

VRHA/GVRHA 2012 BUCKLE SERIES

NOVICE HORSE OPEN LEVEL 2

LIMITED NON PRO

ROOKIE LEVEL 2

YOUTH

2 HANDED BEGINNER

1. Series to be run in Victoria over 4 Shows; 2 VRHA shows, 2 GVRHA shows plus one clean slate final
2. Series will run January 2012 – November 2012
3. Show dates; VRHA 21st January, VRHA 25th February at Werribee; GVRHA 15th September, GVRHA 3rd November at Tatura
4. Finals will be run on 25th November 2012 at Werribee Park National Equestrian Centre.
5. The top ten finalists from each of the 5 nominated categories as at completion of the GVRHA Show 3rd November 2012 will be eligible to compete in the clean slate final. Prizes will be awarded to the winners from each category at the finals and awarded from 1st to 10th place.
6. Riders must compete in at least 3 shows, should a rider compete in all 4 shows offered, the rider has the choice of selecting their 3 best scores from the 4 shows prior to the finals.
7. To be eligible riders must be financial members of VRHA & GVRHA. The rider must be a full financial Member of the VRHA & GVRHA throughout the series.
8. Horses must be NRHA licensed and Riders must be NRHA members for Novice Horse Open Level 2, Limited Non Pro, Rookie Level 2 & Youth categories. RA 2011/2012 ineligibility applies as of 1st January 2012, should riders and or horse's earnings exceed throughout the series, eligibility still applies. Youth ages calculated as per NRHA 2011 Handbook .
9. Youth classes will be offered at 4 shows by the two Youth categories, Youth 13 & Under and Youth 14 -18 years, points for the series will be calculated from each Youth class, however, the series final points will be calculated towards overall Youth 18 years & Under.
10. Entry fees into each class at each show will attract a \$20 entry fee + \$10 judge's fee and will remain the same throughout the series
11. Entry fees collected from each class at each show will be retained and will jackpot. VRHA will collect and hold the jackpot from 21st January & 25th February shows, GVRHA will collect and hold the jackpot from 15th September & 3rd November shows, the total amounts collected from all four shows will be calculated together to determine the jackpot amounts for each class. The cost of the trophy buckles for each nominated class will be subtracted from the year end jackpot. The remaining balance of the jackpot from each class will be divided into prizes to 10th Place
12. A Trophy buckle will be presented to the winner and prizes awarded to 10th place from each class at the conclusion of each class at the clean slate finals.
13. In order to be eligible for 2 handed Beginner class the rider must not have won more than four reining events at any show as at 1st January 2012. The horse does not have to be NRHA Licenced and Rider does not have to NRHA Membership. Horse to be ridden two handed in any NRHA approved bit, but must remain consistent throughout the pattern or a score of zero (0) will be given. Rider has the option to ride the NRHA pattern or the VRHA modified pattern.

POINT CALCULATION

1. Points will be calculated on a one horse / rider combination. A rider can ride more than one horse in a class but a horse cannot be ridden more than once in a class.
2. Points will be calculated by sliding scale; by the number of horses entered into the class; 5 horses entered 1st place 5 points, 2nd place 4 points etc. Where this is more than 10 horses entered 1st place receives 10 points (10 points is the maximum amount of points given) 2nd place 9 points etc.
3. One horse / rider combination will receive 1 point for entering the class including a zero score. A 'No Score' is not eligible for points.