



REINS OF LIFE, INC.

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Driving Fun Show

SUNDAY, JULY 23, 2023

Judge Gracie Ferries

10:30 AM Rain or Shine

1. In- Hand Trail- Open
2. Ground Driving- Open
3. Gambler's Choice (no canter) – Open

10 MINUTE BREAK

4. Mini Cones Course- Open
5. Driven Dressage- Open
6. Combined Test (scores totaled from classes 4 and 5)- Open

30 MINUTE LUNCH BREAK

7. Pleasure Driving VSE
8. Reinsmanship VSE
9. Pleasure Driving Pony
10. Reinsmanship Pony
11. Pleasure Driving Horse/Draft
12. Reinsmanship Horse/Draft
13. Pleasure Driving Drivers with Disabilities All Sizes
14. Pleasure Driving Multiple Horse Hitch All Sizes
15. Reinsmanship Drivers with Disabilities All Sizes
16. Reinsmanship Multiple Horse Hitch All Sizes
17. Reinsmanship Under 18 All Sizes
18. Reinsmanship- Novice All Sizes
19. Championship Reinsmanship (1st place in classes 5, 7, 9, 11, 13, 14, 15)
20. Pleasure Driving Novice Drivers All Sizes
21. Pleasure Driving Drivers Under 18 All Sizes
22. Championship Pleasure Driving (1st place in classes 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 17, 18)

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 • **Come see some of the participants** •
 • **of the newest life-changing** •
 • **program at Reins of Life competing** •
 • **alongside members of the local** •
 • **horse community!** •

WARNING: Under Indiana law, an equine professional is not liable for an injury to, or the death of, a participant in equine activities resulting from the inherent risks of equine activities

Attire: May be driving show attire (aprons, gloves, etc.) or a clean and workmanlike collared shirt, long pants, and closed toe/closed heel footwear (ie no sandals or crocs).

ALL PARTICIPANTS IN YOUTH or DRIVERS WITH DISABILITIES CLASSES MUST WEAR ASTM-1163 HELMETS

DUE TO OUR PATH INTL ACCREDITATION THE FOLLOWING RULES MUST BE OBSERVED BY ALL COMPETITORS

- 1) The Driver must be the first person into the carriage and the last person out of the carriage. There must never be a passenger without a driver.
- 2) The horse can never be tied while hitched to the carriage.
- 3) The bridle must never be removed while the horse is hitched to the carriage.
- 4) The reins must never be removed from the bridle while the horse is hitched to the carriage.

Show management reserves the right to disqualify unsafe competitors

Entry fees: Youth/Drivers with Disabilities Classes	\$ 5.00	DECISIONS OF THE JUDGE IS FINAL
Open Classes	\$ 7.00	NO REFUNDS
Office Fee Per Driver/Handler	\$ 5.00	

Ribbons to 5th place. Classes close two classes prior. Separate numbers for each horse/handler combo.

NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR THEFT, PROPERTY DAMAGE OR ACCIDENTS TO HORSES OR RIDERS.
 NO STALLIONS ALL DOGS MUST BE ON A LEASH NO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES
 REFRESHMENTS ON SITE – PLEASE KEEP GROUNDS CLEAN

Show Rules and Class Descriptions

All Competitors must be signed off by our safety check official prior to his/her first class.

Equine Size Classifications

VSEs are Very Small Equines under 99cm (39 inches), with or without shoes.

Ponies are 99cm up to 148cm (58 inches or 14.2 hands).

Horses are over 148cm (58 inches).

Class descriptions

Novice classes are open to competitors who have never won first place in any driving event at a competition.

Multiple Horse Hitch classes are open to any recognized multi horse hitch configuration (pair, tandem, unicorn, 4 in hand, etc). Must have driver and second person on the vehicle for safety.

In Hand Trail is leading your horse through an obstacle course. Course will be posted at entry booth before show begins.

Ground Driving is ground driving your horse through a predetermined obstacle course. Course will be posted at entry booth 1 hour before show begins.

Gambler's Choice in this event you have two minutes to complete obstacles to earn points. Obstacles are assigned various points based on difficulty. All obstacles must be attempted once before any obstacle may be repeated twice. No penalties for refusals- they just waste time. No points for incomplete obstacles. Canter less than 3 strides is a 5 second time penalty. Canter more than three strides is a disqualification. Course will be posted at entry booth 1 hour before show begins.

Mini Cones Course

Shortened 10 gate format with numbered cones. Competitors will complete this timed event by going through gates in numerical order with the number on the right side of the driver when passing through the gate.

Driven Dressage

Will take place in indoor arena. Due to arena size (20x40 meters) competitors will drive 2023 USDF Introductory Level Test B. Copies of test at entry booth. Callers may be utilized.

Combined Test

Participants entered in both classes 4 and 5 will be automatically entered in this class. No extra driving required! Scores from 4 and 5 will be used.

Pleasure

A Pleasure Driving class in which entries are judged primarily on the suitability of the horse to provide a pleasant drive.

To be shown both ways of the arena at a walk, slow trot, working trot and strong trot. To stand quietly, both on the rail and while lined up, and to rein back. All entries chosen for a workout may be worked both ways of the arena at any gait requested by the judge and may be asked to execute appropriate tests.

To be judged: • 70% on performance, manners and way of going of the horse(s). • 20% on the condition and fit of harness and vehicle. • 10% on neatness of attire.

Reinsmanship

A Pleasure Driving class in which entries are judged primarily on the ability and skill of the driver.

To be shown both ways of the ring at a walk, slow trot, working trot and strong trot. Drivers are required to rein back.

All drivers chosen for a workout may be worked at any gait requested by the judge and may be asked to execute appropriate tests.

The driver should be seated comfortably on the box so as to be relaxed and effective. Either the one- or two-handed method of driving is acceptable. Drivers should not be penalized or rewarded for using one general style over another.

To be judged: • 75% on handling of reins and whip, control, posture, and overall impression of driver. • 25% on the condition of harness and vehicle and neatness of attire.

Barrel Racing

This is a timed event where horse and rider must go around three barrels. The barrels are arranged in a triangular shape and the horse and rider must run around them in a clover-leaf formation without knocking over any of the barrels. The fastest team with the best score wins. Canter less than 3 strides is a 5 second time penalty. Canter more than three strides is a disqualification.

Knocking over a barrel is a 5 second penalty. Pattern will be posted at entry booth 1 hour before show begins.

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Refreshments available onsite. Please keep grounds clean.