

Ranch Horse - Trail



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Event **BACK TO BASICS**

Date **4/17/2026**

Class **APHA NRT1 Novice Amateur Ranch Trail All Ages**

1 Point Penalties:

- Each hit, bite, or stepping on a log, cone, plant or any component of the obstacle
- Incorrect or break of gait at walk or trot for two strides or less
- Both front or hind fee in a single-stride space at a walk or trot
- Skipping over or failing to step into required space
- Incorrect number of strides, if specified
- One to two steps on dismount or ground tie except shifting to balance
- Split pole at lope
- Over-bridled (per maneuver)
- Out of Frame (per maneuver)
- Wrong lead or out of lead for less than 2 strides

3 Point Penalties:

- Wrong lead or out of lead for more than 2 strides
- Draped reins
- Break of gait at Lope
- Break of gait at Walk or trot for more than two (2) strides
- 3-4 steps on dismount or ground tie
- Trotting more than 3 strides in a lope departure or exiting a rollback into a lope

3 Point PenaltiesCont.:

- Knocking down or over, or severely disturbing an obstacle
- Stepping out of or falling off of an obstacle with one foot
- Missing or evading part of a log/obstacle that is part of a series of obstacles with one foot

5 Point Penalties:

- Spurring in front of cinch
- Blatant disobedience
- Use of either hand to instill fear/praise
- Knocking over, stepping out of, or falling off of an obstacle with more than one foot
- Dropping an object required to be carried
- 1st or 2nd cumulative refusal
- Letting go of gate
- 5 or more steps on dismount or ground tie
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Off-Pattern (OP):

- Breaking pattern
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DQ:

- Lameness
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- Illegal equipment
- Disrespect or misconduct
- Leaving arena before pattern is complete
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Obstacle Description		T	B	XT, DRAG/T	T	LL, XLL	W	SPL	RL	RH GATE				
1	29	PENALTY				1			1,1			3	66	
		CONTENT	-1/2	-1/2	0	+1/2	-1/2	+1/2	0	-1	+1/2	0		
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JUDGE'S NAME (PRINTED): ARMY; BRUCE

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JUDGE'S NAME (PRINTED): CHAYER; DOLLY R

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JUDGE'S NAME (PRINTED): GORDON; LORI L

JUDGE'S SIGNATURE: