

January 3, 2018

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Happy New Year! Ready to go on the road?

Recently, Rocking K Productions was informed that the amateurs would like to be included in the Mercuria program. It did not happen, but perhaps together we can work through a way to make it happen.

The money cannot come out of the Mercuria money. It would dilute their purse and be against the rules. If this February show of ours can prove it can be done another way??? Maybe it will receive NCHA's blessing for future shows. If we float this format out there and see what happens, then it could always be tweaked and made better by NCHA and other shows!

Here is what we are offering:

Rocking K Productions will add \$15,000 to the "Invitational Amateur Blow Out In Vegas"

* One go round and a finals

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| * Jackpot | \$300 | 3 ½ head in go round |
| Office Charge | \$75 | 4 head in finals |
| Cattle Charge | \$300 | |
| <u>Cattle Surcharge</u> | <u>\$10</u> | |
| | \$685 Total EF | |

* All amateurs that have not won more than \$100,000 in lifetime earnings as of January 1, 2018 are invited to enter.

* If any rider wins the go round and the finals both, they will receive a bonus.

* If any amateur with \$50,000 or less in lifetime earnings (as of January 1, 2018) wins the go round or the finals, they will receive a bonus.

* 25% to the finals with a maximum of 12 plus ties

* "Invitational Amateur Blow Out In Vegas" finalists will be introduced with the Mercuria finalists. They will compete in this order on the night of the finals: Amateurs – Non Pro – Open.

* \$2250 will be paid in the go round – 3 places – 1. \$1100 2. \$750 3. \$500

* Rest of money to be paid out in finals:
65 entries - \$32,250 finals purse
50 entries - \$27,750 finals purse
30 entries - \$21,750 finals purse

* All finalists will receive a check; Minimum of 1½ times entry fee guaranteed

* There must be 30 entries to hold this event.

* Exhibitors must be a member of NCHA and in good standing.

* Each exhibitor can only show one horse.

* Three judges will be used.

If you have ever attended one of our Mercuria events, you will know what a HUGE event it is for us. We put on a full blown NFR type opening. Ringside tables are available for purchase. They are complete with bars and cocktail waitresses plus hot and cold hors d'oeuvres.

Our "Invitational Amateur Blow Out In Vegas" riders will be showcased to the same exact level as the Mercuria riders.

Hope you guys like this! Let's give it a try and maybe it could become an NCHA and other shows' class. The only bad news is because it is not approved by any of our approving affiliates or NCHA, as it is just an invitational test, the earnings will NOT count towards any year end awards for any of those.

Thanks,
Paula Gaughan