

54<sup>TH</sup> GEORGIA FEDERATION OF SADDLE CLUB STATE CHAMPIONSHIP  
HORSE SHOW  
SEPTEMBER 5<sup>TH</sup>-7<sup>TH</sup>, 2020  
GEORGIA NATIONAL FAIRGROUNDS & AGRI-CENTER  
PERRY, GEORGIA

Hello Georgia Federation Members!

I'd like to personally welcome each of you to the Spring/Summer portion of the 2020 season. It's an exciting time for our 10 Associations across the state as we continue to grow and adapt, remaining always adaptable, motivated and responsive to new ideas and challenges.

Our organization is confronting a time of many changes and we're meeting these changes during a time of larger nationwide and global change. The world of horse showing is an exciting area in which to work/study/play. We want to support and encourage one another in and outside the arena. By doing so we'll continue to ensure the Federation remains to be successful for all, no matter the level of showing.

Let me give you a brief update on where we are today. It was decided that all participant fees remain the same as in 2019. In addition, the practice covered arenas will be open on Thursday, Sept. 3<sup>rd</sup> for those choosing Early Arrival. (Remember that EA is Thursday up to 8:00 am on the 4<sup>th</sup>) We will remain in Sutherland and Reaves Arenas. Sponsorship for Champion Buckles are being offered at \$100 each. Trophies will be awarded for all placings 1<sup>st</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>.

Our volunteers within the Federation, personnel at the Georgia National Fairgrounds & Agri-Center, City of Perry, Perry Visitors and Convention Center, Georgia Equine Commodity, Tractor Supply, Nutrena/Cargill, Ga Equine and Ag photos, program ad submissions, buckle sponsors and all of our partners have continued to meet the challenges of our show and to excel despite setbacks. We should all be proud of where we are today and excited about where we are headed.

Before I close, I'd like to thank each of you for joining and competing. By attending the shows and meetings, you bring your expertise to our state show. YOU, as the organizations leaders, have the vision, the knowledge, the wherewithal and the experience to help us pave our way into the future. YOU are truly our greatest asset today and tomorrow. We could not accomplish what we do without your support and leadership.

Throughout the remaining season, I ask you to stay engaged, stay proactive and help us shape the future of the Georgia Federation of Saddle Clubs. My personal respect and thanks go out to all of you.

See all of you in Perry @ the 54<sup>th</sup> Georgia Federation of Saddle Clubs Championship State Horse Show!

Sammy Reece, 2020 Host-Georgia Mountain Association President