



New for 2018!

Limited Distance Challenge

We would like to offer our limited distance riders a new challenge as we recognize that many individuals do not want to step up to 50 miles a day, but do enjoy riding 25-30 miles in consecutive days. Therefore, we are introducing the Limited Distance Challenge at this year's, 2018 Distance Horse National Championships to be held on Oct. 26-28, 2018 at the Spook Run Site in Henryville, IN.

The care and safety of the horses is our number one priority. The challenge will be over 3 consecutive days.

Rules:

1. Open to all equines.
2. The rider must enter the LD Challenge (fill out the entry form and pay the LD Challenge fee of \$20) prior to the start of the first ride.
3. The rider must ride the same horse each day.
4. The rider must complete all three days.
5. The pulse criteria will be 56 at each Vet Check and 56 at completion of the ride.
6. The riders must have a CRI as part of the completion veterinary examination at the end of each day.
7. Points will be awarded as outlined below in Appendix A - Scoring for:
 - A. the placings for each of the three individual days;
 - B. the CRI points for each of the three individual days; and
 - C. the placings based on the total of the Veterinary Score and Weight Factor as calculated using the AERC Best Condition system following completion of the ride.
8. All LD Challenge competitors will be given a completion award.
9. Prizes will be awarded to First through Fifth individual/horse combinations.
10. First tie breaker is the rider/horse combination with the highest Veterinary Score and Weight Factor as calculated using the AERC Best Condition system following completion of the ride.
11. Second tie breaker will be the total of the AERC Best Condition scores for each day.
12. Third tie would be the one that finished the most in the Top Ten for all 3 days.
13. If still tied, then the tied competitors will flip a coin.

Appendix A - LD Challenge Scoring					
PLACING POINTS		CRI POINTS		VET SCORE/WEIGHT FACTOR POINTS	
PLACING	POINTS	CRI BPM increase	POINTS	PLACING	POINTS
1	22	0	5	1	22
2	20	1	4	2	20
3	17	2	3	3	17
4	15	3	2	4	15
5	12	4	0	5	12
6	10			6	10
7	9			7	9
8	8			8	8
9	7			9	7
10	6			10	6
11th and beyond	4			11th and beyond	4