



Green Rider Level One and Level Two Program

This Series starts the 1st of January of each year and application to the program must be done one line on the RA Website.

We thank all RA Affiliates for promoting the Green Rider program to all their non-sanctioned competitors and include these classes on their show programs.

Affiliate High Point finals will be held at each Affiliate's last show prior to the Australian National Reining Championships of that year, with exception to those Affiliates in Tasmania and WA.

All competitors will start as Green Rider Level 1 and remain at that level till the end of the year regardless of the number of points they attain throughout the year. Whatever level a rider starts the year at 1st January (Level 1 or Level 2) they will remain in till the end of the year.

To be eligible for the program a competitor needs to be a Non-Pro.

Riders may use a horse without the restriction of ownership as defined under the non pro conditions.

Once a rider is not eligible for Rookie Level 1, they are automatically ineligible for the Green Rider program as of the 1st of January.

How it works

Each Affiliate will run these classes in conjunction with their Club Shows throughout the year, Green Rider Level 1 & 2 will be run concurrently, **competitors can only compete in one level.**

Green Rider Level 1 Open to any rider holding valid RA Green Rider card and has less than \$100 in RA lifetime earnings, all categories, to have less than twenty-five (25) lifetime Youth points and less than fifty (50) Green Rider points.

Green Rider Level 2 Open to any rider holding valid RA Green Rider card and has less than \$100 in RA lifetime earnings, all categories, to have less than twenty-five (25) lifetime Youth points, 50 Green Rider points but less than hundred (100) Green points.

Green Rider Level 1 & 2 Conditions

- All riders must pay the Annual fee of \$50 to be in the program, unless they are RA Full Members
- Entry fees are to be determined by show management
- Show management cannot charge exhibitors a judge's fee
- Show management can retain any percentage of the entry fee
- Must use patterns 1 – 13. However simple lead changes are allowed, and the rider may use one (1) or two (2) hands on the reins or change from one handed to two handed throughout the performance.
- Any legal headgear and equipment allowed.

The Point System

Points will be awarded based on number in class up to 10 points

10 and over in a class points – 1st 10, 2nd 9, 3rd 8, 4th 7, 5th 6, 6th 5, 7th 4, 8th 3, 9th 2, 10th 1

For classes with under 10 competitors – points will be awarded based on the number in the class e.g.

5 competitors, 5,4,3,2 and 1

2 competitors, 2 and 1

8 competitors, 8,7,6,5,4,3,2 and 1

No points are awarded for 0 scores.

- Tied places will receive the same points equally.
- Affiliate High Point Finals, ties will be separated by highest scoring run for that year
- If both get the highest scoring run, then we look at the next highest scoring run and so on.

Affiliate High Points

1. Each Affiliate will hold a High Point throughout the year with the final held at their last club show prior to the Australian National Reining Championships.
2. To be eligible for Green Rider High Point a competitor must be a member of that Affiliate at the time of points being counted.
3. Affiliate winners will be announced on the RA Website and will be awarded a Green Rider Jacket
4. A competitor can only be awarded a High Point Jacket at one Affiliate.

Reining Australia National Trophy Buckles

Entrants in the Green Rider program will also have the opportunity to run in their designated class at the Australian National Reining Championship with trophy buckles to be awarded to the winners of these two classes, this will be a clean slate final.

If a rider accumulates over 100 points during the year, they will still be eligible to compete in Green Rider level 2 at the Nationals of that year.

A rider can only compete in one level.

Whatever level a rider starts the year at 1st January (Level 1 or Level 2) they will remain in till the end of the year and will be eligible to compete at that level at the Australian National Reining Championships.

A rider must compete at least once at their Affiliate to compete at Australian National Reining Championships.

Thomas Arena Products (Errol & Gita Thomas) kindly sponsor the awards to each affiliate for each of their winners of Green Rider Level 1 and Level 2 and Green Rider Buckles at the Australian National Reining Championships.



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