

NQHA Dutch Championship 2026

GENERAL INFORMATION

NQHA Dutch Championship 2026 & Futurity/Maturity show

9 – 13 September 2026

2 AQHA & NSBA Show

NQHA Futurity / Maturity Classes

Grathem, the Netherlands

Host

NQHA Nederlandse Quarter Horse Associatie (NL)

Contact

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Location

Reiningcenter Meertenhof

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Judges

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Media team

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ENTRIES

The entry form and the program can be found at <http://www.nqha.nl>

Deadline August 17th 2026

Entry Form

By submitting the entry form, each owner/rider acknowledges and agrees to the general terms and conditions as stated in this announcement.

The entry form must be online submitted via Jotform before the deadline. The organization reserves the right not to accept any new entries after the deadline. Entries submitted after the deadline may be subject to additional fees. The form must be completed fully online; photos of forms will not be accepted. The organization is not responsible for emails that are not received.

AQHA

All L1 participants (Amateur, Youth riders, and Open horses) must be able to provide proof of their level status upon request by the show office. This information can be found at <http://www.aqha.com/services/leveling> (login required).

NSBA

For participation in NSBA Novice Amateur and Novice Youth classes, the L1 level status of the horse's breed association applies. Riders with an American Quarter Horse fall under AQHA L1 status; riders with an American Paint Horse fall under APHA Novice status. This status must be provided upon request by the show office.

Required attachments (where applicable for the horse, rider, and owner)

AQHA: copy of AQHA registration papers and AQHA membership card of rider and owner

NSBA: copy of NSBA registration papers and NSBA membership card of rider and owner

Without these documents, the entry is not complete and cannot be processed.

General Provisions

Each participant will receive a confirmation with additional information and is personally responsible for checking this information and for being present on time.

The organization reserves the right, up to the entry deadline, to make changes to the general terms and conditions, the program, and the show dates, or to cancel the event if circumstances make this necessary.

In the event of cancellation after the deadline August 17th, with a valid reason and upon submission of a doctor's or veterinarian's certificate, only stall fees, camping, membership, and administration fees will be charged. Without a valid certificate or in case of late cancellation, the full costs will be charged.

Own Risk

Participation in and attendance at the show are entirely at one's own risk. Neither the Nederlandse Quarter Horse Associatie nor the organization or the venue, accepts any liability for loss, damage, or theft of horses and/or property, nor for injury or death of horses, riders, or

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visitors during the event. Submission of a signed entry form is considered acceptance of these rules and all other rules applicable to this competition, as well as agreement to the above-mentioned waiver, indemnification, and liability provisions. If an entry form is not signed, the first participation in a class shall be considered acceptance of and agreement to the same provisions.

Class in class

AQHA and NSBA classes will be run class-in-class, except for Open Western Pleasure and Open Hunter Under Saddle.

Select class

If, after the entry deadline, there are fewer than three participants in an AQHA/NSBA Select class, the Select riders will be moved to the Amateur class of the respective discipline.

Junior and Senior classes

If both Junior and Senior classes are offered in an Open class and there are fewer than three participants in one of these classes, they will be combined into one All Aged class.

Longeline & In Hand Trail

Longeline and In Hand Trail are exclusively intended for 2- and 3-year-old horses. Horses entered in these classes may not be shown under saddle.

Youth

If youth riders have school obligations during the event, the organization can, upon request, provide an official statement for the purpose of applying for school leave. This statement must be requested in a timely manner.

Funclass

This year's Fun Class is dedicated to Dress Red Day, a campaign dedicated to raising awareness of cardiovascular disease in women. A portion of each entry fee will be donated to support the Dress Red Day campaign and help raise awareness for this important cause.

Drug Test

The organization always reserves the right to conduct a random doping and/or drug test on participating horses. If the test result is positive, the combination concerned will be immediately disqualified and the costs of the test will be charged to the owner of the horse.

LOCATION INFORMATION

Arrival

Arrival is possible from Wednesday, September 9 at 08:00 AM.

Show Office

The show office will be open on:

- Wednesday, September 9 10:00 to 18.00 PM

On the remaining show days, the show office will open one hour before the start of the show and will close at 6:00 PM. Final changes may be submitted until 3:30 PM on the day prior to the respective class.

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Vaccinations and Insurance

Each horse must be covered by liability insurance. Vaccination records must show that the horse has a valid basic influenza vaccination and timely annual booster vaccinations.

The basic vaccination consists of two vaccinations administered at least 21 days and no more than 92 days apart. The horse may not compete between the first and second vaccination. The most recent vaccination must have been administered at least seven days prior to the start of the show.

Dogs

Owners are fully responsible for any dogs they bring to the show. All dogs must be kept on a leash at all times while on the premises. Pets are strictly prohibited in the arena. Dog owners are required to always clean up after their animals.

Parking

Parking is only permitted in designated parking areas. Parking cars on the camping grounds is not allowed. Vehicles parked there must be moved

Camping

Caravan spaces must be reserved via the entry form. Caravans may arrive from Wednesday, September 9 at 08:00 AM.

If, for logistical reasons, arrival at a different time is desired, this is only possible in consultation with the organization. Caravans must be placed consecutively and according to instructions, so that everyone who has reserved a spot can be accommodated on the campsite.

Futurity/Maturity Classes

In futurity and maturity classes horses are only eligible when they are nominated by the NQHA Breeding Program.

- Futurity : halter Weanling stallion/mare
Yearling stallion/mare/gelding
2 Year old stallion/mare/gelding
3 Year old stallion/mare/gelding
Longeline 2-3 year old
In hand Trail 2- 3 year old
Western Pleasure 4-5 year old
Hunter Under Saddle 4-5 year old
Trail 4-5 year old
Reining 4-5 year old
Ranch Riding 4-5 year old
Ranch Trail 4-5 year old
- Maturity : Western Pleasure 6-8 year old
Hunter Under Saddle 6-8 year old
Trail 6-8 year old
Reining 6-8 year old
Ranch Riding 6-8 year old
Ranch Trail 6-8 year old

In order to determine a futurity-maturity champion all results of both judges will be valued. In case of a tie, the tie judge will decide. To participate in a futurity/maturity class the rider and

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owner of the horse need to be a current NQHA member. For more information about the NQHA Breeding program please contact ssa@nqha.nl. If you have a free entry ticket, indicate this when you send in the entry, if this is not indicated, the entry fee will be charged. This must be submitted to the show office.

BECOMING DUTCH CHAMPION

The title of NQHA DUTCH Champion in the AQHA/NSBA Open classes is awarded to the horse. The owner of the horse must hold a valid NQHA membership.

Titles in AQHA/NSBA, Amateur, and Youth classes are awarded to the horse/rider combination. The rider must hold a valid NQHA membership.

In the event of a tie, the tie judge will be decisive. A minimum of three participants in a class is required for an Dutch Champion title to be awarded.

For all classes, Dutch champion points are calculated according to the following system:

- 1st place receives 120 points
- 2nd place receives 105 points
- 3rd place receives 91 points
- 4th place receives 78 points
- 5th place receives 66 points
- 6th place receives 55 points
- 7th place receives 45 points
- 8th place receives 36 points
- 9th place receives 28 points

ENTRY FEE

AQHA or NSBA CLASSES

AQHA or NSBA Classe	€ 35,00
AQHA Or NSBA Green Flaterate*	€ 105,00
AQHA or NSBA Flatrate*	€ 140,00
Halter Classes	€ 20,00
L1 Youth/Youth	€ 20,00
L1 Youth/Youth Flatrate*	€ 100,00

AQHA/NSBA Class in Class

AQHA & NSBA Class	€ 60,00
AQHA & NSBA Flatrate*	€ 220,00
AQHA & NSBA L1 Youth/Youth	€ 35,00
AQHA & NSBA L1 Youth/Youth Flatrate*	€ 140,00

** Flatrate is per division. L1 Open or Open or L1 Amateur or Amateur etc.*

OTHER CLASSES

Futurity or Maturity	€ 75,00
Func class	€ 25,00
Paid Warm Up	€ 15,00

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STALL & CAMPING

Stall with Straw	€ 160,00
Tackbox	€ 150,00
Electricity Tackbox – whole show**	€ 85,00
Camping With Electricity	€ 100,00
NQHA Membership	€ 50,00
AQHA Horse Fee	€ 20,00
Office Charge	€ 25,00

* If you enter 4 or more classes regardless of which division, you can enter 1 halter class for free.

** Electricity in the tack box can be added as an optional extra. Please note that electricity must be requested when submitting your entry form and cannot be arranged upon arrival or during the show days.

SCHEDULE

Wednesday 9 september 2026

P1340	Reining	Paid Warm Up	
P1430	Ranch Riding	Paid Warm Up	
P1440	Hunter Under Saddle	Paid Warm Up	
P5170	Working Western Rail	Paid Warm Up	
P422	Western Pleasure	Paid Warm Up	
F – 8181	Ranch Trail	Futurity	
Q- 410902	Ranch Trail	L1 Youth	Class in Class
N-539710	Ranch Trail	Novice Youth	
Q- 210902	Ranch Trail	L1 Amateur	Class in Class
N-539408	Ranch Trail	Novice Amateur	
Q- 110904	Ranch Trail	L1 Open	Class in Class
N-539100	Ranch Trail	Green	
Q-410900	Ranch Trail	Youth	Class in Class
N-539700	Ranch Trail	Youth	
Q-210900	Ranch Trail	Amateur	Class in Class
N-539608	Ranch Trail	Amateur	
Q-110900	Ranch Trail	Open	Class in Class
N-539300	Ranch Trail	Open	
F – 8182	Ranch Trail	Maturity	

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Thursday 10 September 2026

Q-103000	Weanling Stallions	Open	
Q-103100	Yearling Stallions	Open	
Q-103200	2 Year Old Stallions	Open	
Q-103300	3 Year Old Stallions	Open	
Q-103400	Aged Stallions	Open	
Q-173000	Performance Stallions	Open	
F – 8030	Weanling Stallions	Futurity	
F – 8031	Yearling Stallions	Futurity	
F – 8032	2 Year Old Stallions	Futurity	
F – 8033	3 Year Old Stallions	Futurity	
Q- 203600	2 & Under Stallions	Amateur	
Q-203700	3 & Over Stallions	Amateur	
Q-273000	Performance Stallions	Amateur	
Q-107400	Yearling Geldings	Open	
Q-107500	2 Year Old Geldings	Open	
Q-107600	3 Year Old Geldings	Open	
Q-107700	Aged Geldings	Open	
Q-177000	Performance Geldings	Open	
F – 8074	Yearling Geldings	Futurity	
F – 8075	2 Year Old Geldings	Futurity	
F – 8076	3 Year Old Geldings	Futurity	
Q-207100	2 & Under Geldings	Amateur	
Q-207200	3 & Over Geldings	Amateur	
Q-277000	Performance Geldings	Amateur	
Q-407100	2 & Under Geldings	Youth	
Q-407200	3 & Over Geldings	Youth	
Q-477000	Performance Geldings	Youth	
Q-105300	Weanling Mares	Open	
Q-105400	Yearling Mares	Open	
Q-105500	2 Year Old Mares	Open	
Q-105600	3 Year Old Mares	Open	
Q-105700	Aged Mares	Open	
Q-175000	Performance Mares	Open	
F – 8053	Weanling Mares	Futurity	
F – 8054	Yearling Mares	Futurity	
F – 8055	2 Year Old Mares	Futurity	
F – 8056	3 Year Old Mares	Futurity	
Q-205100	2 & Under Mares	Amateur	
Q-205200	3 & Over Mares	Amateur	
Q-275000	Performance Mares	Amateur	
Q-405100	2 & Under Mares	Youth	
Q-405200	3 & Over Mares	Youth	
Q-475000	Performance Mares	Youth	
Champion of champions Futurity			
Q-212002	Showmanship at Halter	L1 Amateur	Class in Class

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N-505400	Showmanship at Halter	Novice Amateur	
Q-412002	Showmanship at Halter	L1 Youth	Class in Class
N-507100	Showmanship at Halter	Novice Youth	
Q-212000	Showmanship at Halter	Amateur	Class in Class
N-505600	Showmanship at Halter	Amateur	
Q-212800	Showmanship at Halter	Select	Class in Class
N-506606	Showmanship at Halter	50 & Over	
Q-412000	Showmanship at Halter	Youth	Class in Class
N-507300	Showmanship at Halter	Youth	
Q- 112004	Showmanship at Halter	Level 1 Horse	
Q-142004	Western Pleasure	L1 Open	
Q-442002	Western Pleasure	L1 Youth	Class in Class
N-517100	Western Pleasure	Novice Youth	
Q-440002	Western Horsemanship	L1 Youth	Class in Class
N-557100	Western Horsemanship	Novice Youth	
Q-117004	Working Western Rail	L1 Open	Class in Class
N-519010	Ranch Rail	Green	
Q-217002	Working Western Rail	L1 Amateur	Class in Class
N-519018	Ranch Rail	Novice Amateur	
Q-417002	Working Western Rail	L1 Youth	Class in Class
N-519910	Ranch Rail	Novice Youth	
F – 8341	Reining	Futurity	
Q-434000	Reining	Youth	
Q-134100	Reining	Junior Open	
Q-234000	Reining	Amateur	
Q-134200	Reining	Senior Open	
F – 8342	Reining	Maturity	
<i>Paid time trail friday</i>			

Friday 11 September 2026

F – 8381	Trail	Futurity	
Q- 138004	Trail	L1 Open	Class in class
N- 530100	Trail	Green Open	
Q- 438002	Trail	L1 Youth	Class in class
N- 537100	Trail	Novice Youth	
Q- 238002	Trail	L1 Amateur	Class in class
N- 535400	Trail	Novice Amateur	
Q- 138300	In Hand Trail 2/3 Year Old	Open	Class in class
N- 532380	In Hand Trail 2/3 Year Old	Open	
Q- 238300	In Hand Trail 2/3 Year Old	Amateur	Class in class
N- 533680	In Hand Trail 2/3 Year Old	Amateur	
NQHA 5383	In Hand Trail 4 & Older		
F – 8413	In Hand Trail	Futurity	
N- 510302	Western Pleasure	Senior Open	

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Q-242002	Western Pleasure	L1 Amateur Novice	Class in class
N-515408	Western Pleasure	Amateur	
Q-240002	Western Horsemanship	L1 Amateur Novice	Class in class
N-555400	Western Horsemanship	Amateur	
N- 510100	Western Pleasure	Green Open	
Q- 442000	Western Pleasure	Youth	Class in class
N- 517300	Western Pleasure	Youth	
Q-440000	Western Horsemanship	Youth	Class in class
N- 557300	Western Horsemanship	Youth	
Q - 142100	Western Pleasure	Junior Open	
Q- 136004	Western Riding	L1 Open	Class in class
N- 540100	Western Riding	Green Open	
Q- 236002	Western Riding	L1 Youth	Class in class
N-540400	Western Riding	Novice Youth	
Q- 436002	Western Riding	L1 Amateur Novice	Class in class
N- 547100	Western Riding	Amateur	
F - 8441	Hunter Under Saddle	Futurity	
Q- 144004	Hunter Under Saddle	L1 Open	
Q- 444004	Hunter Under Saddle	L1 Youth	Class in class
N- 527100	Hunter Under Saddle	Novice Youth	
Q- 452002	Hunt Seat Equitation	L1 Youth	Class in class
N- 567100	Hunt Seat Equitation	Novice Youth	
Q- 143004	Ranch Riding	L1 Open	Class in class
N- 549100	Ranch Riding	Green Open	
F – 8431	Ranch Riding	Futurity	
Q- 243002	Ranch Riding	L1 Amateur Novice	Class in class
N- 549400	Ranch Riding	Amateur	
Q- 443002	Ranch Riding	L1 Youth	Class in class
N- 549103	Ranch Riding	Novice Youth	
	Paid Time Trail Sunday		

Saturday 12 september 2025

Q- 444000	Hunter Under Saddle	Youth	Class in Class
N- 527300	Hunter Under Saddle	Youth	
N-520100	Hunter Under Saddle	Green Open	
Q- 444002	Hunter Under Saddle	L1 Amateur Novice	Class in Class
N- 525400	Hunter Under Saddle	Amateur	
Q- 452002	Hunt Seat Equitation	L1 Amateur Novice	Class in Class
N- 565400	Hunt Seat Equitation	Amateur	
Q-452000	Hunt Seat Equitation	Youth	Class in Class
N- 567300	Hunt Seat Equitation	Youth	
Q- 144000	Hunter Under Saddle	Open	

Q-	Hunt Seat Versatility	Open	Class in Class
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N- 360300	Hunt Seat Versatility	Open	
Q-	Hunter Hack	Open	Class in Class
N-	Hunter Hack	Open	

NQHA **Leadline**

Q- 417000	Working Western Rail	Youth	
N- 519900	Ranch Rail	Youth	
Q- 117000	Working Western Rail	Open	
N- 519000	Ranch Rail	Open	
Q- 217000	Working Western Rail	Amateur	
N- 519008	Ranch Rail	Amateur	

Q- 236000	Western Riding	Amateur	
N- 545600	Western Riding	Amateur	
Q- 436000	Western Riding	Youth	
N- 547300	Western Riding	Youth	
Q- 136000	Western Riding	Open	
N- 540300	Western Riding	Open	

Q- 118000	Longeline 2 & 3 Year Old	Open	
N-504390	Longeline 2 & 3 Year Old	Open	
Q-218000	Longeline 2 & 3 Year Old	Amateur	
N- 502600	Longeline 2 & 3 Year Old	Amateur	
F – 8412	Longeline 2 & 3 Year Old	Futurity	

F – 8421	Western Pleasure	Futurity	
Q- 242000	Western Pleasure	Amateur	
N- 515600	Western Pleasure	Amateur	
Q-242800	Western Pleasure	Amateur Select	
N- 516606	Western Pleasure	50 & Over	
Q-240000	Western Horsemanship	Amateur	
N-555600	Western Horsemanship	Amateur	
Q-240800	Western Horsemanship	Select Amateur	
N- 566606	Western Horsemanship	50 & Over	
N- 510301	Western Pleasure	Junior Open	

N - 5005 Fun class

Sunday 13 September 2026

Q- 438000	Trail	Youth	Class in Class
N- 537300	Trail	Youth	
Q- 138100	Trail	Junior Open	Class in Class
N- 530301	Trail	Junior Open	
Q- 238000	Trail	Amateur	Class in Class
N- 535600	Trail	Amateur	
Q- 238800	Trail	Amateur Select	Class in Class
N- 536606	Trail	50 & Over	
Q- 138200	Trail	Senior Open	Class in Class
N- 530302	Trail	Senior Open	

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F – 8382	Trail	Maturity	
F – 8422	Western Pleasure	Maturity	
Q- 142200	Western Pleasure	Senior Open	
Q- 244000	Hunter Under Saddle	Amateur	Class in Class
N- 525600	Hunter Under Saddle	Amateur	
Q- 244800	Hunter Under Saddle	Select	Class in Class
N- 526600	Hunter Under Saddle	50 & Over	
N- 520300	Hunter Under Saddle	Open	
F – 8442	Hunter Under Saddle	Maturity	
Q- 252000	Hunt Seat Equitation	Amateur	Class in Class
N- 565600	Hunt Seat Equitation	Amateur	
Q- 252800	Hunt Seat Equitation	Select Amateur	Class in Class
N- 566606	Hunt Seat Equitation	50 & Over	
Q- 243000	Ranch Riding	Amateur	Class in Class
N- 549600	Ranch Riding	Amateur	
Q- 143000	Ranch Riding	Open	Class in Class
N- 549300	Ranch Riding	Open	
Q- 443000	Ranch Riding	Youth	Class in Class
N- 549003	Ranch Riding	Youth	
F – 8432	Ranch Riding	Maturity	