PCBRA

RULES AND REGULATIONS

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The PCBRA is a non-profit organization, formed in 2002, to promote the sport of barrel racing by providing barrel racing competitions in which each horse and rider has an equal opportunity to be competitive at their own level.

Our goals are to increase the number of participants, improve the quality of shows and bring Peace Country Barrel racers together.

MEMBERSHIP

* Membership is offered to anyone, male or female.
* Purchase of a PCBRA membership is not mandatory to compete at sanctioned shows.
* Open: $100.00
* Youth: $80.00 (16 years of age and younger as of as of January 1st of the year of finals)
* Peewee:$60.00 (10 years of age and younger as of January 1st of the year of finals)
* Youth and Peewee must declare themselves as an Open, Youth or Peewee entrant at the start of the season and will qualify for the Finals in this category only. They may not purchase more than one membership. If they choose to upgrade to the next level during the season they can do so but their prior races will not count.
* **Memberships must be purchased through the PCBRA office only.** Membership applications must be received but the PCBRA office before any jackpots can be used for Finals qualification. Effective date will be the date the membership form has been emailed and the etransfer has been received or in the case of no email available given directly to the secretary.
* Jackpot season starts the day after the deadline for Finals qualification. You must buy your membership by Nov 1st in order for jackpots between the deadline for finals and Nov 1st to count.
* PCBRA honors all association blacklists for purchase of memberships

and finals entries

* A youth contestant may enter the open if they are the sole youth entry. This jackpot will not count towards the Finals. The sole youth entry may also choose to stay in the youth class and run “against themselves”. In this case the jackpot will count towards the Finals.
* A Peewee contestant may enter the youth if they are the sole Peewee

entry. This jackpot will not count towards the Finals.

* If two or more youth are in attendance at any particular jackpot, they

must remain in the youth class and be paid in the 3D format. This holds

true for the peewee category as well.

* Members may run as many horses as they wish throughout the year.

FORMAT

* All PCBRA approved jackpots will follow a 3D format in the Open, Youth, and Peewee classes.
* 4D jackpot options are to follow ABRA Rules. – 4D jackpots are 7/10 split regardless of pattern size but if the pattern is regulation pattern 60x90x105 a 1 sec split can be used but it has a different payout percentage ie 15& under for 100% instead of 10 & under. You will find this below
* Open divisions are determined by a 7/10 or one second split. A 7/10 split will be used at all times, unless pattern total footage is over 234 ft, then a one second split will be required.
* Youth divisions will use the same spilt as the open class depending on the arena size. Peewee will use a five second split regardless of pattern size.
* The fastest penalty free time in a class (whether a PCBRA member or not) will determine the divisions (time brackets).
* Knocked over barrels are considered a no time.
* Each jackpot starts with a clean slate, thereby allowing horses to place in any of the three divisions throughout the season.
* Finals format to be at the discretion of the board.

EXAMPLE of division splits.

Fast time: 16.500 – 1 second time bracket Fast time:15.500 – 7/10 bracket

Division Time Division Time

1D 16.500 – 17.499 1D 15.500 – 16.199

2D 17.500 – 18.499 2D 16.200 – 16.899

3D 18.500 -19.499 3D 16.900 -17.699

4D 19.500 & up 4D 17.700 & up

SHOW SANCTIONING

* Jackpots may be hosted at a fenced private arenas or rodeo/gymkhana grounds (indoors or outdoors) throughout the season.
* If a host has access to an indoor facility in case of rain, they are to list the back-up facility on the jackpot approval sheet.
* For a jackpot to be sanctioned but the PCBRA it must first be submitted for approval to the jackpot scheduler. Approval for jackpots must have a one week approval cut-off date.
* Rescheduling a rained-out jackpot will only require a two day approval cut-off date.
* In order to have jackpots approved on the same day/night the hosts must be a minimum of 45 minutes apart of each other (via google maps)
* Host arenas wanting to use a two run average must have approval and be advertised as such.
* Exhibition, second runs and time-onlys run at the discretion of the host.
* Once a season, a jackpot host, who is not competing at their event, can credit his/herself attendance card one jackpot.
* Hosts wishing to hold “member only” jackpots must have approval and be advertised as such.
* The host of a double header has an option of allowing roll overs for the second jackpot. This must be declared by the contestant upon entering the jackpot. All fees will apply to both jackpot Rollovers will follow ABRA rules. ABRA rules state the following – Hosts will have the option to book double headers with a roll over. Double Headers with roll over work as follows. Contestants may enter the first jackpot and choose to roll their time to the second jackpot or enter both jackpots and make 2 runs. Contestant must declare their roll over option (1 run or 2) at time of entry prior to the start of the jackpot. NO EXCEPTIONS. Rider may not decide to take your second run if you knock a barrel or get a no time if roll over was declared. Both jackpots will be paid out separately and both jackpots will count towards the finals
* Double headers can be at any time and must be advertised as such.
* PCBRA reserves the right to refuse sanctioning of any event.
* **Criteria for Host Arenas**
* Follow the PCBRA rules and regulations and be a member in good standing.
* Clarify and list any additional fees charged at jackpots on the jackpot approval form, including if the host takes any fees off the top before doing the payout
* Maintain safe ground/arena conditions throughout the jackpot. Reworking/raking rotation should be determined by the host arena
* Use PCBRA timer. If there is no PCBRA timer available, host can use a timer which is available to them. A reasonable fee for timer can be charged. (Time to /1000 seconds, if timer permits)
* Mark pattern and scoreline.
* Take entries and calculate payout
* Record names of all horses and contestants first and last names on entry sheet.
* Utilize 45 gallon metal barrels. Plastic close-ended barrels may be used if metal are not available.
* All hosts are to take a picture of the results and send them to the PCBRA facebook page and an admin will approve them
* Provide 45 feet of stopping distance with a closed gate.
* Random draw is mandatory at all jackpot. If a member has more than one horse entered, they are to be drawn into the beginning of the program and then placed accordingly to the draw.
* Host arenas may add Pole Bending; however, it has no bearing on Finals qualification. If Pole Bending is added it should be added at the end of the jackpot.
* Complete supplied PCBRA entry forms in full detail.
* Forward all completed jackpot forms and fees to the jackpot scheduler within FIVE days of the jackpot. Send $3 per entry in Open, Youth and Peewee classes (including exhibition funs). If not received within this time any upcoming scheduled jackpots will be cancelled.
* If co-approved with ABRA, send a minimum fee of $2.00 per entry in Open, Youth and Peewee classes and their jackpot result, to the ABRA district director. If Co-approved by NRR send $2 per entry in both poles and barrels to NRR.
* If Jackpot fees collected are not received within 30 days the host will be blacklisted, meaning any jackpots they attend while blacklisted do not count, and they are not able to host jackpots for the remainder of the year.

AREAS

The following areas are based on interest, population and accessibility:

* Chetwynd and Area, including as far south as Mackenzie
* Dawson Creek
* Fort St John
* Hudson Hope
* Fort Nelson
* Alberta, boundaries defines as North being High Level, no farther East than High Prairie, no farther South than Valleyview
* This was expanded to all of the peace region in 2021 where is the map and boundaries?

DIRECTORS

Directors are as follows

Chetwnd – 2

Fort St John – 2

Dawson Creek -2

Hudson Hope – 1

Alberta – 2

Vice President

President

Treasurer/Secretary

Sponsorship/Prize Coordinator

Each area has two elected Directors, with the exception of Hudson Hope and Fort Nelson, which has one elected Director.

Director’s responsibilities include: attending regular Director meetings, addressing concerns, keeping members informed, attending jackpots and assisting with the Finals. If directors miss more than 3 meetings in a row they may be asked to step down and another Director may be appointed in their place

Presidents are to have previously served a term on the board.

Directors are to be reimbursed mileage to and from PCBRA Directors meetings at a rate of $.30/kilometer. Directors are asked to carpool when possible, in which case only the driver will be reimbursed.

Mileage is determined as per Google Maps distances as follows:

Dawson Creek – Chetwynd 101KM

Dawson Creek – Grande Prairie 131 KM

Dawson Creek – Fort St. John 75KM

Fort St. John – Grande Prairie 206KM

Chetwynd – Grande Prairie 232 KM

If meetings are held in a different location, Mileage is to follow basic distance (town to town) determined by Google Maps.

FINALS QUALIFICATIONS/FORMAT

* Must be a member in good standing of the Peace Country Barrel Racing Association.
* Members may qualify at any PCBRA approved jackpots.
* Each horse/rider combination must attend a predetermined number of jackpots within the current season to qualify for the Finals.
* Open member must attend a minimum of 9 jackpots per season. Open horse must attend a minimum of 5 jackpots per season.
* Youth member must attend a minimum of 6 jackpots per season. Youth horse must attend a minimum of 3 jackpots per season.
* Peewee member must attend a minimum of 4 jackpots per season. Peewee horse must attend a minimum of 2 jackpots per season.
* A mounted attempt of the cloverleaf pattern must be made in order for a jackpot to count towards the Finals.
* The PCBRA Secretary will be responsible for tracking member’s jackpots and horse/rider combinations throughout the year. It is a good idea for members to also keep track of their jackpots in case of a discrepancy to make it easier for the secretary to go back and check the jackpot sheet in question.
* Year-end will be declared the day of the deadline for Finals Qualification. (Only jackpots prior to this date will count for the Finals.) Jackpots after this date will count towards the following competition year (next year memberships required)
* Finals entries, including fees, must be **received by the office** on or before the date set by the Board. Finals entries are to be sent in by email and etransfer. Forms will be posted on the PCBRA site when entries open.
* Finals entry fees are non-refundable with the exception of a veterinary/medical release on or before the date set by the office. A $25.00 per entry office admin fee will be held back on every entry refunded.

10.A member is allowed to substitute a finals entry within one day before

the start of the first go, so long as the horse and rider have qualified

together for all of the open, youth or peewee divisions.

11.In the event of a tie at the Finals the prize will go to the fastest time

over the 3 runs. If one of the two competitors does not have 3 recorded

runs, then it will fall to the fastest time over the weekend between them.

12.When a person has more than one horse entered, they are to be drawn

into the beginning of the program and then placed accordingly in the

draw.

13.Finals order: Discretion of the Directors

14.All entry and administration fees to be set by the current Board.

15.Added money to be in all classes, Open, Youth and Peewee. Amount to

be set by current Board.

16.Payout to be in all classes Open, Youth and Peewee, according to

PCBRA payout rules.

17.Prizes to be in all classes Open, Youth, and Peewee to no less than

fourth place in each division.

18.Finals will include three runs in each class Open, Youth, and Peewee.

19.Payout to be made on each run.

20.Prizes based on average of best two runs

21.Additional prizes at the discretion of PCBRA Board of Directors and

Awards Coordinator.

22.Non-Competitetive Peewee Class to be added for lead line competitors and non-competitive riders. Participation prizes for all

23. Both the LeaAnne Gagnon Award, and the Exceptional Host award are to be nominated by the membership and decided upon by the Board. It is open to include all members in good standing, including board members.

24. The Senior Incentive is available to riders age 50+ as of August 1st of current season. 100% of the $25.00 entry fee will be paid out on a 3D average on the best two runs out of three. (Same as the Futurity and Derby)

25. There is a Mandatory Sponsorship of $50 per person or $100 per family required in the finals entry form. If a host has brought in over $500 in finals fees by hosting jackpots this fee will be waived.

26. The open category will be a 4D format with the Youth and Peewee remaining a 3D format.

27. There is a buy in option for the finals of 2 races. IE: if you are two races short to qualify for the finals you may buy two races at $100 each. This will be on the finals form.

ENTRY FEES AND PAYOUT

* Host arenas may set the entry fees at their discretion and may deduct a reasonable amount for non PCBRA timer and arena rental. Recommended entry fees: Open $20.00 Youth $10.00 Peewee $5.00 Payout for Peewees left up to the discretion of the jackpot host.
* Each host is to collect a PCBRA Finals fee of $3.00 and an ABRA (NRR) fee of $2.00 (if co-approved) per entry in the Open, Youth and Peewee classes. Host must send ABRA (NRR) fees directly to the ABRA (NRR) director.
* Exhibition runs will be charged $5.00, and $3 of this needs to be sent in to PCBRA for finals fees
* Payouts must be split equally between the three divisions at all PCBRA jackpots.
* Added money to be split equally between the three divisions
* Receiving payout is the responsibility of the competitor, not the host. Monies will be held by the host until competitor is contacted. The competitor must make arrangements in regard to receiving payment.
* If it should occur that only one horse falls into one particular division, that horse shall receive all the payout for that division. If no horse falls into one particular division the money will be split between the other two divisions
* Money will not be paid out to a contestant who knocked over barrels.
* In the case that any entrant is disqualified, the runner up will receive any money and awards if applicable.

10.The number of total entries determines number of placings in each

division at jackpots.

11.Eight placings to be paid out at a jackpot if the payout exceeds $2000.00

After all expenses are deducted. (Timer, arena, association fees, etc.)

* At the jackpot host’s discretion, at PCBRA only approved jackpots, the host has the option of paying out until not less than what the entry fee is for last hole. (ex. If 6th place was only to win $10, where the entry fee was greater than $10, the host can decide to only pay five places)

3 D Total Entries Placings/Division Percentage (%)

10 and under 1 100%

11-20 2 60% - 40%

21-30 3 45% - 35% - 20%

31-40 4 40% - 30% - 20% - 10%

41-50 5 34% - 26% - 18% - 14% - 8%

51 & up 6 29% - 24% - 19% - 14% - 9% - 5%

$2000 8 23% - 20% - 17% - 14% - 11% 8% - 5% -2%

4 D Total Entries Placings/Division Percentage (%)

15 and under 1 100%

16-25 2 60% - 40%

26-40 3 45% - 35% - 20%

41-60 4 40% - 30% - 20% - 10%

61-80 5 30% - 25% - 20% - 15% - 10%

81-120 6 28% - 22% - 18% - 14% - 10% - 8%

121-160- 7 26% - 20% - 15% - 12% - 10% 9% - 8% -2%

161-200+ 8 23%-20%-17%-14%-11%-8%-5%-2%

GENERAL

* All members, non-members, and volunteers are covered by the current insurance plan at all PCBRA approved events.
* A contestant may ride any horse regardless of ownership. However, a horse may not be ridden by more than one person in a class UNLESS ALL of the following conditions are met:
* Both contestants are members of the owner’s immediate family who reside in the same household (husband, wife, children and grandchildren)
* Neither contestant is showing any other horse in that class
* In no case will the same horse be run more than twice in the same class
* Infraction of rules at any PCBRA approved event, including the Finals, will result in disqualifications, fines and/or suspensions at the discretion of the PCBRA Board of Directors.
* Infraction of Rules include but not limited to:
* Protests by the contestant. The decision of the Timer and Directors shall be final.
* Tendering an NSF cheque. There will be a $20.00 service charge or what the bank charges us (whichever is higher) for any NSF cheques
* Being under the influence of alcohol in the arena during an approved event.
* Altercation or quarreling at any time during an approved event.
* Excessive whipping.
* Excessive yelling or any foul language.
* Rowdiness
* Tampering or removing of ropes or markers
* Non-payment of entry fees
* General inhumane treatment of a horse in the arena, stabling area, or any place on the grounds.
* Ill-mannered horses
* Competing horses that are not entirely free from the effects of stimulants or hypnotics
* Any relative of a contestant complaining on behalf of said contestant.
* Practicing on the markers after the course has been set. (to practice, barrels must be set 15 ft from the markers)
* Any member showing disrespect to a host in any manner, be it foul language, altercations, quarreling or otherwise will be reported to the Board of Directors.
* Directors from each area will attend jackpots when possible to ensure rules and regulations are followed. If unable to attend, the Director may choose to delegate a representative to ensure jackpots are following the Criteria for Host Arenas and PCBRA Rules and Regulations are being followed.
* Any member attending a jackpot, who wishes to report an incident wherein rules and regulations are not being adhered to, must send a written explanation to the Board outlining the infractions. The result or consequences will be at the discretion of the PCBRA Board of Directors as per PCBRA Rules and Regulations.

RULES NOT COVERED UNDER THE PCBRA RULES & REGULATIONS ARE AUTOMATICALLY DEFERRED TO THE ABRA RULES & REGULATIONS