

BARREL RACE CONTESTANT RULES
OLSEN'S EVENTS-CHINO VALLEY, AZ

Pre-entries: Saddle series races – 1st draw will be done the night before the race. Please have entries in no later than 9:30 pm. 2nd draw will be posted before the race starts. Books will stay open throughout the race. Weeknight races – 1st draw will be done before the race begins. Books will stay open throughout the race.

Entries at race: Books stay open at the race. All entries must be paid before the race begins.
Stalls/camping: dry camping is available at the Olsen's Arena and you may put up portable stalls. Stalls available @ \$15/ea. You are responsible for cleaning stalls.

Payment method: we accept most credit cards, checks, Venmo, and cash. Please do not mail cash. If any checks are returned insufficient funds, you will be charged a \$35 fee and you will not be able to compete until fees and entries are paid in full.

Time-slots/open arena: Open arena will be \$10/horse before the race. NO training on the pattern. Please go through pattern at a trot or faster. We want everyone to get to work on the pattern. Please be courteous to others who are waiting in line. Please also be mindful of where people are running and stay out of the pattern area.

Releases/draw outs/substitutions: After the race begins, there will not be refunds given for scratches. Rider may compete on any horse, regardless of ownership. Each horse can only be run ONE time per class (except peewee).

Refund checks: will be mailed out the week after the race or returned via electronic payment.

Dress code: Modest/appropriate tops (NO spaghetti straps or inappropriate tanks tops will be allowed in the arena at ANY time), pants, western boots. Helmets are encouraged, especially for children.

Draw order: you must compete on the horse in its drawn order. If you are competing on multiple horses, there will be no swapping of draw positions. Once draw is posted, you will be disqualified if you run out of order.

Missed run: if a contestant misses their run they will receive a no time. There will be no rerun options. You will have one minute to get into the arena after you are called. It is up to the announcer to allow extra time if they see the contestant is making an effort to get into the arena.

Electric Eye: if the electric eye fails during the contestants run and the back up timer misses the time,

the contestant will have the choice to re-run at the end of the class or get a refund. If the barrel is knocked down during a run, the rider will receive a no-time regardless if the timer worked or not.

If you are not at the gate within 30 seconds of your name being called, you will be rolled to the bottom of the draw. If you are not at the gate for the 2nd call, you will receive a no time.

No times: a no-time will be given for the following reasons:

Running a horse in a different draw position or swapping horses names in run order.

If you miss your run or run out of draw order.

Knocking over a barrel.

Break or miss the pattern.

Not being in dress code.

Horse falls.

Prizes/awards: will be based on horse/rider combo. Substitutions can be made with a vet release only and if approved by Olsen's staff. You may NOT go back and forth from one horse to another. Olsen's staff reserves the right to deny a substitution if we feel this policy is being abused in any way.

Payout/check processing: We pay with Venmo following the race. Checks can be mailed the following week after the race. You will have 6 months to cash your check. If you do not cash it, it will be void. We will not replace lost checks unless you pay \$35 for a reissue (we have to place a stop payment on lost checks). If the check is damaged, you can bring it to us and if we can verify it is one of our checks, we will reissue at no charge. ALL contestants are required to fill out a W-9 when requested (including minors).

Liability waivers: must be signed before rider can compete in any race (parents/guardians must sign for minors). NO EXCEPTIONS!!!

Sportsmanship/animal abuse: all contestants and their family members are expected to display good sportsmanship to others and animals at all times. Abusive behavior or neglect of an animal will NOT be tolerated!!! Abuse will be determined by Olsen's staff and all decisions made will be final. You will be asked to leave the Olsen's event and property of the event and you will NOT be eligible to compete in any of our events in the future. All entries/winnings will be forfeited. If necessary, law enforcement will be called for abuse or neglect. PLEASE REPORT ABUSE IF YOU SEE IT! 928-202-2003.

Dogs: Dogs are welcome but MUST be on a leash, no exceptions!!!

Open arena/warm up/parking lot: children under the age of 12 are NOT allowed in the warm

up/open arena without adult supervision. If Olsen's staff determines anyone is endangering themselves, their horses or others, they will be asked to leave the arena. All riders in the arenas need to be cautious and courteous to others. There is no running in the parking lot on horseback.

Supervision of minors: all minors must be supervised at all times. Children should not be climbing on fences, announcers booth or be near the feed store (without an adult).

Finals: Finals will be held on FRIDAY NIGHT at the Olsen's Equifest in Prescott. Must attend 4 out of 6 of the races to be eligible for year end prizes.

End of year awards: all awards will be based on the high point winner (horse/rider combo).

Tie breaker: in the event of a tie for an individual race, the prize money for both places will be split evenly. If there is a tie for the year-end awards, 1) the contestant who attended the most races will win, or 2) the contestant who had the fastest time at the last race will win.

Honor code: we expect everyone to be honest and courteous. If you know that you do not qualify for a class, please do not enter that class. If Olsen's staff determines you have been dishonest, you will be disqualified.

Announcer's booth: during the race, no contestants or their family members will be allowed in the announcer's booth. If you have any questions or concerns, another staff member will help you. You may text/call 928-202-2003 during the race.

Cancellation/weather conditions: if it starts to rain during the race, the race will NOT be cancelled unless ground conditions become unsafe, which will be determined by Olsen's staff. If there is lightning, we will stop the race and resume when we feel it is safe to do so. If we do NOT cancel the race, the race will continue to be counted as a qualifying race for the year end prizes. If we DO cancel the race, refund options will be available and we will not count points from that race toward the end of the year.

CLASSES

We have some changes that we have made since we will be going into 2026! Please read carefully!

Peewee Class:

*Peeweesees must be 10 and under. They may not run faster than a 20 second (barrels) and 24 second (poles) time. If time is faster than 20 seconds (barrels) and 24 seconds (poles), rider will be receive a no time.

*Weeknight races and jackpots that are NOT part of the Equifest Saddle Series will be \$15 entry fee, no arena fee. 4D with 1 second splits. 70% payback.

*For Equifest Saddle series races, entry fee will be \$25, no arena fee. Jackpot money will be 4D, 1 second splits.

*Awards for Saddle Series (barrels/poles awarded separately):

1-5 participants (attended 4 out of 6 races) 1D. One buckle awarded.

6-10 participants (attended 4 out of 6 races) 2D, 1 second splits. 2 buckles awarded.

11-15 participants (attended 4 out of 6 races) 3D, 1 second splits. 3 buckles awarded.

16 or more participants (attended 4 out of 6 races) 4D, 1 second splits. 4 buckles awarded.

Novice Class:

*Novice is 11 years and older. May not run faster than 20 second time. If time is faster than 20 seconds, rider will be receive a no time.

*Weeknight races and jackpots that are NOT part of the Equifest Saddle Series will be \$40 entry fee. 4D with 1 second splits. 70% payback.

*For Equifest Saddle series races, entry fee will be \$40. Jackpot money will be 4D, 1 second splits. 70% payback.

*Awards for Saddle Series:

1-5 participants (attended 4 out of 6 races) 1D. One buckle awarded.

6-10 participants (attended 4 out of 6 races) 2D, 1 second splits. 2 buckles awarded.

11-15 participants (attended 4 out of 6 races) 3D, 1 second splits. 3 buckles awarded.

16 or more participants (attended 4 out of 6 races) 4D, 1 second splits. 4 buckles awarded.

Senior Class:

*Senior class is 50 and older.

*Weeknight races and jackpots that are NOT part of the Equifest Saddle Series will be \$40 entry fee. 4D, 1/2, 1/2, full, second splits. 70% payback.

*For Equifest Saddle series races, entry fee will be \$40. Jackpot money will be 4D, 1/2, 1/2, full, second splits. 70% payback.

*Awards for Saddle Series:

1-5 participants (attended 4 out of 6 races) 1D. One buckle awarded.

6-10 participants (attended 4 out of 6 races) 2D, 1/2 second split. 2 buckles awarded.

11-15 participants (attended 4 out of 6 races) 3D, 1/2 second split. 3 buckles awarded.

16 or more participants (attended 4 out of 6 races) 4D, 1 second split. 4 buckles awarded.

Youth Class:

*Youth Class is 17 and under.

*Weeknight races and jackpots that are NOT part of the Equifest Saddle Series will be \$40 entry fee. 4D, 1/2, 1/2, full, second splits. 70% payback.

*For Equifest Saddle series races, entry fee will be \$40. Jackpot money will be 4D, 1/2, 1/2, full, second splits. 70% payback.

*Awards for Saddle Series:

1-5 participants (attended 4 out of 6 races) 1D. One buckle awarded.

6-10 participants (attended 4 out of 6 races) 2D, 1/2 second split. 2 buckles awarded.

11-15 participants (attended 4 out of 6 races) 3D, 1/2 second split. 3 buckles awarded.

16 or more participants (attended 4 out of 6 races) 4D, 1 second split. 4 buckles awarded.

Open Class:

*Open to all ages.

*Weeknight races and jackpots that are NOT part of the Equifest Saddle Series will be \$50 entry fee. 4D, 1/2, 1/2, full, second splits. 70% payback.

*For Equifest Saddle series races, entry fee will be \$50. Jackpot money will be 4D, 1/2, 1/2, full, second splits. 70% payback.

*Awards for Saddle Series:

Participants that have attended 4 out of 6 races will receive awards 1D-4D.

Goat Tying/Dummy Breakaway:

*These events will not be part of the Equifest Saddle Series. We will have Goat Tying/Breakaway Jackpots IF we have enough entries. If these events pick up, we will look at doing a buckle series, but we need more participants to do so.

All-Around:

*We will no longer have an all-around class. We didn't have enough participation. We will consider bringing this back in the future if we get more people interested in Goat Tying/Dummy Breakaway.

Poles Class:

*Open to all ages.

*Weeknight races and jackpots that are NOT part of the Equifest Saddle Series will be \$40 entry fee. 4D with 1 second splits. 70% payback.

*For Equifest Saddle series races, entry fee will be \$40. Jackpot money will be 4D, 1 second splits. 70% payback.

*Awards for Saddle Series:

1-5 participants (attended 4 out of 6 races) 1D. One buckle awarded.

6-10 participants (attended 4 out of 6 races) 2D, 1 second splits. 2 buckles awarded.

11-15 participants (attended 4 out of 6 races) 3D, 1 second splits. 3 buckles awarded.

16 or more participants (attended 4 out of 6 races) 4D, 1 second splits. 4 buckles awarded.

Green Horse Class:

*Jackpot only class. 4D, 1 second splits. Horse may not have won more than \$500 barrel racing. 70% payback.

ALL CHANGES WILL TAKE AFFECT STARTING 12/01/25

OTHER FEES

\$15.00 OFFICE/AWARDS/ARENA FEE PER CONTESTANT/PER RACE

\$15 STALL RENTAL/HORSE

\$10.00 OPEN ARENA FEE

Any issues that arise that are not covered in rules will be considered by Olsen's staff members and a decision will be made. All decisions are final