

Definition of VPR's Obstacle Challenge Divisions

Buckaroo: This Division is for the age group of 4 years to 7 years old. This is a lead line where the youth is being led by an adult through a series of 6 obstacles. There will be ribbons given to the top five scores after each show, with a Buckle awarded to the highest accumulative score for the series. Good Luck Buckaroos!!

Wranglers: This Division is where the Buckaroos have graduated to riding unassisted. Age group is 8 years to 12 years old. You will be required to maneuver through 8 obstacles on your own. This Division will receive ribbons for the top five scores after each show with a Buckle awarded to the highest accumulative score of the series. Good Luck Wranglers!!

Youth Riders: This Division is for the age group of 13 years to 17 years old. These riders have a higher understanding of horsemanship and will be required to maneuver through 10 obstacles, a bit harder than the Buckaroos and Wranglers. Once a Youth Rider has won the Youth Rider series, the rider may be permitted to ride up to the next Division (Novice) with parental permission. This Division will receive ribbons for the top five scores after each show with a Buckle awarded to the highest accumulative score of the series. Good Luck Youth Riders!!

Green Horse: This Division will be judged on the horse only. Horse must be 5 years and under as of 1/18. The horse may be ridden by a professional trainer. The horse can only compete in this Division for 1 year. This course will consist of 10 obstacles. Ribbons will be given to the top five scores after each show with a Buckle awarded to the highest accumulative score of the series. Good Luck Green Horse Riders!!!

Amateur Gaited: This Division is for Gaited Horses only (Fox trotter, Tennessee Walkers and Peruvian). The course will consist of 13 obstacles and will be adjusted for the cadence of the gaited horse. Ribbons will be given to the top five scores after each show with a Buckle awarded to the highest accumulative score of the series. Good Luck Amateur Riders!!!

Novice Division: Rider has the basic horsemanship skills but lacks knowledge/experience of a more advanced horseman. Their course will consist of 10 Obstacles and will be asked to preform entry level maneuvers. After a horse/rider have won 1st place in this year series or have participate in this division for 2 years, you will be required to move up to the next Division level. (Limited Amateur). Ribbons will be given to the top five scores after each show, with a Buckle awarded to the highest accumulative score of the series. Good Luck Novice Riders!!!

(NEW)Limited Amateur Division: The Limited Amateur has increased horsemanship skills such as loping, backing and side passing and is ready to compete at a higher skill level. This course will consist of 13 obstacles. After a horse/rider have won 1st place in this year series or have participated in this division for 2 years, you will be required to move up to the next Division Level. (Amateur). Ribbons will be given to the top five scores after each show with a Buckle awarded to the highest accumulative score of the series. Good Luck Limited Amateur Riders!!!

Amateur Division: This Division is for riders 18 years of age and older. The Amateur Rider has mastered the higher levels of horsemanship with increased speed and confidence. The course will consist of 13 obstacles. Ribbons will be given to the top five scores after each show, with a Buckle awarded to the highest accumulative score of the series. Good Luck Amateur Riders!!!

Open Division: An Open Rider is for a professional rider that have received compensation for riding or training horses. Also riders of any age or experience. This course will consist 13 obstacles that are the most challenging of all Divisions. Ribbons will be given to the top five scores after each show, with a Buckle awarded to the highest accumulative score of the series. Good Luck Open Riders!!!

Please remember as you're selecting your Division, you should be riding at your skill level.

LET'S ALL MAKE THIS A SUCCESSFUL OBSTACLE CHALLENGE!!!