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DECEMBER 2017

Membership Dues:

New \$82.00, Renewal \$80.00, Youth (age 16) \$15.00, Family \$125.00 (Parents + High School & under18), Day Permit \$40.00 and Associate (bulletin only) \$30.00

Notes:

1. Jackpots can be cancelled without notice due to inclement weather, i.e. extreme heat or cold – please call ahead if doubt.
2. Negative Coggins required at all roping functions
3. Western attire is appreciated at all roping events
4. Dogs must be on leash
5. Deadline for the Bulletin due by the 20th of the month

2017-18 Roping Schedule

December 2nd JaeBird Performance Ranch
7440 Cox Rd Bellevue, Mi 49021
Tony Lauer 810-223-4046
John Braska 517-983-9862

11:00 AM

Open -4 Hd Progressive \$40/man. \$10cc/man

Payoff: 1st Go- 1 pl/50 teams, Avg.- 1/10 teams up to 4, 6 if over 100

11 PT Draw - Enter 1 draw 1 or draw 2 4 Hd Progressive \$60/man. \$16cc/man

Payoff: 1st Go-1/50 tms, Avg - 1/15 teams up to 4, 6 if over 100

4 and Below Draw- Enter 1 draw 1 or draw 2 4 Hd Progressive \$50/man. \$16cc/man

Payoff: 1st Go-1/50 tms, Avg - 1/15 teams up to 4, 6 if over 100

Novice –2 Hd \$25/person \$10.00cc.

Payoff: 1/7 entries, each side (header & heeler)

January 20th JaeBird Performance Ranch

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JaeBird Performance Ranch 11/11/17**Secretaries: Angie Lauer, Tony Lauer, Tina Popour****Open 1st Go 12 Teams****Open Average 12 Teams**

Colton Bugis	42.88/4	\$182.00	Dusty Link	42.88/4	\$182.00
			Shawn		
Steve Shattuck	51.42/4	\$121.00	Matherly	51.42/4	\$121.00

11pt Draw 1st Go 68 Teams

Steve Shattuck	8.16	\$64.00	Josh Lanning	8.16	\$64.00
			Luke		
Kacie Worgiss	8.49	\$42.00	Vanderkooy	8.49	\$42.00

11pt Draw Average 68 Teams

Brian Bucholtz	50.42/4	\$382.00	Jake Hawkins	50.42/4	\$382.00
Steve Shattuck	50.89/4	\$286.00	Jon Zorn	50.89/4	\$286.00
Josh Lanning	51.91/4	\$191.00	Jake Hawkins	51.91/4	\$191.00
Colton Bugis	52.85/4	\$95.00	Josh Lanning	52.85/4	\$95.00

4 and Below Draw 1st Go 70 Teams

Jillian Hawkins	8.94	\$50.00	Jimmy Grimley	8.94	\$50.00
Jillian Hawkins	13.36	\$33.00	David Windon	13.36	\$33.00

4 and Below Draw Average 70 Teams

Jimmy Grimley	70.99/4	\$297.00	David Windon	70.99/4	\$297.00
Sam Windon	36.15/2	\$223.00	Mandy Bolt	36.15/2	\$223.00
Sam Windon	36.23/2	\$148.00	Mark Neukom	36.23/2	\$148.00
Sam Windon	39.53/2	\$75.00	Jim Windon	39.53/2	\$75.00

Novice Heading 12 Teams

Elizabeth Beck	47.72/2	\$97.00
Joel Naukom	16.44/1	\$65.00

Novice Heeling 15 Teams

Ryan Weldy	26.20/2	\$101.00
Bronc Read	11.28/1	\$61.00
Jayden Hawkins	16.00/1	\$40.00

The following rule proposals were voted on and passed at the General Membership Meeting November 11th. These rules will go in effect immediately!!

Rule Proposal #1 Add:

Breakaway Roping *Passed For 12, Opposed 0*

Contestants will be allowed to use only one (1) loop. No loops are to be rebuilt. If rope is dropped it will be considered a no time.

1. The arena gate will remain open during each contest run. When the calf's nose passes the plain to the back gate, the contestant will be flagged out.
2. Rope will be tied to the saddle horn with braided nylon string. A visible cloth or flag must be attached to the rope within 6 inches of the saddle horn so that the judges can tell when the rope breaks from the horn.
3. The calf must break the rope away from the horn. The rope must be tied to the horn in such a manner as to allow the rope to be released from the horn when the calf hits the end of the rope. Rope must be tied to the horn with a braided nylon string and may not run through the bridle, tie down, neck rope or any other device. Rope must be released from contestant's hand to be a legal catch. Contestant will be disqualified if they remove the rope from the saddle horn.
4. Qualified catch will be defined as bell collar: loop must pass over the animal's whole head with no extremities. Extremities being legs, tail or figure-eighted tail.
5. Animal belongs to contestant when they call for them, except when barrier hits rope of contestant, timer misses time, or in the sole opinion of the line judge, the gateman fouls the contestant by not releasing the animal when called for by the contestant, the contestant will be awarded a rerun if they declare them self immediately. If the line judge does not feel the contestant was fouled, a no-time will be given to the contestant.
6. There will be a 30 second time limit not including penalties.
7. The flag judge should be positioned in the corner of the arena opposite the end of the roping box. If the arena is very large, it is permissible to be positioned as far as one fourth of the length of the arena away from the roping box. Flagger to be position on the side of the breakaway flag, this means switching sides for left handed ropers.
8. It is the judges' call to rule a catch legal or illegal if rope changes position after it initially breaks free.
9. Any rules not covered by the above rules shall be assumed by the Tie Down Roping rules.

Rule Proposal #6 *Passed For 12, Opposed 0*

Year-end awards will be given for all events/divisions that have been offered in at least four (4) MRA approved jackpots during the current year.

Rule Proposal #7 *Passed For 12, Opposed 0*

No two novice ropers can rope together, in the novice.

Rule Proposal #8 *Passed For 12, Opposed 0*

To rope in the novice roping you must be a current member.

Rule Proposals

1st Time Listed

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Section G. State Finals

Add Letter C.

If a member in the top 15 standings does not enter the State Finals by the close of entries, these positions will be filled by qualified members (members that have competed in 4 MRA ropings for the current year) starting with position 16 and going down the standings until 15 positions are filled for the finals.

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Section G. State Finals

Add

Any member with a State Finals Position awarded that cannot find a partner through the office may select a qualified member (members that have competed in 4 MRA ropings for the current year) to rope with from outside the top 15 standings in that division.

STANDINGS

Thru 11/11/17

5 & Above Heading		
1	Steve Shattuck	505
2	Brian Bucholtz	382
3	Colton Bugis	277
4	Josh Lanning	191
5	Kacie Worgiss	42

4 & Below (2+-4+) Heading		
1	Jillian Hawkins	83
2	Jimmy Grimley	297
3	Sam Windon	446

Novice Heading		
1	Elizabeth Beck	97
2	Joel Neukom	65

5 & Above Heeling		
1	Nick Deleon	34
2	Dusty Link	182
3	Shawn Matherley	121
4	Josh Lanning	159
5	Luke Vanderkooy	42
6	Jake Hawkins	573
7	Jon Zorn	286

4 & Below (2+-4+) Heeling		
1	David Windon	330
2	Mandy Bolt	223
3	Mark Neukom	148
4	Jim Windon	75
5	Jimmy Grimley	50

Novice Heeling		
1	Ryan Weldy	101
2	Bronc Read	61
3	Jayden Hawkins	40

Thank You to our 2017 Season Year End Award Sponsors!

Charles Lanning
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*****SPONSORSHIPS*****

It's that time of year again, the MRA is looking for Sponsors. Please remember if you are director it is your responsibility to get at least one buckle sponsorship. Any other sponsorships members or directors can get are greatly appreciated. It helps to make your year-end awards better.

2017 MRA Award Sponsorship

I would like to sponsor the following amount to support the Michigan Ropers Association Top 10 Awards:

\$25 \$50 \$75 \$100 \$125 \$150

I would like my sponsorship to support the following roping division:

5 and Above Heading 5 and Above Heeling 4 and Below Heading
4 and Below Heeling Novice Heading Novice Heeling No Preference

Sponsor Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone number: _____

Please make checks payable to: **Michigan Ropers Association**
Mail to: Angie Lauer
12100 Fairbanks Rd.
Linden, MI 48451

Thank you for your support!

MICHIGAN ROPERS' ASSOCIATION, INC.
WAIVER AND LIABILITY RELEASE

READ CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING

IMPORTANT: All participants in Roping and other events (regardless of age) must sign this Waiver and Release. Participants under 18 years of age must have their parent or legal guardian also sign.

I understand that I am voluntarily participating in an event (such as Calf, Team & Breakaway Roping, Steer Stopping, or others) sponsored, promoted and/or organized by the Michigan Ropers' Assoc. I understand that horse-related activities including roping, horseback riding, and riding or working near cattle are rugged and dangerous activities which carry a risk of bodily and other injuries. Injuries could include loss of life and serious bodily harm. Risks could include, for example, equipment failure, collisions, kicks and getting trampled, unpredictable reactions by horses and cattle, and several others. I represent that I am physically able to perform activities at this event. **I UNDERSTAND THESE AND OTHER RISKS AND DANGERS ASSOCIATED WITH ROPING AND EQUINE EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES, AND I VOLUNTARILY AGREE TO ASSUME THEM.**

In consideration for being allowed to participate in this event, I, for my heirs, administrators, personal representatives or assigns, release and discharge the Michigan Ropers' Association, Inc., owners of show grounds, event sponsors, cattle owners, show management, and their respective employees, agents, representatives, assigns, officers, directors, members, volunteers, affiliates, participating groups, and persons connected with this event, of and from all claims, demands, actions, or causes of actions (present and future), liabilities, or obligations, whether the same be known or unknown, anticipated or unanticipated, resulting from or arising out of my bodily injury or damage that may be sustained, or property damage which may occur as a result of attending or participating in the Roping event (except if caused by gross negligence or willful misconduct).

IT IS MUTUALLY UNDERSTOOD AND AGREED THAT THIS WAIVER AND LIABILITY RELEASE SHALL ALSO CONSTITUTE A WAIVER OF LIABILITY BEYOND THE PROVISIONS OF THE MICHIGAN EQUINE ACTIVITY LIABILITY ACT, 1994 P.A. 351.

I understand that I am responsible for my own financial loss in relation to any theft or damage to my/our tack, equipment, vehicles, trailers, and horses while on the premises where the Roping event is held.

I understand and agree that this Waiver and Liability Release will be binding each time I participate in any roping or other events or activities with the persons or entities listed above. If suit is brought arising out of any aspect of a Roping event through the Michigan Ropers' Assoc. or this document, the losing party shall pay the other party's attorney fees and expenses.

I HAVE READ THIS WAIVER AND LIABILITY RELEASE AND I FULLY UNDERSTAND IT.

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Print Name _____ Phone Number _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email address: _____

Bulletin by Website: _____ or Mail: _____

ATTENTION: Beginning January 1, 2012 all MRA Bulletins will only be available online.

Signature _____ Date _____

In case of emergency notify: _____ Phone # _____

For applicant(s) under the age of 18, a parent or legal guardian signature is required.

AGE _____ SIGNATURE _____ RELATIONSHIP _____

MICHIGAN ROPERS' ASSOCIATION, INC.
YEAR 2017-2018 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Please Circle One:

New Membership \$82 Renewal \$80 Family \$125 (Parents + High School & under)
Associate (Bulletins only) \$30 Youth (age 16 & under) \$15 Day Permit \$40

Make checks payable to M.R.A. _____ Mail to: M.R.A. Angie Lauer
12100 Fairbanks Rd
Linden, Mi 48451
Questions please call: 810-223-4045

WARNING: Under the Michigan Equine Activity Liability Act (1994 P.Z. 351), an equine professional is not liable for an injury to or the death of a participant in an equine activity resulting from an inherent risk of the equine activity.

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and Lone Star Ropes www.lonestarropes.com as Official Sponsors of the
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