



3rd Annual MRHA Slide into Summer  
Show and Derby  
Heart K Ranch Arena, Livingston, MT  
June 22-25, 2017

## SHOW CONDITIONS

The Montana Reining Horse Association is hosting the 3rd Annual Slide into Summer Show and Derby at the Heart K Land and Cattle Company (“Heart K”) Arena in Livingston, Montana. These conditions contain the rules and information that will help you to plan for and participate in the event. If you haven’t been to the Heart K arena before, you might want to check out the pictures at [www.heartklandandcattlecompany.com](http://www.heartklandandcattlecompany.com).

### Entries

The **entry form** and the **form to reserve stalls, shavings, paid warm-ups and RV spots** are both available on the Slide into Summer website at [www.slideintosummer.com](http://www.slideintosummer.com), which can also be reached through the MRHA website at [www.mtrha.com](http://www.mtrha.com). Also available there is the **Class Schedule and Worksheet form**, which you do not have to submit with your entry but will need to have handy to fill out the entry form. You need to submit one entry form for each horse you are entering, but you can combine all your stall, shavings, paid warm-up and RV requirements on one reservation form. The entry form can be submitted by mail or e-mail to the show secretary at the address shown on the form. Stall, RV reservations and paid warm ups form can be submitted by mail or email to the address shown on the form.

**Entry and stall reservation forms must be received by the show secretary by Tuesday, June 6, 2016 to avoid the late fee**, and must contain at least enough information about each horse (name, competition license number, owner name and address, etc.) to allow the show secretary to open a file, confirm eligibility, and assign a back number. Other required documentation, which includes a competition license for each horse, a current NRHA membership card for each rider and owner, and a signed check, with the amount left blank, payable to MRHA, can be turned in when you arrive at the show. Back numbers will not be released by the show secretary until you have arrived at the show and provided her will all required documentation. A \$30 service fee will be charged on all returned checks.

Entries forms will continue to be accepted after the June 6<sup>th</sup> deadline (these must be emailed as the secretary will be at another show and will not receive mail before coming to the show) but will be subject to a late fee of \$25 per horse.

## **Stalls**

The Heart K has approximately 42 stalls in a fully enclosed metal barn and approximately 113 stalls that are “outside” but *fully covered*. Approximately half the stalls in the enclosed barn have rubber mats on concrete, and the remainder have sand bases. All the outside stalls have sand bases. The outside stalls have the advantage that you can park your trailer or RV immediately adjacent to your stalls. Both inside and outside stalls are priced the same: \$35 per night. Indicate on your stall reservation form whether you prefer indoor or outdoor stalls and how many nights you will be there. Inside stalls will be assigned strictly on a first-come, first-served basis.

## **Shavings**

The stall price for this show DOES NOT include shavings. Shavings are \$10.00 per bag. Most of the stalls are a roomy 12’x12’, and, as noted, most have sand floors. Plan on starting with at least 2 bags for each stall. Please indicate on your stall reservation form the number of bags of shavings you want initially, and those shavings will be at your stalls when you arrive. You can order more shavings from the show secretary during the show.

## **RV Hookups**

RV hookups are \$25 per night. They consist of an electrical outlet with multiple voltages and free use of the nearby bathhouse with showers. Water hookups are not available. If you need a RV hookup, you can reserve it on the same form you use for reserving stalls, shavings and paid warm-ups. If you opt for outside stalls for your horses, you will be assigned an RV spot immediately adjacent to your stalls.

## **Paid Warm-Ups**

Paid warm-ups will be held on Thursday, June 22, from 8 to 11 a.m., 1 to 4 p.m., and 7 to 10 p.m. The price for a paid warm-up is \$35 for five minutes. In order to stay on schedule and not cut into time for open arena riding, the clock for each paid warm-up will start as soon as the time expires for the previous warm-up. **ALL PAID WARM-UPS WILL BE ASSIGNED STRICTLY ON A FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED BASIS.** If paid warm-ups sell out, we will start a waiting list, and we will notify you by email or telephone if there is an opening in the schedule and you are next on the waiting list. The paid warm-up schedule and waiting list will be posted on the Slide into Summer website, [www.slideintosummer.com](http://www.slideintosummer.com), on MRHA’s website, [www.mtrha.com](http://www.mtrha.com), and on MRHA’s Facebook page by no later than Tuesday, June 20th.

## **Open Arena Riding**

There are three areas available for riding at the Heart K: A 150’x245’ indoor show pen, an 80’x80’ indoor warm-up area adjacent to the show pen, and a 200’x300’ outdoor arena near the show arena building. Access to these areas for riding will be available starting on Thursday, June 22. **There will be no riding on the show grounds on Wednesday, June 21.** Open riding

in the indoor show arena will be restricted on Thursday to those hours when paid warm-ups are not being held – i.e., before 8 a.m., between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m., between 4 p.m. and 7 p.m., and after 10 p.m. If not all of the paid warm-up times sell out, the show pen will be available for open riding then as well.

Unless otherwise announced, open riding in the show arena will consist of circling on the hour and fencing on the half hour. For your own safety and that of others, please adhere to this rule.

## **Judges**

The judges are Chuck Nesmith of Lupton, Colorado and Holly Tracey of Longmont, Colorado. For the Maturity classes and all the Derby classes on Saturday night and for the Open classes on Friday night, there will be two judges in the chair and the equipment check will be conducted by the chair judge nearest the end gate. All other NRHA classes will have one judge in the chair and one equipment judge. Club classes will not have an equipment judge.

## **Class Conditions**

### **NRHA Ancillary Classes**

This show offers a full slate of NRHA ancillary classes, including entry level classes for Green Reiners, Levels 1 and 2. All these classes will be conducted in accordance with NRHA rules. Be sure you are familiar with those rules (which can be found at <http://nrha1.com/media/pdf/handbook/2016/handbook.pdf>), the current NRHA earnings caps, and your own NRHA earnings. You may be subject to NRHA sanctions if you enter a class for which you are not eligible.

### **NRHA Maturity Classes**

The Open and Non Pro Maturity classes, L4 are open to all horses age 7 and older. All Maturity horses must be shown one-handed only, in accordance with NRHA rules

### **NRHA Derby Classes**

The Open and Non Pro Derby classes, Levels 4 and 1 and the 4 Year-old Derby are open to all horses that have turned or will turn four, five, or six years old in 2017 (*i.e.*, were born in 2013, 2012, or 2011, respectively). All Derby horses must be shown one-handed only, in accordance with NRHA rules.

### **Club Classes**

The club classes at this show are the **MRHA Green Horse** and the **MRHA 2-Handed Youth, 14 to 18 and 13 & Under**. NRHA rules apply except as noted below.

The Green Horse class is open to open and non-pro riders and to any horse that has less than \$500 in reining earnings. Horses may be shown one or two handed in any legal bit, and the rider may switch from one to two hands or vice-versa at any time during the run. This is NOT a MRHA year-end award class, and you do not need to be an MRHA member to enter.

The MRHA 2-Handed Youth classes are open to any youth meeting the age qualifications. As under NRHA rules, eligibility is determined by the rider's age on January 1, 2017. These are MRHA year-end award classes. You do not have to be a MRHA member to enter these classes, but you must be a MRHA member at the time these classes are run in order for your score to be counted toward a year-end award. Horses may be shown one or two handed in any legal bit, and the rider may switch from one to two hands or vice-versa at any time during the run. NRHA restrictions on horse ownership do not apply.

### **Prizes**

Prizes will be awarded in all classes. Consult the class schedule form for the prizes awarded to first place winners.

### **Heart K's Alcohol and Dog Policy**

When you enter the Heart K property, you will see signs indicating that neither alcohol nor dogs are permitted on the show grounds. The Heart K's actual alcohol policy, however, is that you may bring alcohol on the property for your personal consumption, but not for resale. As always, please drink responsibly, and do not drink and drive.

The Heart K's policy on dogs is also not as strict as the entry signs indicate. Dogs are welcome on the grounds if they are kept inside a stall, trailer or RV, or on a leash. **Dogs are not, however, permitted inside the show arena building itself at any time, even if they are on a leash.** You will be asked politely by Heart K personnel to remove any dog brought into the arena building. Please respect and observe this policy.

### **Sponsorships**

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