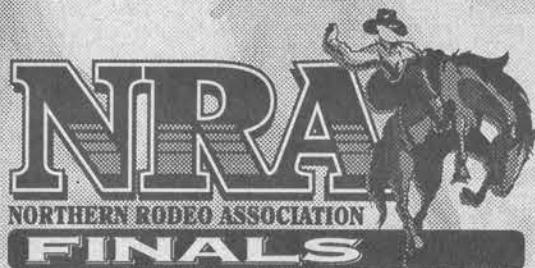




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• Membership Fees

1998 rule: memberships must be purchased before entering

Contesting Membership: \$100

Junior Membership: \$25

NRA/NWRA Permit: \$70

High School Rodeo Members: \$50

Non-Contesting Contract Personnel:

\$25 Timers • \$50 Others

(All contesting membership fees listed above include \$20 towards the Logan Coach Bonus Bucks program.)



GET READY FOR THE 25TH ANNUAL NRA/NWRA FINALS!

ENTRY DATE:

Entries for the 25th Annual NRA/NWRA Finals will be on January 3, 2000, from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. The top 15 can enter, but only the top 10 will compete. *You must enter on this day and this day only!* If you miss entries, there will be no exceptions. You can not enter late and can not enter early. Also, **ALL FINES MUST BE PAID BEFORE ENTRIES CLOSE THAT DAY!**

HEADQUARTERS HOTEL:

The Billings Hotel and Convention Center will host the NRA/NWRA Finals again this year. **Make your reservations now!** \$46 plus tax lets you be where the action is. Plus, enjoy the waterslides, restaurants, common lobby area, after rodeo dances, and meetings. Call for your reservations **NOW!** 1-800-537-7286 or 248-7151. Remember they run a shuttle to MetraPark too!

THANK YOU TO THE SPONSORS!

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THANK YOU TO THE SADDLEMAKERS!

Make sure to stop by the lobby of the Billings Hotel and Convention Center during the Finals and see the wonderful job that our saddlemakers do for this association. Thank you to Duncan Vezain, Tim Martz, Wes Schenk, Lindsay Talkington, Bill Murch, Dennis Schuchard, Allan Pursley, Mike Witt, Lee Patterson, Rodger Hallowell, Keith Lockie, Bob Johnston, and Bob Pletan.

A JOB WELL DONE!!

A BIG, BIG THANK YOU

Our corporate sponsors make the year just a little bit more exciting. A big thank you to Corral West Ranchwear, Coors, Logan Coach, and STI Corporation.

JUNIOR FINALISTS:

Watch that mailbox! The NRA/NWRA Office will be sending you a complete entry/information packet, including your ticket information, Finals entry form, jacket order form, and all you need to know to be informed during the NRA/NWRA Finals weekend. Also, see the junior article in this newsletter!

BALLOTS:

Have input into the direction and course you YOUR association. **VOTE! VOTE! VOTE!** The ballot is located on the back of the entry form, so help us help you by voting for who would best represent this association.



TIMED EVENT JACKPOT:

Set for Friday, February 4 at 8 a.m. in the METRA. Barrel Racing will start promptly at 8 a.m. All events are limited to 12 contestants, except barrel racing. All entries will be taken through the NRA/NWRA Office. Entry fees must be sent into the Office before the jackpot. *If we do not receive your money, you are not entered.*

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING:

The meeting will be held on Friday, February 4, at 1 p.m. at the METRA. 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 following day.

CONTESTANT CHECK-IN:

Check-in will immediately follow the General Membership meeting at the METRA at 3 p.m. You won't want to miss it...Companion passes will be issued, (two tickets per performance, per contestant, **NO CHARGE!**) your wristband issued, your Chevrolet jacket awarded, releases signed, photos taken, etc. There will also be an **IMPORTANT** Rodeo production meeting as well, so you can stay informed about *YOUR* Finals.



COWBOY AUCTIONS:

Hosted by the East Helena Valley Rodeo Association, the first cowboy auction will be part of the Friday hospitality suite in the lower level of the METRA at 6 p.m. 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.

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.

SUPPORT YOUR FINALS:

REACH THE RODEO CROWD AND CONTESTANTS! NRA/NWRA Finals rodeo program advertising, booth space, and arena signage are now on sale. Contact the NRA/NWRA Office.

COMMITTEE SEMINAR:

This year's seminar is scheduled for Saturday, February 5 at 10 a.m. at the Billings Hotel and Convention Center. Topics and agenda will be mailed to the committees in advance. All rodeo committees (NRA/NWRA or otherwise) are encouraged to attend.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING:

The meeting will be held at 8 a.m. Saturday, Feb 5 at the Billings Hotel and Convention Center. NWRA meeting to follow.

25TH ANNUAL NRA/NWRA FINALS SCHEDULE OF EVENTS



WEDNESDAY, FEB. 2

AFTERNOON:
CONTRACTORS AND STOCK ARRIVES
PAYS

6 P.M. STOCK CONTRACTORS DINNER

FRIDAY, FEB 4

8 A.M. TIMED EVENT JACKPOT
LIMITED TO 12/EVENT METRA

8:30 A.M. LOGAN COACH JUDGING
SEMINAR BILLINGS HOTEL

6:30 A.M. - 9:30 A.M.
COMPLIMENTARY COFFEE & DONUTS
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1 P.M. GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
METRA

3 P.M. CONTESTANT CHECK-IN
METRA

6 P.M. - 7:30 P.M.
SPONSOR/COMMITTEE HOSPITALITY
SUITE & COWBOY AUCTION
LOWER LEVEL METRA

6 P.M. - 11 P.M. METRAPARK
SHUTTLE FROM HOTEL

7:30 P.M. NRA/NWRA FINALS 1ST
PERF. METRA

10 P.M. DANCE-VIDEO BILLINGS HOTEL



SATURDAY, FEB. 5

6:30 A.M. - 9:30 A.M.
COMPLIMENTARY COFFEE & DONUTS
BILLINGS HOTEL LOBBY

8 A.M. NRA BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MEETING BILLINGS HOTEL
(NWRA BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MEETING WILL DIRECTLY FOLLOW NRA
BOARD MEETING)

8 A.M. JUNIOR EVENTS CHECK-IN
METRA

8 A.M. LOGAN COACH JUDGING
SEMINAR BILLINGS HOTEL

9 A.M. JUNIOR EVENTS BEGIN
(BOTH GO-AROUNDS) METRA

10 A.M. COMMITTEE SEMINAR
BILLINGS HOTEL

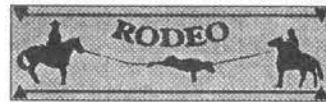
3 P.M. COWBOY AUCTION
BILLINGS HOTEL

6 P.M. - 11 P.M. METRAPARK
SHUTTLE FROM HOTEL

6:30-7:30 P.M. SPONSOR/COMMITTEE
HOSPITALITY SUITE METRA

7:30 P.M. NRA/NWRA FINALS 2ND
PERF. METRA

10 P.M. DANCE-VIDEO BILLINGS HOTEL



SUNDAY, FEB. 6

6:30 A.M. - 9:30 A.M.
COMPLIMENTARY COFFEE & DONUTS
BILLINGS HOTEL LOBBY

9 A.M. PAST PRESIDENTS AND
SECRETARY'S BREAKFAST
BILLINGS HOTEL

10:30 A.M. COWBOY CHURCH SERVICE
BILLINGS HOTEL

NOON - 5:30 P.M. METRA PARK
SHUTTLE FROM HOTEL

2 P.M. NRA/NWRA FINALS 3RD PERF.
METRA

6 P.M. - 6:30 P.M. COCKTAILS
BILLINGS HOTEL

6:45 P.M. BANQUET
BILLINGS HOTEL

7:30 P.M. AWARDS PRESENTATION
BILLINGS HOTEL

9 P.M. DANCE-VIDEO BILLINGS HOTEL

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Arlene Haugland, Belgrade

1999 Awards

Thanks to our sponsors, the NRA/NWRA Awards Program is indeed a prestigious and unique one. The sponsors have such a significant impact on our program that our association is capable of bestowing some of the best awards available to the cowboys and cowgirls.

First place awards will include a one-of-a-kind championship saddle and a hand-crafted Arne Esp buckle.

Runner-up rough stock competitors will receive custom made Gordy Alderson collectible spurs. Runner-up timed event contestants will receive back cinch billets, also hand-crafted by Gordy Alderson.

Third place will be Champions Choice spiderco knives or watches. Fourth place contestants will receive Coors gear bags. The Horse Corral in Big Timber owned and operated by Andy and Diane

Livingston have again donated the Rookie Event Buckles.

Take just a moment to thank our Sponsors who support us throughout the entire season! Drive your Chevrolet, from Karl Tyler Chevrolet, listening to the Northern Ag Network on the radio, and pulling your Logan Coach horse trailer. While in Billings, stay at the Billings Hotel, build a better burger at Fuddruckers, and drink an ice cold Coors at the dance after the rodeo. When you get time, spend an afternoon at the Little Big Horn Casino, shop at Cowboys Toys and Rays Sport and Western Wear, buy your Roper Apparel at Corral West, buy your parts from Bouma Wholesale, feed your horses NutraLix to help them perform their best, build for the future with today's best genetics by contacting Edwards Angus Ranch, buy all your wheat products at Wheat Montana, and get your safety break away stirrups from STI, Corp.

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Thanks To You!

Dear Northern Rodeo Association:
Thank you so much for donating the advertising for the Brent Ryder Timed Event Championship. Thanks for helping us "get the word out." We really appreciate everyone who helped make the weekend a great success.

Sincerely,
Tricia, Winston, and Alexis Ryder

Congratulations!

The NRA/NWRA would like to congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Bradley and Debra Brettin on their marriage and the beginning of their new life together. Brad and Deb were married in Jackson Hole, Wyoming, on September 11, 1999. Best of luck to the two of you!

Thank You!

Dear Northern Womens Rodeo Association:
Thanks so much for the donation to my benefit roping! It is sure nice to have good friends when things are tough. It was really nice of you to think of me!

Tons of Thanks!
Kayleen Hougen

Thanks!

Dear NRA/NWRA:
Just a note of thanks to everyone who attended, competed and helped during the MontanaFair Rodeo in Billings. Congratulations to the winners. I also want to offer a special thanks to everyone who helped with the "Clown School." Duane Reichert and Shawn Penrod taught well. It was satisfying to see several students progress from a sincere hesitation to step anywhere near the early "gentle" bulls...to making some truly nice moves on wolfy fighting, bucking bulls later that afternoon. Appreciated Newman Rodeo Company for donating the bulls and all the cowboys that came in to ride them; the NRA/NWRA for helping advertise. Special thanks to Joe Kusek and Ken Blackbird from the Billings Gazette for spending the better part of a day obtaining pictures and information for the great front page story in the August 23, 1999, issue. It was disappointing that we had so few students from this area. We sent some great rodeo clown prospects back to Missouri and Washington. Laurel, Columbus and Missoula represented the Montana students and they all have what it takes if they choose to go on with what they learned.

Sincerely,
Stan Steen
MetraPark Marketing Coordinator

Finals Poker Tournament

The 1999 Finals Poker Tournament is currently in the works at press time. Contact the NRA/NWRA Office for more information! Past poker Tourney Champions include: Rick Tryan, Kennedy Walsh, and Shane Kountz.

It's A Girl!

Shanna and Guy Howell are the proud parents of a daughter, Shayla Marie Howell, born Thursday, August 26, at Look-out Memorial Hospital in Spearfish, SD. She weighed eight pounds, one ounce, and was 21-1/2 inches in length at birth. She joins Bridget, four, and Brooke, 2-1/2.

Mary Jo and Ron Ginsbach, Spearfish, and Bob Newland, Hermosa, are maternal grandparents. Nellie Jean Howell, Powderville, MT, and the late Myrl Howell are paternal grandparents.

Jane Chapman, Spearfish, Annabelle Thompson, Ekalaka, and Jim Newland, Colony, are great grandparents.

Thank You!

The NRA/NWRA would like to thank G & M Auto Parts and ACDelco for their sponsorship of the Junior Breakaway and Junior Barrel Racing Trophy Saddles. You can find a G & M Auto Parts and ACDelco store near you with locations in Missoula, Billings and Great Falls.

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Congratulations!!!

Congratulations to Jody and Tamara Wacker on the birth of their new baby girl, BreElle Lena Wacker. BreElle was born on July 26, 1999, and weighed 7 pounds and 8 ounces. Jody says, "She is truly a bundle of joy." The paternal grandparents are Bill and Barb Wacker, of Roundup. Maternal grandparents are Roger and Sherry Mack, of Melstone.

Thank You!!!

Dear NRA/NWRA Office:
Thank you for your donation to the memorial fund. It was very kind of the associations to think of me. Also, thanks to everyone who has called, sent cards, sent memorial money, or just kept us in your prayers. I like to believe when I am having a good moment that someone must be praying for me. The rodeo family truly is a caring bunch of people and it means even more in a time like this.

We are going to buy some new equipment for the horseshoeing school in Bozeman in Jim's name. Jim was always working to be just a little bit better on every horse he shoed. I know he would want up and coming shoers to have every chance to improve and this will help others with that opportunity.

Thank you again for the generous donation to the memorial fund. Jim was behind me all the way to do well in rodeos, and I will be proud to compete for him at this year's Finals.

Thanks Again,
Wendy Clark

BEHIND THE CHUTES



NAME: Scott Salo
BIRTHDATE: February 16, 1970
FAMILY: Jackie Haaland, Fiance
OTHER OCCUPATION: Contractor
EVENTS: Calf Roping & Team Roping
RODEO RIG: Dodge-Trailwest-Capri
ACHIEVEMENTS: I win at most rodeos, I just haven't won the year-end title.
FAVORITE RODEO EVENT TO WATCH: Bull Doggin'
FAVORITE SPORT (other than rodeo): Basketball
THE HARDEST THING FOR YOU TO OVERCOME IN RODEO: Inexperience, I didn't start until I was 22.
DO YOU LUCKY PIECE OF CLOTHING: I don't believe in luck.
WHAT DO YOU LIKE MOST ABOUT RODEO & THE NRA: There are lots of rodeos making a better run than other amateur associations.
WHAT DO YOU THINK IS THE MOST IMPORTANT FOR SUCCESS IN RODEO: The horse you ride & being around competitive people with good attitudes.
GREATEST INFLUENCE: Chris Witcher because he showed me the little things.



NAME: Robert Bright
BIRTHDATE: March 21, 1970
OTHER OCCUPATION: Pipe Lining
EVENTS: Bull Riding
MEMBER OF WHAT OTHER ASSOCIATIONS? P.R.C.A.
CHAMPIONSHIPS: Montana Pro Rodeo Finals Champion 1993, 1997 Montana Wrangler Circuit Series Champion
ACHIEVEMENTS: First guy to ever ride Copenhagen Redip, the 1993 CPRA Bull of the Year & the highest marked bull ever at the National Finals Rodeo
FUNNIEST THING THAT EVER HAPPENED?: I went bald!
HARDEST THING FOR YOU TO OVERCOME: Honkey Bulls
DO YOU HAVE A LUCKY PIECE OF CLOTHING? Yes, Money Trouble(my shirt)
WHAT IS YOUR BEST MEMORY OR EXPERIENCE: Being able to ride after three shoulder surgeries.
WHAT DO YOU THINK IS THE MOST IMPORTANT FOR SUCCESS IN RODEO: Positive attitude.
GREATEST INFLUENCE: My friends.

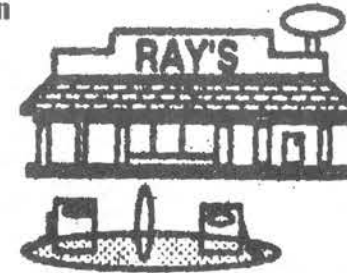
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NAME: Heath LaFromboise
BIRTHDATE: May 1, 1974
OTHER OCCUPATION: Student
MEMBER OF WHAT OTHER ASSOCIATIONS?: P.R.C.A.
EVENTS: Bareback
RODEO RIG: Dodge pick-up
NUMBER OF YEARS IN ACTUAL COMPETITION: Ten
ACHIEVMENTS: Qualified for College Finals twice, third at World Finals
FAVORITE RODEO EVENT TO WATCH: Bareback
FAVORITE SPORT (other than rodeo): Boxing
HOW MUCH MONEY IS WORTH COMPETING FOR: Any
WHAT DO YOU LIKE MOST ABOUT THE NRA: The friends
WHAT DO YOU THINK IS THE MOST IMPORTANT FOR SUCCESS IN RODEO, BESIDES THE DRAW?: The positive attitude



NAME: Marcey Chaffee
BIRTHDATE: October 13, 1970
FAMILY: Husband-John; Son-Mason
OTHER OCCUPATION: Accounting
EVENTS: Breakaway and Team Roping
HORSE: LBAR-Impulse, 14 year old gelding
CHAMPIONSHIPS HELD: 1998 LBAR Champion & Reserve All-Around Champ
NUMBER OF YEARS IN COMPETITION?: 23; I started when I was little with barrels and goat tail tying.
FAVORITE RODEO EVENT TO WATCH: Team Roping
FAVORITE SPORT (other than rodeo): Volleyball
DO YOU HAVE A LUCKY PIECE OF CLOTHING? My luck is mental, not worn.
WHAT HAS BEEN THE HARDEST THING FOR YOU TO OVERCOME: Dallying while heeling in the team roping.
WHAT DO YOU THINK IS THE MOST IMPORTANT FOR SUCCESS IN RODEO: Attitude about the draw
GREATEST INFLUNCE: Myself.

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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. Heath Robinson, Gallatin Gateway \$601.20
2. Tony Nordahl, Helena \$535.68
3. Colt Stepper, Park City \$431.52

Bareback Riding

1. Tony Nordahl, Helena \$310.73
2. Scott Owens, Havre \$284.88
3. D.C. Holman, Crow Agency \$163.20

Saddle Bronc Riding

1. Jon Hagen, Great Falls \$1,216.32
2. Ralph Page, Chinook \$652.80
3. Wes Miner, Dillon \$40.49

Bull Riding

1. Nathan Hofer, Cut Bank \$2,411.33
2. Eric Christiansen, Columbia Falls \$2,323.49
3. Tony Nordahl, Helena \$2,146.84

Steer Wrestling

1. Jim Pat Smith, Melrose \$1,595.14
2. Levi Bowler, Scobey \$1,185.12
3. Wade Ackerson, Dillon \$1,095.36

Calf Roping

1. JP Holland, Billings \$542.50

Team Roping

1. Billy Brown, Billings \$1,860.49
2. Cleve Fuller, Augusta \$1,624.01
3. Dell Trailor, Huntley \$1,510.61

Ladies Barrel Racing

1. Cadee Tew, Belgrade \$4,021.43
2. Shyla Epler, Helena \$2,160.04
3. Melanie Schuler, Missoula \$1,979.23

Ladies Breakaway Roping

1. Hillary Lusse, Missoula \$2,940.03
2. Leslie Spang, Lame Deer \$1,172.74
3. Jaley Wacker, Roundup \$1,095.26

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1. Tony Nordahl, Helena \$2,457.57

All-Around Cowgirl

1. Heather McDowell, Bridger \$2,119.33



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- D. Simply use the back up watches time

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- A. Receives a marking with an option for a reride
- B. Fence is considered part of the arena, is the same for everyone, so he does not receive a reride
- C. Rider must declare himself to get a reride
- D. Mark the ride to the point of the foul

4. When equipment fails, a reride or rerun will be given when:

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- B. The rope breaks in the team roping
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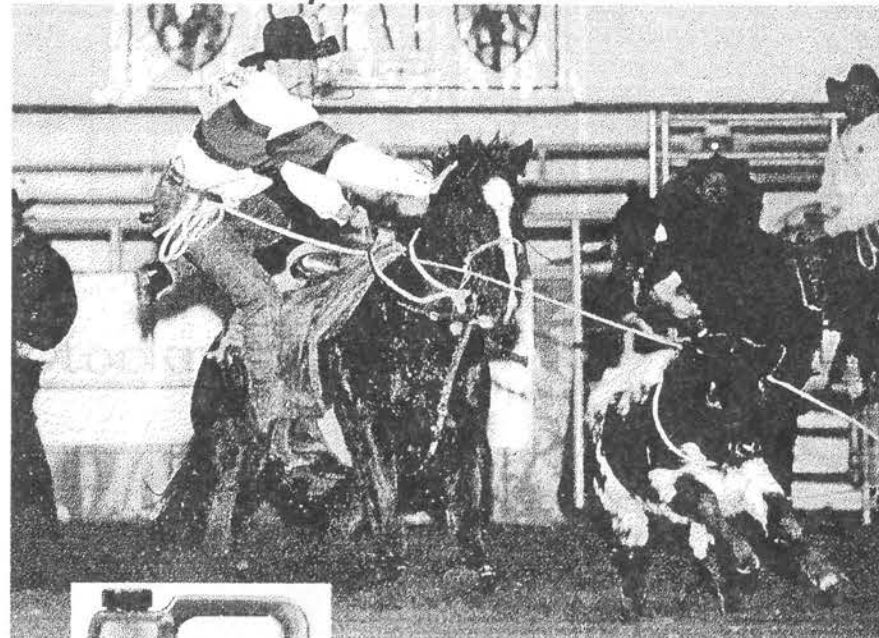
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The NRA/NWRA Finals will be the Grand Finale of the Logan Coach Bonus Bucks Program for 1999. Friday, February 4 we will draw for \$1000. But wait, it doesn't stop there! Saturday, February 5 will be the \$2500 cold hard cash drawing. Sunday, February 6 will show us the winner of the ultimate prize, the beautiful Logan Coach Horse Trailer. Make sure that you stop by the NRA/NWRA booth on the Metra concourse to buy tickets to increase your chances of taking home one of the three Grand Prizes. *Members:* Make sure you send in your Logan Coach ticket stubs to the NRA/NWRA office or bring them with you when you check-in.

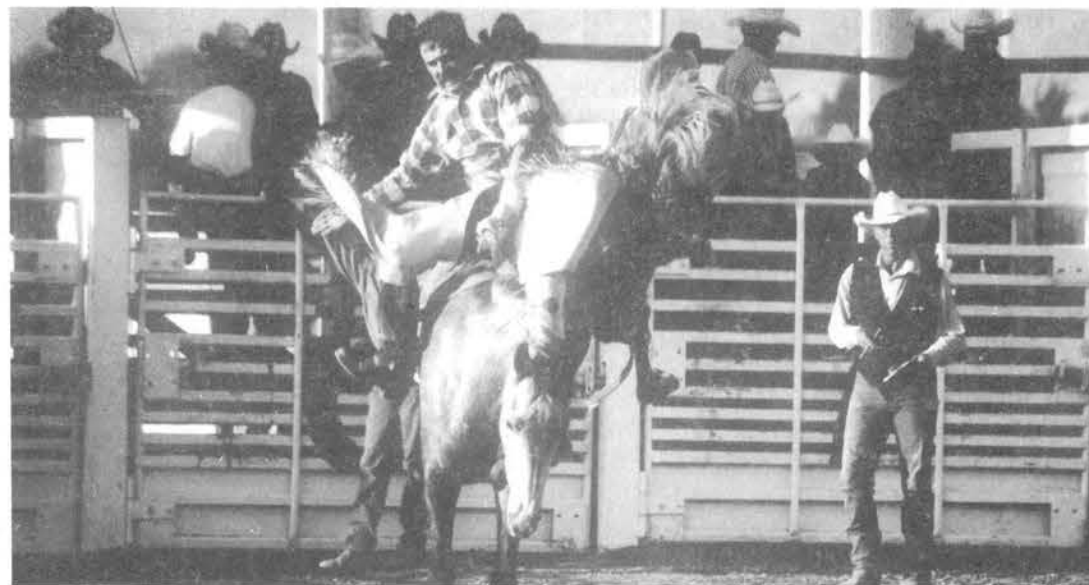
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Logan Coach Judge Jerry Nunn awaits the whistle while Belgrade cowboy Lee Hibl shows the crowd in East Helena how to get it done. Jared Lucas photo.



NRA/NWRA



OFFICIAL STANDINGS

Regular Season Year-End 1999 • Preceding NRA/NWRA Finals
Audited • Top 10 Qualify for NRA/NWRA Finals

BAREBACK BRONC RIDING

1. Ben Wrzesinski, Helena \$6,078.14
2. Heath LaFromboise, Helena \$5,519.63
3. Doug Leeds, Dillon \$5,132.48
4. Matt Gilstrap, Elliston \$4,284.23
5. Jesse Burleigh, Lewistown \$3,479.59
6. Dusty Solomon, Havre \$3,384.13
7. Delbert Moore, Miles City \$2,156.88
8. Robert Schall, Arlee \$1,895.37
9. Clarence Gilham, Browning \$1,849.32
10. Troy Solomon, Havre \$1,385.83
11. Cody Demers, Boulder \$991.04
12. Scott Grasky, Dillon \$667.44
13. Jason Nentwig, Arlee \$540.96
14. Buddy Dolan, Helena \$346.41
15. Ray Brekke, Helena \$335.04

SADDLE BRONC RIDING

1. Josh Reynolds, Corvallis \$7,430.60
2. Kevin Keller, Harlem \$5,659.33
3. Jordan Harmon, Dillon \$5,640.33
4. Shane Moran, Dillon \$4,897.15
5. Adam Bink, Vaughn \$3,336.53
6. JT Robbins, Dillon \$2,867.37
7. Marty Tomlin, Red Lodge \$2,754.82
8. Joe Reynolds, Corvallis \$2,619.67
9. Scotty Augare, Browning \$2,474.62
10. Craig Miller, Miles City \$2,361.17
11. Kent Robbins, Dillon \$2,025.93
12. Billy Murphy, Hot Springs \$1,852.08
13. Wyatt Glade, Terry \$1,570.86
14. JC Augare, Browning \$1,233.32
15. Jon Hagen, Great Falls \$1,216.32

BULL RIDING

1. Robert Bright, Meeteetse, WY \$6,937.54
2. Monte Finn, Big Timber \$5,317.60
3. Reed Trexler, Corvallis \$5,290.57
4. Scott Crump, St. Ignatius \$4,787.96

5. Brian Kane, Three Forks \$4,098.19
6. Brett Crump, St. Ignatius \$3,515.51
7. Jeff Burns, Terreton, ID., \$3,333.42
8. Phillip Hofer, Cut Bank \$3,323.84
9. Seth Redding, Ft. Smith \$3,288.67
10. Craig Dalgarno, Harlowton \$2,992.77
11. Jeff Marn, Belt \$2,929.84
12. Nathan Hofer, Cut Bank \$2,411.33
13. Eric Christiansen, Col. Falls \$2,323.49
14. Steven Lambert, Bozeman \$2,297.01
15. Rick Wock, Butte \$2,267.68

STEER WRESTLING

1. Pete Petersen, Dillon \$4,595.99
2. Rob Kountz, Bozeman \$4,520.85
3. Gary Woodworth, Shepherd \$3,100.89
4. Leonard Haraga, Missoula \$2,796.79
5. Shannon Blixt, Helena \$2,642.14
6. Steve Blixt, Helena \$2,529.89
7. Eddie Getten, Roundup \$2,326.58
8. Ryan Gaasch, Dillon \$2,238.28
9. Brett Fleming, Kalispell \$2,225.78
10. Gary Zipperian, Clancy \$2,047.24
11. Laramie Baumann, Hardin \$2,021.81
12. Roddy Cameron, Ingomar \$2,009.76
13. Steve Downing, Helena \$1,609.92
14. Jim Pat Smith, Melrose \$1,595.14
15. Dan Larick, Bozeman \$1,344.69

CALF ROPING

1. Brett Fleming, Kalispell \$4,456.70
2. Britt Givens, Riverton, WY., \$4,129.47
3. Scott Salo, Billings \$3,886.21
4. Rob Kountz, Bozeman \$3,485.50
5. Chris Witcher, Miles City \$2,906.39
6. Shane Eberline, Dillon \$2,328.96
7. Chris Lynch, Ronan \$2,315.29
8. Jody Wacker, Roundup \$2,063.84
9. Tate Woodard, Miles City \$2,040.71

10. Travis Caldwell, Billings \$1,982.02
11. Jason Levine, Wolf Creek \$1,379.65
12. Tim Bagnell, Ronan \$1,305.02
13. Eddie Getten, Roundup \$1,214.78
14. Arnie Johnson, Cut Bank \$1,161.89
15. Ryan Siemsen, Billings \$1,144.98

TEAM ROPING HEADING

1. Chris Witcher, Miles City \$5,399.69
2. Rob Kountz, Bozeman \$4,629.17
3. Sam Bird, Cut Bank \$4,143.46
4. Guy Howell, Bell Fourche, SD. \$3,342.86
5. Scott Klind, Worden \$2,923.63
6. Britt Givens, Riverton, WY. \$2,875.35
7. Shawn Steinbach, Ft. Shaw \$2,815.79
8. Guy Small, Pompeys Pillar \$2,520.53
9. Richard Carpenter, Kalispell \$1,996.46
10. Billy Brown, Billings \$1,860.49
11. Cleve Fuller, Augusta \$1,624.01
12. Curt Wade, Bozeman \$1,581.31
13. Don Wilson, Browning \$1,520.50
14. Phillip Fleming, Broadus \$1,414.64
15. Ted Hoyt, Browning \$1,306.56

TEAM ROPING HEELING

1. Jay Murnion, Jordan \$5,820.94
2. Enoch Schaffer, Broadus \$4,860.36
3. Jim Cole, Harlem \$4,143.46
4. Derick Fleming, Broadus \$3,226.22
5. Shane Hampton, Cody, WY. \$2,875.35
6. Tell Steinbach, Wolf Creek \$2,815.79
7. Gary Woodworth, Shepherd \$2,520.53
8. Charlie Briggs, Bozeman \$1,902.57
9. Tad Rhoads, Laurel \$1,624.33
10. Matt Robertson, Augusta \$1,624.01
11. Brett Fleming, Kalispell \$1,605.33
12. Rick Whitford, Browning \$1,520.50
13. Dell Trailor, Huntley \$1,510.61
14. Dustin Bird, Cut Bank \$1,445.95
15. Jody Wacker, Roundup \$1,427.42

LADIES BARREL RACING

1. Dawn Odom, Darby \$9,617.75
2. Lisa Scheffer, Hamilton \$6,075.23
3. Shirlee Parini, Billings \$4,553.14
4. Cadee Tew, Belgrade \$4,021.34
5. Jaime Ottun, Forsyth \$3,347.93
6. June Tibbetts, Terry \$2,659.90

7. Raelene Croff, Geyser \$2,424.80
8. Shyla Epler, Helena \$2,410.95
9. Monica Gruel, Great Falls \$2,317.33
10. Melanie Schuler, Missoula \$2,160.04
11. Charlotte Schmidt, Cut Bank \$2,028.67
12. Denali Solomon, Havre \$1,979.23
13. Peggy Schluter, Phillipsburg \$1,676.80
14. Carrie Smith, Deer Lodge \$1,456.64
15. Jerrie Downing, Helena \$1,259.09

LADIES BREAKAWAY ROPING

1. Cally Goyins, Helena \$6,049.06
2. Chris McQueary, Belgrade \$4,645.86
3. Deb Lloyd, Helena \$4,207.58
4. Hillary Lusse, Missoula \$2,940.03
5. Tammy Jackson, Lolo \$2,494.43
6. Vickie MacCarty, Pryor \$2,463.89
7. Marcey Chaffee, Billings \$2,391.26
8. Mary Salmond, Choteau \$2,376.43
9. Nicole Yorgensen, Victor \$2,342.30
10. Wendy Clark, Laurel \$2,325.75
11. Brook Boyle, Belgrade \$2,249.95
12. Tracey Currey, Bozeman \$2,138.52
13. Nacona Pauley, Miles City \$1,666.69
14. Deena Witcher, Miles City \$1,552.99
15. Lisa Scheffer, Hamilton \$1,481.31

JUNIOR ALL-AROUND

1. Colt Tew, Belgrade \$2,886.27
2. Lacy Fleharty, Grass Range \$2,475.43
3. Cee Cee Tryan, Helena \$2,077.41
4. Cody Tew, Belgrade \$1,167.52
5. Katie Shiner, Lemhi, ID. \$1,119.41

ALL-AROUND COWBOY

1. Rob Kountz, Bozeman \$12,635.52
2. Chris Witcher, Miles City \$8,306.08
3. Brett Fleming, Kalispell \$8,287.81
4. Britt Givens, Riverton, WY., \$7,004.82
5. Gary Woodworth, Shepherd \$6,143.10

ALL AROUND COWGIRL

1. Lisa Scheffer, Hamilton \$7,556.54
2. Chris McQueary, Belgrade \$4,753.38
3. Vicki MacCarty, Pryor \$2,969.81
4. Mary Salmond, Choteau \$2,794.02
5. Marcey Chaffee, Billings \$2,495.42

Office Updates

You Will Be Missed!

The Northern Rodeo Association and Northern Women's Rodeo Association would like to thank Jann Parker and Theresa Caldwell for all their hard work and dedication to our associations.

Jann has moved onto managing the horse sales at Billings Livestock.

Theresa has accepted a permanent position with ABC Seamless, but will still be an active part of the sport of rodeo.

Linda Hegle is now the executive secretary and has also taken over the sponsorship program.

Jami Olson has also become a permanent part of the NRA/NWRA Office by taking over the production of the newsletter.

If you see Jann or Theresa, be sure to stop and wish them all the luck in their new ventures. If you are in Billings, make sure to stop by the office and visit with Linda and Jami. We are currently working on the 25th annual NRA/NWRA Finals. If you have any questions, comments, or suggestions, please contact us at (406) 252-1122.



RMAF Convention

The International Inn in Minot, ND, hosted the 1999 Rocky Mountain Association of Fairs Convention, November 10-13. The convention is attended by fair committees from Montana, Idaho, South Dakota, North Dakota, Wyoming, Nebraska, and Colorado. This year, the NRA/NWRA was represented by Joe Warner, Sparkie Dreesen, and Linda Hegle. The three of them hosted a hospitality suite for existing and potential committees. This was a fantastic convention for the NRA/NWRA. There were many committees that stopped by to discuss their rodeos, fund-raising and marketing. We would like to thank those committees who stopped by our suite, whether they were existing NRA/NWRA rodeos or potential committees interested in going with and NRA/NWRA rodeo. It was great to be able to meet each committee first hand. Next year's convention will be held in Billings. If anyone wishes to attend, we encourage you to do so.

Linda Hegle

NRA/NWRA OFFICE HOURS:

9 A.M. UNTIL 5 P.M. M-F

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BBI Futurity payouts:

- 1st--Lisa Schaffer, \$556.00
- 2nd--Raelene Croff, \$334.00
- 3rd--Lisa Schaffer, \$222.00

BBI Derby payout:

- 1st--Sue Thompson, \$123.00

The Brent Ryder Timed Event Championship was an enormous success. Thanks to you!!!

We sincerely appreciate your contribution and participation. Brent and Tricia are very grateful. The benefit raised \$6800 for Wynston and Alexis' education fund

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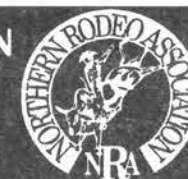
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From official rule book of Northern Rodeo Association: "M.2.1.4. Rookie qualifications are as follows: First year of competition in NRA rodeo, and the member may not have won over \$500 in organized professional or regional rodeo competition during their lifetime prior to joining the NRA."

Circle Membership Category for which you are applying

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MEMBERSHIP: Entitles purchaser to work all sanctioned rodeos without restrictions, to share all advantages of a member in good standing including such items as a guarantee to your entry fee; check writing privileges after the first year initiation period; and a subscription to the newsletter.

PERMITS: Entitles purchaser to work all sanctioned rodeos accepting permits as listed in newsletter until \$500 is won. After \$500 money limit is won by permit holder, a card must be purchased, the price of card to be the dollar difference between the cost of a permit and the cost of the card. Permit holder's points will be credited to the year-end standing, however, the contestant must be a card holder to compete at the NRA Finals. The \$500 money limit will be accumulated from year to year, allowing the contestant to purchase a permit each year until the \$500 is won. A card holder the previous year cannot purchase a permit the following year.

A CONTESTANT COMPETING IN BOTH ADULT AND JUNIOR EVENTS MUST HOLD BOTH A JUNIOR AND ADULT MEMBERSHIP (SEE OTHER SIDE)

RELEASE AND AGREEMENT NOT TO SUE

In consideration of being allowed to participate in Northern Rodeo Association sanctioned events and membership in the Association, I and my heirs, successors, personal representatives and next of kin, hereby RELEASE, WAIVE, DISCHARGE and agree to HOLD HARMLESS AND INDEMNIFY the Northern Rodeo Association, the rodeo committees, stock contractors, sponsors, arena operations or owners, their agents, representatives (collectively referred to as the NRA) from all liability me and my personal representatives, heirs, successors, and next of kin from any and all claims and liability for all loss of damage, and any claim of damages therefore on account of any injury to my person including death or damage to my property while I am utilizing NRA facilities or participating in NRA events.

I, hereby represent to the NRA that I understand that THERE ARE CERTAIN RISKS OF SERIOUS INJURY AND DEATH inherent in participating in rodeo events and any related activities. I realize conditions of the rodeo arena change from time to time and may become more hazardous, that rodeo animals are dangerous and unpredictable and there is INHERENT DANGER in rodeo which I appreciate and voluntarily assume because I choose to participate in such events. I make this choice even though I have observed or participated in events of this kind in the past and know conditions, facilities, rodeo animals, and other rodeo contestants and participants pose a danger to me. I recognize and expressly agree to assume the entire risk of any and all accidents or personal injury including serious paralysis or death which I might suffer during my participation in said events.

I further COVENANT AND AGREE NOT TO SUE THE NRA for any injury, damages or death which occur as a result of my participation in said events and any claim or damage therefore. I understand that this document may be treated as a complete defense to any legal action I might bring against the NRA for any injuries or other damages I might suffer.

I understand and agree this RELEASE AND AGREEMENT NOT TO SUE extends to any and all claims I may have, specially including, but not limited to, claims arising out of participation in said events, claims with respect to the design, manufacture, repair, or maintenance of facilities or equipment which I will be using, or with respect to the conditions, qualification, instructions, rules or procedures under which my use of said facilities or equipment are conducted or from any other cause.

I UNDERSTAND AND AGREE THIS RELEASE AND AGREEMENT NOT TO SUE extends to ACCIDENT, INJURY, OR DEATH OCCURRING DURING THE TERM OF MY MEMBERSHIP IN THE NRA. Any subsequent Releases and agreement I might sign in the future shall amplify, but shall in no way limit, the provisions of this document.

I further state and certify that I have carefully read the foregoing Release, know the contents thereof and sign this Release and Agreement Not to Sue as a free and voluntary act. I am not relying on any statements of representations of any party released hereby. I UNDERSTAND THIS IS A RELEASE OF ALL CLAIMS and that my facsimile signature on this application and release constitutes an original signature.

Dated this _____ day of _____, 199____.

MEMBER _____
(Your signature must be notarized or witnessed)

WITNESS: _____ Date _____

(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. I have carefully read the foregoing Release and Agreement Not to Sue. I know the representations made are true. I 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.

SIGNATURE _____ Date _____

STATE OF _____)
County of _____) ss.

On this _____ day of _____, 199____, before me the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for the State of _____, personally appeared _____ known to me to be this person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same. In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal the day and year first above written.

Notary Public for the State of _____
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Points are given as follows: 4 pts for 1st; 3 pts for 2nd; 2 pts for 3rd; 1 pt for 4th.
Official Year-End Standings.

Bareback Riding

1. Heath LaFromboise, Helena27.5
2. Ben Wrzesinski, Helena 22.33
3. Doug Leeds, Dillon 13.5

Saddle Bronc Riding

1. JT. Robbins, Dillon 16
2. Josh Reynolds, Corvallis 13.83
3. Shane Moran, Great Falls 13.33

Bull Riding

1. Reed Trexler, Corvallis 13
2. Robert Bright, Meeteetse 11
3. Scott Crump, St. Ignatius 10

Steer Wrestling

1. Steve Blixt, Helena 12
2. Rob Kountz, Bozeman 10
2. Shannon Blixt, Helena 9

Calf Roping

1. Brett Fleming, Kalispell 16
2. Britt Givens, Riverton, WY. 10.5
3. Rob Kountz, Bozeman 9

Team Roping

1. Chris Witcher, Miles City 16.5
2. Enoch Schaffer, Broadus 13
3. Gary Woodworth, Shepherd 9
- Guy Small, Pompeys Pillar 9



Ladies Barrel Racing

1. Dawn Odom, Darby 23
2. Cadee Tew, Belgrade 11.5
3. Raelene Croff, Geysler 11

Ladies Breakaway Roping

1. Deb Lloyd, Helena 14
2. Cally Goyins, Helena 11.5
- Tammy Jackson, Florence 11.5

Junior Barrel Racing

1. Lacy Fleharty, Grass Range 30
2. Brittany Bird, Cut Bank 22
3. Colt Tew, Belgrade 18

Junior Breakaway Roping

1. John Robertson, Augusta 16
2. Kyle Donohoe, Nye 13
3. Delon Parker, Huntley 12

NRA/NWRA FINALS ENTRY FORM

OFFICIAL CALL-IN ENTIRES WILL BE TAKEN ON MON., JANUARY 3 FROM 9A.M UNTIL 5P.M AT 406-252-1122. TOP TEN ELIGIBLE TO COMPETE, BUT TOP 15 ENTER. ALL FINES MUST BE PAID BEFORE ENTIRES CLOSE. SEE COMPLETE INFO IN THIS NEWSLETTER.

NAME: _____
 ADDRESS: _____
 SOC SECURITY #: _____
 PHONE:(HOME) _____
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 EVENTS ENTERED: _____
 TEAM ROPING PARTNER: _____

- ENTRY FEES: \$150 PER EVENT, PER MAN IN TEAM ROPING
- STALLS ARE \$10 FOR THE WEEKEND AND MUST BE PAID FOR IN ADVANCE
- BANQUET TICKETS ARE \$15 EACH AND WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO PURCHASE THEM NOW (THAT WAY WE HAVE AN IDEA ON NUMBERS - TICKETS WILL BE MAILED IN ADVANCE)
- COCKTAIL PARTY INVITES ARE COMPLIMENTARY, BUT NECESSARY FOR ADMSSION.

JACKPOT INFORMATION:
 FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2000 AT 8:00 A.M.
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 CALF ROPING, STEER WRESTLING, BREAKAWAY \$60
 TEAM ROPING \$55/MAN BARRELS \$35
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Every NRA/NWRA card holding member is invited to vote for three West Committee Directors as well as the Stock Contractor Director and Contract Personnel Director. Only contestants who compete in the actual event are eligible to vote for event directors. NRA card holders can only vote for NRA directors and only NWRA card holders can vote for NWRA directors. Everyone can vote for the committee director, stock contractor director, and contract personnel director. Mark an "X" in the box next to the person for whom you are selecting. If you desire to write in a candidate, be sure to mark and "X" next to his or her name. Candidates names appear in alphabetical order.

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Best of the Century Rodeo Legends

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By Meagher County News

The idea for the sweepstakes-winning float in the 1999 Labor Day Parade came out of a group discussion. After all, this is "rodeo weekend" in White Sulphur Springs, Montana, and the theme for the parade was "Best of the Century." After much input from local "rodeo experts," there were a number of rodeo greats to contemplate as "Best of the Century." The local "experts" were good at coming up with names and approximate dates, but the organizers wanted to cover the entire century and represent some of the women rodeo greats. As a result, they went "online" and consulted the internet, of course.

Local flavor was the highlight of the float. Howard Zehntner, a local legendary calf roper, earned second place in the event at the National High School Rodeo in 1957. He was a member of the Montana team that won the National High School Rodeo that year. He also took first place in the District and third place in State. Walt Linderman, another local cowboy legend, holds the runner-up title in steer wrestling at the World Championships in 1966, 1970, and 1972.

After entering web sites for Rodeo Hall of Fame, Cowboy Hall of Fame, Cowboy.net, and the P.R.C.A. Record Book, the group came up with the following Rodeo Legends of the Century:

Bill Pickett, a black cowboy in the 1920's who not only created the sport of steer wrestling, but also dominated and perfected the sport. He was portrayed on the float by

George Knight. Alice and Marge Greenough, sisters from Deer Lodge, who were legendary saddle bronc riders in the 1930's, were depicted by Darci Roatch and Nancy Walter wearing clothing that came as close as possible to the ones the sisters wore.

Casey Tibbs, the only saddle bronc rider to hold three consecutive World Championship titles, 1951-1954, was represented by Rodger Shroyer. Doug Johnson was Ike Rude, the oldest cowboys to win a championship, winning the steer roping in 1953 when he as 59.

Jim Shoulders, a true legend among the rodeo legends, has six consecutive World Champion bull riding titles, 1954-1959, five time All-Around cowboy, and won 16 world titles. Milton Theriault and Shawn Paulson, in full bull riding gear, took turns portraying this accomplished rodeo legend. Jim Rodriguez, Jr. was the youngest cowboy to win a World Championship, winning the team roping world title when he as 18 in 1959. Brenda Paulsen acquired a painted on mustache to be this young cowboy.

The organizers learned that there have been bulls used in world champion competition that have been retired because the cowboys could not ride them. The most famous in contemporary times is "Bodacious." However, no one would ride the float with an actual bull, so they settled for a black steer with horns owned by Charlie Hubbard to represent "Crooked Nose." The steer was very accommodating.

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Best of the Century Rodeo Legends

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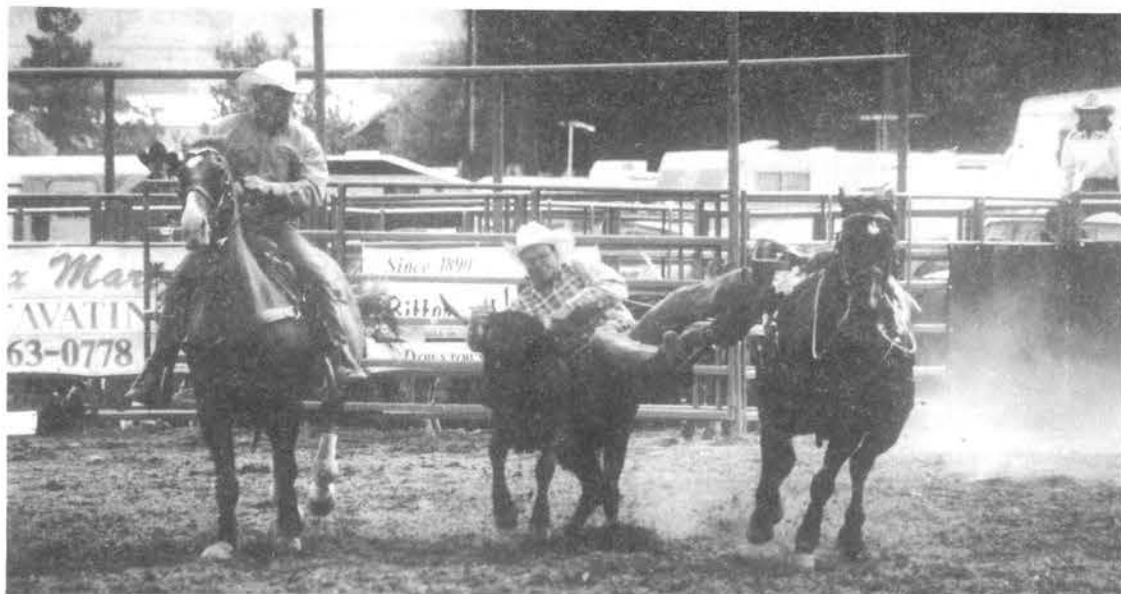
Charmayne James Rodman holds ten World Champion barrel racing titles. Much of the success is due to her horse, "Scamper," the American Quarter Horse of the Year numerous times. Space limitations did not allow for a horse to represent this great equine, but Janet Lesofski filled in for Charmayne.

Clay O'Brien Cooper and Jake Barnes, legendary team ropers hold seven World Championship titles, five consecutively from 1985-1989. Who else but our own legendary team roper, Lance Roberts portrayed Jake Barnes, and Tammy DeCock, also acquiring one of those painted on mustaches, became Cooper

for Saturday's parade with John Lesofski sporting his own mustache to be Cooper on Sunday.

World Champion Bullfighter in 1991, Lloyd Ketchem, was represented by this year's rodeo clown, Lee Weber. Ty Murray, the current World Champion All-Around Cowboy, holds the distinct honor of earning this title seven times. This bull rider is also the top money winner ever in World Championship competition. Jaxon Gardiner represented this accomplished modern day legend.

The float was sponsored by the Mint Chicks and Dr. Death and was moved by Dan Tousley's rig.



Leading the Men's All-Around Standings heading into the finals, Rob Kountz, of Bozeman, "gets off" in Hamilton, but did not end up placing. Jared Lucas Photo.



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It's finally finished! For all of you keyboard cowboys and cowgirls, point your web browser toward the newly remodeled NRA/NWRA website.

Go to www.mcn.net/~northernrodeo and see for yourself!

NWRA President's Note

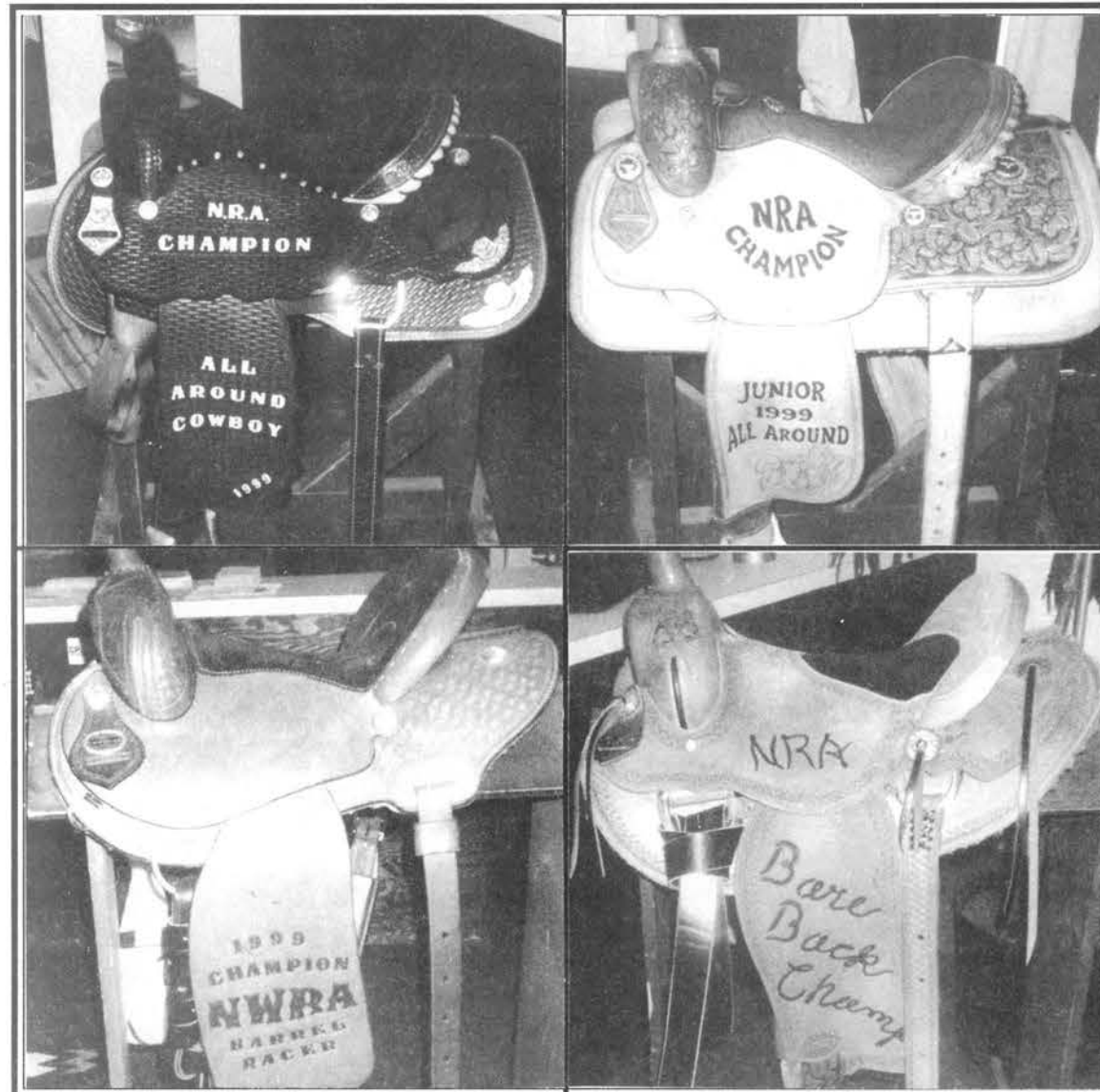
As always, the summer flew by for me and everyone who rodeos in the NRA/NWRA. When the season started, I think many of us were a little worried about how things would go for the newly formed association, the Northern Women's Rodeo Association. After ironing out a few kinks in the beginning, I feel the first year has been a success. Change can be good, although sometimes hard to accept.

At our fall board meeting, it was voted on to hold our election for NWRA President on opposite years of the NRA President. The new president will be voted on at the Board of Directors Meeting to be held immediately following the NRA Directors meeting on Saturday, February 5, 2000, during the NRA/NWRA Finals in Billings.

See you at the Finals!!!

Chris McQueary
NWRA President

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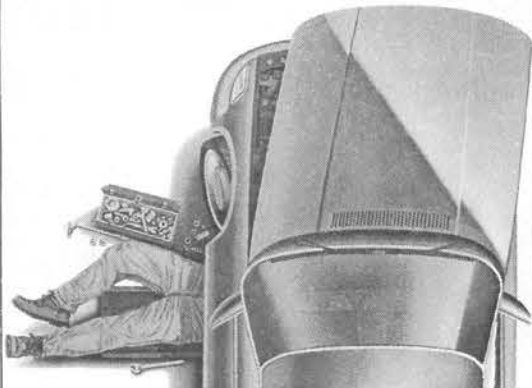
Saddles are already starting to make their way into the NRA/NWRA Office. So far, we have four saddles. Top left: Bob Johnston shares his talent with us again this year by building the 1999 Men's All-Around Champion saddle. Top right: Shown here is the Junior All-Around saddle built by Lee Patterson. Bottom left: Allan Pursley built this 1999 Barrel Racing Champion saddle. Bottom right: Duncan Vezain created this 1999 Bareback Riding Champion saddle. Stop by the lobby of the Billings Hotel and Convention Center during the Finals to see the fine work that our saddlemakers have done for us again this year.

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COORS BAREBACK HORSE OF THE YEAR:

Big Circle Rodeo Company's
400 River Wild

This four-year-old mare's father is the National Finals Rodeo Bareback horse Red Lizard. Her mother is Yellow Rose, which has been the South Dakota Rodeo Association Bareback of the Year several times, and is owned by Pete Longbrake. Pete used Red Lizard in 1994 to breed some mares and in return, Sparkie Dreesen of Big Circle Rodeo Company got one colt. Thank you from Sparkie and Shane Vaira to the Bareback Riders for their vote of confidence in this great Bareback horse.



Dusty Solomon making the high point ride at the 1998 NRA Finals aboard River Wild. Trudy Bledsoe photo.

COORS SADDLE BRONC HORSE OF THE YEAR:

Big Circle Rodeo Company's
243 Three Lizards

Like the Bareback Horse of the Year, this seven-year-old mare was also sired by the National Finals Rodeo horse, Red Lizard. Her mother is Three Bars which came out of the Harlan Gunville bucking stock. Three Lizards has been the South Dakota Rodeo Association and the NRCA Saddle Bronc of the Year. She was also awarded winner at the Casey Tibbs Match of Champions. Sparkie Dreesen says, "She bucks with her whole heart every time she bucks, but never has the same trip."

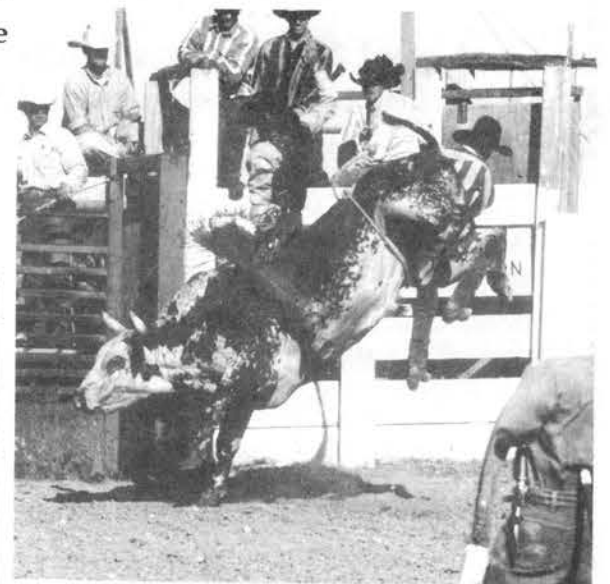


What a match-up! Craig Miller vs. Three Lizards during the first round of the 1998 NRA Finals. Trudy Bledsoe photo.

COORS BULL OF THE YEAR:

Newman Rodeo Company's
42 Cowboy Up

Cowboy Up is a five-year-old bull that was bred and raised from the Sid Newman Bucking Bull Program. He is a bull that likes to fight with the other bulls and let them know he is the boss and in charge. He is very athletic and extremely hard to ride. He has only been ridden one time. Cowboy up is a Brahma-Long Horn Cross, out of the good bull Cowboy Cut.



All eyes on Reed: Reed Trexler is attracting some attention as he makes his run for the Finals in 1999. Here he attempts Cowboy Up in WSS. Jeanne Carpenter photo.

NRA JUDGING SEMINAR

FEBRUARY 4 - 8:30 A.M.

FEBRUARY 5 - 8:00 A.M.

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THE NORTHERN RODEO ASSOCIATION/NORTHERN WOMEN'S RODEO ASSOCIATION IS ONCE AGAIN COORDINATING THIS SEMINAR WITH WRANGLER PRO OFFICIAL MIKE STEIGER. THE SEMINAR WILL BE TAILORED TO FIT NRA/NWRA RODEOS AND COMPETITION. THERE IS NO CHARGE TO ATTEND THIS SEMINAR AND THE NRA ENCOURAGES ANYONE INTERESTED IN ATTENDING TO DO SO. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN JUDGING RODEOS IN 2000 THIS SEMINAR IS REQUIRED BEFORE YOU CAN JUDGE.

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The rodeo committees work hard year-round to guarantee the contestants the "perfect" rodeo or to improve their rodeo for the next year. As soon as a rodeo is over, the committees are hard at it planning the dates, discussing changes, and setting added money.

Recently, the NRA/NWRA saw a modern accomplishment that many of the members may have over looked. In the past, committees have perpetually had a larger amount of added money for the rough stock events. Today, timed events are becoming more of an attraction to spectators. With equal added money in each of the eight standardized events, committees are getting more cowboys and cowgirls to attend each rodeo.

The summer of 1999 seemed to be the conversion year of getting more and equal added money in each event. The NRA/NWRA saw a surprising thirteen rodeos go with the equal added money across the board. The Tobacco Valley Rodeo Association Rodeo and The Montana Fair Rodeo each had \$1000.00 added money in each event. Others to thank include The Broken Horn Stampede in Absarokee with \$375.00; Forsyth Rodeo Days Rodeo with

\$200.00 in each event, plus the \$125.00 Logan Coach money in each event; The Upper Yellowstone Round-Up in Gardner with \$200.00; East Helena Valley Rodeo Association with \$500.00 added, plus the additional \$125.00 from Logan Coach; Frenchtown Rodeo Club Rodeo with \$250.00 across the board; Rosebud/Treasure County Fair and Rodeo in Forsyth with \$650.00; Whitehall Frontier Days Rodeo with \$150.00; Marias Fair in Shelby putting up \$300.00 in each event; Central Montana Fair Rodeo in Lewistown had \$400.00; Superior Lions Club Rodeo saw \$550.00 added; Chouteau County Fair and Rodeo in Fort Benton had an even \$225.00 added in each event.

The Northern Rodeo Association and Northern Women's Rodeo Association would like to take the time to thank each individual committee for their continued hard work and dedication to improving *OUR* Association.

Plan on attending the committee seminar during the NRA/NWRA Finals in February. It will be held at the Billings Hotel and Convention Center at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, February 5, 2000. All committees are encouraged to attend. (NRA/NWRA or not) There will also be a Sponsor/Committee Suite in the lower level of the Metra on Friday, Feb. 4, and Saturday, Feb. 5 from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. prior to the championship rodeo performances. NRA/NWRA contestants and personnel look forward to seeing each of you there.



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- 114 Pretty Woman
- 400 River Wild
- R57 Leapin Lizards
- 480 Buckle Bunny
- 337 Pay Day
- 47 Cloud Gray
- V91 Baby Powder
- 691 She Who Slips and Falls
- T1 Two Boots
- R44 Sports Page

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- 69 Pretty Boy

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- 750 Quick Draw
- H22 All Grit
- 321 Countdown
- 100 Calvert Coke
- 577 Featherlite

SADDLE BRONCS

Big Circle Rodeo Company

- Mulligans Stew
- 243 Three Lizards
- 312 Kid Boots
- X69 Jumpin Jack
- 622 Buggy
- 699 Justin
- 777 Coors Bar Killer

Gardner Rodeo Company

- G318 Coors 2-Steppin
- 5 Wolf Point
- G215 Airwolf
- G415 Corral West Lobo
- 85 Cold Water

Jacobs Livestock Rodeos

- 94 Sandstone Coors
- 11 Coors Misfit
- 0 Jesebal Roan
- B81 Blue Mary
- 6 Black Bar T Coors
- 22 Sage Brush
- B02 Croppy

Lillian Rodeo Company

- 116 Ejection

Newman Rodeo Company

- 502 Three Bars
- 19 Passing Through
- 0X Ghost
- H25 Jesse James

BULLS

Big Circle Rodeo Company

- 33 Black Crude
- 49 Blue
- 105 Witch Doctor
- J3 Corral West Ranch Hand
- X6 Sugar Plum

Gardner Rodeo Company

- 136 Luigi
- 27 Coors Rocky Z
- N18 Goofy
- 38 Great Divide

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- 24 Rawhide
- 41 Buffalo Bill
- 46 Coors Red Devil
- 11 Corral West Kelly
- E7 Forest Gump

Lillian Rodeo Company

- 45 Colt

Newman Rodeo Company

- W40 Little Cowboy
- N16 Silvertip
- 42 Cowboy Up
- 41 Cowboy Senior
- 45 Cowboy Fever
- 17 Terminator
- 57 Hat Rack
- N11 Well Digger
- 00 Three Way



PRESENTS

1999 STOCK OF THE YEAR

Bareback Horse of the Year:
River Wild

Owned by Big Circle Rodeo Company
--Sparkie Dreesen and Shane Vaira

Saddle Bronc Horse of the Year:
Three Lizards

Owned by Big Circle Rodeo Company
--Sparkie Dreesen and Shane Vaira

Bull of the Year:

Cowboy Up
Owned by Newman Rodeo Company
--Rodney Newman




Harlowton cowboy, Craig Dalgarno, rides Jacob's bull for 70 points here in Deer Lodge, while Bill Plouffe gets in on the action too. Trudy Bledsoe photo.

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Congratulations Junior Contestants!

We are excited that each of you have qualified for the 25th Annual Northern Rodeo Association/Northern Women's Rodeo Association Finals to be held February 4-6, 2000. The Junior events are set to begin at 9 a.m. sharp on Saturday morning, February 5. Check in will begin at 8 a.m.

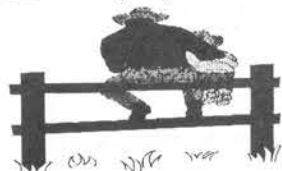
To be a part of the excitement in Billings, please take a few moments to prepare for the NRF. Look for your entry form in your mailbox. Fill it out completely and return it to the NRA/NWRA Office by the deadline on the form.

We will also need your coat size so that we can get them ordered. Keep in mind that in order to get your coat, you must compete.

Next, make sure to remind your parents to get a hotel reservation at the Billings Hotel and Convention Center so that you can be a part of all the action.

You can get your wristband on Friday afternoon at the contestant check in at the Metra or at the Junior events check in on Saturday morning.

Again, it is very important that you make the deadline for your entries and coat size. **NO EXCEPTIONS!!!** If you have any questions or concerns, please call the NRA/NWRA Office at (406) 252-1122.



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- Sheena Berry, Stevensville \$458.95
- Codi Momberg, Belgrade \$373.28
- Katie Vander Lans, Cameron \$339.60
- Mandy Whitford, Browning \$254.40
- Cadee Tew, Belgrade \$176.64
- Julie Novak, East Helena \$111.36
- Arena Robertson, Augusta \$87.84
- Amanda McFarland, Victor \$82.56
- Kaytee Schaffer, Broadus \$50.40
- Amalia Martinez, Tendoy, ID \$49.92
- Shelby Blixt, Helena \$47.52
- Bridger Chambers, Stevensville \$39.36
- Kayla Dreesen, Circle \$33.60
- Amber Crowley, Poplar \$23.04
- Ali MacCarty, Pryor \$21.60
- Danna Whitford, Browning \$14.88

JUNIOR BREAKAWAY ROPING

- Kyle Donohoe, Nye \$1,204.19
- John Robertson, Augusta \$1,116.33
- Delon Parker, Huntley \$1,086.54
- Cee Cee Tryan, Helena \$1,082.37
- Colt Tew, Belgrade \$994.37
- Zane Hollenbeck, Molt \$959.47
- Sam Levine, Wolf Creek \$880.39
- Travis Nichols, Helena \$738.24
- Chase Tryan, Helena \$578.70
- Arena Robertson, Augusta \$540.98
- Coulter Gruel, Great Falls \$482.05
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1. B--When he finds out when and which ride animal is to be used.
2. D--Simply use the back up watches.
3. A--Receives a marking with an option for a ride.
4. A--The flank strap fails or falls off.

NRA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Saturday, October 9, 1999
Yogo Inn
Lewistown, Montana

President Joe Warner called the meeting to order.

Roll was taken and quorum verified. Those members present included: President, Joe Warner; Jerry Matt, Vice President; Monte Finn, Bull Riding; Sparky Dreesen, Junior Events; Rodney Newman, Stock Contractor; Dick Lyman, Contract Personnel; Advisory Board Members, Alvin Wagner, Karen Miller, Bonnie Matt proxied for Stan Rassmussen; Committee Directors East, Joe Murnion; Committee Directors West, Rodger Nordahl; NWRA Liason Director, Rhonda Kountz.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

North American Rodeo Commission: Representative not present

Friends of Rodeo: Karen Miller updated the board on the Animal Rights activist activities. Karen thanked the membership that purchased a Friend of Rodeo membership and urges those who have not purchased a membership to do so.

Awards Program: Linda Hegle updated the Board on the current 1999 Year-End awards. The board would like the NRA/NWRA Office to handle the 1999 Year-End awards.

NRA Finals: The NRA Finals was discussed. The number of Finals jackets purchased was discussed.

Judging Program: A Judge's Request Form for the NRA/NWRA rodeo committees was discussed. Discussion was held regarding an active judge on the Judging Committee. It was moved and seconded to have an elected Judge as an advisor on the Judging Committee. The judging committee, formed with three people on it, one off the board of directors, one rough stock person, and one timed event person will elect the judge. PASSED.

Logan Coach: Linda Hegle updated the Board.

Central Entry: Sharon Martin updated the Board. Discussion was held regarding the contract with Big Sky Central Entry. A committee was formed to look into the purchase of a central entry program and report at the FINALS board meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

No old business to discuss.

NEW BUSINESS:

Discussion was held regarding the Clyde Perry suit.

Junior Sponsorships were discussed. Further discussion to take place at the FINALS board meeting.

Discussion was held regarding Insurance for the NRA/NWRA Board of Directors. The NRA/NWRA Office was asked to look into further bids.

Discussion was held regarding stop payment fees on checks that are written by the rodeo secretary for payoffs. It was moved and seconded that if the secretary gave the check to the contestant, that the secretary will cover the stop payment fee. If the check was forwarded onto the contestant by the NRA/NWRA Office, the NRA/NWRA Office will cover the stop payment fee. Any checks sent into the NRA/NWRA Office, by the rodeo secretary, will be accompanied with a list of either check numbers or issued names for the enclosed checks. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

Discussion was held regarding NRA/NWRA sponsor mentioned on NRA/NWRA Rodeo Sanctioned Form.

Discussion was held regarding the nomination procedure for the NRA Finals Pickup Men. It was moved and seconded to vote on the Finals Pickup Men by Stock Contractor Nominated Team. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Discussion was held regarding the NRA/NWRA Office. It was moved and seconded to audit the NRA books annually by September 31 by a committee. PASSED. It was moved and seconded that any new hire will be placed on a 90 day probationary period. PASSED.

Discussion was held regarding the Team Roping at White Sulpher Springs. It was moved and seconded that all those persons involved be fined \$100.00 each for violation of Rule D.14.0 page 36 of the 1999 NRA rulebook. PASSED.

Discussion was held regarding rule clarifications in the NRA rulebook. These rule clarifications will be discussed further at the FINALS meeting.

Certification of Timers was discussed. Further discussion at the FINALS meeting.

Equal Added Money was discussed.

Discussion was held regarding fees being paid before competing. The NRA/NWRA Office will do a reminder in the May Newsletter regarding the payment of fees before the last performance of the rodeo. The NRA/NWRA Office will enforce Rule A.5.23 page 29 of the 1999 NRA rulebook.

Discussion was held regarding a Draw Out fine for any rodeo.

Finals percentage split will be 25 % for the NWRA and 75 % for the NRA.

Discussion was held regarding the formation of a Rodeo Approval Committee.

Discussion was held regarding co-sanctioning a rodeo in Wyoming.

OTHER:

Discussion was held regarding Joan Campbell's calendar proposal. It was moved and seconded not to go with the proposal. PASSED.

Discussion was held regarding the Cenex Credit Card proposal. It was moved and seconded to proceed with the proposal. PASSED

Meeting Adjourned.

NWRA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Saturday, October 9, 1999
Yogo Inn
Lewistown, Montana

President Chris McQueary called the meeting to order.

Roll was taken and quorum verified. Those members present included: President, Chris McQueary; Mary Goyins, Vice President; Nancy Petersen, Director at Large; Paula Harris, Ladies Barrel Racing Director; Rhonda Kountz, Ladies Breakaway Roping; Marcey Chaffee, Advisory Board Member; Karen Miller proxied for Kris Bartholomew; Linda Hegle proxied for Mary Salmond.

Financial report was read and approved subject to audit.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

North American Rodeo Commission: Representative not present

Friends of Rodeo: Karen Miller updated the Board on Animal Rights activists activities. She thanked the membership that purchased a Friends of Rodeo membership and urged those who have not purchased a membership to do so.

Awards Program: Linda Hegle updated the Board on the 1999 Year-End awards.

NRA Finals: The NRA Finals was discussed. The NRA/NWRA Office was asked to look into the stalls for the Finals contestants. There was discussion concerning more sponsors for added money at the Finals. The number of Finals jackets were discussed. It was moved and seconded. The number of Finals jackets purchased will be fewer than previous years.

Logan Coach: Linda Hegle updated the Board.

Central Entry: Sharon Martin updated the Board. A Central Entry program was discussed. The NRA/NWRA Office was asked to look into the purchase of a Central Entry Program.

NEW BUSINESS:

Discussion was held regarding the NWRA logo.

Discussion was held regarding the Clyde Perry Suit.

Discussion was held regarding the NWRA President's term. It was moved and seconded to amend Rule B.2.1.2: Terms of directors as follows: All terms are for two years, and no candidates name shall appear on the ballot for more than one office. The Vice President, barrel racing event directors will be voted on at the end of the fiscal year in the even numbered years. The president, breakaway roping director, and NWRA Liaison Director will be voted on at the end of the fiscal year in the odd numbered years.

Discussion was held regarding the Ladies Barrel Racing points won at MontanaFair in Billings, Montana. Paula Harris, Ladies Barrel Racing director updated the Board. Alvin Wagner addressed the Board on the reasons of the Judge's decision made during MontanaFair. It was moved and seconded to let the points from MontanaFair in Billings, Montana go towards Year-End Standings. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Discussion was held regarding insurance for the Board of Directors.

Discussion was held regarding NRA/NWRA sponsors mentioned on NRA/NWRA Rodeo Sanction form.

Discussion was held regarding the NRA/NWRA Office. It was motioned and seconded to have a committee audit the NWRA books. It was moved and seconded that any new hire will be placed on a 90day probationary period. PASSED.

Discussion was held regarding rule clarifications in the NWRA rulebook. These rule clarifications will be discussed further at the FINALS board meeting.

Discussion was held regarding a active Judge on the Judging Committee.

Equal Added Money was discussed. An article thanking those committees that do have equal added money for all eight standard events will be included in the December newsletter.

Discussion was held regarding fees being paid before competing. The NRA/NWRA Office will do a reminder in the May Newsletter regarding the payment of fees before the last performance of the rodeo.

Discussion was held regarding a Draw Out Fine for any rodeo.

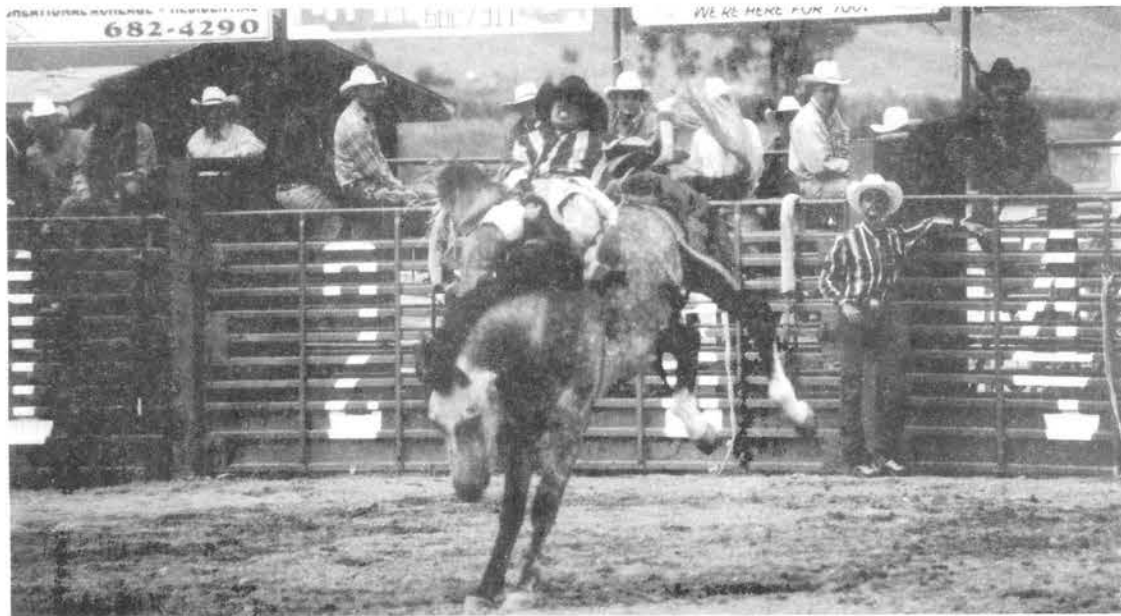
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Meeting Adjourned.



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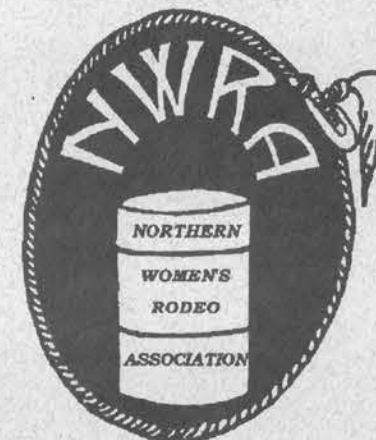


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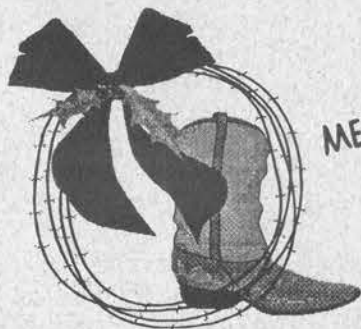
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