



NAERIC ROPING FOR CASH FUTURITY

INFORMATION & GUIDELINES

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Statement of Purpose

- 1) Create an incentive to train and develop all horses in a humane manner, always protecting, their physical and mental potential.
- 2) Provide an event that is enjoyable for spectators.
- 3) Provide an event that is beneficial to the rope horse industry.

The Concept

Weanlings will be nominated for \$100 to the NAERIC ROPING FOR CASH, preferably at time of sale, but in no case later than December 31 of birth year. Nominated horses are eligible to compete in their 4-Year-Old Year. This event will demonstrate their quality, suitability and performance in heading and heeling as determined by the competition judge (s).

NAERIC Sponsorship Match

For every dollar contributed by the owner or breeder of a horse (at \$100 per nomination) NAERIC will ADD \$100 to the purse up to \$10,000 (CAD) total added dollars.

Membership Light Horse Marketing Group

All decisions made by the equine ranchers comprising the Light Horse Marketing Group will be final.

Program Rules

- 1) Nominations can be taken at time of sale (private or public) or at any time up to December 31 (postmark) of the foaling year. A separate check must be attached to a nomination form and identify the foal by registered name and breed association registration number. An eligibility list will be maintained, and published, on the NAERIC website.
- 2) All horses must be microchipped (electronically identified) through a Light Horse Marketing Group approved process.
- 3) The Light Horse Marketing Group reserves the right to refuse any entry not fit or ready for the Futurity.
- 4) Copies of papers to the office must include the microchip information.
- 5) All dates of compliance will be based on postmark date.
- 6) All fees and payouts are based on Canadian denomination.
- 7) Any dispute/complaint must be submitted in writing to the Light Horse Marketing Group chair, within 24 hours of the alleged infraction, with a fee of \$250.00 cash. The dispute/complaint will be heard at the next regular meeting of the Light Horse Marketing Group. If the Light Horse Marketing Group votes to dismiss the dispute/complaint, the fee will be forfeited. If the Light Horse Marketing Group upholds the dispute/complaint, the fee will be returned.

INTRODUCING A NEW LIMITED DIVISION OPPORTUNITY

The NAERIC ROPING FOR CASH is an incentive for those horses that paid into that incentive as a weanling. At the MANITOBA ROPE HORSE FUTURITY all eligible incentive horses must enter the open division of this program. By entering the open you will be roping for prize money in the open division as well as any incentives your horse is eligible for including the NAERIC ROPING FOR CASH. Simply check the appropriate box on the MRHF entry form to indicate which incentives you are roping for.

COMPETITION RULES

- There will be a total of three live steer runs with a barrier for the head horse.
- There will be two panel judges, and there will be 80 points per judge on the head side and 70 on the heel side.
- Each participant is responsible for their roping partner. Another futurity horse **may not** be used for the other half of the team.
- Owners can enter as many horses as desired.
- A horse may compete **on both sides**.
- Only registered horses are accepted to compete. No grade horses may compete.
- Any registration that has a recognizable date of birth will be accepted.
- The entry must be enrolled in the NAERIC Advantage™ program.
- Age verification by a vet is not valid at this event.
- Judges and event officials may inspect all horses, and equipment prior to, and during the event for inhumane or unsafe equipment.
- Random drug testing and registration verification can occur at any time.
- There will be an arena director to keep the event moving along timely. The arena director has the authority to remove any person or horse from the arena. Their decision is final.
- A one-point deduction from both judges for a broken barrier will be assessed.
- There will be no barrier used for helper horses.
- All head catches must be legal: slick horns, neck, or half head.
- Any heeling catch is legal: one or two legs.
- There is a 30 second time limit for each live steer run.
- Live runs will be considered complete when both riders are dallied, horses facing in a straight line and have all their feet on the ground.
- On live steer runs points will be rewarded until the end of the run, lost rope, dismounting of rider, two misses, or completed run.
- All riders (including helpers) are expected to be in western attire during the competition: western boots, cowboy hat, button up collared shirt, and jeans.
- Each horse will have a saddle pad number, which must be visible at all times.

Please be appreciative to our many sponsors and helpers.

- If you have a stall at the Futurity please make sure you are in your designated stall.
- Please be available to receive your award at the completion of the futurity.
- If the barrier malfunctions a rerun will be awarded by the barrier judge.
- In the case of an unfair opportunity with the steer the panel judge(s) has the authority to award a rerun.
- In the case of a tie in points at the end of each round, a panel judge will be designated as the "tie breaker judge".

TEAM ROPING FUTURITY CRITERIA

Head Horse Criteria

Blanket Clause:

In all criteria to follow, any of the following disobediences will be penalized at judge(s) discretion. Bucking, kicking, rearing, swishing tail, shaking head, opening mouth, or loss of control.

Approach and Entry to box

Horse should ride quietly and obediently directly into the box, remaining relaxed as the barrier is strung. Horse should be willing to turn either direction with no resistance, keeping all four feet on the ground. Horse should back calmly into the corner and be prepared for the run.

Attitude in box

Horse should stand quietly and relaxed, score with all four feet on the ground and leave smoothly and flat off of roper's hand. Horse must run through the barrier with no hesitation. A one-point deduction from both judges for a broken barrier will be assessed.

Run and Rate

Horse should gather the steer up, reacting to the situation thus allowing the roper an opportunity to catch. Once caught the horse must rate and widen to handle the steer while maintaining proper frame.

Set and Handle

Horse should remain arced up as he and rider tow the steer straight across the arena maintaining good speed and control of the steer.

Face

Horse should face on the forehand when asked. Then continue to back up and draw slack out of the rope with all four feet on the ground.

Settle

Horse should now recognize that the run is complete and stand calmly as the steer goes to the catch pen. The horse must walk out of the arena relaxed.

Sharpness of Run

This is simply to reward the horse for the completion of a timely, sharp run. This is where the horse allows the roper to take advantage of a good opportunity or handles a bad situation well.

Heel Horse Criteria

Blanket Clause:

In all criteria to follow, any of the following disobediences will be penalized at judge(s) discretion. Bucking, kicking, rearing, swishing tail, shaking head, opening mouth, or loss of control.

Approach to box

Horse should quietly and obediently walk directly into the box turning either direction, without any signs of resistance.

Attitude in box

Horse should be willing to back or stand when asked. Horse should be alert and acknowledge the steer. Not lifting front feet off the ground or resisting positioning. Horse must leave off of heeler's hand.

Break and Run

Horse must break flat and smooth, haze steer as necessary. Horse must read the steer and adjust speed and position depending on the steer's pattern.

Corner Entry

Horse should back off from hazing position to enter corner. It should turn in as steer turns, keeping their shoulders elevated and continue to maintain proper frame and distance from steer.

Tracking and Rate

Horse should allow the heeler to have a good look at the steer's feet by staying off of the left hip. It should not anticipate the stop and not crowd the heeler's delivery. The horse should rate off and prepare to stop as the heeler delivers, while staying square to the steer.

Stop and Back

Horse should come to a complete stop as the heeler dallies and await the headers face. Horse should stop on the hindquarters, remaining square to steer and back up if necessary.

Settle

Horse should stand quietly and relaxed recognizing the end of the run. Horse should walk out of the arena relaxed.

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NAERIC ROPING FOR CASH FEES

- 1) A nomination fee of \$100 must be paid no later than December 31 of the year of birth. All fees to the NAERIC Roping For Ca\$h Futurity are paid for by either the owner or breeder.
- 2) There will be an entry fee payable (at time of entry) by the owner, or agent, of the horse. The entry fee will be determined prior to the event by the Light Horse Marketing Group.

FUTURITY PAY-OUT STRUCTURE

- 1-4 entries – Pays 1st Place 60%; 2nd Place 40%
- 5-8 entries – Pays 1st Place 50%; 2nd Place 30%; 3rd Place 20%
- 9-12 entries – Pays 1st Place 40%; 2nd Place 30%; 3rd Place 20%; 4th Place 10%
- Over 13 entries – Pays 1st Place 32%; 2nd Place 26%; 3rd Place 20%; 4th Place 14%; 5th Place 8%
- Purse dollars to be paid out on each side will be pro-rated based on entries for each side.

RIGHTS RESERVED BY THE LIGHT HORSE MARKETING GROUP

- 1) The Light Horse Marketing Group reserves the right to reject any entry not believed to match the nominated entry.
- 2) The Light Horse Marketing Group reserves the right to inspect all horses and match them to the registration papers,
- 3) The Light Horse Marketing Group reserves the right to decide any point not covered by the rules and to correct any errors or make any alterations as it sees fit.
- 4) The Light Horse Marketing Group reserves the right to change the date and location of the NAERIC ROPING FOR CASH FUTURITY.
- 5) The Light Horse Marketing Group reserves the right to drug test any, and all, Futurity entries for illegal or controlled substance.

FOR MORE INFORMATION REGARDING THE NAERIC ROPING FOR CASH FUTURITY

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The sponsor of the NAERIC ROPING FOR CASH is the North American Equine Ranching Information Council (NAERIC). NAERIC is a non-profit association representing equine ranchers in Manitoba and Saskatchewan who are engaged in the collection of pregnant mares' urine (PMU). For more information about equine ranching, NAERIC, or the NAERIC Advantage®, please contact: NAERIC, 12730 Townepark Way STE 100, Louisville, KY 40243-2303 USA