



## ARIZONA COWPUNCHER'S REUNION ASSOCIATION

### JANUARY 2015 NEWSLETTER

**SPRING ROPING - MEMBERSHIP DUES - ART WORK  
RODEO CHANGES - SPONSORSHIPS - VENDORS**

#### **IMPORTANT ACRA DATES -**

**MEMBERSHIPS DUE - MARCH 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2015**

**SPRING ROPING - STEER & BRONC ENTRIES - March 1st, 2015**

**SPRING ROPING WICKENBURG - March 21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2015**

**ANNUAL REUNION RODEO WILLIAMS - JUNE 18<sup>TH</sup> - 21<sup>ND</sup>, 2015**

Happy New Year!!!! We hope everyone had a Merry Christmas and we wish everyone a healthy and prosperous 2015!!! The association as a whole had a great 2014. There are going to be some major changes to the Annual Reunion Rodeo the year. They will be discussed in this and future newsletters. We do understand that some of the changes will be a slight inconvenience but these are mandatory changes we are required to do by both the City of Williams and the Arizona Liquor Board. We truly hope everyone will understand the reason for the changes and help to make the changes as seamless as possible.

We had to change our address due to the closure of the Post Office where we had our post office box. Our new mailing address is P.O. Box 6733, Kingman, AZ 86402.

#### **2015 ACRA Officers & Board Members**

**President** - Clay Rodgers  
**Vice President** - Logan Anderson  
**Secretary** - Carrie M. Gross  
P.O. Box 6733,  
Kingman, AZ 86402  
602-510-4940  
cowpunchers@outlook.com

#### **Board Members -**

Vic Howell - 928-679-2317  
Toby Foote - 928-830-5027  
Beano Kimball - 928-636-2239  
Steve Dollarhide - 928-530-2392  
Enoch Malouff - 928-713-4320  
Ethan Crockett - 520-253-0238

#### **2015 Event Directors/Chairmen for the Spring Roping & Reunion Rodeo**

**Rough Stock Directors** - Toby Foote & Steve Dollarhide

**Roping Events Directors** - Vic Howell & Beano Kimball

**Calcutta Chairman** - Ethan Crockett **Dance Chairman** - Enoch Malouff

**Gate Chairman** - Carrie Gross **Gymkhana Chairman** - Victoria Westlake

#### **2015 Poster/Program Cover Artwork**

We would like to invite the membership to submit artwork for consideration to appear on either the 2015 poster or program. Please send a high quality photograph of your artwork to the rodeo secretary by mail or email **no later than March 1<sup>st</sup>**.



## ACRA Spring Team Roping, Bronc Riding and Steer Riding

March 21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> – Wickenburg, AZ Everett Bowman Arena

We will still have the Steer Riding and Bronc Riding Saturday evening after the roping. We will Calcutta off **ONLY** the Bronc Riders at 6 p.m. and ride steers directly after the Calcutta. The Bronc Riding will start at 7 p.m. We will also be taking entries for the Team Tying all day Saturday. Books for the Team Tying will close at 3 p.m. Saturday afternoon. The format will be as follows:

Dummy Roping Saturday  
3 age groups  
Thank you Kristy Dollarhide  
11:30 a.m. by  
Dynamite Horseman Supply

### Saturday March 21<sup>st</sup>, 2015

Books close at 9 a.m. for first roping

**CASH ONLY** – NO Tabs, NO Checks

ALL ROPINGS ARE CAPPED AT A #13

**Century** - \$25 per roper, enter 4X

**Pick One Draw One** (w/#9 inc.) \$50 per roper, enter 2X (for 4 runs)

**16 & Under Mixed** (w/#9 inc.) \$25 per roper, enter 4X

**3 p.m.** Team Tying Books Close

**6 p.m.** Calcutta Auction - Bronc Riders Only

**6:45 p.m.** Steer Riding – \$10 entry – **must pre enter** – 12 & Under

**7 p.m.** Cowboy Bronc Riding - \$500 added – \$100 entry – **must pre enter**

### Sunday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2015

Books for the 12 & Under close at 8:45 a.m.

**CASH ONLY** – NO Tabs, NO Checks

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Team Tying Starts at **8:00 a.m. sharp**

**Team Tying** - \$50 per roper, enter 3X – Books Close Saturday 3 p.m.

**12 & Under** - \$10 per roper, enter 5X

**All Girl** - \$15 per roper, enter 5X

**Century** \$15 per roper, enter 5X

**16 & Under Mix** (w/#9 inc.) \$25 per roper, enter 4X

**Pick One Draw One** (w/#9 inc.) \$50 per roper, enter 2X (for 4 runs)

Buckles will be awarded in the Steer Riding and Bronc Riding. **Steer Riding and Bronc Riding books are pre enter and close March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015.** Call Carrie at 602-510-4940 to enter. All roping are 3 steer progress except the Team Tying, 12 & Under and All Girl which are 2 steer progressive. Food vendor will be available on the grounds. Everett Bowman Arena is located off Hwy 60 on Constellation Rd.

**Wickenburg Motels:** Quality Inn – 928-684-5461  
Los Viajeros – 928-684-7099

Super 8 – 928-684-0808  
Best Western 928-684-5445



### **Membership Information**

2015 ACRA Membership Dues are due March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015. Dues sent by March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015 are \$30. If your spouse will be competing in the rodeo please send an additional \$30 for their dues. If dues are received after March 1<sup>st</sup> they will be \$50 each and if dues are not received by June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015 you will be dropped from membership and need to reapply. Members have been dropped from ACRA membership last year because of non-paid dues. If you are turning 18 before June 18<sup>th</sup>, 2015 you must apply for new membership.

New membership application request can be sent by email to [cowpunchers@outlook.com](mailto:cowpunchers@outlook.com) or by calling Carrie Gross at 602-510-4940. The cost to apply for ACRA membership is \$50. New membership applications must be received by March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015. The ACRA Board of Directors will vote on new members during the March ACRA Board Meeting. This will be the only meeting new membership applications will be discussed and voted on.

ACRA Gold Card memberships are available for those who have been members at least ten years and are 60 years old. Please notify the secretary if you feel you qualify for a gold card.

### **2015 ACRA Reunion Rodeo Program**

#### **Photos, Stories and Artwork**

It is that time of year again to think about submission for the 2015 ACRA rodeo program. We encourage everyone to submit photos, stories, poems and artwork for consideration for use in the 2015 rodeo program. When sending photos, please make sure they are of high quality for printing purposes. Photos should be identified on the back. Identify your photographer also. Submission may be sent anytime to the rodeo secretary: Carrie Gross, ACRA Secretary, PO Box 6733, Kingman, AZ 86402 or email [cowpunchers@outlook.com](mailto:cowpunchers@outlook.com). **All submissions need to be received no later than March 15<sup>th</sup>.**

### **2015 Reunion Rodeo Trade Show**

Space for vendors at the rodeo is limited. If you would like to be on the list to reserve a spot for the 2015 ACRA Reunion Rodeo Trade Show, please contact Jenni Rioux, Trade Show Coordinator by email at [jennirioux@me.com](mailto:jennirioux@me.com) or by phone at 928-925-4891.

### **2015 ACRA Sponsorship Information**

We make a majority of our association operating income from rodeo sponsorships. If you would like information on how to become a sponsor of the rodeo, or know an individual or business that might like information please contact ACRA Sponsorship Coordinator, Amber Runston by email at [ambermccloy@yahoo.com](mailto:ambermccloy@yahoo.com) or by phone at 928-853-9921.

***YOUR 2015 MEMBERSHIP CARDS ARE GOING TO BE EXTERMLY IMPORTANT THIS YEAR  
PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU HAVE YOUR ACRA MEMBERSHIP CARDS FOR THE REUNION***



## June 2015 Reunion Changes

Last year after our annual reunion rodeo in Williams we received a call from the City of Williams Chief of Police requesting a meeting with the ACRA Board Members. During this meeting it was brought to our attention that the Arizona State Liquor Board is not wanting to renew our liquor license for our Annual Reunion Rodeo. There were multiple events of underage drinking where an underage person was sent to the hospital for alcohol poisoning. There were also multiple calls and complaints by both ACRA members and non-members regarding late night parting and fighting at the rodeo grounds. At this point the underage drinking and parties have become extremely dangerous.

Without our liquor licenses we would not be able to sale liquor on the premise and no one would be able to drink alcohol anywhere on the premise. No alcohol would be allowed on City property without our liquor license. The monetary factor would also be huge for our association.

After a few meetings with the City of Williams Chief of Police and ACRA Board it was decided that some major changes are going to have to be made. The biggest change will be parking this year at the rodeo. A map of the Williams Rodeo Grounds is included in this newsletter. This will show you where designated parking will be.

We will block off a section for spectator parking/camping only. If you are not an ACRA member you will **HAVE** to park in this section. Parking for spectators will be \$3 a day. Once again if you are NOT an ACRA member you will not be allowed to park in the ACRA allotted parking area.

ACRA members will have to show their membership cards with Photo ID to be able to park in the designated ACRA member parking/camping area. You will be given a pass that will hang from your mirror so you will not have to show ID every time you enter. The ACRA member parking area has been reduced from years past. This means we really need everyone to be aware of how you are parking and camping. Please leave the horse panels at home and rent stalls for the weekend. Stalls will only be \$15 a night. This will save on space. Also big circle camps will have to be reduced so that more ACRA member camping and parking will be available. **IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT YOU HELP US OUT WITH THIS.** We understand that this will be a slight inconvenience from years past but we are at the mercy of the City of Williams and the Arizona Liquor Board.

The other major change will be if you are over the age of 21 and going to drink alcohol you will be required to have a wrist band. You will have to come by the secretary office with your Photo ID and ACRA membership card and have a wrist band put on. **EVERYONE WHO IS DRINKING ALCOHOL WILL BE REQUIRED TO WEAR A WRIST BAND.** This is to help the local security know if you are of age to drink or not and help them with the underage drinking and partying. **THIS IS A REQUIREMENT BY THE AZ LIQUOR BOARD AND CITY OF WILLIAMS.** It will also help them know if you are an ACRA member or spectator as the wrist bands will be different for each. The wrist bands will be plastic and you will be able to wear them all weekend.

The City of Williams is a great place to hold our Annual Reunion Rodeo. There are not many other places in Arizona we can go and take over the town for 4 days and be able to do the things we do and draw the crowds we draw and enjoy the cooler weather we enjoy. The town is just small enough for our intimate association but big enough to host our association annual reunion. We should be thankful that we have the group of people we have with the City of Williams. They go the extra mile to make sure our event is a success.