# HEART OF THE HILLS BARREL RACING ASSOCIATION

**RULES 2025** 

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## **2025 HHBRA Show SCHEDULE**

#### PROTEST COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Diane Wetz – Treasurer/Awards/Points/ Web/Announcer

Lauren McBryde – Recording Secretary
Crystal Beckmann – Race Secretary
Crystal Springer – Race Secretary
Teresa Pope – Race Secretary
Sissy Sandidge – Entry Secretary
Nikki Sandidge – Entry /Breakaway Timer
Kathy Durst – Sponsorship/Donation/
Breakaway Timer

Steve Wetz - Payout Secretary
Tractor Drivers - Steve Wetz, Chris Beckmann, &
Mark Sandoval

## **PROTEST GUIDELINES**

All complaints will be handled by the protest committee. There will be a \$25 fee payable before any protest will be considered. Any novice protest must be turned in on or before May 31. NO PROTESTS will be accepted at the finals. Whoever protests will be responsible for obtaining verified background information such as earnings from other organizations or evidence of the rule violation to be presented to the board. All proof must be given to the board within 30 days of the protest. No discussions will be held on any protest except by a meeting of all committee members in attendance at a show, and their decision will be binding. The committee will not change the rules, but will make its determinations within the framework of the published rules.

Entries & cards should be mailed to:

HHBRA 1310 Triple D Ranch Rd. Harper, TX 78631

Please note: We are WPRA approved for all 12 shows. Please be sure to let us know all the information we need to report when you enter.

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

#### A. NAME

The organization shall be known as the **Heart of the Hills Barrel Racing Association**, herein referred to as **HHBRA**.

#### **B. DEFINITION**

HHBRA offers professional and amateur barrel racers the opportunity to compete and earn points for year-end awards in numerous classes. Jackpots are sponsored throughout the season, at which nominated horses and riders may earn points toward, and the organization will accumulate funds toward year-end awards. The HHBRA schedule will begin March 15 and end August 3.

## **SECTION II BY-LAWS**

#### A. PARTICIPATION

- **1.** HHBRA is open to any barrel racer (member or non-member), regardless of age or gender.
- 2. HHBRA health restrictions will coincide with the State of Texas health regulations at all times. A current negative Coggins is required on all horses at every HHBRA event. Please give HHBRA a copy of the vet report or accession number at your first show.
- 3. Injured or ill riders known by the Directors to be under a physician's care must present a release signed by that physician, specifically authorizing return to competitive equine activities in order to enter, exhibition or compete in an HHBRA jackpot.
- **4.** All horses must be ridden with tack and saddle, in good repair, at all times.
- **5.** No person involved in litigation against HHBRA may compete in any HHBRA jackpot, nor be eligible for yearend awards.
- **6.** HHBRA reserves the right to refuse participation to anyone, at any time during the season.
- **7.** If a horse/rider is endangering the safety of others, HHBRA may excuse the horse/rider from participation.

## **B. NOMINATED CONTESTANT OBLIGATIONS**

- 1. Nomination fees of \$25 per class must be paid by a separate check & all forms completed by the first show at which you expect to earn points.
- 2. In the incentive classes & breakaway, each rider or

horse must be nominated and enter at least <u>4 of the first 8 shows with a minimum of 8 shows total out of the 12 shows for the year to be eligible for year-end awards. 5D barrels & 4D poles will not have minimum attendance but must be nominated and riders/horses must meet all other requirements.</u>

3. Nominations for open D poles or barrels may be made at any time throughout the season. Nominations for the incentive classes must be made

before your run on April 6, 2025 which is the 4 show. You cannot count any runs which were made before the nomination. Points will accrue from the time & date the nomination is made. Runs made before the nomination will not be awarded points. You must also meet other nomination obligations.

- 4. Each rider nominated for year-end awards is required to pay an award fee of \$50 to HHBRA by June 22, 2025 in order to be eligible for year-end awards. If not paid by that date, the fee will double (\$100) and the nominated rider will stop receiving points until the award fee is paid.
- 5. This award fee is in addition to the entry or nomination fee. Please pay by a separate check as a record of payment. Any family sponsoring or getting the sponsorship of half a saddle may exempt up to 2 members from their immediate family from this obligation. If sponsoring a whole saddle, up to 3 members from their immediate family may be exempted.

### 6. SPONSORSHIP LEVELS:

\$50 - Basic membership award fee

\$100 - Buckle sponsorship

\$250 - Half Saddle sponsorship

\$500 - Saddle sponsorship

\$500 - Class Buckle Sponsorship

\$1000 - Class sponsorship (saddle + buckles)

- 7. HHBRA will have a raffle this year. Nominated members will sell 10 raffle tickets due at the July 13, 2025 show in Uvalde: 1 ticket @ \$5 and 5 tickets @ \$20. However, members may opt out by paying a separate \$50 fee instead of selling raffle tickets. Members should pick up tickets or pay the \$50 opt-out fee at the May show in Uvalde. The tickets will be due on July 13. Extra tickets may continue to be sold until the awards banquet starts on August 3.
- 8. Each nominated member/owner/rider MUST work at least one section on the work sheet at each jackpot attended in order to receive points. You may not bring animals or phones into the arena. Members ages 8 & Under will be exempt from working in the arena & do not need to sign up for work. Please do not add lines to the work sheet talk to an office worker if needed. It is a member's responsibility to be sure that work time was verified and points awarded. Workers must be inside the arena on the pattern side of the timer to avoid interfering with the timer.
- The Finals Awards Banquet will be a mandatory function. You must be present to receive your year-

end awards. If the last barrel race of the season is cancelled, the Awards Banquet will still be held. All those receiving awards will be asked to pay a \$50 fee which is necessary to offset the loss of anticipated income that we would have earned for awards.

10. Complete failure to pay award fees or to meet membership standards will result in cancellation of all nominations for that person.

### C. POINTS

- **1. Points for all classes** will be awarded to a nominated horse/rider for 1<sup>st</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> place as follows: 7 points for 1<sup>st</sup> place, 6 points for 2<sup>nd</sup> place, 5 points for 3<sup>rd</sup> place, 4 points for 4<sup>th</sup> place, 3 points for 5<sup>th</sup> place and 2 points for 6<sup>th</sup> place. Every remaining nominated entry in each event also receives 1 point. Points are awarded from date of nomination.
- 2. If a rider or horse enters a show, but cannot run for any reason, they may leave their entry paid, receive a no-time in each paid class, and still be awarded a participation point and show count in each nominated class for the day. In the 4D poles and the 5D barrels, the point will be given in the lowest D just like any no-time. Riders/horses do not need to be present at the show for this to occur.
- **4.** If a non-nominated horse or rider places at a jackpot, the placing points will be awarded to the next highest placing nominated member. In the event that no nominated horses place in any particular division, no point adjustment will be made. Example: A non-nominated horse runs the fastest time of the day, and is more than ½ second faster than other horses. This horse wins all places in the 1D, and since it is not nominated, no points are awarded in the 1D that day. Points are awarded in the other D's.
- **5.** If only one nominated horse/rider is entered in a class, they will run and receive points. If the only entry is a non-nominated horse/rider, that class will be combined with the next highest class.
- 6. Points will be kept on the rider in all Age classes.
- 7. No matter the rider, points will be kept on the horse in the 4D Poles & 5D Barrels as well as all novice horse classes. Points will be given to nominated horses only and may be transferred from one owner to another of the nominated horse.
- 8. If you enter two horses in any rider age class, you must specify on your entry form & pole or barrel card which horse will receive points when you enter.
- **9.** All complaints will be handled by the protest committee, and there will be a \$25 fee payable before any protest will be considered. See Protest Guidelines, pg 1.

## D. GUIDELINES, RULES, & INFORMATION

Early entries must be postmarked 10 days prior to show or filed at the previous show. Draw will be

## posted on our webpage 3 days before a show.

All shows will run in the following order:

Books open before 8:00 AM

Pole exhibitions 8:00 AM 4D poles 9:30 AM

Followed immediately by 8 & Under Poles and all Barrel exhibitions.

8 & Under Barrels ... Saturday 2:00 PM; Sunday 1:00 PM

Followed by 5D Barrels

Saturday only: Breakaway roping will run at 5:00pm.

Exception: Last weekend will run on Friday.

Please note: All checks from all classes will be mailed after the first weekend shows in March. Please do not ask for payout at the show. We will post results so you will know how you placed and mail checks the following week.

- 1. All contestants (except 8 & Under) will be required to enter the 5D barrels and/or 4D poles and roll their time to the incentives they entered.
- 2. All checks from all classes & incentives will be mailed after the March shows. Please do not ask for them at the show.
- **3.** A contestant may run any horse, and as many different horses as desired, but each horse-rider combination may only run once at any show.
- **4.** HHBRA will furnish an electric eye for all jackpots.
- **5.** Stakes for the barrels will be positioned on the outside of the barrels at all jackpots.
- **6.** Exhibition barrels will be set on different stakes than the jackpot barrels.
- 7. During a pole or barrel race, an exhibitor's name will be called three times only. An exhibitor failing to enter the arena to begin run or showing no attempt to begin will be skipped and given a no-time.
- 8.3 pages of pole exhibitions and 5 pages of barrel exhibitions will be taken on Saturday (no limit to number of exhibitions per rider.) However on Sunday, only 2 pages of pole exhibitions and 3 pages of barrel exhibitions so we are limiting each rider to no more than 5 exhibitions. If you pre-enter, you will be on page 2 of the exhibitions unless you specify a different page on the entry form when you enter. Pole exhibitions will begin at 8:00 AM and be completed about 9:30 AM, followed by Open and 8 & Under poles. Barrel exhibitions should start just before noon. Barrel classes will start at 2pm on Saturday and 1pm on Sunday. HHBRA retains the option of suspending exhibitions and resuming after the jackpot.
- **9.** If a rider has not appeared for an exhibition after 3 calls, the exhibition will be forfeited, without refund. At that point, you may NOT roll your exhibition to another page.

- **10.** There is a 60-second time limit in exhibition barrels, and an 80-second time limit in exhibition poles. If a contestant goes over this time limit, a fine of \$6 will be assessed, which must be paid before the rider is eligible to compete in any class. **Exception:** a contestant 8 and under may exceed the time limit with no penalty.
- **11.** Following exhibitions, the ground will be worked and the barrels or poles set on the proper stakes. Do not enter the arena at this time unless you have signed up as a worker. No horses ever, except for runs.
- 12. You may enter the day of the show with a \$15 office charge. Do not ride up to enter. You must walk up to enter at shows. As a thank you for entering before the show, paid pre-entries postmarked 10 days prior to the show have a \$5 office charge. If you enter at the previous show it is also a \$5 office charge.
- 13. Running order will be determined by order of entry. Consideration will be given to riders entering two or more horses in a single class, multiple family members running the same horse in a single class, or other special circumstances. Please write your requests about running order on the pole or barrel card.
- 14. Drag will be determined by a draw. A number from 1 to 5 will be drawn. The first drag will be after the number drawn and every 5 thereafter. Once the draw is posted and the number of the drag is drawn, there will be no changes in run order. You may not change a horse's position even with another of your own horses.
- **15.** In the event of a timer malfunction during a run, determined not to be the fault of the horse or rider, the rider will be offered the choice of a re-run. If a penalty is incurred during the original run, the penalty will carry over to the re-run. If the original run is clean, the re-run will also be judged clean, even if one or more barrels/poles are knocked. If the timer failure is determined to be the fault of the horse or rider, no re-run will be offered.
- **16.** In the event of a tie at an approved show, points and/or money for the tying places will be averaged and awarded equally to each tying member.
- **17.** During a jackpot, the arena will be worked after each five contestants. We reserve the right to re-work the arena (dig, water, drag, etc.) as necessary during a show day, in order to maintain safe arena conditions.
- 18. Only HHBRA arena personnel are responsible for placement and maintenance of pole and barrel patterns. People outside the arena should not cause delays by trying to help with the set-up, placement, or running of the event.
- **19.** A knocked pole or barrel is not the fault of the arena workers it is the fault of the horse and rider. HHBRA reserves the right to ask any disruptive contestant, parent or spectator to leave the premises. Disruptive behavior includes delaying the show, yelling at workers,

or micromanaging pole or barrel setting, etc. Ignoring this rule may result in disqualification of the contestant.

20. HHBRA makes every effort to provide safe and fair arena conditions for all competitors. However, events taking place outside the arena fence are not truly under the control of HHBRA and will not be considered as a possible cause of a foul to a horse or rider. Dogs or other small animals should not be in the bleacher area or brought into the arena by anyone – members or visitors. All dogs should be on leashes, tied, or confined if they are on the grounds or left at the truck.

## VERY IMPORTANT FOR HORSE AND PEOPLE SAFETY!

Do not tie horses to temporary panels. Do not tie to the panels that surround the arena or the warm-up pen. Don't tie in the alley surrounding either area. Ignoring this rule will result in disqualification because it is dangerous. Ignoring it could lead to severe injury to tied horse(s) or any horse that was close enough to get pulled into the storm or even worse it could harm a rider or someone standing near. Remember we have many young riders, some as young as 3 or 4 years old.

Tying a horse to a panel in arena or warm-up area may result in disqualification.

#### E. CLASSES

## 1. 4D POLES & 5D BARRELS

- a. All contestants (except 8 & Under) must enter the open 5D barrels and/or the 4D poles. A contestant may then roll that time into incentive classes of their choice marked & paid on their entry.
- b. 8 & Under contestants may choose to run in the 4D poles or 5D barrels and then roll to any incentive or make one run in their age class only.
- c. Each horse/rider combination may have only one run in each of the 5D barrels & 4D poles for the day & roll to the incentives entered. A contestant may run as many different horses as desired.
- d. If a nominated rider rolls more than one horse to the same rider age incentive, they must declare on the entry & card prior to the first run which horse earns the points.
- e. Failure to follow the standard barrel or pole pattern will cause disqualification. Once committed to the run, the horse may not back up, turn in the opposite direction from barrel or pole, cross the wrong side of the barrel, pole or timer, or circle the barrel or pole more than once. Falling off horse or crossing the timer line before the run's completion will result in disqualification. Knocking over a barrel or pole will carry a 5-second penalty, except in the 5D barrel format, where a knock is a no-time. In the event of a broken pattern, contestant may correct the problem with one additional pattern and then be excused from arena. Drag will not be adjusted.

## 2. AGE INCENTIVES.

- a. The rider must enter in the appropriate age class, based on age as of March 15, 2025. (the first show date.) The rider will remain in the same class for which they are eligible on March 18 for the entire season.
- b. Points will accumulate on the rider in the age classes. Rider can roll from any horse & even change horses but must declare it on the card before their run.

## 3. BARRELS

- a. Open 5D Barrels: Open to any horse or rider.
   All barrel racing contestants except 8 & Under must enter this class & roll to incentive classes.
   Horse is nominated & accrues points with any rider.
- b. Youth Incentive: Open to any horse & youth.
  Rider is nominated by age, accrues points & may roll time from any horse designated on card.
  8 & Under (may be led on foot but not from horseback)
  9-11, 12-14, 15-19.
- c. Adult Incentive: Open to any horse & adult.
   Rider is nominated by age, accrues points & may roll time from any horse designated on card.
   20-49 Barrel class,
   50 & Over barrel class
- d. \$500 Novice Barrel Horse Incentive

rider. Horse must be nominated & accrues points with any rider. Horse must have won less than \$500 in lifetime earnings on barrels before the start of the first show. The horse's earnings to date of nomination must be reported on the declaration form and filed with HHBRA. Read Novice horse rules!

e. Novice Adult Barrel Incentive

Rider must be 20 or Over. To qualify as a Novice Adult, you must have either not competed for 10 years (earnings in those early years do not matter) or have won less than \$1000 since starting again.

## 4. POLE BENDING

- a. Open 4D poles: Open to any horse & rider.

  All pole bending contestants except 8 & Under must enter this class & roll to incentive classes. Horse is nominated & accrues points with any rider.
- b. Youth Incentives: Open to any horse & youth.
  Rider is nominated by age, accrues points & may roll time from any horse designated on card.
  8 & Under, (may be led on foot but not from horseback)
  9-13, 14-19.
- c. 20 & Over Incentive: Open to any horse or adult.

  Rider is nominated by age, accrues points & may roll time from any horse designated on card.
- d. \$500 Novice Pole Incentive:

any rider. Horses must have won less than \$500, lifetime with any rider. Horse's earnings must be reported on the declaration form only and filed with HHBRA. Read Novice horse rules!

#### 5. NOVICE HORSE RULES

a. Barrels: \$500 Novice Horse: \$0 - \$500 horse's lifetime Poles: \$500 Novice Horse: \$0 - \$500 horse's lifetime

Open to any rider, but the horse must be nominated and is restricted by the accumulated amount won in the event anywhere with any rider or previous owner, over the lifetime of the horse. Earnings are noted at time of nomination. Age of horse is not considered. Once nominated for the year, the horse will stay in that class, regardless of earnings after nomination. Contestant must run in the 4D poles or 5D barrels and roll to the novice class.

- b. Horses which are not nominated will not be allowed in a Novice class. Any contestant entering a Novice pole or barrel incentive must nominate their horse first. The horse's lifetime earnings must be less than the class limit at the time they nominate.
- c. If you do not know the amount of earnings your horse has won under all owners/riders in his lifetime, he can not run as a Novice Horse. Amount of lifetime earnings and horse's name or nickname must be stated on declaration and nomination forms at the time of nomination. You do need to keep a record of earnings, but do not report to HHBRA.
- d. Novice horses are eligible to compete for points in any of the classes, but only points won in the Novice will count toward the Novice awards. However, money won on a Novice horse in any of the classes or at any other show will accumulate toward determination of eligibility for a novice class in subsequent seasons.
- e. A novice horse can only run in each novice incentive for a maximum of 2 years regardless of earnings. Even if their earnings remain under the class limit, the horse will no longer be considered eligible to run in the novice according to HHBRA rules.

## 6. BREAKAWAY ROPING RULES

Payout for breakaway roping will pay each go round first place 15% of jackpot money. We will also pay 55% of jackpot money for three head average winners We will pay 1 place for every 7 contestants. Ex: 1 to 7 will pay 1 place. 1-14 will pay 2 places.

- a. 14 & Under is open to boys & girls
- b. The 15 & Over is open to girls & women only.
- **c.** The contestant is allowed 1 loop per go. A dropped loop is considered a thrown loop. If the contestant misses with loop, the contestant will receive a "no time."
- d. The rope must be tied to the saddle horn with string provided by HHBRA, the producer, and have a white

cloth or white bandana tied to the rope at the saddle horn. Misplacement of bandana or string will result in a disqualification by the line judge. No coils or knots allowed between the end of the rope and string.

- e. The judge will drop the flag when the rope breaks away from the saddle horn and the time will be taken.
- f. If the contestant breaks the rope free from the saddle horn by hand, the contestant will receive a "no time" If the rope happens to dally around the horn, the contestant may ride forward and undally the rope, then make the horse stop and break the rope from the saddle horn. The flag will be dropped at this time.
- g. The contestant must pass through the barrier before throwing a loop.
- h. A broken barrier is a 10 second penalty.
- i. The contestant must be horseback when time is taken.
- **j. The only legal catch is a bell collar catch.** This being a loop going over the calf's head, not including any of the calf's appendages, including the tail, and time will end when rope breaks from the saddle horn.
- k. The rope must leave the contestant's hand to be a legal catch.
- I. It is the contestant's responsibility to make sure the arena is clear before calling for the calf. If there is interference due to the arena not being clear, it will not be recognized by the judge as interference and there will be no re-run given.
- m. Once the calf crosses the score line, it belongs to the contestant regardless of what happens. If the judge feels the contestant was not given a fair shot to compete due to ducking back, stopping or not fitting the herd, the judge may give a rerun to the contestant.
- n. HHBRA, the producer, is in charge of setting the barrier and once it is set it must remain the same for the entire roping. Neither the barrier nor the length of the box may be changed once the roping has started.
- o. The roping box is considered part of the arena. The contestant will be given 60 seconds once entering the box to get ready and call for the calf unless there is a mechanical failure with the chute barrier. The judge has the final call.
- p. A contestant entering more than one horse in the breakaway roping must keep the horse/rider combo in its running order at time of entry. You cannot switch running order with another of your own horses.
- q. A contestant may enter multiple horses in the breakaway, with each horse/rider combination counting for the jackpot. However, only one run in each go will count for points for a nominated rider, which the rider must determine before the first run takes place.
- r. Exhibition breakaway will be held before the

breakaway roping. However, only ropers entered in the jackpot will be permitted to rope in the breakaway exhibitions. The entry fee will be \$25.00 per exhibition breakaway run.

## F. ENTRY FEES, OFFICE CHARGES, PAYOFF & AWARDS

- 1. Exhibition fee for poles and barrels will be \$6 per run.
- 2. There will be a \$5 office fee for pre-entries and a \$15 office fee for walk up or late entries per show. Pre-entry forms may be mailed or you may enter at the previous show if there is at least a week between. All mailed entries with payment included must be postmarked 10 days before the show. Entry forms and cards should be picked up at a previous show or printed from the web site.
- **3.** Entry fee for **4D pole class** will be \$30, with \$25 being jackpotted, \$5 awards fee. Entry for the **5D barrel class** will be \$35, with \$30 being jackpotted, \$5 awards fee. (Approximately 85% payback.)
- **4.** Entry fee for barrel incentives for all Youth, Novice horse, 20-49, 50 & Over and \$1000 adult will be \$20, with \$10 being jackpotted, \$10 awards fee. Entry fee for pole incentives for all Youth, 20 & Over, and Novice, will be \$20, with \$10 being jackpotted, \$10 awards fee. One place will be paid for each five entries up to third place. For example, 1-5 riders will pay 1 place. 6-10 riders will pay 2, and 11 riders or over will pay 3 places.
- **5.** In the 5D barrels, the total jackpotted entry fees will be 30% in the 1st division (set by the fastest time), 25% to the 2<sup>nd</sup> division (½ second off the fastest time), 20% to the 3<sup>rd</sup> division (1 second off the fastest time), 15% to the 4<sup>th</sup> division (1½ seconds off the fastest time), 10% to the 5<sup>th</sup> division (2 seconds off the fastest time).
- **6.** In 4D poles, the total jackpotted entry fees will be divided 35% in the 1<sup>st</sup> division (the fastest time), 30% to the 2<sup>nd</sup> division (1 second off the fastest time), 20% to the 3<sup>rd</sup> division (2 seconds off the fastest time), 15% to the 4<sup>th</sup> division (3 seconds off the fastest time).
- **7.** One end-of-year award in each class will be given per nomination. If the same nomination is up for two awards, only the higher/greater of the two will be awarded.
- 8. By HHBRA rules all classes must be self-supporting with the inclusion of award fee plus fees from each jackpot, as well as donations. No specific awards or level of awards are guaranteed for any class and will depend on money generated by each class.
- In the event of a tie at an approved jackpot, points and/or money will be combined and awarded equally to each tying member/contestant.
- 10. In the event of a tie in total points for a first place year-end award in the incentive classes, the first tie breaker will go to the other contestant if one contestant is already winning a saddle in another event. If this is not a factor, a tie for any placing will be broken by determining the greatest number of shows entered in that class. If equal shows, winner will be determined by the number of 1st

- place finishes, if still tied, the number of 2<sup>nd</sup> places, and so on, until a clear winner is determined. If a tie still remains, winner will be determined by cumulative time of each rider for all shows.
- 11. In the open D barrels & poles, there will be no minimum attendance requirement to be eligible for year-end awards. If a tie in total points exists, the first tie breaker will go to the other contestant if one contestant is already winning a saddle in another event. If this is not a factor, a tie for any placing will be broken by determining the horse with the most placings in that D. If equal number of placings, the winner will be determined by the number of 1st place finishes, if still tied, number of 2nd places, and so on, until a clear winner is determined. If a tie still remains, winner will be determined by average time of runs.
- **12.** Entry fee for Breakaway Roping will be \$240 for 3 head.

#### G. MISCELLANEOUS

- 1. Refunds of entry fees will be granted if you notify us by midnight Monday of the week of the show. After that we will not refund your fees. You can change horses and get points if it is allowed in that class but you can only get points on the nominated horse in open poles & barrels and the novice horse classes.
- **2.** HHBRA will allow one hot check per member per year. After that, all entries by that member must be paid in cash.
- **3.** HHBRA will not cash checks, including but not limited to personal or jackpot winning checks.
- 4. No horses are to be tied and left unattended inside the warm-up area. Get a friend to hold or lead the horse. Or pay a stall fee and leave your horse there.
- 5. Pay attention to other riders in the warm-up area. Do not stop or turn around suddenly if other riders are behind you. Try to ride with the flow.
- 6. No plastic bags, bullwhips, ropes, flags, or other floppy/scary things allowed in the warm-up pen at any time.
- 7. Parent or guardian of a minor should be in the alley if the minor rider is having trouble getting his/her horse in the arena.
- 8. HHBRA is not responsible for accidents to pedestrians or riders standing or walking too close to the mouth of the alley while runners are entering or exiting the alley. Please use caution crossing this area. Do not stand or play in this area.
- The Finals Awards Banquet is a mandatory function. Dress code will be long sleeved western shirt, jeans, and belt. Hat and boots encouraged, but not mandatory.

- 10. If an emergency or illness interferes with your attendance, please contact Diane Wetz (830-739-4883) before the banquet.
- 11. Do not ride or play in the arena before the show, during any break, or after the show. There are warm-up pens at all arenas. Use them if you need to ride a horse or play in the sand.
- 12. The Executive Directors and/or the protest committee members specifically retain the responsibility and authority to make final determination on any and all situations, including rule interpretations, management of shows, financial responsibility, custody of equipment, and any other items not specifically set forth above.

Uvalde has lots of stalls and hook-ups. For more information about reservations of RV spots or stalls check their webpage:

https://www.uvaldecountyfairplex.com

## **Contact for Uvalde:**

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