



Palouse River Ropers Association

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Spring Newsletter 2009

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Hello Everyone,

Sorry for taking so long to get this out but with the new changes, and this being my first newsletter I wanted to make sure that everything is in place so thank you all for being so patient.

Well, we had our awards banquet and meeting, and everyone survived.

Congrats!!! To all of our award winners! We had awesome awards!!!

Thanks to those of you who took place on the awards committee.

We had a silent/ live auction, and a 50/50 raffle that were great, with the 2 fundraisers and renewed memberships the PRRA made \$1873.00.

How fun is a 50/50 raffle, you get half the pot! \$500 = \$250 to PRRA and \$250 to the winner!!!

I hope that we can put some 50/50 raffles into effect @ our rodeos and our Jackpots, I think it is an easy and exciting way to earn money for our association and someone who donates could win a good size chunk of change\$!!!

Moving on,

Upcoming Events

Directors Meeting
March 15th 11:00 am,
@ the Harvester in Spangle
WA

2009 PRRA Rodeo Dates

May 16th & 17th
June 20th & 21st
July 18th & 19th
August 15th & 16th

Team Roping Jackpots

Breakaway Jackpots

Saturday Evenings

May 16th

June 20th

July 18th

August 15th

(Details will be released @
later date)

We had some major discussions about what was being proposed for the 2009 rodeo season, the main topic being weather or not we are going to a 2 day rodeo, and if we do go to a 2 day rodeo, if we are going to split events or 2 full event days, This topic took up most of the meeting time but, we did put it all to a vote and here are the results.

Rule Change Proposals

1. Two day rodeo Pick Events or a full event schedule - discussion

1st vote was to have 2 day rodeo

Majority vote yes

2nd vote was full events on both days or split events

Majority vote was to split events

3rd vote was to have directors choose which events will run on which day.

Majority was yes

During this discussion people voiced opinions about what they thought would happen with the PRRA

2. Must compete at all 4 rodeos for awards Pass **(Fail)**

Stay the same

3. Split 17+ men's calf roping - 17-39 & 40+ (no handicap) (Pass) Fail

4. Eliminate 60 plus all-around award Pass Fail eliminate

Moved to vote on 5 and eliminate 4

5. Must be at least 2 contestants with points from at least 2 events for a 60 plus All Around award to be given. **(Pass)** Fail

6. Add Goat Tail untying for our younger members **(Pass)** Fail

7. Eliminate Goat tying from the 40+ Ladies age group Pass Fail eliminate

Moved to vote on 8 and eliminate 7

8. Replace 40+ Ladies Goat tying with an existing event **(Pass)** Fail Event steer daubing

(fair for all ladies even those that do not rope)

9. Raise membership fees for 2010 season to \$20.00 individual & \$40 family. **(Pass)** Fail

10. Change from 100% payout to 80% payout in all events. Pass **(Fail)**

Voted to have members prepay an award fee

Reason: 20% of entry fees to go toward our awards fund. Sponsorships are down (economy) & many find it difficult to go out and ask for a donation.

Example: May 2008 Rodeo

Entry fee Jackpot from all events - \$3388.00

20% for awards - \$677.00

Rodeo size varies so amount will be different each month.

So with all that being said, we want to thank everyone for having an open mind and an open heart about all the up coming changes for the 2009 rodeo season, because we all know that change is one of the hardest things to do, but with change comes amazing opportunities so thank you once again.

There will be a directors meeting March 15th @ 11:00 am @ the Harvester Restaurant in Spangle, WA. They have a good size meeting room and food is also available so people can eat lunch, brunch, or what have you.

General member ship is welcome for input. The directors will take in to consideration all input and make the best possible decisions for the PRRA and its events.

If you are not able to attend and want to give some input or thoughts please contact one of your directors or officers via phone or e-mail. **For that is why we have directors and officers in place to represent everyone, that is why we put it to a membership vote. The final decisions will be by the directors of the PRRA as per the vote on Feb. 7, 2009**

One more thing we all need to pull together for Sponsors, attached is a sponsor form. With the concern of the economy we realize that some might think that others are not spending, but in turn, donations are a huge tax write off, so most business's look @ donations that way, so we can not prejudge, we will not know unless we ask.

What's the worst thing that can happen? Just a two letter word No, and that's okay, the effort is what counts!

So thank you, I know as a group we can get the sponsors that we need for the 2009 rodeo season.

So if any one has any questions please don't hesitate to contact us.

If we don't see you in March, we will see you in May, and have a wonderful spring see you soon.

CindyLee

Make a positive attitude a way of life.

Be of love a little more careful then of everything else. *-e.e. cummings-*

I have decided to be happy because it is good for ones health. *-voltaire-*





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We are reaching out today to give you the opportunity to help support one of the fastest growing sports in the world, Rodeo. The Palouse River Ropers Association (PRRA) is a non-profit organization that gives rodeo contestants, and their family, a chance to compete at their own comfort level, as family, from beginner to the most experienced. Our age groups range from, 7 & under all the way to, 40 and over, truly a family affair.

We are looking for your help and support for PRRA. We would like to invite you to help us by being a sponsor. Your business would get exposure throughout the Palouse, Spokane County and the LC Valley. PRRA members encompass southeastern Washington along with Nez Perce and Clearwater counties in Idaho, we even have some members that come from the Tri-Cities, Western Washington and Oregon. Members compete in events that are held at the Palouse Empire Fairgrounds in Colfax, WA.

The PRRA holds four rodeos during the summer months. Members receive accumulative points for each event competed in during the rodeo season. Year-end awards are given at the end of the season during an awards banquet based on points accumulated in each event. Donations from sponsors will support year-end awards for PRRA members.

For your PRRA sponsorship you will receive the following:

- Advertisement on our website, rodeoarena.net
- Advertisement in PRRA daily rodeo event program
- Buckle Sponsors will receive advertisement over the intercom at rodeos.
- Buckle Sponsors will receive advertisement in our PRRA Newsletters.

Your support is sincerely appreciated. We look forward to hearing from you. For more information or if you are interested in being a sponsor you may reach us at the above-listed phone numbers or e-mail address, or to the person who gave this letter to you.

Sincerely,

Palouse River Ropers

Membership Form
Year _____

Legal Name: _____ Birthday: _____

Mailing Address: _____ City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____ Phone #: _____ e-mail: _____

Family Members (spouse/children under the age of 18)

Birthday

Name _____

Name _____

Name _____

Name _____

Name _____

P.R.R.A. Release Form

As a member of the Palouse River Ropers Association (P.R.R.A.), I hereby agree that I will abide by all rules and regulations of the P.R.R.A., further I hereby release and hold harmless the P.R.R.A., all member stock contractors, employees of the same, and any or all persons in anyway connected with P.R.R.A. events/activities from losses, damages or injury to myself, my property and every minor person who accompanies me, resulting from participation in any or all Palouse River Ropers Association events/activities.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

New Members – Proof Of Age is required with application (Birth Certificate, Drivers License or Show legal proof of age to two approved members and sign “Proof Of Age Form”.

Current Members – Proof Of Age is on File. Do not need unless otherwise requested.

Note: If any applicant or family member is a minor (under 18 years of age) this Release must be signed by a legal guardian and Notarized.

Minor Release

I hereby swear to the above release and unconditionally give my permission for the above named minor(s) to compete in P.R.R.A. events/activities.

Legal Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Notary Seal

Notary Name: _____

Commission Expires: _____

Notary Signature: _____

Date: _____

Dues: Individual -\$20.00 _____ Family-\$40.00 _____

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