

# **2012 Wrangler/Professional's Choice 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**

## **ACTRA National Finals Schedule**

**October 20 – 27, 2012**

**Saturday, October 20<sup>th</sup> - Open; #12**

**Sunday, October 21<sup>st</sup> - #10 ½; Mixed Handicap(#8 even)**

**Monday, October 22<sup>nd</sup> - #8 ½; Earl Hall Scholarship Roping**

**Tuesday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> - Century Roping; Director/Sponsor/Arena Operator Roping; Banquet, Calcutta & Catastrophe Fund Auction @ Circus Circus**

**Wednesday, October 24<sup>th</sup> - Wrangler Patriot Super 7**

**Thursday, October 25<sup>th</sup> - #5 ½; Slot Tournament @ Circus Circus**

**Friday, October 26<sup>th</sup> - #4; Youth & Significant Others Bones Roping**

**Saturday, October 27<sup>th</sup> - #3**

### **6. Wrangler/Professional's Choice ACTRA National Finals Ground Rules**

- 6.1 To be qualified to rope at the ACTRA National Finals, participants must have been a current year member who qualified and competed at the current year Chapter Finals. Any exceptions will be printed in the official ACTRA publication or web site.**
- 6.2 One loop at each end, three legal head catches (around the neck, around the horns or half head).**
- 6.3 Headers must stay dallied as they face and have the ropes tight to receive a flag.**
- 6.4 If a rope is caught on any moving part of the barrier or chute, the team will get a clean steer at the end of the go.**
- 6.5 Crossfire – The steer must be controlled by the header and complete the switch before the heel loop may be thrown. If a steer stops at no fault of the roper, he must be in tow before the heel loop may be thrown. Any loop thrown in the 1<sup>st</sup> switch is considered crossfire and is illegal.**
- 6.6 All female heelers and all heelers 50 years of age and older may tie on hard & fast.**
- 6.7 When the roper's steer crosses the line it is considered the roper's unless they declare a broken horn and do not throw the head loop and the horn is in fact broken. If the horn is not broken it will be considered a no time.**
- 6.8 Any malfunction of the clocks or barrier will warrant a clean steer at the end of the go only if a qualified run was made.**
- 6.9 If the flagger says of his/her own accord that he/she made a mistake or awards the team another steer, the team will get a clean steer at the end of the go/rotation.**
- 6.10 There will be a 30 second time limit to get into the box to rope and a 30 second time limit in the arena.**
- 6.11 Any questions about a time or flag need to be settled before the next team ropes.**

- 6.12 *There may be a "catch-pen" judge that can call a missed bad catch on the heads or heels by the arena flagger.*
- 6.13 *There will be no interference calls. It is the team's responsibility to have the arena cleared before they call for a steer.*
- 6.14 *If a steer gets turned out in the high teams and the line judge says the header did not call for the steer, then a number from one to ten will be drawn by the timers and that many steers will be turned out and the team will have to rope the next steer in the chute. If the line judge says the header did call for the steer, then it will be a no time. If a steer is turned out in any go rounds other than the high teams without the header calling for it, the team will run at the end of the go.*
- 6.15 *Any arena flagger, catch pen flagger or line judge's decision is final.*
- 6.16 *All ties will be settled by a rope off in which each tied team must rope unless both teams agree to other means of settling the tie. In case of high money awards, both roper's must rope it off with any of their other partners in that roping unless the tied roper's agree to other means of settling the tie.*
- 6.17 *No horses may be tied in the arena or by the chutes and no ropers will be allowed to sit on their horses around the chutes or in the arena. The roper that does block the way or has his horse tied will be drawn out of the roping. One of the flaggers or arena directors will be on watch at all times for violators.*
- 6.18 *Any abuse of horses or steers at the finals will be a not time and/or disqualification from the finals. Any unsportsmanlike behavior or language may result in the same actions. Flagger's decision and/or director's decision are final.*
- 6.19 *There will be a dress code strictly enforced at the National Finals during the finals and award ceremonies. Cowboy hat or no hat, long sleeve button or snap all the way down shirts with collars, western jeans and cowboy boots. Failure to adhere to the dress code will result in disqualification.*