

2026 Summer Series Rulebook

GENERAL INFORMATION

- **Location:** 203 Amusement Drive, Ninety Six, SC
- **Season Dates:** June 6 – November 7, 2026
- **Schedule:** June 6, July 4, August 1, September 5, October 3, November 6 & 7
- **Start Time:** 7:00 PM

ADMISSION

- \$15 per person
- Ages 6 & under FREE
- Contestants enter FREE

ENTRIES & FEES RULES

- Entries close prior to the event
- Entry fees due in cash by 6:30 PM
- After 6:30 PM, a \$10 late fee applies
- No entries accepted after 6:50 PM
- Failure to pay = scratch
- No refunds unless event is canceled
- After 2 scratches, a turnout fee (equal to entry fee) is required

SCRATCH POLICY

A scratch occurs if:

- Contestant enters but does not compete
- Entry fees are not paid by 6:50 PM
- Contestant withdraws after books close

WAIVERS & MINORS

- Signed waiver required before competing
- Minors require guardian signature
- Notary available June 6 only
- ID required if appearing under 18

MEMBERSHIP & POINTS

- Membership fee for 1 event: \$40
- Membership fee for 2+ events: \$85
- Fees due by June 6
- Payments after June 6 start points from payment date (no backdating)
- Contestants must state which event(s) membership applies to at payment
- Points awarded only after payment

GROUND & SAFETY

- Chairs/tents allowed; keep grounds clean, please take pop up tents home when leaving
- No loose dogs
- Enter at your own risk
- Cohen Ranch not responsible for injury, loss, or damage
- Management may cancel at any time

CONTESTANT RULES

- Check in and be ready when called
- Western attire required (see dress code below)
- Judges' decisions are final
- No drugs
- Beer cans must be in a koozie (you will be warned once, then asked to leave if you do not abide by the rule)
- Unsportsmanlike conduct = disqualification
- Humane livestock treatment required
- Follow all staff directions
- Management may remove any person at any time
- Arena restricted to authorized personnel

DRESS CODE is required

- Cowboy hat
- Button-up or Cohen Ranch shirt
- Jeans
- Cowboy boots
- Hat must be worn into arena (no penalty if lost during run)

ORDER OF EVENTS & ENTRY FEES

- Mutton Busting — \$20
- Goat Undressing — \$20
- Goat Dogging — \$20
- Bucking Ponies — \$30
- Calf Riding — \$25
- Open Steer Riding — \$35
- Open Chutedogging — \$35

INTERMISSION

- Leadline Barrels — \$15
- Pee Wee Barrels — \$20
- Jr Barrels — \$25
- Youth Barrels — \$30
- Open Barrels — \$35
- Junior Bull Riding — \$50
- Open Bull Riding — \$60

EVENT RULES

General

- Be ready when called
- Missed turn = no time or disqualification
- Equipment is contestant's responsibility

Timed Events

- 30-second limit
- Incomplete run = no time
- Stock assigned by random draw before the rodeo begins

Barrel Racing

- Standard cloverleaf pattern
- Knocked barrel = +5 seconds
- Broken pattern = no time
- Random draw

Mutton Busting

- Be prepared; know your draw
- Max weight: 55 lbs
- Must ride one-handed with rope for eligibility of buckle or awards
- Alternate methods allowed but not eligible for buckle or awards

Arena Drag

- Drag will be before Junior, Youth and Open and Slack

Slack

- Over 12 entries
- Runs after rodeo
- Random draw

Exhibitions

- Barrels: \$5 per run
- All others events: \$10

Back Pens

- Authorized personnel only
- One helper only
- Western attire/ Cohen ranch t-shirt required
- No small children

ReRide Policy

Must be requested before exiting arena

Granted for:

- Timer failure
- Arena hazard
- Equipment failure (not contestant-caused)

Payout

- 70% payout
- Rodeo format (no 4D barrels)
- Rounded to nearest dollar

Structure

- 1–3 contestants: 1 place (100%)
- 4–6 contestants: 2 places (60/40)
- 7–9 contestants: 3 places (50/30/20)
- 10–13 contestants: 4 places (40/30/20/10)
- 14+ contestants: 5 places (35/25/20/12/8)

POINTS AND AWARDS

- 1st: 5 points| 2nd: 4 points| 3rd: 3 points| 4th: 2 points | 5th: 1 point
- Must compete in MINIMUM of 4 events to qualify for awards

Awards

- 1st: Buckle
- 2nd: Buckle
- 3rd: Prize

Tiebreaker

- Run-off at finals
- Must be present or forfeit

ADDITIONAL RULES

- Events may be canceled for low participation
- No abuse tolerated

Cohen Ranch reserves the right to modify rules at any time for safety and fairness.