

## **CLASS LIST**

1. California Warm-Up (Not judged; Welcome to be ridden prior to first class of division)
2. Pre-Short Stirrup (Walk Only)
3. Pre-Short Stirrup (Walk/Trot)
4. Pre-Short Stirrup (Walk, Trot and Tests)
5. Walk/Trot Equitation
6. Beginner Walk/Trot
7. Beginner Over Fences (18")
8. Beginner Over Fences (18")
9. Pony Pleasure Go-As-You-Pleas\*
10. Pony Pleasure Walk/Trot\*
11. Pony Pleasure Walk/Trot/Canter\*
12. Short Stirrup Equitation Walk/Trot
13. Short Stirrup Equitation Walk/Trot/Canter
14. Short Stirrup Equitation Over Fences (18")
15. Short Stirrup Hunter Walk/Trot/Canter\*
16. Short Stirrup Hunter Over Fences (18")\*
17. Short Stirrup Hunter Over Fences (18")\*
18. Student Hunter Equitation Over Fences (2')
19. Student Hunter Equitation Over Fences (2')
20. Student Hunter Equitation Under Saddle
21. Leadline for ages 7 and under. To be held as close to noon as possible. Judged 50% on equitation and 50% on suitability  
-TEN MINUTE SCHOOLING BREAK-  
Class 22 will not start before 11:00 am.
22. VHSA Associate Pony Equitation (2', 2'3", 2'6")\*
23. Pony Hunter Over Fences (2', 2'3", 2'6")\*
24. Pony Hunter Over Fences (2', 2'3", 2'6")\*
25. Pony Hunter Under Saddle\*
26. Low/Schooling Hunter Over Fences (2' or 2'6")
27. Low/Schooling Hunter Over Fences (2' or 2'6")
28. Low/Schooling Hunter Under Saddle
29. VHSA Equitation on the Flat\*  
-TEN MINUTE SCHOOLING BREAK-  
Class 30 will not start before 1:00 p.m.
30. Horse Pleasure Go-As-You-Pleas - Junior Rider\*
31. Horse Pleasure Walk/Trot - Junior Rider\*
32. Horse Pleasure Walk/Trot/Canter - Junior Rider\*
33. Horse Pleasure Go-As-You Pleas - Adult Rider\*
34. Horse Pleasure Walk/Trot - Adult Rider\*
35. Horse Pleasure Walk/Trot/Canter - Adult Rider\*
36. VHSA Associate Thoroughbred Hunter Over Fences (2'6")\*
37. VHSA Associate Thoroughbred Hunter Over Fences (2'6")\*
38. VHSA Associate thoroughbred Hunter Under Saddle\*
39. Green Pony/Green Hunter Over Fences (2', 2'3", 2'6")\*
40. Green Pony/Green Hunter Over Fences (2', 2'3", 2'6")\*
41. Green Pony/Green Hunter Under Saddle\*
42. VHSA Associate Children's/Adult Amateur Equitation (2'6")\*
43. Children's/Adult Amateur Hunter Over Fences (2'6" or 3')\*
44. Children's/Adult Amateur Hunter Over Fences (2'6" or 3')\*
45. Children's/Adult Amateur Hunter Under Saddle\*

\*DENOTES VHSA ASSOCIATE RECOGNIZED CLASS

## **RULES AND SPECIFICATIONS**

**Pre-Short Stirrup:** Open to riders 10 and under. Riders may be asked to walk, trot and perform simple equitation tasks. No cross entry into any cantering classes.

**Walk/Trot Equitation:** Riders of any age in their first year of showing. Will be asked to perform tests such as sitting trot, jumping position or any other tests chosen by the judge. Attire may be informal.

**Beginner:** Rider or Horse in their first year of showing. 4 fences at 18". Attire may be informal.

**Pony Pleasure:** Open to all ponies 14.2 h and under in hunter tack ridden by junior riders.

**Short Stirrup Equitation:** Judged on rider's (12 & under) equitation. Riders are not allowed to cross enter into classes where they jump over 18". Course may be trotted.

**Short Stirrup Hunter:** Open to horses and ponies ridden by riders 12 & under. May not cross enter into any other VHSA Associate Division except Pleasure and VHSA Equitation on the Flat.

**Student Hunter Equitation:** Riders in their 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> year of showing at 2' or higher as of December 1 of the current show year. Riders competing are limited to two years only whether competing over fences or not. Judged as an equitation division. Course may be trotted.

**VHSA Pony Equitation:** Open to junior riders only on ponies. Judge may call back at least 1/4 of the class for flatwork. Can only show in one equitation class per show except VHSA Equitation on the Flat.

**Pony Hunter:** Open to ponies 14.2 h and under ridden by junior riders only. Fences for small at 2'; medium at 2'3"; large at 2'6".

**Low/Schooling Hunter:** Open to all horses or ponies. No restrictions on riders. Adults may ride ponies not entered in a Pony Division.

**VHSA Equitation on the Flat:** To be shown at a walk, trot and canter. May be split into three classes if entries warrant.

**Horse Pleasure:** Open to all horses in hunter tack.

**VHSA Associate Thoroughbred Hunter:** the VHSA Associate Thoroughbred Hunter Division is limited to horses who are registered with or are eligible to be registered with the Jockey Club. In order to accrue VHSA Associate points, the height for this division shall be no lower than 2'6". The VHSA Associate Thoroughbred Hunter division may not be combined with any other VHSA Associate recognized division. Horses must be registered with the VHSA and owners must be current VHSA members in order to accrue points towards VHSA Associate year-end awards.

**Green Pony/Green Hunter:** Open to horses in their 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> year of showing in any classes that require horses to jump the designated height for green horses. Also open to ponies in their 1<sup>st</sup> year of showing in any classes that require ponies to jump the designated height for a green pony. Ponies may only be ridden by juniors. Fences for small at 2', medium at 2'3"; large/horse at 2'6". May be split horse/pony if entries warrant.

**VHSA Children's/Adult Amateur Equitation:** Junior and adult amateur riders mounted on horses.

Judge may call back at least 1/4 of the class for flatwork. Can only show in one equitation class per show except VHSA Equitation on the Flat.

**Children's/Adult Amateur Hunter:** Open to junior or adult amateur riders on horses only.

⇒ Classes follow rules and specifications set forth by the USEF and VHSA.

⇒ Judge's decision is final.

⇒ Proof of negative Coggins on all ponies and horses (current within one year) is required at registration. This report is also required for horses or ponies who travel to the show but do not enter any classes.

⇒ The Rock Branch Horse Shows is a VHSA Associate show. Membership forms are available at the secretary's booth, but must be completed and turned in by the end of the show in order for points to count. Membership in VHSA is not required to compete in this show.

⇒ All entry forms and a signed waiver must be completed by the participant or by a parent/guardian or trainer for juniors. Waiver only needs to be completed and signed once per year.

⇒ All riders, when mounted, must wear an ASTM/SEI approved helmet.

⇒ Proper tack and attire required except where noted. In extreme heat, coats may be excused at the judge's discretion.

⇒ Junior riders are those 17 and under as of December 1, 2013. All ages are as of December 1, 2013.

⇒ Six ribbons will be awarded in each class. Champion and Reserve ribbons will be awarded in each division.

⇒ Please leave dogs at home.

⇒ Fee for returned checks is \$45.

⇒ Unjudged rounds are permitted for the regular class fee, each round.

⇒ Divisions may be combined, split or canceled at the discretion of the show management.

⇒ Any questions or disputes that are not covered in the above Rules and Specifications or in any other section of this prize list, shall be subject to the decision of the show management.

⇒ The Rock Branch Horse Shows LLC management, volunteers and property owners are not responsible for any accident or injury to spectators, riders, handlers, their property or possessions. Entering the show grounds constitutes acceptance of this policy.

Year End Prizes will be awarded to Series High Point Champion and Reserve Champion in each division including equitation.

The Longwood Farm Memorial Trophy will be awarded to the high scoring TB in the VHSA Hunter division

**Thank you for supporting the Rock Branch Horse Shows in its inaugural year**