

# Rim Rock Riders Newsletter

## December 2009/January 2010

### 2009 Officers

**President: Jon Page**  
**Vice President: Becky Auker**  
**Club Secretary: Lori Durfee**  
**Treasurer: Deanna Wolkau**

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**Bill Edmunds**  
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### **Playdays:**

**Pam Hopper 410-3536**

### **Roping:**

**Dave Townsend 280-4517**

### **Barrels:**

**Deanna Wolkau 317-1488**

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**Next General Meeting is on Tuesday, January 12<sup>th</sup> at 7PM in the Rider's Café and Meeting Room. Please come join in on the discussion and find out what's going on in your club!!**

## **President's Message.....**

Happy New Year!

2009 was the year of belt tightening for most of us including RRR.

Our labor cost is where we saved the most money this year thanks to our members hard work.

I'd like to thank some members who are going above and beyond.

Board Members- Becky Auker, Lori Durfee, Bill Edmunds, Dick Elliott, Sharie Forde, Judy Robinson, Holly Vincent and Deanna Wolkau.

Chairs- Deanna Wolkau, Marsha Williams, Sharie Forde, Pam Hopper, Stephanie Larsen, Dave Townsend, Linda Nolte.

Bobbi and Dick Elliott for arena scheduling and ground work.

Marti Kelsey for secretarial and cleaning facility.

Tami Bellingham for feeding us all.

All these hard workers had a lot of help, thanks to family and friends.

Help support RRR by going to the Crab Feed on the 16th with family and friends. Call Tami at 788-3128 to get tickets (must be pre-purchased by Tuesday, the 12th) for friends, neighbors and people you work with.

Thanks, Jon Page

JP says I won't be crabby if I would go to the Crab Feed!

## From The Front Desk.....

Happy New Year everyone!! Hope you all had wonderful and safe holidays. One more big thank you to the board members who are leaving us for their service and devotion, and a big welcome to the 3 new board members joining us in January.

I would like to dedicate my article this month to the new changes in our memberships this year. As most of you already know, there are now 2 plans for memberships... to work off hours of service to the club, or to buy them out. This will make it simpler for some folks. But of course, we are counting on the majority of you signing up for the plan to help out at the club. It's because of the great help we get that keeps us running. We couldn't exist without you! I would like to touch on some important points for the new year:

**1. Rim Rock Riders is a Members Only club. Everyone must be a member in order to use the facility during non event hours.** As a 2009 member, you have until Feb. 1st, 2010 to renew (1 month grace period). After Feb. 1st, if you have not renewed, you are no longer a member of the club, and are NOT permitted to come use the facility. At that point, you will then need to reapply for your membership for 2010. Once your application is received, and approved by the board, you will then receive a laminated membership pass in the mail, along with the RRR Rules and Regulations, that will once again permit you to use the arena during non event hours. When you do come to use the facility, there will be a new release form at the gate, which you will need to print your name, write your membership number (found on your membership pass), and sign your name. It is VERY important that you sign in each and every time **before** you ride. If you plan to have a friend or family member visiting, and would like to bring them to ride, you may purchase a \$10 Guest Pass **in advance** from the office. The guest pass is only for the occasional instance, and not to be overused or abused.

**2. All of you who apply for 2010 membership using the plan to work membership hours, you will be responsible for tallying your own hours.** Tally cards can be found next to the office door. You will fill them out fully (and legibly) and have the appropriate chairperson or office person sign them off. (If they are not signed off, the time won't count.) Once filled out and signed, just drop it in the black suggestion box right next to the office door. It's as easy as that. I will then tally them on the 2010 Membership List, so that during the course of the year, it will be easy for us to tell you how many hours you have completed. Remember, families who opt for this plan will be required to do 8 hours of service, and individuals will do 4 hours.

**3. Folks who are NOT members of RRR may still participate in RRR Events.** Again though, they are NOT permitted to use the facility during non event hours. RRR events consist of Playdays, Ropings, Team Penning/Sorting, Barrel Races, Open Ride Nights, and Barrels/Poles Practice Night. Any non member participating will be charged a \$15 Non Member Day Fee, in addition to any arena fees (\$5) and entry fees. (The only exception to this is Co-Sanctioned Barrel Races put on by RR, as all the proceeds go directly to the facility after expenses.) So, in retrospect, it's probably less expensive to join the club, than to participate as a non member. Also, non members are not eligible for series end awards from events.

If you have any questions regarding these new rules, feel free to contact the office at 541-323-6040 or email at rimrockriders@yahoo.com, and I will be happy to answer them for you. It's better to ask questions than to assume! Please keep this sheet for future reference. **Thanks, M**

**I'd like to thank all of those fine folks** who take a few extra minutes after their events or just coming to ride, with picking up manure and cleaning up after yourselves as well as others. Your efforts have not gone unnoticed and I know you all know who you are!!

To those of you who they are cleaning up after....

For shame, for shame, for shame!!! (Gomer Pyle, for us old folks who remember) Please do your part in taking care of your own business of cleaning up your hay, manure and garbage. There is now a beautiful, yet very ugly, wheelbarrow once again provided for clean up. Please use it, and keep an eye out that no one throws it in their trailer when done with it!

Times approaching for the **RRR Fundraiser Crab Feed** on Jan 16th. Those that have tickets, please bring your \$ and any unsold tickets to the next general meeting on Tuesday, Jan. 12th at 7pm in the Cafe'. If you need more tickets to sell before then, Tami has those available. Please call at 788-3128. Anyone needing to purchase your tickets, you can call RRR at 541-323-6040, purchase from a RRR Princess, Rider's Cafe' or many members have them to sell. Ticket sales have been good. This will be a great event, Live Music, Dancing and Full Crab Dinner, Beer & Wine Bar. Just a great time to get out, have some good food, dance and have fun. Anyone needing to get member hours in for '09 or '10. Email Tami to schedule your shift

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Crab Feed is not just for members, so bring your family and friends..

**When using the RRR facility, please be extra courteous of folks riding young or inexperienced horses.** We want everyone to have a fun and enjoyable ride, as well as being safe, for all involved. Most of us, at one time or another, has been that person who needs others to be especially aware of our young or nervous horses that we are riding. So please use good etiquette when riding around others.

**Just reminding again, no lessons are to be given at RRR. We are still seeing this happen. It's a NO NO.**

**Events...** The winter events are in full swing. The first **Playday** of the winter had to be postponed until the following weekend, due to lousy weather, but all seemed to turn out just as well. The next Playday is scheduled for Saturday, January 16th with sign ups starting at 7:45am, and the games begin at 9am. Call Pam at 410-3536 for more info.

**Barrels Winter Series** continues in January on Sunday, the 24th. Co-Sanctioned Barrels sign up 8:30-9:30am with Time Only's being run during that time also. Race starts at 10am. RRR Barrels sign up 11:30-12:30 and race starts at 1pm. Call Deanna for more info at 317-1488 or email at [wolkau@gmail.com](mailto:wolkau@gmail.com)

**Roping Practice** keeps up their pace every Wednesday night from 6-10pm. All are welcome, and Dave Townsend says anyone wanting to get their membership hours in are always welcome to come help out. They also hold the cattle over until Thursday mornings from 10 to 12 for anyone wanting to start young horses tracking cattle, or whatever you'd like to work on with the roping steers. Call Dave at 280-4517 for more info.

**Also, a huge shout out and enormously big thank you to Dave Townsend** for donating the cattle for his Round Robin Team Roping held on January 2nd. It was an overwhelmingly generous donation to Rim Rock Riders, and it produced \$673 to the club.

Kudos Dave, and to all who helped him out for the day!!

**Be watching your emails** for upcoming Work Parties and to help out with membership hours. We have a list of small projects needing to be completed soon. Just a few of them:

Paint exterior of showers, reapply adhesive for window fabric, drywall repair at the catwalk door, install dead bolts in shower entry doors, finish installing plywood in horse stalls, apply concrete sealer in showers, build shelves in shower closet, etc.

If you have special skills and would like to do some of the "more experienced" membership hours, let us know and we'll get you lined up.

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\*\*\*\*\***CLASSIFIED ADS**\*\*\*\*\*

If anyone has any western art, horsey art, hardy plants or wall decorations (please no knick knacks as I don't have the shelf space) that they would like to donate to the RRR office, I would love it! The stark white, bare walls are beginning to get to me!! Thanks!  
Contact Marti at 541-323-6040

**Free Excellent Kitty, tragically orphaned**

My loving parents were both tragically killed in an auto accident. I am now an orphan searching for a new home. I am an 8 year old black and orange spayed female kitty. I am used to Condo life but I like to go outside as well. I used to have a dog friend but he found a new home already. I am really worried and lonely. My name is Cinders. I am reliably litter boxed trained and would be a loving companion for my new parents. Please help me. (541) 420-7323

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Any members who would like to advertise here for free, email the RRR at [rimrockriders@yahoo.com](mailto:rimrockriders@yahoo.com) by the 20th of the month.