



## NRA/NWRA Office Updates

## Important Finals

Information!!!

- All fines must be paid before entries are taken. No exceptions!
- Entries will be taken on January 3, 2001 between $9 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. and $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. You must call in during this time. If you miss it, you will not come.
- Entry Fees are \$150 again this year. Fees will be due January 19th.
- Don't forget to vote on your new officers. They are the people that will represent you, so have a say in who is there.
- Check-in will be at the Billings Hotel \& Convention Center this year!
- Timed Event Jackpot will be on Friday, February 2nd at 8 a.m. There will only be 12 entries per event, except ladies barrels.


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## 75th Annual RMAF Convention

TThe 75th Rocky Mountain Association of Fairs Convention was held at the Holiday Inn Grand in Billings, Montana November 8-11, 2000.

The convention once again had a great attendance of 450 members from all over the western United States. Fairs from Montana, Idaho, Wyoming, North Dakota, South Dakota, Illinois, and Michigan were there.

This year the NRA/NWRA had great representation throughout the weekend. Rodney Newman of Newman Rodeo Company, Sparky Dreesen of Big Circle Rodeo Company, Linda Hegle, and NRA President Joe Warner were there to meet with current committees as well as speak with a few prospective ones.

Fun was had by all who attended. Donna and Larry Stollfuss did a great job in making sure that everyone had a good time. The entertainment provided by different musicians, magicians, poets, and comics was fantastic.

The highlight of the weekend was the "Diamond Ring" give away. 2000 RMAF President Reed Williams donated a diamond ring to be given away on Saturday evening. It was great climax to a fantastic weekend.

We'd like to thank all those who stopped by the NRA/NWRA hospitality room. Linda Hegle
Linda Hegle

## 2000 NRANWRA FINALS PERSONNEL

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## 2000 Year-End Event Awards

This years awards are fantastic. The - NRA/NWRA is proud to be able to present the following awards to the top four event finishers of the 2000 rodeo season.

First place will receive a hand made trophy saddle and a Amie Esp handmade buckle. Slister Trophy bits will be presented to the second place timed event finishers, while the rough stock contestants will receive tropny spurs. Third place will receive hand made leather day timers. Doug Post will be sharing his talents. Embroidered fleece vests will beawarded for fourth place. Thank you to our sponsors.


Polson Cowboy, Bip Bagnell ropes his calf in 9.8 during the Billings Rodeo. Jared Lucas photo.


## A Note of Appreciation

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ear Mr. Weaver and other Board Mem bers,
I have attended the Helmville Rodeo for the past seven years, and each year Ithink of writing to you to praise the wonderful announcing abilities of Joe Warner (l don't know him at all-I had to look up his name on the program) and encourage you to keep hiring him for future rodeos. Obviously, you recognize what a gem he is, because each year you DO keep hiring him back.

Helmville's rodeo is the best of the best in my opinion, and Joe Warner's colorful, humorous and knowlegeable running commentaries about each individual participant, the various aspects of each rodeo event that non-participants like myself may not be aware of, and his encouraging words about each person are a large part of what makes Helmville's rodeo so special and enjoyable. His appreciative words aimed at the youthful participants, without sounding patronizing or superior, make me very happy to be a small part of this familyoriented event.

Please keep this talanted man coming back, and back and back. You have my permission to send a copy of this letter to him, as I think he ought to know how much he is appreciated by many folks. And my thanks to whoever had the moxie to hire him in the first place!

Sincerely, Mrs. Nikki Graybeal

## Way To Go! !!

Congratulations to Shay Howey for be ing awarded a spot on the Wrangler High School All-Star Rodeo Team.

Wrangler recognizes those rodeo participants who exemplify leadership qualities, academic eligiblity and athletic achievements.

Howey qualified for the $2000 \mathrm{Na}-$ tional High School Finals in Springfield, Illinios.

## Thank You

T
he NRA and NWRA would like to thank each and every committee that sanctioned an NRA/NWRA rodeo this past summer.

It is your dedication and hard work that helped make the 2000 season a good one. Each rodeo put in a lot of time and effort to provide added money, good ground, a arena in good condition and a lot of arena help.

We hope that you will take the week end to join us in Billings during the 26 th Annual NRA/NWRA Finals. This is to be your showcase as well as the contestants.

You are welcome to participate in the hospitality room, the cowboy auction, and the awards banquet.

Hope to see you there.

## Montana's Crown Jewel of Rodeo scheduled for February 2-4, 2001 in METRA Arena.

Here is all you need to know abut the 26th anmual Northern Rodeo Association/Northern Women's Rodeo Associaiton Finals

Entries: Will be taken Wednesday, January 3,2001 from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. You must enter on this day and this day only. If you miss entries there will be no exceptions. You can not enter early and you can not enter late. All fines must be paid before entries close that day.

Headquarters Hotel: Billings Hotel and Convention Center will once again be the 26 th annual NRA/NWRA Finals Headquarters. Make your reservations now...\$46 plus tax. The newly remodeld Billings Hotel and Convention Center will be where the action is with waterslides, restaurants, common lobby area, after rodeo dances, and meetings! Call 1-800-537-7286 or 2487151. Remember, they run shuttle to Metra, too.

Jackets: You'll be mighty proud to wear this year's jacket. Chevrolet trucks, home of the NRA/NWRA's Official Truck CHEVROLET, will award one-of-a-kind jackets to NRA/NWRA Finalists and personnel. Black wool bodied, red and $\tan$ leather on the sleeves with a full emroidered back make this jacket one that will be worn proudly for years by all recipeints. This jacket will also sport the NEW NRA Finals logo. Thank You Chevrolet/GMC Trucks.

Thank Youll! The NRA/NWRA would not be able to provide the awards, jackets, trailers, and extra added money with out the fantastic sponsors that support the Montana cowboy's and cowgirl's. We salute our Year-End event sponsors: Roper Apparel, Karl Tyler Chevrolet, 1st Interstate Bank, Bullwinkle's, Ray's Sportand Western Wear, Fuddruckers, American Equity Exchange, Nutra-Lix, Billings Hotel and Convention Cneter, Northern Broadcasting Systems, Bouma Truck Sales, Edwards Angus Ranch, and G \& M Auto Parts/AC Delco. Salute!!!

Wow! Look at what those Saddle Makers do. Thank you to the 2000 Saddle makers who share their talents with us. We appreciate what you do, Duncan Vezain, Rowdy Demers, Wes Schenk, Bill Murch, Joe Hartkopf, Dennis Schuchard, Lee Patterson, Allan Pursley, Mike Witt, Bob Johnston, Bob Pletan, Keith Lockie, and Roger Hollowell.

A big. big thank you to our corporate sponsors - Corral West Ranchwear, Coors, Chevrolet, Logan Coach, and the Horse Corral.

Junior Finalists: Watch you mailbox The NRA/NWRA Office will be sending you complete entry information including your ticket information, NRA/NWRA Finals entry form, jacket order form and all you need to know to make it a great NRA/ NWRA Finals weekend!

Timed Event Jackpot: Set for Friday, February 2 at 8 a.m. in the METRA Barrel Racing will start promptly at 8 a.m All events are limited to 12 contestant per event, except barrel racing. Enter through the NRA Office.

## General Membership Meeting

Friday, Febuary 2 at 1 p.m. at the Billings Hotel and Convention Center. This is your chance to give input into your Association and to catch up on what is happening. Motions passed at this meeting are referred to the Board of Directors for consideration at their meeting the next day

Contestant Check - In: Follows the General Membership meeting at the Billings Hotel and Convention Center t 3 p.m. You won't want to miss it...companion passes will be issued (two tickets er performance, per contestant, NO CHARGE!!!) your wristband issued, your Chevrolet jacket awarded, releases signed, photos, etc. IMPORTANT: Rodeo production meeting, too.

Cowboy Auctions: Hosted by East Helena Valley Rodeo Associan, the first cowboy auction will be a part of the Friday Hospitality suit in the lowerlevel of METRA

Call the NRA/NWRA Office for your advance tickets. The second cowboy auction is set for Saturday at 3 p.m. at the Billings Hotel and Convention Center

Arena Warm-up times: The arena will be open for exercise Friday until noon if the jackpot is over on time. Additional warm-up times may be posted at a later date.

Ballots: Have input into the direction and course of YOUR Association. Vote, Vote, Vote. Ballot inculuded in this newsletter.

Support your Finals: Reach the rodeo crowd too: NRA/NWRA Finals rodeo program advertising, booth space, and arena signage are now on sale. Contact the NRA/NWRA Office.

Committee Seminar: Is scheduled for Saturday, February 3 at 1 p.m. at the Billings Hotel and Convention Center. Topics and agenda will be mailed to the committees in advance. All rodeo committees (NRA or otherwise) are encouraged to attend

## Board of Directors Meeting:

 Board of Directors Meeting will be Saturday February 3. NWRA Board meeting will be $8 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. with the NRA meeting at $10 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$.
## 26th Annual NRA/NWRA Finals Schedule

Wednesday Jan 31
Afternoon:
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6 p.m. Stock Contractors Dinner

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Poker Tournament $7 \% \mathrm{~m}$.
Kathy and Karen's Card Room
(Wild West Saloon)

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6:30 am- $-9: 30 \mathrm{am}$.
Complimentary Coffee \& Donuts Billings Hotel and Convention Center

8 a.m. Timed Event Jackpot Limited to 12 per event METRA

1p,m. General Membership Meeting - Billings Hotel \& Convention Center

3 p.m Contestant Check-In. Billings Hotel \& Convention Center

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6 \text { p.m. }-7: 30 \text { p.m. }
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Lower Level METRA
6 p.m-11 p.m. Metrapark Shutlie from Hotel
7:30 p.m NRA/NWRa Finals 1st pert, METRA
$10 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$ Video, Dance
Billings Hotel a Convention Center

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6:30 am-9:30 a.m. Complimentary Coffee \& Donuts Bilings Hotel \& Convention Center Lobby

8 a.m. NWRA Board of Directors Meeting Billings Hotel \& Convention Center

Bam Logan Coach Judging Seminar. Billings Horel \& Convention Center

8 am Junior Event Check-In. METRA

9 a.m Junior Event Begin. (both go's) METRA
$10 \mathrm{am}, \mathrm{NRA}$ Board of Directors Meeting - Billings Hotel \& Convention Center

1p.m. Committee Seminar Meeting - Billings Hotel \& Convention Center

3 p.m. Cowboy Auction - Billings Hotel \& Convention Center

6pm-11pm. Metrapark suttle from Hotel

6:30p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Sponsor/ Commitree Hospitality Suite. METRA

7:30 p.m. NRA/NWRA Finals 2nd Perf

10 p.m Dance, Video. Billings Hotel \& Convention Center

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6:30 a.m. $-9: 30 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$
Complitmentary Coffee \& Donuts - Billings Hotel \& Convention Center Lobby
8 a.m. Logan Coach Judges Seminar - Billings Hotel \& Convention Center

9 a.m. Past President's and Secretary $s$ Breakfast Billings Hotel \& Convention Center

10:30 am. Cowboy Curch Services - Billings Hotel \& Convention Center

Noon-5:30 p.m. MetraPark Shuttle From Hotel

2 p.m NRA/NWRA Finals 3rd Perf - METRA

6p.m. -7p.m. Cocktails Billings Hotel \& Convention Center

7 p.m. Banquet. Billings Hotel \& Convention Center

7:45 p.m. Awards Presentation. Billings Hotel \& Convention Center

9 p.m. Dance, Video - Billings Hotel \& Convention Center

Banquet tickets are $\$ 15$ each 3 may be purchased at the don" NRA/NWRA Office is encouraged - Payoff checks may be cashed at front desk : All trophy saddles will be on disply for your enjoyment in the lobby of the Billigns Hotel \& Convention Center

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Third ranked Saddle Bronc Rider, Craig Miller of Miles City, spurs Newman Rodeo Company's horse "Tiny Tim" for 76 points. Mary Armstrong photo.

## Meet the NRA/NWRA Saddlemakers

NWRA Ladies Breakaway Roping Saddle Maker - Mike Witt

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is Harlowton saddle maker makes a living at what he loves, building saddles and tack. With 18 years of saddle making experience under his belt, he definetly has the talent to make a beautifully engraved, but superb quality saddle. Wes builds and repairs just about anything from saddles to boots. Wes joined the NRA trophy saddle program in 1996 by building the Bull Riding saddle. This will be his fifth Bull Riding championship saddle.

NRA Calf Roping Saddle Maker * Bill Murch


## Meet the NRA/NWRA Saddlemakers

When you think of Billings saddle makers you think of Mike Witt and Witt's Custom Saddlery. Mike joined the NRA trophy saddle program in 1994 and has been with the program since. Mike has been building saddles for over 25 years. He builds all types of custom work such as belts, briefcases, chaps, breast collars, etc., but his enjoys building saddles the most. His shop carries a full line of horse related equipement and a great selection of bits.

NRA Bull Riding Saddle Maker Wes Schenk


NRA Junior Breakaway Roping Saddle Maker •Keith Lockie


Keith joined the NRA trophy saddle program in 1999. The NRA is excited to have Keith as part of our program. He and his family have been a part of the NRA since Wa $t_{8} n_{a}$ the very first NRA Finals 26 years ago. Keith competed in the Steer Wrestling. His oldest son Walt took home the Saddle Bronc Championship saddle in 1994. Keith has been building saddles for 18 years. His shop is located at his house outside of Jordan.

Lee is an avid team roper himself, so it only makes sense that he be building a championship team roping saddle. Lee has been building saddles for the last 25 years. He has built saddles for Crates Leather Company and currently is a representative, along with his wife Tracy, for Crates as well as Classic Ropes.

NRA Steer Wrestling Saddle Maker

This will be Bill's third year building the Championship Calf Roping saddle. Bill has 12 years experience building saddles and 20 years with other leather works. His favorite piece to build is the custom saddle. This Glasgow native is a self taught saddle maker and leather man. Bill's shop is located 3 miles South West of Glasgow.

NRA Team Roping Heeling Saddle Maker • Lee Patterson
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Joe Hartkopf


New comer this year is Joe Hartkopf of Roundup. Joe has had his own saddle shop since 1975 when he opened up in Livingston. He and his wife Bonnie moved to Roundup in 1992, he then opened up his current shop in 1994. Joe will build anything from saddles to harnesses, to day timers, to custom ideas. He is a self taught saddle maker. He worked as a ranch hand for many years and learned how to build a saddle to fit both the horse as well as the rider. All of his saddles are built on custom made trees. "A custom saddle is like a custom made pair of boots." Joe said.


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## NRA/NWRA Finals Entry Form <br> 

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Address:
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Phone(home):
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Events Entered:
Team Roping Partner:
JACKPOT INFO:
Friday, Feb 2 - 8 a.m.
Limited to 12 per event execpt LBR
Entry fees:

Calf Roping, Steer Wrestling, Ladies Breakaway: \$60-Team Roping:
$\$ 55 / \mathrm{man}$ - Ladies Barrel Racing: $\$ 35$
Call NRA/NWRA Office to enter
Send a separate check for Jackpot

- Entry Fees: $\$ 150.00$ per event, per man in Team Roping
- Stalls: $\$ 10$ for the weekend and must be paid for in advance
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## Birthdate:

Hometown:
Occupation:
Family: $\qquad$
Events You Compete in:
Your Biggest NRA/NWRA Win: $\qquad$
Your Biggest Rodeo Win:
Favorite NRA/NWRA Rodeo:
Favorite Rodeo, period:
Greatest Influence. Why:
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Achievments:
Do You have a Lucky Piece of Clothing:

Number of rodeos in 2000
What do you like best about the NRA/ NWRA: $\qquad$
Favorite Sport (other than rodeo): -
Number of Years in Actual Competition:
**OFFICIAL NRANWRA BALLOTH:

## RETURN TO THE NRA/NWRA OFFICE BY JANUARY 19, 2001.

BALLOTS WILL BE COUNTED ON JANUARY 22. 2001
Every NRA and NWRA card holding member is invited to vote for three East Committee Directors. Only NRA members may vote on NRA President and Vice President. Only NWRA members may vote on NWRA Vice President. Only Contestants who compete in the actual event are eligible to vote for event directors. Mark an "X" next to the person for whom you are selecting. If you desire to write in a candidate, be sure to mark an " X " next to his or her name. Candidates names appear in alphabetical order.
$\left.\begin{array}{ll} & \text { UPA: } \\ \text { President: }\end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l}\text { Eastern Committee Directors: } \\ \text { Jon Nelson (Plentywood) } \\ \text { Rodger Nordah: } \\ \text { Clancy Sivertsen } \\ \text { Dale Romo (Culbertson) } \\ \text { Pete Rising (Culbertson) }\end{array}\right]$

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## Westward Ho! Shipton's Big R opens West-End store

By Leanne H. Frost
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S
hipton's Big R opened Big R West at walk, a clothing department featuring 2600 Gabel Rd. October 24. The 48,000 square-foot structure resembles a steel barn and silo, but with a "playful sense of character," said A\&E Architects project designer Jason McGimpsey.

Indeed, with its galvanized steel silo and culvert-formed columns, the building may just become a landmark in what is set to become a main thoroughfare from the new Shilo Inter-
 change. "We wanted to be identified on the West End who we are," said Shipton's Big R cowowner bay Carroll.

Caroll said he and his brother and business partner Gregg Carroll wanted a building that related to their core customers - ranchers and farmers. Besides using agricultural materials in the new
> "We're here to run a store for our customers ${ }^{11}$
walk, a clothing department featuring
Carhartt and Wrangler, 10 dressing rooms six checkstands, a large customer service center, an expanded Montana Silversmiths section, and what Jay calls "Montana's largest firearm display." The new store is twice as large as the company's downtown location at 216 N .14 th St., which will remain open. "Basically, the space (downtown) was too limited to grow. It makes sense to go to the West End right now," said Jay. Shipton's Big R has been downtown since 1960.

Being close to the Shilo Interchange and easily accessible from Gabel Road is also a plus for customers coming into town from smaller, surrounding ranching communities, said Jay "We're here to run a store for our customers," Jay said.
Shipton's Big R West will employ an additional 30 people, bringing the company's total to 70. Another 40 people are employed at the downtown Billings location and in the Shiptons' Big R in Sheridan, Wyo.

The Building was built by Jones Construction Inc


Travis and Dennis Tryan turn one at the Meagher County Labor Day Rodeo in White Sulpher Springs to split second and third. Travis is currently ranked third in the Team Roping Heading while Dennis is ranked second in the Heeling coming into the Finals. Jared Lucas photo.


## Meet the NRA/NWRA Saddlemakers

This renouned saddle maker has built barrel saddles and saddle bronc saddles for the NFR in previous years, but the NRA/ NWRA is proud to claim Allan Pursley as one of it's own trophy saddle program saddle maker. Allan is one of the original saddle makers in the program. Allan has been building saddles for 26 years and it truly shows in his superb quailty saddles. His daughter Norma also builds a pair of chaps to be awarded to the Saddle Bronc Champion.

NRA Bareback Riding Saddle Maker. Duncan Vezain

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Dennis is a self taught leather crafts man He learned how to build saddles with the help of another NRA saddle maker, Wes Schenk. Dennis started working with leather when he was a senior in high school. He started building saddles four years ago. Dennis started with the NRA trophy saddle program in 1998 . This will be his third Team Roping trophy saddle. Dennis shop is located just out side of Harlowton.

NWRA Ladies Barrel Racing
Saddle Maker * Allan Pursley
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Duncan has been building the NRA Bareback Riding Championship saddle for three years now. He has been building saddles out of his Red Lodge shop for four years Duncan used to compete in the NRA as a bull rider, he still competes when he is able to get the time. He learned his trade from Cheyenne, Wyoming saddle maker Jim Darden.

NRA Team Roping Heading Saddle Maker - Dennis Schuchard


## Meet the NRA/NWRA Saddlemakers

Bob Pletan was one of the founding saddle makers in the trophy saddle program started eight years ago. He has been building saddles for 19 years, and started working with leather when he was still in high school. He builds all types of tack, but his favorite piece to build is a custom made saddle to fit both horse and rider. Once again this talented saddle maker is honoring the NWRA by building the All-Around Cowgirl saddle and it is sure not to disappoint anyone.

## NRA All Around Cowboy

 Saddle Maker • Bob Johnston> G.J. SADOLE CO. Bob and Connie Johnston P.O. Box 50487 Billings MT 59105 $(406) 947-2492$

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Some saddle makers get started by going to school, others have family members that build saddles, and then there are those that get started because they work the ranches and have to repair and build their own equipment. That is how Roger Hollowell got his start, working on ranches around Jordan, Roger will once again build the Junior Barrel Racing saddle for a lucky junior competitor to take home.

NWRA All - Around Cowgirl Saddle Maker• Bob Pletan

PLETAN'S CUSTOMLEATHER

## Bob \& Jean Pletan <br> Custom Saddles Tack \& Dusters

This one time Scottsbluff, NE rodeo hand has been building saddles for over twenty years. He started his full time saddle shop in 1988. He has taught himself how to build, tool, and repair all types of tack. His favorite piece of equipment to build is breastcollars. He builds beautiful headstalls as well. Once again Bob will building the All Around Cowboy saddle for the fourth year

Ranior Barrel Racing Saddle Maker
Roger Hollowell


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## Meet the NRA／NWRA Saddlemakers

Rowdy DeMers of Roundup is a newcomer to the trophy saddle program that will bring with him a new look to the trophy Saddle Bronc Championship saddle．This year＇s saddle will be an actual Saddle Bronc saddle． This is Rowdy＇s specialty．He is an active member of the PRCA as well as the NRA He competes in the Saddel Bronc Riding event himself for over thirteen years．Rowdy has been building saddles since 1994．Along with building saddle bronc saddles，he also builds all types of stock saddles，tack and pisto holsters and scabbards for rifles．

NRA Saddle Bronc Saddle Maker Rowdy DeMers


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## NRA/NWRA

## OFFICIAL STANDINGS

Regular Season Year-End 2000 - Preceding NRA/NWRA Finals Audited. Top 10 Qualify for NRA/NWRA Finals

## BAREBACK BRONC RIDING

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6. Heath Robinson, Gal. Gateway $\$ 1,188.91$
7. Dustin Solomon, Stanford...... \$1,069.04

## SADDLE BRONC RIDING

1. Jordan Harmon, Dillon........... $\$ 7,246.46$ 2. Adam Bink, Vaughn.............. $\$ 6,335.50$ 3. Craig Miller, Miles City .......... $\$ 4,988.21$
2. Billy Murphy, Cardwell........... $\$ 3,424,42$
3. Clint Pinkerton, Forsyth ......... \$2,202.78 6. Jon Hagen, Great Falls ........... \$1,677.56 7. Wayne Bowles, Townsend .... $\$ 1,660.28$ 8. Tom Meiers, Williston, ND .... \$1,452.48 9. Doug Kallenberg, Havre ........ \$1,451.95 10. BJ Schall, Arlee $\qquad$ $\$ 1,451.95$

## BULL RIDING

1. Scott Crump, St. Ignatius ...... \$4,329.13 2. Will Stovall, Roberts ............... \$4,211.68 $\begin{array}{ll}\text { 2. Will Stovall, Roberts .............. } \$ 4,211.68 & \text { 2. Clay Tryan, Huntley ............. } \$ 3,596.69 \\ \text { 3. Ron Halverson, Big Timber .. } \$ 4,049.35 & \text { 3. Travis Tryan, Huntley ......... } \$ 3,511.76\end{array}$ 4. Seth Redding, Ft. Smith ......... $\$ 3,653.44$ 4. Cleve Fuller, Augusta............ $\$ 3,443.43$ 5. Philip Hofer, Billings .............. \$3,289.48 6. Jeff Marn, Belt ......................... \$3,149.76 7. Steven Lambert, Bozeman..... \$3,067.78 8. Bob Walters, Stanford ............. $\$ 2,815.12$
2. Matt Aipperspach, Ronan...... $\$ 2,755.52$
3. Frank He Does It, St. Xavier $\$ 2,723.70$

2 Clay Tryan Huntley ........... $\$ 3,50.6$
STERR WRESTLING

1. Gary Zipperian, Clancy $\$ 3,579.41$ 2. Shannon Blixt, Helena ............. \$3,564.00 3. Roddy Cameron, Ingomar .... \$2,942.66 4. Will Stovall, Roberts ................ $\$ 2,835.18$ 5. Eddie Getten, Roundup .......... $\$ 2,826.19$ 6. Gary Woodworth, Shepherd. $\$ 2,686.79$ 7. Pete Petersen, Dillon ............... \$2,660.69 8. Nick Stubblefield, Helena ...... \$2,411.58 9. Steve Blixt, Helena ................... \$2,316.51 10. Jim Pat Smith, Melrose......... $\$ 2,034.86$

## CAIF ROPING

1. Rob Kountz, Bozeman ............ $\$ 4,051.86$
2. Scott Salo, Billings.................. \$3,155.42
3. Travis Caldwell, Billings ........ $\$ 2,904.91$
4. Chris Witcher, Miles City ...... $\$ 2,793.02$
5. JP Holland, Billings ................ $\$ 2,774.49$
6. Bill Boyce, Lewistown ............ $\$ 2,423.34$
7. Brett Fleming, Broadus .......... $\$ 2,417.29$
8. Britt Givens, Riverton, WY .... $\$ 2,340.67$
9. Tim Bagnell, Polson ................ \$2,090.68
10. Ryan Siemsen, Billings ......... $\$ 1,894.85$

## TEAM ROPING HEADING

Rob Kountz, Bozeman ........... \$4,047.17
5. Pat Pendergrass, Missoula..... $\$ 3,025.10$
6. Sam Bird, Cut Bank................ $\$ 2,832.83$
7. Shain Sproul, Arlee ................ \$2,148.52
8. Ted Hoyt, Browning.............. \$2,128.87
9. Chris Witcher, Miles City ...... $\$ 1,597.92$
10. Dale McQueary, Belgrade ... $\$ 1,590.09$

## TEAM ROPING HEELING

1. Jay Murnion, Jordan $\qquad$ $\$ 4,033.92$
2. Dennis Tryan, Huntley ..
$\qquad$ \$3,355.76
3. Matt Robertson, Augusta ...... \$3,353.67
4. Nick Sarchett, Three Forks .... \$3,204.97
5. Brett Fleming, Broadus .. .... $\$ 3$, \$3,025.10
6. Jim Cole, Harlem $\qquad$ \$2,832.83
7. Rafael Paoliello, Glen ............. \$2,454.64
8. Tell Steinbach, Wolf Creek .... $\$ 2,302.56$
9. Derick Fleming, Broadus ....... $\$ 2,148.52$
10. Dustin Bird, Cut Bank ......... $\$ 2,128.87$

LADIES BARREL RACING

1. Cadee Tew, Belgrade $\qquad$ . $\$ 7,717.7$
2. Melanie Schuler, Missoula ..... \$3,798.47
3. Shyla Epler, Helena ................ \$3,077.68
4. Peggy Schluter, Helena ........... $\$ 2,963.03$
5. Yvette Fangsrud, Charlo........ $\$ 2,843.54$
6. Denali Solomon, Havre.......... $\$ 2,749.33$
7. Candi Helms, Great Falls.... $\$ 2,726.30$
8. Lisa Scheffer, Hamilton ......... $\$ 2,723.27$
9. Bobbie Taylor, Butte ............... $\$ 2,649.00$
10. Shirlee Parini, Billings $\qquad$ \$2,535.35

## LADIES BREAKAWAY ROPING

1. Wendy Clark, Billings ............ $\$ 4,943.64$ 2. Cally Goyins, Helena............... $\$ 4,208.65$ 3. Brook Boyle, Bozeman ........... \$4,199.38
2. Marcey Chaffee, Billings ........ $\$ 4,192.22$
3. Chris McQueary, Belgrade .... \$3.622.50
4. Jody Petersen, Three Forks .... \$3,489.31
5. Val LaFrance, Huntley ........... \$3,219.27
6. Kayleen Hougen, Melstone ... $\$ 2,977.04$
7. Tanya Getten, Roundup ........ \$2,832.99
8. Deb Lloyd, Helena................ $\$ 2,427.90$

## JUNIOR BARREL RACING

1. Jessica McFarland, Victor ...... $\$ 1,760.50$
2. Mandy Whitford, Browning . $\$ 1,204.32$
3. Shae Cole, Huson ................... \$1,167.12
4. Cody Tew, Belgrade ............... \$1,149.70
5. Cee Cee Tryan, Helena $\$ 979.50$

## JUNIOR BREAKAWAY ROPING

1. John Robertson, Augusta....... \$1,097.21
2. Travis Nichols, Helena .............. $\$ 999.35$
3. Jesse Fuller, Augusta ................ \$957.93
4. Zane Hollenbeck, Molt.............. $\$ 826.70$
5. Cee Cee Tryan, Helena ............. \$815.81

## All-AROUND COWBOY

1. Rob Kountz, Bozeman ........... \$9,168.52 2. Will Stovall, Roberts ............... $\$ 7,046.86$ 3. Brett Fleming, Broadus .......... $\$ 5,442.39$ 4. Bill Boyce, Lewistown ............ $\$ 5,228.39$ 5. Gary Woodworth, Shepherd. $\$ 5,221.34$ 6. Chris Witcher, Miles City ..... $\$ 4,881.12$ 7. JP Holland, Billings ................. \$4,297.92
2. Travis Tryan, Huntley ............ \$4,060.11
3. Nick Sarchett, Three Forks .... \$3,878.89 10. Seth Redding, Ft. Smith ....... $\$ 3,872.32$

All around cowgirl

1. Cally Goyins, Helena .............. $\$ 5,810.59$ 2. Wendy Clark, Billings ............... $\$ 5,165.88$
2. Marcey Chaffee, Billings ......... $\$ 4,414.46$
3. Chris McQueary, Belgrade .... \$4,203.06
4. Lisa Scheffer, Hamilton ......... \$4,115.41
5. Jody Petersen, Three Forks .... $\$ 3,881.47$
6. Tiffany Wagner, Helena ........ $\$ 2,488.55$ 8. Mary Salmond, Choteau ....... \$2,257.88 9.Maguel Lufkin, Lemhi, ID ...... \$1,633.00 10.Sheena Berry, Corvallis......... \$1,549.82

## Junior all around

1. Cody Tew, Belgrade............... $\$ 1,934.02$ 2. Cee Cee Tryan, Helena .......... \$1,795.31 3. Mandy Whitford, Browning . $\$ 1,361.76$ 4. Katie Shiner, Lemhi, ID ......... \$1,178.07 5. Arena Robertson, Augusta.... $\$ 1,053.89$

## Shay Howey Selected to Wrangler High School All-Star Rodeo Team

By Jan Walsh
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Townsend, Montana bull rider Shay Howey, was selected to the elite Wran gler All-Star Rodeo Team.

Shay Howey's love of rodeo started at a very early age. Coming from a rodeo family, Shay loved being behind the chutes learning all that he could from the stock contractors and cowboys.

As soon as Shay was old enough to enter the steer riding, he was hooked on making the eight second wide or as in the steer riding the six second ride. His natural talent and love of the event showed in his first steer ride, he won second. From there, it was junior bulls, bullriding school and finally what he had waited for - High School Rodeo.

High School Rodeo not only offered the bullriding that Shay craved, but also put him with peers that have become his best friends throughout his high school career. Shay qualified for the Silver State Rodeo in Fallon, Nevada his freshman and sophomore years. His junior year found him winning the Montana High School Rodeo and qualifying for the National High School Finals in Springfield, Illinois.

In 1999 Shay joined the NRA, and only ten days after an emergency appendectomy, he won his first NRA bullriding at Lewistown, Montana. The year 2000 found Shay twelth in the NRA standings.

Shay has recently started riding saddle broncs in the high school ranks. In
the off season he can be found on the wrestling mat. He has been a state qualifier from Broadwater County High School for the past three years in a row and has been voted the most outstanding wrestler.

Shay has worked hard all his life to achieve his goals with some bumps and bruises along the way but he plans on continuing his rodeo career in college and then on the Pro ranks.

The Wrangler High School All-Star Rodeo Team is based on leadership qualities, academic eligibility and athletic achievements and is fashioned after Wrangler's Champion Pro Rodeo Team which includes such superstars as Ty Murray, Joe Beaver, Montana's own Dan Mortensen, Charmayne James, and Hall-of-Famer Iim Shoulders

This first-ever corporate sponsored youth rodeo team chooses the most promising leaders of the National High School Rodeo Association members to be their ambassadors for the sport of rodeo.

Wrangler's rodeo program sponsorship was expanded this year at the high school lever. Karl Stressman, special events manager for Wrangler Rodeo stated, "As always, it gives us tremendous sense of pride to associate the Wrangler brand with promising young men and women. We're confident each member of the team will be an outstanding goodwill ambassador for the sport of rodeo."


Ronan's Matt Aipperspach is the 2000 Bull Riding Rookie as well as the 2000 Rookie of the Year. Matt is shown riding Newman Rodeo Company's "Bal Man" during the Wilsall Rodeo. Jared Lucas photo.


NRA ROOKIE STANDINGS • September 26,2000 NMRA

## Rookie Standings:

To be eligible for NRA or NWRA Rookie awards, it must be a contestants first year of competition
in NRA/NWRA rodeo, and the member may not have won over $\$ 500$ in organized professional or regional rodeo competition during their lifetime prior to joining the NRA or NWRA

Rookie Bareback Riding Event

1. John Collins, Ballantine ......... $\$ 630.14$
2. JD Ryen, Belgrade .................. $\$ 621.12$
3. Dale Stoller, Great Falls ......... \$572.64

Bareback Riding

1. Scott Owens, Havre ............. \$2,197.95
2. Luke Warner, Whitefish ........ \$385.92
3. Russ Hallaby, Hanna, $\mathrm{AB} . . . . . . . . \$ 38.30$

Saddle Bronc Riding

1. Doug Kallenberg, Havre .... $\$ 1,451.95$
2. Dillon Doane, Shelby ........... \$1,326.24
3. John Peila, Miles City ......... \$1,037.56

## Bull Riding

1. Matt Aiperspach, Ronan ..... $\$ 2,755.52$
2. Dale Stoller, Great Falls ...... $\$ 2,518.76$
3. Kyler Smith, Dillon $\qquad$ . $\$ 1,180.52$

SteerWresting

1. Kevin Horne, Helena .......... $\$ 1,747.59$
2. Walt Anseth, Raynesford .... $\$ 1,422.72$
3. Tyler Floerchinge, Belt .......... $\$ 465.12$

## Calf Roping

1. Matt Moorman, Powell WY .. $\$ 812.40$
2. Shane Trotter, Cody, WY....... $\$ 525.33$
3. Treston Vermandel, Billings . $\$ 310.46$

## Team Roping

1. Rafael Paoliello, Glen ......... \$2,454.64
2. Delon Parker, Huntley ........... $\$ 222.72$
3. Chas Arthur, Bozeman ........... $\$ 194.18$

Ladies Barrel Racing

1. Bobbie Taylor, Butte ........... \$2,649.00
2. Christina Hahn, Bozeman...... $\$ 951.30$
3. Robin George, Joliet ............... $\$ 842.69$

Ladies Breakaway Roping

1. Maquel Lufkin, Lemhi, ID .. \$1,000.31
2. Jennifer Proue, Roundup ...... $\$ 915.36$
3. Jamee Clark, Billings.............. $\$ 630.15$



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The 2000 Logan Coach Bonus Bucks pro gram will have it's grand finale February $2,3, \& 4,2001$ at the 26 th annual NRA/ NWRA Finals
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## Barrel Breeders Incentive at 3 Can Tango

n October $14 \& 15$, in Billings Montana the last of the four BBI events were held. Again several top barrel horses were competing for BBI dollars. The first place check in the futurity went to Janet Erickson of Helena, MT. riding Vegas Pan of Mm The Derby was won by A Cute Cash, owned by Mercede Knudsonand ridden by Raelene Croff. High money sire was Karen Mitchell \& Lois Hill's Cash In Your Bux. As you can see IT PAYS TO RIDE A BBI HORSE.

Futurity:
1st - $\$ 513.00$ \& Trophy Jacket - Janet Erickson riding A Vegas The Third

2nd - $\$ 308.00$ \& Trophy Jacket - Pat Smith riding a Ashes In The Fire

3rd - $\$ 205.00$ - Monica Gruel ridng Ima Smokin Tucker Derby:

1st - $\$ 342.00$ \& Trophy Jacket Raelene Croff riding a Cash In Your Bux 2nd- $\$ 205$ \& Trophy Jacket - Raelene Croff riding a Cash In Your Bux

3rd - Helen Brown riding a Sonitas Bo San


## NRA Year-End Autied Junior Standings Preceding NRANNWRA Finals.

All the following Contestants Qualify for the NRA/NWRA Finals

| JUNIOR BARREL RACING | JUNIOR BREAKAWAY ROPING |
| :---: | :---: |
| 1. Jessica McFarland, Victor ........ \$1,760.50 | 1. John Robertson, Augusta .......... \$1,097.21 |
| 2. Mandy Whitford, Browning ...... \$1,204.32 | 2. Travis Nichols, Helena ............... \$999.35 |
| 3. Shae Cole, Huson .................. \$1,167.12 | 3. Jesse Fuller, Augusta .................. \$957.35 |
| 4. Cody Tew, Belgrade ............... \$1,149.70 | 4. Zane Hollenbeck, Molt .............. $\$ 826.70$ |
| 5. Cee Cee Tryan, Helena .............. \$979.54 | 5. Cee Cee Tryan, Helena .............. $\$ 815.81$ |
| 6. Danna Whitford, Browning ......... $\$ 937.54$ | 6. Arena Robertson, Augusta .......... \$779.33 |
| 7. Katie Shiner, Lemhi, ID .............. $\$ 742.42$ | 7. Cody Tew, Belgrade ................ $\$ 740.16$ |
| 8. Sheena Berry, Stevensville .......... \$564.96 | 8. Tal Michael, Browning ................ $\$ 532.13$ |
| 9. Amanda McFarland, Victor ......... $\$ 406.32$ | 9. Katie Shiner, Lemhi, ID .............. $\$ 435.63$ |
| 10. Kahley Anzick, Livingston ........ \$236.40 | 10. Coree Shiner, Lemhi, ID ........... $\$ 382.85$ |
| 11. Katie Vander Lans, Cameron .... \$154.08 | 11. Coulter Grue, Great Falls ......... $\$ 329.91$ |
| 12. Codi Momberg, Belgrade ......... $\$ 146.40$ | 12. Sam Levine, Wolf Creek .......... \$317.28 |
| 13. Arena Robertson, Augsuta ........ \$142.08 | 13. Justin Jones, Great Falls ............ \$260.76 |
| 14. Torie Briese, Helena ................. $\$ 92.64$ | 14. Craig Bagnell, Polson ............... \$248.11 |
| 15. Kaylina Ursua, Arlee ................ $\$ 86.40$ | 15. Chase Tryan, Helena ............... \$232.32 |
| 16. Kayla Dreesen, Circle ............... $\$ 73.44$ | 16. Shawn Bessette, Belt ................ \$212.16 |
| 17. Haylee Eiker, Glendive .............. $\$ 67.68$ | 17. Sheena Berry, Corvallis ............ \$181.44 |
| 18. Megan Lunak, Browning ............ $\$ 67.20$ | 18. Deion Parker, Huntley ............. \$178.08 |
| 19. Durbin Watson, Geyser ............. $\$ 67.20$ | 19. Stacy Harris, Ronan ................ \$164.16 |
| 20. Amber Crowley, Poplar ............ $\$ 48.96$ | 20. Mandy Whitford, Browning ...... \$157.44 |
| 21. Brittany Nordahl, Helena ............ $\$ 34.08$ | 21. Nolan Conway, Browning ........... $\$ 98.21$ |
| 22. Jessica Thompson, Townsend ..... \$33.60 | 22. Jennifer Weeding, Jordan ............ $\$ 92.16$ |
| 23. Travis Nichols, Helena ................ \$23.04 | 23. Chase Holt, Whitehall ............... $\$ 88.32$ |
| 24. Shawn Bessette, Belt ................ $\$ 16.32$ | 24. Matthew Asay, Forsyth ............. $\$ 77.95$ |
|  | 25. Brittany Lyman, Great Falls ......... $\$ 76.61$ |
|  | 26. Brittany Bird, Cut Bank .............. $\$ 50.11$ |
|  | 27. Jordan Doud, Enisis ................... \$49.96 |
|  | 28. Jason Carlson, Two Dot ............. $\$ 49.25$ |
|  | 29. Amber Crowley, Poplar ............. \$43.20 |
|  | 30. Adam Wilson, Browning ............. $\$ 42.72$ |
|  | 31. Clay Gruel, Great Falls .............. $\$ 37.44$ |










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## Coors Bareback Horse

 of the Year:480 Buckle Bunny Big Circle Rodeo Company

This six year old mare is no stranger to The winners circle. She is the '99 and '98 Bareback of the NRA Finals and NRCA Bareback of the Year. She is out of Red Lizard and Crow Woman breeding. She is not very big butmakes up for it in heart. We have sold two brothers of hers (Copenhagen Crow and Crow Fair) that have went to the National Finals several times. In NRA rodeos this year she was ridden only three times, all for first place money (Ben Wrzesinski at Dodson and Wibuax, Matt Gilstrap at Culbertson) Thank you to all the Bareback riders for your vote of confidence.


Buckle Bunny giving Doug Leeds a ride during the 1998 NRA Finals. Leeds rode Buckle Bunny for 82.5 points and second place in the final 1998 Finals performance. Trudy Bledsoe photo.

## Coors Saddle Bronc Horse of the Year:

## 622 Bugsy

Big Circle Rodeo Company
Ne are very happy to have a great stud like this in our breeding program. He is four years old and big and strong. When you look at Bugsy he looks and acts like a bronc is suppose to be like. He is out of the great stud Bo Jangles and Wild Bess. We think that he is breed as good as they come. He has been ridden only tow times in the last two years of the NRA. One time was Craig Miller at Culbertson and the other was Jordan Harmon at Ennis. Than you to all the saddle bronc riders for their vote of confidence in Bugsy.

One thing we are excited about is the stud we have coming up by Bugsy and out of Buckle Bunny.


Bugsy gave Paul Heaton the quick 1-2-3 during the 2000 East Helena Valley Rodeo. Bugsy has the tendancy to make short work of the cowboys. Cindy Olson photo.

## Coors Bull of the Year:

45 Cowboy Fever Newman Rodeo Company

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Cowboy Fever, 45 , gives Great Falls Cowboy, Bob Voegel a ride during the Meagher County Labor Day Rodeo. Jeanne Carpenter photo.

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The Northern Rodeo Association/Northern Women's Rodeo Association is coordinating this seminar with Wrangler Pro Official Wade Barry. The seminar will be tailored to fit NRA/NWRA rodeos and competition. There is not charge to attend this seminar and the NRA/NWRA encourages anyone interested in attending to do 50 . If you are interested in judging rodeos in 2000 this seminar is required before you can judge.

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## Corral West Rodeo Series Point Standings

Corral West Series Rodeos Include: Forsyth Rodeo Days, Forsyth; Big Timber "NRA/NWRA" Rodeo, Big Timber; Musselshell Valley Chamber of Commerce Rodeo, Roundup; Harlowton Chamber of Commerce Rodeo Harlowton; East Helena Valley Rodeo, East Helena; Three Rivers Saddle Club Rodeo, Three Forks; Columbia Falls Rodoe, Columbia Falls; Montana Fair NRA/NWRA Rodzo, Billings; Choteau County Fair, Fort Benton Jefferson County Rodeo, Boulder, Ravalli County Fair, Hamilton; Helmville Labor Day Rodeo, Helmville. Points are given as follows: 4 pts for $1 s t ; 3$ pts for 2 nd; 2 pts for 3 rd: 1 pt for 4 th.


| Bareback Riding | Team Roping |
| :---: | :---: |
| 1. Doug Leeds, Bozeman .................. 34.5 | 1. Travis Tryan, Huntley ...................... 13 |
| 2. Ben Wrzesinski, Helena ................ 20.5 | 2. Clay Tryan, Huntley ....................... 12 |
| 3. Delbert Moore, Miles City ...............6.5 | 3. Cleve Fuller, Augusta...................... 11 |
| Saddle Bronc Riding | Ladies Barrel Racing |
| 1. Jordan Harmon, Dillon.................... 21 | 1. Cadee Tew, Belgrade ...................... 16 |
| 2. Craig Miller, Miles City .................... 18 | 2. Lisa Scheffer, Hamilton .................... 11 |
| 3. Adam Bink, Vaughn .................... 15.5 | 3. Peggy Schluter, Helena .................. 10.5 |
| Wall Riding | Ladies Breakaway Roping |
| 1. Steven Lambert, Bozeman............. 10.5 | 1. Wendy Clark, Billings ...................... 11 |
| 2. Phillip Hofer, Billings ......................... 9 | 2. Brook Boyle, Bozeman ................... 10.5 |
| 3. Will Stovall, Robert......................... 8.5 | 3. Marcey Chaffee, Billings ..................... 9 |
| Steer Wrestling | Junior Barel Racing |
| 1. Gary Woodworth, Shepherd............ 11 | 1. Cody Tew, Belgrade ........................ 16 |
| 2. Eddie Getten, Roundup ....................... 9 | 2. Mandy Whifford, Browning ............. 15 |
| 3/4. Shannon Blixt, Helena ...................... 7 <br> Mike Gollaher, Cascade .7 | 3. Cee Cee Tyran, Helena ..................... 12 |
|  | Junor Breakaway Roping |
| Calf Roping | 1. John Robertson, Augusta................14.5 |
| 1. Rob Kountz, Bozeman .................... 10.5 | 2. Zane Hollenbeck, Molt................... 11.5 |
| 2. Travis Caldwell, Billings ................... 10 | 3. Cody Tew, Belgrade ......................... 11 |
| 3. Chris Witcher, Miles City ................6.6 |  |



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WITNESS
(Parent or Legal Guardian must sign if applicant is a minor under the law of the state of residence and/or a High School Rodeo Association Member.) I declare that I am a parent or legal guardian of the above named minor. have carefully read the foregoing Release and Agreement Not to Sue. 1 know the representations made are true agree to be bound by the terms of the Release and Agreement Not to Sue both personally and as representative of the interests of the minor
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## 2001 Membership Application

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## NRA Board of Directors Meeting <br> Saturday, October 21, 2000 <br> Billings Hotel and Convention Center

Billings, Montana

## President Joe Warner called the meeting to order

Roll was taken and a quorum verified. Those members present included: President, Joe Wamer; Jerry Matt, Vice President; Ben Wrzesinski proxied for Matt Gilstrap, Bareback Riding; Craig Miller, Saddle Bronc Riding; Monte Finn, President; Ben Wrzesinski proxied fiding, Sparkie Dreesen, Junior Events; Rodney Newman, Stock Contractor Director; Lois Hill and Rodger Nordahl, Advisory Board; Buzz Fim, East Committee Directors; Ray MeGowan and Jim Hale, West Committee Directors.

The Financial report was read. The board was presented with a profit and loss statement to review.

## COMMTTEEREPORTS:

Friends of Rodeo: Linda Hegle updated the Board on current issues. Joe Wamer encouraged those who have not purchased their For memberships to do so.

Awards Program: Linda Hegle updated the Board on the current 2000 sponsorships. Year-End Event awards were announced. Finals jackets were presented and discussed. It was suggested to look into further sponsorship to he p cover the extra costs. The Board was updated on the KSVI proposal. KSVI will not continue to pursue it's proposal. The Board was infonned that the 1999 Bull Riding sponsor, Cowboys' Toys had finished paying the 1999 contract.

NRA/NWRA Finals: The Board discussed the MSU Field House meeting. Other possible options for the Finals were presented. It was suggested to look into locations other than MSU as well as different dates. Linda Hegle was asked to contact current sponsors to deternine their feelings concerning a change of location and time of year

The pickup man voting process was clanined. Drawing of Finals stock was also discussed. Discussion was held regarding the event directors would be able to set the pens of stock for the first two performances, referring to the PRCA rule B. 13.5 , which states that stock will be drawn by a set pen to be set by the event directors.

Finals timed event cattle were discussed. The Board was infomed that Big Circle Rodeo Company had the bid on the Finals timed event cattle were discussed. The Board was infonmed that Big Circle Rodeo Company had the bid on the
2000 Finals Timed Event cattle. Directors were notified of the 45 days prior to the Finals refusal time limit. The cut off date will be December 18,2000 for directors to object to the timed event catte

Judges Program: Craig Miller updated the Board concerning the judge's evaluation process. The Board was informed that Danny Halverson and Steve O'Hern would not be able to judge the 2000 Finals. The Board was presented with a Judges Rating sheet. Discussion was held regarding the notification of the top 15 contestants to vote on the Finals judges. The Board was made aware of rule F.2.1. Discussion was held regarding having two tuned event judges and two rough stock judges instead of all judges judging both timed events and rough stock events. Members of the Judging Committee were discussed. A motion was made for a rule change at the Finals meeting in February, 2001 to change rule F.2.1 so the top 10 contestants in each event as well as the event director will vote on all eligible judges to judge the Finals. Each person shall receive a vote. Seconded. Passed. Judging seminar was discussed and the Judge's Committee will make arrangements for the seminar this year

Logan Coach Bonus Bucks: Linda Hegle updated the Board on the delivery status of the Logan Coach Trailer. Discussion was held concerning the number of $3^{\text {rd }}$ judges for the 2000 season.

Central Entry: Sharon Martin updated the Board. The Board was informed that the NRA/NWRA will try to work with the committees on their times of performances and slacks.

## LD BUSINESS:

the rule addition of a new rule regarding a Local Entry Fee was discussed. A motion was made and seconded to not require a local entry fee of $\$ 15.00$. The motion passed.

## NEW BUSINESS:

The Board addressed a grievance submitted by Eddie Getten. The grievance concerned the Rules Infraction Committees decision to uphold a fine assessed to Mr. Getten during the Madison Country Rodeo in Twin Bridges. A motion was made and seconded to relieve Mr. Getten of the fine because nule D.4.3., pg. 35 of the NRA rulebook was not followed the judges The Board does not condone Mr Getten's actions and issues a written wamung The motion passe unanimously.

Discussion was held regarding the current percentage split on the income and expenses between the NRA and NWRA The Board was informed on how the original determination was made for the original $75 / 25$ percent split. A proposal of an $80 / 20$-percentage split was suggested. Motion was made and seconded to table until the Finals meeting in February. The motion passed.
kodeo Scheduling was discussed. A rodeo schedule will be created to present to the committees at the committe seminar during the Finals in February. The Association Board will work with the committees to try to eliminate conflicts in the rodeo schedule.

Discussion was held concerning an amendment to rule D.5.1, Non-Sufficient Funds checks to increase the fine from $\$ 100.00$ to $\$ 110.00$ or $\$ 120.00$. A motion was made and seconded to leave the rule as it currently reads in the 2000 rulebook. The motion passed.

Discussion was held regarding a rule addition for an Unlimited One Rodeo permit. A motion was made and seconded to provide an unlimited one-rodeo permit of $\$ 15.00$ per rodeo with any money won not counting towards the NRA tandings. The motion passed and the rule change will cone before the Board at the rinals meeting.

An amendment to rule A.4.13 was discussed. The Board was presented with an amendment. A motion was made and seconded to address an amendment at the Finals meeting in February to remove rule A.4.13. The motion passed

Discussion was hed regarding an amendment to rule A.5.23. Motion was made to leave the rule as it currently reads in he 2000 rulebook. The motion was seconded and passed

Discussion was held concerning amendment to rule A. 6.50 to increase the percentage take on the rodeos from $4 \%$ to $6 \%$ Motion was made and seconded to present the rule change at the Finals meeting in February. The motion passed.

Discussion was held concerning an amendment to rule A.2.4. I to increase the minimum entry fee form $\$ 35.00$ to $\$ 45.00$ Motion was made and seconded to leave the rule as it currently reads in the 2000 rulebook. The motion passed. A motion was then made to create an entry fee scale rule to be discussed at the Finals meeting in February. The motion was seconded and defeated.

Discussion was held regarding an amendment to rule F.5.2 regarding limiting the voting on Finals rough stock to the top 10 contestant in the respective events. A motion was made to leave the rule as it currently is in the 2000 rulebook. The motion was seconded and passed.

Biscussion was held concerning rule F.5.2. A motion was made to amend the rule to read that NRA event Directors shal receive a list from each eligible NRA stock contractor of their eligible livestock to go to the Finals before ballots are sent the top 15 contestants in the respective events. The event directors and Stock Contractor will agree upon the Finals cligible stock ballot list. In the event that the Director and Stock Contractor camot agree upon a particular animal, the

Stock Contractors decision is controlling. The motion was seconded and Passed. The rule change will be presented at the Finals meeting

## OTHER:

Nominations for the 2001 election were discussed. Directors were informed of the current positions to be voted upon. The Board was informed of current nominations. Buzz Finn requested that he not be listed on the nominations for the East Committee Directors. Tom Atkinson was nominated for the East Committee Director position.

Sparky Dreesen presented the Board with a proposal for possibly four rodeos this winter in Baker. Potential dates would be December 9, January 12, and February 17 and 18. Sparky may come back to the Board for sanctioning.

Ray McGowan proposed an increase in the number of votes the Committee Directors have on the NRA Board of Directors. The proposal stated that each East and West Committee Director would have one vote for a total of six votes. A motion was made and seconded to present to the Finals meeting in February an amendment to rule B.2.1.1 Voting members of the Board of directors would then be: president, vice president, director at large, stock contractor director six committee director votes (three east, three west), contract personnel director, junior events director, three advisory board members, one director representing each contest event (6), and the NWRA liaison director for a total of 22 votes The motion passed.

Deena Witcher presented the NRA board with a proposal from the NWRA Board to ncrease the number of votes that the NWRA receives on the NRA Board. The proposal was that the NWRA would receive a vote for each NWRA ladies event director. A motion was made and seconded to present the rule change to the Finals meeting in February. The notion passed.

Monty Finn addressed the Board regarding rule R.8.7. A motion was made to amend rule R.8.7 to read as follows: All orned animals used in the NRA bull riding event shall have their homs blunted to at least the diameter of a half-dollar The amendment will be presented at the Finals meeting in February. There was a second and the motion passed

Craig Miller discussed the $3^{\text {rd }}$ Judges responsibilities during a rodeo. The Judging Committee will provide a list of responsibilities to the $3^{\text {rd }}$ judge

Meeting adjourned


## NWRA Board of Directors Meeting <br> Saturday, October 21, 2000 9:00 AM <br> Billings Hotel and Convention Center <br> Billings, Montana

Deb Lloyd called meeting to order.
Roll was taken and a quorum verified. Those members present included: President, Deb Lloyd, Mary Goyins, Vice President, Cally Goyins proxied for Chris McQueary, Director at Large; Nick Stubbelfield proxied for Peggy Smith, Ladies Barrel Racing; Deena Witcher, Ladies Breakaway Roping; Marcey Chaffee, Theresa Caldwell proxicd for Kris Bartholomew and Mary Salmond, Advisory Board.

Finanacial report was read. Board of Directors were presented will a Profit and Loss statement to review for further discussion.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Friends of Rodeo: Linda Hegle updated the Board on current issues of Friends of Rodeo. Linda encouraged everyone to purchase their memberships.

Awards Program: The board was updated on the 2000 sponsorship program. Board was also informed of the status of the final payment from 1999 sponsor Cowboys' Toys. The finals jackets were discussed. It was suggested to look into further sponsorship to help cover the extra cost of the jackets. Year - End event awards were discussed. The board was informed that KSVI would not continue with their earlier proposal.

NRA/NWRA Fimals: The board was updated on the status of the 2000 Finals. Discussion was held concerning the meeting that was held with the MSU Field House managers. Further options were discussed concerning possible places to move the Finals. It was suggested to talk to the current sponsors about some of the possible changes.

Judges Program: The Board was updated on the current Judges Program. Discussion was held concerning the Finals judges and judging seminar.

Logan Coach Bonus Bucks: The board was updated on the Logan Coach Bonus Bucks program, and the delivery of the 2000 Logan Coach trailer. Discussion was held concerning the payment of the $3^{\text {rd }}$ Judges.

Central Entry: Sharon Martin updated the Board. Discussion was held concerning the number of contestants in a buddy group from an cvent. The number of timed event contestants during a performance was discussed. The No Draw Out rule was discussed.

## OLD BUSINESS:

No old business to discuss.

## NEW BUSINESS:

The selection process of the current NWRA logo was clarified.

## The audit committee was discussed

Discussion was held concerning the NRA and NWRA income and expense percentage spit. Current percentage split is $75 / 25$ percent. It was discussed to change the percentage split to an $80 / 20$ percent split. A tion was made and seconded to change the percentage split to $80 / 20$. The motion passed. A motion wa hen made and seconded to change the NWRA bylaws contingent on the decision of the NRA Board of Directors decision. The motion passed

Rodeo scheduling was discussed. A schedule is to be made to take to the Committee Seminar, during the NRA/NWRA Finals to present to the committee's, so we can eliminate scheduling conflicts. It was suggested hat a commitiee be appointed to set the schedule of rodeos. It should probably be the same committee that approves rodeo sanctions. A rule addition was suggested that a rodeo must submit to the Rodeo Approval committee why they want a No Draw Ont Rodeo.

Gule D.5.1. Non sufficient Funds checks were discussed. The board heard arguments conceming an in mease of the Non Sufficient Funds check fine from $\$ 100.00$ to $\$ 110.00$ or $\$ 120.00$. A motion was made and sconded to leave the rule D. 5.1 as it currently reads in the 2000 rule book. The motion passed.

One Rodeo Permits were discussed. A motion was made and seconded to add a rule stating that persons may cner unlimited rodeos by purchasing a $\$ 25.00$ permit per rodeo with money won not counting towards the oficial NWRA standings. The motion passed and the nle change will be on the agenda for the Finals mecting.

Discussion was held regarding a rule amendment to A. 6.5 .0 to increase the percentage take of each rodeo from $4 \%$ to $6 \%$. A motion was made and seconded to address this topic again at the Finals meeting in Fobnary, 2001. The motion passed.

Discussion was held regarding a rule amendment to A.2.4. I to increase the minimum entry fee from $\$ 35.0$ $10 \$ 45.00$. A motion was made and seconded not to increase the minimum entry fee. The motion passed

Discussion was held concerning the addition of a Local Entry Fee of $\$ 15.00$ rute. A motion was made and seconded not to charge a Local Entry Fee. The motion passed.

OTHER:
Discussion was held on the number of votes that the NWRA Board of Directors has on the NRA Board of Directors. A motion was made to increase the number of votes on the NRA Board of Directors from one NWRA vote to two NWRA votes to represent the two NWRA ladies events. The event director of the NWRA would be the voting member on the NRA Board of Directors. The motion was seconded and passed.

Mecting adjourned.



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