

HORSEFEATHERS



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FROM THE OFFICE

We are looking for a member that has website knowledge and would like to take over the duties of maintaining the **Appleatchee Riders website**. Rhonda Eddy has been doing a great job the last few years, but will be giving up those duties at the end of the year. If you are interested, please contact the office for more information. Rhonda is willing to work with the new person to get him/her up to speed.

We are still in need of a **paid employee to work the camping and stalls during big events**. We have had several members step up and volunteer to help this season, and we do appreciate all the hours they have worked. Sometimes just a few hours of time can make a huge difference. A lot of newer members probably are not aware that Appleatchee members put in a lot of volunteer hours to make the facility what it is today.

If you ride or hike out in the **Appleatchee Bowl** and see something that needs repair or is a concern for safety, please let the office know. You can put a work order in the box or call the office. We want it to be safe. The group that maintains a lot of the things you enjoy in the bowl is always looking for members to help on their work parties.

I am sad to say that once again we are missing some shavings from the shop. We know how many and which days they were removed. **If you did get some shavings over the holiday weekend, please let me know so I can invoice your account.**

REMINDERS

- Your **second half dues** are due on June 1st, and will be late on July 1st. If you have already paid your dues, thank you.
- Remember to have your guests sign a **liability release**. They are located outside the office with the work orders to make it easy if the office is closed.
- **Barn renters must clean their stalls/paddocks** daily, May 1st through October 31st. If you plan to be gone, please arrange to have your stall cleaned daily. This rule is to help with fly control in the barns during the summer.

--Susan

ROPING

What a busy month of May! We had a huge turnout for the **World Series Roping**. Tons of new faces of which were all very impressed and appreciative of such a nice facility. Kudos to the grounds crew & facility! The Larson's were very happy with the setup, arena condition, and grounds. There is talk for scheduling next year. Stalls & Camping alone brought in over \$7,000 for a two-day show. Thank you to all our volunteers: **Kathy Wendlandt, Lesa Bland, Della Cervantas** for helping out with the stalls & camping. Extra special thanks to **Ken & Terri Tincher and Sandy Stribling** for all your hard work coordinating the show, setting up

cattle pens and making sure everything was in order. There are many more people that helped out with this show, and we want to thank you all!

Memorial Day Weekend was a very relaxed show; we ran 871 teams over the 3 day show, which is a little less than average, but with the Rodeo season kicking off, and many other shows in the Northwest, we feel we still had a decent turnout. EXTRA special **thanks to Jess Ford** for sponsoring the Saddle certificates for the Memorial weekend.



Saddle Certificates went to the Division Winners:

2.5+ div = **Greg Baker Winning \$2,614.00**

2 & under = **Randy Wicks \$1450.00**

The roping club will continue to practice every Tuesday at 7 PM. The fee is only \$10 for members, and \$15 for non-members to practice. We would like to encourage everyone that is interested in exposing their horses to cattle, please to come join us.

We are Having Team Sorting practice on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month. Appleatchee members pay \$15, and non-members \$20. Practice starts at 6 PM for setup. Everyone gets a full 2 minutes in the pen sorting, with a minimum of 3 times each. See the Sorting Division report below for more details.

Check out our appleatcheeropers.com and see pictures of our winners along with other pictures of ropers, and link to our Facebook page.

Upcoming Dates:

June

6/02/18	Team Sorting Competition	9:00
6/09/18	Canceled	11:00
6/15/18	Friday Night Draws	7:00
6/29/18	Friday Night Draws	7:00
6/30/18	4th July Roping	10:00

July

7/01/18	4 th July Roping	9:00
7/04/18	No Roping	7:00
7/06/18	No Roping	7:00
7/07/18	Team Sorting Competition	9:00
7/20/18	Low # Roping Weekend	7:00
7/21/18	Low # Roping Weekend	10:00
7/22/18	Low # Roping Weekend	9:00

August

8/03/18	Friday Night Draws	7:00
8/04/18	Team Sorting competition	9:00
8/17/18	Friday Night Roping	7:00
8/31/18	Labor Day Fri. night	7:00

TEAM SORTING



I am very bummed that we got rained out of our annual 3-man 8-go open sorting on May 20! I had spent a lot of time promoting it with other sorting and penning groups and expected a very good turnout of 50+ riders. I'll see if I can reschedule it for this summer so as not to conflict with the other 3-man events in this series (Specks and Silver Wings arenas), other clubs' schedules, or Appleatchee events.

Next up is our monthly 3-man and 2-man sorting event on June 2! This is the first in our summer prize series for the 2-man event. You don't have to compete in the series to earn jackpot cash and have some fun at any of the summer sortings. The rest of the summer series events are: July 7, August 4, September 15, & October 27. We also will have a fun 2-man 6-go drawpot sort Sunday June 24, the day after the Roger Braa clinic. You don't have to ride in the clinic to sort Sunday. Learn about dates, format, cost, and other details of all our sorts from the summer flier on our Facebook page Appleatchee Riders Team Sorting or on the Team Sorting Division page of the Appleatchee website.

Want to attend a first-class 2-man sorting clinic with top clinician Roger Braa? Yep, we have Roger coming again on **June 23 for a 1-day clinic**. Roger travels from his Kittitas valley home all over the country and Canada giving clinics. All levels of riders are encouraged to come –especially new riders to come and learn the game. The clinic is full, with a waiting list; but, you can come audit for free and learn a lot! I guarantee you will learn something to improve your horsemanship and sorting game!

We practice on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month at 6 PM. Practice sessions are a great time to see if you like the sport or to test out a horse – we'll help you get going with coaching. Cost is \$15 (+\$5 arena fee for non-members) for at least 3 goes (4 if there is a small crowd and we have time). We are outside in the roping arena, so the pen will be setup when we arrive so we can get riding early! Please help number cattle starting at 6 PM, then stay to help take down the pen when we are finished. Check for emailed or Facebook updates before coming in case we have to cancel.

See you in the sorting pen! --John

GAMING



Hi everybody, I hope you've been getting lots of riding in. We've had weather problems here and there, but mostly good riding weather. We have a show the first weekend of the month, and at the end going into July. Anyone interested that has any questions please get ahold of me and I'll see what I can do.

We always like new people coming and checking things out. Remember practices are on Thursdays at 6:00. See you guys out there.

--*Jeremy*



RESCUE PHOENIX

Phoenix is a 3-year-old, 15.3 hand gelding. He is a phantom Medicine Hat Paint with red ears and a red tail. This guy was rescued off of the Moses Lake Feedlot just over a year ago. He is one of many Keller Range horses that were abandoned and subsequently rounded up and given to a kill buyer. He has gone through 60 days of groundwork training with an excellent trainer who worked slowly with him to address Phoenix's trust issues given his rough start in life. When he left his 60-day training period he was taking a saddle with weight. He's now a friendly, lovable fella who stands for the farrier and stands tied. He also does well with other horses. He is searching for his forever home where he can continue his training and be someone's partner.



If you are interested in meeting Phoenix, contact Charlene Beck 509.669.0332.

Mission Statement:

Appleatchee Riders Association is a member owned and operated equestrian complex. It is dedicated to the encouragement, development and promotion of horse related activities that are of interest to its membership and that are supported by member involvement and by efficient use of Appleatchee's resources

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