

BC Barrel Racers Association  
Annual General Meeting Minutes  
September 17th, 2026 at 6 pm  
JP Arena, Monte Creek

**Meeting called to order: 6:15pm**

**Motion** by Judy Hyde that this meeting's agenda has been read and approved; seconded by Rhonda McLeod

**Motion** by Bridget Rosette September 12<sup>th</sup>, 2025 AGM minutes have been read and approved; seconded by Melanie Wintjes.

**Motion** by Gina Volansky Treasurer's Report has been read and approved; seconded by Nicole Roberts.

**President's Report by Bridget Rosette**

**Race producer free membership announcement**

- Barb Horton
- Isabelle Penner
- Alicia Vogl
- Candance Chevallier
- Lori Rankin
- Ashley Zappone
- Shayle McLeod
- Krystie Churchill
- Talia Stevenson
- Linnea Cappos
- Lisa Whitman
- Amanda Moore
- Jordana Watson
- Kylie Haugland
- Tori Long
- Brooke Mellish
- Kaitlyn Radmacher
- Shelley Black
- Stacey Carter
- Dakota Mitchener
- Brittnay Gordon
- Debbie Roch

**Early bird winner announcement**

- Carrie Tuplin; received
- Aavah Krause; not present
- Bianca Doorn; not present
- Maryann Musket; not present
- Alayna Vadeboncoeur; received

## **Election of Directors:**

- **President- Judy Hyde by acclamation (2 year term)**
  - Judy Hyde nominated by Alicia Vogl, nomination accepted.
  - Gina Volansky nominated by Madelene Doyle, nomination denied.
- **Vice President- Shari Wahl by acclamation (1 year term)**
  - Shari Wahl nominated by Lori Rankin, nomination accepted.
- **Treasurer- Gina Volansky by acclamation (1 year term)**
  - Gina Volansky nominated by Rhonda McLeod, nomination accepted.
- **Secretary- Trinity Sure by acclamation (2 year term)**
  - Alicia Vogl nominated; nomination denied.
  - Juanita Borsteinas nominated by Madelin Pozzobon; nomination denied.
  - Mary Ann Mustkett nominated by Judy Hyde; nomination denied.
  - Amber Teed nominated by Madelin Pozzobon; nomination denied.
  - Brandee Simmons nominated by Madelin Pozzobon; nomination denied.
  - Kyli Haugland nominated; nomination denied.
  - Trinity Sure nominated by Karen Yaworski; nomination accepted.
- **Race Approval Director- Nicole Roberts by acclamation (2 year term)**
  - Nicole Roberts nominated by Josey Widdoes; nomination accepted.
- **Awards Director- Alicia Vogl by acclamation (1 year term)**
  - Alicia Vogl nominated by Kim Meise, nomination accepted.
  - Madelin Pozzobon nominated, nomination denied.
- **Sponsorship Director- Melanie Wintjes by majority (2 year term)**
  - Kristina Leduc nominated, nomination accepted. 25 voted.
  - Melanie Wintjes nominated by Karen Yaworski, nomination accepted. 36 voted.
- **Social Media/Website Director- Kirsten Gjerde nominated by acclamation (1 year term)**
  - Madelin Pozzobon nominated by Shari Wahl, nomination denied.
  - Kerstin Gerde nominated by Madelin Pozzobon; nomination accepted.
- **Northern Director- Kim Meise by majority (2 year term)**
  - Kim Meise nominated by Alicia Vogl; nomination accepted. Votes 32.
  - Karleen Serwatkewich nominated by Judy Hyde; nomination accepted. Votes 23
  - Madelene Doyle nominated Debbie Roch; nomination denied.
  - Norma Sure nominated by Bridget Rosette, nomination denied.
  - Jacob Deusy nominated, nomination denied.
- **Okanagan Director- Term still standing; Jordana Watson remains (1 year term)**
- **Coastal and Vancouver Island Director- Elaine Nelson-Hosak by acclamation (2 year term)**
  - Elaine Nelson-Hosak nominated by Madelin Pozzobon; nomination accepted.
- **Central Director- Term still standing; Madelin Pozzobon remains. (1 year term)**

- **East/West Kootenay Director-** Rhonda McLeod nominated by acclamation (1 year term)
  - o Rhonda McLeod nominated by Gina Volansky, nomination accepted.
  - o Kylie Haugland nominated by Shari Wahl, nomination denied.

### **Actions**

1. Create a race credit/race report committee to come together and create a better race report submission system.

### **Discussion;**

#### **-Gold Card**

- 55 is young; lots of members are over that age.
- There should be some sort of outstanding service required
- Maybe can offer free seniors membership instead of membership for life
- Can we remove consecutive; change denied

#### **-Youth Riding Studs**

- Putting people in danger; association liability.
- Understand there are very good studs but a stud is still unpredictable
- Rider's age and sex of the horse should not be what determines what is "safe"
- Would rather a rule about safety; the BCBRA should have a write to revoke a ride/horse duo if multiple warning are reported.
- Most parents are smart and not putting their children on a wild, rude stud who are going to go and mount another horse. A stud is no different than any other horse; any horse can run over another horse.
- Maybe a rule that any youth on a stud an adult must be present with them.
- Stud does have the mind of their own, a stud is not a gelding or mare.
- Recommend a waiver any member riding a stud must sign when they purchase their membership

#### **-Race report submission**

- Change to 7 days as that is when the fine is present; the 48 hours does not give race producers time to get things together especially large/multiple day races. The 48 hours does not stand ground as nothing happens if they don't send it by 48 hours.

#### **-2 Director Without Portfolios**

- Even though working on having a Finals committee. More hands make light work. Growing association.
- If you have more directors; you do need more for quorum.
- Finals; needing more hands

#### **-Treasurer Position Starting 30 Days After Finals**

- The board does not start at Finals anyways.
- Treasurer should finish their job anyways why do we need to add another rule
- Previous treasurer shared the treasurer before them did not finish their job and handed everything off a mess.

#### **-If Running For President, Should Have Been On the Board Already**

- AIF

### **-BCBRA To Go To Memberships only Association**

- Less hassle with race credits and race producers problems
- All other associations must have a membership why not BCBRA
- Worried less people enter during winter
- Made \$6300 in NM fees last year; money out?
- Should not turn anyone away to come barrel race, BCBRA is a family focussed association

### **-Charlie Horse Adding (+5) When Knock**

- In different, they don't get paid anyways.
- Still have to press NT anyways.
- Feel their time is with the +5 not just a NT.

### **-Increase In Infractions**

- Losing race producers
- Have a sportsman like rule anyways
- People don't seem to care about a \$50 fine anymore.

### **-Cancel Fee being shared**

- With fires this year and injuries people are worried they may not be able to make a race come race time. Not all race producers share ahead of time if they have a cancelation fee.
- Just would like to have a rule that race producers must have it posted if there is a cancelation fee.

### **-Cancelations of races**

- Race producers should not have to run a race when money will be coming out of their pocket if have low entries
- Some race entries are still open at 48 hours, how about 24 hours? Change accepted.
- Need a rule as every year there are concerns with races being cancelled.

## **LOSS OF QUORUM**

### **Discussion Items:**

#### **1. Alicia Vogl**

Race credits

- Not a system problem necessarily, the people still need to put the right
- What race producers opinion on options; do not want to add more to the race producer
- Would be nice to have one submission form everyone must use as there are multiple race producer systems used; Charlie horse; excel; hand written.
- Sharepoint option discussed
- Should create a committee to help solidify a better system

#### **2. Madelin Pozzobon**

Finals last payout hole must cover the whole weekends entry fee. Not just a day of it.

- Last year paid down almost 14 places; only getting that days worth of entry fee.
- BCBRA is an inclusive association, it isn't about the top getting the most. Members shared they are happy to make anything; just being in the money makes them happy.
- Those at the top still get over \$1000.00

## **Motions**

**1. Motion by Judy Hyde; seconded by Carrie Mussel. NOT CARRIED.**

**To amend Gold Card rule:**

"A written request of recognition is to be delivered to the Board and can be delivered by any member in good standing.

To be recognized must have:

10 years of consecutive membership

Have given outstanding service to the Association"

**To:**

"Gold Card- A full carded member who is in good standing, who has paid their membership fees for a period of 20 years, not necessarily consecutive, and is 55 years of age or older, shall be granted a life membership in the association.

Members meeting gold card criteria must apply to the association in writing for such a membership.

**2. Motion by Joyce Pifer; seconded by Madelene Doyle. AIF Carried.**

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**To:**

"To nominate a member, a written request of recognition is to be delivered to the Board and can be delivered by any member in good standing. Self-nomination not accepted.

To be recognized must have:

10 years of consecutive membership

Have given outstanding service to the Association"

**3. Motion by Bridget Rosette; seconded by Lynn Dent Wilson; rescinded.**

**To add to rulebook:**

Competitors 18 years of age and younger may not show a stallion in any class, regardless of the age or size of the stallion.

**4. Motion by Hanna McClary; not present; not discussed.**

**To add to rulebook:**

All BCBRA sanctioned races where BCBRA is primary approval be required to provide transparent payout information to contestants. This shall include posting or making available:

- Total number of entries,
- Total payout amount,
- Payout breakdown by division and placing,
- and final race results.

Race producers must make this information available within 48 hours of the race either through social media, email, website posting, or upon request from contestants.

Failure to provide payout transparency may result in review by the Board and could impact future race approvals.

5. **Motion by Natasha Flanagan; seconded by Debbie Roch; AIF Carried.**

**To amend rule:**

Within 48 hours after race date, race producer must send in the following to the Treasurer:

Completed entry form, timesheets, payout calculation sheet, recap sheet accompanied by all sanctioning fees, timer fees, etc. (No cash, please send cheque, money order, or etransfer) Cheque, money order, or etransfer will be your only proof the results have been sent. The BCBRA assumes no responsibility if you send cash, and the race information is not received. You will be responsible for resubmitting the race results and monies due the BCBRA.

If complete race results are not received within 7 days after the race, the race producer will be fined \$25 and may not receive approval to organize another BCBRA race until all outstanding and monies are received, with the exception of hard copies and cheques for payment by mail, then the required time frame for receiving will be 14 days.

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6. **Motion by Bridget Rosette; seconded by Sierra Noble. Majority wins. CARRIED.**

**To amend bylaws:**

“Remove the 2 Director without Portfolios.”

7. **Motion by Bridget Rosette; seconded by Carrie Tuplin; AIF Carried.**

**To add to bylaws:**

“All new Director positions will commence the Monday following Finals, excluding the Treasurer position. The new Treasurer will commence 30 days after Finals has ended. The new Treasurer is still required to take part in all meetings before fully stepping into the Directorship.”

8. **Motion by Bridget Rosette; seconded by Colleen Duggan. AIF Carried.**

**To add to bylaws:**

To be elected for President; the member must have held a Director position for two years or one year as one of the Executive Director positions.

9. **Motion by Shari Wahl; seconded by Judy Hyde. NOT CARRIED.**

**To add to bylaws:**

“BCBRA move to a membership ONLY platform effective immediately.”

**10. Motion by Joyce Pifer; seconded by Bridget Rosette. NOT CARRIED.**

**To amend rule:**

"A +5 second penalty will be added to the rider's time for each barrel knocked over. Knocked down barrels will be considered a no time run. The rider's time will be announced and recorded but no moneys will be paid on said run."

**To:**

"A +5 second penalty will be added to the rider's time for each barrel knocked over. Knocked down barrels will be considered a no time run. The rider's time plus any and all penalties will be announced and Recorded but no moneys will be paid on said run."

**11. Motion by Judy Hyde; seconded by Bridget Rosette. Majority voted in favour. CARRIED.**

**To amend rule:**

Infractions of rules will result in the following protocol for members and non-members:

- 1) First infraction – verbal and written notice by an arena manager or Director of the Association
- 2) Second infraction - \$50 fine and must be paid before entering their next BCBRA race where BCBRA is primary
- 3) Third infraction – suspension or expulsion of membership for a full calendar year starting when letter was sent. Infractions of the rules include, but not limited to: Conduct or speech of any kind that is detrimental to the best interests of the BCBRA; Being under the influence of alcohol in the arena, while competing or volunteering; Altercations or quarrelling at any time during an approved event; Failure to follow the BCBRA Rules & Regulations.

**To:**

Infractions of rules will result in the following protocol for members and non-members:

- 1) First infraction – verbal and written notice by an arena manager or Director of the Association
- 2) Second infraction - \$200 fine and must be paid before entering their next BCBRA race where BCBRA is primary
- 3) Third infraction – suspension or expulsion of membership for a full calendar year starting when letter was sent. Infractions of the rules include, but not limited to: Conduct or speech of any kind that is detrimental to the best interests of the BCBRA; Being under the influence of alcohol in the arena, while competing or volunteering; Altercations or quarrelling at any time during an approved event; Failure to follow the BCBRA Rules & Regulations.

**12. Motion by Joyce Pifer; seconded by Bridget Rosette. AIF CARRIED.**

**To add to rulebook:**

If there is to be a cancellation fee due to medical &/or extenuating circumstances to either horse or rider on the day of the jackpot where no money is added and no closing date, the fee must be submitted on the race approval form.

**13. Motion by Natasha Flanagan; seconded by Shari Wahl.**

**To amend rule:**

"RACES CAN ONLY BE CANCELLED DUE TO BAD WEATHER OR EXTENUATING CIRCUMSTANCES."

**To:**

Races may only be cancelled due to bad weather, extenuating circumstances or failure to meet the minimum entry requirement, resulting in the Race Producer being required to pay out of pocket.

Any race cancelled for reason other than bad weather or extenuating circumstances must be cancelled within a minimum of 48 hours notice to affected parties.

If the race producer has a minimum entry requirement it must be posted with race information.

**Amended Motion; AIF CARRIED.**

Races may only be cancelled due to bad weather, extenuating circumstances or failure to meet the minimum entry requirement, resulting in the Race Producer being required to pay out of pocket.

Any race cancelled for reason other than bad weather or extenuating circumstances must be cancelled within a minimum of 24 hours notice to affected parties.

If the race producer has a minimum entry requirement it must be posted with race information.

**LOSS OF QUORUM**

**Tabled to Next Meeting:**

**1. Motion by Joyce Pifer**

**To amend rule:**

Entry fee is defined as the amount of money added to the payout, including approval fee (ie. \$20 to payout, \$3 approval fee, \$23 is referred to as the entry fee.)

**To:**

Entry fee is defined as the amount of money added to the payout, including approval fee only. Will not include any other administration, timer, arena fee, etc. (ie. \$20 to payout, \$3 approval fee, \$23 is referred to as the entry fee.)

**2. Motion by Judy Hyde**

**To amend rule:**

BCBRA approved races are not restricted to holding all race categories.

**To:**

BCBRA approved races are not restricted to holding all race categories.

Rodeo Qualifiers will be co-sanctioned BCBRA therefore will be under the Rodeo rules so there will be no carry overs.

**3. Motion by Judy Hyde**

**To add rule:**

There will be a \$50 charge on stale dated cheques and expired e-transfer that must be reissued.

**4. Motion by Judy Hyde**

**To add rule:**

Race producers are to ensure that all names are spelt and entered correctly, also that they have given the correct membership # and that they are a member, or they can be subject to a \$50 fine.

**5. Motion by Madelin Pozzobon**

**To amend rule:**

Payout can be whatever producer wants as long as the last hole doesn't go lower than entry fee.

**6. Motion by Judy Hyde**

**To amend rule:**

Once barrel markers have been placed, no practicing is allowed on the course marked. For purposes of practicing, barrels must be placed at least 15 feet away from the markers.

**To:**

Once barrel markers have been placed, no practicing is allowed on the course marked, this includes using the markers. For purpose of practicing, barrels must be at least 15 feet away from the mark. Any barrel racer caught practicing on the BCBRA measurements pegs/markers will be fined \$75.

**7. Motion by Madelin Pozzobon**

**To amend rule:**

Time onlies are to be at the arena manager's discretion as to when and if allowed to run.

**To:**

Time onlies must be before the jackpot not afterwards. Every jackpot must have time onlies or open arena barrels up before jackpot.

**8. Motion by Madelin Pozzobon**

Cannot make major changes to membership without input from the membership itself

**9. Motion by Judy Hyde**

**To remove rule:**

Arena managers wanting to use a two-run option must have the race advertised as such. Two run option – each rider has the option to make two runs (order of go remains the same) for one entry fee. The best time is taken as run time for the category.

**10. Motion by Madelin Pozzobon**

**To add rule:**

Members can carryover in double headers (for the horse)

**Meeting was adjourned at 8:43 pm**