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## Rodeo Production News



If you would like a Quiz panel displayed at the '95 Rodeo please call and request. Have name and panel #. 415-882-5500

### *Ticket Packages*

#### **\$40.00 Ticket Package**

**Tickets packages** for the entire weekend of the rodeo, including entry to all events from Thursday, June 1, 1995 through Sunday, June 4, 1995, will be sold for \$40.

**Events Include:** Thursday, June 1 - Royalty Dance; Friday, June 2 - Dance Party; Saturday, June 3 - Rodeo; Saturday, June 3 - Dance Party; Sunday, June 4 - Rodeo; Sunday, June 4 - Dance Party. (**Savings of \$13.00 off the at door cost.**) **Call Rodeo Hotline to order tickets (415) 985-5200. Visa/Mastercard.**

Volunteers Needed. Call hotline and leave your name and times Available.

### *News Update*

On Thursday, January 26th, the President of the BAC, Jim Hauck along with the Treasurer and Secretary, Barry Gremban and Ken Willers, were thrown out of the Rawhide II by owner Raymond Chalker, and one time VP/Pres. of this very chapter. When asked why, Ray responded that he "didn't want the f---ing Rodeo in his Bar." Attempts to resolve this issue to date have failed. As a result, Mr. Chalker has had no role in the production of the '95 Rodeo. Members and friends of the Rodeo therefore, are invited to the Hotel for all sanctioned rodeo dance parties.

### **Dates to Remember**

#### **Tuesday-May 2, 9, 30**

Round Table Mtg  
Cathedral Hill Hotel  
7:30 pm Room 373

#### **Saturday-May 6**

Faces - Sacramento  
Beer-Bust  
5pm-10pm

#### **Saturday-May 13**

Turf Club--Hayward  
Beer Bust

#### **Thursday-May 18**

Chapter Meeting &  
Round Table Mtg  
Cathedral Hill Hotel  
7:30 pm Room 373

#### **Friday-May 19**

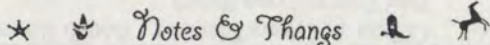
Marlena's Benefit Show  
488 Hayes St, SF  
David Lyle Carver

#### **Tuesday-May 23**

Round Table Mtg  
Tentative Beer Bust  
Hamburger Mary's

# CENTRAL SIERRA CHAPTER

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## LA RODEO REPORT

The 1995 Central Sierra Chapter Rough Rider Rodeo Team for Los Angeles consisted of Carol Carter, Cindi Cortez, Karen Bryant, Naomi Rice, Lloyd Carr-Flores, Jim Flores-Carr, Frankie Perez, George Marlinga, Chuck Parnell, and Vince Wiggins.

Carol Carter was initiated into rodeo competition when she competed in the women's barrel race. Carol, who is an accomplished cutter and reiner, decided to give her mare a change of pace and she rode her in the barrels competition.

Rodeo Director Cindi Cortez had the crowd standing with her version of "Dancing With Steers". Cindi fell into what we call the well, the worst place for a bull or steer rider to end up, especially when her riding hand caught in the rope.

No day money for this trip for the Rough Riders, but there is always San Francisco.

## Thank You

A special thank you to the following: David Dulan, Vince Wiggins, Chuck Parnell.

David Dulan for his exceptional work on the upcoming rodeo in Fresno. David has been instrumental in reducing the costs for us regarding the host hotel, Centre Plaza Holiday Inn. Thanks, David.

Vince Wiggins and Chuck Parnell for bringing all those men to our rodeo fundraiser in March and for their promise of men at the indoor rodeo in May. Thanks, guys.

## Historian

Who is that man with a camera? George Marlinga. He has volunteered to be Chapter historian. Look for George at Chapter events and rodeos. He will be looking for you.

## San Francisco Rodeo

Need a ride to San Francisco? The rodeo is June 3 and 4. Call the hotline for information.



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# GREATER SAN DIEGO CHAPTER

## MAY 1995

### SAN DIEGO RODEO TICKET PACKETS

San Diego Rodeo ticket packets are now available through mail order only. Packets include both Saturday and Sunday rodeos and the three hotel events. The price is now \$30.00 until July 1st, a \$22.00 savings.

Send a self-addressed stamped envelope and credit card number to our San Diego address. For faster service, FAX us at (619) 298-4708.

### CHAPTER TREASURER POSITION

With regrets, the resignation of Michele Chagnon was accepted as San Diego Chapter Treasurer. The Board of Directors has appointed Bill Chapman as Interim Treasurer, with the election of a new Treasurer to be held at the next General Membership meeting on May 3rd. Nominations from the floor will be accepted. Bill Chapman has been nominated. Our thanks to Michele for her work the last six months.

### EDUCATION

A gymkhana was held at the San Ysidro Charro Arena on April 2nd. Approximately twelve contestants practiced barrels, poles and flags to hone their skills in anticipation of the Los Angeles rodeo.

We are sponsoring another BUCKOUT on Saturday, May 6th, at the San Ysidro Arena. Contestants will be able to practice Calf Roping on Foot, Breakaway Roping, Team Roping, Chute Dogging, Steer Riding, Bull Riding and Bronc Riding. Entry fees are \$10 per go-around for rough stock events for any members of any IGRA Association (\$15 for non members); \$5 per go-around for roping events (\$10 for non members). Contestants must show a VALID rodeo membership card to pay the member rates. Registration is from 11AM to NOON, with events beginning at NOON. We'd love to see all you LA/Orange county/Riverside cowboys come down here and participate in our buckout. Call Dave Pepper at 619-287-5574 for more information; and be sure to call prior to heading to San Diego to ensure the buckout has not been canceled for any reason.

Another buckout is planned for July at San Ysidro.

### SAN DIEGO OUTLAWS RODEO TEAM

The Outlaws are sponsoring a beer bust and fundraiser on Sunday, May 28th, at Kicker's, from 5-9PM. There will be a raffle, cheap beer, and live entertainment. Team T-shirts are available for sale at \$15 each; contact 619-287-5574 to place an order.

### TUCSON RODEO RESULTS

Dave Pepper	6th Chute Dogging (Saturday) 10th Chute Dogging (Sunday) 5th Calf Roping on Foot (Sunday) 13th Steer Decorating (Sunday)
Kevin Kelsey	3rd Bull Riding (Saturday) 2nd Bull Riding (Sunday) 2nd Place Overall Bull Riding

### LOS ANGELES RODEO RESULTS

Randy Funderburk	Buckle in Bronc Riding
Mike Rocklin	5th Chute Dogging
Tom Hammond	7th Chute Dogging
Rob Buchanan	6th & 8th Flags
Dave Pepper	5th & 9th Steer Decorating
Mike Gavin	11th Steer Decorating
Jason Hott	3rd Wild Drag
Kevin Kelsey	3rd Steer Riding
Larry Rose	10th Wild Drag
George Moussally	9th Steer Decorating
David Adams	1st & 3rd Chute Dogging 14th Steers
Michele Chagnon	5th Calf Roping on Foot 3rd Wild Drag
Mark Gehrt	4th Chute Dogging 12th Steer Riding 12th Calf Roping on Foot

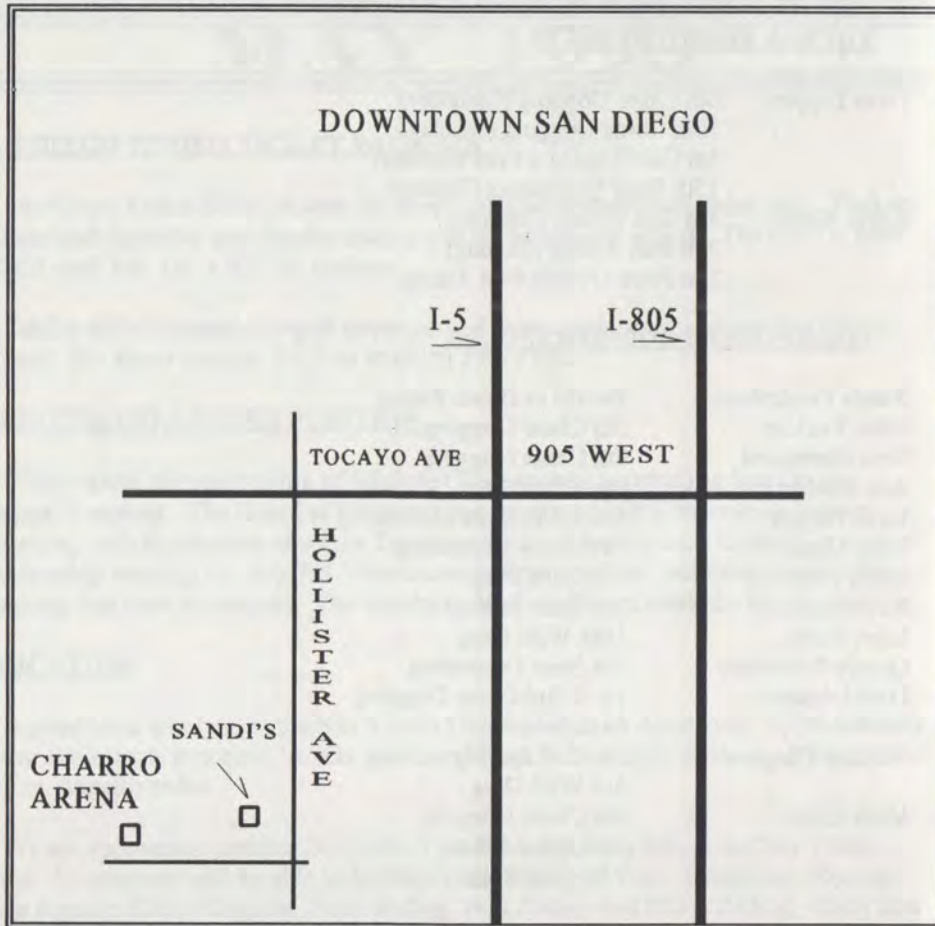
### CALENDAR FOR MAY

1st	7:00 P.M.	Board Meeting
3th	7:00 P.M.	General Membership Meeting
6th	11:00 A.M.	Buckout at San Ysidro
13th	TBA	Ramona Gymkhana
15th	7:00 P.M.	Officer & Chairs Meeting / Rodeo Roundtable Meeting
26th	TBA	Bus Trip to Long Beach



# MAY 6th BUCKOUT

Contestants Wanted



Take I-5 or I-805 SOUTH to 905-TOCAYO AVENUE EXIT. Follow Tocayo Avenue to HOLLISTER AVENUE. Turn LEFT on Hollister Avenue and proceed approximately 1/4 mile. Turn RIGHT on dirt road just past Sandi's Stables. The CHARRO Arena is at the end of the dirt road.

## Bylaws—Bylaws—Bylaws

All members are entitled to a copy of the bylaws of our Association. For a copy of the bylaws of the Chapter with which you are affiliated, contact your Chapter. For a copy of the G.S.G.R.A. Inc. bylaws or the I.G.R.A. bylaws send your request to:

G.S.G.R.A. Inc.  
Attn. Bylaws Committee  
8424, Santa Monica Blvd. Ste.250  
West Hollywood, Ca. 90069

All contestants receive a copy of the I.G.R.A. rule book so please do not ask for bylaws just for rodeo rules.

The G.S.G.R.A. bylaws are many pages long and the I.G.R.A. bylaws are even longer. Printing and postage costs at more than \$10.00 per set prohibit general distribution. We ask that you only request the bylaws you actually need and that you enclose three dollars if you are requesting the bylaws of only one organization and five dollars if you are requesting the bylaws of both organizations. Remember that the bylaws of I.G.R.A. are for the International Rodeo Season and are amended only once a year at the International Convention. This means that the current I.G.R.A. bylaws will serve until the end of October and the revised bylaws from this years convention will take effect on November 1, Checks should be made payable to G.S.G.R.A. No cash please. All requests for copies of the bylaws will be honored with or without payment.



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## NEW STATE REPS ELECTED

At our April meeting Len Hickman, Jack Nicholson and David Hoffman were elected our new State Reps for the coming year. They will represent the chapter at all state board meetings. Larry McGee, President will act as the alternate. Larry was also elected Spokesperson for the chapter at the State Convention.

## VP'S ELECTED

Having met the requirement of membership Trish Lilly and Al Pirro were formally elected to the positions that they had been appointed to. Trish is doing a terrific job as VP of Administration and Al continues as VP of Rodeo Operations. Not bad for an urban cowboy, spaghetti western from NYC. Continue the good work and GOOD LUCK to both of you.

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general membership meetings are held the 2nd wed. of each month  
board meetings are held the 4th wed. of each month

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## COMMITTEE CO-ORDINATORS AND VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are seeking people to act as co-ordinators for the various committees available. If you possess any special skills that can assist us give us a call. Al Pirro (619) 320-6475 or Trish Lilly (619) 329-2421.

Are you a person who can plan, coordinate needs of the rodeo, such as sound and lighting equipment, tables, chairs, etc. then do we have a job for you! Become our Logistics Co-ordinator. Only the brave and stout of heart should apply. Do you like to supervise and oversee committees dedicated to producing the best rodeo possible? Apply for the job as Festival Director.

Other co-ordinators needed: Community Relations (don't get excited lads and lassies it's a legitimate title) Chapter Newsletter, and Publicity. We also need volunteers to work on these committees and produce one heck of a rodeo  
PLEASE  
NOTE.....

DON'T FORGET YOUR MOM MAY 8TH

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## A SPECIAL NOTE ABOUT RODEO

Participation in rodeo as a competitor or volunteer is a very unique experience. As soon as you join the rodeo family you become aware of the sincerity of the men and women involved with gay rodeo. Long lasting friendships are made regardless of the distances that separate you Meeting old friends at other gay rodeos around the country enhance and enrich these friendships.

## MAY HAPPENINGS

- 10 GEN.MEM.MTG 7PM  
VILLA
- 21 COYOTE QUEEN 4PM  
STREETBAR
- 24 BD. MTG. 7PM  
VILLA

All members are invited

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If no quorum, meeting will be called 30 minutes later

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## CAKEWALK SUCCESS

The 3rd annual CAKEWALK at Spurs Saloon was fun for all those who attended. Many luscious cakes were won and auctioned off. A nice tidy sum was added to

our coffers. Participants and donators drank and made Mary oops merrie. We would like to thank Earl Cantin and his staff Lindsey and Larry for their great service, (ahem). Incidentally Larry the cake you shared was delicious.

## STREETBAR TO HOST COYOTE QUEEN CONTEST

On May 21st at 4 pm the site of the 3rd annual COYOTE QUEEN CONTEST will be held at STREETBAR.

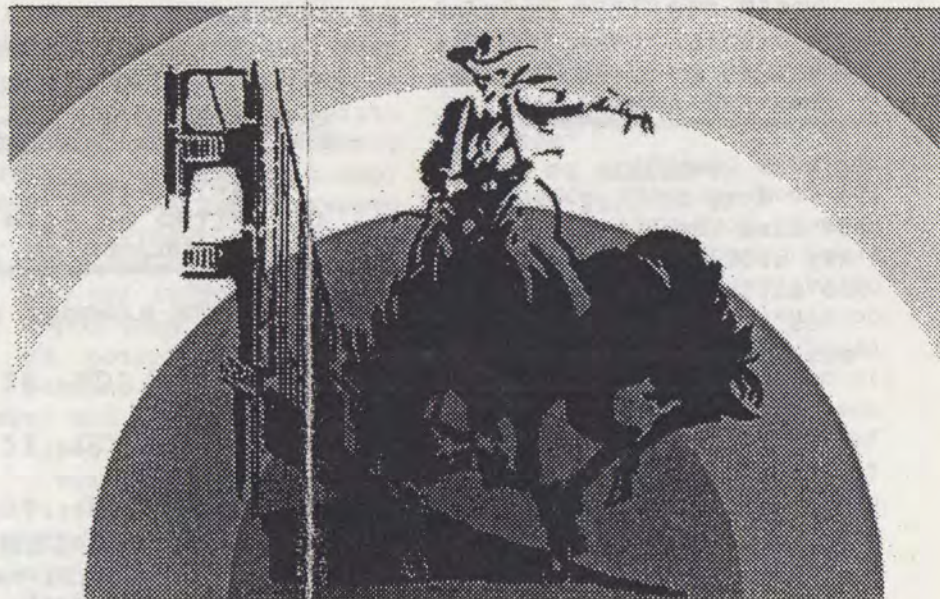
Last year's winner, Marc Johnston will be on hand to emcee and lead this year's contestants through the ins and outs to become a winner. There will be a western BBQ and beerbust scheduled at 4pm and QUEEN judging will commence at 6pm. The names of the judges are being held in strictest secrecy. Mums the word. While traveling around the desert interest seems to be high for perspective contestants. Sew up that fab outfit and contact Marc at (619)322-5711 or Skip Wilson of STREETBAR at (619) 320-1266.

Dick Haskamp and Hank Morgan, owners of STREETBAR are our hosts. Thanks alot guys!!!

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# SAN FRANCISCO



## BAY AREA REGIONAL RODEO '95

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"Kick Up Your Heels" 4th annual country western dance contest call Glynn Parmley for more information at (415) 512-8046.

### *Royalty Contest/Entertainers*

This year Royalty titles will include Mr., Miss, and Ms. and Entertainers will have their own Showroom. Call David Lyle Carver at (415) 621-3550 or leave message on Rodeo Hotline (415) 985-5200.



### *Hotel Information*



The Cathedral Hill Hotel has 400 guest rooms, a Grand Ball Room with largest dance floor in the city, a separate ball room for entertainment with a dressing room for all our entertainers and a spacious award's banquet room for our Sunday Night Awards Ceremony. Be sure to mention the 1995 Rodeo in order to secure these rates.

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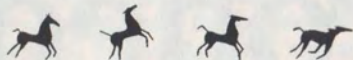


MAY CALENDAR

- May 6            Membership Meeting  
                    5:00 PM at the Barn
- May 6            Indoor Rodeo Playday  
                    6:00 PM at the Barn
- May 14           Visalia Pride Picnic  
                    Plaza Park
- May 24           Fresno Rodeo 96  
                    Committee Meeting  
                    7:00 PM at the Barn

Hotline:  
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FRESNO RODEO '96



March 22-24, 1996  
Fresno Fairgrounds

Host Hotel:  
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(All information tentative)

In The Works:

A fundraiser car wash  
is being scheduled for  
May.

The location and date  
will be announced.

Poster Contest Deadline: June 3



It's a little self-serving to say so, but everyone — from contestants to crew to volunteers to board members — agrees that last month's Los Angeles Rodeo was our best ever!

The part we were most concerned about — having two rodeo arenas — came off as if we'd been doing it that way for years. The hotel parties were a great success — and lots of fun. And, for once, our judges, timers and contestants actually got to enjoy all the fun since the rodeo events ended at such a reasonable hour!

Special thanks go out to:

- Our rodeo director **Lisa Boies** and assistant rodeo director **Roger Bergmann** for all their hard work.
- Every one of our committee chairs and assistants, for the behind-the-scenes efforts that make the rodeo a success.
- All of our arena and chute staffs, who worked long days (but not as long as last year!)
- Our local and out-of-

# The best L.A. rodeo ever!

town entertainers, who took to the stage to ensure that our party-goers had an extra-special time.

- All of our volunteers and security staff — and especially those who chipped in at the last minute to help out in those places where we needed an extra hand.

Now is the time to think ahead to next year, while this year's rodeo is still fresh in our memory. We can always improve our rodeo, and already our new Vice President for Rodeo Operations **Joe Olney** is thinking ahead. Let Joe know how you can help!

## Calendar

MAY 20-21	MAY 27-29	JUNE 2-4	JUNE 24-25	JULY 1-2	JULY 14-16	JULY 21-23
Long Beach Lesbian and Gay Pride Festival	The 100th sanctioned IGRA rodeo ever!, in Oklahoma City	Bay Area Rodeo, San Francisco	Christopher Street West Festival and Parade, Los Angeles	Canadian Rockies International Rodeo, Calgary, Alberta	Rocky Mountain Regional Rodeo, Denver	NSGRA annual rodeo, St. Paul, Minn.

**CHAPTER MEETINGS** ☛  
If quorum is not reached, meeting will reconvene 30 minutes later.

**Noon Sat., May 6,**  
at the CSW offices in West Hollywood

**Noon Sat, June 10,**  
at the GLAC office at Floyds in Long Beach

### NEW OFFICERS ELECTED

The April chapter meeting saw the annual election of officers. Our new slate of board members includes some familiar faces in familiar jobs — and some familiar faces in some new roles, too.

Your new executive board:

- President **Michael DeYonker**.
- Executive Vice President **Jay Shapiro**.
- Vice President for Rodeo Operations **Joe Olney**.
- Treasurer **Jerry Gann**.
- Secretary **James Rose**.

Also elected at the April meeting were state board representatives, whose terms began at the end of the GSGRA state convention. The new representatives are **Michael DeYonker**, **David Medzerian** and **Robert Armend**, and alternate representative **Jerry Gann**.

As we always say: Congratulations! Now get to work.

### Short takes

Congrats to L.A. Rodeo call-around cowboy and cowgirl, **Andy Anaya** and L.A.'s own **Sunnie Rose!** ... and thanks to **Roger Bergmann** and **Amy Griffin** for representing the L.A. chapters at the services for Greg Olson and flying right back to make our chapter meeting.

### A sad note: Goodbye to two friends

This month we are sad to note the passing of two good friends, AGRA's **Greg Olson** — IGRA's all-around cowboy time after time — and **Jerry Hubbard**, a former Mr. GSGRA.

At our April meeting, Greater Los Angeles chapter members agreed to donate flowers for both Greg and Jerry (or a contribution if their families prefer).

So long, gentlemen ... we know you continue to ride with us.

### WANTED: POSTERS

Like we said, it's never too soon to think about the 1996 rodeo. First up: the poster contest. We'd love to get an early start this year on the poster, so we can ensure that they get distributed far and wide — and early! Start thinking of ideas now for the 1996 poster — and if you've got any artistic friends, start talking up the contest!





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