



MAY★FEST

Challenge

VALUE SHOW

Will Rogers Equestrian Center
Fort Worth, Texas
Proudly Presented by the
North Texas Arabian Horse Club
May 5-7, 2023

Halter & Performance Judge: Kim Morgan [R] Pilot Point, TX
Reining, Ranch Riding & Trail Judge: Pat McGinnis [r] Scottsdale, AZ
Sport Horse Judge: Cindy Pursell [Hunter (r)] Greenville, TX

Entries Close: Monday April 17, 2023

Host Hotel, only blocks from the show grounds!!

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**This is an Arabian Horse Association
2023 Region 9 Qualifying Show**
The MAYFEST CHALLENGE IS APPROVED BY:

Arabian Horse Association (AHA) 220915623

OFFICIALS & STAFF

JUDGES	Kim Morgan of Pilot Point, TX.....	Halter and Performance Classes
	Pat McGinnis of Scottsdale, AZ	Reining, Ranch Riding, & Trail Classes
	Cindy Pursell of Greenville, TX	Sport Horse
STAFF	Show Manager	Edythe Snowden of Bulverde, TX 830-237-0966 Esnowden@gvtc.com
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	Announcer/Music.....	David Gunter
	Ring Steward	Mark Hayes
	Farrier.....	Tiny Bertsch 254-640-1046
	Out Gate/Prizes Coordinator.....	Michelle Slaughter
	Trail Course Designer.....	Edythe Snowden
	Working Western Announcer	Karen Campbell
	Working Western Scribe	Cindy Gidden
	Working Western Support.....	George & Cassie Lucas
	Photographer	Jeanne Shepard Harford www.genieimages@yahoo.com
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	Qualified Medical Personnel	Gilbert Keith EMT-P 405-863-0888
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NTAHC OFFICERS & DIRECTORS

President, Linda Abston 1st VP, Lisa Skalski 2nd VP, Larry Abston Secretary, Maureen Davidson Treasurer, Kristen Fisher
Directors: Maureen Davidson, Cheryl McCally

SHOW FEES & SPONSORSHIPS

SHOW FEES

Halter and Performance Classes	\$35
Reining, Ranch Riding, and Trail Classes	\$35
Halter Championships.....	No Charge
Trail Equipment Fee	\$25
Post Entry Fee (if completed entry* recd after Apr 17, 2023) .	\$35
Post Entry Fee (if completed entry* recd after Apr 28, 2023) .	\$60
Horse & Tack Stall Fees.....	\$90
Early Move-in (prior to 9:00 AM Wed May 4, per day, per stall)...	\$30
Office Fees (per horse)	\$40
AHA Reporting Fee, mandatory, per horse.....	\$5
AHA Educational 9-90 Fee, mandatory, per horse.....	\$5
AHA Single Event Membership Fee (Competition Card).....	\$35

BUY A CLASSES

Buy-A-Class by Closing Date of Apr 17, 2023.....	\$75
Buy-A-Class Purchase after April 17, 2023.....	\$150

SPONSORSHIPS

Class Sponsorship.....	\$25
Championship Sponsorship	\$35
Friends of MayFest Signage (existing sign).....	\$50
Friends of MayFest Signage (new sign).....	\$100

FACILITY SERVICES [PAID DIRECTLY TO FACILITY]

Shavings – small flake/loose bag, 3.5 cu ft	\$9.00/bag
Shavings – med/large flake/compressed, 9.0 cu ft	\$13.00/bag
RV Hookup: 817-392-6287 or 817-991-8497	\$35 - \$70 night

Returned Check Fee.....	\$50
AHA VALUE SHOWS ONLY COUNT TOWARD AHA QUALIFICATIONS AND PROGRAMS	

***COMPLETED ENTRY = Completed entry form, payment, horse registration papers, and AHA & USEF competition cards.**

Halter Championships: 1st – Trophy, Ribbon & Garland; 2nd – Ribbon

AWARDS

Awards will be given as follows:

Halter, Performance, and Sport Horse Classes: 1st – Trophy & Ribbon; 2nd thru 6th – Ribbon

Medal Classes: 1st – Medal* and Ribbon; 2nd thru 8th – Ribbon
[Award of medal requires at least 3 exhibitors in the class]

Equitation: 1st – Trophy & Ribbon; 2nd thru 8th – Ribbon

Leadline: All participants receive Trophy & Ribbon

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ENTRY INFORMATION

Entries close April 17, 2023

POST ENTRIES: Any entries receiving a postmark after this date will be charged a one-time \$35 post entry fee. Any entries received after April 17, 2023 will be charged a one-time \$60 post entry fee.

- All entries must be completed on an official entry form for this show and have attached a valid check, money order, or printed PayPal receipt for the total amount of appropriate fees; otherwise, the entry will not be accepted. **DO NOT SEND OPEN OR POST DATED CHECKS.**
- A horse may only be entered under the legal name of the owner.
- **A copy of the horse registration papers must accompany entry, showing the legal owner of the horse.** If registration papers do not reflect current legal owner, additional paperwork is required—**however, horses without registration papers reflecting current legal owner may not be shown in Amateur Owner or Junior Owner classes without proper sale documentation.**
- **A copy of a current AHA Competition Card and current USEF Membership must accompany entry. If these (or horse registration papers) are not provided, the entry is considered incomplete and may be subject to the applicable post-entry fee.**
- Leased horses may not show in “owner” classes unless the lessee and lessor are members of the same immediate family.
- In addition to entries of persons suspended or expelled from the USEF or AHA, a recognized competition may refuse any entry of an exhibitor or the participation of any agent, trainer, rider, driver or handler who has shown an objectionable attitude toward a Recognized competition or previous unsportsmanlike behavior at a Recognized competition or its management.

REFUNDS

Official notice must be received by the Show Secretary prior to the Entry Closing Deadline of April 17 2023 if any entry is to be withdrawn. Otherwise, no refund will be paid except those with a licensed vet statement.

- Withdrawals approved by a vet are honored if received in the Show Office by 6:00 PM on Thursday May 4, 2023. If so, class entry fees only will be refunded—there will be no refund on stall, office, or other fees, except the 9-90 fee, which will be refunded to the exhibitor of a horse which is vetted out of a show before the show begins, is not on the grounds, and is in compliance with the show’s vet out policy.
- It is the exhibitor’s responsibility to notify the Show Office during the show (or within 30 days of the show) of any and all refunds due.
- Refund checks/PayPal reimbursement will be sent within 30 days of the close of the show.

SCRATCH POLICY

It is the sole responsibility of the exhibitor to scratch an entry from a class entered at the Show Office **NO LATER THAN THE SESSION PRIOR TO THE SESSION IN WHICH THE CLASS IS HELD.** For example, if you wish to scratch an entry for a Saturday evening class, the scratch must be done before the end of the Saturday afternoon session. Any entry not scratched in accordance with this policy shall pay all appropriate fees.

HEALTH CERTIFICATE/COGGINS/VACCINATION REQUIREMENTS

Any Texas horse entering the grounds must be accompanied by a negative Coggins issued within 12 months by a licensed veterinarian. **Per TX law, any out-of-state horse entering the grounds must be accompanied by a health certificate issued within 45 days of the show as well as a negative Coggins issued within 12 months.** These must be presented at the Show Office prior to receiving entry numbers. Horses with any communicable diseases must immediately be removed from the show grounds.

Beginning December 1, 2015, per [GR845 Equine Vaccination Rule](#), all horses entering the grounds of a Federation-licensed competition must be accompanied by documentation of Equine Influenza Virus and Equine Herpes Virus (Rhinopneumonitis) vaccinations within six months prior to entering the show facility.

SHOW OFFICE HOURS

The Show Office will be open for exhibitor check-in Thursday May 4, 2023 from 9:00 AM – 6:00 PM. On Show Days, the office will open at 7:00 AM and remain open until 15 minutes past the end of the show that evening. All accounts must be settled by end of show on Sunday, May 7, 2023.

HORSE SHOW MOVE-IN & MOVE-OUT

REGULAR – Regular move-in begins WEDNESDAY, May 3, 2023, at 9:00 AM.

EARLY – Begins TUESDAY, May 2, 2023. No stalls will be opened prior to Tuesday—no exceptions. Shavings are not available until Tuesday and an early move-in charge of \$30/unlocked or decorated stall will be charged for each stall prior to regular move-in.

DEPARTURE – All accounts must be paid in full by the close of the Show Office on Sunday, May 7 and prior to departure. All horses, tack and possessions must be removed from the grounds by 11:59 PM Sunday, May 7.

STALL INFORMATION

All stalls will be assigned by the Show Manager & Show Secretary. All horses are required to have stalls and no stalls will be used without payment of appropriate fees. Requests for adjoining stalls from different owners may not be honored unless requested on each owner’s entry form and the entry forms mailed together. Stalls will be considered reserved only when entry forms and appropriate monies are received by the Show Secretary. Stalls have asphalt floors and are metal with doors.

SHAVINGS

Shavings **MUST** be purchased on-site at the show from the WRMC Shavings Office, not the Show Office/Secretary.

- Shavings – small flake/loose bag, 3.5 cu ft = \$9.00/bag
- Shavings – med/large flake/compressed, 9.0 cu ft = \$13.00/bag

Using bedding (other than shavings) that requires special clean-up by the facility will result in a \$25 per stall clean-up fee. Shavings Office hours will be posted on the Shavings Office door.

ARENA SCHEDULE

All arenas at WRMC have excellent dirt/sand footing. The Coliseum is 125’x250’, John Justin Arena is 110’ x 260’, and the Pavilion is 125’x250’.

	WED May 3	THU May 4	FRI May 5	SAT May 6	SUN May 7
COLISEUM	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED
JOHN JUSTIN	CLOSED	EXERCISE	SHOW	SHOW	SHOW
PAVILION	EXERCISE	EXERCISE	EXERCISE	EXERCISE	EXERCISE
MULTI PURP BLDG	TBD	EXERCISE	SHOW	SHOW	TBD

GOVERNING ORGANIZATIONS

This Show is conducted within the rules of the United States Equestrian Federation (USEF) and the Arabian Horse Association (AHA). The official rules of these organizations shall prevail; any change or correction of these rules automatically becomes part of this premium book. Each participant is subject to all rules as they apply. The Show Committee, whose decision shall be final, will decide any issue or matter not covered by the rulebooks of these organizations. **EVERY CLASS OFFERED HEREIN WHICH IS COVERED BY THE RULES AND SPECIFICATIONS OF THE CURRENT USEF RULE BOOK WILL BE CONDUCTED AND JUDGED IN ACCORDANCE THEREWITH.**

USEF

MEMBERSHIP STATEMENT

Life, senior active and junior active members shall be eligible to participate in all classes at Regular Competitions, Eventing Competitions at the Preliminary Level or above and Combined Driving Competitions at the Advanced Level, Dressage, Reining and Vaulting Competitions and Endurance Rides. A nonmember may participate as a handler, rider, driver, owner, lessee, agent, coach or trainer at Regular Competitions, Eventing Competitions, Dressage Competitions, Reining Competitions and Combined Driving Competitions upon payment of a \$45 Show Pass fee. Participants in the following classes are exempted from the Requirements of this rule: 1) leadline; 2) exhibitions; 3) games and races; 4) classes for 4-H members; 5) walk trot (exception: Friesian performance FR222) and academy classes (academy classes are classes limited to horses used regularly in a lesson program); 6) USDF introductory level tests, pas de deux and quadrille classes; 7) NRHA Endorsed Reining Competitions. 8) Opportunity classes, 9) citizens of other nations who have proof, in English, of current membership in good standing of their own National Federation, 10) USEA beginner novice division; and 11) assistant handlers in Dressage Sport Horse Breeding classes.

AHA MEMBERSHIP STATEMENT

EACH COMPETITOR (THIS INCLUDES AT LEAST ONE RECORDED OWNER AND ALL TRAINERS, DRIVERS, RIDERS, HALTER HANDLERS, COACHES AND THE PERSON(S) SIGNING THE ENTRY BLANK) IN AN ARABIAN HORSE ASSOCIATION RECOGNIZED ARABIAN DIVISION, AT THE TIME OF ENTRY INTO A COMPETITION, MUST SUBMIT A COPY OF A VALID AHA MEMBERSHIP/COMPETITION CARD, JOIN AHA OR PAY AN AHA SINGLE EVENT MEMBERSHIP FEE PER COMPETITOR.

WHEN AN AGENT SIGNS FOR THE OWNER AT AN AHA RECOGNIZED COMPETITION, BOTH THE OWNER AND AGENT MUST BE MEMBERS OF AHA OR PAY THE AHA SINGLE EVENT MEMBERSHIP. SINGLE EVENT MEMBERSHIP IS NOT ACCEPTABLE AT AHA REGIONAL OR NATIONAL COMPETITIONS.

EXHIBITORS IN WALK-TROT CLASSES ARE EXEMPT FROM AHA MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS AT QUALIFYING COMPETITIONS, BUT MUST HAVE AN AHA MEMBERSHIP WITH COMPETITION CARD AT AHA REGIONAL AND NATIONAL COMPETITIONS. EXHIBITORS IN LEAD LINE CLASSES OR PARENTS/GUARDIANS SIGNING FOR MINORS ARE EXEMPT FROM

AHA MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS. (BOD 5/12). The AHA Single Event Membership fee is \$35.

AMATEURS

Every rider or driver no longer eligible to compete as a junior exhibitor but wishing to participate in amateur classes must have or apply for USEF Membership for \$80.

STATEMENT ON ACCIDENTS/INJURIES

Exhibitors must refrain from interfering with the duties/responsibilities of the Competition's officially designated Qualified Medical Personnel (see USEF GR1211.5 for specification of personnel). Such interference may be deemed by Competition Management to be in violation of USEF GR702.1.d regarding improper or unsportsmanlike conduct.

CRUELTY OR ABUSE

In accordance with USEF GR839.5 Cruelty to and Abuse of a Horse: Any action(s) against a horse by a competitor or an exhibitor, which are deemed excessive by a judge, Federation steward, technical delegate or competition veterinarian, in the competition ring or anywhere on the competition grounds may be punished by official warning, elimination, or other sanctions which may be deemed appropriate by the Show Committee. Such action(s) could include, but are not limited to excessive use of the whip, spurs, or bamboo poles.

DISABLED ACCESS

WRMC is equipped for the physically challenged. For disabled parking and/or seating information, call (817) 871-8150.

DISCIPLINE

Any act of dishonesty, discourtesy, or disobedience to horse show officials/employees on the part of the owner, trainer, groom, rider, or spectators associated with any of the preceding may be deemed by Competition Management to be in violation of USEF GR702.1.d regarding improper or unsportsmanlike conduct, and may disqualify the horse and exhibitor from adjudication. Show Management reserves the right to remove a groom, owner, trainer, horse, or rider from the show without being liable for compensation or damages.

DOGS ON GROUNDS

All dogs MUST be on a leash—owners of loose dogs may be cited by the USEF Steward. No dogs are allowed in the air conditioned areas of any building in the facility.

GATE POLICY

Promptly Enter Gate When Opened (AR107.1 Effective 12/1/17): When horses are competing collectively, if a first horse does not enter the in-gate ready to participate within one minute from when the class is called into the ring, a warning is issued.

- Exhibitors will then have one additional minute to start the steady stream of horses into the in-gate.
- If no horses have entered the gate at the conclusion of the additional one minute, the gate shall be closed and the class is deemed concluded.
- Once the first horse has entered the in-gate, a steady stream of horses must be maintained.
- Should the steady stream be broken after the two minutes have elapsed, the gate shall be closed and judging will commence.

- e. A steady stream is defined as a constant flow of horses moving forward through the in-gate with a reasonable and safe distance between them (i.e. two to four horse or horse and buggy lengths in between).
- f. Show Management in conjunction with the Steward may deviate from this procedure as circumstances warrant.

LONGEING

There will be NO LONGEING IN THE JOHN JUSTIN ARENA AT ANY TIME. Anyone lungeing in the John Justin will be issued a yellow card by the USEF Steward. There will be no longeing allowed during show hours in the warm-up/exercise ring outside the John Justin Arena. This will be reserved for exhibitors in immediate classes – NO EXCEPTIONS.

WHEELED TRANSPORTS

No bicycles, roller blades, skateboards, scooters or any similar device may be brought to the show—they are not an acceptable mode of transportation around horses at this show and constitute a safety hazard. Violators may be denied entry to classes or asked to leave the premises and may be deemed by Competition Management to be in violation of USEF GR702.1.d regarding improper or unsportsmanlike conduct.

USEF Motorized Vehicle Statement

In accordance with GR1301.7: Minors who do not have a valid driver's license which allows them to operate a motorized vehicle in the state in which they reside will not be permitted to operate a motorized vehicle of any kind, including, but not limited to, golf carts, motorcycles, scooters, or farm utility vehicles, on the competition grounds of licensed competitions. Minors who have a valid temporary license may operate the above described motorized vehicles as long as they are accompanied by an adult with a valid driver's license. The parent(s), legal guardian(s), or individual who signs the entry blank as a parent or guardian of a minor operating a motorized vehicle in violation of this rule are solely responsible for any damages, claims, losses or actions resulting from that operation. Violations of this rule will be cause for sanctions against the parent(s), guardian(s) and/or trainer(s) who are responsible for the child committing the offense. Penalties may include exclusion of the child, parent(s), guardian(s), and/or trainer(s) from the competition grounds for the remainder of the competition and charges being filed against any of the above individuals in accordance with Chapter 6. Wheelchairs and other mobility assistance devices for individuals with disabilities are exempt from this rule.

RESPONSIBILITY

WARNING, Under Texas Law (Chapter 87, Civil Practice and Remedies Code), an equine professional (the facility owner, operator, competition sponsor, employees or volunteers) is not liable for an injury to or the death of a participant in equine activities resulting from the inherent risks of equine activities. Every entry is submitted with the understanding that the North Texas Arabian Horse Club and/or the Will Rogers Equestrian Center are not liable for loss, injury or damage to horses, persons or any possessions while at the show. The authority of Show Management shall oversee all horses, although they remain the risk of the owner, exhibitor, or trainer responsible for loss. The owner indemnifies NTAHC and WRMC against any and all loss, damage and/or liability

including but not limited to legal costs incurred as a result. A signed entry constitutes acceptance of this policy.

RV PARKING

RV parking is available at the WRMC grounds in various designated areas on a first come, first served basis. **All rent is payable DIRECTLY TO THE WILL ROGERS MEMORIAL CENTER. NO PAYMENT OF RV SPACES WILL BE PROCESSED THROUGH THE SHOW OFFICE.** Rate is \$35 - \$70 per night depending on location and amperage. **For more details, click [HERE](#).** For assistance Monday thru Friday, 8am-5pm, please call 817-392-6287. For assistance after hours, weekends or holidays, call 817-991-8497.

SHARPS CONTAINERS

Competition management shall have placed a minimum of one sharps container per 50 horses for the disposal of needles and other disposable sharp instruments in convenient locations in the barn. Competition management may fine any individuals including trainers, owners, exhibitors, or their agents up to \$100 for improper disposal of needles or other sharp disposable instruments.

AHA MEDAL CLASS SPECIFICATIONS

The AHA Medal Class Specifications are now located in the USEF Rulebook. Please refer to the Arabian Division Chapter for rules & class specs.

STALLIONS

Stallions are prohibited in Youth Equitation, Leadline, Youth Walk/Trot, and Youth Showmanship classes.

IN-HAND RING PROCEDURES

Arabian Scoring System Judging using the In-the-Ring Procedure will be used. **The “designated person” assisting with entrance of in-hand horses into the ring will be designated by the exhibitor.**

The designated person will be allowed to use only the same length whip and appendages as are currently allowed for the individual handling the horse. Rule reference AR114.2: Whips are to be no longer than 6' including snapper/lash/appendage. Small appendages (no more than 12 inches in length) of ribbon, plastic, etc. are permitted. **The designated person will not hit or use any other objects, such as trash cans, walls, etc., to make any noise. In addition, the use of plastic or paper bags of any type or size is prohibited in assisting with entrance(s) into the arena.** Should this rule/policy be violated, a warning card may be issued to both the handler and the designated person or groom who initiates this violation.

EFFECTIVE April 27, 2016: AR116.6a3 will allow shanking in Arabian Halter classes or competitions only in emergency situations where a horse becomes dangerously unruly and immediate shanking is required in order to regain control of the horse and prevent imminent harm to the horse or others. In conjunction with AR115.1, with the exception of emergency circumstances where the horse is physically out of control and creating imminent danger to itself or others, from the date of the ruling forward, shanking or the threatening use of a whip (or potentially other objects) as a visual cue while preparing (anywhere on the grounds) or presenting a horse in Arabian Halter classes or competitions must be recognized as intimidating behavior that is disallowed under AR115 and the general provisions of GR839.

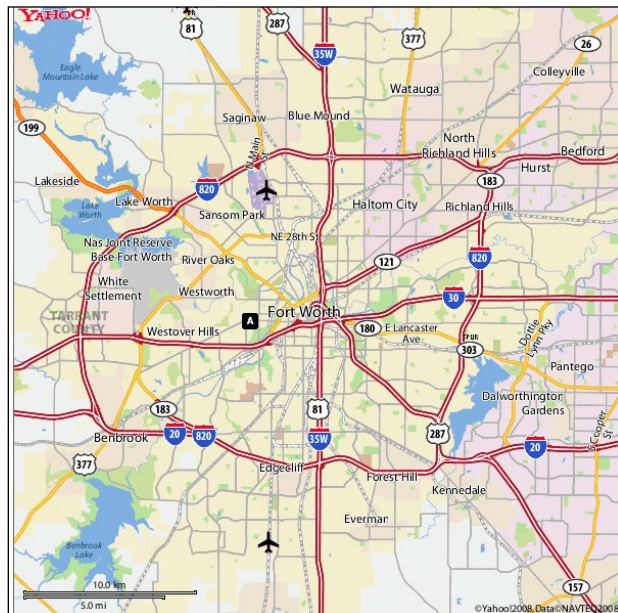
LEADLINE

This class is open to riders who are at least two (2) years of age and have not reached their seventh (7th) birthday as of December 1. Leaders must be at least fourteen (14) years of age. The safety of all exhibitors must be of primary consideration when conducting these classes. Any action by any exhibitor, leader or horse that endangers that exhibitor or any other exhibitor or leader must be penalized and will be considered as cause for elimination. Safety is of the utmost importance in tack and attire: a) saddle must fit rider; b) rider's feet must be engaged in the stirrups/irons; c) saddles may be equipped with hooded stirrups or breakaway irons; d) leading rein may be attached to a cavesson or a halter placed under or over the bridle; e) safety helmets, with chin straps, may be used by any rider, regardless of style of tack and/or attire; f) boots, long pants and long sleeve shirts are required. Stallions are prohibited. This class will not

be placed and similar awards will be presented to all exhibitors. Competitors will enter the ring in a counter-clockwise direction at a walk. Leaders are to walk on the near side of the horse. Horse is to be shown both directions of the ring at the walk. Entries will line up on command and stand quietly.

ELECTRICAL CORDS POLICY

Per the National Electrical Code, if extension cords are used at WRMC, Ground Fault Circuit Interrupter (GFCI) Protection is required. These cords have a test and a reset button and have the words “GFCI protected” printed on the cord. All 120 volt extension cords shall be three-wire grounding type cords (recognized by the 3-prong plug on the end of the cord). Extension cords may not be placed through doorways. Frayed or damaged cords may not be



used. **THIS CODE WILL BE ENFORCED.**

FIRE SAFETY

By order of the Fort Worth Fire Department, all fire extinguishers must remain UNCOVERED with easy access. No flammable materials, such as bunting, tissue paper, crepe paper, etc., will be permitted to be used for decorations and all materials used for decorative purposes must be treated with flame-proofing and approved by the City of Fort Worth Fire Department. Exhibitors shall not operate or place any engine or motor or machinery on the premises or use oils, burning fluids, kerosene, naphtha, or gasoline or any other flammable chemical for either mechanical or other purposes or any other agent other than electricity for illuminating the premises without the written consent of the Fire Marshal.

MAP TO SHOW GROUNDS

**A. Will Rogers Memorial Center [Web Site](#)
3401 W Lancaster Ave, Fort Worth, TX, 76107**