

Wheatacres Ranch Trail Challenge Information

Cattle Class Descriptions:

- 1 man sorting:** 5 numbered & 1 dirty calves in the arena, rider has 2 minutes to sort numerically to other pen
- 2 man sorting:** 10 numbered & 2 dirty calves in the arena, team has 60 seconds to sort numerically to other pen.

Must have different partner each ride.

- 1 man obstacle course:** rider has 3 minutes to get 3 head cattle through obstacles in arena
- 2 man obstacle course:** team has 2 minutes to get 3 head cattle through obstacles in arena.

Must have different partner each ride.

Trail Division Descriptions:

Open is for all exhibitors.

Novice is a horse or rider that has not won first place three times in prior trail competitions.

Youth is for competitors 15 years old and under.

Trail Class Descriptions:

Arena: If it fits in the arena, it can be in the course!

Ranch: Obstacles outside the arena, including logs, rocks, and the "natural features" of a working farm.

Combined: A combination of obstacles from the Arena and Ranch classes.

Designer Challenge: A team of 2 riders to compete against the management's time and score. Jackpot class with 50% entry for prize, winner takes all.

General Rules

- Anyone with a horse, mule or pony and enjoys the adventure and challenge of a trail course is eligible to compete!
- Same horse may be ridden in different classes with different riders but not in the same class with different riders.
- Dress like you would for a day on the trail. However, this is a competition and if it comes to a tiebreaker, the cleaner, neater package may be the difference. We do require all riders wear safe footwear (preferably boots with at least a 1/2 inch heel). You are encouraged to wear a helmet, all riders age 18 and under will be required to wear helmets. As for equipment, you may compete with the tack you would use in a trail ride, English or Western. Made sure it is safe and proper. You will not be disqualified for using two hands on a shank bit; however it may result in a lower score. Bosals and hackamores are permitted. No training devices allowed.
- Patterns will be posted at 7:30 am the morning of competition. Competitors will be given the opportunity to walk the course prior to the start of the competition. Course designers will be available for questions during official walk through.
- Obstacles will be judged with 3 refusals or 2 minutes allowed per obstacle.
- All youth must be accompanied by an adult. No stallions are to be ridden by youth.
- Judges and show management reserve the right to disqualify any entry for poor sportsmanship, horsemanship or abuse of any animal.
- Should any question arise not provided for in the rules, the question shall be referred to the show committee whose decision will be final.
- Smoking is not allowed on the grounds or in any buildings at Wheatacres Ranch.
- Dogs are to be leashed or securely tied in a safe place away from horses, people & the competition at all times.
- A warm up area will be provided. Please stay in the designated riding areas.
- If it looks like an electric fence, assume it is and that is turned on!
- No tying to your trailer overnight.
- **Directions:** [Traveling from Wasco](#): take HWY 206 westbound. Turn left on McDermid Lane. Turn left on Wheatacres Road, follow gravel road into ranch. [Coming from The Dalles](#): Eastbound on I84. Take the Celilo Exit; turn right and then quick left turn on to Frontage Road. Turn Right onto Fulton Canyon Road/Hwy 206. Right turn onto Gordon Ridge Road. Left turn onto Toad Lane. Right turn onto Wheatacres Road, follow gravel road into ranch. [From Biggs Junction](#): South Bound on HWY 97. Turn right in Biggs Junction onto Frontage Road. Left turn at Fulton Canyon/HWY 206. Right turn onto Gordon Ridge Road. Left turn onto Toad Lane. Right turn onto Wheatacres Road, follow gravel road into ranch

