

2026 Dryden & District Agricultural Society 807 Bulls & Barrels

Barrel Racing Rules & Information

QUALIFIER: Friday, September 4, 2026

PERFORMANCES: Friday September 4, 2026 & Saturday, September 5, 2026

Location: Dryden & District Agricultural Society, 99 Scott Street, Dryden, ON

How it works:

The 2026 Dryden & District Agricultural Society 807 Bulls & Barrels will feature 10 barrel racers competing during the bullriding performances both Friday and Saturday night followed by a top 2, winner-takes-all run to finish off the weekend.

This High Paced event combines bullriding and barrel racing for a fast paced, adrenaline rush of entertainment in an intimate setting with seats packed with fans!

Qualification:

The 807 Bulls & Barrels will be taking the Champions from two local barrel racing series': ***Kick the Dust Up Finals July 25th*** and the ***Northern Lights Quarter Horse Association Chasing the Lights Barrel Series Finals August 15th*** as the first two qualifiers.

The remaining 8 spots will be determined through a qualifier race, Friday, September 4th at 12 noon CST at the Dryden & District Agricultural Society fairgrounds. The qualifier will be a 3D barrel race unless there are 50 or more entries, then it will become a 4D. Anyone can enter the qualifier. It is an open race only – no age categories.

1 run only. Payout will be based on the number of entries and placings per D.

An individual may only qualify ONCE. Therefore, if the individual who wins the Kick the Dust Up Finals on July 25th, also wins the NLQHA Chasing the Lights Barrel Series Finals on August 15th, the runner up to the champion at the NLQHA event will qualify.

The goal of the qualifier is to have the Top 10 be 10 individual riders to move on to the performances. If an individual places in the top 10 in the qualifier more than once, they will be considered qualified on their highest placing horse. If an individual places more than once in the top 10 in the qualifier, that qualification will be forfeited and the qualification will be rolled to the next placing up until the 10th qualifier.

Contestants must compete in the performances on the horse they qualified on.

Entries:

Entries for the Qualifier will be done exclusively online with cash paid at the event prior to the Qualifier. There are no entry fees for the top 10.

Entry Fee: \$40

- \$5 from each entry withheld for administration

***Entries Open until 12 noon CST, September 4th. Online entry form at
Crossfirebullriding.com***

All contestants will be required to have a Dryden & District Agricultural Society membership. Memberships are \$15 and must be obtained in advance through the DDAS. Membership purchase deadline is August 31st, 7 pm CST by e-transfer to ddasinfo2@gmail.com.

Performance:

The qualifying barrel racers will participate in the opening ceremonies along with the bullriders during both performances.

The top 10 from the Qualifier will run in both performances for a chance to win \$3000 split 60/30/10 for 1st, 2nd and 3rd placings on the average of both runs. The top 2 from a 2-run aggregate will then run again at the end of the Saturday performance for a 'winner takes all' \$500 cheque!

Event Considerations:

- The top 10 qualifiers will be expected to be present and participate in the grand entry during the performance and be dressed in full western attire.
- The performance is a thoroughly planned and executed event. The top 10 qualifiers are expected to participate in the event as planned by the organizers and will be directed on what to do by the event staff, arena director and/or the barrel racing director.
- Any of the top 10 qualifiers may be requested to participate in interviews, including on-camera interviews during the performance.
- This is a high energy event with many moving parts. We ask that the top 10 qualifiers be ready when needed so the event runs as smoothly as possible and we encourage the qualifiers to show their excitement and personality for the crowd throughout the experience.

Competition Rules:

- The pattern is run in a cloverleaf, either to the left or right barrel first. The pattern will be set best suited to arena conditions. Keep in mind, the pattern will be smaller than standard races due to the bullriding setup but will be set appropriately for safety.

- The barrel race will be timed by electric eye with manual backup. The manual backup time will be used in the event of a timer malfunction. No reruns will be given in the case of a timer malfunction.
- In the qualifier, knocking a barrel will result in a no time. In the bullriding performances, a knocked barrel will result in a 5 second penalty.
- In the qualifier, the arena will be raked by quad at intervals deemed appropriate for arena conditions and announced at the event. In the performance, hand rakers will rake the barrels between each run.
- Full western attire is required for the performance. Western attire is defined as western boots and jeans, cuffs and collar western shirt and cowboy hat or helmet.
- There will be no penalty for losing your hat.
- Circling in the arena prior to starting a run will not be permitted.
- Contestants must complete their runs at competition caliber. Contestants may only pull up for safety or injury concerns.
- A contestant's run will be disqualified for going off (breaking) pattern.
- A "leader" horse may not enter through the gate when helping a contestant get into the arena.
- The "3 call rule" will be enforced. Contestants must enter the arena within 60 seconds of being called and will be given 3 calls. After the 3rd call, a contestant will be rolled and no re-runs will be permitted.

Additional Event Information, Rules & Regulations

OFFICE HOURS, DRAW SELECTION & PAYOUTS

Entries are accepted online ONLY at Crossfirebullriding.com and entries must be received by **12 NOON CST, Friday, September 4, 2026**. All contestants must complete the online entry form in order to sign the waiver.

Office hours will be posted prior to the event. Entry fee payments to be made in **cash only**. All settlements on entry fees must be completed by 12 NOON at the office, prior to the qualifier.

Qualifier draw will be made by random selection. The top 10 and top 2 will run from slowest to fastest during the performance.

We will not guarantee exact spots in the draw or number of horses between multiple entries but we will do our best to accommodate sufficient space between riders with multiple entries based on the total number of entries..

Payout for the qualifier will be done in cash approximately 30 minutes following the race. The number of entries and number of placings per D will determine the payout structure.

Payout for the performance will be completed and presented by Crossfire Bullriding following the performance.

Qualifier payouts must be collected in person at the event when they have been made available. Any unclaimed payouts will be forfeited. We will not send any unclaimed winnings to contestants after the

event. No exceptions. If you cannot claim your payout in person at the event, you may have someone claim it on your behalf. We are not responsible for any payouts given to another person on your behalf once they have left our possession.

EVENT LOCATION

Dryden & District Agricultural Society
99 Scott Street, Dryden, Ontario
The location is available on Google Maps.

PARKING

Parking information will be posted online on our website and social media prior to the event.

WAIVER & LIABILITY

All contestants must agree to the event's terms and conditions and waiver agreement included on the online entry form. The terms and conditions, hold harmless agreement and liability waiver for this event are binding. If you do not agree to and sign, you will not be permitted to compete.

MISCONDUCT

Any of the following actions may result in suspension or disqualification from this event.

The Rocking W Barrel Racing Productions and Crossfire Bullriding event organizers will not tolerate any form of misconduct and the consequence for any of the following may result in disqualification from this event. Including the following but not limited to:

- Using **abusive, racist or offensive language** in any capacity by any individual competing in or attending this event.
- **Attempting to threaten, bribe, influence or harass** any Rocking W Barrel Racing Productions or Crossfire Bullriding official or volunteer, Dryden & District Agricultural Society board member or volunteer, sponsor, contestant, family of contestant or community member.
- **Abuse of a horse in any way** is strictly prohibited! Reasonable use of tack and equipment, whips, crops, over-under's and spurs is allowed but any **excessive** use will be addressed accordingly and can result in disqualification at the event producer's discretion.
- **Competing under the influence** of drugs or alcohol will not be tolerated.
- Any other conduct that is not in the best interests of the event, Rocking W Barrel Racing Productions, Crossfire Bullriding, Dryden & District Agricultural Society, sponsors, competitors, their horses and spectators or community members.

QUESTIONS?

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