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1.0 SHOW STAFF

1.1 Judge: All sanctioned competitions will be judged by at least one EXCA qualified judge.

1.2 The Show Secretary is responsible for administration duties involved with the day of competition and must be a current OXC member.

1.2.1 Duties include but are not limited to: posting of patterns by division, posting of the order of go, ensure scorecards are in order of go & ready for Judge & Scribe, entering of each scorecard in the excel EXCA spreadsheet and scoring of each division at the end of it. Returning all scorecards to the OXC Office at the end of each show. The OXC office will provide the necessary files after closing of each race for printing.

1.2.2 The Show Secretary cannot hold Show Whip, Ring Steward, scribe or Announcer positions at same show.

1.2.3 The position of Show Secretary shall be paid at a rate of \$100 per event.

1.3 Scribe: A scribe is the person to whom the judge dictates their penalties and scores,

keeping a written record on score sheets. A Scribe and Judge work as a team, but the Judge makes all final decisions and should not be influenced by a Scribe.

1.3.1 This position may receive an honorarium of \$100 per event.

1.4 Timer: The Timer is responsible for running the electronic timing eye under the instruction of the Judge. Events without an electronic timing eye and runs

may need to be timed on an official OXC Stopwatch as provided by the Show Secretary.

1.4.1 The Timer is a voluntary position.

1.4.2 Should an error in timing occur that is unrelated to the competitor at any time or point during a qualified, judged run, it will be the direction of the Judge to offer a re-ride immediately, at the end of the running order or after a reasonable respite for horse and rider.

2.0 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

2.1 All Board of Director positions are voluntary with the following exceptions:

2.1.1 The Secretary/Treasurer position carries an annual rate of \$1000 per year plus \$175.00 per race for race preparation and closure.

2.1.2 The Communications Director will maintain a budget of \$600 per year for the advertising/marketing expenses of the club.

2.1.3 Formal Written complaints regarding a director's action can be filed with the Board of Directors with a \$50.00 Fee.

2.1.4 A BOD Meeting will be called to address the formal complaint including director in question. At this meeting the director with the complaint will be able to present a written statement in defence. The remainder of the board will convene to discuss the level of discipline if in fact discipline is required with regards to the matter.

2.2 Detailed Duties of Secretary/Treasurer in addition to those listed in the constitution.

The S/T may sign event applications.

The S/T will apply for NAERIC approvals annually.

The S/T with approval of BOD will ensure insurance policy is current annually for the club. As well ensures that the not for profit registration remains current, plate renewal of obstacle trailer is current.

Before Event: S/T will receive electronic entries, process e-transfers, establish race file, establish order of go, work with judge to develop pattern, create individual scorecards. The documentation will be printed if S/T is attending event or can be emailed to Show Secretary.

After Event: S/T will create EXCA file, submit and pay EXCA Point Fees. Create pdf of results and submit to Communications Director, submit results for other organizations ie TIP., prepare and submit invoice to host of event, scan individual scorecards. Email scorecards to competitors who request them. Tabulate points in year end file. Process payouts to competitors.

2.3 Regional Directors at Large Responsibilities (Currently 2) on Board

Be responsible for engaging with membership on local needs of the area. This could be done by attending local shows, tack swaps, clinics to meet with current & future members. Assist in marketing OXC to the local area membership & future membership for more region visibility. This could be done by attending local shows, tack swaps, clinics to meet with current & future members. Assist in delivering the host race packages & obtaining event contracts. Be a point of contact to assist the BOD with obtaining races, as well as help with details of any OXC events secured in their region.

3.0 RULES OF COMPETITION

3.1 As an affiliate of the host organization EXCA, OXC sanctioned events shall be governed by the rules of the EXCA.

3.2 For liability compliance, all competitors at OXC sanctioned events must be OXC members in good standing.

3.3 Tack Requirements

All tack must be traditional western or Australian with the exception of the novice division where permitted.

The novice, young guns & youth divisions, at regular OXC sanctioned races, any saddle without a horn is permitted. Saddles without a horn will not be permitted at OXC Provincial Finals or Championship Races.

Tack and attire shall match (example: no western hat with an English saddle and britches). For English there should be an English saddle, English saddle/girth/pad, britches, field boots, and hunt cap or helmet (English breast collar, over shirt and spurs are optional)

Mechanical hackamores, tie downs, martingales, cavessons, drop nose bands and any form of gag bit or slip bit is not allowed. English riders; cavessons, drop nose bands, and any type of equipment that restricts the equine from opening its mouth freely is not allowed. Bitless bridles and combo halter/bridle bridles must be approved by the judge at the walk through.

Any bit that has a mouth piece not secured to the shank, with the exception, of the loose O ring is not allowed. Example a D ring is secured and is allowed. A bit with leverage of any size where the mouth piece is not the exact secure position between the shank and the bridle attachment is a gag or slip bit and is not allowed.

A bosalito will be considered a cavesson except in a traditional two rein set up. A bosalito will not be used with a get down rope.

It is acceptable to ride without a bridle or bareback.

3.4 Dress Code

Traditional western attire, Australian Stock attire and where applicable English attire is required.

Dress jeans or colored jeans are acceptable.

All Riders shall wear long sleeve button down shirts. With judges consent short sleeve button down shirts will be allowed.

Logos, with the exception of makers mark, on shirts, jackets, pants are not allowed unless approved by the EXCA office.

Shirts must be tucked in when the rider begins competition.

Riders must wear riding boots with a heel. Tennis shoes are not acceptable. Half chaps and short riding boots may replace traditional field boots.

Riders shall wear a western style hat or certified riding helmet. Ball Caps are not allowed. English riders must wear a hunt cap or approved helmet. Any youth rider, no matter the division entered, shall wear an approved certified helmet. Chaps (with the exception of English riders with short riding boots) and spurs are optional.

4.0 DIVISIONS

4.1 Subject to demand, all divisions may be offered as outlined by EXCA, except for the OXC Provincial Finals where the Green Division will be offered.

4.2 Effective January 1 2024, all 9 divisions will be offered at each OXC Sanction Race as listed by EXCA.

4.3 Home division is declared by the competitor on their annual Membership Form. This will be reviewed by the Secretary/Treasurer and this will assist in determining “riding up” divisions for entries.

4.4 Riders under the age of 7 will be allowed to compete in the Young Gun division. The rider will be in control of their mount on their own & not on a leadline. If lack of safety & control is apparent, the judge may excuse the competitor from the ring and entry into future events may be restricted by OXC Board decision until the rider reaches the age of 7.

5.0 YEAR END AWARDS

5.1 OXC members in good standing in each division shall be eligible for OXC high point year-end award in that division. Points obtained prior to becoming an OXC member or in non-sanctioned competition will not count towards year-end awards. However, the OXC will continue to have a Day Pass which may be upgraded to a full OXC Membership at any time with the previous Day Pass Score to count towards High Point.

5.2 The horse & rider score will be accumulated from the top 5 races during the year.

5.3 Points earned in OXC sanctioned competition will only be eligible for EXCA acknowledgement for EXCA members in good standing at the date of competition.

5.4 Horse with the Most Heart Award – A horse will be chosen at each show by the judge that enthusiastically performed their duties. Awarded at year-end to the horse with the most picks. OR if a tie occurs, by a random draw.

5.5 Horsemanship Award – Awarded at year-end to the member with the highest accumulated Horsemanship Points as indicated by the season score cards. Or if a tie occurs, by a random draw.

6.0 OXC PROVINCIAL FINALS

6.1 The OXC Provincial Finals is the last and final EXCA Sanctioned race of the Ontario Xtreme Cowboy Club and is held before the EXCA World finals. The Provincial Finals should be judged by the highest carded EXCA judge available at the discretion of the Board of Directors.

6.2 In order to qualify to attend the OXC Provincial Finals, you must;

6.2a Have shown in three (3) Extreme Cowboy Races with an EXCA Sanctioned Club in the Province of Ontario over the current year.

6.2b A horse/rider team must compete in 3 races that are Ontario EXCA Sanctioned in the division(s) they are entering, or if the race requirement is not met, a horse/rider team must compete in 1 race and can buy in at \$200.00 to attend the Provincial Finals. All other fees for Provincials will be in addition to the buy in amount.

6.2c Entries must be made and complete as directed.

6.2d You are permitted to qualify more than one horse/rider team but may not exceed more than 3 per OXC Division.

7.0 Fundraising

7.1 Fundraising Director , will organize various fundraising throughout the year for the club at the events. All Board of Directors will support the fundraising of the club.

7.2 Fallen Cowboy Fund

This fund has been established to provide assistant when a cowgirl/cowboy who is a member in good standing with OXC is in need.

All monies would be collected at the shows and deposited into the primary bank account but would be maintained within the OXC Chart of Accounts as separate funds. This would keep the monies collected within the membership.

Determination of where the money goes would be the responsibility of the Board of Directors, who could hold an emergency meeting to address the Fallen Cowboy situation and vote. Minutes of this meeting would be recorded for future reference.