

CONTESTANT RESULTS

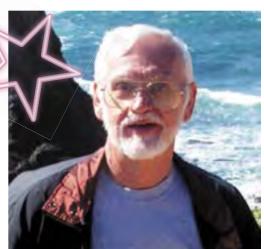
Submitted by Lorry King

The Bay Area Rodeo, on September 16-18, was a red-letter day for Team NGRA! Robert Salcedo continued to place in several events, and added speed events to his repertoire. It was Richard Armstrong's first rodeo after his dual surgeries and he left no doubt that he is back in fine form! Chris Due generously lent Richard his horse and

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NGRA MEMBER FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST Tom Colman

The membership elected Tom Coleman at the September membership meeting. Tom recently purchased and donated a much-needed sound system to NGRA for use at its shows and other events. This should definitely help improve the quality of our events. Thank you, Tom.



<u>PRESIDENTS REPORT</u>

Brian Roger

This is my last newsletter communication to you before the IGRA Convention in Calgary. Your delegation, headed up by your Trustee, Lorry King will be working very hard representing the interests of NGRA as sweeping changes take place in IGRA.

September has been a busy month, as usual. One of the highlights for me was the St. Therese Circle of Roses benefit. Eleven NGRA members attended and were treated to a wonderful dinner, preceded by a beautiful silent auction. Tony and Lloyd were emcees for the evening and mucho dinero was raised for children affected and infected by HIV.

The Rodeo Planning Committee has approved the fabulous Riviera Hotel & Casino as the host hotel for BigHorn Rodeo 2006. This great property has a lot to offer and should be a big hit with our guests. NGRA is also putting forth a three-year bid to host IGRA Finals in the years of 2007, 2008, and 2009. If we win the bid, we will produce Finals Rodeo in the place of our usual BigHorn Rodeo for that time period.

I want to thank Mike Windsor for his great work on Community Outreach and for all the money he has raised for NGRA in the last few months. I also offer a special thanks to Blanche and the fundraising committee members for all their hard work over the last few months. "Hot Tropical Night" was one of the best events NGRA has done in quite a while. Good job!

Next up, NGRA will be making an appearance at the NCOD Street Festival on Saturday, October 15. NCOD has received permission to close off Naples Avenue in the Fruit Loop. NGRA will be manning its own booth. We will be doing some fun activities and passing out information about our upcoming Harvest Hoedown and our 10th Anniversary BigHorn Rodeo. A portion of the proceeds from this event go to NGRA—thanks QVEGAS Foundation! Ken Wells is heading up this project for NGRA. He needs your support and ideas. Plans for NCOD will be discussed at the next Fundraising meeting at the MCC Church on Thursday,

October 6th. See the calendar for more information.

Harvest Hoedown is NGRA's next BIG event and will take place on Sunday, November 6, this year. After rodeo, this is our second biggest fundraiser for the year. The joint planning committee with IRSCDE has met and most of the details have been worked out. We need volunteers to work the event in areas such as ticket sales, arm banding, bartending, set-up, and clean-up. If you can help, please contact me at president@ngra.com. Tickets are \$35 and will be available in advance at Pride Factory and from any NGRA Board member. Please see the flyer in this newsletter for more information.

On a more melancholy note, I was heartened to see the terrific turnout for Rafael Navarro's "celebration of life" at Badlands last week. It was clear how many lives he had touched and how many people care for him. NGRA sponsored 1125 balloons for a touching "balloon release" ceremony. Rest in Peace brother.

That's it for now. Save a Horse... 1

NGRA's Standing Rules Announcement

At our last Saturday's membership meeting, two proposals to amend the Royalty Pageant Standing Rules were passed.

The updated NGRA Bylaws and Standing Rules are now available online as a PDF for reading and/or printing. If you would prefer a hard copy mailed to you, please notify your Secretary, Bill Watkins, by emailing a request to Secretary@ngra.com.

The link below will take you to the membership page. Just scroll to the bottom and click on the Bylaws and Standing Rules link.

http://www.ngra.com/membership.asp Additionally, as the proposed rules could only be accepted or rejected as publicized, an amendment to the standing rule regarding disbursement of funds from the royalty travel fund will be considered at the October general membership meeting. The proposed amendment will be made available in advance of the meeting.

Brian Rogers NGRA President continue from page 1

Richard proceeded to win while riding Rocky.

In Chute Dogging Robert placed 6th on Saturday, 7th on Sunday, and 6th overall. In Calf Roping on Foot Richard placed 2nd on Saturday.

placed 6th.

In Barrels Richard placed 2nd and Chris placed 8th on Saturday, and on Sunday they each moved up a position, with Richard winning and Chris placing 7th. Overall, Richard won the Buckle and Chris

In Poles the Dynamic Duo again rode well. On Saturday Richard placed 4th and Chris 8th, and on Sunday Richard placed 3rd and Chris actually beat him by placing 2nd! However, the Buckle went to the veteran Richard, and Chris earned 5th overall.

In Flags, Richard won first place on Saturday. On Sunday, although Richard didn't place, Robert earned a 7th



and a 5th overall for his first speed event placement.

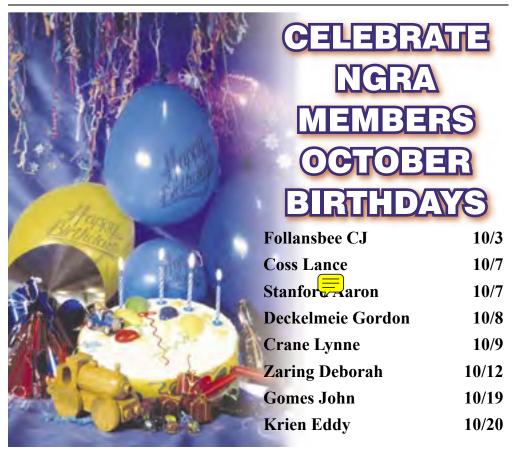
In the Camp Events, Robert placed 2nd in Wild Drag on Sunday and 4th overall, and in goats he won on Saturday, placed 4th on Sunday, and

3rd overall.

Thanks to the hard work of these three cowboys, Team NGRA earned 4th place out of 10 teams entered at the Bay Area Rodeo!

Chris and Rocky at "More Buck by the Bay" Rodeo





NGRA ROYALTY 2006 PAGEANT REPORT

Miss Frankie Miss NGRA 2004 Pageant Director 2006

Hello all. Pageant 2006 is now officially underway. Saturday night at Badlands the 2006 royalty team contestants were introduced to the community and I am proud to announce that there are eight committed individuals who are ready to take up the titles of Mr., Ms., and Miss NGRA 2006. If you missed the show Saturday night here are the names of these wonderful people. Running for the title of Mr. NGRA 2006 are Joe Cervantes, Terry Holder, Don Kimball, and Ken Wells. Running for Ms. NGRA 2006 is Miss Cookie. Running for Miss NGRA 2006 are Lawerence Lawrence Guerra (Melissa Lorence), Paul McAlister-Cameron (Blanche Devahoe), and Will McElwaney (Sadie Van Patten Litter). You will see these dedicated individuals out and about at various community functions representing NGRA and raising money for the 501(c)3 charities of their choice. I am aware that Joe & Melissa are hosting a fundraising show at Badlands on October 15th at 9:30 p.m. to benefit St. Therese. Also, you will see the contestants with decorated coffee cans to raise money as well. Please support these candidates as they raise money and represent NGRA and have fun along the way. Please look to the next newsletter on the location of pageant. It's going to be a very exciting and fun filled weekend. Be sure to have your reservations made early for Sunday, November 27, at the Victory Brunch to welcome the 2006 team at Rainbow Lounge. If any of our NGRA members would like to make a donation towards the cost of pageant, please feel free to contact me directly at MissNGRA2004@aol.com. With everyone's help we can make this a wonderful and memorable event.



Introduction of Candidates for NGRA Royalty Team 2006
Left to right; Melissa Lorence aka Lawrence Guerra, Blanch Devahoe aka Paul
McAlister-Cameron, Sadie VanPatton aka Will McElwaney, Ann Marie (Cookie)
Grigsby, Ken Wells, Joe Cervantes, Terry Holderand and Don Kimball





Candidates Performing at NGRA
King and Queen Mixer
September 24 at Badlands.
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TRUSTEE'S REPORT

Lorry King, Trustee

There's still time to sign up to be a delegate for IGRA Convention in Calgary on October 21-23. We have five delegates going so far and are allowed six plus alternates. There are committee meetings to attend and voting to be done on the convention floor, and of course you would be part of our Finals bid! There are evening parties, and on Saturday night the IGRA Finals Dance Contest will take place. NGRA will even reimburse \$200.00 of your expenses, so if you're interested, please let me know.

Saturday, September 24, was a special evening for me, as I was interviewed by Homer Marrs on Q Radio from 9 to 10 PM. Homer and his sidekicks Half Pint and Tom are a lot of fun and I was able to disseminate a lot of good info on NGRA, including explaining goat dressing. I think we have two new contestants! It's a great show and can be heard on 1230 AM or on the Internet at QVegas.com.











Judges will be NGRA Royalty Contestants for 2006







Photos of members and friends at Homecoming Mixer • Badlands.

Courtesy of Paul Scott







I.G.R.A. RODEO/EVENTSCHEDULE RODEO YEAR 2005 JANUARY 1, 2005 – DECEMBER 31, 2005



EVENT	LOCATI	ON DATES
Space City Rodeo	Houston	September 30-October 2, 2005
21st Annual Convention	Calgary	October 20–23, 2005
International Dance Competition	Calgary	October 22, 2005
19th Annual Finals Rodeo	Dallas	November 11–13, 2005

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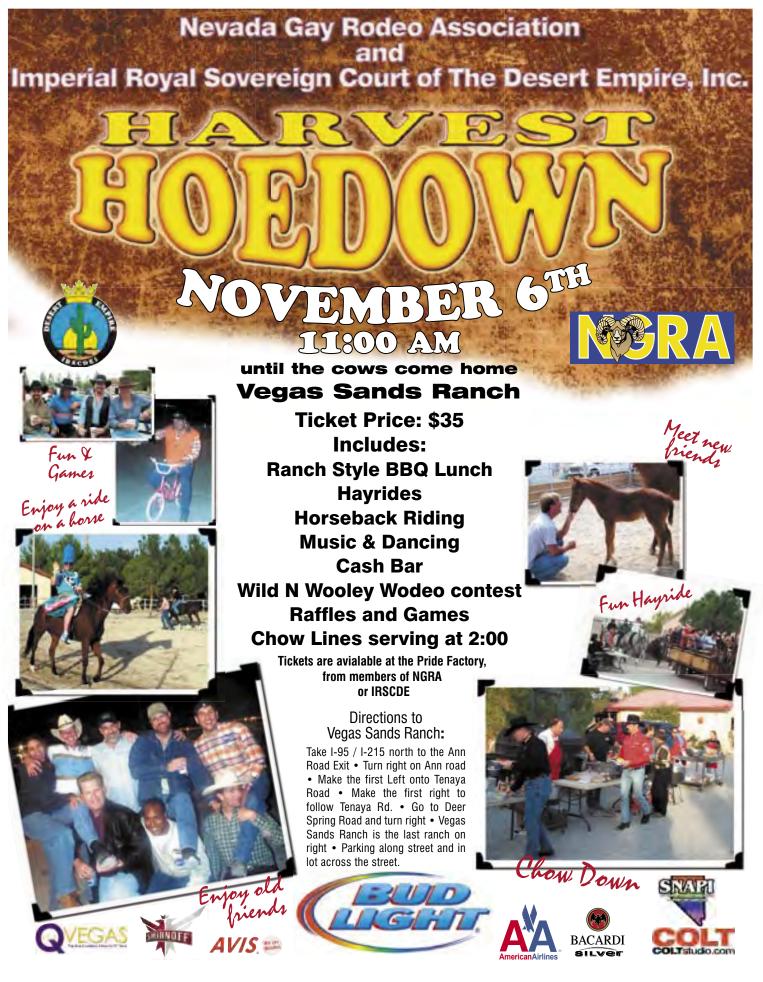
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Calendar of Events

- 10/1 The Center's 11th Annual Honorarium, 7:00 p.m. at The Palms
- 10/1-2 Houston's Space City Rodeo
- 10/4 Imperial Court General Meeting, 8:00 p.m. at the Center.
- 10/6 NGRA Fundraising Committee Meeting, 7:00 p.m. at Metropolitan Community Church
- 10/7 Dedication of GLBT Mural part of First Friday Art Festival, 4 p.m corner of 3rd St. & Imperial, by Snick's Place
- 10/9 NGRA's bus trip to Laughlin
- 10/10 Rodeo Planning Committee Meeting, 6:30 p.m. at the Center
- 10/11 Pride Family Bingo, 7:00 p.m. at Hamburger Mary's
- 10/14 National Coming Out Day (NCOD) Pre-Party, 8:00 p.m. at Goodtimes
- 10/15 NCOD Street Festival at the Fruit Loop
- 10/16 NCOD Tea Dance at the Blue Moon Resort
- 10/17 NGRA Board of Directors Meeting, 6:30 p.m. at the Center
- 10/20-23 IGRA's 21st Annual Convention in Calgary, Canada.
- 10/28 Halloween Party at Badlands Saloon
- 10/29 NGRA General Membership Meeting, 8:00 p.m. at the Center.
- 10/29 NGRA's Dragzilla Show & Competition, 9:30 p.m. at Badlands Saloon

October 2005 For times, locations, and more detail please visit the ngra web calendar at www.ngra.com							
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
						Space City Rodeo Houston The Centers 11th annual Honorarium	
Space City Rodeo Houston	3	4	5	NGRA Fundraising meetk MCC 7:00	7	8	
NRGA Bus trip to Laughlin & The Lariat	RPC met 6:30 The Center	11	12	13	14	1st Annal Badlands Fall Fiesta Porduced by Joe Cervantes & Melissa Lorence	
16	17 BOD Meeting The Center	18	19	20 IGRA 21st Annual Convention	21 IGRA 21st Annual Convention	22 IGRA 21st Annual Convention IGRA Dance Competition	
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The other 06 Royalty
Candidates Performing at
NGRA Homecoming
King and Queen Mixer
September 24 at Badlands.

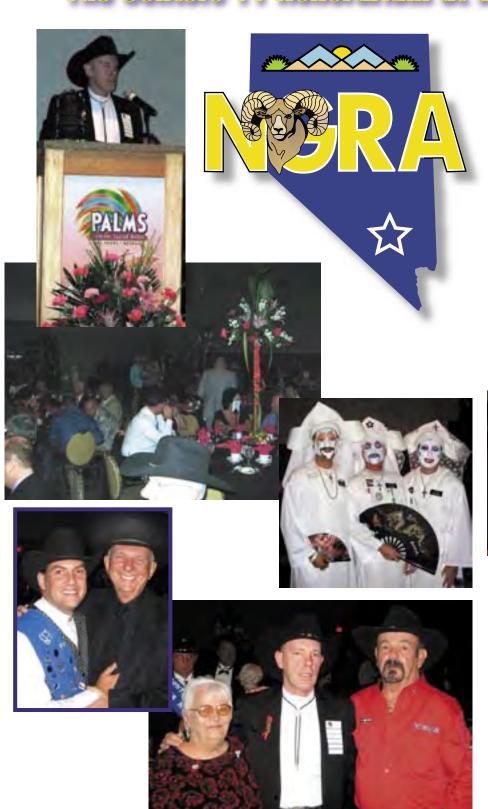






More Performers and Friends at the "King and Queen Homecoming Mixer at Badlands"

Nevada Gay Rodeo Association is honored as the non-profit organization of the year at The Centers 11 Honorarium at the Palms













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