



Hoof Beat

February 10, 2020

2020 Show Schedule

March 7
April 25
May 30
June 13
Sept 26
Oct 24

Our first show of the season is only a few weeks away and I am looking forward to seeing everyone again! Our youth-sponsored fun class will be the Hairy Horse contest. The fee will be \$5 and paid at the gate. We are having a soup social Friday night at 6:30. Bring your favorite crock pot of soup and join us for fun and fellowship. Get started on your volunteer time by contacting Molly Trull and signing up to work during the show. Contact Betsy Gouedy to reserve your stalls and RV spots. It really helps Heide in the office if you preregister with her. You can always drop/add classes once you get to the show. All that preregister will be entered into a drawing for a free stall for the weekend. Don't forget to bring a copy of your current Coggins for the 2020 show year to be kept on file.

Ranch classes will have their own division this year with a high point at each show and a year-end high point. There will be three ranch classes: Ranch Riding, Ranch Trail, and Ranch Reining. To be eligible for high point, exhibitors must show in all three classes.

We will offer mini classes this year as well: Mini in-hand hunter, Mini in-hand trail, and Mini driving. Horses 2 years old and under may also show in the in-hand trail class.

We love our Lead Liners. This year all Lead Liners showing in at least 4 shows will be eligible for year-end awards. Lead Liners will be exempt from volunteer hours and sponsorships.

The motion was made and passed to change the current all day ride fees for each division to a flat fee of \$125 that will be attached to the horse – not the horse and rider combo. Exhibitors may still pay by individual class if they don't plan to show in many classes. The flat fee will include class fees and office fee. It will not include stalls, shavings, or RV.

Plans are underway to have our AQHA/APHA show in September. This will depend on having enough sponsorships for this show. It has been decided to change this show from a one-day show to an introductory show. This change would allow open, AQHA, and APHA classes to run at the same time and cut down on the length of the show.

The 1st annual Louisiana State Open Championship Show will be held in November at the IKE. This show will be a 4-day event complete with exhibitors' party and vendors. There will be saddles given for high points. It will have a ranch division, judged event division, speed event division, hunter jumper division, walk trot division, and mini division. Exhibitors must be a member of an affiliate of the state organization. Cotton Country will meet the requirements to be an affiliate for northeast Louisiana. In order to qualify to participate in this show through Cotton Country an exhibitor must show in 3 shows and complete volunteer and sponsorship requirements set forth by CCOHSA. This will be very good for Cotton Country. It should draw exhibitors from Arkansas and east Texas to our shows. Our website is listed on the state website and we will get a little free advertising for our association. For more information about the state show visit www.lastatehorshow.weebly.com.

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