



**IEA Zone 4
Western Finals
2013**

April 6 – 7, 2013

Chateau Elan

Braselton, GA

Western Championship #ZF4091W

This is an IEA Zone Finals show. Only riders and teams who have qualified are eligible to enter this competition. Qualified teams and riders should be confirmed with IEA before submitting entries.



QUALIFICATION STATEMENT

Membership in IEA is mandatory; only teams and individuals who are members may compete. Member paperwork must be processed and the member activated on the team roster prior to entering an IEA show pursuant to Rule 2000 in the 2012-2013 *IEA Rules and Regulations of Membership*.

SPORTSMANSHIP

The IEA was established to give competitive and educational opportunities through equestrian athletics. Good horsemanship and honorable participation are the priority of this event. It is the responsibility of all attendees to foster a spirit of belongingness, an atmosphere of community enjoyment, and a mutual respect for all participants. All attendees must commit to the following oath:

OATH

To be publically stated at the start of all IEA events

In representation of the participants at this event, I promise to respect and abide by the governing rules of the Interscholastic Equestrian Association and to represent myself, my team, and this association in the spirit of good horsemanship and honorable competition

The Following Have Been Invited to Officiate

Judges

Carla Wennberg
Laurinburg, NC

Debra Wright
Plainville, GA.

Show Manager

Simon Towns
Jasper, GA

Steward

Ashley Wilson

EMT

Chip Salem

Vet

Dr. Ken Marcella, DVM
Canton, GA

Show Schedule

Friday

12:00 pm	Stabling Available for Western Horses
12:00 pm - 4:00	School All Western Horses
5:00 pm - 6:00	Competitor Check-in Available; Office Open
6:00 pm - 7:00	Zone 4 Membership Meeting

Saturday

6:45 am - 8:00	Competitor Check-in Available; Office Open
6:45 am - 8:30	Western Schooling
7:00 am	Live Horse Draw for All Saturday Classes
8:45 am - 9:00	Parade (coaches and riders)
9:00 am	Competition Begins
1T	Varsity Open Horsemanship Team
3T	Junior Varsity Novice Horsemanship Team
7I - A	Future Beginner Horsemanship Individual
2I	Varsity Intermediate Horsemanship Individual
4T	Junior Varsity Beginner Horsemanship Team
6T	Future Novice Horsemanship Team
7I - B	Future Beginner Horsemanship Individual
	Draw for 7I Finals
5I	Future Intermediate Horsemanship Individual
7I Finals	Future Beginner Horsemanship Individual Finals
9T	Varsity Intermediate Reining Team
10I	Future Intermediate Reining Individual
8I	Varsity Open Reining Individual
4:00 pm (tentative)	Horsemanship Test
6:00 pm - 9:00	Zone 4 Western Finals Banquet and Awards

Show Schedule (continued)

Sunday

6:45 am - 8:00	Competitor Check-in Available; Office Open
6:45 am - 8:30	Western Horse Schooling
7:00 am	Live Horse Draw for All Sunday Classes
9:00 am	Competition Begins
1I	Varsity Open Horsemanship Individual
3I	Junior Varsity Novice Horsemanship Individual
2T	Varsity Intermediate Horsemanship Team
4I	Junior Varsity Beginner Horsemanship Individual
6I	Future Novice Horsemanship Individual
7T	Future Beginner Horsemanship Team
5T	Future Intermediate Horsemanship Team
9I	Varsity Intermediate Reining Individual
10T	Future Intermediate Reining Team
8T	Varsity Open Reining Team
	Team Awards Presentation

Competition Awards

- 🌟 Western Middle School Awards
- 🌟 Western Upper School Awards
- 🌟 Champion Rider Western
- 🌟 Horsemanship Award
- 🌟 Sportsmanship Award



Western Class Descriptions

Individual & Team Horsemanship Classes

1I & 1T. Varsity Open Horsemanship: Riders who have competed at nationally qualifying competitions such as, but not limited to, youth team or world show qualifying competitions. Also, riders who have won NRHA or AQHA world top 5 placing or any rider with a top 5 placing at the All American Quarter Horse Congress, Paint, appaloosa, and other breed show equivalents. Showmanship, halter, hunt seat, and contest classes are excluded. These riders should be capable of performing western tests 1-9.

2I & 2T. Varsity Intermediate Horsemanship: These riders are those who have won 5 or more blue ribbons in western horsemanship or reining in breed or National Reining Horse associations, for example: Quarter Horse, Paint, and Appaloosa and NRHA shows. These riders should be capable of performing western tests 1-8.

3I & 3T. Junior Varsity Novice Horsemanship: These riders may have shown at open shows and non-breed specific shows, for example, 4H events and county fairs. These riders should be capable of performing western tests 1-6.

4I & 4T. Junior Varsity Beginner Horsemanship: These riders have no formal show experience. Riders may have shown at farm shows and camp shows. Riders are safe to walk, jog, and lope in a group on an unfamiliar mount. These riders should be capable of performing western tests 1-5.

5I & 5T. Future Intermediate Horsemanship: Restricted to middle school riders who meet the criteria for Western Horsemanship Class 3 and/or are capable of performing western tests 1-8.

6I & 6T. Future Novice Horsemanship: Restricted to middle school riders who meet the criteria for Western Horsemanship Class 4 and/or who are capable of performing western tests 1-6.

7I & 7T. Future Beginner Horsemanship: Restricted to middle school riders who have no formal show experience. Riders may have shown at farm shows and camps shows, and are safe to walk, jog, and lope in a group on an unfamiliar mount. These riders should be capable of performing western tests 1-5.

Individual & Team Reining Classes

8I & 8T. Varsity Open Reining: Restricted to those riders competing in the Varsity Open Horsemanship. Riders must compete in Western Horsemanship Class 2 to be eligible to show in this class.

9I & 9T. Varsity Intermediate Reining: Restricted to riders competing in Varsity Intermediate Horsemanship. Riders must compete in Western Horsemanship Class 3 to be eligible to show in this class.

10I & 10T. Future Intermediate Reining: Restricted to riders competing in the Futures Intermediate Horsemanship Class riders must compete in Western Horsemanship Class 6 to be eligible to show in this class.

Championship Western Award

The Championship Western Award is presented to the high point rider based on the total Western Varsity Open Horsemanship and Varsity Open Reining Points. In case of a tie, the judges will require a ride-off.

Western Horsemanship Tests

Rule 3.H.

A western judge may choose from the following horsemanship tests. Any one or combination of appropriate or equivalent tests may be used.

1. Individual performance on the rail.
2. Halt and/or back
3. Figure eight at the jog
4. Change horses
5. Lope on specific lead and stop
6. 360 degree turn
7. Figure eight at the lope, demonstrating a change of lead (through the walk or jog)
8. Ride without stirrups
9. Simple change of leads in a straight line
10. Counter canter

General Rules

Responsibility:

In exchange for entrance to and participation in the show, this entry constitutes an agreement and affirmation that the team making it, and each of its riders, coaches, trainers, and representatives shall accept and abide by the Rules and Regulations of the IEA and of the Show, and that each rider, coach and Team: (1) is a member in good standing of IEA, (2) is eligible as entered, and (3) will accept as final all rulings of IEA and the show steward (or committee) with respect to their conduct. Also, through participation each rider, **rider's parents/legal guardians**, coach, trainer, and participant acknowledges **THAT HORSES ARE INTRINSICALLY DANGEROUS AND UNPREDICTABLE AND CAN CAUSE SERIOUS INJURY OR DEATH**, thus each agrees to indemnify, defend and hold harmless IEA, its officers, directors, members, employees, **Executive Director**, National Steward, agents and representatives, the Event Host Coordinator, the host team and facility, the show stewards, stewards committee members, the show judges, the show secretary, all show organizers and officials, and all persons, stables, and others providing facilities, horses or equipment for the Show, other riders, coaches, teams and team sponsoring institutions, from any claim, action or suit, for injury, property damage or death sustained by the individual, rider, entity, coach, trainer, or participant while traveling to, from and around the show, while staying in the city for the show, during participation in the show and while at the show. This entry constitutes an acceptance of the hired officials at this event."

Entries:

The Zone 4 Finals show is for member riders and teams that have qualified per the IEA Rules only. It is ultimately the team coach's responsibility to determine whether or not a rider is qualified through tracking points earned at regular point shows and/or placing at regional finals. **Entries for members of Zone 4 will open on March 8, 2013. All entries will close on March 25, 2013.** Each individual will be charged \$50 per class. Scratches can be made with full refund before closing date. After the closing date, no refunds will be made. Any team entries that need to be made **MUST** be done prior to March 28, 2013. Checks should be made payable to IEA Zone 4.

Format:

The general format will follow the Rules and Regulations as established by the IEA unless otherwise stated. However, if a topic is not covered by these Rules and Regulations, the rules and regulations of the Intercollegiate Horse Show Association ["IHSA"] and the United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. ["USEF"] for the Hunt Seat Division and the American Quarter Horse Association ["AQHA"] and the National Reining Horse Association ["NRHA"] for the Western Division may be used as a reference for guidance in making an equitable decision under the circumstances. Any decisions made by a steward or show management shall be final.

All horses will be provided by the host team. Horses and Order of Go will be assigned by a random draw on the day of competition. All classes will be judged on equitation, and faults of the horse will not be judged. If a horse should perform so poorly that it is impossible to fairly judge the rider, the judge may request a re-ride. Any other requests for re-rides will be determined by the steward.

It is mandatory for all riders to use appropriate western tack and western attire while showing; this would include a long sleeve shirt, western hat or safety helmet, boots, western saddle, and western bridle. (Freestyle reining being exempt based on conditions.) Failure to use appropriate attire will result in a score of zero.

Awards:

-The Champion Western Rider Award will be given to the high point rider of the Varsity Open Horsemanship and Varsity Open Reining classes.

-Team Championship: Each team will designate one point rider for each class in the Varsity and Junior Varsity and Future divisions. Different riders may be designated for horsemanship and reining. A champion and reserve will be awarded to (1) The High Point Upper School Team and (2) The High Point Middle School Team. Points will be awarded as follows: 1st=7 points, 2nd=5 points, 3rd=4 points, 4th=3 points, 5th=2 points, 6th=1 point.

-Sportsmanship Award will be given to the individual chosen by show officials to exemplify outstanding qualities of good sportsmanship.

Additional Information



BRASELTON, GA 30157

Directions to Chateau Elan

I-85 travels north and south through Atlanta, GA. From I-85, at exit 126, enter the Main Gated entrance to Chateau Elan. Take first Left. Follow road around curve, and the Equestrian Center will be on your Right. For more information, visit <http://www.chateauelan.com/events/equestrian>.

Area Accommodations

The following hotels have room blocks set aside for arrival on Friday April 5 and departure on Sunday April 7. If calling, guests should ask for rooms in the "IEA Zone 4 Western Finals" block.

The Inn at Chateau Elan
100 Rue Charlemagne
Braselton, GA 30517
678-425-0900 x41

Horsemanship Test

The Zone 4 horsemanship test is a written and practical test on all aspects of horsemanship. It is designed to complement the IEA's mission to educate younger equestrians in all areas of equestrian studies and focuses on the belief that horsemanship always comes first.

The Zone Test will be available to all exhibitors at the IEA Zone 4 Finals and will be administered on Saturday at 4:00pm. There is a \$5 entry fee to take the test. All entry fees will be donated to Zone 4 Scholarship Fund. Checks should be made out to IEA ZONE 4. The top three highest scoring exhibitors will be invited to a hands-on horsemanship test Saturday afternoon. If you are selected as one of the top three, you will be contacted to arrange a time for further testing.

Pets

For the safety of our riders and horses, no pets will be permitted.

Concessions

Breakfast and lunch concessions will be available Saturday and Sunday.

Program Ads / Sponsorship

Show appreciation for your team, your trainer, or your rider by purchasing an ad in the Zone 4 Finals program. Sponsorships are available for competition events and classes. Ads must be submitted by **March 1, 2013** and submitted in a .pdf file, with a completed Ad Purchase Form available on www.ridezzone4.com, to Christie Pedder at ChristiePedder@yahoo.com.

Horse Draw

The draw will be conducted live each day, after the schooling of horses. Riders will line up according to class and draw their horses for the day. Please see time schedule. Failure of the rider to be present for the draw will result in the rider being dropped from the class.

National Western Finals

June 27 - 29, 2013
Oklahoma City, OK

Judges

Bonnie Jo Clay
(AAAA(AAAA & NRHA) - Tioga, TX
Charlene Carter
(AAAA and NRHA) - Goodlettsville, TN

The top two Western High School finishers and the top two Middle School finishers at our Zone 4 Championship will be invited to compete at IEA Nationals. All riders need to confirm their attendance at IEA National Championship. If a rider does not plan to attend or cannot attend, we will substitute the next rider in line. This should in no way impact whether or not you compete at zone championships. The acclaim associated with winning our zone is a great honor in itself.

Qualifying for IEA National Finals

The 2013 IEA National Western Finals will be held June 27 - 29, 2013 in Oklahoma City, OK. The following riders and teams from the 2013 Zone 4 Championships will be eligible to compete at the 2013 IEA National Western Finals.

- Teams - Zone 4's top two (2) high school teams and top two (2) middle school teams
- Individuals - Zone 4's top two (2) high school riders and top two (2) middle school riders

The IEA reminds us that if your riders or teams know they will not be able to go on to IEA National Finals, we as a zone can allow the next rider in succession to take their place at the national finals. However a substitute rider can only be assigned if it is declared when the zone final results are sent to the IEA National Secretary, per IEA Rule 4E1h.

What this means is that we cannot send the fifth place rider if the fourth place rider cannot attend unless we declare it at zone finals. Coaches, please make a point to ask all of your riders (and confirm with a parent) if the rider plans to attend the 2013 IEA National Finals in Oklahoma City, OK on June 27 - 29, 2013. If you find that any rider does not plan on attending or cannot attend, please be prepared to declare this at the 2013 IEA Zone 4 Championships on April 6 - 7, 2013. This should in no way impact whether or not a rider should compete at zone championships. The acclaim associated with winning our zone is a great honor in itself.

After careful consideration, and even if they qualify, the following riders will not be able to participate at the IEA National Western Finals on June 27 - 29, 2013.

Rider Name

Back #

Signed: _____

Date: _____

Coach Name: _____

Team: _____

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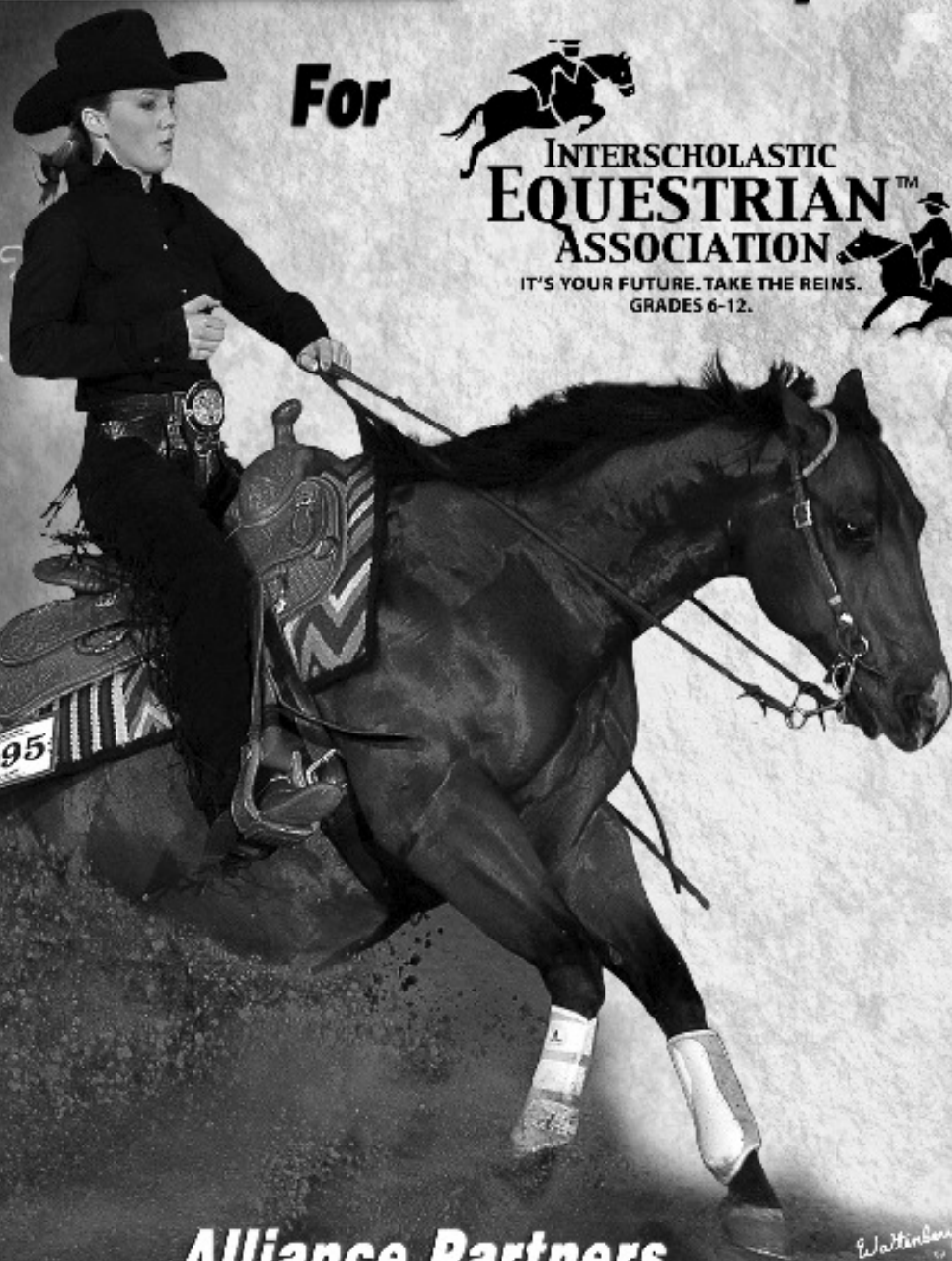
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