

Description of Divisions

Open Single Horse

Open to any horse and driver without restrictions.

Open Single Pony

Open to any pony and driver without restrictions

Novice Driver

Open to a driver who has not won 3 first place ribbons in an ADS recognized or USEF licensed show.

Very Small Equine (VSE)

An equine under 9.3 hands or 39 inches in height.

Junior

A driver who has is under 18 years of age as of January 1st, 2010. **Junior drivers under 14 must be accompanied by an adult knowledgeable and capable of rendering assistance at all times.** All juniors must wear a helmet.

Multiples

Pairs, Tandems, sporting tandems, unicorn hitches, and four-in-hand turnouts. The equines are to be shown both directions of the ring at a walk, slow trot, working trot, strong trot. To stand quietly both on the rail and while lined up. May be asked to execute a figure eight and back up.

Description of Classes

Turnout

- The horses will be shown in the ring both ways at a walk, slow trot, working trot and strong trot. Entries should stand quietly and rein back.
- All Entries chosen for a workout may be worked both ways of the ring at any gait requested by the judge, and may be asked to execute a figure of eight and/or perform other appropriate tests.

Class to be judged as follows:

70% on condition, fit, and appropriateness of harness and vehicle, neatness, and appropriateness of attire and overall impression.

30% on performance, manners and way of going.

Reinsmanship

- A Pleasure Driving class in which entries are judged primarily on the ability and skill of the driver (whip).
- To be show at a walk, slow trot, working trot and strong trot.
- Drivers shall be required to rein back.

- All drivers chosen for a workout may be worked at any gait requested by the judge and may be asked to execute a figure of eight and/or perform other appropriate tests.
- In order to evaluate a driver's versatility, the judge may request a test involving driving with one hand.
- The driver should be seated comfortably on the box so as to be relaxed and effective.
- Either the one or two-handed method of driving is acceptable. Common to both methods, the elbows and arms should be close to the body with an allowing but steady hand enabling a consistent feel with the horse's mouth.
- Drivers should not be penalized or rewarded for using one general style over another.

Class to be judged as follows:

- 75% on handling of reins and whip, control, posture, and overall appearance of driver.
- 25% on the condition of harness and vehicle and neatness of attire.

Working Pleasure

- This is a Pleasure Driving class in which entries are judged primarily on the suitability of the horse to provide a pleasant drive.
- The horse is to be shown both ways of the ring at a walk, slow trot, working trot, and strong trot. To stand quietly, both on the rail and while in the line up, and to rein back.
- All entries chosen for a workout may be worked both ways of the ring at any gait requested by the judge and may be asked to execute a figure of eight.

Class to be judged as follows:

- 70% on performance, manners and way of going of the horse(s).
- 20% on the condition and fit of harness and vehicle.
- 10% on neatness of attire.

Lady to Drive

This is a class where only our fashionable ladies will be competing against each other. It is judged as a Pleasure Driving class in which entries are judged primarily on the suitability of the horse to provide a pleasant drive. Of course, their turnout as a whole is always a factor in the judge's decision. The horse is to be shown both ways of the ring at a walk, slow trot, working trot, and strong trot. To stand quietly, both on the rail and while in the line up, and to rein back. All entries chosen for a workout may be worked both ways of the ring at any gait requested by the judge and may be asked to execute a figure of eight.

Gentleman to Drive

This is a class where only our discerning gentlemen will be competing against each other. It is judged as a Pleasure Driving class in which entries are judged primarily on the suitability of the horse to provide a pleasant drive. Of course, their turnout as a whole is always a factor in the judge's decision. The horse is to be shown both ways of the ring at a walk, slow trot, working trot, and strong trot. To stand quietly, both on the rail and while in the line up, and to rein back. All entries chosen for a workout may be worked both ways of the ring at any gait requested by the judge and may be asked to execute a figure of eight.

Carriage Dog Class

Entries are judged primarily on the performance, quality and attitude of the dog on each turnout. Any style of hitch or size of horse(s) or ponies(s) is permissible. The dog must sit or stand on the vehicle and is not allowed to be tied or tethered to it. A leash may be used, held only if necessary.

A dog jumping off the vehicle is eliminated from the class. The entries will be show both ways of the arena at a walk, slow trot, and working trot. The turnout is expected to stand quietly in the line up.

Class to be judged as follows:

70% on the performance, manners, balance and attitude of the dog.

20% on the overall impression and devotion to driver.

10% on the quality of breed (if any), neatness and attire of the dog.

Concour's d' Elegance - Col. P. Downing Trophy

The essence of this competition is the word Elegance. The winner will be the turnout, which, in the opinion of the listed judges, presents the most elegant effect throughout the entire show. This will include vehicle, harness, appointments, horse(s)/pony(s), driver, passengers, grooms, etc., but over all, general impression is most important. Vehicle and harness may be inspected to insure thoughtful restoration and careful maintenance. Attention will be paid to the personal appearance of the driver, groom/s, and passenger/s as it contributes to the overall picture, but period costumes are definitely prohibited. Performance is not judged unless it detracts from the elegance of the turnout.

Championship Presentations

Points will be awarded for all ribbons:

6 entries or more in class	5 entries or less in class	3 entries or less in class
7 points to 1 st Place	6 points to 1 st Place	4 points to 1 st Place
5 points to 2 nd Place	4 points to 2 nd Place	2 points to 2 nd Place
4 points to 3 rd Place	3 points to 3 rd Place	1 points to 3 rd Place
3 points to 4 th Place	2 points to 4 th Place	
2 point to 5 th Place	1 point to 5 th Place	
1 point to 6 th Place		

Division Champion:

To be awarded to the combination of vehicle and horse/pony driven by the same competitor/horse/carriage combination, which has accumulated the greatest number of points in designated division. Champion and Reserve Champion Ribbons are given out at the Awards Party at the end of the show located at the Gazebo near the secretary's booth.