

Date: May 4, 2012

Attn: PCCHA Youth members and parents

Re: Rule changes for the Youth Year End awards and Latigo Canyon Ranch Invitational Qualifying rules

On May 2, 2012 the PCCHA Youth Fund Board of Directors approved the following changes to the 2012 PCYCHA Year End timeline and the qualifying rules for the Latigo Canyon Ranch Invitational cutting for 2012.

These changes were brought about by a rule change mandated by the NCHA regarding the start and finish dates for the NYCHA point year. The 2012 NYCHA point year will run from Jan. 1, 2012 through May 31, 2012. The 2013 NYCHA point year will run from June 1, 2012 through May 31, 2013. This change was instituted to determine qualifiers for the 2012 Youth World Finals.

The NCHA mandated that all affiliates comply with the new youth year so the PCYCHA has adjusted our point year as described below.

New rules to read as follows:

PCYCHA year-end point year: In order to conform with the newly adopted NCHA & PCCHA youth point year rule; the 2012 PCYCHA point year will run from December 3, 2011 to May 31, 2012, to be known as "Season 1". Awards for the December 3, 2011 – May 31, 2012 "Season 1" will be presented at the PCCHA Watsonville show (Saturday night Dinner Party presentation) on June 30, 2012.

The 2013 PCYCHA point year will run from June 1, 2012 to May 31, 2013, to be known as "Season 2". The date for distribution of the 2013 year-end awards will be determined at a later date. The NYCHA age requirements for either division will be applicable to the new point year as of June 1, 2012.

Latigo Canyon Ranch (LCR) Invitational Cutting – 2012: The top ten junior and top ten senior youth from "Season 1" will be used to fill 3 positions for the 2012 LCR Invitational Cutting, and the top ten junior and top ten senior youth from "Season 2" up to September 30, 2012 will be used to fill 3 positions in each division for the 2012 LCR Invitational Cutting to be held during the PCCHA Futurity, according to the current LCR Invitational Cutting qualifying criteria.

If, because of the new NYCHA birthday requirements as of June 1, 2012, a youth is qualified in both the Junior and the Senior divisions he/she shall choose which one of the two divisions to show in at the 2012 LCR Invitational Cutting. This choice of division shall be communicated to the PCCHA office in writing no later than October 10, 2012. The 2013 qualifying year for the LCR Invitational cutting to be determined at a later date."

If you have any questions about these changes please feel free to contact Jim Bob Kaufmann, Kerrie Miller or Debbie McGregor.