

BY-LAWS

ARTICLE 1.

SECTION 1

NAME: The name of this association is TEXAS YOUTH RODEO ASSOCIATION.

ARTICLE 11.

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PURPOSE: This association is organized to promote the sport of rodeo among young Americans who are maintaining satisfactory scholastic averages as attested by their school official. This association should promote through education, good practices in animal husbandry, agriculture, and livestock management.

ARTICLE 111.

SECTION 1

MANAGEMENT: The management of the association shall be vested in a Board of Directors duly elected by the rodeo membership.

ARTICLE IV.

SECTION 1

REGISTERED OFFICE: The registered office of the corporation shall be at 1531 FM 2817, Wharton, TX 77488, and the registered agent at such address is G. Russell Herndon.

SECTION 2

OTHER OFFICES: The Corporation may have other offices at such other places both within and without the State of Texas as the Board of Directors may from time to time determine.

ARTICLE V.

SECTION 1

MEETING LOCATION: All meetings of the membership may be held at such time and place within or without the State of Texas, as stated in Notices of the meeting or in a duly executed Waiver of Notice.

SECTION 2

ANNUAL MEETING: Annual Meetings of the membership shall be held at the time and place of the TYRA Finals as designated by the Board of Directors.

SECTION 3

SPECIAL MEETINGS: Special meetings of the membership may be called at any time upon request of the President, Directors, or five (5) rodeo members. The President shall call a Special Meeting within ten (10) days after receiving such a request.

SECTION 4

NOTICES: Written notices of all meetings of the membership stating the time and place of the meeting shall be mailed to each member entitled to vote. The Annual meeting shall have two (2) weeks notice and Special Meetings shall have five (5) days notice.

SECTION 5

QUORUM: Twenty-five percent of the voting members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

SECTION 6

VOTING: Each rodeo membership as herein defined shall be entitled to vote at any meeting of the membership of this Association and each rodeo membership shall be entitled to three (3) votes. When a quorum is present at any meeting, the vote of the majority of the members present in person shall decide any question brought before such meeting. The membership present at a duly authorized meeting may continue to transact business until adjournment, notwithstanding the withdrawal of enough members to leave less than a quorum. The other classes, to-wit, active members, associate members and honorary members shall be entitled to vote.

SECTION 7

All minutes from the Board of Directors meetings, will be made available upon request.

ARTICLE VI.

SECTION 1

CLASSES: There shall be four (4) classes of members, as follows:

- (a) **Active Members:** Composed of males or females, (boys or girls) who are not married and are currently scholastically eligible to participate in interscholastic competition as attested by school officials as of September 1st each year.
- (b) **Rodeo Membership:** Comprising an organization of interested individuals who stage TYRA approved rodeos for TYRA members.
- (c) **Associate Members:** Comprised of anyone who is interested in the Texas Youth Rodeo Association and the promotion of the sport of rodeo.
- (d) **Honorary Members:** Comprised of persons who have rendered notable service in the Association and who may, by unanimous vote of the Directors present at any regular or duly called meeting of the Board of Directors, be elected to Honorary Membership.

SECTION 2

EXPULSION: Members may be expelled by the Board of Directors for cause. For any cause other than non-payment of dues, expulsion shall take place only after the member complained against has been given notice of the complaint lodged against him and has been given a reasonable opportunity for defense. Such members, if expelled, may appeal from the decision of the Board of Directors to the next meeting of the Association. The Board may expel any member who is sixty (60) days delinquent in payment of dues.

ARTICLE VII.

SECTION 1

DUES: The annual dues of the active members shall be \$60.00. Active TYRA members must pay their dues (\$60.00) by January 15th each year or pay a penalty of \$25.00 (total of \$85.00) if paid after that date. New members will be accepted at any time without penalty. The annual dues for rodeo membership shall be \$175.00, which entitles them to one TYRA rodeo per year. An additional \$175.00 is required for each additional TYRA show per year. The annual dues for Associate Membership shall be \$10.00. Each family will receive a Rulebook at new membership or at rule change year. Rulebooks will be in effect for three years, if a member needs an additional rulebook after the first one they receive, may purchase for \$5.00. Honorary Members shall not be charged any dues.

ARTICLE VIII.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

SECTION 1

NUMBER: The Board of Directors shall consist of eleven persons interested in the promotion of youth rodeo.

SECTION 2

TERMS OF OFFICE: At the Annual Meeting of the Association, three (3) Directors shall be elected to serve for a term of three (3) years or until their successors are elected. The Directors shall have authority to fill all vacancies occurring in any office or directorate. After the Directors have been elected by the rodeo membership, then the officers shall be elected from the members of the Board of Directors. Any elected board member will be replaced, at the discretion of the board, after missing 3 consecutive meetings. The board will appoint a replacement without notification.

SECTION 3

NOMINATIONS: The President of the Association shall each year appoint a Nominating Committee of the immediate past president as chairman and three (3) members of the Board of Directors whose duty it shall be to nominate directors for the ensuing year whom shall be voted on independently at the Annual Meeting. Independent nominations for directors may be made at the Annual Meeting.

SECTION 4

MEETINGS: The Directors of the Corporation may hold their meetings, both regular and special, either within or without the State of Texas.

SECTION 5

FIRST MEETING: The first meeting of each newly elected Board shall be held without further notice immediately following the Annual Meeting of the Association at the same place, unless by unanimous consent of the Directors then elected and serving such time or place shall be changed.

SECTION 6

REGULAR MEETINGS: Regular meetings of the Board of Directors may be held within or without the State of Texas and with notices as to such time and place as shall be determined from time to time by the Board.

SECTION 7

SPECIAL MEETINGS: Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be called by the President at any time upon three (3) days notice to each Director or upon the written request of three (3) Directors to the President.

SECTION 8

Notice of General Membership Meetings will be sent to three (3) voting members of a sponsoring rodeo.

SECTION 9

Any rule changes to be made will be sent to sponsoring rodeos ten days in advance.

SECTION 10

The Board of Directors shall, at their discretion, choose the site of the yearly finals and they shall direct the finals as they deem necessary for the best interest of TYRA.

ARTICLE IX.

SECTION 1

ELECTION OF OFFICERS: From the Board of Directors, by the Board, the officers of the Corporation shall be elected at the annual meeting of the rodeo membership. Such officers shall be a President, a Vice-president, a Treasurer and a Secretary. The Board of Directors may also choose additional Vice-presidents and one or more Secretaries and Assistant Treasurers. Any two or more offices may be held by the same person except that the offices of the President and Secretary shall not be held by the same person.

SECTION 2

OTHER OFFICERS APPOINTED BY THE BOARD: The Board of Directors may appoint such other officers and agents as shall be deemed necessary who shall be appointed for such terms and shall exercise such powers and perform such duties as shall be determined from time to time by the Board.

SECTION 3

REMOVAL OF OFFICERS: Each officer of the Corporation shall hold office until his successor is chosen and qualified or until his death, resignation or removal from office. An officer or agent, elected or appointed, may be removed at any time by the affirmative vote of two thirds (2/3) of the Board of Directors.

SECTION 4

PRESIDENT: The President shall be chief executive officer of the Corporation. He shall preside at all meetings and shall have general and active management of the business and affairs of the Corporation,

shall see that all orders and resolutions of the Board are carried into effect, and shall perform such other duties as the Board of Directors may prescribe.

SECTION 5

VICE-PRESIDENT: Each Vice-president shall have such powers and perform such duties as the Board of Directors may from time to time prescribe or as the President may, from time to time, delegate to them.

SECTION 6

SECRETARY: The Secretary shall attend all meetings of the Board of Directors and all General Membership Meetings and record all votes and the minutes of all proceedings in a book to be kept for that purpose. He/she shall give or call special meetings of the Board of Directors, and shall perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the Board of Directors or President under whose supervision he/she shall be.

SECTION 7

TREASURER: The Treasurer shall have custody of the corporate funds and shall keep full and accurate account of receipts and disbursements of the corporation and shall deposit all money and other valuable affects in the name and to the credit of the corporation and in such depositories as may be designated by the Board of Directors. He/she shall disburse the funds of the corporation as may be ordered by the Board of Directors, taking proper vouchers for such disbursements, and shall render to the President and Directors at the regular meetings of the Board or whenever they may require it, an account of all his/her transactions as Treasurer and of the financial condition of the corporation, and shall perform such other duties as the Board of Directors may prescribe. He/she shall mail copies of current financial statements to all Directors. Also at the close of each year, have an audit made by CPA and copies of such also mailed to the above. The Association shall bond its Treasurer in such sum and with such surety or sureties as shall be satisfactory to the Board for the faithful performance of the duties of his/her office and for the restoration to the corporation in case of his death, resignation or retirement or removal from office, of all books, papers, vouchers, money and other property of whatever kind in his/her possession or under his/her control belonging to the corporation, if so required by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE X.

SECTION 1

FISCAL YEAR: The fiscal year of the Association shall begin on September 1st and end on August 31st of each year.

ARTICLE XI.

SECTION 1

CHECKS AND BANK ACCOUNTS: All checks and demand for money and costs of the corporation shall be signed by such officer or officers or such other person or persons as the Board of Directors may from time to time designate.

ARTICLE XII.

SECTION 1

COMMITTEES: The Board of Directors may designate one or more committees of the Board. Each of the committees shall consist of two or more Directors. Such committee or committees shall have and exercise the authority of the Board of Directors in the management of the corporation to the extent provided in such resolution by the Directors.

ARTICLE XIII. SECTION 1

INDEMNITY: The corporation shall have the power to indemnify any Director or Officer or former Director or Officer of the corporation for expenses and costs (including attorney's fees) actually and necessarily incurred by him or her in connection with any claim assessed against him or her, by action in court or otherwise, by reason of his being or having been such Officer or Director, except in relations to matters as to which he or she shall have been guilty of negligence or misconduct in respect of the matter in which indemnity is sought.

ARTICLE XIV. SECTION 1

AMENDMENTS: These By-laws may be amended or repealed by a majority vote of the voting members present at any annual or special meeting of the Association duly called and regularly held, notice of such proposed changes having been sent in writing to the members five days before such meeting; provided, that no section of these By-laws may be amended or repealed in such manner as to impair the rights of any third party under any existing contract entered into the Association, which contract was authorized by any provision of the By-laws in force at the time of the execution of such contract.

CONTESTANT MEMBERSHIP:

To become a member and participate in a TYRA rodeo, a contestant must send to the TYRA Corresponding Secretary the following:

1. A properly filled out membership application (obtained from the TYRA Secretary or Web site).
2. \$60.00 dues (\$60.00 prior to January 15th, \$85.00 after this date for members renewing).
3. A picture (school type preferred).
4. A copy of his/her birth certificate.

The picture and the birth certificate will be required only one time for the purpose of placing contestants in the correct age group and for positive identification. This will be kept in a permanent file by the Corresponding Secretary. (ALL AGES ARE AS OF SEPTEMBER 1ST.) EXAMPLE: To contest in the summer of 2011, the age is as of September 1, 2010. The dues are required each year from all contestant members before they will be eligible to participate in any competition.

5. Contestants in high school must be passing three (3) academic subjects each semester that the student has not previously taken to be currently scholastically eligible. In all other grades, the contestant must be

passing 2/3 of his/her academic work each semester. (Academic-all subjects excluding P.E. and Band.) A minor's release form will be sent to each member after the dues have been paid to the TYRA Corresponding Secretary, which will be due before the first rodeo they attend. A School Standing Form is due in the TYRA Corresponding Secretary's office by JUNE 15th. A late fee of \$50.00 will be assessed for each school standing form that is received after the deadline.

Any of the following circumstances will automatically DISQUALIFY anyone from TYRA membership and competition:

1. Being married or even having been married (this includes both actual and common law marriages).
2. Having reached your 19th birthday before September 1st.
3. Having graduated from High School as of September 1st.
4. Having attended High School more than 10 semesters starting with the 8th grade.

CONTESTANT RULES:

A contestant member may be disqualified from a future rodeo or rodeos, the current rodeo, receive a no-time or no score in an event, receive up to a \$50.00 fine, or be verbally reprimanded for any of the following rule violations:

PENALTIES WILL BE ISSUED AT THE DISCRETION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

1. Falsification of name, age, grades, signature of parents or school official, or failure to comply with any TYRA rules.
2. If a contestant is not present and ready when called to compete. After contestant's name is called three (3) times, it will be assumed that contestant is not present and he/she will be disqualified from that event.
3. Cheating or attempting to cheat. The attempt to fix, threaten, bribe or harass the judges at any time between opening and closing dates of the rodeo, in or out of the arena.
4. Underage smoking, drinking of alcohol or use of illicit drugs in or out of the arena.
5. Conduct or speech of any kind detrimental to the sport of rodeo in or out of the arena, including motels, hotels, restaurants, etc., such as profanity, drinking alcoholic beverages, fighting or quarreling, failure to pay bills, bad checks, vandalism, theft, mistreatment of stock, or being boisterous.
6. Entering pens of drawn stock without consent or presence of Judges.
7. If a contestant's parents or family cause any unnecessary disturbance such as quarreling with officials, drinking alcoholic beverages, etc., at the rodeo.
8. Failure to wear back number provided by the Texas Youth Rodeo Assoc. on the back with at least 2 pins and fully visible to Judges.
9. Failure to comply with the TYRA Dress Code.

10. Any contestant guilty of using another contestant's number.
11. If a contestant makes the short go in the Finals Rodeo in any partner event and fails to perform in the short go (finals).
12. Misconduct of any nature that is reported by local rodeo committee to the TYRA Secretary and ruled as valid by the Board of Directors.
13. Any hazing in roping events without the permission of the Arena Director.
14. An active TYRA member can only compete in one (1) TYRA approved rodeo per weekend. When there are two rodeos scheduled for the same day of the weekend, a contestant may enter both rodeos; but may participate in only one. They must pay entry fees to both rodeos, but will not receive a refund from the rodeo that they decide not to attend. The non-refundable entry fee will be considered a donation to the sponsoring rodeo.

DRESS CODE:

- A Contestants must wear strictly western attire in the arena at all times. (Arena, chutes, roping boxes and pens. Directors will have the right to allow contestants who are helping untie calves, etc., to wear short sleeved shirts, etc.)
- B. Shirts, long sleeved, rolled down and buttoned. No rolled up sleeves with the exception of Bronc, Bull and Steer riders, who may roll up riding sleeve only.
- C. The wearing of western hats shall be left to the discretion of the sponsoring rodeo. The contestant may receive a fine up to \$25.00 for loosing hat prior to entering the arena instead of disqualification.
- D. No caps, curlers, or curler caps are to be worn.
- E Western boots must be worn in all events excluding only Ribbon Running.

GENERAL RULES FOR CONTESTANTS AND PARENTS:

1. In order to keep the sport of rodeo at its highest level, all contestants are required to conduct themselves well, not only in or around the arena, but also while in each community.
2. All contestants must have a current TYRA card to show the rodeo secretary when they register for a TYRA rodeo, unless the contestant is a local entry. A contestant is considered local when he or she resides in the same or adjoining county where the rodeo is being held.
3. The management of any TYRA approved rodeo assumes no responsibility or liability for injury or damage to any persons or the stock of any owner, contestants, or assistant.
4. Every contestant must check the posted lists and be responsible as to their time of contesting. Anyone not present when it is time to compete will be disqualified in the event.

5. In order to change positions because more than one contestant is riding the same horse, the secretary of the sponsoring rodeo should be notified at least one hour prior to the performance.
6. Depending on the Rodeo clubs ground rules, dogs and ferrets may be allowed at the rodeos as long as they are kept on a leash or rope. If the animal is causing a disturbance such as getting loose in the arena, running along side or excessive barking, as to disturb the flow of the rodeo, contestants or spectators, the animal will need to be kept at the owner's trailer or truck.
7. No alcoholic beverages allowed in the stands or arena. Consumption of alcoholic beverages by rodeo members or judges at any time is discouraged by the TYRA Board of Directors and membership rodeos.
8. Deadlines must be met for all TYRA fund raisers as set by the Board of Directors.
9. No parent or member will be allowed to call the rodeo secretary after the rodeo to get results. Points will be posted on the TYRA website and at the next rodeo. (www.texasyouthrodeo.com)
10. Animal Abuse – intentional dragging of calves or intentional abuse of animals will result in a one hundred dollar (\$100.00) fine or a no time. This will be at the judge's discretion.

PROTEST

If a contestant feels he/she has a legitimate complaint, he/she will be required to file a PROTEST FEE of one hundred dollars (\$100.00 cash) with the TYRA Board of Directors. The Directors will rule on the complaint. If the complaint is ruled valid, the protest fee will be refunded. If the complaint is ruled invalid, the protest fee will be put in the TYRA general account and will be considered a donation.

Witnesses other than Judges or Officials at that particular rodeo will not be allowed to testify during a protest hearing. Video cameras will not be accepted by the judges or TYRA Board of Directors in an effort to change or reverse decision made by judges.

RODEO MEMBERSHIPS

MEMBERSHIP AND VOTING;

1. To be a member in good standing, all sponsoring rodeos shall pay the TYRA Corresponding Secretary their \$175.00 annual dues along with the submission of dates for the upcoming season. The rodeo association will be mailed several Rulebooks and the TYRA will send out all Entry Blanks. You may add events of local interest, however, only the TYRA events will receive points.
2. Each official voting delegate must be of the age of eighteen (18) or older and must not be a student in the twelfth or lower grades or its equivalent of any public or private school.
3. Rule changes will be voted on every three years or annually at the discretion of the TYRA Board of Directors.

RODEO MEMBERSHIP RULES:

As a member of TYRA, the rodeo will abide by the following rules:

GENERAL RULES:

1. All TYRA approved rodeos must provide an ambulance or the equivalent with first aid facilities where an ambulance is not available, for all participants.
2. The TYRA Board of Directors will have the option of not approving any rodeo that will conflict with school activities, major holidays, or graduation exercises of the contestants.
3. The TYRA Benefit Rodeo will be an annual event. The date for the Benefit Rodeo will be on the TYRA schedule as one of the first rodeos of the season. This rodeo will have first pick on the calendar.
4. All rodeos will be one-go or two-go. Beginning in 2012 TYRA benefits will be a long go and a short go of the top twelve (12) coming back, speed events will drag after 6 at the benefit short go. There will be a 100 points at the long go, 100 points at the short go and 100 points in the average. There will also be a short go rodeos at the year- end finals with the top ten (10) coming back.
5. Rodeos scheduled before school is out will be one-go rodeos. All events will be offered each day the rodeo is scheduled so contestants can request the day they can perform and complete all their events that day.
6. Rodeos that are scheduled for the same weekend must consist of the same number of go's.
7. Non-members may compete in one rodeo without joining. (the open benefit rodeo does not count). If the sponsoring rodeo feels it is necessary to accept local non-member contestants (residing in or adjoining counties in which the rodeo is being held), they may do so at their discretion. Non-members and local contestants may not be drawn as courtesy runners or ropers. If they wish to enter an event and need a partner a TYRA member can be drawn for them. However, they may not be added to the pool of TYRA members wishing to be drawn as a courtesy for others.
8. No rodeo can put a limit on the number of contestants in the rodeo or limit the number of contestants in each event.
9. No rodeo can limit the number of events a contestant may enter.
10. All TYRA rodeos must offer all approved TYRA events. Events with less than four (4) entries are optional to the sponsoring rodeo. If the sponsoring rodeo decides to drop the event, the contestant and family have the option to enter the other rodeo.
11. Use TYRA rules and age groups in any TYRA event that will earn points.
12. Refuse to allow any contestant to compete that has been censured by the TYRA Board of Directors for rules infractions.
13. Rodeo clowns are to be forbidden to use vulgar and suggestive jokes and acts at youth rodeos.
14. No one is allowed in the roping and dogging box except the contestants, unless the contestant requests assistance.
15. In all roping events, the back gate of the arena may be left open or closed at the discretion of the sponsoring rodeo.

16. In after-show slack, Sub-Jr. events must be first.
17. Electric timers must be used in all timed events. TYRA has timers if your club does not have its own. There will be a one hundred dollar (\$100.00) rental charge for use of the timer and the renter will be responsible for freight charges(to and from point of origin) and any damages to the timer.
18. Slack must be run as posted on the bulletin board at the arena.
19. The TYRA will furnish contestants with back numbers. This will be the contestant's TYRA number. Their name will be written on the number along with the number. Failure to wear back number provided by the TYRA on the back with at least 2 pins and fully visible to judges, will result in disqualification. If the member forgets or loses his or her back number, then the sponsoring rodeo will give them one to wear for that rodeo and the contestant will need to contact the TYRA office to have a new one issued and be charged a \$5.00 fine.
20. Anytime a rodeo has to be rescheduled after entry blanks have been mailed, the rodeo must extend its entry deadline to allow for contestant withdrawals and additional entries.
21. The same judges and flagmen must be used throughout the entire go unless the judge or flagman is excused because of sickness or emergency.
22. Sponsoring rodeo clubs will set their deadlines for entering their rodeo no earlier than two weeks prior to the rodeo date.
23. All positions will be drawn. Contestants will not be drawn once for all events.
24. Allow courtesy participants in all teamed events. (Courtesy ribbon ropers or runners, headers or heelers). Must be TYRA members.
25. Ground money will be paid in any event where participants do not make a qualifying ride, time or catch.
26. In all speed events, alley gate is to be left open during speed events when it is considered to be safe for the contestants. Parents or contestants have the option of having an open or closed gate.
27. Point results from both rodeos must be posted each week along with the year-end points. Members will not be allowed to call the TYRA secretary to get results.
28. In the event of a medical accident during a rodeo event, any member, if they are in a partnered event, should be allowed to have another partner drawn for him/her, as long as they have not participated in the first go round. During the finals rodeo, the 26th person will be picked up to compete or the next one in line.
29. Do not give saddles in events that have less than five contestants qualifying for the state finals. Give less expensive awards i.e. buckles or prize pertaining to event.
30. No trucks, tractors, four-wheelers, gators, or other motorized vehicles or any other stationary equipment in the arena during a rodeo while contestants are competing. The only except to this rule is the rodeo may use panels in events such as the calf roping to keep the cattle running straight for the contestants.

ENTRY FEES AND STOCK CHARGES:

The following fees are the most a rodeo may charge for stock:

- \$37.00-Broncs & Bulls each go round
- \$22.00-Jr. Steers each go round
- \$11.00-Steer Wrestling, each go round
- \$11.00-Team roping, each go round
- \$12.00-All roping events, each go round
- \$10.00-Goat tying, each go round (girls of all ages)
- \$10.00-All non-stock events, each go round
(Girls in Ribbon Running pay same entry fee as boy partner roping for them).

Rodeo entry, stock and jackpot fees charged for Sub-Jr. events will correspond with amounts charged for Junior events. A rodeo can charge for each go round.

Registration Fee:

This will be \$3.00 per event for each event contestant participates in. The local rodeo will collect this amount from the contestant (**both TYRA or Locals**) and will pay this full amount to the TYRA Corresponding Secretary. **THIS AMOUNT WILL BE TURNED IN ALONG WITH THE COMPLETE SET OF BOOKS WITHIN TEN (10) DAYS FOLLOWING THE RODEO.** Failure to have books and money **POSTMARKED IN THE MAIL** by the ten day deadline will result in a \$100.00 late charge.

JACKPOT

Jackpot payment will be based on number of contestants in each event as shown under JACKPOT PAY-OFF. TYRA points will be given for ten places. The rodeo must follow TYRA rules in the maximum amount they can charge for stock and for speed events as set out in the TYRA rulebook. The maximum amount that can be charged for the jackpot is \$21.00 in all roping events including Ribbon Running, \$17.00 in all Speed Events including Goat Tying, \$35.00 for the Broncs & Bulls and \$25.00 for Jr. Steer Riding. All of this must be put into the jackpot.

JACKPOT PAY-OFF:

The following system shall be used by all rodeos to determine the payout amounts:

- 1-4 entries - pay 1 place - 100% of jackpot
- 5-8 entries - pay 2 places- 60%, 40%
- 9-12 entries-pay 3 places- 50%, 30%, 20%
- 13-16 entries-pay 4 places-40%, 30%, 20%, 10 %
- 17-20 entries-pay 5 places-30%, 25%, 20%, 15%, 10%
- 21-up entries-pay 6 places-29%, 24%, 19%, 14%, 9%, 5%

This percentage payoff will also be used according to how many places will be paid if not enough have qualified for the full payoff. Example: If only three have a qualified time in the go, the payoff would be 50%-30%-20% of the jackpot for that go.

At the Finals Rodeo, events that do not have enough contestants making qualified runs or rides in the finals (short go), pay-off will then be paid on the fastest time or score in the long go round.

Ground money will be paid in any event where participants do not make a qualifying ride, time or catch.

Rodeos that chose to mail out contestants checks, must have the checks postmarked by Wednesday following the rodeo.

PRIZES AND AWARDS:

1. At rodeos that choose to give prizes or awards, awards must be given equally to all age groups.(sub jr., jr., sr.)
2. All rodeos are to keep records for at least one (1) year of contestant's accepting and refusing prizes.

STOCK

1. Stock Producers will be approved to furnish stock to TYRA rodeos.
2. In Rough Stock events, stock contractors will set pens.
3. All stock for all events will be drawn for (not just stock for tiedown events).
4. Roping calves: These animals must be run through the roping chutes and fresh calves tied down before using in a rodeo. Fresh dogging steers must be thrown before using. Roping steers cannot be used for dogging stock. (Cutbacks and crippled stock will be culled after go round).
5. No contestant may compete twice on the same head of stock at any rodeo in the same event.
6. No second go round stock will be given until the first go round has been completed.
7. The stock for short go of the Finals Rodeo will be drawn from stock competed on in the long go's by contestants who qualified for short go.
8. Contestants will not be disqualified for competition on the wrong head of stock, but will be required to compete on their correct drawn stock in order to receive a time or score.

WEIGHT LIMITS

Jr. Calves - 125 to 160 lbs, Sr. Calves - 170 to 225 lbs, Dogging Steers – 450 to 600 lbs.
Goats will not exceed 75 lbs.

DRAWING STOCK

ONE PERFORMANCE DRAW:

Utilizing three sets of calves, one for junior tiedown which will also be used for junior ribbons, one set for senior tie down which will also be used for senior ribbons. Normally there is a set of calves sent for the senior girls breakaway, however there is not usually a separate set for the junior girls or boys breakaway. In order to decide which calves will be used for the different breakaway events, it is best to get with the stock contractor and or the arena director.

It is best to draw all junior tiedown calves all the way through the pen of calves. If you have reached the last calf and still have more junior tiedown ropers, put all the calves back in the pot and re-draw. This is done until all the contestants have been drawn for. Once the event is completed, the next event (usually breakaway) is drawn for. If there are still calves left in the pot from the previous event draw, then draw

those calves first, then go back and put all the calves back in the pot to complete the remainder of the contestants. This is done in each event to try to ensure an equal amount of runs on each head of stock.

Note: You may draw an extra if you desire, however he must not be held from the draw.

TWO PERFORMANCE DRAW:

This draw must be done “event specific”. Calves used for multiple events are not to have a continuous draw as stated in the one performance manner. For example: all junior tiedown calves are drawn for the first performance. Whether or not there are any calves not drawn for, all calves are put back into the pot for the next event that will use them. If all the stock is not used in the first performance, the remaining stock is noted and will be used for the second performance first. For example; there are ten ropers in senior tiedown on Friday night and fifteen calves, the five calves not drawn on Friday night, must be drawn first for the Saturday runs. Then all fifteen calves are returned to the pot to finish out the event. It is best to keep the draw on a master copy so that it is easy to know where to start from at the next performance. Having a list of each calf and marking each time it is drawn is also a good method. This shows you at a glance how many times each one is run.

Do not draw the entire rodeo at one time. It is best to draw only one to two hours prior to the start of each performance, in order to be fair to all the ropers.

MARKING THE STOCK:

Numbers must be affixed to the animals. Ear tags, sale tags (glued on) or cattle marking pens are all acceptable means of numbering. Team roping cattle and goats need to be marked in the same manner. Marking on the horn wraps or goat collars is not acceptable.

RODEO OFFICIALS

1. Arena directors, judges and secretaries must be approved by the TYRA Board of Directors before any entry blanks are sent to the contestants or that rodeo will not be approved.
2. The TYRA Corresponding Secretary will supply samples of rodeo secretary’s books and judge’s score sheets which should be used by TYRA rodeo secretaries.
3. Rodeo secretaries must send a complete prize list and set of ground rules to the TYRA office for approval. **NO GROUND RULE WILL CONFLICT WITH TYRA RULES.**
4. Rodeos must award prizes listed on their ground rules.
5. **A LIST OF TYRA POINTS EARNED BY THE CONTESTANTS MUST BE MAILED BY OVERNIGHT MAIL, FAXED OR E-MAILED TO THE TYRA CORRESPONDING SECRETARY WITHIN TWENTY FOUR (24) HOURS OF COMPLETION OF RODEO.** Failure to have points postmarked overnight mail, faxed, or e-mailed by the 24 hour deadline will result in a \$100.00 late charge.
6. All judges and secretaries are required to have participated in an approved clinic, sanctioned by the TYRA. Any rodeo found not using an approved judge or secretary is subject to a fine no less than \$250.00 per infraction of the rule.
7. Secretaries must send in, for approval, the information sheet furnished by the corporate secretary and their rule sheet, no later than 30 days prior to that rodeo. These must include prizes, all rodeo officials

and stock contractor. The Board of Directors will review them.

TYRA POINT AWARD SYSTEM

Points will be given for all TYRA approved events.

1st place	100 points	6th place	50 points
2nd place	90 points	7th place	40 points
3rd place	80 points	8th place	30 points
4th place	70 points	9th place	20 points
5th place	60 points	10th place	10 points

Sub-Juniors will only receive points in Pole bending, Cloverleaf Barrels and Figure 8 barrels to qualify for Sub-Jr. all around.

Points will be awarded in each go round. If a show has two go's, there will be no points given for the average. Points will be totaled through all go rounds. All points will be recorded for each event throughout the season in order to determine year-end standings.

In the event local or non TYRA member contestants place in any go, the next fastest time by a TYRA member will be moved up to receive points only. This will also apply for courtesy runs.

ALL-AROUND QUALIFICATION

Contestant must earn points in at least two (2) TYRA events listed in the TYRA Rulebook. No points shall be used from local events. If a member rodeo chooses to give all-around prizes, there will be six (6): Senior Boy and Girl, Junior Boy and Girl, Sub-Jr. Boy and Girl.

RULES GOVERNING TYRA EVENTS

JUDGED EVENTS

EVENT: BAREBACK BRONC RIDING

1. Senior boys may participate.
2. Contestant must ride horse for eight (8) seconds without fouling the horse, time starting when horse leaves chute. Ride to be marked by two (2) judges, one on the right side, one on the left side. (Each roughstock judge will keep a backup stop watch to insure each contestant an eight second ride).
3. One hand rigging will be used.
4. Rider must furnish own rigging and it cannot be over ten (10) inches in width at hand hold and not over six (6) inches at "D" ring, or not a freak rigging. (Judges will have final decision on legality of rigging).
5. Only two persons are allowed in arena to help contestant.

6. Rigging must lie flat on horse's back while rigging is being cinched.
7. No rigging may have metal, fiberglass, or other objectionable material protruding underneath rigging.
8. All riggings must have enough sheepskin or sponge rubber underneath to cover the bars.
9. Contestants may pull riggings from either side.
10. All cinches must be at least five (5) inches wide.
11. Contestant will use a plain glove with no flaps, rolls, wedges, or gimmicks. A single layer of sheepskin may be used under hand hold.
12. Stock contractor may call judges to pass on whether rigging is objectionable and/or is being set and/or cinched in a way that might hurt horse's back. Judges are to decide on all rigging.
13. Contestants will have the right to call judges to pass on whether or not horse is properly flanked and cinched.
14. The rider and the animal will be marked separately. Mark the ride according to how much rider spurs the horse. 0-25 score on rider; 0-25 score on horse on each side. The official score for the ride will be the combined scores of both judges.
15. Judges are to sign all score sheets.
16. Rider must have spurs over the break of the shoulders and touching the horse when horse's feet hit the ground on 1st jump out of chute.
17. If a horse stalls coming out of the chute, either judge shall tell rider to take his feet out of the horse's neck and first jump qualifications will then be waived. (See below).
18. If, in the opinion of the judges, a rider is fouled at the gate, at the judges discretion, a re-ride may be given or the spurout rule may be waived.
19. No hotshots shall be used until animal turns his head out of the chute, unless requested by contestant.
20. Contestant must compete on stock drawn. (Unless his horse has been declared disabled by the judges and arena director and replaced with another horse).
21. A mouthpiece and protective vest must be worn by all roughstock riders.

DISQUALIFICATION AND NO SCORE

1. If a contestant is not present and ready when called to compete. After contestant's name is called three (3) times, it will be assumed that contestant is not present and the contestant will be disqualified from this event.
2. Not following judges instructions to take feet from neck of horse stalled in the chute.
3. If rigging comes off horse without breaking.

4. If contestant is riding with locked rowels or with rowels too sharp in the opinion of the judges.
5. If, after being advised that he is next to go, rider is not above the animal with his glove on when previous horse leaves the arena.
6. If contestant is bucked off prior to the buzzer.
7. If contestant touches animal, fence, equipment, or person with free hand. (Rider will not be disqualified if horse throws rider into fence).
8. Use of suicide wrap.
9. If TYRA Board of Directors disqualifies contestant for not complying with A Contestant Rule.
10. Any intentional abuse to livestock.

RE-RIDE:

1. In the opinion of the judges, a rider is fouled at the gate.
2. If a flank comes off, or breaks, rider may have a re-ride on the same horse provided rider completes a qualified ride on the horse.
3. If a rider is knocked off at a chute or when a horse falls out of chute.
4. No re-rides will be given due to default or breakage of contestant's equipment. (Borrowed equipment is accepted as contestant's equipment).
5. All re-rides are at the discretion of the judges.
6. All re-rides will be given on the same horse the foul occurred on.
7. If in the opinion of the judges, the rider makes two honest efforts to get out on a chute fighting horse and is unable to do so, he may have a re-ride drawn for him.
8. If a horse fails to break and runs the full eight seconds, rider is entitled to have a re-ride drawn for him or he may take his score.
9. If flank man fails to pull flank when rider asks for horse and rider makes a qualified eight second ride; but horse fails to buck, rider is entitled to a re-ride on the same horse or he may take his score.
10. Contestant that feels he has been fouled should immediately ask judge for a re-ride. If contestant leaves the arena before asking for a re-ride, then no re-ride will be given.

EVENT: BULL RIDING

1. Senior boys may participate.
2. Rider must ride the bull with one hand for a full eight seconds without fouling the animal; time to start when bull leaves the chute.

3. Rides will be marked by two judges, one on the right side and one on the left side. Each judge will mark the ride 1 to 50 points according to the performance of the bull and the rider together. The official score for the ride will be the combined score of both judges. (Each judge will keep a back-up stop watch to insure each contestant an eight (8) second ride).
4. Judges are to sign all score sheets.
5. No hot shots will be used on a bull after a rider sits down on bull, unless rider requests such use. Hot shot may be used when animal turns head out of chute.
6. Contestants may pull riggings from either side.
7. No more than two men may be on chute to pull contestant's rope.
8. Riding to be done with one hand and loose rope, with or without handhold; no knots or hitches to prevent rope from falling off bull when rider leaves him.
9. Rope must have bell and bell must be under belly of bull. (Rider must furnish own equipment).
10. Rider not to use sharp spurs.
11. Contestant will have the right to call judges to pass on whether or not bull is properly flanked to buck to the best of his ability.
12. If a rider makes a qualified ride with any part of rope in riding hand, he is to be marked.
13. Contestant must compete on stock drawn.
14. A mouthpiece and protective vest must be worn by all rough stock riders.

DISQUALIFICATION AND NO SCORE:

1. If a contestant is not present and ready when called to compete. After contestant's name is called three (3) times, it will be assumed that contestant is not present and the contestant will be disqualified from this event.
2. If, after being advised that he is next to go, contestant is not above the animal with his glove on when previous bull leaves the arena.
3. No bell.
4. Being bucked off.
5. Touching animal, equipment, fence, or person with free hand. (Rider will not be disqualified if bull throws rider into fence).
6. Using sharp spurs or placing spurs or chaps under the rope when rope is being tightened.
7. Use of a suicide wrap.
8. If TYRA Board of Directors disqualifies contestant for not complying with Contestant Rules.

9. Any intentional abuse to livestock.

RE-RIDE

1. If a flank comes off, or breaks, a re-ride may be given on the same bull proved rider has made a qualified ride.
2. If rider is knocked off at chute or if bull falls.
3. No re-rides will be given due to default or breakage of contestants equipment. (Borrowed equipment is accepted as contestant equipment.)
4. All re-rides are at the discretion of the judges.
5. All re-rides will be given on the same bull that the foul occurred on.
6. If, in the opinion of the judges, the rider makes two honest efforts to get out on a chute fighting bull and is unable to do so, he may have a re-ride drawn for him.
7. Contestant that feels he has been fouled should immediately ask judge for a re-ride. If contestant leaves the arena before asking for a re-ride then no re-ride will be given.

EVENT: STEER RIDING

1. Junior boys may participate.
2. Rider must ride the steer with one hand for a full eight seconds without fouling the animal; time to start when steer leaves the chute.
3. Rides will be marked by two judges, one on the right side and one on the left side. Each judge will mark the ride 1 to 50 points according to the performance of the steer and the rider together. The official score for the ride will be the combined score of both judges. (Each judge will have a backup stop watch to insure each contestant an eight (8) second ride).
4. Judges are to sign all score sheets.
5. No hot shots will be used on a steer after a rider sits down on steer unless rider requests such use. Hot shot may be used when animal turns head out of chute.
6. Contestant may pull riggings from either side.
7. No more than two men may be on chute to pull contestant's rope.
8. Riding to be done with one hand and loose rope, with or without handhold; no knots or hitches to prevent rope from falling off steer when rider leaves him.
9. Rope must have bell and bell must be under belly of steer. (Rider must furnish own equipment).
10. Rider not to use sharp spurs.
11. Contestant will have the right to call judges to pass on whether or not steer is properly flanked to buck to the best of his ability.

12. If rider makes a qualified ride with any part of rope in riding hand, he is to be marked.
13. Contestant must compete on stock drawn.
14. A mouthpiece and protective vest must be worn by all roughstock riders.

DISQUALIFICATION AND A NO SCORE

1. If a contestant is not present and ready when called to compete. After contestant's name is called three (3) times, it will be assumed that contestant is not present and the contestant will be disqualified from this event.
2. If, after being advised that he is next to go, contestant is not above the animal with his glove on when previous steer leaves the arena.
3. No bell.
4. Being bucked off.
5. Touching animal, equipment, fence, or person with free hand. (Rider will not be disqualified if steer throws rider into fence).
6. Using sharp spurs or placing spurs or chaps under the rope when rope is being tightened.
7. Use of a suicide wrap.
8. If TYRA Board of Directors disqualifies contestant for not complying with Contestant Rules.
9. Any intentional abuse to livestock.

RE-RIDES:

1. If a flank comes off, or breaks, a re-ride may be given on the same steer provided rider has made a qualified ride.
2. If rider is knocked off at chute or if steer falls.
3. No re-rides will be given due to default or breakage of contestants equipment.
4. All re-rides are at the discretion of the judges.
5. All re-rides will be given on the same steer that the foul occurred on.
6. If, in the opinion of the judges, the rider makes two honest efforts to get out on a chute fighting steer and is unable to do so, he may have a re-ride drawn for him.
7. Contestant that feels he has been fouled should immediately ask judge for a re-ride. If contestant leaves the arena before asking for a re-ride then no re-ride will be given.

RUNNING EVENTS:

EVENT: CLOVERLEAF BARREL RACE

1. Senior girls may participate in Senior competition.
2. Junior girls may participate in Junior competition.
3. Sub-Jr. competition is for Junior members (boy or girl) eight years of age or less as of September 1. Members will be allowed to compete in Sub-Jr. or Junior competition, not both.

ARENA:

1. Drag after every 5 contestants on the program. It is up to the rodeo clubs discretion to drag between age groups. No shows and scratches will not move a drag up. A club may drag less frequently if the ground conditions become unsafe. Exceptions to this rule would be outdoor arenas, should it rain and become too muddy to drag.
3. The starting line should be at least 15 yards from any fence and be permanently marked for the entire rodeo.
4. Contestant may enter the arena at the speed of his/her choice where arena conditions allow.
5. Contestant may have as many helpers in the arena or alleyway as needed to insure a safe start. But if anyone other than rider strikes at or whips the horse in the arena or alleyway, the rider of the horse will receive a no time and be scratched from any remaining runs in that particular event.
6. Alley gate is to be left open during speed events when it is considered safe for the contestant. Parents have the option to close gate if they need to for their child. Of course, the alley gate will be closed when it is not safe for the contestants to run out.

BARRELS:

1. The barrels may be placed by the management at distances that conform with their arena 15-20 feet from any arena fence and location must be permanently marked for the entire rodeo.
2. Barrels must be metal, painted contrasting colors so as not to blend in with the arena fences.
3. All barrels must be placed **INSIDE** of stake. (Toward middle of arena).

OFFICIALS AND EQUIPMENT:

Electric timers must be used in this event. If electric timing equipment breaks and cannot be repaired before the go round is finished, the complete go round must be run over with a flagman and at least two (2) timekeepers with watches.

PATTERN:

1. Contestants will start from behind the starting line, run around barrel number one, then around barrel number 2, and continue around barrel 3, finishing by crossing the starting line on the way back. This pattern may be altered by starting with the number 2 barrel, then to number 1.

2. The time starts when contestant crosses starting line and stops when she crosses it on the way back after running pattern.

PENALTIES:

A FIVE (5) SECOND PENALTY for each barrel knocked over. If a contestant knocks over a barrel and it stands up again on its other end, it will be the same as knocking it over.

DISQUALIFICATION AND NO-TIME:

1. If a contestant is not present and ready when called to compete. After contestant's name is called three (3) times, it will be assumed that contestant is not present and the contestant will be disqualified from this event.
2. Contestants break the pattern. All forward motion. If the contestant backs up, it is considered a broken pattern.
3. If TYRA Board of Directors disqualifies contestant for not complying with Contestant Rules.
4. Any intentional abuse to livestock.

RE-RUN:

1. Is given at judges discretion.
2. Contestant will have option to run immediately or after the event.
3. If timer malfunctions and results in a re-run, any penalties on first run will carry over to re-run. For example. if the contestant knocks over a barrel or pole on their first run, then the re-run will have these penalties added onto the re-run time.

TIME LIMIT: 60 seconds

EVENT: POLE BENDING

1. Senior girls may participate in Senior competition.
2. Junior boys and girls may participate in Junior competition.
3. Sub-Jr. competition is for Junior members (boy or girl) eight years of age or less as of September 1. Members will be allowed to compete in Sub-Jr. or Junior competition, not both.

ARENA:

1. Drag after every 5 contestants on the program. It is up to the rodeo clubs discretion to drag between age groups. No shows and scratches will not move a drag up. A club may drag less frequently if the ground conditions become unsafe. Exceptions to this rule would be outdoor arenas, should it rain and become too muddy to drag.
2. The starting line should be at least 15 yards from any fence and be permanently marked for the entire rodeo.

3. Contestant may enter arena at the speed of his/her choice where arena conditions allow.
4. Contestants may have as many helpers in the arena or alleyway as needed to insure a safe start, but if anyone other than rider strikes at or whips the horse in the arena or alleyway, the rider of the horse will receive a no time and be scratched from any remaining runs in that particular event.
5. Alley gate is to be left open during speed events when it is considered to be safe for the contestants. Parents have the option of closing the gate if they need to for their child. Of course, the alley gate will be closed when it is not safe for the contestants to run out.

POLES:

1. The first pole is to be 21 feet from the starting line and each of the 6 poles shall be 21 feet apart.
2. Poles will be staked permanently in ground. No ropes or measuring devises are to be used to set poles.
3. Poles base will be 10" to 14" in diameter.
4. Poles will be plastic pipe 1" to 2" in diameter, 6' to 7' long, painted white or red and white and have a cap on top.
5. Poles are to be at the side of stake.

OFFICIALS AND EQUIPMENT:

Electric timers must be used in this event. If electric timing equipment breaks and cannot be repaired before the go round is finished, the complete go round must be run over with a flagman and at least two (2) timekeepers with watches.

PATTERN:

Contestants may start either to the right or to the left of the first pole and then run the remainder of the pattern accordingly. Should a contestant knock down a pole, they must go around where the base should be at the stake.

DISQUALIFICATION AND A NO-TIME:

1. If a contestant is not present and ready when called to compete. After contestant's name is called three (3) times, it will be assumed that contestant is not present and the contestant will be disqualified from this event.
2. Contestant breaks the pattern. All forward motion. If the contestant backs up, it is considered a broken pattern.
3. The starting line is crossed during the run.
4. If TYRA Board of Directors disqualifies contestant for not complying with Contestant Rules.
5. Any intentional abuse to livestock.

PENALTIES:

FIVE (5) SECOND PENALTY for each pole knocked over.

RE-RUN:

1. Is given at judges discretion.
2. Contestant will have option to run immediately or after the event.
3. If timer malfunctions and results in a re-run, any penalties on first run will carry over to re-run. For Example: If the contestant knocks over a barrel or pole on their first run, then the re-run will have these penalties added onto the re-run time.

TIME LIMIT: 60 seconds

EVENT: FIGURE 8 BARREL RACING

1. Junior boys or girls may participate in Junior competition.
2. Sub-Jr. competition is for Junior members (boy or girl) eight years of age or less as of September 1. Members will be allowed to compete in Sub-Jr. or Junior competition, not both.

ARENA:

1. Drag after every 5 contestants on the program. It is up to the rodeo clubs discretion to drag between age groups. No shows and scratches will not move a drag up. A club may drag less frequently if the ground conditions become unsafe. Exceptions to this rule would be outdoor arenas, should it rain and become too muddy to drag.
2. The starting line should be at least 15 yards from any fence and be permanently marked for the entire rodeo.
3. Contestant may enter arena at the speed of his/her choice where arena conditions allow.
4. Contestants may have as many helpers in the arena or alleyway as needed to insure a safe start, but if anyone other than rider strikes at or whips the horse in the arena or alleyway, the rider of the horse will receive a no time and be scratched from any remaining runs in that particular event.
5. Alley gate is to be left open during speed events when it is considered to be safe for the contestants. Parents have the option of closing the gate if they need to for their child. Of course, the alley gate will be closed when it is not safe for the contestants to run out.

BARRELS:

1. Must be 20 yards apart. First barrel will be placed even with the 1st pole stake then 20 yards apart. (Does not have to be in same line as poles) A Standard Pattern no longer or shorter. **STARTING AND FINISH LINE SHOULD BE AT LEAST 15 YARDS FROM CHUTES.** Any concerns on staking this pattern, contact one of the directors.
2. No barrel may be closer than twenty (20) feet from any arena fence.

3. Location must be permanently marked for the entire rodeo.
4. Barrels must be metal, painted contrasting colors so as not to blend in with the arena fence.
5. All barrels are to be set to the inside of the barrel stake or marker, towards the starting line.

OFFICIALS AND EQUIPMENT:

Electric timers must be used in this event. If electric timing equipment breaks and cannot be repaired before the go round is finished, the complete go round must be run over with a flagman and at least two (2) timekeepers with watches.

PATTERN:

1. Contestant will start from behind the starting line, run to the left or the right of the first barrel, then continue the figure eight (8) pattern.
2. The time starts when contestant crosses starting line and stops when contestant crosses it on the way back after running pattern.

PENALTIES:

A FIVE (5) SECOND PENALTY for each barrel knocked over. If a contestant knocks over a barrel and it stands up again on its other end, it will be the same as knocking it over.

DISQUALIFICATION AND NO-TIME:

1. If a contestant is not present and ready when called to compete. After contestant's name is called three (3) times, it will be assumed that contestant is not present and the contestant will be disqualified from this event.
2. If the pattern is broken. All forward motion. If the contestant backs up, it is considered a broken pattern.
3. If TYRA Board of Directors disqualifies contestant for not complying with Contestant Rules.
4. Any intentional abuse to livestock.

RE-RUN:

1. Is given at judges discretion.
2. Contestant will have option to run immediately or after the event.
3. If timer malfunctions and results in a re-run, any penalties on first run will carry over to re-run. For Example: If the contestant knocks over a barrel or pole on their first run, then the re-run will have these penalties added onto the re-run time.

TIME LIMIT: 60 seconds.

EVENT: GOAT TYING

1. Junior and Senior girls may participate.
2. Starting line will be the same as the poles and barrels starting line.
3. Goat shall be staked with rope ten (10) feet in length and goat holder must hold goat at full length of rope behind stake. Goat shall be tied to a stake with a 5/8" hard twist cotton rope. A collar or non-slip knot must be used on goat.
4. Stake is to be driven into ground so that none of it is visible.
5. Goat must be staked at 105 feet from starting line (fifth pole).
6. The contestant must be mounted on a horse and must ride from starting line to goat, dismount, throw goat by hand (if goat is down when contestant reaches it, the goat must be cleared of the ground), and tie any three (3) feet together with leather string or pigging string, and stand clear of goat. (Must stand at least 3 feet from goat before judges 5 second count will begin).
7. Goat must remain tied for at least five (5) seconds.
8. Three legs should be securely tied to qualify as a legal tie; there will be one or more wraps, a half hitch, or a secure knot. Once contestant signals her tie is complete, she may not again touch the tie or goat. This would result in a no-time.
9. Time will start when the mounted contestant crosses the starting line and will stop when flag judge signals the completion of the tie.
10. Contestant must compete on goat drawn for her. If contestant scratches, a person will be asked to tie that goat in her place in order to keep the number of ties on the goat correct.
11. If a Rodeo has a finals, the goats used in the finals will be the goats with the fastest qualifying times in the long go. Contestants may NOT compete on the same head of stock. There will be two runs per goat in the short go. (10 contestants drawing from 5 goats = 2 runs per goat.)
12. Goat is to be changed after every 5 contestants. If a contestant scratches, someone must tie the goat to keep an even amount of ties on the goat. Each contestant must compete on the stock that she drew and in the position that was drawn for her. When less than 5 contestants are in any performance the same goat must be used in the next performance until the goat has been used 5 times.
13. No Billys will be used.
14. Goats will not exceed 75 pounds.
15. There must be 1 goat for every 15 runs and rotated in order. The goats must have numbers affixed to them. Ear tags, sale tags (glued on) and cattle marking pen are all acceptable means of numbering.
16. Must drag arena between age groups.
17. All goats must be tied at least once prior to first performance of rodeo.

JUDGES:

There will be two flagmen, one at the starting line and one to flag tie at the goat. Must use same flagmen for the entire go-round.

PENALTIES:

Goat tying contestant will receive a TEN (10) SECOND PENALTY if she hits the goat and/or the goat rope while still mounted. The contestant is considered dismounted as long as one foot is on the ground before their horse hits the rope or goat.

DISQUALIFICATION AND RECEIVE A NO-TIME:

1. If a contestant is not present and ready when called to compete. After contestant's name is called three (3) times, it will be assumed that contestant is not present and the contestant will be disqualified from this event.
2. If the goat does not remain tied for five (5) seconds.
3. If the goat breaks loose from stake, she may receive a no-time or a re-run, at the judges discretion.
4. If the tie is ruled illegal as stated in Rule #8 above.
5. If TYRA Board of Directors disqualifies contestant for not complying with Contestant Rules.
6. Any intentional abuse to livestock.

RE-RUN:

1. Goat tying contestants may be given a re-run if the goat breaks loose from stake (see above).
2. All arena GATES are to be CLOSED after contestant enters arena.

TIME LIMIT: 60 seconds

ROPING-BARRIER EVENTS

BARRIER AND SCORELINES:

1. A measuring tape must be on hand for the barrier string whenever it may have been weakened, or on request of next contestant.
2. The same type string must be used on barrier all the time.
3. Barrier judge shall keep a record of the length of the barrier trip rope each performance to assure the same start for all contestants each performance.
4. Adjusting length of barrier trip rope will be accomplished only by tying knots in the rope on either end.
5. A ten second penalty will be added for breaking or beating the barrier. In all events, a barrier will not be considered broken unless ring drops within ten (10) feet of the post.

6. Barrier equipment should be inspected by the judge before each timed event. If equipment is faulty, it must be replaced.
7. If barrier flagman is used, animal is to be flagged when its nose reaches starting or deadline in front of flagman.
8. Barrier judge shall be sure that no one can stand close enough to barrier or barrier equipment to tamper with same.
9. Once score line has been set in timed events, it will not be changed until the go round is completed.
10. When barrier flag is used, barrier flag must operate in order for time to be considered official.
11. When automatic barrier is used and automatic barrier does not work and time is recorded, contestant or team will get time, but there will be no penalty for broken barrier.
12. When automatic barrier is used and automatic barrier does not work and times are not recorded, contestant or team will get stock back unless stock is missed. Contestant must take same animal over during or immediately after the same performance.
13. It is desired that the same person open all front gates for the entire event per go round in timed stock events.
14. Contestant will be responsible for providing someone to push his own stock.
15. If anyone other than the rider strikes at or whips the horse in the arena or box, such as “to start the horse”, the rider will receive a no time and be scratched from any remaining runs in that particular event.

STOCK:

1. If any timed event, if an animal escapes from the arena, the flag will be dropped and watches stopped. Contestants will get animal back with lap and tap start, and time already spent will be added to time used in qualifying. If time is not recorded, the decision of the flag judge will be final.
 - a. If rope is on animal, roper will get animal lap and tap with rope on it in the chute.
 - b. A field flag judge must ask contestant if they want second loop or jump. Once a contestant has been flagged out, he will receive no stock back.
2. During any performance, if an animal in timed events escapes the chutes or pens before it is called for by contestants, or if automatic barrier fails to work and stock is brought back, that animal will be returned by the arena director and labor crew during or at the end of the performance in the same manner he was originally worked or brought to the pens for contesting. At least several head of animals will be brought back together. No animal may be re-penned by itself. Decision will be made by arena director about when stock is re-penned.
3. If a calf or steer is not removed from the arena in time or escapes into the arena while the next contestant is tying another animal, the contestant will get his stock over, if the judge rules interference. Decision to be made before contestant leaves arena.
4. If an animal that is drawn in a riding event or is drawn in a timed event becomes sick or crippled before it is out, the judges and arena director must pass on the animal's ability to be used before it can be

skipped or replaced in the draw.

5. All stock is to be numbered and drawn for all riding, roping, goat tying, and dogging events. No numbered tags or untagged livestock may be used in the draw. Stock drawn for the performance or slack, must be posted at timed events chute.

EVENT: STEER WRESTLING

1. Senior boys may participate.
2. Steer must be caught from horse.
3. If steer gets loose, contestant may take no more than one (1) step to catch steer.
4. Contestant must furnish his hazer and horses.
5. Hazer must not render any assistance to contestant while contestant is working with steer.
6. Contestant and hazer must use the same 2 horses they leave chute with.
7. After catching steer, wrestler must bring it to a stop or change directions and twist down.
8. If steer is accidentally knocked down or thrown down before being brought to a stop, or throw by putting animal's horns in the ground, it must be let up on all four feet and then thrown.
9. Steer will be considered down only when it is lying flat on its side or on its back with all four feet and head straight.
10. Wrestler must have hand on steer when flagged.
11. Steer Wrestler will have one jump only. Wrestler may not remount.
12. Wrestler must compete on steer drawn.
13. The fairness of catch and throw will be left to the judges and their decision.
14. Hazer must comply with TYRA dress code while in the arena.

STEERS:

1. Cattle used for roping and other events will not be used for Steer Wrestling.
2. All fresh steers must be thrown at least once prior to competition.
3. Animals used should be closely inspected and objectionable ones eliminated.
4. Contestants will not be required to compete on a crippled steer or a steer with a broken horn.
5. If contestant jumps at steer, he accepts him as sound.
6. All stock is to be numbered and drawn for all riding, roping, goat tying, and dogging events. No numbered tags or untagged livestock may be used in the draw. Stock drawn for the performance or slack,

must be posted at timed events chute.

BOX:

1. If box is less than 12 feet, steer wrestling must be lap and tap.
2. If box is 12 feet or more, an automatic barrier must be used.

SCORE:

The score may be no longer than the length of the steer wrestling box, minus six (6) feet, unless other arrangements are approved by steer wrestling director or a person of his choice.

OFFICIALS-TIME-ARENA:

1. Two (2) or more timekeepers
2. A Field Judge
3. A Barrier Judge

TIME TAKEN: between barrier flag and field judge flag

TIME LIMIT: Sixty (60) seconds(excluding penalties)

ALL ARENA GATES WILL BE CLOSED.

DISQUALIFICATION AND RECEIVE A NO-TIME:

1. If a contestant is not present and ready when called to compete. After contestant's name is called three (3) times, it will be assumed that contestant is not present and the contestant will be disqualified from this event.
2. If hazer renders any assistance to contestant while contestant is working with steer.
3. If the judge rules the catch or throw illegal.
4. If hazer strikes dogger's horse or steer before or during performance.
5. If TYRA Board of Directors disqualifies contestant for not complying with Contestant Rules.
6. Any intentional abuse to livestock.

PENALTY:

1. No penalty for breaking horn.
2. Ten (10) second penalty for breaking barrier.

RE-RUN: At the discretion of the judges.

EVENT: BREAKAWAY ROPING

1. Junior and Senior Girls may participate in girls competition.
2. Junior Boys may participate in boys competition.
3. Roper must rope calf with clean bell collar loop (behind both ears and above the root of the tail when the rope breaks away from the saddle horn.)
4. The rope must be tied with string to the saddle horn.
5. A 10X10 HANDKERCHIEF OR FLAG OF CONTRASTING COLOR MUST BE ATTACHED TO END OF THE ROPE. END OF THE ROPE MUST BE TIED TO THE SADDLE HORN. EX: A white rope must have a flag of some other color than white. A colored rope can have a white flag.
6. Contestant must compete on calf drawn.
7. Contestant must stay mounted until calf breaks string.
8. Roper is allowed only one loop.
9. Horse must be moving out of the box to be a legal catch; horse cannot stand still.

OFFICIALS:

1. Two (2) or more Timekeepers.
2. One (1) Barrier Judge.
3. Two (2) Field Judges,
 - a. One flagging judge to flag when string breaks from the roper' saddle horn and observe the catch from his side of the calf.
 - b. One judge to be at the opposite side of the arena to observe the catch from the other side.
 - c. Field Judges must be mounted and in such position to be able to judge for clean catch immediately after string breaks.
 - d. Either one can disqualify the contestant for an illegal catch.

TIME TAKEN: between barrier flag and field judge flag.

SCORE: Arena conditions will determine start and deadline, but a short score of 6 to 15 feet is desirable.

DISQUALIFICATION AND RECEIVE A NO-TIME:

1. If a contestant is not present and ready when called to compete. After contestant's name is called three (3) times, it will be assumed that contestant is not present and the contestant will be disqualified from this event.
2. If roper fails to rope calf.
3. If roper breaks string with his/her hand.

4. Any hazing. (Unless hazing permitted by Arena Director)
5. If contestant is not mounted when calf breaks string.
6. Lost or broken rope.
7. If flag or handkerchief is not attached to the end of rope.
8. If horse is not moving out of box when calf is roped.
9. If TYRA Board of Directors disqualifies contestant for not complying with Contestant Rules.
10. Any intentional abuse to livestock.

RE-RUNS:

1. If re-run is given, any penalties incurred during original run will be added to re-run time.
2. If roper does not ask for calf, he must stop his horse as soon as possible without throwing his rope and re-run will be given. If contestant throws his rope, it will forfeit his re-run.

PENALTY: A ten (10) second penalty for breaking the barrier.

BACK GATE: The back gate may be left open or closed at the discretion of the sponsoring rodeo.

TIME LIMIT: Sixty (60) seconds(excluding penalties)

EVENT: TIEDOWN CALF ROPING

1. Boys 14 and over may participate in the Senior competition. Boys 13 and under may compete in the Junior competition.
2. Two (2) loops will be permitted. If a roper intends to use 2 loops, he must carry 2 ropes and must use second rope for second loop.
3. If second loop falls to the ground before it is thrown, it will be considered used.
4. Catch as catch can. (Rope must hold calf until roper gets hand on calf. Once roper has touched calf and rope comes off, roper must not lose contact with calf.)
5. Contestant must adjust rope and reins in a manner that will prevent horse from dragging calf. If horse drags calf, Field Judge may stop horse and any penalty for such offense can only be assessed by the Flag Judge.
6. Contestant must receive no assistance of any kind from outside.
7. Contestant may have anyone start his calf.
8. Rope must be tied hard and fast.
9. After roping calf, roper must dismount, go down rope and throw calf by hand and cross any three of calf's feet.

10. In Junior tie down only, if the contestant ropes the calf and the calf is down when the contestant reaches it, then the contestant may go ahead and tie the calf without having to “clear” the calf and will be given a 10 second penalty.

11. A legal tie shall consist of one or two wraps and a half hitch.

12. If calf is down when roper reaches it, it must be thrown by hand, with at least three feet hanging and to the satisfaction of the judge.

13. If ropers hand is on the calf when calf falls, calf is considered thrown by hand..

14. Tie must hold until passed on by the Judge and roper must not touch calf after finishing signal until Judge has completed his examination.

15. The Field Judge will pass on the times, timing six (6) seconds from the time the roping horse takes his first steps forward, after the roper has remounted. If rope comes off calf before contestant remounts six (6) second clock starts immediately.

16. Rope will not be removed from calf and rope must remain slack until Field Judge has passed tie.

17. Contestant must compete on calf drawn.

18. Neck rope is to be used.

OFFICIALS:

1. Two (2) or more Timekeepers.

2. One (1) Barrier Judge.

3. One (1) Field Judge with stop watch.

TIME TAKEN: between barrier flag and Field Judge flag.

SCORE: Arena conditions will determine score, length of score to be set by Arena Director, and time event spokesman if present.

DISQUALIFICATION AND NO-TIME:

1. If a contestant is not present and ready when called to compete. After contestant’s name is called three (3) times, it will be assumed that contestant is not present and the contestant will be disqualified from this event.

2. If roper does not rope calf.

3. If tie comes loose or calf gets up before the time is ruled fair.

4. If the tie is ruled illegal.

5. If roper missed with first loop and second loop falls to ground.

6. Lost or broken rope.
7. No neck rope.
8. Any hazing. (Unless hazing permitted by Arena Director)
9. If TYRA Board of Directors disqualifies contestant for not complying with Contestant Rules.
10. Any intentional abuse to livestock.

RE-RUNS:

If roper does not ask for calf, he must stop his horse as soon as possible without throwing his rope and re-run will be given. If contestant throws his rope, he will forfeit his re-run.

PENALTIES:

1. Ten (10) second penalty if barrier is broken.
2. If horse drags calf, Field Judge may stop horse and assess a penalty as he sees fit.

TIME LIMIT: Sixty (60) seconds.(excluding penalties)

BACK GATE: The back gate may be left open or closed at the discretion of the sponsoring rodeo.

EVENT: TEAM ROPING

1. All may participate (Junior, Senior, Boy or Girl)
2. Roper is permitted one rope, each team is allowed two loops. Heelers must release loop from hand when attempting to rope heels.
3. Header must dally, heeler may dally or tie on with the use of a quick release devise. Cannot dally over a hard tie.
4. All steers must be turned.
5. Contestants are not allowed to change catch by rubbing rope over horns or nose by hand to make a bad catch legal.
6. Loops may be changed by fishing only.
7. Header of the team must come from behind the barrier, arena conditions permitting.
8. Animals must be on feet when roped by either end.
9. Contestant must compete on steer drawn.
10. Animal belongs to contestant when contestant calls for it regardless of what happens except in cases of mechanical failure.

11. Contestants are asked not to rope at steer after they have been flagged a no time by the Judge.
12. Points will be given separately for header and heeler.
13. At the finals, team roping will consist of three (3) loops. If a header misses the head the heeler can head the steer and let the header heel. The points are given to the team as they come in for the team roping.

SCORE: Arena conditions will determine score, length of score to be set by Arena Director.

LEGAL HEAD CATCHES:

1. Around the horns.
2. Around the neck.
3. Half a head.
4. All other head catches are illegal. (If hondo passes over one horn and the loop over the other, catch is illegal. If loop crosses itself in a head catch, it is illegal. This does not include heel catches.)

LEGAL HEEL CATCHES:

1. Any heel catch behind both shoulders is legal if rope goes up heels. (If a front foot or feet is in the heel loop, it will be considered an illegal catch unless front feet slip out of loop before judge drops his flag.)
2. Dew claw catches are legal if rope holds for flagger inspection.

OFFICIALS:

1. Two (2) or more Timekeepers.
2. One (1) Barrier Judge.
3. One (1) Field Judge.

TIME TAKEN: between barrier flag and Field Judge flag when steer is roped on both ends, in a direct line and horse is on all fours. Horse facing steer in "L" or better, with rope tight, dallied, or tied.

DISQUALIFICATION AND NO-TIME:

1. If both contestants are not present and ready when called to compete. After contestant's names are called three (3) times, it will be assumed that one or both of the contestant's are not present and the team will be disqualified from this event.
2. If animal is not on its feet when roped by either end.
3. Using more than two loops per team.
4. Failure to head steer before heeling.

5. Unnecessary rough treatment of steers.
6. Lost or broken rope.
7. If either contestant intentionally dismounts during contest run.
8. Front foot in heel catch.
9. If header fails to catch.
10. If TYRA Board of Directors disqualifies contestant for not complying with Contestant Rules.
11. Any intentional abuse to livestock.
12. Crossfire, Heeler cannot throw rope until header has changed the steers direction in a forward motion.

RE-RUNS:

All re-runs are at the discretion of the judges.

PENALTIES:

1. Ten (10) second penalty if barrier is broken.
2. Five (5) second penalty for catching ONE REAR LEG.

TIME LIMIT: Sixty (60) seconds(excluding penalties)

BACK GATE: The back gate will be left open or closed at the discretion of the sponsoring rodeo.

EVENT: RIBBON ROPING-RIBBON RUNNING

1. Junior boys/girls may participate in Junior competition.
2. Senior boys/girls may participate in Senior competition.
3. A boy roper and a girl runner will work together in the event. (Courtesy ropers and runners may participate.)
4. When partner is not designated on entry, sponsoring rodeo secretary will draw teams after receipt of all entries.
5. While calf is in the chute, a short length of ribbon about 1/2 inch wide and 10 inches or more in length must be fastened with a RUBBER BAND to the TAILHEAD of the calf's tail.
6. Arena conditions will determine the start and finish lines, but roping score line should be used under most conditions.

ROPER:

1. It will be up to the roper to secure a runner of the opposite sex within the same age group and a TYRA member or local contestant.
2. The roper does not need to remove the rope from the calf before the runner crosses the line.
3. The roper may take TWO LOOPS if he is carrying two ropes and must use second rope for second loop.
4. The rope must be on the calf when the boy or girl first touches the calf. The boy must be dismounted, but does not have to touch the calf before the girl gets the ribbon off. A roper is considered dismounted as long as one foot is on the ground when the runner grabs the ribbon.
5. There will be one roper and one runner to each team.
6. A boy and a girl must work together in the event.
7. Neck rope must be used.

RUNNER:

1. The runner will be on foot, see DRESS CODE.
2. Runners may choose where they wish to stand in the arena.
3. After the calf is roped, the runner removes ribbon from calf's tail and runs back across the flag line for a time.
4. Flag Judge will be positioned 50' from front of roping box. Runner will remove ribbon from calves tail and cross 50' line from either side to complete run.
5. If runner sees there is no ribbon on the calf's tail, she should call attention to it immediately.
6. Runner must HAND ribbon to Flag Judge.
7. COURTESY RUNNERS: TYRA will have courtesy runners in Ribbon Roping. Girls must run in their age group. Girls will get points with roper they sent in on their entry blank or drawn for by secretary. The Secretary of individual rodeos must use the runners who have sent entry forms with no ropers before picking up courtesy runners. Rodeo secretaries will team all the ribbon ropers/runners who have paid their fee, but have no partners. Then if there are ropers with no runners, a girl already entered and paid up will be drawn to courtesy run. A courtesy runner must be a paid up contestant in the ribbon running. She will not pay a second entry fee and she will receive the prize or prize money if she places with the roper she is courtesy running for in the rodeo. Courtesy runners will not receive points. Non-members and Locals may not be used as courtesy runners.

OFFICIALS:

1. Two (2) or more timekeepers.
2. One (1) field judge at flag line and a second field flag judge is to be in the arena at the opposite end of the arena from runner, flagman and roping box to witness and pass judgment on any questionable catches.

3. One (1) barrier judge.

TIME TAKEN: between barrier flag and field judge flag at flag line.

DISQUALIFICATION AND NO-TIME:

1. If a contestant is not present and ready when called to compete. After contestant's name is called three (3) times, it will be assumed that contestant is not present and the contestant will be disqualified from this event.
2. If roper does not rope calf.
3. If rope does not hold calf until ribbon is removed or roper has his/her hands on calf.
4. If runner throws ribbon on ground or does not hand to judge.
5. Lost or broken rope.
6. No neck rope.
7. Any hazing. (Unless hazing permitted by Arena Director.)
8. If TYRA Board of Directors disqualifies contestant for not complying with Contestant Rules.
9. Any intentional abuse to livestock.

RE-RUNS:

1. If there is no ribbon on the calf's tail and the runner calls attention to that fact immediately. Any penalties incurred during original run will be added to re-run time.
2. If roper does not ask for calf, he must stop his horse as soon as possible without throwing his rope and re-run will be given. If contestant throws his rope, re-run will be forfeited.

PENALTIES: A ten (10) second penalty will be given for broken barrier.

TIME LIMIT: Sixty (60) seconds.(excluding penalties)

BACK GATE: The back gate will be left open or closed at the discretion of the sponsoring rodeo.

TYRA YEAR-END AWARDS AND TYRA FINALS RODEO

QUALIFICATION:

1. Immediately following the last TYRA show of the regular season, points for every contestant in each event will be totaled.
2. The top twenty-five (25) contestants in each event will be notified of their eligibility to compete in the Finals.

3. If a contestant in the top twenty-five (25) for the TYRA Finals cannot compete, the next in line should be moved up.

YEAR-END AWARDS AND BANQUET

1. Points earned at the Finals will be added to contestant's points for the year.
2. Points will be awarded in each go round. Points will be awarded for the short-go. Points will be awarded on the average as well.
3. Year-end awards will be given on a grand total of points earned in each event when financially feasible.
4. All-around awards will be given to: Senior Boy, Senior Girl, Junior Boy, Junior Girl, and Sub-Jr. Boy and Girl. All points including Finals will be used. The same method will be used in determining year-end all-around as for regular rodeos.
5. All of the year-end buckles will have the name of the event they won in printed on the buckle.
6. Contestants must be present at the awards ceremony to receive their award unless directors rule otherwise. If not present, award will be presented to the next contestant in year-end standings.
7. Contestants must be in official TYRA dress code, including back number.

FINALS RODEO:

1. Finals Rodeo date will be set by the Board of Directors.
2. Finals Rodeo will have at least two (2) go-rounds.
3. If a final go-round is used, the top ten (10) of the combined two (2) go-rounds in each event will compete.
4. In the short go of the Finals Rodeo contestants will be as follows: the contestant placing last in the go or average will be the first to compete, following the reverse order with the contestant placing first in the go or average being last to compete.
5. Contestants must comply with the official dress code of the TYRA, while in arena during competition or assisting other contestants.
6. No saddles will be given in events that have less than five contestants qualifying for the State Finals. Give less expensive award i.e. buckles or prize pertaining to event.
7. 400 points will be available at the Finals: 1st Go Points, 2nd Go Points, Short Go Points, and Average.
8. Participants will be allowed to use two loops in all calf roping events and three (3) loops total in team roping at the TYRA Finals. The back gate will be open at all times except during the steer wrestling.

JOHNNY POWELL MEMORIAL SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD

This Memorial Sportsmanship Award is to be given to a graduating senior member of TYRA. The TYRA Board of Directors will nominate a group of boys and girls and then the entire TYRA membership will vote on the one boy or girl who they think has displayed outstanding sportsmanship for the entire year. The ballots are to be mailed to the Corresponding Secretary of TYRA so that the ballots may be counted by the Board of Directors in time that the award may be presented at the TYRA Finals.

The recipient will receive a trophy which he/she will keep for one year and a belt buckle which the recipient will keep.

This award has been made possible by the many friends of Johnny's who established a memorial fund in his name so that this award can be presented as long as the TYRA is in existence.

VITA-WAY HORSEMANSHIP AWARD

This trophy is presented at the Finals Rodeo to a graduating senior TYRA member chosen by the TYRA Board of Directors and is based on horsemanship. The trophy is kept for one year and then passed on.

KLINT SHAW MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

The Klint Shaw Memorial Sportsmanship Award was established in memory of Klint in 2001. Klint was a former TYRA member that was tragically killed in an automobile accident. Klint EXCELLED in the sport of rodeo and exemplified what sportsmanship is all about. This award is given annually to a graduating senior that has followed in Klint's footsteps and has shown true sportsmanship throughout his/her TYRA career. The recipient is chosen by the TYRA Board of Directors and will receive a trophy belt buckle to keep.