

## COMPETITION RULES AND PAYOUT

- Sportsmanship.** Contestants are expected to display good sportsmanship and judgement at all times. Contestants will be disqualified for using abusive or offensive language towards other contestants, spectators, show staff, or facility personnel, competing while under the influence of drugs or alcohol, misrepresenting a horse or rider, or abuse of a horse. Anyone attempting to bribe, harass, influence, or threaten will be disqualified and removed. The Show Committee reserves the right to disqualify any horse or rider deemed dangerous, a threat to other horses or riders, or to property with no refunds given. Contestants are responsible for the behavior of any traveling companions and family members as well as horses. Any horse or contestant behavior not in the best interest of the race will result in disqualification.
- Entries.** Contestants may enter by mail or online. Pre-entries accepted if postmarked by the August 20, 2021 deadline. Do not mail entries after this time to ensure receipt. Online entries taken until August 28, 2021 at midnight. Saturday Multi-Race entry \$25 Open and \$20 Youth. Sunday entry \$40 Open. Monday entry \$50 until August 28, \$55 after August 28. Office Fee is \$15 per person for the weekend.
- Returned Checks.** There will be a \$25.00 NSF charge on all returned checks plus any additional bank fees. Any outstanding fees must be paid before the contestant competes or the contestant will be disqualified.
- Absolutely no entry refunds made after online entries close on August 28, 2021 at midnight.** Substitutions must be made in the show office **before** the horse or rider runs on Saturday. Once substituted, only that horse may be ridden in that position and only that rider may compete in that position. Horse must be ridden at their assigned draw position even if horse or rider is already entered in race. Once your entry has been taken at the show office, you are considered entered for the run and no refunds will be issued. Riders with multiple horses are encouraged to enter early in order to meet spacing requests. The same combination of horse and rider cannot be repeated in the show. Contestants may run any horse, regardless of ownership.
- Draw Out.** You may draw out prior to early entry deadline (August 28, 2021) with a 75% refund of all fees, stall and RV reservations for any reason. Any draw outs after the online entries close are scratched without refund. Refund checks may be picked up at the race by contestant or designee or will be mailed the following week.
- Office Hours.** The office will close Wednesday, September 1 and Thursday, September 2 for travel and event setup. No entries or stall and RV reservations accepted until office hours open on Friday, September 3 at 2pm. Late and call-in entries will be accepted from 8am until the office closes each race day (318-243-5726, 318-372-3122) and require credit card payment including 3% fee or PayPal, Venmo, or CashApp and will be added in draws done throughout the day as entries allow. Cash, PayPal, Venmo, CashApp or credit cards **ONLY** taken onsite. The office will be open from 8am until 30 minutes after the show ends each day. No checks will be taken after early entries close unless approved by the Show Secretary.
- Draw.** Pre-entry draw will be random order and posted by September 1, 2021. If you find an error or omission in the pre-entry draw, email [admin@darbonnerangeriders.com](mailto:admin@darbonnerangeriders.com) or text 318-243-5726.
- Stalls/RV.** Only pre-paid reservations taken for stalls and/or RV's. Stalls are \$20/day and RV's are \$30/day. Shavings are \$9 per bag. Reservations taken over the phone (318-243-5726, 318-372-3122) must provide credit card information and will be subject to any subsequent fees or use PayPal. No shows charged for one night. Contestants arriving early or late should contact the show committee to make arrangements. All stalls and RV's are pre-assigned. Pre-purchased shavings will be in stalls. Contestants in stalls/RV spots not assigned to them or not paid for will be locked until payment is received. No refunds given for runs missed. No horses tied out or in pens in the RV area per NLEC policy.
- 5D Format:** 1D-fastest time of the go; 2D-fastest time of the go plus one-half second (+0.500 second); 3D-fastest time plus one second (+1.000 second); 4D, fastest time of the go plus one and one-half seconds (+1.500 seconds); 5D, fastest time of the go plus two seconds (+2.000 seconds).
- Open Payout:** 1-75 riders – 2 places per division, 76-125 riders – 4 places per division, 126-200 riders – 6 places per division, 201-300 riders – 8 places per division, 301-400 riders – 10 places per division, 401-500 riders – 12 places per division, 501+ riders – 15 places per division

11. **Age Based Side pots:** Optional. Age as of September 1, 2021. Youth (0-17), Adult (18-49), Senior (50+). Entry fee is \$20 per day with 5D format. Must be paid **before** horse runs each day. Contestant must first enter Open on Sunday and Monday. Saturday contestants may run Youth only. Adult and Senior carryover only on Saturday. Carryover only on Sunday and Monday for all age groups. Payback as follows: 1-40 riders in age group-one place per division, 41-80 in age group-two places per division, 81-125 in age group-three places per division, 125+ in age group-four places per division.
12. **Pee Wee Novice Class:** Age 0-10 as of September 1, 2021. \$10 entry fee. No office fees. Contestants must have earned less than \$250 in cash and prizes to be eligible. Pee Wee barrels is for non-competitive contestants. Contestants can not enter Youth and Pee Wee. PeeWee will run first each day.
13. **Average:** The times for each horse and rider combination from Sunday and Monday will be averaged. The fastest average time will be the 1D average winner. Average winners for the remaining Ds will be figured based on the fastest average time. 1D = Fastest [(Sunday Race Time + Monday Race Time) / 2]; 2D = Fastest 1D average time + .5; 3D = Fastest 1D average time + 1.0; 4D = Fastest 1D average time + 1.5; 5D = Fastest 1D average time + 2.0. Contestant must be entered in the average before they run on Sunday. Payback as follows: 1-40 riders in average-one place per division, 41-80 in average-two places per division, 81-125 in average-three places per division, 125+ in average-four places per division.
14. **Monies/Awards:** Buckles will be given to winners in each D on Monday. In the event of a tie, winner determined by coin flip. Any prizes not picked up are shipped at winner's expense or picked up by winner's designee. In the event of a tie, the monetary award for each place will be totaled and divided equally between each contestant. Checks not picked up at the race by the contestant or designee are mailed the following week or delivered via contestant's original payment method.
15. **Payout Schedule for All Races:**  
All payout will be divided: 1D – 30%, 2D – 25%, 3D – 20%, 4D – 15%, 5D – 10%. Payback is 75% of entry fees and 100% of any added money.

|           | 1st   | 2nd   | 3rd   | 4th   | 5th   | 6th  | 7th  | 8th  | 9th  | 10th | 11th | 12th | 13th | 14th | 15th |
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| 2 places  | 60.0% | 40.0% |       |       |       |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
| 3 places  | 43.0% | 33.0% | 24.0% |       |       |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
| 4 places  | 40.0% | 30.0% | 20.0% | 10.0% |       |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
| 5 places  | 33.0% | 27.0% | 20.0% | 13.0% | 7.0%  |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
| 6 places  | 28.0% | 24.0% | 19.0% | 14.0% | 9.0%  | 6.0% |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
| 7 places  | 25.0% | 21.0% | 18.0% | 14.0% | 10.0% | 7.0% | 5.0% |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
| 8 places  | 23.0% | 19.0% | 17.0% | 14.0% | 11.0% | 7.0% | 5.0% | 4.0% |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
| 9 places  | 21.0% | 18.0% | 16.0% | 13.5% | 11.0% | 8.0% | 5.0% | 4.0% | 3.5% |      |      |      |      |      |      |
| 10 places | 20.0% | 18.0% | 15.0% | 12.5% | 10.0% | 8.0% | 6.0% | 4.0% | 3.5% | 3.0% |      |      |      |      |      |
| 11 places | 19.0% | 17.0% | 14.0% | 12.0% | 9.5%  | 7.0% | 6.0% | 5.0% | 4.0% | 3.5% | 3.0% |      |      |      |      |
| 12 places | 19.0% | 16.0% | 14.0% | 12.0% | 9.5%  | 7.0% | 5.0% | 4.5% | 4.0% | 3.5% | 3.0% | 2.5% |      |      |      |
| 13 places | 18.8% | 16.6% | 13.6% | 10.5% | 8.1%  | 6.3% | 5.3% | 4.6% | 4.2% | 3.6% | 3.2% | 2.7% | 2.5% |      |      |
| 14 places | 18.4% | 15.9% | 13.3% | 10.2% | 8.9%  | 6.5% | 5.1% | 4.4% | 4.0% | 3.4% | 3.0% | 2.5% | 2.3% | 2.1% |      |
| 15 places | 18.0% | 16.0% | 13.0% | 10.0% | 7.5%  | 6.0% | 5.0% | 4.5% | 4.0% | 3.5% | 3.0% | 2.7% | 2.5% | 2.3% | 2.0% |

16. **Photo/Video.** When photographer or videographer is present, flash photography may be used and is the sole discretion of the photographer. Music and/or talking during a run is the sole discretion of the announcer. Contestants may **not** request to hold flash or music for an individual run. By entering the run, participants consent to the use of images and likenesses of runs and participation for all future use by the photographer, videographer, announcer, and/or D'Arbonne Range Riders.
17. **Dogs.** It is the policy of the North Louisiana Expo Center that dogs are not allowed in the bleacher area of the arena unless service dogs with proper documentation. All dogs on the grounds should be leashed and under owner control at all times. Dogs exhibiting aggressive or disruptive behavior will be removed from the property.

18. **Arrival Check-in:** No official check-in required. Official draws and stall & RV assignments are available onsite at the show office. It is the contestant's responsibility to verify all side-pot entries, horse names, and sanction numbers. Updated draw information posted online as time allows as a courtesy and are unofficial.
19. **Requests.** Please note requests for groups of 50 or RV and stall locations when sending in entry. We will try to accommodate all requests on a first come, first serve basis. You may not request drag positions for rake breaks or big drags. Riders with multiple horses are encouraged to pre-enter to allow adequate spacing between runs.
20. **Open Arena.** The arena will be open on Friday from 2:00pm – 5:00pm. Open arena after race on Saturday. Cost will be \$5 per horse payable at the alley gate. No barrels will be setup or exhibitions ran. If you leave the alleyway/holding pen area, you will need to pay again. Arena will closed after the race on Sunday.
21. **Exhibitions:** \$5 each purchased onsite with cash at the back gate only. Exhibitions have a 60 second time limit. A \$10 fee will assessed for excessive time and must be paid before the contestant runs. Exhibitions will run from 5:00pm – 8:00pm on Friday, from 8:00am – 11:30am Saturday, and 8:00am – 9:30am Sunday. No exhibitions on Monday.
22. **Dress Code:** Hats and long sleeves not required. Dress appropriately. Contestants may wear any and all sponsor names/logos.
23. **Gate Calls.** A maximum of 3 gates calls will be given, after which, the contestant will be given a no time. It is the sole responsibility of the contestant to know their draw number for each horse and run each horse in the correct order. The 5 contestants in the current drag are expected to check in with the gate operator and to be in holding pen at the beginning of the drag. There is only one way to enter and exit the alleyway/arena. All contestants must enter through the holding pen or receive a no time.
24. **Time/No Time.** Any time the contestant crosses the starting line, the time will begin. Contestants will not circle their horse after entering the arena. No times given for downed barrels, broken patterns, or other situations that prevent contestant from completing the pattern. Contestants not allowed circling barrels after no time given. \$25 fine assessed for circling the barrels or training during competition runs. Contestants should make every effort to continue forward motion at all times and to make the fastest run possible. Obvious attempts to pull up or pace runs may result in fines and/or disqualification.
25. **Ground.** Every effort will be made to keep the grounds and dirt in optimum running condition. We will drag after every 5 riders unless conditions deem otherwise. If a rider fails to make a gate call, we will continue to drag on the posted rake breaks.
26. **Alleyway.** No horses allowed in the alley when tractors are running.
27. **Re-Run.** Only in the event of a timer malfunction or barrels placed incorrectly will the contestant be given a re-ride. Tack or equipment malfunction during a run will not result in a re-run. A contestant will be given a no time if the horse or rider falls during the run. Re-runs shall be granted if the official and backup timer both fail to work properly unless a barrel has been turned over resulting in a no time. If the barrels are not placed properly on their markers, a rerun shall also be granted without any penalties being applied; however, any penalty occurring on the rerun shall result in a no time.
28. **Vendors.** All vendors are required to complete a vendor contract with the Show Office. No selling of any type of merchandise or services on the arena grounds permitted without a completed form. Vendor fees are \$50 per day or \$125 for the weekend.
29. **Liability.** By entering any portion of the show or purchasing stall or RV rentals, contestant agrees to all show and facility rules and agrees to hold harmless the D'Arbonne Range Riders, North Louisiana Exhibition Center, and anyone else affiliated with the Run for the Diamonds in the event of injury or death. Contestants are responsible for any damages caused by themselves, their horse(s), and/or traveling companions. Contestants will abide by all show and facility rules. Warning: Under Louisiana Law R.S. 9.2795.1, an equine activity sponsor or equine professional is not liable for an injury to or death of a participant in equine activities resulting from the inherent risks of equine activities.
30. The Show Committee, **whose decision is final**, will handle any questions or disputes that may arise before, during, or after the show not specifically covered by these rules. Rules are subject to interpretation by the Show Committee and the committee reserves the right to create or alter rules. D'Arbonne Range Riders reserves the right to refuse any entry. The Show Committee reserves the right to postpone or cancel the event due to natural or manmade disaster and refund monies collected.

## 2021 Tentative Schedule

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| <b>Friday, Sept 3</b>   | <b>Office Hours: 2pm – 9pm</b>                                  |
| Noon                    | Facilities/Grounds open   |
| 2pm – 5pm               | Open Arena \$5 per horse (no barrels)                           |
| 5pm – 8pm               | Exhibitions \$5 cash at back gate                               |
| <b>Saturday, Sept 4</b> | <b>Office Hours: 8am – last 50 riders</b>                       |
| 8:00-11:30 am           | Exhibitions \$5 cash at back gate                               |
| Noon                    | PeeWee followed by \$1000 Open 5D and \$500 Youth 5D Multi-Race |
| <b>Sunday, Sept 5</b>   | <b>Office Hours: 8am – last 50 riders</b>                       |
| 8:00-9:30 am            | Exhibitions \$5 cash at back gate                               |
| 9:30 am                 | Cowboy Church   |
| 10am                    | PeeWee followed by \$2500 Open 5D                               |
| <b>Monday, Sept 6</b>   | <b>Office Hours: 8am – last 50 riders</b>                       |
| 9am                     | PeeWee followed by \$7500 Open 5D                               |