



SWEV 2021 "Ranch Riding Buckle Series"

Buckles are awarded on the highest combined points per horse & rider combination across all three shows
Points gained will be awarded on the 6-1 scale in each division.

**For: "Rookie, Youth, Junior Horse,
Senior Horse, Amateur & Select Amateur"**

Dates: Sunday May 16th & Sunday June 13th, 2021

Program:

Ranch Rail

1. All Age/Open
2. Junior Horse
3. Any Handed
4. Senior Horse
5. Youth
6. Rookie
7. a) Amateur b) Select Amateur

Little Buckeroo

8. Little Buckeroo (leadline)

Ranch Riding

9. All Age/Open
10. Junior Horse
11. Any Handed
12. Senior Horse
13. Little Rancher
14. Youth
15. Rookie
16. a) Amateur b) Select Amateur

BREAK IN PROGRAM

Ranch Trail

17. All Age/Open
18. Junior Horse
19. Senior Horse
20. a) Amateur b) Select Amateur
21. Any Handed
22. Little Rancher
23. Youth
24. Rookie

RWD Trail:

25. Walk/trot (led or ridden with assistance)

Ranch Conformation

26. a) Junior Horse b) Senior Horse
27. a) Rookie b) Youth
28. a) Amateur b) Select Amateur

Guidelines for eligibility of entries & gear:

Little Buckeroo

3-6yo - Leadline

Little Rancher

7-10Yo - Walk/Trot

Youth: 11 to 18 YO

**Horses must be 5 YO and over*

**Can be ridden in a snaffle bit **

May compete in any safe, Western, stock, English or fender saddle

RWD: Rider with Disabilities, class can be led, ridden with assistance, or ridden alone.
(Caller permitted)
Helmets compulsory.

Rookie: A rider, that has never won an equivalent amateur/select amateur, open or all aged class in an AQHA affiliated/approved show.

Note: If you enter a rookie class AS WELL AS an equivalent open class, ie: junior/senior horse/amateur/select amateur or all age and place FIRST at any of our shows, you are no longer eligible to enter Rookie for the series

Any handed: A horse & rider combination, who have never won an equivalent amateur/select amateur, open or all aged class in an AQHA affiliated/approved show.

FOR ROOKIE & ANY HANDED CLASSES:

**Horses must be 3 YO and over
*Can use any Snaffle, bosal/hackamore or bridle *If riding in the bridle, may change between one and two hands *
May compete in any safe, Western, stock, English or fender saddle*

Junior/Senior/Amateur/ Select Amateur, All Age/Open

classes are in line with AQHA performance rules

Junior Horse: 3 to 5YO
May be ridden two-handed in a snaffle bit or Hackamore or one-handed in a bridle

Senior Horse: Open to horses aged 6yrs and over as of August 1st annually. To be ridden in any legal style of curb bit with one hand

OPEN/AMATEUR per Junior & Senior horse requirements as above ie; Horse is 3-5 Yo, junior horse rules apply, horse is 6Yrs and over, Senior horse rules apply

AQHA members may be eligible for "B" points. For assistance, please contact our show secretary via email: suewequinev@gmail.com

AQHA Performance Rules:

83.4 Western Attire - it is mandatory to wear the following in Halter and other western classes:
• long sleeve shirt, collar (band, stand-up, tuxedo, etc.)
• western hat (the hat must be on the rider's head when the exhibitor enters the arena)
• western pants/jeans
• western boots

Note: (Helmets according to Australian Standards are also permitted)

83.4.1 Optional Attire - Spurs, chinks, and chaps in ridden classes.
NB: Western Spurs are not to be used forward of the cinch.

94. RANCH RIDING

94.1 The purpose of the Ranch Riding horse is to reflect the versatility, attitude, and movement of a working horse. The horse's performance is to simulate a horse

Entries: \$15 per class

\$5 per class; Little Buckeroo/Little Rancher, Youth & RWD

Horses are not required to be registered to any breed society.

riding outside the confines of an arena and that of a working ranch horse. This class will show the horses ability to work at a forward, working speed while under control by the rider. Light contact will be rewarded, and the horse will not be shown on a full drape of reins.

The overall manners and the horse's quality of movement are the primary considerations.

94.2 Only horses three (3) years of age and older can be exhibited.

94.4 Class Requirements

a) Each horse will work individually performing required and optional manoeuvres, and will be scored based on 0 to 100, with 70 denoting an average performance.

b) Each manoeuvre will receive a score that should be added or subtracted, and scored on the following basis:

Excellent +1½; Very Good +1; Good +½; Correct 0;

Poor -½, Very poor -1, Extremely poor -1½;

C) The required manoeuvres will include the walk, trot, and lope both directions and the extended trot and extended lope at least one direction; as well as stops, and back;

d) Three (3) optional manoeuvres may include a side pass, turns of 360° or more, change of lead (simple or flying), walk, trot or lope over a pole(s), or some reasonable combination of manoeuvres that would be reasonable for a ranch horse to perform;

e) The manoeuvres may be arranged in various combinations with final approval by the Judge.

f) The overall cadence and performance of the gaits should be as those described in Gaits, Rules 83.5 to 83.10, with an emphasis on forward movement, free-flowing, and ground covering for all gaits. Transitions should be performed where designated, with smoothness and responsiveness.

g) No time limit.

h) The use of natural logs is encouraged.

i) Posting/rising at the extended jog is acceptable;

j) Touching or holding the saddle horn is acceptable;

k) It is acceptable to stand in the stirrups at the extended trot.

94.5 Patterns - One of the four (4) patterns, in Section Six can be used, or a judge may utilise a different pattern if all required manoeuvres and three (3) or more optional manoeuvres are included. Should a Judge use one of their own patterns, they cannot have a stop following an extended lope.

94.7 Equipment

- no hoof polish
- no braided or banded manes or tail extensions
- trimming inside ears is discouraged
- trimming bridle path is allowed, also trimming of fetlocks or excessive (long) facial hair
- equipment with silver will not count over a good working outfit. silver on bridles and saddles is discouraged
- it is suggested that competitors use a breast collar and a rear cinch.

94.8 When exhibiting in a Snaffle bit or Hackamore, an exhibitor may switch between two hands and one hand on the reins at any time.

94.9 Penalties

A contestant will be penalised each time the following occurs:

1 Point

- too slow (per gait)
- over-bridled (per manoeuvre)
- out of frame (per manoeuvre)
- break of gait at walk or trot for two (2) strides or less.

3 Points

- wrong lead or out of lead
- draped reins (per manoeuvre)
- break of gait at lope
- break of gait at walk or trot for more than two (2) strides
- out of lead or cross-cantering more than two strides when changing leads
- trotting more than three strides when making a simple lead change
- severe disturbance of any obstacle.

5 Points

- blatant disobedience (kick, bite, buck, rear etc.) for each occurrence.

10 points

- unnatural ranch horse appearance (Horse's tail is obvious and

consistently carried in an unnatural manner in every manoeuvre).

Off-Pattern (OP) Placed below horses performing all manoeuvres

- eliminates manoeuvre
- incomplete manoeuvre
- use of two hands (except junior horses shown in a Snaffle bit/Hackamore)
- more than one (1) finger between split reins or any fingers between Romal reins (except in the two-rein).

Zero (0) score

- illegal equipment including hoof black
- braided or banded manes or tail extensions
- wilful abuse
- major disobedience or schooling
- lameness.

94.10 No specific penalties will be incurred for nicks/hits on logs, but deduction made in manoeuvre score. No specific penalties will be incurred for over/under spins, but deduction may be made in manoeuvre score.

94.11 Tie Breaker Specific manoeuvres and/or obstacles will be selected by judge prior to start of the class and so noted on score sheets, these manoeuvres will be ranked as first tie breaker, second, third etc

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