

WELCOME to the NORTHWEST MINIATURE HORSE CLUB (NWMHC) SHOW

AMHA APPROVED

Our **GRAYS HARBOR CLASSIC** show is:

June 14-15, 2025

**Grays Harbor Event Center
32 Elma McCleary Rd, Elma WA 98541**

Our Judges will be:

**AUSTIN VAN WYCK, Senior Judge – Phoenix, AZ
KAREN IVERSEN, Senior Judge – Lecanto, FL**

CLASSES BEGIN AT 8:00 AM Saturday, June 14, 2025

ARRIVAL TIME – No arrivals before noon June 13, 2025 - without special arrangements.

Entries Close – Wednesday June 4, 2025

Mail entries with FULL payment to: **NWMHC Grays Harbor Classic,
7051 S Barnards Rd, Canby, OR 97013**

Make checks payable to: **Northwest Miniature Horse Club**

OR email entries to nwmhc.show@gmail.com. Email entries will be charged \$5 for printing/handling. If you use a credit/debit card there is a 5% convenience fee for debit/credit card processing, per transaction.

Show Manager – Sheryl Peterson 503.545.9787 – nwmhc.show@gmail.com

Local Show Coordinators: Dorothy Whiteman 360.470.8019 & Tammy Osgood 360.470.1856

We welcome and encourage anyone to attend our shows who is interested in the miniature horse breed. We offer classes for all ages, from youth to senior and all skill levels from beginner to COOL (Conquering Obstacles and Limitations) to Trainer. We are noted for sponsoring the largest and most successful shows in the Northwest. You do not need to own or show a miniature horse to enjoy the fellowship of being a part of our Club.

Important information

FEES

Youth/COOL/VSE Classes: \$14.00

Amateur/Open Classes: \$24.00

AMHA fee: \$2.00 per horse

Owner Fee: \$20.00 per horse

Stall/Tack room: \$90.00 weekend (Friday noon – Sunday evening) Shavings are **NOT** included. No stalls will be reserved without payment. All requests for stalls must come through Show Management only.

Stall/Extra Day: \$30.00 per night.

Haul-in: \$20.00 per horse, per day. Failure to clean up after your horse will result in an additional fee of \$20.00 per horse.

Shavings: Bring your own or purchase at one of two local feed stores:

Martin Company – 360.485.2157 or Elma Feed - 360.485.3242

RV/Camping: Contact Grays Harbor Event Center – Call 360.482.2651 for reservations.

Email entries: \$5.00 per packet.

Credit Card Convenience Fee: 5% per transaction.

Other Charges as necessary (see document for details)

Measurement times:

Friday: 3:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Saturday: 7:00 am – 7:30 am

Sunday & Hardship: 7:00 am – 7:30 am

Exhibitors requesting height measurements at times other than specified above will be required to report to the show office and pay a late measurement fee of \$20, per horse, and obtain a measurement authorization prior to being measured or issued an entry number. See **MEASURING** section below for further information.

IMPORTANT SHOW RULES

Horses, including Very Small Equine (VSE) and non-rated classes, will be judged in accordance with the current rules of the American Miniature Horse Association (AMHA). A copy of the rule book may be found online at amha.org or in the show office with the Show Manager or Show Secretaries.

Knowing the rules and regulations, as well as the requirements of each class entered, is the exhibitor's responsibility. The show is open to all exhibitors regardless of mental or physical abilities.

Judge Evaluation Cards (Green Cards) will be available in the Show Office and may be completed on a voluntary basis.

All horses participating in AMHA approved classes must be AMHA registered. A colored copy of registration papers, front and back, must be on file with the Show Manager.

AMHA stallions three years and older must have a stallion certificate on file with AMHA and/or the Show Manager to participate.

Horses must not be shod. No pads, wedges, chains, or weighted ankle boots are allowed on the grounds.

All AMHA horses must be measured. **Exception: Per GR-020-G** if you have a permanent measurement card issued by the AMHA for horses 60 months and older, that measurement card is valid for all AMHA sanctioned shows, and you must present the card and the horse to the person measuring. The measurement on the card will be the official measurement for that horse.

Valid AMHA registration, amateur and/or youth numbers must provide a copy of their current AMHA card. Applications for AMHA Amateur and Youth cards are available in the office. Applications are \$5.00 more when submitted at the show.

Gelding status must be reflected on the registration papers or on a show letter from the AMHA office.

Out-of-State horses require current Coggins and Health Certificate. Foals 6 months or younger do not require Coggins if dam is negative.

MEASURING

No AMHA Miniature horse may exceed 34" in height. All horses must be measured and qualify for their height and/or age classification to compete and receive an entry number. All measuring will take place on the show grounds. **ALL BLANKETS/NECK WRAPS MUST BE REMOVED FROM THE HORSE BEFORE MEASURING.**

GR-020-G Permanent Measurement card: if you have a permanent measurement card for a horse 60 months or older, you may present the card with the horse and that measurement will be recorded as the measurement for that horse. Please note that a measurement may still be protested under GR-050-C.

LEASED HORSES OR PENDING REGISTRATION PAPERS

If a horse has been leased by an exhibitor and is to be shown in Amateur classes, it is the exhibitor's responsibility to provide written verification from AMHA office that the lease is on file. The exhibitor is also responsible for providing written verification from the AMHA office as to the pending registration number for a horse that has not been issued papers.

No leased horse to be shown in Amateur classes or a horse with pending registration will be shown, *under any circumstances*, without verification from the AMHA.

GATE RULE

It is the responsibility of the exhibitors to be aware of the progress of classes and be prepared to enter the ring promptly when a class has been called without prior public notice.

The gate will remain open for two (2) minutes after each class has been called to enter the ring. Horses not in the arena when the gate is closed will be eliminated from the class. Breaks have been incorporated into the show schedule for necessary tack changes and to set up ring equipment. ALL GATE HOLDS MUST BE REQUESTED AT THE OFFICE AT LEAST FOUR (4) CLASSES IN ADVANCE OF THE REQUESTED HOLD. Emergency gate holds, not to exceed two (2) minutes, requested by exhibitors may be called at the discretion of the show manager.

CONDITION OF ENTRY

Every entry at this show shall constitute an agreement that the person making it shall: 1) be subject to the rules of the show, 2) that every horse and handler is eligible as entered, 3) that the owner, handler, and any of their agents or representatives agree to hold the Show Management, Show Officials, Show Facility, Employees, Agents, and the Northwest Miniature Horse Club harmless for any injury or loss suffered during or in connection with the show. The Equine Inherent Risk Laws of Washington shall be in effect.

ENTRY PROCEDURE

Entries must be on the official entry form for the show. Entry forms may be copied for use. Entry forms must be filled out entirely with horse(s), owner and/or exhibitor(s) information, including all registration and membership numbers. Completed entry form(s) must be signed and mailed/emailed with full payment as stated on the entry form. All entry forms postmarked on or before the closing date and are properly filled out will not be charged additional penalties.

Incomplete entries will be considered post entries and charged accordingly.

NO NUMBERS WILL BE RELEASED WITHOUT FULL PAYMENT OF ALL FEES.

On any AMHA entry to be shown in any AMHA class, the exhibitor must use the complete name and number of the horse as it is shown on the horse's registration certificate.

A COLOR PHOTOCOPY OF BOTH SIDES OF THE REGISTRATION PAPERS MUST ACCOMPANY THE ENTRY FOR EACH HORSE AND WILL NOT BE RETURNED.

Exhibitors are responsible for their own errors and those of their agents in the preparation of entry forms. All show fees must be cleared before the end of each show. No Credits or Debits will be carried between shows.

POST ENTRIES – ADDING CLASSES

After the closing date of entries, the post entry fee of **\$3.00**, per class, will be assigned.

Added classes will be accepted up to five (5) classes PRIOR to the class entering the ring, provided that the horse is determined to be eligible for entry. Added class entries made for the first five (5) classes each day will be accepted up to one half (1/2) hour prior to the first class entering the ring.

Exception: Liberty – entries will not be accepted once order of go has been established. This will be done 5 classes or 1 hour before the start of such class.

POST ENTRIES MADE DURING THE SHOW MUST BE MADE AT THE SHOW OFFICE AND WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED UNLESS ACCOMPANIED BY FULL PAYMENT

NON-PAYMENT OF OBLIGATIONS

Any person submitting a non-negotiable check, or who fails to clear past due fees before leaving the show grounds, will not be allowed to participate in any NWMHC sponsored show until the account is cleared. All outstanding accounts due to the NWMHC must be settled within thirty (30) days from the date the debt was incurred to remain a member in good standing.

Any NSF check must be replaced by cash, money order or cashier's check within thirty (30) days, including all bank fees and/or collection fees and a NWMHC fee of **\$50** for returned check(s). Failure to do so will result in a notice to AMHA.

SCRATCHED CLASSES – REFUNDS

No entry fees will be refunded without a veterinarian's certificate as to the unsoundness of the entered horse. This must be presented to the show secretary before the first class in which the entry is to be shown. Failure to show a horse that has been entered constitutes a forfeiture of entry fees. In the event of the sudden illness of a horse after the entry deadline, you may substitute another animal at no additional charge. If this is done at the show it must be done within the time frame outlined in the Post Entry section and a veterinarian's certificate must be provided.

AWARDS

NWMHC will provide awards as follows:

Youth classes – Awards to 8th place

Amateur and Open classes – Awards to 6th place

Championship classes – Ribbons for Grand and Reserve

Supreme – Ribbons

Additional NWMHC awards may be available – see website if offered

TICKETS OR AWARDS

Exhibitors will be given the opportunity to choose between an award for the classes they placed in or taking a ticket, redeemable for \$0.50 at the show office. The ticket value may be applied to any outstanding balance, or you may donate back to the NWMHC.

VSE REGISTRATION AND CLASSES

The Very Small Equine (VSE) Division is OPEN to any very small equine, which includes, but is not limited to horses, donkeys, mules, zebras, 39" and under, measured at the last hair of the mane. Equines are to be shown unshod. This division is OPEN to both registered (i.e. AMHA, AMHR, ASPC, Pinto, etc.) and non-registered equine. This division can show and compete at the NWMHC shows.

An equine may cross over and enter AMHA classes, provided they have AMHA registration papers and meet the AMHA show requirements.

The Class Entry Fees are charged at the same rate as a Youth class.

STABLING:

The barns have box stalls and only up to **two (2) horses per stall**. No stalls will be assigned without payment. **SHAVINGS:** bring your own or you purchase at local Feed Stores. See FEE section for local purchase options.

Stall rates run from Friday noon to Sunday evening, additional nights will be charged extra fees, see FEES for cost. If you need a stall before Friday at noon or later than Sunday evening, you must make arrangements with the Show Manager. **There are no day stalls.**

Haul-Ins are allowed, see FEES for cost, and you **MUST** clean up after your horse or you will be charged an additional fee.

PETS

All dogs are **REQUIRED** to be on a leash and exhibitors/participants are required to clean up after their dogs.

If a dog is not in control, whether on a leash or not, and creates a danger to humans or horses, they will be asked to leave the area.

CONDUCT

Cruelty, abuse, or inhumane treatment of any horse in the show ring, barn, stalls or on the show grounds are strictly prohibited.

Conduct by an exhibitor, trainer, owner, or immediate family member of an unsportsmanlike, abusive, or detrimental nature will not be tolerated by the show management, including but not limited to threatening, abusive, or intimidating conduct, physical, verbal or written, toward any individual or show official. Any person(s) guilty of such conduct should be reported immediately to management by the judge or show committee member. The show management may suspend the offender for the duration of that show. Any person accused of such unseemly behavior may appeal his/her case to the Directors of NWMHC, which shall render a decision. If found guilty, such a person may be barred from future participation in NWMHC show activity.

VANDALISM:

Anyone found guilty of vandalism at a NWMHC show will be removed from the grounds. If it is a minor, the responsible adult will also be removed from the grounds. There will be no refund of any fees in these circumstances and responsible parties will be accountable for all damages or loss.

It is recommended that exhibitors take measures to secure valuables when they are away from their stalls.

SMOKING

All buildings are designed **“NO SMOKING”** of any kind.

LODGING IN AREA

Stay Beyond Inn & Suites	360.482.6868	5 minutes away
Guest House Montesano	833.617.1943	15 minutes away
Lucky Eagle Casino/Oakville	800.720.1788	20 minutes away
Little Creek Casino/Shelton	360.427.7711	20 minutes away