

Big Sky Fox Trotter Association's 24th Annual Point Show

JUNE
20-22



**YOU'RE INVITED
TO....**

Big Sky Fox Trotter Association 24th Annual Breed Show!

Come celebrate this wonderful breed with us during our annual show in the beautiful Bitterroot Valley! Filled with fun and gorgeous horses there isn't a better way to meet fabulous people with the same passion for such a superb breed. We have in hand, versatility and performance classes for every level of rider and welcome professionals to the beginner. Please call with any questions or to reserve a spot!

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Show Judge

Honorable Karen Graddy

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The BSFTA welcomes all registered Missouri Fox Trotters and their riders to the beautiful Bitterroot Valley of Western Montana. Our annual show will once again be held at the Sapphire Event Center in Corvallis. Daily start times are as follows:

Thursday, June 20th, 6 p.m.

Youth Lead Line, Showmanship & Model

Friday, June 21st, 9 a.m.

Performance and Versatility

Saturday, June 22nd, 9 a.m.

Versatility

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Our Judge:

We consider ourselves very fortunate to have such an accomplished judge for our show in the honorable Karen Graddy. Karen joined the MFTHBA with the purchase of her first fox trotter in 1988. She was on the board of the Arkansas chapter of MFTHBA and was vice-president for four years and president for two years. She has been a show manager many times for the Southern Classic (a four-state charity show) and was instrumental in its creation and formation. Karen was on the first MFTHBA Judges Committee and remained on that committee for seven years. She helped create the program for Judges Seminars and judging qualification, created the testing format, and was instrumental in getting judging clinics held outside of Missouri. Karen was on the Rules Committee for three years as secretary. She helped revamp its Incorporation papers, created the by-laws and helped rewrite the rules. Karen was fortunate to receive the Mid-America Sportsmanship Award in the 1990's.

In 2011 Karen helped sell horses to a wonderful woman in Israel and, working with the shipper, she was able to travel with the horses on the cargo plane to Israel and spend 10 days there as a guest. And this year traveled to Egypt, and with other advocates.

Karen has judged one-judge and three-judge shows in California (southern, central and northern), Washington, Utah, Montana, Arkansas, Missouri and Germany. She has been manager for the Versatility Arena for the Three-Year-Old Futurity and the Show and Celebration. In addition to her success in the show ring, Karen Graddy continues to advance the breed through her impact as a volunteer and judge.

Of all the "accomplishments" Karen has listed, the greatest is the friendships she has acquired throughout our country and those she has made outside of the USA because of this wonderful horse, the Missouri Fox Trotter.

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From Your Show Committee...

As a competitor in an official MFTHBA point show, a top five placement in certain classes will render you eligible for points towards a number of national high points awards. Those classes are identified on the class list by a letter and number code; they will be cited when we forward results to Ava. Keep in mind that you must place in classes marked with those same codes in three-point shows during the year to be eligible for a buckle.

Our local club will also recognize contestants in the following categories:

- All-Around Champion (Open, Amateur and Youth)
- First Buckle Series Champion (Amateur and Youth)
- Laurie DeMarois Versatility Award (Open, Amateur and Youth)
- Versatility Pleasure Champion
- Model and Performance Champions (Open, Amateur and Youth)
- Novice Champion
- Bill Free Memorial Award and Judge's Youth Award

Details regarding tabulation of points for awards in the latter categories may be found in the 'Show Rules and Regulations' pages that follow.

In addition to the awards ceremony at the end of the show, we offer special events throughout the weekend. They include a no-host pizza dinner on Friday night and a catered judge's dinner at the event center Saturday night. Sunday morning, we will wrap things up with our Memorial Trail Ride and a catered lunch to commemorate friends and family who are no longer with us. Each of these activities is a great opportunity to relax and socialize with other attendees. Be sure to sign up early!

Finally, we thank all of the fine sponsors that make this event possible. Their support is crucial to our success, so we ask that you respond by supporting those listed in the program whenever possible. If you would like to participate as a sponsor, please complete the sponsorship form in the back of this packet or contact Dan DeWeert ([406-240-3077](tel:406-240-3077)) directly.

Kindest regards,
Erika Capp, 2019, Show Chairman

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Show Rules and Regulations

Entry Forms:

An entry form must be submitted for each competing horse/exhibitor team. All classes being entered should be clearly marked on the entry form. A copy of the horse(s) MFTHBA registration papers must accompany each entry form. Amateur competitors must provide a copy of their MFTHBA amateur card with each entry form. All exhibitors are required to check in with the Show Secretary upon arrival.

Entry Fees:

Class registration fees are \$10.00 per class entered if ***postmarked by June 10th***. Otherwise, class fees are \$12.00. A \$5.00 office fee applies to all entries. Checks should include all applicable fees, be made payable to BSFTA, and returned to:

**Erika Capp
P. O. Box 2045
Hamilton, MT 59840**

The Show Secretary's office will open Thursday at 4 p.m. and again at 7:30 a.m. on Friday and Saturday to accommodate new class entries and changes for that day's classes only. **Class fees are non-refundable.**

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General Rules:

All competition will be conducted in accordance with the Missouri Fox Trotting Horse Breed Association Official Rules, Standards & Policies, in effect at the time of the show. All exhibitors are required to advance to the gate area when their class is called. Gate holds may be requested of the gate person but must be approved by the Show Chairman. For individual horse classes, exhibitors will be assigned an order of entry into the arena based on a random drawing and will be called to the show ring in that order by the announcer.

Any person not having his/her horse under sufficient control shall be dismissed from the show ring and disqualified from that class. This rule will be strictly enforced at the Judge's discretion. Show Management has the right to dismiss any exhibitor from the show grounds or any class for non-compliance or violations of rules. Protests will be administered in accordance with Article 700 section 4 J - Show Protests of the rulebook. The required documentation and \$300 deposit is to be submitted to the BSFTA Show Chairman. Show Management reserves the right to combine or cancel any classes due to lack of entries.

Scoring in classes will be based on the official MFTHBA scoring chart below:

	Number of Entries in class			Placing						
	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	6 th	7 th	8 th	9 th	10 th
1	1									
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	
10 or more	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1

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Rider Status (MFTHBA definitions):

Youth Exhibitor - a Youth Exhibitor is defined as anyone 17 years or younger as of January 1st of the current calendar year.

Novice Exhibitor - Any competitor who has not won three blue ribbons, a high point award or a championship in the division in which they are registered (novice, youth, amateur or open) is considered a novice exhibitor. **In order to encourage novice riders, at our show we are limiting participation in novice classes to first time competitors. We hope to make your experience fun, supportive and share the joy of advancement!**

Amateur Exhibitor - an Amateur Exhibitor must apply to the MFTHBA for an Amateur status card. **A copy of this card must be submitted at or before the time of registration.**

Open Exhibitor - Professional Status cards are not required for participation. **Anyone who accepts ANY type of remuneration for "riding, training, or showing a horse in performance, model or versatility class." Will be considered a professional and treated as such. Misrepresentation of one's status is subject to disciplinary action as per the official MFTHBA rule book and standard. This is a zero-tolerance rule and will be strictly enforced.**

Novice Amateur - See 'Novice Exhibitor' above. **In order to encourage novice riders, at our show we are limiting participation in novice classes to first time competitors.**

Open Amateur - The exhibitor must be 18 years or older and hold a current Amateur card. This division was established by the MFTHBA to differentiate between novice and amateur contestants competing for national high point awards.

BSFTA's First Buckle Series Competitor - The exhibitor/horse team has never won a buckle/championship at any breeds show. The BSFTA Show Committee welcomes you to our show this year!

Horse Status:

Regional Horse - Regional Horse designated classes are open to only those horses foaled, raised, trained, and owned by a full-time resident of the states of Alaska, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Oregon, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming.

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Trail Classes:

Obstacles for the trail classes will be placed in the arena on Friday night after the pizza dinner. Following setup, entry into the arena by an exhibitor (on foot or horseback) is strictly prohibited. Failure to adhere to this restriction will result in immediate disqualification and forfeiture of entry fees.

The judge will facilitate a course walkthrough on Saturday morning at 8:30. All parties that enter the arena at that time **must stay with the judge for the duration of the walkthrough** or risk disqualification and forfeiture of entry fees.

All competitors will be allowed one balk per obstacle. After the second balk the judge will instruct the exhibitor to proceed to the next obstacle.

Barn/Stall Rules:

All stalls must be paid in advance and have a valid stall pass on each stall. No outside shavings are allowed in stalls. Additional shavings may be purchased from the Sapphire Event Center for \$8 a bag. Any competitor found using outside shavings will be fined \$20 per violation. Fines must be paid, or the competitor forfeits all entry fees and rights to show.

Out of respect for show ground management and this wonderful facility, this bears repeating:

NO OUTSIDE SHAVINGS ALLOWED!

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All-Around/Championship Awards:

Points will be awarded to each exhibitor/horse team based on their order of placement in each class according to the official MFTHBA scoring chart below:

	Number of Entries in class			Placing						
	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	6 th	7 th	8 th	9 th	10 th
1	1									
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	
10 or more	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1

The team with the highest accumulated point total will be declared champion. In the event of a tie, the winner will be determined by the most first place finishes followed by highest point totals in 3-gait classes. If a tie still exists, the show committee will decide on the ride-off conditions.

All-Around Horse and Rider - Exhibitors must declare on their entry form in which of the three divisions that they wish to compete (Youth, Amateur or Open) for consideration as an All-Around champion. These awards are open to all horses four years and older. To be eligible, the exhibitor/horse team must compete in all of the following classes:

- **Open All-Around**
 - Model: Class 6 or 7
 - Performance: Classes 15 or 18 and 25 or 27
 - Versatility: Classes 2, 11, 34, 39, 42, 48, and 51

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- **Amateur All-Around**
 - Model: Class 6 or 7
 - Performance: Classes 16 or 19 and 26 or 28
 - Versatility: Classes 3, 12, 35, 40, 43, 49, and 52
- **Youth All-Around**
 - Model: Class 8 or 9
 - Performance: Class 20 or 21
 - Versatility: Classes 5, 13, 37, 41, 44, 50, and 54

Versatility Championships - Exhibitors must declare on their entry form in which one of the four championships they will be competing: Laurie DeMarois Versatility Award (Youth, Open or Amateur) **or** Versatility Pleasure Champion. These awards are open to all horses three years and older. To be eligible, the exhibitor/horse team must compete in all the following classes:

- **Laurie DeMarois Versatility Award**
 - Showmanship: Class 5 (youth), 3 (amateur) or 2 (open)
 - Reining: Class 41 (Y), 40 (A) or 39 (O)
 - Trail: Class 44 (Y), 43 (A) or 42 (O)
 - Western Horsemanship: Class 50 (Y), 49 (A) or 48 (O)
 - Pole Bending: Class 58(Y), 56 (A), 55 (O)
 - Barrel Race: Class 54 (Y), 52 (A) or 51 (O)

OR

- **Versatility Pleasure Champion**
 - English Pleasure: Class 14
 - Country Pleasure: Class 23
 - Western Pleasure: Class 36
 - Trail Pleasure: Class 45

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First Buckle Series Championship - Exhibitors must declare on their entry form in which one of the two divisions that they wish to compete (Youth or Amateur). These awards are open to all horses three years and older. To be eligible, the exhibitor/horse team must compete in the following youth or amateur classes:

- Showmanship: Class 5 (youth) or 3 (amateur)
- English Pleasure: Class 13 (Y) or 12 (A)
- Western Pleasure: Class 37 (Y) or 35 (A)
- Reining: Class 41 (Y) or 40 (A)
- Trail: Class 44 (Y) or 43 (A)
- Western Horsemanship: Class 50 (Y) or 49 (A)
- Barrel Race: Class 54 (Y) or 52 (A)

Novice Championship – Exhibitors entered in novice classes automatically qualify to compete for this championship **if they are first time competitors**. This award is open to all horses three years and older. To be eligible, the exhibitor/horse team will compete in the following novice classes:

- Showmanship: Class 4
- Fox Trot, 2 gait: Class 17
- Western Pleasure: Class 38
- Trail: Class 46
- Barrel Racing: Class 53
- Pole Bending: 57

Performance Championships – Champions and Reserve Champions will be awarded in open, amateur and youth divisions for the 2 Gait Championships and for open and amateur divisions in the 3 Gait Championships, as identified in the class schedule.

Model Championship - Champion and Reserve Champion will be awarded based on top scorers that qualify for Class 10 in the class schedule.

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2019 Big Sky Fox Trotter Association Annual Horse Show

June 20 - 22 at the Sapphire Event Center in Corvallis, MT

Thursday -June 20th-6:00 p.m.

- 1 Youth Lead line (6 yr's old & under)
- 2 (VO8) Open Showmanship at Halter
- 3 (VA8) Amateur Showmanship at Halter

- 4 Novice Showmanship at Halter
- 5 (VY8) Youth Showmanship at Halter
- 6 (FTM7) Model Mares 3 yr. & Older
- 7 (FTM8) Model Studs & Geldings 3 yr. & Older
- 8 Youth Model under 15
- 9 Youth Model 15 to 17
- 10 **Model Championship (top 4 from classes 6 &7)**

Friday-June21st -9:00 a.m.

- 11 (VO2) Open English Pleasure (3 gait)
- 12 (VA2) Amateur English Pleasure (3 gait)
- 13 (VY3) Youth English Pleasure (3 gait)

- 14 (PTF4) English Pleasure (2 gait)
- 15 (OFT13) Open Fox Trot Men (2 gait)
- 16 Amateur Mens (2 gait)
- 17 Novice Fox Trot (2 gait)
- 18 (OFT14) Open Fox Trot Ladies 4 yrs & Older (2 gait)
- 19 Amateur Ladies (2 gait)
- 20 (YFT2) Youth Fox Trot 15 to 17 yrs old (2 gait)
- 21 (YFT1) Youth Fox Trot 14 yrs & under (2 gait)
- 22 Senior 2 gait Riders 50 & older
- 23 (PFT1) Country Pleasure (2 gait)
- 24 Regional Horses 3 yrs & Older (2 gait)
- 25 Open Men 4 yrs & Older (3 gait)
- 26 Open Amateur 4yrs & Older (3 gait)
- 27 Open Ladies 4 yrs & Older (3 gait)
- 28 (AFT16) Amateur Ladies 4 yrs & Older (3 gait)

- 29 **Open 2 Gait Championship (top 4 - classes 15 & 18)**
- 30 **Amateur 2 Gait Championship (top 4 - classes 16 & 19)**
- 31 **Youth 2 Gait Championship (top 4- classes 20 & 21)**
- 32 **Open 3 Gait Championship (top 4 - classes 25 & 27) (OFT11)**
- 33 **Amateur 3 Gait Championship (top 4- class 26-28) (AFT16)**

Friday -June 21st-Cont.

- 34 (VO2) Open Western Pleasure (3 gait)
- 35 (VA2) Amateur Western Pleasure (3 gait)
- 36 (PFT2) Western Pleasure (2 gait)

- 37 (VY2) Youth Western Pleasure (3 gait)
- 38 Novice Western Pleasure (2 gait)
- 39 (VO6) Open Reining
- 40 (VA6) Amateur Reining
- 41 (VY6) Youth Reining

Saturday - June 23rd - 9:00 a.m.

- (VO1) Open Trail 3 yrs old & Older (3 gait)
- 42 gait)
- 43 (VA1) Amateur Trail 3 yrs & older (3 gait)
- 44 (VY1) Youth Trail 3 yrs & older (3 gait)
- 45 (PFT3) Trail Pleasure (2 gait)
- 46 Novice Trail (2 gait)
- 47 In-Hand Trail 1 & 2yr. old's
- 48 (VO7)Open Western Horsemanship(3 gait)
- 49 (VA7) Amateur Western Horsemanship(3gait)
- 50 (VY7) Youth Western Horsemanship (3 gait)
- 51 (VO4) Open Barrel Racing
- 52 (VA4) Amateur Barrel Racing
- 53 Novice Barrel Racing
- 54 (VY4) Youth Barrel Racing
- 55 Open Pole Bending
- 56 Amateur Pole Bending
- 57 Novice Pole Bending
- 58 Youth Pole Bending

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~ Only one horse per entry form; a copy of horse's MFTHBA registration papers must be attached ~
~A current copy of the rider's MFTHBA amateur card must be presented to compete as an amateur~

Horse's Name: _____

Reg. No.: _____ Age: _____ Gender: _____

Owner's Name: _____ MFTHBA No.: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Rider's Name: _____

Address: _____ MFTHBA/AM. NO.: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Date of Birth (Youth Only): _____

Circle Classes Entered

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	45
46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58							

Prior to the show each exhibitor must declare the All-Around/ Championship awards that they will be competing for. You may select one from each of the categories below:

All-Around: Youth _____ Amateur _____ Open _____

Versatility: Youth _____ Amateur _____ Open _____ Versatility Pleasure _____

First Buckle: Youth _____ Amateur _____

Entry Fees

Early Entry:	No. Classes at \$10/ _____	= \$ _____	Make checks payable to BSFTA
Late Entry:	No. Classes at \$12/ _____	= \$ _____	
Stalls:	Stalls \$65 Thur-Sat / _____	= \$ _____	
	<small>*First bag of shavings provided; No outside</small>		
	Days at daily rate \$25/ _____	= \$ _____	
Office:	Horse/Rider Team/ at \$5/ _____	\$ <u>5.00</u>	
	Friday Night Pizza \$5/ _____	\$ _____	
Total:		\$ _____	

Exhibitor's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Owner's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please make checks out to the BSFTA and postmarked by June 10, 2019 to:
Erika Capp P.O. Box 2045, Hamilton, MT 59840
Home phone: (406) 529-3459 / E-mail: bareback91@hotmail.com

Office Use Only: Chk. No. _____ Chk. Amt. _____ Total _____ Exhibitor No. _____

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PERMISSION AND RELEASE

PHOTOGRAPH/IMAGE RELEASE:

I, _____, (parent/guardian) (hereinafter referred to as "Guardian") hereby fully authorize the Big Sky Fox Trotter Association to take photos and to publish images (hereinafter referred to as "Images") taken of myself and/or the minor child or children named below.

Participant/Guardian agrees and grants permission to Big Sky Fox Trotter Association to publish Images in any medium including, but not limited to, Big Sky Fox Trotter Association's websites, audio/visual, brochures, literature, print, advertisements, or any other similar medium.

AND

LIABILITY RELEASE FOR BIG SKY FOX TROTTER ASSOCIATION

Montana law recognizes the inherent risks involved when an individual participates in equine activities. By signing this document, I, _____ (participant OR parent/guardian) expressly give my permission for myself OR my child,

_____, to participate in all farm related or equine activities located either onsite at the Sapphire Event Center facility or at any Big Sky Fox Trotter Association sponsored

activity off site. I hereby affirm that I have equine experience and acknowledge the inherent hazards and assume all risks of injury arising from such inherent hazards and have read and understand it and the effect that it is intended to have upon my legal rights, and I am signing it freely and voluntarily. Further, I hereby expressly acknowledge that I have read the following language of Montana Code Annotated 27-1-725 and understand that neither Big Sky Fox Trotter Association nor any Big Sky Fox Trotter Association agent, volunteer, board member, or employee is liable for any personal injuries whatsoever that any participants may incur during any Big Sky Fox Trotter Association sponsored event:

MCA 27-1-725 ... It is the policy of the state of Montana that a person is not liable for damages sustained by another solely as a result of risks inherent in equine activities if those risks are or should be reasonably obvious, expected, or necessary to persons engaged in equine activities...

Signature (Participant OR Parent/Guardian) Date

Printed Name (Participant OR Parent/Guardian)

Printed Name of Minor

The Big Sky Fox Trotter Association hosts its 23rd annual point show at Sapphire Event Center, Corvallis, Montana, June 21-23, 2018. The show features competition for youth and adults in performance, versatility and model. A memorial trail ride on Sunday, June 24, will be held in honor of officers Curt Bates, Larry Conner, Laurie DeMarois, Bill Free, Harriet Free and other members who have passed away.

The purpose of this letter is to ask you to sponsor a class, the memorial trail ride, a championship and/or the Bill Free Memorial Award. Costs are \$35 for a class, \$50 for the memorial trail ride, \$75 for a championship and \$50 for the Bill Free Memorial Award. Corporate sponsorships of the show are also available and encouraged.

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Championships are awarded to Model Champion & Reserve, Youth 2-Gait Performance Champion & Reserve, Amateur 2-Gait Performance Champion & Reserve, Open 2-Gait Performance Champion & Reserve, Amateur 3-Gait Performance Champion & Reserve, Open 3-Gait Performance Champion & Reserve, Laurie DeMarois Memorial Open, Amateur, and Youth Versatility Champions, Pleasure Versatility Champion, and All-Around Open, Amateur and Youth Champions. To encourage youth and amateur competitors, we are offering a First Buckle Series championship for those who have never won a buckle in past shows.

If you choose to sponsor, return this form to the address below. Enclose your business card if you have one, and it will be included in the show program. Include your website below and we will list it on the BSFTA website (www.bigskyfoxtrotter.org) with a link to your site. Please make checks payable to BSFTA.

Thank you for your consideration and support!

Sponsor Name: _____ Phone: _____

Sponsor Address: _____ City, State, Zip: _____

Email: _____ Website: _____

Class Preference: ___ yes ___ no ___ same as 2016.

If yes for class preference, indicate your choice: _____

Mail to: Dan DeWeert, BSFTA Sponsorship Chair
HC 85 box 965, Clinton, MT 59825
Phone: 406-240-3077

BSFTA tax identification numbers are #D081992 (state) and #81-0498154 (federal).