

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

HOW DO I JOIN THE AJRA?

All membership forms can be found at the <http://ajra.org> website. Click onto the FORMS label and it will provide you with all of the following forms that you will need to complete the membership requirements:

- A notarized membership form
- A copy of birth certificate (if you have not already provided one)
- A completed, signed W9 form for the member joining
- A check to cover membership (\$100-1st child, \$75-2nd child, \$50-3rd child, etc)

Coming shortly will be a **Membership On-line process!**

HOW DO I ENTER THE AJRA RODEOS?

Entry forms can be download from the <http://ajra.org> website. Click onto the FORMS label and it will have both the front of the entry blank and the back of the entry blank.

Complete an entry blank per contestant per rodeo. You may write 1 check that covers the total of two rodeos. Remember that each rodeo includes a \$25 office fee. Rodeo entry checks are not deposited until after the rodeo weekend.

An Entry On-line process is available at <http://ajra.org>. You will need to use a PayPal account or a credit card. You will need to set up a profile using the member's date of birth so that the appropriate age group entries are made available. You must also use a membership number that has been issued otherwise a \$20 non-member fee will be charged. No refunds.

WHEN DOES THE SEASON BEGIN?

Officially the season begins September 1, 2017 and runs through August 31, 2018

WHAT DOES THE MEMBERSHIP COST?

- \$100 for 1st child
- \$75 for 2nd child
- \$50 for 3rd child
- \$25 for 2nd child

WHAT ARE THE MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS?

Besides paying your membership fee, each member Family Unit is required to secure a minimum \$100 sponsorship. The AJRA has various levels of sponsorship to offer ranging from \$1,500 saddle sponsorship, \$500 World Champion Buckle sponsorship, \$350 Reserve World Championship and any other amount. All sponsorships are eligible for tax deductions because of the AJRA's non-profit status. The \$100 Family Unit sponsorship will be due by the Graham AJRA Rodeo which is scheduled for May 4-6, 2018. The association encourages the members to seek out sponsorships with your local merchants. The business logo will be placed on the website as well as in the NFR program and their support will be announced throughout the numerous rodeos that are held.

HOW MANY RODEOS ARE SCHEDULED? HOW MANY RODEOS DO I HAVE TO COMPETE AT IN ORDER TO COMPETE AT THE FINALS?

There are 14 rodeos scheduled for the 2018 season. The best 12 event results from the regular season will be used to determine World Champion Event results in addition to the results from the two-go round, short-go and average at the NFR.

In order to be able to **compete** at the finals you must be a member and then compete at 6 rodeos.

WHAT ARE THE YEAR END PRIZES?

- AJRA World Champions receive a saddle and a World Champion buckle
- AJRA Reserve Champions receive a buckle
- Prizes awarded through 6th place

HOW MANY PLACES ARE AWARDED FOR THE YEAR END PRIZES?

- Prizes for third through 6 places

WHAT ARE THE NFR AVERAGE PRIZES?

- Average event buckles will be awarded
- \$500 cash award for All-Around champion for each age group—based on best 3 events at the NFR
- \$250 cash award for Reserve All-Around champion for each age group—based on best 3 events at the NFR

WHAT ARE THE AGE GROUPS AND HOW DO I KNOW WHICH AGE GROUP TO COMPETE IN?

- 8 Years And Under
- 9 Through 12 Years of Age
- 13 Through 15 Years of Age
- 16 Through 19 Years of Age
- Ages are determined as of midnight, July 31, of the year that the points are to count toward.

WHEN DO THE RODEO PERFORMANCES BEGIN?

At the regularly scheduled double rodeos (when there are 2 separate rodeos during the weekend):

- Friday performances-7 pm
- Saturday Morning—9 am
- Saturday Evening—7 pm
- Sunday Morning-9 am

I WANT TO TEAM ROPE BUT DO NOT HAVE A PARTNER?

Team ropers can enter “Open” and request to be paired up with someone that is also looking for a partner. Effort is made to get the two ropers to contact each other to discuss roping together. If you are unable to get a partner and have paid your entry fee to compete, your entry fee will be refunded.

HOW MANY TIMES CAN I ENTER THE TEAM ROPING?

Team ropers may enter **twice** for each rodeo. They can enter with two different partners or they can enter “up and back”.

DO YOU HAVE A QUESTION THAT IS NOT ANSWERED HERE?

- Call AJRA Secretary, Mary McMullan at (325) 277-5824, leave a clear message if your call is not answered. Mary will call you back.
- Email your question to: ajrasince52@gmail.com