

# Judging



## Judging Department Objectives

- Contestant education – knowledge and understanding of rules; awareness and insights into mental process of judging.
- Further improve the quality of judging
- Hold judges accountable for their judging
- Increase fairness to all our contestants by establishing a Judges' Code of Ethics
- Hold workshops for all judges to attend in 2010
- Continue to produce educational DVDs about judging
- Continue to educate the judges through the "Sixth Box Program"





## Weekend Judge Monitoring System

- Successful, ongoing monitoring system holds judges accountable
- Reduces political pressure on the judges
- Improves quality and integrity of judging by “spot checking” all shows
- Utilization of Monitors through improved judge evaluation forms
- Provides evaluation, feedback and training to Judges
- Provides a lifeline to the judges when needed
- Saves money for NCHA by using Weekend Monitors to evaluate protests instead of Staff Monitors
- Does not replace the existing contestant protest process
- All Evaluation Reports go to the Weekend Monitor to be evaluated and a response letter is sent to the contestant.

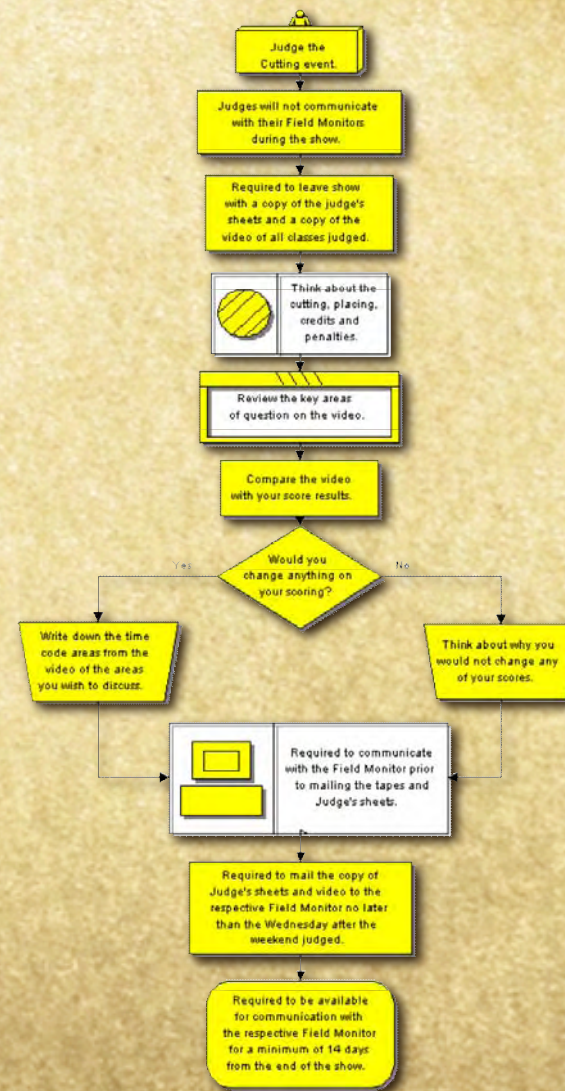




## Weekend Monitoring System

*"The Weekend Monitoring System has been an important educational tool for judges. It is important that all judges understand and appreciate the educational value of this system and use it to their advantage. This is their chance to improve their judging skills by working with their Weekend Monitor."*

Russell McCord, NCHA Director of Judges



Weekend Judging Process



## Judge Recertification Seminars

*All NCHA approved judges are required to attend at least one Recertification Seminar in 2010 to keep their judging card for 2011. For the convenience of the judges, NCHA will be holding twelve (12) Judge's Recertification Seminars throughout the year at various locations in the United States.*

### Judge Workshops in 2010:

February 20, Carthage, Missouri POSTPONED. (New date TBD)

March 11, Jackson, Mississippi (36 attended)

April 7, Fort Worth, Texas during Super Stakes (77 attended)

May 15 at the B.I. in Tulsa, Oklahoma (11 attended)

June 4, Shartlesville, Pennsylvania (cancelled)

June 27, Reno, Nevada at 8:00 am

August 10, Albany, Oregon at 9:00 am.

August 13, Abbotsford, Canada at 5:00 pm at the Best Western

September, Rancho Murieta, California (date TBD)

October, Columbus, Ohio (date TBD)

November 5, Batesville, Mississippi

December, Fort Worth, Texas (date TBD)





## Other Judges Seminars & Applicant Clinics given in 2009–2010

- Italy – May 13 -14
- Germany – May 18 -19

## NCHA Judges Department instructed at:

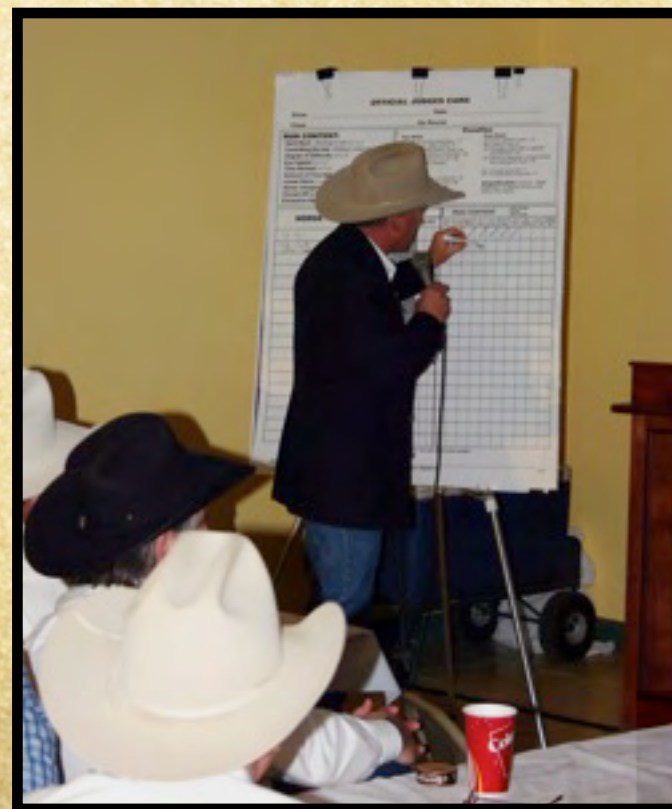
- AQHA seminar to over 400 judges





## General Interest & Grassroots Clinics

- Colorado – June 2009
- Canada – July 2009
- Brenham, Texas – September 2009
- Georgia – October 2009
- Missouri – February 2010
- Pennsylvania – June 2010
- Arizona – October 2010
- Mississippi – November 2010





## NCHA Judge Info

**Total number of current NCHA Judges - 359**

- US Judges - 321
- Canada Only Judges - 11
- Europe Only Judges - 22
- South America Only Judges – 5

Judges Removed from list since  
beginning of WE Monitor Program – over 100



## Tools and Communication

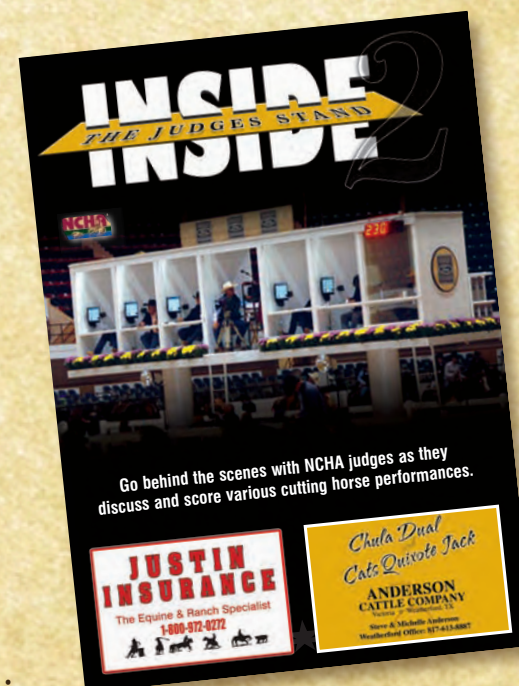
- The NCHA Judges list is updated weekly on the NCHA Website at [nchacutting.com](http://nchacutting.com)
- Weekend Monitor Information page is available under “Judges” at [nchacutting.com](http://nchacutting.com)
- A judge availability list is available for judges and secretaries at [scheduleyourlife.com](http://scheduleyourlife.com)
- The latest official Judges Sheet is available in pdf form on the website under “forms” on [nchacutting.com](http://nchacutting.com)





## DVDs and CDs...

- Tom Holt's Top Ten DVD - DVD \$29.99 Here's a new DVD featuring Tom Holt's Top Ten, a selection of great rides from the Voice of Cutting himself.
- How To Choose The Right Cow (2 disc) DVD set- \$49.99 This DVD is a must for every cutter! It is an "in depth" look at some top, leading money earner's techniques on how to choose the right cow. Featuring Phil Rapp and Matt Gaines and hosted by Chubby Turner.
- Inside The Judges Stand DVD (Versions 1 & 2) - NCHA Member price \$24.99. Non-Member price \$29.99. Both DVDs go behind the scenes with NCHA judges as they discuss and score various cutting horse performances. Version 2 includes a bonus disc of NCHA Storylines.
- Audio CDs (limited supply available) Two interesting and informative tools to learn about judging while driving to and from the cuttings!
  - Understanding The Rules Audio CD. \$14.00
  - Rules and Regulations Audio CD. \$10.00

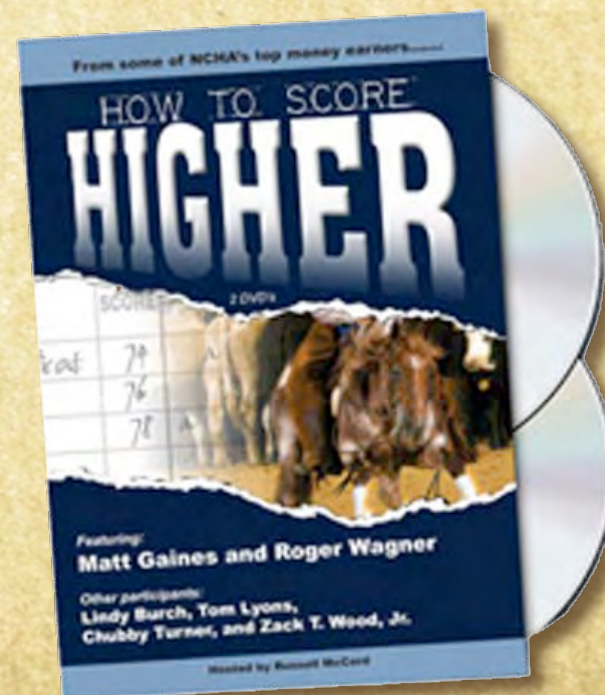




## Latest and Most Popular DVD....

### How To Score Higher – is now available

- 2 disc DVD set - \$49.99 plus shipping & handling
- This set features Matt Gaines and Roger Wagner, telling you how to get the score you're looking for. Guest stars include Lindy Burch, Tom Lyons, Chubby Turner and Zack T. Wood, Jr.





## What's Coming for Fall 2010

- "New Judges Rules and Guideline 2010 Version" DVD

...A must for all judges or riders who compete!

