



LET'S GO TO A HORSE SHOW 2011!!!
Or offsite trail ride.....

Welcome to the next step of your journey in the world of horses. Not only is showing tons of fun but it is a great way to let every one see how hard you have been working with your favorite pony or horse. It also feels good to come home with a ribbon or two.

Shows are exciting because there's so much going on: riders tacking up their horses; the horses cantering by judges; many types of horses doing different things; and the smiles of riders doing well with a hobby they love. Being a spectator is fun, however if you're like most horse crazy kids you are going to want to be apart of the action.

There are many things that have to happen before you go to the show and lot's of prep work and grooming before going into the ring to give it your best. It starts with having good control of your horse at home and ends with detailed grooming and cleaning for your horse and tack so you will make a beautiful turn out to a judge.

In order for this to happen there is a lot of homework to be done. There is bathing, clipping (haircuts) and cleaning of tack the night before the show. Being at the barn early the day of the show to take care of last minute touch ups and loading all items in the vehicles. There will be time spent getting the horse in the trailer and preparing feed and water buckets to be used the day of the show. Extra time and lessons will be needed to get you to the show. Once you learn these tasks you will be able to do them on your own. Until then Cherry Ridge will be here to help teach you each step of the way. We will prepare you to do it on your own.

Showing Fees and Terms:

3 options:

- \$120 to rent a horse for a show: You are probably taking lessons and not leasing. This will consist of: the days coaching, the use of a horse, tack for showing, clipping the horse, trailer loading, helping prep the night prior, hay, grain, buckets, halters and



helping you to handle the horse throughout the experience. This will include scheduling and transportation of the horse within 20 miles round trip (\$1.00 per mile after) ***In some cases it may be required for students to purchase tack to be competitive or if there is a shortage. Anything purchased would be kept by the student/family.*

- \$60 for Cherry Ridge 4H leases= Arrangement of Hauling, Clipping for show, hay/grain and coaching. Rider and parents are somewhat self sufficient- rider can tack and ride independently with control, parents can sign them up, assist with prep work, etc.
- \$20 for coaching= those that have their own horse, tack, and transportation. Rider and parents are self sufficient.

TERMS:

1. All exhibitors will be responsible for all entry fees, grounds fees, transport of their horse, and stall board at the show for the Rider/Horse Combo.
2. Tack stalls will be split between all exhibitors.
3. All \$ winnings and ribbons to be kept by the rider.
4. Riders will be responsible for supplying their own grooming and tack cleaning products. Example: Show Sheen, hoof polish, clean brush, shampoo, conditioner, Lexol saddle cleaner, etc. A complete list will be supplied of products needed and place to get the products.
5. **New this year:** All but first year exhibitors should have their own saddle stand, bridle rack, feed and water bucket. They will be required to bring these on their own along with *their tack*.
6. **New this year:** All fees will be required to be paid 1 week in advance to the departure to the show. This assists in the planning of the show. ***fees will be refunded if a horse is injured and an agreeable alternative substitute can't be reached or if a rider is sick and provides a doctor's note.*

Rider Responsibilities:

1. Preparing and cleaning all tack the night prior to departing for a show and while at the show. Supervision and instruction to be guided by a Cherry Ridge Representative. Friday night for a Saturday show is mandatory. The BCHA Show Series we will trailer in the Friday before to accustom horses to the grounds. If you cannot come during the day you can come that Friday evening for a lesson prior to the show and bathing of your horse.
2. Supplying grooming products, Saddle Rack, Bridle Hooks, and transporting your tack to the show in your vehicle.
3. Arriving to Cherry Ridge at the predetermined time the morning of the show for departure and returning to Cherry Ridge for unloading. MANDATORY.



4. Grooming and bathing of the horse the night before the show or at the show where applicable.
5. Making Entries at the show to be supervised by Cherry Ridge Representative if you have questions.
6. Stall Cleaning and providing bedding.
7. Rider is responsible for feeding and watering their horses the day of the show or making arrangements for someone else to assist.

Cherry Ridge Responsibilities:

1. Encourage and display safety habits in all activities.
2. Coach all riders for a full learning experience in and out of the ring.
3. Show Clipping horses.
4. Supplying horse and basic tack for riders (where applicable).
5. Scheduling transportation.
6. Loading all horses into the trailer.
7. This is a learning experience and we will be there to help you through any issues that may occur.

We at Cherry Ridge realize that horses are a fun and rewarding hobby with many life lessons to be learned. It is a lifelong hobby and an investment in the future. To help you make this happen we offer:

Work Program:

We have developed a work program to help riders/families offset the cost of the showing experience. We are offering in exchange for up to 40% of the show fees to work for us at \$8.00 per hour doing projects or light work that we need assistance.

Examples might include: Painting, mowing lawns, cleaning stalls, volunteering for events (Corn maze, OTH fundraising, outdoor classrooms), stall and fence repair, grooming horses, house cleaning, etc..... Please let us know if this is an option that can work for you and details will be worked out.

We will work for a win-win situation to enriching your life.

Fundraising:

NEW- To help offset the cost of lease fees, lessons, shows etc. Cherry Ridge will offer fundraising. We will start April 1. Any profit made will be given to the individual for the amount earned. The more you sell the less you pay out of pocket.



- April 1= Flower Sale, Cookie Dough 25-50% profit
- May 1 to June 30= Avon 40% profit
- July/Aug= Snackers 50% profit
- Sept/Oct= Yankee Candle/Cookie Dough= 25-40% profit.
- Year Long options= Cell Phone Collections=100% profit.

SHOW DATES and Trail Rides:

See Calendar on Website for updated list.