



**July 1  
September 9, 2017  
First Class 9 am**

**SHOW INFORMATION & RULES**  
**\*\*PLEASE READ\*\***

**ENTRIES**

Entries must be received by June 30th to avoid post-entry fee. Entry fees are \$6.00 per class. Mail/deliver entry form and checks made payable to Big Sky Horse Park to: Cindy Arnott, 1003 Tower St, Missoula, MT 59804.

Late/post entries accepted at \$2.00 additional per class. Post entries must enter at least three classes in advance of class to be post-entered (classes 1 and 2 must be entered by 8:30 am the day of the show).

No class refunds will be given without a veterinarian or doctor's certificate prior to the start of the show.

Entries must be signed and include the two additional signed waivers: the Missoula Horse Council Membership & Assumption of Risk Agreement for BSHP Non-Members and the Recommendation and Waiver of Use of ASTM/SEI Approved Protective Headgear as applicable for every rider for every show.

**AWARDS**

Ribbons will be awarded to six places. High Point rider in each division will be awarded a custom trophy buckle. Reserve high point awards in each division will also be awarded.

- Novice Horse or Rider (1, 8, 14, 19, 25, 29)
- 9 & Under (2, 9, 15, 20, 25, 29)
- 10-15 (3, 10, 16, 21, 26, 30)
- 16 & Over (4, 11, 17, 22, 27, 31)
- Open (5, 7, 12, 18, 23, 24, 28, 32)

Nomination: To be eligible for High Point awards, riders must pay a \$10.00 nomination fee per division. Fee must be paid by conclusion of first show rider enters. Riders may nominate in multiple divisions as eligible, however a rider may not receive more than one High Point award. Competitors must compete in at least two of the three shows in the series to be eligible for High Point awards. Awards are tracked by rider, not horse.

## **DIVISIONS**

Open - all riders and horses

Novice - a horse and/or rider in the first year of showing at any horse show. A rider who has never won a first place award in a horse show may also enter this division. Novice classes are Walk/Trot, and may be ridden two-handed in a snaffle bit, regardless of the age of the horse. Novice entrants may not enter in open classes except for walk/trot classes, but are eligible for appropriate age division classes.

9 & Under - an entrant/rider age 9 & under. (All classes will be walk/trot)

10-15 - an entrant/rider ages 10 to 14.

16 & Over – an entrant/rider who is 16 or older.

Leadline - a rider age 9 & under. Leadline riders may not enter in any other class under saddle.

## **REGULATIONS**

1. The rider's age as of June 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year is considered their show age throughout the same year.
2. No stallions are allowed to be shown by anyone under 18 years of age.
3. Any horse deemed unsafe, unsound, or uncontrollable will be asked to leave and forfeit all fees paid.
4. Any entrant over-using spurs, whips, or exhibiting cruelty to an animal or other behavior deemed unacceptable will be asked to leave and forfeit all fees paid.
5. All dogs must be leashed.
5. Attire: Hats or helmets and boots are required for all classes. Safety-approved helmets are recommended for all riders. The helmet waiver on the entry form must be signed to show without a helmet. Western classes require long sleeve, western style shirt. Chaps and coats are optional in all classes, including English.
6. The judge's decisions are final. Please bring questions/complaints to the attention of show management.
7. All patterns will be posted at least a half hour before the applicable class.
8. Non-members of the Big Sky Horse Park must sign the provided waiver of liability and include it with the entry form.
9. Contestants must ride in their age category with the exception of 9 and under contestants who wish to enter loping classes. These contestants may enter the 10-15 age category. Please talk to Cindy regarding High Point qualification.
10. Unless otherwise stated or determined by show management, AQHA guidelines for tack and class rules will be followed.
11. Equitation and Horsemanship classes will have posted patterns. However, at the judge's discretion any class may be worked entirely on the rail with no pattern judged.
12. Some combined classes may have high points assigned to multiple age divisions. Please talk to show management if you have a question about how those points will be assigned.

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

Please enter the BSHP from South Ave. by using 31<sup>st</sup> St. (just east of Big Sky High School) instead of 35<sup>th</sup> St. This helps decrease traffic for our neighbors on 35<sup>th</sup>.

Proceeds from the Open Buckle Show Series go to development of the Big Sky Horse Park. We appreciate your patronage and support.

Big Sky Horse PARK  
OPEN Buckle Series  
ENTRY Form  
First class 9 am  
July 1, 2017

2017 MEP Member?  
 Yes  No  
MEP Member ID:  
# \_\_\_\_\_

RIDER NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ RIDER AGE (if under 18): \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City ST Zip

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*ONE RIDER PER ENTRY FORM\*\***

**ENTRIES RECEIVED BY JUNE 9TH TO AVOID POST ENTRY FEE. MAIL/DELIVER ENTRY TO: CINDY ARNOTT, 1003 TOWER ST, MISSOULA, MT 59804**

		TOTAL NUMBER OF:	AMOUNT
CLASS ENTRY ( from list on page 2)	\$6.00 per class	Classes: _____ x \$6.00	
LATE/POST ENTRY FEES	\$2.00 per class Per Rider	Classes: _____ x \$2.00	
OFFICE FEE (waived if entering class #7 only)	\$5.00 MEP Member \$10.00 Non-members		
BUCKLE NOMINATION <input type="checkbox"/> Novice <input type="checkbox"/> 9 & Under <input type="checkbox"/> 10-15 <input type="checkbox"/> 16 & Over <input type="checkbox"/> Open	\$ 10 per division	Divisions: _____ x \$10.00	
<b>Make checks payable to MISSOULA HORSE COUNCIL</b>			<b>TOTAL DUE</b>

The signing of this entry form signifies the release of the Missoula Horsemen’s Council, the Big Sky Horse Park and Missoula County, as well as show management, officials and volunteers from any liability or responsibility for any accident, injury, damage, or theft involving any horse, rider, equipment, and/or other individual or property before, during and following this show; the acknowledgement that participation is at your own risk; and the agreement to all rules and statements set forth for this show.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Rider’s Name (print)                                  Rider’s Signature                                  Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Name (print)                                  Parent/Guardian Signature (required if rider under 18)                                  Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Street Address                                  City                                  ST Zip                                  Phone

Questions? Contact Cindy @ 544-5915 or email to [cindyrknot@gmail.com](mailto:cindyrknot@gmail.com)

**BIG SKY HORSE PARK**  
**OPEN BUCKLE SHOW CLASS ENTRY**

Check each class to enter and fill in the name of the horse entrant will be riding in that class.

✓	#	CLASS	HORSE
	1	Novice Showmanship	
	2	9 & Under Showmanship	
	3	10-15 Showmanship	
	4	16 & Over	
	5	Open Showmanship	
	6	Leadline	
	7	Open Western Pleasure Walk/Trot	
	8	Novice Western Pleasure Walk/Trot	
	9	9 & Under Western Pleasure	
	10	10-15 Western Pleasure	
	11	16 & Over Western Pleasure	
	12	Open Western Pleasure	
	13	Jackpot Western Pleasure	
	14	Novice Western Equitation	
	15	9 & Under Western Equitation	
	16	10-15 Western Equitation	
	17	16 & Over Western Equitation	
	18	Open Western Equitation	
	19	Novice Trail	
	20	9 & Under Trail	
	21	10-15 Trail	
	22	16 & Over Trail	
	23	Open Trail	
	24	Open English Pleasure Walk/Trot	
	25	Novice/ 9 & Under English Pleasure	
	26	10-15 English Pleasure	
	27	16 & Over English Pleasure	
	28	Open English Pleasure	
	29	Novice / 9 & Under English Equitation	
	30	10-15 English Equitation	
	31	16 & Over English Equitation	
	32	Open English Equitation	
	34	Barrels 13 & Under	
	34	Open Barrels	
	35	Poles 13 & Under	
	36	Open Poles	
	37	Keyhole 13 & Under	
	38	Open Keyhole	

\_\_\_\_\_ **Total Number of Classes Entered**

**BIG SKY HORSE PARK  
OPEN BUCKLE SHOW WAIVERS**

**Please complete and sign the following two waivers, as necessary. You need to complete the forms only once during the Buckle Series season.**

**Recommendation and Waiver of Use of ASTM/SEI Approved Protective Headgear**

Missoula Horseman's Council, dba Big Sky Horse Park, recommends the use of a properly fitting ASTM/SEI approved equestrian helmet for all individuals participating in horseback riding activities.

Minor children are REQUIRED to wear helmets while horseback in the Big Sky Horse Park at all times, unless a waiver has been signed by a legal guardian for an approved event.

Protective helmets are REQUIRED for any event, practice, training or activity over fences (jumping) anywhere in the Big Sky Horse Park.

If you choose to ride without helmet or substitute another helmet for the ASTM/SEI approved equestrian helmet you must sign this release form below.

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I understand the additional safety an ASTM/SEI approved equestrian riding helmet provides. I understand that riding without an appropriate helmet increases the risk of injury in the event of an accident. I choose for myself to ride without an ASTM/SEI approved riding helmet and I assume full responsibility for this decision.

I have read, understand and agree to be bound by the stipulations stated in the warning.

**SIGNATURE of PARTICIPANT or PARENT/GUARDIAN**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Rider's Name (print)                                  Rider's Age (if under 18)                  Parent/Guardian Name if under 18 (print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Rider Signature or Parent/Guardian Signature (if under age 18)                                  Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Street Address                                  City                                  St                  Zip                                  Phone



# BIG SKY HORSE PARK

OPERATED BY THE MISSOULA HORSE COUNCIL

## MISSOULA HORSE COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP & ASSUMPTION OF RISK AGREEMENT

I, the undersigned (MHC Member) (\_\_\_\_\_ participant's initials) herein request access and permission to occupy, use, enjoy and/or ride or handle horses on the premises of the Big Sky Horse Park, hereinafter referred to as BSHP I understand and agree that whether I am participating in equine activities within the BSHP premises or exposing myself to the inherent hazards or injuries associated with equine handling and activities on any part of the premises, I am doing so willingly with the understanding that horses are inherently dangerous.

Further, I understand: the purpose of MCA 27-1-725 through 27-1-727 is to assist courts and juries in defining the circumstances under which persons responsible for equines may be found liable for damages to persons harmed in the course of equine activities. It is the policy of the state of Montana that a person is not liable for damages sustained by another solely as a result of risks inherent in equine activities if those risks are or should be reasonably obvious, expected, or necessary to persons engaged in equine activities. It is the policy of the state of Montana that an equine activity sponsor or equine professional who is negligent and causes foreseeable injury to a participant bears responsibility for that injury in accordance with other applicable law.

Further, the undersigned, acknowledges that I have had the opportunity to inspect the premises and surrounding conditions for inherent hazards associated with the nature of the premises (including icy winter conditions) each time I occupy said premises as a member, participant, spectator or invitee and therefore wish to make this acknowledgment and agreement perpetually binding from the date herein signed. The undersigned agrees that a Member's breach of MHC's Member in Good Standing policy as defined in MHC Policies and Procedures constitutes a breach of this agreement and may render this agreement void and revocable at the discretion of the MHC Board.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name(s) (Clearly)    Signature    Date

Names of Family \_\_\_\_\_

Member Email(required) \_\_\_\_\_ Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**Under 18 riders at BSHP must wear ASTM/SEI approved riding helmets. MHC encourages the use of approved and properly adjusted riding helmets, safe tack and responsible horsemanship for all riders at the Big Sky Horse Park.**

Emergency contact names and numbers (require at least one):

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**SUPERVISING A MINOR:** The below signed herein certifies I am a parent or legal guardian having full authority and acknowledge that the minor above named, understands and accepts that they are assuming inherent risks associated with equine activities they are involved in on the premises above named.

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Legal Guardian Signature    Date    Age of Minor

**MISSOULA HORSE COUNCIL 3500 North Ave. PO Box 3841 Missoula MT 59806 / bigskyhorsepark@gmail.com**

**INSTRUCTORS AND CLINICIANS WISHING TO INSTRUCT AT MEP MUST SUBMIT PROOF OF GENERAL LIABILITY INSURANCE THAT LISTS MISSOULA HORSE COUNCIL dba BIG SKY HORSE PARK AS ADDITIONAL INSURED WITH THIS MEMBERSHIPFORM.**

For park facility rental fees, go to: [bigskyhorsepark.org](http://bigskyhorsepark.org)