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2023 - 2024 Membership Form

Open	\$250.00
Jr. Barrel Racing & Jr. Breakaway 15 years old as of Jan. 1, 2024	\$100.00
Steer Riding: Not more than 15 years old as of Jan. 1, 2024	\$100.00
Ladies Breakaway, Novice Riding, Ranch Broncs, Jr. Team Roping, Jr. Bull Riding Not more than 17 years olds as of Jan 1, 2024	\$100.00
Lil Rascals Barrel Race not older than age 10 as of Jan. 1, 2024	\$50.00
Stock Contractor	\$175.00
Judge, Secretary, Announcer, Bull Fighter, Contract Act, Pick Up Man, Timer	\$75.00
Highschool Students—if you have never had a CRA 1st year is <u>Free!</u>	

Points do not count until Form is completed in FULL each season.

Must also include void cheque or banking information for direct deposit, AND picture for membership card.

RELEASE FORM

All members shall be subject to all by-laws, rules and regulations of the Association.

This form must be completed, signed and on file with the Chinook Rodeo Association and approved by the CRA Board of Directors before a CRA membership number and card will be issued.

FULL NAME OF APPLICANT:		Event(s):	
MAILING ADDRESS:		Postal Code:	
Ph:	Cell:	Age:	D.O.B.
		SEX: M F	
Email Address:		Jacket Size:	

It is hereby agreed that if granted membership in the Chinook Rodeo Association, I, the undersigned, my heirs, successors, personal representatives, and next of kin, hereby RELEASE, WAIVE, DISCHARGE, and agree to HOLD HARMLESS and INDEMNIFY the Chinook Rodeo Association board of Executives & Directors, the rodeo committees, stock contractors, sponsors, arena operators or owners, their agents or representatives, from all liability to me and my personal representatives, heirs, successors, and next of kin from any and all claims and liability for all loss or damage and claims of damages therefore on account of any injury to my person including death or damage to my property while I am participating at or in any rodeo approved by the Chinook Rodeo Association. I understand and agree this release extends to accident, injury or death occurring any term of membership in the Chinook Rodeo Association. I further state and certify that I have read and understand the contents of this release and sign this release as a free and voluntary act. -- I UNDERSTAND THIS IS A RELEASE TO ALL CLAIMS.

Dated this _____ day of _____, 20____	Applicants signature:
Witness signature:	Witness Print Name:

**IF YOU ARE UNDER THE AGE OF 18 COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING!
YOU MUST PROVIDE A COPY OF THE APPLICANTS BIRTH CERTIFICATE!**

I declare that I am the parent or legal guardian of the above named minor. I have carefully read and fully understand the foregoing Release. I agree to be bound by the terms of the release both personally and as a representative of the minor.

Signature:	Signature:	Date:
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**PARENT OR GUARDIAN SIGNATURES MUST BE WITNESSED BY A COMMISSIONER FOR OATHS OR A NOTARY PUBLIC.
ONLY NOTARY PUBLIC IF MEMBER RESIDES OUTSIDE THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA.**

On this _____ day of _____, 20____, in the Province/State of _____, before me, the undersigned Commissioner of Oaths/Notary Public, personally appeared _____ known to me to be this person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same, in witness whereof, I have here unto set my hand and affixed my official seal the say and year first above written.

_____, Commissioner for Oaths/Notary Public in and for the Province/State of _____, residing at _____, my commission expires _____.

CRA Office	Payment Method:	Card #:
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CHINOOK RODEO ASSOCIATION – Contestant Rodeo Event and Rodeo Administrative Complaints

1.0 - Contestant Rodeo Event and Rodeo Administrative Complaints:

1.A. Rodeo entry, membership and business related complaints- these are all concerns relating to the day to day operation of rodeo competition, including but not limited to rodeo entries, rodeo draws, fees, changes, membership fees and status, points and standing. These types of complaints or concerns should all be directed to the CRA office.

Complaints must be done by phone or email in an appropriate and timely manner to the CRA office. If the outcome of these findings is unsatisfactory to the member, the member should then contact their CRA Event Director or any member of the CRA Board of Directors. If the outcome of these findings is still unsatisfactory to the member, the member should then formally request a review in front of the entire CRA board of Directors. This request must be submitted in writing at time a hearing date will be set. The findings of the CRA Board at this hearing will be final.

1.B. Rodeo Event Complaints - during a rodeo performance or slack- complaints should be directed first to a CRA Judge then to a CRA Event Director or CRA Board Member. All complaints should be raised in an appropriate manner and time and should not significantly disrupt the rodeo or the event. Complaints made to a CRA Judge or timer during an event must be done in an appropriate manner, and **the Judge's ruling in the arena will be final above all concerned.** **All complaints and inquiries directed towards the CRA, the CRA office or its staff, the CRA board of directors, must be done in an appropriate, professional and courteous manner. Use of profanity, inappropriate language or conduct either in person , in writing, email or through the use of any social media may be in violation of one or more of the minor or major violation s as listed below.**

2.0 - Disciplinary Procedure

2.A. Any member may be disciplined, fined, suspended, or expelled from the Association and may be denied any or all privileges of the Association whenever it shall have been established by evidence satisfactory to the Board of Directors that such member has violated any pertinent rule of the Association. All contestants are required to read the rules carefully. **FAILURE TO UNDERSTAND WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED AS AN EXCUSE.**

2.B.. Any member filing a complaint against another member may make the complaint through an event Director, or to the CRA office or to any CRA board member. Further details regarding the complaint shall be available only upon written request from the party complained against. All names or persons signing complaints will be kept confidential.

2.C. Violations of the pertinent rules of this Chapter shall be divided into two categories: major and minor.

3.0.- Collection Procedure

3.A. In the event that a CRA member has outstanding fines or balances due the CRA shall turn such accounts over for collection by a collection agency. Accounts will be sent to collection no less than ninety (90) days after the fees, fines and/or balances were assessed because of nonpayment. In the event that an account is turned over for collection, the member is responsible for payment to the CRA for all costs of collection, as well as the outstanding balance of her account. In addition to the foregoing, once an account is turned over for collection, the member will be suspended from the CRA ninety (90) days from the date the account is paid in full.

3.B. All amounts billed to members must be paid not later than fourteen (14) days from date of mailing or he/she will be named on the suspended list. If the billed amount is not paid in full, the member will be ineligible until account is brought current. Interest and/or other service charges will be assessed on all past due accounts.

3.C. If there are two incidents of repeat offenders with accounts going to collections they must petition the Board of Directors for CRA membership.

CHINOOK RODEO ASSOCIATION – Member Code of Conduct

4. Minor Violations

4.A. Minor violations are those hereinafter listed. A violation of any of these rules may result in a fine not more than \$250 per violation or as otherwise provided herein, or at Boards Discretion. A decision as to the minor violation shall be based upon the written statements from the complaining party and her or his witnesses and a similar statement by the member complained of and her or his witness. Decision of a minor violation shall be made by the CRA Board without a hearing.

4.B. The CRA Board of Directors or CRA Office will deal with minor violations. A contestant cannot be disqualified for any minor violations.

4.C. Minor Violation Fines: Minimum fine

And ineligible to compete until paid in full.

Practicing on a barrel pattern marked course \$250

Practicing a barrel pattern in arena within one (1) hour prior to any performance or slack, during intermission, or during rodeo \$250

Failure to make an honest effort..... \$50

Dress Code..... \$100

Failure to participate in Grand Entry when requested by committee..... \$50
Competition Discrepancy..... \$250

Any member who competes and does not pay his fees at that rodeo will automatically be fined ten dollars (\$10.00) in addition to fees. If not paid within seven (7) days of final performance of that rodeo, the fine will increase to fifty dollars (\$50.00) and member will be named on the suspended list.

No contestant shall harass or impede a judge or timer while the event is in progress, or be subject to an automatic twenty-five dollar (\$25.00) fine Unnecessary delay when called upon to compete, this action to be enforced by the judges when a legitimate complaint has been lodged by the chute boss or the man in charge of the chutes \$100

Minor - use of profanity language or conduct towards CRA staff member, committee member, timer, judge, volunteer or any other member First offence \$100, second offence \$250, third offence \$500 or at Boards Discretion. This could also be considered a major violation as per Boards Discretion.

4.D. Any member who is subject to a written complaint for a minor rule violation will receive a statement from the CRA Secretary notifying them of the alleged violation within sixty (60) days of said violation.

4.E. It is the right of any member to protest any fine they receive. Member must pay fine and then submit a letter of protest to the CRA office to be reviewed and determined by the CRA Board. The decision and action of CRA Board shall be final and binding upon all parties, subject to an appeal to the Board of Directors. Such appeal shall be made by delivering to the Secretary of the Association with 14 days of the Board of Directors decision notice that the aggrieved party desires an appeal. The appealing party will be responsible for the cost incurred by obtaining witnesses in her behalf and to insure the payment of such costs. Failure to comply will result in member being ineligible to enter.

4.F. Long sleeve shirts that are collared and have either buttons, snaps or full length zipper on the front of the shirt, jeans without holes, western boots and western hat (helmets are acceptable for all CRA competitions) must be worn for all rodeo performances and slack. Contestant's appearance must be neat, clean and professional. Any contestant whose appearance is deemed unprofessional will be fined. The fine will be \$100.00. Only a CRA Board approved dress code ground rule will supersede.

4.G. All contestants are required to make an honest effort at all times when competing. \$50 fine.

4.H. . Anyone helping a CRA contestant into the arena must adhere to the rules of the CRA including but not limited to; dress code, not obstructing alleyway, and conduct restrictions for professional behavior. The Member benefiting from said help will be subject to a fine of \$100.00.

4.I. Intentional training during your money run will result in a \$250 fine. Completing run is not intentional training.

4.J. Any husband, father, mother, relative, or person with any relationship with a CRA competitor whether related or not commits or assists in any act by omission or commission, the result of which is to place a CRA member in a favored position, makes said competitor responsible and liable under this subsection.

4.K. No member, member's spouse, member's parent(s), or person with any relationship with a CRA competitor whether related or not shall negligently, recklessly, knowingly or willfully cause trouble inside or outside the ranks of the CRA by excessive complaining, willfully causing disturbances, or unnecessarily aggravating CRA officials, Officers, Directors, rodeo producers, stock contractors, secretaries, committees or judges. This is a \$250 fine. This may also be a major rule infraction with a higher penalty.

4.L. All members who are in the top 12 in the CRA standings must submit biographies, photos and other pertinent data on or before October 1 of each year to the CRA office. \$50 fine, this date may be changed depending on the date the finals occur.

4.M. Contestant is responsible for her mount, and no one shall be mounted on a horse that poses a danger to anyone. \$250 fine

4.N. Minor violations are not limited to this list, and are listed throughout rule book.

5. Major Violations

5.A. Any member who is subject to a written complaint for a Major rule violation will receive a statement from the CRA Secretary notifying them of the alleged violation within sixty (60) days of said violation.

5.B. It is the right of any member to protest any fine they receive. Member must pay the fine and then submit a letter of protest to the CRA office to be reviewed and determined by the CRA Board. The decision and action of CRA Board shall be final and binding upon all parties, subject to an appeal to the Board of Directors. Such appeal shall be made by delivering to the Secretary of the Association with 14 days of the Board of Directors decision notice that the aggrieved party desires an appeal. The appealing party will be responsible for the cost incurred by obtaining witnesses in her behalf and to insure the payment of such costs. Failure to comply will result in member being ineligible to enter.

5.C. Major violations are those hereinafter listed. Whenever anyone shall be accused of any major violation, the member shall be given not less than fifteen (15) days notice of appointed time and place of hearing such accusations by the CRA Board of Directors at which time and place the member shall have an opportunity in person or by counsel (licensed attorney only) to be heard and to present evidence offered on their own behalf. Anyone who hires an attorney to represent them at a Board meeting must give the CRA office no less than ten (10) days advance notice or the attorney will not have the right to appear. Violations on all other rules of this chapter shall be subject to a fine of not more than \$1000 and/or suspension and/or probation and/or denial of membership in the association as determined by the CRA Board of Directors. Any major violation may be reduced to a minor by CRA Board action. When found guilty of an offense, the member must post cash deposit in the amount of the fine or pay the fine, prior to an appeal being made.

5.D. A major violation shall be commenced by the accusing party, who need not be a member, filing with the Secretary of this organization a written, signed statement setting forth the act or acts the accusing party believes to be a violation of a major rule.

6.0 - Major Violation Fines: The minimum fine for all Major Violation is \$250.00.

The following violations shall constitute a major rule violation:

6.A. Unnecessary roughness of a horse or any livestock during or after a competition or on the rodeo grounds of a CRA sanctioned event will result in a minimum \$250 fine. This fine can be elevated depending on the severity of the incidence as per the CRA Board of director's discretion.

6.B. Accusing or make malicious and or unsubstantiated statements in person or through the use of any form of social media, detrimental to the CRA or the sport of rodeo, towards a rodeo producer or contractor or the staff of a contractor, rodeo committee persons, rodeo secretary, timer or volunteer, or CRA office staff member, CRA judge or CRA board of director, or any other member

6.C. The use of foul or profane language or gestures either in person, or through the use of any form of social media in any communications with the CRA office and staff, rodeo producer or contractor or the staff, rodeo committee persons, rodeo secretary, timer or volunteer, or CRA office staff member, CRA judge or CRA board of director, or any other member

6.D. Any member under the influence of alcohol or drugs to excess while competing in a CRA contest or being under the influence of alcohol or drugs in the arena.

6.E. Any member, member's spouse, member's parent(s), or person with any relationship with a CRA competitor whether related or not who recklessly, knowingly or willfully causes trouble inside or outside the ranks of the CRA by excessive complaining, willfully causing disturbances, in person or through the use of social media, or unnecessarily aggravating CRA Officers and Directors, producers, secretaries, committees, judges, sponsors, employees, volunteers and/or tractor drivers.

6.F. Any member who willfully by any act, whether by commission or omission the result of which is to place the actor or any other competitor in a favored position over other contestants.

6.G. Any husband, father, mother, relative or person with any relationship with a CRA competitor whether related or not commits or assists in any act by omission or commission, the result of which is to place a CRA competing member in a favored positions, makes said competitor responsible and liable under this subsection.

6.H. A member, member's spouse, member's parent(s) or person with any relationship with a CRA competitor whether related or not attempting to fix, threaten, bribe, influence or harass the judge or other official.

6.I. Setting or moving markers at any time between opening and closing dates with the intent to place a contestant in a favored position.

6.J. Send in fraudulent insurance claims.

6.K. Use of electronic and/or remote controlled devices that could have the potential to alter the outcome of a contest whether in or out of the arena.

6.L. Talking to flag judge or timekeepers while events are in progress.

6.M. Abuse of horse on the event grounds. This accusation must be supported in writing by at least two persons, the complaining party and one witness. The requirement of a witness is waived if the complaining party is a CRA Rodeo Judge, committee member or Board of Executive Member.

6.N. For being involved in any act which in the opinion of the Board of Directors would be inconsistent with the best interest of the CRA by reflection on the honesty and integrity of the CRA or the sport of rodeo.

6.O. Conduct, speech, appearance or lack of financial responsibility, which shall be determined by the CRA to be significantly detrimental to the public image, reputation or well being of the CRA or the sport of rodeo. Without limiting the foregoing, lack of financial responsibility shall include failure by a member to pay debts as they come due.

7.0. Major Violation Punishment

7.A. The decision and action of the Board of Directors on all major violations is final, subject only to appeal as follows:

7.B. A one-time only request for review or rehearing to the Board of Directors may be had by such a request being in the CRA office within ten (10) days notice of the decision. The appeal will be heard at the next regularly scheduled Board meeting, unless the Board, at its sole discretion, determines to hold an earlier, special hearing by telephone conference. If the Board determines to hold a telephone hearing, it will provide ten (10) days notice of the date and time of such hearing to the appealing party.

7.C. After the date a person has been denied the privileges of the Association the member shall not be allowed to compete or participate in any contests approved by the CRA, or any other recognized rodeo association.

7.D. If the Board of Directors determines that a member has violated any of the rules (major) and that member wishes to appeal the matter, the member must pay the fine within ten (10) days after notice of the result of the hearing.

Signed Name

Printed Name and Date