# Rules, Guidelines and Information



- Arrival at Cow Palace: When you arrive, please do not enter Cow Palace from the Main Gate off of Geneva Avenue, you will need to enter the BACK gate on Martin Street, see map on FB event page for details.
- Check In: ALL contestants are required to check in at the office BEFORE they make their run and pay their fees due. Saturday the office will open at 5:30am and will remain open until rider 100, after that time it will be open during every big drag, which is every 50 riders. Sunday the office will open at 7am and will remain open until rider 100 and then again during every big drag. Barrel Racing office location will be announced/posted Friday.
- Entries Close: Please note entries for Saturday and Sunday will close Saturday at 8am, with the exception of the High Stakes Race, we will accept entries for the High Stakes Race up until rider 150 of Sunday's open, no late fee if entered in race already. Late fee is \$25 per day, thank you.
- Time Only's | Saturday, October 15<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, October 16<sup>th</sup> 5:30am-7am: \$5 cash at the gate. Riders will be allowed one time thru the pattern and are asked to stay at a trot or faster (no walking). Time only slots will be reserved by booking online at ClassicBarrelRacing.com, booking swill be open on Friday, 10/7/16 at 8am thru Sunday, 10/9/16 at 5pm. Time only will be reserved in three time slots: 5:30am-6am, 6am-6:30am and 6:30am-7am. Payment will be accepted via \$5 cash at the gate. PeeWee contestants are not allowed to reserve slots. We have 300+ contestants and only 90 min for time onlys.
- Open 4D Barrel Race Start Time: 8am Saturday and Sunday, Open Average awards and Youth awards immediately following the conclusion of the Youth race in the arena.
- Warm Up Arenas: There will be two warm up arenas available, the large outdoor arena as well as a small indoor arena behind the indoor box stalls.
- Riders may not compete on the same horse in the same race. BOTH contestants will be DISQUALIFIED if they ride the same horse with NO refund of fees.
- **Draw Order**: You must compete on the horse in IT'S DRAWN ORDER. We will do our best to space your horses apart and put them in the order that is listed on the entry form. If you see on the draw we have your horses in an order different than you entered them, please contact us BEFORE you to run so that we switch your horses to the correct order or you will receive a no time, thank you.
- Association Member Numbers: If you want your race to count toward WCBRA or ACBRA please be sure to include the appropriate membership numbers, the \$5 WCBRA fee is included in the OPEN entry fee, however you must pay an additional \$5 for your race to count for ACBRA or Run2Win. Membership applications will be available at the race.
- Dress Code/Western Attire: Mandatory long sleeved, buttoned up, collared shirt, TUCKED IN. Western pants, cowboy boots and a cowboy hat or helmet. Hats lost in the arena will result in a \$10 hat fine. Any dress code violations will results in a \$50 fine. Please dress professional, as photos will be taken and displayed in various publications.
- **Sportsmanship**: All contestants and their family members are expected to display good sportsmanship at all times. All decisions by the race director are FINAL.
- Releases/Draw Outs: After entering, contestants may be refunded 100% of their fees drawing out via email (Spring@ClassicBarrelRacing.com) 72 hours prior to race date, after that time 70% refund issued with doctors or vet note.
- Youth: Age 17 and under as of race date.
- Qualified Run: To receive a time at a WCBRA race YOU MUST MAKE A COMPETITIVE RUN! This means, if you pull up, you will not receive a time.
- Knocked Over Barrels: Result in a no time.
- Electric Eye: If the electric eye fails during a rider's run the barrel racer has the CHOICE of a re-run or receive a refund. It is up to the barrel racer to contact office staff and make it clear as to if they will take the re-run at the end of the race on clean ground or receive a refund.
- NSF checks will result in a \$50 fine and the member being put on an ineligible list.
- **Payout/Check Processing**: We will make every effort to have the payout checks ready for pick up 30 minutes after the last rider in the race runs. Any checks that are not picked up by 6pm (with the exception of the short go checks) will be mailed to the riders address listed on entry form.

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## **Holding Pen Rules**

We will be running with a "Holding Pen". This will allow us to load 5 riders and make the race run smoother and more efficiently. We have a limited amount of time in the arena and this year's race is turning out to be HUGE!

Our goal is to ensure that every contestant gets the same fair opportunity as the next contestant. Please note the holding pen is NOT a warm up pen, please do not enter the holding pen and then begin loping/trotting circles. Please enter the arena/holding pen and head straight to the front/top and get settled in.

Riders are expected to load the holding pens during the drag (5 riders that are up). The holding pen gate will be closed when the barrels are set and the tractors are parked. Riders and helpers NOT in the holding pens when the gates are shut will be fined an additional entry fee (\$75 fine) but allowed to run if they choose to run, so long as there drawn position has not been passed.

Riders will have 60 seconds to start their run (making an honest attempt to start) after their name is called. Failure to start your pattern will result in a \$50 fine. After 90 seconds, racers will be disqualified for that one round if they have not crossed the eye. If your horse is hard to start, please have a plan. Help, in full western attire, is allowed in the holding pen, but no person or horse is allowed past the plane of the gate into the alleyway except those that are up. You must be mounted when entering the holding pen. No dismounting in the holding pen for any reason. Failure to follow the holding pen rules will results in a fine of a minimum \$50. All decision of the Race Official will be final.

Our goal is to make the race run smooth, your assistance is greatly appreciated and we hope you have a wonderful experience at the Cow Palace! *Please Note: There will NOT be a holding pen for the Short Go Round!* 

### Short Go Round - Details

- No entry fee to qualifiers!
- The short go will start promptly at 6:30pm on Saturday night.
- The short go will consist of the top 5 fastest riders from the OPEN race (that sign "yes" to compete in short go round).
- Once the race results are posted from the Open the top riders from Open will have 30 minutes to let the office know if they will or will not compete in the short go. PLEASE NOTE: In case any of the top riders don't want to compete in the short go we are asking that the top 20 fastest riders from the OPEN come and let the office know if they would like to compete in the short go, we will take the top 5 fastest riders from the OPEN that say "yes". For instance if the 2nd fastest rider says "no" then we will move down the list and take the next fastest person time that said "yes" and so forth.
- You may run an alternate horse from the one you qualified on.
- Riders will run the short go slowest qualifier to fastest.
- Dress code will apply.
- Order of go will be posted by 6:00pm.
- Short go will start at exactly 6:30pm.
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### Payout/Placing will be as follows:

1st Fastest Time:\$200, Rodeo Quincy Spur Straps provided by Sue Spence of Tuffies & FinishLine Product2nd Fastest Time:\$100, Rodeo Quincy Spur Straps provided by Sue Spence of Tuffies & FinishLine Product3rd Fastest Time:\$75, Rodeo Quincy Spur Straps provided by Sue Spence of Tuffies & FinishLine Product4th Fastest Time:\$75, Rodeo Quincy Spur Straps provided by Sue Spence of Tuffies & FinishLine Product5th Fastest Time:\$75, Rodeo Quincy Spur Straps provided by Sue Spence of Tuffies & FinishLine Product5th Fastest Time:\$75, Rodeo Quincy Spur Straps provided by Sue Spence of Tuffies & FinishLine Product5th Fastest Time:\$75, Rodeo Quincy Spur Straps provided by Sue Spence of Tuffies & FinishLine Product5th Fastest Time:\$75, Rodeo Quincy Spur Straps provided by Sue Spence of Tuffies & FinishLine Product

No "d" increments, just top 5 fastest times will be paid.