

Hoofbeats

THE NEWSLETTER OF THE HAWAII WOMEN'S RODEO ASSOCIATION

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Another rodeo season is upon us and I'm ecstatic to get started! Last year was one for the record books and I'm happy to say that we met all of our goals that we set for ourselves. With the help from all of our generous sponsors we were able to raise \$8,000, which was enough to cover our All Girls Rodeo awards, year-end awards, and insurance costs for the upcoming 2015 season. We are looking forward to making this season even better than last!

MEMBERSHIP MIXER – JANUARY 24, 2015 OVERVIEW

On January 24th we held a membership mixer/meeting for everyone who is interested in the association to come out meet the board and hear what we had planned for our 2015 season. It was a huge success and we loved getting everyone's input and hearing ideas for fundraising activities and "outside-the-box" fun events! This newsletter will outline what you can expect to see this season.

NEW 2015 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 and ambiance were spectacular amongst other things! At that time, the members in attendance voted for two candidates to fill the 2015 board. Let's start by introducing our newly elected 2015 Board of Directors. President – Bridget Napier, Vice President – Tricia Ann Ching, Secretary – Brandy Joseph, Treasurer – Moana Tupou, Members at large – Kali Adkins, Brittany Joseph-Faborito, and Amber Kaonohi.

Please join me in extending the warmest mahalo to our outgoing board members Betty Cox and Tanya Tadeo. Thank you for all the hard work and dedication you put into making 2014 a huge success.

GRADUATING RIDERS/HORSES

A BIG Congratulation's to these horses who have graduated out of their classes at the end of 2014. Great job on the hard work!

Novice Barrels

Shine
Jingles
Journey
Hooker
Magic – Celeste Tavares
Chico

Novice Poles

Jingles
Shiver
Journey
Hooker

DUES & FEES

We are keeping the membership rates the same as last year. Keiki membership rates for new and existing members are - \$35 for those ages 12 and under as of Jan. 1, 2015. 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, 2015. Families with a child that is between the ages of 18-23 year old who is actively enrolled in school are eligible to be covered by a family membership with the proof of school enrollment verification. All membership fees must accompany membership forms and be paid in full by **March 28, 2015** in order to be eligible for year-end awards. If you need to make arrangements please contact any board members with questions. Any members joining after the above stated deadline will have to pay full membership. If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to email us. Membership forms and entries can be downloaded on our website www.rodeoohu.com

JACKPOTS & WORK CREW

At the membership mixer the members in attendance voted for all of the jackpots this season be split between Diamond J Ranch in Waianae and Kualoa Ranch in Kaaawa. John Morgan of Kualoa Ranch has graciously donated their arena again 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 them. But please remember, although no raking will be needed at the Kualoa arena a work crew is still required for gates, picking up barrels etc. 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 \$30/rodeo fee. It will be deducted from your winnings or is due and payable before you may enter the next jackpot.

Also voted by members, all entries from the first jackpot will be rolled over throughout the season. Please send all adjustments or changes to Tricia (808-349-7206) by the Wednesday before each rodeo. The random sorting and line-ups will be done the Thursday before the show. This also means that the work list will be the same for the entire season unless changes need to be made. If you have any questions or concerns about this process please let me or any of the board members know.

HWRA BENEFIT ROPING SERIES

Ron DeReis is a generous sponsor who has helped HWRA tremendously in 2014 by being the title sponsor for our 2014 All Girls Rodeo and by donating all the stock fee from the two roping fundraiser we held at his arena last year. He has agreed to help HWRA again this year by hosting four HWRA fundraiser ropings to help raise money for the All Girls Rodeo and Year End awards. Buckles will be awarded to the winners at the end of the series and we are working on getting saddles as well. HWRA will be responsible for providing the work crew for the events so we will have a sign up sheet as time draws near. Please remember that in order to qualify for year-end awards you must participate/help in one HWRA sanctioned event. The events we have planned cannot run smoothly without the help and cooperation from our members. If you cannot make it to any of our planned events you may send someone in your place.

ALL GIRLS RODEO SPONSORS

This year we are planning on getting our sponsor packets out early so sponsors have the opportunity to get recognized all year long instead of just during the All Girls Rodeo. If you have friends, clients, family, co-workers, or others who love rodeo please invite them to sponsor an event or even become the title sponsor. We will be updating and mailing out sponsor packets very soon, so please send us any names and addresses of those you think would be interested in becoming a sponsor. A digital version of the packet will be available for download on the website as well.

YEAR-END BANQUET IDEAS

At the meeting we also discussed Year-End banquet ideas and many of you had some great ideas! As time draws near we can see what our budget looks like and have a member vote on where you would like this years banquet to be held. We will be charging \$10 per person this year to



reserve your seat. Suggestions so far are Kualoa Ranch, Dixie Grill, and Dave & Busters. Please feel free to email or message us if you have any more ideas.

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

Mahalo Nui Loa,



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HWRA 2015 CALENDAR

All events start at 10 a.m. unless otherwise indicated.

- Feb. 28 Jackpot #1 – Diamond J Ranch, Waianae
- March 28 Jackpot #2 – Kualoa Ranch, Kaaawa
- May 3 Jackpot #3 – Diamond J Ranch, Waianae
- May 9 HWRA Gymkhana Funday – Kualoa Ranch, Kaaawa
- June 6 Jackpot #4 – Diamond J Ranch
- July 11 HWRA Team Roping Series #1 – Maukele Ranch
- July 25 Jackpot #5 – Kualoa Ranch
- August 8 Jackpot #6 – Diamond J Ranch
- August 15 HWRA Team Roping Series #2 – Maukele Ranch
- August 22 Rainout date – Kualoa Ranch
- September 26 HWRA Team Roping Series #3 – Maukele Ranch
- October 3 23rd ANNUAL ALL GIRLS RODEO – Kualoa Ranch – 8am
- October 17 HWRA Team Roping Series #4 – Maukele Ranch
- December 5 HWRA Year-End Awards Banquet - TBD

