

## 2024 TODAY'S HORSE WEST FEST RULES:

### GENERAL RULES:

- Western Attire Required – Long Sleeve Shirts & Cowboy Hats – Helmets are acceptable instead of a Cowboy Hat.
- A W9 is required with every entry no matter the AGE of the contestant and no checks will be issued without one on file.
- There is a \$25 office charge PER RIDER for those entering all classes except the 4D Peewee Class and Peewee Slot Races are excluded.
- No Buying & Selling Spots Allowed
- Tipped Barrels will result in a NO TIME as well as any broken pattern. Must keep forward motion.
- NO CIRCLING in the arena – doing so will result in a NO TIME – must keep forward motion coming through the GATE and exit out the GATE.
- You will get 3 calls before getting turned out.
- There will only be 5 riders Allowed in the Holding Pen at a Time.
- We will Drag every 5 runners in all Classes with Big Drags every 50. The only class with different drags will be the 4D Peewees on Sunday the 22<sup>nd</sup>. Drags will be every 10 runners.
- If you have a horse with GATE issues – there will be a 2 MINUTE time limit to get your horse in the gate before getting Turned out.
- Selling Exhibitions are allowed but will take place between buyer and seller only – names will not be changed on the sheet so be ready to go when original buyers name is called off at the show.
- All Show results will be posted online at [www.todayshorse.net](http://www.todayshorse.net) as well as the THM Productions Facebook page. All entry forms and exhibition links can also be found on our website.

### STALLING & HOOKUP INFO:

- All stalls and hookups will be first come first serve and everything will be unlocked. When you arrive go ahead and pick out your stalls and hookup before coming to the office. After you get settled, you MUST TEXT your barn number, stall numbers as well as your hookup number to Alex at 605-391-1599 or Dee at 605-545-4369 at the office if you PREPAID. If you are buying stalls or a hookup on site you must settle up at the office by paying cash, check made out to THM, or

venmo @todayshorse. Morning, Noon, and Night checks will be done so make sure you are settled up at the office. If you do not settle up on stalls and hookups you will be disqualified with no refunds. Stalls are pre bedded and \$30 per night and hookups are \$45 per night.

#### **REFUNDS, DRAWOUTS & ENTRY INFO:**

- All refunds, including vet releases and draw outs, will be issued the Tuesday after the show along with Sunday's checks. Full refunds will be issued minus the \$25 office charge, as long as they comply with the draw out deadline.
- DRAW OUT DEADLINE for all reasons other than a VET RELEASE will be Monday, September 16th by NOON MST – all draw outs must be emailed to [thmpromoting@gmail.com](mailto:thmpromoting@gmail.com) or a refund will not be issued. (No texts, Facebook messages, calls, etc. allowed) If you draw out after this date no REFUNDS will be issued, unless you have a VET RELEASE.
- Draws will be posted Monday September 16<sup>th</sup> 2024 by 5pm on [www.todayshorse.net](http://www.todayshorse.net).
- Pre-Entry Deadline is September 13<sup>th</sup> at 6pm MST – the Jotforms will stay open after this time, but you will not be included in the PREDRAW and any entries received after the 13<sup>th</sup> will be issued a \$20 LATE FEE per Rider and be added to the end of the draw.
- If you late enter specifically with multiple horses, and we have open spots to fill in the pre-draw from scratches, we will ask your permission to fill those holes to better space you out, but there is a chance you could be back-to-back when you late enter, so be prepared.
- Entries will be accepted up until the LAST runner goes in EACH class, excluding the futurity and derby. Futurity and Derby late entries will not be accepted the day of the first go. You must enter by the night before, on Wednesday, September 18<sup>th</sup> – cut off time 8pm MST – you will be required to pay a \$20 late fee if you miss the pre entry deadline, and you will not be guaranteed a free futurity exhibition if you late enter.

#### **CLASS RULES:**

- Peewee 4D Class is a 2 Second Split between D's with a 100% payback. \$10 entry fee (No Office Charge) Age limit is 8 & under as of January 1.
- Peewee Slot Race is a 5D with 1 second splits & an equal payout among the D's – 80% payback. \$50 entry fee. The age limit is 10 & Under as of January 1 and entries will close when they reach 100 entries. NO late entries accepted. Those

entered in the Peewee Slot Race can carry their time to the Saturday Open 5D as well as the Remi the Rockstar Youth 3D Race.

- Remi the Rockstar Youth 3D Race has \$2500 added with 1 second splits – 80% payback - \$50 entry fee - with 20% going back to the Remi Jane Brunson Memorial. Age limit is 17 & Under as of January 1. Those entering this event, can carry their time from the Peewee Slot Race and the Open held earlier in the day into the Saturday Night Remi Race.
- Whip N Spur Slot Race has \$2500 added and is a 3D with 0.5 second splits – 80% payback - \$250 entry fee – Those running in the Futurity, Derby and Section 1 Go 2 of the Open on Friday can carry their times into the Friday night slot race, but no times can be carried out of the Whip N Spur Slot Race. You can choose to run in the actual race or carry any Friday times into it.
- Senior Sidepot is a 3D with 0.75 second splits and the age limit is 50 & Over. \$25 entry fee per day
- 2D Futurity is a Full second split futurity open to 4 & 5 year old horses, with 27.5% paid out in each round and 45% paid out in the average. There is \$7500 added with 100% of the added money paid back. The entry fee is \$300. 80% payback with a 60/40 split from 1D to 2D.
- 2D Derby is a 3/4 second split derby open to horses 8 & Under, with 27.5% paid out in each round and 45% paid out in the average. There is \$2500 added with 100% of the added money paid back. The entry fee is \$200. 80% payback with a 60/40 split from 1D to 2D.
- Open 5D is 0.5 second splits with \$15,000 added - \$7500 both Sat & Sun — \$100 entry fee per day – 80% payback – In the Open 5D we will have two sections with Section 1 running Thursday and Friday and Section 2 running Saturday and Sunday. Section 1 is limited to 150 runners. Section 1 Go 1 (Thursday) times carry to Section 2 Go 1 (Saturday) where the first round is paid out and Section 1 Go 2 times (Friday) carry to Section 2 Go 2 (Sunday) where the second round of the open is paid out.
- All Runs Count 5D Sidepot - \$50 entry fee – 80% payback – 0.5 second splits – those paid into it will have both their runs count in the results. For example, you can win more than one check depending on how your times fall in the results. It is a new jackpot created off of those who have paid into the sidepot only.
- CARRY OVERS – The Futurity and Derby contestants as well as the Thursday and Friday Open runners' times from Thursday will carry to Saturday and times from Friday will carry to Sunday's open races. Friday times can be carried into the

Friday night slot race, but no times can be carried out of the slot race. All times are carried forwards not backwards. Kids running on Thursday and Friday can also carry their Thursday times to the Saturday Remi Race.

#### **AWARDS:**

- Futurity awards and checks from both rounds and the average will be distributed immediately following the completion of the futurity on Friday September 20<sup>th</sup>. Derby awards and checks from both rounds and the average will be distributed immediately after the completion of the Derby on Friday September 20<sup>th</sup> before the start of Section 1 Go 2 of the Open.
- Peewee Slot Race awards and checks will be handed out 15 minutes after the completion of the event on Saturday, September 21<sup>st</sup>.
- The Whip N Spur Slot Race awards and checks will be handed out 15 minutes after the completion of the event on Friday, September 20<sup>th</sup>.
- Remi the Rockstar awards and checks will be handed out 15 minutes after the completion of the event on Saturday, September 21<sup>st</sup>.
- Sunday average buckles in the open and the target time champion will be awarded 15 minutes after the completion of the open on Sunday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>.
- Sunday Peewee 4D Race checks and awards will be handed out immediately following the race. Every peewee will get a prize so be sure to stick around for a group Peewee photo.
- Awards will not be mailed unless you would like to pay for the shipping – so please be present or designate someone to pick them up. We are always willing to make arrangements for pickup in Rapid City as well.
- Saturday checks will be available for pickup at the Office by 10AM Sunday September 22<sup>nd</sup>. Sunday checks will be mailed Tuesday the 24<sup>th</sup>, as long as we have a W9 on file.

#### **INCENTIVE & SANCTION RULES & INFORMATION:**

- Diamond Classic \$10000 ADDED - \$100 entry fee per Go Round for a total of \$200 if you want to designate both your runs giving you two chances to win. You will not be eligible for the incentive money unless you enter on their website [www.thediamondclassic.com](http://www.thediamondclassic.com) under the Event Registration tab. Be sure to click on Today's Horse West Fest and fill out the jotform. Payout Checks will be issued by the Diamond Classic and mailed the 15<sup>th</sup> of the following month, only if a W9 is on file with them. This bonus will be paid out as a 4D to Owner & Slot Holder and

even though you can designate both your runs, it is not two separate jackpots, it is paid out like our All Runs Count sidepot.

- Future Fortunes - \$10000 ADDED – Saturday September 21st – No Entry fee – Must fill out Bonus Money entry form online at [https://www.jotform.com/app/future\\_fortunes\\_inc/bonus-money-form](https://www.jotform.com/app/future_fortunes_inc/bonus-money-form) - make sure the Future Fortunes box is checked on your entry form. A list will be posted at the show of Future Fortunes horses – make sure you double check this list. Bonus money is paid out 60% to the Owner – 20% to the Breeder/Nominator & 20% to Stallion Nominator.
- WPRA Approved Badlands & Prairie Circuit – All cards and permits accepted. This is a divisional race and 1D Money each day of the Open will count towards the divisional standings and the Futurity & Derby is also approved.
- PESI - \$5000 Added – \$1250 will be Paid out on the Futurity Average - \$1250 on the Derby Average and \$2500 added Saturday the 21st of the Open. This incentive will handle results and payouts. There is no entry fee but your horse must be paid in and eligible for this incentive.
- West Fest Fall Extravaganza Lottery – Each year \$1000 will be added to the West Fest Fall Extravaganza Lottery Barrel Incentive. \$500 towards the Futurity and \$500 towards the Derby. It includes eligible graduates starting from the Fall Extravaganza first held in Rapid City starting in 2017. The accumulated incentive money set aside towards each event will be awarded to the current owner of the Fall Extravaganza Lottery eligible graduate that achieves the title of West Fest Futurity Barrel Champion or West Fest Derby Champion. If an eligible horse does not win the money rolls to the following year and continues to accumulate.
- Bonus Race Qualifier – We will have single show qualifiers each day Saturday the 23<sup>rd</sup> & Sunday the 24<sup>th</sup>. We will be able to award a certain number of qualifiers in each D each day to the Bonus Race World Finals. The number of qualifiers will depend on final entry numbers.

#### **CALCUTTA INFO:**

- Cruising for a Cure Raffle Fundraiser: As some of you know in past years' we have had a Calcutta to raise money for the JDRF. Last year we raised \$3,800.00! This year we are going to try something a little different, but we need your help. This year we ask all contestants to sell 50/50 raffle tickets. The winner does not need to be present to win, we will draw a winner when we do our awards and will contact the winner and send them their winnings if they are not present. Each ticket is \$10.00. Please make sure we have a name and phone number, and it is legible to read. Kids please make sure you keep track of all your tickets and turn

them into us by 10:30 AM at the awards table before the race starts. Checks can be made out to Cruising for a Cure.

- Whip N Spur Slot Race Calcutta will take place Friday, September 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6 PM with the event starting at 7 PM. Contestants will be sold in groups based on entry numbers and will be posted after draws are completed. We will sell the groups as buyers' choice. Number of groups sold will be based upon the number of entries received but shall not exceed 15 groups. We will sell the futurity, derby, and open carryovers that already have times going into the Friday night slot race, in part with these groups and these groups will be determined before anyone runs. Of the groups we sell, you will know the times that were carried over from earlier in the day. It will be a 75% payback with 25% going back to the Prairie Center in Sioux Falls. This will be paid out as a 3D with 50% paid back to the 1D winners, 30% to the 2D winners and 20% to the 3D winners. We will pay at least 2 holes minimum in each D, if not more depending on entry numbers. At least 6 of the 15 buyers will go home with money making it great odds of a check!
- Remi The Rockstar Calcutta will take place Saturday, September 22<sup>nd</sup> at 10AM in the bar area, even though the actual Remi Race doesn't start until 7pm, we have a lot of kids running in the Cruising for a Cure peewee slot race as well as our open race that are carrying their times into the Saturday night Remi Race. Contestants will be sold in groups based on entry numbers. We will sell the groups as buyers' choice. Number of groups sold again will be based upon the number of entries received but shall not exceed 15 groups. This Calcutta will be a 75% payback with 25% going to the South Dakota Muscular Dystrophy Foundation. This will be paid out as a 3D with 50% paid back to the 1D winners, 30% to the 2D winners and 20% to the 3D winners. We will pay at least 2 holes minimum in each D, if not more depending on entry numbers. At least 6 of the 15 buyers will go home with money making it great odds of a check!

#### **CODE OF CONDUCT:**

**Harassment of any kind will not be tolerated. This goes for anything that may come out of your mouth that is inappropriate or getting physical with anyone. You will kindly be asked to leave if anything like this is brought to our attention. If you are a contestant harassing another contestant or harassing any of my staff, you will be asked to leave the premises, and your fees will be forfeited. This will result in an immediate disqualification. This does not mean you will be blacklisted from our event, but you will be removed from the event for the current year. As long as one can stay on their best behavior you will be allowed to come back next year. WE do not REFUSE entry to anyone, but we do ask you treat everyone with respect while attending any of our THM Productions events.**