

# Southern Nevada Gymkhana Association (SNGA)

2024

# BY-LAWS, RULES & EVENTS

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#### S.N.G.A. 2024 BY-LAWS

The competition year is to begin on January 1 of each year. This association shall be known as the Southern Nevada Gymkhana Association: hereinafter sometimes maybe referred to as S.N.G.A. and will be operated and conducted as a Non-Profit Corporation: S.N.G.A., is a nonprofit organized under and existing under Chapter 81 of the Nevada Revised Statues.

*Purpose:* To promote good sportsmanship and horsemanship through competition of all ages thru Equine activities of an athletic, social, educational, and recreational nature.

*Membership:* Any person may become a member upon payment of the proper dues. Membership is not limited to the State of Nevada, but membership is mandatory to participate in shows and qualify for year-end awards. Individual membership entitles the member to one vote (parents may vote for children 13 years old & younger). Votes on major issues may be by private paper or emailed ballot. The board will determine major issues and whether a private paper or emailed ballot is warranted or not.

Memberships Defined: Membership is for one year, beginning in January and ending in January of the following year. Membership paid for that 12-month period allows the members to vote on any item that comes up in the year or at the general membership meeting held at the beginning of next season. Membership is required to be eligible for year-end awards.

Active Members: Members who participate in the shows, meetings, and who actively assist with setting up, raking, tearing down, judging and who are current with their dues.

Non-Members: Those who have not paid membership dues and who do not actively

assist with setting up, raking, tearing down, judging.

*Dues:* Annual membership dues are \$20.00 per rider, or \$50.00 for a family of three (3) or more. Family constitutes, mom, dad, and their minor children. Membership dues are to be paid before any member may vote on rule changes for the following year. Membership dues must be paid before any rider may compete in any show. Member will be responsible for bank charges assessed due to any returned checks.

*Sponsorship:* Sponsorship payment is due by the end of the third (3<sup>rd</sup>) show day to be eligible for year-end awards. Sponsorship dues are a minimum of \$50.00 for Peewees, and a Minimum \$100.00 for all other members who wish to qualify for year-end awards.

Rights of Members: All active members who are present and participating at a general membership meeting shall be eligible to vote. Members residing outside of Clark County or not present at a general meeting, may request a ballot via email on record and vote by email All active members have the right to use the equipment at no cost, excluding the timers. Timers may be rented to different clubs for \$50.00 per day, with a \$750.00 refundable deposit if the timers are not broken or damaged in any way.

Duties of Members: No member shall refuse any reasonable request to assist the association. During the year, all members shall be assigned to judge in order to assist the Arena Director. If not qualified to judge, a family member/guardian shall be assigned. Any member who does not uphold their responsibilities (5 shows for non-riding members, all shows for riding members) shall have their membership terminated at the decision of the officers. At the time of termination, the member also becomes ineligible for year-end awards. Failure to judge, when assigned, will result in a 10-point penalty for the year.

Termination of Membership: The membership of any member may be

terminated by a majority vote of the general membership at any meeting. A membership may be terminated for any reason deemed sufficient by the members that are participating at the meeting. Membership may also be terminated by a decision of the officers if a member fails to uphold their responsibilities.

*Right to Deny Membership:* Membership can be denied based upon a person's actions/history of behavior and/or any other reason deemed fit by majority vote of members. The vote can take place at the annual meeting or at any show meeting.

*Resignations*: Any member may resign if he/she so chooses. In this event, S.N.G.A. must have a written resignation from such person or persons so as the resignation may become part of the club's permanent record.

Meetings: The President will call an annual general membership meeting at the start of each year and before the first show. All meetings require an agenda published on www.SNGA.biz no less than 3 days prior to the meeting and meeting minutes published no later than 7 days after the meeting. Either the President or the Vice-President may call a general membership meeting anytime throughout the year as deemed necessary. Board members are required to meet prior the annual general membership meeting and prior to any general membership meeting called thereafter. No quorum is required for the transaction of routine or required business at a duly called board or membership meeting. A membership quorum of 15 is required to revise, edit, or change SNGA bylaws. Action shall be taken upon a simple majority vote of the active members present and any written proxies held by the Secretary. The President will vote only in case of a tie.

Election of Officers: The Officers of S.N.G.A. shall be President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Barn Manager, Arena Director, Assistant Arena Director, and Announcer. Generally, each position is a two-year term with half of the board being up for election each year. On even numbered years: Vice President, Treasurer, Barn Manager and

Assistant Arena Director will be up for election. On odd numbered years: the President, Secretary, Arena Director, and Announcer will be up for election. This allows the existing officers to assist in training the new officers. However, the organization realizes that issues arise that may prohibit an officer from continuing their term. If this happens, those positions will be voted on at the time of resignation or at a meeting held to elect new officers. Elections will be held every year at a predetermined scheduled gymkhana by the current board. The new board will take their office at the annual general membership meeting held before the start of the season. All officers are to be elected by a simple majority vote of the active members present and any written proxies held by the Secretary.

#### Officer Roles and responsibilities are as follows:

President: The president shall: 1) General: Ensures the effective action of the Board is governing and supporting the organization and oversees board affairs; acts as the representative of the Board as a whole, rather than an individual supervisor: 2) Community: Speaks to the media and the community on behalf of the organization; represents the organization within the community. 3) Meetings: Develops agendas for meetings working with the Vice President; presides at the Board meetings: 4) Committees: Recommends to the Board which committees are to be established; seeks volunteers for committees; coordinates individual Board member assignments; ensures each committee has a chairperson and stays in touch with Chairs to be sure that their work is carried out; identifies committee recommendations that should be presented to the full Board. 5) Board Affairs: Ensures Board matters are handled properly, including preparations of pre-meeting materials, committee functioning, and recruitment and orientation of new board members.

<u>Vice President:</u> The Vice-President shall: 1) General: Acts as the president/chair in his or her absence; assist the president/chair on the above or other specified duties: 2) Special Responsibilities: Frequently assigned to a special area of responsibility, such as membership, facility, media, and the annual banquet.

Secretary: The Secretary shall: 1) Keep accurate minutes of the annual meetings of the general membership and the Board; 2) Maintain current by-laws, policies and forms adopted by the Board or the general membership for reference by officers and members; 3) Handles all correspondence for the Board; 4) Assist in the announcer booth by logging times and certificates; 5) Perform such other duties as may be assigned by the Board.

Treasurer: The Treasurer shall: 1) Maintain a general fund; 2) Receive funds and issue receipts for memberships, annual dues, assessments, and other fees; 3) Prepare and present financial statement for general membership meetings; 4) Disburse funds at discretion of the Board: 5) Sign checks with the approval of the President or Vice President and make monthly deposits from shows; 6) Issue statements for dues, assessments, and fees; 7) Prepare a budget for the Board's approval; 8) Accept membership applications and entries; 9) Assign stall/RV spots and provide that information to the Barn Manager; 10) Reserve the next year's show dates/arena; 11) Cooperate with event arena management and submit all required forms such as COI, arena set up forms, vendor forms, etc.; 12) Perform other such duties as assigned by the board; 13) Meet annually with SNGA registered agent/CPA and ensure all required annual reporting and/or renewal documents are filed with Nevada Secretary of State and IRS.

Arena Director: The Arena Director shall: 1) be the keeper of the grounds and the individual who ensures all the functions of the show flow smoothly and patterns are set up correctly; 2) It is their responsibility to ensure that the arena is prepared, set up, and ready for competitions; 3) Ensure that the arena remains clean from pollution and trash, gets watered, and is dragged by county staff accordingly.

Arena Director Assistant: The Assistant Arena Director shall assist the Arena Director in their duties. Should the Arena Director be absent, the Assistant Arena Director will assume those responsibilities.

<u>Barn Manager</u>: The Barn Manager shall: 1) Open/unlock stalls and distribute shavings based upon stalls assignments given by the Treasurer; 2) Verify stall/RV counts and shavings count with Horseman's Park Representative; 3) Close/lock stalls upon conclusion of events; 4) Perform other duties as assigned by the Board.

Announcer: The Announcer shall: 1) Announce program and substitutions or other changes to patrons for each show date; 2) Informs patrons of coming events, judges needed for events, contestant line up and run order, times of contestants runs, sponsors and various other announcements as needed.

Board Authority: The Board shall have administrative authority over all affairs and activities of S.N.G.A.; Recommend assessments and dues increase for approval by simple majority of the members at a general membership meeting; Authority to expend funds as it deems necessary from the approved budget only; Recommend that any member engage or consult a veterinarian or farrier to provide a horse or other animal with treatment when, in the opinion of the Board, such treatment is necessary or advisable.

Protests: A protest may be made by a contestant or his/her parent or guardian for any violation of the rules on the part of the show management. Protests shall be made directly to the President. If the President is not available, then it should be made to the Vice President and lastly the Arena Director. A \$25.00 cash deposit shall be paid within thirty (30) minutes of the completion of the Age Division in which the discrepancy is made. The deposit will be refunded if the protest is upheld and will be forfeited if the protest is not upheld. All protests must be made by the end of the Age Division in which the discrepancy is made.

*Hearings:* The judges and protester will each present their case to a grievance committee. The grievance committee will consist of (2) officers and (3) randomly selected non-related active adult members. The decision of the committee is final.

Non-Protestable Decisions: The soundness of a horse as determined by a veterinarian or both Arena Directors.

Eligibility of Contestants: Contestants must be member of S.N.G.A. and All contestant must sign a release form before participating in any S.N.G.A. events.

Eligibility of Horse: Horses of any breed or combination of breeds may be ridden. Stallions are allowed on the grounds with board approval only. No horse shall be ridden by more than two riders, except Pee Wee riders, except for an authorized substitution of a horse injured during a show. Pee Wees can change their horse, depending on ability at any time during the year.

Contestant Responsibility: All contestants are required to read all the rules carefully. Failure to understand the rules is not an acceptable excuse.

Point Horse: Each rider must designate a point horse for the show year. Contestants may run two (2) point horses maximum. It is the contestant's responsibility to have the support required to change horses and enter the arena within the required time. Event organizers are not obligated to accommodate riders with two horses but will attempt to coordinate runs in the best interest of the both the rider and the membership.

Contestants must ride eight (8) out of ten (10) shows on the same horse to qualify for year-end awards. Switching horses during the show, without an authorized substitution, will result in a disqualification for that event.

Time Only: Only members may participate in time onlys. Any horse may be entered for a time only. All time only runs must be paid in cash at the entry gate. Only two (2) runs, per rider, per horse, per event allowed. The rider has sixty (60) seconds to complete the time only run. If the sixty (60) seconds has elapsed, the rider will be asked to leave the arena. Time only runs will not be eligible for points, ribbons, trophies, or jackpot events. Time only runs will only be offered for poles and barrels;

there will be no time only runs for rotating events. Time only events at double headers or night shows will be determined by the Board of Directors prior to the double header. Things taken into consideration will be time frame and number of riders.

Rider Substitutions: Rider substitutions must be in the same age division as the rider they are substituting for. All substitutes must be a member and have a notarized waiver on file. A substitution form must be turned in prior to the show for which there is a substitution. Contestants may have two (2) sub riders per year. A double header show would count as one substitution. Any other substitutions must be approved by a majority vote of the officers prior to the show.

Point Horse Substitutions: A substitution form must be turned in prior to the show. A vet excuse or physical examination of horse by an officer during the show is required. The only time the Arena Director and another officer (must be the President, Vice President, or Assistant Arena Director) can declare a horse substitution is in the event a horse is injured at or on the show grounds and deemed unfit for competition. Otherwise, contestant has one (1) week to obtain a vet excuse and have it delivered to the President, Treasurer or Arena Director. A new point horse may be declared after both substitutions have been used. No points will be awarded until a new point horse has been declared. Only (2) substitutions are permitted per year. In the event of double shows, a horse substitution will count as ONE substitution unless two different horses are used during the double show. Then, it will count as TWO substitutions. In case of a prolonged injury, illness or death of a contestant's point horse, another horse may be substituted to finish the show year. Pregnancy of a horse can only be used for 2 substitutions. Pregnancy of a horse is not reason to grant a new point horse. Mental stress is not considered an illness or an injury. Horse substitutions can only occur in cases of injury, illness, and death of contestant's point horse.

All vet certificates must be from a licensed, practicing veterinarian. A contestant

may protest the eligibility of any horse. Contestant has until the Friday following the show to make their protest. If the original point horse becomes well, it may only be used as a substitute for the newly appointed point horse. A vet fitness certificate is required to ensure the health since it had previously been declared unsound.

No contestant can have a sub rider and a sub horse for the same show, unless it is an injury sustained at the show and approved by President and Arena Director.

Sale of Horse: If a horse is sold, points previously earned by that horse will cease. Points do not continue with the new horse.

Equipment: Any appropriate, neat, and humane western equipment may be used during all shows. Equipment must be of normal construction. Normal stirrup leathers must be present and of usable length. Feet may not be tied into the stirrups. One light rubber band, per foot, is permissible. Tie-downs are optional. Every horse must have a bridle and reins. Riders may not be tied into the saddle or onto the horse in any way. Unusual construction or arrangement may result in disqualification of the contestant if considered to be inhumane or abnormal such as might bring criticism to S.N.G.A.

Attire: ASTM/SET-Certified helmets are strongly recommended for all riders under the age of 18. Clothing worn by contestants and anyone leading with a Pee Wee on a lead line into the arena shall be western attire or approved SNGA attire. Anyone who escorts and remains in the arena with a Pee Wee during his or her run, must be in western attire or approved SNGA attire. Western boots, western pants, western long or short sleeved shirts or sleeveless shirts with finished seams are mandatory. Belts are optional. Shirts must snap or button down the front and have a collar. NO crop shirts are allowed. Collar button plus one (1) may be undone. Long sleeves must be rolled down and buttoned. Yokes are not required. A coat or sweater may be worn if the proper attire is worn underneath. The S.N.G.A. t-shirt may be worn along with

the western boots and western pants. The t-shirt must be without holes and sleeves may be rolled up. You must have acquired the S.N.G.A. t-shirt by purchasing it through the Club or by winning it at one of the shows.

\*\* Remember, it can only be an S.N.G.A. shirt acquired through S.N.G.A. and in good condition. \*\*

All western boots MUST have a heel. Suitable attire is at the discretion of the Officers.

If a rider needs assistance with entering their horse into the arena, the individual assisting that rider does not need to be in western attire. It is highly recommended, however, that the person assisting has on proper footwear to consist of closed toe tennis shoes or boots.

When a member is judging, they must have proper footwear on to include closed toe tennis shoes or boots. No flip flops or sandals are allowed in the arena. Failure to comply with the dress code will result in a disqualification. Failure to comply with the dress code will result in a disqualification.

The use of electronic devices such as cell phones are prohibited in the arena while riding or judging (The only exception is officer radios).

Timers: An electric timer will be used at all shows and for all contestants.

Judges: A minimum of two (2) judges for all events, and three (3) judges for some events will be positioned in the arena to properly judge contestants for all events. The gateman and the announcer are also considered judges and will properly judge each contestant. No children are allowed in the arena unless riding. Judges must be the age of 14 =or over to judge. If Contestant/Member is not qualified to judge, a family member/guardian will then be assigned. Failure to report for judging within two minutes of arena ready will result in a 10-point penalty for the show year. There will be a 2-minute call for judges at arena ready. Judging consists of ensuring contestant is compliant with all SNGA dress and tack requirements in addition to correct completion

of the event pattern.

Age Divisions: Your age division is determined by your age as of January 1st, of the current year. If proof of age is challenged, birth certificate will be required. Age divisions will be run in consecutive order with Pee Wees running first.

- *Pee Wee Division:* 8 years and under or 7-10 years of age for first year riders (i.e., first year of riding and competing)
- 10 & Under Division: 10 years of age and under
- 11 13 Division: 11 years to 13 years of age
- 14-17 Division: 14 years to 17 years of age
- 18 45 Division: 18 years of age to 49 years of age
- 50 & Over Division: 50 years of age or older

Pee Wee Division: Eight years old and under or 7 to 10 years of age for first year riders (i.e., first year of riding and competing). The Pee Wee Division is a separate class from the other divisions. Two Pee Wees can ride the same horse. If a Pee Wee is being led, the horse must be led from start to finish through the events, and the person leading must be at least 14 years of age and in proper S.N.G.A. attire to enter the arena. If the person leading the Pee Wee is not 14 years of age, and not in proper S.N.G.A. attire, it will constitute as a no time for the Pee Wee. All Pee Wee riders must have reins and stirrups of useable length.

Because we know the Lead Line Pee Wees are learning to ride and trying to improve, if the parent believes the Pee Wee is at the point of advancing and would like to try to let the Pee Wee ride unassisted but be in the arena to help when needed, they may do so with the permission of the board. If this is granted, the parent must cross the timer line both times with their Pee Wee.

*Minors:* All children aged 15 years or younger must always have a guardian at the show, in case of an emergency. Minors must have written permission to allow another adult to be their guardian at the show.

Dogs: Dogs may be brought to the facility, but they are not permitted in warm up arenas, competition arena, or the areas surrounding the entrance and exits of these arenas. Dogs are not permitted within the area where contestants are standing by to compete or generally any area where riders and horses are gathering to warm up or compete. Dogs present before or after the gymkhana must be always on a leash as per the Horseman's Park Rules. Owners must clean up after dogs. If a dog persists in barking during the gymkhana, the Owner will be asked to remove the dog from the premises. Please be aware of where you tie a dog and horses to ensure the safety of both. Also, be considerate of your neighbors and their safety. SNGA does not accept any liability for any accidents with the dogs.

*Points:* Points will go to the horse/rider combination (except for an authorized substitution). Points will be given to each contestant riding in the gymkhana in their respective age divisions.

Points will NOT be awarded to members/contestants riding who have NOT paid their sponsorship by the end of the third show day.

In case of a tie, contestants will receive the same number of points. Point sheets will be available at each show. Points are compiled as follows:

1st = 10 points

2nd = 9 points

3rd = 8 points

4th = 7 points

5th = 6 points

6th = 5 points

7th = 4 points

8th = 3 points

9th = 2 points

10th = 1 point

11th & after will receive no points.

Show Awards: Certificates will be given for all contestants who ride. Trophies

or prizes will be given for 1st place in each age division for each event except Pee Wee. Hi-Point and Reserve Hi-Point trophies or prizes will be given in each age division except Pee Wee. The Pee Wee division will receive a prize for riding in each show. Points will be calculated for Hi-Point and Reserve Hi-Point as they are for ribbons. In the event of a tie, each contestant will receive like awards. Contestants that have NOT paid their sponsorship by the end of the 3<sup>rd</sup> show day do not qualify for Hi-Point or Reserve Hi-Point. Ties for 2nd through 10th, the contestants will receive like awards and the next place will be eliminated. Each contestant will receive the same number of points.

#### Year-End Qualifications:

- 1. Contestant must ride eight (8) out of ten (10) shows; however, contestant must pay all 10 show entry fees to qualify for year-end awards. Missed shows must be paid in full prior to running in a following show.
- 2. Contestant must be an active member at the time of their first show entry.
- 3. Contestant must acquire a minimum of \$50.00 for Pee Wee and \$100 for all other members in sponsorship donations. Sponsorship monies are due by end of third show day.
- 4. Contestant must participate in at least one (1) fundraiser per year if deemed necessary by that years Board of Directors.

Year-End Ties: In the event of a year-end tie, the two (2) places money will be added together and divided equally between the two, and the contestants will receive like awards. The next place will be eliminated. In the event of a tie for 10th place, contestants will receive like awards.

Year-End Awards: Points for year-end awards will be calculated on all ten (10) shows. At the end of the show year, an awards ceremony will be held. Awards will be given out to the top ten (10) places in each age division. Champion and Reserve Champion

for each age division will receive saddles so long as that age division has no less than 6 year-end qualifiers. Should an age division have less than 6 year-end qualifiers, then only a Champion saddle will be awarded. Other awards may be given if deemed appropriate by show management. The Pee Wee riders will receive like awards regardless of how many year-end qualifiers are in that division. All contestants who qualify for year-end awards will receive a buckle award regardless of placing.

All rules stated herein shall remain in effect the entire show year. Any rule changes proposed during the show year shall be presented to the officers and presented at the end of the show year. Rules may only be changed after the final show of the year. This will be done at the annual membership meeting and will be by a simple majority vote of the general members.

#### Ground Rules:

- 1. All contestants and time only riders must have A signed and notarized liability release on file
- 2. No smoking, in the arena, warm up arena, or holding/on deck area. All smoking and is restricted to the designated spectator areas. No alcohol is permitted on county grounds/parks where child events take place.
- 3. Contestants are not allowed to ride in the arena before the show begins.
- 4. Arena must be kept clear of all persons except the timer, judges, and the contestant when an event is in progress.
- 5. No horses will be allowed to be tied to any fence panel surrounding the competition arena. No horses and/or riders are permitted to gather in the arena immediately west of the gate; the "alley" must always remain clear.
- 6. No dogs are allowed by arena or warm up pens at any time.
- 7. The arena gate shall remain closed during a contestant's entire run.
- 8. The show management reserves the right to excuse any horse or person from the arena and/or grounds for any cause deemed sufficient by the show

management. This includes but is not limited to:

- a. Abuse or inhumane treatment of horse, profane language and/or unsportsmanlike conduct.
- b. Destruction of property such as the grounds, buildings or another's personal property will be cause for loss of points or suspension of one (1) show, to be determined by S.N.G.A. officers.
- c. All children aged 15 years or younger must have a guardian at the show, always, in case of an emergency.

Arena Equipment: Poles shall be made of PVC pipe and shall be six (6) to seven (7) feet in length and from one and one half (1 1/2) to two (2) inches in diameter. Barrels shall be completely closed on both ends. All obstacles shall be twenty (20) feet from the arena fence.

Starts: Either a standing or running start may be made, but only after the contestant is completely in the arena gate. Contestants must enter the arena within two (2) minutes after their name has been called. Contestant must then start their run within sixty (60) seconds after entering the arena and has sixty (60) seconds to complete the run, except for Pee Wees. Horses may be assisted into the arena, but the assistant may not cross the start/finish line except for the Pee Wee division and time only runs. A rider is permitted to walk their horse into the arena before their run and mount in the arena. Except for Pee Wee division, the person assisting must be at least 18 years old and may remain in the arena behind the timer line. If the assisting person crosses the timer line, the rider will receive a NO TIME for that event. There will be only one (1) rider allowed per horse. In case of breakage of tack outside the arena, the contestant must notify the gate person and sufficient time will be allowed for repairs.

*Re-Runs:* In case of timer malfunction, the contestant shall receive a re-run. If the timer is not repairable, the contestant, along with the entire age division, shall receive a re-run on a flagger and stopwatch. In the event a time was not recorded due to timekeeper

error, the contestant will receive a re-run. The contestant must take their re-run at that time or at the bottom of the class.

Contestants will not receive a re-run for any of the following:

- 1. Any breakage of tack or gear once the timer has been started by the contestant or the horse.
- 2. Any accident to the horse or rider once the timer has been started by the contestant or the horse.
- 3. If the contestant fails to comply with all other arena rules regardless of the timer malfunction.

*Penalties*: A five (5) second penalty will be assessed to a contestant's time for any of the following:

- 1. Loss of whip, bat, or other non-required equipment while in the arena.
- 2. For each obstacle knocked over within an event, including timer poles.

Disqualifications: The following will result in a disqualification of the contestant:

- 1. Whipping, spurring, or striking the horse in front of the cinch at any time while in the arena.
- 2. Failure to follow the prescribed pattern in any event, no backward motion to correct a pattern.
- 3. Failure to comply with the dress code.
- 4. Failure to comply with the tack and equipment rules.
- 5. Riding a horse that is unruly or out of control as determined by Arena Director.
- 6. Use of foul language in the arena.
- 7. Harassing the judges and/or any S.N.G.A. member by a contestant and/or parent or guardian (person who signed the release form) and/or trainer. This may result in a disqualification for the remaining show year.

- 8. Failure to enter the arena within the two (2) minute time limit. (Riders are permitted to hand walk their horses into the arena and mount in the arena, no additional time will be provided).
- 9. Failure to begin the pattern within the sixty (60) second time limit.
- 10. Unsafe running start beginning outside the arena gate as determined by the Arena Director and gate volunteer.
- 11. Contestant or contestant's parent, guardian, and/or trainer who brings their dog near the Arena.
- 12. Failure to ride in the order called by the announcer.
- 13. Destruction of property such as the grounds, buildings, or another person's personal property. Such action will be cause for loss of points or suspension of one (1) show, to be determined by S.N.G.A. officers.

*Entry Fees:* There will be no refunds of money for point horses or time only horses for any reason. Contestant/member will be responsible for bank charges assessed due to any returned checks. Entry fees and late charges are as follows:

- Pee Wee Division: \$35.00 per show.
- Active Member: \$40.00 per show, per point horse
- Member Time Only Fees: \$3.00 per run, per event, per horse, or 2 for \$5.00.

Late Entry Fee: An entry form must be submitted no later than the Wednesday before the show day. A \$20.00 fee will be charged, per entry, when entering show day and any entry received after the Wednesday prior to the show day. (This does not apply to first time entries).

An electronic entry form is available on the website at <u>www.SNGA.biz.com</u>. Fees for entries may be paid via electronic payment if available or check or cash on show day upon check in.

Bank Fees: A \$30.00 fee will be charged for a returned check, \$25.00 to cover the bank's fee, and \$5.00 to go to S.N.G.A.

Running Position: The President will decide the Running positions prior to each show. Contestants must run in the order in which they are drawn. The Arena Director, and an S.N.G.A. Officer, or the gate person, must authorize a valid reason for running out of order, such as tack problems. All point rides will be completed before the start of all time only riders in each event. In the event of a substitution, one (1) rider may be moved to the bottom of the draw to allow sufficient time between rides. In the event both riders are already at the bottom of the draw, the first rider will be moved up five (5) riders from the bottom.

Concession Stand: If a professional Concession Stand or Food Truck is not contracted, there may be a standing concession stand committee where all net proceeds realized from its operations will be deposited in the general fund and maintained as part of the club's annual budget.

*Disbanding*: In the case of a committee disbanding, all monies and equipment obtained by the committee will be turned over to S.N.G.A.

Accounting: At the general membership meeting, the Treasurer will submit an accounting of all funds received and expended. All receipts will be kept for a minimum of 5 years. Audits may be done at any time deemed necessary by the Board of Directors.

*Day Shows*: Day shows will start at 9:00 a.m. and three (3) events will be ran including poles, barrels, and one rotating event. The rotating event will be different at each show.

*Night Shows:* Night shows are not supported by Horseman's Park. Therefore, SNGA cannot schedule a night show unless additional fees are paid or supported by the park.

#### **EVENTS**

Standard Events: The following events will be run at each S.N.G.A. show in the order in which they appear: Poles (3 poles for Pee Wee), Barrels, and Rotating event. Event order and event dates are subject to change.

*Rotating Event*: One of the rotating events below will be run at each of the day shows and will be drawn the day of the show.

An example of the possible rotating events are outlined below:

Birangle	Butterfly	BigM	BigO
BigT	Cat's Cradle	Crazy 8	Cupid's Arrow
Double Bowtie	Figure 8 Cowhorse	Four Leaf Clover	Hourglass
Mountain Cowhorse	3 P's	Single Barrel Cowhorse	
Speed Barrels	Turn N Burn	Two-Barrel Cowhorse	

#### BARREL RACING

The barrels will be set in a cloverleaf pattern. The first two (2) barrels will be set sixty (60) feet from the timer line and will be ninety (90) feet apart. The third barrel will be set one hundred feet from the center of the first and second barrel.

The contestant may start on either the right or the left barrel. When starting on the right barrel, there will be one (1) right turn and two (2) left turns. When starting on the left barrel, there will be one (1) left turn and two (2) right turns.

A five (5) second penalty will be assessed for each barrel knocked down.

\*\*The barrel pattern will be shortened for the Pee Wee Division.

#### **POLES**

Six (6) poles shall be placed twenty-one (21) feet apart in a straight-line beginning at the timer line, the first pole being located twenty-one (21) feet from the timer line and twenty-one (21) feet apart from there, moving to the next pole.

The contestant shall run down either the side of the six (6) poles to the end pole, turn and weave to the last pole, turning the last pole and weaving back to the first pole, turning the first pole, and running straight back through the timer line.

A five (5) second penalty will be assessed for each pole knocked down.

#### **ROTATING EVENTS**

#### **SPEED BARRELS**

The pattern consists of three (3) barrels set in a straight line from the timer line. The barrels will be set thirty (30) feet from the timer line and sixty (30) feet between the sides of each barrel.

The contestant can start on either the right or the left side of the first barrel. Contestant will cross the start/finish line, weave the barrels, turn the end barrel and weave back through the barrels and cross the start/finish line.

A five (5) second penalty will be assessed for each barrel knocked down.

#### **BIRANGLE**:

Two (2) poles placed thirty (30) feet apart at the timer line designate the start/finish line. There will be two (2) more poles set up sixty-two and one-half (62 1/2) feet diagonally from the center of the timer poles with one pole to the right and one pole to the left.

The contestant must run between the timer poles, making either two (2) left turns or two (2) right turns and back through the timer poles to stop time. Failure to run between the timer poles will result in a no time.

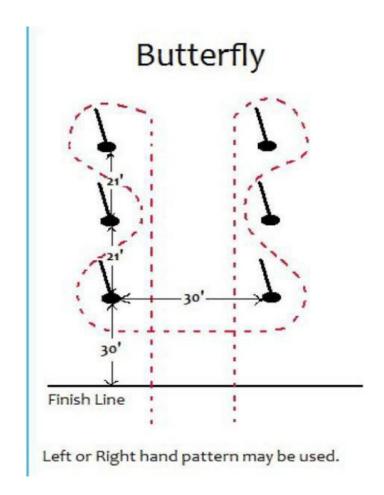
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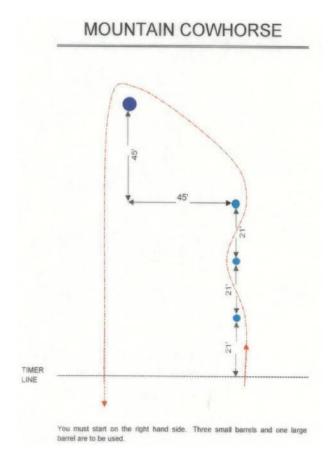
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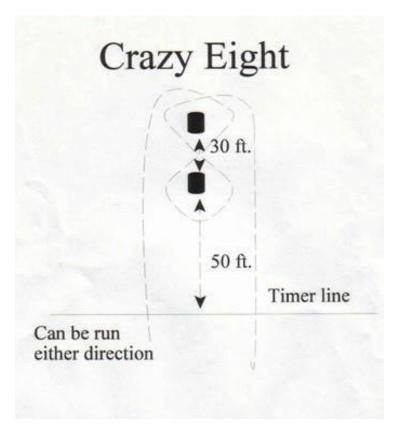
Three Poles will be set up in a straight line from the timer line. The first pole will be twenty-one (21) feet from the timer line and twenty-one (21) feet between each pole. The contestant must run down to the first pole, turn the pole, and weave the poles and run straight back across the timer line.

The contestant may turn the first pole to the right or left. There will not be any timer poles.

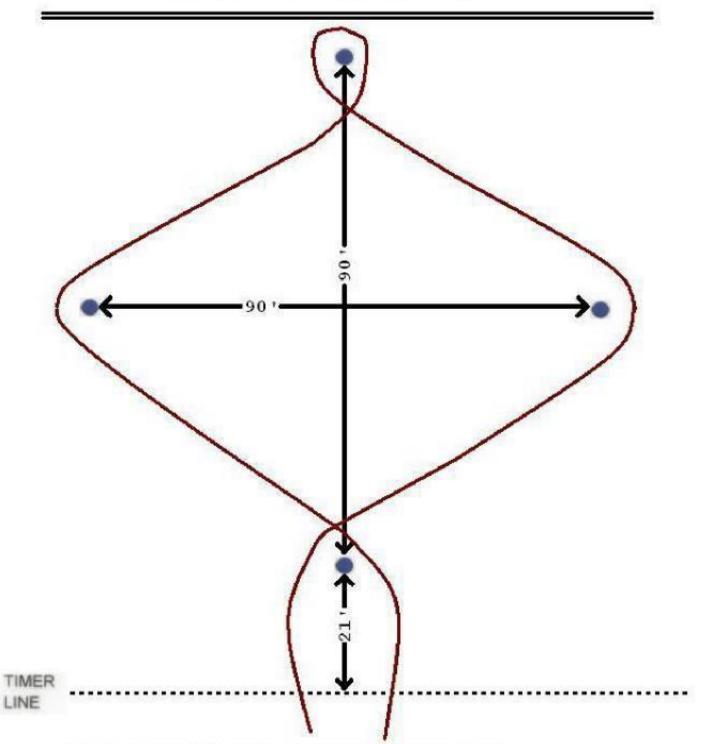
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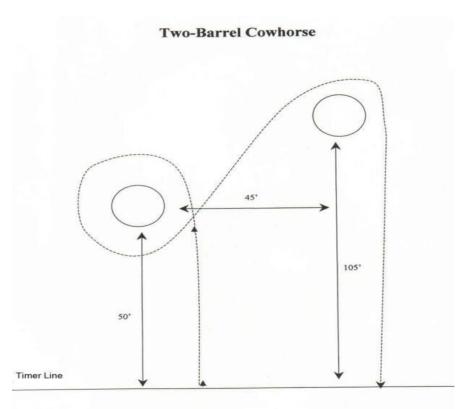




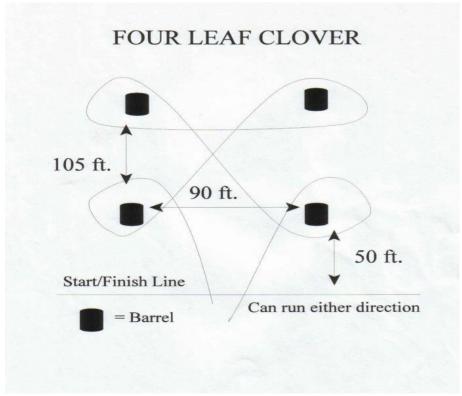
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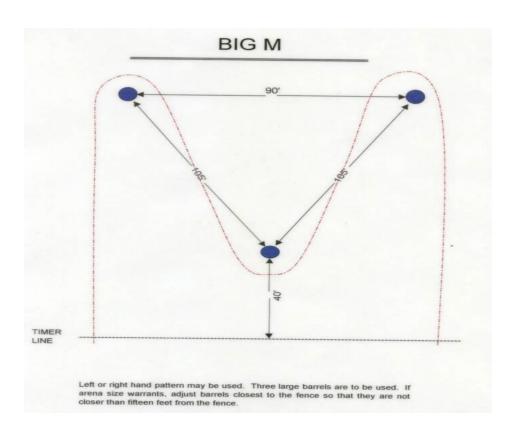


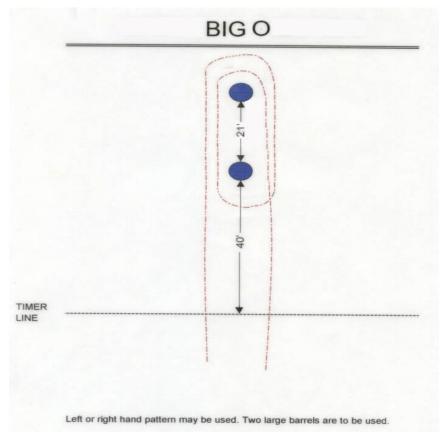
Left or right hand pattern may be used. Equipment: 4 large (55 gallon) barrels

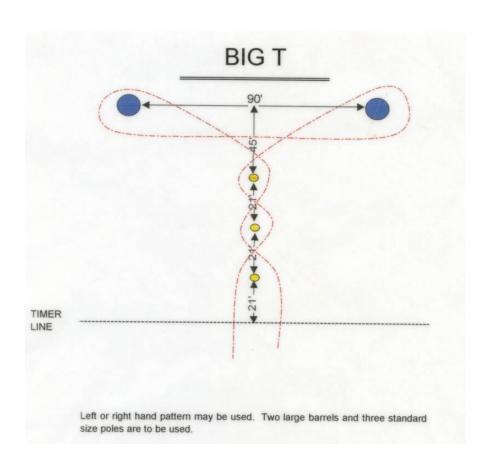


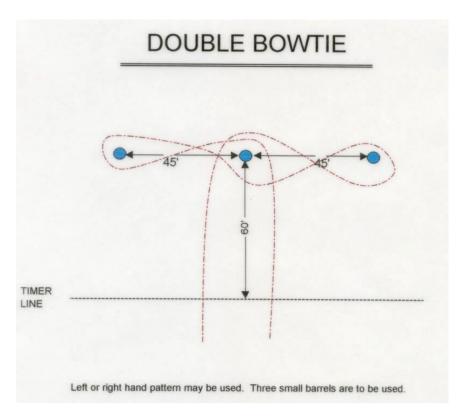


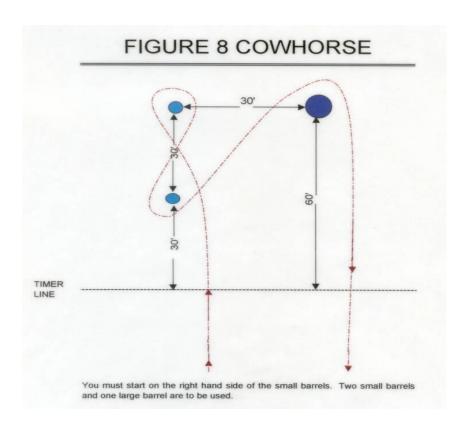




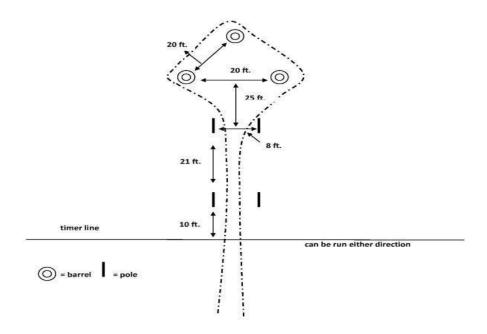


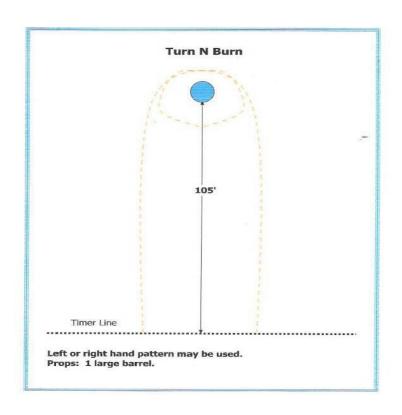


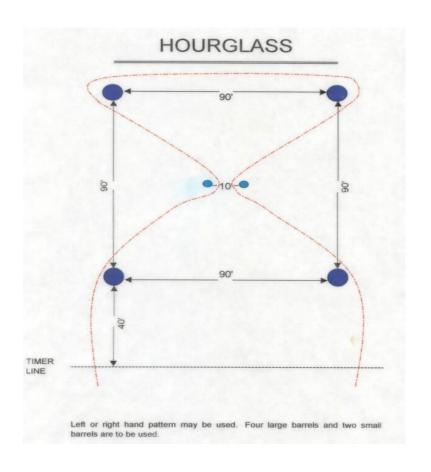




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Dated January 8, 2024

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