

# DEPARTMENT H – HORSES 2023

**SUPERINTENDENT:** Mandi Marcotte

**ENTRY:** Online entry is mandatory at: [www.montanafair.com](http://www.montanafair.com) by **August 1, 2023**

Contact the entry office at (406)256-2400 or email: [entryoffice@metrapark.com](mailto:entryoffice@metrapark.com) The MontanaFair Entry Office is located on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor in the First Interstate Arena @ MetraPark

**DIVISION 1 – Open Horse Show - SuperBarn**

Saturday, August 12<sup>th</sup> @ 4:00 pm and Sunday, August 13<sup>th</sup> @ 9:00 am

***Entry deadline is August 1, 2023 for Division 1  
See Rules below regarding post entries***

<b>Horse Office Charge:</b>	\$20.00 per horse *
<b>Class Entry Fee:</b>	\$10.00 per class/per horse/per show
<b>Stakes Class Entry Fee:</b>	\$15.00 per class/per horse
<b>Stall Fee and/or Tack Stall Fee:</b>	\$15.00 per stall
	Stall fees must be paid if you use a stall at anytime

**\*ENTRY DEADLINE:** Due to the large number of entries received for MontanaFair, an entry deadline date is established for all departments. In the Horse Department, the **ENTRY DEADLINE is TUESDAY, AUGUST 1st @ 5:00 pm.** for both shows. New entries for exhibitors/horses will not be allowed after that date. Horses that have been entered and paid fees by entry deadline, may enter additional classes, however entry fees for classes (including stake classes) will be doubled and must be paid immediately with cash or check. Credit card payments will not be allowed for additional classes. MontanaFair does not operate with “tab” checks. The exhibitor may enter additional classes at any time up until 5 classes prior to class. *Minor exhibitors must have signature of a parent or guardian.* All entries must include full payment.

EXHIBITORS WILL FORFEIT ANY PREMIUMS AND POINTS GIVEN TOWARDS THE HIGH POINT FOR ANY POST ENTERED CLASSES THAT ARE LEFT UNPAID at the end of the show. Post entry fees cannot be deducted from premiums earned.

**ARRIVAL AND CHECK IN: Enter at Gate #1** (Livestock Entrance).

- Open Horse Show exhibitors may arrive Saturday, August 12<sup>th</sup> after 2:00 pm or Sunday, August 13<sup>th</sup> beginning at 7:00 am. Horses will be stalled in the AgBarn (newer building next to SuperBarn). Note: You will not be able to stall until the 4-H Horse Show concludes on Saturday, August 12<sup>th</sup> and stalls have been inspected.

**STALLING:** All horses will stall as assigned by the Superintendent and noted on exhibitor’s packet at check-in at Gate #1. Exhibitor’s gate tickets will be in those packets if applicable. DO NOT stall in any other stall than assigned or you may be asked to leave the grounds. This courtesy is on behalf of other MontanaFair exhibitors and exhibits. Please do not put signs or stall decorations on the stalls with staples or tape. Use only zip ties. The show secretary will have zip ties for your use. Note: You will not be able to stall until the 4-H Horse Show concludes on Saturday, August 12<sup>th</sup> and stalls have been inspected.

**GATE ADMISSION:** Non-refundable Exhibitor’s Discount tickets and wristbands can be purchased on the online entry system if purchased at time of entry. Discount exhibitor tickets will not be available after August 1, 2023.



**HORSE SHOW RULES & REGULATIONS**

Exhibitors must read and observe the General Information and Health Requirements at [www.montanafair.com](http://www.montanafair.com)

1. U.S. Equestrian Rules will be followed unless otherwise stated in rules.
2. All breaks are at the discretion of the Superintendent. Gate holds **must be requested and approved** by the Show Superintendent, **at least five classes before the requested gate hold**. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to be at the gate, MontanaFair will not be responsible for failure of sound system outside of the arena.
3. Hat, gloves, long sleeve shirt and sturdy shoes are required attire in Driving Classes. Western hat, long sleeve shirt and boots are mandatory in Western Classes. Chaps are optional. Exceptions for attire requirements are Fancy Dress Class and Costume classes.
4. The judge may dictate class instructions. His/her decision will be final. The Superintendent may decide matters not related to judging decisions. Matters of equipment will be decided by Judge.
5. Singles may be shown with two, four or fifth wheeled vehicle of any style.
6. Eligibility – Age for the shows will be determined by contestant or horse's age on January 1<sup>st</sup> of 2023. Proof should be available in the event of a dispute.
7. Horses currently in, or that have just completed training (within the last 30 days on show date) with the Judge are ineligible for showing.
8. Driving - Standard driving bits are required. Tie downs are not allowed. Martingales are prohibited in obstacle classes. Aprons and whips are optional. Lash of whip must not exceed horse's shoulder. Any style harness may be used. Headers are allowed in all classes. The header must remain two paces from the animal's head and must take no action that affects the performance of the horse. Exhibitors 13 and under must have a groom. Anyone driving a stallion may carry a groom.
9. Mini-Horse minimum jump will be 12". The maximum jump will be 24" unless there is a jump off. Then the maximum jump will be 36". Tennis shoes will be allowed.
10. Patterns will be posted at least one hour before the start of the show.
11. Any horse/rider combination that has competed in a class that requires a lope (or is entered in one), may NOT cross enter in a Walk/Trot class that does not require a lope or canter.

**PREMIUMS (All divisions):**

	<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>4th</u>
All classes (except stake classes)	\$17	\$12	\$ 9	\$ 7
Stakes Classes	\$50	\$25	\$15	\$10

Ribbons to 1st - 6th place in all classes.

Rosettes and \$50.00 will be awarded to Open Grand Champions (Halter) Stallions, Mares & Geldings in both shows.

Rosettes and \$25.00 will be awarded to Open Reserve Grand Champions (Halter) in both shows.

High Point Awards will be awarded in each show AS STATED. Additional High Point Awards will not be added.

All premiums will be paid by MontanaFair as soon as possible after the fair and are payable to the exhibitor as listed on the entry form. Please allow four weeks for processing and mailing. Exhibitors awarded \$600.00 or more will be required to complete a current W-9 form prior to receipt of premium check. In the case of a tie for a high-point cash award, funds will be split on a 50/50 basis and non-cash award will be decided by a toss of the coin. Ribbons must be picked up by 6:00 on day of show before leaving the grounds. MontanaFair will not mail non-cash awards and they become surrendered if not collected at show.

**OPEN HORSE SHOW - Note: To be eligible for a high point award, a halter class will be mandatory.**

OPEN - \$500 & TROPHY BUCKLE

14-18 - \$150 & TROPHY BUCKLE

13 & UNDER - \$150 & TROPHY BUCKLE

WALK TROT - \$50 & TROPHY BUCKLE (ANY HORSE OR RIDER IN THIS DIVISION MAY NOT ENTER A CLASS THAT REQUIRES A LOPE).

**(Handler/Horse Must Be the Same for High Point)**



# OPEN HORSE SHOW

## Judge – To Be Announced

### **SATURDAY, AUGUST 12 - 4:00 PM**

1. TRAIL - YOUTH - WALK/TROT 17 & under
2. TRAIL - YOUTH - AGE 13 & UNDER
3. TRAIL - YOUTH - AGE 14-18
4. TRAIL – ADULT – WALK/TROT (18 & OVER)
5. TRAIL – OPEN
6. TRAIL –STAKES

### **SUNDAY, AUGUST 13 - 9:00 AM**

7. OPEN GELDING/STALLION - YEARLING
8. OPEN GELDING/STALLION - 2 & 3 YR OLDS
9. OPEN GELDING/STALLION - 4 YRS & OLDER  
*GRAND & RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION*
10. YOUTH GELDING - YEARLING
11. YOUTH GELDING.- 2 & 3 YR OLDS
12. YOUTH GELDING - 4 YRS & OLDER  
*GRAND & RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION*
13. OPEN MARES - YEARLING
14. OPEN MARES - 2 & 3 YEAR OLDS
15. OPEN MARES - 4 YRS & OLDER  
*GRAND & RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION*
16. YOUTH MARES – YEARLING
17. YOUTH MARES – 2 & 3 YEAR OLDS
18. YOUTH MARES – 4 YRS & OLDER  
*GRAND & RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION*
19. SHOWMANSHIP - WALK/TROT
20. SHOWMANSHIP - WALK/TROT - ADULT
21. SHOWMANSHIP - 13 & UNDER
22. SHOWMANSHIP - 14-18 YEARS
23. SHOWMANSHIP - OPEN
24. SHOWMANSHIP – STAKES
25. YEARLING LUNGE LINE
26. ENGLISH PLEASURE - WALK/TROT
27. ENGLISH PLEASURE - WALK/TROT - ADULT
28. ENGLISH PLEASURE - 13 & UNDER
29. ENGLISH PLEASURE – 14-18 YEAR OLDS
30. ENGLISH PLEASURE – OPEN
31. ENGLISH PLEASURE – STAKES
32. ENGLISH EQUITATION–WALK/TROT -YOUTH
33. ENGLISH EQUITATION – WALK/TROT-ADULT
34. ENGLISH EQUITATION – 13 & YOUNGER
35. ENGLISH EQUITATION – 14-18 YEARS OLD
36. ENGLISH EQUITATION – OPEN
37. ENGLISH EQUITATION – STAKES
38. LEADLINE
39. WESTERN PLEASURE – WALK/TROT – YOUTH
40. WESTERN PLEASURE – WALK/TROT – ADULT
41. WESTERN PLEASURE – 13 & YOUNGER
42. WESTERN PLEASURE – 14-18 YEAR OLDS
43. WESTERN PLEASURE – OPEN
44. WESTERN PLEASURE - STAKES
45. WESTERN HORSEMANSHIP-WALK/TROT - YOUTH
46. WESTERN HORSEMANSHIP-WALK/TROT ADULT
47. WESTERN HORSEMANSHIP – 13 & YOUNGER
48. WESTERN HORSEMANSHIP – 14-18 YR OLDS
49. WESTERN HORSEMANSHIP – OPEN
50. WESTERN HORSEMANSHIP – STAKES

