

NCHA CHALLENGER PROGRAM

****Free one-year membership to NCHA-If you are not currently and were not an NCHA member in 2017. You can pay your NCHA membership for 2018 at our first show in April.**

****The new Challenger Shows will offer cutters additional opportunities to participate, typically at a significantly lower cost. Cutters in Challenger Shows will earn points toward Achievement Buckles and year-end standings, with a new year-end awards program established. Even cutters in a slump will be able to earn participation points to make progress in the standings, and bring them closer to awards.**

****NCHA Achievement Buckles will be awarded based on combined earnings of \$1,000 from Challenger and Championship Shows, or for 100 points earned at Challenger Shows. (See NCHA website for more detailed information)**

****NCHA will establish Regional Top 15 Standings for the new Challenger shows. The Challenger Standings will be based strictly on points, rather than money earned. However, money won at Challenger Shows will count toward lifetime earnings, rider and horse eligibility achievement awards.**

****To receive credit for the Challenger Series, we must have 3 riders in the designated classes, ie-NonPro; 5000 Novice Horse; 15000 Amateur and 2000 Limit Rider. CRCC will still hold the class with 2 entries and this will count towards CRCC points and jackpot. It just would not count towards Challenger Series.**

These are just some of the highlights of the Challenger Program that we wanted to share with everyone.

*****Please refer to the NCHA website at www.nchacutting.com*****