



CGRA Newsletter

January 2010

Hello CGRA Members

I hope each of you had a Great Christmas and a wonderful New Years, as 2010 has finally got here I hope it's better than 2009 for all of us. I would like to wish our members that have been under the weather in 2009 a healthy 2010. I would like to also let all of our members know that I will be looking for volunteers for the Rocky Mountain Regional Rodeo in July so if you are interested please let me know. If any of you would like to be on one of our committee's please let us know, we would welcome any new idea's remember CGRA is our organization and it's success depends on all of us as members.

Sincerely

Clyde Mitter

CGRA-Vice-President



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Well, this month has definitely flown by! For those of you who made it to CGRA's Night of Sharing, wasn't that an incredible night! A big thank you to everybody that made this such an enjoyable event – from the beautiful stage (thank you Bryan Williams) to all of our past royalty who came out and celebrated with us.

Congratulations go out to our new CGRA Royalty Team for 2010 – Mr. Dan Rutledge, Miss Rebecca Tucker, and 1st runner-up Miss Tracy Lee Saunders. You three have done an amazing job to date raising money for CGRA and being out and about and promotion CGRA and rodeo. I know that the three of you will represent CGRA well throughout the year and especially out on the Rodeo circuit.

With Christmas come and gone, I hope that each of you had a special time with family and friends. I want to wish each of you a prosperous New Year filled with much love and happiness!

Big hugs!

Rich Valdez

2010 CGRA Secretary

Upcoming Events

- BOD meeting moved too Jan. 7th @ 6pm at Charlies.
- General Membership meeting moved to Jan. 7th @ 8pm at Charlies.
- IGRA University
Jan 15th -17th in Las Vegas go to www.igra.com for more information.
- Tracey lee Saunders hosts:
Birthday Bash at Charlies Beer bust and show
Jan 23rd from 7pm until 10pm.
- Gymkhana Jan 24th at the Jefferson County Fair grounds at 10am until 4pm.
- Gymkhana Feb. 14th at the Jefferson County Fair grounds at 10am until 4pm.

New Year's Greetings to All!

And with that a reminder that our work in selling ads and sponsorships for RMRR 28 begins in earnest!

Recent action by our Board of Directors makes NOW the best time to commit to a sponsorship for this year's rodeo.

- CGRA Blue Ribbon Members and above enjoy a discount up to 9% based on their class of membership!
- Early payment discounts available up to 10% when sponsors commit and pay early—the earlier the payment the bigger the discount!
- Lock in today's prices for up to 3 years!
- Advertising exposure to 40% more prospective buyers!
- Gymkhana Sponsorships now available!

Sponsorship Kits are being revised to include these changes and will be posted to the website right away. But don't wait, if you or someone you do business with is interested in sponsoring in 2010 contact me NOW to take the fullest advantage of these opportunities and to lock in your sponsorship category.

2007 Sponsors will also be recognized at our Sponsor Appreciation Night on January 30 at 8:00 p.m. at Charlie's. CGRA members and directors are asked to participate in full force to show our appreciation of those who make our Rodeo and our contributions to our Charity Partners possible. Remember to support our Sponsors with your gratitude and your patronage!

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Members,

I hope that your holiday season was filled with great times and friends! Last month CGRA had a great month from our night of Sharing to our Royalty Contest. Wanted to say Congrats to our New Royalty Team Mr. CGRA – Dan Ruttlage Miss CGRA – Rebecca Tucker and Miss CGRA 1st Runner up Tracey Lee Saunders, I am sure that you will all show the rest of the associations what Colorado is made of!!! This month IGRA is holding university in Las Vegas and we have a huge group going this year, so safe travels to all that are going. We are gearing up for the rodeo season now and with that we are having our first gymkhana on the 24th at JeffoCo fairgrounds. Our January meeting was moved up to the 7th as IGRA university was the weekend of our normal meeting; so mark it on your calendars. As always if you have something you would like on the calendar please just email me at pr@cgra.us.

Don Moore - Public Relations

Hello Members,

The holidays are over and rodeo season is fast approaching. With rodeo season comes Gymkhana time. Our first CGRA Gymkhana will start in January and continue until the end of the summer at the Jeffco Fair Grounds. Please see below the current dates scheduled for the season.

Gymkhana Schedule:

Sunday, January 24, 10am-4pm

Sunday, February 14, 10am-4pm

Sunday, March 14, 10am-4pm

Sunday, April 18, 10am-4pm

Sunday, May 9, 10am-4pm

Sunday, June 13, 10am-4pm

July, no gymkhana scheduled

Sunday, August 1, 10am-4pm

Sunday, September 12, 10am-4pm

Please schedule accordingly. All are invited to attend and participate. There will be fun people events for all as well as our regular schedule of events. The gymkhana is a great opportunity to volunteer and get in involved with the organization. Please contact me if you interested in helping. Support the Men of Charlie's who will be preparing and serving food this year. See you on the 24th of January for the first Gymkhana of the year.

Jay Hadley

Rodeo Event Coordinator

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Wow. It's 2010 – ALREADY! The holiday season has come and gone and a new rodeo year is on the horizon.

Some of us will be hitting Vegas shortly for University weekend – with some fun and entertainment sprinkled in – of course. CGRA is going to the Stock Show again this year. For those of you with tickets – see you at the rodeo! And don't forget our first gymkhana on 1/24. Please do join us for a great time.

Here's a little reminder about what's new in the by-laws for MEMBERSHIP and how it affects you:

- 1.) All memberships are now based on calendar year quarters instead of months. This translates to just four (4) renewal dates per year- March 31, June 30, September 30, and December 31. This means those of you who joined or renewed in the last few months of 2008 have an expiration date of 12/31/09.
- 2.) With the membership cards and the reminder emails, it should be much easier for everyone to remember when their membership is up for renewal. Members will be DEACTIVATED in the database within 30 days of expiration if they have not renewed. ABSOLTELY NO EXCEPTIONS!
- 3.) We now have a limited JR. membership category at a reduced annual fee of \$12. This is for those under the age of 18 who would like to take advantage of some of the membership benefits such as reduced rates for gymkhana classes.

From the Department of Redundancy Department, please do take a moment and make sure your membership is up-to-date. Prompt renewals are always greatly appreciated and be sure to let me know if you have any name, address, phone or email changes in need of correction and/or update. Do check your emails closely for those renewal reminders. I have sent several notices to those whose memberships expired at the end of 2009.

I will send out one more "renewal reminder" email to EVERYONE on that list shortly before I de-activate anyone. Remember, staying on "Active" status is imperative for rodeo event registration. AND I HAVE MEMBERSHIP CARDS FOR ANYONE WHO WANTS ONE! If I don't run into you at our meetings and events, contact me and I'll snail mail one to you. Not only is it a great reminder for your renewal date, but a shopping trip to Lancaster's with your card will net you a 10% discount.

A very Happy and Prosperous New Year to you All!

Feel free to email me: membership@cgra.us if you have any questions or updates... and, as always, Membership Applications/Renewal forms are available through the website. Those can be snail mailed to me at:

CGRA-Membership
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or, better yet...renew on line @ www.cgra.us