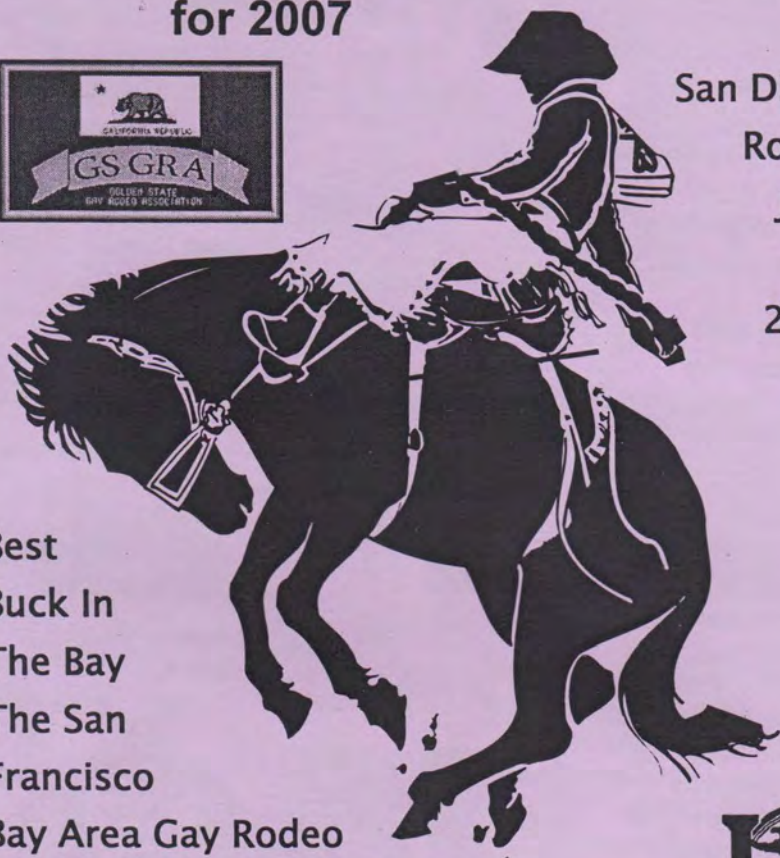


# CALIFORNIA RODEOS

for 2007



San Diego  
Rodeo  
June  
1-3  
2007



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Bay Area Gay Rodeo  
September 14-16, 2007



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May 2007

The Official Newsletter  
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# Where - What - When

## May 2007

- 1 San Diego Chapter Meeting  
7pm Lumberjacks Grill
- 4-6 Gateway Regional Rodeo  
St Louis MO
- 6 LA Chapter Meeting  
10am West Hollywood
- 12 Santa Barabara Pride
- 13 Rodeo School
  
- Biose ID
- 13 Mother Day
- 15 San Diego Round Round Table
- 19-20 Long Beach Pride Festival
- 25-27 Great Plains Regional Rodeo  
Oklahoma City OK
- 28 Memorial Dat

## June 2007

- 1-2 Great San Diego Rodeo  
San Diego CA
- 2 Fresno Pride
- 5 San Diego Chapter Meeting  
7pm Lumberjacks Grill
- 8-9-10 LA Pride Festival (CSW)
- 9-10 San Jose Pride
- 16 LA Chapter Meeting  
10am Location TBA
- 16 Sacramento Pride
- 17 Fathers Day
- 19 San Diego Round Round Table
- 23-24 San Francisco Pride
- 29-1 North Star Regional Rodeo  
Minneapolis St Paul MN
- 29-1 Canbadian Rockies Intel Rodeo  
Calgary Aberta

## July 2007

- 3 San Diego Chapter Meeting  
7pm Lumberjacks Grill
- 4 Independence Day
- 6 LA Chapter Meeting  
10am Location TBA
- 20-22 San Diego Pride

## August 2007

- 5 LA Rodeo Postponed to 2008
  
- 11 LA Chapter Meeting  
10am Long Beach CA
- 17-19 Zia Regional Rodeo  
Albuquerque MN
- 21 San Diego Round Round Table
- 24-26 Windy City Rodeo  
Chicago IL
- 31-2 Show Me State Rodeo  
Kansas City MO



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Great Plains Rodeo  
 Oklahoma City, OK  
 May 25 - 27, 2007  
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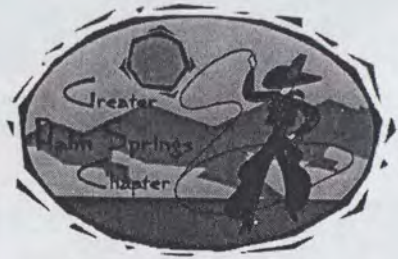
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## Message from the Secretary

By Mike Warren

At a recent Chapter meeting we were introduced to a couple of people from Women for Equality. Their group sponsors Breast Exams for women who have little or no insurance or the means to pay for their own exams.

The clinics they hold are usually filled up right after a new date is announced for exams. There is a real need for this kind of service in the Coachella Valley, the Inland Empire and San Bernardino County.

Our Chapter is considering them as the primary beneficiary for Hot Rodeo 2008.

They have offered to give us a lot of help with our rodeo as well as at any other event we hold. We in turn offered our help to them.

There are a number of organizations that could use our help. If there are others you would like us to look at please send the information to Glen Dickard at the email address listed below.

## Message from the President

By Glen Dickard

The Chapter will be hosting its 1<sup>st</sup> Brawn and Boots fundraiser on May 12. This evening will also be our Royalty step-down and a new Royalty team step-up. The Brawn part of the evening we will be auctioning off massages. The proceeds for the Brawn part will be for the rodeo committee. Boots will be a silent auction that will see about 10 boots filled by different originations, bars and stores in the greater Palm Springs area. The proceeds from this have been earmarked for the Davis Watkins Fund. Oh wait, the fun is not over. Sunday May 13<sup>th</sup> will be the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Putt Putt tournament. This will surely be one Putt Putt game you will not forget. It is \$15 per person, hole sponsorship are \$50. This will be a Chapter fundraiser.

Each Chapter is asked to send one group of foursomes to see who really is the better chapter as far as playing Putt Putt. Are the GSGRA officers better then the Chapter Officers? Only one way to find out? Come to out and play around with us..

Horsh-U  
By Mike Warren

## Camargue



Some say that the Camargue horse has an oriental or Saracen origin, due to the forsaking of Arab horses during the barbaresque invasion in the south of France in the 8th century. We can presume that those horsemen only rode males, not females. So, if crossings have been done, they were absorbed into the local horses.

According to some scientific research, the origin of the Camargue horse would be the solutre horse, who lived in a marshy land, near the Quaternary Sea. Both have the same characteristics (same skeleton, same stature...) From his cradle, they went down to the Rhone Delta.

So, we can admit that the foreign crossings had no influence on the present Camargue horse and that he's really the descendent of the solutre quaternary horse, with the same characteristics, thanks to the deep and permanent action of the environment in which he lives in half-liberty.

Main characteristics of the Camargue horse (according to the standard of the specie Approved by the National Stud-Farm in 1978.)

-Rustic saddle-horse.

-Pale gray coat when adult.

-Stature: from 1,35 meters to 1,45 meters.

-Weight: from 300 kg to 400 kg.

The Camargue horses live in marshes. This hard way of life (lack of grass, heat) makes the Camargue horse resistant to abstinence and bad weather (no stable).

The only work of the breeder is to choose a stallion who will stay in the breeding the whole year. The breeding happens in total liberty, without any human intervention. The births, from April to July, happen in total liberty too. The foals are born black or dark gray, with a white blaze on the forehead (most of the time). To 6 months,



time of the weaning, he will always follow his mother. He will then lose his birth hairs to become, at 5 or 7, white (exactly pale gray). At 1 year old, he will be lassoed to be branded on the left thigh. Each breeder has a different brand (Blazon, initials, symbols) to recognize his cattle. From 3 to 4 years old he begins breaking in. He will then be caught to be led to a stable, where he will get used to man, and then, gradually, to the saddlery. Now, the Camargue horse is a real saddle-horse. He's absolutely necessary to the "Guardians" for the work bulls. He's also used for leisure ridings.

### Upcoming Dates

4/21 – 4/22 State Meeting @ San Diego

4/28 San Bernardino Pride @ The Lark

5/9 Chapter Meeting  
7:30PM Desert Pride Center

5/12 Brawns & Boots Royalty Night

Brawn: Auctioning Massages  
Boots: Bid on a BOOT, proceeds to David Watkins Memorial Fund  
Royalty Step-Down Event @ Sidewinders

5/13 Putt-Putt Golf Tournament, Chapter Fundraiser (Mother's Day)

5/13 Beer Bust Sidewinders Bar, Cathedral City 3PM – 7PM (After Golf Tournament) \$5 Draft & Soda Golf Tournament Awards

5/27 Raffle Event @ Sidewinders

6/30 Rodeo Roundtable Meeting @ Rock Garden Café, 9AM

6/1 – 6/3 San Diego Rodeo @ San Diego  
Assist at Beer Booth on 6/2

6/13 Chapter Meeting 7:30 PM  
Meet at Dysart Equestrian Park, Banning (Rodeo Grounds)

### April Birthdays

James Cline	4/1
Patrick Lippert	4/8
Mike Davis	4/9
Jacob Levine	4/15

### May Birthdays

Ray Baumann	5/2
Cavin Shorter	5/2
George Marlinga	5/10
Casey Criste	5/19

### June Birthdays

James Cahill	6/3
Jim Redline	6/5
Jered Friedland	6/18
Dale Jakubowski	6/22
Ed Thompson	6/30

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## GREATER LOS ANGELES CHAPTER

### LA Rodeo Roundup

As you probably have heard by now, at the March membership meeting, the chapter has voted to postpone our 2007 rodeo into 2008.

On behalf of the board and the rodeo planning committee, we extend to you our deepest apologies. I understand that many may be understandably upset by this decision, but we truly feel that it was the right one considering the financial and logistical issues that we have been confronted with.

By no means does this indicate that we have stopped working. The opposite in fact is true. We have made announcements at all the local country bar establishments, made it a point to continue establishing our presence in the community, and most importantly, begun a site search for 2008.

Our site search is quite different than our scrambled last-minute search that happened at the beginning of this year due to the Hilton/LAEC contract dispute. We are now looking for a home. Ideally, we would like to find a size and cost appropriate facility that we can develop a sustainable, long term, relationship with. Currently there are two facilities we are examining - in Huntington Beach and Long Beach. If you have an idea, please contact me. We can use all of your combined knowledge and experience on this one.

This is an exciting time in our history – and definitely a turning point where we will be redefining our event. If you have input and would like to be a part of what the LA Rodeo will be for the future, get involved! I promise you that over the next two months, many interesting and unusual proposals are in store – ones that may very well redefine gay rodeo in Los Angeles.

Robert Kojima, VP Rodeo Operations  
310-709-7492

#### LONG BEACH PRIDE:

Just a reminder, that Long Beach Gay & Lesbian Pride is fast approaching. We could use as many volunteers as possible. We need volunteers to help with set up on Friday, May 18th. We also need volunteers for tear down, Sunday, May 20th & Monday May 21st. Once again, The Greater Los Angeles Chapter has been asked to march in the parade as the color guard. We would love to have everyone there, to show the pride. We need at least 4 horses, and tons of people to help carry flags. Let's show our pride and have a large presence in the parade and festival. To help volunteer, send an e-mail to [volunteers@larodeo.com](mailto:volunteers@larodeo.com). You can also contact Paul Alvarez at [president@larodeo.com](mailto:president@larodeo.com) or by phone at 562-522-5435. I am looking forward to seeing everyone there!

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## GREATER LOS ANGELES CHAPTER (Cont.)

### Tidbits From Around the LA Rodeo

#### GLAC RODEO SCHOOL COMPLIMENTS

- ◆ "Thanks to everyone - organizers, volunteers, participants, facilities crew - for making today's play day in Chino Hills so much fun! I had a blast and can hardly wait for the next one. I uploaded a few video clips: [www.youtube.com/profile\\_videos?user=villagebrian](http://www.youtube.com/profile_videos?user=villagebrian). Enjoy! Brian Treadway"
- ◆ "I'd like to say Thank You to GLAC for putting on a great team effort and having a very educational, well run Rodeo School. While there was fun to be had, it was truly a good Rodeo School. David and Roz, you and your teams did a great job! David thanks for taking the "steer by the horns" (we didn't buck out bulls so you only get a steer) and getting this whole thing started. For those unable to attend you were missed... But we'll be looking for you next time. Travis Gardner, GSGRA- VP Rodeo Operations"
- ◆ "Add me to the list of Atta Boys! This weekend was just what GLAC needed and needs more of. A big thank you to those that worked so hard to make it happen and for those that showed up to make it work. And for all of you that were not there, make sure you are at the next one, we missed you and you missed a great day out. To quite my friend Oliver.... Please Sir, May I have some more!!!! Joseph Olney, GSGRA Membership Chair"

#### SAN DIEGO RODEO MARGARITA SLINGERS NEEDED!

As a fundraiser for the chapter - we will be selling margaritas at the San Diego Rodeo on June 2 and June 3. Originally, we were going to be parking valets. Whew - thank God for change...:) We need several people who don't mind slinging some tequila (Note - slinging; not swigging) around and having a blast while doing so. The chapter gets \$2 for every margarita that is sold. Please email [scotttyshadix@yahoo.com](mailto:scotttyshadix@yahoo.com) if you are interested and available. Thanks!

#### HUGE GARAGE SALE FUNDRAISER

Keep those unwanted treasures coming and help support your chapter. Please keep digging and cleaning. We are still collecting all your great unwanted items. So get back in your garage and dig deeper in your closet for all those unused items and donate all those unused items to the L A Chapter Garage Sale. Help support your chapter. Your generosity will ensure the success of the fundraising event. Greg Brown is spearheading the event—call him at 562-477-9176 or [gb\\_lb@yahoo.com](mailto:gb_lb@yahoo.com)

*Date: to be announced once we collect sufficient items*

*Place: Greg's house unless someone is willing to volunteer their house with better street visibility*

How to Donate: Either bring your donations to Greg's house (call for directions) or call and arrange a rendezvous a pick up at a popular spot like Oil Cans, Rawhide, Incahoots or chapter meeting. Your Chapter Thanks You! Volunteers wanted to help collect donations and/or help at the garage sale.

**Volunteer • Donate • Participate**

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## GREATER LOS ANGELES CHAPTER (Cont.)

### LA Rodeo 's Yahoo Debut

Gay Rodeo and the (with a special emphasis on the LA Rodeo) will be the feature on Yahoo Underground beginning April 26. Visit <http://underground.yahoo.com> to see the feature spread!

Check out the blog articles, video clips, and photo albums of our culture. And feel free to add your own thoughts and pictures to the mix! Special thanks to Brad Miskell for featuring us!

### SAVE THE DATE! Cruise with the LA Rodeo to Mexico...

Mark your calendars for the first-ever LA Rodeo Cruise to Baja Mexico. We're setting sail from Long Beach harbor on Friday, October 19 for a 3-night cruise to Ensenada (unfortunately, we'll have you back on Monday morning to get in a few hours at the office!).

Jason Coleman (the LA Rodeo's official travel agency and Silver Sponsor) is giving back all profits and has even committed Carnival Cruise Lines to match his donation.

More details to come very soon. But if you're in a hurry, call Jason at (310) 234-9577 for more information!

### Board Elections in May

At the April GLAC membership meeting, Paul Alvarez was elected to fill the open position of chapter president. That leaves the Executive Vice President position open for nominations. Chris Hulse has already accepted his nomination and elections will be held May 6. If you want to nominate another eligible member, please email [nominations@larodeo.com](mailto:nominations@larodeo.com). And please be sure to attend the May meeting for this important election!

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### 2007 Membership Meetings Schedule

May 6—West Hollywood  
June 16—Location TBA  
July 7—Location TBA  
August 11—Long Beach  
September 8—Long Beach  
October 7—West Hollywood  
November 17—Long Beach  
December 9—West Hollywood

*All meetings are 10 a.m.—12noon*

## THE GOLDEN STATE GAY RODEO ASSOCIATION

A Member Association of the International Gay Rodeo Association

### APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Membership records are strictly confidential. G.S.G.R.A. is an organization of men and women. Ownership of a horse is not required to be a member. Membership fees are for one year from the date of receipt. Family memberships are available to any two persons residing at the same address. Members must be at least 18 years of age. Some G.S.G.R.A. events are held in locations with age restrictions that would exclude members under the age of 21. Members agree that they have a commitment to the goals of the Association as stated in the bylaws. New members affirm that they have not been denied membership in any other I.G.R.A. Member or Recognized Association.

Individual.....\$40.00      Family.....\$75.00

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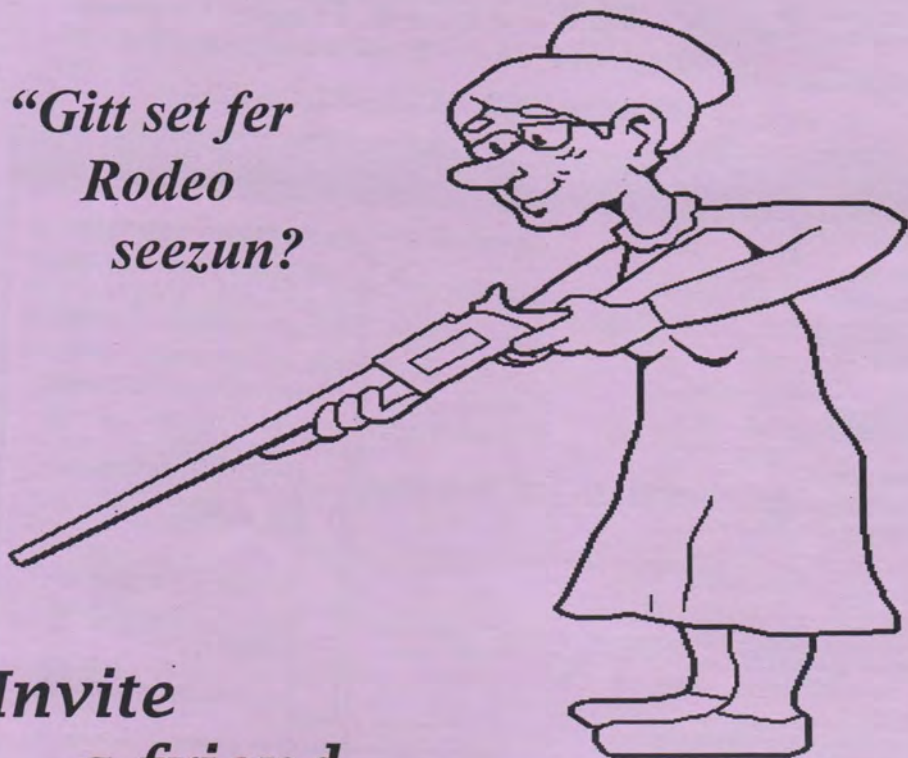
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