

QUALIFIER DATE/LOCATION: Qualifier: 11:00am, Wednesday, June 19, 2024. Buffalo Rodeo Grounds, 1306 County Road 134 NE, Buffalo, MN 55313.

ENTRY FEES: Entry Fee \$150.00 per entry. Office Fee: \$10.00. All paperwork must be accompanied by payment (Total Fees: \$160.00). All entry fees are final, no refunds provided.

This is a fundraiser for the Buffalo Rodeo Association which is a Buffalo MN based, community-focused 501c3 non-profit organization that encourages, promotes, and supports agricultural activities and the western lifestyle.

Horse substitutions can be made, but must be made before 10:45 am on Wednesday, June 19, 2024. An individual horse cannot be run more than once, in any age division.

DEADLINE: Entries will open May 15th. Completed application and payment in full must be submitted online to the Buffalo Rodeo Association no later than May 31, 2024.

DRAW ORDER: Draw order will be posted on the Buffalo PRCA Rodeo Facebook page no later than Tuesday, June 18, 2024

AMATEUR STATUS: All contestants, Youth and Adult, must be of amateur status only. Professional standing will not be accepted. Professional status is defined as an individual in possession of a Women Professional Rodeo Association (WPRA) permit or card.

AGE: Youth - Open to contestants 17 years of age and under as of January 1, 2024. Amateur Adult - Open to contestants 18 years of age and over as of January 1, 2024.

DRESS CODE/WESTERN ATTIRE: Long sleeve, collared shirts, jeans without holes, western boots and a western hat or helmet.

FORMAT: 3D format with half second splits.

Contestants will make one run per horse entered.

The Top 3 Youth contestants in each division (1D, 2D, 3D), based on the times, will advance to a draw for the Thursday, Friday, and or Saturday night performances.

The Top 2 Amateur Adult contestants in each division (1D, 2D, 3D), based on the times, will advance to a draw for the Thursday, Friday, or Saturday night performances.

Performance selection will be based on contestant draw to be conducted immediately after the Wednesday qualifier at the Crow's Nest. The fastest aggregate time of the combined Youth and Amateur Adult qualifiers will draw for performance first, slowest aggregate time will draw for the performance last. The qualifiers will be given the opportunity to trade performances as needed, following the draw. In the event of a tie, the tie breaker will be determined by a draw completed by the event host. The draw winner of the tie will choose their performance selection first.

PAYOUT: The Amateur Qualifier will be paying out Top 3 in each division (1D, 2D, 3D) for both Adult and Youth. \$150/\$100/\$75

- All checks earned will be mailed to the address listed on the barrel racing application after the conclusion of the Buffalo Rodeo Amateur Qualifier.

CHECK-IN: All contestants must check-in at the Crows Nest at the Buffalo Rodeo Grounds between 9:30am and 10:45 am on Wednesday, June 19, 2024.

PERFORMANCE: The fastest time of all qualifiers (Youth and Amateur Adult) from the performances of the 2024 Buffalo Professional Rodeo will be declared the Amateur Barrel Racing Champion. The Champion will be awarded a trophy buckle. Qualifier rules, with the exception of FORMAT, apply to the performance.

NO TIMES/DISQUALIFICATIONS: A No Time will be given to a contestant for the following reasons:

- Failure to start the pattern within 60 seconds of the contestants name being called the first time
- Circling inside the arena after passing the mouth of the alley. The gate will close behind you.
- Not being in dress code
- The horse falls
- Knocking a barrel
- Break or miss the pattern
- Running a horse in a different draw position
- Miss your draw number
- Failure to check in by 10:45 am on Wednesday, June 19, 2024

Absolutely no extra circling of barrels, no circling past the mouth of the alley before your run or training during competition run. If the pattern is broken the rider needs to complete the pattern in a timely manner or exit the arena immediately.

Any questions, or disputes, that are not covered by the above rules shall be decided at the event by the event host. All decisions are final.