rules apply. For the ranch riding, all AQHA ranch riding rules apply.
- Riders may only compete on one horse in the event (one horse for all classes).

Scratches, Substitutions, and Change of Ownership

- **Scratches:** Any entry scratched up to 3 days prior to the start of the day 1 show will have all fees removed. Any entries scratched thereafter up until 2 classes before the entered class begins will receive a refund, minus the cattle fee.
- **Substitutions:** Rider substitution can be completed only by contacting the NERCHA show office up to 2 classes before the entered class begins. In order to complete a horse substitution, a new entry form (including a copy of the new horse's papers) must be sent to the NERCHA show office prior to the beginning of the first day of the show.

Please note that any current entry that would like to substitute must provide all the items listed above or it will be considered a late entry with late entry fees added.

- **Change of Ownership:** if any entry changes ownership, the entry will retain eligibility by complying with the following:
 1. Notification of change in ownership to the committee,
 2. New owner is or becomes a member of the NERCHA, and
 3. Non-pros cannot show on a transfer. They must be the registered owner at the time of the event.