2017

National Reining Horse Association EUROPEAN FUTURITY

161,000€* ADDED OPEN – *107.800€ Nomination* 65,000€* ADDED NON PRO – *46.200€ Nomination*

92,000€* ADDED LEVEL 4 OPEN – 38.400€ Nomination 38,000€* ADDED LEVEL 3 OPEN – 38.400€ Nomination 21,000€* ADDED LEVEL 2 OPEN – 21.900€ Nomination 10,000€* ADDED LEVEL 1 OPEN – 10.900€ Nomination

36,000€* ADDED LEVEL 4 NON PRO – 16.400€ Nomination 16,000€* ADDED LEVEL 3 NON PRO – 16.400€ Nomination 9,000€* ADDED LEVEL 2 NON PRO – 9.400€ Nomination 4.000€* ADDED LEVEL 1 NON PRO – 4.700€ Nomination

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Entry Deadline: Futurity: February 25, 2017 Ancillary: March 2, 2017
 Entries by online-inscriptions, fax and/or mail shall be binding. Entries and stable reservations will not be handled before receipt of payment.

By submitting the entry form rider/horse owner accepts all show conditions and regulations and the 2017 NRHA Rules and Regulation. Rider/horse owner will follow all instructions by the show management. All decisions made by the show management are binding and final.

- 2. To be held March 27 April 1, 2017 in Cremona, Italy.
- 3. For 4-year-old horses Open to all breeds Entry must be named and nominated into the European Nomination Program at the time of entry. See the current *NRHA Handbook* for information on how the age of a horse is determined.

4. **PARTICIPATION:**

Entries will not be considered unless forms are completely filled in and received by the organizer in due time, accompanied by horse documentation (AQHA, APHA, etc.) including NRHA Competition License, a copy of the valid NRHA Membership Card (rider and owner), and evidence of payment of all fees. Permission to participate will not be granted unless a valid NRHA Membership Card is provided latest on the day of the event, regardless if a NRHA Membership Card exists and is valid at the time of the event.

Rider/horse owner assures that the horse(s) is free of any contagious diseases, properly vaccinated according to Italian regulations and laws and carries public liability insurance at the time the horse arrives at the show grounds. Rider/horse owner is aware of that they are personally liable of any damages caused by the horse if there is no liability insurance. The horse owner shall indemnify and hold harmless show organizer against any claims or legal proceedings brought by third parties.

The rider commits himself to pay the entry and stable fees, even in the event of his withdrawal with just cause.

The horse's ID paper (horse passport) and an additional health certificate for foreign competitors must be presented at the show office. A valid coggin test (24 months) is mandatory

- 5. NRHA COMPETITION LICENSE: All horses competing in NRHA approved competitions will be required to have an NRHA competition license upon entering the NRHA European Futurity. A completed NRHA competition license application, copy of breed registration papers (or pictures for grade horses), and license fee must accompany the entry form if not previously applied for. Entries will not be accepted and will be returned if received without a license application for horses not already licensed and applicable late fees will be assessed. A photocopy of the breed registration papers must accompany application for registered horses. For non-registered horses, photographs showing full left and right sides and full front and back views, specifically showing all marks of identification, must be submitted with the application. Owners are required to be members of NRHA prior to completing the license process. If current year membership has not been paid, complete a membership application and return it with the competition license application. (Refer to the membership requirements in the current NRHA Handbook or at www.nrha.com.)
- 6. Owners and riders must be members of the NRHA. All riders must have individual memberships. (Refer to the membership requirements in the current *NRHA Handbook*.) Owners may enter more than one horse. Riders may ride no more than three horses per futurity class.
- 7. All added monies will be expressed in euros until January 1 and then calculated to U.S. dollars. All other fees will be expressed in euros with the conversion rate to be established on January 1.
- 8. The show retainage for the NRHA European Futurity will be 50% in addition to the standard 5% show fee deduction.
- 9. PAYMENT OF FEES: Complete payment information will be included on the entry form. It is the owner's responsibility to make the entry on or before the due date. Show Management will not be responsible for entries not received by the due date or lost in the mail. An entry check returned due to insufficient funds will constitute an incomplete entry. Failure to pay applies to the rider, owner, or agent for any unpaid debts, related to the entry, exhibition, showing, stalling, or any related fee of an entry at an approved NRHA event. Agent is defined as anyone who acts and/or signs on the behalf of an owner or rider (see General Rules and Regulations, F. Failure to pay in the current NRHA Handbook).
- 10. **REFUNDS**: Refund of 50% of the entry fees paid will be refunded for horses entered and scratched for medical reasons only. Supporting letters of a veterinarian must accompany the scratch notices. Scratch notices received without veterinarian statements will not receive any refunds
- 11. <u>SUBSTITUTION/TRANSFER OF ENTRY</u>: Substitutions of horses/entries will be permitted after **February 25, 2017** but must be completed before 5pm two days prior to the first go-round, a penalty of 10% of the entry fee will apply. Ancillary class entry deadline is **March 2, 2017**.
- 12. **SCRATCHES**: Show management must be notified if an entry will be scratched. If the scratched entry has a balance due, that amount must still be paid.
- 13. <u>CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP</u>: An entered horse may change ownership and retain entry status under the new owner provided that the transfer of the NRHA competition license is complete and the new owner is a member of the National Reining Horse Association.
- 14. **JUDGE'S FEE:** The Judges fee of 140€/70€ is due at the time entry is made.
- 15. <u>JUDGES:</u> There will be five judges placed at different points in the arena: the high score and the low score will be eliminated with only the total of the remaining three scores used to determine the final score. These judges will be selected from the approved NRHA Judges list. A pre check will be utilized
- 16. PAYEE: Prize money will be paid to the owner as recorded in the NRHA database at the start of the event or designated agent. The prize money will be paid by bank transfer to the bank account of the Recipient of Invoice as filled in the entry form. Recipient of Invoice is responsible to provide the correct information for bank transfer. Show organizer is entitled to deduct any outstanding receivables related in any way to the entry form from the prize money. For foreign recipient of prize money (place of residence is not Italy) this applies also to the withholding according to the Italian tax law. As a rule, after deduction of VAT from the prize money as well as from the commercial value of product awards. The withholding tax will be calculated

separately for each class. At request the withholding tax has to be certified. Foreign recipient of prize money exempted from the withholding tax need to provide a declaration of exemption together with the entry form, but latest by February 25, 2017. Recipient of prize money is fully responsible for submission of any information in a thorough and proper way.

- 17. <u>TIES</u>: In the event of a tie in a final, the tie-breaking procedures as outlined in the current year *NRHA Handbook* will be used to break the tie.
- 18. RIGHT TO CANCEL: Entries are received subject to the right of Italian Reining Horse Association and NRHA Executive Committee to refuse the entry, or a transfer of the entry, without notice to the subscriber. Acceptance of the entry is based on the representations made on the entry form. Decisions of the Executive Committee will be final. Riders are responsible to know and adhere to eligibility requirements for NRHA events. A rider who enters an event or division in which he/she is ineligible, will forfeit all winnings and entry fees to the NRHA, and be subjected to disciplinary action by the NRHA Board of Directors for unsportsmanlike conduct as set forth in the current NRHA Handbook. The rider is responsible for the entry information regardless of whether the form is completed by the agent or owner. The Show Management reserves the right to cancel this event without notice at any time prior to the contest without liability, but in such event will return all entry money to the payee. Interest earned on all fees is the property of Show Management.
- 19. NRHA rules will apply unless specifically deleted or altered. These rules and conditions are subject to change by action of Italian Reining Horse Association and the NRHA Board of Directors.
- 20. Show Management reserves the right to discipline any person that it concludes has abused or permitted abusive behavior against a horse, or engaged in unsportsmanlike conduct toward show management, judges or exhibitors. Discipline may include official warning, elimination from competition or any other action deemed appropriate by the show management.
- 21. <u>Conditions Changes</u>: Italian Reining Horse Association and the NRHA Board of Directors reserves the right to interpret, modify or amend conditions for the NRHA European Futurity. If requiring immediate attention, those rights will be deferred to the Executive Committee.
- 22. **Switching from the Open Futurity to the Non Pro Futurity.** After **February 25, 2017** but by 5pm two days prior to the first go-round, any entry may switch from the Open Futurity to the Non Pro Futurity. That entry will then be placed in a group to precede the regular draw in the reverse order that they were received. The difference in entry fee will be refunded, with the exception of 10% which will remain in the Open purse.
- 23. Switching from the Non Pro Futurity to the Open Futurity. After **February 25, 2017** but by 5pm two days prior to the first go-round, any entry may switch from the Non Pro Futurity to the Open Futurity by paying the difference between the two entry fees plus a penalty of 10% of the entry fee difference. The 10% penalty will remain in the Non Pro Futurity. That entry will then be placed in a group to precede the regular draw in the reverse order that they were received. There will be no refunds. The entire amount of the entry fee will be moved to the Open purse.
- 24. The Restricted European Eligibility will apply for all Category 6 Futurity classes.
- 25. Ribbon Presentation: Prize money will be paid only if the rider shows up at the ribbons presentation in show outfit and with the horse.
- 26. Payments: A handling fee of 20 € will be charged for unpaid debit notes.

27. Animal Welfare and Medications Testing

All horses entered in the NRHA European Futurity are subject to examination. Please refer to the NRHA European Region Animal Welfare and Medications policy for details on the Animal Welfare and Medications Rule. It is not NRHA's intention to conflict with rules and regulations of states, provinces or countries in regards to medications. In cases, where NRHA shows are held in states, provinces or countries with medications rules and regulations, the rules and regulations of the state, province or country take precedence.

28. Finalists and Payout Schedule

Number of entries	=	Number of Automatic Finalists
36 and under		40% of the entries
from 37 to 60	=	15
from 61 to100	=	20
101 and more	=	25

29. Consolation Round

		Number to the Consolation	Number back to the
Number of horses not to the finals	=	Round	Finals
36 and under		40% of the entries	2
from 37 to 60	=	15	3
from 61 to 100	=	20	4
101 and more	=	25	5

- a) Any eligible entry wishing to enter the consolation round must declare their intent to do so by noon the day before the class is to run.
- b) There are no consolation round purses or entry fees.
- c) The consolation round is a clean-slate format.
- d) No schooling in the consolation round is permitted.

30. Payout

Payout Open Level 1, 2, 3 & 4 Non Pro Level 1, 2, 3 & 4

- The entire payout purse will be used for the finals.
- Every finalist will get a guaranteed base payout for the Level he/she made it back in plus a percentage from the left over purse for that Level following the schedules below.

Guaranteed base payout fee									
C	pen		Non Pro						
Level 4	600€		Level 4	300€					
Level 3	400€		Level 3	200€					
Level 2	200€		Level 2	150€					
Level 1	€100€		Level 1	50€					

Payout: Open Level 1, 2, 3 & 4 & Non Pro level 1, 2, 3 & 4

If the number of finalists, without ties, is less than 16, use NRHA Payback Schedule B

If the number of finalists, without ties, is 16:

1.	23,00%	6.	7,00%	11.	2,75%	16	1,25%
2.	14,00%	7.	6,00%	12.	2,50%		
3.	10,50%	8.	4,50%	13.	2,00%		
4.	9,00%	9.	3,25%	14.	1,75%		
5.	8,00%	10.	3,00%	15.	1,50%		

If the number of finalists, without ties, is 17:

1.	22,00%	6.	7,00%	11.	2,75%	16	1,25%
	14,00%				·		1,00%
3.	10,50%	8.	4,50%	13.	2,00%		
4.	9,00%	9.	3,25%	14.	1,75%		
5.	8,00%	10.	3,00%	15.	1,50%		

If the number of finalists, without ties, is 18

1.	19,00%	6.	6,00%	11.	2,60%	16	1,50%
2.	14,00%	7.	5,50%	12.	2,40%	17	1,30%
3.	11,00%	8.	5,00%	13.	2,20%	18	1,20%
4.	9,00%	9.	4,50%	14.	2,00%		
5.	7,00%	10.	4,00%	15.	1,80%		

If the number of finalists, without ties, is 23

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1.	17,00%	6.	6,00%	11.	2,65%	16.	1,90%	21	1,10%		
2.	14,00%	7.	4,25%	12.	2,50%	17.	1,75%	22	1,05%		
3.	11,00%	8.	3,10%	13.	2,35%	18.	1,60%	23	1,00%		
4.	9,00%	9.	2,95%	14.	2,20%	19.	1,45%				
5.	7,00%	10.	2,80%	15.	2,05%	20.	1,30%				

If the number of finalists, without ties, is 24

1.	17,00%	6.	4,85%	11.	2,65%	16.	1,90%	21	1,15%
2.	14,00%	7.	4,25%	12.	2,50%	17.	1,75%	22	1,10%
3.	11,00%	8.	3,10%	13.	2,35%	18.	1,60%	23	1,05%
4.	9,00%	9.	2,95%	14.	2,20%	19.	1,45%	24	1,00%
5.	7,00%	10.	2,80%	15.	2,05%	20.	1,30%		

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1.	15,50%	6.	6,00%	11.	2,10%	16.	1,65%	21	1,40%	26	1,15%
2.	12,00%	7.	5,00%	12.	2,00%	17.	1,60%	22	1,35%	27	1,10%
3.	10,00%	8.	3,50%	13.	1,90%	18.	1,55%	23	1,30%	28	1,05%
4.	8,00%	9.	2,75%	14.	1,80%	19.	1,50%	24	1,25%	29	1,00%
5.	7,00%	10.	2,20%	15.	1,70%	20.	1,45%	25	1,20%		

If the number of finalists, without ties, is 30

1.	15,00%	6.	4,50%	11.	2,00%	16.	1,75%	21	1,50%	26	1,25%
2.	12,00%	7.	4,00%	12.	1,95%	17.	1,70%	22	1,45%	27	1,20%
3.	10,00%	8.	3,50%	13.	1,90%	18.	1,65%	23	1,40%	28	1,15%
4.	8,00%	9.	3,00%	14.	1,85%	19.	1,60%	24	1,35%	29	1,10%
5.	7,00%	10.	2,50%	15.	1,80%	20.	1,55%	25	1,30%	30	1,05%

The percentages will be calculated using the remaining entry fees, plus the added purse, and guaranteed base payout have been deducted. At no time will the purse payout exceed 100%.

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(All levels will run concurrently)

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1. All Futurity Event conditions 1 through 27 shall apply.

2. Entry and judge fees is payable in 1 payment on or before February 25, 2017, See below for appropriate fees

Levels to Enter	Entry fee	Judges fee	Total		
1, 2	300€	70€	370€		
1, 2, 3	700€	100€	800€		
3, 4	1.000€	140€	1.140€		

3. **LATE ENTRIES:** If the entry is not made on or before **February 25, 2017**, the following late fees will apply:

Levels to Enter	Late Fee Feb 26 to 2 days prior
1, 2	75€
1, 2, 3	100€
3, 4	250€

Those entries received February 25, 2017 until two days prior to the first go-round will be considered post entries and will be included in a group preceding the regular draw order in the reverse order that they are received.

4. ENTRY FEE ALLOCATION: Entry fees will be allocated to each level that is entered:

Level 4 Open	600€
Level 3 Open	400€
Level 2 Open	200€
Level 1 Open	100€

- 5. Entry into the Level 3, 2 or 1 Open division will be automatic based upon rider eligibility. Please see the current **Restricted European Eligibility** for eligibility requirements. For members giving up Non Pro cards, please refer to the Non Pro conditions in the current *NRHA Handbook*.
- 6. <u>LEVEL 4 OPEN DIVISION</u>: The Level 4 Open division purse will have 92.000€ added. Of the 1000€ entry fee, 400€ will be deducted for the Level 3 Open purse for each Level 3 eligible entry. The entry fees less the 50% show retainage fee and the standard 5% show fee deduction, will be added back; with 100% going to the finals. The Level 4 Open division will consist of one go-round, a Consolation Round and a finals. The winner will be determined by the finals score.

- LEVEL 4 OPEN DIVISION FINALISTS AND PAYOUTS: The number of finalists advancing to the finals and finals
 payouts will be determined by the schedule outlined in event conditions #25, #26 and #27. For the number of finalists
 qualifying to the consolation round, see event conditions #26.
- 8. <u>LEVEL 3 OPEN DIVISION:</u> The Level 3 Open division purse will have 38,000€ added, plus a 400€ division allocation for each Level 3 Open eligible entry less the 50% show retainage fee and the standard 5% show fee deduction; with 100% going to the finals. The Level 3 Open division will consist of one go-round, a consolation round and a finals. The winner will be determined by the finals score.
- 9. <u>LEVEL 3 OPEN DIVISION FINALISTS AND PAYOUTS:</u> The number of finalists advancing to the finals and finals payouts will be determined by the schedule outlined in event conditions #25, #26 and #27. For the number of finalists qualifying to the consolation round, see event conditions #26.
- 10. **LEVEL 2 OPEN DIVISION**: The Level 2 Open division purse will have 21,000€ added. Of the 300€ entry fee, 100€ will be deducted for the Level 1 Open purse for each Level 1 Open eligible entry. The entry fees less the 50% show retainage fee and the standard 5% show fee deduction, will be added back; with 100% going to the finals. The Level 2 Open division will consist of one go-round, a consolation round and a finals. The winner will be determined by the finals score.
- 11. <u>LEVEL 2 OPEN DIVISION FINALISTS AND PAYOUTS:</u> The number of finalists advancing to the finals and finals payouts will be determined by the schedule outlined in event conditions #24, #25 and #26. For the number of finalists qualifying to the consolation round, see event conditions #25.
- 12. **LEVEL 1 OPEN DIVISION:** The Level 1 Open division purse will have 10,000€ added, plus a 100€ division allocation for each Level 1 Open eligible entry less the 50% show retainage fee and the standard 5% show fee deduction; with 100% going to the finals. The Level 1 Open division will consist of one go-round, a consolation round and a finals. The winner will be determined by the finals score.
- 13. <u>LEVEL 1 OPEN DIVISION FINALISTS AND PAYOUTS:</u> The number of finalists advancing to the finals and finals payouts will be determined by the schedule outlined in event conditions #25, #26 and #27. For the number of finalists qualifying to the consolation round, see event conditions #26.
- 14. The finals will be a clean slate format.
- 15. All horses that advance to finals will receive a paycheck (exception: No Scores).
- 16. The score of the go-round will count for all levels (Level 1, 2, 3 and 4) the rider is entered in the Non Pro Divisions. Separate purses will be paid for each level.

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(All levels will run concurrently)

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- 1. All Futurity Event conditions 1 through 27 shall apply.
- Non Pro entries must qualify under the Non Pro definition and Non Pro ownership definition as stated in the current NRHA Handbook. All riders are responsible to know and adhere to eligibility requirements for NRHA events. Acceptance of the entry by the show management is based upon the representation made on the entry form regardless of who completes said form.

3. Entry and judge fees is payable in one payment on or before February 25, 2017, See below for appropriate fees

Levels to Enter	Entry fee	Judges fee	Total
1, 2	200€	75€	275,00€
1, 2, 3	400€	100€	500,00€
3, 4	500€	140€	640,00€

4. **LATE ENTRIES:** If entry is not made on or before February 25, 2017, the following late fees will apply:

Levels to Enter	Late Fee Feb 26 to 2 days prior
1, 2	50€
1, 2, 3	60€
3, 4	75€

Those entries received February 25, 2017 until two days prior to the first go-round will be considered post entries and will be included in a group preceding the regular draw order in the reverse order that they are received.

5. **ENTRY FEE ALLOCATION:** Entry fees will be allocated to each level that is entered:

Level 4 Non Pro	300€
Level 3 Non Pro	200€
Level 2 Non Pro	150€
Level 1 Non Pro	50€

- 6. Entry into the Level 3, 2 or 1 Non Pro division will be automatic based upon rider eligibility. Please see the current **Restricted European Eligibility** for eligibility requirements.
- 7. <u>LEVEL 4 NON PRO DIVISION</u>: The Level 4 Non Pro division purse will have 36.000€ added. Of the 500€ entry fee, 200€ will be deducted for the Level 3 Non Pro purse for each Level 3 eligible entry. The entry fees less the 50% show retainage fee and the standard 5% show fee deduction, will be added back; with 100% going to the finals. The Level 4 Non Pro division will consist of one go-round, a consolation round and a finals. The winner will be determined by the finals score.

- 8. <u>LEVEL 4 NON PRO DIVISION FINALISTS AND PAYOUTS:</u> The number of finalists advancing to the finals and finals payouts will be determined by the schedule outlined in event conditions #25, #26 and #27. For the number of finalists qualifying to the consolation round, see event conditions #26.
- 9. <u>LEVEL 3 NON PRO DIVISION:</u> The Level 3 Non Pro division purse will have 16,000€ added plus a 200€ division allocation for each Level 3 Non Pro eligible entry less the 50% show retainage fee and the standard 5% show fee deduction; with 100% going to the finals. The Level 3 Non Pro division will consist of one go-round, a consolation round and a finals. The winner will be determined by the finals score.
- 10. <u>LEVEL 3 NON PRO DIVISION FINALISTS AND PAYOUTS:</u> The number of finalists advancing to the finals and finals payouts will be determined by the schedule outlined in event conditions #25, #26 and #27. For the number of finalists qualifying to the consolation round, see event conditions #26
- 11. <u>LEVEL 2 NON PRO DIVISION:</u> The Level 2 Non Pro division purse will have 9,000€ added. Of the 200€ entry fee, 50€ will be deducted for the Level 1 Non Pro purse for each Level 1 Non Pro eligible entry. The entry fees less the 50% show retainage fee and the standard 5% show fee deduction, will be added back; with 100% going to the finals. The Level 2 Non Pro division will consist of one go-round, a consolation round, and a final. The winner will be determined by the finals score.
- 12. <u>LEVEL 2 NON PRO DIVISION FINALISTS AND PAYOUTS:</u> The number of finalists advancing to the finals and finals payouts will be determined by the schedule outlined in event conditions #25, #26 and #27. For the number of finalists qualifying to the consolation round, see event conditions #26
- 13. <u>LEVEL 1 NON PRO DIVISION:</u> The Level 1 Non Pro Division purse will have 4,000€ added, plus a 50€ division allocation for each Level 1 Non Pro eligible entry less the 50% show retainage fee and the standard 5% show fee deduction; with 100% going to the finals. The Level 1 Open division will consist of one go-round, a consolation round and a finals. The winner will be determined by the finals score.
- 14. <u>LEVEL 1 NON PRO DIVISION FINALISTSAND PAYOUTS:</u> The number of finalists advancing to the finals and finals payouts will be determined by the schedule outlined in event conditions #24, #25 and #26. For the number of finalists qualifying to the consolation round, see event conditions #25.
- 15. The finals will be a clean slate format.
- 16. All horses that advance to finals will receive a paycheck (exception: No Scores).
- 17. The score of the go-round will count for all levels (Level 1, 2, 3 and 4) the rider is entered in the Non Pro divisions. Separate purses will be paid for each level.