

Ring of Fire



2026 Buckle Series

In Partnership with:
Bay Area Working Equitation
Rawking Horse Ranch
Penninsula Working Equitation

Series Information

April 26 Schooling Show

June 13 USAWE Licensed Show

June 14 USAWE Licensed Show

August 15 Schooling Show

September 12 USAWE Licensed Show

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October 31 Schooling Show

BUCKLE ELIGIBILITY To be eligible for a buckle, a horse/rider combination must compete in at least four (4) Ring of Fire Shows at the same level. Percentage scores from the dressage and ease of handling phases at each competition will be added together for a running total. The combination with the highest number of percentage points will win the Ring of Fire buckle for their division and category (Youth, Amateur, Open). The more shows you enter, the greater your chance of winning a buckle!

The Friends of Sound Horses have sponsored a buckle for the highest scoring gaited horse.

AWARDS All shows will have ribbons for overall standings in each division for every competitor. Prizes for champion in each division.

CLASSES AND DIVISIONS Introductory (L1) - Masters (L7) offered at all shows. In-hand/lead line offered at schooling shows only. Youth, Amateur, and Open divisions offered at all shows.



Genies Information

OPENING DATE All shows will open for entries 2 month in advance.

CLOSING DATE All shows will close when they are full and a waitlist started. USAWE shows closing date is 3 weeks before show date. Schooling shows will close 7 days before show date. Post entries may be available for an additional fee of \$25/schooling show, \$50/USAWE show.

CANCELLATION If the entire event is canceled, a full refund minus the office fee will be issued within 14 days of cancellation. If a competitor withdraws prior to the closing date, they must notify the show manager in writing at alikermeen@gmail.com. A full refund minus the office fee will be sent within 14 days of notification. Entries are non-refundable after the closing date. Show management, however, may be, but not guaranteed to be, able to provide a refund minus the office fee on a case-by-case basis under one of the following conditions: a. Withdrawal of a rider or horse is due to an injury, illness, or death. The withdrawal must be accompanied by a veterinarian's or doctor's certificate. b. There is a waitlist, and the show manager is able to replace your entry.

SUBSTITUTION Prior to the closing date you may substitute horse, rider, or level for \$15/show. After the closing date, the substitution fee is \$30/show. You may not substitute a totally new horse/rider team unless there is no waiting list.



Series Information

RULES All shows will be run in accordance with USAWE rules, and the rules of the grounds on which they are held.

SCORING Scores for all shows will be available on gira.io

SCHEDULING Preliminary schedules will be emailed to riders on or before the Thursday preceding the show.

PAYMENT Upon submission of your entry, an invoice will be generated and sent to you from HC Equestrian. If your invoice is not paid within 72 hours, your entry will be dropped from the show. Payment can be made via zelle to alikermeen@gmail.com, or via credit card for an additional 3.2% fee. Show numbers will not be released until payment for all outstanding HC Equestrian invoices are paid in full.



June 12-13, 2026

Licensed Shows, Santa Cruz CA

Location: Santa Cruz County Horsemen's Assoc
1251 Graham Hill Rd, Santa Cruz, CA

Judge: Cari Schwartz

Technical Delegate: Mary Duffy

Show Manager: Ali Kermeen

Show Secretary: Michelle Scott

Enjoy a long weekend of woods and working equitation in beautiful Santa Cruz. Camp under the redwoods with your horse and stay an extra day to ride in Henry Cowell State Park, which is accessible directly from the showgrounds. At just 4 miles from the beach, we have temperate weather, perfect for all your equestrian activities.

Entry Fee: Introductory (L1) Youth \$255

Introductory(L1) Adult (Open or AA) \$275

Novice A (L2) and above Youth \$275

Novice A (L2)-Masters Adult (open or AA) \$295

Mandatory CA Drug Fee: \$14/horse



BAWE Ring of Fire Show #2 and #3

Clinic: To be held Friday, June 12

Intro (L1) and Non-compete riders Judge Cari Schwartz \$180

L2 and above Ali Kermeen \$150

Auditors \$30

Friday Schooling: Riders who wish to school the obstacles can do so during a designated evening time for a fee of \$35 to offset arena rental fees.

Stabling: Pipe corrals. Free for SCCHA members. Mares and geldings \$25/night. Stallions contact show management for pricing. No shavings are available at the show, you must bring your own or arrange for delivery. Competitors are responsible for stripping paddocks before they leave. If you wish to have your stall stripped by management, it must be paid for in advance \$185.

Camping: Free for SCCHA members. One person camps free with stabled horse. Additional campers \$10/night. There are showers and flushing toilets available at the campground.

Haul-In: Free for SCCHA members. \$10/day for non-members

Hospitality Ticket: \$60/day includes lunch, dinner, snacks, and drinks. Saturday and Sunday only.

