

Updates and Reminders

- 2019 Membership fee is \$50. All members are required to get a \$35 minimum sponsorship. **All membership applications and class forms must be submitted online.** Payment can be made through PayPal or Venmo @UBRA-Racing
- Entry fees can now be paid through Venmo @UBRA-Racing **Please always note what you're paying for; Date of race, your name, etc.**
- 2019 Board of Directors:
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- Youth Helmet Rule – From the 2018 rule book: *All riders 12 years and younger must wear a helmet.*
The UBRA encourages youth riders to wear helmets and encourages their parents to educate their kids about common courtesy and safety in warm up areas and in the arena.
- Good sportsmanship and safe conduct is expected at all times.
Safety in holding and warm up areas.

South Jordan Indoor - We've added space in the holding pen to make room for those running in and out of the arena. **Please do not stand by the in-gate or alley** – this is for your safety.

Spanish Fork Outdoor – We've had some near misses with horse and rider standing in the alleyway or near it in Spanish Fork. **Please don't stand in or near the alley way at any race** – this is for your safety.

As a reminder, we run indoors a lot, warm-up / holding space is limited. Please exit the arena after you run and limit foot traffic – this is for your safety.

The BOD and the Membership all have the responsibility to be advocates for safety. If you see something that is un-safe please speak up or bring it to the attention of a board member.

- Sponsor Incentive:
\$200 in sponsorship gets a free membership. \$500 + sponsorship gets a free membership and one entry to Sat & Sunday Open 5D race in Heber.
Membership dues and sponsorship dollars are very important to our ability to hold large added money races (Heber and SL County), offer added money during our summer & winter series, offer 100% payback added money member side-pots and give some of the best year end awards in the industry. Everyone who runs at our races benefit from the generosity of our sponsors and we cannot do what we do with their continued support. We work hard to pay it forward by offering added money through the summer & winter and membership side-pots during the summer and at our Heber events.
- Wasatch County Tourism Advertising Grant – This grant allows us to advertise in BHW and other places we could not otherwise afford. This year, because of this grant we plan to have a live webcast of our futurity in Heber City April 27 and 28.
- Amateur Nomination Rule Clarification – Must nominated 1st year horse prior to running in UBRA Summer Series. Earnings for first year is Dec 1 – Nov 30.
- 2018 Member Survey Results – we had some great input from our membership. 50 members took the survey and we appreciate your input and suggestions. The most surprising result was regarding running in a 4D format and carrying over to classes. 51% supported this.

Most of the board feels that it's important to run with your competition and have voted to stay with our foundation and history – classes will run first and can c/o to the 4D.

- SL County Race August 8th, South Jordan
This race has been our largest summer series race for the last two years and again will be UBRA sanctioned for points. In 2019 Aug 8th will be run as an open 5D with classes as a side-pot (carry over). We hope to encourage non-members to enter and help us grow this fun race. Our computer system allows us to assign priorities so we can group pre-entries (for classes) together but this race will be an open 5D draw. All late entries will run at the end.
- Co-Sanctioning
Xtreme & WPRA. April and Sept in Heber are WPRA and Xtreme Million Co-Sanctioned
- Calendar & Scheduling
2019 Summer series dates are posted on the website calendar. Dates may change due to weather or other conflicts – check the calendar often.
We work hard to not conflict with other races. The 2019 summer series dates are posted on the website and can change due to weather or other conflicts.
- Correspondence – from the rule book: *Official correspondence will be done by email. It is the member's responsibility to make sure the secretary has current contact information.*
Approx 50% of members open emails from the UBRA.

Proposed Changes

- Keep the limited class with the following changes:
 1. \$500 lifetime earnings limit (no other limits)
 2. 1D (eliminate 2D format)

3. Year-End Saddle – Discussion

The limited class is still for beginners. There will be a \$500 lifetime barrel racing earnings cap (no other limitations), be 2D (full sec split). Year-end awards will be based on an average – no year end saddle. We hope to encourage those who can be competitive in other classes to run there.

- Add Youth 3D side-pot (full sec split) to 4D

1. Can run in 4D and c/o to Youth 3D Side-pot or just enter the side-pot. Would run with 4D.
2. Entry fee \$13 - \$15 (keep in line with limited class)
3. 14 & Under as of Jan 1 of current year.
4. Year end awards based on average of entries – no year-end saddle.

The youth 3D side-pot is for members only, will be for 14 year olds or younger as of Jan 1 of the current year and be a c/o from the 4D or other classes. Year-end awards based on average of entries – no year-end saddle. Can enter the side-pot only but will run with the 4D.

In 2020 the youth division at our winter series and Heber races will be for 14 years and younger.

- 4D

1. Increase entry to \$25
2. Jackpot \$24 (less 30%) with \$1 going to pay for 4D rakers
3. Leave as is with ½ split
4. Leave member incentive side-pot as is .5 split

Yes

- Rake Rule

1. Reduce 4D rake requirement from 4 to 3 jackpots, and/or
2. Hire barrel setters for the 4D – Discussion – who would these rakers be?
3. \$1 from every 4D entry would pay rakers – they would split the total from each race. Limit # of rakers to 3.
4. What happens when nobody shows up to rake?

The UBRA will hire rakers for the 4D. We will pay \$1 per 4D entry (c/o's and runners). We will pay per barrel (total money divided by 3). Those interested in raking for us during the 4D can sign up through our website.

The class rake rule remains the same – first 3 in each class will rake for the following class. We know this is hard but if we all work together we can get it done. If you can't rake, please find someone to rake for you. Please understand we cannot run jackpots without help in the arena. There are times when we move down the draw to call on rakers – this happens if someone has drawn two rakes or they are running in the class they are supposed to rake for. If we call you to rake it's because we need help in the arena.

We will reduce the 4D rake requirement from 4 to 2. This may be waived entirely if our hiring of 4D rakers is successful. Please be aware that this is a new process and we may need to call upon the membership if it falls short. We cannot hold jackpots without help

in the arena and we appreciate your support and understanding while we work through this new process.

As a reminder this rake rule will remain in place:

From the Rule Book:

Jackpot Rake Rule

1. The first three positions drawn in each class will rake, set up barrels or work the gate for the following class. For example, the first three positions drawn in the Open class will rake, set up barrels or work the gate for the Non-pro class. The first three positions drawn in the \$4000 class will rake, set up barrels or work the gate for the first ~~3~~ 2 drags in the 4D.
2. If you draw two rakes you can choose which class to rake for.
3. If you cannot rake it is your responsibility to find someone to rake for you.
4. Failure to comply with the rake rule will result in a \$25 fine. This will be enforced.

Open draw discussion

We talked about how the lack of pre-entries for the open has left the same people drawing rakes. We will return to leaving 3 spots open for late entries in the open (like other classes) Non-member late entries will go to the end of the Open class draw. Member late entries will fill the first 3 spots then go to the end.