

Hoof Beats

THE NEWSLETTER OF THE HAWAII WOMEN'S RODEO ASSOCIATION

January 17, 2014

Happy New Year everyone! I hope you all had a great fun and safe Holiday. As your newly elected President of the Association I would like to send out my sincerest appreciation to all of you for making this such a great organization to be a part of! With the rodeo season upon us I'm excited to get started. Your new Board of Directors met this past Tuesday night for our first meeting and came away with some exciting ideas and plans for this year. Please feel free to share your ideas or any suggestions you may have to make our club stronger and more dynamic. I recently created a survey that was posted online via our HWRA Facebook page and got lots of feedback and during our next board meeting we will discuss the feedback we were provided. With all of your help we look forward to making this year even better than last!

NEW 2014 BOARD MEMBERS

For those of you who weren't able to attend the Year-End Awards Banquet in December you missed a great event! The food, entertainment and venue were spectacular amongst other things! At that time, the members in attendance voted for four candidates to fill the 2014 board. Let's start by introducing our newly elected 2014 Board of Directors. President – Bridget Napier, Vice President – Tricia Ann Ching, Secretary – Tanya Tadeo, Treasurer – Moana Tupou, Members at large – Kali Adkins, Betty Cox, and Brandy Joseph.

Please join me in extending a warm mahalo to our outgoing board members, Shivanni Stephenson, Britt Joseph, and Cari Leiva. Thank you for all the hard work you put into making 2013 a success.

NEW CONTACT INFORMATION

Please mail all future correspondences to the new P.O. Box listed below.

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GRADUATING RIDERS/HORSES

A BIG Congratulations to these horses and riders who have graduated out of their classes at the end of 2013. Great job on the hard work!

<u>Novice Barrels</u>	<u>Amateur Barrels Rider</u>	<u>Novice Poles</u>	<u>Amateur Poles Rider</u>
Phantom - \$344.00	Sydney Price - \$393.50	Phantom - \$354.10 Chico - \$176.80	Sydney Price - \$354.10



JACKPOT #1 – PRETTY IN LOVE THEME & SWEETHEART'S RACE

Our first Jackpot of the year is set for **Saturday, February 8, 2014 at Kualoa Ranch.** To make our events more fun and exciting we have decided to have different themes for each Jackpot that we have. Since love will be in the air in February we chose to go with a "Pretty in Love" theme for our first race. Come decked out in your Valentine's best and don't forget to dress your horse for the occasion as well! (reds, pinks, whites, anything that screams I love you!)

As a fun event for the day we have decided to add a 3D mixed-barrel race and call it the Sweethearts race. This will be a two partner limit with buckles going to the winners of the 1st D only.

DUES, ENTRY FEES, MASTERS CLASS

We are keeping the membership rates the same as last year. Keiki membership rates for new and existing members are - \$35 for those age 12 and under as of Jan. 1, 2014. Dues for an individual member are \$115 for renewing members and \$125 for new members. Family dues are \$135 for renewals and \$145 for new members. Please note that family rates apply only to parents and their dependent children age 18 and under as of Jan. 1, 2014. All dues must be paid prior to the beginning of the second jackpot **Saturday, March 8, 2014.** Those who have not paid their dues in full by that time will be required to enter as non-members and pay the non-member fee. The board has also decided to remove the Masters class this year due to the expenses to rider's ratio. If you have any questions or concerns about these changes please feel free to email us. Membership forms and entries can be downloaded on our website.

SPONSORS & VOLUNTEERS

John Morgan of Kualoa Ranch has graciously donated their arena and Ryan Schultz his time and use of the tractor for all HWRA Jackpots held at their arena this year. Please be sure to express your appreciation to them when you see him.

The Lio Li'i Pony club has also volunteered to help at as many functions that they can. They are made up of ten kids ranging in ages from 5-25 years old. Part of their program is to integrate them into the horse community and teach them about all the different types of riding and horse related activities. If you run into any of them at our functions please express your appreciation to them as well.

As in years past, each member is still required to work in the arena (gates, picking up barrels, etc.) in at least three classes in each rodeo. If you prefer, you may pay a "NO WORK FEE" of \$20 per rodeo, and we will find someone to work your 3 classes in your place. Please note that if you do not work your three classes, you will be assessed this \$20/rodeo fee. It will be deducted from your winnings or is due and payable before you may enter the next jackpot.

FUNDRAISING

We have some fun and exciting things planned for fundraising this year! Our goal is to raise a minimum of \$13,000 in order to cover the All-Girls Rodeo as well as year-end awards, and banquet. I know that's a high goal, but with everyone's help we can do it. Here's what we have in mind.

1. Three Gymkhana-style fun events – these were so popular last year that we decided to do it again. The dates are set for March 22, June 7, and July 27, 2014. All events will be hosted at Kualoa Ranch. Entries for this event will be available on our website www.rodeoohu.com.
2. Horse Drags – we're still working on the details with Kalaeloa Raceway Park and date for this one, but races will be done in heats and open to the first 32 riders.
3. Zippy's Chili, Koala Moa Chicken – We are asking for your help with two different fundraising plans. Throughout the season you will be given Zippy's Chili tickets and Koala Moa Chicken tickets to sell to your family and friends.

We believe that by fundraising like this instead of selling rodeo tickets it will reach a broader range of people.



4. Car Wash at Cutter Ford – We are just waiting for confirmation from Cutter Ford on a date they are available to host us and then we will let you all know the details.
5. HWRA T-shirts – We have decided to make a general association shirt this year instead of a All Girls Rodeo shirt, that way we can sell it all year long. The design is still in the works but thinking of doing a retro design of the original HWRA logo. If you have any ideas or suggestions we would love to hear it.
6. Jamba Juice – Jamba Juice will be set up at each of our jackpots this season selling smoothies for \$4.50 with some of the proceeds going to the association. I know it will be a welcome treat to all of us especially when it starts to get hot out there!

Questions? Suggestions? Concerns? Please call or text me at 1-808-630-9211. I really would love hear from you.

Mahalo Nui Loa,

Bridget Napier
HWRA President

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HWRA 2014 CALENDAR (SO FAR!!!)
All events start at 10 a.m. unless otherwise indicated.

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| Feb. 8 | Jackpot #1 – Kualoa Ranch, Kaaawa |
| March 8 | Jackpot #2 – DK Ranch, Waimanalo |
| March 22 | Gymkhana Fun Day FUNDRAISER, Kualoa Ranch (tentative) |
| April 5 | Jackpot #3 – Kualoa Ranch, Kaaawa |
| May 4 | Jackpot #4 – DK Ranch, Waimanalo |
| June 7 | Gymkhana Fun Day FUNDRAISER, Kualoa Ranch (tentative) |
| June 28 | Jackpot #5 – Kualoa Ranch, Kaaawa |
| July 27 | Gymkhana Fun Day FUNDRAISER, Kualoa Ranch (tentative) |
| August 9 | Jackpot #6 – DK Ranch, Waimanalo |
| September 13 | Rainout Date |
| October 4 | 22 nd ANNUAL ALL-GIRLS RODEO AT KUALOA RANCH |

