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CLUBS

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THE FRATERNITY OF HORSEMANANSHIP SPORTSMANSHIP &
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By-Laws

Horseshows

Parade

Scrapbook

Playdays

American Association of Sheriff Poses and Riding Clubs

Past Queens

2009 Queen Miss Ali Burks

2008 Miss Delci Willis
2007 Miss Melissa Tichenor
2006 Miss Becky Smith
2005 Miss K.D. Foltz
2003 Miss Shallon May
2002 Miss Christy Sloan
2001 Miss Jackie Bailey
2000 Miss Rachael Hatfield
1999 Miss Sara Braden
1998 Miss Stephanie Miller
1997 Miss Suzanne Hall
1996 Miss Summer Wilson
1995 Miss Stephanie Husky
1994 Miss Kim Carver
1993 Miss Amber Busby
1992 Miss Kristen Hatchett
1991 Miss Angel Roberts
1990 Miss Jackie Dunlap
1989 Miss Robin Hurta
1988 Miss Charlotte Morse
1987 Miss Becca Burnett
1986 Miss Tonja Honeycutt
1985 Miss Heather Bowling
1984 Miss Tracy McPherson
1983 Miss Kim O'Neal
1982 Miss Tammy Kocian
1981 Miss Julie Johnson
1980 Miss Susan Toups

1979 Miss Becky Albers
1978 Miss Renee Crisp
1977 Miss Denise Fuchshuber
1976 Miss Cindy Heaslet
1975 Miss Lynda Rae
1974 Miss Cindy Shanklin
1973 Miss Teri Jo Percell
1972 Miss Cheryl Spindle
1971 Miss Christine Wallace
1970 Miss Toni Chamness
1969 Miss Janice Allen
1968 Miss Cindy Garvin
1967 Miss Carolyn Coker
1966 Miss Schrenia Clark
1965 Miss Patty Hamlett
1964 Miss Pati Englerth
1963 Miss Cathy Leftwich
1962 Miss Anita Bevins
1961 Miss Joan Baker
1960 Miss Earlene Foreman
1959 Name Unknown
1958 Miss Diane Case
1957 Name Unknown
1956 Name Unknown
1955 Name Unknown
1954 Name Unknown
1953 Miss Doris Ratliff

American Association of Sheriff Posses and Riding Clubs

Past Presidents

Year Served	Name
1952-57	**Crate Snider (dec.)
1958	O. R. Clark (dec.)
1959	Hap Hovenkamp (dec.)
1960-62	**Crate Snider (dec.)
1963	Jim Fletcher (dec.)
1964-65	Albert Fortenberry
1966-67	Zip Taylor
1968	Clark Jarnagan (dec.)
1969-70	Bob Morse (dec.)
1971-72	R. B. Allen
1973	Dee Morgan (dec.)
1974-75	* * Jack McClung
1976	Charles Bell
1977-78	** Garland Hargis
1979	Bill Jeter
1980-81	Junior Oates
1982-83	Gary Murphy
1984	**Gene Montgomery
1985-86	Gene Worthington
1987	Weldon Garrett (dec.)
1988-89	Gerald Goldston
1990-91	Birk Hendrix
1992-93	** Garland Hargis
1994	** Jack McClung
1995-96	Billy Privett
1997	R. E. (Bob) Myers
1998	Bill Stone
1999	Al Taylor
2000-2001	**Gene Montgomery
2002-2003	**Tommy McEwen
2004-2005	Dave Roberts (dec.)
2006	Larry Mitchell
2007-2008	Annette Waggoner
2009	**Tommy McEwen

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AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF SHERIFF POSSES AND RIDING CLUBS, INC.

FOREWORD

The American Association of Sheriff Poses and Riding Clubs was organized in December, 1952 as the West Texas Association of Sheriff Poses and Riding Clubs, when a group of representatives from Sheriff Poses and Riding Clubs met to compile rules for judging parades.

There were 13 charter members.

The name was changed at a director's meeting during the 1955 Roundup to "American Association of Sheriff Poses and Riding Clubs", because of the interest shown over a much wider area. The AASP&RC is a national organization; however, the major part of our membership is in Texas and Oklahoma.

The Association's motto is "Horsemanship, Sportsmanship, and Citizenship". The purpose of the Association shall be to encourage the use of this motto and keep alive "The Spirit of the Old West".

The Association has a convention each year, at which Delegates gather to resolve the problems of the past year, set policies, elect officers for the coming year and present awards. A queen is selected at this meeting to reign over the Association for the coming year as an honorary officer.

The Association holds an Annual Roundup in the spring. Activities at the Roundup include horseback games, trail rides, dances, barbecues, church services, etc. In addition, those who wish to do so, may camp out in true Western Style.

Due to the growth of the Association, Districts were formed and District Headquarters designated. These Headquarters have the function of establishing a District for the convenience of riding clubs in the area. Each member club in the District elects two Delegates, who in turn elect District Officers and Regional Board as well as Association Officers,

Districts are organized into Regions for better operation of Association activities. The governing board of each Region is elected by the club delegates.

All clubs that would like to become members of the Association may obtain application forms from the Association office. Additional information may be obtained from any officer or board member of the Association.

The official publication of the Association is the "Riders Roundup", which is published monthly. This publication serves as the principal means of communication between the Association headquarters and the membership. Special bulletins for special events may be mailed when necessary.

HELPFUL HINTS FOR NEW MEMBER CLUBS

1. Set up a good set of by-laws and enforce them. When you relax them, you are deteriorating.
2. Keep down drinking in uniform. See General Rules: Language, Alcohol, and Conduct.
3. Set up an equipment committee to select your uniforms and also pass on your horses. Inspect horses of members and prospective members and assist them in obtaining the right kinds of horses to suit your club needs. Too much money is spent on inferior kinds of horseflesh.
4. Enter into all activities of your District as a Posse or Club. Mix with other Poses and Clubs. The fellowship and interest created will be invaluable.
5. Elect two delegates to represent and vote for your club at the District, Region and National levels.
6. It is the club's responsibility to keep the Association informed of the club activities in order that these ideas may be exchanged with others.
7. Sportsmanship is your best weapon, use it.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF SHERIFF POSSES AND RIDING CLUBS, INC.

ARTICLE I – Title, Objective, Place of Business

Section 1 Title

This Association shall be known as **THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF SHERIFF POSSES AND RIDING CLUBS, INC.** and shall be operated and conducted as a non-profit organization.

Section 2 Objective

The purposes of this organization shall be to encourage the motto of "Horsemanship, Sportsmanship and Citizenship", and to keep alive "The Spirit of the Old West". It shall promote the acquaintance and friendship among member posses and clubs through the sponsoring of activities related to mounted sports.

Section 3 Place of Business

The principle place of business shall be designated as the Association Headquarters. Its members and officers may be residents of any State or Territory. Business may be transacted at any place convenient to such members or officers.

ARTICLE II - Members

Section 1 Membership

- A. **Membership.** A member, as referred to in these By-Laws, shall be any Sheriff Posse, Riding Club or other organized riding group. An individual is affiliated with the Association by his membership in a member club.
- B. **Business Associate Membership.** Any business or concern may be an Associate Member with the approval of the Executive Board. (The annual fee of \$25.00 has been set by the Executive Board).
- C. **Individual Associate Membership.** Any individual may be an Associate Member with the approval of the Executive Board. He may enjoy all of the rights and privileges of the Association, except the right to vote, hold office and compete in Association competition. (The annual fee of \$10.00 has been set by the Executive Board.)
- D. **Lifetime Members**
 - 1. A Lifetime Member shall enjoy all the rights and privileges of the Association as long as such individual remains a member in good standing of an Association affiliated club.
 - 2. The sale of Lifetime Memberships are nontransferable and nonrefundable.
 - 3. The sale of Lifetime Memberships shall be authorized by the delegates.
- E. **Associate Lifetime Members**
 - 1. Associate Lifetime Members or a Business may become a Lifetime Associate Member and enjoy all the rights and privileges of the Association except the right to vote and hold office and compete in Association competition.
 - 2. The sale of Lifetime Associate Memberships shall be authorized by the delegates.

Section 2 Rules

Members of the Association shall be admitted, retained and expelled in accordance with such rules and regulations as the Delegates may, from time to time, adopt.

Section 3 Qualifications

New Members (clubs) must be recommended by a District in good standing in the Association and shall be admitted to the Association upon the following:

- 1. Written application
- 2. Initiation Fee
- 3. Club Dues
- 4. List of family members as follows:

Last Name	Given Name	Date of Birth, Sex, Class
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Last Name	Given Name	Date of Birth, Sex, Class
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Last Name	Given Name	Date of Birth, Sex, Class
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Mailing Address	City	State, Zip
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Home Phone	Business Phone
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5. Approval of Regional Vice President. Membership shall begin when all of sec. 3 has been completed.
6. A club wishing to enter under an established District requires no minimum number of members.

Section 4 Rights

All Members, while in good standing, shall have equal rights, interest, and responsibilities, with respect to the Association and its property.

Section 5 Dues

The annual dues shall be \$60.00 per family. They are due January 1st. After March 1st, there will be a \$25.00 late fee. Lifetime members are asked to donate \$10.00 each year. New families shall pay \$25.00 for their first year. (A family will include parents or legal guardian and unmarried children living as a household. When a child marries or reaches the age of 21 years unless in the military or full time student, a new immediate family is formed. If they are in the military or full time student, an individual membership starts at age 25.)

The membership fee includes a subscription to the Riders Roundup as long as the family is a member in good standing with the club and the Association.

There is an initiation fee of \$15.00 for all new or delinquent clubs to bear a part of the expense of recording the membership.

ARTICLE III - Delegates

Section 1 Delegates

There shall be two delegates from each member club. The business and property of the Association shall be managed and controlled by: (1) The Delegates, and (2) Executive Board herein created and empowered. Each delegate shall be elected or appointed for a term of one year and shall serve until his successor has been duly elected or appointed and qualified. All delegates that are not properly registered as such in the records in the Association office shall submit to the chairman, a letter of certification of voting privileges signed by at least two officers of the club which he represents. Proxy votes are not acceptable.

Section 2 Letter of Certification

In the event a letter of certification is not available at any meeting of the Delegates, two officers of the club in question may sign a statement, verifying to the Credentials Committee, the eligibility of its Delegates.

Section 3 Meetings

The annual meeting of the Delegates shall be held at the annual Convention. No notice shall be required. At this meeting, the Delegates shall elect the officers of the Association and conduct any other business of the Association.

Section 4 Special Meetings

Special meetings of the Delegates may be held at such time and place as may be designated by the President, or twenty percent (20%) of the Delegates. Notice of such a special meeting, including the purpose thereof, shall be given not less than fifteen (15) days prior to the date of the meeting

Section 5 Quorum

At any meeting of the Delegates, called in accordance with the foregoing provisions, the Delegates in attendance shall constitute a quorum.

Any officer of the Association may call the meeting of the Delegates to order, and may act as chairman of such meeting, precedence given as follows: President, Executive Vice President, Treasurer, Immediate Past President, Vice President in order of precedence to be indicated by vote of the Delegates present. In the absence of all such officers, the Delegates present may elect a chairman.

ARTICLE IV – Officers

Section 1 Officers

- A. The officers shall be President, Executive Vice President, Treasurer, Immediate Past President, Regional Vice Presidents, and such other officers as may be authorized by the Executive Board. (See Section I of Operating Procedures).
- B. The President, Executive Vice President and Treasurer of the Association shall be elected for a period of one (1) year and must meet the minimum experience requirements specified below.
- C. The Regional Vice Presidents shall be elected by the Club Delegates within their respective Regions and shall represent the Association as the chief officer within that Region. The Regional Vice Presidents shall be elected for a term of two years, which terms shall be staggered to prevent having a large majority of new officers in any given year. The Regional Vice Presidents of odd numbered Regions shall be elected to terms commencing on odd numbered years and the Regional Vice Presidents of even numbered Regions shall be elected to terms commencing on even numbered years.
- D. The new officers of the Association will assume responsibilities of their offices immediately upon being sworn in.
- E. No two members of the same family may serve as officers at the same time, family being same as Horse Rule (See Playday Games-Rule 4-F).

Section 2 President

- A. This person must have been a member of the Association for a minimum of three years and served in one of the following capacities or a combination thereof: Two years as a Chairperson of an Association committee, two years on the Executive Board, or an Association Officer for at least one year.
- B. The President shall be Chief Executive Officer of the Association, shall preside at all meetings of the Delegates and Executive Board, and shall be an Ex-Officio member, with voting rights, of all committees. He shall be responsible for the enforcement of the By-Laws and rules of the Association and has authority to suspend or expel a member club or district for violation of these rules.
- C. In the event of a vacancy in the office of President, the Executive Vice President shall fill the office.
- D. The President shall not hold the same office for more than two consecutive years.

Section 3 Executive Vice President

- A. This person must have been a member of the Association for a minimum of three years and served in one of the following capacities or a combination thereof: Two years as Chairperson of an Association Committee or two years on the Executive Board or an Association Officer for at least one year.
- B. In the absence of the President, the Executive Vice President shall perform the duties of the President. He shall perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the President or the Executive Board. He shall be an Ex-Officio member of all committees without voting rights. He shall be responsible for publicity of the Association Queen beyond the usual channels.
- C. In the event of a vacancy in the office of the Executive Vice President, the Executive Board will elect one of the Vice Presidents to fill the office.
- D. The Executive Vice President shall not hold this office for more than two consecutive years.

Section 4 Treasurer

- A. This person must have been a member of the Association for a minimum of two years.
- B. This person must be bondable.
- C. Treasurer is nominated in the same manner as the President and Executive Vice President.
- D. In the event of a vacancy in the office of Treasurer, the President shall have the power to appoint an acting Treasurer. This appointment must be approved by the Executive Board.
- E. The Treasurer shall be Chairperson of the Finance Committee and shall have the following duties:
 - 1. Examine the Bank Statements monthly, review the receipts and expenditures monthly, and prepare or cause to be prepared, an income and expense statement on a monthly basis.
 - 2. Serve as a liaison on all financial matters between the auditor, employees, officers and Executive Board.
 - 3. In the event the Treasurer is not domiciled in the general vicinity of the AASP&RC Office, his/her ordinary and necessary reasonable expenses of traveling to the office each month, such as auto mileage, motel bills, and food while traveling, may be paid by the Association at the discretion of the Association Officers.
 - 4. In order to collect expenses listed above, receipts, or a bill of expenses, must be received in the office within 30 days or reimbursement will be forfeited.

Section 5 Immediate Past President

- A. Have served as the President, preceding the current President.
- B. Furnish his experience and knowledge as a part of the officer's committee to further the cause of the Association.
- C. In the event of a vacancy in this office, it would remain vacant until a new President was elected, making available a new Immediate Past President.
- D. May serve until replaced by a new Immediate Past President.

Section 6 Regional Vice President

- A. This person must have been a member of the Association for at least two years and served in one of the following capacities for at least one year: (1) District Officer (2) an Association Officer (3) Chairperson of an Association Committee or (4) Member of the Executive Board.
- B. The number of Regional Vice Presidents shall be determined by the Executive Board. The duties of each Vice President shall be designated by the Executive Board. (For duties, refer to the Operating Procedures).
- C. In the event of a vacancy in one of the offices of Regional Vice President, the Executive Board will elect a successor.
 - 1. The Regional Vice President shall be elected by the two club delegates from each club in that region. These delegates will meet thirty (30) days prior to the Association Convention and a quorum of delegates must be present.
 - 2. Election Procedures for Regional Vice Presidents.
 - a. No later than 15 days prior to the election, the Regional Vice President will notify the Association office of the time, place and date of election.
 - b. The Association office will then mail out election notices to all members.
 - c. The Regional Vice Presidents will notify the Association no later than 15 days prior to the Convention, the results of the election.
- D. May succeed himself as many times as elected.
- E. Shall represent the Association as Chief Officer within that region.
- F. Have a minimum of 3 regional meetings a year.

Section 7 Association Queen

- A. A Queen shall have competed and been elected by appointed judges as outlined in the Queen's Handbook, and will be crowned at the Annual Convention.
- B. She shall represent the Association to the best of her ability (for details, refer to the Queen's Handbook). The Queen is an honorary officer on the executive board without voting privileges.
- C. In the event of a vacancy in this office, the runner up will fill the office for the remainder of the year.
- D. The Queen shall reign for one year.

- E. Scholarship fund. a \$1000.00 scholarship will be awarded to the Queen. She must use the Scholarship within one year after her graduation from high school for her higher education, or, if she is in college, will receive it toward the end of her reign (In August) upon request of her registration from the college or school of higher education. This scholarship will be placed in an Interest bearing account, and if she does not use it, will remain in the "Queens Scholarship Fund".
- F. The Association is to purchase a silver crown with "AASP&RC Queen" on it for the Queen to use and pass forward each year. Items furnished to the Queen, such as sash, buckle, saddle, and the use of the crown and horse trailer, will remain the property of the Association until the successful Completion of the Queen's reign. If she is dismissed for disciplinary reasons, all items must be returned to the Association, and she will not receive the scholarship. If the Queen should resign, the disposition of these items will be the discretion of the officers.
- G. All invitations and special activities for the Queen shall be routed through the Association Office to be approved by the Queen advisor, to be accepted or declined.
- H. A region may have as many candidates for Queen as they wish and can support.

ARTICLE V – Auditing, Bonds, Monies

Section 1 Auditing

The Association shall conduct it's affairs on a calendar year basis, beginning January 1st and ending on the last day of December. The Treasurer shall submit an itemized statement of income and expenditures at the annual meeting of the Delegates. The Association books and records must be audited at the end of each fiscal quarter of the current year by an Audit Committee and the officers must approve the report.

Section 2 Surety Bonds

The Treasurer, and all other officers, employees and Concession chairperson of the Association shall be covered by a Blanket Fidelity Bond supplied by the Association for the faithful discharge of his/her duties. The President must bond these officers and employees in the amount of (\$40,000.00) before they take office.

Section 3 Monies and Accounts

After the end of the fiscal year, the Treasurer shall account for all monies and audited accounts by the January meeting. She/he shall be liable for any funds held not accounted for. Any Club, or member thereof, or a District, owing a past due account to the Association, shall be suspended until this account is settled.

ARTICLE VI – Standing Committees

Audit Committee

The President appoints an Audit Committee with the approval of the officers.

Section 1 Committee Membership

Each District shall elect one member of each Standing Association Committee. Each member of these committees shall be elected or appointed for a term of two years and serve until his successor has been duly elected or appointed and qualified. Districts with even numbers shall elect their committee persons to serve a two-year term beginning on even numbered years. Districts with odd numbers shall elect their committee persons to serve a two year term beginning on odd numbered years. Any vacancies in the committee, other than expiration of term, shall be filled in the same manner as the original election or appointment. The chairperson of each committee shall be appointed by the President and their term ends at the annual convention no matter at what time they are appointed during the year. This "term" shall constitute a year of service.

Section 2 Committees

A. All Breed Horseshow

This committee is charged with the responsibility of recommending the rules for the All Breed Horseshow activities of the Association. All rules recommended by this committee shall be presented to the Executive Board for formal approval and clarification.

- B. Nominating committee**
 1. This committee shall make the nominations for the Association Officers.
 2. The first meeting of the nominating committee shall be held at Playday finals each year.
 3. At this meeting, the members of the committee shall submit the names of persons recommended for each office.
 4. These selections shall be based on the person's ability, and each candidate must meet the minimum requirement for his respective office as specified in Article IV of these By-Laws.
 5. The recommendations of this committee shall be announced in the Riders Roundup.
 6. Any member club may submit a nominee for any office to the committee.
 7. The final report of this committee shall be submitted to the Delegates at the Convention and no more than three (3) persons shall be submitted for any office by this committee.
 8. The floor may be opened for nominations by a motion and a second, and shall be for each office separately. All nominees must meet the minimum requirements as set forth in Article IV at the time of nomination.
 9. All elected officers must be elected by a majority of greater than 50%.
- C. Awards**
Responsible for recommending and presenting to the officers all awards including the number of places for Playday finals.
- D. Concession Stand**
Check concession stand equipment for repairs and improvements needed. Operate, stock, coordinate, and supervise the operation of Concession Stand for all Association Functions.
- E. Barns**
Responsible for making sure all stalls sold are properly transferred. Report all damages to the officers and to the stall owners for repair. Schedules stall rentals for all Association Functions.
- F. Electrical**
Recommend needed repairs and improvements to the Officers of all electrical equipment.
- G. Grounds**
Duties are to recommend all repairs and improvements needed to the Officers.
- H. Water & Sewer**
Duties are to recommend all repairs and improvements needed to the Officers.
- I. Parade**
This committee is charged with the responsibility of recommending the rules for the Parade activities of the Association. All rules recommended by this committee shall be presented to the Executive Board for final approval and clarification.
- J. Playday**
This committee is charged with the responsibility of recommending the rules for the Playday activities of the Association. All rules recommended by this committee shall be presented to the Executive Board for final approval and clarification.
- K. Promotional**
This committee is charged with the responsibility of promoting the Association.
 1. To organize and publicize the use of the facility at Bowie to generate income.
 2. Work on awards for Playday Finals (Saddles for High Point, First Place. etc.)
 3. To see that all Memorial Donations are acknowledged, reported to the family, and recognized in the Riders Roundup.
- L. Queen**
The Queen's Committee: This committee will review and revise the rules and regulations for the Queen Contest each year, subject to the approval of the Executive Board. President's wife may serve as Chairperson, or he may appoint someone else who is knowledgeable of all aspects of the Queen Contest.
- M. Scrapbook**
Scrapbook Committee makes recommendations to the officers for scrapbook awards.
- N. Youth**
Organize activities for the youth at Playday finals.

Section 3 Quorum

The number of members attending committee meetings shall constitute a quorum.

Section 4 Credentials

All members of each standing committee, who are not properly registered on the records in the Association office, shall submit to the chairperson a letter of certification of voting privileges, signed by at least two officers of the District which he represents.

Section 5 Special Committee

The President, or the Executive Board, may create and empower other committees as they deem advisable.

Section 6 Executive Board

- A. How constituted.** There is hereby created an Executive Board consisting of: (1) current officers, (2) one representative elected by each district, (3) the chairperson of each standing committee.
1. The President may appoint additional members as needed for the betterment of the Association; but may never appoint more than six (6) members.
 2. The elected members of the Board may, from time to time, change the number of appointed members.
- B. Duties and Powers**
1. When a meeting of the Delegates is not in session, the Executive Board shall have, and exercise, all the duties and powers vested in the Delegates by these By-Laws
 2. Members of the Board shall have the right to vote in the meetings of the Delegates.
 3. The Executive Board shall have the right to remove from office any Association or District officer.
 4. The Executive Board shall have the power to place on probation, suspend, or expel a District or a member club.
 5. The Executive Board or a District shall have the power to suspend or bar an individual from Association activities.
- C. Meetings**
1. The Executive Board shall hold a minimum of two (2) regular meetings each year.
 2. At the first meeting of the year, the Executive Board shall require a budget for the year, which has been approved and recommended by the officers, to be presented to the Executive Board. At each meeting, the Board shall review the budget, as well as a financial statement.
 3. The Board shall, at each meeting, ratify or rescind all actions of the officers since the previous Executive Board meeting.
 4. The Executive Board shall meet whenever and wherever called by the direction of the President or twenty percent (20%) of the Board acting jointly.
 5. In the event of a called meeting, the President shall give ten (10) days written notice to each member and, upon being notified of a called meeting by the President or twenty percent (20%) of the Board acting jointly, he shall process and mail such notices within forty-eight (48) hours.
 6. The Executive Board meetings shall be open, but only members of the Board may vote or present proposals. Any club member, other than an Executive Board member, who wishes a proposal presented, must submit it to his respective Executive Board member prior to the meeting.
 7. The Board may act by written ballot, without convening in meeting.
 8. At any meeting of the officers or the Executive Board, the Chairperson shall take, or cause to be taken, the minutes of such meeting. In addition, he shall record on tape, or cause to be recorded on tape, the entire proceedings of such meeting and such tapes shall be filed in the Association office as a permanent record and kept for a period of three (3) years. Language used in such meetings should be such that tapes could be played back in mixed groups without fear of embarrassment to anyone.

ARTICLE VII – Operating Procedures

- A. Operating Procedures** There shall be attached to these By-Laws, a list of "Operating Procedures" as established by the Executive Board. These Procedures may be changed by the Board as long as they do not conflict with these By-Laws.
- B. Queens Handbook** There shall be printed, separately from these By-Laws, a Queen's handbook which shall contain all operating procedures established by the Executive Board regarding the AASP&RC Queens Committee Chairperson, Princesses (Queen Candidates), Queen, and the coronation

ceremony. These procedures may be changed by the Executive Board as long as they do not conflict with these By-Laws. Such changes shall become effective January 1st of the succeeding year.

Section 1 Duties of Officers

- A. May not hold an office at the District or Club level.
- B. Represent the entire Association, not a District, Club, or an individual. Dedication should be for the betterment of the entire Association.
- C. The major projects accepted are his responsibility to carry out in their entire scope; including bringing up new ideas for the betterment of these projects.
- D. All decisions of policy making and policy changes must be approved by the Executive Board.
- E. Should use caution in making direct decisions unless the answers are known from past established policy.
- F. Officers and their families, when accompanying them, may participate, and qualify, for AASP&RC competition within their domain: Vice President in his region, President, Executive Vice President, Treasurer, Immediate Past President, AASP&RC Queen in all regions. Special privileges are granted to Princesses (candidates for AASP&RC Queen) to compete and qualify in any district in their respective Region.
- G. Duties of President - See Article IV, Section 2.
- H. Duties of Executive Vice President - See Article IV, Section 3
- I. Duties of Treasurer- See Article IV, Section 4.
- J. Duties of Immediate Past President - See Article IV Section 5.
- K. Duties of Vice President- See Article IV, Section 6:
 - 1. Represent the Association in his region as though he/she were President of the AASP&RC.
 - 2. Assist in setting up new clubs and districts, and promote the Association in every contact. Investigate, recommend, or reject new clubs.
 - 3. Copies of all correspondence pertaining to Association projects should go, not only to the President and Executive Vice President, but also to all Officers, to keep them informed of these projects.
- L. Duties of the Queen and her court of Princesses are outlined in the *Queen's Handbook* (See Article IV Section 7.)
- M. The Queen is exempt from paying pre-registration and event fees at required Association Functions.

Section 2 Quarterly Officers Meetings

The Officers of the Association shall meet at least quarterly. The duties and powers of the officers at these meeting shall be:

- 1. Approve report of President pertaining to ordinary business operations of the Association, and implementation of established policies and programs to be carried out by the President and reported to the officers.
- 2. Necessary adjustment of established policy recommended by President may be approved by the Officers and reported to the Executive Board.
- 3. New programs. Consistent with established policy, may be considered and acted upon by the Officers and reported to the Executive Board with recommendations. Such programs, upon Approval by the officers, may be set in motion when delay would not be in the best interest of The Association. Such actions should be understood to be pending Executive Board approval.
- 4. Questions concerning procedures involving, or problems normally considered a function of, one of the Association Standing Committees, should be referred to the appropriate Committee Chairperson and not considered by the officers, unless, in their meeting, prompt action is deemed necessary, or unless the problem is referred to the officers by the Committee Chairperson involved. Questions concerning Queen's contest should be referred to the President or Queen's Chairperson.

Section 3 Committees

A. Standing Committees

- 1. All standing committees shall meet at least once each year, preferably at their Association Final competition. Each committee, keeping in mind the recommendations of the Delegates at the

Convention, shall take any action for the betterment of its respective activity at this Meeting, and submit their recommendations to the Executive Board.

2. Each committee shall have its own secretary to handle the minutes of the meeting, turning them over to the Association Office for filing and necessary mailing.

B. Special Committees (refer to Article VI, Section 5)

1. Credentials Committee: There shall be a Credentials Committee appointed by the President. This committee shall check the certification of each delegate and committee member at each Meeting.
2. Queen's Committee: This committee will review and revise the rules and regulations for the Queen Contest each year, subject to the approval of the Executive Board. President's wife may serve as Chairperson or he may appoint someone else who is knowledgeable of all aspects of the Queen contest.

Section 4 Association Sponsored Functions

A. Responsibilities of Association

All Association Functions shall be under the sponsorship of the Association Office and Officers Committee.

1. The Association shall assume full financial responsibility of the Association Sponsored Functions, assuming and loss/profit from such. Fees for all functions shall be set by the Officers Committee. There will be no refunds of fees to members.
2. Any member of the Association who attends an participates in any of the functions, will be required to pay the General Registration Fee, set by the Officers Committee.
3. The Association office is authorized to project site selection for the Association Sponsored Functions into the future as may be advantageous, with the right of final approval of the selection of site by the Officers Committee.
4. Host: The Association Office shall work through and with a host organization whenever possible in making local arrangements.
5. 5.Officers Uniform: Navy Blue Association Vest, White Long Sleeved Shirt or Blouse, Navy Blue Tie, Natural Straw Hat (summer), Silverbelly Hat (winter). Dark Blue Jeans or Skirt. Officer Buckle. The President shall designate the Association Functions at which the Officers/Past Officers wear The Association Uniform. The Officers are allowed to select a Summer Uniform.

B. Convention

Club delegates have business meetings in which they evaluate the policies for the past year, set policies for the next year and elect officers. This function is primarily for adult members of the family, and includes informative meetings, social activities, judging for club scrapbooks, presentation of annual awards, and crowning of the Association Queen.

1. All members of affiliated clubs are urged to attend this annual event. Each club is responsible for having two voting delegates in attendance.
2. Awards
 - a. District with Most Registered Award.
 - b. District Participation Award (This award given to the district with the most registered at combined Association sponsored functions.)
 - c. Parade, Senior Division, 1st, 2nd, 3rd place awards. Points to be accumulated throughout the year at Association sanctioned parades. (See Parade Section)
 - d. Parade, Junior Division, 1st, 2nd, 3rd place awards. Points to be accumulated throughout the year at Association sanctioned parades. (See Parade Section). Grady Munden Memorial Award, a traveling trophy (1st place Junior Parade Group)
 - e. Distance Award (Club coming greatest distance)
 - f. Club Accumulated Mileage Awards (Distance multiplied by the number registered.)
 - g. Club with Most Registered Award.
 - h. Scrapbook award and certificates, 1st, 2nd, 3rd. Junior, Novice and Senior Divisions. Novice Divisions 1st place traveling trophy donated by R.E. and Donna Myers. The Senior Division Traveling Trophy will be known as the John Cook Scrapbook Traveling Trophy and is donated by the San Angelo Saddle Club. (See Scrapbook Section.)
 - i. Scrapbook Awards and Certificates, 1st, 2nd and 3rd place. (See Scrapbook Section)
 - j. Horseshow: Dale Bryant Traveling Trophy donated by Richard and Janie Janes, presented to

- the district with the most participants and spectators attending Horseshow Finals.
 - k. A traveling trophy, donated in memory of Claude Smith, is awarded to the District with the most accumulated Super Pee Wee points at Playday Finals, and presented annually at convention.
 - l. All Traveling Trophies are placed in the Association Office.
 - m. All Convention bids must be submitted at the January Officers meeting.
 - n. Convention shall be hosted on a rotating basis every year starting with region 1, then region 2, then region 3, then region 5, then region 6, then region 7. The rotation would then start over.
- C. Spring Roundup**
- 1. There will be back-up clock at Spring Roundup.
 - 2. Registrants participate in various phases of Association activities at the Spring Roundup: trail rides, arena games, dinner and dance, etc. Fun for the whole family.
 - 3. Awards
 - a. Club Distance award
 - b. Club Accumulated Mileage Award.
 - c. Awards for Arena Games.
 - d. District Sportsmanship.
 - e. A traveling trophy in memory of Robert D. "Pop" Garvin awarded to the oldest Trail rider at Spring Roundup.
 - f. Youngest Trail rider.
 - g. Best equipped Trail rider.
- D. Queen's Contest**
- A Queen contest will be held each year, in accordance with the outline in the current Queen's Handbook, to select a Queen to represent the Association. The results of this contest will be revealed at the annual Convention during the Coronation ceremony.

Section 5. Region

The Association is divided into regions for a more balanced organization and for competition.

- A. A Regional Vice President shall be elected by the Club Delegates within that Region to represent the Association as the Chief Officer in his/her Region.
- B. Two delegates from each club, and the Executive Board member from each district, shall run the business of the region.
- C. All awards and fees for regional activities, for the sake of uniformity, must be approved by the Association office.
- D. A Region Princess is selected to represent the Association in her Region, and may be invited to participate in any club, district or Region event. She will also compete for Office of AASP&RC Queen.
- E. Regional governing board should follow those guidelines now set up for districts in this manual.
- F. The districts in a region may be transferred from time to time in make these adjustments. The region and districts within each region are:
 - Region 1 West Texas - Districts 1 & 2
 - Region 2 Bowie & North Texas - Districts 12 & 31
 - Region 3 Ft Worth & Central Texas - Districts 17, 24, 25 & 29
 - Region 5 Dallas & Southeast Texas - Districts 14 & 22
 - Region 6 Southwest Texas - Districts 4, 5,
 - Region 7 South Texas - Districts 6, 8 & 10

Section 6. Districts

- A. Each region is divided into districts for members' convenience and for the development of the Association.
- B. The Posse or Club designated shall be headquarters for the district, but the Officers of the district may do business at any place convenient to the members or officers.
- C. The following officers are elected at the district level: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Standing Committeemen, (Refer to Article VI and Operating Procedures. Section 3). These, plus the delegates, two from each club, shall direct all policies and activities of the District.
- D. All Districts shall elect officers before the Convention.

- E. Qualifications for forming a new district:**
1. Group of clubs wishing to form a District should contact the Association Office or the Vice President of their Region.
 2. Minimum of two (2) clubs.
 3. Minimum of ten (10) family memberships in each of these two clubs.
 4. Districts may add additional clubs with fewer members provided the district has met the above requirements.
 5. District By-Laws shall not be in conflict with the By-Laws of the Association.
 6. President may authorize the District on a temporary basis, for a period of one (1) year.
 7. District does not have voting delegates at the Convention nor does the District pay a membership fee to the Association.
 8. For a new or re-activated district or club to have voting privileges at that year's convention, they must have made application to or submitted written request for re-activation in the Association office no later than April 30th and have representation from that district and club at American Association finals that year.

F. Activities.

1. Sanctioned District Activities - Queen Contest and all approved games and activities.
2. Suggested Activities - District may raise money to finance activities and awards by charging a District membership fee, entry fees at Playdays and other fundraising projects. Social activities in addition to horseback functions will create additional interest in the District.
3. Anyone who participates in any district point playday must be an AASP&RC member in good standing. Violation of this rule is covered under II President Article IV Section 2, Paragraph B.

Section 7 Clubs

- A. The member club of the AASP&RC is the grass roots stockholder of the Association.
- B. Delegates: The two (2) Delegates from each club meet each year at the annual Convention to review the past, establish policies for the future, and elect Association Officers for the coming year.
- C. Headquarters: The clubhouse is usually the headquarters for the club. In some cases, however, a club uses a municipal building for meetings and only has a post office box as an address for the club.
- D. Officers: The locality and activities of a club govern the duties and names of the offices. The leader being called Captain or President is unimportant. It is suggested that each club consider patterning their committees, using the Association committees as guidelines. The club voice to the District and the Association is through their (2) delegates.
- E. Activities: The club is the basis for all legislation and competition in the Association. In most cases, clubs contest against each other at the district level, and then combine their efforts to compete against other districts. The individual, regardless of the level of competition, never loses his/her identity with the club. Exception: A club is authorized to add associate members from another club without paying additional Association dues. This provision was originally made to encourage competition in team events and permit contestants to find team mates through this associate membership in an additional club where it was impossible in his/her club. In order to participate as a member of any club other than his/her home club, a person must have met all requirements and must have been accepted into the second club as a club associate member by the same standards as regular members of that club are accepted and maintained. The membership of the second club must include the associate club members on the records of that club in the Association Office before he can compete in Association sanctioned activities as an associate club member. NOTE: This not to supersede the By-Laws of a local club. NOTE: All team events- have been discontinued.

Section 8 General Rules

- A. No person shall cause to be administered internally or externally to a horse, either before or during an approved event, any medication or drug which is of such character as could affect its performance, and upon discovery of the administration of such drug or medication, the management shall

immediately disqualify the rider and report the matter in writing to the Association Office for disciplinary action.

- B. Horse or rider shall have no unnatural or artificial equipment such as hot shots or buzzers or any other items not normally used in Western Riding. It is a disqualification for that function only (using an electrical device)
- C. Language/Alcohol/Conduct: The use of profane language, alcohol, or disorderly conduct of any kind at an Association sanctioned activity will be sufficient cause for disqualification or expulsion from the Association. This rule shall be implemented immediately by a majority vote of officers at that activity. A written report will be filed with the Association office.
- D. Any unsigned letter sent to the Association criticizing the Association or any group or individual will be discarded and not published in the Riders Roundup.
- E. Equipment: Western Equipment is compulsory. Example: No bareback riggings or pads. Barrel race saddles built on western stock saddle type will be permitted. Exception: Protective gear or the uniform of drill teams,
- F. Unmanageable horse: Judges may disqualify an unmanageable horse for reason of safety.
- G. All business meetings will be conducted as per Roberts Rules of Order.
- H. Age Divisions: the individual age as of January 1st.

58 and over Classic Seniors	45 thru 57 Super Seniors
26 thru 44 Senior	15 thru 25 Intermediate
11 thru 14 Junior	7 thru 10 Pee Wee
0 thru 6 Super Pee Wee	

Each division divided by sex. NOTE: These age groups may be combined by order of the Executive Board with the exception of Playday Finals.

- I. Stalls: Built and/or purchased by member families of the AASP&RC may be used by that member or members of his/her family as long as the member or family member is pre-registered for the event and is a member in good standing with the AASP&RC. Stall owners may sell their stalls to Association members or to the Association for no more than the original cost. A stall owner must be inactive in the Association for two years before the Association can assume ownership of stalls.
- J. No Wire Pens.
- K. No horses within 150 feet of camper hookups.
- L. Association Clubs, Districts, and Regions may use the grounds at no charge. The Region VP from that club or district will be in charge of assuring that the grounds are cleaned and any damage done to the Association grounds will be paid by the Club, District or Region.
- M. All contestants' riding attire is the responsibility of the rider; however, for safety reasons, the AASP & RC recommends heeled riding shoes, jeans, and a suitable shirt.
- N. No attachments can be built or added to stalls or barn areas. No expansion of stalls or shade barriers which cause obstruction in common areas.
- O. The 50/50 Challenge with the NARC&SP will be an official function of the AASP&RC.

ARTICLE VIII Amendments

Section 1- Make, Amend & Repeal

The delegates shall have the power to make, amend and repeal the By-Laws of the Association by vote of a majority of the Delegates present at any regular or special meeting of the delegates.

Section 2- Emergency

In the event of an emergency, the Executive Board, by two thirds vote, may make a by-law change effective immediately, but such an amendment may be rescinded at the next meeting of the delegates. Any such by-law change shall be done by written ballot.

Section 3-Abeyance

All amendments to the by-laws of this Association made by the Executive Board shall be held in Abeyance until the next meeting of the delegates.

Section 4-Changes Distributed

All such changes made by the Executive Board shall be published and distributed to the members at least thirty days prior to the next meeting of the delegates.

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP
THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF SHERIFF POSSES AND RIDING CLUBS

Name of Posse or Club _____

Address _____

Town _____ State _____ Zip _____

Membership in District # _____ desired

Officers of the above club asking for membership (Use other side if necessary)

1. Name _____

Office _____ Phone _____

Address _____

2. Name _____

Office _____ Phone _____

Address _____

3. Name _____

Office _____ Phone _____

Address _____

4. Name _____

Office _____ Phone _____

Address _____

5. Name _____

Office _____ Phone _____

Address _____

6. Name _____

Office _____ Phone _____

Address _____

Delegates: These two people vote, representing your club at the District and Association level.

1. Name _____

Office _____ Phone _____

Address _____

2. Name _____

Office _____ Phone _____

Address _____

We understand the purpose of the AASP&RC is to encourage the motto of "Horsemanship, Sportsmanship and Citizenship" and to keep alive "The Spirit of the Old West". We have read and understand the By-Laws of the AASP&RC.

We shall help the Association promote the acquaintance and friendship among it's members through promotion and participation in Parades, Playdays, Horse Shows, and other activities related to mounted sports.

We, as a club, understand that the Association makes no effort to dictate our policies, however, our By-Laws and practices are not to be in conflict with the By-Laws of the AASP&RC

Signature of Officer of club making application for membership

Recommendation of a District President and Regional Vice President

Approved _____ Disapproved _____

Signature of District President

Approved _____ Disapproved _____

Signature of Regional Vice President

ARTICLE I - Purpose**Section 1**

The purpose of the horseshow program of the AASP&RC is to provide:

- A. Meaningful, professional quality, horseshow competition for the average horse owning family at a price it can afford.
- B. A system whereby AASP&RC members' horses may earn recognition for outstanding achievements in the area of performance and halter competition, regardless of affiliation with any other registry, organization, or association.
- C. A system whereby exhibitors may compete for such recognition of achievement.
- D. To promote Horsemanship, Sportsmanship, and Citizenship.
- E. To promote friendship, through competition; among AASP&RC and non-Association members.

ARTICLE II - Standards

Section 1 To receive AASP& RC approval, a show must:

- A. Be publicized
- B. Have a maximum amount of entry fee charged. (Maximum charge would equal the fees for five (5) events entered)
 1. Where no first place trophy is awarded in a class, fee to be no more than \$2.00 per non award class.
 2. Where a trophy or other material award, excluding ribbons, is given to the first place winner of each class, entry fee to be set at the discretion of show management taking into account the value of the material awards to be presented.
 3. Non-AASP&RC exhibitor's fees to be set at the discretion of the show management.
 4. To qualify for High Point awards at Horseshow Finals, an exhibitor must compete in a minimum of six (6) classes (one halter class and the rest a combination of speed and trail events). To qualify for Novice High Point at Horseshow Finals, an exhibitor must compete in a minimum of four (4) classes. Do not include Grand and Reserve Gelding or Grand and Reserve Mares.
 5. All Around designation is based on a one horse/one exhibitor combination, and the exhibitor must designate either *Open* or *Novice* status at the time of registration.
- C. Points must be kept on individual AASP&RC exhibitors and turned in to the Association office within 30 days of the show.
 1. Send information as placed in the show by the judge (1st thru 6th)
 2. Each club sponsoring a show should furnish a phone number of a person who will be able to give information about show facilities on arrival.
- D. A show must offer the four performance events (marked with * in Section 2, Article II) plus Halter classes (marked with * in Section 2 Article II)
 1. Optional Halter classes may be offered at the discretion of the show management.
 2. All non-AASP&RC approved classes shall be declared on the premium list posted, thirty (30) days prior to show date to the Association office.
- E. Sanctioning fee and entry form for the show must be submitted at least thirty (30) days prior to show date to the Association office.
 1. Alternate dates should be offered in order to avoid conflicting show dates within the same Region.
 2. Sanctioning fee is \$10.00
 3. Only AASP&RC affiliated clubs, posses, districts, or regions are eligible to offer an AASP&RC sanctioned show.
 4. All sanctioned shows must use an Association standard form for the secretary to report show results to the Association office.
 5. Horseshow packets will be supplied to all regions and clubs sponsoring a horseshow through the AASP&RC office.
 6. Each active region shall hold at least one (1) approved horseshow prior to the horseshow finals.
 7. The Association rules would prevail over all other horseshow rules, including the fee charge noted above.
 8. Horseshow finals may be considered an open all breed horseshow.

Section 2 Show Classes

The following is a suggested format for a show. The required classes are marked with *, optional classes not so marked. AQHA rules will be used as guidelines except age groups, which will remain AASP&RC. Ignore age of horses for class distinction. Novice class is a two-year classification with any horse or rider in which at least one of the combinations has never won an All-Around High Point Novice award.

- A. Halter
 - 1. Stallions (only 20 years of age or older are eligible to show a Stallion in an AASP&RC show)
 - a. Show management has the option to divide this class: Stallions at Halter 4 and under and Stallions at Halter 5 and over.
 - 2. Ponies.
 - 3. Mares at Halter
 - a. Show management has the option to divide this class. Grade or Registered Mares at halter 4 and under, 5 and over.
 - 4. Grand Champion or Reserve Grand Champion Mares.
 - a. This class to be comprised of the first and second place winners of each class of mares.
 - 5. Geldings at Halter
 - a. Show management has the option to divide this class: Grade or Registered Geldings at Halter 4 and under, 5 and over
 - 6. Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Geldings
 - a. This class to be comprised of the first and second place winner of each class of Geldings.
 - 7. Weanling (foaled in the calendar year of show)
 - 8. Yearling (foaled in the preceding calendar year of show)
 - a. Halter class points will be counted toward the high point award.
 - 9. No extra points will be awarded for Grand or Reserve Grand Champion at Halter.
- B. Showmanship at Halter
 - 1. To be judged according to the Officiating Judge. AQHA and/or 4-H Showmanship patterns may be used as a guide.
- C. Walk-Trot- open class to all age exhibitors, does not count for points.
- *D. Trail: selection of six of the following obstacles:
 - 1. Opening, passing through, and closing a gate.
 - 2. Ride over at least four logs.
 - 3. Carry an object from and to designated point.
 - 4. Back horse through designated obstacle or course.
 - 5. Put on and remove a slicker.
 - 6. Ride over a wooden bridge.
 - 7. Water hazard.
 - 8. Remove and replace articles from a mailbox.
 - 9. Side Pass.
 - 10. Execute a 360 degree turn within a space designated by four 6' logs placed in such a way as to form a square.
- * E. Reining
- * F. Western Horsemanship
- G. Western Riding
- H. Novice Class
 - 1. 15 & under, 16 & over
 - 2. Novice - A two-year designation with any horse or rider in which at least one of the combination has never won an All-Around high point novice award.

The following timed events are mandatory events for Horseshow Finals and age groups are to be broken down per Section 3, A

- 1. Quarter Horse Poles
- 2. Cloverleaf Barrels
- 3. Flying W

Section 3 Age Groups

- A. Age groups for AASP&RC horse shows are 10 & under, 11 thru 14, 15 thru 25, 26 and over.
- B. Juniors and intermediates are not eligible for combination in any situation, nor PeeWee and Juniors.
- C. Division of classes or sex shall be at the option of the show management, taking into consideration size of classes.

Section 4 Points

Points shall be awarded as per Association Playday Games Rules (first place receives 6 points, sixth place receives 1 point.)

- A. In the event that any given class is of such size that all points are awarded to Non-AASP&RC members, arrangements should be made for the judge to place the entire class so AASP&RC members will be accredited. (AASP&RC members only compete with each other for points. Points handed in after a show in class of ten (10) where all AASP&RC exhibitors place after non-members, the highest five (5) and etc.). All Breed Horseshow Finals is open to the public with only Association members to compete for high point awards.
 - 1. Traveling trophies will be displayed in Association office and a plaque or certificate will be given to the winner at the convention.

Section 5 Attire Requirements

Certain standards of dress shall be required for exhibitors and, in certain instances, horses.

- A. In all halter and performances classes, the exhibitor shall wear suitable western clothing; long sleeve shirts with collar, western hat and western boots.
- B. Western type saddle and bridles are required.
- C. In speed events, western hat is not required.
- D. The use of training devices such as, but not limited to, Martingales, Nosebands and tie downs shall not be permitted in Halter or Performance classes.
 - 1. Use of such devices will cause disqualification of points and placings. Simplified: A horse exhibited with at training device will not be judged and/or placed.

Section 6 Judges

All judges must be card holders, College judging teams with Association judges, AQHA judges and 4-H judges. Association judges cannot judge within his or her region.

- A. Judging of Halter, Showmanship, Western Pleasure, Western Horsemanship, Reining and Trail shall be at the discretion of officiating judge. AQHA and/or 4-H class patterns may be used as a guide.
- B. If the management of any given show cannot obtain the services of an AASP&RC officiating judge, it shall be their responsibility to hire the judge and, upon request, he must furnish proof of qualification.
 - 1. Any fees for the judges or ring stewards are the responsibility of the show management.
- C. All timed events shall be governed by AASP&RC Playday Games Rules.
- D. An unsound horse will be excused from the show at the discretion of the judge through the grievance committee.
- E. Show management must provide a grievance committee. The fee for any grievance will be \$25.00 cash. If Judgment is overturned, and the grievance is found valid, the \$25.00 fee will be refunded. If the grievance is not found valid, the money will be retained by show management. Also, the exhibitor is disqualified for this event and other exhibitors move up in placings.
- F. Both ring steward and judge must have read the rules and be familiar with them prior to the show. Each must have a copy in the ring during the show.

Section 7 Finals

All information pertaining to sponsoring Horseshow Finals is to be made available to assist the next group upon their request. A mandatory list of classes is to be developed for Horseshow Finals and the list will be available so that qualifying shows will know which events to offer.

- A. Showmanship, Western Horsemanship, Western Riding, Reining and Trail Patterns shall be posted in a convenient and logical location prior to or at beginning of registration.

PARADES

Section 1 - Purpose

The AASP& RC in 1952 was originally organized for the purpose of standardizing parade judging forms and this is still one of our objectives.

There has been much time and many hours of discussion giving us the following rules for judging parades. The purpose now, as it was then, is to give each parading group an opportunity to know the points that will be observed as they parade, giving them an opportunity to be prepared, and the judges a definite point value, as to what each club deserves.

Parade judging forms are available at the Association office upon request. They are also available for nonmembers of the Association.

Parade groups may earn points toward championship by participation in sanctioned parades.

Section 2 - Specifications for Sanctioned Parades

- A. Request by the sponsoring organization for parade judging forms.
- B. Minimum of three (3) judges. Judges should be selected early enough so that they may familiarize themselves with the rules as set forth. Insist that each judge by these rules and not be influenced by anyone or anything else. Each judge must sign his/her judging form.
- C. Parade must be open to all Association member clubs in good standing.
- D. At least one member of the parade group must be a member in good standing with the Association.
- E. If only one group is parading, they can still be judged and their points counted, if it is judged by the AASP & RC rules.
- F. Furnish each judge with a judging form and parade order of each riding club. The office is to send a completed example of a judging form to each organization who request forms for sanctioned parades.
- G. All judging forms that were used, not just the winners, must be returned to the designated address of the Association office for permanent filing. These records are the method by which points are given toward accumulation for an annual award. Individual names of the parade participants must be listed on the back of the parade form.
- H. If you wish to judge juniors and seniors separately, a junior club is one with no more than three (3) adults riding in it. Junior riders will be 17 years old and under.
- I. For safety reasons, any unruly horse in a parade group could disqualify or cause loss of points for the entire group.

Section 3 - Qualifications for Championship.

- A. Results of parades sent in on Parade Report Form by participating clubs within 30 days after parade date. Points for parade participation should be turned in at least 30 prior to Convention for year end awards.
- B. Clippings from newspaper sent in when available.
- C. Points earned in sanctioned parades are as follows: 1st-- 10 points, 2nd-- 6 points, 3rd-- 4 points. Points are accumulated throughout the year at sanctioned parades.
- D. Awards Presented at Convention.
 1. Parade, Senior Division, 1st, 2nd, place awards.
 2. Parade, Junior Division, 1st, 2nd place awards.
 3. The Grady Munden Memorial Award, a traveling trophy, is presented each year to the first place junior parade group.
- E. A riders' roster must be turned in with the report form to assure that two-thirds of the riders are AASP&RC members.

Section 4 Parade Guidelines.

Explanation of Judging Forms: There are four phases of judging. The first three are a simple mathematical process and the fourth is a matter of judging each group as to the behavior of horses and riders, spacing of participants, and general appeal and attractiveness of the overall group. The winners will be determined by the total points earned in the four phases of judging. The highest total number of points will be winner, next high, second, etc.

Uniformity of Horses

1-10 Bonus points are given for generally matching size and color of horses within the group.

Grooming of Horses

Subtract 1 Point per Horse for not being properly groomed (Clean, Brushed and Trimmed, Feet, Body, Mane and Tail)

Uniforms

Subtract 1 Point for each horse and/or rider out of uniform.

Judges Decision

1-25 points - Poise, Precision and Showmanship - Each Judge will judge the group as impressed with the good and bad features of the group. Judges fonn will provide for 10 point bonus for grooming with a subtraction of points for horses not properly groomed and dressed.

Section 5 Parade Ethics

A. Flags

1. American Flag takes precedence over all other flags
2. State flags take precedence over all club flags.
3. The American flag should always be on the right, state flag on the left when carried together.
4. State flags should be carried on the right and club flags on the left when carried together.
5. American flag should lead, State next and club next in that order when carried single file.
6. American flag should always lead a parade with the lesser flags behind it. In some cases it has been permitted for each Posse or Club to carry their own American flag at the lead of their unit, but it is not considered the best ethic.
7. It is general practice for Association flags in parades to lead the parade behind the American and State flags or in front of the first mounted group.
8. All persons carrying flags, other than the American flag, should lower the tips of their flags in respect to the National Anthem.
9. It is not necessary for riders carrying flags to remove their hats during the playing of the National Anthem.

B. Association Officers.

1. Since Association Officers are representing our entire Association, they should have a place of honor before any riding group in a parade or grand entry.

C. Parade Ethics: Suggested Protocol for Parade lineup.

1. President or Queen
2. When the Queen is placed in double file with the President, she shall ride to this left, when she is double file with an Officer, she shall ride on his/her right.
3. Regional Princesses.
4. Elected Officers.
5. Regional Officers.

D. Riding in a Parade

1. Try to look as though you are parading and not riding the range in your most comfortable, slouchy position. It does not make you look like a cowboy, but only detracts from the parade as a whole.
2. Ride straight in the saddle, holding your reins as though you could control your horse if the need arose.
3. Hold a flag straight so people can see it and not laying down as though you were about to drop it.
4. Stay in line and watch your spacing from other horses. The rider on the right is responsible for keeping the space from the other horse in front and staying in line. The rider on the left dresses off him, and keeps his horse in line with riders in front of him/her.
5. Execute your turns parade fashion. Don't cut across so you will not have to ride so far. If pivot turns are ordered by your Marshall, execute them correctly, if criss-cross, then do them as prescribed.
6. Only one rider per horse.
7. Children may be led and points will not be counted off. They should be at the back of the parade group.

E. Parade Marshals.

1. Be sure dignitaries and invited groups are met and told what position is reserved for them. Don't leave them standing around wondering if you really knew they were invited. This is most distressing on the person you have invited, and shows very bad planning or bad manners on the part of the host club.
 2. Prepare a list of people riding in the parade and see that they are introduced as they ride by the judges' stand, or other places you have loud speakers. Get their name and organization correct. Calling someone by a wrong name is worse than not calling it at all. Be sure your announcer has the name and organization correct. This is all very important to your clubs and town. Bad mistakes reflect on the host Club and everyone connected with it.
- F. Grand Entry**
1. Brief the announcer early on who is to be introduced and prepare a list for him. A spotter also helps even if you have a list, because your rodeo announcer is usually a stranger and does not know the procedure or people.
 2. You, as Sponsor, are the boss. You are paying the Rodeo Producer or Stock Contractor to furnish the stock or produce the rodeo, and he is supposed to do as you wish. This should be understood before you hire him.
 3. Association officials who ride in your parade and grand entry should also be introduced, not so much for the person, as for the Association. It is your Association and the more it is brought before the people, the more help it will be to your future Rodeos and Parades.

Section 6 Officials

- A. Minimum of three (3) judges. (One additional person may be used to determine the adjusted number of each riding group.)
- B. Judges should be familiar with judging forms.
- C. Judges discretion should be used to determine in which type the group belongs.
- D. Complete the first three phases of your judging, if possible, before the parade begins. However, do not hesitate to change your figures if you find them to be incorrect at any time, (Some may arrive late or some may improve after you have inspected them)
- E. Be accurate. If time does not permit completion of the first three phases of the judging forms before the parade, have parade groups return to the forming area for completion of judging.
- F. Place judges in advantageous positions to judge the parade. If there is a "Spooky" place on the parade route, let one judge see all of the groups pass it, one should see them on the straight, etc. Don't change positions; judge them all under the same conditions. This means you will likely show different scores, but it will give you complete coverage likely showing weaknesses and strengths of each club.
- G. Judging schools or instructions are available upon request at the Association Office.
- H. If desired, each judge may be assigned only one section to judge instead of all judges judging all sections, but all judges should be responsible for overseeing the compiling of points.

CLUB PARADE REPORT FORM
American Association of Sheriff Poses and Riding Clubs
Reporting sheet for Association Sanctioned Parades

_____ SR – JR _____

CLUB _____

CITY _____ STATE _____

PRESIDENT _____

Parade held at _____

Number of Clubs Participating _____

Sponsored by _____

1st Place _____

2nd Place _____

3rd Place _____

Signature Club President and Date

List individual names of parade participants on the back of the parade report form. This report must be submitted to the American Association Offices designated address within 30 days after the Parade date.

PARADE ANNOUNCEMENT FORM

POSSE OR CLUB NAME

A MEMBER OF DISTRICT _____ REGION _____

THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF SHERIFF POSSES AND RIDING CLUBS

PRESIDENT _____

VICE-PRESIDENT _____

SECRETARY/TREASURER _____

QUEEN/SWEETHEART/OTHER _____

PRINCESS/JR. SWEETHEART/OTHER _____

OTHER DIGNITARY _____

OTHER DIGNITARY _____

OTHER INFORMATION/ACTIVITIES ETC. _____

MAILING
ADDRESS _____

CONTACT PERSON _____ PHONE _____

SCRAPBOOK

The Scrapbook furnishes evidence of the activities during the year that let the club be judged as to the "Best all Around Club" in the Association.

- A. Size: Any size is acceptable including multimedia scrapbooks.
- B. Cover: Front Cover and overall appearance
 - 1. Name of Club
 - 2. District
 - 3. City and State-if the club name is in the name of the town, drop the name of The town and "Texas".
 - 4. Year
- C. Contents Inside Front Cover
 - 1. Theme carried out throughout book.
 - 2. Table of Contents (Pages Numbered) 5pts.
 - 3. Copy of Club By-laws. 5pts.
- D. Categories included in the Scrapbook are to be individual and will run from Convention to Convention.
 - 1. Club History & Activities 10pts.
 - a. Benefit to community 10pts.
 - b. Benefit to members 10pts.
 - c. Special projects 5pts.
 - 2. District participation 10pts.
 - 3. Region participation 10pts.
 - 4. Association participation 10pts.
 - a. Convention 5pts.
 - b. Spring Roundup 5pts.
 - c. Playday Finals 5pts.
 - d. 50/50 5pts.
 - e. Horseshow Finals 5pts.

REVIEW

Presentation of Scrapbooks to be at Opening General Assembly of Convention, with a 15 minute time limit for each.

Score Sheet and Judges

Entry forms or intentions to present a scrapbook are to be sent in 30 days prior to convention. The Judges must sign their sheet by name and district. After scrapbook entries have met deadline, they will be judged. If a club enters a scrapbook, no member of the club can judge the class their book is entered in, but could be a judge in another class. The Scrapbook Chairperson is responsible for the judging score sheets, collecting and counting them.

Divisions and Awards

- A. Novice Divisions: A club who hasn't presented in 10 years, and will be for a term of 2 years, i.e. the first two years a club presents a scrapbook. The Novice Division Traveling Trophy is donated by R.E. and Donna Myers.
- B. Senior Division: The Senior Division Traveling Trophy is donated by Region 7 in honor of Bill and Addie Renfro.
- C. Junior Division: A book to be composed by member of the club 17 years and under.

There will be 1st, 2nd and 3rd place awards in each division in conjunction with the traveling trophies. Traveling trophies are to be displayed at the Association Office

The scrapbook Chairperson is to send letters to each club president and put notices in the Rider Roundup and follow up letters, including name, addresses and phone numbers of the past Chairpersons to be contacted for advice on Scrapbooks. This is to be after the Convention, with a quarterly follow up letter to the Riders Roundup. Also recommend any club wishing to enter a scrapbook keep all articles and pictures.

Scrapbook may be submitted by Clubs, with notification to Scrapbook Chairperson by August 1, that a scrapbook was being submitted (so they would know which categories they would need awards in).

Scrapbooks that have placed 1st, 2nd, or 3rd, will be displayed at the Friday night banquet with the prize ribbons or another form of identification.

PLAYDAY GAMES

The section of Playday Games is to acquaint the membership with the games that have been approved to be run at the Playday Finals and the rules governing them. The playday activities of the AASP&RC are a family affair. In many cases the entire family participates in the competition along with doing the manual labor in the registration booth, concession stand, the announcer's vantage point where the records are kept. This tends to prove that there are many aspects by which the entire family may contribute in many ways to the Association motto of "Horsemanship, Sportsmanship and Citizenship".

The member clubs of the AASP&RC compete at the district level to qualify its contestants to go to the Playday Finals of the Association. These individuals from each club who qualify to represent their district at the Playday Finals compete for individual and district recognition.

Records are of great importance. The Association playday records are kept in the office by the system which accumulates individual points. This enables all contestants to compare times with each other regardless of location of the competition or arena size. Each game has its own formula of adjusting the dimensions according to the size of the arena.

NEW GAMES

The games to be run at the playday finals will be on a rotating basis starting year 2010 playday season with the exception of poles and barrels. Delegates at the convention can adjust or amend all playday games.

RULE 1 Description of games.

Refer to specific game following the rules.

RULE 2 Arena Specifications

- A. For arena specifications, see arena diagram preceding games.
- B. Adjustments for sub-standard arenas - refer to Specific Games.
- C. Starting line to extend from each side of the arena fence out 3 to 5 feet, the center to be Un-marked.
- D. Any person assisting a playday rider into the arena shall be on foot.

RULE 3 Equipment

- A. Refer to specific game.
- B. Equipment shall be handed to the rider after he enters the arena.
- C. Recommended that each district use equipment of the same color as listed-in rule 8 B under Playday Games.

RULE 4 Game Rules

- A. Age Division: Contestants in the games shall be divided into 14 Classes: Classic Senior Men, Classic Senior Women, Super Senior Men, Super Senior Women, Senior Men, Senior Women, Intermediate Men, Intermediate Women, Junior Boys, Junior Girls, Pee Wee Boys, Pee Wee Girls, Super Pee Wee Boys, Super Pee Wee Girls (refer to Age Division, Article VII Section 8-H)
- B. Calls to Ride: Contestants shall be present at the time of call for any event. Three calls will be made, if the contestant is not ready to ride on the third call, he will be disqualified.
 - 1. A rider can move 5 riders up or down within his age group, until the end of the age group. After that, either ride or be disqualified.
- C. Scoring of Points: Points to determine individual winners will be as follows: 10 points for 1st down to 1 point for 10th. (If only 6 places given, 1st place would be 6 points, down to 6th place 1 point. Number of points may not exceed the number of contestants in the class or event. 1st through 10th Place should be awarded.
- D. Closed Arena: All games are to be run in a closed arena. The gate must be closed before the rider starts his pattern or before starting forward motion, with a disqualification on the rider if the gate is not closed. The gate should be closed until the rider brings his horse under control after the pattern. No equipment will be handed to contestant until he is inside the arena. The use of "L" gates will be

considered a closed arena. Once a rider has completed the event and has his horse under control, another rider may enter the arena.

- E. Horse Rule: A horse may not be ridden but one time in each class or event with the exception of a horse used by an immediate family (Immediate family will include parents or legal guardians and children whether married or unmarried and grandchildren. This also includes sons-in-law or daughters-in-law). Violation will result in disqualification of ineligible rider.
- F. Tie: When running off a tie for a single event, a contestant must run within two seconds or less of their original time to win. This rule applies when the runoff time is slower than the original time. If after two unsuccessful efforts, this has not been accomplished, flip of the coin may be used.
- G. Represent one district. A family can represent only one district at playday finals.
- H. Designated people in the arena: No one except those designated by the arena director will be allowed in the arena.
- I. Time starts and stops when the horse's nose reaches the timer line.
- J. Striking a horse: A horse may not be struck with playday equipment at anytime.
- K. No physical assistance shall be given past the starting line in any class. Only one assistant per rider may be in the arena during that contestants ride.

RULE 5 Officials

- A. Announcer:
 - 1. Number required (1) with assistants.
 - 2. Duties:
 - a. Call off contestants in the order in which they will run. (Suggestions, call rider by name,
 - b. Instruct the next one up to be at the gate and the following be ready.
 - c. Announce the judges' decisions.
 - d. Announce placing.
 - e. Keep event moving.
 - f. Not talk to excess.
- B. Timekeepers
 - 1. Number required (1) with backup timekeeper recommended.
 - 2. Equipment: Electronic timer or at least (2) 100 second stop watches.
 - 3. Duties
 - a. Make sure timer is clear before the contestant starts pattern.
 - b. Both timekeepers read timer, one calls aloud the time for the announcer and the scorer.
 - c. Never clear the timer until timekeepers have agreed on the reading.
- C. Record
 - 1. Number required (1) with substitutes.
 - 2. Equipment- Playday worksheets and pencils
 - 3. Duties
 - a. Record the total time, including penalty, in the time column of worksheets as called out by the timekeeper, indicate No Time, with NT and No Show with NS, indicating a contestant failed to show up to ride.
 - b. Record the penalty, if any in the penalty box.
- D. Awards Recorder
 - 1. Number required one (1) or more.
 - 2. Equipment- Awards required.
 - 3. Duties
 - a. Determine first through sixth for each class in each event by lowest time receiving first place, second lowest time, second place etc.
 - b. Record placing on worksheets.
 - c. Prepare awards (Ribbons, etc.) for distribution to winners.
- E. Entry Booth Personnel.
 - 1. Number required depends on size of entry booth and personnel available. Ideal situations would be one for each class, plus a cashier.
 - 2. Equipment-Entry forms.
 - 3. Duties
 - a. Make entry forms available for each contestant.

- b. Cashier receives entry forms with money and see that all information is complete (name, class, games entered, and amount due).
 - c. Sort entry forms into proper classes.
 - d. Person working with the class prepares them in the desired running order for the first game (deleting those that are not entered in that game) for the announcer.
 - e. This procedure of sorting classes as to running order must be done so that announcers list will be correct for each class.
- F. District Secretary.**
Even though the above officials may be appointed by the district and/or a specific club within the District, those work details are under the supervision of, and the responsibility of, the district secretary.
- 1. Duties
 - a. Entry forms for contestants.
 - b. Running order of contestants for announcer.
 - c. Prepare awards for winners.
 - d. Playday worksheets
 - 1) Record times, places, and points.
 - 2) List date and location of play day
 - 3) Return original to Association office for update and keep second copy for district records.
- G. Line-up Judge:** May disqualify a rider for: running with an open gate; or not breaking forward motion.
- 1. Number required one or more per gate, as necessary.
 - 2. Duties
 - a. Entrance gate, open gate for contestant to enter and close gate as per Rule 4 E.
 - b. Exit Gate, Open gate after contestant has completed his ride and gotten his horse under control. Refer to Rule 4. E. Note Entrance and exit gates may be the same. Where a permanent L shaped gate is provided by an arena, the gateman is not needed.
- H. Arena Officials** Refer to specific Game
- I. Arena judges** to be Intermediate or above.
- J. Judges for a highpoint run off during Playday Finals** must be selected by the playday chairperson from the representatives that are on the rules committee.

RULE 6 Penalties- Refer to specific Playday Games

RULE 7 Disqualifications.

- A.** Striking a horse with playday equipment will disqualify rider for the event in which he is participating at the time
- B.** Failure to be ready to ride on the third call by the announcer.
 - 1. A rider may move 5 riders up or down within the age group and if the rider does not ride at the end of that age group he is disqualified.
- C.** Refer to Article VII Section 8 A
- D.** Refer to Article VII Section 8 B (Disqualification under this rule is for entire playday.
- E.** Refer to Article VIII Section 8 C
- F.** Refer to Playday Games Rule 4 E closed Arena

Rule 8 Playday Finals

The top contestants from each district compete for personal and district recognition awards.

- A.** Qualification for Playday Finals Competition: To qualify for finals, you must have ridden at the District level in each event in which you wish to participate in. Each district may send as many participants as are qualified in each class for each event. A qualified ride is one in which the contestant is not disqualified.
- B.** Representation: A family may represent only one district at Playday Finals.
- C.** Pre-Registration: It is the responsibility of each district to submit names and required fee (registration and entry) of the qualified contestant participating in the playday finals, as indicated by the results of the district playdays, to the Association office at least 21 days prior to the Playday Finals. Entries can be made up to noon on Tuesday for a fee of \$50.00. Their name will not be in the program, but the rider will be put in the rotation. There will be no refunds.

- D. Equipment:** All approved equipment used at Playday Finals will be furnished by the Association in the following colors.
1. Poles-White
 2. Flag Sticks- White(with red material for flag)
 3. Barrel protectors are official equipment
 4. Barrels- A combination of two colors with blue predominant
 5. Electronic Timer
 6. Baseball Barrel
 7. Baseball/ Golf balls
- E. Drawing:** There will be a drawing of region numbers by the playday chairperson to determine the order in which the regions will run the first event at playday finals. Thereafter, the regions will rotate after each event. The order in which districts within each region will be run shall be determined by the region.
- F. Rules Committee:** Any questions presented to the rules committee must be presented by regional rules committee men. Playday rules clarification meeting has one representative from each district. The Playday rules committee shall be made up of two representatives from each region, each from a different class. Each District must have a rules person and one alternate on the grounds at all times during events. Each region shall have a representative present at any protest meeting.
- G. Awards:**
1. District awards: The Miller family has donated a Memorial Sponsorship Award in the Memory of Jamie Miller to be placed in the Association office with winners plates to be Added to the trophy each year.
 2. Individual Awards:
 - a. High Point awards in each class.
 - b. First through 6th place in each class in each event.
 - c. After places one through six high point awards have been secured, awards are open to clubs, districts, etc. to donate places seven through ten high point awards. These awards are at the discretion of the awards chairperson and are not to exceed the value of sixth place.
- H. Numbers:** Participants are required to wear their numbers on their back or left side of their saddle pad at Playday Finals or be disqualified.
- I. Recreational Vehicles:** will not be allowed at Playday Finals subject to the following:
1. Exception- Official use, and before games begin, and after they are over for the day, until 11:00 pm.
- J. Licensed Vehicle:** At all Association functions licensed vehicles must be driven by licensed Drivers. Reckless driving will be dealt with (head of security).
- K. Protest Fee:** A \$50.00 cash only protest fee along with a protest in writing will be used. This means that if a person puts up \$50.00 and a protest in writing, and he loses, the money is kept by the Association. If he wins, he is refunded his \$50.00. Protests must be made within 10 minutes of the conclusion of the class. The person who files the protest must go to the announcers stand within 10 minutes of the end of the class to file it before it goes to the playday chairman. The protest committee meeting will be held in the office and only the protestor and the protestee and the protest committee can attend. However if individual parties are named, both the protestor and the one protested against must be present at the protest meeting.
- L. Officers and Playday Chairman** have a choice as to whether they ride at the first of their class or in normal Rotation during finals. They must notify Playday Chairperson prior to event lineup.

CURRENT PLAYDAY GAMES

BARREL RACE

This is a timed event. Rider will cross timer line, make a 360 degree turn around the first barrel, go across arena, make a 360 degree turn around the second barrel, then make a 360 degree turn around the third barrel and return between first and second barrels, crossing timer line. This is known as a clover leaf barrel pattern. Rider may run either right or left pattern.

EQUIPMENT REQUIRED

1. Timer line (designates the beginning and ending of each race marked by chalk or lime).
2. Three (3) 55-gallon standard oil drums with the dimensions being 23 inches from outside to outside on the ends and 34-1/2 inches long from the outside lip on top to the outside lip on bottom, placed in a triangle formation ninety (90) feet apart for a cloverleaf pattern. First and second barrels are sixty (60) feet from timer line. Measurements should be taken from the center of barrels. Barrels must be a minimum of fifteen (15) feet from any arena fence.
3. Barrels must have barrel protectors.

PENALTIES

A five (5) second penalty will be added to the rider's time for knocking over a barrel.

DISQUALIFICATIONS

1. Breaking the pattern.
2. Failure to complete the race.

OFFICIALS

There needs to be at least 2 judges in the arena standing at all times during the event to observe pattern and set up any barrels in their proper place when knocked over.

PATTERN ADJUSTMENTS

Adjustment for non-standard arenas. See the arena size diagram preceding games.

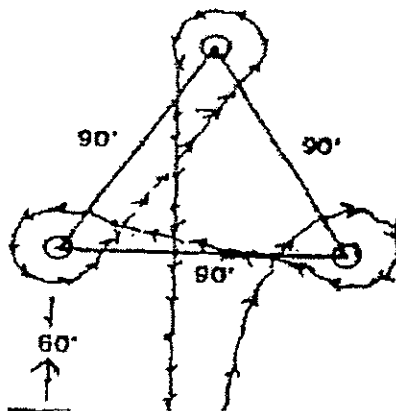
The arena that is too large creates no problem because the standard pattern can always be used. The arena that is too narrow can be adjusted by placing number one (1) and number two (2) barrels at the fifteen (15) foot minimum distance from the fence, then measuring the distance between the one and two barrels and subtract from total standard pattern of 270 feet. Number three (3) barrel should be placed half of this distance from number two (2) barrel. The triangle totaling 270 feet.

Example: 100 foot arena -30 feet (15 feet each side) = 70 feet.

270 feet - 70 feet =200 feet.

200 feet divided by 2 = 100 feet.

Third barrel is 100 feet from first and second barrels.



Start and Finish Line

STRAIGHT AWAY BARRELS

This is a timed event. Rider crosses timer line weaving either right or left of first barrel, continuing weaving in and out to the third barrel, 360 degree turn around third barrel, then weaves back thru barrels to cross the timer line.

EQUIPMENT REQUIRED

1. Timer line (designates the beginning and end of each race marked by chalk or lime).
2. Three (3) 55 gallon standard oil drums with the dimensions being 23 inches from outside to outside on the ends and 34-1/2 inches long from the outside lip on top to the outside lip on bottom, placed (50) feet apart and third barrel 150 feet from timer line.
3. Barrels must have barrel protectors.

PENALTIES

A five (5) second penalty for knocking over barrel.

DISQUALIFICATIONS

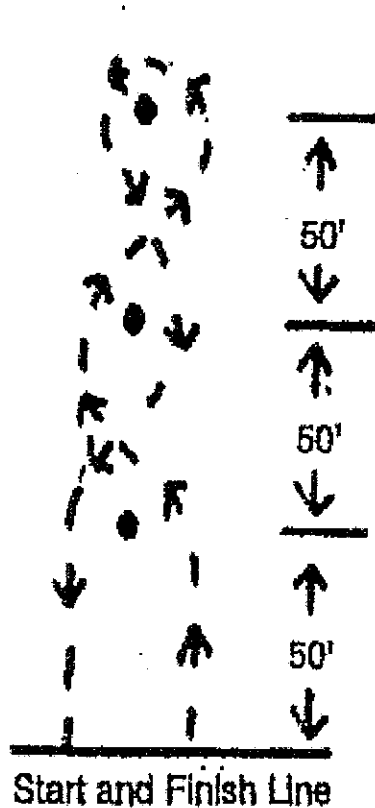
1. Breaking the pattern
2. Failure to complete the race.

PATTERN ADJUSTMENTS

Adjustments for non-standard arena - none

JUDGES

There needs to be at least 2 judges in the arena standing at all times during the event to observe pattern and set up any barrels in their proper place when knocked over.



PYLON ALLEY

This is a timed event. The rider crosses the timer line between the cones in the first and second set, makes a turn around the center cone (of the last three) and returns, going between the cones in the second and the first set. A left or right turn may be made around the center cone.

EQUIPMENT REQUIRED

1. Timer line (designates the beginning and ending of each race marked by chalk or lime).
2. Seven (7) traffic cones with the size of base being 10-1/2 inches from outside to outside with the height being 17 inches tall. One standard pole with base (see Quarter Horse Poles for dimensions). The first set of cones are six (6) feet apart and twenty (20) feet from the timer line, the second set are six (6) feet apart and forty (40) feet from the timer line, and the last three (3) cones are six (6) feet apart and sixty (60) feet from the timer line, with a standard pole in the center cone.
3. Cones are to be measured 6' from top center of the cone to top center of the cone.

PENALTIES

The only penalty is disqualification.

DISQUALIFICATIONS

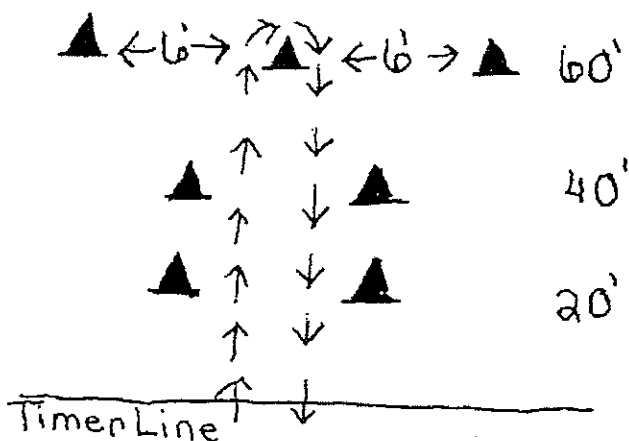
1. Breaking Pattern
2. Failure to complete race.
3. Any leg of the horse passing over any cone rather than around the cone.
4. Knocking over any cone or pole.

OFFICIALS

Three (3) judges, one to observe first set of cones, one judge the second set of cones and one judge the last three cones.

PATTERN ADJUSTMENTS

Adjustments for non-standard arena – none



SPUR

This is a timed event. The horse and rider must go through the first set of pylons, make a 360 degree turn around pole, through the second set of pylons. Race may be run from either a right or left pattern

EQUIPMENT REQUIRED

1. Timer line (designates the beginning and end of each race marked by chalk or lime.)
2. 5 traffic cones with the size of base being 10-1/2 inches from outside to outside with the height being 17 inches tall. Center cone should contain a standard pole with base (see Quarter Horse Poles for dimensions). Center cone is placed 120 feet from the start/finish line and centered in the arena. Two (2) gates are formed, one on each side of the arena, with 2 cones used for each gate. The cones forming the gates are set 10 feet apart, and 10 feet from the start/finish line, and 30 feet from center line of arena, to leave 60 feet between the two gates. All measurements made from the inside base of cones.

PENALTIES

None

DISQUALIFICATIONS

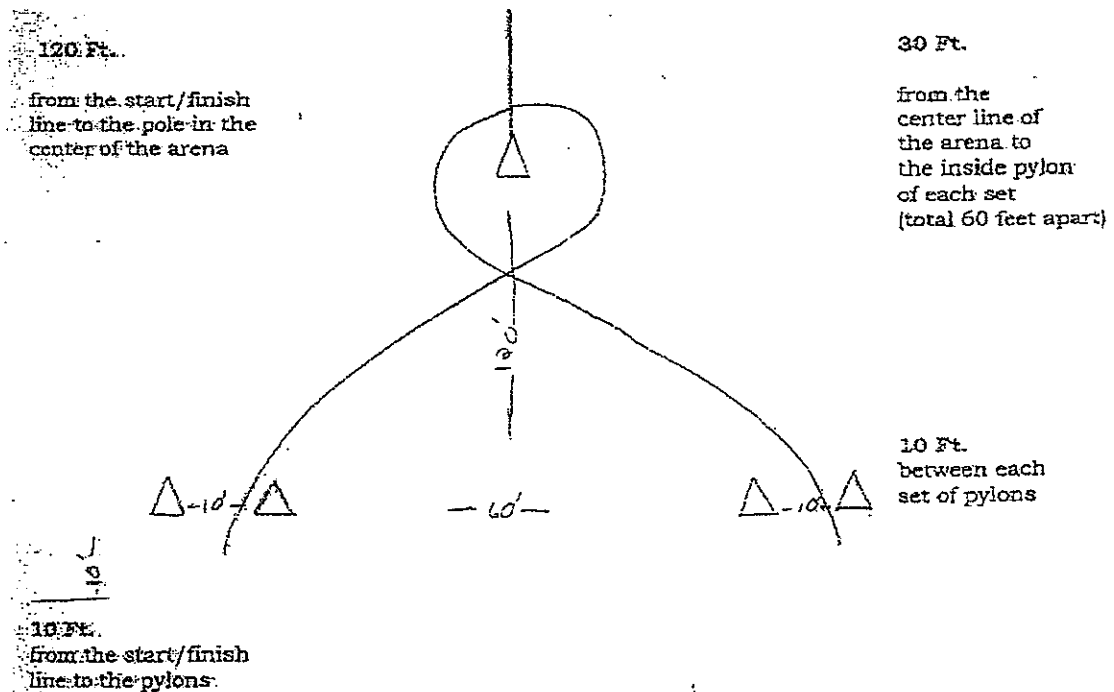
1. Knocking over anything.
2. Breaking pattern

PATTERN ADJUSTMENTS

Adjustments for non-standard arena - None

Judges

There needs to be at least 2 judges standing at all times to observe pattern.



QUARTER HORSE POLES

This is a timed event. The pole bending pattern is to be run around six (6) poles. The rider starts either right or left, runs to the sixth pole, pivots, starts weaving in and out to number one (1) pole, pivots around number (1) pole, weaving in and out to number (6) pole, pivots, and then back over the finish line. See pattern. Poles are placed twenty one (21) feet apart with first pole (21) feet from starting line.

EQUIPMENT

1. Timer line (designates the beginning and end of each race marked by chalk or lime).
2. The base will be a minimum of 14" to a maximum of 17" diameter.
3. The poles will be a minimum of 6 feet and a maximum of 7 feet in height.
4. PVC cap on the top of each pole.
5. Bases to weigh a maximum of 12 lbs.
6. Six poles made of PVC pipe, a minimum of 1" to a maximum of 1 1/2" in diameter.

PENALTIES

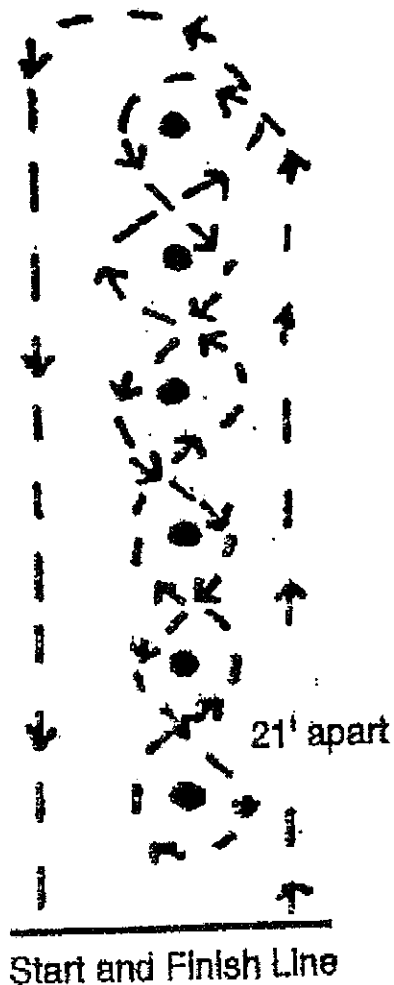
Five second penalty for knocking over a pole

DISQUALIFICATION

1. Failure to complete race
2. Breaking the pattern

Judges

There should be at least 3 judges standing in the arena at all times. One should stand at the end of the poles and one on either side of the poles to observe pattern and set up any poles in their proper place.



DOUBLE BARREL FLAG RACE

This is a timed event. The rider crosses the timer line, passes the middle barrel going behind it. He picks up the flag from the bucket on the middle barrel and places it in the bucket on an outside barrel and returns back across the timer line. Rider may run right or left pattern and may circle any barrel.

EQUIPMENT REQUIRED

1. Timer line (designates the beginning and ending of each race marked by chalk or lime).¹
2. Three (3) 55 gallon standard oil drums with the dimensions being 23 inches from outside to outside on the end and 34-1/2 inches long from the outside lip on top to the outside lip on bottom, spaced twenty (20) feet apart and 152 feet from the timer line with three (3) rubber buckets (2 or 3 gallon size without obstructions, such as bails or ears), filled with sand to the top, one placed on each barrel. Bucket will be set on the back of the barrel and the flag in center of the bucket
3. The barrels must have protectors.
4. Two (2) 6x8 inch flags of red color.
5. All flag sticks will be 14" long by 1/2 inch in diameter tapered on the end and will be natural in color.

PENALTIES

Only penalties are disqualifications.

DISQUALIFICATIONS

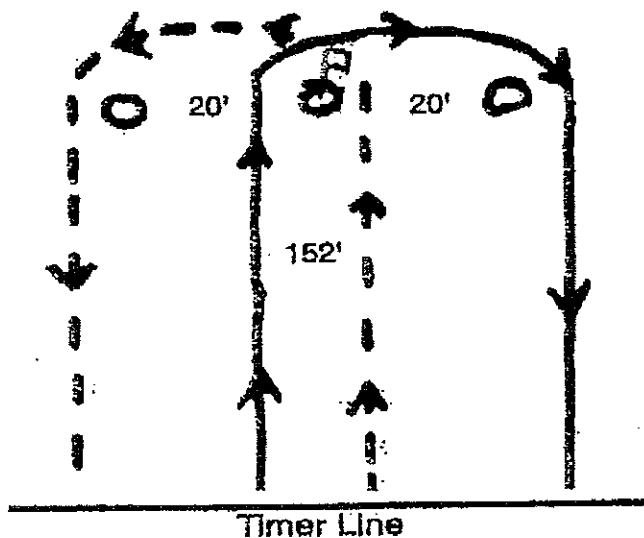
1. Breaking the pattern
2. Failure to complete the race.
3. Flag falling from the bucket.
4. Knocking over a barrel or bucket. .
5. Failure to place flag in bucket.

OFFICIALS

Three (3) judges, one at each barrel to observe the pattern and replace the flags before each contestant runs.

PATTERN ADJUSTMENTS

Adjustment for non-standard arena – none



This is a timed event. Rider races to the barrel and picks up the baseball while turning barrel, then returns to the barrel nearest the finish line, depositing the baseball in it before crossing the finish line. Rider may run either right or left pattern. A rider may circle either barrel as long as the rider comes in one side and goes out on the other without running a figure eight.

EQUIPMENT REQUIRED

1. One (1) 55 gallon standard oil drum, with the dimension being 23 inches from outside to outside on the end and 34-1/2 inches long from the outside lip on top to the outside lip on bottom, placed 152' from the timer line.
2. One (1) three (3) gallon black rubber bucket without obstructions such as a bail or ears completely filled with sand placed on top of the 55 gallon drum at the back side (furthest edge away from the timer line)
3. Baseball: A standard major league baseball to be placed on the sand in the center of the bucket for each contestant. Golfball: Optional for riders in SuperPeeWee and PeeWee classes
4. One (1) regular 30 gallon drum placed 20' from the timer line (in line with and between the other barrel and the timer line.) This barrel has an open top and bottom.

DISQUALIFICATIONS

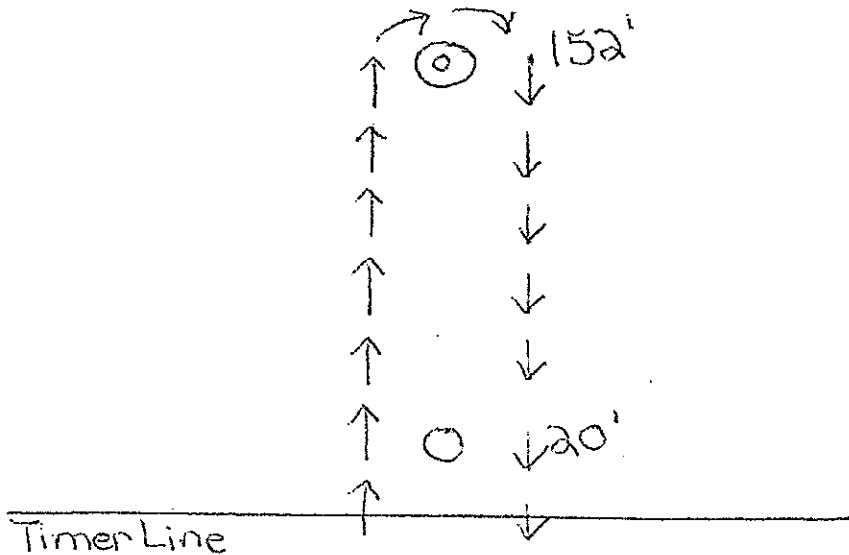
1. Breaking the pattern such as doing a figure eight.
2. Failure to pick up the ball
3. Dropping ball
4. Ball touching the 55 gallon barrel or ground due to actions of horse or rider
5. Failure to deposit ball in goal barrel
6. Failure to complete the race
7. Knocking over bucket or barrel
8. Ball not in barrel upon completion of ride.

OFFICIALS

Two (2) judges, 1 at each barrel. In addition to judging, they are responsible for placing the baseball on the sand-filled bucket and removing the baseball from the goal barrel after each ride.

PATTERN ADJUSTMENTS

Adjustments for non-standard arena: none



FLYING W RACE

This is a timed event. The Flying "w" race is run with the same poles as used in the Quarter Horse Poles. See diagram below for measurements. Rider may run either a right or left pattern. Rider races to the first pole, turns it, weaving each pole, turns the last pole, and returns crossing the finish line.

EQUIPMENT

1. Timer line (designates the beginning and end of each race marked by chalk or lime).
2. The base will be a minimum of 14" to a maximum of 17" in diameter
3. The poles will be a minimum of 6 feet and a maximum of 7 feet in height.
4. PVC cap on the top of each pole
5. Bases to weigh a maximum of 12 lbs.
6. Five poles made of PVC pipe, a minimum of 1" to a maximum of 1 1/2" in diameter.

PENALTIES

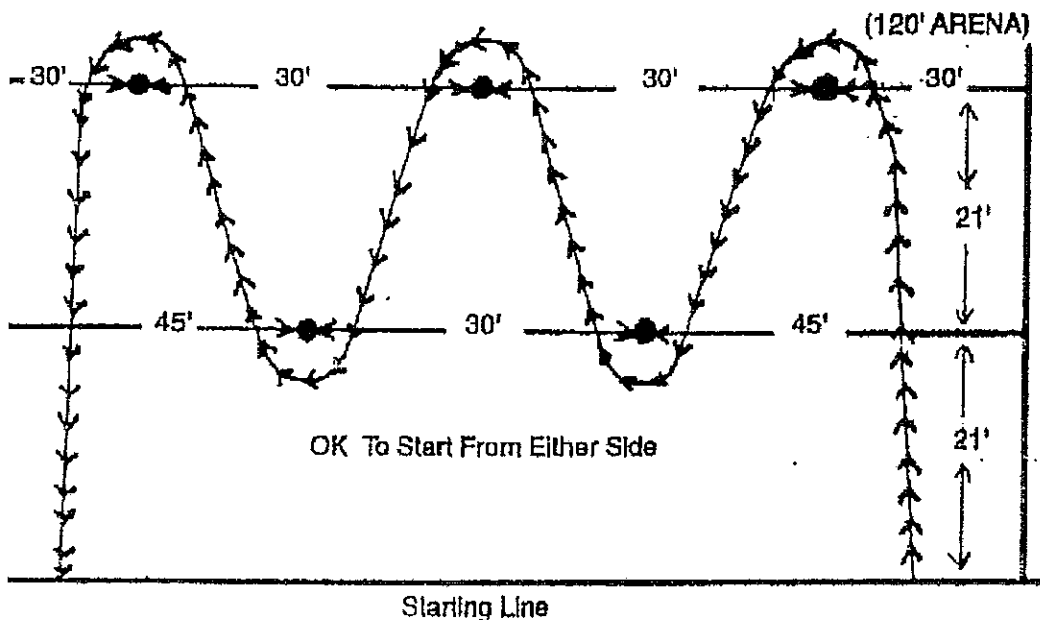
A five second penalty for each pole knocked over.

DISQUALIFICATIONS

1. Failure to complete the pattern
2. Breaking the pattern

Judges

There needs to be at least 2 judges in the arena standing at all times to observe pattern and set up any poles in their proper place when knocked over.



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