



4 STRIDES BARREL RACING - COMPETITIVE RACING CLASSES 2026 SEASON

THIS COMPETITIVE RACING LIST IS NOT THE EVENT SCHEDULE OR RUNNING ORDER OF THE CLASSES ON THE DAY

Class 1 BARRELS – WALK/TROT ONLY (any age/Inc. lead rein)

OPEN TO ALL (This class is not eligible for points) ENTRY FEE: £5 PER RUN or 3 RUNS £12.00

Class 2 BARRELS – PAID WARM UPS (NO SPEED LIMIT, TIMES NOT RECORDED)

OPEN TO ALL (This class is not eligible for points, places or rosettes) £5 PER RUN ENTRY FEE. UNLIMITED ENTRIES.

Class 3A BARRELS – YOUTH (12YRS AND/OR UNDER AS OF 1ST JANUARY)

This is a NBHA UK member only class: £5 PER RUN ENTRY FEE. UNLIMITED ENTRIES.

Class 3B BARRELS – TEEN (13-18 YRS & UNDER OF AGE AS OF 1ST JANUARY)

This is a NBHA UK member only class: £5 PER RUN ENTRY FEE. UNLIMITED ENTRIES.

Class 3C BARRELS – OPEN class. (19-49 YRS & UNDER OF AGE AS OF 1ST JANUARY)

This is a NBHA UK member only class: £5 PER RUN ENTRY FEE. UNLIMITED ENTRIES.

Class 3D BARRELS – SENIOR (50 YRS AND OVER AS OF 1ST JANUARY)

This is a NBHA UK member only class: £5 PER RUN ENTRY FEE. UNLIMITED ENTRIES.

Class 4 BARRELS – FIRST TIME TURNERS (ANYONE - FIRST COMPETITION WITH US)

OPEN TO ALL (4 Strides/UKBHA members - eligible for points) ENTRY FEE: £5 PER RUN or 3 RUNS £12.00

Class 5 BARRELS – YOUTH & TEEN (18YRS AND/OR UNDER INCLUDING LEAD REIN)

OPEN TO ALL (4 Strides/UKBHA members - eligible for points) ENTRY FEE: £5 PER RUN or 3 RUNS £12.00

Class 6 BARRELS – OPEN & SENIOR (19YRS AND/OR OVER)

OPEN TO ALL (4 Strides/UKBHA members - eligible for points) ENTRY FEE: £5 PER RUN or 3 RUNS £12.00

Class 7 BARRELS – 14.1 HH and under class (pony/rider combo any age/any speed)

OPEN TO ALL (4 Strides/UKBHA members - eligible for points) ENTRY FEE: £5 PER RUN or 3 RUNS £12.00

Class 8 BARRELS – 14.2 HH and over class (pony/rider combo any age/any speed)

OPEN TO ALL (4 Strides/UKBHA members - eligible for points) ENTRY FEE: £5 PER RUN or 3 RUNS £12.00

Class 9 BARRELS – EBHA - EUROPEAN INTERNATIONAL QUALIFIERS RACE (OPEN)

This is a EBHA member only class: £30 ENTRY FEE. 3 RUNS, 2 COUNT.

(This class is eligible for points & PRIZE MONEY)

This class is only available at competitions run at 4 Strides Equestrian in Lincolnshire.





Class 10 JACKPOT RACE.*

**OPEN TO ALL . CASH ONLY ENTRY FEE £5 LIMITED ENTRY TO 1 entry per HORSE/RIDER COMBINATION
Prize money to the winners of each division & divisional points to all that place in each division.**

Class 11 POLE BENDING –OPEN - WEAVE AWAY pony/rider combo any age/any speed

OPEN TO ALL (4 Strides/UKBHA members - eligible for points) ENTRY FEE: £5 PER RUN or 3 RUNS £12.00

Class 12A POLE BENDING – YOUTH & TEEN (18 YRS AND/OR UNDER AS OF 1ST JANUARY)

This is a NBHA UK member only class: £5 PER RUN ENTRY FEE. UNLIMITED ENTRIES.

Class 12B POLE BENDING – OPEN & SENIOR class. (19 YRS & OVER OF AGE AS OF 1ST JANUARY)

This is a NBHA UK member only class: £5 PER RUN ENTRY FEE. UNLIMITED ENTRIES.

PRESENTATION of rosettes for all classes takes place immediately after the end of the last race so please remain on your horses.

Prizes

All events: Rosettes are awarded for 1st 2nd 3rd in all classes except 9 and 10. We may award more rosettes depending on entry numbers.

OVERALL HI-POINT WINNER OF THE DAY, Will be awarded to the **4 Strides/UKBHA CLUB MEMBER** who has achieved the most points overall for the day. Barrels/Poles combined; **Sponsored by 4 Strides Equestrian** The winner will also receive a Custom-Made Barrel Trophy made by **TRIED AND TURNED**.

A 4 Strides Rosette for will be awarded to the **4 Strides/UKBHA CLUB MEMBER** with the fastest time of the day for barrels

A 4 Strides Rosette for will be awarded to the **4 Strides/UKBHA CLUB MEMBER** with the fastest time of the day for poles

A Rosette will be awarded to a MEMBER who holds **any membership (4 Strides/UKBHA/NBHA/EBHA)** who is the "best dressed" cowboy or cowgirl of the day. **Sponsored by NJH Rosettes.**

ANNUAL AWARDS - Points are awarded for most classes; members results are entered into a points system which are then accumulated over the season to qualify riders for annual end of season awards. End of season awards categories will be split into: 4S & UKBHA. NBHA. EBHA and Other e.g. Overall-Hi Points & Grand Champion.





KEY RULES

Class 1 is not eligible for points.

Class 2 is not eligible for points, placings or rosettes. Times will not be recorded.

Class 3A, 3B, 3C, 3D, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10 Barrel down results in a no time.

Class 3A, 3B, 3C, 3D pattern size will replicate the USA open world pattern.

Class 3A, 3B, 3C, 3D riders entered into these classes will automatically receive 1 point for entering plus whatever placing points are awarded.

Class 9. The best of your first 2 runs is added to your 3rd run to give you an overall time which is then ranked. There will be 1 Division with prize money awarded to 1st 2nd 3rd place. (with the intention of increasing the divisions, with increased entries and sponsorship going forward). Rosettes are not awarded for this class. Minimum of 4 entries required to run this class.

Class 10. The winner of each division will be awarded prize money. Points will be awarded in each division. Rosettes are not awarded for this class. Rosettes are not awarded for this class. Minimum of 4 entries required to run this class.

Classes 9 and or 10, may be cancelled at the organiser's discretion, on the day, if there are not enough entries to cover the prize fund pots.

Classes 11, 12A, 12B, pole down results in a no time.

NBHA Barrel classes cannot be double judged with other classes.

Other than class 1, lead rein entries in other classes are as the discretion of the organisers on the day.

Points award structure – the 1st place winner will receive 1 point for winning plus a point for every rider they finish above. The 2nd place winner will be awarded a point for every rider they finish above. Same for 3rd place 4th place, 5th place and so on.





Membership

4STRIDES /UKBHA/NBHA UK/EBHA membership is available on the day. Membership runs from January to December and that membership fee covers you for all our shows nationwide. If you join mid-year, all your points accumulated prior to joining will be added to your personal record so you will not miss out on any points by joining after January.

Horses

Horses taking part in this competition must be healthy; regularly wormed, vaccinated and have feet in good condition.

Horses should be insured for 3rd party liability insurance as a minimum.

ATTIRE – Note this is encouraged and promoted but not essential

To enhance the image of our sport, we encourage and promote appropriate western attire throughout all events for both horse and rider. This includes a long-sleeved Western shirt with collar or Western motif. Shirt sleeves must be rolled down and buttoned or snapped. Shirt tails must be tucked in. In the interest of safety, contestants over the age of 18 are encouraged to wear appropriate riding safety helmets.

2026 Sponsorship of 4 Strides barrel & pole racing events:

Special thanks and a big shout out to the sponsors of these 2026 events/competitions, who give prizes, vouchers and cash to make the winnings “extra special”. Please check out their products and services and try to support them in return. *Links to all their products and services can be found on our website.*
<https://www.4stridesequestrian.co.uk/sponsors>

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