

## ***Palouse River Ropers Association***

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### **Winter 2008-09      *Newsletter***

#### 2008 Officers

President – Rick Fredrickson	208-883-1807
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Assn. Secretary – Erica Whitmore	208-596-8525
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Rodeo Grounds Secretary – Catherine Knock	

#### 2008 Directors

Arena Director – Dave Paul	208-773-9327
Team Roping – Curt Westberg	206-786-9411
Steer Stopping – Curt Westberg	509-455-8229
Calf Roping – Ric Rodolph	509-445-8229
Calf Stake Tying – Ric Rodolph	509-445-8229
Steer Daubing – Hal Westberg	509-397-3666
Breakaway Roping	
Adult - Kris Parkins	208-835-3550
Youth – Hailey Pearce	208-746-3971
Chute Dogging – Tom Swannack	509-235-2311
Ribbon Roping – Roy Rose	509-276-9766
Dummy Roping – John Merriott	509-299-3328
Goat Tying – Dionne Evans	509-549-3363
Calf Tracking – Talea Sunde	208-743-3674
Barrel Racing – Cindy Koschney	208-835-3550
Pole Bending – Erica Whitmore	208-835-5724

Hi Everyone,

I know it has been a long time since our last newsletter. I did not want to send one until I had a lot of information to pass along. I'm just trying to save the club some money.

**Awards Ceremony – Saturday, February 7<sup>th</sup>, 1:30 PM, Colfax Fairgrounds Community building.** (Use west entrance off Hwy 26) **PLEASE BRING A DESSERT TO SHARE! Punch & Coffee provided.**

**General Meeting & Election of Officers** - We will be discussing and voting on the following issues at our awards dinner and meeting.

#### **Rule Change proposals or additions**

- Add Goat Tail Untying for our younger members
- Eliminate Goat Tying in the 40+ ladies age group
- Replace 40+ ladies goat tying with new existing event (ex: steer daubing, chute dogging, dummy roping, etc...)
- Raise membership fees for 2010 season to \$20.00 individual, \$40.00 Family
- Change from 100% payout to 80% payout in all events. (Reason – 20% of entry fee to go toward our awards fund. Sponsorships are way down and many find it difficult to go out and ask for a donation.) Example: May 2008 Rodeo - All events entry fee Jackpot - \$3388.00 less 20% for awards - \$677.60. Some rodeos are bigger and some smaller so the amount will vary at each rodeo.

**Please do not forget a Silent Auction item to donate at the awards ceremony!**

#### 2009 Upcoming Events

#### PRRA Website

**Awards Ceremony & Meeting**  
**February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2009**  
**Colax Fairgrounds**

**Go to [www.rodeoarena.net](http://www.rodeoarena.net) and click on our link**

#### 2009 PRRA Rodeo Dates

**May 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>**  
**June 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup>**  
**July 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>**  
**August 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup>**

**Team Roping Jackpots**  
**Saturdays – 6:00 pm**  
**May 16<sup>th</sup>**  
**June 20<sup>th</sup>**  
**July 18<sup>th</sup>**  
**August 15<sup>th</sup>**

**Officers & Directors** – The following positions will be up for election at our meeting for the 2009-2010 seasons.

- **Officers – President, Vice President**
- **The position of Secretary/Treasurer is also open.** This is an appointed position. If anyone is interested please contact one of the officers listed at the top of this newsletter.
- **Directors** – Breakaway Roping, Dummy Roping, Barrel Racing, Ribbon Roping, Calf Tracking, Steer Stopping, Arena Director and possibly Team Roping director for a one year term.

**Auction items** – We ask that all members please donate a nice auction item to be in our silent or live auction which will be held during our awards dinner. This is the first fund-raiser for the 2009 season and helps us tremendously. If you will not be attending the awards dinner you can send your item with a friend or mail it to the PRRA office.

**2009 Memberships Dues** - We will be taking **memberships for 2009** at our awards dinner. If you join that day your name will be put in our **drawing for a one-year free membership**. Individual dues are \$15.00 and family dues are \$35.00 for the year. You can also send me your membership dues before December 1st and I will put your name in the drawing. If your membership information has not changed I will not need a new membership form, but if you are adding a new member or have moved I will need a new form.

**Awards/ Sponsors** – Thank you very much to **ALL** who donated or went out and received sponsors for us this year! Not surprising this year that our Award sponsorship is way down. It's a tough year for everyone. With that in mind please remember our awards committee is working hard to bring our winners some nice awards with a tight budget. It is a tough job! We can only spend what we have made or had donated for 2008.

### **Two Day Rodeos**

We have been discussing the possibility of holding our rodeos over 2 days. The days get long & hot (usually hot but always long) at a one day rodeo and we run out of helpers toward the end. We hope going to 2 days would make it easier on everyone that helps run the show. We need everyone to help out that can. If this does not work out we will need to stay with one all day rodeo.

We may be discussing this at our General Meeting in February.

### **2008 Buckle Sponsors**

**M4 Ranch  
Mac & Karen Mills**

**77 Ranch  
Holli & Ray Bafus**

**A & W Auto Sales  
Cle Elum, WA**

**Shirley Bennett & Bill Marmon**

**Tom Gregg Family**

**East Gate Chiropractic  
Jason & Julie Fisher  
Lewiston, ID**

**Louis & Penny Barker  
Central Point, OR**