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VIRGINIA CHAMPIONSHIP HARE SCRAMBLE
SERIES GRAND PRIX RACING

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1. DISTRICT 13 VCHSS/GP SERIES GOVERNING BOARD

The VCHSS board shall meet a minimum of once each calendar year to make required changes to the AMA supplemental rules and make the race schedule for the next season. The President shall preside over all VCHSS meetings. Special VCHSS meetings may be scheduled at the discretion of the President, Vice President or any two members of the board.

1.1. The VCHSS Governing Board shall be made up of the following members;

- 1.1.1. President – elected annually by the entire board.
- 1.1.2. Vice President – elected annually by the entire board.
- 1.1.3. Treasurer - elected annually by the entire board.
- 1.1.4. Secretary – appointed by the president.
- 1.1.5. Awards Coordinator - appointed by the president.
- 1.1.6. Assistant Awards Coordinator – appointed by the president.
- 1.1.7. Assistant Awards Coordinator – appointed by awards coordinator or president.
- 1.1.8. Event Referee - appointed by the president.
- 1.1.9. Social Media Coordinator - appointed by the president.
- 1.1.10. Individual race promoters – new promoters must be voted in by the board.

1.2. 2024 - VCHSS **Officers & Staff**

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2. GENERAL RULES

2.1 Any supplemental rules, regulations, instructions or procedures established by the VCHSS for the purpose of implementing, interpreting or enforcing these rules will be deemed to be part of the rules. Please refer to the AMA Amateur Rule Book for any rules or requirements not addressed within these supplemental rules.

2.2 **Course Requirements.** Unless otherwise specified by the Referee, the following course requirements are in effect.

2.2.1 Arrows will be used to direct competitors on the proper route when the terrain does not clearly dictate. Unless otherwise instructed at the riders meeting, riders must not ride more than 20 feet from the course marking arrows. If double arrows are posted on both sides of the trail (e.g., double arrows, two arrows each side and are placed directly opposite each other or within 10 feet of being directly opposite, four total), riders must remain between the arrows. A marked course is defined as an established trail containing arrows along a marked path. Double arrows are defined as one arrow placed immediately above another arrow.

2.2.2 Ribbons, signs, banners, hay bales, etc., can be used by promoters on or along the trail to help guide riders. Ribbons and banners may not be crossed or ridden through. Riders riding outside these areas will be penalized.

2.2.3A “bottleneck” is a section of trail that becomes impassable due to riders stopping, falling, or getting stuck while attempting to traverse an obstacle and in doing so does not provide enough space for another rider to pass. Any rider encountering a bottleneck on the course shall be allowed to go more than 20 feet off the course but must re-enter the course ***immediately*** after the bottleneck or as close as practical to the bottleneck. This alternate route should not be used during the following laps unless a bottleneck condition continues to exist.

2.2.4 Alternate trails can be provided by the promoter to bypass obstacles. “ALT” or a different color course marker will identify alternate routes. Alternate routes will be longer or take more time to traverse than the main route.

2.2.5 Any rider leaving the course, except as noted above, shall continue the race from the point where they left the course or as close as reasonably possible.

2.2.6 At the promoter’s discretion, riders may be allowed to walk, ride bicycles, or practice on the final course prior to the start of the event. The promoter may limit the distance that the riders can view.

2.2.7 No electric bicycles allowed at any time on the marked course. Only Class One bikes allowed, Code of Virginia 46.2-100: Class one means an electric power assisted bicycle equipped with a motor that provides assistance only when the rider is pedaling and that ceases to provide assistance when the bicycle reaches a speed of 20 MPH

2.2.8 Entrants shall not ride on the course in any race other than their own, except in the capacity of course marshal or course worker, as deemed necessary by a race promoter.

(Course marshals must be approved with promoter prior to race day. Approved course marshals must check in with race director prior to start for approved radio and series yellow vest.)

2.2.9 A rider whose machine is disabled may receive outside assistance up to the point of the "No Passing Zone" at the main scoring area. A rider is required to push their bike through the scoring area on their own. Only the rider's hands are to be on the bike.

2.2.10 If a rider falls in the main scoring area, they may receive assistance from an official of the event or that official's designee with picking up their bike but must continue on their own.

2.2.11 Starts. The promoter has the option of using either a live or dead engine start for their events.

2.2.12 Results. Each rider is entitled to examine his/her score with the Referee.

Scoring

2.2.13 Rider Etiquette in the Main Scoring Area. The Scoring Area is defined as from the "No Passing Zone" established leading into the scoring tent, the scoring tent, and the boundary path immediately exiting the scoring tent. The following rules apply when a rider is entering or leaving the computer scoring station.

2.2.14 Riders must pass through the scoring lane to be scored. It is the rider's responsibility to be scored. Riders who attempt to proceed through the scoring lane at high rates of speed, endangering the scoring personnel and equipment, will be penalized.

2.2.15 If a rider accidentally leaves the scoring lane without being scored, they must move out of the way of any riders behind them. After all traffic has cleared the lane, the scorer may manually enter the rider's number. A rider who bypasses scoring will not receive credit for the lap. A rider who enters the Scoring Lane backwards on a machine, meaning from the opposite direction of the race course or against the flow of the race course, will be disqualified. A rider that exits the course to quit the race, and then proceeds through scoring will be disqualified. In the event of a missed score, a rider may dismount and enter the scoring lane on foot to be scored as long as their machine does not block the course and as long as their transponder will not affect scoring.

2.2.16 When being scored, the rider must make every effort to clear the scoring lane quickly to not create bottlenecks. No pit activities, finding drink water tubes, adjusting or checking mechanical items, or performing any other non-scoring function that delays the next rider to be scored will be done inside the scoring area. Riders must enter the scoring area in a timely manner and exit the scoring area in a timely manner.

2.2.17 Riders are not allowed to pit, gas, water, etc., inside the scoring area including the entrance to and exit from the scoring area. Interference with another rider's ability to be scored in a timely manner will result in a penalty.

2.2.18 Riders should not converse unnecessarily with scoring personnel during the event. The scoring personnel do not have time to answer general questions (i.e., how many laps to go, etc.) as this may cause delays in scoring other riders.

2.2.19 All riders shall remain single file when entering the scoring area. At no time should the front tire pass the rearmost part of the machine in front or penalties will be incurred.

2.2.20 If a rider's engine stops running inside the scoring lane and IF no riders are behind them, the rider may make a QUICK attempt to start their machine. If a rider's engine stops running inside the scoring lane and they are unable to start their engine quickly, they must dismount and remove the machine from the scoring lane immediately. Riders removing their machine must ensure that their machine is clearly out of the path of other riders exiting the scoring lane.

2.2.21 Riders are required to use the transponder and the rider number given to them at sign-up. Riders who fail to use the provided transponder and number will not be scored. Riders who use the wrong transponder or fail to cover a pre-existing number will not be scored.

2.2.22 No rider shall have more than one transponder during a single event. It is the rider's responsibility to ensure the transponder contains the correct number for that rider for that event.

2.2.23 It is the rider's responsibility to ensure their transponder is mounted correctly. Riders who fail to properly place their transponder will not be scored. Riders claiming missed scores will be required to show their transponder in the correct position to the VCHSS Event Referee or the scorer. It is the rider's responsibility to ensure the transponder provided does not come off during the race.

2.2.24 Registration personnel, Referees, and or Scoring Personnel can assist any rider with questions about transponder placement prior to an event.

2.2.25 Riders have up to 24 hours after lap times are posted on the VCHSS Website and/or VCHSS Official Facebook page to challenge lap times/missing laps only, race results will be final after that time and changes will not occur. All other issues need to be challenged and/or brought up within the 15-minute protest period on race day which starts after the results are posted.

2.2.26 Each rider is entitled to examine his/her score with the Referee.

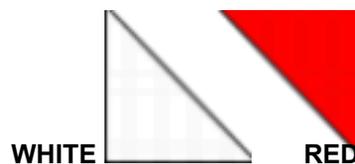
2.3 The race is "Officially" over one hour after the overall leader takes the checkered flag or double the time of the lap time for the overall.

2.4 Event Rules of Conduct. An AMA-approved helmet must be worn at all times by anyone riding a motorcycle upon event premises or the rider will be penalized. A 5 mile per hour speed limit is also imposed upon all vehicles on event premises except on the racing track during a racing event, or other approved warm-up areas.

2.5 Risks. All riders and other race personnel must assess for themselves the track, facilities, existing conditions, and other matters. All riders and race personnel must rely on their own judgment and assume all risks of participating in competition in any manner.

2.5.1 AMA Event Referee. The Event Referee is the point of contact for all riders. All decisions by the referee are final and subject to the AMA Protest/Appeal process.

2.5.2 Checkpoints. Check Points will be identified by the Red & White diagonal marker shown below and will be a minimum of 18" x 18".



2.5.3 Unless otherwise instructed by the referee, all riders must slow down through the main scoring area and come to a complete stop at all other checkpoints.

2.5.4 The promoter may create "No Passing" zones prior to checkpoints. No passing is allowed in these areas. The area will be marked by a "No Passing" sign and will extend from the sign up to and including the checkpoint.

2.5.5 Unless otherwise directed by a race official or a rider is deemed incapacitated, passing riders waiting in line to be scored at the main checkpoint is not allowed. Penalties will be incurred.

2.5.6 Passing in a "No Passing" zone, such as scoring, will result in a penalty. The penalty is the loss of 1 position in the rider's class per rider passed, regardless of the class of the person passed.

2.6 Generators. The VCHSS's quiet time is 11 PM to 7 AM. ALL excessively loud (contractor type) generators are to be off during these quiet times at ALL VCHSS events. These times also include excessively loud gatherings and social events.

2.7 Required Equipment. All racers MUST have long pants, long sleeve shirts, boots that cover their ankle, goggles and a DOT-approved FULL face helmet to be permitted to race on any VCHSS course.

2.9 Helmets are required at all times on a two-wheeled motorized machine. If the two-wheeled motorized machine is moving then a helmet is required. This is whether said machine is running or not. (This includes E-Bikes, pedal assist and stacyc. If you have a throttle, you must wear a helmet No Exceptions.)

2. COMPETITION CARD AND ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

3.1 Any rider wishing to ride a Virginia Championship Hare Scramble Series (VCHSS) event must have a valid VCHSS AMA District 13 Competition Card, must have a valid AMA membership, and must have a scoring transponder compatible with and programmed for the VCHSS scoring software system.

3.2 Exceptions: AMA District 13 card may ride without purchasing a VCHSS Competition card but will not be awarded points. Horizon Riders receive a FREE VCHSS Competition Card for use in competing in Horizon events. **However, Horizon Riders cannot compete in VCHSS Mini races without first purchasing a VCHSS Competition Card.**

3.3 The cost of the VCHSS AMA District 13 membership card is \$25.00 per season.

3.4 The cost of a transponder is \$5.00.

3.5 AMA membership is currently \$49 per year for those that are over 11 years of age and \$29 per year for those that are 11 years and under and \$20 for a one-day membership.

3.6 The VCHSS season begins January 1 and ends December 31.

3.7 Competition card applications, AMA membership applications, are available online. Transponders are available at registration.

3.8 Any course/trail worker and/or club member who has previously worked on the course prior to the event will be permitted to race the event.

3. POINTS PAYING CLASSES

3.1. The following classes are points paying classes: AA, A-Expert, 200A, 250A, 30+A, 40+A, 50+A, 200B, 250B, 30+B, 40+B, 50+B, 200C, 250C, 4-Stroke C, **25+C**, 30+C, 35+C, 40+C, 45+C, 50+C, 55+A, 55+B, 55+C, 60+C, 60+B, 60+A, Expert Women, Intermediate Women, Novice Women, **25+** Women, 45+ Women, **Open Electric**, Super Mini 14-15, Super Mini 12-13, Mini 12-13, Super Mini Women, Mini 9-11, and Mini 9-11 65cc.

3.2. The following classes are NON points paying classes: Sportsman(**A/B only**), Trailrider (**C only**), Women Trailrider. Participation in a non points paying class in the morning event will make rider ineligible for entry in any points paying class in the Main Event.

3.3. Non-Points Option – Any VCHSS card holding rider that wishes to “ride up” a class **must** use this option only within the last three (3) races of the season. Using the “Z” system, a rider can race a higher skill level class with the understanding that ALL self-advancement rules apply, without disturbing the existing points battles in that class.

4. EVENT AND CLASS QUALIFICATIONS

In addition to advancement rules specified herein, any rider who voluntarily advances himself/herself up to another skill level is thereafter required to enter a class within that skill level. Any rider must remain in that advanced class unless the rider submits a petition and is granted approval to return to a lower ranked class. **AMA is responsible for advancement of riders from (C to B, B to A), the series will advance riders in A-Expert and AA**. In the VCHSS, a rider cannot self-promote to A-Expert or AA. If a rider advances themselves in another series to A-Expert or AA and they are 30+ they must remain in the higher class until the next season.

4.1. Event Qualifications

4.1.1. "A" Class Qualifications – Any rider whose Overall Average Rating is greater than 15.00 and up to and including a rating of 45.00 in the "Main Event" or is ranked "A" by any other off-road series, is required to enter an "A" class.

4.1.2. "B" Class Qualifications – Any rider whose Overall Average Rating in the "Main Event" is greater than 45.00, or whose Overall Average Rating in the "Morning" event is 25.00 or lower, or who is a "C" class end of season class champion, or is ranked "B" by any other off-road series is required to enter a "B" class.

4.1.3. "C" Class Qualifications – Any rider whose Overall Average Rating from the previous season is greater than 25.00 in the "Morning" Event is otherwise not ranked in accordance with Section III, is ranked "C" or not ranked whatsoever by any other off-road series, is designated as a "C" rider.

4.2. Class qualifications

4.2.1. "AA" Class Qualifications* – Any rider whose Overall Average Rating is 8.00 or less in the "Main Event", is otherwise designated as a "AA" rider or is ranked "AA" or "Pro" in any other off-road series will be required to enter the "AA" class. A rider classified as "AA" in the VCHSS ranking system will remain "AA" classified until either the rider is ranked other than "AA" by the ranking system or the rider is granted a petition to return to "A-Expert" or "A" status. Also applies to any rider who won the overall Main event in the prior season of the VCHSS. Once ranked AA rider must race AA only. Big wheel is defined as a bike with a minimum 19-inch front wheel and a rear wheel minimum of 16 inches and 98cc minimum

4.2.2. "A-Expert" Class Qualifications* – Any rider whose Overall Average Rating is greater than 8.00 up to and including 15.00 in the "Main Event", is otherwise designated as an "A-Expert" rider. A rider classified as "A-Expert" in the VCHSS ranking system will remain "A-Expert" classified until either the rider is ranked other than "A-Expert" by the ranking system or the rider is granted a petition to return to "A" status. Once rider is ranked A-Expert, rider must race A-Expert only. Big wheel is defined as a bike with a minimum 19-inch front wheel and a rear wheel minimum of 16 inches and 98cc minimum.

4.2.3. "200 A"** – (98-200cc 2-Stroke, up to 250cc 4-Stroke big wheel*) Big wheel is defined as a bike with a minimum 19 inch front wheel and a rear wheel minimum of 16 inches and 98cc minimum.

4.2.4. "200 B"** – (98-200cc 2-Stroke, up to 250cc 4-Stroke big wheel*) Big wheel is defined as a bike with a minimum 19 inch front wheel and a rear wheel minimum of 16 inches and 98cc minimum.

4.2.5. "200 C"** – (98-200cc big wheel*) Big wheel is defined as a bike with a minimum 19 inch front wheel and a rear wheel minimum of 16 inches and 98cc minimum.

4.2.6. "250 A"** – (201cc 2-Stroke and up, 251cc 4 Stroke and up) Big wheel is defined as a bike with a minimum 19 inch front wheel and a rear wheel minimum of 16 inches and 98cc minimum.

4.2.7. "250 B"** – (201cc 2-Stroke and up, 251cc 4 Stroke and up) Big wheel is defined as a bike with a minimum 19 inch front wheel and a rear wheel minimum of 16 inches and 98cc minimum.

4.2.8. "250 C"** – (201+ cc 2-Stroke or 4-Stroke) Big wheel is defined as a bike with a minimum 19 inch front wheel and a rear wheel minimum of 16 inches and 98cc minimum.

4.2.9. "4-Stroke C"** – (4-Stroke big wheel*) Big wheel is defined as a bike with a minimum 19 inch front wheel and a rear wheel minimum of 16 inches and 98cc minimum.

4.2.10. "30+A" Class Qualifications* – Any rider entering the "30+A" class must be 30 years old or older on the day of the event. Big wheel is defined as a bike with a minimum 19-inch front wheel and a rear wheel minimum of 16 inches and 98cc minimum.

4.2.11. "30+B" Class Qualifications* – Any rider entering the "30+B" class must be 30 years old or older on the day of the event. "A"- riders are not eligible to enter the "30+B" class. A big wheel is defined as a bike with a minimum 19-inch front wheel and a rear wheel minimum of 16 inches and 98cc minimum.

4.2.12. "25+C Class Qualifications – Any rider entering the "25+C" class must be 25 years old or older on the day of the event. "A" and "B" riders are not eligible to enter the "25+C" class. A big wheel is defined as a bike with a minimum 19-inch front wheel and a rear wheel minimum of 16 inches and 98cc minimum.

4.2.13. "30+C" Class Qualifications* – Any rider entering the "30+C" class must be 30 years old or older on the day of the event. "A", and "B" riders are not eligible to enter the "30+C" class. A big wheel is defined as a bike with a minimum 19-inch front wheel and a rear wheel minimum of 16 inches and 98cc minimum.

4.2.14. "35+C" Class Qualifications* – Any rider entering the "35+C" class must be 35 years old or older on the day of the event. "A", and "B" riders are not eligible to enter the "35+C" class. Big wheel is defined as a bike with a minimum 19-inch front wheel and a rear wheel minimum of 16 inches and 98cc minimum.

4.2.15. “40+A” Class Qualifications* – Any rider entering the “40+A” class must be 40 years old or older on the day of the event. A big wheel is defined as a bike with a minimum 19-inch front wheel and a rear wheel minimum of 16 inches and 98cc minimum.

4.2.16. “40+B” Class Qualifications* – Any rider entering the “40+B” class must be 40-years old or older on the day of the event. “A”- riders are not eligible to enter the “40+B” class. A big wheel is defined as a bike with a minimum 19-inch front wheel and a rear wheel minimum of 16 inches and 98cc minimum.

4.2.17. “40+C” Class Qualifications* – Any rider entering the “40+C” class must be 40 years old or older on the day of the event. “A” and “B” riders are not eligible to enter the “40+C” class. Big wheel is defined as a bike with a minimum 19-inch front wheel and a rear wheel minimum of 16 inches and 98cc minimum.

4.2.18. “45+C” Class Qualifications* – Any rider entering the “45+C” class must be 45 years old or older on the day of the event. “A” and “B” riders are not eligible to enter the “45+C” class. A big wheel is defined as a bike with a minimum 19-inch front wheel and a rear wheel minimum of 16 inches and 98cc minimum.

4.2.19. “50+A” Class Qualifications* – Any rider entering the “50+A” class must be 50 years old or older on the day of the event. A big wheel is defined as a bike with a minimum 19-inch front wheel and a rear wheel minimum of 16 inches and 98cc minimum.

4.2.20. “50+B” Class Qualifications* – Any rider entering the “50+B” class must be 50 years old or older on the day of the event. “A” riders are not eligible to enter the “50+B” class. A big wheel is defined as a bike with a minimum 19-inch front wheel and a rear wheel minimum of 16 inches and 98cc minimum.

4.2.21. “50+C” Class Qualifications* – Any rider entering the “50+C” class must be 50 years old or older on the day of the event. “A” and “B” riders are not eligible to enter the “50+C” class. Big wheel is defined as a bike with a minimum 19-inch front wheel and a rear wheel minimum of 16 inches and 98cc minimum.

4.2.22. “55+A” Class Qualifications* - Any rider entering the 55+A class must be 55 years or older on the day of the event. A big wheel is defined as a bike with a minimum 19 inch front wheel and rear wheel minimum of 16 inches and 98cc minimum.

4.2.23. “55+B” Class Qualifications* – Any rider entering the “55+” class must be 55 years old or older on the day of the event. “A” riders are not eligible to enter the 55 B class. A big wheel is defined as a bike with a minimum 19-inch front wheel and a rear wheel minimum of 16 inches and 98cc minimum.

4.2.24. “55+C” Class Qualifications* – Any rider entering the “55+” class must be 55 years old or older on the day of the event. “A” and “B” riders are not eligible to enter the “55+C” class. A big wheel is defined as a bike with a minimum 19-inch front wheel and a rear wheel minimum of 16 inches.

4.2.25. “60+” C Class Qualifications* – Any rider entering the “60+C” class must be 60 years old or older on the day of the event. “A” and “B” riders are not eligible to enter the “60+C” class. Big wheel is defined as a bike with a minimum 19 inch front wheel and a rear wheel minimum of 16 inches and 98cc minimum.

4.2.26. “60+” B Class Qualifications* – Any rider entering the “60+B” class must be 60 years old or older on the day of the event. “A” riders are not eligible to enter the “60+B” class. Big wheel is defined as a bike with a minimum 19 inch front wheel and a rear wheel minimum of 16 inches and 98cc minimum

4.2.27. “60+ A” Class Qualifications*- Any rider entering the “60+” class must be 60 years old or older on the day of the event. A big wheel is defined as a bike with a 19-inch minimum

front wheel and a rear wheel minimum of 16 inches and 98cc minimum.

4.2.28. “Expert Women” Class Qualifications* – Any female rider whose Overall Average Rating from the previous season is 25.00 or less in the “Morning” Event or any previous Novice Women’s Champion is otherwise ranked “Expert Women”. Expert Women riders may not participate in the Novice Women’s, the 30+ Women’s (unless age qualified), or any “C” class. Riders in this class must be over the age of 12 years on the day of the event. A Big wheel is defined as a bike with a minimum 19-inch front wheel and a rear wheel minimum of 16 inches and 98cc minimum.

4.2.29. “Intermediate Women ” Any female rider whose Overall Rating from the previous season is 25.01 and up to 114.00 in the “Morning” Event is ranked “Intermediate Women”. Intermediate Women riders may not participate in the Novice Women’s. Intermediate Women riders are eligible for the 30+ Women’s or any “C” class. Riders in this class must be over the age of 12 years on the day of the event. Big Wheel bikes are the minimum requirement. Big wheel is defined as a bike with a minimum 19-inch front wheel and a rear wheel minimum of 16 inches and 98cc minimum.

4.2.30. “Novice Women” Class Qualifications* – Any female rider whose Overall Average Rating from the previous season is 114.01 or more in the “Morning” Event will be otherwise ranked “Novice Women”. Riders in this class must be over the age of 12 years on the day of the event. Big wheel is defined as a bike with a minimum 19-inch front wheel and a rear wheel minimum of 16 inches and 98cc minimum.

4.2.31. “25+ Women Class Qualifications* – Any female rider entering the “25+ Women class must be 25 years old or older on the day of the event. Big wheel is defined as a bike with a minimum 19-inch front wheel and a rear wheel minimum of 16 inches and 98cc minimum.

4.2.32. “45+ Women Class Qualifications* - Any female rider entering the 45+ Women class must be 45 years old or older on the day of the event. Big Wheel is defined as a bike with a minimum 19 inch front wheel and rear wheel minimum of 16 inches and 98cc minimum.

4.2.33. “Super Mini 14-15” Class Qualifications* – (Modified AMA Youth Class Super Mini 12-15, 80cc-112cc 2-Stroke & 75cc-150cc 4-Stroke) Any rider entering the “Super Mini 14-15” class must be either 14 or 15 years of age, as of January 1st or will be turning that age during the current year. Big wheel is defined as a bike with a minimum 19-inch front wheel and a rear wheel minimum of 16 inches and 98cc minimum.

4.2.34. “Super Mini 12-13” Class Qualifications* – (Modified AMA Youth Class Super Mini 12-15, 80cc-112cc 2-Stroke & 75cc-150cc 4-Stroke) Any rider entering the “Super Mini 12-13” class must be 12 or 13 years of age as of January 1st or will be turning that age during the current year. Big wheel is defined as a bike with a minimum 19-inch front wheel and a rear wheel minimum of 16 inches and 98cc minimum.

4.2.35. “Mini 12-13” Class Qualifications – (AMA Youth Class 85cc Modified 12-15, 65cc-85cc 2-Stroke & 75cc-125cc 4-Stroke) Any rider entering the “Mini 12-13” class must be 12 or 13 years of age as of January 1st or will be turning that age during the current year.

4.2.36. “Super Mini Women” Class Qualifications – (AMA Youth Class Super Mini 65cc-112cc 2-Stroke & 75cc-150cc 4-Stroke) Any rider entering the “Super Mini Women’s” class must be female and be between the ages of 10 and 15 years as of January 1st or will be turning that age during the current year. A big wheel is defined as a bike with a minimum 19-inch front wheel and a rear wheel minimum of 16 inches and 98cc minimum.

4.2.37. “Mini 9-11” 85 cc Class Qualifications – (AMA Youth Class 85cc Modified 9-11, 66cc-85cc 2-Stroke & 75cc-125cc 4-Stroke) Any rider entering the “Mini 9-11” 85cc class must be 9 to 11 years of age as of January 1st or will be turning that age during the current year.

4.2.38. “Mini 9-11” 65cc Class Qualifications – (AMA Youth Class 65cc Modified 9-11, 59cc-65cc 2-Stroke & 52cc-90cc 4-Stroke) Any rider entering the “Mini 9-11” 65cc class must be 9 to 11 years old as of January 1st or will be turning that age during the current year.

4.2.39. “Sportsman” Class* – Any rider is eligible to enter this class. The “Sportsman” class will start on the last row of the Main event only. This will be a non-point, non-advancement class. This class will not be recognized for awards at the banquet and trophies are at the promoter’s choice. This class will be identified with a number and a “Y”. This class is not required to run permanent type numbers. Big wheel is defined as a bike with a minimum 19-inch front wheel and a rear wheel minimum of 16 inches and 98cc minimum.

4.2.40. “Trailrider” Class* – Any rider is eligible to enter this class. The “Trailrider” class will start on the last row of the Morning event only. This will be a non-point, non-advancement class. This class will not be recognized for awards at the banquet and trophies are at the promoter’s choice. This class will be identified with a number and a “Q”. This class is not required to run permanent type numbers.

4.2.41. “Trailrider A/B” Class- Any “A”/”B” rider is eligible to enter this class. The class will start on the 6th row of the morning race. (split with Electric) This will be a non-points class. This will not be recognized for awards at the banquet and trophies are at the promoter’s discretion. The Class will be recognized with a “Y” designation, The class is not required to run a permanent type number.

5.2.37. “Open Electric” Class – Any rider 12 years of age and older is eligible to enter this class. This class will start on the 6th row (split with “Trailrider A/B” of the morning event. Any electric motorcycle without pedals that is not gas powered. Big Wheel classification, minimum 19” front wheel and 16” rear wheel. This class will be identified with a number and an “E”.

5.2.38 “Women’s Trailrider” Class – Any rider is eligible to enter this class. The “Women’ Trailrider” class will start on the last row of the Mini event only. This will be a non-point, non-advancement class. This class will not be recognized for awards at the banquet and trophies are at the promoter’s choice. This class will be identified with a number and a “G”. This class is not required to run permanent type numbers. A big wheel is defined as a bike with a minimum 19-inch front wheel and a rear wheel minimum of 16 inches and 98cc minimum. Any rider that enters the Women’s Trailrider class CANNOT race in a Morning and/or Main Event points paying class on the same day.

6 OVERALL RATING SYSTEM

- 6.1. This system is used for advancement purposes *ONLY* and is independent of the class and overall points systems.
- 6.2. Through a rider's successful participation, they will advance themselves to the next higher classification. Class advancement will automatically occur at the end of the season based on a rider's Average Overall Rating.
- 6.3. A rider's Average Overall Rating is determined by first adjusting each event finish.
- 6.4. The event finish is adjusted by multiplying the rider's actual overall finishing position and a factor derived from an established constant and the number of riders scored in that event.

$$\frac{\text{Event Constant}}{\text{Number of Riders Scored in Event}} * \text{Rider Actual Overall Finish Position} = \text{Adjusted Event Finish}$$

6.5 The Main Event constant will be determined at the end of the season and the Morning Event constant will be determined at the end of the season. This helps to adjust the overall scores for either small or large turnout events.

*For example, a rider in the Morning Event finishes in the twentieth overall position and there were 156 riders scored in the event. You would divide 140 by 156 resulting in a multiplier of .90. Multiply the 20 score by .90, equaling 18 which would be the adjusted overall finishing position for that event. Do this for each event using the unique figures from each to adjust each score. Then add all the overall finishes together and divide that total by the total number of events scored to obtain an initial average. Multiply that average by twenty-five percent and add this figure to the average. Discard all finishes with a higher number than that total figure. Add the remaining finishes together and average them for the final season ranking average. All numbers used in these computations are rounded off to the nearest two decimal places. When all computations are complete there must be a minimum of **Six** scores to use in the final average to obtain a ranking.*

****Please note that this is an example only. The constant will change at the end of each season.***

6.6 In the Main Event, riders finishing with an end of season Average Overall Rating of 8.00 or less will be advanced to "AA" classification. Riders finishing with an end of season Average Overall Rating of greater than 8.00 up to and including 15.00 will be advanced to "A-Expert" classification. Riders who finish with an end of season *average greater than 15.00 up to and including 45.00, will be advanced to "A" classification.*

6.7 In the Morning Event, riders with a "C" classification finishing with an end of season Average Overall Rating of 25.00 or less will be advanced to "B" classification. In addition, all "C" class championship winners will automatically be advanced to "B" classification.

NOTE: Advancement data available @ VCHSS.azurewebsite.com

7 NON POINTS PAYING CLASSES

7.1. **“Horizon Rider” Class Qualifications** – The “Horizon” classes are listed below for general information.

7.2. All “Horizon” riders must obtain a Horizon Competition Card.

7.3. “Horizon” classes are run independently of all other classes and are intended to introduce young riders to the enjoyment of off-road competition.

7.4. “Pee Wee 1”, “Pee Wee 2”, “Pee Wee 1 Electric”, and Shaft Drive classes will run together for approximately 30 minutes. This time may be shortened by the Horizon Chair, Event Referee, and 2 other Series Officers if conditions deem it necessary.

7.5. “Jr. Mini 1”, “Jr. Mini 2”, and “Jr. Mini Women’s” classes will be run together for approximately 45 minutes. This time may be shortened by the Horizon Chair, Event Referee, and 2 other Series Officers if conditions deem it necessary.

7.6. To be recognized at the VCHSS year-end awards banquet a “Horizon” rider must participate in a minimum of 2/3 “Horizon” Class events during the current season. If Horizon rider races in more Mini Classes than Horizon, they will be recognized as a mini rider at banquet.

7.7. **“Pee-Wee 1 6-8” – 0-51cc Bikes** – (Modified AMA Off-Road Youth Class 2) *Riders entering this class must be 6 to 8 years of age. Riders may move to the next higher age class if they will be eligible to do so at any time during the year. Please refer to AMA Amateur Rule Book Youth Engine Classes and Age Groups. **This class has been modified to limit the age in the class from 6 to 8 years of age.**

7.8. **“Pee-Wee 2 4-6” – 0-51cc & 2kwh and 48V maximum Electric Bikes** (EE2/EE3 or equivalent) - (Modified AMA Off-Road Youth Class 1) *Riders entering this class must be 4 to 6 years of age. Riders may move to the next higher age class if they will be eligible to do so at any time during the year. Please refer to AMA Amateur Rule Book Youth Engine Classes and Age Groups.

7.9 **“Pee-Wee Electric 6-8” – 2kwh/2000w and 48V maximum Electric Bikes** (EE5 or equivalent) - (Modified AMA Off-Road Youth Class 2) Riders entering this class must be 7 to 8 years of age. Riders may move to the next higher age class if they will be eligible to do so at any time during the year. Please refer to AMA Amateur Rule Book Youth Engine Classes and Age Groups. **This class has been modified to limit the age in the class from 6 to 8 years of age and allow only electric bikes not to exceed 2000W/2kwh and 48V which must meet wheel size requirements.**

7.10 **“Shaft Drive”**

**The rider’s age on Jan. 1 will determine their age for the remainder of the year. Riders may move to the next higher age class in the Youth Division only if they will be eligible to do so at any time during the year.*

7.11 **“Jr. Mini I 7-11” – 66-85cc 2-stroke & 75-125cc 4-stroke** – (Modified AMA Youth Class 85cc 7-11) *Riders entering this class must be between the ages of 7 to 11 years. Riders may move to the next higher age class if they will be eligible to do so at any time during the year. Please refer to AMA Amateur Rule Book Youth Rules.

7.12 **“Jr. Mini II 7-11” – 52-65cc 2-stroke & 52-74cc 4-stroke** – (Modified AMA Youth Class 65cc 7-9) *Riders entering this class must be between 7 and 11 years. Riders may move to the next higher age class if they will be eligible to do so at any time during the year. Please refer to AMA Amateur Rule Book Youth Rules. **This class has been modified to limit the age in the class from 7 to 11 years of age and to limit 4-strokes to 74cc.**

7.13 **“Jr. Mini Women’s 7-13” – 65-85cc 2-stroke & 70-125cc 4-stroke** – (Modified AMA Youth Class 85cc 9-13) *Riders entering this class must be female and be between the ages of 7 and 13. Riders may move to the next higher age class if they will be eligible to do so at any time during the year. Please refer to AMA Amateur Rule Book Youth Rules. **This class has been modified to limit the age in the class from 7 to 13 years of age and to allow 65cc 2-stroke.**

**The rider’s age on Jan. 1 will determine their age for the remainder of the year. Riders may move to the next higher age class in the Youth Division only if they will be eligible to do so at any time during the year.*

8. HORIZON CLASSES

8.1 . These classes are intended to introduce **True Beginner** riders to the enjoyment and sport of off-road competition. In addition, it is hoped that organized off-road riding will guide riders in sportsmanship, discipline, mechanical skills, responsibility, and that they will eventually advance into the VCHSS points paying Mini classes

8.2 Maintaining Class Eligibility:

8.2.1 Jr. Mini I and II riders may enter a Mini class on the same day as participating in a Jr. Mini event. A Jr. Mini rider may enter a Mini 9-11 class with a valid paid Competition Card and will be given a “Q” number and are ineligible for points and banquet recognition in the Mini class.

8.2.2 Jr. Mini Women riders may enter a Mini class on the same day as participating in a Jr. Mini Women’s event with a valid paid Competition Card and will be given a “Q” number and be ineligible for points and banquet recognition in the “Mini” class

8.2.3 Pee Wee riders may enter a Jr. Mini class on the same day as participating in a Pee Wee event.

8.3 Location and Race Times: The Horizon Class races are being held at VCHSS sponsored events. Refer to the race schedule for dates. All riders are encouraged to be at the starting line on 2-Day events at 0012:45PM on Saturday and on 1 Day events held Sunday at 8:45 AM on race day for the riders meeting. The Pee-Wee I, Pee-Wee II, and Pee Wee Electric classes will start promptly at 1:00 PM. There will be a one minute interval between the start of these two classes. Jr. Mini I, Jr. Mini II and Jr. Mini Women’s classes will start once the Pee Wees have finished. They also will start with one-minute intervals between classes. The one minute interval can be changed on race day if the Horizon Chair feels that it is needed. Pee Wee classes may have a parade lap prior to the start of their event. The parade lap will start promptly at 1:00PM.

8.4 Awards: Every participating rider will receive a trophy or award at every event. The trophy/award will be presented approximately 20 minutes after the race results are posted. No points will be kept for these classes. However, in order to be recognized at the VCHSS series banquet in January, the rider must participate in 2/3's of the scheduled Horizon Class events for the year.

NOTE: *VCHSS Season Competition Card must be purchased to race in any Mini events. Horizon Competition Card is not valid for Minis.*

9. HORIZON CLASS GENERAL RULES

9.1 Starting: No person other than the rider shall have contact with the bike at the start of the event. If the rider is having difficulty after the start of the race, then someone may help them. Any infraction of this rule could lead to disqualification.

9.2 Riding: **There will be absolutely NO RIDING allowed before or after the completion of the rider's race (except to and from the starting line) failure to do so will result in the disqualification of the rider and his/her parent or responsible party in their race. NO EXCEPTIONS.**

9.3 Scoring: All riders must slow down where the scorers are stationed to ensure proper scoring. Failure to do so could result in being docked a lap or disqualification. Neither riders nor spectators are to interfere with scorers during the event. Interfering with scorers during an event may subject the rider to disqualification or may be considered unsportsmanlike conduct. The event referee will be notified of any cases of un-sportsman-like conduct or of situations where anyone interferes with the scorers during an event. The event referee will decide appropriate action when cases of un-sportsman-like conduct have been identified to them by the Horizon Committee.

9.4 Fifteen Foot Rule: The rider must not ride more than 15 feet off the marked trail.

9.5 Preparing to Advance to Mini: The Jr. Mini Classes may use a live-engine or dead engine start. For dead-engine starts, the rider must first attempt to start the bike on his/her own two times. An adult may help only if the rider is having difficulty. There should be no hands on the rider's bike until after the rider has tried to start his/her bike at least two times. This means that no one should be pushing the rider from the start unless there is a problem with the bike.

10. HORIZON RIDER COMMITTEE EXPECTATIONS

10.1 "Horizon" Rider Committee Expectations: This is a volunteer committee, which is formed to coordinate and oversee the activities of the "Horizon" Riders. Their duties relative to "Horizon" Riders include the following: ensuring that each rider receives a trophy/award at every event; helping with scoring the event; coordinating awards for the year-end VCHSS Banquet; coordinating fundraising activities; enforcement of rules; actively promoting participation in "Horizon" Rider classes. All suggestions, concerns, or offers to help this committee should be addressed to the committee chairperson.

11. AGE VERIFICATION FOR AGE BASED CLASSES

11.1 All participants entering an age based class will be required by the VCHSS to provide proof of age. A state issued ID, Military ID or state issued birth certificate is considered acceptable proof of age. A rider who is unwilling to provide proof of age will not be allowed to enter an age based class.

11.2 A rider who has not been previously notified by the VCHSS will be permitted to participate in one (1) VCHSS event without said proof. The rider must provide proof of age before the next VCHSS event.

11.3 Failure to provide proof of age as requested could result in rider disqualification and the loss of any points earned previously.

11.4 Furthermore, additional action may be taken by the VCHSS if a rider knowingly attempts to enter a class in which they are not qualified to enter; this could include sanctions against competing in future VCHSS events.

12. STARTING ORDER & CLASS NUMBERING SYSTEM

12.1 The starting order and the class numbering system are shown in the tables below. The class rider numbers are below each class. When you purchase VCHSS comp card online, it will let you know what numbers are available for that class.

12.2 Assigned class riding numbers must be displayed on all three (3) number plates, be legible, on a **contrasting** background (ghost numbers and letters are not allowed), and should be at least three (3) inches high. Suffix letters after the numbers, if required, should be a minimum of one and a half (1 1/2) inches high.

12.3 The series will offer printer number stickers at sign ups at each event, if the equipment is not available then the rider may be issued "contact paper, handwritten" numbers and they will be allowed for the day of the event. It is the rider's responsibility to make sure any such "handwritten and/or printed" numbers are attached, legible, on contrasting backgrounds, and visible on all three (3) number plates.

Note: Signup is scheduled to close for;

1-day events (ALL racing on Sunday ONLY):

At 8:00 AM for the Mini event;
 8:30 AM for the Horizon event;
 10:00 AM for the Morning event;
 1:00 PM for the Main event.

2-day events (Saturday Horizon & Mini; Sunday Morning & Main)

Saturday - 12:30PM for the Horizon event;
 Saturday - 3:00PM for the Mini event;
 Sunday - 9:30 for the Morning event;
 Sunday - 12:30PM for the Main event

“MINI” EVENT 2-day events - Sat 1:00P 1-day events– Sun 8:30A						
Super Mini 14-15 1A & up	Super Mini 12-13 1B & up	Mini 12-13 1C & up	Mini 9-11 1D & up	Super Mini Women 1E & up	Mini 9-11 65cc 1K & up	Women Trailrider 1G & up

“HORIZON” EVENT 2-day events - Sat 3:30PM 1-day events - Sun 9:00AM						
Pee Wee I 400-499	Pee Wee II 500-599	Pee Wee I Electric 600-699	Jr. Mini I 300-399	Jr. Mini II 200-299	Jr. Mini Women 100-199	

"MORNING" EVENT

2-day event weekend : Sun 10:00AM
1-day event weekend: Sun 10:45AM

ROW 1 Expert Women 1X &UP	ROW 2 55+A 1A & up 60+A 1U & UP	ROW 3 200 C 1L & UP	ROW 4 250 C 1H & up	ROW 5 4-Stroke C 1F & up	ROW 6 Open Electric 1 E & UP Sportsman A/B 1Y & UP	ROW 7 Intermediate Women 1I & UP 55+ B 1B &UP 60+B 1C &UP
ROW 8 25+C 1Y &UP	ROW 9 30+C 1J & up	ROW 10 35C+ 1V & up	ROW 11 40+C 1P & up	ROW 12 45+ C 1S & up	ROW 13 50+C 1T & UP	ROW 14 Novice Women 1W & up 25+ Women 1N & up 45+ Women 1M & up
Row 15 Trailrider 1Q & UP						

"MAIN"

2-day event weekend : Sun 1:00PM
1-day event weekend: Sun 1:30PM

AA 1AA - 49AA	A Expert 50 – 99	200 A 100 – 149	250 A 150 - 199	30+A 250 - 299)	40+A 300 - 349	50+A 350 -399
200 B 400 - 499	250 B 500 - 599	30+B 700 - 799	40+B 800 – 899	50+B 900 – 999	Sportsman 1Y & up	

13. OVERALL POINTS & AWARDS

13.1 Throwaways Each rider will have three (3) throwaways per season. This number may be adjusted as deemed necessary in the event of race cancellations. Other actions may be taken by the VCHSS for any reason as deemed necessary.

13.2 Eligibility for Points. Riders in all classes must complete and be scored for at least one lap to receive points for an event. It is not necessary to take the checkered flag. A rider whose machine is disabled before they reach the finish line may *push* their motorcycle along the trail and across the finish line and receive the checkered flag. The rider and motorcycle must follow the course and arrows to the finish line. The machine a rider starts a race on is considered the qualified machine for that race. Start would be defined as the moment a rider attempts to start their machine. A rider may not switch or change machines at any time after the start of a race.

13.3 Overall Points will be awarded to the top forty (40) overall riders in the "Main Event", and the "Mini Event" for each race.

13.4 Class Points will be awarded to riders in each class except for Horizon classes, which do not receive points.

13.5 The Overall points for the "Main Event" and the "Mini Event" will determine the Grand Champion and the Youth Grand Champion at the end of the season.

13.6 Class points will determine the class finishing position for each rider at the end of the season.

13.7 If ties are encountered at the end of the season the rider that scores points in the most events will be considered the winner of the tie. A backup tiebreaker will be used if the first tie-breaker results in a tie. The backup tiebreaker will be to count finishing positions. Count 1st place first, 2nd place second, 3rd place third, etc. Points will be allocated in accordance with the Points Chart shown below.

13.8 The Grand Champion and the Youth Grand Champion will be advanced out of any classes in which he/she has accumulated points and the standings will be adjusted accordingly.

OVERALL & CLASS POINTS CHART

FINISH	POINTS	FINISH	POINTS	FINISH	POINTS	FINISH	POINTS
1	50	11	30	21	20	31	10
2	45	12	29	22	19	32	9
3	42	13	28	23	18	33	8
4	39	14	27	24	17	34	7
5	37	15	26	25	16	35	6
6	35	16	25	26	15	36	5
7	34	17	24	27	14	37	4
8	33	18	23	28	13	38	3
9	32	19	22	29	12	39	2
10	31	20	21	30	11	40	1

13.9 Awards. To be considered for year-end awards at the VCHSS awards banquet a rider must receive points in a minimum two-thirds of the VCHSS races that are run during the current season (rounded up to the nearest whole number), up to a maximum of 15 awards per class. The top 15 riders will receive awards and the top ten will receive contingencies for all Main Event and Morning Event riders. All Mini riders that meet the two-thirds race requirements will be recognized with awards and contingencies. One race day equals one event.

13.1 Class championship helmets are awarded at the end of the season to the Grand Champion, Youth Grand Champion, "AA" Class Champion, "A-Expert" class champion, "200 A" & "200 B" Class Champions, "250 A" & "250 B" Class Champions, "30+A" & "30 B" Class Champions, "40+A" & "40+B" Class Champions, "50+A & 50+B" Class Champions, "55+ A" & "55+B" Class Champion, "60+ Elite" Class Champion, "Expert Women's" Class Champion, "Intermediate Women's" Class Champion, "30+ Class Champion & "45+Women's" Class Champion.

13.11 Event "AA" Class Payout. Each series event will pay cash money for the following finishing positions in the "AA" class:
 1st place = \$250; 2nd place = \$150; 3rd place = \$100; 4th place = \$75; 5th place = \$50

Visit the series website at www.vchss.org for more information on individual events and class standings