RULES FOR VACY CHARITY SNAFFLEBIT TWO HANDED CUTTING DAY

- Each horse is required to enter the herd sufficiently deep enough to show its ability to make a cut. One such deep cut will satisfy this rule. Failure to satisfy this requirement will result in a three (3) point penalty.
- Credit will be given for setting up a cow and holding it in a working position as near the centre of the arena as possible.
- Any noise directed by the contestant toward the cattle will be penalized one (1) point.
- Each time a horse runs into the herd, scatters the herd while working or picks up cattle through fault of the horse, he/she will be penalized three (3) points.
- The entire cow must enter working area of horse.
- A horse will be penalized three (3) points each time the back fence actually stops or turns the animal being worked within one step (Three (3) feet) of the fence;
- If a horse turns the wrong way with tail toward animal being worked, an automatic score of 60 points will be given.
- Spurring behind the shoulder shall not be considered a visible cue. A three (3) point penalty shall be assessed each time a horse is spurred in the shoulder.

- The rider shall hold the bridle reins with two hands at all times.

- If a horse lets an animal that he is working get back in the herd, he will be penalized five (5) points.
- If a rider changes cattle after visibly committing to a specific cow, a five (5) point penalty will be assessed.
- A contestant may quit an animal when it is obviously stopped, obviously turned away or is obviously behind the turnback horses.
- If a horse clears the herd with two (2) or more cattle and fails to separate a single animal before quitting, a five (5) point penalty will be charged.
- Horses in the Snaffle Bit class may be ridden with a bridle having a snaffle bit only and shall have no noseband. Tiedowns or Rings or Twisted wire snaffles shall not be used.
- Snaffle bits are to be a minimum of 10mm (3/8”) and have a smooth single jointed mouthpiece. Bosals and Hackamores may be used. They shall be of rope or braided rawhide and have no metal parts.
- Any rider who allows his/her horse to stop working or leave the working area before his/her allotted time of 2.5 min. is up will be disqualified for failing to compete.