

Feb 7, 2015 UBRA Membership Meeting Agenda
9:00 am, South Jordan Indoor Arena



In attendance (sign in sheet): Cheyenne Craig, Jody Pomikala, Teisha Banks, Tina Banks, Robin Johnson, Kenzie Sather, Kerry McLelland, Ashlee Coombs, Shellie Dalton, Lisa Nielsen, Jessie Clements, McKenzie Martin, Tana Bennett, Hallie Bennett, Valynn Milner, Peyton Bennett, Sue Hall, Cindy Bennett, Elsie Hussey, Calli VanTassell, Kallie Wonnacott, Jordan Argyle, Tammy Black, Trinna Williams, Joe Ruiz, Vaney Williams, Debbie King-Plese, Shelly Roberts, Kristina Chen-Watts, Jaye Synan, Brandee Sessions, Lynnie Casper, Tyree Newkirk, Kodee Barratt, Ashley Barratt, Christine Busk, Heather Dykes, Terri Wood-Gates, Oaklee Ferman, Norma Wood, Linsey Young, Angi Hawthorne, Katie Ondreako, Lea Dawn Clark, Trinna Williams, Julie Herman, Jackie Young, Toni Taber, Shayla Mertin, Clark Monk, Sheri Young and 3 people whose signatures we cannot read.

Items of discussion:

Although we did not discuss each of these items in detail, it's a great reminder, please read through these minutes, items discussed in depth are in red:

Board

The board strives to make decisions that are best for the membership as a whole.

Correspondence between the board and members will be done in person, by phone or email. Messages on FaceBook, texting, etc. will not be considered official correspondence.

If you have a concern or issue, please talk to someone on the board and let's get it taken care of. The board can't be effective if they are not aware of issues.

Directors

- o Sheri Young – President, Public Relations, Sponsorship
- o Kristi Brangle – Vice President, Futurity Representative
- o Angi Hawthorne – Treasurer, Results & Points Secretary
- o Lea Dawn Clark – Jackpot Secretary
- o Julie Herman – Open Representative
- o Jackie Young – Youth Representative and Awards
- o Suzan Holdaway – Announcer
- o Katie Ondreako – Non-Pro Representative
- o Shayla Mertin – Membership Secretary & Awards
- o Terry Wanner - \$3000 Horse Representative
- o BJ Stokes – Amateur Horse Representative
- o Clark Monk – Poles Representative

Sponsorship

Each member is required to get \$20 in sponsorship (pending change). Sponsor ads are due by April 1st to be in the Futurity program.

The sponsorship form is on our website sponsor page. This details sponsorship levels and incentives.

Sponsors are important! Sponsorship allows us to put on our big races – these races pay for year-end awards and give us added money to run at.

Please support and thank our sponsors every chance you get!

Sponsor Incentive

\$200 in sponsorship earns a free membership

\$500 + in sponsorship earns a free membership and an entry to Sat & Sunday

Open 5D race April 19 & 20th in Heber.

Wasatch County Series, Futurity, 5D and Slot Race

We've again received an advertising grant from Wasatch County to promote our Heber races. Please support the businesses in Heber City and let Wasatch County know how much we appreciate their wonderful facility and support.

Friday April 17, UBRA/Barrel Buddies \$2000 added 4D, UBRA member incentive \$250 Added Side-pot, \$250 added 18/40 Side-pot

Sat & Sun April 18 and 19, \$5000 Added Futurity, \$10,000 added 5D, \$1000 Cash Target, WPRA Side-pots & Derby

September 25, 26 & 27 – Slot Race, Youth & 5D. Details TBA

Summer Series Schedule – we try not to schedule races during holiday weekends. We try to not book over other big races in the intermountain area. o Pre-entries will be taken until 7:00 pm night before jackpot. PLEASE Pre-Enter.

Results will be announced and posted, checks will be available the following week.

~~T/O barrels on weeknight jackpots will be after race only (time permitting).~~ No T/O poles on weeknights. **No Time only on week nights**

First summer series jackpot is Sunday March 1, Spanish Fork Indoor, **start time is 10:00 am**. Running Order: Poles, Youth, Open, Non-pro, Amateur, **Limited, \$3000**, 4D, T/O

We always try to book Saturdays before Sundays and weeknights – this is a challenge in the spring.

Pre-entries: We've been putting pre-entries in the draw after the first 3 spots. Will mix this up in 2015. Please remember that if you run 1st, 2nd or 3rd out in your class you need to rake for the following class.

All Weekend jackpots will start at 10:00 am, weeknight jackpots will start at 6:30 pm

We've scheduled weekends indoors as much as possible – indoor arenas are very difficult to schedule in the spring so we need to run on weeknights when indoor arenas are available.

- Youth and Time only will be run on Weekends only - because of time constraints on week nights.

Concerns from parents were voiced about their kids not having a place to run and that there were not enough weekend races to accumulate points. Suggestions were made that the youth be run on weeknights starting at 6:00 pm, before jackpots.

Member parents of youth also stated that when they come and run they want to be able to bring their kids to run.

It was acknowledged by the board that there was a need for a place for Youth to run but that the UBRA is not a youth association.

Parents asked that people be patient with the youth in the warm-up pen and the board in turn asked the parents to educate their youth about safety and riding etiquette and to please have them leave the arena/warm-up after they run.

Membership majority voted in favor of holding youth class on weekends only and to rake every 10 in the Youth Class.

If youth rider pays \$20 youth membership fee, they would run in poles and the 4D as a non-member and would not be penalized for running in the 4D when the Youth Class was not offered.

- Membership dues will be raised from \$20 to \$35 to help pay for barrel setters at our Heber Races.

This is effective for 2015. If you've paid \$20 sponsor dues, please pay the additional \$15. We will hire barrel setters for Heber races but still need the support of the members at these races to set barrels on Friday night and to help in the arena if needed on Saturday and Sunday. It's very difficult to find barrel setters even when we pay them and we can't expect one person to set barrels for an entire 10+ hour event even if we pay them.

Working for at least 2 hours in the arena at our April futurity and/or Sept big race in Heber will count as working 2 jackpots (4D raker).

The Year-end awards budget in 2014 was increased and we gave awards thru 10th place in the 4D. We were able to do so because of the huge success of our two big events in Heber and increase in membership. The current membership requirements to get sponsors and support the association are minimal compared to improvements to added money at jackpots, member incentive money and year end awards over recent years. **The board needs help and support from the membership at jackpots and at our Heber races (which are fund raisers for the UBRA).**

Please coordinate with Shayla (in advance if possible) to help in the arena at our Heber Events.

- Horse being run at one jackpot more than once and being eligible for points/money multiple times.
Membership majority voted in favor of continuing to allow this.
- It was brought up that we need to rake following the youth class before the open class starts.
Membership majority voted in favor.

Rule Reminders:

4D Rake Rule (**this is different from the Jackpot class rake rule**)

Each member will be required to help in the arena setting barrels & raking for the entire 4D at 4 summer season jackpots to remain in good standing and be eligible for year-end awards.

Working for at least 2 hours in the arena at our April futurity and/or Sept big race in Heber will count as working 2 jackpots.

This will be tracked by Shayla. Please communicate with her about scheduling your jackpots. Her Cell # is on the contact page of our website and here: Shayla Mertin 801-604-1577

If you sign up and cannot rake for the 4D, it's your responsibility to find someone to rake for you or be fined \$10.

A link to our google document tracking 4D raking will again be on the website about page. Please check the document and make sure you get credit for raking.

There still seems to be confusion about this rule: It's required that members rake for the entire 4D at 4 summer jackpots or at the Heber race.

Helping in the pole class is nice but we need help in the 4D.

If you run in the 4D and are schedule to help, please pre-enter and note on your entry that you need to be up early in the 4D because you are a 4D helper.

Rake Rule Reminder:

1. The first three positions drawn in each class will rake, set up barrels or work the gate for the next 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 positions drawn in the \$3000 Class will rake, set up barrels or work the gate for the first 3 drags in the 4D.**
2. **Member jackpot helpers will rake for the entire 4D.**
3. **If you draw two rakes you can choose which class to rake for.**
4. **Failure to comply with the rake rule will result in a \$10.00 fine. This will be enforced. If you cannot rake it is your responsibility to find someone to rake for you.**

The \$3000 Class will rake for the first 3 drags in the 4D.

Please Note:

Weeknight Jackpots will start at 6:30 pm with Poles, **unless noted on the website calendar page.**
No T/O before Jackpots on Weeknights

The website calendar page is updates with our summer dates.