

CENTRAL COAST RANCH HORSE CLASSIC

Carmel Valley Trail & Saddle Club
May 20-21, 2023



California's longest running AQHA Ranch Horse Versatility event is now a Ranching Heritage Challenge and a Golden State (Western States) Versatility Ranch Horse Association sanctioned event. Since the three shows run concurrently, enter more than one show for a much-reduced fee and earn points in multiple organizations. Since this opportunity is at a greatly reduced price, especially if you enter AQHA as well, the GS/WS prizes are minimal. We are offering prizes for the divisional all-around winners only. The Ranch Horse Classic spans two days, with all divisions in all three shows competing on both Saturday and Sunday. Saturday classes are Cutting, Trail & Ranch Riding, and Sunday classes are Reining, Cow Work and Conformation.

Both the Versatility Ranch Horse (VRH) and Ranching Heritage Challenge (RHC) shows are for registered quarter horses only. This means that riders on AQHA registered horses can earn points in Open, Amateur, Limited Amateur, or Level 1 (Rookie), Youth, Limited Youth, or Level 1 Youth. Additionally, participants may opt to enter individual classes and can earn AQHA points for that class only. The GSVRHA show is open to any horse and sanctioned by the Western States Versatility Ranch Horse Association. You do not need to ride a registered quarter horse to participate! This show is also open to individual class entries. The Ranching Heritage Show is open only to horses that are Ranching Heritage eligible.

AQHA prizes will be awarded to Champion, Reserve Champion and Runner Up in the Open, Amateur, Limited Amateur, Level 1 (Rookie) and Youth divisions. There will be first place awards for class winners in the AQHA VRH and Ranching Heritage Challenge shows. There will be an award for the high scoring Heritage Horse, as well as a special award, donated by Sparrowk Livestock, a Ranching Heritage breeder in Clements, California. There will be no first-place awards in the GSVRHA show, only awards for divisional winners. Also, there will be awards for the high point junior horse (3-5 years old), select rider (60 years and older), and Limited Open rider. These subdivisions must be entered and indicated on the entry blank for a nominal fee.

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