

## Roping in families since 2006!

## ATRA NUMBERING CRITERIA

- #1 A non-roper, who has no intention of roping.
- #2 A beginner just getting started in team roping, and only a breakaway roper. Can only rope the machine, has difficulty controlling both the rope and horse.
- #2.5 A beginner just getting started in team roping. Can rope the machine, and live cattle, can control both the rope and horse, struggles to catch live cattle.
- #3 Can rope live cattle only, controls both the rope and horse, struggles to catch live cattle but is catching.
- #4 A roper with sound horsemanship and rope handing skills, is catching on average to slow steers but struggles on faster cattle.
- #5 A roper with good horsemanship and rope handing skills and catching faster cattle. A header who is catching more than they are missing 'but rides the barriers conservatively'. A heeler can sense being in time with the steer but struggles catching many steers in succession.
- #6 A roper with solid horsemanship and rope handing skills and catching all types of cattle, slow fast and changing direction, this roper is an NFR quality roper.
- #7 A roper with exceptional horsemanship and rope handing skills and catching all types of cattle, slow fast and changing direction. This roper is at the NFR every year. A header that dictates the speed of the run catching in the upper third of the arena, rides the barrier regardless of length. Can reach and catch all cattle, handles their steer, and rides an elite horse. The heeler is a solid catcher with the ability to speed up the run rides and ropes aggressively through the corner and dallying on a short rope.
- #8 A roper with exceptional horsemanship and rope handing skills and catching all types of cattle, slow fast and changing direction. This roper is at the NFR every year. A header who ropes all steers slick around the horns, and doesn't miss, this is the elite header. A heeler who ropes all steers by two feet, third of fourth jump around the corner. They can rope consistently on the first or second jump around the corner and dallying on a short rope, this is the elite heeler.
- #9 A header and heeler whose number is a 9 in the USTRC or a PRCA NFR qualifier.
- #10 A header and heeler whose number is a 9 in the USTRC or a PRCA NFR qualifier or world champion.