

# VRS OPEN SHOW CIRCUIT – 2024 (Proceeds to benefit Varina Rising Stars 4-H)

DOREY PARK. (7200 Dorey Park Drive, Henrico 23231)

Show starts at 10:00 A.M. (Original Coggins and a copy to keep on file must be shown at rider's 1<sup>st</sup> show of the year)

April 13, **May 18 (Open/4-H State Qualifying Show)**, June 8, August 10

**ALL ENTRY FORMS MUST BE SIGNED, UNDER 18 - MUST HAVE PARENT / GUARDIAN SIGNATURE OR WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO SHOW.**

**HELMETS ARE REQUIRED -FOR 18 & UNDER (EXCEPT FOR SHOWMANSHIP & HALTER)**

**Pre-Entry Fees: \$8.00(Thursday before show); non-pre-entry fee \$10.00 \*\*\*Paybacks in classes of 8 or more riders 1<sup>st</sup> (\$10) 2<sup>nd</sup> (\$8)**

**All waivers & coggins will be kept on file for show series. Year End Awards!!!**

## **RING I – HUNTER DIVISION (10:00) GREEN RING**

- 1 – Hunter/English/Gaited Fitting & Showmanship – Open
- 2 – Hunter/English/Gaited Fitting & Showmanship – Youth
- 3 – Hunter/English/Gaited Fitting & Showmanship – Pee Wee
- 4 – Hunter/English/Gaited Fitting & Showmanship – Coached
- 5 – Hunter/English Walk/Trot - Open
- 6 - Hunter/English Walk/Trot – Youth
- 7 - Hunter/English Walk/Trot – Pee Wee
- 8 - Hunter/English Walk/Trot – Coached
- 9 - Hunter Prime Time – 40 & over = Walk/Trot
- 10 - Hunter/English Go as You Please – Novice Horse – Walk/Trot
- 11 - Hunter/English Go as You Please- Novice Rider- Walk/Trot
- 12 – Country Pleasure (walk & pleasure gait)
- 13 - Hunter/English Pleasure – Open
- 14 - Hunter/English Pleasure – Youth
- 15 - Hunter/English Pleasure- Novice Rider
- 16 - Hunter/English Pleasure- Novice Horse
- 17 – Gaited Equitation (walk & pleasure gait)
- 18 – Hunter/English Equitation – Youth (may have pattern)
- 19 – Hunter/English Equitation – Open
- 20- Hunter Equitation Walk/Trot- Pee Wee
- 21 – Gaited – Go as You Please
- 22 – Hunter Prime Time – 40 & over – Go as You Please
- 23 - Hunter/English Go as You Please – Open
- 24 - Hunter/English Go as You Please – Youth
- 25 - Hunter/English Go as You Please – Pee Wee
- 26 - Hunter/English Go as You Please – Coached
- 27 – Hunter/English Go as You Please Novice Rider
- 28-Hunter/English Go as You Please Novice Horse
- 29 – Competitive Lead Line – judged 1-6 w/ prizes for 1 & 2

## **RING 1 – MINI DIVISION GREEN RING (WILL NOT START BEFORE 12:00)**

- 73-Adult – Mini/Show Pony Showmanship
- 74 - Youth- Mini/Show Pony Showmanship
- 75 – Coached - Mini/Show pony Showmanship
- 76 - Open Mini/Show Pony Showmanship
- 77 - Mini/Show Pony at Halter – Stallions
- 78 - Mini/Show Pony at Halter-Geldings
- 79 - Mini/Show Pony at Halter – Mares
- 80 - Supreme Halter Champion (1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place from class 41,42,43)
- 81 – Coached - pet **pony or fun class- to be announced\*\***
- 82 - Adult Mini/Show Pony Obstacle
- 83 - Youth Mini/Show Pony Obstacle
- 84 - Coached - Mini/Show Pony Obstacle
- 85 - Open Mini/Show Pony Obstacle
- 86 - Adult Mini/Show Pony Hunter
- 87 - Youth Mini/Show Pony Hunter
- 88 - Open Mini/Show Pony Hunter
- 89 - Adult Mini/Show Pony Jumper
- 90 - Youth Mini/Show Pony Jumper
- 91 - Open Mini/Show Pony Jumper
- 92 - Coached Mini/Show Pony- Ground Poles
- 93 - Open Mini/Show Pony Pleasure Driving
- 94 - Open Mini/Show Pony Driving Reinsmanship
- 95 - Open Mini /Show Pony 2<sup>nd</sup> Pleasure Driving – 2<sup>nd</sup> Go

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## **RING II SPEED DIVISION 10:00 – WHITE RING**

- 30 - Poles – Open
- 31 – Poles - Youth Horse
- 32 - Poles – Youth Pony
- 33 - Speed Barrel- Open
- 34 - Speed Barrel – Youth Horse
- 35 – Speed Barrel – Youth Pony
- 36 – Texas Barrels - Open
- 37 - Texas Barrels – Youth Horse
- 38 - Texas Barrels -Youth Pony
- 39 - Cloverleaf Barrels - Open
- 40 - Cloverleaf Barrels - Youth Horse
- 41 - Cloverleaf Barrels- Youth Pony

## **RING 11 – WESTERN DIVISION (will not start before 12:00)**

- 42 - Western Fitting & Showmanship - Open
  - 43 - Western Fitting & Showmanship - Youth
  - 44 – Western Fitting & Showmanship – Pee Wee
  - 45 – Western Coached Fitting & Showmanship
- \*\*\*\*\*BREAK\*\*\*\*\*
- 46 - Western Walk/Jog - Open
  - 47 - Western Walk/Jog- Youth
  - 48 - Western Walk /Jog- Pee Wee
  - 49 - Western Walk/Jog – Coached
  - 50 - Western Walk/Jog – Prime Time – 40 & over
  - 51 - Western Walk/Jog – Novice Horse
  - 52 - Western Walk/Jog – Novice Rider
  - 53 - Western Pleasure - Open
  - 54 - Western Pleasure - Youth
  - 55 - Western Pleasure – Novice Rider
  - 56 - Western Pleasure- Novice Horse
  - 57 - Stock Seat Equitation - Open (pattern at Judge's Discretion)
  - 58 - Stock Seat Equitation - Youth (pattern at Judge's Discretion)
  - 59 – Western Pee Wee\*\*Walk/Jog Equitation (Informal)
  - 60 - Western Go as You Please - Open
  - 61 - Western Go as you Please- Youth
  - 62 - Western Go as You Please – Prime Time – 40 & over
  - 63 - Western Go as You Please- Pee Wee
  - 64 - Western Go as You Please – Coached
  - 65- Western Go as You Please Novice Rider
  - 66- Western Go as You Please Novice Horse
  - 67– Competitive Lead Line – judged 1-6 w/ prizes for 1 & 2
  - 68 - Reining Class-Pattern posted at show
  - 69 – Ranch Horse Pleasure-Walk/Jog
  - 70 - Ranch Horse Pleasure - Walk/Jog/Lope
  - 71 - Ranch Riding Walk/Jog pattern
  - 72 - Ranch Riding-Walk/Jog/Lope Pattern

**Don't forget! The May 18<sup>th</sup> show is a 4H Qualifier for the Va State 4H Horse Show. 4-Her's that show with VRS Horse shows are eligible for State Show scholarships. 2024 Graduating seniors- Three \$500 educational scholarships will be available to eligible 4-Her's that participate in the May 18<sup>th</sup> Qualifier. For more information contact [pinkydbr@comcast.net](mailto:pinkydbr@comcast.net)**

Riders – Coached – 5-9 -coach allowed in ring & to give verbal assistance. Coach allowed to assist rider if safety is in jeopardy.  
Pee Wee – 11 & under Youth – 18 & under  
Novice Rider or Horse – First or Second year of showing.  
Exceptional Rider can be requested in any division.  
Paybacks with 8 or more in class, 1<sup>st</sup> place \$10; 2<sup>nd</sup> place \$8

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**Monthly/Year End Championships:** Hunter Open; Hunter Youth; Hunter Pee Wee; Hunter Coached; Gaited; Mini Youth; Mini Adult; Mini Open; Mini Coached; Mini Driving; Western Open; Western Youth; Western Pee Wee; Western Coached; Speed Open; Youth Speed Horse; Youth Speed Pony; Ranch Horse, Novice Hunter Rider, Novice Hunter Horse, Novice Western Rider, Novice Western Horse. **Must compete in four of the shows to qualify for Year End Championships. Must Compete in at least 2 classes in division to qualify for monthly championships.**

1. All equine participants must sign a waiver to ride. Under 18, must be signed by guardian or parent. No one under 5 may show due to insurance. Appropriate clothing must be worn at all times (no sports bras, no tank tops with spaghetti straps; daisy dukes, NO Jeans with rips, tears or holes in them.) We will keep waiver on file for the show year.

2. Each horse/rider combination will be given its own permanent number for the show year. Only VRS number. You can keep your number or turn in at end of show.

3. Rules & regulations by 4-H rules, unless otherwise specified. No horse can enter the same class more than once except in speed. It is up to the rider to keep up with the classes. To help move the show along each rider should be ready at the gate area when the previous class is in the ring.

4. A **gaited horse** cannot be judged down for performing their natural gait instead of gait called by judge. Gaited rider needs to perform gait that corresponds to their breed. Country Pleasure class is a two gaited class.

5. No mechanical hacks allowed in Hunter or Western division (bosals will be permitted on young horses – 5 & under as of Jan. 1, 2024).

6. Current negative coggins required to show. Will be checked with entry. Rider must show original coggins at rider's 1<sup>st</sup> show with us and a copy for us to keep on file. We are sometimes required to turn these into the state board.

7. Pony Classification - 14.2 hands & under and rider 18 years & under (unless specified) as of January 1; If measurement is in question, an official Horse Measurer of 4-H. will measure at the time of the show. Youth classification - 18 & under as of January 1, 2024.

Pee Wee – 11 & under; Coached – 5-9 (show manager or judge can excuse entry from class if unsafe.) No rider can be attached to horse or saddle in any way. Coach allowed in ring & to give verbal assistance in coached classes. Coach allowed to assist rider if safety is in jeopardy.

8. Western attire mandatory for western classes and hunter attire mandatory for hunter classes; speed attire is a long sleeve collared shirt tucked in (judge may allow short sleeves in hot weather) and a belt and western boots. **Rider must ride horse in western tack. No baseball hats or tee shirts; protective headgear required in all classes for 18 years & under. Protective headgear can be worn in any class with no penalty. If you are over 18 and choose not to wear a helmet you must sign a separate waiver. NO HOLES OR TEARS IN JEANS**

9. When pony & horse classes are combined, in speed, for lack of participation, points will be awarded to the original division of registration at previous shows. **Must declare horse or pony division by first show. The rider will not be allowed to participate in both.**

10. All stallions (including minis) cannot be shown by anyone under 18.

11. **Judge's decision final.** Less than 4 entries - classes can be combined, changed, or canceled by show management. Classes may be added if other classes are canceled.

12. All dogs must be on leashes (county rule). No dogs allowed near riding rings.

13. Horses must stay in the horse area of the park. No fast riding around ring or parked vehicles. **Nothing above a walk or slow jog.** Helmets are required at all times. No riding double at any time.

14. **A minimum of 4 shows are required to be considered for Year End Champion & Reserve Awards. Must show in two classes in a division to be considered for monthly championships.**

15. No alcoholic beverages (park rule), profanity or unsportsmanlike conduct will not be tolerated, person(s) may be asked to leave by show management. A penalty will be applied to the rider/handler.

16. The club or ground owners will not be held responsible for accidents or injuries to persons, animals, or property on grounds.

17. Participants are encouraged to throw trash in proper receptacles. Aluminum cans & bottles in recyclable containers if available.

18. Speed Classes: A 5-second penalty will be added to a rider's time for knocking over an obstacle in poles and barrels. No rider can be attached to horse or saddle in any way.

19. If adding/scratching a class after entry form has already been filed with Main Show Office (Ring I Booth), an add/scratch form must be filled out and turned into ring into the announcer's table before the exhibitor enters the ring. Failure to complete and submit an add/scratch form prior to entering the ring may result in the entry being disqualified from the class.

20. Entry fees will not be refunded for a class once that class has begun. If you need to scratch a class, you must do so 2 classes prior to that class. failure to scratch 2 classes prior, no refund will be given. Tack changes will be 3 minutes, need to be requested at the booth 3 classes ahead.

21. All outstanding entry fees must be paid at the end of each monthly show. No monthly or year-end awards given until fees are paid.

22. Champion division classes posted at show. Two-way ties for champion & reserve may be broken by flip of coin or hack off. This will be a management decision. Three-way ties will require a hack off.

23. Return check charge will be \$25.00. No year-end prizes will be awarded to riders with outstanding debt to VRS.

24. Point tabulations will be by entries in classes: (6 entries: {1<sup>st</sup> – 6 pts; 2<sup>nd</sup> – 5pts; 3<sup>rd</sup> – 4pts; 4<sup>th</sup> – 3pts; 5<sup>th</sup> – 2pts; 6<sup>th</sup> – 1 pt.}); (5 entries: {1<sup>st</sup> – 5 pts; 2<sup>nd</sup> – 4pts; 3<sup>rd</sup> – 3 pts.; 4<sup>th</sup> – 2 pts; 5<sup>th</sup> – 1 pts}); (4 entries: {1<sup>st</sup> – 4 pts; 2<sup>nd</sup> – 3 pts; 3<sup>rd</sup> – 2 pts; 4<sup>th</sup> – 1 pts}); (3 entries: {1<sup>st</sup> – 3 pts; 2<sup>nd</sup> – 2pts; 3<sup>rd</sup> – 1 pt.});

(2 entries: {1<sup>st</sup> – 2 pts; 2<sup>nd</sup> – 1 pts}).

### **Miniature Horse Show Rules**

1. All V.R.S. Open Show rules apply.
2. Show is open to any miniature horse under 38" tall & show pony 39"- 48" if not ridden in any other class. Registration papers are NOT required.
3. In driving classes the use of breeching, over checks, and side checks are optional.
4. Each horse & exhibitor combination must have a separate number.

**Failure to comply with ALL rules could result in forfeiture of all points and Expulsion from future shows.**