

The Cowboy States Reining Horse Association officers and board of directors met via teleconference on Wednesday, **November 14, 2018**. Following the review of our meeting minutes from the October 10 meeting and current treasurer's report, we moved on to business. The *2018 Awards Banquet and General Membership Meeting* will be held in conjunction with a clinic and/or a fun day the weekend of **April 26-28, 2019** in **Cody, Wyoming**, so be sure to mark your calendars. The banquet itself will most likely be Friday evening, April 26 at the Irma Hotel. More details on this weekend will be forthcoming; stay tuned into the CSRHA website and facebook page for updates. Nancy Pfeiffer, Stephanie Williams, and Peggy Peterson will be working on the awards. The club voted to increase the amount allotted for year-end awards at the October meeting.

The 2019 show season was discussed at length. The show committee has been working hard to put together a schedule that will work for everyone, but there are number of issues that will depend on other decisions before it can be finalized. To share with you, here is what the CSRHA has outlined thus far:

Date(s)	Event	Location	Comments
April 26-27	CSRHA clinic	Cody, Wyoming	Pending clinician's schedule
April 26	CSRHA Awards Banquet	Cody, Wyoming	
April 27 or April 28	CSRHA Fun Day	Cody, Wyoming	CSRHA Fun Day
May 11-12	Grasslands Market Slide	Douglas, Wyoming	2 NRHA shows
June 8	Sheridan Slide	Sheridan, Wyoming	NRHA show or CSRHA Fun Day
June 20-23	Slide Into Summer	Livingston, Montana	NRHA show, depending on MRHA approval
August 3-4	CSRHA clinic	TBD	Sam Schaffhauser
August 24	CSRHA Fun Day	Casper, Wyoming	

The *Grasslands Market Slide* in **Douglas, Wyoming** will be an NRHA/CSRHA show with two full days of reining classes, with the exception of the derby classes. The Limited Non Pro, Limited Open, and Novice Horse Non Pro classes will all have \$500 added money with the Rookie Level 2 class having \$250 added money. There will be Ranch Riding classes along with the Ladies and Gents classes, which are often used for schooling so there will be a time limit instituted in 2019. Folks will be encouraged to pre-enter with a late fee charged for those who do not. Bill and Debbie Russell are working with the fairgrounds staff to rent both the Ford Pavilion and the smaller indoor arena for a reasonable fee. Nanette Till asked that we budget for additional advertising for this show, so it is likely we will see a nice ad in the NRHA *Reiner* magazine early in 2019!

The CSRHA is working with the Montana Reining Horse Association in co-affiliating the *Slide Into Summer* show in **Livingston, Wyoming** on **June 20-23**, but as of this writing, no decisions have been finalized. Note that if this materializes, this show would be used *only* as a NRHA qualifying event for the CSRHA. Points earned at this show would not count toward CSRHA year-end awards nor will it count toward the number of shows required for year-end awards.

The *Sheridan Slide* on **June 8, 2019**, will be either a Fun Day or an NRHA show, depending on the decision made by the MRHA about co-affiliating the event in Livingston. If the co-affiliation is approved by the MRHA, the Sheridan Slide will most likely be a CSRHA Fun Day; otherwise, it will be a NRHA show. The stalling situation has improved from years past, and the club will work with the Director of College Services to look into allowing LQ trailers to overnight on the premises.

The Central States Fairgrounds arena in **Casper, Wyoming** has been reserved for the CSRHA for **August 24, 2019**. This event will be a CSRHA Fun Day where points will count toward year-end awards. Note that it will not be a NRHA qualifying event. There is also a possibility of an event to be held at the Southern Campbell County Ag Complex in Wright, Wyoming at some point in the future.

NRHA Professional, Sam Schaffhauser will be visiting the great state of Wyoming once again in 2019 with a 2-day clinic on **August 3-4**. Although a location has not yet been determined, the CSRHA officers and board of directors agreed that we will find an arena to host a clinic. This was a very popular clinic last year, so if you are interested in participating in 2019, be sure to stay tuned to the CSRHA newsletters and get registered.

The final issue discussed was the low turn-out at the 2018 *NRHA Mountain Region Affiliate Finals* which was held in **Denver, Colorado** on **September 20-24, 2018**. NRHA Affiliate Program Representative, Lauren Rufo contacted Nancy Pfeiffer regarding this issue; they visited about options to enhance this show for the Mountain Region Affiliates. Nancy will contact Lauren to report her findings from this discussion.

Our next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, **December 12** at 7:00 pm. If you would like to join the teleconference, please feel free to dial in (951/797-1058 with passcode 681306).

Once again, keep in mind that the CSRHA election period for two board of director positions officially opened on **November 1** and will continue through **December 15**. If you would like to elect someone (or yourself), please include that information on your election ballot (fill in). This is a wonderful opportunity to voice your opinions, concerns, be a voting member, and get on a planning committee for the next few years. What better way to support YOUR local NRHA affiliate?

Want to learn more about reining in our area? Check out the CSRHA website at www.cowboystatesreiners.com. Our 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:

January 13, 2019: NWSS \$20,000 RAM Invitational Freestyle Reining at the National Western Stock Show Complex Events Center in **Denver, Colorado**. Unlike most reining classes, which require competitors perform a specified standard pattern, freestyle reining uses costumes, music, themes, props and special effects and lighting to add to their presentation. The National Western Horse Show invites the nation's

top reiners, making this event unique to any horse show in the world! Visit www.nationalwestern.com for more information.

January 15-16, 2019: The National Western Stock Show's *Quarter Horse and Paint Horse Performance Show* at the National Western Stock Show Complex Events Center in **Denver, Colorado**. A full slate of AQHA/APHA classes will be offered including Senior, Junior, Novice Amateur, Amateur, Amateur Select, and Youth Reining classes. Visit www.nationalwestern.com for more information.

January 19-28, 2019: McKie Ford *Winter Classic AQHA Show* in conjunction with the Black Hills Stock Show at the James Kierstad Event Center in **Rapid City, South Dakota**. A full slate of AQHA classes will be offered including Senior, Junior, Novice Amateur, Amateur, Amateur Select, and Youth Reining classes. Visit www.blackhillsstockshow.com for more information.

February 19-24, 2019: Rocky Mountain Quarter Horse Association's *Bellringer Circuit* at the National Western Complex in **Denver, Colorado**. A full slate of AQHA classes will be offered including Senior, Junior, Novice Amateur, Amateur, Amateur Select, and Youth Reining classes. Visit www.rmgha.com for more information.

March 19-24, 2019: Rocky Mountain Quarter Horse Association's *Gold Rush Circuit* at the National Western Complex in **Denver, Colorado**. A full slate of AQHA classes will be offered including Senior, Junior, Novice Amateur, Amateur, Amateur Select, and Youth Reining classes. Visit www.rmgha.com for more information.

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