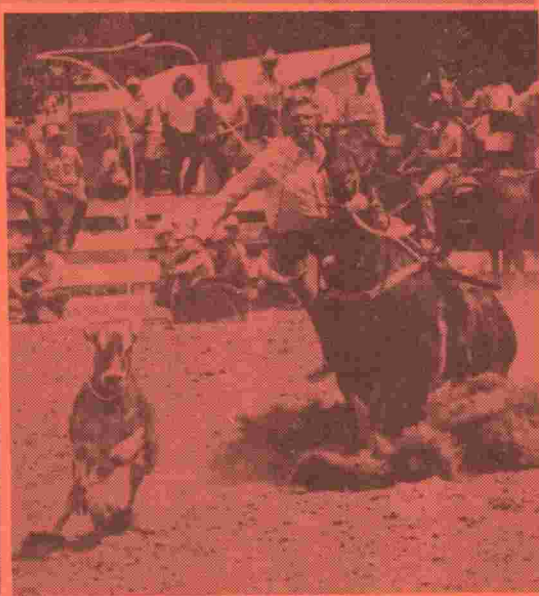
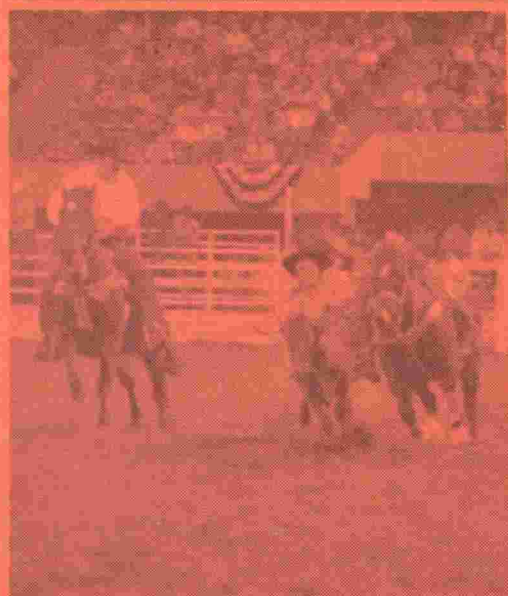
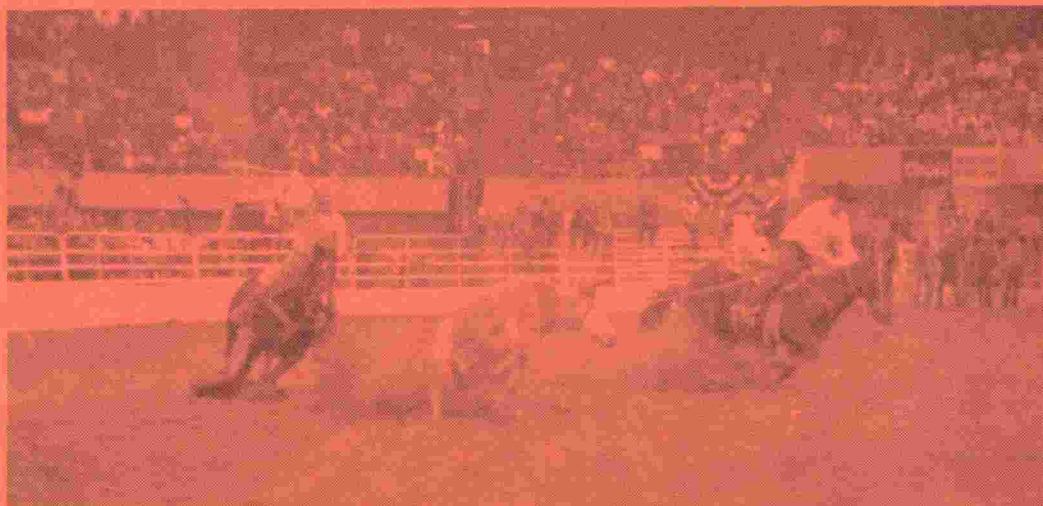


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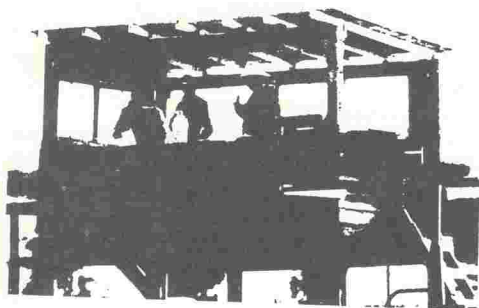
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From the Crow's Nest



Dear members;

It really must be spring. The little critters running around our place blating for their moms or a bottle attest to the fact that the new life springs forth, along with buds and green grass, bringing hope for better things to come.

Time now to start planning your rodeo season, for this year in the NRA some changes are coming about that require you to read and study the information in this issue. The initiation of the use of central entry to enter ALL NRA approved rodeos is the greatest change. Published in this issue are the directions on just exactly how to enter a rodeo and the information you will need. Pass this issue around to any non-members who plan to join the NRA this year. Let's all pitch in to make the central entry a big success.

You will notice that in the rodeo listings four telephone numbers are listed. However, you need only dial the first number listed to get an answer. This number is a "rotating number," that is, if you dial that number and it is busy, your call will automatically switch to one of the other numbers. **REMEMBER THIS NUMBER FOR ENTERING RODEOS IN 1984: 406-428-2205.**

And while you're planning your rodeo season, how about paying your dues NOW before the first rodeo to avoid all that last minute paperwork. A membership application is printed in this issue. Use it, filling in all information accurately, including the address you will use to get your newsletter, checks, etc. Keep this in mind: the Postal Service by law is not required to deliver any piece of mail which does not contain a complete address, such as post office box, route number, etc. I realize that your local postal workers in most cases will take your mail with only a town given as an address, but they aren't required to do so, and many times don't, and your newsletter might be pitched in the nearest round file as the result of an incomplete address. Please let us know if you move because your newsletter is NOT FORWARDED.

Thank you for your comments on the Finals issue which came out in March. The year 1967 was inadvertently left out of the past champions, but it is published in this issue for your convenience.

Newsletters will be coming to you now on a monthly basis until rodeo season is over. Everyone involved — cowboys, stock contractors, committee people, contract people — are asked to get information to us in time to get it out to the membership. According to our research it takes about a week for the newsletter to reach everyone in Montana after it is mailed from Choteau, and it takes a week or more to print it, so please plan ahead and don't get caught in a time squeeze.

Next issue will contain a calendar of the summer containing rodeo dates. If you have anything to be included in this calendar, send it to us now.

Tootie and Stan Rasmussen, Editors

Stock Contractors And Central Entry

On Monday evenings, Sharon Martin of the Big Sky Rodeo Central Entry service, would like the stock contractors to call her office at **406-428-2398 AFTER 8 P.M.** to see how many contestants are entered in the rodeo. At that time she would like the stock contractors to instruct her how many contestants in each event they want in each performance and slack, and also how they would like the program set up. Stock contractors are also welcome to call on Tuesday evenings after 8 p.m. to see how many draw outs there are.

The Central Entry service will mail the program, contestant list with fees, judges and timers sheets. They will receive these by Thursday of the rodeo. She will need a name and address of where this information should be sent. She can modify this to fit your specific rodeo.

Local Committees And Central Entry

Committees are asked to advertise the Central Entry numbers in and the entry closing date in the local paper for **LOCAL ENTRIES**, or committees have the option of having someone locally take all of the local entries and call them into the Central Entry office before entries close.

The committees will receive a program, contestant list with fees, judges and timers sheets. All this can be modified to fit your specific rodeo.

NARC NEWS

The North American Rodeo Commission (NARC), together with the Adolph Coors Company of Golden, Colo. is again sponsoring the North American Finals Rodeo (NARF) on Nov. 14 through 18, 1984 at the Denver Coliseum. This is the 7th Annual Finals.

NARC, headquartered in Billings, Mont. is a rodeo organization comprised of 25 regional and statewide rodeo organizations from 35 states, four Canadian provinces, and Australia.

NARC coordinates the associations into one large membership organization and invites the top three athletes from each event from each association to compete at the Denver Finals.

Seventy-five contestants in each of the seven rodeo events — a total of 600 cowboys and cowgirls, will compete at the Finals for Circle Y saddles and trophy buckles. In addition, the Adolph Coors Company is offering \$50,000 in purse money and almost \$50,000 in indirect support at the Finals to pay for awards, stock rental and other items.

Over 20 stock contractors from the member regional associations will furnish some of the best bucking stock in the nation for the Coors North American Finals Rodeo. People who are knowledgeable about bucking stock, claim the pen of bucking horses and bulls put together for the Coors North American Finals Rodeo is probably the best assortment of bucking stock put together each year in this country. The contractors are requested to bring their stoutest bucking animals and they do that. At most association finals the contestants have a hand in selection of the bucking stock and often some of the ranker animals are left behind. This is not so at the Coors North American Finals Rodeo.

Cowboy check-in and a contestant meeting is scheduled for Monday, Nov. 12, 1984 with the first go-around to begin on the morning of Nov. 13. The first paid performance will be Wednesday evening, Nov. 14 with additional performances on the evenings of Nov. 15 and 16, with afternoon and evening performances on Saturday, Nov. 17. The final championship performance featuring the top 12 contestants in each event is scheduled for Sunday afternoon, Nov. 18.

The rodeo will have two complete go-arounds and the best 12 in each event based upon scores and times from the first two go-arounds will qualify for the final go-around on Sunday afternoon.

On Sunday morning, prior to the the championship performance, the top 12 contestants in each event will be introduced to the membership at a special Sunday morning breakfast at rodeo headquarters.

Adolph Coors Company of Golden, Colo. renewed their commitment to regional rodeo in early February by signing an expanded promotional contract with the North American Rodeo Commission for 1984.

In its seventh year with NARC, Coors has promised \$165,000 in cash to be handed out to the regional rodeo association. A portion of that cash will be given as prize money at the seventh annual Coors North American Rodeo Finals, scheduled for Nov. 14-18 at the Denver Coliseum.

According to Bryan Lonski, the NARC executive secretary, approximately 50 percent of the rodeo committees within the Coors marketing territory will directly benefit from the Coors promotion. The regional associations will receive \$200 from Coors through NARC for a designated number of rodeos in their association. This \$200 is provided as an incentive for the association management, the rodeo committee and the Coors distributor to get together and determine additional ways of providing publicity and support for the rodeo in conjunction with the Coors distributor.

Lonski said a total of 225 rodeos throughout Coors marketing territory in the United States will benefit from this promotion. Each association is allowed to designate approximately 50 percent of the rodeos that they have each year to participate in this program.

In exchange for support through the Coors company, rodeo committees and the association management agree to promote Coors by various means. This includes the hanging of Coors banners within or adjacent to the arena, a presentation of a Coors flag during the opening pageantry and the use by the membership of Coors contestant numbers. In addition the announcer is requested to comment on the support of the Adolph Coors Company for regional rodeo.

As part of the 1984 contract, the Adolph Coors Company is handing out \$1,000 to each of the NARC associations in their marketing territory to be used at the Finals rodeo for each association. The regional associations will work with the local distributor to acquire additional publicity and promotion assistance for each regional finals.

In addition to the cash promotions, Lonski said that the Adolph Coors Company through their distributor network will probably spend well over \$300,000 in promotion of local rodeos. These moneys will be spent through awards, promotional assistance, and any other means available to the distributor to help publicize their product through the support of regional rodeo.

NRA To Use Central Entry Service

The Board of Directors at their March 1984 meeting voted to implement the use of central entry service for the 1984 rodeo season. Each NRA approved rodeo will be required to use this central entry.

Two Central Entry Services presented their programs to the General Membership meeting and the Board of Directors meetings during the Finals in February. At their March meeting in Bozeman the board voted to contract with the Big Sky Rodeo Central Entry, owned and operated by Sharon Martin of Lewistown.

Sharon has been a rodeo secretary for a number of years and is familiar with the NRA and its entry procedures. The central entry is a service not only to the cowboys, but also to the local committees, their secretaries, and the stock contractors.

Four telephone lines will be used. Dial the first number listed, 406-428-2205, and if that number is busy, the "rotating number" system will automatically switch your call to one of the other numbers. **THE NUMBER TO REMEMBER IS 406-428-2205.**

Big Sky Central Entry will utilize the services of a computer and therefore it shouldn't matter how early or late in the day that you call in order to get your preferences or to get entered at several different rodeos. The computer will also provide the local secretary with an alphabetized list of contestants entered at that rodeo, Timer's Sheets, Judge's Sheets, etc.

Entries will be open from 10 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. on every Monday; Call Backs will be from 12 noon to 6:30 p.m. every Tuesday, **UNLESS OTHERWISE ADVERTISED.** Please read the individual rodeo listings to make sure when the entries are open, because not all rodeos will employ the Monday entry opening, Tuesday call back procedure.

Cost of the Central Entry Service is \$3.50 per contestant per rodeo, payable at the rodeo with your fees. Local secretaries will be required to collect this fee and send it in to the NRA office with the three percent money and the results.

Big Sky Central Entry will have someone in the office Wednesday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. for **LATE CALL BACKS** or further information. **Late call backs will cost \$2.50 extra. Please call 406-428-2398 for this information.**

Cowboys and Cowgirls are asked to give the following information when entering an NRA rodeo this year, with the central entry:

1. Name of rodeo you wish to enter
2. Your N.R.A. Card Number
3. Your Name
4. The event or events you want to enter
5. Preferences when you want to be up. Please give two.
6. Name of buddy or buddies, if you wish to buddy. "Two per event, six total."
7. If Multi-Rodeo weekend, give information for each rodeo you wish to enter.
8. All entries and call backs are recorded on tape.
9. Every conversation will be given a verification number.
10. **You MUST HAVE THIS VERIFICATION NUMBER if there are any questions regarding your entry or call back.**

After entries close, all entries are drawn randomly by the computer and listed in the order drawn. The contestants are set up in the rodeo according to their preferences as much as possible. If there are two or more rodeos on the same weekend, the contestants who cannot be given their preferences will be traded out, so they can make both/all rodeos entered. Every contestant will be **GUARANTEED** to make **ALL RODEOS ENTERED**, but not always exactly the way he enters them.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call Sharon Martin, 428-2398. Her address is Box 4258 Gilt Edge Route, Lewistown, Mont. 59457.

Board of Directors Meeting

MARCH 3, 1984 – CITY CITY MOTEL, BOZEMAN, MONTANA

President Ed Waldhauser called the meeting to order. Minutes of the February 4, 1984 Board of Directors meeting were read and approved. The financial statement was read and approved.

Roll was called. Those members present included: Ed Waldhauser, Lois Hill, Mike Lenning, Vivian Mefford, Butch Bratsky, Danny Cross, Bill Davis, Tom Holland, Gary Wilhelm, Glen Hough, Kent Mosher, Dale Small, Janet Endecott, Danny Halvorson, Bob Gravely.

The central entry issue was opened for discussion. The pros, cons, committee viewpoints, feedback from membership, stock contractors' views, possible limited implementation for 1984 was discussed. Tabled until later in the meeting.

Lord Calvert sponsorship was brought up. The program was explained at the Board of Directors and general membership meetings held at the Finals. Jim Beeman will be the on-site man for Lord Calvert in Montana. Calverts looks at the state from a marketable standpoint. Montana is the seventh state of Calvert participation. The program includes ten rodeos for 1984, expanding to 15 for the following year, and 20 the third year, if the program works well. The NRA will receive \$450 per rodeo, with \$45 awarded to the stock contractor, \$45 to the announcer, and \$40 to each sanctioned event. The events to be drawn for a particular performance and the contestant with the highest marked ride/fastest time for that event for that performance to be awarded the \$40. The on-site man, Jim Beeman, will work directly with the committee for the selected rodeo, and will be present at the rodeo. He will also inform the office on his committee contacts. Calverts will award Finals buckles to the Finals event champions, and the program also includes bronzes for stock awards. Tom Holland moved that the Northern Rodeo Association accept the Calvert's proposal for 1984. Mike Lenning seconded. Passed.

The subject of a computer in the NRA office was discussed. The computer would keep the standings and rodeo results, membership list, post books, etc. Bill Davis moved that the amount of \$5,000 be appropriated toward the purchase of a computer. Mike Lenning seconded. Passed. A committee of Tom Holland, Butch Bratsky, Ed Waldhauser and Glen Hough was appointed to look into it.

Memberships to state high school champions and Big Sky Region Intercollegiate champions was brought up. Kent Mosher moved that the Northern Rodeo Association award 1984 memberships to the event champions and queens (if applicable) of the High School and Big Sky Region College Champions. Butch Bratsky seconded. Passed. The NRA requests recognition in the official publications of both the high school and college associations.

BREAK

Junior entry fees were addressed. The contestants would like to see a minimum of \$10 for entry fees. Discussion followed. Gary Wilhelm moved that the minimum entry fee for all Junior Events be \$10. Lois Hill seconded. Passed.

A junior barrel racing and junior breakaway roping saddle will be awarded to the event champion of these two events. Ed Grebe and Gary Wilhelm will be totally responsible for these saddles, i.e., order saddles, get donors/sponsors, etc., handle the financing.

Lois Hill moved that the sponsors of the Junior Barrel Racing saddle and Junior Breakaway Roping saddle receive a total of one-half page for the listing of these donors and advertising in the Newsletter. Tom Holland seconded. Passed.

Junior events scheduling during the Finals rodeo was brought up. The juniors would like to be included in the performances. Discussion followed. George Runquist will be contacted by the Junior event director/representatives. Outcome to be brought back to the October Board of Directors meeting.

Meeting attendance of the directors and representatives was discussed. Directors: if you will be unable to attend a Board of Directors meeting, one of your representatives is to be present to represent your event. See page 4, No. 16, 1983 rule book.

The request by Todd Sanders to be approved as a NRA stock contractor was brought up. Neither Mr. Sanders nor a representative was present at the meeting to address the issue.

Stock contractor approval was opened for discussion. There have been several inquiries for stock contractor approval in the NRA. The board felt that the NRA has, at present, seven approved stock contractors and a limited number of rodeos. Butch Bratsky moved that in addition to a committee appointed by the President to inspect the stock, a contractor requesting approval must (1) post a \$10,000 surety bond with the NRA; (2) will be placed on a one year probationary period; (3) stock will be ineligible for participation at the Finals rodeo for this one year probationary period, and (4) bring into the association a minimum of three rodeos not approved by the Northern Rodeo Association the preceding year. Danny Cross seconded. Passed.

Mishandling of pay-off funds was addressed. Tom Holland moved that any mishandling of funds or issuing of fraudulent checks by a stock contractor, secretary or rodeo committee will require the posting of a \$10,000 surety bond or \$10,000 cash bond with the NRA before they will be allowed to participate in another NRA approved rodeo. Lois Hill seconded. Passed.

Tom Holland moved that the NRA provide health insurance for Jann Johnson at a cost of \$50 per month. Butch Bratsky seconded. Passed.

Glen Hough and Ed Waldhauser went through the additions/deletions that have been made in the rule book by board decision. Some of the rulings needed clarification. Glen Hough moved that the Board of Directors accept these changes and the board granted authority to Cinde Barthelmess and Butch Bratsky to clarify the rulings in their particular event for inclusion in the new edition of the rule book. Tom Holland seconded. Passed.

Coors rodeo program was discussed. The Coors \$200 rodeos will be handled as in 1983, with \$100 going to the rodeo committee and \$100 staying in the association for use as added money at the Finals.

Window stickers displaying the NRA logo has been looked into. Tom Holland moved that the NRA purchase the window stickers and be distributed to each member upon purchase of their NRA card for 1984, with additional stickers available at 25 cents each. Dale Small seconded. Passed.

Central Entry was re-opened for board discussion. Much discussion followed. Danny Cross moved that the Northern Rodeo Association implement Central Entry for 1984, and any and all sanctioned rodeos will be included in the Central Entry. Lois Hill seconded. Passed.

Discussion on who was to contract the NRA Central Entry followed. Lois Hill moved that Sharon Martin handle the Central Entry for the NRA in 1984 with a contract being drawn up by the NRA attorney which will handle the specifics of the Central Entry. Tom Holland seconded. Passed.

Meeting adjourned.

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1984 RULE BOOK CHANGES

Following are the changes to be put in the 1984 rule book. All underlined items are changes. They are additions if not stated otherwise.

Page one: OK

Page 2: Article II, No. 2: All terms are for two years, and no candidate's name shall appear on the ballot for more than one office. All the candidates named on the ballot shall be appointed by a nominating committee. President, vice president, steer wrestling director, bull riding director, junior events director, **three committee directors from east**, and team roping director will be voted on at the end of the fiscal year in the even numbered year; calf roping director, ladies barrel race director, ladies breakaway roping director, saddle bronc riding director, bareback riding director, stock contractor director, **and three committee directors from the west**, will be voted on at the end of the fiscal year in the odd numbered years.

Page 3: OK

Page 4: OK

Page 5: Article IV, No. 2: All rodeo secretaries, timers, announcer, pickup men, clowns, stock contractors, judges, **hazers**, and contesting cowboys must be members of the Association. One hometown rodeo may be worked without joining the Association if definite residence is established.

Page 6: OK

Page 7: No. 20: A sponsoring rodeo committee is a member of the NRA [~~delete MRA~~] with one vote per committee at the general membership meeting.

Page 7: Article V, No. 3: A minimum of \$50 purse a performance in all adult events is required with a minimum of \$35 entry fees per person, per event, plus stock charge of \$4.00 per adult event [$\frac{1}{2}$ per man in the TR], and \$1 judges fee, except in the ladies barrel racing event **where electric eye charges apply**.

Page 8: OK

Page 9: (continued from the bottom of page eight). The member shall be fined a minimum of \$10 or 10% of the amount of the check, plus the amount of the check, **whichever is greater**.

Page 10: No. 11. Delete entire rule and put in its place the following: **Any mis-handling of funds or issuing of fraudulent checks by a stock contractor, secretary, or rodeo committee, will require the posting of a \$10,000 surety bond or \$10,000 cash bond with the NRA before they will be allowed to participate in another NRA approved rodeo.**

Page 11: No. 21. Contestants must be on

hand to answer the call of the arena director and must comply with all other rules of the management of each particular contest or exhibition. **When in the opinion of the arena director, certain contestants must compete either before or after a performance, a list of these contestants must be posted in a prominent place at least during the previous performance. DELETE ALL UNDERLINED.**

Page 12: OK

Page 13: No. 40, add to ruling so that the rule reads as such: Contractor must be approved by the board of directors and have his stock inspected by a designated committee appointed by the Association president. **A stock contractor requesting approval must: [1] Post a \$10,000 surety bond with the NRA. [2] Will be placed on a one year probationary period. [3] Stock will be ineligible for participation at the Finals rodeo for this one year probationary period, and, [4] bring into the Association a minimum of three rodeos not approved by the NRA the preceding year.**

No. 41. **Any Stock Contractor not participating in the year-end Northern Rodeo Association Finals rodeo with all of their elected stock, will be ineligible to receive rough stock of the year awards.**

Page 13: 2. POINT AWARDS AND PAYOFF. No. 3. A rodeo will pay day money if there is a minimum payoff of \$2,500 per event, \$5,000 in the team roping after call backs. (Delete "when entries close")

Page 14: Day money Formula

Example: There are 15 contestants in that performance with \$40 entry fees = $\$600 \div 2 = \$300 - 3\% [\$9] = \291 [15 contestants provides for 50%, 30%, 20% split]

Day Money = $\frac{1}{2}$ entry fees.

All added money to be figured in the overall payoff to event winners.

DETERMINATION OF DAY MONEY:

The 3% will be taken off the total payoff before determining if day money will be paid.

Page 15: (move the "NOTE" from page 49 (back cover) to No. 11, page 15: Payoff is to be followed exactly as stated in the rule book, regardless of circumstances. **Example: Two contestants entered in an event. Both place in that event. First place to receive 40%, second place to receive 30%, the remaining 20% and 10% of payoff will be ground split between the two contestants.**

No. 12, Page 15: (Move TR payoff example from back cover) **TEAM ROPING PAYOFF EXAMPLE: 21 teams x \$80 entry fee [$\40 per man] = $\$1680 - 3\% [\$50.40] = \$1628.60 \div 2 = \814.80 . Therefore, there will be five [5] places**

1984 RULE BOOK CHANGES

paid in the team roping event. In other words, divide in half the total amount to determine the number of places to be paid.

No. 13, page 15: Contestants are responsible for paying of entry fees prior to the payoff at the rodeo at which they compete. Non-payment of entry fees will result in payment of the fees plus a fine equal to the fees.

No. 14, page 15: **WHEN a contestant turns out, if a contestant's fees are paid at the rodeo and included in the payoff for that rodeo, a fine will be assessed equaling $\frac{1}{2}$ [one-half] the entry fee. If a contestant's fees are not included in the payoff, he will be responsible for a fine equal to his fees, plus fees. Fine monies are not included in the payoff. All fine monies collected are to be sent to the NRA Office.**

Page 16: No. 3: Barrier equipment must be inspected before each timed event. If equipment is faulty, it must be replaced. Should barrier break at any point other than the designated breaking point, contestant must take stock over. A 10 second penalty will be added for breaking or beating the barrier.

Page 16: No. 5: **Neck rope** (delete automatic) barrier will be used in all timed events. (delete: where possible)

No. 9 **DELETE ENTIRE RULING**

No. 3 **DELETE ENTIRE RULING.**

Page 17: No. 12. **DELETE ENTIRE RULING.**

No. 4: The rodeo office must be open at least eight hours before entry closing time. The rodeo secretary must list number in the newsletter. **DELETE: As rodeo office with no phone number given ... [to end of ruling].**

Page 18: No. 9. If a team roper's partner ... provided that person isn't partnered in the TR.

Page 19: No. 6, No. 2: No shows are not figured into the payoffs (delete until collected) and add: **unless collected at a rodeo no showed.**

Add: No. 2a. **Doctor releases in the team roping cover both partners. The partner not covered by the doctor release has the option to find a partner for that rodeo, or be covered by the other's doctor release.**

Move entire "POSTING MARKINGS" section from pages 25 and continued on page 26, to page 18, to follow No. 12 on page 18, and number accordingly.

Page 18: also ADD: (number accordingly): **The time and place of the stock draw will be made available upon request of the cowboy at the time of callbacks.**

Page 20: 7, No. 1: All stock in contest events must be drawn by number by a judge, including team roping cattle. **The time and place**

of the stock draw will be made available upon request of the cowboy at the time of call backs.

Page 21: No. 2: Stock in timed events shall be drawn by either judge of that event, not more than one hour before the performance, at the roping chute or in immediate area. **DELETE THE REST OF THE RULING.**

Page 22: OK

Page 23: No. 9. **If in the opinion of the judges, a rider is fouled at the gate, a reride may be given or the spurring out rule may be waived, providing the contestant declares himself.**

Page 24: No. 15. If barrier flag man is used, animal is to be flagged when crossing starting, or deadline, in front of flag with same. Cattle may be lined by only one man **to score line.**

No. 18: If in the judge's opinion, barrier equipment or automatic barrier fails to work or contestant is fouled by barrier neck rope, **only neck rope may cause foul**, the contestant or team must be re-run. They must take animal over during or immediately after the same performance. Management is responsible for seeing that neck rope is on properly.

Page 25: Entire "POSTING MARKINGS" section to follow secretaries on page 18.

Page 26: Continuation of "POSTING MARKINGS" section moved to secretaries on page 18.

No. 1: **Rerides may be given only when stock fails to break, STOPS, or fouls the rider, or at the judge's discretion if the flank breaks or comes off providing the contestant has made a qualified ride up until that time.** The Association board of directors has the right to declare any stock unsatisfactory, and any stock so declared will be taken from the draw. Contestants shall not influence the judges by asking for a reride at any time.

Page 27: No. 5. If flank comes off, a reride may be given at the discretion of the judges and on the same animal at the discretion of the stock contractor, provided the contestant has made a qualified ride **up until that time.**

Page 28: OK

Page 29: OK

Page 30: No. 5. To qualify, rider must have spurs over the breaks of the shoulders and touching horse when horse's **front** feet hits the ground the first step outside of the plane of the chute gate.

Page 31: No. 12. **If flank comes off, a reride may be given at the discretion of the judges and on the same animal at the discretion of the stock contractor, provided the contestant has made a qualified ride up until that time.**

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No. 13. Riders who are knocked off at chute or when animal falls out of chute, or the rider is fouled, the rider will be entitled to a reride at the discretion of the judge.

Page 32: No. 2. To qualify, rider must have spurs over the break of the shoulders and touching horse when horse's front feet hits the ground the first step outside of the plane of the chute gate.

Page 33: OK

Page 34: OK

Page 35: No. 13. Riders who are knocked off at the chute, or when the animal falls out of the chute, or the rider is fouled, the rider will be entitled to a reride at the discretion of the judge.

No. 14. If the flank breaks or comes off in the riding events, and the contestant makes a qualified ride up until that time, he has the option of a reride.

Page 36: OK

Page 37: No. 1. Neck ropes must be tied with string or rubber bands. No metal snaps or hardware shall be used on neck ropes in the timed events. Management is responsible to see that neck rope is placed on calf properly.

No. 16. Calves may be lined by only one mine to score line.

Page 38: No. 5. Neck ropes must be tied with string or rubber bands. No metal snaps or hardware shall be used on neck ropes in timed events. It is management's responsibility to see that neck rope is placed on steer properly.

Page 39: OK

Page 40: No. 20 Cattle may be lined by only one person to scoreline.

Page 41: No. 12. Neck ropes must be tied with string or rubber bands. No metal snaps or hardware shall be used on neck ropes in the timed events. It is management's responsibility to see that neck rope is placed on steer properly.

Page 42: No. 18. If a team roper's partner doesn't show up at the rodeo, he may obtain a partner from the membership of the Association, provided that person isn't already partnered in the team roping. If two contestants enter the team roping separately as two teams, and they end up roping together, they are still responsible for a partner's entry fee.

No. 20. Cattle may be lined by only one person to the scoreline.

No. 21. In order to compete at the NRA Finals rodeo, a contestant must have purchased a card and competed in that event at a Northern Rodeo Association approved rodeo the current Finals rodeo season.

Page 43: INSERT DIAGRAM BELOW:



(BARREL MARKER)

Diagram 2

Page 44: OK

Page 45: Continuation of rule No. 1 from page 44: foot of rope out of the ground. The barrels will be set on the inside edge of the pattern of the stakes, with the outside edge of the barrel on the stakes, as shown by diagram number 2, page 43.

No. 2. The timer posts in the arena will be placed on the permanently marked spots on the score line, a maximum distance of 140 [one hundred forty] feet apart. At no time will the electric eye be set inside the pattern of the first two barrels.

Page 45: No. 3. If an electric eye timer malfunctions for 51 percent of any one performance, then flag times will be used for entire rodeo. In the event the timer fails to work for an event and it is paid off on manual times, the timer charge collected will not be paid to the timer operator. It will be sent to the NRA office along with the results to be refunded at year-end to the contestants who paid the charge.

Page 46: No. 4. When roping mulie cattle, the rope must pass over the animal's head and come tight on the neck (Behind the ears, in front of front legs) and break away. Catching legs or a tail in the loop will be considered an illegal catch. When roping horned cattle, the legal head catches are horn catch, half head catch, or a neck catch, as explained in the team roping legal catches.

Page 47: No. 8. The minimum entry fee for all junior events will be \$10.

**New Section "FINALS."
Qualifications**

1. The top ten money winners in adult events in the overall Association standings will be eligible to compete at Finals rodeo. If, any person in the top ten will be unable to compete the numerical standings will be used to fill any positions.

2. In order to compete at the NRA Finals rodeo, a contestant must have purchased a membership card and competed in that event at a Northern Rodeo Association approved rodeo the current Finals rodeo season.

3. Junior members are eligible to compete at the Finals rodeo if they have won money in the

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particular event throughout the year.

Finals Personnel:

The rough stock Judges (2) for the finals rodeo, are selected by ballot by the top fifteen (15) Bareback Riders, Saddle Bronc Riders, and Bull Riders.

The timed event judge (1) for the Finals rodeo is selected by ballot by the top fifteen (15) calf ropers, team ropers, steer wrestlers, ladies barrel racers, ladies breakaway ropers.

Pickup men are selected by ballot by the top fifteen (15) bareback and saddle bronc riders.

Bullfighter of the Finals is selected by the top fifteen (15) bull riders.

The timers, NRA announcer, arena director, and secretary are selected by Board nomination and vote by the Board of Directors.

The arena director is responsible for the chute bosses and arena labor crew. Arena director will also be responsible for all timed event cattle used at the Finals Rodeo.

Payment received by all Finals personnel to be based on contractual agreement with the NRA. Dates, location, selection of the production manager, are decided by the Board of Directors.

Payoff:

The Finals rodeo will pay four monies per go, 40%, 30%, 20%, 10%, and an average of 1½ times the go-around money. The Team Roping will pay per man the same as any other event.

The Finals purse will include: 2% of all rodeo season's collected prize money, all collected turnouts and other fine monies, sponsorships as available, and other monies determined available by the Board of Directors.

Time Limits

There will be no time limits in any timed event during the Finals rodeo

Stock Selection

Each NRA approved stock contractor nominates seven head of Bareback horses, Saddle Broncs and Bulls. The top fifteen (15) cowboys in the respective events vote on 21 head. Alternate animals will also be chosen

The payment for the stock is handled by contractual agreement.

Entry Closing

If entries are not received by the time specified in the NEWSLETTER, and the office is not notified of your intentions, it will be assumed that you will not be competing, and the next person will be contacted.

Letter to Editor

To the Editor;

Starting in April, we will be publishing a state-wide equine publication called the Montana Horse Journal. The Journal will cover the racing, horse show, rodeo, cutting, draft horse, saddle club, 4-H and cowboy polo activities in our Big Sky state. That means you will have advance stories on major racing meets, horse shows, futurities, clinics and sales along with comprehensive follow-up reports. In each monthly issue, there will be features on our top running and using horses, performance and racing trainers and the ranches that produce these outstanding animals. Over the year, the Journal will be looking at the management practices at our top stables and listening to the recommendations of well-known equine veterinarians.

We'll be keeping track of the prestigious PRCA, the popular Montana Rodeo Association/Northern Rodeo Association, and the world of college and high school rodeo with results and standings, features on the stock contractors and their rough-and-tumble bucking stock and riders who deal with them. We won't forget the growing interest in cutting events, English hunter and jumper classes, dressage and the long-standing sport of team roping.

The Montana Horse Journal, of course, will follow the Montana Horse Show Association summer circuit, and the activities of the Quarter Horse, Appaloosa, Paint, Thoroughbred, Morgan and Arabian associations with reports on meetings, shows, clinics and sales.

Along with detailed editorial coverage, you'll find a great classified section and display advertising by breeders and horse industry businesses. So, whether you ride a reining horse, a grand prix jumper or a saddle bronc, we'll be working to provide timely stories and results for you as we all work together to develop Montana's growing horse industry.

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THERMOPOLIS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE RODEO, THERMOPOLIS, WYO., MAY 26 and 27. Performances at 1 p.m. on May 26, and 2 p.m. on May 27. Slack at 8 a.m. on May 27. Entry Fees include a \$4 stock charge and a \$1 office charge. BB, SB, BR, SW, CR, LBR and LBAR at \$150 w/\$40 EF; TR at \$150 w/\$40 EF per man. Stock contractor, Gifford Rodeo Co., Kathy Gifford, Secretary. EO May 21, 10 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Call Backs, May 22, Noon to 6:30 p.m. Central Entry, 406-428-2205, 406-428-2206, 406-428-2207, or 406-428-2208.

BROKEN HORN STAMPEDE, Absarokee, JUNE 9 and 10. Performances at 6 p.m. on June 9 and 2 p.m. on June 10. Slack June 10 at 9 a.m. Stock charge of \$4, judges fee of \$1 in addition to entry fees. BB, SB, BR, SW, CR, LBR, LBAR at \$225 w/\$40 EF; TR at \$225 w/\$40 EF per man; JBR and JBAR at \$50 w/\$10 EF. Stock Contractor, Small Rodeo Co., Sharon Martin, Secretary. EO June 4, 10 a.m. - 6:30 p.m. Call Backs June 5, Noon - 6:30 p.m. Central Entry, 406-428-2205, 406-428-2206, 406-428-2207, or 406-428-2208.

GREYBULL, WYOMING, June 9 and 10. Performances June 9 at 6 p.m. and June 10 at 1 p.m. Slack if necessary June 10 at 10 a.m. **PERMITS NOT ACCEPTED.** Stock Charge of \$4 and office charge of \$1, in addition to entry fees. BB, SB, BR, SW, CR, LBR, LBAR at \$100 w/\$35 EF; TR at \$100 w/\$35 EF per man. Special event: Businessman's Wild Horse Race. Rodeo headquarters, Pat Good, 307-765-2503. EO June 4, 10 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Call backs June 5, noon to 6:30 p.m. Central Entry, 406-428-2205, 406-428-2206, 406-428-2207, 406-428-2208. Stock Contractor, Dick Gifford Rodeo Co.

HOT SPRINGS HOMESTEADERS CELEBRATION ASSOC. RODEO, HOT SPRINGS, MONT., June 9 and 10. Performances at 7 p.m. on June 9 and 2 p.m. on June 10. Slack on June 10 at 4:30 p.m. Stock charge of \$4 and office charge of \$1 in addition to entry fees. BB, SB, BR, SW, CR, LBR, LBAR at \$150 w/\$35 EF; TR at \$150 w/\$35 EF per man; JBR at \$50 w/\$10 EF. Stock Contractor, Rocky Mountain Rodeo, Jill Carpenter, Secretary. EO June 4, 10 a.m. - 6:30 p.m. Call Backs June 5, Noon - 6:30 p.m. Central Entry, 406-428-2205, 406-428-2206, 406-428-2207, 406-428-2208.

DARBY, MONT., JUNE 16, 17. Performances both days at 2 p.m. Slack at 9 a.m. on June 17. Stock charge of \$4, and \$1 judges fee in addition to entry fees. BB, SB, BR, SW, CR, LBR, LBAR at \$100 w/\$35 EF. TR at \$100 w/\$35 EF per man. JBR at \$50 w/\$10 EF. Carpenter's Rocky Mountain Rodeo Co., stock contractor, Jill Carpenter Secretary. EO June 11, 10 a.m. - 6:30 p.m. Call Backs June 12, Noon - 6:30 p.m. Central Entry, phone 406-428-2205, 406-428-2206, 406-428-2207, or 406-428-2208.

UPPER YELLOWSTONE ROUNDUP, GARDINER, MONT. JUNE 16 and 17. Performances at 2 p.m. both days. Slack at 9 a.m. on June 17. Stock Charge of \$4 and \$1 judges fee, in addition to entry fees. BB, SB, BR, SW, CR, LBR, LBAR at \$100 w/\$35 EF. TR at \$100 w/\$35 EF per man. Stock contractor, Small Rodeo Co. Sharon Martin, Secretary. EO June 11, 10 a.m. - 6:30 p.m. Call Backs June 12, Noon to 6:30 p.m. Central Entry, 406-428-2205, 406-428-2206, 406-428-2207, or 406-428-2208.

WILLSALL RODEO ASSOCIATION RODEO, WILLSALL, MONT., June 23 and 24. Performances at 6:30 p.m. on June 23, and 1:30 p.m. on June 24. Slack at 2 p.m. on June 23. Stock charge of \$4 and office charge of \$1 in addition to entry fees. BB, BR, SW, CR, LBR, LBAR at \$100 w/\$35 EF. SB at \$150 w/\$35 EF. TR at \$100 w/\$40 EF per man. JBR and JBAR at \$25 w/\$10 EF. Local entries on June 18, call Secretary Myrtle Woosley, 578-2371. Rodeo office phone on June 21, 406-578-2511. EO June 18, 10 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Call backs June 19, noon to 6:30 p.m. Central Entry, 406-428-2205, 406-428-2206, 406-428-2207, or 406-428-2208. Small Rodeo Co., Stock Contractor.

BIG TIMBER RODEO PROMOTION ASSOCIATION RODEO, BIG TIMBER, MONT., JUNE 30 AND JULY 1. Performances at 6 p.m. on June 30, and 2:30 p.m. on July 1. Slack morning of June 30. **PERMITS NOT ACCEPTED.** Stock contractor, Small Rodeo Co., Sharon Martin, Secretary. BB, SB, BR, SW, CR, LBR, LBAR at \$225 w/\$40 EF. TR at \$225 w/\$40 EF per man; JBR AND JBAR at \$50 w/\$50 EF. EO June 25, 10 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Call backs June 26, Noon to 6:30 p.m. Central Entry, 406-428-2205, 406-428-2206, 406-428-2207, or 406-428-2208.

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MUSSELSHELL VALLEY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE RODEO, ROUNDUP, MONT., JULY 3 AND 4. Performances at 7 p.m. on July 3 and 2 p.m. on July 4. Slack at 9 a.m. July 4. Stock charge of \$4 and office charge of \$1 in addition to entry fees. BB, SB, BR at \$150 w/\$45 EF; SW, CR, LBR, LBAR at \$100 w/\$45 EF. TR at \$100 w/\$45 EF per man. JBR and JBAR at \$50 w/\$10 EF. Stock Contractor, Go Rodeo Co., Secretary Leta Grebe. EO June 27, 10 a.m. - 6:30 p.m. Call Backs June 28, Noon to 6:30 p.m. Central Entry, 406-428-2205, 406-428-2206, 406-428-2207, or 406-428-2208.

ENNIS RODEO ASSOCIATION RODEO, ENNIS, MONT. JULY 3 AND 4. Performances at 8 p.m. on July 3, and 2 p.m. on July 4. Slack at 10 a.m. on July 3. Stock Charge of \$4 and office-judges charge of \$1 in addition to entry fees. BB, BR, SW, CR at \$250 w/\$35 EF; SB at \$400 w/\$35 EF; LBR, LBAR at \$200 w/\$35 EF; TR at \$250 w/\$40 EF per man; JBR at \$75 w/\$10 EF. High six saddle bronc, \$150 winner take all. \$25 of the kids barrel purse donated by Ted and Shirlee Parini of Butte. Stock Contractor, Rocky Mountain Rodeo Co., Janet Endecott, Secretary. Local office, 682-7373. EO June 27, 10 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Call Backs June 28, Noon to 6:30 p.m. Central Entry, 406-428-2205, 406-428-2206, 406-428-2207, or 406-428-2208.

HARLOWTON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE RODEO, HARLOWTON, MONT. JULY 3 AND JULY 4. Performances at 7 p.m. on July 3, and 2 p.m. on July 4. Slack at 1 p.m. on Monday, July 2. Stock charge of \$4 and office charge of \$1 in addition to entry fees. BB, SB, BR at \$200 w/\$40 EF; SW, CR, LBR, LBAR at \$100 w/\$40 EF; TR at \$100 w/\$40 EF per man; JBR, JBAR at \$50 w/\$10 EF. Stock Contractor, Small Rodeo Co., Sharon Martin, Secretary. EO Wednesday, June 27, 10 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Call Backs Thursday, June 28, Noon - 6:30 p.m. Central Entry, 406-428-2205, 406-428-2206, 406-428-2207, or 406-428-2208.

EAST HELENA VALLEY RODEO ASSOC. RODEO, EAST HELENA, MONT. JULY 6, 7, 8. Performances at 6 p.m. on July 6 and 7, and 2 p.m. on July 8. Slack July 7, 8 a.m. Stock Charge of \$4 and judges fee of \$1 charged in addition to entry fees. BB, SB, BR, SW, CR, LBR, LBAR at \$250 w/\$35 EF; TR at \$200 w/\$40 EF per man; JBR at \$50 w/\$10 EF. Stock Contractor, Don Jacobs. Secretary, Brenda Jean. EO June 25, 10 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Call Backs June 26, Noon to 6:30 p.m. Central Entry, 406-428-2205, 406-428-2206, 406-428-2207, or 406-428-2208.

BIG HORN COUNTY RODEO, HARDIN, MONT., July 14 and 15. Performances at 5 p.m. on July 14 and 2 p.m. on July 15. Slack July 15 at 8 a.m. If additional slack is necessary, it will be held after the rodeo on Saturday night, July 14. BB, SB, BR, SW, CR, LBR, LBAR at \$200 w/\$40 EF. TR at \$200 w/\$40 EF per man. Coors jackets to event winners. Black and White TV to men's all-around. Stock Producer, Small Rodeo Co., Sharon Martin, Secretary. EO July 9, 10 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Call Backs July 10, Noon to 6:30 p.m. Central Entry, 406-428-2205, 406-428-2206, 406-428-2207, 406-428-2208. Local entries will be taken through Central Entry ONLY. FEES MUST BE PAID IN ADVANCE.

YELLOWSTONE EXHIBITION, BILLINGS, MONT., AUG. 13, 14, 15, 16. Performances at 1 p.m. on Aug. 14, 15, 16, and 6:30 p.m. on Aug. 13, 14, 15, and 16. Stock charge of \$4 and judges fee of \$1 in addition to Entry fees. BB, SB, BR, SW, CR, LBR, LBAR at \$1350 w/\$75 EF. TR at \$1350 w/\$75 EF per man. PERMITS NOT ACCEPTED. Stock Contractor, Small Rodeo Co. EO Aug. 1, 10 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. and Aug. 2, 10 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Call Backs Aug. 3, Noon - 6:30 p.m. Central Entry, 406-428-2205, 406-428-2206, 406-428-2207, or 406-428-2208. NO TRADE OUTS.

SUPERIOR LIONS CLUB RODEO, SUPERIOR, MONT., AUG. 11, 12. Performances at 6 p.m. on Aug. 11 and 2 p.m. on Aug. 12. Slack on Aug. 12 at 8 a.m. Stock charge of \$4 and judges fee of \$1 in addition to Entry fees. BB, SB, BR, SW, CR, LBR at \$200 w/\$35 EF; LBAR at \$100 w/\$35 EF; TR at \$200 w/\$35 EF per man. Stock Contractor, Rocky Mountain Rodeo Co., Jill Carpenter, Secretary. EO Aug. 6, 10 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Call Backs Aug. 7, Noon to 6:30 p.m. Central Entry. Phone 406-428-2205, 406-428-2206, 406-428-2207, or 406-428-2208.

2ND ANNUAL HELL ROARIN' RODEO & OLD WEST DAYS, RED LODGE, MONT., AUG. 25 and 26. Performances at 2 p.m. both days. Slack at 9 a.m. on Sunday, Aug. 26. Stock charge of \$4 and \$1 office charge in addition to entry fees. BB, SB, BR, SW, CR, LBR, LBAR at \$100 w/\$35 EF. TR at \$100 w/\$35 EF per man. JBR at \$25 w/\$10 EF. Stock contractor, Small Rodeo Co., Sharon Martin, Secretary. EO Aug. 20, 10 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Call backs, Aug. 21, Noon to 6:30 p.m. Central entry, 406-428-2205, 406-428-2206, 406-428-2207, 406-428-2208.

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ARENA DUST

The college kids have been busy this spring going up and down the road to their various Big Sky Region NIRA rodeos. Complete results are difficult to obtain from area newspapers, but NRA members in college are doing quite well this spring and will provide a real challenge to the "old folks" when the regular NRA rodeo season begins.

Read the rodeo listings carefully for dates, times, etc. for NRA rodeos, and entry dates.

Hardin is hosting a new rodeo this year with new dates, new sponsors, new stock contractor, new look, etc.

Thermopolis and Greybull, Wyoming are also hosting new NRA approved rodeos this year, and have made many preparations to ensure their success. Help your association by supporting these new rodeos.

Darcy Pate and Will Rasmussen were married recently in Helena. She is a seasoned rodeo hand, the daughter of Tex Pate, and he is breaking into the rodeo announcing business after learning the radio announcing business, and is the son of Stan Rasmussen. This has to be the merger of great minds, mouths and B.S. They reside in Bozeman where he is a student at MSU and may surprise himself by graduating some day.

If you solicited a donation from a business for the NRA awards program, get a business card or logo, or anything which can be used for advertising their business or product in the NRA News. This year-round advertising in the newsletter is free to the donor and shows the appreciation of the association for their generous support.

Jerry Valdez and Tracy Mikes joined forces recently in "Valdez Silversmiths" in Great Falls. See their ad elsewhere in this issue. Valdez is a former NRA cowboy who is well known for his quality handcrafted spurs and other silverwork, and the addition of Mikes will expand their business. Mikes recently ruined his image, however, by wearing a necktie to the Pate-Rasmussen wedding.

Some slob stole a saddle of Mary Melaney's, stamped with her name, out of the tack compartment of her horse trailer at the Great Falls fairgrounds. Anyone with any information on the saddle is asked to call the Cascade County Crimestoppers, her dad, Chuck Melaney at Wolf Creek, or her insurance man, Stan Rasmussen at Choteau.



THANKS

Dear Sirs;

Please accept our sincere appreciation for the honor of voting "Hermies Worm" bareback horse of the year, and "Skeet" bull of the year. When you receive the halter awards it seems that all the effort you have made during the previous year has paid off.

The halters are both very nice, and they will be shown to many supporters.

Thanks again.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ John Carpenter

Rocky Mountain Rodeo

John Carpenter and Family

Past NRA Champion Dies in Chinook

William "Billy" Glenn, 73, Chinook, died recently in a Chinook Nursing Home.

He was born in Miles City and ranched in that area until 1951. He then ranched at Fort Peck and in the Missouri Breaks area. In 1967 he moved to Harlem and in 1977 became the superintendent of the water plant in Chinook. He participated in and judged rodeos and was named in the latest edition of Who's Who in the West. He was a long-time member of the NRA, and in 1967 won the NRA team roping title with his son, Jay.

He is survived by his wife, Laura; one son, Jay of Chinook; a brother, Dick, El Paso, Texas; two sisters, Frances Staehle and Ruby Stebner, both of Powell, Wyo., and two grandchildren.

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MEAGHER CO. RODEO CLUB RODEO, WHITE SULPHUR SPRINGS, MONT., SEPT. 2 AND 3. Performances at 1:30 p.m. both days. Slack on Sept. 3 at 8 a.m. Stock Charge of \$4, and \$1 judges fee in addition to entry fees. BB, SB, BR, SW, CR, LBR (2 runs, NRA only), LBAR at \$200 w/\$40 EF; TR at \$200 w/\$35 EF per man; JBR and JBAR at \$50 w/\$15 EF. MBRA Finals, 2 Runs, at \$500 w/\$50 EF. Special event, Novice Barrels, 10 a.m. Sunday, at \$100 w/\$15 EF. Stock contractor, Dale Small. Secretary, Sharon Martin. EO Aug. 27, 10 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Call Backs, Aug. 28, noon - 6:30 p.m. Central Entry, 406-428-2205, 406-428-2206, 406-428-2207, or 406-228-2208.



This Bob Zellar photo appeared in last month's NRA News, and the bull was mistakenly identified. The bull is "Skeet" owned by the Carpenter family's Rocky Mountain Rodeo Company of Kalispell. The bull was named after "Skeeter" Nordahl, and was named the 1983 NRA "Bull of the Year." Colin Murnion is the determined cowboy aboard him in this photo, and he rodeo the bull to an 82 during the Saturday night performance of the NRA Finals to clinch first place in the Finals average.

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Say A Few Words For Rodeo

By Dee Biegler

A quite a few years back, World Champion Cowboy Benny Reynolds appeared on a TV game show called "Name That Tune." Benny didn't elaborate much on himself or his profession and most of what he did say involved questions he could answer with either "yup" or "nope." I don't know if Benny ever held a school, teaching cowboys to articulate. But each time I find myself in the position of trying to interview a cowboy, the first thing that enters my mind is: "Benny's been around here teaching public speaking." What ever happened to the world-renown Dale Carnegie course? For some reason this latter school that teaches eloquent speaking discriminates against cowboys, or simply doesn't let them enroll. However, Benny could have run Carnegie off for taking business away from his own school.

Benny might have been another Albert Einstein for all of us viewers knew. I think he practiced the old adage, "Keep your mouth shut and people might think you're smart. Open your mouth and the world knows you are dumb." Out of the public speaking department and into the rodeo arena, Benny is one of the greatest cowboys of my lifetime. I guess if you are as good as Benny you don't have to say much. The Montana cowboy's appearance on a nationally syndicated television program, cultivated a lot of interest for the sport of rodeo.

Each time a rodeo cowboy gets any kind of public exposure by the news media, it gives rodeo added publicity, granted that the cowboy news is of the good variety.

The next time a photographer, writer, or what have you pins you down behind the chutes and wants a couple of question answered, give our sport a little free publicity, be personable, and try to give a little added information besides name, rank and card number.

We'll all benefit by your taking a little added time and effort. We all know this is the greatest sport there is. Let's tell the world.

Promotion peoples' theory on advertising is beg, borrow and steal all the publicity you can get. No matter how minute it seems to you, even the little kid that approaches you behind the chutes with questions he's interested in or he wouldn't be asking. This is what all spectator sports need is continued interest to sell ticket.

Funny thing about Benny's elocution school. He probably doesn't even remember, but he and Reg Kesler taught my oldest son his first profound sentence, "You wanna fight?" His dad's been working on getting him to shut up for the 12 years since. Somehow I feel Reg was a dropout from Benny's school. Reg always has something more to say besides "yup" and "nope."

Keep smiling and promoting rodeo. Catch you down the road.

ARENA DUST

Contestants: with the new central entry system, it will not make any difference in your position if you are the first or the last person entered in the rodeo. All positions and days are computer drawn. You will be guaranteed to make all rodeos you enter.

Judges: any person interested in judging NRA approved rodeos, and who has not previously taken the test, please contact Bill Stovall, 445-2306, or the office, 252-1122. Any person who has not taken the judges quiz this past year is required to do so to update their eligibility to judge. Cost of judges test, \$20. Cost of quiz, \$10.

Anyone interested in the "Rancher's Dream" being offered by the North American Rodeo Commission, consisting of 50 pregnancy tested cows and a pickup, please contact Lois Hill, Box 108, Geyser, Mont. 59447, phone 735-4484, or the NRA office, 252-1122.

Jann Johnson will be out of the office from Wednesday, April 25 until Wednesday, May 2. She will be back in the office Thursday, May 3.

Canadian All Girl Rodeo Circuit Formed

In 1984 the Canadian All Girl Rodeo circuit will be expanding across Western Canada.

As a result of the December 1983 decision of the barrel racers to join the CPRA, the Canadian Girls Rodeo Association is opening its doors to include women's rodeo events across the four western provinces in its circuit.

The purpose of the CGRA is to promote an interest in and work for the betterment of women's rodeo events.

The Canadian Girls Rodeo Association offers major awards to be presented annually after the finals.

For more information contact the Canadian Girls Rodeo Association, Box 6152, Postal Station "D", Calgary, Alberta, Canada T2P 2C8.



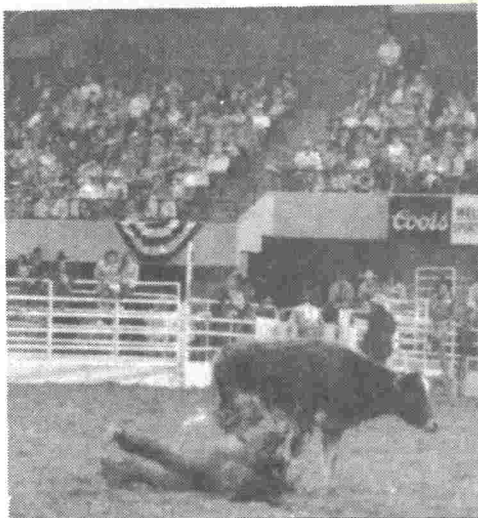
The Finals average winner in the saddle bronc riding, Butch Reynolds, is pictured above on Jacobs' "Danny Boy" on Saturday night of the NRA Finals. His 78 marked on this ride, added to his scores in the other two go-arounds, came to 231 on three head, good enough for a tie for the average with Don Malli.

— Mary Hill Photo



Skeeter Nordahl is pictured above during one of his runs in the steer wrestling at the NRA Finals. He won the Finals average with a total time of 13.46 and added \$1300 to his yearly steer wrestling earnings.

— Hill Photo



In desperation, Jay Linderman makes one last grab at the steer before he escapes from his clutches. Linderman succeeded in catching and throwing the steer, but in a leisurely time of 21.00, and after placing in the first two go-arounds, failed to place in the average.

— Hill Photo

Thermopolis Sets "Rodeo Days"

Thermopolis, Wyo. is gearing up to kick off the rodeo season with pure, unabashed excitement and fun! Activities for the Thermopolis "Rodeo Days" event will offer NRA participants and fans an unforgettable Memorial Day weekend.

Activities will begin with a "Wet T-Shirt" contest at 8 p.m. poolside in the Holiday Inn of the Waters. Entrants may register at the Holiday Inn pool from 7-8 p.m. A rodeo calcutta surrounded with live music will immediately follow in the Holiday Inn banquet room.

Lots of downtown activities are also planned during Thermopolis "Rodeo Days." Visiting participants and their families are invited to join in on all the fun and games.

Activities will begin with a rodeo parade, scheduled for 10:30 a.m. The parade will begin at the intersection of fifth and Big Horn, turning west on Broadway to Seventh St., then turning east on Broadway to Fourth. Grand Marshal for the parade will be Miss Rodeo Wyoming.

Following the 1 p.m. rodeo events on that day, a "Bare Legs and Boot Contest" will take place at 4 p.m. on the patio of Pumpnick's Restaurant. Contestants will model their legs and boots behind a curtain in order to keep their identity anonymous to the judges. Prizes will be awarded to the winner in the male and female categories.

Starting at 7:30 p.m., the downtown will be rock 'n' rolling to the sound of the "Wind River Band," as the street dance commences on the north side of Broadway. Combined with the added excitement of a calcutta auction at 8 p.m., a thrilling night of swing and fun is guaranteed to all.

Out-of-town visitors are encouraged to take part in the "Bag Stuffin" promotion sponsored by numerous downtown merchants over the weekend. That week's newspaper will include a paper bag which entitles shoppers to a 20 percent discount on items they can stuff inside at participating stores. Each rodeo contestant will receive one of these valuable savings bags!

Sunday's rodeo will begin at 2 p.m. and leaves everyone plenty of time to soak and relax in the famous Thermopolis hot mineral springs as the day draws to a close.

Thermopolis is always a popular spot to be on Memorial weekend, so rodeo fans and contestants are urged to make their lodging or campground reservations early. The following list is provided for your convenience:

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KOA Kampground, 864-9280

Thermopolis is extremely happy to be hosting an NRA rodeo this year and sincerely hopes you enjoy your stay!!

THANKS

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Dear Northern Rodeo Association,

Thank you so very much for your donation of the Western Regional All-Around buckle for 1983. It was an honor to have won it. It's great to be part of your association. Thank you for everything all year!

Lisa Scheffer

THANKS

Dear NRA Members,

Thanks for the beautiful overall buckle that I received in the Junior Barrel Racing. I was really tickled to receive it and will never forget the night I got it. I would also like to thank all of the committees for having Junior Events.

Debbie O'Hern
and Hershey

THANK YOU

To the Northern Rodeo Association:

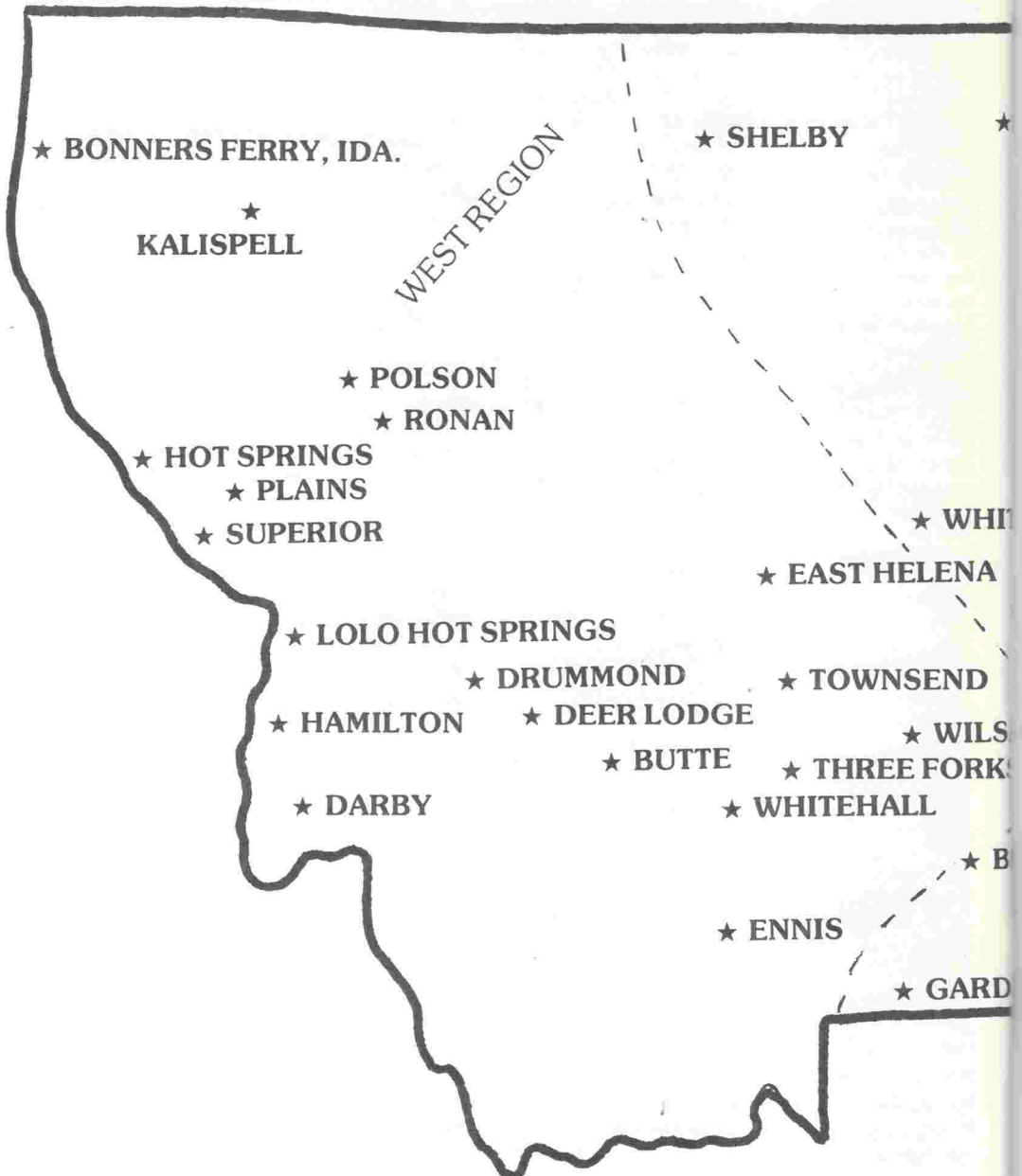
Thank you for donating the saddle for Saddle Bronc Riding. I really appreciate it and all the work you people have done to make this association one of the best. Thanks again.

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Two of the "winningest" couples in the NRA are pictured above with their trophy saddles during the annual NRA awards banquet. Mike and Cinde Barthelme of Miles City, Mont. have been perennial champions in the NRA for a number of years. Mike won the 1983 calf roping title and Cinde won the barrel racing title. This congenial couple travel with their young son, Bryan, in a well-worn motor home, pulling their four-horse trailer.

— Rasmussen Photo

Ride and Tie Event Set For July 7

What sport is a cross between marathon running, horse racing, rodeoing, moto-cross, mountain climbing and chess? What sport demands equestrian skills, teamwork, strategy, endurance, toughness and intestinal fortitude? The answer to these questions can be witnessed at the Doran Ranch on Logging Creek Road in Southeast Cascade County on July 7, 1984. In keeping with the tradition and protecting the heritage of the old west, the College of Great Falls, the Great Falls Centennial Celebration, and Coors will sponsor the first annual CGF 25 mile Ride and Tie.

As a means of transportation, there are printed references to Ride and Tie as far back as 1743. How would you solve the problem of transporting two people to the same destination with only one horse to ride? Well, one person would start out riding, the other running. When the rider had gone as far as they felt their partner could easily run, the rider would dismount and tie the horse to a convenient tree or bush and continue on foot at a run. The partner running, upon reaching the horse would untie, mount, and ride the next distance, passing the partner on the trail and then proceed to alternate running and riding until reaching their destination.

In 1971, this concept of transportation inspired the imagination of Bud Johns of Levi Strauss and Co. to convert it into a form of competitive racing. California appears to be the hotbed for Ride and Tie in the U.S.; however, competition is held throughout the Western States, Canada and Europe. The 1984 National Ride and Tie will be held in Park City, Utah on August 19, and 175 teams are expected to compete.

The distances vary, with an average course somewhere around 30 miles. The College of Great Falls is offering a 25 mile course on July 7. Lewistown is offering a 15 and a 25 mile course on August 4. The courses are usually rugged and diverse with a required veterinary stops for the horses.

The utmost of concern is with the safety and condition of the horse. Horses must be at least five years old, no mares are allowed to be in foal and the race veterinarians recommend that all horses be shod. There is also a pre- and post-ride vet exam of all horses.

A clinic was held at the Rainbow Hotel in Great Falls on March 14 and 15. A Ride and Tie film was shown, handouts on conditioning the runner and the horse were available, followed by a discussion period.

Now for all you hearty, energetic, enthusi-

astic, gusto-seeking individuals, go find yourself a running partner and a fit charger and answer to the call from the College of Great Falls on July 7 and the Snowy Mountain Breakers Ride and Tie on August 4.

For further information and entry blanks, contact: College of Great Falls Ride and Tie (July 7, 1984). Bill Yeagle, Ride and Tie, College of Great Falls, Great Falls, Mont. 59405 or call (406) 761-8210 ext. 402 or 866-3311.

Snowy Mountain Breakers - Ride and Tie (August 4, 1984. Jr. Osborne, Snowy Mountain Breakers, P.O. Box 153, Lewistown, Mont. 59454 or call (406) 538-7248.

To All NRA Local Rodeo Committees

In the attempt to better rodeo in the Northern Rodeo Association, the NRA Board of Directors has approved central entry for the 1984 rodeo season.

This decision was reached after much deliberation and research, and the Board feels that it will help both the committee and the cowboy. As you are aware, the cowboys have had considerable problems with entering the rodeos and getting set up to compete in more than one or two rodeos per weekend. With the implementation of central entry, this problem will be resolved to a minimum. As a committee, the central entry program will alleviate the problems involved with the taking of entries and call backs. Through communication with the central service and your stock contractor, you will be able to let the central entry know how many contestants you wish to have compete per performance, slack, etc., and the work will be done for you. All judges cards, timers sheets, and an alphabetical listing of the contestants competing in your rodeo will be prepared for you and mailed to the address you request, with sufficient time allotted to prepare the inserts for your rodeo program. Special arrangements can be made with the central entry service to accommodate your committee. Your committee still retains control of your rodeo. You will need to provide a secretary to be present at the rodeo to take the entry fees and pay off the rodeo, as in the past.

Additional information will be forthcoming from the central entry service explaining the details of the system. This is your Association. Let's work for the betterment for all.



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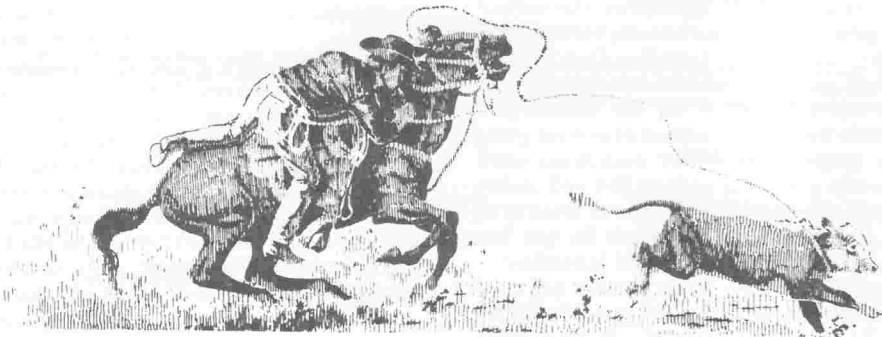
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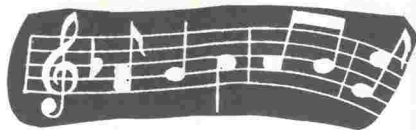
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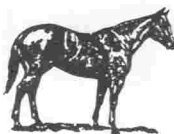
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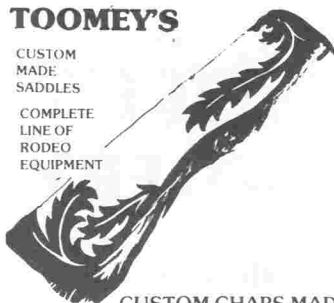
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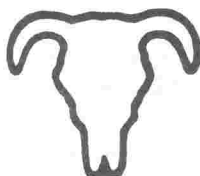
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