9/18/2023

Annie sent out an email to entire board because a formal complaint had been filed. The hat rule has been questioned due to a contestant being DQ at the Deep South Franchise rodeo the past weekend. The appeal was attached to the email along with the official statement from the judge that made the call.

The following responses were received:

Mark, Jodi, Chris, Danny, Kevin, Jay, Em (phone call response), Jeremy Sherman, Paul, Jeremy Sharit, Brad, and Jimmy all responded with the Judges call will be final.

Kerbi and Scott both agreed with supporting the judges call but did question the hat falling off between the 1 and 2nd barrel. I thought the hat was not “on the head” how did it stay on that long. According to the judge there was a stampede string, while the contestant says there was not.

The call will not be overturned; however, the rule committee will discuss at further meeting and full board will clarify rule for future situations.

Abstain from commenting: Billy Nelson,

Did not respond: Clinton, Shawn, Jason.

Respectfully Submitted:

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Executive Director

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