

## YELLOW ROSE FUTURITY/DERBY/OPEN/YOUTH/BENEFIT BARREL RACE 2026

I, Elaine Watt and Kaycee Mandel of the Yellow Rose Barrel Futurity/Derby/Open/Youth Committee, would sincerely like to thank the Barrel Racers that competed at our 2025 event. We were so proud of our barrel racers who competed and supported our event in 2025 especially those who entered our Benefit Barrel Race and supported our Silent Auction for the **Porchlight Society, a non-profit society for mental wellness in rural communities.**

Each year a Benefit Barrel Race is run the Friday evening of the Yellow Rose Futurity/Derby. In 2016 our Benefit Barrel race was held for the **Alberta Breast Cancer Foundation.** The barrel racers raised just over **\$5600.** In 2017, **\$5400** was raised for the **Alberta Lung Association.** In 2018, **\$6400** was raised for the Calgary Health Trust in support of **Brain Aneurysm Research.** In 2019, **\$12800** was raised for the **Calgary Children's Hospital.** In 2020, **\$14400** was raised for **Sudden Infant Death Syndrome.** In 2021, \$15400 was raised for the **Ronald Macdonald House Alberta.** In 2022, **\$18457** was collected for the **Alberta Childrens Hospital Foundation.** In 2023, **\$15765** was raised for **Sabrina Glazier** an individual who had a horse related accident and funds were put towards her **rehab.** In 2024, \$21662 was raised for **Sudden Infant Death Syndrome Calgary Society.** In 2025, \$14000 was raised for the **Porch Light Society.**

We would like to sincerely invite you to come and support our Benefit Barrel Race 2026. No money is paid out to the barrel racers just prizes. Prizes are given to each barrel race division and a special prize is given to the person who raises the most money. This year our Benefit Barrel race monies will go to **STARS.** Pledge forms can be found on our **Yellow Rose Barrels Facebook Page** or email us [yellowrosebarrels@gmail.com](mailto:yellowrosebarrels@gmail.com)

The 2026 Yellow Rose Barrel Futurity/Derby/Open/Youth will take place on May 1-3,2026. Our event now takes place in the new indoor arena at the Claresholm Agriplex. We have \$15000 added in the Futurity and \$15000 added in the Derby. A separate sidepot of \$1500 is added/day for the 2D Futurity and the 2D Derby. There is a **Western Fortunes added sidepot** of \$5000 for the Futurity and \$5000 for the Derby. We have an Amateur Futurity Award as well with \$500/day. Check out rule #16 to see if you are eligible.

The **4D open event** will be only on Saturday with a purse of **\$3000** and Prizes for each D. There is a \$5000 **Western Fortunes sidepot** and a \$3500 **CBHI** sidepot in the Open. The 3D **Youth** barrel race Purse **\$1000** will run on Saturday after the **OPEN ( you are allowed to roll your Youth run to the open or your open run to the youth if eligible as a Youth)**

Our event is dependent on the great volunteers that have offered up their time and the generous sponsors that make it all possible for us to come out and have some fun.

We would like you all to come out and enjoy our Yellow Rose Futurity/Derby/Open/Youth Barrel Race and feel free to visit our lovely town of Claresholm, stop by and give our sponsors a hello, or pop into one of the many great little shops Claresholm has to offer.

Elaine Watt and Kaycee Mandel

