Wisconsin Quarter Horse Association



Best of Luck to the WQHA, WAQHA and WQHYA Exhibitors competing at the 50th All American Quarter Horse Congress. Help us Cheer on WQHA Queen Kerry Hanson as she competes for the Congress Queen Title! http://www.quarterhorsecongress.com/

The 2016 WQHA Annual Meeting will be held in conjunction with the November 1st, 2016
- WQHA Board of Directors Meeting at 6:30 PM, Holiday Inn & Convention Center, Fond
du Lac

Information from the District Meetings will be reviewed and nominations will be presented. Additional nominations can be taken from the floor during the Annual Meeting. For any positions with multiple nominations, ballots will be mailed with Ballots needing to be returned by December 3rd per the WQHA Bylaws.

The Board is looking for input on holding the 2017 Annual Meeting during the Banquet weekend. If you are unable to attend the November 1st meeting, please contact your District Director with input.

<u>AQHA Lucas Oil World Show</u> - click for more information, Judges List, Proofing List of Entries and More! Thursday, November 3rd thru Saturday, November 19th in Oklahoma City, OK

Take a look at the tentative schedule for the 2016 Lucas Oil World.





View the 2017 AQHA Level 1 Championships Tentative Schedules

The American Quarter Horse Association has released the tentative schedules for the 2017 Farnam Central, AQHA West and Nutrena East Level 1 Championships. View the tentative schedules for the:

- Farnam Central AQHA Level 1 Championships, April 11-15 in Oklahoma City
- AQHA West Level 1 Championships, April 19-23 in Las Vegas
- Nutrena East AQHA Level 1 Championships, May 3-7 in Raleigh, North Carolina

The Farnam Central, AQHA West and Nutrena East all offer AQHA's core and over-fences classes; the Farnam Central is the only show that offers cattle classes. View the show-by-show class list for 2017.

HOW TO QUALIFY

To compete at one of three 2017 Level 1 Championships, exhibitors have <u>four ways to earn an invitation</u>. Qualifying is already underway, as the qualifying period kicked off January 1, 2016, and continues through December 31, 2016.

- 1. Maintain eligibility, then enter.
 - Enter cattle and yearling halter classes before the entry deadline. (No qualification method is necessary for cattle or yearling halter classes.) Learn more here.
 - Enter Rookie classes before the entry deadline. (No qualification method is necessary for Rookie classes.) Learn more here.
- **2. Qualify nationally:** Show at 20 AQHA-approved shows. <u>Learn more here.</u>
- **3. Qualify nationally:** Place in the top 10 in any Merial AQHA Regional Championships class. <u>Learn more here.</u>
- **4. Qualify through your state or provincial affiliate.** For Wisconsin State

Qualifying: https://www.aqha.com/shows/level-1/qualifying/affiliate-qualifing/wisconsin/

ELIGIBILITY

Level 1 eligibility is determined on a class-by-class basis. Exhibitors are encouraged to use the online

level verification system at <u>services3.aqha.com/leveling</u> to determine if they are Level 1-eligible in a particular class.

Rookie eligibility is also determined on a class-by-class basis, and the horse you intend to enter must also be Rookie eligible for that class. To enter the Rookie championship classes, exhibitors and horses must be eligible for the Rookie level as of January 1, 2016. Call AQHA Customer Service at 806-376-4811 or visit <u>services3.agha.com/leveling</u> to verify your and your horses' Rookie eligibility.

ABOUT THE LEVEL 1 CHAMPIONSHIPS

Rookie and Level 1 are the two levels of AQHA competition designed for beginner to minimally accomplished competitors, respectively. The Level 1 Championships were designed to celebrate the accomplishments of these riders and their horses in an environment that provides education and fun competition.

For more information on the 2017 AQHA Level 1 Championships, visit www.agha.com/level1championships.

2017 Ford Youth World Will Offer Adequan® Level 2 Classes

AQHA announces the qualifying requirements for the 2017 Built Ford Tough AQHYA World Championship Show and the addition of Level 2 classes, presented by Adequan® (polysulfated glycosaminoglycan).

Adequan® Level 2 classes will be offered at the <u>2017 Built Ford Tough AQHYA World</u>

<u>Championship Show</u>, giving exhibitors the chance to win Adequan® Level 2 championship titles.

Adequan® Level 2 classes will be offered in a one-go-round format. Awards for Adequan®

Level 2 will be awarded after each preliminary. The top-10 placings and five finalists will be awarded in each Adequan® Level 2 class. AQHA will also award the top three 13-&-Under exhibitors in both the Adequan® Level 2 and Level 3 classes.

- Scored classes: Level 3 and Level 2 scored classes will run concurrent with the preliminary Level 3 (world championship) class.
- Halter classes: Level 3 and Level 2 halter classes will run concurrent with the finals Level 3 (world championship) class.
- Rail/placed classes: Level 2 rail/placed classes will be held as a one-go separate class.

View more details about the breakdown of Adequan® Level 2 classes.

To enter an Adequan® Level 2 Championships class, the Adequan® Level 2 exhibitor/horse

must earn half of the Level 3 qualifying points and must be Adequan® Level 2-eligible as of January 1, 2017. Horses/exhibitors eligible for Adequan® Level 2 and Level 3 will be able to enter both levels. A separate entry fee for the Adequan® Level 2 Championships will be applied.

The Ford Youth World qualifying period is May 1, 2016 - April 30, 2017.

View the Adequan® Level 2 and Level 3 qualifying points here.

"The goal of AQHA leveling is to add to the value of American Quarter Horses and enhance AQHA member experiences," said Pete Kyle, AQHA chief show officer. "With adding the Adequan®Level 2 Championships to the Ford Youth World, more horses and youth competitors are recognized for their efforts in the arena."

The <u>Ford Youth World</u> is the pinnacle event for American Quarter Horse exhibitors, ages 18 and under, around the world, who must qualify for the event by earning a predetermined number of points to compete in each of the classes representing halter, English and western disciplines. For more information on the Ford Youth World, visit <u>www.aqha.com/youthworld</u>.