



American Stock Horse Association
2010
3 Year Old Versatility Futurity World
Championship
Hosted by Stock Horse of Texas Association during ASHA Nat'l EXPO –
Nov. 17-21, 2010 in Waco, TX

Purpose and History:

In keeping with the concept of a four event, versatile stock horse, ASHA has developed the three year old futurity event. This event provides an opportunity to showcase the talents of the four event horse at an early age, as well as providing a logical measure of progress for the training of the young stock horse.

Available to ASHA members in good standing, this is an age specific event, open to three year old horses of all breeds. Horses are to be shown in four classes and the Champion will be chosen as the highest placing horse in the "all around". These classes will be: Trail, Pleasure, Reining, and Working Cow Horse. Class rules will be the rules governing the Open division as approved by the 2010 ASHA handbook.

Rules:

- Horse(s) must be shown as a three year old determined by age as of January 1
- Horse(s) will be exhibited in a snaffle bit, bosal, or hackamore on the day of the futurity.
- Horse(s) exhibited in the versatility futurity must have an ASHA competition license. (See ASHA Rules and Bylaws, EV-039 Horse Eligibility and Licensing)
- Non-Breed Registered Horses must provide: A signed veterinarian certificate verifying age in addition to four (4) color photographs of the horse. Photos must exhibit a right and left profile of the horse, and a front and rear view. Any and all markings, brands, etc. must be visible. All other documents concerning Non-Breed Registered Horses will be pursuant to ASHA Rules, GR-100 Competition Licensing Rules and Regulations).
- Rider must be a member in good standing of the ASHA.
- Horse(s) may be exhibited by only one rider in the futurity, multiple horse and rider combinations are prohibited.
- Rider may exhibit up to two horses.
- At futurity, each horse and rider combination will have one opportunity to show in Trail, Pleasure, Reining, and Working Cow Horse. Therefore, there will only be one go.
- All competition rules and guidelines of the futurity will be those pursuant to the ASHA Open Division as related to the judging criteria and rules governing the individual classes.
- Jackpot payback for the futurity will be determined according to ASHA Rules and Bylaws EV-180, ASHA Entry Fees and Paybacks.
- The Versatility Champion will be determined by the highest placing horse and rider combination in the four event competition aka the "All Around".
- The All Around Champion will be considered the '3 Year Old Versatility World Champion'

Nomination Fees and Procedures:

- A nomination form with a \$100 nomination fee must be submitted for each horse and rider combination.
- The total Nomination Fee is \$800. Futurity nomination fees will be over and above standard ASHA show fees which would be approximately \$175.
- Credit will be applied to the \$800 Nomination fee for every ASHA show in which the nominated horse and rider participate in all four classes after the original \$100 fee and nomination are received in the ASHA office. Participation may be in any division where rider is eligible to compete (Open, Non-Pro, Limited Non-Pro, Novice, Youth or Green Horse). Horse/Rider will be eligible for year-end awards, class awards, and merit awards, where applicable. Horses shown in collegiate shows will also be eligible to gain credits for nomination fees.

- **Credit will be given according to the following sliding scale:**

Original Nomination Fee	Nomination Fee Paid	Participation in ASHA Shows	Credit Applied	Nomination Fee Balance Due at Futurity in November
\$800	\$100	Four shows attended	\$700	\$ 0
\$800	\$100	Three shows attended	\$600	\$ 100
\$800	\$100	Two shows attended	\$500	\$ 200
\$800	\$100	One show attended	\$400	\$ 300
\$800	\$100	Zero shows attended	\$ 0	\$ 700

- Options to pay the \$800 Nomination fee is as follows:
 1. Submit Nomination form and pay \$100 by May 1, 2010 (all 2010 ASHA shows both before May 1 and after May 1 that the Horse/Rider combination listed on the Nomination Form competes in can be counted for credit on total nomination fees.
 2. Submit Nomination form and pay \$100.00 nomination fee at anytime during the year and all future ASHA shows will be counted for credit on total nomination fees.
 3. Submit Nomination Form with total \$800 at any time prior to entry deadline of Futurity.

Equipment Rules:

- 1 Horse(s) will be exhibited in a snaffle bit, bosal, or hackamore on the day of the futurity
- 2 If horse is to be shown in snaffle bit, it shall be "D" or "O" ring type, no larger than 4 inches and no smaller than 2 inches in diameter on inside of the ring. They must have a broken 2 piece, mouthpiece, being a minimum of 5/16 inches in diameter, measured 1 inch from the inside of the ring with a gradual decrease to the center of the snaffle. The mouthpiece must be round, oval or egg shaped smooth and unwrapped metal
- 3 A leather or woven material chin strap may be used. No iron, chain or other material may be used
- 4 If horse is to be shown in hackamore or bosal, equipment must be made of braided rawhide, braided leather, or rope, and will be a maximum of 3/4 inch at the cheek. There must be a minimum of 2 finger widths, approximately 1 1/2 inch, between bosal and nose. Absolutely no metal under the jaw or on the noseband in connection with the bosal
- 5 Mechanical hackamores are prohibited

- 6 Split reins or mecate reins must be used
- 7 After each reining and cow work go, headstalls must be dropped and viewed by equipment official and mouth checked
- 8 A horse found to have blood present on the mouth or anywhere else on its body can be disqualified at the discretion of the equipment official

Special 2010 ASHA 3 Year Old Versatility Futurity World Championships Awards

Non-Pro Incentive Award

Non-Pro ASHA members entered in the Futurity may be eligible for the Non-Pro Incentive.

- To be eligible for the Non-Pro Incentive, the horse must be the property of the rider or an immediate family member.
- Must hold Non-Pro status with ASHA, and be a member in good standing
- Must be in compliance with all other Futurity rules.
- Incentive money will be paid according to EV-180, starting with the highest placing Non-Pro in the all-around portion of the futurity, followed by the next highest placing Non-Pro entry and so on, until all incentive money has been paid.
- For ease of book keeping it is suggested that futurity competitors who may be eligible for the Non-Pro incentive confirm eligibility prior to the event.

Nathan Belcher Scholarship Award for ASHA Collegiate Members

A lifetime in the horse industry, Nathan Belcher was an ardent supporter of the versatile stock horse. To honor his dedication to western heritage and commitment to the mission of the A.S.H.A., an anonymous donation was made in his name in 2009. This donation established the Nathan Belcher Scholarship Award.

- The Nathan Belcher Scholarship Award will be awarded to the highest placing collegiate entry in the all-around of the futurity
- Must be a member in good standing and hold a current collegiate membership with ASHA.
- Must be in compliance with all other Futurity Rules.
- For ease of book keeping it is suggested that futurity competitors, who may be eligible for the award, confirm eligibility before the event.