

VRHA Green Reiner Showdown 16 -18 April 2026

Overview

The VRHA Green Reiner Showdown is a rider-focused introduction to reining competition, designed to encourage confidence and positive show experiences for developing riders.

This VRHA Green Reiner Showdown is conducted in conjunction with the VRHA State Championship Derby show and culminates in a Green Reiner Showdown Final.

VRHA Green Reiner Showdown Class Show Dates

- Thursday 16 April 2026
- Friday 17 April 2026
- Saturday 18 April 2026 - *VRHA Green Reiner Showdown Final*

Purpose of the VRHA Green Reiner Showdown

- Encourage and support new reining riders
- Provide a positive and achievable pathway into competition
- Recognise rider progression across multiple days
- Celebrate achievement with a prestigious Champion's Buckle

Eligibility

- Rider to be a 2026 VRHA member with either the event or full membership. NRHA Membership is not required.
- A rider is eligible if they are eligible for NRHA Green Reiner level 1

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Show Conditions

- Horse Competition licence not required
- The rider can choose to ride with one or two hands
- Use of NRHA Patterns as selected by the show committee from Patterns 1-16
- The rider can choose to perform either simple or flying lead changes
- Thursday 16th April & Friday 17th April classes are each subject to an entry, judge and media fee. Saturday Final is free.

Scoring & Qualification

- Scores from Thursday 16 April and Friday 17 April will be combined.
- Top 10 aggregate scores plus any ties from the two classes will be eligible to compete in the VRHA Green Reiner Showdown Final on Saturday 18 April.
- Riders must have competed on both Thursday and Friday to be eligible for qualification into the Saturday Final

Qualified riders and the draw will be posted at the gate at the conclusion of the Friday show day.

Awards

- Thursday and Friday ribbons/awards to class placings
- Green Reiner Showdown Champion will be awarded a Champion's Buckle.

Attire: Western Tack & Attire (Important)

Please be reminded that it is mandatory for all riders to use appropriate western tack and western attire while showing. Standard NRHA Rules for legal bits and attire

This includes:

- Long-sleeve shirt with collar and buttons, snaps, or zipper (sleeves must be rolled down)
- Western hat or approved safety helmet
- Western boots
- Western saddle and western bridle

⊘ Sweatshirts of any type are not permitted
Sweaters, vests, or jackets may be worn over an appropriate western shirt

Failure to wear appropriate western attire will result in a NO SCORE (score of 0).

Notes

- All conditions and any changes, cancellations, or modifications are at the show management discretion.

Scratching's and scratching refunds will be as per VRHA State Championship Derby Show Conditions