

## REMINDERS:

- General Membership meeting  
**THURSDAY** May 11th,  
8pm at Charlie's
- Northern Show  
**SATURDAY** May 13th,  
8pm at Club Static  
Fort Collins
- Gymkhana  
**SUNDAY** May 14th  
10am at JeffCo
- Triple X Charity Challenge  
**SATURDAY** May 20th  
Brunswick Zone,  
Wheatridge

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## Whoa Nellie!!!



If you missed our fundraiser at Elitch gardens this month, you missed a great time. Oh don't we just love our Nellie!

(photo courtesy of Six Flags-Elitch Gardens)

Don't miss our Northern Show Saturday, May 13th at Club Static in Ft. Collins. It is sure to be worth the drive!

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## Letter from our President

Hello CGRA,  
We are now very busy getting ready for RMRR 24. Let all your friends know we are expecting a large crowd and lots of fun. Watch the calendar on the web for upcoming events. Welcome to all the new people who have recently joined the CGRA family. We have been working on the e-mail system and everyone should be receiving their messages and newsletters correctly now.  
If you are not doing anything on Saturday, May 13, come up to

the Static in Ft. Collins and join Clyde, Jim and the rest of us for a fun night.

Do not forget our General Membership meeting is Thursday, May 11 at Charlie's at 8:00 p.m. See you all there.  
More next time.

Tommy Channel  
President  
CGRA  
president@cgra.net

## Vice President

Howdy CGRA,  
I would like to extend my congratulations to our new emperor Michael and empress Charis. Mays a busy rodeo month with St. Louis, MO, Omaha, NE, and Oklahoma City, OK. I will be attending all three and look forward to seeing all of you there. Anyone who would like to volunteer for our rodeo July 7-9 please contact me at 303-280-DOOR  
John Beck  
Vice President  
CGRA  
vice.president@cgra.net



Clyde Mitter  
Mr. CGRA  
2006

Gia Diamante  
Miss CGRA  
2006

## Royalty Row

Hello All  
Gia and I would like to say thank you to all that have come out and supported our first 2 shows. 1 for the Medicine Horse Program and 1 for the Colorado Aids Project (nutritional center) which were held at Charlie's. Wayne, Gia and I would like to send a huge thank you to you and your entire staff for making these fundraisers possible for the good of the community. Also a big thank you to the

many entertainers that have come out to support us. Gia and I wanted to say thanks for all your continued support and we look forward to great year of helping each other towards our goals and aspirations. Thanks to all of CGRA's members for trusting in us that we will represent the organization in a positive manner.  
Sincerely  
Miss CGRA 2006- Gia Diamante  
Mr. CGRA 2006- Clyde Mitter

## Metro Outreach

Thank you for your patience as I settle into my board position. I figured I should get at least one board meeting under my belt so I can write about something, but I just wanted to say hello.

Thanks,  
Justin Smith  
CGRA  
Metro Outreach

## Rodeo Events

Hello CGRA members,  
The month of May will be a busy one with many of our members planning to compete in St. Louis, Omaha, and Oklahoma City rodeos. Good luck to everyone. We also have a gymkhana scheduled for May 14th at Jefferson County Fairgrounds. Registration begins at 10:00 AM, the gymkhana starts at 11:00 AM. If you haven't been to a gymkhana yet this year you're missing a good time! Plan to come out and join us.  
Ken Smith  
Rodeo Events Director  
rodeo.events@cgra.net

## Rodeo Director

WOW IS IT REALLY MAY???  
Well, after looking at the calendar I can not believe that it is May already. As the Rodeo Director for RMRR 24, I am pleased to say that everything is on track for an awesome weekend in July. But, we STILL NEED YOUR HELP!!! If you, your boyfriend, the guy you met last week at the bar, the lady you met last weekend at the bar, your girlfriend, your neighbor, or your neighbors Uncle Wilber are available we need volunteers for this years rodeo. Please go to our website, [www.cgra.net](http://www.cgra.net), hit the

rodeo link and then the volunteer link. There you will find a link to email our Vice President so he can get your information. Whether it's for an hour or all weekend, send an email and help us out. Our rodeo depends on the support of all of our members, so send the e-mail. I promise you will get dirty, and have a great time doing it!!! The planning for RMRR 24 is right on track. It will be one that our association can be very proud of. Any questions, drop me an email.  
Roger Japp  
rodeo.director@cgra.net

## Northern Outreach

Well rodeo season is here in full swing. Good luck to all those contestants that are traveling to various rodeos and functions around the IGRA system. Hope you all remembered to mark an X on your calendar on Saturday May 13th. That's when CGRA travels north to Fort Collins to Club Static for a fundraiser, from 8p-11p. Proceeds will be a 50/50 split between the CGRA Education/Finals Funds and the Northern Colorado Aids Project. There will be a beer bust, items for a raffle, and will need entertainers as well. If you can assist as an entertainer, please let Clyde or myself know. And of course we would like as many CGRA members as possible to join in the fun. Here is a list of some of the hotels near Club Static. As I've

found out, it is also graduation that weekend and hotels are nearly sold out. So make you plans right away.  
Kiva Inn / Best Western 970-484-2444 As of the 29th of April, they are accepting reservations for a 3 day minimum. I'll be speaking with the manager on Monday to see if he'll make any exceptions. This motel is located across the street from Club Static. Motel 6 970-482-6466 69.00 for 2ppl / 75.00 for 4ppl Mulberry Inn, 970-493-9000 only a few rooms left for 110.00 Plaza Inn, 970-493-7800 only a few rooms left starting at 110.00 Days Inn, 970-221-5490 still had rooms but was requir-

ing 2day min stay Ramada Inn, 970-484-4660 and Sleep Inn, 970-484-5515 currently sold out. These are only a few nearby Club Static, so if your planning on attending and need a hotel, best book a room right away. If you have any questions you can reach Clyde Mitter, Mr CGRA 2006 [cdmitter@yahoo.com](mailto:cdmitter@yahoo.com) 720-840-7758 or Jim Thorstad, Northern Colorado Outreach [jimthorstad@yahoo.com](mailto:jimthorstad@yahoo.com) 303-378-4225 cell 970-737-1182 home

Thanks  
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CGRA  
Northern Outreach  
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### St. Louis Rodeo

St. Louis, MO  
May  
5th, 6th & 7th

### Heartland Rodeo

Omaha, NE  
May  
20th & 21th

### Great Plains Rodeo

Oklahoma City, OK  
May  
26th, 27th & 28th



In order to remain and active member, your dues must be paid by the last day of the month your membership expires. Please let me know of any address changes. If you need a nametag please make sure to get in touch with me so I can order it for you, and if I have a nametag for you, you may pick it up at an of our general membership meetings.

**Memberships up for renewal in May:**

- ◆ Barker, Chris
- ◆ Carelli, Jd
- ◆ Kellogg, Patrick
- ◆ Kessler, Michael
- ◆ Kittley, Kimberley
- ◆ Korzen, Michael
- ◆ Lobato, Rj
- ◆ Magat, Shantie
- ◆ Pohl, Shelly
- ◆ Ralston, Sheri
- ◆ Shaw, Jeff

(if you have already renewed, please disregard this notice)

- Memberships up for renewal in June:**
- ◆ Dickerson, Brian
  - ◆ Lopez, James
  - ◆ Puls, Sherry
  - ◆ Thomas, James
  - ◆ Vela, Jim
- Memberships up for renewal in July:**
- ◆ Bara, Richard
  - ◆ Bradford, Nicole
  - ◆ Carroll, John
  - ◆ Christopher, James s
  - ◆ Dice, Brent
  - ◆ Durovka, Nancy
  - ◆ Eyestone, Darrel
  - ◆ Flores, Robert

- ◆ Herbert, Carolyn
- ◆ Kennedy, Cheryl
- ◆ Locke, John
- ◆ Martin, William
- ◆ Michaels, Sue anne
- ◆ Noland, Cathy
- ◆ Polley, Jonelle
- ◆ Pool, Ken
- ◆ Ross, Ryan
- ◆ Stevenson, Jeff
- ◆ Swanson, Keith
- ◆ Teigen, Ty
- ◆ Tims, Dalew
- ◆ Van galder, Sammy w
- ◆ Van orman, Sunny
- ◆ Wak wak, Isaac r
- ◆ Witman, Brooke

- Memberships up for renewal in August:**
- ◆ Bray, Mike
  - ◆ Clouch, Cheney
  - ◆ Hill, Travis
  - ◆ Thorstad, Jim

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**www.cgra.net**  
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I hope every one had a great Easter, congratulations to our new Emperor Michael, and Empress Charis. I would like to welcome the following new members to our organization, James Sherman, Michael Walsh, Jenna Blair. Don't forget if you can't get to me to join CGRA you can get the application on line. Have a great day see you on the circuit.  
 Pauline  
 membership@cgra.net

**CGRA**  
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**Welcome new members... James Sherman, Michael Walsh, Jenna Blair!!!**

## Trustee Times

Hello Members  
 First off I want to thank Members that have and will be filling in for Me at Rodeos I am not able to go to!! I have 7 to 8 Rodeos & IGRA events I will be attending CGRA will be Hosting one of the four IGRA BOD meetings for the 2006 Rodeo Year, the meeting will be held at the Jefferson County Fairgrounds, in the Green Mtn. Meeting rooms. We will be looking for some help on Friday from 11:00 am till 3:00 pm, with the meal. We will be having IGRA & CGRA by-laws meeting's, the first one is May 15 at Charlie's at 7:00 pm, all Members are Welcome!!!!  
 Roger Courtemanche  
 Trustee@cgra.net

## Fundraising

Howdy CGRA Members,  
 April was yet another great month in our fundraising efforts. Between three events, we raised \$895. The raffles at Charlie's and Club Static, along with the Six Flags - Elitch Gardens events were a tremendous success thanks to your support and thanks to the efforts of those who volunteered to sell tickets to these events. As you know, we've got RMRR-24 coming up in just over 2 months, so the crunch is on in finding sponsors. Please show your support by talking to colleagues/friends/family who may be in a position to engage in a sponsorship or in placing an ad in the RMRR program on

behalf of their company/business/organization. I'm happy to follow up on any leads you might send my way. We'll also be looking for items for the RMRR-24 Silent Auction, so any donations or leads you can provide are greatly appreciated!!  
 Lastly, keep in mind, we're planning a CGRA Yard Sale this summer. Start putting items aside now that you'll plan to donate to the sale. If there are items you'd like picked up, please let me know.  
 As always, thanks for your support!!  
 Carl Bloom  
 fundraising@cgra.net

## Entertainment

Greetings to everyone,  
 The plans for the Entertainment Tent at RMRR24 are well underway. Friday night we're starting out with an special show presented by our Rodeo Royalty and some special guest appearances. It's a great night to sit back and relax with a beer and enjoy before the weekend's competition gets underway.  
 Saturday and Sunday we'll have performers from 11:30am to 1:30pm to enter-

tain you during lunch, and then we'll start up again about 2:30pm and run till 5:30pm. Stop by the tent to see some of the best entertainers from Denver and from the IGRA rodeo circuit.  
 Saturday night around 5:30pm (or whenever the rodeo finishes) we're putting together an evening of live singers and some dance breaks so y'all can get out there and scoot your boots, and the bar stays open till 11pm.

Entertainers will be scheduled as they apply, and anyone and everyone is welcome to come show your stuff.  
 You can contact me at [entertainment@cgra.net](mailto:entertainment@cgra.net) or download the entertainment application form from our website [www.cgra.net](http://www.cgra.net). If you perform at least twice over the weekend, you'll get an entertainer pass.  
 All entertainers should check in at the fairgrounds on Friday night between 6pm and 9pm. If you can't make it out on

Friday please contact me to make other arrangements for entertainment registration.  
 I'm looking forward to seeing everyone out at RMRR24 in July.  
 Keith Swanson  
 CGRA  
 Entertainment Chair

## Public Relations

Holy Buckets!!!

Have things ever gotten busy on the Public Relations front! Look for sexy rodeo ads in the upcoming issues of Exp magazine and OutFront Colorado. They are sure to be eye stoppers!

We had a photo shoot a couple of week-ends ago and I want to thank all of the models that came out and took a little off for CGRA! The pics are hot and I can't wait to share them with you.

We are planning a summer photo shoot at my home in Greeley where we will have all the fun stuff to use as back drops like horses, hay bales, barns, etc. so make plans to come on out and show the community how hot you really are. Stay tuned

to our website and newsletters for times and dates. If you are interested shoot me an e-mail with your contact information.

Thanks to all who voted at our last meeting for the finals 2007 poster. It is a great poster and will represent CGRA and IGRA very well.

The website is always improving so make sure to check in regularly as I add improvements to it.

New to the website this month:

~A new "Connect" page that lets you surf for folks that are coming to RMRR.

~Team Shirts are now on sale from our store. Order yours today!

Plans are coming along for the pridefest activities. I will be manning a booth at pride this year where we will be sharing and

spreading the word of CGRA. If you are available to help out please let me know. I would hate to be the only one manning the booth and have to miss all the pride fun. Whether it for 30 minutes or 4 hours, any help from any members is greatly appreciated. We are also looking for members that can manage and/or help build the pride float. Please volunteer an hour or two of your time to help us put it together.

I know I am missing plenty but I best get back to work!

Cheers!  
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## Announcement

The CGRA By-Laws committee will meet three time a year. Jeff Shaw will serve as IGRA Rodeo Rules Person for CGRA.

Meeting dates are:

- May, 15
- June, 19
- July, 17
- July 31 (if needed)

The Meeting's fit the time table to get By-Laws changes to the IGRA Secretary in time for IGRA Convention. When the picking of Delegate's to IGRA Convention, one of the things that is looked at is Members that have attended the IGRA Committee/By-laws Meetings, past Delegate, and time working with CGRA events and Committee's

