



Happy Fall, WSRHA Members!

It has been a fun and fast show season! We are very close to our **WSRHA Buckle Bonanza Show!** Send your entries in right away for the show October 20 -23! All the forms are available on the website www.wsrha.com. Move in day is October 19th after 2 pm. Schooling classes are on October 20th with judged classes starting at 9 am on Friday October 21.

There will be buckles awarded to the eligible member winner of each of the club classes, so make sure your membership is up to date for the show and that you get entered up in the club classes! We are also looking forward the hosting the annual **Wine and Cheese Extravaganza** during the Futurity class on Saturday, October 22!! Many thanks to Caryn Gibson and family/Rockin' W Cheese for setting that up! We will also have a **silent auction** happening during the show, so plan on bidding early and often on some cool stuff! Come on - you know you need it!! Feel free to bring items you want to donate to the auction with you to the show and look up Denise Dunlap to get it in!

We have had so much fun and success this year! Members have enjoyed friendly, competitive, and well judged shows and then celebrated with fun social get togethers! The BBQ in May and then the Ice Cream Social/Kickball Championship in July were totally fun! The addition of Club Zero Classes has provided a nice opportunity for members to get in the pen and school their horses more often at the shows. The WSRHA has had a very stable financial year and is looking forward to awarding very nice Year End Awards at the upcoming Awards Banquet - many thanks to Martha Grimes and the Awards Committee for their thoughtful selection of awards. More information about the banquet will be forthcoming!

While this year has already been a success, we aren't slowing down! Thanks to a generous anonymous donation by a WSRHA Member, we will be initiating a hi-tech approach to the video recording of runs at the Buckle Bonanza Show! This is a much needed addition to our shows as the judges have been requesting it but it has historically been cost prohibitive for the association.

As we look forward to next year, the WSRHA Board of Directors is in the research and evaluation stage of identifying and executing on efforts to add membership and continue to enhance the show experience for our membership. We are exploring a circuit opportunity with Intermountain Reining Horse Association. We are looking into adding some Ranch Horse classes to the schedule in next years shows. We are considering seeking more saddle donations so that we can have a Shoot-Out event for the Non-Pros and Rookies next year!

The ongoing success of WSRHA is a function of our outstanding membership! Thank you for your active participation...and for bringing your friends! As per the by-laws currently governing WSRHA , we will be having an election of officers after the end of the show season. The Election Committee is convening and will provide detailed information about how you can participate in the upcoming days. Please be watchful for that information as your participation,

as well as that of a working board with visionary leadership, is important to the continued growth and development of WSRHA.

As a Board, we invite and encourage helpful feedback and ideas from the entire membership. Please freely use the club email gowsrha@gmail.com such that your feedback is available first hand for consideration by the entire Board.

We are so lucky to have ongoing successful local reining presence in Western Colorado! Many thanks to all for making that "a thing"!

Respect the Horse! Respect the Sport!

Bub Poplin, President