



# DIAMOND STATE LARIAT



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Diamond State Rodeo Association

July, 1997

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- General Membership Meeting - July 18
- Casino Night - July 19
- Clubhouse Closed - July 25
- Clubhouse Closed - August 1
- Private Party Clubhouse Closed Aug 2
- Spades Night - August 8
- Lariat Deadline - August 8
- DSRA Potluck - August 9
- DSRA Elections - August 15
- General Membership Meeting - August 15
- Women's Night - August 16



## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Rodeo fund raising season is upon us. Heck, it's always a good time to raise a little \$\$\$\$ for the rodeo. By the way after all bills came in we were able to give away \$4000 to our chosen aids service agencies. So now that's done, let's make some more money! Of course the 25/25/50 pot is still climbing. Remember, that's where we have a drawing for 25% of moneys donated at an

event. Then another 25% will be held for a drawing to be held rodeo weekend for big bucks, and of course 50% of those donations raised will go into financing the rodeo. Yes, I am donating, and I am trying to win the big pot too. so don't scream foul if your hard working rodeo director should win! I need alot of coupons to pay for that big black ride.

I'd also like to encourage you entertaining types to look at hosting a "dinner with friends". This can be done any time. Just set a date, invite a few friends over and charge 'em.

I'd also like to invite all you creative types to get to it and work us up a rodeo in the rock '98 poster. I'm gonna see about getting a little prize money involve to see if that will peak interest. Just remember to include Miller Lite logo into the piece and keep the range of colors down to a minimum. The more colorful the more costly. This logo will be used on all promo materials.

I will soon be calling on some of you for your help as chair persons for the rodeo, but, if you are interested and I don't call you, please call me. We need involvement, more people to take on these important roles. Let's rodeo!

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## CONVENTION CONSIDERS IGRA REORGANIZATION

The last several years have seen remarkable growth for the IGRA in the number of rodeos and competitors. This has caused many problems with the continued

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growth of the organization. More recently several rodeos have been canceled and the Northwest Gay Rodeo Association in Seattle has folded. In response to all of this, a proposal has been made to radically reorganize the IGRA. The basic part of the proposal is to base membership on metropolitan areas not states. There are many other elements to the proposal that will be discussed at the July 18 General Membership meeting. Please be there so that the DSRA delegates at Convention represent the wishes of the membership.



## RODEO REPORT

We're approaching a new era for the DSRA. A semi-shuffling of the board members that is. I hope all of you will make this next meeting for nominations, and the august meeting for elections. I also hope everyone has taken time to renew their membership. If

The next Lariat deadline is August 8th. If you are interested in submitting an article for publication, please contact Mike at 666-3706.

### 25/25/50 POT SPLIT FUND-RAISER

- \*At each Major DSRA Function chances will be given for each one dollar donation.
- \* At the end of that evening one name will be drawn for 25% of the money raised that night.
- \*On April 25th '98, (The Saturday Night Rodeo Dance) the other 25% that has grown all year will be given away. Predicted amount about \$2,400!
- \*Everyone who has participated all year will still be eligible to win.
- \*The remaining 50% will go to finance the Rodeo. Predicted amount about \$4,800!



*DSRA not responsible for any taxes incurred by the winner*

your membership is not current, you will not be able to vote. Fill out the enclosed application or give your membership chair a call. She'll be more than happy to help.

The board has decided as of the last meeting to look at the possibility of making a bid for 1999 IGRA rodeo finals. Your input is very important. Even though a few people can make these decisions it take every last

person in the DSRA to make it happen.

There are lots of events planned next month. Please try to make some of Them. I know we're all real busy this time of year, but your club house needs you. Do you need, or want your club house?



*Just Fun:* Men like to barbecue. Men will cook if danger is involved. If your significant other prepares you a meal and the salad has three types of lettuce, they're serious.



## DSRA MEMBERS PLACE IN 8 EVENTS IN OKC!

The Great Plains Regional Rodeo in Oklahoma City on Memorial Day weekend saw one of the strongest efforts by DSRA members as a group ever! The DSRA team points were 5th among 14 associations competing. Tammy Crowder and Susan Williford had their usual fine performances with Tammy winning the buckle in Flag Racing, finishing 2nd in the All Round Cowgirl competition, and Susan winning the buckle in Barrel Racing, finishing 3rd for All Round Cowgirl. In individual go-rounds Tammy also placed 1st in Chute Dogging, 2nd in Break-away Roping, 4th in Barrel Racing, 1st in Pole Bending, 1st & 2nd in Flag Racing, and 4th & 7th in Wild Drag Racing. Susan placed 5th in Chute Dogging, 4th in Calf Roping on Foot, 1st TWICE in Barrel Racing, 8th in Pole Bending, and 1st & 6th in Flag Racing. Other DSRA individual go-round standouts were Sandra McCool finishing 5th in Barrel Racing, Reggie Smith 4th in Pole Bending, and in an unusual occurrence, Mark Silvey finishing 5th in Pole Bending for the weekend while not placing on either go-round. Tammy, Mark, and Lisa Hitchcock teamed up in Wild Drag

Racing to finish 4th & 7th for a weekend overall finish of 5th. It was great to see all the DSRA competing and doing so well. Congrats to all of our competitors!



**The next general membership meeting is July 18th at 9 PM, at the new DSRA Clubhouse. Your attendance is needed and greatly appreciated. Please attend. ☺☺☺**

## COME EAT AND DANCE AT THE CLUBHOUSE!

Come on and chow down at the Clubhouse. After a month's hiatus the monthly potluck will resume on Saturday, August 9. There is always more good food than can be eaten and great fellowship too! The same core group has attended most of these. The rest of you don't know what you're missing. It's early enough in the evening that you can still do something else later if you wish. We are going to try our hand at dancing again this month...after we

digest the meal. We had a blast a couple of months ago doing this and taught several people new steps. We would surely like to see a good number of you cowboys and cowgirls show up for the first time! The door will open at 6:30 PM and we'll start eating about 7 PM. Dancing will start in the vicinity of 9PM. Call Steve Mitchell at 758-3133 or e-mail him at [smitch@aristotle.net](mailto:smitch@aristotle.net) to coordinate the food. Y'all come!!!



## MEMBERSHIP

If you haven't renewed your annual membership, or you have a friend who hasn't renewed, now is the time to keep your membership in good standing. Membership does have it's privileges. If you have any friends who are interested in joining DSRA. We encourage you to have them join. New membership is \$24.00 per year however it is prorated after the fiscal year. We at DSRA look forward to your participation in this organization.



We are trying to use e-mail as much as possible to help remind members about upcoming events. If you haven't received a message from Steve Mitchell by the time you receive this Lariat, we don't have your address (or cannot read your membership form!). If you have an e-mail address please contact Steve at [smitch@aristotle.net](mailto:smitch@aristotle.net) so he can add you to the list for future announcements.

## DSRA ELECTIONS AUG 15

The Nominations Committee presents the following slate of officers for the Diamond State Rodeo Association elections on August 15, 1997:

President	Mr Jackie Green
Vice President	Ms Linda Miller
Secretary	Mr. Dennis Noble
Treasurer	Mr. John Lowe
Trustee	Mr. Steve Mitchell
Rodeo Events/Director	Ms Julie Williams
Membership	Ms Sandy Korte
Lariat Editor	Mr Michael Baggett
Public Relations	Mr. Aaron Bernstein
Events Coordinator	
*Clubhouse Manager	Mr Sam Evans

\*Not an elected position, appointed by the president.

All members are urged to make every effort to attend and vote for the nominated officers and board on Friday August 15. You are also urged to attend the General Membership meeting on July 18 if you wish to run for office and are not included above. Floor nominations can only be taken on election day for positions that are not yet nominated. Floor nominations for positions that are filed by a nomination can only be made at the July meeting. Please call John at 664-6527 (H) if you have questions, wish to run for a position, or need more information.

### DIAMOND STATE RODEO ASSOCIATION 1996-1997 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President	Julie Williams	562-2010
Vice President	Linda Miller	614-3887
Secretary	Jacky Green	663-7353
Treasurer	John Lowe	664-6527
Trustee	Steve Mitchell	758-3133
Membership Chair	Sandy Korte	614-3887
Events Chair	Dennis Noble	562-3377
Rodeo Chair	Tammy Crowder	
	& Susan Williford	897-4602
Public Relations	Mike Baggett	666-3706
Clubhouse Manager	Rick McCollum	316-9310
Rodeo Director	Julie Williams	562-2010

## Cheryl's Quotes

### Do More

- Do more than exist -- live.
- Do more than touch -- feel.
- Do more than look -- observe.
- Do more than read -- absorb.
- Do more than hear -- listen.
- Do more than listen -- understand.
- Do more than think -- ponder.
- Do more than talk -- say something.



Is your household receiving two Lariats?

Let us know!!!

"Save the DSRA a few bucks."

DSRA please combine the following names on your mailing list:

Name #1 \_\_\_\_\_

Name #2 \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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