



**High Sierra Riders 4-H Trail Trials Entry**  
**Saturday, October 1, 2011 \*\*\*\*ATTA Approved\*\*\*\***



**Entry Fee: \$40.00, Junior's 16 and under \$20.00**  
**Ride Chairperson: Louise Egstrom 775 742-6506**

**PLEASE PRE-ENTER SO WE BRING ENOUGH FOOD and DRINK FOR EVERYONE!!**

Location: Washoe Lake State Park (the now "mandatory" parking fee is included in your entry).

Ribbons 1<sup>st</sup> -6<sup>th</sup> places plus there will be Special Awards and many raffle prizes.

Riders should arrive between 8:30am to 9:30am, with the first rider leaving at 10:00AM sharp!

Horses will leave the starting line at 1 minute intervals until the last rider has gone out.

Riders may ride in groups, minors (16 and under) must be accompanied by a sponsor (available at ride). Riders are advised to wear helmets, all riders 18 and under must wear approved helmets, (4-H regulation). Seniors are 55+ and may ride any division, please indicate accordingly. ATTA will sort out the year-end competition results for its members.

The course will be approximately 6 miles long with excellent footing. Obstacles will be numbered, 1-10, riders may ride obstacles in any order. A map will be provided to each entrant. To avoid back-ups and delays, the course should be completed within 1 1/2 hours. Awards to be announced after the last rider has crossed the finish line and all calculations have been made. Be patient, sometimes tallying the scores takes a little while. Lunch (included in your entry) will be served shortly after last rider finishes. ***Please make checks payable to High Sierra Riders 4-H Club***

**OPEN TO ALL HORSES and RIDERS --- ALL PROCEEDS WILL BENEFIT HSR 4-H**

⚡⚡⚡ tear off here, mail to Louise Egstrom, 4940 Leo Bingo Court, Washoe Valley, NV 89704 ⚡⚡⚡

Rider Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City/State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Horse \_\_\_\_\_ Breed \_\_\_\_\_ Sex \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Division: Junior (16 and under) \_\_\_ Novice \_\_\_ Intermediate \_\_\_ Advanced \_\_\_ Senior (55+)\_\_\_

Email address for ride results \_\_\_\_\_

**THIS RELEASE CONTAINS IMPORTANT LIMITATIONS OF LEGAL LIABILITY, PLEASE READ IT!**

I wish to participate in the HSR 4-H Trail Trials. I have read the rules, conditions and regulations of the event and agree to comply with them. I am aware that horse riding is a potentially hazardous sport and contains inherent risks of injury and damage to me, my horse and to my equipment. Knowing these facts, I nevertheless, in consideration of HSR 4-H accepting my entry, do hereby for myself, heirs, executors and administrators, waive and release HSR 4-H Trail Trials and all other persons organizations and agencies, regardless of their capacity in any way connected with HSR 4-H. I release HSR 4-H representatives, heirs, executors, administrators and assigns from any and all right, claim or liability for damages or for any and all injuries that may be sustained by me, including injuries to animals or from any and all claims of any kind or nature that I might have. Further, I do hereby acknowledge that this release will extend to any accidents, damages or claims arising out of my entry, caused by my own acts or anyone or any animals within my control.

I acknowledge that I have read the foregoing paragraphs and know and understand the contents thereof.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ 2011

**MINORS MUST HAVE THE FOLLOWING LIABILITY SIGNED BY ONE OF THEIR PARENTS/GARDIANS IF UNDER AGE 16**

We, the undersigned parents or guardians of the above named child, for and in consideration of our child's participation in the above named horse Event, do hereby release all persons charged with official capacity in the execution of such Event, from all claims demand, suits, or liabilities which otherwise by virtue of injury to or occasioned by our child or a horse under such child's direction or control.

We do further authorize any officer, manager, director, or supervisory personnel of the above named HSR 4-H Horse Event, to consent on our behalf to any emergency medical treatment by a properly licensed person, which may be required for our child, and do agree to indemnify and hold harmless anyone giving such consent. I declare under penalty the forgoing is true and correct.

Junior Rider's Birth Date \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Sponsor's (Adult Riders) Name \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ 11

## ...ABOUT TRAIL TRIALS

Trail Trials have become a popular event in many areas. They are not new, just getting more attention. They consist of a trail ride, usually averaging between 1 and 2 hours, with trail-type obstacles along the way. Obstacles are natural or **unnatural**, and are mostly items encountered on trail rides. But not always! The HSR-4-H obstacles have been created, designed and constructed by the High Sierra Riders' 4-H members, with an emphasis on creativity and innovative ways to safely challenge horse and rider.

There will be 10 obstacles to test the rider's knowledge and the horse's capabilities. The new arena at Washoe Lake State Park may have a trail class course set up with each element of the course (such as flags, jumps, cones or poles to trot over) getting a score. The score total will then be counted as one obstacle.

Trail Trials are meant to be fun, enjoyable and safe for everyone. As long as safety and common sense are kept in mind, everyone will have a good time.

It is important for everyone to remember that the people judging the trail trial event are volunteers trying to do the best job they can. They are NOT paid professionals. It must be understood that these rules are guidelines, subject to various interpretations.

### GENERAL RULES

1. Safety and common sense are the number one priorities for all Trail Trials.
2. Any attire normally worn for trail riding is accepted. Helmets are highly recommended for all riders and riders 18 and under must wear a helmet at all times when around the horses.
3. Enclosed footwear is required, (no sandals or bare feet), riding boots are recommended.
4. Any type of tack may be used, a saddle and bridle, bosal or hackamore are a must.
5. It is the responsibility of the rider to have the judge's attention before starting on any obstacle.
6. Voice cues are permitted. Aids such as crops and spurs are permitted, but excessive use may cause penalties.
7. Emphasis should be placed on the methods the rider uses in obtaining an obedient and calm execution of the obstacle.
8. The judges reserve the right to ask horse and rider to go to the next obstacle if the judge feels a reasonable attempt has been made and/or an unsafe situation has arisen and allowable time has passed.

### JUDGING CRITERIA

Scoring 0-10

(10 is the highest)

10 Points	Horse shows continuous movement over, through or past the obstacle, with no hesitation. Horse responds well to rein and leg aids. Horse and rider are calm, horse does not rush.
8 Points	Horse balks at obstacle, but then goes over or through as detailed above.
6 Points	Horse balks or may shy, then goes over nervous and fast.
4 Points	Horse refuses obstacle 2 times then goes through
2 Points	Horse refuses obstacle 2 times, then goes through nervous, not responding to riders aids at all. Horse and rider may complete only part of the obstacle.
0 Points	Horse refuses 3 times to go over or through obstacle.

Once a horse starts over the line or marker, the scoring will begin.

Only one minute maximum will be allowed to complete each obstacle with exception of "trail class" obstacles, which the judge will decide a reasonable completion time. Only one rider at a time will be allowed in the arena. Only 3 attempts will be made at each obstacle. Once a horse refuses 3 times, the rider must move on to the next obstacle. Judges will use their best judgment, judging each rider with the same criteria.

A back-up line of horses and riders at an obstacle may occur. Please be courteous and wait accordingly.

\*Rules and information at [www.trailtrials.com](http://www.trailtrials.com). \*\*\*Halter, lead rope and hoof pick are required equipment.\*\*\*

**HAVE FUN EVERYONE!!**

**Any questions please call**

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