

2025 PCQHA Hi Point Awards Program
January 18, 2025

City & Ranch Divisional Hi Point Awards

- PCQHA will present 8 Hi Point Awards in 2025 (See List Below)
- The Award Show Year will run from **Jan 1, 2025, to Oct 15, 2025.**
- The Hi Point winners will receive the PCQHA Three-headed Trophy plus a leather halter with name plate to recognizes the accomplishment.
- The Reserve Hi Point winners will receive a leather halter with name plate to recognizes the accomplishment
- Awards will be presented at the annual membership meeting to be held during the first quarter of the following year (2026)
- ***Continuation of this program in subsequent years is at the discretion of the PCQHA board. The PCQHA board reserves the right to modify future award programs including the right to discontinue the current offerings***

City & Ranch Hi Point Rules

- There **must be two eligible exhibitors** in a division for awards to be guaranteed
- Exhibitors must show at a minimum of two different AQHA shows to be eligible
 - Special events will not count
- Exhibitors must show in at least two different classes at a minimum of two shows within their respective division (Halter does not count towards the two different classes)
- Exhibitors must earn a minimum of 10 show points. **AQHA Points DO NOT count**
- Show points earned in halter will count, however there are no additional points for Grand or Reserve and halter will not count as one of the two required classes
- In case of a tie the following will be implemented in order
 - The horse or exhibitor with the greatest number of wins
 - The horse or exhibitor winning over the greatest number of horses

MEMBERSHIP – Note memberships are time stamped and can be purchased online at www.pcqha.com

1. **The exhibitor(s) and the owner(s) of the horse must both be members of AQHA & PCQHA in good standing.**
 - a. If the horse is leased the exhibitor showing the horse and the person(s) leasing the horse (horse owner) must be all be members
 - b. If the exhibitor is a professional in the Open division, they must be a member in addition to the owner(s) of the horse.
 - c. If the owner(s) of the horse on the AQHA registration papers differ from the name of the exhibitor, for example the owners of the horse are Joe & Sue Smith, and the exhibitor is Sue Smith two memberships will need to be purchased.
 - d. If the owner of the horse is a Ranch, Corporation, Company, Syndicate or Trust a membership must be purchased in the name of the legal ownership entity
 - e. If the owner of the horse and exhibitor are the same only one membership is required
2. The exact names of the horse, owner(s) and exhibitor(s) registered with AQHA must be used when completing the PCQHA membership form

3. Memberships must be purchased prior to points earned at a show to count. Points earned prior to the membership(s) received by PCQHA will not be counted
4. In the event the name(s) appearing on any show results for the owner(s) and/or exhibitor(s) differs from the name(s) appearing on the membership card for the owner(s) and/or exhibitor(s), no points will be counted. Accuracy is the responsibility of the exhibitor

DISQUALIFICATION

1. The exhibitor(s) and the owner(s) of the horse must be in good standing with both AQHA & PCQHA for points to count
2. If an exhibitor and/or owner(s) are found not to be in good standing and/or incur a suspension from AQHA during the show year (Jan 1, 2025 – Oct 31, 2025) for any reason, points will be voided in the division that the suspend exhibitor and/or horse was showing in.
 - a. For example, the rider of the horse in the Open division is suspended but the horse is also being shown in the Youth Division. Points will be voided in the Open division only unless the horse is also suspended per AQHA rules
 - b. If the exhibitor is suspended in either the Youth or Amateur divisions but the horse is not suspending and is showing in the Open division with a different rider in good standing only the points in the Youth or Amateur divisions would be voided. Points earned in the Open division would still count.

AWARD DIVISIONS

- **Open City Horse** – Awarded to the horse earning the highest number of show points regardless of the rider, from January 1, 2025, thru October 15, 2025.
- **Youth** – Awarded to a single horse/rider combination earning the highest number of show points from January 1, 2025, thru October 15, 2025
- **Amateur** – Awarded to a single horse/rider combination earning the highest number of show points from January 1, 2025, thru October 15, 2025
- **Select** – Awarded to a single horse/rider combination earning the highest number of show points from January 1, 2025, thru October 15, 2025
- **Open Ranch Horse** – Awarded to the horse earning the highest number of show points regardless of the rider, from January 1, 2025, thru October 15, 2025.
- **Youth Ranch** – Awarded to a single horse/rider combination earning the highest number of show points from January 1, 2025, thru October 15, 2025.
- **Amateur Ranch** – Awarded to a single horse/rider combination earning the highest number of show points from January 1, 2025, thru October 15, 2025
- **Select Ranch** – Awarded to a single horse/rider combination earning the highest number of show points from January 1, 2025, thru October 15, 2025

	Open	Amateur	Select**	Youth
City Division				
Halter	X	X	X*	X
Showmanship		X	X	X
Western Pleasure	X	X	X	X
Horsemanship		X	X	X
Western Riding	X	X	X	X
Trail	X	X	X	X
Hunter Under Saddle	X	X	X	X
Hunt Seat Equitation		X	X	X

Ranch Division				
Halter	X	X	X*	X
VRH Confirmation	X	X	X*	X
Ranch Riding	X	X	X	X
Ranch Trail	X	X	X	X
Working Western Rail	X	X	X	X
Reining	X	X	X	X
Boxing	X	X	X	X
Cutting	X	X	X	X
Working Cowhorse	X	X	X	X

* - Select halter is not an offered class therefore points earned from amateur halter will count towards the award in the select division

** - If the corresponding class is not offered in the select division or in cases where amateur and select are combined the show points earned will count in the respective divisions for the year end award.

- For example, if Hunt Seat Equitation is combined into an amateur all ages and the select rider places second (2) in a class of nine (9), then the eight (8) show points earned would be credited to that rider under the select division.
- If a select exhibitor voluntarily shows in the corresponding class offered in the amateur division show points earned **will NOT transfer** to the select division

The list above represents the known offering of classes proposed for AQHA shows in California for 2025. **Classes offered at special events do not count.**

PCQHA SHOW POINTS - Based on Number shown - (NOTE AQHA Points DO NOT COUNT)

# Horses	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	6 th	7 th	8 th	9 th
1	1			Placings					
2	2	1							
3	3	2	1						
4	4	3	2	1					
5	5	4	3	2	1				
6	6	5	4	3	2	1			
7	7	6	5	4	3	2	1		
8	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	
9	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1

2025 Eligible Shows

As of January 1, 2025, these are the known AQHA shows for California that would be offering the full slate of eligible classes.

SHOW	LOCATION	DATES
Back 2 Basics	Rancho Murieta	Jan 29 – Feb 2
Show me The Money	Burbank	April 9 – April 13
Show of the Year	Rancho Murieta	April 24 – April 27
Mother's Day Circuit	Paso Robles	April 30 – May 4
Brookside Bonanza	Elk Grove	May 29 – June 1
AQHB of SCV	Watsonville	July 23 – July 27
California Championship	Paso Robles	Aug 27 – Aug 31
Brookside Bonanza - Fall	Elk Grove	Oct 2 – Oct 5