

## **2026 AHHS LIMITED BREEDERS' SWEEPSTAKES RULES AND REGULATIONS**

The 29th Annual Limited Breeders' Weanling Stakes will be held in Indianapolis, Indiana, during the All American Horse Classic, and will pay back to 10 places. The AHHS LBS offers Limited Breeders Stake for Weanlings and 3 Year Old Hackney ponies.

The AHHS LBS will be held each year in two divisions, Weanlings and 3 Year Old Open classes. All classes will be conducted in accordance with the rules of the United States Equestrian Federation with Special Rules Provisions.

The AHHS LBS classes will be held annually at the All American Horse Classic, Indianapolis, Indiana or at another location as determined by the AHHS LBS Committee.

### **FUNDING FOR THE AHHS LBS**

Funding is realized from the sale of Stallion Services that have been donated by stallion owners. All services will be sold at the AHHS LBS auction. A starting bid of \$300 has been guaranteed by the Stallion Service Donor. The next bid must be \$350, with each subsequent bid a minimum of \$50. All services will be sold. There will not be any "No Sales".

### **BIDDING**

Internet and/or phone bids are encouraged prior to the auction. Bidding can be done by telephone, internet, or in person at the auction. Telephone bids must be submitted to Chris Gantley 859.221.7079, Tom Lowry 502.664.5078, Steve Kildow 765.620.5779, or Rodney Hicks 413-281-2658. Bidder must present bid to one of these individuals. Voicemail messages does not constitute a bid. Internet bidding will be available at the Auction Website. The AHHS will announce that site when it becomes available for bidding. It is the intent of the AHHS LBS Committee to keep bidders apprised by telephone or text of their bid position.

Live bidding at the auction is by BIDDER NUMBER. Each bidder must be assigned a BIDDER NUMBER. When acting as an agent, bidder numbers must be obtained for each potential buyer. Obtaining a BIDDER NUMBER constitutes guarantee of payment for all Stallion services and associated fees.

### **STALLION DONOR/BUYER RESPONSIBILITIES**

In adherence to the professional standards found in the Code of Conduct of the AHHS, and to ensure that this Program continues to be a success, all Stallion Services purchased **MUST** be paid within 60 days of the auction. In the event a Stallion Service is not paid in the allotted time period the LBS Committee reserves the right (but not required) to resell the Stallion Service. In the event a Stallion Service is not paid, the Stallion Donor is still eligible to declare a mare to the program unless the Stallion Donor is also the purchaser of the unpaid Stallion Service. A fee of \$35.00 will be charged on any NSF returned checks.

If a Stallion Owner/Donor does not comply with the terms supplied on donor form, the Limited Breeders Committee reserves the right to NOT accept the Stallion Donor Mare Declaration. In the event of this condition, the Stallion Donor will be notified by the LBS Committee prior to the of the required declaration date.

Neither THE AHHS, AHHS LBS Committee nor its representatives will intervene between the purchaser of the stallion service and the stallion service donor. **The Stallion donor without exception is required to supply Stallion Service Certificate to purchaser.** All contracts, arrangements, and negotiations that may arise on the service of any mare designated for the AHHS LBS will be strictly between the mare owner and the stallion owner.

A refund, in the amount paid for the purchased stallion service, will be made only if the stallion dies or becomes unusable before the mare has been bred and/or has conceived by the stallion.

The terms and conditions for each stallion are listed in the catalog. The AHHS, AHHS LBS COMMITTEE and its representatives are not responsible for any errors or omissions.

Money from the Featured Stallion Service will go into the Three-Year Old Hackney Pony in Harness Class.

**The AHHS will retain 10 percent of the auction proceeds for administrative purposes.**

### **NOMINATING THE STALLION**

Stallions may be nominated to the AHHS LBS by the Owner or Agent donating one Stallion Service to the annual auction.

**It is the prerogative of the Stallion Owner/Donor to offer a "return privilege" in the event the mare does not get in foal. Return privilege does not constitute any eligibility into the AHHS LBS for the following year.** NOTE: THE AHHS LBS COMMITTEE appeals to Stallion Service Donors to offer a RETURN SERVICE.

**In the event a stallion does not receive a \$350 bid, it is the responsibility of the Stallion Service Donor to make the required \$300 guaranteed bid fee. In the event this fee is not paid, the said stallion will be excluded from all future AHHS LBS auctions until said payment and any penalties are paid to the AHHS LBS.**

#### **STALLION SERVICE DONOR – DECLARING THE MARE**

Stallion owners who donate a breeding fee to the AHHS LBS may also DECLARE one mare in foal to the Stallion, at a cost equal to the exact amount that was paid for the Service in the auction, but not to exceed \$400. **This will be due December 31st of the auction year.** The Stallion Donor will be notified in writing by the AHHS the amount due. The donor of the Stallion Service does not have to own the Mare that is DECLARED. The resulting foal will be eligible for both the Weanling and Three Year Old divisions of the AHHS LBS, providing all sustaining payments are made. **THE STALLION DONOR DECLARATION MUST BE POSTMARKED ON OR BEFORE PRIOR TO DECEMBER 31, OF THE YEAR THE MARE WAS BRED. THE EXACT REGISTERED NAME AND REGISTRATION NUMBER MUST BE INCLUDED ON THE DECLARATION FORM.**

#### **STALLION SERVICE BUYER – DECLARING THE MARE**

A Mare Declaration Form will be mailed by the AHHS to the Stallion Service Buyer. **THE STALLION SERVICE BUYER DECLARATION MUST BE POSTMARKED ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 31, OF THE YEAR THE MARE WAS BRED. THE EXACT REGISTERED NAME AND REGISTRATION NUMBER MUST BE INCLUDED ON THE DECLARATION FORM.**

#### **AHHS FUTURITY REQUIREMENTS**

All resulting offspring from the LBS Stallion Service Auction must be nominated into the AHHS National Futurity to maintain LBS eligibility. The nomination fee of fifty dollars (\$50.00) will be required March 31 of the foaling year.

#### **ENTERING THE WEANLING – DECLARATION TO SHOW**

In order to show, all entries must be declared on an official All American Horse Classic entry form with all office fees paid and returned to the show secretary as required.

In order to show as a weanling the foal **MUST** be registered on or before August 15, of the year of the competition. There **WILL NOT** be a grace period granted. **If not shown as a weanling, the foal MUST be registered by December 31, of the foaling year to be eligible in the Three-Year Old LBS class.** For the purposes of the LBS program the term REGISTERED requires the following documentation be available in the AHHS office: Application for registration fully completed, DNA Kit purchased and submitted to laboratory and DNA submission receipt submitted to AHHS.

ANY WEANLING SHOWING IN THE AHHS LBS WILL BE SUBJECT TO DRUG TESTING BY THE UNITED STATES EQUESTRIAN FEDERATION AND DNA VERIFICATION FOLLOWING THE COMPETITION. ANY PRIZE MONEY WON WILL BE RETAINED UNTIL PARENTAGE IS VERIFIED BY BLOOD TYPING OR DNA TESTING AND DRUG TESTING RESULTS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED.

\*\*\*If an entry has been disqualified by AHHS, United States Equestrian Federation or the horse show where the horse has competed, the owner shall forfeit and return all premium money, trophies and ribbons upon notification.

#### **LBS WEANLING CLASS PROCEDURES**

1. The weanling will enter at a trot and proceed to the judges for line-up.
2. The weanling will be asked to work both directions on the rail and then will be dismissed to the other side of the ring to await further instructions.
3. The class will be tied to twelve (12) places.
4. Ten (10) entries will be placed and will be introduced individually.
5. Placing of entries will be announced in reverse order.
6. Handlers are REQUIRED to wear formal attire.
7. Prize monies will be paid to ten (10) places with two alternates.

\*The AHHS reserves the right to make decisions and changes regarding this program.

#### **Distribution of prize money for the AHHS LBS Weanling Competition is as follows:**

Seventy five (75%) percent of the Stallion Service Auction proceeds will be paid out in the weanling classes. The remaining 25% will be held in a savings account to supplement the Three-Year Old Performance Class. Prize money will be paid to ten places (percentages shown below). All non-placing entries will receive \$250.00. **25% of Prize Monies For Each Entry Will Go To Stallion Donor.**

1. 35%	3. 15%	5. 7%	7. 4%	9. \$250
2. 20%	4. 10%	6. 5%	8. 4%	10. \$250

Note: Prize money will not be distributed until after clearance/approval from Drug Testing and DNA parent verification.

## JUDGING

The All American Horse Classic will select the Judges for the Limited Breeders classes. All Judges must be a Recognized Judge with the USEF with an R rating. The LBS Committee will provide recommendation to the All American Horse Classic management, and assist management in securing Judges.

## REQUIREMENTS FOR AHHS LIMITED BREEDERS STAKE THREE YEAR OLD IN HARNESS CLASS

1. Any foal which was eligible for the weanling stakes competition will also be eligible for the three-year-old competition provided all sustaining payments are paid on time.
2. The weanling is not required to show in the LBS Weanling class to be eligible for the 3-year-old class.
3. All sustaining payments will be due February 15th of each year. The yearling payment is \$100.00, the 2-year-old payment is \$75.00, and the 3-year-old payment is \$50.00. The AHHS will send notification for the payments.
4. To maintain eligibility into the Three-Year Old LBS Class:
  - a. The Declared / eligible animal must have been nominated and kept eligible in the AHHS National Breeder's Futurity as a weanling.
  - b. The declared/eligible animal is not required to compete in weanling division but must be kept eligible.
  - c. Twenty five percent of prize money for each place will go to stallion donor.
  - d. If an individual other than original stallion donor assumes and make the declaration and appropriate payment the 25% reward will still be made to the original stallion donor in both weanling and three-year old class.
  - e. For the reward to be awarded to someone other than the original stallion donor, a copy of an agreement signed by both parties must be provided with the stallion donor declaration form.

## PROCEDURES FOR SHOWING IN THE AHHS LBS THREE YEAR OLD PERFORMANCE CLASS

1. This class procedure is to be shown under the United States Equestrian Federation Special Class Rules as follows: The entries may be stallions, mares, or geldings.
2. Entries may be shown by an amateur or professional.
3. Three-Year Olds will be shown in harness, to a 2 wheeled pleasure driving vehicle, with a snaffle bit and side check or overcheck, and martingale is optional.
4. Three-Year Olds will enter the ring counter clockwise and show at a park trot and extended trot. Entries will reverse and show at the same two gaits.
5. All Three-Year Olds may be drug tested and checked for age verification.
6. Dress attire to be worn by exhibitors. No silks permitted.

## DISTRIBUTION OF PRIZE MONEY FOR THE THREE YEAR OLD LIMITED BREEDERS CLASS IS AS FOLLOWS:

The class payout will consist of 25% of the Stallion Service Auction, and all sustaining payments made to the program. Prize money will be paid to eight places (percentages shown below):

1. 35%	3. 15%	5. 7%	7. 4%
2. 20%	4. 10%	6. 5%	8. 4%

Note: Prize money will not be distributed until after clearance/approval from Drug Testing and DNA parent verification.

## ADDITIONAL PAYOUT INFORMATION

All payout checks will be issued as follows: 25% to the recorded owner or recorded lessee of the stallion at the time of donation, and 75% to the recorded owner or recorded lessee of the weanling and/or 3 year old at the time of showing. No exceptions shall be made unless stated in writing prior to the show.

## SELLING AN LBS PONY

When selling a Limited Breeders eligible entry, remember to advise the buyer that the animal is eligible to be shown as a weanling and later as a 3-Year Old. All premium money will be paid to the recorded owner as of the day of the class.

## IMPORTANT PROGRAM DATES

**Stallion Donor Contracts to AHHS – February 1, 2026**  
**Declaration of Mare by Stallion Donor – December 31 of year bred**  
**Declaration of Mare by Stallion Buyer – December 31 of year bred**  
**Registration of Weanling – December 31 of foaling year (if not shown in LBS)**  
**Entry Blank To AAHC– Designated by AAHC**  
**Yearling, 2YO, and 3YO Sustaining Payment – Feb 15 of appropriate year**