

2008

STBRA



OFFICIAL

RULEBOOK

1.00 GENERAL INFORMATION

- 1.01 Name - The organization shall be known as the Southeast Texas Barrel Racing Association hereinafter referred to as "STBRA".
- 1.02 Definition - The STBRA is an organization that offers barrel racers the opportunity to compete for money as well as compile points for year-end awards in various categories. Jackpots are sponsored throughout the year from which points are counted for year-end awards.
- 1.03 Location -The jackpots will be limited to a one-hundred (100) mile radius from the Tomball/Conroe area. They are to be distributed equally throughout the year.
- 1.04 Time - Exhibition barrels will start at posted times with the jackpot to follow.
- 1.05 Year - The STBRA year begins on January 1, and ends with the STBRA Finals prior to Thanksgiving.

2.00 GOVERNMENT

- 2.01 STBRA will be governed by six (6) directors and three (3) assistant directors.
- 2.02 All decisions are made by the directors and assistant directors, each carrying equal vote.
- 2.03 The directors and assistants will share all primary duties.
- 2.04 Only the directors will have direct responsibility for the club.

3.00 DIRECTOR QUALIFICATIONS AND WAIVERS

- 3.01 A director must have been a member or associate member of STBRA 1+ years.
- 3.02 Upon serving a full term, work point and donation requirements are waived for the director and assistant director and family.

4.00 DIRECTOR POSITIONS

- 4.01 Arena Director
 - A. Preparing the arena for all jackpots.
 - B. Approved arena director payment schedule as follows: \$75.00 to stake and water arena using water hoses, \$50.00 to stake and water the arena using an arena watering system, \$25.00 to stake the arena only.
- 4.02 Equipment Director
 - A. Shall maintain and handle all STBRA jackpot equipment, including but

not limited to poles, barrels, extension cords, stakes, measuring devices, timer and PA system.

- B. Responsible for setting up and taking down the timer and PA system.

4.03 Treasurer Director

- A. As custodian of STBRA funds, selects bank to be used, with approval of other directors.
- B. Receives and reports all income and expenses.
 - 1. Financial report will be published in every newsletter and provided for each meeting.
 - 2. Provides copies of bank statements to at least one other director.
- C. Controls all withdrawals, although a minimum of two (2) directors must be able to sign on the account.
- D. Pays all operational expenses as due. All other expenditures such as awards, etc., must be approved by the directors.
- E. Is accountable for all STBRA funds at all times. Audits will never be refused.

4.04 Ride Point and Standings Director

- A. Keeps accurate and updated ride points and standings based on jackpot results and eligibility.
- B. Is aware and enforces all rules regarding declaration, categories, point system, and eligibility requirements.
- C. Provides ride point records at every jackpot as well as jackpot results with current standings to News Editor for publication. Also, responsible for having the website updated.
- D. Is accountable at all times. Audits will never be refused.
- E. Standings and Points will be posted ASAP.

4.05 Work Point and Scheduling Director

- A. Accurately maintains and updates all work point records according to the work point system.
- B. Is aware of and enforces all rules regarding the work point system and eligibility requirements.
- C. Provides work points at every jackpot and is accountable to the membership at all times.
- D. Arena booking and locating a tractor if needed.
- E. Providing the schedule to barrel racing magazines.
- F. Also responsible for booking cater at each jackpot and photography when necessary.

4.06 News Editor Director

- A. Is responsible for the STBRA newsletter and STBRA photo album.
- B. Publishes and distributes the newsletter following the guidelines set forth by the general membership.
- C. Responsible for creating all flyers for the club.
- D. Required to take minutes at all director meetings and distribute to all

directors.

4.07 Rider/Horse Earnings and Awards Assistant Director

- A. Will maintain Rider/Horse earnings from each jackpot.
- B. Providing this information at each jackpot.
- C. Assisting in ordering of the year end awards.

4.08 Rulebook and Membership Assistant Director

- A. Responsible for updating the STBRA rulebook and distribution of rulebook.
- B. Maintaining the membership roster and maintain member requirement list at mid year.
- C. Preparing the year end award distribution list showing the participant, placing and awards won.

4.09 Forms Assistant Director

- A. Responsible for updating and providing entry forms, novice horse statements, membership forms at all jackpots. This position requires you to be accessible to a copier.

4.10 President and Vice President will be nominated and voted on by directors after new directors elected.

5.00 JACKPOT SECRETARY

5.01 Will be a non-rider due to the complex nature of this position.

5.02 Is not a director's position. Any questions or disputes that arise need to be addressed with the directors.

5.03 Will be responsible for:

- A. Handling all jackpot books. (Entries & payoffs)
- B. Turning over all monies and results to appropriate director at the end of each jackpot.
- C. Securing a replacement when needed, making sure alternate is fully aware of procedures.

5.04 Will be paid \$125.00 per jackpot. An alternate working the jackpot will be paid \$50.00.

6.00 GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

6.01 One (1) General Membership meeting will be held during the year to:

- A. Elect officials.
- B. Discuss any new business & rule changes.

- 6.02 Members must attend the membership meeting to be eligible for year-end awards.
- 6.03 Meeting will be scheduled for the first jackpot in October of each year.
- 6.04 Parliamentary procedures will be used at the General Membership meeting. Every effort to have a sound system will be made.
- 6.05 Minutes of the General Membership meeting will be posted in the newsletter.
- 6.06 Topics members would like to have appear on the agenda must be in writing and turned in to a director at least 72 hours prior to the meeting or that topic will not be discussed.
- 6.07 A majority vote of the membership in attendance is required on any decision.
- 6.08 Special meetings requested by the general membership must be called by the directors with notice to all members.
- 6.09. Meeting will be held at the designated jackpot. The start time will be at 10:00 am, Exhibition at 12:00 pm and first class at 2:00 pm.
- 6.10 Rules voted on at a meeting CANNOT go into effect until the start of the new STBRA year.
- 6.11 Pee Wees (members aged 9 and under) must be represented by a parent or legal guardian at the membership meeting, but Pee Wees themselves need not be present. Parent or legal guardian may vote for the Pee Wee (1 VOTE PER CHILD).
- 6.12 Members must be on time and stay through the entirety of the mandatory meeting to get credit for attending.
- 6.13 There will be no rule changes after the meeting (not even with a petition)

7.00 DIRECTOR MEETINGS

- 7.01 Director meetings may be called as deemed necessary. A quorum of directors must be present at each meeting.
- 7.02 All directors are to be given adequate notice.
- 7.03 A majority vote of the quorum of directors and assistant directors is required for any action to be taken.

8.00 ELECTIONS

- 8.01 Offices that must be elected by the general membership are the six (6) director and three (3) assistant director positions.
- 8.02 Nominations for each office will be made from the floor.

8.03 An election to fill any vacant director position must be held as soon as reasonably possible.

9.00 NEWSLETTER

9.01 STBRA newsletters will be published quarterly (every 3 months).

9.02 The newsletter is to be distributed at the first jackpot of every third month.

9.03 The purpose of the newsletter is to list approved jackpots, current standings, jackpot results, financial recaps, donations, notifications, and minutes to General Membership meeting.

9.04 Non-members may subscribe to the newsletter for \$10.00 per year.

9.05 Personal ads are available for five dollars for members and ten dollars for non-members per month.

9.06 Newsletters will be distributed via email. Members without email capability will be provided a paper copy at the designated jackpot. Unclaimed newsletters for non-attending members will be mailed.

9.07 List all current year's fines until paid.

10.00 EQUIPMENT

10.01 All equipment is to be under the supervision of the equipment director.

10.02 The timer may be leased to a responsible party for the sum of \$35.00 per day with a \$100.00 deposit. Refundable when the timer is returned in satisfactory condition.

10.03 Pop up barrels will be used for the Exhibition.

10.04 Equipment Director may share responsibility with 1 or 2 other people.

11.00 GENERAL MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS

11.01 Each member is required to secure a \$30.00 cash donation and present it to a director prior to May 31st, work at the jackpots and abide by all STBRA rules. Excluding the current directors.

11.02 Membership must be purchased prior to July 31st in order for a member to be eligible to receive year end awards.

11.03 Membership may be accepted prior to January; however, age groups are determined by age at the first jackpot of each point year.

11.04 Individual and family membership dues must be paid for work points to begin accumulating.

12.00 MEMBERSHIP DUES

- 12.01 Annual membership dues are \$35.00 per person or \$70.00 per household and are non-refundable. Excluding the current directors.
- 12.02 Annual membership dues must be paid for before any points will count.
- 12.03 All novice horse nomination fees must be paid before any points will count.

13.00 YOUTH MEMBERSHIP

- 13.01 Youth members will compete in the appropriate youth class determined by their age at the time of joining STBRA. The member will remain in that age group throughout the year. Proof of age for any youth member under 18 must be provided. An example would be a birth certificate. The deadline date to provide this proof will be January 31st of each membership year.
- 13.02 Non-members will enter the appropriate class determined by their age upon entry at each jackpot.
- 13.03 Parents of youth members may purchase an Associate Membership for \$15.00. They:
 - A. Will not have work point or donation requirements.
 - B. Can hold office of a director.
 - C. Will also have voting privileges.

14.00 PENALTIES, FINES, EXCLUSIONS

- 14.01 All penalties and fines listed throughout the STBRA rule book will be enforced.
- 14.02 No one will be allowed to earn points until all current year's fines or other monies due are paid. However, entries will be accepted to run for money.
- 14.03 Anyone giving the STBRA an insufficient funds check will not be allowed to enter until the amount of the check, plus any bank charges, have been paid in full. If all charges are not paid within 30 days of the infraction, all points earned to date will be lost.
- 14.04 A member not meeting the donation requirement by May 31st will be fined five dollars (\$5.00) and will not be allowed to earn points (but can run for money) until the donation plus the fine have been paid in full to the directors.
- 14.05 A \$5.00 fine will be assessed to anyone (except Pee Wees) who exceeds 60 seconds in the arena during any barrel class including exhibition.
- 14.06 A \$5.00 fine will be assessed to anyone (except Pee Wees) who exceeds 90 seconds in the arena during any pole bending class including exhibition.

14.07 STBRA reserves the right to exclude:

- A. Anyone from STBRA functions for any reason of misconduct.
- B. Any horse that is deemed uncontrollable or unmanageable from STBRA functions.

14.08 Anyone demonstrating abusive behavior in or out of the arena (excessive whipping, "schooling" their horse in the arena during a run, beating around the head, etc.), as determined by the directors, will be fined as follows:

1st Offense: \$50.00

2nd Offense: \$100.00

3rd Offense: Expulsion from any STBRA sanctioned events

14.09 In competition runs the rider can only circle the barrel/pole once. If the horse breaks the pattern and you have already circled the barrel/pole, you cannot circle it again. A \$10.00 fine will be charged for violation of this rule. This does not include exhibitions.

- A. The Pee Wee class will be exempted from this fine.

14.10 Once it has been determined a member cannot meet the requirements for year end awards or participation in the finals, points will no longer be awarded to the member and will be dropped from the standings.

14.11 Contestants must attempt to make the fastest run possible or they will get a no time.

15.00 JACKPOTS

15.01 Jackpots will be scheduled at the discretion of the directors. (20 Jackpots scheduled per season)

15.02 With proper notification, the first exhibition barrel class may be started earlier than the agreed upon time to allow extra entries. The jackpot will start at the posted time.

15.03 Jackpots subject to cancellation due to inclement weather conditions, arena and/or parking conditions, cancellations by proprietor, etc., may be substituted with another location. Preset rain dates will be on the schedule.

15.04 Jackpot cancellations must be ruled on within a reasonable amount of time the day of the jackpot by the directors. Cancellation information will be available from the directors, **HOWEVER IT IS NOT THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE DIRECTORS TO NOTIFY THE MEMBERS.**

15.05 An availability schedule of the Directors will be provided at each jackpot. This schedule will be determined by the discretion of the Directors.

15.06 Jackpots will be on Sunday except for June, July and August.

15.07 Summer jackpots will be scheduled close to the Tomball, Conroe area.

15.08 Cancelled jackpots will be rescheduled.

16.00 COMPETITION ENTRIES

16.01 Cash only will be accepted for entry fees.

16.02 A horse can run as many times in the open 5D Barrels and Youth 3D Barrels and Poles as entered as long as it is mounted by a different rider for each run.

16.03 Contestants for the open 5D Barrels will be able to enter until the last 25 runners.

16.04 Entry fees will not be refunded except in the case of sickness or injury to the contestant or a family member or their horse. See Exceptions 17.01, 30.02 and 30.03.

16.05 Competition time from any and all Open 5D Barrel runs may be carried over to all other Barrel classes (PeeWees, Youth 3D, 35 & over, 3D novice Barrels) but points will only be earned on one designated entry. The designation must be made at the time of entry.

16.06 Contestants in the Youth 3D Barrels and Poles will be able to enter until the last fifteen (15) riders of the class.

17.00 COMPETITION RERUNS

17.01 Reruns will be allowed when the STBRA timekeeper fails to get a contestant's time due to clock malfunction. The contestant has the option to rerun either immediately or at the end of the class or have their entry fee refunded.

17.02 In case of timer malfunction during the middle of a class and another timer must be used, all contestants in that class will rerun against the same clock.

17.03 Rerun will not be allowed in the instances of contestant's equipment failure, nor there will not be any refunds of entry fees.

18.00 COMPETITION POSITIONS

18.01 Positions will be drawn in all classes except exhibition.

18.02 Contestants must compete in order drawn or may request to be last in a class.

19.00 COMPETITION PENALTIES

19.01 A three (3) call rule with a maximum of two (2) minutes will be enforced. If not entering the arena you will be scratched. If attempting to enter the arena you will not be scratched. Only the announcer will determine the expiration of time.

19.02 Failure to follow the pattern (Barrels/Poles) will cause disqualification.

- A. The AQHA rule will be used to define the barrel pattern.
- B. The AQHA rule will be used to define the pole bending pattern.

Stopping the forward motion of a horse (i.e. backing up) during the pattern will result in disqualification.

19.03 Each barrel or pole knocked over carries a five (5) second penalty excluding the Open 5D, youth 3D, youth 3D poles, 3D novice barrels.

19.04 A contestant may touch a pole or a barrel with their hands with no penalty.

20.00 NOVICE HORSE STATEMENT OF EARNINGS

20.01 A statement of earnings must be completed on each novice horse when initially entered. This statement must show all monies won by the horse in barrel racing and/or pole bending, regardless of ownership.

20.02 Records will be kept on novice horses showing the earnings (in order to determine the horse's eligibility) and points earned for year-end awards. No points will be kept on any novice horse whose statement of earnings is not on record.

20.03 The horse's name given on the statement will be the only name used to accumulate points.

20.04 A member found to have knowingly falsified any information on statement of earnings will be dropped from the STBRA with no refund of dues or any other money. A non-member will be dropped from the class with no refund.

20.05 It is the member's responsibility to declare any earnings outside of STBRA jackpots.

21.00 NOVICE HORSE NOMINATION FEE

21.01 A \$10.00 nomination fee is required to be paid before points will count on a novice horse. The \$10.00 fee covers both barrel and pole classes. Any horse entered in a novice class that has not had the nomination fee paid will not receive points.

21.02 A \$10.00 nomination fee is required to compete for the All Around Novice Horse award.

21.03 This horse must compete in BOTH novice barrels and novice poles for points to count.

22.00 NOVICE HORSE DECLARATION

22.01 The member declaring a Novice Horse will be held responsible for all eligibility requirements necessary to win any awards regardless of the horse's rider(s).

22.02 Should any horse/rider team changes occur during the year, the horse must be re-declared in writing.

22.03 Once a horse has been dropped from the standings due to the ineligibility of the declared member, it may be re-declared in someone else's name; however, all existing points are forfeited.

23.00 NOVICE HORSE PROVISIONS

23.01 Horses with earnings of less than \$1,000.00 (money only) in barrels are eligible to compete in the Novice 3D Barrel class.

23.02 Horses with earnings of less than \$500.00 (money only) in pole bending classes are eligible to compete in the Novice Pole Bending classes.

23.03 Horses will compete in appropriate Novice classes according to eligibility.

23.04 Money won at other functions or in other classes will require the horse to move up in the classes accordingly.

23.05 A contestant may enter more than one horse in a Novice class.

23.06 A horse may only enter and run one time in the Novice 3D barrel class.

23.07 A horse, declared and the nomination fee paid by a member, having competed in a Novice Barrel class prior to earning \$1,000.00 will remain eligible to compete in the novice 3D barrel class throughout the year even if this horse should exceed \$1,000.00 in barrel racing earnings during the year.

23.08 A horse, declared and the nomination fee paid by a member, having competed in a Novice Pole Bending class prior to earning \$500.00 will remain eligible to compete in the \$500.00 class throughout the year even if this horse should exceed \$500.00 in earnings in pole bending during the year.

23.09 A horse competing in a Novice class, later determined to be ineligible to compete in that class will forfeit any points won to the next eligible horse in line. Any money won by the ineligible horse must be paid back to the STBRA before the horse or its rider will be allowed to enter any future classes. The collected money will be paid to the member who was out the money upon request made within thirty (30) days; otherwise, the money will go to the STBRA.

23.10 If a horse's eligibility is questionable, the STBRA has the right to hold any money won by the horse until eligibility has been proven to the directors.

23.11 The nominated rider of the horse/rider team must compete on the horse to earn points towards novice standings, unless the rider is injured or a death in their immediate family has occurred.

24.00 JACKPOT BARREL CLASSES

Open	Open to any horse or rider.
Novice Horse	Open to any rider, but the horse is restricted by the amount of money won in barrel racing regardless of ownership or exhibitors. The horse must not have won over the specified amount (\$1000) of the class entered.
Pee Wee	Restricted to riders aged 9 years and younger.
Youth	Restricted to riders aged 18 years and younger.
35 & Over	Restricted to riders aged 35 years and older.

25.00 JACKPOT POLE BENDING CLASSES

Open	Open to any horse or rider.
Youth 3D	Restricted to riders aged 18 years and younger.
Novice Horse	Open to any rider, but the horse is restricted by the amount of money won in pole bending regardless of ownership or exhibitors. The horse must not have won over the specified amount of the class entered. Novice classes are: \$250.00 and \$500.00.

White marking substance will be used to indicate the staking of the pole pattern during all pole classes except Exhibition.

Exhibition classes will be offered in both barrel racing and pole bending and will be considered as a category for ride rule eligibility.

26.00 ENTRY FEES & ORDER OF EVENTS

26.01 A \$5.00 office charge will be collected on all entries EXCEPT Open 5D Barrels, which will be \$7.00 All money collected from Exhibition runs will be considered an office charge.

26.02 Order of events and entry fees:

Exhibition Barrels	\$5.00	or	3 for \$14.00
Open 5-D Barrels	\$30.00		
Pee Wee Barrels	\$10.00		
Youth 3D Barrels	\$15.00		
35 & Over Barrels	\$15.00		
Novice 3D Barrel Horse Class	\$15.00		
Exhibition Poles	\$5.00	or	3 for \$14.00
Open Poles	\$15.00		
Youth 3D Poles	\$15.00		
\$250 Novice Poles	\$15.00		

\$500 Novice Poles \$15.00
 2nd Exhibition Barrels \$5.00 or 3 for \$14.00

27.00 PAY-OFF SCHEDULES

27.01 Open 5-D Barrels

Total jackpotted monies will be divided into five (5) equal groups for pay-off and the following schedule will be used for paying off each division in the Open 5-D Barrels:

# OF ENTRIES	# OF PLACES	PERCENTAGES
1-25	1	100
26-50	2	60/40
51-100	3	50/30/20
101-115	4	40/30/20/10
116-130	5	30/25/20/15/10
131-150	6	28/22/18/14/10/8
151-175	7	26/20/15/12/10/9/8
176 +	8	24/19/15/12/9/8/7/6

27.02 Payout will be limited to Pee Wee class only. See Rule 27.04

<u># OF ENTRIES</u>	<u># OF PLACES</u>	<u>PERCENTAGES</u>
1-3	1	100
4-6	2	60, 40
7-9	3	50, 30, 20
10-12	4	40, 30, 20, 10
13-15	5	32, 25, 18, 15, 10
16 & Over	6	32, 24, 18, 12, 9, 5

27.03 35 & Over Barrels, Open Pole Bending and Novice Pole Bending

<u># OF ENTRIES</u>	<u># OF PLACES</u>	<u>PERCENTAGES</u>
1-5	1	100
6-9	2	60, 40
10-15	3	50, 30, 20
16-25	4	40, 30, 20, 10
26-0	5	32, 25, 18, 15, 10
31 & Over	6	32, 24, 18, 12, 9, 5

27.04 Youth and Novice 3D Barrels and Youth 3D Poles

<u># OF ENTRIES</u>	<u># OF PLACES</u>	<u>PERCENTAGES</u>
1-10	1	100
11-15	2	60, 40
16-30	3	50, 30, 20
31-60	4	40, 30, 20, 10
61-90	5	30, 25, 20, 15, 10
91-120	6	28, 22, 18, 14, 10, 8

28.00 POINT SYSTEM SCHEDULE

28.01 Points will be awarded in all categories adhering to the rules.

28.02 Points will be kept:

- A. From all approved jackpots, including the Finals.
- B. On eligible members only. Members will be dropped from the standings when no longer eligible.
- C. Only on qualified runs.
- D. On the rider in all classes except Novice Horse classes.
 - 1. Open 5D and Youth 3D barrel and pole riders placing in same D will receive points for the highest placing only.
 - 2. Riders of other classes (except novice) that ride different horses in same class must specify which horse run is for points. If not specified the first horse run will receive the points only.
- E. Points in Novice Horse classes will be kept on the horse, but the rider must be a member in good standing and the nomination fee must have been paid on the horse.
- F. On the Novice Horse only from STBRA Novice Horse classes.
- G. Riders in youth 3D poles, riding more than one horse, will receive the highest placing points

only.

28.03 All classes except Novice Horse and Youth poles classes will use the; six (6) point system. Points will be awarded to eligible members in the order of finish whether money is won or not.

<u>PLACE</u>	<u>POINTS</u>
1	6
2	5
3	4
4	3
5	2
6	1

28.04 All Novice 3D barrel Horse and youth pole classes will use the following systems. Points will be awarded to novice horses meeting all eligibility requirements in order of finish.

- A. Points will count from the first horse/rider team run only in Novice 3D barrels.
- B. Novice barrels and youth poles will use a 3D format with a sliding point system.
- C. The Horse/Rider team to accumulate most points during the year will be awarded first place in the Novice 3D barrel class.
- D. The Rider to accumulate most points during the year will be awarded first place in the Youth 3D poles.

	<u>1D</u>	<u>2D</u>	<u>3D</u>	
PLACE	POINTS	POINTS	POINTS	POINTS
1	8	7	6	6
2	7	6	5	5
3	6	5	4	4
4	5	4	3	3
5	4	3	2	2
6	3	2	1	1

28.05 Points in Open 5-D Barrels will be awarded in each division or "D" using the six (6) point system. Divisions are determined by time brackets, not by order of finish. In the Open 5-D Barrels, the fastest time of contestant in the class will determine the time brackets as follows:

1st division (1D) - Fastest time in the class and those who place in this division.

2nd division (2D) - Fastest time in the class plus one-half second and those who place in this division.

3rd division (3D) - Fastest time in the class plus one second and those who place in this division.

4th division (4D) - Fastest time in the class plus one and one-half seconds and those who place in this division.

5th division (5D) Fastest time in the class plus 2 full seconds and those who place in this division.

Note: The 5th division is not limited to a one-second interval from two to three seconds off the fastest time, however, riders must make a good faith effort to run the pattern as fast as their ability will allow.

28.06 Points in Youth 3D will be awarded in each division or "D" using the six (6) point system. Divisions are determined by time brackets, not by order of finish. In the Youth 3D Barrels and Poles, the fastest time of contestant in the class will determine the time brackets as follows:

1st division (1D) - Fastest time in the class and those who place in this division.

2nd division (2D) - Fastest time in the class plus one second and those who place in this division.

3rd division (3D) - Fastest time in the class plus two seconds and those who place in this division.

Note: The 3rd division is not limited to a one- second interval from one to two seconds off the fastest time; however, riders must make a good faith effort to run the pattern as fast as their ability will allow.

29.00 TIES

29.01 In case of a tie in a class, the points and/or money from the places involved will be added together and split equally between the tied contestants.

29.02 In the case of a tie in the year-end standings, the winner will be determined by the most times entered (horse/rider team in novice classes) in that particular class. In the event the tie is still not broken, the winner will be determined by the most number of first places the member (horse/rider team in novice classes) has won,

if the tie has still not been broken the same method shall be followed going as far down as necessary in placing until the tie is broken.

30.00 RAINOUTS/CANCELLATIONS OF A JACKPOT IN PROGRESS

- 30.01 Points will count only from completed classes. Points will not be counted from any class not completed entirely (if all novice pole or barrel classes have not been completed, points will not count).
- 30.02 If some novice classes have been completed and paid off, contestants may return their winnings to keep that sum from counting against their novice horse, and will receive a refund of their entry fees.
- 30.03 All classes not yet paid off will have the entry fees refunded.
- 30.04 All jackpots that are rained out will be rescheduled.

31.00 POINTS PLACING AT YEAR END

- 31.01 In each category, the member (horse/rider team in novice) earning the most points and meeting all eligibility requirements will receive the champion award.
- 31.02 Eligible members will be placed according to the most points won.
- 31.03 The number of places to be awarded is designated by the directors.

32.00 WORK POINT SYSTEM

- 32.01 Each individual member is required to earn a minimum of thirty (30) points and work at least ten (10) jackpots to be eligible to ride at the Finals and to receive year-end awards.
- 32.02 Family memberships require the first member (usually the adult) to earn a minimum of thirty (30) work points, the 2nd member is required to earn twenty (20) work points, the 3rd member is required to earn fifteen (15) work points, the 4th and all remaining members are required to work a minimum of ten (10) work points to be eligible to receive year end awards. All family members are required to work at least ten (10) jackpots to be eligible for year end awards.
- 32.03 All required work points must be earned prior to the Finals.
- 32.04 There must be at least one adult in the arena with workers under 13 years of age.
- 32.04 No workers under the age of 13 will be allowed to work the gate unless accompanied by an adult.
- 32.05 Timekeeper and announcer must be 18 years of age or older, unless approved by a director.
- 32.06 One (1) work point; will be earned by each worker for every twenty (20) entries. See example.

OF CLASS ENTRIES

19

21

POINTS EARNED

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32.07 Work points will be awarded to each worker per jackpot for the following duties: announcer, timekeeper, gate worker, set up arena, arena worker, flagman, tractor driver, clean up, take down PA and timer, loading equipment and concession (as long as the proceeds go to the STBRA).

32.08 A worksheet will be available at each jackpot for each worker to list their name in the appropriate place. Work points will be awarded to only members whose names appear on the worksheet.

32.09 Members will be dropped from the standings from the first date it becomes apparent that the work point requirements cannot be met due to the jackpot schedule.

32.10 Anyone can work for a STBRA member and count as work points for that member providing the member is present at the jackpot and their name appears on the worksheet.

32.11 Buy-outs are available ONLY for a family membership with riders under the age of 13 yrs for work points for the amount of \$75 per child. Only the child/children under the age of 13 are eligible for the buy outs. All adults must meet the required work points.

33.00 YEAR END FINALS AND AWARDS

33.01 Year end points and ride points will count through the Finals.

33.02 There will be appropriate year-end awards given for each category in which points are compiled.

33.03 The number of places awarded by the STBRA in each category will be designated by the directors.

33.04 All awards must be approved by the directors.

34.00 FINALS PARTICIPATION & DAY AWARD ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

34.01 To ride at the Finals and receive Day awards:

- A. Membership dues are paid.
- B. Donation requirement is met.
- C. All fines are paid.
- D. Work Point requirement is met.
- E. Must actually compete in 1/3 of the scheduled jackpots in any category or combination of categories. Exhibition is considered a category.
- F. Attend the general membership meeting.

34.02 To receive Year End Awards in a specific category:

- A. Membership dues are paid.
- B. Donation requirement is met.
- C. All fines are paid.
- D. Work Point requirement is met.
- E. Must actually compete in 1/3 of the scheduled jackpots in a specific category to receive awards in that category.
- F. Attend the general membership meeting.
- G. Members must be present at the awards presentation in order to receive awards or have an excuse acceptable to the directors. If not, the award goes to the next eligible member.