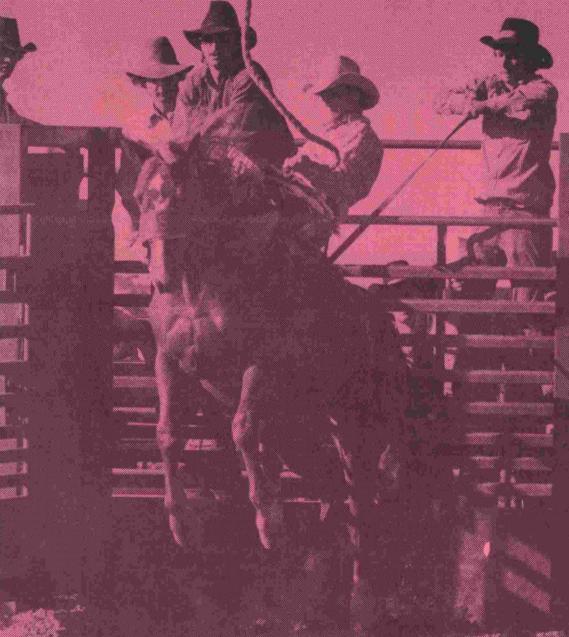


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The Northern Rodeo Association's 1979 Rookie of the Year is a 19-year-old saddle bronc rider, Dusty Crary of Choteau, Now a freshman at Montana State University in Bozeman where he is competing in rodeo. Dusty was the champion saddle bronc rider of the Montana High School Rodeo Association, winning the title at the State Finals in Hamilton. Dusty has competed previously in the Montana Junior Rodeo Association, but the summer of 1979 gave him his first taste of competing with the "big boys" when he competed in the NRA and MRA. He was chosen by the NRA Board of Directors for his dedication, perserverance, sincerity, ability and definite potential in the great sport of rodeo. He is the son of Doug and Bonnie Crary who ranch west of Choteau. Cover photo by Chary Majerus.

Arena Dust

Bob Glasgow, manager of the Yellowstone Exhibition and METRA, was elected president of the Rocky Mountain Association of Fairs at that organization's annual meeting in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho Nov. 8-10. He succeeds Steve Christian of the Marias Fair Board in Shelby. Both of these fairs feature NRA rodeos.

Latest word from Shelby is that the Marias Fair will again have a Dale Small produced NRA Rodeo at their 1980 fair.

Letter From Editors

You may not be ready for Christmas yet, but get ready for the NRA Finals to be held in the METRA on the fairgrounds of the Yellowstone Exhibition in Billings the first weekend in February.

If your name appears in the top 10 contestants on the audited standings, you are eligible to compete in the finals with chances of adding to your winnings and perhaps moving up in the standings. If, for one reason or another, you will be unable to compete in the Finals, please notify the NRA office as soon as possible so that others can be contacted to compete.

Deadline for entries is Jan. 7, 1980, and entry fees for all events are \$100. All Junior contestants are eligible to compete. An entry blank can be found elsewhere in this newsletter.

It also might be a good idea to check the up-dated Suspended List in this issue. Quite a number of new names appear on this list, including many who are eligible to compete, and these people will have to clear up their debts and get off the suspended list before they can compete in the Finals.

It has been nearly a year since we took over the reins of the NRA newsletter. It has been a rewarding as well as frustrating job, and also very time consuming. We appreciate the help we get from NRA members and photographers, and urge you all to continue this support.

It was our hope to have a self-supporting newsletter within a year, but this has not happened. But we have not given up hope in that respect. This is your newsletter; use it.

If we have accumulated enough material to have an issue before the Finals, we will publish one; otherwise, we will have a Finals issue after that rodeo takes place.

Please note the ad in this issue for the book, "1979 Rodeo Montana Style" compiled and published by Chary Majerus and Geri Pursley. Their photographs in this book vividly portray rodeo in every respect. The book sells for \$5—a bargain in this day of runaway inflation.

See you at the Finals!

Tootie and Stan Rasmussen

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THE PREZ SEZ

By Lois Hill, President, NRA

Things certainly haven't slowed down any this fall — with meetings every other week or so and trying to get our fall work done besides guiding hunters we seem to keep busy. Then with Mary

coaching girls basketball, that also adds to the things to do!

DAY MONEY — The day money payoff system was brought up at the NRA directors' meeting on Oct. 7 in Billings. There will be a definite decision made on this in February so give any ideas you may have to your directors or to me. If we do decide to do this the secretaries must be informed in plenty of time to study it and be familiar with the system. I can certainly see why this is good for the contestants as it may spread out the money a little more and make the weather a less important factor. But with the "double" pay-offs that have to be made the last day (the day money and over-all money) it may lead to those checks being mailed out, as it takes more than twice the time the final day of the rodeo.

JUDGES — The NRA judges program was discussed and it was decided that anyone that had passed the judges' test in 1978 or 1979 does not have to take a test again to be a NRA qualified judge in 1980. Anyone not on that list but wishing to be an NRA judge must take and pass the test.

Contact Bill Stovall for any information on taking the judges' test.

STOCK CHARGE - The board decided on an increase of the stock charge from \$3 to \$4 and

that team roping be a mandatory event at all NRA approved rodeos starting in 1980.

FAIR CONVENTION — John and I went to the Rocky Mountain Association of Fairs convention in Couer d'Alene, Idaho Nov. 8-10. We tried to meet with as many fair boards as possible. 1980 DUES — Don't forget that the 1980 dues are now due. Why don't you pay early and avoid the rush and late penalties. Say, why don't you pay your dues as a Christmas present to yourself.

CENTRAL ENTRY SYSTEM — I have been visiting with several members of the NARC and we've been discussing central entry, and I've come up with some ideas from them. One association uses the central entry system with the association secretary taking all the entries over the phone or on an advance form (no walk up entries). All local entries are taken by the town's rodeo chairman the day previous to the association entry day. The timed events had certain hours to enter as did the rough stock event contestants. The charge was 50c per event per rodeo, but you could enter as many rodeos as you wanted with the one phone call or advance form. The 50c was collected by the rodeo secretary and sent in with the results. This money went to pay for the extra help it took for central entry.

The association secretary would know about any turnouts, bad checks, etc., and that would omit a lot of phone calls between our office and the rodeo secretaries. To draw positions, all those who wanted a certain day were put in a hat and the allotted number drawn out and the remaining would go into their second preference, etc. So we could eliminate the calling contest that entering is getting to be. We could set up the cowboys so that they could work any of our rodeos on that

weekend - maybe not in the order they would like, but they could work them.

I will not go into more detail about this now but will bring them up at the meeting at the finals, so if anyone has any ideas on central entry, be sure that they are given at that meeting or call me ahead of time and let me know. Do you want to try a central entry system such as this? It has been used for several years and it seems to be working very well for other associations.

NRA Judges List

These people have passed the judges' test and are available to judge NRA rodeos. John Hill, Geyser J.O. Hash, Roscoe Leonard Thorsen, Geraldine Stan Newman, Great Falls Rick Halmes, Belt John Wrezinski, Stanford Charlie Phillips, Lewistown Ed Miller, Absarokee Allen Jones, Stevensville Terry Warneke, Pompey's Pillar

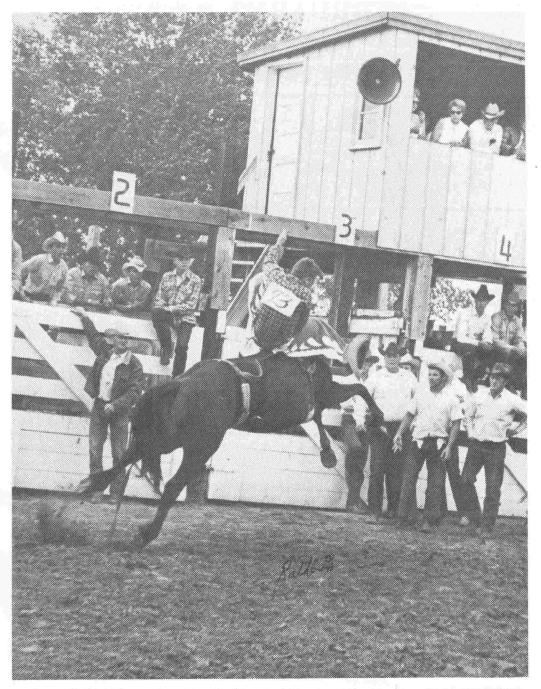
Arena Dust

Hank and Deb Olson are the proud parents of a baby born born Sept. 15. He weighed in at 7 pounds 2 ounces and has been named

Laramie Jay.

Mr. and Mrs. Van Greenwell of Polson have moved to Paul, Idaho, 90 miles from Jackpot, Nev. and 40 miles from Twin Falls, where they are ranching. Kathy served very capably as secretary of the Montana Rodeo Association, and she and Van will be missed by Montana rodeo'ers. Good luck in your new venture, Kathy and Van.

GUESS WHO?



It was 1969 in Wibaux when this wicked bareback horse made hamburger of his would-be rider, who is an NRA personality in 1979 as well. Do you know who contestant number 73 is?

— Denny Rathbun Photo

NORTHERN RODEO FINALS

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The culmination of a year's work takes place that weekend when the Finals gets under way with the first performance on Friday night at 8

p.m.

The top 10 in each event in the final standings of the Northern Rodeo Association are eligible to compete in this "rodeo of rodeos," and all the junior event competitors in the standings are eligible to compete. Junior events will be Saturday, Feb. 2 at 9 a.m. in the METRA.

Entry fees for the adult events are \$100 per event with \$1050 added. A \$50 purse is up in the junior events with a \$20 entry fee. Deadline for entering is Jan. 7, and all who are eligible are urged to enter on or before that date. If you cannot compete, notify the NRA office as soon as possible so that the next person in line can be contacted.

The other performances are scheduled for Saturday at 8 p.m. and Sunday afternoon at 2

p.m.

Personality of the Year

Members are urged to nominate their favorite NRA "Personality of the Year" for the 1979 which will be presented during the awards banquet in Billings Feb. 3.

The winner receives a beautiful Doug Buffington bronze sponsored by Buffington and the Central Montana Chamber of Commerce. There are no hard and fast rules for qualifications, only that the person be a supporter of NRA rodeo and its promotion. That individual, however, usually is not a rodeo competitor.

Some of the nominations made so far are: "Doc" Halloway, long-time rodeo chairman for the Harlowton July 3 and 4 rodeo, which is one of the oldest continuous NRA rodeos.

Bob Glasgow, Yellowstone Exhibition and METRA manager, NRA director and strong

supporter of NRA.

Don Garland, Adolph Coors Co. regional representative, who was very instrumental in getting the Coors participation in regional rodeo.

Please send any more names and a little about them to your director, the NRA office or President Lois Hill as soon as possible.

Besides rodeo and fun, several meetings are on tap for those who venture down Billings way the first weekend in February. The stock contractors meet to draw stock before February arrives, Wednesday, Jan. 30 at 8 p.m. at the METRA. The annual membership meeting will be in the southeast corner of the METRA on Saturday morning from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30, and the directors will meet Saturday afternoon at 1:30 at Holiday Inn East. Cowboy church services will be held Sunday at 10 a.m. in the METRA.

But all is not work. The annual NRA awards banquet will be held at Holiday Inn West on Sunday evening with the cocktail hour beginning at 6, followed by dinner, awards, dancing, and a generally good time.

Plan to be there for the 1979 NRF!

Finals Stock Selected

Following is a list of the stock which will be used at the NRA Finals. From these bulls and horses, the horses and bull of the year will be chosen.

BULLS

Dale Small — Bones, Coffeeville, Chicken George, Tequilla, Zeb, Hat Rack, Coors Country.

Byrne Rodeo Co. — Whirl Away, Elsie, One

Horn, Coors, Joe Friday.

Geer — Snoopy, Tiger, Coors, Brother, Mexican Flee.

Grebe - Matthew, Smoking Joe.

Jacobs — Black Jake, Bad News, Judge Roy Bean, Danny Rabbit.

BAREBACK HORSES

Geer — Yellowstone, Apache, Snip, Bar Maid, Apple Jack, Crow Boy.

Pat Byrne — Sensuous Woman, Billy Sunday, Surprise Package, Spotted Fever.

Go Rodeo — Socks, Payday, Brown Bomber. Jacobs — Coors Lite, Poor Devil, W.D. Willy, Golden Rocket.

Dale Small — Middle Star, Doc, Bold Venture, Darby, Little Horn

SADDLE BRONC HORSES

Geer — Bobby Brown, Blue Shield, Shiners Meg, Prairie Wolf.

Dale Small — Mr. Jones, Moses, Bay Rum, Starkist, Bozeman Trail, Red Wolf.

Jacobs — Pecora's Pet, Danny Boy, Two Medicine, Hip Shot.

Go Rodeo — Cherokee Red, M & M, Mr.

Pat Byrne — Dr. G. Honky Tonk, Made in Japan, Maidens Prayer.

Finals Entry Form

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NOTE: Timed event people with horses — Stall space will be available on the fairgrounds at a cos \$5.00 for the entire rodeo. Reservations must be made in advance and included with entry fe	es
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North American Rodeo **Commission Meets**

By Lois Hill

I met with several Coors representatives on Oct. 12 in Great Falls. Jim Wildman of the Coors marketing department, which will be the division that will be involved with the North American Finals in Gallup, was in attendance, along with Don Garland, Coors sales representative for this area. Ray Waters. president of the Montana Coors Distributors, and some members of the NARC executive board and the Gallup Lions Club Rodeo chairmen were also present.

The sales department will be in charge of the Coors programs with regional rodeo associations by working through the local Coors distributors. The involvement of each Coors distributor with each rodeo is on an individual basis. The Adolph Coors Co. is encouraging complete involvement of their distributors, but the amount is left up to the individual distributor as he sees fit. That is one of the reasons that all rodeos do not have the identical Coors awards (which in itself is good) but we were assured of a more total involvement of all distributors. We do need to have more communication between distributors, regional associations and rodeo committees and at an early spring date.

There was an NARC executive board meeting in Great Falls on Oct. 13-14 which I

There was a thorough discussion about the 1980 North American Finals rodeo dates. We finally decided on Aug. 20-24. This is a busy time for every regional rodeo association, but we need to have the rodeo during the tourist season to make it a financial success.

The Calgary Rodeo Royal and Stampede were discussed, and the entry fee will be included in the payoff at the Royal as well as the Stampede. More information will be available later on the team selection, payoffs, etc.

Mary Pulham of the Rocky Mountain Rodeo Association was appointed stock foreman again with Tim Oyler of the Eastern Idaho Rodeo Association as assistant. If anyone knows of some good stock available during the NAF dates, contact them or Lois Hill.

The next executive board meeting will be Jan. 11, 1980 in Billings, followed by a general membership meeting of the North American

Rodeo Commission on Jan. 12.

NRA Queen Contest

NRA rodeos which have sponsored a queen contest can now enter these girls in the Miss NRA queen contest to be held during the finals.

A panel of distinguished judges will scrutinize the entries as to poise, personality and horsemanship, and the 1978 Miss NRA, Monie Byrne, will crown the 1979 queen.

So far the NRA office has received the names of four contestants. They are: LuAnn Hill, queen of the Yellowstone Exhibition; Sally Jane Walker, queen of the White Sulphur Springs Labor Day Rodeo; and from the Kalispell Spring Rodeo, Kalli Ray Hawkins and Becky Torgeson.

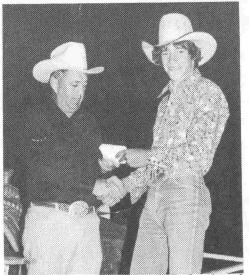
Any other rodeo committees who wish to enter their queen should notify the NRA office immediately.

Steinbach and Billy To Compete at NFR.

Twenty-four National High School Rodeo Association students, the cream of the crop from 29 states and two Canadian provinces, will compete in the final phase of the 1979 Teenage Top Hand Challenge during the PRCA National Finals Rodeo in Oklahoma City in December.

Among those slated to competed Dec. 1-9 are Ty Steinbach of Wolf Creek and John Billy of Box Elder. These two boys were the champion team ropers at their district high school rodeo, and then went on to win the state team roping championship. By virtue of their win in Hamilton they competed at a PRCA qualifying rodeo at Wolf Point and won their event there. On Sept. 8 they competed in an area elimination rodeo at Filer, Idaho, and since they also came out on top at that rodeo, Billy and Steinbach will now travel to Oklahoma City for the National Finals Rodeo.

Scholarships totaling \$32,000 made possible through a grant to the PRCA from the Nestle Corporation will be distributed among the Nestea Challenge winners. Each NFR Nestea Challenge winner will receive a \$5,000 scholarship to a college or university which offers a National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association program. Each contestant will receive a \$500 scholarship for having won first place at an elimination rodeo such as the Filer rodeo.



On behalf of the Northern Rodeo Association, NRA director at large Stan Rasmussen presents the boy's all-around runner-up buckle to Curt Pate of Helena who won the award at the State High School Rodeo held in Hamilton last July. Pate also won the all-around cowboy award and the Brent White Memorial Saddle at the finals of the Montana Junior Rodeo Association held in Augusta in August.

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Arena Dust

Elena Vestal, Denton, and Larry Switzer, Richey, were married recently and are now ranching in Richey.

Too bad about Don Jacobs' broken leg, but, looking on the bright side, they do heal even-

tually, Don.

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Contestants in the NRF are asked to use the horsemen's entrance to the Yellowstone Exhibition grounds. Please note on the entry blank that there is a reservation fee for stall space to be included with the entry blank and entry fee. Please indicate the number of stalls desired.

Butch and Debbie Bratsky have moved to Helena from Billings where he was transferred with his job with the PCA-Federal Land Bank.

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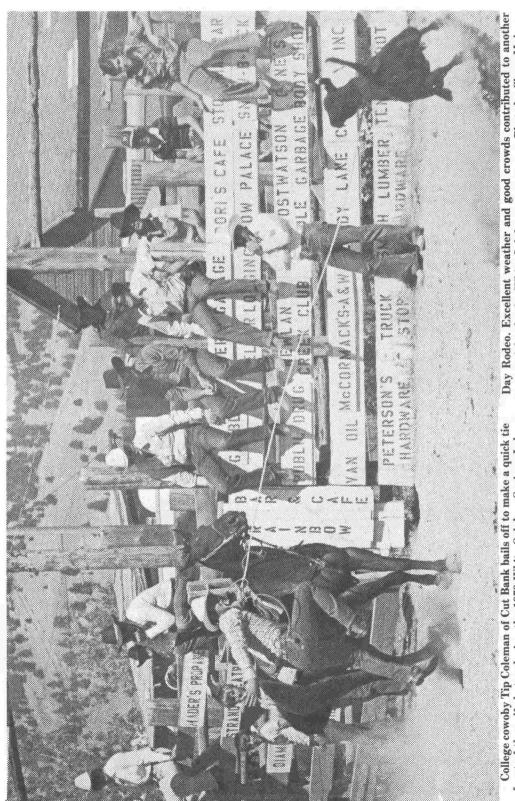
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Judges will be Terry Warneke and Phil Wood; bullfighter selected was Brian McNair; pickup men, Tom Charters and Dick Bassett; timers, Sally Dressler and Tootie Rasmussen (an automatic 8-second buzzer will be used for the riding events); announcers, Stan Rasmussen and Bob Teaft, and Arena Director, Dale Small.

NRA Photo Contest

For all you shutterbugs who spend the summer in rodeo arenas dodging wild bucking horses and honky bulls, you will have a chance to be rewarded for your risky job.

The Northern Rodeo Association is sponsoring its annual Photo Contest to be held in conjunction with the NRA Finals, and awards will be given at the banquet following the

inals.

To compete, simply submit your favorite photo, or photos, to the NRA office, identifying each as to where, who, how he or she placed, when, and the name of the bull or horse. Photos subsequently become the property of the NRA. The photo must have been snapped at an NRA rodeo in order to qualify.

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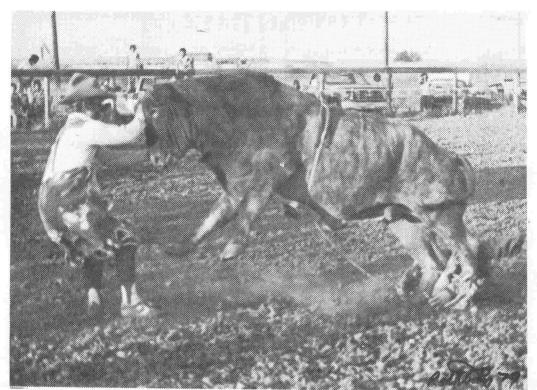
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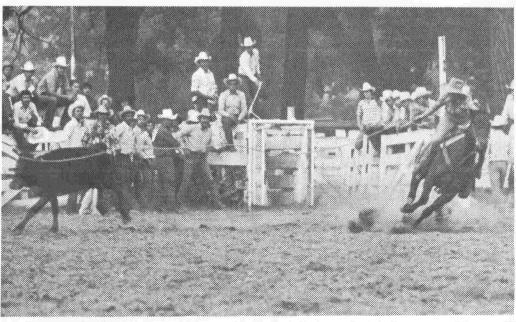
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