

# **BUXMONT RIDING CLUB, INC.**

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## **2024 WESTERN & MINIATURE SHOW SERIES**

**A COPY OF A NEGATIVE COGGINS TEST WILL BE  
REQUIRED AT EVERY SHOW  
NO COGGINS – NO SHOW**

**Saturday 4/27, 5/18, 6/8, 7/13, 9/14  
Rain Dates: 8/17 & 9/28**

**Registration starts at 7:00a.m. Trail starts at 8:00a.m. Other Classes Start at 9:00a.m.**

Entry fees per class day of show:	Members \$11	Non-Members \$12
Pre-entry fees per class:	Members \$8	Non-Members \$9

\*\*\$1 charge for a rider number. The \$1 is not refundable as it was in the past. You may bring your own number.\*\*

To pre-register: [www.buxmontridingclub.com](http://www.buxmontridingclub.com)

## **DIVISION GRAND & RESERVE CHAMPION GIVEN AT EACH SHOW**

**Year End Eligibility: You must fill out and turn in a nomination form, show in 3 out of the 5 shows & complete 4 hours of volunteer time per horse/rider combination or submit the volunteer hours buy out form and payment.**

**NOMINATION FORMS DUE BY OR BEFORE THE JUNE 8TH SHOW! Points will not show until a nomination form is received.**

**The ages of riders/horses/ponies must be as of January 1, 2024.**

**All riders under the age of 18 must wear ASTM/SEI approved helmets while mounted on the show grounds. You will not be able to show if you do not comply with the “helmet/heel” rule.**

Dress Code: Western: (semi-casual) Jeans/western pants; long sleeve shirt; heeled boots, clean saddle & saddle pad; full chaps optional, Western type hat or helmet, ½ chaps not permitted. (exception Stock Type English) Miniature: Short Sleeves maybe worn for sport division classes. Athletic foot wear with closed toes is permitted for sport division classes.

The Show Committee reserves the right to combine, move, or adjust the show schedule, as they deem necessary to run a smooth show.

Judges names are posted on the website: [www.buxmontridingclub.com](http://www.buxmontridingclub.com)

**No one is to approach the judge at any time for any reason. You must see a member of the show committee with any disputes. The decision of the Buxmont Board of Directors is final in the case of any dispute.**

For Directions call: 215-260-2540

For prize list or registration questions, email: Wendy Twaddell – [rwtwaddell@aol.com](mailto:rwtwaddell@aol.com)

# WESTERN & MINIATURE RULES AND REGULATIONS

Registration starts at 7:00am; Trail will open at 8am with the rest of the classes starting at 9am

**Pre-Registration must be emailed and received BEFORE 9:00pm on the Thursday prior to the Show.**

Entry Fees: Pre-Entry fees are \$8 per class for members and \$9 per class for NON-Members.

Day of Show entry fees are \$11 per class for members and \$12 per class for NON-Members.

To add a class, you must register and pay at least one division before the class you want to add.

NO REFUND will be given if the class has started and you want to scratch it.

AQHA guidelines are followed: <https://www.aqha.com>

1. You must show a copy of a negative Coggins Test at registration at EVERY SHOW. Foals that are nursing do not need a coggins test but the Dam must have a negative coggins test and be present with the foal. NO COGGINS, NO SHOW!
2. HELMETS MUST be ASTM/SEI approved and be worn by anyone who is under the age of 18 as of 1/1/20 while mounted on the show grounds. Western riders without western helmets will not be penalized for wearing English helmets. RIDERS ARE TO BE NEATLY AND APPROPRIATELY ATTIRED. HEELED SHOES OR BOOTS ONLY, NO EXCEPTIONS. Any one in violation will be asked to leave the show ring immediately. If an underage rider's feet cannot reach the stirrups; you will be required to have a spotter present.
3. Exhibitor's numbers must be clearly visible at all times while in the show ring.
4. DISCLAIMER on ENTRY FORM **MUST** be signed BEFORE entering any ring. Children under 18 years of age MUST have a parent or Guardian sign the entry form and assume ALL responsibility for the minor.
5. THE JUDGE'S DECISION IS FINAL! NO ONE HAS THE RIGHT TO APPROACH THE JUDGE FOR ANY REASON! If you have a question or would like to get information from the judge, you will be asked to address your concerns to a Show Committee Member. The Show Committee Member will then determine if your questions or concerns warrant the judge's attention. If so, the Show Committee Member will approach the judge on your behalf at an APPROPRIATE time determined by the Show Committee Member.
6. This is a tentative schedule; classes may be changed or rescheduled at the discretion of the Buxmont Show Committee. The Buxmont Show Committee reserves the right to alter, divide, cancel, combine, or re-locate classes to expedite the show.
7. Lunging in the ring will end at 6:45a.m. At that point you must use the round pen, or grass location.
8. The Judge has the right to excuse you from the show ring if they see a lameness issue with your horse/pony.
9. All exhibitors MUST be at the IN-GATE when called for their class. A 1-minute call will be given. Once the announcer has called the class you will not be permitted in the ring. **No refunds for missed classes.**
10. DISQUALIFICATIONS ARE: separating from your mount; off course, or 3 refusals at an element.
11. Anyone that is showing, or has shown, in a division they are not eligible for, WILL BE disqualified and WILL NOT receive an end of day and/or year end award and no refunds will be given.
12. Anyone caught giving false or altered documents (i.e. Coggins, horse's age, rider's age, vet note, etc.) could be disqualified from showing for the year, pending an investigation by the Show Committee.

13. Horses 5 years and under may be shown in a snaffle bit or Bosal with two hands; Horses six years and over must be shown one handed with a shank bit.
14. Draw reins are not permitted in the show ring.
15. Once the show points have been posted, you will have 15 days to challenge and/or question the results. No change will be made after the 15 days have expired. NO EXCEPTIONS!
16. Horses must have the same name in divisions where it is same horse/rider combination to accumulate points. We will not combine points because a trainer/rider/parent gave the wrong name or barn name for a horse.
17. Six ribbons will be awarded in each class unless the class has 15 or more riders; then a 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> place will be awarded. If the class holds 4 horses or less, the point system is: 1<sup>st</sup> place = 5 points, 2<sup>nd</sup> place = 3 points, 3<sup>rd</sup> place = 2 points, 4<sup>th</sup> place = 1 point. If the class holds 5 to 14 horses, then the point system becomes: 1<sup>st</sup> place = 7 points, 2<sup>nd</sup> place = 5 points, 3<sup>rd</sup> place = 4 points, 4<sup>th</sup> place = 3 points, 5<sup>th</sup> place = 2 points, 6<sup>th</sup> place = 1 point. If there are 15 or more horses in a class, the points system is as follows: 1<sup>st</sup> place = 9 points, 2<sup>nd</sup> place = 7 points, 3<sup>rd</sup> place = 6 points, 4<sup>th</sup> place = 5 points, 5<sup>th</sup> place = 4 points, 6<sup>th</sup> place = 3 points, 7<sup>th</sup> place = 2 points, 8<sup>th</sup> place = 1 point.
18. Horse and riders must enter into at least two of the division classes to be eligible for a day of show Champion or Reserve Ribbon.
19. There MUST be 2 or more horses in each class of a division to receive a Champion or Reserve ribbon for the division for the day of the show, excluding leadline and therapeutic. In the event that you are combined with another class, your points will be counted for the class/division that you signed up.
20. In the event of a tie for division championship, the number of blue ribbons won in that division will determine the winner; if that doesn't break the tie the number of second places will decide it, and so on until the tie is broken. In the event of a Grand or Reserve day of show tie, divisions that include a trail class will be weighted heavier in determining the winner. Champion and Reserve ribbons will not be given if there is only one person in the division. This will be done at the discretion of the Buxmont Show Committee.
21. In the event of a tie for the year-end championship, the number of shows attended will determine the winner. Then if that doesn't break the tie, the number of blue ribbons won will determine the winner, if that doesn't break the tie the number of second places will decide it and so on until the tie is broken. This will be done at the discretion of the Buxmont Show Committee.
22. Equitation division classes are judged on the rider; therefore changing horses is permitted for year-end points for equitation divisions only. Riders will receive equitation year-end points. In the halter divisions, to accumulate year end points you must have the same horse/handler combination. In the event of a serious injury or death of a horse, the show committee must be advised of the situation.
23. NO racing horses around the outside of the ring, in the parking area or anywhere else outside of the show ring.
24. Unmanageable horses will be asked to leave the ring; Unruly persons will be asked to leave the grounds.
25. Children must be under control at all times and if you bring your pets, they MUST be leashed or haltered.
26. When sitting or standing close to the show ring, please be respectful to the individuals that are showing.
27. NO parking, riding or wandering on the neighboring properties.

28. The Buxmont Show Committee, the Buxmont Riding Club, or its volunteers will not be responsible for any theft, injury or accident to any person or animal on the Club/Show Grounds.
29. Riders will assume all responsibility for any damage done to the Buxmont Riding Club property, accidentally or deliberately, by their horses, pets or their families.
30. All participants and spectators need to clean up their trash, hay and manure from the show grounds and parking area.
31. Absolutely NO use of a cell phone, talking or texting, or the use of any other electronic device while mounted in the Buxmont Riding Club show ring. If you are seen using an electronic device in the show ring, you will be asked to leave the ring immediately.
32. The therapeutic riding division is intended for exhibitors with disabilities who are unable to participate in other divisions with or without reasonable accommodations. Exhibitors with disabilities may participate in either the Therapeutic Riding Division or in other divisions but not in both divisions.
33. Using inappropriate and/or foul language in the Buxmont Riding Club Show Ring will be grounds for dismissal from the show ring for the remainder of the class. If there is no improvement, you will be asked to leave the club grounds, WITHOUT a refund.
34. **ALCOHOL and Illegal DRUGS ARE STRICTLY FORBIDDEN AT THE BUXMONT RIDING CLUB SHOWS.** Any person(s) who are found in violation of THIS RULE, WILL be asked to leave the show and the grounds IMMEDIATELY.
35. Miniatures must measure 39 inches and under at the withers to be eligible to compete. Miniature horses MUST be at least 3 years old to jump.
36. In the miniature sport divisions: The horse and handler combination must break the finish timer together. Failure to do so will result in disqualification.
37. Jumper Course – Clean (no fault) rounds will place ahead of competitors who obtain faults during their course. In the event of a tie with faults, the winner will be determined by the fastest time.  
**Faults:**
  - a) Knockdowns - 4 faults
  - b) Refusal (stopping at an obstacle without knocking it down and without backing, followed by jumping from a standstill is not penalized. However, if the halt continues or if the horse backs even a single step, side steps or circles to retake the fence, a refusal is incurred):  
1<sup>st</sup> refusal - 4 faults, 2<sup>nd</sup> refusal - 4 additional faults, 3<sup>rd</sup> refusal - disqualification.
  - c) Circling - any form of circle or circles whereby the horse crosses its original track between two consecutive obstacles, stops advancing toward the next obstacle, except to retake an obstacle after disobedience. Crossing your own path (i.e. circling between fences, NOT retaking a fence from a refusal) – 4 faults.**Elimination:** You will be eliminated if you have 3 refusals, are off course, if the horse falls down or the exhibitor drops the lead.

**TO RUN FOR YEAR END AWARDS - YOU MUST:**

- A. Fill out and submit a nomination form for each horse/rider combination per discipline. Members - Free, Non-Members - \$25. Nomination Forms must be submitted by or before the June Show of your discipline.**
- B. Show in 3 of the 5 shows with the same horse/rider combination in the same division, with the exception of the Equitation divisions, and accumulate at least one point during the show season. Attendance at a show is only counted if you enter the ring and are judged in the class within the division that you are trying to qualify for a Year End Award.**
- C. Complete 4 hours of volunteer time per horse/rider (handler) combo/per division OR complete the Buy Out Form & pay the \$40 fee by the May horse show (additional \$10 per month after May). If choosing to do the 4 hours of volunteer time a friend or family member may complete the rider's hours, and a volunteer form must be completed at the registration booth.**
- D. All volunteer hours must be completed by your disciplines last show of the season.**

The Buxmont Riding Club Show Committee has the right to remove all your acquired points for the day for any infractions or violations as stated in the rules above.