

2007 NWCHA Futurity & Aged Event

Rules & Regulations

1. **Verification of Ownership:** Proof in the form of a photocopy of the registration certificate or a notarized statement of age and description must be submitted with all entries.
2. **Current NWCHA Membership** of both Owner and Rider is required. A \$40 membership fee will be charged for individuals and \$50.00 for families.
3. **Aged Event classes to be held:**

Open Futurity	Open Derby	Open Classic/Challenge
Open 50K Rider	Non-Pro Derby	Non-Pro Classic Challenge
Non-Pro Futurity	Open Derby \$10,000 Ltd Horse	Non-Pro Classic/Challenge \$100K Ltd Rider
	Non-Pro Derby \$10,000 Ltd Horse	Amateur Classic/Challenge
	Non-Pro Derby \$100K Ltd Rider	
	Amateur Derby	

A Gelding division will be held in each of the above classes excluding the limited classes.
4. **Aged Event Definitions:** By January 1 of current year.
Futurity 3 yr olds **Derby** 4 yr olds **Classic** 5 yr olds **Challenge** 6 yr olds.
5. **Draw:** Futurity draw is to be made Saturday, August 18, 2007. Draw will be posted on the NCHA website following the draw.
6. **Class Limits:** Entries will be taken until full in the Open and Non-Pro Futurity, Open and Non-Pro Derby, Open and Non-Pro Classic/Challenge, Amateur Derby and Classic/Challenge. The number of entries will be limited in each division as follows:

Open Futurity – 175	Open Derby – 100	Open Classic/Challenge – 85
Non-Pro Futurity – 60	Non-Pro Derby – 60	Non-Pro Classic/Challenge – 85
	Amateur Derby – 50	Amateur Classic/Challenge – 60
7. **Entries: All entries are due and payable in full by August 1, 2007.** All entries not postmarked by August 1, 2007 will be assessed a \$150 late fee, **NO EXCEPTIONS!** Entries may be transferred between divisions only if approved by NWCHA and depending upon availability. For any changes after August 1, 2007, a \$50 change fee will be assessed if entries are transferred between divisions. Entries will be sold on a priority basis by postmark. Entries will NOT be accepted without full payment. Entries for the Gelding division will remain open until the beginning of the Aged Event classes.
 - a. Make checks payable to: **NWCHA PO Box 1450 Redmond, OR 97756**
 - b. No limit to the number of entries per contestant in the Open or Non-Pro divisions.
 - c. No limit to the number of eligible horses per rider in the Open, Non Pro and Amateur classes.
8. **Fees:** Total entry fees will be as follows: Futurity (open and non-pro) - \$1370; (Open Futurity 50K Ltd - \$250). Derby or Classic/Challenge (open and non-pro) - \$1270. Derby (open and non-pro) \$10,000 Ltd Horse - \$720, if already entered in the Derby (open or non-pro) - \$550; Derby or Classic/Challenge Non-Pro \$100,000 Ltd Rider - \$720, if already entered in the Derby or Classic/Challenge Non-Pro - \$550. Amateur Classes- \$570. Gelding division (open, non-pro and amateur) - \$150.
9. **NSF:** All returned checks will be assessed a \$50.00 fee.
10. **Go Round Advancement:**
 - a. **Futurity Open:** 100% of all horses competing in the first go shall advance to the 2nd go. **Maximum horses to finals- 26 to be worked in two sets. If total entries equal 120 or less, 20% plus ties shall advance to finals with a maximum of 26 horses.** If ties exceed 26 horses the first round scores shall be used as a tie breaker. If ties still exist the tie breaker judge's score for first round shall be used. (Tie breaker judge will be pre-selected by draw by judge's monitor and shall only be known by monitor and secretary.) If more than 120 entries compete in the first round the top 20 scoring horses plus ties after two rounds shall advance to the finals. If this number is less than 26 horses a **wild card round shall be used to determine remainder of finalists.** The next 12 horses including ties shall be eligible to compete in a wild card round to determine the remaining qualifying spots for the finals. In no case shall the total number of finalists exceed 26 horses. The wild card round shall be based on a clean slate. If ties exist the combined scores of both go rounds and the wild card round shall be used to break ties. If ties still exist the tie breaker judge's score for the first round shall be used. (Tie breaker judge shall be selected as specified above.)
 - b. **Non-Pro Divisions:** 100% of all horses competing in the first go shall advance to the 2nd go. 25% advance to the finals, maximum of 25 and a minimum of 6.
 - c. **Derby and Classic/Challenge Open & Non-Pro Divisions:** 70% of all horses that competed in the first go round shall advance to the 2nd round, 25% advance to finals with a maximum of 25 and a minimum of 6.
 - d. **Derby Amateur, Classic/Challenge Amateur, Derby Open 10K Ltd Horse, Derby Non-Pro 100K Ltd Rider, Derby Non-Pro 10K Ltd Horse, Classic/Challenge Non-Pro 100K Rider divisions:** 1 go round with 30% of all horses that competed in the first go round shall advance to the finals with a maximum of 25 and a minimum of 6.

- e. **Open Futurity 50,000 Limited Rider and Gelding divisions:** Purse paid to the highest 25% advancing.
- f. An **advancement fee** of \$100 will be charged to all horses advancing to the finals.
- g. **Calculations on percentage used for advancement are to the nearest whole number. (i.e. 10.4 will advance 10 horses, 10.5 will advance 11 horses.)**

11. **Payouts:**

- a. **Futurity Open and Non-Pro:** 2.5% of jackpot purse shall be paid in each go round. Go round money to be paid is one per ten entries with a maximum of 4. The Futurity Finals Purse shall consist of the balance of the jack pot purse plus all added money.
 - b. **Wild Card Round Payout (if needed):** \$10,000 from the Open Futurity Final Purse shall be equally divided among the Wild Card participants who do not advance to the Finals. (A \$100 advancement fee will be charged to all horses competing in the Wild Card Round.
 - c. **Derby & Classic/Challenge Open & Non-Pro divisions:** No go round money will be paid. The total purse plus 100% of the added money will be paid in the finals.
 - d. **Amateurs, 100K Ltd Riders, and 10,000 Ltd Horse divisions:** No go round money will be paid. The total purse plus 100% of the added money will be paid in the finals.
 - e. **Open Futurity 50K Limited Rider and Gelding Classes** within a class are paid to 25% of the furthest advancing entries.
 - f. All Finalists will receive a check.
12. **Derby \$10,000 Limit Horse Eligibility:** Eligibility for this class will be limited to horses that have less than \$10,000 in Life Time earnings as of August 1, 2007. Earnings will be verified through NCHA.
13. **Judging:** A five judge monitor system will be used. NCHA Rules observed.
14. **Ties:** If there are any ties for the Championship of any class, Co-Champions shall be declared. First and second place monies will be divided equally. There will be a work off or coin toss for the awards. Three way or greater ties shall be worked off with one being determined as Champion and remainder as Co-Reserve Champions. The money will be split equally.
15. **Changes:** Show management reserves the right to make any changes, additions and deletions to these rules as deemed necessary by them for the betterment of the show. **Notice of any changes will be posted at the show or upon request.**
16. **Disputes:** The association will deal with all disputes and its decisions will be final. NWCHA reserves the right to disqualify any contestant for actions of misconduct. Any contestant disqualified will lose their right to entry fees, purse monies and stall fees.
17. **Event Cancellation:** The NWCHA reserves the right to cancel any event or classes within an event, without prior notice to the contest, without liability to the association or its' officers. In such an event, fees pertaining to that class or event will be refunded.
18. **Refunds:** The NWCHA will consider refunding fees prior to the draw for only two reasons, no other refunds will be given for any reason. In both cases an office charge will be retained for \$150.
- a. Sick or injured horse with a veterinarian's excuse.
 - b. Sick or injured rider with physician's excuse.
19. **Mechanical Training Devices:** No personal mechanical training devices allowed, mechanical cow will be available at practice pen.
20. **Dogs:** No dogs are allowed in the Show Arena. **NO EXCEPTIONS!** All Dogs must be on a leash when on the Grounds.
21. **Stall fees** will be \$125 due and payable on or before August 1, 2007. \$150 after August 1st.
22. **Awards:**

Aged Event Classes: Roo-Hide saddles to Champion of Open Futurity, Non-Pro Futurity, Amateur Derby, and Amateur Classic/Challenge Champions. Trophy buckles to Champion and Reserve in all aged event classes and awards to all aged event finalists.

Division Classes: Awards to Gelding division Champions.

Amateur Classes: Trophy buckles to Champion and Reserve in the Classic/Challenge Amateur and Derby Amateur, Champion buckle to the Open Futurity 50K Limited Rider.

Limited Classes: Champion buckles to be awarded.