

Cattlemen's Days Horse Show 2026

84th Year



JULY 5th: 8:00 AM

ENTRY FEES: \$ 5.00 per class (8 & under are \$ 2.00 per class)

- You can fill out and submit entry forms online at the Cattlemen's days website www.cattlemensdays.com
- Enter online and now you can also pay online. If you pay online, please make sure you put the contestants name that you are paying for.
- By mail with payment to: Michelle Zadra
151 Ute Lane
Gunnison, CO. 81230
970.596.3308
- Download form from cattlemen's days website and email to: gunnisonopenhorseshow@gmail.com

FACILITY FEE: \$5.00 per contestant.

PATTERN BOOKS: \$5.00 Will be available for purchase at checkout online. Patterns will also be posted by the secretary booth the day of the show.

Scratching out of classes and refunds: You may scratch out of any or all classes before 8:00am the day of the show and receive a refund. You may also receive a refund with a vet note at any time.

PAYMENT: You may pay online or the day of the show.

DAY OF SHOW: Pickup back numbers and pattern book (if purchased online) at the announcer's booth. Horseshow secretaries will be at the announcer's booth at 6:00am.

DEADLINE DATES:

- **July 2, 2026, by 10:00am – NO LATE FEES**
- **ENTRIES RECEIVED AFTER JULY 2, 2026, 10:00am & MORNING OF THE SHOW**
 - **Entry fee = \$10 per class**

LEADLINE: Allowed only in classes 9, 15, 25. Leadline must be separately attached to halter or bridle. Attached bridle reins do not constitute a leadline. *Leadline classes do not count towards high point.

STALLS: Are available 1st come 1st serve – We encourage you to please clean-up your stalls

STALLIONS: Will not be shown by contestants under 16.

DRESS CODE: Showmanship classes for Quarter horse, Paint and Appaloosa type horses per AQHA rule #471(d)(1). For Arabian and Saddlebred type horses per AHSA rule 1699E(c)(3). For all other classes per AQHA rule 445.

HATS: Loss of your hat at any time during the class or between the start and finish lines will result in disqualification.

AGE GROUPS: 8 & under, 9-13, 14-17, 18-25, and 26 & older as of January 1, 2026. Switching age groups will not be allowed.

Excessive Force Policy:

Per the voting board (Arena Judge/Trail Judge/ Horseshow Committee Chair) – Any abuse to our equine friends/partners will result in immediate disqualification from Cattlemen's Days Open Horse Show. No refunds will be given.

*OVERALL HIGH POINT AWARD/ RESERVE HIGH POINT: Will be given in each age group based on contestant. Any number of horses may be shown by each contestant.

*Classes that count towards high point:

- **Showmanship classes 10-14***
- **English classes 19-23***
- **Trail classes 27 -31***
- **Western classes 32-36***
- **Speed – Poles classes 42-50 & Barrels 41-49***

High Point is calculated by a point system:

1st = 4 points

2nd = 3 points

3rd = 2 points

4th = 1 point

In the event of a tie the showmanship class will be used to break the tie. (The contestant scoring the highest in the showmanship class)

HIGH POINT AWARDS

SPEED EVENTS HIGH POINT AWARD – Classes 41-60 *The same scoring system will be used as in the overall high point.*

ENGLISH DIVISION HIGH POINT AWARD – Classes 19-25 will count towards this award and will be given in 2 age groups 17 & under and 18 & older. *The same scoring system will be used as in the overall high point. In the event of a tie the Open Hunter Under Saddle class will be used as a tie breaker.*

WESTERN DIVISION HIGH POINT AWARD – Classes 32-38 will count towards this award and will be given in 2 age groups 17 & under and 18 & older. *The same scoring system will be used as in the overall high point. In the event of a tie the open western pleasure class will be used as the tie breaker*

OPEN REINING CLASSES 39 & 40 - Contestant off pattern will be asked to leave the arena.

OPEN CLASSES & HALTER CLASSES(1-8): These classes do not count towards the overall high point awards.

CASH PRIZES: 8 & under: 1st \$5.00, 2nd \$3.00, 3rd \$2.00. 9 & over classes and open classes: 1st \$10.00, 2nd \$7.00, 3rd \$5.00 AWARDS are given to Grand Champion in Halter Classes 1-8

CLASS SCHEDULE 2026

CLASS 1	2026 STUD COLTS
CLASS 2	2024 & 2025 STUD COLTS
CLASS 3	2023 & OLDER STALLIONS
	GRAND CHAMPION / RESERVE STALLIONS
CLASS 4	2024 & 2025 GELDINGS
CLASS 5	2023 & OLDER GELDINGS
	GRAND CHAMPION / RESERVE GELDINGS
CLASS 6	2026 FILLIES
CLASS 7	2024 & 2025 FILLES
CLASS 8	2023 & OLDER MARES
	GRAND CHAMPION / RESERVE MARES
CLASS 9	LEADLINE SHOWMANSHIP (8 & UNDER)
CLASS 10	YOUTH SHOWMANSHIP (8 & UNDER) *
CLASS 11	YOUTH SHOWMANSHIP (9 -13) *
CLASS 12	YOUTH SHOWMANSHIP (14-17) *
CLASS 13	SHOWMANSHIP (18 -25) *
CLASS 14	SHOWMANSHIP (26 & OLDER) *
CLASS 15	LEADLINE WALK/TROT HUNT SEAT EQUITATION (8 & UNDER)
CLASS 16	JACKPOT OPEN JUMPER
CLASS 17	OPEN HUNTER HACK (<i>JUMPS 2' MAX</i>) (17 & under)
CLASS 18	OPEN HUNTER HACK (<i>JUMPS 2' MAX</i>) (18 & older)
CLASS 19	WALK/TROT HUNT SEAT EQUITATION (8 & UNDER) *
CLASS 20	HUNT SEAT EQUITATION (9 -13) *
CLASS 21	HUNT SEAT EQUITATION (14-17) *
CLASS 22	HUNT SEAT EQUITATION (18-25) *
CLASS 23	HUNT SEAT EQUITATION (26 & OLDER) *
CLASS 24	OPEN HUNTER UNDER SADDLE (17& under)
CLASS 25	OPEN HUNTER UNDER SADDLE (18 & older)
CLASS 26	LEADLINE WALK/TROT WESTERN HORSEMANSHIP (8 UNDER)
CLASS 27	TRAIL (8 & UNDER) *
CLASS 28	TRAIL (9-13) *
CLASS 29	TRAIL (14-17) *
CLASS 30	TRAIL (18-25) *
CLASS 31	TRAIL (26 & OLDER) *
CLASS 32	WALK/TROT WESTERN HORSEMANSHIP (8 & UNDER) *
CLASS 33	WESTERN HORSEMANSHIP (9-13) *
CLASS 34	WESTERN HORSEMANSHIP (14-17) *
CLASS 35	WESTERN HORSEMANSHIP (18-25) *
CLASS 36	WESTERN HORSEMANSHIP (26 & OLDER) *
CLASS 37	OPEN WESTERN PLEASURE (17 & under)
CLASS 38	OPEN WESTERN PLEASURE (18 & older)
CLASS 39	OPEN REINING (17 & under)
CLASS 40	OPEN REINING (18 & older)

TRACK

CLASS 42	POLE BENDING (8 & UNDER) *
CLASS 44	POLE BENDING (9-13) *
CLASS 46	POLE BENDING (14-17) *
CLASS 48	POLE BENDING (18-25) *
CLASS 50	POLE BENDING (26 & OLDER)
CLASS 52	KEYHOLE RACE (8 & UNDER)
CLASS 54	KEYHOLE RACE (9-13)
CLASS 56	KEYHOLE RACE (14 - 17)
CLASS 58	KEYHOLE RACE (18 -25)
CLASS 60	KEYHOLE RACE (26 & OLDER)

ARENA

CLASS 41	BARREL RACE (14-17) *
CLASS 43	BARREL RACE (18-25) *
CLASS 45	BARREL RACE (26 & OLDER) *
CLASS 47	BARREL RACE (8 & UNDER) *
CLASS 49	BARREL RACE (9-13) *
CLASS 51	FLAG RACE (14-17)
CLASS 53	FLAG RACE (18-25)
CLASS 55	FLAG RACE (26 & OLDER)
CLASS 57	FLAG RACE (8 & UNDER)
CLASS 59	FLAG RACE (9-13)

NOTE: * INDICATES CLASS IS ELIGIBLE FOR OVERALL HIGH /RESERVE
POINT AWARDS

If you have any other questions or concerns please contact:

Committee Chair – Ivy McNulty – 970-275-0043 Please follow Facebook
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