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## VALLEY GIRLS BARREL RACING ASSOCIATION

In the spring of 1961, the President of the Washington Barrel Racing Association came to Walla Walla to hold a meeting of girls interested in barrel racing. To encourage participation, a regional awards system was set up and at the close of the season, top ten awards were given. The area encompassed interested girls from both Oregon and Washington who were competing in the Walla Walla Valley. A saddle was given to the "Walla Walla Regional Barrel Racing Champion, in 1961.

The following year, a formal group was organized to be known as the Valley Girls Barrel Racing Association. A junior division was set up. Shodeos were held to raise money for awards. Saddles and top ten awards were given.

In 1977, the Valley had grown enough so that a third division was formed. Awards were given in the junior, senior, and open divisions. In 1995 the Novice Horse Division was added. 1998 saw the addition of another division, the HONORS, and in 2012 the Amateur Division was added. VGBRA secures a saddle to be given to the Overall Champion. In 2016 Gold Card member, Shirley Dickerson, passed away. VGBRA gives a gorgeous buckle to Reserve Over All Champion in memory of Shirley who painted all of our Reserve Over All Champion portraits.

The first Barrel Daze weekend was held in 1979 with the first futurity being added in 1981. These two events, held together, have grown to be among the largest of their kind in the Northwest.

Members of VGBRA, "run the barrels" in many types of competition, (WBRA, OBRA, WPRA, ICA, NIRA, PWRA, NPRA, AQHA, Junior, High School, College, and Pee Wee Rodeo Associations, and at the Pioneer Posse) but at home they are united in a common cause.....good barrel racing!

## **ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION**

1. To promote the sport of barrel racing and to establish a method of communication and a central address for the convenience of all members.
2. To make known to all member's information concerning dates of barrel races, points, winners and other particulars which members are interested in.
3. To establish a point system by which yearly champions will be named and awarded suitable prizes.
4. To establish dues, which will be kept by the Treasurer, the dues will be used for the Association's necessary costs, postage, and supplies. Should a sizable amount accumulate in the treasury, after all necessary expenses have been paid, it will be used toward yearly prizes for the VGBRA.
5. To establish VGBRA rules, barrel racing should be considered a rodeo event and treated as such in regard to timing and pay-offs, when there is an entry fee.
6. The Valley Girls Barrel Racing Association is an independent, non-profit organization.
7. Any person becoming a member of the association shall comply with all of its rules, by-laws and decisions and be bound by same.

## **SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**

Preference given to:

- a. VGBRA member who is a graduating high school senior.
- b. VGBRA member who is attending college and has not won this scholarship previously.
- c. Graduating high school senior who is a child or grandchild of a VGBRA member.
- d. VGBRA member who has received scholarship previously.
- e. Child and grandchild of VGBRA member who has previously received scholarship.
- f. Total scholarship paid not to exceed \$1,000.00.
- g. Scholarship can only be awarded to the same person twice.

Scholarship committee will be composed of Barbara Brown, Judy Frazier and Debbie Kentch (current president).

## MEMBERSHIP

1. It shall be the policy to accept any person who desires membership and lives within the designated boundaries. Eligibility for members shall be left to the discretion of the officers, directors, or members of said organization.
2. Members are divided into the following divisions; Novice, Amateur, HONORS (see rules for specific divisions) and the following age groups; Juniors 12 & Under; Seniors 13 - 24; Open 25 and over. Age qualifications are determined by member's age when the season begins with the first race of the new year.
3. Annual membership dues are fixed at \$50 per year for all divisions, payable on or before the first race of the new season. Regardless of how many horses a member rides in 8-12, 13-24, Honors, Amateur, or 25 & over, only one year-end award per member may be received as points are calculated on the rider. The Novice Division membership fee is \$50 per horse and only one year-end award per horse is allowed as points are calculated on the horse. Dues shall become due and payable on or before the first race of the new season.
4. Dues must be paid before points will count toward the VGBRA standings.
5. When a previous VGBRA member joins VGBRA after Barrel Daze, an award fee of \$25 shall be added to the annual dues for the member to be eligible for year end awards. (\$25 auction item requirement of members).
6. Any member not paid by December 1st shall be dropped from the mailing list, Board of Directors, and Office.
7. Only VGBRA members in good standing who are residents surrounding Walla Walla, north to Dayton, south to Adams and West to Touchet are eligible to win points.
8. If a member moves out of the VGBRA area, they will not be allowed to continue running for points; however, they may keep the points already earned, compete at the finals and receive year-end awards provided they are a member in good standing.
9. Due to the fact that VGBRA has sponsored events during the year, VGBRA members are required to work (gates, drivers, barrel setters, etc.) during **ANY VGBRA** sponsored Barrel Race. Only exceptions are for members who are out of town, have family illness or emergencies. Members who do not sign up, show up, or get a replacement will not receive their year-end awards.
10. Each family shall be responsible for bringing an auction item (*or may pay \$25 in lieu of auction item*) to the Barrel Daze Auction. First year member's first auction item will be due for the Barrel Daze auction on a date specified by Auction Director. *If auction item is not provided or money paid, no points will be given on or after Barrel Daze or Year-End awards. Member will begin receiving points for the year when money has been received by VGBRA.* A "family" is defined as two or more members of the same family unit, living at the same residence, with children being unmarried and under the age of 25.
11. Associate Membership: This membership is \$10. Membership shall be for the sole purpose of allowing those persons that do not live in the designated boundaries of the Valley Girls' Barrel Racing Association to be non-participating, support member only. This membership shall not have any club privileges, and waives any membership requirements relating to donations.
12. A Non-Contesting/Supporting membership is \$10. It entitles members to vote and hold office but

waives the membership requirement of auction item donations and Barrel Daze advertising.

13. Gold Card Membership- Any member may submit to the President a written recommendation for a member to receive a Gold Card. Member must be in good standing, and have a total of 20 years of being a member and held at least 5 or more years as a director or officer in VGBRA. Must be received by August 15th. A Gold Card membership entitles the recipient to "one" divisional membership. Any additional horse (division) would require a \$50 payment.

**CURRENT GOLD CARD MEMBERS AS OF 2016/2017**

**Charmaine Beck**

**Barb Brown**

**Jackie Culham**

**Kelli Currin**

**Judy Frazier**

**Rosie Gallaher**

**Norma Kelly**

**Debbie Kentch**

**Cindy Lane**

**Janie Maycumber**

**Bobo McMillan**

**Judy Poitras**

**Julie Williams**

14. The VGBRA is a family organization. A VGBRA member should at all times conduct themselves in a manner so as not to cast a bad reflection upon themselves or the association. If a member is reported for misconduct, they may be asked to leave the function immediately. They will also receive a written call-down from the Executive Board. If they are reported again within the same year, a letter will be sent advising them that they are immediately suspended from VGBRA for one year.

## **NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS**

1. The officers of the Valley Girls Barrel Racing Association are President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer.
2. An officer (President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer) should be present at meetings. If they are unexcused from more than three meetings, the board has the right to replace that person.
3. The number of directors will be based on the Association's need for them.
4. Nominations and elections of officers and directors will be held at the annual meeting (which **MUST** be held prior to the first race of the year). VGBRA members in good standing will elect the officers and directors.
5. After the election of the new directors and officers takes place the newly elected positions will not take effect for the upcoming year until after the awards banquet has been held.
6. The outgoing President automatically becomes Chairman of the Board, Director 1-Board Advisor. She will have a vote and serve in an advisory capacity during that term.
7. Meetings may be held at any designated place; Secretary or Website Director must give advance notice.

## **DUTIES OF OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS**

1. The President shall preside at all meetings of the VGBRA and shall perform duties necessary for proper administration of the association. Approvals for barrel races must be given to the President (see rule #8 under Approvals). The President shall co-sign on all checking and savings accounts opened with the VGBRA tax identification number.
2. In the absence of the President, the Vice-President will preside at all meetings. The Vice President is responsible for keeping a record of points won by all VGBRA members, novice horses, and other matters pertaining to the Novice Division.
3. The Secretary shall keep a record of meetings and maintain a complete roster of membership and keep the other officers informed of any changes to the roster. Shall perform all duties that ordinarily pertain to the office, such as handling correspondence and thank you correspondence - (other than for Barrel Daze) and note all rule book updates.
4. The Treasurer shall keep all records of financial transactions and have custody of VGBRA funds, accounting to the Association at all meetings. Shall be responsible for race pay-off at Barrel Daze and in charge of entries and payoffs at specified VGBRA barrel races when requested.
5. Special awards such as "Gold Card etc.", can be submitted by any member at the Annual Meeting and the members that are present at the Annual Meeting can also vote on the special awards.
6. The President will receive all complaints, disputes, or questions. If it is not covered or clear in the rule book, a meeting will be called of the Board of Directors to make a decision.
7. Directors shall have designated yearly and Barrel Daze duties as determined necessary by the Association's Board of Directors.
8. Directors shall be paid for their job at Barrel Daze if it is a paid job during this activity.
9. In the situation of a vacancy on the board, the President can appoint a member to fill the vacancy.
10. Pay-out percentage of the Cowgirl Auction will be determined by the VGBRA board on a yearly basis and will be posted at Barrel Daze prior to the first race.

## **GENERAL RULES**

1. Type of standard awards shall be determined as soon as possible after Awards Banquet.
2. Upon entering any VGBRA barrel race, every contestant waives all claims against the VGBRA Board of Directors, race management, and grounds owners for any damage to property or injury sustained.
3. Members are asked to be dressed neatly at all times.
4. Rules and regulations of the VGBRA may be altered or changed when voted on by the Board of Directors or VGBRA membership at a meeting called for this purpose.
5. For a rule change to be considered it must be submitted in writing to the president 20 days before our Annual meeting this allows time for it to be posted on the internet. It must also be posted on the internet 20 days prior to our annual meeting for our members to review and also allows time for the Secretary to prepare ballots for rule proposals. If rules are NOT submitted in writing to the president

in the time frame noted above then rule proposals will not be considered. If a new rule or rule change is discussed at the annual meeting and the wording needs to be altered, the member presenting the rule proposal can revise it. By allowing the presenting member to make wording changes we will not have to wait another year to evaluate the rule proposal.

6. VGBRA members who accept a job and do not show up to work (or get a replacement), shall be fined \$50.00. No points will be given until the fine is paid.
7. Members shall not abuse their horses at a VGBRA approved race. A decision regarding excessive training or abuse of a horse shall be made by the VGBRA President and Board of Directors. A warning letter will be sent by the President for the first offense. If the offenses continue, the member will be fined \$10. The fine must be paid before points will accrue.
8. All finances must be run through the VGBRA general checking account, with the exception of the Barrel Daze Futurity/Derby and Breeders' Sweepstakes and Awards Banquet accounts. All accounts shall be identified with the VGBRA tax number and the President shall be a co-signer on all checking & savings accounts.
9. Each chairperson shall provide a report to the club within 60 days of completion of all financial transactions for the VGBRA year showing the income and expenses along with receipts.
10. Any paid help at Valley Girl Barrel Racing Association activities needs to be approved with a board decision.
11. All race secretaries will be required to supply the entire results, including horse's name, to the VGBRA Vice-President on the same day as the race. Times must be recorded to the thousandths.
12. At any approved VGBRA race you can only run the horse one time for points. The first run only will count for points on that horse.
13. Once you declare a class, you cannot change classes without paying an additional \$50.00 membership fee.

## **NOVICE HORSE DIVISION**

1. The Novice program is a VGBRA division, and will receive standard and extra awards as the other divisions.
2. Any horse that has not won \$500 lifetime, at the time of nomination, shall be considered eligible (subject to rule #4). Lifetime earnings shall include Futurity and Derby winnings and any bonus money, 4-D earnings will not count to establish the "under \$500.00 status". Eligible horse must be nominated by a Valley Girl Barrel Racing Association member in good standing.
3. Nominations may be made at the beginning of the VGBRA year.
4. The rider must be a VGBRA member for the nominated horse to win points in a race. The year-end standings will include all Novice points won by the horse that year. Therefore, if a novice horse is sold by a VGBRA member to a VGBRA member, the horse's year end standings will include all points won during the year, regardless of which VGBRA member was riding. *Points calculated belong to the Novice horse.*
5. Any horse that receives a VGBRA year-end award becomes ineligible for the VGBRA novice class the following years, regardless of whether or not the horse has won \$500.

6. Points will be given to novice horses as per rule #1 under Points.
7. A VGBRA registered Novice horse cannot be in any other age group standings. They are running for Novice and Over All points only.
8. Novice Division points will begin on December 1st. However, they may accumulate over all points beginning with the first race of the year, (if they are not a futurity horse).
9. A VGBRA nominated Novice Horse cannot be run for points in any other age division unless the rider/owner of the Novice Horse informs the Vice President that they are withdrawing the horse from the Novice Horse division. Once withdrawn, the horse will be ineligible to return to the Novice Horse division and will be ineligible to accumulate Novice points from them on. The points that the horse has accumulated in the Novice Horse Division will remain in the Novice Horse Division and not be taken away.

## **HONORS DIVISION**

**(Honorary Older or Novice Only Riders Society)**

1. The HONORS Division is a VGBRA Division, and will receive standard and extra awards as the other divisions.
2. To be eligible for this division the rider must meet all of the following conditions:
  - a. Be a VGBRA member in good standing
  - b. Be 50 years of age or older
  - c. Cannot have won \$1000 total in the past two years. Totals to include all winnings except 3D, 4D, and bonus money such as stallion incentives.
  - d. Must not have won an accumulation of 6 or more over-all points in the previous year.
  - e. Cannot have an active WPRA card
  - f. To remain in this division, the member must meet the qualifications mentioned above. Once a member does not meet the qualifications they must move into the Open division. They may return to this division when above qualifications are satisfied.
3. Once an HONORS rider has reached the age of 60 and has met the above requirements, they can stay in HONORS regardless of points or money earned.
4. Points will be awarded to HONORS riders as per rule #1 under POINTS.

## **AMATEUR DIVISION**

1. The Amateur Division is a VGBRA Division, and will receive standard and extra awards as the other divisions.
2. To be eligible for this division the rider must meet the following requirements:
  - a. Be a VGBRA member in good standing.

- b. Be 25-49 years of age
- c. Cannot have earned an accumulation of 6 overall points in the past year
- d. Cannot have won \$1000 total in the past two years. Totals to include all winnings except 3D, 4D money.
- e. A member cannot hold an active WPRA card
- f. To remain in this division a member must meet the qualifications stated above. Once a member has reached an accumulation of 6 or more overall points in the previous year or has won \$1000 in the past two years they must move to the Open division.
- g. A member can return to this division once the qualifications have been re-met.
- h. Points will be awarded to the Amateur rider as per rule #1 under points.

## **APPROVALS**

1. Only approvals in an open barrel race, which all VGBRA members can compete, will count.
2. Approvals will be made in the VGBRA area only.
3. There shall be a Junior Division and a Time Only run at all VGBRA approved races.
4. For the benefit of all members, it is the President's duty to see that these approvals are spread evenly as possible throughout the season. There shall be no more than two races in a week, except for Barrel Daze, Finals Weekend & Autumn Daze, without special board approval. A week runs from Monday to Sunday.
5. Approvals will be printed on the website with entry fees, classes, and times of race. Members will be notified of changes or cancellations. However, it shall be the member's responsibility to check on changes in scheduled races due to weather. Members will be notified of any race at least 7 days in advance either by the VGBRA website or the phone.
6. Barrel races shall be approved by the President. It shall be the policy to approve all races. However, if the president feels there are extenuating circumstances, she may poll the board.
7. All race secretaries will be required to supply the entire results, including horses names, to the VGBRA Vice- President on the same day as the race. Times must be recorded to the thousands.
8. VGBRA should not approve a race that is NOT going to be paid off on the same day as the race.
9. If an approved race cannot be run without requiring VGBRA members to work, then the net profit from the race shall be sent to the VGBRA President or Treasurer within one week of the race.
10. The only exception would be races that are put on by the Pioneer Posse when it is required that anyone contesting be a Pioneer Posse member.
11. Before a race will be approved, an approval form must be filled out, signed, and returned to the President by the person(s) who want to put on a race at least ten days before the race is to be held. The races that are approved by the President will be posted on the VGBRA website.



12. VGBRA cannot approve a double-header in the same day except for Autumn Daze. During a double-header only one of the races can count for points which must be determined before race.
13. No race shall be approved if any other event is run between the time the first and last VGBRA member runs for points.
14. VGBRA members who run in time-only for points, shall be allowed to run before non-members or non-pointing persons provided that they notify the secretary when entering.
15. The President is allowed to pull race approval if the person(s) putting on the race(s) have not adhered to VGBRA rules in the past. Members must be notified in a timely manner if an approval is pulled.
16. All races that are to be held from September 1 until the Valley Girl Finals Race, and are to be VGBRA approved, must be submitted in time to allow the race to be posted on the web site.
17. At VGBRA approved races, producers must rake every 5 runners and continue raking every 5 runners through the VGBRA point time only.
18. If a date requested for VGBRA approval for a race is changed from the original date in which the requesting party submitted an approval form, the requesting party must re-submit another approval form.

## **FINALS**

1. The last barrel race of the year will serve as the Finals Race and shall be the first weekend in October at Autumn Daze during the first race of the day. Any race held after the final race will count for the next season.
2. All members will be eligible to run for points and awards in his/her division along with over-all and Rookie.
3. There will be a Finals award given for the fast time in each division.

## **POINT SYSTEM**

1. Points will be given as follows: 1st=8, 2nd=7, 3rd=6, 4th=5, 5th=4, 6th=3, 7th=2, 8th=1. Overall will remain as; 1st=6, 2nd=5, 3rd=4, 4th=3, 5th=2, 6th=1.
2. Points awarded on each go-round. No points given for the average.
3. When a race is set up differently than the 6 main divisions of VGBRA, points will be awarded by divisions even though the divisions may run together. In the event such a race occurs, all runs must be on the same course.
4. VGBRA members who run in time-only for points, shall be allowed to run before non-members or non-pointing persons provided that they notify the secretary when entering.
5. In the event a non-member places, the next member in line will receive points.
6. If riding more than one horse in any of the divisions: 8-12, 13-24, Honors, Amateur or 25 & over, you must specify to the Vice President on which horse your points will count prior to running. Otherwise,

your first run will count for points.

7. If you are running in more than one race on the same horse, the first run will count for points.
8. In case of a tie, points will be divided as won. In other words, 1st and 2nd would be added together to make 19 points and then divided between the two to make 9 1/2 points each. In the case of an indivisible prize, a flip of the coin or a run off will decide the winner.
9. All times will be combined and overall points will be given at each race providing each of the VGBRA divisions were eligible to run. Points will be calculated the same as for divisions. If a contestant rides more than one horse, the horse with the fastest time will be the one that counts for overall points. All divisions are included (Open, Honors, Amateur, Senior, Junior & Novice Horse) and each member is allowed only one horse for overall points at each race. Overall points are calculated on the rider.
10. At year end, if there is a tie for the Over All Champion or Reserve Champion, the one with the fastest combined times at the races that those who are tied ran against one another will be declared the winner. If the tie cannot be broken in this manner, a runoff will decide the winner.

## **AWARDS & ANNUAL BANQUET**

1. Members receiving awards must be present at the Annual Awards Banquet to receive their awards unless the President is notified of a valid excuse in advance of the banquet.
2. There will be a combination of standard awards or graduated awards in each division. The number of placings for awards in each division shall be determined on 50% of members in each division for that year, with a minimum of 6 and a maximum of 10 placings in each division.
3. If there is a tie (for example 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place or 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> place are tied) the same amount of money will be spent for those same people that tied for that place.
4. An Over All award will be presented to the member accumulating the most points based on the 6 fastest times, at each race, according to a separate point system in races where all 6 VGBRA Divisions can run. This award will be given at our Year-End Awards Banquet.
5. There will be a Rookie of the Year award given in each division that has a first year VGBRA member. The Rookie shall be described as a first year CONTESTING VGBRA member. The prize given will be approximately the same value in all divisions. The points a Rookie earns in their division will be counted as her Rookie points. If none of the Rookies in a particular division earn points during the entire year, actual race times for the Rookies will be used to determine Rookie of the Year in that division.

## **STALLION INCENTIVE PROGRAM**

The Stallion Incentive Program was developed to promote the Barrel Daze Futurity and Maturity held the second weekend of April in Walla Walla, Washington by the Valley Girls Barrel Racing Association. The Annual Stallion Service Auction runs January 2<sup>nd</sup> through January 31<sup>st</sup> each year and will be held over the Internet.

The Auction will be advertised in horse publications and on the Internet and all stallions shall be listed on the SIP Web site. <http://vgbrastallionincentive.com/site.htm>.

- A. New stallions will be accepted into the program as follows: Donated services accepted until December 1<sup>st</sup> (30 days prior to the start of the auction; Reference sires will be accepted until January 1<sup>st</sup> (1 day prior to start of auction). No stallions located outside the United States or

Canada will be accepted into the program.

- B. Each stallion's service will be sold at auction to the highest bidder (with exception of those listed as Reference Sire). The bidding will start at one-half the annual advertised fee or \$300.00, whichever is greater. **The donor of the service may require special breeding considerations (mare requirements) however, no chute /farm fees are allowed.**
- C. The successful bidder of a stallion service must use the breeding during the current breeding season. All fees associated with boarding, mare care, collection, and shipped semen charges are between the successful bidder and the stallion owners. The VGBRA is not responsible for any other business conducted between the stallion owner and the purchaser of the breeding.
- D. The mare owner shall make all necessary arrangements with the stallion owner as to when the mare will arrive for breeding or make arrangements for the shipping of semen. Stallion owners have the right to refuse any mare. Mare owner must make the mare available for breeding during the stallion owner's normal breeding season or may risk forfeiture of all monies paid and breeding rights. Mare must be halter broke and fit for breeding.
- E. In the event that death should occur to a stallion or he becomes non-serviceable before the mare is bred, the stallion service auction fee shall be refunded to buyer. If a stallion is sold or leased before mare is settled in foal, contract is still binding unless stallion moves outside a five hundred (500) mile radius from the original advertised location or the new buyer refuses to honor the contract. In such case, the purchaser of the service may have the option to request a refund.

#### RULES AND CONDITIONS:

- A. All bids will be held confidential.
- B. Payment of account by the successful bidder shall be required immediately following the conclusion of the auction.
- C. VGBRA shall present the successful bidder with a stallion contract or certificate.
- D. Refunds shall be available **ONLY** if the stallion becomes non-serviceable before the mare is covered during the current breeding season.
- E. All stallion services are sold in concurrence with the conditions and procedures of the farm at which the stallion stands, and the purchaser shall agree to abide by these conditions. Stallion contracts may be available for inspection by contacting the individual stallion owner. **No chute/farm fees are allowed on donated stallion services.**
- F. The bidding will start at one-half the advertised fee or a minimum of \$300, whichever is greater. Services from stallions listed as "Reference Sire" are NOT up for bid!
- G. The proceeds from the Stallion Service Auction shall be used as follows:
  - 1. 30% shall go towards the added purse for the VGBRA Barrel Daze Open Futurity.
  - 2. 30% shall go towards the added purse for the VGBRA Stallion Incentive Futurity sidepot and will be split between the owners/riders of eligible offspring with the fastest times of each go and the average.
  - 3. 20% shall be split between the stallion owners whose eligible get have the fastest times in each go and the average in the Stallion Incentive Futurity sidepot.
  - 4. 20% shall be used for advertising, promotion, awards, and Stallion Incentive Maturity added purse.

#### STALLION NOMINATION:

- A. Any stallion of any breed is eligible for nomination to the Stallion Incentive Program. Stallion must be registered with a breed association. Nomination consists of one donated breeding per

year or paying the stallion in as a Reference Sire. If the service does not sell at the annual auction the stallion owner shall be responsible to pay the VGBRA the sum of one-half of the advertised fee (with a minimum of \$300 up to a maximum of \$600) whichever is greater, by February 15<sup>th</sup> of that year. Stallion owner agrees to keep their stallion in the program for a minimum of three years.

- B. Once a stallion is nominated and paid into the SIP program he becomes eligible for his own stallion incentive payoff money and his sire will not be eligible to collect stallion incentive monies on him as an offspring.
- C. Stallions' service must sell, or the appropriate Reference Sire fee paid, each year for the stallion owner to receive any of the purse from offspring that place in the Stallion Incentive Portion of the Barrel Daze Futurity. Once a stallion is removed from the SIP program he will not be allowed to return unless a change of ownership has occurred. **If a guarantee or stallion reference payment is not received by April 1<sup>st</sup>, the stallion will automatically be dropped from the VGBRA Stallion Incentive Program. No exceptions unless special arrangements have been made with SIP Board of Directors.**
- D. Acceptance into the program is subject to approval of the Stallion Incentive Program Committee and/or VGBRA Board and their decision shall be final. Any disputes will also be handled by the committee or board.

#### ELIGIBILITY:

- A. All registered offspring by Stallions in the Incentive Program are immediately eligible to compete for the purses as long as they meet the entry requirements of the VGBRA Futurity or Maturity.
- B. Owners or riders of eligible foals must nominate and pay a one-time fee of one hundred fifty dollars (\$150) on or before March 1<sup>st</sup> of the year competing and must also be entered in the Barrel Daze Open Futurity. A one-time fee of one hundred dollars (\$100) must be paid prior to March 1<sup>st</sup> for those entering the Maturity and they must also be entered in the Barrel Daze Open Maturity. (The Stallion Incentive Program classes are not a separate race, but are handled as a sidepot.)

## **BARREL PATTERN**

1. If the arena size permits, barrels must be set in a standard course. (Standard course is 60' score, 90' between 1st and 2nd barrels, and 105' between 1st and 3rd as well as 2nd and 3rd barrels.)
2. In small arenas, where possible, it is recommended the pattern be a minimum of 15' off the fence for the 1st and 2nd barrels and 20' for the 3rd barrel. The score line should be a minimum of 45' from the fence where you enter.
3. May go either to the right or left barrel first, but must make either two left turns and one right or two right turns and one left.
4. Knocking a barrel over constitutes a five second penalty. Failure to follow course disqualifies contestant.
5. A running start is allowed. May cross the line anywhere between the first two barrels.
6. The starting and finish line and position for the barrels must remain the same for an age division and preferably for the entire go-round. In order for over all points to be given, the pattern must stay the same for all divisions. The horse's nose will be flagged both directions and an electric timer will be used.
7. The timer and flagger must be acceptable to the contestants. Their decision will be final.

8. If an electric timer fails or flagman fouls, contestant has a choice of withdrawing entry or running at the end of the division.

9. Timers and flagman cannot change before a division or go-round is completed.

10. Secretary shall draw for positions if at all possible. Set-ups within the division may be allowed. But, members cannot set up ahead of their own division unless given permission by the executive board.

11. Person measuring and marking the barrel pattern must give a copy of the measurements to the race secretary when there is more than a single go on the pattern.

12. If the electric timer is being used, permanent markers should also be set for it. In marking the eye, a rectangle must be measured from 1st barrel to eye marker and 2nd barrel to eye marker.

13. Once the pattern has been marked, no practicing on the pattern markers. Must stay a minimum of 15 feet off the markers.

## **PAYOFFS**

Payoff Schedule:

4 - 5 Contestants 2 Places 60%, 40%

6 - 9 Contestants 3 Places 45%, 35%, 20%

10 - 15 Contestants 4 Places 40%, 30%, 20%, 10%

16 - 20 Contestants 5 Places 34%, 27%, 20%, 13%, 6%

21 - 25 Contestants 6 Places 29%, 24%, 19%, 14%, 9%, 5%

26 - 35 Contestants 7 Places 26%, 22%, 18%, 14%, 10%, 6%, 4%

36 - 50 Contestants 8 Places 23%, 20%, 17%, 14%, 11%, 8%, 5%, 2%

51 + Contestants 10 Places 21%, 18%, 15%, 13%, 10%, 8%, 6%, 4%, 3%, 2%

## **SWEEPSTAKES RACE**

Payoff according to the above payoff schedule with last place percentage receiving at least their fees (including office charge), or within a few dollars more or less. Pay up to 10 places.

Example: 7 & Under: 8 contestants at \$15 fees. According to scale would only pay 3 places.

$8 \times \$10 = \$80 + \$50 \text{ added} = \$130$  divided by 2 rounds = \$65. At 3 place scale would pay 45% \$29.25, 35% \$22.75, & 20% \$ 13.00. At 4 place scale it would pay 40% \$26, 30% \$19.50, 20% \$13.00, & 10% \$6.50. This is within a couple of dollars of your daily fees including office charge. \$7.50.

Example: Sweepstakes: 58 contestants at \$50 fee. According to scale would pay 10 places making the 10th place check in the amount of \$23.20. If you use percentage scale, you would pay 8 places and the 8th place check would be \$46.40.

## **JOB DESCRIPTIONS OFFICERS & DIRECTORS**

### **President:**

- Team Leader
- Sets Agenda and Conducts Meetings
- Approves races for the Club
- Finalizes Barrel Daze & Autumn Daze Contracts
- Handles All Rental Contracts
- Makes arrangements for Finals Race
- Presides over Ceremonies at Year-End Awards Banquet

### **Vice President:**

- Official Point Keeper
- Provides results and standings to Webpage Director
- Novice Horse Division Director
- Presides over meetings when the President is unable to attend
- Keep membership list updated and send to President and Directors

### **Secretary:**

- Takes minutes at meetings
- Rule Book Updates
- Sends appropriate notes (Thank-you, get-well, etc.)
- Fills out sanction forms

### **Treasurer:**

- Maintains Oregon Non-Profit License
- Mails Barrel Daze and Autumn Daze checks
- Manages general fund
- Keeps income and expense records for major functions
- Organizes tax records for accountant
- Figures and sends out 1099's
- Takes entries by mail

### **Optional Paid position: Barrel Daze Secretary**

- Manage Barrel Daze office and workers
- Inputs entries into computer
- Figures the draw, posts and provides to Program Director
- Manages barrel racing computer program
- Payoffs for Barrel Daze
- Prints and posts results in Barrel Daze office and sends results including stallion incentive results to sanctioned organizations, VGBRA webpage director, and Advertising/Marketing Director.

### **Web Page Director:**

- Maintains web site
- Bills for classified advertising
- Develops entry forms for Barrel Daze and Autumn Daze
- Post all results in timely manner
- Post Barrel Daze information (Time only schedule, workers schedule, etc.)

**Director 1 - Board Advisor (past president):**

Makes arrangements for location & menu year end banquet  
Takes reservations & reports to caterer  
Arranges for video person/people at Barrel Daze

**Director 2 - Publicity:**

Places advertising and articles in numerous publications covering Barrel Daze information along with the Futurity and Maturity information  
Arranges for advertising for live video coverage at Barrel Daze  
Arranges for photographer at Barrel Daze and Autumn Daze  
Maintains VGBRA scrapbook  
In charge of all media contacts for information and results from Barrel Daze

**Director 3 - Stalls:**

In charge of stalls for all VGBRA produced races as needed, including Barrel Daze and Autumn Daze  
Obtain barn diagrams from fairgrounds  
Assigns stalls (works with futurity director and office staff)  
Arranges for bedding and stall cleaners  
Does a daily stall count during Barrel Daze and Autumn Daze

**Director 4- RV Hookups:**

Parking passes & RV passes  
Does a daily RV count during Barrel Daze and Autumn Daze

**Director 5 - Arena Crews & Ground:**

Lines up tractor driver help for Barrel Daze and Autumn Daze  
Works with fairgrounds staff on arena preparation  
Assists Director 7 (Timer & Barrels) with setting patterns for Barrel Daze

**Director 6- Workers:**

Lines up announcers, timers, gate help, for Barrel Daze and Autumn Daze (works with Director 10 and 11 for help with welcome party)  
Gives list of members failing to show up for assigned work to President

**Director 7 - Barrel Daze Program:**

Takes ad money and ads from major sponsors, works with Director 12 for ads and sponsors  
Type and sets ads that need to be done  
Set-up and copying for Barrel Daze Program  
Set-up and copy Year-End Program

**Director 8 - Awards:**

Secure 10 & under awards at Barrel Daze  
Suggest standards awards, VGBRA membership votes, order awards  
Obtain awards for VGBRA Finals Race Division awards  
Purchase any special awards when needed  
Budget for year-end awards to be approved by VGBRA officers  
Purchase filler awards for Year End banquet  
Set up awards on banquet night  
Will maintain a separate checking account and provide expense documentation at the end of the year for tax purpose.

**Director 9 - Timer & Barrels:**

Responsible for timer and marking barrel pattern at all VGBRA produced races  
Work with Arena Director  
Responsible for timer and reader board at Barrel Daze

Responsible for making sure laser lights work in Walla Walla indoor arena at all times  
Line up help & equipment to mark Barrel Daze pattern  
In charge of providing barrels & barrel logo for Barrel Daze and Autumn Daze  
In charge of storing popup barrels used for Barrel Daze and Autumn Daze time only

**Director 10 - Barrel Daze Welcome Party:**

Arrange for caterer, facility and liquor license for Barrel Daze  
Work with Director 6 to establish workers  
Work with Director 11 to coordinate decorations for all of the tables

**Director 11-Auction**

Establish date for Barrel Daze Auction items to be turned in  
Obtain items for consignment to auction  
Obtain cash for silent auction  
Obtain silent auction forms and pens for auction tables  
Handles books for auction and turn in to VGBRA Treasurer  
Work with Director 10 to coordinate decorations of all of the tables  
Work with Director 6 to establish workers  
Gives list of members not paying for or turning in Barrel Daze auction item to Vice President as soon as possible after Barrel Daze and no later than May 1<sup>st</sup>

**Director 12 - Major Sponsors:**

Contact major sponsors for Barrel Daze and Autumn Daze  
Keep records of previous years sponsors and contacts  
Obtain photos for Barrel Daze sponsor  
Send thank you notes to Sponsors  
Store Banners used for Barrel Daze  
Bill for Major Sponsorship  
Provide ads for Major Sponsorship to Program Director  
Send invitations to major sponsors over \$250 for year-end banquet

**Director 13 - Futurity:**

Sets up account for Futurity funds  
Works with Marketing/Publicity Director to promote Barrel Daze information  
Works with Stallion Incentive Director with eligible entrants  
Works with Stall Director to coordinate assignments  
Works with Web Page Director on entry forms  
Works with Awards Director to obtain Futurity and Maturity awards at Barrel Daze  
Provides funds for awards  
Payoffs for Futurity and Maturity  
Organizes Time only for Futurity and Maturity and provides information to web page director  
Arrange for vet check  
Takes Futurity and Maturity entries  
In charge of Draw for Futurity and Maturity and submitting any last minute changes to Program Director, Cowgirl Auction Director, Barrel Daze Secretary, Announcer and time-keepers

**Director 14 -Stallion Incentive Program Committee:**

Make/update all forms and contracts for stallion incentive program.  
Contact stallion owners to update information each year before auction.  
Enroll and solicit new stallions/owners.  
Update information and add new stallions to web site.  
Prepare all information and coordinate with online auction administrator.  
Approve all bidders for online auction and contact them with approval.



Contact successful bidders with payment information and amounts of purchase.  
Run credit cards.  
Send contact information to all successful bidders & stallion owners.  
Collect money from auction/reference sires/and guarantees.  
Send out donation letters for awards and send thank you notes. Get ads from those who wish to advertise in Barrel Daze Program.  
Order awards for SIP futurity and maturity. Coordinate with awards director/futurity director to order SIP saddle.  
Prepare awards lists for contestants and announcer.  
Prepare and maintain current stallion auction ads for all publications.  
Prepare for Barrel Daze Program and coordinate with Program director – Stallion Futurity/Maturity results from previous year, payoffs, stallion eligibility list, auction information, and sponsor page.  
Prepare payoffs and write checks for SIP Futurity & SIP Maturity. Coordinate with Futurity Director.  
Maintain checking/savings account for Stallion Incentive.  
Provide tax information to accountant.  
Order photos for stallion owners and send out with results.

**Director 15 – Vendors:**

Line up concessionaires for Barrel Daze and Autumn Daze  
Handle contracts for vendors (setting up booth space, rent, etc.)

**Director 16 - Special Interest Director/Cowgirl Auction/Vendors:**

Lines up Auctioneer, Auction Clerk, Cashier, someone to sign up buyers and issue numbers  
Obtain 3 spotters  
Buyer's numbers should be available during the day in the office  
Need 6 copies of the draw-auctioneer, clerk, 3 spotters  
Need cash out form  
Need buyer's number registration form- please include name, address, and phone number  
Need petty cash from Barrel Daze office  
Gets all paperwork to Treasurer including pay-out, checks will be written by Treasurer,  
Sound system for auction  
Matches winning bidder to winning horse/rider combination.  
Results for Sweepstakes must be posted by Saturday morning in office. The Futurity and Maturity are to be posted as soon as possible after these classes conclude.  
Need buyer's number registration form - Please include name, address, and phone number  
Need petty cash  
Gets all paperwork to show secretary

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