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GENERAL TENANTS AND DESCRIPTION OF EVENTS

The Gold Rush Barrel Futurity and Maturity is an elite barrel racing incentive owned by Maegan McPherson, Whitney Knippling, Lee & Hallie Hanssen and Cally Kindred, and operated under All Around Publishing LLC, DBA THM Productions and The Gold Rush. All decisions will be voted on by the owners.

The Gold Rush incentive intends to sell 75 slots in 2026. Anyone can purchase a slot for their breeding program. The slot will be an annual payment of \$6000, with a \$1000 non-refundable deposit due when contracts open to the public on February 15th, 2026, with the remaining \$5000 due by April 1st, 2026. After slot holders commit in 2026, all programs will receive their 2027 contract by December 1st, 2026, and a \$1000 payment will be due December 31st, 2026, along with a signed contract to commit for the next year. The remaining \$5000 will be due by February 15th, 2027. This will continue to follow suit for year 2028 as well. This is a year-to-year contract.

In 2026, The Gold Rush main event is planned to be held in conjunction with an established event of 12 years called Today's Horse West Fest. The event is planned to be held September 23rd – 27th 2026 in Rapid City, South Dakota at the James Kjerstad Event Center (915 Centre St.) on the Central States Fairgrounds. The main event will consist of a \$150,000 added 2D Futurity with a 1 second split and will also have a \$100,000 added 3D Maturity with $\frac{3}{4}$ second splits. The Gold Rush will also have five \$25,000 4D open side pots at different events throughout the Midwest region. Numbers are based on all 75 slots selling.

Nominators must pay a one-time nomination per eligible horse to compete for The Gold Rush incentive money. Once slot holders have committed and paid for their slot in full by April 1st, 2026, nominations will open to the public on April 15th, 2026, after a finalized list of slot holders is made public. All horses of any age can pay the one-time nomination for an intro rate of \$250 in 2026. All nominations are due by September 1st, 2026.

As the program grows, we plan to add additional side pots. The main event will always be held in the Northern Region of the United States.

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SLOTHOLDERS

PURCHASING A SLOT: Anyone can purchase a slot and they will be sold via JotForm at www.thmproductions.com under The Gold Rush tab. Slots go live to the public at 8AM MST on February 15th, 2026. If slots do not fill on the 15th, we will keep the JotForm open until April 1st. Once all 75 slots are full, we will start a waitlist. If people drop out of the incentive or fail to pay in full by the due date, we will contact the first person on the waitlist to get the option to pay into the program. If they pass, we will go to the next person in line on the waitlist, and so on.

1. Annual Slot Payment will total \$6000, with a \$1000 non-refundable deposit due when contracts go live to the public on February 15th, 2026, to reserve your slot. The \$1000 deposit will need to be paid via credit card only with a 4% fee for a total of \$1040.
2. The remaining \$5000 will be due by April 1st, 2026, to secure your slot.
 - a. Remaining balance can be paid in one lump sum or in payments, as long as the total due is paid in full by April 1st, 2026.
 - b. Payment Methods Allowed
 - i. Credit Card (4% fee)
 - ii. Venmo @todayshorse (last four of phone number 4182)
 - iii. Check made payable and mailed to:
 THM Productions
 PO Box 784
 Rapid City, SD 57709
3. Purchasing a slot makes your breeding program eligible. This encompasses offspring by any of your stallions you stand, as well as any horse you are listed as the owner or breeder of on the papers. Slot holders are allowed to enroll all of the horses that said slot holder owns at least 50% of the horse including: multiple stallions, mares, geldings and purchased horses.
4. Any deceased, gelded or sold stallions where breedings were retained, must provide proof of ownership and proof of retained breedings if needed.
5. All horses must be in your name and/or immediate family members' name(s) as recorded by AQHA. Slot holders must list their immediate family members on the signature page.
6. Each slot owner will receive a total value of \$1000 per year to be used towards nominations.
7. After slot holders commit in 2026, all programs will receive their 2027 contract by December 1st, 2026, and a \$1000 payment will be due December 31st, 2026, along with a signed contract to reserve your slot for the next year. The remaining \$5000 will be due by February 15th, 2027, to secure your slot.
8. Three additional slots will be retained by Gold Rush owners at no expense.
9. The number of slots and price of slots will not increase in the first three years.
10. Once all 75 slots are filled, the slot can be sold but must be approved and managed through The Gold Rush Owners. No leasing will be allowed.
11. Owners must stay in for at least three years to be paid as the slot owner for the lifetime of the horse. If the slot holder does not meet the 3-year requirement, that slot money will get paid out to the next eligible recipient. See page 5.

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NOMINATIONS FEES:

1. One Time Nomination Fee Per Horse:
 - a. \$250 – 2-year-olds & younger (2-year-olds need to be paid in by September 1st of their 2-year-old year to avoid price increase)
 - b. \$350 – 3-year-olds
 - c. \$500 – 4-year-olds
 - d. \$750 – 5-year-olds
 - e. \$1500 – Maturity Buy in for Life
2. **Any age can pay in for the \$250 Intro Rate in 2026** – Deadline for nominations will be September 1st, 2026, and in future years. Nominations must be paid before entering any side pots or the main event.
3. All eligible horses will be grandfathered into the maturity in year one regardless of age with a paid nomination and \$400 Maturity entry fee. In consecutive years, the horse must have been entered in the futurity to be eligible for the maturity for life OR the horse must be entered in the maturity before age 8 to be eligible for the maturity for life. If neither of these options are met, then the \$1500 maturity buy in for life comes into play.
4. If you own a slot, anything you own, progeny by your stallion, or anything you are the breeder of are eligible for nomination.
5. Each slot owner will \$1000 worth of nominations annually. Complimentary nominations cannot be rolled over from year to year and must be used by September 1st of the year you are paid in.
6. Nominations will open to the public via JOTFORM on April 15th, 2026 at 8AM MST on www.thmproductions.com/the-gold-rush/ after we have a finalized list of paid up slot holders for the current year. In 2027 and following years, nominations will open on March 1st of every year after a finalized list of slot holders is posted securing their spots.
7. If you purchase a horse that is already nominated, to be eligible for the owner/rider winnings you must fill out the Owner/Transfer JotForm on www.thmproductions.com/the-gold-rush/
8. In order to enter any Gold Rush side pots or The Main Event, you must have filled out the foal nomination form via JOTFORM at www.thmproductions.com/the-gold-rush/ and paid the nomination fee.
9. Nomination money will be used to grow the future of The Gold Rush.
10. Once a horse is nominated, they are eligible to run at all Gold Rush incentive money for life.

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FIRST YEAR MAIN EVENT: 2026

1. Main Event Payout: All payouts are subject to change at the discretion of all Gold Rush owners. All payouts are based on 75 slots sold.
 - a. \$150,000 2D Futurity Full Second Split
 - i. Entry fee \$500
 - ii. 80% of the entry fees will be paid out and 20% of the entry fees only will go to THM Productions.
 - iii. 100% of the \$150,000 added money will be paid out with 80% of the total entry fees.
 - iv. After the 20% entry fee cut is deducted and made payable to THM Productions, the remaining 80% of the entry fees will be added together with the added money, and of that final total 20% will be paid out to the slot holders, with the remaining 80% paid out to the owner/rider.
 - b. \$100,000 3D Maturity $\frac{3}{4}$ second splits
 - i. Entry fee \$400
 - ii. 80% of the entry fees will be paid out and 20% of the entry fees only will go to THM Productions.
 - iii. 100% of the \$100,000 added money will be paid out along with 80% of the total entry fees.
 - iv. After the 20% entry fee cut is deducted and made payable to THM Productions, the remaining 80% of the entry fees will be added together with the added money, and of that final total 20% will be paid out to the slot holders, with the remaining 80% paid out to the owner/rider.

2026 4D Open \$25,000 Added Side pots with $\frac{1}{2}$ second splits:

1. Locations for 2026:
 - a. Colorado Classic – Montrose, Colorado – June 13th – 16th, 2026
 - b. Minnesota Breeders Futurity – Winona, Minnesota – July 9th – 12th, 2026
 - c. Glacier Chaser – Joliet, Montana – July 9th – 12th, 2026
 - d. Dash N Dance Futurity – Spearfish, South Dakota – July 23rd – 25th, 2026
 - e. Fizz Bomb Futurity – Gillette, Wyoming – September 8th – 13th, 2026
2. Entry Fees for \$25,000 Side pots:
 - a. \$100 Entry Fee
 - b. Owner/Rider are only eligible to compete with a paid nomination per horse.
 - c. Both of your runs will count from the weekend event and be paid out in a 4D format with $\frac{1}{2}$ second splits.
 - d. 100% of the added money will be paid out, and of the entry fee total 20% will be paid to THM Productions with the other 80% being added together with the added money. Of that entire total 20% is paid out to the slot holders with the remaining 80% paid out to the owner/rider.
 - e. Owner/Rider will enter the side pots via JOTFORM that can be found at www.thmproductions.com/the-gold-rush/.

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RECEIVING YOUR WINNINGS (Owners/Riders and Slot holders):

1. W9's Are Required Yearly with every new calendar year.
 - a. THM Productions must have a completed/current W9 with your correct name and address every calendar year.
 - b. W9's can only be filled out electronically via our JOTFORM at <https://form.jotform.com/260136098941157>.
 - c. Checks will be voided after each calendar year if you do not submit a W9.
 - d. Checks will only be reissued at our discretion. If we have to reissue a check you will be charged a \$35 fee to cover the stop payment fee with our bank.
 - e. No paper copies of a W9 will be allowed. W9 can only be submitted via the JotForm link to receive any and all winnings.
2. Hierarchy of 20% Slot holder/Owner/Nominator Winnings
 - a. Breeder
 - i. (i.g: Wagon Pin Performance Horses bred said mare to Melvin Ranch's stallion Adioss. Both are slot holders in The Gold Rush. Wagon Pin raises the baby and pays the nomination fee and therefore will receive the slot holder winnings as the breeder for said horse.)
 - b. Slot holder
 - i. (i.g: Wagon Pin Performance Horses purchased a horse bred and raised by the Melvin Ranch that was sired by TR Illuminator Cash. Melvin Ranch paid the breeding fee to Thomas Ranch Performance Horses. In this example all three parties are slot holders. In this instance, Melvin Ranch as the breeder of this horse will be paid the slot holder winnings, even though Thomas Ranch owns the stallion and Wagon Pin Performance Horses nominated the purchased horse.)
 - c. Nominator
 - i. (i.g. Nominator pays a horse into The Gold Rush. If the current slot holder that made the horse eligible for the program does not stay in for 3 consecutive years, they will forfeit that horse's slot holder winnings, and those winnings will be paid directly to the nominator for the life of the horse.)
3. In summary, The Gold Rush is focused on the breeder. Payout will go out to the breeder on the registration papers as long as they are an active slot holder. In the event they are not an active slot holder, next we will look for the stallion owner as a potential slot holder. If neither are current slot holders we will pay the nominator of the horse.
4. Checks will be made payable to the primary slot owner only when awarding side pot winnings and main event winnings.
5. Checks will be made payable to the owner of the horse when awarding side pot winnings and main event winnings.

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CONTRACT CONCLUSION

The Gold Rush reserves the right to change or amend any rules at any time. The Gold Rush reserves the right to refuse entry to any individual, stallion, LLC or any other party wishing to purchase a slot for any reason. The Gold Rush will not tolerate social media slander and bashing. Any slot holder or owner/rider making unprofessional comments on social media may be asked to leave the program and may have to forfeit future winnings. Any problems can be brought up by calling any one of the owners, listed at www.thmproductions.com/the-gold-rush/ or email thmgoldrush@gmail.com.

I _____ (Slot Owner name you wish to have listed) have read and understand the above rules, regulations and provisions related to the Gold Rush that nominated, approved, and accepted to participate. I also understand that violation of the rules stated in this contract may result in forfeiting all monies, as well as any future earnings and may be excluded from competing in future Gold Rush events.

Dated this _____ day of _____, 2026.

**Primary Slot Holder Owner
Signature** _____

List of Immediate Family Members Under Slot holder Agreement: (This includes your Spouse, Parents, Grandparents, Children, Brothers and Sisters to above Slot holder)

List all stallions you own, including any deceased stallions:

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