

The Cowboy States Reining Horse Association's *General Membership Meeting and Awards Banquet* was held at the Sheridan Best Western in **Sheridan, Wyoming** on Saturday, **March 18, 2017**. Members of the Show Committee met prior to the Board Meeting, which started shortly after 2:00 pm. There were a few corrections on the meeting minutes from the February 16 meeting. Treasurer, Nancy Pfeiffer, provided a summary of the most recent transactions in both the show and general accounts. All year-end awards have been paid, and insurance has been purchased which will cover the CSRHA in all five events for 2017.

President, Gordon Hinders, informed us of recent correspondence he has received regarding advertising CSRHA events. After some discussion, it was decided that the CSRHA will pursue an ad in The Reiner magazine and The Wrangler Horse and Rodeo News for the 2017 events. Member, Stephanie Williams, informed us of the Buffalo Bill Top Notch Horse Sale, which will be in Cody May 12-13, 2017 and suggested that the club print and post flyers throughout Cody. Everyone agreed that this would be a great opportunity to advertise for the club.

The 2017 Show Season was next on the agenda. The judge, scribe, and show secretary have been determined for the CSRHA *Play Day* on **April 22**. This event will be held at the Flying T Ranch near **Cody, Wyoming**. Entry forms and the class list will be posted on the CSRHA website. The NRHA/CSRHA *Grasslands Market Slide* on **May 20** will be in the new Ford Arena in **Douglas, Wyoming**. The group discussed communication between the warm-up arena and the show pen; walkie-talkies will be used along with a dry erase board. Stephanie Williams informed us that she will have her scooter there as well and will assist. The judge, scribe, and show secretary will be hired by the AQHA affiliate. Dirt work and tractors will be managed by George Pfeiffer, Gordon Hinders, and Bill Russell. The facility has a nice tractor and Kiser drag, so no one will have to haul equipment for this event. The flyer is finished and has been posted/mailed to the neighboring NRHA and RCHA affiliates. The NRHA/CSRHA *Sheridan Slide* on **June 4** will be held at Sheridan College's Agri-Complex in **Sheridan, Wyoming**. The judge and show secretary have been determined. George Pfeiffer will haul his tractor and drag to the facility. Folks will need to contact Nancy Pfeiffer directly for stall reservations. Ryane Clark will make the flyer for this event. The NRHA/CSRHA *Park County Slide* on **July 15** will be held at the Park County Fairgrounds Arena in **Powell, Wyoming**. The judge and show secretary have been arranged; scribes to be determined. The Show Committee will reconvene prior to the NRHA deadline of May 15, so will wrap up the necessary paperwork at a later date. The CSRHA *Play Day* on **September 9** will be held at Sheridan College's Agri-Complex in **Sheridan, Wyoming**. Discussion for this event was tabled for an upcoming meeting.

Nancy informed us that she had raffle tickets printed out and ready to distribute at the Awards Banquet. The Brubaker Ranch is donating a whole butcher hog this year. Nanette Till informed us that the trophy saddle for the 2017 Rookie Level 2 high point earner is ready so she will start collecting from the sponsors as she has already sent Continental Saddlery the check. Gordon is still working on finding young riders to develop a youth committee for the club. There was no additional business to discuss; the meeting was adjourned at 3:07 pm.

To remind everyone, the CSRHA club classes that will be used for year-end awards include:

- Green Horse (\$200 limit on horse earnings)
- Green Reiner (\$100 limit on rider and have to be a non pro)
- Rookie Level 2 (\$1500 limit on rider)
- Non Pro
- Limited Non Pro

- Prime Time Non Pro
- Novice Horse Non Pro Level 1 (\$5000 limit on horse)
- Novice Horse Open Level 1 (\$5000 limit on horse)
- Open
- Limited Open
- Youth 13 & Under
- Youth 14-18
- Short Stirrup

Want to learn more about reining in our area? Check out the CSRHA website at www.cowboystatesreiners.com. Our new and improved website will give you lots of good information including dates of upcoming events, points-of contact, and information about our NRHA affiliate. You may also visit us on facebook and become one of our fans by visiting us at <http://www.facebook.com> and typing in Cowboy States Reining Horse Association in the "search" box at the top of the screen. Reining events in and around the great state of Wyoming are really starting to take off and flourish! We'd love to have you join the fun! If you would like to join and/or get involved with our organization, you can also contact our president, Gordon Hinders at 308/340-5509, our vice-president, George Pfeiffer, at 307/673-1331, treasurer, Nancy Pfeiffer at 307/673-1331, or our secretary, Peggy Peterson at 307/851-0443.

If you have **any** news, upcoming events, photos and/or stories to share about clinics, shows, jackpots, fun-days, or *anything* associated with reining, feel free contact your reporter, Peggy Peterson at shieldquarterhorses@gmail.com or 307/851-0443. We're always delighted to receive information about our members, their accomplishments, or anything we can include in our articles to help everyone keep in touch. Please remember that our publications do have deadlines, so the sooner she receives your updates, the better the chance of getting them in print!

Upcoming reining events:

May 4-7, 2017: Rocky Mountain Quarter Horse Association's *Colorado Gold Circuit* at The Ranch Events Complex in **Loveland, Colorado** will feature a full slate of classes including Junior Reining, Amateur Reining, and Senior Reining classes. Visit www.excelshows.com for more information.

***April 22, 2017:** Cowboy States Reining Horse Association will host a fun day/play day at the Flying T Ranch arena outside Cody, Wyoming. Visit www.cowboystatesreiners.com or contact Nanette Till for additional information (nbtill@tctwest.net or call 307/899-9090).

***May 18-21, 2017:** Cowboy States Reining Horse Association will co-affiliate with the Wyoming Quarter Horse Association along with the Rocky Mountain Quarter Horse Association in hosting the *Wooly Horse Circuit* and NRHA/CSRHA *Grasslands Market Slide* at the Wyoming State Fairgrounds Arena in **Douglas, Wyoming**. The CSRHA will have \$2,000 in added money for the NRHA classes. Points accumulated with the CSRHA will count toward year- end awards. Visit www.wqha.org for more information.

May 26-29, 2017: Central Plains Reining Horse Association's *Platte Valley Classic* at the Custer County Fairgrounds in **Broken Bow, Nebraska**. Visit www.cprha.com for more information.

June 2-3, 2017: Idaho Reining Horse Association's *Teton Slide II* at the Madison County Fairgrounds in **Rexburg, Idaho**. There will also be the Tamarack Derby/Maturity with an Invitational Freestyle class. Visit www.idrha.com for more information.

June 2-3, 2017: Cowboy States Reining Horse Association is hosting NRHA Professional and reining icon, Bob Loomis, for a *2-day clinic* at the Sheridan College Arena in **Sheridan, Wyoming**. Bit and spur artist and master craftsman, Tom Balding, has offered to have a reception for Bob and Pam as well (date TBD). Tom will also be providing trial bits for anyone who wants to try out a new bit during the clinic. Contact Nancy at 307/673-1331 or npfeiffer1@gmail.com for your reservation. A deposit will be required to hold your spot in this clinic. This is a great opportunity to ride with one of the greats in reining, all while trying out some new Tom Balding bits!

***June 4, 2017:** Cowboy States Reining Horse Association will host a NRHA/CSRHA jackpot reining at Northern Wyoming Community College's AgriPark arena (1 Chris LeDoux Way) in **Sheridan, Wyoming**. The CSRHA will have \$2,000 in added money for the NRHA classes. This event is NRHA sanctioned and points earned will count toward CSRHA year-end awards! Visit www.cowboystatesreiners.com or visit the CSRHA facebook page for more information.

June 8-11, 2017: Intermountain Reining Horse Association show at **Farmington, Utah**. Visit www.irha.com for more information.

June 8-11, 2017: Wyoming Quarter Horse Association will co-affiliate with the Rocky Mountain Quarter Horse Association's *Colorful Colorado Circuit* where they will have a full slate of AQHA classes to include Novice Amateur, Amateur, Junior, and Senior Reining classes at The Ranch Events Complex in **Loveland, Colorado**. Visit www.wqha.com or www.rmgha.com for more information.

June 9-11, 2017: Central Wyoming Performance Horse Club show at the Cam-Plex Central Pavillion in **Gillette, Wyoming**. Visit the Central Wyoming Performance Horse Club's facebook page for more information.

June 12-18, 2017: Eastern Plains Reining Horse Association's *Eastern Slope Slide* in **Castle Rock, Colorado**. Visit www.rmrha.com for more information.

*denotes CSRHA affiliate qualifying shows where points count for year-end awards!