

2009



Miniature Horse Show

Sponsored by the Varina Rising Stars 4H Club

October 1-2, 2009

Judge: Judith Warner, AMHR
Asheville NC

Show Superintendents:
Rachael Hodges Richmond VA
Tricia Bartoo Chesterfield VA

Show Advisors
Sandra Dowdy Richmond VA
Jennifer Dowdy-Panten Richmond VA

Entry Deadline Sept 25, 2009

Greetings!

This year will be an exciting yet challenging year for the State Fair of Virginia Miniature Horse Show. This year we will finally have equine facilities (although, not 100% completed) that will be spectacular, and we can only look forward to their 100% completion in the upcoming years.

The State Fair of Virginia has moved from its prior location in Richmond, Virginia to The Meadow Event Park in Caroline County VA.

This year's Miniature Horse program has a few changes so please be sure to read over it carefully. Please note the entry fees & stabling sections, especially. We are also going to offer classes for show ponies.

Due to some limitations we were not able to go forward with the AMHR sanctioned show in 2009, but be assured we are still working on the idea. The State Fair of Virginia has asked the Varina Rising Stars 4H Club of Henrico County VA to put the 2009 show on, with proceeds benefiting the 4H Club.

We are excited about the new facility and we hope everyone will be understanding of some of the changes and hiccups we may encounter. Of all of the horse shows that have been at the State Fair of Virginia the Miniature Horse Show is one of the shows that has continually had great exhibitor turnout and we hope to keep that tradition alive!

See you at the Fair!

Rachael, Tricia, Sandra, and Jennifer,
The Mini Show Volunteers!

Wednesday September 30, 2009

Stable assignments and Check in begins at 3pm ends at 11pm at Show Secretary's Office. If arriving after 11pm please call 804-833-4855 to make arrangements for stabling.

Thursday October 1, 2009 9:00am- Check In begins at 7am

1. Model Stallions 2 and Over A
2. Model Stallions 2 and over B
3. 2009 Stallion 30'' and Under A
4. 2009 Stallion Over 30'' B
5. 2008 Stallion 32'' and under A
6. 2008 Stallion Over 32'' B
7. 2007 Stallion 33'' and under A
8. 2007 Stallion Over 33'' B
- Junior Champion/Reserve Stallion A
- Junior Champion/Reserve Stallion B
9. Senior Stallion Foaled 2006 and before exactly 32' and under
10. Senior Stallion Foaled 2006 and before above 32''-exactly 34''
11. Senior Stallion Foaled 2006 and Before (B)
- Senior Champion/Reserve Stallion A
- Senior Champion Reserve Stallion B
- Grand Champion Stallion A
- Grand Champion Stallion B
12. Model Gelding 2 and Over A
13. Model Gelding 2 and Over B
14. 2009 Gelding 30'' and under
15. 2009 Gelding Over 30''
16. 2008 Gelding 32'' under
17. 2008 Gelding Over 32''
18. 2007 Gelding 33'' and under
19. 2007 gelding over 33''
- Jr Championship/Reserve Gelding A
- Jr Champion/Reserve Gelding B
20. Senior Gelding foaled 2006 and before exactly 32'' and under (A)
21. Senior Gelding foaled 2006 and before exactly above 32''- exactly 34''
22. Senior Gelding foaled 2006 and before (B)
- Senior Gelding Champ/Reserve A
- Senior Gelding Champ/ Reserve B
- Grand Champion Gelding A
- Grand Champion Gelding B
23. Model Mare 2 and over A
24. Model Mare 2 and over B
25. 2009 Mare 30'' and under A
26. 2009 Mare over 30'' B
27. 2008 Mare 32'' and under A
28. 2008 Mare over 32'' B

29. 2007 Mare 33'' and under A
30. 2007 Mare over 33'' B
 - Jr Champ/Reserve Mare A
 - Jr Champ/ Reserve Mare B
31. Sr Mare (foaled 2006 & before) exactly 32'' and under A
32. Sr. Mare (foaled 2006 & before) above 32'' –exactly 34'' A
33. Sr. Mare (foaled 2006 & before) B
 - Sr Champ/Reserve Mare A
 - Sr Champ/Reserve Mare B
 - Grand Champ/reserve Mare A
 - Grand Champ/Reserve Mare B
 - Supreme Champion A
 - Supreme Champion B
34. Show Pony Halter
35. PMC All Ages Open Halter
36. Multicolor Minis Stallions/Geldings
37. Solid Color Minis Stallions/Geldings
38. Multicolor Mares
39. Solid Mares
40. Get of Sire
41. Produce of Dam
42. Three by One Owner
43. Open Pleasure Driving A
44. Open Pleasure Driving B
45. Open Pleasure Driving Championship A
46. Open Pleasure Driving Championship B
47. Youth Pleasure Driving
48. Open Multiple Hitch Pleasure Driving
49. PMC All Ages Pleasure Driving
50. Show Pony Pleasure Driving
51. Open Roadster A
52. Open Roadster B
53. Open Roadster A Championship
54. Open Roadster B Championship
55. Youth Roadster
56. Show Pony Roadster
57. Open Obstacle Driving
58. Youth Obstacle Driving
59. Open Cones Driving
60. Open Barrel Race
61. Open Versatility Class (Driving, Halter, Hunter)

Friday October 2, 2009 9:00am Check In begins at 7am

62. Open Youth Showmanship 6 & under
63. Open Youth Showmanship 7-12
64. Open Youth Showmanship 13-18
65. Open PMC Showmanship
66. Open Adult Showmanship
67. Seniors Showmanship (50 and over)
68. Obstacle Class A
69. Obstacle Class B
70. Obstacle Class Youth
71. PMC Obstacle Open
72. Show Pony Obstacle
73. Hunter A
74. Hunter B
75. Hunter youth
76. PMC Hunter Open
77. Show Pony Hunter in Hand
78. Jumper A
79. Jumper B
80. Jumper Youth
81. PMC Jumper Open
82. Show Pony Jumper In Hand
83. Children's Lead line Class 6 and under
84. Show Pony Under Saddle Walk/Trot
- 15 minute break-----
85. Costume Class 12 and under
86. Costume Class 13 and over
87. Carrot Race 12 and under
88. Carrot Race 13 and over
89. Egg & Spoon Race 12 and under
90. Egg & Spoon Race 13 and over
91. Musical Chairs 12 and under
92. Musical Chairs 13 and over
93. Liberty A \$100 Premium \$60/\$30/\$10
94. Liberty B \$100 Premium \$60/\$30/\$10 sponsored by Henrico Farm Bureau;
Butch Roller
95. Show Pony Liberty \$50 premium \$30/\$20 sponsored by Tricia Bartoo

High Point Awards

Open High Point Performance Open A Horse (includes classes 43, 45, 50, 52, 56, 58, 65,70 ,75)

Open High Point Performance Open B Horse (includes classes 44, 46, 51, 53, 56, 58,66,71,76)

Open High Point Performance Youth Exhibitor A (horse/handler combo, classes included 47, 54, 57, 58, 59/60/61, 67, 72, 77)

Open High Point Performance Youth Exhibitor B (horse/handler combo, classes included, 47, 54, 57, 58, 59/60/61, 67, 72, 77)

Open PMC High Point Exhibitor (includes classes 35, 48, 62, 68, 73, 78)

Open High Point Games Exhibitor 12 & under (horse/handler combo, includes classes 80, 82, 83, 84, 86, 88, 90, 92/93/94)

Open High Point Games Exhibitor 13 & over (horse/handler combo, includes classes 82, 83, 85, 87, 89, 91, 92/93/94)

High Point Show Pony Award (horse/handler combo classes include 34, 49, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59/60/61/63/64, 69, 74, 79, 80, 81, 94)

Point Tabulations

6 or more entries; 1st-6, 2nd-5, 3rd-4, 4th-3, 5th-2, 6th-1

5 entries; 1st-5, 2nd-4, 3rd-3, 4th-2 5th-1

4 entries; 1st-4, 2nd-3, 3rd-2, 4th-1

3 entries; 1st-3, 2nd-2, 3rd-1

2 entries; 1st-2, 2nd-1

1 entry= 1st-1

**This year in lieu of premiums, classes with 8 or more entries will receive paybacks
(with the exception of classes 80, 84-91)**

Paybacks will be as follows

1st place- \$10.00

2nd place- \$8.00

**A & B Liberty Classes will still have the \$100 premium
Show Pony Liberty will have a \$50 premium**

All paybacks/premiums will be paid out at the end of the show to the owner of the horse. Unclaimed payback/premiums will be mailed to the owner of the horse.

General Rules

1. Open classes are open to any miniature horse regardless of registration status.
2. Meal breaks, warm up times, and tack breaks will be announced as warranted.
3. Owners, agents, exhibitors will refrain from any conduct or remarks, in regards to the competition, judging, and/or show staff, which are deemed offensive or unsportsmanlike. One warning will be issued by a show official; a second occurrence will result in dismissal from the show and forfeiture of all fees and prizes.
4. Owners, agents, and exhibitors will not approach the judge without first getting the permission from the AMHR steward.
5. Any abusive acts towards an animal will not be tolerated. Those who violate this rule will be dismissed from the show grounds. All fees and prizes will be forfeited.
6. All youth will be required to wear protective headgear (ASTM/SEI certified) in all Roadster and Under Saddle Classes. Harness must be secured and properly fitted.
7. Show ponies are ponies above 38'' tall – exactly 46'' tall.
8. Show ponies being shown under saddle must be a suitable mount for their rider or they may be disqualified.
9. Multiple Hitch driving teams may be shown in classes 48, 57-60 only.
10. All dogs must be on a leash at all times. These animals are subject to leash laws which will be enforced.

ENTRY FORMS/PAPERWORK

1. All entry forms and other paperwork is **DUE** by September 25, 2009. Any paperwork received after September 25, 2009 will be subject to a \$25.00 late fee, per horse.
2. Please mail entry forms, copy of coggins, and payment to
State Fair Miniature Horse Show
4319 Brixton Rd
Chesterfield VA 23832-7761
3. Entry fees will be as follows:
All pre-entered classes \$10.00
Any classes added on after CHECK IN will be subject to a \$2.00 secretary's fee

NEW! To help with show preparation, please place all classes you foresee entering on your entry form. It is easier to drop people from classes than it is to add. **In exchange for your cooperation, a deposit may be paid on your entry fees instead of having to pay the entire amount up front. The deposit shall consist of the following: Stall fees and 25% of your entry fees. WARNING! If you do not settle up at the show appropriate action will be taken. You may exchange or drop classes 3 classes prior to the scheduled classes only with no penalty. Any class additions made after a back number has been issued will be subject to additional fees. ALL adds, drops, exchanges must be done at the secretary's office!**

4. **Refund Policy:** Refunds on show entries will be made for horses with health reasons after a veterinarian has provided written documentation to show secretary. No refunds will be given on stall or grounds fees. All approved refunds will be mailed to the exhibitor.
5. Out of state horses will be required to have a health certificate dated within 30 days of the show, all horses must have a coggins test within 12 months of the show. Both documents must be readily available for inspection during the show.
6. Any altering, counterfeiting or forging of state health certificates or coggins tests is considered a criminal offense and will be prosecuted as proscribed by the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia.

STALLS

1. The fees for stalls in 2009 will be \$20.00 per stall for the duration of the show.
2. Stalls will be available after 3pm on September 30, 2009. **Stalls must be vacated by October 2, 2009, 6pm, however there will be 10 stalls available for those needing to stay over until Saturday morning. Those stabled until Saturday must be out of stalls by 7AM, to allow for the 4H club to have stalls stripped by 8am Saturday.** Those miniature horse exhibitors found to be occupying stalls after October 2, 6pm without prior permission will be assessed a fine. To reserve a stall for Saturday night please contact VRS 4H at seepdpony@yahoo.com or 804-833-4855
3. Grounds fees must be paid for all horses not being stabled. The fee is \$10.00 per horse, for the entire show. All horses staying overnight must be stabled. No horses will be allowed to remain in or be attached to any trailers or other animal hauling vehicles overnight.
4. There will be no smoking in the barn area by order of the fire marshal. Those in violation may be fined.
5. Bedding will be available for purchase from the show office.

Check In

1. Check in will begin September 30, 2009 at 3pm; Check in will begin at 700am on October 1st & 2nd.
2. **Stalls will be assigned by the show management.** Upon your arrival proceed to the equine area gate for a State Fair Credential check. These credentials will be mailed in your exhibitor's packet.
3. **Proceed to the Secretary's office BEFORE UNLOADING any animals or equipment.** The show secretary will be assigning stalls at check in.
4. When checking in with the show secretary, to receive your back numbers please bring the following for information for verification: Coggins, state health certificate.
5. Back numbers will not be issued until all required information is obtained by show secretary's office. If you do not have all of your paperwork in hand you will not receive your back number. No number no show!
6. Back numbers will be issued to each horse/handle combination
7. If back numbers are lost, a replacement may be issued for \$5.00.

8. **All accounts must be settled within one hour of the conclusion of the show.** The show office will promptly close at that time and your account will be considered unpaid. Appropriate collection practices will be followed and the listed owner of the horse will be responsible for any unpaid fees plus and costs accrued during collection procedures.

Adding/Scratching classes

1. Any additions, changes or scratches from a class must be made 3 classes prior to the start of the class you want to enter. After this time no additions, changes or scratches will be accepted and no entry fees for said class will be returned. **NO EXCEPTIONS.**
2. **Any person adding entries the after a back number has been issued will be charged a \$2.00 secretary's fee per class.** Classes may be exchanged/dropped with no penalty (must be 3 classes prior).

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WARNING! If you do not settle up at the show appropriate action will be taken. You may exchange or drop classes 3 classes prior to the start of a class with no penalty. Any class additions made after a back number has been issued will be subject to additional fees, as stated above.

3. The show grounds will have a PA system. This system is merely a courtesy to our exhibitors. Please be aware of when your class is and how quickly the show may move. Classes will not be held for late comers. If you show up after the class is closed you will not be allowed to show and fees will be forfeited.

Ring Procedures

1. Show will start promptly at 9am on both days!
2. All entries must check in with the gatekeeper prior to entering the class. Just because you check in does not mean we will hold the gate for you if you are not ready to go when it is your turn to enter the ring
3. All entries must be identified by a back number. If you do not have the correct back number on you will not be allowed to enter the ring. The show will not be held up while you look for the correct back number. You may be disqualified from the class and entry fees for said class will be forfeited
4. The show grounds will have a PA system. This system is merely a courtesy to our exhibitors. Please be aware of when your class is. Classes will not be held for late comers. If you show up after the class is closed you will not be allowed to show and fees will be forfeited.
5. **Gate Call rule in effect!** You will have two minutes to enter the ring once the last horse has entered or you will be considered a no show and fees will not be refunded for that class.
6. Tack change requests must be given to the gate keeper at least 2 classes prior to the tack change or it will not be honored. A tack change will be allotted 5 minutes maximum.

Vet/Farrier Services

Vet/Farrier services will be available in emergency situations, on an on call basis. There will be no farrier on the premises. Farrier information will be available in your exhibitor's packet.

Hotels & Directions to Meadow Event Park

Please visit www.statefairva.org or www.statefair.com

RV/Camper Hook Ups

There are 32 RV/Camper hook ups available at the show. Reservations are on a first come first serve basis. Reservations will be made through the State Fair of Virginia's website.

Trailer Parking

Ample parking for horse trailers and animal hauling vehicles will be provided near the barn and arena area. All horses staying over night must be stabled. No horses may stay overnight in or attached to a trailer or other animal hauling vehicle. State Fair Credentials must be displayed at all times.

Exhibitor passes

Exhibitors with 1-2 horses get two complimentary exhibitor tickets; exhibitors with 3 or more horses get three complimentary exhibitor tickets. Additional exhibitor passes (up to 4) are available for purchase by exhibitors (\$10.00 each). Form is located in show program.

Show Staff Contact Info

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Tricia Bartoo
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Sandra Dowdy
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State Fair of Virginia Miniature Horse Show Entry Form

**Entries must be received by September 25, 2009 to
avoid late fees.**

Horse				Exhibitor				Horse Size A B PONY			
Owner Name				Owner Address				Owner Phone			
Classes:											
Total Classes				X 10.00=				Exhibitor Number		Acession Number	

Horse				Exhibitor				Horse Size A B PONY			
Owner Name				Owner Address				Owner Phone			
Classes:											
Total Classes				X 10.00=				Exhibitor Number		Acession Number	
Number of Stalls _____				X \$20.00				Stall total:			
Entire Show											
Grounds Fee/ per horse				X \$10.00				Grounds Fee total:			
(Horses not stabled, entire											
show) _____											
Late Entry fee (forms				X \$25.00				Late Fees:			
received after 9-25-09 per											
horse) _____											
GRAND TOTAL				Stabling/entry				GRAND TOTAL:			
				fees							

**Mail entries to:
State Fair of Va Mini Show
4319 Brixton Rd
Chesterfield VA 23832**

**Please have all owners &
exhibitors sign the owner/
exhibitor agreement that is
attached.**

Owner/Exhibitor agreement

OWNER:

I, as the owner of an animal exhibited in the State Fair of Virginia Miniature Horse Show, has read and understand all of the rules and guidelines set forth in the show program and set forth by the State Fair of Virginia. I agree to abide by all rules and guidelines set forth. I understand that any outstanding entry/stabling fees, collection fees will be my responsibility and any unpaid fees will be collected from me. I also understand that this is an equine event and I will not hold responsible The State Fair Of Virginia, Virginia 4-H, Varina Rising Stars 4H or Show Management liable for any damage to life, limb, or property.

Owner's Name Printed: _____

Owner's signature: _____
Date _____

Exhibitor:

As an Exhibitor of an animal in the State Fair of Virginia Miniature Horse Show I have read and understand all rules and guidelines set forth in the show program and by the State Fair of Virginia. I understand that this is an equine event and I will not hold the State Fair of Virginia, Virginia 4-H, Varina Rising Stars, or show management liable for and damage to life, limb or property.

If I am a participant under the age of 18 years of age, a Virginia Equine Liability Wavier must be signed by my parent or guardian before I can participate. The forms may be obtained by mail or at the show. Contact show management to receive a wavier by mail. 804-833-4855

Exhibitor's Name Printed: _____

Exhibitors Signature: _____
Date _____

If Exhibitor is under the age of 18 years of age:

Parent/Guardian Name
Printed: _____

Parent/Guardian
Signature: _____ Date _____

State Fair Miniature Horse Show
Additional Exhibitor Pass Order Form

Exhibitor Name _____

Address _____

Phone: _____

Email _____

Number of Additional Passes 1 2 3 4 @ \$10.00 each

(Circle Amount of Additional Passes Requested)

Total \$ _____

Make Checks payable to Varina Rising Stars 4H
Mail Payment to:

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