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NRA Rookie of the Year Kera Washburn, 9, will be at the Northern Rodeo Association Championship Finals in January vying for the Junior Barrel Racing and the Ladies Barrel Racing Awards. Her father Dave and brother Shawn will be competing also. The dates are January 29, 30, 31, the place is Billings METRA Park. (Helena Independent Record photo.)

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NRA News is the official newsletter of the Northern Rodeo Association and is published to continue the purpose of the Northern Rodeo Association as noted in the Association's rulebook, Article 1, page 1.

This newsletter is designed to inform committee members, contestants and rodeo fans of sanctioned rodeos, rule changes and the business related to the Northern Rodeo Association.

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Special Thanks to Big Sky Feeds of Billings for their donation of livestock feed to the NRA Finals. They are supplying feed for the bucking horses and bulls Big Sky Feeds builds all types of livestock feeds. 3801 1st Ave. South, Billings. Stop by when you're in town for the NRA Finale

All the News that is News in the NRA We've moved across the hall at PAYS

For those who don't get to Billings town often to stop in at the NRA office, it is good news to report that the Northern Rodeo Association has a new office. No, we have not moved from Public Auction Yards, we have just relocated across the hall into what was the western store.

With the additional room we can now store

So your News doesn't arrive

You'll notice the NRA News included a request for the post office to return any undeliverable NRA News so addresses could be corrected, changed or deleted. To date 85 addresses have been returned. So, if you're not getting your NRA News, call the office and get your address corrected.

The following members have undeliverable addresses:

John Billy, Lis Solf, Frank LeBrun, Val Smith, Dale Whitlow, Dean Ehmann, Tom Gannon, Levi Gravelle, Ron Zielder, Joe Cusker, and Valdez Silversmith.

Zilverberg wins CWF

Northern Rodeo Association members made a strong appearance at the Coors World Finals Rodeo also.

All Around Champion is a former NRA member who rodeoed for South Dakota Rodeo Association at the World Finals. Gary Zilverberg won a Circle Y saddle, Sower Silver Company buckle and WW 3 horse slant load trailer for his win.

NRA winners are:

Bareback: Dave Washburn, 5th in average; 4th in short go; 4th in 2nd go.

Bull Riding: Joe Nahrgang, 6th in the average; 3rd in the first go. Terry Standing, 5/6 split in the 2nd go.

Team Roping: Murray Linthicum and Rocky Dallyn, 2nd in short go and 5th in the average.

Barrel Racing: Rayna Prewitt, 5th in the 1st and 2nd go.

our own supplies, saddles, etc., (eliminating the need for and inconveniences of renting a storage space).

Stop at PAYS and see our new diggings ... and special thanks to all those who put up with the inconveniences of our moving. We are ready to serve you better during the NRA finals and the upcoming rodeo season!

Two second places, a third, a fourth and a fifth for Montanans at NFR

Montana is mightly proud of the National Finals Money winners. Congrats to Brad Gleason and Deb Greenough who are runner up in the steer wrestling and bareback riding, respectively.

Clint Branger finished third in the bull riding, Rod Lyman won fourth in the steer wrestling and Dan Mortensen was fifth in the final saddle bronc riding standing. For all five except Lyman, these were their best finishes ever. Congratulations from your friends here in the NRA. Way to show off the Big Sky State.

Who's the Boss at the Greenough house?

Joe Kusek of the Billings Gazette was at the National Finals Rodeo in Las Vegas. Kusek reports:

The NFR established who makes the decisions at the Deb Greenough household.

During the NFR, business partner and fellow competitor Larry Sandvick wanted him and Greenough to shave their NFR numbers into the sides of their heads and Greenough was considering.

However, Greenough's wife of one year, Kim, quickly nixed the idea for her husband.

"She didn't care if I did though," said Sandvick.

All the News that is news in the NRA

Support your sponsors

The Northern Rodeo Association board and members wish to thank our 1992 year end event sponsors for their support in this record-breaking rodeo year. Thank you and we hope you enjoy the Northern Rodeo Finals.

BAREBACK BRONC RIDING: ROPER APPAREL, "Capture the spirit in Roper Shirts and jeans." Available at finer western wear stores. SADDLE BRONC RIDING: S&TTRUCKING, "Cattle-lac of the livestock Industry," Pompey's Pillar, Mont. 406-875-2600.

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TEAM ROPING: FUDDRUCKERS, "Nobody builds a better burger than Fuddruckers and you!" 2011 Overland Ave., Billings, Mont. 406-656-5455.

LADIES BARREL RACING: SCHAEFER OUTFITTERS, "Makers of Classic American Clothing," Available at Western Wear stores near you.

LADIES BREAKAWAY ROPING: SHERATON BILLINGS HOTEL, 27 NORTH 27, BILLINGS, MONT. 59101. For reservations call: 1-800-325-3535 or 406-252-7400 and ask for the "Ag rate." Located close to shopping; indoor pool, and fitness center. Dining room and lounge. ALL AROUND: COMMNET 2000. Montana's cellular network. "We've gotcha covered!" 1-800-942-2060.

For more information contact Jann Parker, Northern Rodeo Association, Box 1122, Billings, Montana 59103. 406-252-1122.

Companion passes available

Again this year, NRA finals contestants will be offered half price "companion" tickets. Notice the special blank on the finals entry form for ordering the tickets. Each contestant is entitled to one "companion" set of tickets. Choose from \$8, \$9, \$10 tickets, decide how many performances you want to attend and multiply by price of tickets. Divide that number in half and send that amount to the NRA office with your entry form.

Other tickets can be ordered through the "Special Ticket Offer" also in this issue.

Get SS#s from NRA office

Rodeo secretaries: If your rodeo paid any one contestant \$600 or more, you are required by the IRS to send 1099s. If you need contestant social security numbers, they available from the NRA office. Please call the NRA 252-1122. Federal law requires these are filed by Jan. 31.

Use only assigned stalls plez FINALS TIMED EVENT CONTESTANTS

Please, Please use only those stalls you have paid for, if you need additional stalls, pay the rodeo secretary or Jann Parker.

Anyone whose horse is found in another barn will be responsible for cleaning the entire barn. Make your check payable to METRAPARK Arena. This is not a warning, but will be strictly enforced. Stalls will be in Barns 21, 23, 25.

No reruns on video

Due to time restraints, NRA finals videos will only be shown once after each performance. Reruns will not be allowed. We ask your cooperation in this matter. Treasure State Video Productions will again video all three performances of the finals. If you wish to obtain copies you may write to them at 905 Aronson Ave. Billings. 59105 or call 406-259-6406.

Arena Times Announced

The Metra arena will be open for exercise on Friday, from 8 a.m. until noon; on Satruday from 8 to 9 a.m. and on Sunday from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m.

18th Annual NRA Finals

Schedule of Events

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Wednesday,	Stock contractors and stock arrives Night corrals	
Afternoon		
7 p.m.		
Thursday, Jan		
1 p.m.	Timed event jackpot	
Friday, Janua	Court Fover Charatan	
6:30-9:30 a.m.	Complimentary coffee and donuts South Foyer, Sheraton	
11:30 a.m.	Press Conference Granite Room, Sheraton Hotel	
1 p.m.	General Membership meeting Skybridge room, Sheraton	
4 p.m.	Contestant Check-in Pryor Room, Sheraton	
5:30-7:30 p.m	Sponsor/Committee Cocktail party Exhibition Hall	
	Cowboy Auction MetraPark	
6 p. m11:30 p.m.	MetraPark Shuttle Service Sheraton Hotel Lobby NRA Finals, First Performance MetraPark	
8 p.m		
10 p.m.		
Saturday, Jai		
6:30-9:30 a.m.	Complimentary coffee and donuts South Foyer, Sheraton Junior Event Finals MetraPark	
9 a.m.	Committee Convention Avalanche Room, Sheraton	
9 a.m.	Board of Directors meeting Tempest Room, Sheraton	
1 p.m. 5:30-7:30 p.m	Sponsor/Committee Cocktail party Exhibition Hall	
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6 p. m11:30 p.m.	MetraPark Shuttle Service First Floor, Sheraton Hotel Lobby	
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8 p.m	NRA Finals, Second Performance MetraPark	
10 p.m.	Dance, Video Ballroom, Sheraton	
Sunday, Janu	iary 31	
6:30-9:30 a.m.	Complimentary coffee and donuts South Foyer, Sheraton	
9 a.m.	Past Presidents/Secretaries Breakfast Tempest Room, Sheraton	
10:30 a.m.	Cowboy Church Service Skytop Room, Sheraton	
Noon - 5:30 p.m.	MetraPark Shuttle Service Sheraton Hotel Lobby	
	(departing every half hour)	
2 p.m.	NRA Finals, Final Performance MetraPark	
6 p.m6:45 p.m.	Cocktails Ballroom, Sheraton	
6:45 p.m.	Banquet Ballroom, Sheraton Hotel	
7:30 p.m.	Awards Presentation Ballroom, Sheraton	
9 p.m.	Dance, Video Ballroom, Sheraton	
Banquet ticket ma	by be purchased at the door for \$12, Advance purchase requested.	
Dance tickets \$3	for individuals; \$5 for couples	
Additional parking	g available in the Burlington Northern Parking lot on Montana Ave.,	

across the street from the Sheraton. Also parking in parking garage at no charge to Hotel

guests

• Prize money check cashing available at Sheraton Front Desk with proper I. D.

· Rooms okay with the Sheraton by December 7.

All the News of NRA Finals Week

The 18th Annual NRA finals Jan. 29-31.

ENTRIES FOR THE FINALS will open 9 a.m. Monday Jan. 4 and close that same day at 4 p.m. Entries will be CALLED IN to the NRA OFFICE 252-1122. The office requests those in the 11-15th positions also enter at this time as some events may not fill with the top 10 contestants.

Entry forms with fees must be in the NRA office by Friday, Jan. 8.

The deadline for contestant entry and entry forms received will be strictly enforced.

COCKTAIL PARTIES on Friday and Saturday evenings have outgrown the Zonta Room. They have been moved to the lower floor in the Metra - in Exhibition Hall (Trade Show Area by NILE OFFICE). Enter through the far west door on the arena level. If any of you would like to attend, let Jann know and she will send out the invitations in advance. (Invitations are required.)

Curt and Tammy Pate will again conduct the cowboy Auction. Cinde Barthelmess is in charge of a style show featuring NRA fashions.

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING is 1 p.m. on Friday at the Billings Sheraton. Contestant checkin will follow.

CONTESTANT JACKETS, compliments of Coors and Schaefer Outfitters, will be handed out. Wristbands will also be issued then. The performance schedule will be discussed and your pictures will be taken. Please show up for checkin if you plan to compete. NRA office personnel are extra busy and don't have time for individual attention.

VOTE FOR YOUR DIRECTORS. The ballots are included in this issue. This is so important, yet so many of you don't take the time to do it. Please return your ballot to the NRA office by Wednesday, Jan. 20.

TIMED EVENT BREAK IN JACKPOT is set for Thursday, Jan. 28 at 1 p.m. Barrel racing will again be added to this year's jackpot. One run for \$30, plus \$5 office charge.Remember this is open to the top 15 until Jan. 15 and after that date will be open to any NRA member. (See entry blank on page 8.) There will be a waiting list es-

tablished so give Jann a call if you would like to compete.

Probable order of events for the jackpot: we'll begin with barrel racing promptly at 1 p.m. B oth rounds of the breakaway roping will follow.

This will be followed by one round of steer wrestling, calf roping, team roping. Then the order is calf roping, team roping finishing with the last round of steer wrestling.

Timed event directors: You will be in charge of your event, of selecting the top 10 cattle (and one replacement) for the rodeo.

ARENA WARMUP TIMES: The arena will be open for exercise on Friday, from 8 a.m. until noon; on Saturday from 8 to 9 a.m. and on Sunday from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m.

COMMITTEE MINI-CONVENTION is Saturday morning at the Sheraton at 9 a.m. Committees and other interested persons are encourage to attend.

VIDEOS will again be shown ONE TIME ONLY at the Sheraton after each evening performance and videos of all performances will be available to purchase. A dance after each performance will be at the Sheraton.

PAST PRESIDENTS AND SECRETAR-IES BREAKFAST is again on Sunday morning at 9 a.m. at the Sheraton. Invitations will be sent the first of January. Note time change!

We are still searching for people who we've missed in the past. Call Jann and let her know of anyone who should be invited.

PARKING: The Sheraton has made the Burlington North Parking lot (located at 1st Ave. South and 28th Street) available to the NRA. This is for vehicles too large for the parking garage. You can park there after 5 p.m. on Friday through 10 p.m. Sunday evening. No security will be provided.

There will be a shuttle service between the Metra and the Sheraton for those who want to leave their vehicles at the Metra. There is free parking available for overnight guests of the Sheraton at the parking garage connected to the Sheraton. Absolutely no parking in the post office parking lots next door to the SHERATON.

Northern Rodeo Finals Stock selected by cowboys, contractors

The following stock has been selected for the NRA finals in February. Stock of the year annoucements will be made at the NRA Finals. Bareback:

Jacobs Livestock Rodeo: -1 Billie Blue;12 Joe Buck; 16 Snappy Tom; 329 Bees Wax; 22 Miss Gilchrest. 300 Poor Devil; F14 Georgie Blue Wirtz's Northern Rodeo Company: H22 All Grit; 4 Corral West; 42 Gravel Gertie Small Rodeo Company: 90 Come Apart; 77 Featherweight; 1B First Bank; 181 Deer Lodge Carpenter's Rocky Mountain Rodeo Company:187 Missing Link; 874 Rimfire; 71 One Spot: 207 Devil Mountain; NN Chief Cliff Cowboy Enterprises: 114 Corral West Bucka-

Saddle Bronc: Jacobs Livestock Rodeo: 49 Ironside; -11 Melvin O; 111 Bitterroot Red Wirtz's Northern Rodeo Company: 100 Cen- NRA finals personnel named at presstime intennial; 31Boozo; 110 Norma Jean; 41 Little Dave: + Southern Comfort; 30 Old Yellar; 23 Canadian Calverts; 76 Jersey Lilly;

roo: 60 Grannie

Small Rodeo Company: 100 Calvert High; E Cimmeron; NN Black Label; NN Comanche

Carpenter: C57 George Wilson; 80 Johnson; 77 Broken O: 47 Mirage

Cowboy Enterprise: 3 Stormie; 52 Hattie Bulls: (Cowboy-selected bulls unavailable at presstime.)

Jacobs Livestock Rodeo: X6 Pistol Pete and 31 **Bad Orville**

Wirtz's Northern Rodeo Company:; 5 Nightingale; 29 Night Rider

Small Rodeo Company: 18 Smokin Joe; 28 Taco Time

Carpenter's Rocky Mountain Rodeo Company: 44 Mr. Ed; 54 Golden Boy

Cowboy Enterprise: 57 Smokey; 74 Riptide Personnel named

clude Will Rasmussen for Announcer; Tootie Rasmussen and Bruce Martin for Timers. Funnyman for the rodeo is Flint Rasmussen.

Break-In Jackpot Thursday, January 28, In the Metra Starts Promptly at 1 p.m.

(To select top 10 animals to be used for Rodeo)

This jackpot will be open to the top 15 contestants in the NRA standings in the Calf Roping, Team Roping, Steer Wrestling, Ladies Barrel Racing and Ladies Breakaway Roping until January 15. Please return entry form along with your entry fees to the NRA office, by January 15. On Monday, January 18, the jackpot will be opened to any NRA member wanting to compete until the 15 contestants limited to each event is reached. Call 252-1122 to enter. Team ropers: Include your partner's name. Entry Fees must accompany entry.

There will be two go-arounds with money back in each go and two monies paid in the average. Entry fees: CR, SW, LBAR - \$50 plus \$10 stock charge. Total \$60 fees. TR - \$50 per man plus \$5 stock charge - Total \$55 per man; LBR \$30 and \$5 office charge...

NAME		
Events	Team Roping partner	

Waiting list will be established. if you are interested send form and entry fees to NRA office. First come, first served.

Γ	Personality Questionaire and Finals Entry Form
	Finals Entry Form
	• TOP 10 IN EACH EVENT ARE ELIGIBLE TO COMPETE IN THE NRA FINALS. ALL
i	JUNIOR MEMBERS WHO HAVE WON MONEY IN THEIR RESPECTIVE EVENTS
i	ELIGIBLE.
	• Entries must be called into the NRA OFFICE on Jan. 4, 1993 between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m.
l	Call 252-1122 to enter. Then: send entry fees with this completed form to NRA office by
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	Friday, Jan. 8. NO EXCEPTIONS. If not received ON FRIDAY, the next person is eligible.
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i	SOC. SECURITY # PHONE
i	EVENTS ENTERED TEAM ROPING PARTNER
i	PLEASE ENCLOSE ENTRY FEES: \$150 PER EVENT, TEAM ROPING: \$150 PER
ļ	MAN. JUNIORS \$20. Total Fees Enclosed
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	• STALLS MUST BE RESERVED IN ADVANCE. STALL SUPERINTENDENT WILL
1	ASSIGN STALLS AT CONTESTANT CHECKIN TIME.
-	• NUMBER OF STALLS AT \$5 TOTAL
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i	• COORS AND SCHAEFER OUTFITTERS ARE AWARDING JACKETS TO THE TOP
1	10 AND FINALS PERSONNEL. Indicate size PLEASE: X-SmallSmall
ļ	Medium Large X-Large XXLarge
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Rodeo events you participate in		
Biggest win in 1992	Biggest lifetime win	
Have you competed at NRA finals	beforeYears	
Number of rodeos in 1992	Favorite rodeo	
Who most influenced rodeo career		
Why do you rodeo	<u> 2</u>	
Hobbies, interests other than rode	0	
If you could write a rule in NRA rule	e book, what would it be	
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Would you be interested in serving of interests you?	on a NRA Committee?Which	committee

1992 Voting Ballot

Every NRA card holding member is invited to vote for president, vice president and three east committee directors. Event director - only contestants who compete in the actual event are eligible to vote.

Mark an "X" the box in the front of the person for who you are selecting. If you desire

to write in a candidate, be sure to mark and "X" before his or her name.

President	Junior Events Director
Stan Rasmussen	Cinde Barthelmess Vicki MacCarty
Vice President	Team Roping
Ron Shoen	Team hoping
Bill Davis	Dale McQueary Mark Salmond
Steer Wrestling	3 Eastern Committee Directors (Vote for three)
Charlie Briggs	
Steve Blixt	Buzz Finn
Bull Riding	Dr. Howard Holloway Don Marlenee
	Joe Murnion
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	on Wednesday, January 20, 1993
	ail Ballot to:
	n, Box 1122, Billings, Montana 59103
Signature	Card #Events
SPECIAL COM	PANION TICKET OFFER
	purchase a special half price compan-
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All the News that is News in the NRA

Old timers also do well

Montanans made a solid appearance at the National Old Timers' Rodeo Association Finals in Reno recently.

Rex Bohn of Winnet and Bob Craig of Shepherd won the team roping average. Bob Schall, Arlee, won the bareback riding average. Schall also placed in the steer wrestling as did Alan Smith.

Ken Whyte of Browning placed in the calf roping, Donna and Junior Small placed in the ribbon roping as did Ken Whyte and his partner Mary Severean.

Teresa Davies and Jimi Kimp placed in the Ladies Breakaway. Other teams placing in the team roping were Willy Cleveland and Jack Kingsbury; Bob Schall and Mike Zacher; Glen Hough and Phil Luman, Carl Petersen and Jack Witcher, and Bud Benson and Junior Small. Way to go Montanans!

RBB hosted at 21 rodeos

Rookie Bareback Riding had a banner year in the NRA. Twenty-one rodeos hosted the event and 17 contestants picked up checks. Standings are as follow:

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1. Brent Nelson, Wibaux	.\$1,016.16
2. Clint Wreszinski, Helena	
3. Jeff Drummond, Cascade	756.48
4. Mark Grove, Harlowton	328.32
5. Ryan Allen, Boulder	306.24
6. Kerry Robertson, East Helena	151.20
7. Dennis Kirkpatrick, Wisdom	147.84
8. Travis Twitchell, Jordan	135.36
9. Bryan Dray, Stevensville	110.88
10. Rob O'Masters, Deer Lodge	106.56
11. Russ Annis, Great Falls	
12. Don McDonald, Lewistown	86.62
13. Dean Ehmann, Bozeman	81.12
14. Shane Gunderson, Columbia Fall	ls45.12
15. Pat Ober, Great Falls	16.32

Got an NRF photo idea

Hays Photos of Colstrip is this year's NRF photographer.

If you have a certain pose or suggestion you would like to make for your finals shot, contact Hayworth prior to the rodeo. His photo number is 406-748-3905.

Cocktails, Calcutta, Style

The cocktail parties on Friday and Saturday evenings have outgrown the Zonta Room and will again be in the lower floor in the Metra - in Exhibition Hall. (Trade show area by the NILE office. The cowboy auction will again be conducted by Curt and Tammy Pate. An NRA Style show featuring official NRA T-Shirts is also planned. Cinde Barthelmess is in charge if you have ideas.

V Lazy S 50' by 200' Heated Indoor Arena Ladies Breakaway and Calf Roping Jackpot Every Sunday thru February 1993 1 PM • \$3 arena fee per contestant # of head Stock Chg Events Ladies Breakaway-3 - \$23 \$3 \$10 Open Calf Roping3 - \$30 **Novice Horse** 2 - \$12 \$2 Breakaway Novice Horse Calf Roping 2-\$12 \$6 High School \$10 Calf Roping 3 - \$30 13 & Under Breakaway 3 - \$23 Contact: Vaughn E. Smith 3730 McGirl Road Billings, Mont. 59105 406-373-5054 or 406-373-5055

Happy Trails

In addition to her ranch, outfitting, guest ranch duties and horses, Lois Hill has also been elected as the Montana State and National promotion chairwomen for the International Agricultural Exchange Association. Lois will be attending the international convention in Germany in March!

Congratulations go to past NRA members who are winning honors in other associations. **Troy Ward** is the 1992 Kansas State Bareback Riding Champ; **Kevin Kessler** is the Nebraska State Rodeo Association bareback champ. Good job boys.

Trista Taylor and her horse **Ted** have been to the NRA finals five consecutive years - not a small accomplishment considering she not only competed, she won year end championship awards in the junior events!

Larry Wirtz's bronc #100 or "Centennial" was awarded the prestigious "Saddle Bronc of the Year" at the World Finals Rodeo in November in El Paso. Congrats to Larry and Bunky.

Reunion on New Year's eve

The 4th annual "Cowboy Christmas Reunion" is set for Dec. 31, Jan. 1, 2 at the Billings Plaza Holiday Inn, Billings. Sponsored primarily by Budweiser and KGHL, the event begins with registration at 2 p.m., New Year's eve. Hospitality rooms open at 5 p.m., Fashion show is at 8 p.m. and dance and other celebrations continue until 1 a.m.

Friday's schedule includes a golf tournament; Old West Casino and a youth rope and ride competition. New to this year's activities is a cowboy and cowgirl Poker tournament beginning at 1 p.m. on Friday afternoon, New Year's Day.

Banquet and entertainment are on Friday evening with a dance to follow.

The annual "Breakfast of Champions" is Saturday morning and sponsored in part by Montana's own "Cream of the West."

For information about the event call 255-7050 or call the Billings Plaza Holiday Inn for reservations: 1-800-3670.

Scott and Jana Breding of Two Dot have a son. Parker Jones Breding is named after Scott's grandfather and joins a four-year-old sister Lacey.

Rebecca Tescher and Pete Robison were married on Dec. 5. Many friends and family members joined in the celebration at the couple's Worden home following the ceremony. Robison is a contractor's foreman at Exxon Refinery in Billings. He is also an avid hunter and from his hunting supplies dug out a large wall tent which served as the beverage center at the wedding reception. Tescher is editor of Agri-News and also of the NRA News.

Butch Bratsky of Billings is the first farm/ranch manager in the state of Montana to be named an Accredited Farm Manager (AFM) by the American Society of Farm Managers and Rural Appraisers (ASFMRA). Bratsky formally received the AFM designation in November at the ASFMRA meeting in San Diego. Bratsky is a regional vice president with Farmers National Company, the nation's largest farm and ranch management company which is based in Omaha, Neb.

NRA contractor **Brad Brettin** of Beach, North Dakota consigned the high selling bronc at the National Finals Rodeo Bucking Horse Sale. Brettin's horse brought \$13,500!

Leonard Wortman has been elected county commissioner in Jefferson County. He takes office Jan. 4. Wortman previously served as county assessor.

Services for Virginia Holt, 71, a resident of Whitehall and a former resident of Ennis were last month. She was a charter member of the Ennis Rodeo Association and worked as timer of Ennis Rodeos for years. She timed for college rodeos and was one of the first to time the College National Finals in the New field house in Bozeman.

She was also a charter member of the Montana Amateur Rodeo Association and an honorary member of the Montana State Rodeo Club. She was married to Carl E. Holt and they ranched in Pinedale, the Madison Valley, Ennis Country and also in White Sulphur Springs.

Save \$10 - Special Ticket offer for the

Northern Rodeo Association Finals

Friday, Saturday, Sunday Jan. 28, 29, 30.

NRA Finals committee has made arrangement for the NRA members and their families to obtain series rodeo tickets at a bargain price. If you are a member of a rodeo association - NRA, WRA, NRCA, CCA, PRCA, NDRA, etc., - you can take advantage of this offer.

Regular price reserved seats are \$10 X 3 performances = \$30 Your price for all three performances = \$20.

These orders will be filled with the best available seats before tickets go on sale to the general public. Please specify rough stock or timed-event seating preference.

Orders must be rec Yes, I would like to take ac	eived before Sunday	
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Send order to the NORTHERN RODEO FINALS, METRA Park, Box 2514, Billings, Montana 59103. Don't Delay. Offer void after January 3, 1993. Board of Director's Meeting, November 21

Board of Directors Meeting, Saturday, Nov. 21, 1992, 10:30 a.m. GranTree Inn, Bozeman, Montana 59715 President Stan Rasmussen called the meeting to order. Roll was taken and a quorum verified. Those members present included: Stan Rasmussen, president; Ron Shoen, Proxy for Skeeter Nordahl, Vice Presdient; Jann Parker, secretary; Charlie Briggs, SW; Steve Cutler, BB; Jody Wacker, CR; Paul Solberg, SB; Bill Parker, TR; Lisa Schillinger, LBR; Mary Ellen Hill, LBAR; Advisory Board: Alvin Wagner; Karen Miller, proxy for Ed Miller; Jann Parker, Proxy for Ed Waldhauser; Will Rasmussen, contract personnel; Leonard Wortman, Bob Graveley, Committee directors. Those events not represented: Bull Riding, Stock Contractors, Junior events.

Minutes of the August 15, 1992 Board of Directors meeting were distributed and approved as written.

Financial Report was read and approved subject to audit.

Committee Reports: Awards committee: current status of NRA awards program was discussed; Judging Committee: Judging committee has not met concerning rule changes. North American Rodeo Commission: Outcome of World Finals Rodeo, Nov. 4-11, was discussed. Rocky Mountain Association of Fairs Convention: Stan and Tootie Rasmussen and Jann Parker represented the NRA at this year's convention hosted by the Calgary Exhibition in Calgary, Alberta. Highlights of the convention were oultlined. PRCA Video: "Animals in Rodeo: A Closer Look" was shown to the board. The PRCA made this video abailable to the NRA. Humane issues were

Old Business: Clarification: It was moved and seconded: Each Advisory Board member (3) receives a vote on the Board of Directors.

New Business: NRA Rulebook: Discussion concerning committee meetings held for the purpose of rulebook revision. Draft revisions of Articles of Incorporation, Bylaws, and Rules of Competition were distributed to the Board. Discussion. Those members serving on the RULE CHANGE COMMITTEE INCLUDE: Ron Shoen, Leonard Wortman, Mary Ellen Hill, Bob Graveley, Alvin Wagner, Skeeter Nordahl.

WIII Rasmussen moved: NRA FORM A RULES INFRACTION COMMITTEE CONSISTING OF: THE THREE ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS, PRESIDENT, VICE PRESIDENT AND DIRECTOR AT LARGE. IN THE CASE OF A FINE BEING LEVIED AND THE PARTY RECEIVING SAID FINE WISHING TO APPEAL THE DECISION, THE APPEAL WILL BE HEARD BEFORE THE RULES INFRACTION COMMITTEE. PARTY TO HAVE THE OPTION OF THEIR DIRECTOR SERVING ON THE COMMITTEE, ALSO. Steve Cutler seconded. Discussion. Alvin Wagner moved: STRIKE FROM THE MOTION: PARTY TO HAVE OPTION OF THEIR DIRECTOR SERVING ON THE COMMITTEE, ALSO. Ron Shoen seconded. Passed. Vote on motion as amended. Passed.

Articles of Incorporation, Bylaws change committee: ED MILLER, BUTCH BRATSKY, ED WALD-HAUSER, LOIS HILL, JANN PARKER, STAN RASMUSSEN.

A request will be printed in the next edition of the NRA News that anyone with any suggested rule changes should contact their director immediately.

Animal welfare and humane issues were once again discussed. At this time, a Montana division or chapters of the Friends of Rodeo is in progress. The Board agreed to allow the President to use his discretion in allocating funding. More definite information will be available at the General Membership and board meetings held during the NRA Finals in January.

Rule Changes: The rule changes proposed at the August meeting were brought before the board at this time for their action.

- 1. Medical-Vet Release clarification on page 28, rule #2: Add wording: WAITING PERIOD BEGINS AT THE FIRST PERFORMANCE THE RELEASE IS USED. PASSED.
 - 2. Page 11, Rule #d: add to ruling: OTHER RODEO OFFICIALS OR EVENT DIRECTORS. PASSED.
- 3. Page 61, rule #3: strike out word performance and insert GO-AROUND. Rule will now read: If an electric eye timer malfunctions for 51 percent of any one GO-AROUND, then flag times will be used for the entire GO-AROUND. PASSED
- 4. Junior card clarification: ANY MEMBER COMPETING IN BOTH JUNIOR EVENTS AND ADULT EVENTS MUST HOLD BOTH A JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP CARD AND AN ADULT MEMBERSHIP CARD, PASSED.
- 5. Page 30, #8: Delete entire rule. Add: Any misdraws discovered PRIOR to beginning of performance or slack, all cattle must be redrawn. In case of misdraw after slack or performance run of cattle is in progress, redraw with all unused animals below the misdraw or immediately after misdraw are discovered up to end of the run

on cattle. (No need to involve more contestants than necessary>) No reruns of contestants due to clerical errors in drawing. Runs stand with misdraws corrected as soon as they are discovered. DEFEATED. Board requested that rule go into RULE CHANGE COMMITTEE for reviewing and rewording.

6. Page 34, #21 B: Delete entire rule: Add: If neck rope fails to work, but time is recorded, contestant or team will get time. Barrier penalty will be waived unless obviously beaten by contestant. DEFEATED.

7. Companion passes: NRA provides one companion pass per contestant for use at all NRA rodeos. DEFEATED. AS FOLLOWS WAS PASSED.

JUDGING PROPOSAL

1. VALID COMPLAINT:

A. ALL COMPLAINTS AGAINST JUDGES WILL BE REVIEWED BY JUDGING COMMITTEE AND THIS COMMITTEE WILL INVESTIGATE AND DETERMINE IF THE COMPLAINTS HAVE MERIT TO BE CONSIDERED VALID. THINGS TO BE CONSIDERED ARE RULE VIOLATIONS, DISREGARD FOR THE IMAGE OF RODEO, AND BLATANT MIS-SCORING IN THE ROUGH STOCK EVENTS.

B. TO BE CONSIDERED A VALID COMPLAINT, THE COMPLAINT MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE NRA OFFICE ON OR BEFORE THE 15TH DAY FOLLOWING THE INCIDENT.

C. ONLY 'FIRST PERSON' ACCOUNTS OF THE INCIDENT WILL BE CONSIDERED.

D. MULTIPLE COMPLAINTS OF THE SAME INCIDENT WILL BE CONSIDERED AS ONE COMPLAINT.

2. ACTION TAKEN AS A RESULT OF A COMPLAINTS

A. IF ANY ONE JUDGE RECEIVES THREE VALID COMPLAINT DURING ONE RODEO SEASON, HE WILL BE NOTIFIED IN WRITING BY THE JUDGING COMMITTEE OF THOSE COMPLAINTS.

B. IF ANY ONE JUDGE RECEIVES FIVE VALID COMPLAINTS DURING ONE RODEO SEASON, HE WILL BE REQUIRED TO APPEAR BEFORE THE JUDGING COMMITTEE TO ANSWER THE COMPLAINTS AND EXPLAIN HIS ACTIONS. AT THIS TIME THE JUDGING COMMITTEE, AT THEIR DISCRETION, MAY RECOMMEND TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS THAT (a) NO ACTION BE TAKEN AT THIS TIME, OR (b) THE JUDGE BE REDUCED TO THE NEXT LOWER RANK ON THE JUDGE'S LIST, AND/OR (c) THE JUDGE BE PLACE ON PROBATION FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE YEAR, AND/OR (d) THE JUDGE BE REQUIRED TO SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETE A JUDGING SEMINAR OR CONFERENCE.

C. IF ANY ONE JUDGE RECEIVES EIGHT (8) VALID COMPLAINTS IN ONE RODEO SEASON, HE WILL BE REQUIRED TO APPEAR BEFORE THE FULL BOARD OF DIRECTORS TO ANSWER THE COMPLAINTS AND EXPLAINS HIS ACTIONS. AT THIS TIME, THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS WILL REQUIRE THE JUDGE TO SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETE A JUDGING SEMINAR OR CONFERENCE BEFORE JUDGING ANOTHER NRA RODEO, AND AT THEIR DISCRETION MAY, (a) TAKE NO FURTHER ACTION, OR (b) REDUCE THE JUDGE TO THE NEXT LOWER RANK ON THE JUDGE'S LIST, AND/OR (c) PLACE THE JUDGE ON PROBATION FOR UP TO ONE YEAR AND/OR (d) SUSPEND THE JUDGE FOR UP TO ONE (1) YEAR.

D. IF ANY ONE JUDGE RECEIVES MORE THAN (8) VALID COMPLAINTS IN ANY RODEO SEASON, THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS WILL IMMEDIATELY SUSPEND THE JUDGE FOR ONE (1) FULL YEAR. BEFORE JUDGING ANY OTHER NRA RODEO, THE JUDGE WILL (a) SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETE A JUDGING SEMINAR <u>AND</u> CONFERENCE, (b) BE PLACED ON ONE FULL YEAR OF PROBATION AND (C) START AT THE LOWEST RANK OF THE JUDGE'S LIST, PASSED

NRA Finals update: Discussion: Will Rasmussen moved: ALL CONTRACTED PERSONNEL WORK-ING NRA JUNIOR EVENTS WHICH ARE HELD SEPARATELY ON SATURDAY MORNING DURING THE NRA FINALS, BE PAID AS A SEPARATE PERFORMANCE. Bill Parker, seconded. PASSED.

Requested that at this year's finals, there be a flagger on the rough stock chutes to signal time.

Alvin Wagner moved: NRA MAKE AVAILABLE TO THE OFFICERS, DIRECTORS AND ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS SERVING ON THE NRA BOARD OF DIRECTORS THEIR MEMBERSHIP TO THE NRA DURING THEIR TERM OF OFFICE. Will Rasmussen seconded. PASSED.

Nominations were accepted for open positions on the Board of Directors. Meeting adjourned

Horse Palace Laurel, Montana

December and New Year's Team Roping and Barrel Racing (U.S.T.R.C. NUMBERS TO BE USED)

Barrel Racing

- Open Barrels \$20
- 12 & Under \$10
- Exhibition \$7



Team Roping

• Open Match - 3 for \$25 per man

• All others - 3 for \$13 per man #5 or under can enter up to five times; #6 and up enter one time Open matches enter two times #10 max on all teams (Unless otherwise stated.)

December 31 - Barrel racing (6 p.m.) and Pick and Draw (After Barrels) January 1 - Barrel racing (at 9 a.m.) and #7, Open Match and Drawpot (Following barrel racing) January 2 - Barrel racing (at 9 a.m.) and #9, Open Match and Drawpot (Following barrel racing)

 Saddle awarded to High Money Winner of Drawpot January 1 - 2

 Saddle sponsored by Fuddruckers and Holiday Inn Billings Plaza All evening jackpots: Barrels at 6 p.m.; Rope at 7 p.m.

All day jackpots: Barrels at 9 a.m.; Rope at 10 a.m.

Located East Laurel exit 437, North on 72nd street, 1/4 Mile For information: 406-628-2049

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Rookie Standings	
Saddle Bronc 1. Kelly Compton, Broadus	6.99 0.78 6.23
Bull Riding	
1. Terry Standing	8.40 8.71 8.45
Steer Wrestling	
1.Tony Strainer, Helena1,432. Cleve Anseth, Raynesford1,013. Rick Hanson, Bozeman414. Ron Schenk, Helena185. Lorne Krone, Augusta14	0.74 4.72 9.22
Calf Roping	
1. Ryan Harms, Livingston	9.44 1.20
Team Roping	
1. Fred Ennist, Billings792-3. Jeremy Notafraid, Lodgegrass592-3. Greg Three Irons, Lodgegrass594. Derick Fleming, Ismay595. J. B. Roan, Custer,226. Monte Kegel, Peerless297. Doug McLean, Miles City20	4.00 4.00 3.23 3.56 7.60
Barrel Racing	
1. Kera Washburn, Cody	0.37 5.94
Breakaway Roping	
1. Heather Hart, Gltn Gtwy	6.61
All Assessed	

All Around

1. Monte Kegel, Peerless508.80

Northern Rodeo Association Announces

Billings Sheraton Hotel SHERATON HOTELS & INNS. WORLDWIDE 27 NORTH 27th STREET. BILLINGS. MONTANA 406/252-7400

Headquarters Hotel

Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday Jan. 27, 28, 29, 30. Ask for the NRA Rodeo Rate of \$42

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Arrival DateDeparture Date					
Rooms will be held until 4 p.m. on the day of arrival unless a deposit of one nights charge or a credit cardholder's name and number are provided to guarantee your reservations. Reservations will be guaranteed only in the names of the individuals — not in company names. All special billing arrangements must be approved prior to arrival. American Express Visa Diners Club Carte B Discover Master Card Enroute (Circle One)					
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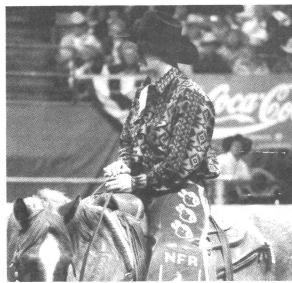
Old Carp gives son a helping hand at NFR

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by Joe Kusek

Las Vegas - Rodeo pickup men are like sports officials, the best ones go unnoticed.

Well, somebody noticed Kenny Carpenter. In fact, it was the top 20 rough stock riders in the world. The ones who selected the Kalispell



cowboy to be one of the two pickup men at this year's National Finals Rodeo.

"I don't think it's really ever kicked in yet," said Carpenter, leaning back in his chair before a recent performance. "I found out Oct. 15 when I was in Billings for the NILE. I haven't had much sleep since then.

"To be selected by your peers, I have been waiting for this for a long time."

"I was scared to death (before the first performance) But as soon as the National Anthem quit playing, I was ready."

Rodeo pickup men are the unsung heros of the arena. They are the ones who must maneuver into position to help the cowboy dismount his bucking horse, then take control of that angry horse and get it pointed in the right direction so the cowboy and horse can leave safely.

"You have to get into position," said Carpenter, who mainly works with the Harry Vold Rodeo Company. "If you're in position, you won't get hurt. Oh, once in a while you get kicked in the toe or the shin."

"I go to bed dreaming how to get guys from bareback horses."

Carpenter got his start right in his own backyard. His family stages rodeos during the winter in Kalispell, the same rodeos where such riders such as Deb Greenough and Clint Branger got their start. Also competing was one of Carpenter's life-long friends, steer wrestler Rod Lyman, who also lives in Kalispell.

"I'm cheering like crazy for those guys. They're my friends," said Carpenter. "When I was akid, I rode broncs a little bit and team roped. But bucking horses held my interest. It started when I helped a guy chase out bulls at a high school practice arena.

"And I see more than anybody out there," Carpenter added with a wink and a small smile.

For Carpenter and other pickup men, the business means working out in the arenas in all conditions, good and bad, rain or shine.

"Sometimes it gets pretty depressing. You're out there in the rain and mud, wondering why you're out there. But then some guys gets done with his ride and pats you on the back. That makes it all worthwhile."

Carpenter's year has been tempered by the death of his father, John Carpenter, a man responsible for a lot of Montanans' success on the rodeo circuits.

"I think about it all the time," said Carpenter.
"If I had to be selected to the finals, I wish It could have been earlier so he should have been around when it happened.

"The first night, a guy was riding and I ran in a little late. I didn't think I was going to get the rein and some how it just popped into my hand. I don't know how I caught.

"It did seem as if there was some outside help. I could just imagine old Carp was controlling the deal."

All junior winners eligible to compete

All juniors who earned points (won a check) in 1992 NRA rodeos are eligible to compete at the NRA finals in February. ADDED MONEY WILL BE \$100 AND ENTRY FEES ARE \$20. Enter Jan. 4: 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. through NRA office 252-1122.

The following juniors have won money in the NRA during 1992 and are eligible to compete in the Finals

the Finals.	
JUNIOR BREAKAWAY ROPING	
1. Derick Felming, Ismay)
2. Cally Goyins, Helena748.95	
3. Ryan Siemsen, Huntley599.23	
4. Clay Kincheloe, Melstone542.23	,
5. Ross Wagner, Helena505.15	
6. Jess Fleming, Ismay449.25	
7. Shawn Detienne, Helena441.80)
8. Willy Frerck, Columbus	
9. Ryan Counts, Pray407.25	í
10. Jason Longwell, Thermopolis 394.70)
11. Tate Woodard, Miles City351.43	
12. Troy McDowell, Bozeman283.75	
13. Coley Frerck, Columbus277.35	
14. Shawn Washburn, Cody257.60)
15. Josh LaFromboise, Helena257.07	1
16. Mandi Holland, Dillon210.00)
17. Josh Longwell, Thermopolis 188.50	
18. Dan Matthews, Roberts 187.00	
19. Jamie McDowell, Bozeman 171.40	
20. Tracey Currey, Jordan 169.88	
21. Bryan Barthelmess, Lincoln 164.75	,
22. Kyle Greany, Garrison	
23. Beau Clark, Bozeman130.30)
24. Cody Walburger, Cut Bank 128.40)
25. Bridgett Kelly, Stanfod112.80)
26. Clay Tryan, Chepherd 100.15	í
27. Jack Vanderlands, Cameron 87.30)
28. Michael Nelson, Westby86.50)
29. Tad Else, Dillon86.50)
30. Travis Tryan, Shepherd	7
31. Cory Smith, Helena55.00)
32. Josh Harris, Polson)

	33. Kelli Porter, Helena
l	41. Charley McDougal, Dillon21.00
	42. Tyler Holland, Dillon14.75
	JUNIOR BARREL RACING
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)	1. Tayvee Taylor, Miles City\$1,522.35
3	2. Kera Washburn, Cody
3	3. Jamie McDowell, Bozeman709.85
)	4. Kelli Porter, Helena
	5. Raelynn Roesler, Miles City529.42
)	6. Zimmie Jo Lytle, Ronan
ŀ	7. Codi Lynn Smith, Deer Lodge, 335.15
)	8. Aspen Ruhkala, St. Ignatius317.60
)	9. Megan Ruhkala, St. Ignatius256.00
3	10. Cally Goyins, Helena249.05
5	11. Amy Wilson, Jefferson City237.50
5	12. Jack Vanderlans, Camerson231.10
)	13. J. C. Crowley, Poplar203.00
7	14. Ivylee Brown, Kalispell195.50
)	15. Sandy Liebrand, Peerless173.00
)	16. Keon Sutton, Silesia 157.62
)	17. Tate Woodward, Miles City 136.67
)	18. Carrie Smith, Deer Lodge119.10
3	19. Tracey Currey, Jordan 105.50
)	20. Mandi Holland, Dillon76.25
í	21. Corey Campbell, Lincoln65.73
)	22. Renee Saville, Whitehall45.45
)	23. Angie Herman, Shepherd38.00
)	24. Jana Smith, Ronan
í	25. Teri Leibrand, Peerless33.00
)	26. Buckley Reynolds, Colstrip28.50
)	27. Nicole Porter, Helena24.50
)	28. Jamie Perry, Shelby23.00
7	29. Derick Fleming, Ismay23.00
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30. Kaycee Greany, Garrison21.83

31. Cody Clark, Powell19.00

NRA Standings at the end of the regular season

ALL-AROUND COWBOY	3.Paul Solberg, Richland2,288.78
1.Bob Schall\$7,921.36	4.Bill Theriault, Harlowton 2,286.15
2.Chris Witcher6,448.13	5. Hugh Connolly, Billings2,250.02
3.Jody Wacker6,249.36	6.Craig Miller, Bozeman
4.Charlie Briggs5,461.92	7.Leighton Redmond, Melstone 1,932.64
5.Shannon Wortman 5,225.03	8.Glenn Peacock, Arlee
6.Bill Boyce	9.Kelly Compton, Broadus
7.John Barthelmess4,100.93	10.Shaun Stroh, Glendive
8.Laramie Baumann	11.Sylvain Bourgeois Alberta 1,233.60
9.Brent Ryder	12.Peter Simmonds, Arlee 1,203.84
10.Allen Fisher	13. Wayne Kelly, Stanford 1,194.05
TO A MILVAL & IDAACA	14.Matt Wald, Lodge Grass1,151.76
ALL-AROUND COWGIRL	15. Tyler Holzum, Manhattan 1,095.18
1.Mary Salmond\$8,309.33	BULL RIDING
2.Rayna Prewitt	1.Marty Penrod, Miles City5,213.95
3.Heather Hart	2. Terry Standing, Absarokee3,812.01
4.Molly McAuliffe	3.Shannon Wortman, Boulder3,662.05
5.Lisa Schillinger	4.Marty O'Brien, Billings
J.Disa bolillinger	5.James Warfield, Helena3,099.04
JUNIOR ALL-AROUND	6.Scott Breding, Two Dot2,572.18
1.Tayvee Taylor\$1,550.85	7. Joe Nahrgang, Dillon2,524.36
2.Derick Fleming	8.Bob Oxendahl, Billings2,338.40
3.Cally Goyins	9.Mike Lenning, Billings2,201.58
4. Jamie McDowell	10.Dallas Nixon, Oshoto, Wyo2,139.49
5.Kelli Porter	11.Robert Bright, Helena
BAREBACK RIDING	12. Collin Willier, Calgary, Alta 1,947.02
1.Bob Schall, Arlee\$3,942.48	13.Larry Cann, Laurel 1,705.81
2.Darryl Lamb, Absarokee3,263.76	14. Wade Lavoy, Big Timber 1,665.67
3.Dave Washburn, Cody2,734.04	15.Brett Fitzpatrick, Polson1,618.53
4.Scott Lund, Bozeman	STEER WRESTLING
5.Steve Cutler, Lewistown	1.Charlie Briggs, Bozeman\$3,128.21
6.Ben Wrzesinski, Helena	2.Steve Blixt, Helena2,612.78
7.DennisWortman, Boulder	3. Steve Mergenthaler, Kalispell2,403.99
8.Shannon Wortman, Dillon	4. Chuck Fields, Winifred2,278.61
9.Lane Yeager, Choteau	5. Dean Wang, Baker2,185.56
10.Scott Chesarek, Billings	6. Brent Ryder, Yellowstone Park2,159.13
11.Delbert Moore, Miles City928.13	7. Nick Econom, Winifred2,008.94
12.Keith Blewett, Helena855.60	8.Kennedy Walsh, Zortman 1,963.77
13.Gavin Gleich, Ashland735.55	9. Justin Davis, Bozeman
14.Tim Pankratz, Zortman 686.88	10.Tim Garrison, Glen
15.Kenton Randle, Alberta505.44	11.Mike Collins, Dillon 1,736.85
SADDLE BRONC RIDING	12.Shannon Blixt, Helena
1.Toby Hawks, Billings3,463.05	13.Jody Wacker, Bozeman
2. Kent Robbins, Corvallis	14. Tony Strainer, Helena
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CALF ROPING	
1. Chris Witcher, Miles City\$4,900.60	1
2.Lyle Baumann, Hardin,	2
3. Jody Wacker, Miles City	3
4.Darryl Crowley, Poplar	4
5.Laramie Baumann, Hardin2,411.37	5
6. Allen Fisher, Ashland2,341.87	6
7.Bill Boyce, Lewistown2,123.81	7
8. Mark Cain, Billings2,101.65	8
9.Jim Bode Scott, Shepherd1,935.36	9
10.Richard Carpenter, Kalispell 1,645.39	1
11.Jerry Small, Ashland	1
12.Jim Howell, Powderville	1
13.Mike Barthelmess, Lincoln 1,477.48	1
14.Bryan Anderson, Blackfoot1,468.85	1
15. Spike Guardipee, Browning 1,390.56	1
TEAM ROPING	1
1.Enoch Schaffer, Broadus\$4,219.64	
2 Con Hawell Daysdowille 2 953 17	1
2.Guy Howell, Powderville	2
3.Bob Schall	3
4.John Barthelmess, Lewistown3,776.35	4
5.Dennis Tryan, Shepherd	5
6.Jason Handy, Shepherd2,762.50	
7.Sam Bird, Cut Bank	6
8.Murray Linthicum, Canada2,526.16	7
9.Jeff Gorrell, Beach, N.D	
10.Terry Selland, Trotters 2,289.54	
11.Rocky Dallyn, Calgary, Alta.,2,259.28	1
12.Bill Parker, Huntley2,060.55	
13.Dale McQueary, Three Forks2,030.83	
14.Charlie Briggs2,030.83	1
15.Jay Murnion, Jordan1,815.70	2
LADIES' BARREL RACING	3
1.Kera Washburn, Cody, Wyo \$6,451.44	4
2.Rayna Prewitt, Sidney6,240.78	5
3.Shirlee Parini, Billings5,334.45	(
4.Gail Shoen, Three Forks 4,168.23	1
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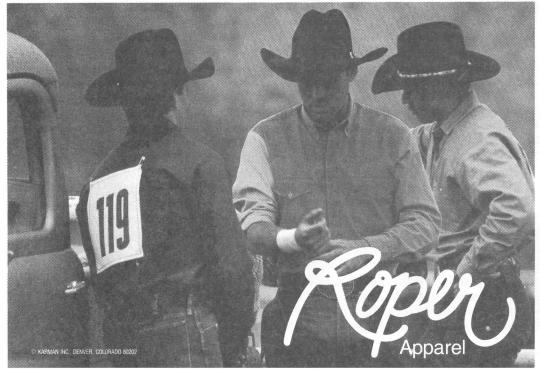
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Good luck to all participants! We look forward to seeing you at the Sheraton Billings Hotel.

Tim Gerostathos, CHA General Manager

Dear NRA,

Thank you very much for sponsoring our barrels class at the state 4-H Horse Show. We really appreciate it.
Thanks again,

Julie, Traci and Joni Scott

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Thank you for sponsoring a class at the state 4-H Horse Show held in Great Falls. We appreciate your support.

Amy Ciani Belt Creek Wranglers

Dear NRA:

Thanks you NRA for your support in the state 4-H barrel racing buckle. It is really great. Thanks again

David BrookeDear Sirs;

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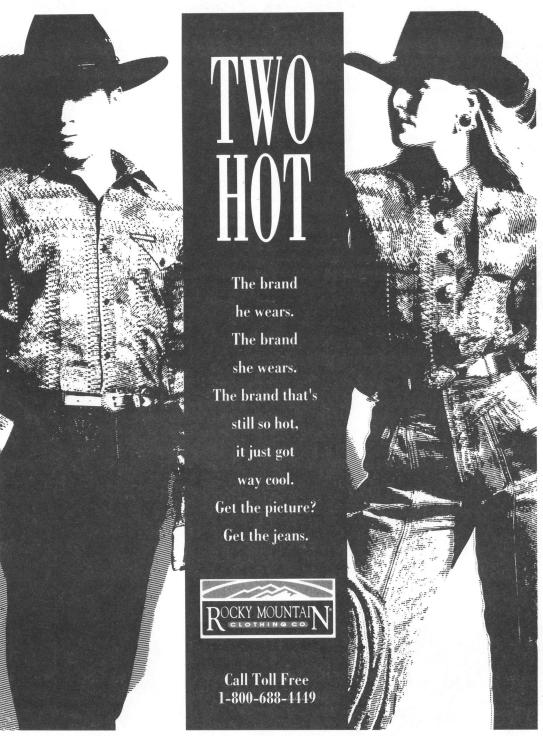
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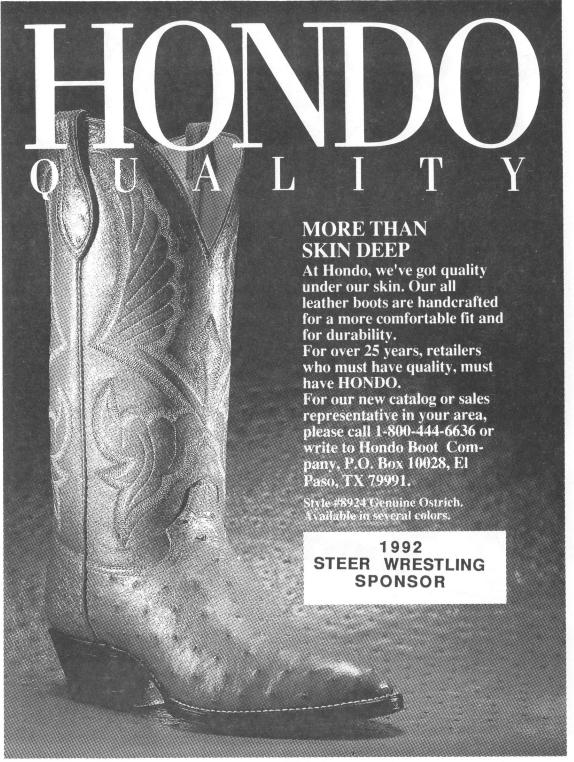
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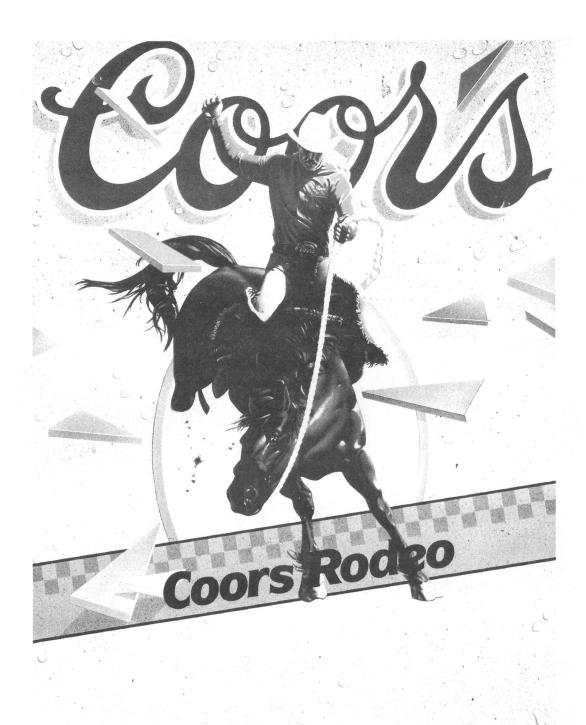


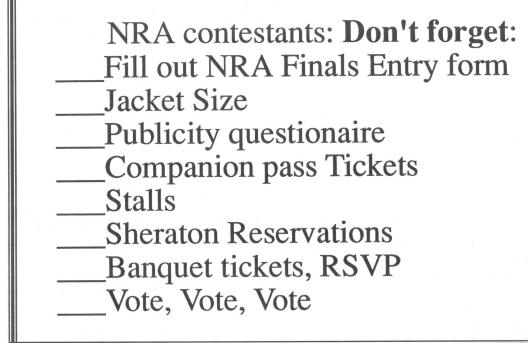
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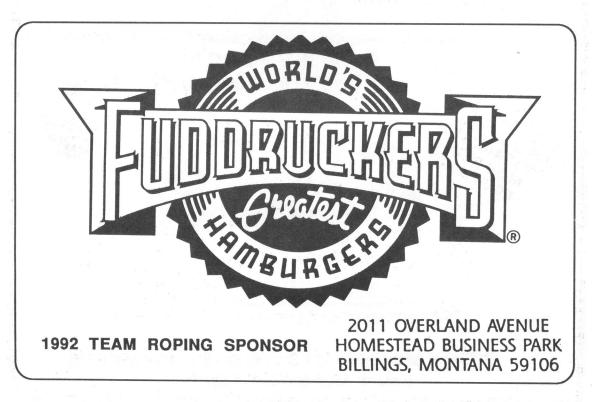
NRA championship trophy saddle were made by leather workers from across the state and the Northern Rodeo Association is mighty proud of this year's saddles. All saddles will be on display at the Sheraton and will be judged the men and women who made the saddles. A trophy buckle made by and sponsored by Cinde Barthelmess will be presented to the winning saddlemaker.

Chas Weldon Saddle Company: Maker of the 1992 Team Roping and All-Around Cowgirl saddles. Located in Connolly's Western Wear Store at 2911 Montana Avenue, Billings, Chas Weldon Saddle Company has been producing fine custom built saddles for nearly 20 years. Maker of the Buck Brannaman saddle, designed by the renowned horseman Buck Brannaman, this slick fork saddle sits low on the horse for maximum comfort for both horse and rider. Stop by anytime to view this saddle and the many

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Alan Pursley, Broken Arrow Saddlery: Maker of the 1992 Ladies Barrel Racing Championship saddle. Broken Arrow Saddlery is located in the Westgate Mall in Great Falls. Alan has been building saddles for over 20 years and is the maker of the "Montana Barrel Racer", a barrel racing saddle endorsed by Montana barrel racer, Charolette Schmidt. Also built at Broken Arrow Saddlery is the Jordan Edition bronc saddle for saddle bronc riders. Stop by and see their unique gift collection too!

Nancy Petersen, Three Forks Saddlery: Maker of the 1992 Championship Calf Roping Saddle. Nancy and her husband, Carl, are celebrating their twentieth year of business at Three Forks Saddlery. Nancy also builds custom headstalls, belts, and chaps, in addition to saddles. When in Three Forks be sure to stop in.



from across the state of Montana

Russ Solberg, Russell's Chaps and Tack: Maker of the 1992 Championship Saddle Bronc Riding Saddle. Owner of Russell's Chaps and Tack in Richland, MT, Russ builds custom chaps and tack for the horseman and cowboy. Russ has been building saddles, chaps and tack for 12 years. Also repairs boots and shoes. When in north eastern Montana, please stop by.

Wayne Kelly Saddles Yes, this is the same Wayne Kelly who for years competed at the NRA Finals as a Saddle Bronc Rider. He's just recently taken up saddle making in his Stanford home and this year makes the 1992 Bareback Riding saddle. Wayne still rodeos in the summer with his wife Mandi. He is a past saddle Bronc riding director.

Allee Saddlery, Jim Allee: Maker of the 1992 Championship saddle to be awarded to the Champion Bull Rider for 1992, Jim has built saddles since 1951, a trade which he learned from Wyoming Saddlemaker, Eddie Stokes. Jim and his wife, Barb own Allee Saddlery located in the Prairie Dog Mall in Greycliff, MT. Stop by and check out their full line of tack including bits and spurs, just of I-90 at exit 377.

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Jeffers Custom Leather, Rich "Windy" Jeffers: The maker of the 1992 NRA Champion Steer Wrestling saddle, Richard has been working leather for 16 years. He is the owner of Jeffers Custom Leather in Augusta, MT. The shop specializes in fine cowboy gear and tack as well as personal leather items. Richard also works with Jesse C. Bleecker of Choteau, MT constructing saddle trees, packsaddles and stock saddles. The silver conchos on Jeffers saddle were made by NRA saddlebronc rider Arne Esp.

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To: NRA Members By: Karen Miller

From: Friends of Rodeo

Date: Nov. 22

Subject: Friends of Rodeo

Friends of rodeo is a national organization of fans that wants to see rodeo heritage preserved

for future generations.

Many people in the United States have been misinformed about the treatment of livestock at rodeos. The members of Friends of Rodeo are attempting to properly inform citizens of how things really are.

Please look for the Friends of Rodeo Booth at the NRA Finals. We encourage all members to support and join the Friends of Rodeo.

Some facts that friends of rodeo need to know:

- 1. The NRA has almost 40 rules that deal with the humane treatment of livestock. Any member who violates these rules may be disqualified and or fined.
- 2. Rodeo animals appear to enjoy their work.
- 3. Animal-rights groups appeal to the emotionalism, not realism, and too often the hidden interest lies in raising funds rather than caring for animals.
- 4. Animal-rights groups commonly alter or even fabricate facts.
- 5. Only a fool would abuse an animal that is expected to perform competitively in the future.
- 6. Competitors have more than an economic tie to animals. Nearly all have been around animals most of their lives, and they possess a high degree of respect and fondness for the livestock.
- 7. Judges are encouraged to produce the desired effect of preventing mistreatment and abuse of animals.
- 8. A 1988 survey indicates that the injury rate of animals at PRCA rodeos was so low as to be statistically negligible. In 6,933 outings, just 12 animals (less than 2/10 of 1 percent) were injured.
- 9. Injury rate in calf roping was 0.78 percent or less than one animal in 100. Twelve injuries occurred in 1,546 calf roping runs. No injuries

were noted in the six other events.

- 10. Calf roping calves must meet weight limits and must be strong and healthy. Because of weight and usage restriction rules, most calves are never roped more than a few dozen times in their lives.
- 11. Horn wraps are a requirement for team roping cattle.
- 12. The animals of choice for team roping are Corriente cattle because they are tough, robust and they have much endurance and strength.
- 13. No steer wrestling animals were injured in 1,633 runs in 1988.
- 14. The prod is used for only a fraction of a second. It produces volts of electricity — but no amperage. Since amperes - not voltage - causes burns, the prod causes a shock but not an injury.

ATTITUDES THAT RODEO CONTEST-ANTS NEED TO TAKE:

- a. Report any propaganda (letters, demonstrations, etc.) by any animal-rights individual or groups to Karen Miller, your state Friends of Rodeo Representative.
- b. Be level headed, even tempered, knowledge-
- c. Have some facts memorized and/or avail-
- d. Cultivate an attitude of sensitivity to animals.
- e. Avoid confrontations and arguments.
- F. Remember that most people love animals as much as we do. They have been misinformed about what really happens and many are curious. Be courteous.
- g. We must police ourselves. Report any abuse. Violators must be disqualified on the spot and fined. Everyone in rodeo has to make an effort to ensure that the animals are treated well.

IN MY OPINION THE FOLLOWING RULES NEEDS TO BE CONSIDERED FOR ADOP-TION:

No jerk down in calf roping. Collars are needed for calves.

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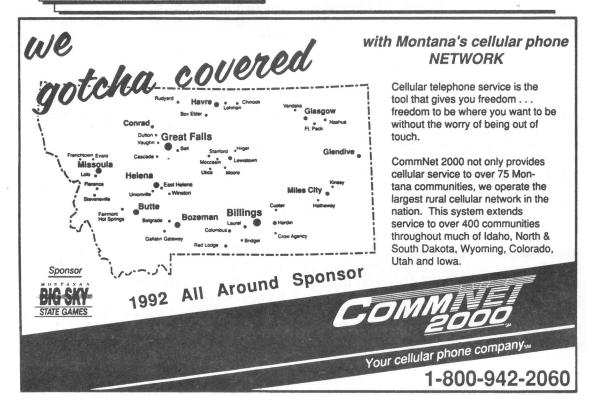








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Flint says clowning and teaching are similar

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Clowning around comes naturally to former Choteau resident Flint Rasmussen, a school teacher and coach nine months a year but an agile, painted rodeo clown each summer.

"It all started when I was a boy," Rasmussen says with a grin during an interview last week. "I was a clown at home."

The youngest son in a family of four, Rasmussen wasn't voted the class clown of Choteau High School Class of 1986, but discovered rodeo clowning the summer after his freshman year in college.

"I thought I could do better than I'd seen," he said. "the very first rodeo I did then, I knew it was something I could be good at."

After his third show, Great Falls rodeo producer Don Jacobs signed him to clown at his rodeos across the state.

That was nearly five years ago. Rasmussen now clowns for a dozen to 15 rodeos each year, mostly in the summer. He often works with his father, Stan, and brother, Will, both of Choteau, both rodeo announcers.

He is known throughout rodeo circles and is frequently contacted by rodeo committees to work during their annual events.

In the fall, winter and spring, he teaches mathematics and history at Havre High School and coaches football and track.

While the worlds of classroom teacher and a rodeo clown seem light years apart, Rasmussen said the two careers require many of the same skills.

He said he tries to be creative in his approaches to teaching, to be different from other teachers. That creativity can help keep students' minds on track and can help in the rodeo arena as well.

"Keeping people's attention is tough in the arena, too," he said.

"I tell you, high school kids are the toughest crowd there is," he said. "If you can please 25 high school kids in a classroom, you can please

anybody."

Rasmussen took part in college rodeo, roping and steer wrestling at Western Montana College, before he launched his clown acts and knows the sport of rodeo inside and out.

He draws on his knowledge of rodeo, current events, funny anecdotes and joke books by the dozen to create his acts.

As rodeo clown, Rasmussen does not fight bulls, but provides comic relief during slow spots in rodeos - when stock is being changed or an obstinate animal is being herded out of the ring.

His act is a combination of slapstick humor and exaggerated miming and mimicking to illustrate his jokes. He throws in a little music, drives the crowd to sing along or do a gigantic wave in



Flint clowning (Photo by Havre Daily News) the stands, and thrills the audience with his impromptu aerobatics.

During the bull riding event, Rasmussen stays near or inside his custom-made aluminum, padded clown barrel, which provides one more object for thrown riders pursued by bulls to hide behind.

"It gets a little hairy inside that barrel," he noted wryly.

Yet, despite the occasional scare from a massive, charging bull, Rasmussen said clowning is a challenging, rewarding experience.

"It's a wonderful way to spend a summer," he said.







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