

# REINS OF LIFE, INC.

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# **Driving Fun Show** *SUNDAY, JULY 21, 2024*

Judge Joann Williams

#### 10:30 AM Rain or Shine

- 1. In- Hand Trail- Open
- 2. Ground Driving- Open
- 3. Gambler's Choice (no canter) Open

#### 10 MINUTE BREAK

- 4. Mini Cones Course-Open
- 5. Driven Dressage- Open
- 6. Combined Test (scores totaled from classes 4 and 5)- Open

Come see some of the participants of the newest life-changing program at Reins of Life competing alongside members of the local horse community!

# 30 MINUTE LUNCH BREAK

- 7. Pleasure Driving VSE
- 8. Reinsmanship VSE
- 9. Pleasure Driving Pony
- 10. Reinsmanship Pony
- 11. Pleasure Driving Horse/Draft
- 12. Reinsmanship Horse/Draft
- 13. Pleasure Driving Drivers with Disabilities All Sizes
- 14. Pleasure Driving Multiple Horse Hitch All Sizes
- 15. Reinsmanship Drivers with Disabilities All Sizes
- 16. Reinsmanship Multiple Horse Hitch All Sizes
- 17. Reinsmanship Under 18 All Sizes
- 18. Reinsmanship- Novice All Sizes
- 19. Championship Reinsmanship (1st place in classes 8, 10, 12, 15, 16, 17, 18)
- 20. Pleasure Driving Novice Drivers All Sizes
- 21. Pleasure Driving Drivers Under 18 All Sizes
- 22. Championship Pleasure Driving (1st place in classes 7, 9, 11, 13, 14, 20, 21)
- 23. Buggy Barrels (no canter)- Open

WARNING: Under Indiana law, an equine professional is not liable for an injury to, or the death of, a participant in equine activities resulting from the inherent risks of equine activities

Attire: May be driving show attire (aprons, gloves, etc.) or a clean and workmanlike collared shirt, long pants, and closed toe/closed heel footwear (ie no sandals or crocs).

ALL PARTICIPANTS IN YOUTH or DRIVERS WITH DISABILITIES CLASSES MUST WEAR ASTM-1163 HELMETS

# DUE TO OUR PATH INTL ACCREDITATION THE FOLLOWING RULES MUST BE OBSERVED BY ALL COMPETITORS

1) The Driver must be the first person into the carriage and the last person out of the carriage.

There must never be a passenger without a driver.

2) The horse can never be tied while hitched to the carriage.

3) The bridle must never be removed while the horse is hitched to the carriage.

4) The reins must never be removed from the bridle while the horse is hitched to the carriage.

# Show management reserves the right to disqualify unsafe competitors

Entry fees: Youth/Drivers with Disabilities Classes \$ 5.00 DECISIONS OF THE JUDGE IS FINAL Open Classes \$ 7.00 NO REFUNDS

Open Classes \$ 7.00 NO
Office Fee Per Driver/Handler \$ 5.00

Ribbons to 5th place. Classes close two classes prior. Separate numbers for each horse/handler combo.

NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR THEFT, PROPERTY DAMAGE OR ACCIDENTS TO HORSES OR RIDERS.

NO STALLIONS

ALL DOGS MUST BE ON A LEASH

NO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

REFRESHMENTS ON SITE – PLEASE KEEP GROUNDS CLEAN

# **Show Rules and Class Descriptions**

All Competitors must be signed off by our safety check official prior to his/her first class.

#### **Equine Size Classifications**

VSEs are Very Small Equines under 99cm (39 inches), with or without shoes.

Ponies are 99cm up to 148cm (58 inches or 14.2 hands).

Horses are over 148cm (58 inches).

## **Class descriptions**

Novice classes are open to competitors who have never won first place in any driving event at a competition.

**Multiple Horse Hitch** classes are open to any recognized multi horse hitch configuration (pair, tandem, unicorn, 4 in hand, etc). Must have driver and second person on the vehicle for safety.

In Hand Trail is leading your horse through an obstacle course. Course will be posted at entry booth before show begins.

**Ground Driving** is ground driving your horse through a predetermined obstacle course. Course will be posted at entry booth 1 hour before show begins.

**Gambler's Choice** in this event you have two minutes to complete obstacles to earn points. Obstacles are assigned various points based on difficulty. All obstacles must be attempted once before any obstacle may be repeated twice. No penalties for refusals- they just waste time. No points for incomplete obstacles. Cantering less than 3 strides is a 5 second time penalty. Cantering more than three strides is a disqualification. Course will be posted at entry booth 1 hour before show begins.

# **Mini Cones Course**

Shortened 10 gate format with numbered cones. Competitors will complete this timed event by going through gates in numerical order with the number on the right side of the driver when passing through the gate.

### **Driven Dressage**

Will take place in indoor arena. Due to arena size (20x40 meters) competitors will drive 2023 USDF Introductory Level Test B. Copies of test at entry booth. Callers may be utilized.

#### **Combined Test**

Participants entered in both classes 4 and 5 will be automatically entered in this class. No extra driving required! Scores from 4 and 5 will be used.

#### **Pleasure**

A Pleasure Driving class in which entries are judged primarily on the suitability of the horse to provide a pleasant drive. To be shown both ways of the arena at a walk, slow trot, working trot and strong trot. To stand quietly, both on the rail and while lined up, and to rein back. All entries chosen for a workout may be worked both ways of the arena at any gait requested by the judge and may be asked to execute appropriate tests.

To be judged: • 70% on performance, manners and way of going of the horse(s). • 20% on the condition and fit of harness and vehicle. • 10% on neatness of attire.

#### Reinsmanship

A Pleasure Driving class in which entries are judged primarily on the ability and skill of the driver.

To be shown both ways of the ring at a walk, slow trot, working trot and strong trot. Drivers are required to rein back.

All drivers chosen for a workout may be worked at any gait requested by the judge and may be asked to execute appropriate tests. The driver should be seated comfortably on the box so as to be relaxed and effective. Either the one- or two-handed method of driving is acceptable. Drivers should not be penalized or rewarded for using one general style over another.

To be judged: • 75% on handling of reins and whip, control, posture, and overall impression of driver. • 25% on the condition of harness and vehicle and neatness of attire.

#### **Buggy Barrels**

This is a timed event where the horse is driven around three barrels. The barrels are arranged in a triangular shape and the horse and rider must run around them in a clover-leaf formation without knocking over any of the barrels. The fastest team with the best score wins. Cantering less than 3 strides is a 5 second time penalty. Cantering more than three strides is a disqualification. Knocking over a barrel is a 5 second penalty. Pattern will be posted at entry booth 1 hour before show begins.