

BC Barrel Racers Association
Annual General Meeting Agenda
September 15th, 2023 at 7 pm
The Long House, Williams Lake, BC

Meeting called to order at 7:12 pm

Motion by Bridget Rosette that this meeting's agenda has been read and approved; seconded by Shari Wahl **AIF Carried**

Motion by Bridget Rosette the August 19th, 2022 AGM minutes have been read and approved; seconded by Abby MacNeish **AIF Carried**

Motion by Joyce Pifer Treasurer's Report has been read and approved; seconded by Judy Hyde **AIF Carried**

President's Report by Bridget Rosette

- Board will announce 2024 Finals location in December

Race producer free membership announcement

- Shelley Black, Cordy Cox, Carleigh King, Talia Stevenson, Lisa Whitman, Lori Rankin, Sandy Chevalier, Kyli Haugland, Alicia Vogl

Early bird drawer winner announcement

- Darla Cork, Kaylee Weil, Bea Suremann, Amanda Moore, Stacey Tubbs

Friday buckle winner presentation

Vendor door prize

- Mandy Pincott, Kristen Gjerde,

Election of Directors:

President- Bridget Rosette by acclamation

Vice President- Lori Ranking by acclamation

Treasurer- Joyce Pifer by acclamation

Secretary- Melisa Sandberg

Race Approval Director- Madelene Doyle by acclamation

Awards Director- Courtney Mailhot by acclamation

Sponsorship Director- Karen Yaworski by acclamation

Social Media/Website Director- Shari Wahl nominated; voted **AIF Carried**

Northern Director- Natasha Flanagan by acclamation

Okanagan Director- Abby MacNeish nominated; voted **AIF Carried**

Coastal and Vancouver Island Director- Carrie Tuplin; voted **AIF Carried**

Central Director- Shayle McLeod by acclamation

East/West Kootenay Director- Janet Brown by acclamation

Discussions

- Joyce is having to chase down members who are not paying BCBRA fees when BCBRA secondary approval or she is chasing race producers; put onus on member to provide proof they paid the correct fees
- We need to think of the well-being of the horse; running 4 times in one day is hard; this motion doesn't allow those families that only have one horse but competitors in the same category; brought up that there are families with Juniors who become Open the next year; suggested to allow maximum two runs in any category but keep limit of four runs a day; suggested a limit of three runs a day with no basis on categories
- Must be drawn randomly but allow trades when it comes to race draws
- Second weekend of September is a good time in regards with kids, school, fires, heat; trying to keep our Finals off the same weekend as other big rodeo/barrel racing events; push Finals back to September, it allows everyone to get more races; September is more probable to be cooler, and based on location in regards to weather
- To help horse keep mentally sound by allowing uncinching in the alley; to add a fine if competitor is in alley when tractor has stopped; safety when multiple horses are in confined space with high pressure zone; one more thing for the Board to police during Finals; can get off and uncinch in the wings; at Finals, not allowed schooling, and want to get through all the racers; keeps gate uncongested
- Three-minute rule doesn't seem fair; horse not in right state of mind after three minutes of being pressured; jackpots is where to school and get horses through this; with Finals getting more entries, need to keep Finals flowing smoothly
- Peewees that go to jackpots where they are the only Peewee entered or Peewees that run hard are going against Peewees that are not running hard, it is hard for those Peewees to be competitive; this can also make any Peewee lose self esteem; non-member fee is only for insurance purposes; allowing Peewee to run in Open without buying Open card; allowing Peewee to buy Open card but not running in both categories; double dipping option the same as Junior and Senior; Peewee's double dipping are still winning Peewee category; discrimination towards Junior and Senior as they have to buy an Open card to run in the Open category; can't allow Peewees to run in Peewee and Open category at Finals – must choose one
- Having Peewees run twice on Saturday is too hard on horses; most Peewee are on aged horses; having 2-day average is allowed with program; lead lines only have 2 runs; those having to travel makes for longer day

Motions

- 1) **Motion** by Joyce Pifer to amend rule “Appropriate fees will need to be paid for each additional horse” to “An additional fee of \$30 per horse will be charged and will be

included on the entry for at the time when entering the finals.”; seconded by Melisa Sandberg **AIF Carried**

- 2) **Motion** by Joyce Pifer to add to rulebook “All those attending a BCBRA race that is co-approved and do not pay the co-approval fee will then be a member not in good standing and will be placed on the ineligible list. Should the member declare it was paid to the hosting race producer, it is up to the member to provide proof of payment.”; seconded by Cordy Cox **AIF Carried**
- 3) **Motion** by Melisa Sandberg to add to rulebook “When entering, a competitor must name a horse – no using “Horse #1”, “Horse #2” etc.”; seconded by Jordana Watson **AIF Carried**
- 4) **Motion** by Shaylene Tucker to add to rule “A horse may only be entered a maximum of one contestant in the Open and/or Senior category on a race day. The same horse may only be entered by a maximum of two contestants in the Junior and/or Peewee category on the same race day. A horse cannot exceed four runs in the given day. Riders may not enter on the same horse if also riding a second horse. (Lead line is exempt).”; seconded by Kim Meise; voted for: 37 voted against: 9 **Carried**
- 5) **Motion** by Bridget Rosette to add to rulebook “draws for races must be random. If a digital format is not available, an alternate format must be utilized (ie. Names on paper in a bucket).; seconded by Shari Mailhot **AIF Carried**
- 6) **Motion** by Kim Meise to add to rulebook “A Peewee can buy an Open card to only run in the Open category at any regular season jackpot race without endangering their Peewee card but they may not run in the Peewee and Open categories at said jackpot. When entering Finals, said Peewee must choose one category to compete in.”; seconded by Sarah Gerard; voted against 4: voted for the rest **Carried**

Meeting was adjourned at 9:13 pm