

# *Oxygen Race for the Cash IV*

## Glen Rose, TX

### Rules

The *Oxygen Race for the Cash IV* will be held May 14 – 17, 2009 at the Somervell Expo Center in Glen Rose, TX.

This is a GUARANTEED barrel race. All money and prizes will be awarded regardless of the number of contestants participating. You do not have to be a member of WBR to run at this race HOWEVER, in order for this event to fulfill your desire to qualify to attend the 2009 Barrelnanza Finals, you must have completed membership requirements prior to the close of the event. The Main Barrel Race will be a 6D format with ½ second splits. There will also be a Warm-Up Barrel Race in a 4D format with ½, ½, full second splits. The Main Barrel Race will be run in four sections of 400 entries in each section. The five sections are Thursday Night, Friday Day, Saturday Day, Saturday Night, and Sunday Day. The day sections will begin at 9:00a.m. and the night sections at 6:00p.m.

There will be one Warm-Up Barrel Race. The race will start at 6:00 p.m. on Friday Night. It will be limited to 400 entries. You must enter a minimum of one horse in the Main Barrel Race to be eligible to enter the Warm-Up Barrel Race.

Entry fees for the Main Barrel Race were \$120, but now have been slashed to \$80 per horse. Entry fees for the Warm-Up Barrel Race will be \$60 per horse. A one-time processing fee of \$25 will be charged if you enter online, and \$30 if your entry is received by fax, mail, or at the event. The Main Barrel Race will offer several Incentive Races. Classic Equine will award the winner of each "D" in the Main Barrel Race \$500 if the horse is wearing Classic Equine Splint and Bell Boots.

The entry deadline for this event is April 23, 2009 without a late fee. NOTE: If you successfully enter online, you will know immediately if you are entered into the section you requested. When entering online, be sure to review and print your confirmation to make certain that you have entered correctly. Changes to online entries will need to be made ONLY on a Change Form for a fee of \$10. Mail and fax entries will be confirmed by return post.

#### **1. Entering the Warm-Up Race**

In order to enter the Warm-Up race you must enter at least one horse in the Main Barrel Race. You can enter up to a maximum of 5 horses. There will be one Warm-Up Barrel Race. The race will start at 6:00 p.m. on Friday Night. The warm-up race will be limited to 400 entries. The Warm-Up race will have a guaranteed payout of \$8,000 cash and 3 custom Martin Saddles. Note: The Warm-Up Race will be run on the same pattern as the Main Race.

#### **2. Entering the Main Barrel Race**

The first to enter will receive their choice of sections in which to run. Meeting the "Post Mark Deadline" does not guarantee you a position in a section, so enter early. Late entries will receive their choice of sections ONLY if space is available in the requested section. All late entries faxed or submitted online between April 21<sup>st</sup> – May 13<sup>th</sup> 2009 will be assessed a \$20 late fee and must be paid for in advance by credit card. Entries that are entered On-Site will be charged \$30 late fee and must be done 2 hours prior to the section starting. Late entries will only be accepted by fax to 432-224-1222. The late entry deadline by fax is Wednesday, May 13<sup>th</sup> at 4pm. Do not mail entries in after the "Post Mark Deadline." Please no changes to your entry after you send them in. If so there will be an additional change fee.

There are four ways to enter:

- a. Online at [www.worldbarrelracing.com](http://www.worldbarrelracing.com). Our easy-to-complete online entry will be available until Thursday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> without a late fee. There is a \$25 processing fee when entering online. You can still enter online until Friday, May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009 with a \$20 late fee.
- b. By fax to 432-224-1222. Contestants pay a one-time processing fee of \$30 to enter by fax and may do so without penalty through 4:00 pm, Thursday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2009. Contestants wishing to late enter may do so until 4 pm, Wednesday, April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2009. All late entries will be assessed a \$20 late fee in addition to the processing fee.
- c. By mail to: WBRP, P.O. Box 1330, Athens, TX 75751. Contestants pay a one-time processing fee of \$30 to enter by mail. All entries must be postmarked by Thursday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>.
- d. On-Site entry: All onsite entries must be completed two hours prior to the section in which you wish to enter. All on-site entries must pay a \$30 late fee and the processing fee. They are also based on availability of that section.

**3. If I wish to buy a membership, enter the Oxygen Race for the Cash IV, and then are unable to attend that race, will I still be able to compete at the 2009 Barrelnanza Finals?**

You MUST join WBRP and enter a minimum of one race in order to compete at the Finals. Competing in one race as a member will allow you to enter up to two horses at the Finals. Competing as a member in two races will allow you to enter a maximum of five horses. Membership is \$60/year for the first member and \$30 for each additional family member.

Extenuating circumstances (such as the high cost of fuel) may make the decision to attend a regular season event difficult for some contestants, thus keeping them from being able to qualify for the Finals. Last year, several individuals realized that they could qualify for the Finals if they entered an event and were turned out. Although we would prefer that you experience a WBRP event in person prior to the Finals, we have no control over this. Our staff must assume that individuals who are turned out were actually present, but missed their run.

This does not apply to individuals who choose to draw out of an event. Please understand that if you draw out and are refunded any portion of your entry fees, you will not be counted as having attended the event.

**4. Late Entries (L.E.)**

All Late Entries received after April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2009 at 4 pm will be placed at the bottom of the draw. The Late Entry draw will not be posted until 1 hour prior to the beginning of each section. The Late Entry draw will be a random computer draw.

**5. Drawing Out**

A draw out refund for entry fees, stall fees, and RV fees, less a 25% service charge, will be granted to qualifying contestants for any reason. Sorry no refunds for processing fees. The "Draw out Form" must be completed and returned to the show secretary by 4:00pm, Monday, May 4<sup>th</sup>. Keep in mind that vet releases, doctor, releases, or any other form of paperwork is NOT required to draw out. People have taken advantage of vet releases in the past, thus making the cause of the draw-out deadline. Therefore, after the deadline has passed, no refunds will be given for any reason. DON'T ASK! A Draw-Out Form can be found on our webpage or one can be faxed to you. **NOTE:** Your draw out is not official until you receive a fax confirmation page from us, so please list a return fax number.

## 6. **Horse substitution**

Yes you can substitute a horse in this barrel race, however if the horse is already entered you can not place him in to another draw position. Any horse substitution must be made with the show secretary, in writing, at least 2 hours before your section begins or if running on Sunday, May 17<sup>th</sup>, by 11:00am. The horse substitution must be made before you run. Each contestant will receive one free horse change per year after that time you must pay \$10. All horse changes must be submitted on a change form.

## 7. **Rider substitution**

If you enter and wish to change riders under emergency circumstances you may do so until Monday, May 4<sup>th</sup>, with a \$10 fee. After this date you are allowed to change riders for (\$25) until 24 hours prior to the beginning of the first section. Keep in mind once the original rider has been changed they may not participate on any other horse during the event.

## 8. **Section change**

If you enter and wish to change sections, you may do so up until Monday, May 4<sup>th</sup>, with a \$10 fee. After this date you are allowed one section change per year (\$25) under emergency circumstances until 24 hours prior to the beginning of the first section.

## 9. **Selling a run**

Selling a run is not allowed. You have to draw out completely. If there are spots still available they can enter as a new entry, because we normally have a waiting list.

## 10. **6D-Format – Main Race**

The main barrel race will be ran in a 6D format with .5 second splits. 1D = fastest time of the race. 2D = fastest time of the race plus .5 second. 3D = fastest time of the race plus 1.0 second. 4D = fastest time of the race plus 1.5 seconds. 5D = fastest time of the race plus 2.0 seconds and 6D = fastest time of the race plus 2.5 seconds. If all placing in a Division are not filled, the remaining placing will be divided proportionally between the other divisions.

## 11. **4D-Format – Warm-Up Race**

The warm-up race will be ran in a 4D format with .5, .5, 1 second splits. 1D = fastest time of the race. 2D = fastest time of the race plus .5 second. 3D = fastest time of the race plus 1 second. 4D = fastest time of the race plus 2 seconds. If all placing in a Division are not filled, the remaining placing will be divided proportionally between the other divisions.

## 12. **Incentive Racers**

World Barrel Racing Productions has 10 incentive races. You only make one run and that run/time counts for the “Main Barrel Race” as well as any “Incentives” that you have entered. When applicable entry fees into the incentives are \$20. If you enter any incentive after the Post Mark Deadline the entry fees for the Incentives are \$25 each unless you are paying a late fee. Please note: Entry into all Incentives are purely optional.

### ***“Rider Age Incentive”***

The “Rider Age Incentive” race is a race within the “Main Barrel Race.” You only make one run, that run counts toward the “Main Barrel Race” and the “Rider Age Incentive”.

Who can Enter: This incentive is open to everyone entered in the main barrel race.

Rider Age Incentives are determined by the age of the rider as of February 27, 2009 and will be based on the following age chart:

Youth: 18 years of age or less

Adult: 19-49 years of age

Senior: 50 years of age or older

Added Money: \$1,000 will be added to each "Rider Age Incentive"

Fee: \$20 entry fee per horse

Format: 4D format with ½ second splits

Payback: 100% payback

<u>Number of Entries</u>	<u>Number of Places Paid</u>
1-20	1
21-40	2
41-70	3
71-100	4
101-150	5
151-200	6
201-300	8
301-400	10
401-500	12
501-750	15
750+	20

### ***"State Incentives"***

The "State Incentive" race is a race within the "Main Barrel Race." You only make one run, that run counts toward the "Main Barrel Race" and the "State Incentive". **PLEASE NOTE:** Proof of residency will be required for all winners. We will be checking government or state issued IDs. You must enter the incentive in which your ID says you live in.

Who Can Enter: This incentive is open to everyone entered in the main barrel race.

State Incentives are determined by where the rider lives and will be based on the following chart:

Texas: Residents of Texas

Other: Residents of all other states

Added Money: \$1,000 will be added to each of the two state incentives

Fee: \$20 entry fee per horse

Format: 4D format with ½ second splits

Payback: 100% equal payback

<u>Number of Entries</u>	<u>Number of Places Paid</u>
1-25	2
26-50	3
51-100	4
101-150	6
151-200	8
201-300	10
301-600	12
601-900	15
900+	20

### ***“Classic Equine Bonus Buck”***

As part of the “Classic Equine Bonus Program”, Classic Equine has agreed to award a \$500 cash prize to the winners of each “D”, if the horse is wearing Classic Equine splint and bell boots. If not, the bonus will go to the next contestant meeting the same requirements. To verify the horse is wearing Classic Equine splint (polo wraps do not qualify) and bell boots, we will look at photos or video taken by our official photographer at the event.

In some cases, the logo on the boots does not show up in the photo, it is suggested that you take a picture with your camera, or camera phone for additional verification. A backdrop will be provided and all personal photos must be taken at this backdrop. **Note: You are automatically entered into this incentive.**

### ***“WPRA Incentive”***

The “WPRA Incentive” race is a race with in the Main Barrel Race. You only make one run, that run counts towards the “Main Barrel Race” and the “WPRA Incentive.” The contestant must be a current member of the WPRA when they run.

Who can enter: Any current member of the WPRA

Added Money: \$500 will be added

Fee: \$50 entry per horse

Payback: 100% payback

<u>Number of Entries</u>	<u>Number of Places Paid</u>
1-5	1
6-10	2
11-19	3
20-29	4
30-39	5
40-50	6
51+	8

### ***“Young Guns Incentive”***

Who can enter: Children 8 years of age or under as of January 1, 2009 that are entered in the main race.

Fee: There is NO entry fee for this incentive race. However, it is the contestant's responsibility to enter this incentive when they enter the Main Barrel Race. They may **NOT** win more than one saddle per year until the 2009 Barrelnanza Finals. At the Finals qualifying contestants may enter this incentive, but keep in mind that the qualifications will be the same. You must enter in at least one event as a member in order to qualify for the 2009 Barrelnanza Finals.

Format: This race is not in a divisional format. Fastest time wins.

Prize: The contestant with the fastest time will receive a Martin Youth Saddle

### ***"Your Entry Fees Are Paid"***

Who can

Enter: This incentive is open to everyone entered in the main race.

Fee: \$20 entry fee/per horse

Format: 4D format with ½ second splits.

Prizes: The first place winner in each of the 1D, 2D, 3D, and 4D will receive a voucher in the amount of \$500 to be used to assist them with entry costs to attend the 2009 Barrelnanza Finals. This voucher may be used for entry fees, stall fees, RV fees, etc. (Sorry not on shavings.)

No money will be refunded should there be a remaining value after applying the voucher towards the rider's entry. The voucher does not have a cash value. Please remember that as a winner of a coupon that you have the right to sell or give your coupon away but, no vouchers will be reissued if lost or stolen.

### ***"Big Bucks Incentive"***

Winners in this incentive will qualify to race in the Big Bucks Race during the 2009 Barrelnanza Finals. Winners of each D in the Finals race will receive \$5,000 each – **GUARANTEED** making a total of \$20,000 to be given away between a limited amount of contestants.

Who can

Enter: Any rider who entered in the main barrel race.

Fee: \$20 entry fee/per horse

Format: 4D format with ½ second splits.

Prizes: The first place winners of each "D" in this race will each receive a voucher that qualifies them to participate in the Big Bucks Race during the 2009 Barrelnanza Finals. Winners in the "Big Bucks" Incentive at a regular season event do NOT receive cash prizes. Please remember as a winner of a voucher that you have the right to sell or give you voucher away to anyone who is qualified and running in the 2009 Barrelnanza Finals, but remember no vouchers will be reissued if lost or stolen. **Note: If there is a tie for first place each contestant (that is tied for first place) will receive a certificate.**

## **13. Specialty Races**

## **How hard can it be**

More details to follow

### **14. Check-In**

Upon your arrival, we ask that you please take care of checking in to any stalls or RVs at the Stall Office. While it's not necessary to Check-In with the Event Office, we encourage all contestants to visit the area outside of the Event Office to confirm their race positions with the draw sheets that will be posted.

### **15. Stalls & RVs**

As with all WBRP events, you may check into your reserved stalls and/or RV spaces after 2:00 p.m. on the date reserved. You MUST check out of the stalls and/or RV spaces by noon the following day. If your Slide out or Awning take up two spaces you will be charged for two spaces or if none are available you will be asked to put them up.

There are 300± stalls at the Somervell Expo Center that will be available at \$20 per night. Two bags of shavings are required and must be purchased from the arena at fair market value. No outside shavings are allowed. No portable panels or tying horses to the trailers overnight, if stalls are available.

**NOTE: ALL STALLS AT WILL BE PRE-ASSIGNED. If you are traveling to the event in a group and would like for the horses in your group to be stalled near each other, we ask that ONE of the contestants in your group reserve ALL needed stalls. This will make the check-in/check-out process go a bit more smoothly for all concerned. ( No buddy forms will be accepted at this event so be sure one person reserves all the stalls in the group.)**

Additionally, the facility offers 15 RV hookups at \$25 per night.

### **16. Open Arena**

Open Arena will be on Thursday from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm unless we have to open the Thursday Day section.

### **17. Dress Code**

All contestants must wear a long-sleeved shirt, long pants, Western Hat (minimum 2 1/2" brim), and cowboy boots or equestrian sport shoes. Caps are not permitted. **NOTE:** If the hat falls off and lands in the alleyway or arena, a \$10 dress code fine will be assessed. Helmets are not required but all contestants are encouraged to wear one. Anyone not wearing the proper attire in the arena will be assessed a \$10 fine. The fine money will be going to the American Cancer Society for Breast Cancer Research.

### **18. Sportsmanship**

All contestants and their family members are expected to display good sportsmanship at all times. No level of abuse toward any animal at this event will be allowed. Foul language, misconduct or abusive comments spoken to any Contestant, Spectator, Staff Member, or Arena Personnel will result in immediate contestant disqualification and no refund of entry fees. Contestants are also responsible for traveling companions and their family members.

**19. Photos and a Video**

To ensure that no horse is ridden by more than one person (with the exception of contestants who meet conditions detailed in the Family Rules), WBRP photographs and videotapes each contestants individual run. These photos/videos are the property of WBRP and decisions made by WBRP management as a result are final.

**20. Fines and Late Fees?**

There are fines and late charges at all barrel races because a few people will not follow the rules. The fines or late charges are used to persuade them. The management of WBRP does not like the fines or late charge but has found out that they must have them. 100% of all fines and 50% of all late fees will be donated to the American Cancer Society for Breast Cancer Research.

**21. Returned Checks**

There is a \$40 service charge on all returned checks from the bank, for any reason. If a check is not replaced with a cashiers check or money order within 30 days after the check is dated, the contestant will be put on the "ineligible" list.

**22. Dogs**

Dogs must be on a leash at all times.

**23. Vendors**

There shall be no selling of any type of merchandise or professional service on the arena grounds, in stalls, or at trailers without a vendor contract with WBRP.

**24. Must be ready**

Contestant shall identify themselves to the Gate Man and be in the holding area five before there run. The Gate Man to be located next to the alley way going into the arena. Failure to do so will result in a disqualification. Contestant's name will be called by the Gate Man three times, if the contestant is not in the arena by the third call they will be disqualified. Only one horse may be in the alleyway at any time. Remember the three official calls come from the Gate Man not the Announcer.

**25. Time Begins**

Any time a contestant crosses the starting line, the time will begin.

**26. No Time**

A "No Time" will be given to the contestant for the following reasons:

- a. If the contestant "circles" their horse after entering or exiting the arena. (Definition of the Arena is past the plane of the alley)
- b. If the contestant misses the barrel pattern.
- c. If the contestant runs out of turn. It is the contestant's responsibility to know their draw position.
- d. If a contestant knocks over a barrel. A "no time" will also be given if a barrel is knocked over and it sets up again on either end. Touching a barrel, including to keep it from falling, is permitted without penalty.
- e. If the contestant's horse or rider falls during the run in such a manner as to break the pattern, or if the rider falls off the horse.
- f. Unable to get horse in arena in 60 second time limit.

**27. Time Limit**

If a contestant is in the holding pen and attempts to enter the arena, but is unable to get the horse down the alleyway the gateman, after the second call, will give the rider 60 seconds to enter the arena. At the end of 60 seconds if the horse has not broken the plane at the end of the alleyway into the area the rider will be disqualified. (The reason for this rule is the safety of the contestant, the other contestants in the holding area and the employees.)

**28. Barrel Moved**

If a barrel moved off its marker during competition, the barrel must be reset prior to the next competitor's run.

**29. Family Rules**

Contestant's may ride any horse, regardless of ownership, and may ride up to 5 horses. However, a horse may not be shown by more than one person in the barrel race, unless the following conditions are met:

- a. Both contestants are members of the same immediate family who reside in the same household (husband, wife, children and grandchildren 21 and under). Children and grandchildren 21 and under who are attending school away from home, but who reside part of the year with their parents or grandparents are included under this rule.
- b. Neither contestant is showing any other horse in that barrel race.
- c. In no case will the same horse be run more than twice in the same barrel race.

**30. Horses in Arena**

Only one horse may be in the arena, or alleyway, at any time during competition. (The reason for this rule is the safety of the contestant. Accidents can occur where the assisting horse gets in front of the contestant horse and the contestant horse then decides to go and runs into the assisting horse.)

**31. Re-Runs**

Re-runs shall be granted if the official and backup timer both fail to work properly, unless a barrel has been turned over resulting in a no-time. If the barrels are not placed properly on their markers, a re-run shall also be granted without any penalties being applied; however, any penalty occurring on the re-run shall result in a no-time.

**32. Training in Arena**

Contestants who are given a "no time", either for missing the pattern or knocking down a barrel, may complete the pattern. However, show management may, at its discretion, ask a rider who is taking excessive time to train to leave the arena immediately. If such request is not complied with, a \$25 fine may be assessed.

**33. Fastest Run Possible**

Contestants must attempt to make the fastest run possible. Any obvious attempt to "pull up" or pace their run may result in the following penalties - 1st Offense - Warning, 2nd Offense - \$50 fine, 3rd Offense - one year on the "ineligible" list of the WBRP.

**34. Tie for Prizes**

If any contestant's times are tied, the prize money will be split equally and a roll of the dice between the tied contestants will determine the tie for the awards. High roll wins.

### **35. Payout Requirements**

In order to receive your money, a winner's form or a completed membership application (including a drivers license/birth certificate, and social security number) is required within 90 days of the event or all monies will be forfeited.

### **36. Disqualifications**

Any act deemed prejudicial to the best interests of the WBRP may result in the disqualification of the contestant, with no refund of entry fees. The contestant may also be placed upon the "ineligible" list of the WBRP. These acts may include but are not limited to the following:

- a. Using abusive or intemperate language or attempting to threaten, bribe, influence, or harass any contestant, spectator, staff member, or Arena Personnel. Also, any remarks made with the intent to cast aspersions on the character or integrity of an WBRP staff member or management member.
- b. Moving or attempting to move markers at any time.
- c. Use of electronic and/or remotely controlled devices to alter the outcome of a run.
- d. Abuse of a horse in any way.
- e. Competing while under the influence of drugs or alcohol.
- f. Misidentifying a horse in any WBRP Barrel Race class.
- g. Misidentifying a rider in any WBRP Barrel Race class.
- h. Other conduct that is not in the best interest of the WBRP, or its contestants.
- i. Failure to make good on a returned check to the WBRP or to any other association which has a cooperative agreement with WBRP on the returned checks.
- j. The WBRP Management at their sole discretion shall have the authority to disqualify or deny entry to any horse they deem dangerous to the rider, or to other individuals, animals or property.

### **37. Safety**

Safety is a prime objective at this barrel race. If you have a horse that could be dangerous to yourself, other contestants, or other horses, DO NOT come to this barrel race. Any horse or contestant deemed to be dangerous by the management of WBRP will be disqualified and entry fees will not be refunded.

### **38. Rules**

The management of WBRP reserves the right to create any new rule, or modify any existing rule, in order to better the sport or this barrel race.

### **39. Postponement of Event**

Due to Hurricane Katrina and September 11, World Barrel Racing Productions reserves the right to postpone any barrel race due to a natural or man made disaster, or if the price of diesel rises above \$5.00 a gallon. Also, during the time of year severe weather can occur such as: snow, sleet, or ice, may result in a cancellation. We do not like to put these conditions on any event, but feel it is not fair if only a small percentage of barrel racers can attend. Any monies collected will be refunded. If any event is postponed, we will reschedule it for a future date. No postponement, or cancellation, will be made due to a lack of entries.