

2026 ICHA Futurity & Aged Event

Rules & Regulations

- **Judges:** A five (5) Judge system will be used. Horses will be scored under NCHA Rules.
- **NCHA Membership:** Both owner and riders must be current NCHA members. All Amateur and Non-Pro contestants must meet and have current NCHA NP or Amateur status.
- **ICHA Membership:** Current ICHA Membership for both owner and rider is required. Individual \$55—Family \$85—Youth \$15.
- **Registration Certificate:** Required on all horses. Proof in the form of a photocopy of the registration certificate or a notarized statement of age and description must be submitted with all entries. No horses will be entered into the draw without a copy of their certificate.
- **Entries: NO text or phone entries.** Entries are due and payable in full by August 10, 2026. No Exceptions, any entry received after the 14th will be assessed a late fee: Open/NP \$150 Amateur \$100. Acceptance of late entries will be dependent upon cattle availability. Late entries can be paid with check but must be guaranteed with a credit card until the check clears. The show office must have payment in full prior to the entry being placed in the draw.
- **Any Division with less than 16 entries will be a pencil finals. In the weekend WOW series, less than 15 entries will be a pencil finals.**
- **Horses:** The aged event is for futurity (3 year olds), derby (4 year olds) and Classic/Challenge (5/6 year olds). The divisions are as follows:
 - Futurity:** Open, Open Intermediate, Open Limited, Non Pro, Amateur
 - Derby:** Open, Open Intermediate, Open Limited, Non Pro, Non Pro Intermediate, Amateur and Amateur Intermediate.
 - Classic/Challenge:** Open, Open Intermediate, Open Limited, Non Pro, Non Pro Intermediate, Amateur and Amateur Intermediate.
- **Divisions & Go Round/Finals Advancement:**

Open Futurity (3yr), Derby (4yr) & Classic/Challenge (5/6yr):

Open Division:

1. 2 go rounds and a finals.
2. 70% plus ties advance to the 2nd go.
3. 25% plus ties (4yr & 5/6yr) and 30% plus ties (3yr) advance to the finals.
4. Minimum of 4 Maximum of 25
5. Futurity—25K Added-\$900 JP Payout--\$1795 Total Entry Fee
6. Derby—30K Added-\$1000 JP Payout--\$1895 Total Entry Fee
7. Classic/Challenge—25K Added-\$900 JP Payout--\$1795 Total Entry Fee

4 Open 25K Novice Horse (LTE) & 5/6 Open 35K Novice Horse (LTE):

1. Must enter Open class
2. 1 go round and a finals.
3. The go round will run within the 1st go of each Open class.
4. 25% plus ties advance to the finals.
5. Minimum of 4 Maximum of 25
6. Both Novice classes—\$4000 Added-\$500 JP Payout--\$825 Total Entry Fee
7. Both 25K LTE Novice Horse & 35K LTE Novice Horse eligibility is based on beginning of 2026 point year.

Open Intermediate / \$200K Rollback Division:

8. 1 go round and a finals..
9. 25% plus ties (4yr & 5/6yr) and 30% plus ties (3yr) advance to the finals.
10. Minimum of 4 Maximum of 25
11. 3, 4 & 5/6 Open IM—\$5000 Added-\$600 JP Payout--\$1125 Total Entry Fee
12. Eligibility: Intermediate Open / \$200K Rollback divisions are restricted to any riders who have lifetime Open earnings of \$750K or less (as of Jan 1) or any rider who has won less than **\$200K** in open earnings (including weekend & LAE) in the previous 2 years (as of Jan 1) Hall of Fame riders meeting these criteria are eligible. No senior exemptions.

Open Limited Division:

13. 1 go round and a finals..
14. Open Ltd Go will run with Open IM Go.
15. Minimum of 4 Maximum of 25
16. 3, 4 & 5/6 Open LTD—\$4000 Added-\$500 JP Payout--\$1025 Total Entry Fee
17. If a rider is entering both Open IM & Open LTD on the same horse, a discounted cattle charge will apply.
18. For 3,4 & 5/6 dual entries, the score will count for both classes, since the horse cannot enter the herd twice, and a discounted cattle charge will apply.

Non-Pro & Amateur Futurity (3yr):

1. Will be held in two separate rounds. The number of horses paid will be based on NCHA payout.
2. The Amateur Futurity will run within the Non-Pro.
3. An NP/Amateur can enter one or both classes on one or two horses. If entering both NP & AM on the same horse, the score will count for both classes, since the horse cannot enter the herd twice, and a discounted cattle charge will apply. If entering both classes separately, then separate Entry Fees will apply.
4. Circuit Champion and Reserve Champion and class Awards will be determined by accumulated scores.

Non-Pro, Non-Pro IM, Amateur and Amateur IM Derby (4yr) & Classic/Challenge (5/6yr):**Non-Pro Division:**

1. Will be held in two separate rounds.
2. Circuit Champion and Reserve Champion and class Awards will be determined by accumulated scores.

Non-Pro Intermediate / \$100K Rollback Division:

1. Will be held in two separate rounds.
2. The NP IM will run within the NP
3. A Non-Pro can enter one or both classes on one or two horses. If entering both NP & NP IM on the same horse, the score will count for both classes and a discounted cattle charge will apply. If entering both classes separately, then separate Entry Fees will apply.
4. Circuit Champion and Reserve Champion and class Awards will be determined by accumulated scores.
5. **Eligibility: Intermediate Non-Pro / \$100K Rollback** divisions are restricted to any riders who have life time NP earnings of \$500K or less (as of Jan 1) or any rider who has won less than **\$100K** in NP earnings (including weekend & LAE) in the previous 2 years

(as of Jan 1) Hall of Fame riders meeting these criteria are eligible. No senior exemptions.

6. **Eligibility: Intermediate Amateur:** Any rider who has not won over \$1000,000 (as of Jan 1). If an amateur rider is not on the top 100 Amateur list money earnings for the previous 2 years, they may drop back to the intermediate level. Hall of fame riders meeting the criteria are eligible. No senior exemptions.

Class within Classes:

Gelding & Sr Rider

1. Will be paid at 25% of the furthest advancing entries.
2. Sr Rider is 55 years of age or more as of Jan 1.

Leveling	
Intermediate 200K Rollback	
Open Division	Rider
Level	Lifetime Earnings
Open	\$750,000 or more
Intermediate Open	\$200,001 to \$749,999
Limited Open	\$0-\$200,000
Top 100 list not used	
Intermediate 100K Rollback	
Non Pro Division	Rider
Level	Lifetime Earnings
Non Pro	\$500,000 or more
Intermediate NP	\$150,001 to \$499,999
Limited NP	\$0-\$150,000
Top 100 list not used	
NCHA leveling	
Amateur Division	Rider
Level	Lifetime Earnings
Amateur	\$100,000 or more
Intermediate Am	\$25,001 to \$99,999
Limited Am	\$0-\$25,000
Top 100 list used	

- **Ties:** If any two riders tie for the Championship of any class, Co-Champions shall be declared. First and second place monies will be divided equally. There will be a coin toss for the 1st and 2nd place awards. Three way or greater ties shall be worked off with one being determined as Champion and remainder as Co-Reserve Champions, with their money being split equally.
- **Advancement Fee:** There will be an advancement fee charged to all working finals of \$225 to cover finals cattle costs.
- **Payouts:** All money will be paid out in the finals. All finalists will receive a check. .
- **Awards:** Champion & Reserve Champion awards will be presented in all finals, plus circuit Champion & Reserve Champion in 2 separate round divisions.
- **Mechanical Training Devices:** No personal mechanical training devices allowed.
- **Show Management Reserves the Right:** Show management reserves the right to make any changes, additions and deletions to these rules as deemed necessary. Notice of any changes will be posted at the show and/or upon request. Show management reserves the right to cancel said event or any classes within said event, without notice any time prior to the contest. In such an event, fees pertaining to the class, or the event will be refunded.
- **Refunds:** Any reasonable requests for refunds will be granted until August 15, 2025. After this date, ICHA will consider refunding fees prior to the draw for only these reasons:
 1. Sick or injured horse with a veterinarian's certificate presented in the show office.
 2. Sick or injured rider with a physician's excuse.
 3. A processing charge of \$150 will be retained.
- **Settling Out:** Early checkout process implemented. Please No checkout's on the last day of show. Checkout is available any time prior to Friday, with earnings checks being available for pick up on Friday or any time prior. Earnings checks will not be released without current contact information and SSN or Business Tax ID# on file in the show office.
- **Payments:** Checks and credit card payments accepted. There is a 3.5% credit card processing fee. A \$150 fee will be charged for NSF checks and denied credit card processing. The gathering of credit card and/or checks for payment is the responsibility of the contestant and/or the owner—NOT the show office.
- **Unpaid Bills:** Any show bill left unpaid at the conclusion of the event will be assessed a fee of 15% (minimum of \$100) of the total outstanding amount.
- **Fees/Show Bill Disputes:** Any dispute concerning fees and/or payments must be made within 30 days of the last show date otherwise ALL FEES are due and payable.
- **Ford Idaho Horse Park:**
 1. All dogs must be on a leash in ALL areas of the Ford Idaho Horse Park.
 2. Stall/RV/Shavings fees will be collected by and reserved with the Ford Idaho Horse Park.
 3. Tack stalls recommended. No horses allowed in the RV hook-up area.
 4. When making your entry, you have released the Idaho Futurity & Aged Event and the Idaho Cutting Horse Association of any liability for accidents or injury which may occur during the event to contestants, their employees, or their property.