

Western Carolinas Arabian Horse Association

Purebred/Half-Arabian Halter Futurity Program

Handlers must be an amateur OR the owner of the horse(s). The Western Carolinas Arabian Horse Association Futurity Program is open to both Purebred and Part-bred horses that are owned by voting members of the Western Carolinas Arabian Horse Association. Horses must be registered with the Arabian Horse Registry of America, Inc., or the Canadian Arabian Horse Registry, or the International Arabian Horse Association. The Halter Futurity will be held in conjunction with a WCAHA sponsored Show using a "r" or "R" rated judge for Arabians.

I. ELIGIBILITY

A. Owners

B. WCAHA membership is required at the time of Futurity nomination.

1. The mare owner must be a voting member in good standing of WCAHA at the time the nominations are entered.
2. The foal owner must be a voting member in good standing of WCAHA at the time the renominations are entered; and must be a member in good standing at the time the nominee is shown.
3. In the case of the sale of a pregnant mare or of a foal, the new owner is responsible for the renomination fees after the date of sale. The new owner must be a voting member of WCAHA or become one in order to continue the horse in the Futurity program.
4. The stallion owner does not have to be a member of WCAHA.

C. Foals

1. The dam **MUST** be nominated to the WCAHA Halter Futurity for the foal to be eligible.
2. No foal nomination or re-nomination fees will be refunded.

D. Mares

1. A mare must be nominated on or before December 31 of the year she is bred. The fee is \$50.00. This nomination fee includes automatic nomination of the weanlings. They are shown in the year of birth, so there is no other opportunity to nominate them.
2. Nomination information shall include the name and registration number of the mare, the name and registration number of the stallion bred to, and the year the foal is due. The status of the foal; i.e., purebred, part-Arabian or Anglo-Arabian also must be indicated.
3. No mare nomination fees will be returned. If the breeding of a nominated mare does not result in a foal that lives for 72 hours post delivery, the breeder may receive a \$50 refund. The breeder must notify Futurity Chairperson by the entry deadline (no post-deadline notification is allowed) for entries for the Western Carolinas Fall Class A Show, which is the designated Futurity show. A supporting letter from a veterinarian must be included with entry fees if showing, or emailed or mailed to the Futurity Chairperson by show entry deadline in order to be eligible for a refund.

E. Re-nominations

1. In order to show a yearling in the WCAHA Futurity classes, a re-nomination fee of \$25.00 must be paid and a re-nomination form submitted, postmarked no later than Dec. 31st of the year prior to the show.

II. CLASS SPECIFICATIONS

Nominated weanlings showing in Futurity classes in a given year will be a combination of in hand and sport horse type youngsters. As yearlings, those youngsters deemed to be best suited for the sport horse division will be shown on the triangle in four added classes by that show's SHIH judge; in hand main-ring halter yearlings will be judged as usual using AHA score cards.

For 2015 Futurity classes only, owners will need to designate on the show entry form that they want their Futurity yearlings to be shown in the sport horse division at the Labor Day show. These classes will be shown in hand on the triangle per USEF rules. These yearlings may not show in the regular Futurity yearling classes.

Beginning in 2016, owners will need to designate "sport horse entry" or "main ring entry" on the re-nomination form they submit at the end of 2015.

- A. The WCAHA Halter Futurity Classes are open only to nominated weanlings and yearlings, and offers the following classes:

Purebred

1. Weanling Colts and Weanling Fillies All nominated weanlings may be shown in these classes.

There will be two weanling classes: one for weanling colts, and one for weanling fillies. The order of go will be from oldest to youngest, with the judge advised of this procedure in advance. Champion and Reserve will be awarded in these classes.

2. Yearling Colts/Geldings & Yearling Fillies

Those yearlings whose owners re-nominated them by Dec. 31st of their weanling years as sport horse prospects will move to the sport horse division and be shown per USEF rules on the triangle. There will be one sport horse yearling filly class and one sport horse colt class.

Part-bred

1. Weanling Colts and Weanling Fillies

All nominated weanlings may be shown in these classes. There will be two weanling classes: one for weanling colts, and one for weanling fillies. The order of go will be from oldest to youngest, with the judge advised of this procedure in advance. Champion and Reserve will be awarded in these classes.

2. Yearling Colts/Geldings and Yearling Fillies

Those yearlings whose owners re-nominated them by Dec. 31st of their weanling years as sport horse prospects will move to the sport horse division and be shown per USEF rules on the triangle. There will be one sport horse yearling filly class and one sport horse colt class.

- B. Horses entered in the WCAHA Halter Futurity may enter regular show classes.
C. Handlers must be an amateur OR the owner and breeder of the horse.

III. JUDGING

Futurity classes in the main ring shall be judged by a "r" or "R" rated judge for Arabians, using the scorecard approved for halter classes by the AHA. Sport Horse Division classes will be judged by the In-Hand judge hired for the designated Futurity Show each Fall.

IV. PRIZE MONEY

- A. All of the mare nomination fees, all re-nomination fees, and the \$20.00 class entry fees will be allocated for prize money.
- B. Payouts for Futurity classes will be restructured in the following manner: 50 percent of total auction proceeds would be divided between all the Futurity classes that make in a given year (12, with the addition of the four sport horse classes.) The remaining 50 percent of auction proceeds would be divided on a prorated basis per horse among all the entries at the Futurity show. Futurity checks will be paid out within 60 days of the show date.
- C. Prize money will be disbursed as follows:
 - 1. All nomination money for PB or HA weanlings are divided equally between the number of classes respectively. Re-nomination money for yearlings go to the specific class for which the horse is re-nominated.
 - 2. Entry money is added to the specific class/age division.
 - 3. The weanling classes are reimbursed (from the Stallion Auction money) for any mare nomination credits used.
 - 4. Stallion Futurity auction money is divided based on IV-B above, (excluding any specialty classes), minus direct expenses for the cost of operating the futurity program, plus any prizes awarded (i.e. trophies and ribbons) and any reimbursements given to the weanling classes.
 - 5. Five places are awarded prize money based on IV-B above.
 - a) 1 horse – 100% of the available prize money
 - b) 2 horses – 60% to 1st place, 40% to 2nd place
 - c) 3 horses – 50% to 1st place, 30% to 2nd place, 20% to 3rd place
 - d) 4 horses – 50% to 1st place, 25% to 2nd place, 15% to 3rd place, 10% to 4th place
 - e) 5 horses – 45% to 1st place, 25% to 2nd place, 15% to 3rd place, 10% to 4th place, and 5% to 5th place.
- D. In the event we have no entries in any of the Halter Futurity Divisions, (i.e. Purebred Division; Part-bred Division) all applicable funds will be held and awarded the following year.
- E. Added Funds
 - 1. Individual/Business Donors
In the event funds are given by individuals or businesses to be used towards Futurity winnings, the classes designated by said donors will be honored.
 - 2. Auction Proceeds Monies raised by the All-Star Stallion Futurity will be distributed per Futurity Auction rules.
 - 3. Ribbons through fifth place. Cash for first – fifth place in all age group classes. The purse will be awarded per E. above.

V. ADMINISTRATION

- A. This Futurity program shall be administered by a committee appointed by the President and Board of Directors of WCAHA.
- B. Ribbons and trophies are provided by the WCAHA Futurity Committee, or by sponsoring individuals/businesses/programs. Ex: Futurity Auction.
- C. Futurity funds shall be accounted for within the club treasury, and subject to an annual report and audit.
- D. The rules may not be changed for a Futurity for which nominations have been accepted. The changes must be made prior to the distribution of nomination forms provided that the changes are also distributed. After the rules have once been approved and accepted by WCAHA, they can only be changed by a majority vote of the Futurity Committee followed by a majority vote of approval of the WCAHA Board of Directors.
- E. In the event the WCAHA Board of Directors, at any time, decides the Futurity does not have sufficient interest to justify its continuation all fees collected shall be returned to the enrollees, no future nominations will be accepted, and the Futurity discontinued.

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