



AEE 2023 - 2024 Host Show Guidelines

Who Can Host: Any barn or facility with the suitable horses for alumni catch riding. These can be lesson barn facilities, colleges, high school programs, etc.

Who Can Ride: Any alumni who showed as part of the IHSA in college

What: Eligible competitions August 1, 2023 through April 30, 2024. Once competitions have been scheduled, they must be reported back to AEE within two weeks of the show date so they can be listed and advertised as official AEE Tournaments.

Limits: The competition must be open to at least 6 riders per class. There must be at least 3 competitors in order for the class placings and associated points to count. Management may choose to limit class sizes due to horse availability above 6 riders per class. You must split classes with more than 12 competitors. Classes may not be split with less than 12 competitors. Classes with more than 12 competitors will be split into sections A, B, etc. and riders sections will be determined at horse draw. If you want to (and are able to) run the group as a whole to walk and trot, and split to canter, that is also allowed.

Competition Class Specs:

We encourage hunt seat competition organizers to hold the following two classes:

- 1. Alumni Fences** At least 6 but no more than 9 fences between 2' – 2'6 in height. Judged on equitation of the rider. A minimum of 3 riders must complete the course. The class may be split into sections if more than 12 riders are competing so that each section has at least 6 riders per section.
- 2. Alumni Flat** Judged on the equitation of the rider at the walk, trot, sitting trot and canter in both directions. A minimum of 3 riders must compete. The class may be split into sections if more than 12 riders are competing so that each section has at least 6 riders per section.

We encourage Western competition organizers to hold the following three classes:

- 1. Alumni Horsemanship** Management discretion for whether riders complete a pattern, work on the rail or both are utilized. A minimum of 3 riders must compete. The class may be split into sections if more than 12 riders are competing so that each section has at least 6 riders per section.
- 2. Alumni Reining** Riders compete individually in a pre-assigned pattern. A minimum of 3 riders must complete the pattern. The class may be split into sections if more than 12 riders are competing so that each section has at least 6 riders per section.
- 3. Alumni Ranch Riding** Riders compete individually in a pre-assigned pattern. A minimum of 3 riders must complete the course. The class may be split into sections if more than 12 riders are competing so that each section has at least 6 riders per section.

Prizelist: Management must create a prizelist which is sent to AEE (alumnitoc@gmail.com) at least 14 days prior to the show in order for AEE to advertise the show and competitors to



understand the limits and show information for your event.

Prizes: Ribbons to be awarded to at least 6 places in each class. Organizers must declare how many classes and ribbons they plan to award. Competition organizers may elect to award other ribbons procured from other sources, made personally, or collected from exhibitors. Optional prizes for class winners may be presented at the discretion of management.

Prizes may be procured from other exhibitors in a potluck format, donations received from various businesses or purchased and the cost added into the class fee.

Judges: Local suitable judges should be booked. Prior experience in IHSA is very highly encouraged. Certified judges with AQHA, NRHA, USEF, etc are not required. Region or nearby region coaches with minimal conflicts are also allowed.

Stewards: AEE does not use stewards. If a rider requests a re-ride, it is solely up to the judge if the re-ride should be granted. Re-rides should be granted when the ride was interrupted by the actions of the horse and not the rider.

Food: Food and beverages are encouraged to be offered for exhibitors and can be for sale or collected as a potluck. Please send a note to exhibitors if no food will be available so that they can plan accordingly. No alcoholic beverages should be consumed by riders until all of their saddle time has been completed.

Class Costs: Competition organizers should work with event locations and horse providers to come up with a reasonable cost per class. The goal of these competitions is camaraderie and not profit, however costs should be covered with class costs. Class fees should not exceed \$60 per class.

Locations: We encourage alumni regions to host a show. In the absence of interest in a region, other alumni may organize a show and do not need the alumni rep to organize a competition.

EMT: A Certified EMT on site should be standard for all AEE shows and should remain on the grounds while riders are mounted, including schooling. Host facility is responsible for hiring the EMT, costs can be spread out to riders in the class fees. If another qualified medical personnel is onsite and not competing they can substituted for the EMT as long as medical supplies are available (i.e. Nurse, Doctor, etc).

Insurance and Waivers: Every exhibitor should sign a waiver. The competitions should be hosted by the facility whenever possible to avoid the need for additional insurance. If insurance is needed, RV Nuccio provides one day insurance for approximately \$200. This cost should be spread out across the exhibitors as either an insurance fee or added into the cost of each class based on estimated attendance.

Points: Points will be awarded in the following manner:

- 1st - 7 Points



- 2nd - 5 Points
- 3rd - 4 Points
- 4th - 3 Points
- 5th - 2 Points
- 6th - 1 Point

Obligations to AEE: Results must be submitted to the AEE points chair within 10 days of the show date in order for points to count. A fee of \$5 per ride is payable to All Alumni Competitions, Inc and mailed to the Treasurer: Jessie Ann Green: 3475 Lyon Dr 46 Lexington KY 40513. Alternatively show fees can be paid via Zelle: alumnitoc@gmail.com or Venmo @AllAlumni. Points will not be valid until show fees are paid.