

SIERRA VISTA RIDING CLUB, INC. 2002 GYMKHANA STANDARDS AND RULES

FEES: Members \$5.00 per event; Non-members: \$7.00 per event; Buckaroos - \$3.00 per event. You must enter a minimum of five events at each Gymkhana in order to qualify for year-end awards. Buckaroos - must enter three per Gymkhana. Extra events may be offered at any of the Gymkhanas and may be entered at a price of \$2.00 per event. Extra events for Buckaroos may be offered as well at a cost of \$1.00 each event. See **EVENTS** below for more info on year-end awards.

**Number of events offered for a day will depend on the number of entries on that day.*

A \$3 arena fee will be charged to all contestants. Time only (exhibition) runs do not count toward Gymkhana points for daily or year-end awards. Time only (exhibition) runs are \$4.00 each and there is no arena fees long as you are not entered in any point events for that day.

AGE DIVISIONS: Buckaroos, 0-10, 11-14, 15-18, 19 and over. Age is determined by the contestant's age as of January 1st of the current year.

EVENTS: There will be up to 20 Gymkhana event patterns offered throughout the Gymkhana series. Each contestant may choose which events to enter from those listed for the day - there will be no mandatory daily events..

Buckaroos: Contestants aged 0-10 or Novice Riders on lead line/Adult Attended. Buckaroos must compete in at least three (3) events offered at any Gymkhana, however they may compete in any Buckaroo events offered for that day. In order to qualify for Year-End Awards they must compete in at least three events and in at least five of the eight SVRC Gymkhanas for the year 2002. Patterns for Buckaroo events will be set smaller than those for the other age group events. Buckaroo events will be held at the beginning of each event.

All Other Age Groups: Each contestant must compete in at least five events offered at any Gymkhana, however they may compete any events offered for that day. In order to qualify for Year-End Awards they must compete in at least five events per Gymkhana and at least five of the eight SVRC Gymkhanas for the year 2002.

**Monthly Gymkhana event patterns will be posted in the SVRC Newsletter and on the SVRC web site when it becomes available.*

POINT SYSTEM: All contestants receive a SVRC Certificate of Participation. Any contestant finishing first through fifth place in any event will receive a ribbon. Points are as follows: 1st Place - 20 points, 2nd Place - 18 points, 3rd Place - 16 points, 4th Place - 14 points, 5th Place - 12 points, 6th Place - 10 points, 7th Place - 8 points, 8th Place - 6 points, 9th Place - 4 points, 10th Place - 2 points, 11th Place and above - 1 point. At the end of each Gymkhana each contestant's points for their five point events will be tallied to determine a DAILY HIGH POINT and RUNNER UP in all age groups. Points from all eight Gymkhanas will be used for year-end cumulative award points.

YEAR END AWARDS: See **EVENT AGE GROUPS** for requirements for event entry requirements. You must be a SVRC member "in good standing" for the current year in order to receive points and eligibility towards year-end awards. You (or a family member) must participate in at least three workdays or volunteer to work at three SVRC events during the year to maintain membership in good standing and receive points.

Membership dues will be paid in full (Regular \$24.00 or Associate \$50.00) and will not be prorated for any reason - they must be paid in full prior to receiving points in any event.

Membership dues must be paid and membership card presented for verification or non-member rate will be charged. Any checks returned for non-sufficient funds will result in loss of points for that Gymkhana. All returned checks will be charged a \$25.00 fee. (If the check and return fees are made good within 30 days of Gymkhana, points will be reinstated.)

Buckles will be presented as Year-end awards in each age group except Buckaroos. First Place is guaranteed an award, however further award placing will be determined by total entries in each age group.

Fun Year-End Awards: Contestants will vote throughout the year for the following special awards to be presented at the end of 2002.

Best Sportsman, Most Helpful Rider, Best Volunteer, Best Rider, Most Improved Rider. Voting cards will be given out at each Gymkhana to write the names. (most improved rider will not be voted on until Gymkhanas 6 - 8 - so watch the younger/less experienced riders and see how they progress - then cast your vote). In case of a tie, there will be one voting at the last Gymkhana to determine a winner.

DRESS CODE:

Contestants must wear a shirt or a blouse, long trousers, and boots or stockman sneakers with a clearly defined heel of at least 1/2-inch. Hats are optional. Additional safety equipment is highly recommended.