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## Dave Wolfe RSNC President

It is hard to believe but we are now just weeks away from the National Finals. The decision to move the Finals to June shortened this year but has received overwhelming support, with the exception of a few Oklahoma wheat farmers, and we apologize that we are on top of your harvest.
It is our hope that each of you kids will bring your parents so the entire family can enjoy the competition.


There are many new members attending and with that are many questions. Please read this magazine cover to cover because we have tried to address most of them.
Of course when you are through and if you still have questions, you are certainly welcome to call Susie at the RSNC office. I know she is going to want a raise but so far she is still smiling! We took on a huge challenge with tracking all dollars won and spent, plus the five qualifying shows for each contestant, and then all the National and State points races. I would like to thank Susie, Lisa, Marianne, Jessie and Laura for putting your sanctioning fees to good use. They have done a great job!
A special note about stalls at the finals: If you want covered stalls we must know by May $\mathbf{1 5 t h}$ so they can be ordered. You can sign up for these on line or you can call Charlene at (580) 761-5249. All outside stalls can be reserved the same way. Also, be sure to call one of the listed motels and tell them you are with RSNC to get the best rates.
Many of you have just joined RSNC and have not had the opportunity to attend five sanctioned events to qualify for the maximum percent payback at the Finals. However, we want to be sure everyone knows that all members are welcome to compete at the finals, whether they make five shows or not.
If you didn't make five shows you will receive $\mathbf{2 0 \%}$ less in payback but are still eligible for huge cash payouts! In addition, if you happen to be in the top 20 in points in your state you can also participate for the top 10 saddles and prizes plus the State are a state high point winner. site under Saddle Races for win and WIN BIG!
With over 40 sanctioned time to get those five shows win it all!
Producers we need your help

> Producers we need your help in getting results ASAP as the Finals draws nearer. Your contestants need those points and five shows tabulated.

Extravaganza saddles if you So be sure to check the web your many opportunities to
events in May there is still on the books so you can
in getting results ASAP as the Finals draws nearer.
those points and five shows
Your contestants need you can see, the calendar is tabulated. Additionally, as already filling up fast for next year. If you haven't booked your 2009, 2010 shows, please call me soon.
Now for the great news! With the Free Memberships and draw opportunities in all classes at most of our sanctioned events, we have more than doubled our membership this year and have welcomed nearly 3000 into our association. In this season we collected very few membership fees because the huge majority of our current members brought a friend along. Not only that but all those friends got to ride with everybody because everyone was in the draw at least once in every division. Folks, this is the result of a great team effort by your association and each and every one of you. It has worked so well we are going to continue it for the 2009-2010 season. All classes at the 2009 Finals will have a single draw requirement and every current member who has signed up a new member since March 1st 2009 will receive a free membership for 2009-2010.
All expired members will need to fill out their 2009-2010 membership forms after June 13 and will have the opportunity to bring another friend for another free membership. If you don't bring a new member, you will be required to buy a membership.
Memberships are $\$ 50$ for an individual and $\$ 30$ for an additional family member, or $\$ 100$ for the entire family with kids 18 or under. Let's continue to make the best better!
Safe travels and Good Luck at the National Finals! I look forward to seeing you there!

P.S. Great news for all of us who want dollars tracked on Sorting horses! Equistat has agreed to work with RSNC to do just that! Watch the RSNC website for details.



## RSNE MAMBRRS PORUM

ATTENTION ALL PAINT HORSE OWNERS
RSNC is proud to announce that all RSNC sanctioned events are now PAC certified. That means you can actually earn Paint Horse Points in RSNC events. For details go to wwwAPHA. com.
PS: Other associations we hope to have partnerships with in the near future are Arabian Horse Registry, AQHA and Little Britches Rodeo.
What is the Paint Alternative
Competition (PAC) program?
APHA approves more than 1,200 horse shows, races, and trail rides. Your community
probably offers plenty of competitive events for horses and riders, such as $4-\mathrm{H}$ shows, team penning events, roping events, horse trials, and other activities that fall outside the category of "APHA-approved classes."
Even though APHA is not officially associated with these events, the association does want to recognize your efforts on your American Paint Horse. As a result, your accomplishments can be recorded on your registered horse's official lifetime performance record through PAC.
A VARIETY OF COMPETITION
PAC is open to almost any type of activity as
long as the competition is sponsored by an
organization that keeps official records, for up to one year, on the performance of all horses entered in the event. Keep in mind that for APHA to include the event in PAC, the recognized association, organization or affiliate must have a representative who agrees to keep records and will sign a verification form for the exhibitor. PAC events and breed point appointed events can be held in conjunction; however an exhibitor cannot earn points and credits in the same class. Credits from other breed or color registries that award national points will not count.

## HILL \& BILLY

Hill: Jumpin Jehosafat!
Billy: What in tarnation are you so riled up about, Hill?
Hill: Did ya know that the Finals is only one month away?
Billy: So why is that such a concern to you? Is it that you don't have the cockleburs out of Snorty's tail yet?
Hill: Nope, that ain't it.
Billy: Is it becuz you ain't got your five shows in so you won't get $20 \%$ more in payback?
Hill: Nope, that ain't it.
Billy: Is it becuz you ain't reserved your stall by May 15 th.
Hill: Nope that ain't it.
Billy: Then it must by cuz yur sittin 24th in the points race and yur havin to get in the top 20 so you have a chance for the saddles and prizes.
Hill: Nope, that ain't it either.
Billy: OK, let me try a couple more. It
is cuz your sittin 2 nd in the points race

Hill: Didn't you hear that John and LaJuanna are going to be there all week to run the cook shack! Everybody that knows them knows that they make the best homecookin in the whole durn state! LeJuanna's apple pies are so good I am going to quit eating startin right now so I will have plenty of room after one of John's great sandwiches or burritos just so I can eat the WHOLE PIE!
Billy: I should a knowed it had something to do with one of your two primal instincts! Billy: By the Way! I been meaning to talk to you bout those three horses you sold me! That 1st one is the same durn horse that I sold you twice and now you have sold him back to me for the third time. I got so mad at him yesterday that I just got my gun and shot him!
Hill: Now why in tarnation did ya do that? All the times we sold him to each other we was making a good livin off of him!

and yur wantin to be 1st so you, of all people, can represent our state in the State Extravaganza.
Hill: Nope, that ain't it.
Billy: How bout becuz you ain't booked our motel at the Holiday, Comfort, Quality orEcono Lodge. You know they have special RSNC rates if ya let them know you're here for the Finals don't ya?
Hill: Yep, I know that and I done done it. Billy: Ok, I think I got it. It's cus you just heard that they is havin a Cowboy Race obstacle course at the Finals and yur horse won't cross a bridge or jump a log or go thru the water ditch and you got ta get him broke for all that so you can enter that Cowboy Race.
Hill: Now I ain't heard bout that yet but Snorty will do all of them things so I am fur sure getting in it. That will be a hoot!
Billy: OK, I give up! Why in tarnation are you so excited bout the Finals being just a month away!

Billy: That other horse that you told me was such a good sortin horse and a good cow horse and that could do everything so good is DARN NEAR BLIND!
Hill: Don't ya remember, I told ya he didn't look too good!
Billy: The last horse I need to talk to ya about is that one we partnered on.
Hill: Ya mean the one we paid so much money for. What the heck is wrong with him?
Billy: Well, he died last night, but don't worry, I got a plan.
Hill: What's that?
Billy: We are gonna raffle him off. I have a good picture of him and we can do a writeup and tell everybody how good of a horse he was and sell raffle tickets for $\$ 10$ each. We will get our money back in time. Hill: We can't do that! It will piss a lot of people off.
Billy: No it won't, it will only piss off the winner and we will give him his $\$ 10$ back.

## SORT FOR THE VINTON SADDLES - POINT EARNING DIVISIONS AT THE 2009 NATIONAL FINALS

## Beginner:

- Graduated Beginner R/H
- Rookie \#11 H/C Sort


## Novice:

\#11 RH H/C (4 cap in sorter)

- \#10 HC
- Rookie \#11 H/C sort (gate only)

Beg RH \#10 H/C
(1 cap on sorter) (gate only)

- \#13 HC
\#6/4 incentive
- All Levels H/C
- \#8 H/C
- Graduated Beginner R/H \#11 HC (gate only)

Rookie:

- Graduated Rookie Sort
- \#6/4 incentive


## Amateur:

## - \#10 HC

- \#14 R/H, H/C
- Rookie \#11 H/C (gate only)
- Beg RH \#10 H/C
(1 cap on sorter) (gate only)


## - \#13 H/C

- All Levels H/C
- \#8 H/C
- Graduated Beg. R/H \#11 HC (gate only)


## Open:

## - \#10 Handicap

- \#14 RH H/C
- Rookie \#11 H/C sort (gate only)
- Beginner RH \#10 H/C (1 cap on sorter) (gate only) - \#13 H/C
- All Levels H/C
- Grad Beg R/H \#11 H/C (gate only)


## - Sadie Hawkins

*Explanation - "gate only" means that the class is a point qualifier for the gate person only, not the sorter.
There is plenty of opportunity for a 20th place state contestant entering the Finals with just one point to rise to the top at the National Finals because almost all divisions will be over 100 teams which means double points will be awarded!

Masters:

- Masters \#10 H/C

To win the saddles and prizes you must be in the top 20 in your state in your rating catgory and earn points in any of your designated classes.

IF YOU ARE UNSURE ABOUT YOUR CURRENT RATING, PLEASE CALL THE RSNC OFFICE.

## 2009 RSNC NATIONAL FINALS - JUNE 8-13, 2009 PONCA CITY, OK

Since the announcement of the $90 \%$ payback in the four mega classes at the 2009 National Finals, the response has been tremendous. Producers all across the country, 26 states so far, have booked five show series so eager contestants in their area can get qualified. As of May 15th we have over 250 RSNC sanctioned events booked. The stage is set and plans are being made to host an unprecedented 3500+ team event. The Play Pen Arena in Ponca City, Oklahoma will be the location.
An additional 300 stalls are being shipped in to handle the onslaught of ranch sorting horses. If the cattle only knew, they would lift their tails and head for the brush. An area adjacent to the arena has been secured to allow all the room necessary for truck and trailer parking so this huge gathering of cowboys and cowgirls can spread out and even pitch a tent right there on location if they wish.
There is no better place than the Play Pen Arena for western ranching lifestyle atmosphere and contestant affordability. We are aware that there are many facilities with more amenities, but with that comes tens of thousands of dollars in more costs that are always passed on to the contestant in higher entry fees, office charges and stall costs.
We at RSNC are dedicated to making this a family oriented sport so the family
can afford to participate. That is the primary reason for moving our Finals to June. Kids will be out of school for summer vacation and the whole family can enjoy the life long memories made by traveling and competing together. Stalls for the entire week will be only $\$ 50$ for uncovered and $\$ 75$ for covered. There are no tacked on office charges. Now we would like to address the entry fees. At the 2008 Finals we announced the $90 \%$ payback and $\$ 100$ entry fee in the four Mega Big Divisions which are the All Levels Handicap, \#13 HC, \#10 HC and \#6w/4 Incentive. This has been received tremendously well by the hundreds of contestants that want to compete for the huge payout which that creates. We even posted examples of what 300 , 400 and 500 teams would produce in paybacks. It has lit a burning fire deep down in the competitive spirit of many.
However we also have heard from others that are concerned about the affordability of the $\$ 100$ entry fee for the family oriented contestant. We want you to know that we are listening. Therefore we have created an opportunity for all contestants to compete together with an Option A and an Option B in each of the Mega Big Divisions.

## SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE

Option A will be just as advertised with a $\$ 100$ entry fee and a phenomenal $90 \%$ payback based on all teams entered. Those who don't wish to pay the $\$ 100$ at a $90 \%$ payback can choose Option B.
Option B will be a $\$ 50$ entry fee at $70 \%$ payback based on $\$ 50$ for the total number of teams in the class.
These two options give all contestants the opportunity to ride together in a huge division with a huge jackpot.
The $\$ 100$ entry contestants will get a $90 \%$ payback on both the $\$ 100$ entry and the $\$ 50$ entry, exactly like the standard incentive works. The $\$ 50$ entry contestant doesn't have to pay the additional incentive bonus but doesn't share in the additional $\$ 50$ that the $\$ 100$ entry contestant paid.
Either way there will be a huge jackpot to ride for, depending on your choice of entry.

## PAYBACK CHART

Following is an example of teams entered with Option A (\$100/man @ 90\% payback) and Option B (\$50/man @ 70\% payback).
Example 1: All Levels Handicap
400 total teams entered in Option A \& B combined
Option A: 200 Teams @ $\$ 100 / \mathrm{man}=\$ 40,000$ plus 200 teams $@ \$ 50 / \mathrm{man}=\$ 20,000$

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\begin{array}{rl}
\text { Total } & \$ 60,000 \\
\mathrm{X} & 90 \% \text { Payback } \\
& \$ 54,000
\end{array}
$$

Option B: Total number of teams entered in Class based on $\$ 50 /$ man entry fee @ $70 \%$ payback.
400 Teams @ \$50/man = \$40,000

## X $70 \%$ Payback <br> $\$ 28,000$

Example 2: All Levels Handicap
400 total teams entered in Option A \& B combined
Option A: 300 Teams @ $\$ 100 / \mathrm{man}=\$ 60,000$ plus 100 Teams @ $\$ 50 / \mathrm{man}=\$ 10,000$

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\begin{array}{rl}
\text { Total } & \$ 70,000 \\
\mathrm{X} & 90 \% \text { Payback } \\
& \$ 63,000
\end{array}
$$

Option B: Total number of teams entered in Class based on \$50/man entry fee @ $70 \%$ payback. 400 Teams @ \$50/man = \$40,000

## X 70\% Payback <br> $\$ \overline{28,000}$

OPTION A
Payback on $\$ 63,000$ purse
1st $\$ 63,000$ x. $7.5 \%=\$ 4,725$ for Fast Go
$\$ 63,000-\$ 4,725=\$ 58,275$

| $\$ 63,000-\$ 4,725$ |  | $\$ 58,275$ | $\$ 28,000-\$ 2,100=\$ 25,900$ |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1st | $25 \%$ | $\$ 14,568.75$ | 1st | $25 \%$ | $\$ 6,475.00$ |
| 2nd | $18 \%$ | $10,489.50$ | 2nd | $18 \%$ | $4,662.00$ |
| 3rd | $13 \%$ | $7,575.75$ | 3rd | $13 \%$ | $3,367.00$ |
| 4th | $10 \%$ | $5,827.50$ | 4th | $10 \%$ | $2,590.00$ |
| 5th | $8.5 \%$ | $4,953.37$ | 5th | $8.5 \%$ | $2,201.50$ |
| 6th | $7 \%$ | $4,079.25$ | 6th | $7 \%$ | $1,813.00$ |
| 7th | $6 \%$ | $3,496.50$ | 7 th | $6 \%$ | $1,554.00$ |
| 8th | $5 \%$ | $2,913.75$ | 8th | $5 \%$ | $1,295.00$ |
| 9th | $4 \%$ | $2,331.00$ | 9th | $4 \%$ | $1,036.00$ |
| 10th | $3.5 \%$ | $2,039.63$ | 10th | $3.5 \%$ | 906.50 |

If the first place team wins and they paid a $\$ 100 /$ man entry, they will receive $\$ 14,568.75$.
OR If the first place team wins and they paid $\$ 50 /$ man entry, they will receive $\$ 6,475$.

## ALL DIVISONS \$50 ENTRY FEE OR LESS

## WITH EXCEPTION OF OPTIONAL \$100 ENTRY IN MEGA BIG DIVISIONS FOR 90\% PAYBACK

## \#14 RANCH HAND <br> \#11 RANCH HAND

 SADIE HAWKINS \#8 HC\#10 MASTERS
ALL LEVEL HC
\#13 HC
\#10 HC
\#6/4 INC
1-MAN SORT
HILL BILLY BAREBACK SORT
GRADUATED ROOKIE SORT
GRADUATED BEG. RANCH HAND \#11
ROOKIE \#11 SORT
BEG. RANCH HAND

OPTION A \$100/MAN @ 90\% PAYBACK OPTION B \$50/MAN @ 70\% PAYBACK OPTION A \$100/MAN@ 90\% PAYBACK OPTION B $\quad$ \$50/MAN @ 70\% PAYBACK \$50 @ 60\% PAYBACK \$40/MAN @ 60\% PAYBACK \$40/MAN @ 60\% PAYBACK \$35/MAN @ 60\% PAYBACK \$35/MAN @ 60\% PAYBACK \$30/MAN @ 60\% PAYBACK

# 2009 RSNC FINALS SCHEDULE - \$400K ESTIMATED PURSE, \$80K ADDED CASH \& PRIZES JUNE 8-13 - PLAY PEN ARENA, 64253 US EAST HWY 60 , PONCA CITY, OKLAHOMA ( $\mathbf{\$ 4 0 , 0 0 0}$ IN PRIZES \& \$40,000+ IN CASH BASED ON 90\% VS. 70\% PAYBACK) \$5,000 MINIMUM GUARANTEED TO FIRST PLACE FOR ALL OPTION A TEAMS! 

| Monday 8 a.m. | Entry | \% Payback ${ }^{*}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| \#11 Ranch Hand H/C (4 cap on sorter) | \$45 | 70\% |
| \#10 Handicap Opt A | \$100 | 90\% |
| \#10 Handicap Opt B | \$50 | 70\% |
| Outdoor Arena 9 a.m. |  |  |
| \#14 Ranch Hand H/C | \$50 | 70\% |
| 1 Man Sort H/C | \$50 | 60\% |
| Tuesday $8 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. |  |  |
| Rookie \#11 H/C (2 cap on Sorter) | \$35 | 60\% |
| Beginner Ranch Hand \#10 Handicap (1 cap on sorter) | \$30/\$0 | 60\% |
| Outdoor Arena 9 a.m. |  |  |
| \#13 Handicap Opt A | \$100 | 90\% |
| \#13 Handicap Opt B | \$50 | 70\% |
| Wednesday 8 a.m. |  |  |
| \#6/4 inc Opt A | \$100 | 90\% |
| \#6/4 inc Opt B | \$50 | 70\% |
| Outdoor Arena 9 a.m. |  |  |
| Masters \#10 H/C | \$50 | 70\% |
| One Handed Reining All Level H/C | \$45 | 60\% |
| Claimer Class | \$50 | 60\% |
| Thursday 9 a.m. |  |  |
| All-Level Handicap Opt A | \$100 | 90\% |
| All-Level Handicap Opt B | \$50 | 70\% |

## $\star$ PRIZES TO TOP 10 IN SIX CATEGORIES! VINTON SADDLES TO HIGH POINT cONTESTANTS IN SIX CATEGORIES! <br> * STATE EXTRAVAGANZA — SIX VINTON SADDLES TO THE WINNING STATE, PLUS ADDITIONAL PRIZES!

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| Youth Ranked (18 \& under) $\$ 25$ <br> Graduated Rookie Sort (\#3 cap on class) $\$ 40$ | $60 \%$ <br> $60 \%$ |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Friday 8 a.m. | Entry | \% Payback |
| Graduated Beginner Ranch Hand \#11 H/C <br> (\#2 cap on sorter) | $\$ 35$ | $60 \%$ |
| Outdoor Arena 9 a.m. |  |  |
| Youth Beginner (1 cap on sorter)/Adult Gate <br> Sadie Hawkins \#11 H/C | $\$ 35 / \$ 0$ | $60 \%$ |
| Saturday 8 a.m. | $\$ 40$ | $60 \%$ |
| State Extravaganza All Levels H/C <br> Bareback Sort | $\$ 50$ | Vinton Saddles and Prizes |
| Outdoor Arena 9 a.m. | $\$ 30$ | $60 \%$ |
| \#8 H/C |  |  |
| Saturday 5 p.m. | $\$ 40$ | $60 \%$ |

Saturday 5 p.m.
FINALS - All Levels H/C • \#13 H/C • \#10 H/C • \#6/4 inc • Sadie Hawkins • Bareback Sort Graduated Rookie • Graduated Beginner • Youth/Adult
Schedule Subject to Change

* Listed sorting payback includes a $20 \%$ bonus awarded to contestants who qualified by competing in at least five sanctioned events. Payback to non-qualified riders will be less the $20 \%$ bonus. All divisions will be a five ride limit with a pick up to 4 and must draw one or draw up to all 5 .
- Top Twenty point earners from each state are eligible for cash payouts and for one year-end prize as specified by each category. All other riders are eligible for cash paybacks.
- Stall Reservations - Call Charlene, (580) 761-5249


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## BRENHAM, TEXAS

In the rural area near Brenham, Texas, 309 teams performed at the Nueces Canyon Ranch Arena. The cattle were great. A bunch of new members were signed up. Now that is exciting. The day started out with 40 teams in the All Levels with Larry Byers and Ronnie Gebauer coming out on top. Dave Jackson won the beginner

class with Thomas Bray holding the gate. Congratulations goes out to Dave as he has moved up the ladder to the Rookie Rating. Cindy Barton won the \#11 Ranch Hand with husband Mike holding the gate. Fiftyseven teams were in the Masters. Good to see the senior citizens having a good time. Dave George and Van Gemmill took
the winning title in the \#10 with 63 teams in the class. Mandy Schoenst and David Collins won the \#13. Jonathan Marquart and Edith Cook won the \#11 Rookie Class Senior Youth winners were Cody Allred and Pam Schooly. Junior youth winner was Cheyenne Hirsch with Jennifer Hirsch holding the gate. The day ended with

\#10 HC - Dave George \& Van Gemmill

CORTEZ, COLORADO

RSNC is signing up producers all over these 50 states. The sport of Ranch Sorting is catching on like a wild fire in a 7 year
drought.
Doug Hegar, Hegar Cattle, now provides RSNC with a producer in the Four Corners
area
Doug is from Bloomfield, New Mexico. He breeds and raises both cattle and horses.


All Levels - Chuck \& Dana Sullivan

\#6 HC - Kennon Decker \& Gerri Grim

\#10 Masters - Billy Schenck \& Kennon Decker


Beginner RH - Michael Johnson \& Kurt Loenser

Cody Allred and Adolf Stricker winning the \#6. It was fun to see old and new faces and to bring ranch sorting to the town of Brenham. Look at the RSNC web site calendar for more shows in your area.


Beginner Ranch Hand - Dave Jackson \& Thomas Bray


David Collins


Above, \#11 RookieJonathan Marquart e Edith Cook

So now New Mexico, Colorado (the western slope), Utah and Arizona can have some great fun and bring the whole family. In March Doug held his event at the Four Corners Ag Expo and the show "rocked". A lot was going on and we had the ranch rodeo folks coming over to see what this was all about. The show added over 20 new members and everyone "played" til the cows came home.
Family members from Grandpa to Granddaughter shared in the activities. Fun was had by all! Even members from the Colorado Front Range attended. Doug's show in April was held in Farmington, New Mexico at the McGee Fairgrounds, home to the Wrangler Rodeo Finals. In addition there was a rodeo going on at the same time and once again people came over to check

## out.

Hegar Cattle, Doug, will be holding shows every month through October, so check out the calendar at www.rsnc.us, or call him at (505) 320-5124.

# 2008 AQHA YOUTH HIGH POINT - RSNC YOUTH EXCEL 

KYLE ROGERS<br>Youth-high point RANCH SORTING

MR POPPIN PISTOL
TOTAL POINTS: 14
EXHIBITOR: Kyle Rogers OWNER HOMETOWN: Stillwater, OK EXHIBITOR HOMETOWN:
Stillwater, OK
MY MENTOR:

They are the best. You can always depend on them to get the job done for you. They care about you as much as you care about them.
FIRST HORSE MEMORY:
My sister took me in a lead line class when I was about 2 or 3 years old. My boots fell off and everyone laughed at me. INTEREST IN OWNING A SHOW HORSE:
The ability to win more.
HOW OWNING A SHOW HORSE HAS ENHANCED MY LIFE:
The new friends you meet at the shows.


Some of them you will be friends with for life. HOBBIES AND INTERESTS OUTSIDE OF AMERICAN QUARTER HORSES: I play football and wrestle. I am active in my youth group at church. HORSE SHOW START: My uncle and cousins were team penning, and my uncle Hoss Frank let me ride with
Jesus- I try to live in his example- to make the world a better place.
EDUCATION:
Stillwater High School, 9th grade FAMILY:
Parents Gary and Micki Rogers and sister Macy (31)
FAMILY THAT HAS SHOWN:
My sister Macy
FUTURE PLANS:
Attend Oklahoma State University.
FUTURE GOALS:
To win the Youth World Show.
FAVORITE EVENT:
Team penning and ranch sorting. I like the speed of it.
HOW I FOUND MY HORSE:
My cousin, Joel Lesh, found him for us in January 2006.
YEARS INVOLVED WITH AMERICAN QUARTER HORSES: 13
BEST PART OF OWNING A QUARTER HORSE:
spend an extra week there and got to tour some museums, and I spent some one-onone time with my dad.
WINNING WORDS:
Are you sure?

## DANYLL GEMMILL <br> YOUTH-HIGH POINT LIMITED RIDER RANCH SORTING

TOTAL POINTS: 15
EXHIBITOR: Danyll Gemmill

## EXHIBITOR HOMETOWN:

Ponca City, OK TRAINER: Shelley Fitzgerald TRAINER HOMETOWN: Yukon, OK MY MENTOR: I'm very lucky because I have three. Each one of them teaches me something different whether it be in sorting or in life. Shelley is my trainer and friend, teaches me everything to be a


Danyll Gemmill, Ponca City, Oklahoma successful rider.

Show.
FAVORITE EVENT:
Ranch Sorting!!! This event is for anyone who can throw a leg over a horse and who can count 0 to 9 . Sorting is simple, fun and the whole family can do it.
HOW I FOUND MY HORSE:
I don't own my own horse but I am very lucky to have grandparents that love to ride. They have many horses in and out of the barn. Choosing just one horse is hard for me because I love all of our horses. I try to ride all our horses, but of course I have

## Grandma is the

one after every ride that tells me "good job," and I love that about her. Grandpa gets a little bit more excited when I ride and he is always teaching me something. In the end, I know they all love me and want me to be successful.
EDUCATION:
Ponca City Senior High School
FAMILY:
Wonderful grandparents Van and Jeannine Gemmill, two brothers (Lawrence 18, Ryan 10) and six very close cousins (Brendon 19, Wyatt 14, Kaylin 12, Lane 9, Lacy 8, Nichole 7)
FAMILY THAT HAS SHOWN:
Everyone in my family competes. My aunts, uncles, cousins and grandparents.
FUTURE PLANS:
I plan to go to Oklahoma State University to study to become a Veterinarian. FUTURE GOALS:
My goal is to place first in the Ranch Sorting this year at the AQHYA World
my favorites. Stars N Sky aka "Roxy" fits perfectly! Another favorite is Real Doodle Dandy aka "Dandy." She is my horse that always give me 110 percent.
YEARS INVOLVED WITH AMERICAN QUARTER HORSES: Four
BEST PART OF OWNING A QUARTER HORSE:
They are very versatile. I can ride them at the ranch for pleasure, to gather cattle, trail riding in the mountains or in an arena competing. Quarter Horses do it all. FIRST HORSE MEMORY:
I don't remember the first time I rode a horse only because I was so young. Horseback riding has been a passion in my family for many generations. For most children growing up, they learn how to wiggle then crawl then walk. But for me I wiggled my way into a saddle and have stayed there ever since.

## RSNC Youth Excel

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## INTEREST IN OWNING A SHOW HORSE:

My great granddad, who was born in 1894, was an avid horse lover and horseman, which is where my grandfather got his love of horses, which has all been passed down to me.
HOW OWNING A SHOW HORSE HAS ENHANCED MY LIFE:
Showing horses has taught me respect. I have learned not only to respect my horses but the other riders as well.
HOBBIES AND INTERESTS OUTSIDE OF AMERICAN QUARTER HORSES:
I like to hangout with my friends. I'm also involved in my high school's KEY club, DECA and FFA. My freshman year

Ranch Sorting is fun and easy. A lot of people can sort, but if you want to get better, proper horsemanship is the

I started the "Forgotten Angel Project." This project works with the elderly in the nursing homes who don't have family to spend the holiday season with. Another thing I enjoy doing is helping my grandfather work cattle. When I'm not working on the ranch I love to go to Keystone, Colorado, and skiing. If I could ski every day I definitely would.
HORSE SHOW START:
My wonderful grandparents introduced me to ranch sorting my freshman year, now I'm addicted!

## HORSE PERSONALITY:

Roxy has a bit of an attitude sometimes but once we get in with cattle she loses it instantly. Dandy is my hyper, lets go-lets go-lets go- horse. Kindon "Beaver" is my laid back quiet horse.

## HOW MY HORSE STANDS OUT IN

 THE CROWD:They are all such hard workers, they have a job and they're ready to do it.
IF MY HORSE WAS A FAMOUS PERSON:
Dandy reminds me of the roadrunner from the cartoons.
MOTIVATION FOR THIS TITLE:
I always give it my all when I ride and this title is the result of my hard work. CAMPAIGN MEMORIES:
My most memorable experience this past year was working at the Red Bud Classic. I didn't show, but I learned more about AQHA and the people involved. I was the "runner." It was interesting to see how other events were run. I was impressed how organized Jackie Krshka had the

## SORTING HORSEMANSHIP TIDBITS

beginning.
I work with a lot of beginners and amateur sorters. The basics are what we

usually work on. It all sounds simple when I tell them...Kick...Sit...Stop...Pull. All these things have to happen in the right order, at the right time, and every time for it to become habit.
I was once told, it takes doing something right twenty times in a row to make it habit. If you mess up on number nineteen, you have to start all over again. I believe that, except it might be closer to fifty times in a row.

## Legs

Controlling your legs is not as easy as it sounds. Some people forget they have legs when they are on a horse, or they use them to hang on with. A lot of equine disciplines require long stirrups, such as Pleasure, Trail, and
Roping, but long stirrups have a tendency to keep you reaching for them all the time. Cow events typically ride with shorter stirrups. It allows you to sit deep in your saddle and get your legs in and out of your horse quickly.
Practicing dry work (working without a cow) and going through the motions you make when sorting cattle is very important. If you can't sit the stop, use cow side leg, and pull your horse's nose through the turn without a cow, it gets faster and more difficult when you add the cow.

## Stop

One of the most important things when working your horse is to make sure they stop properly. You do this by kicking them to ride forward. You get your legs out of them and sit deep to make a complete stop. It is real common for a beginner or amateur rider to squeeze to stay on through the stop and turn. This gets your horse on
office. There was no confusion, everyone was in there place and were in and out of there in no time. It was truly exciting and rewarding to get to be a small part of such an awesome function.
AWARDS AND ACTIVITIES:
2007- RSNC finals, 3rd place 2008- Meeker, Oklahoma series, 1st place, Big Daddy Rodeo- won belt buckle with my uncle, Play Pen Arena took 1st place with my grandmother.

## WINNING WORDS:

Riding horses is a way of life for me. I was taught if you work hard, anything is possible. My horses are not only my teammates, they are my friends. Together we make an unstoppable team.
his front-end. It makes it harder to ride and it pushes your horse toward the cow. You lose your working advantage with the cow, and the cow will beat you or will control you.
The objective is to control the cow. Something as simple as a proper stop and making your horse do a proper 180 degree turn will slow the cow down and put you and your horse at an advantage.

## Hands

A common mistake with your hands is to use them to hang on with. Remember, we are riding a horse, not a Harley. The reins are a direct line to your horse's mouth. They are not handlebars.
Almost all of our sorting horses are taught to break at the poll and be supple when you pull on the reins. If you continue to hang on the reins when your horse is doing what he is supposed to, he will lose this supple feel and become hard mouthed.
When we ask our horse to turn with a cow, we first stop them. Then with a direct rein we ask them to turn, nose first. If a horse stops and turns on a cow with his shoulder or ribcage first, that will result in a round turn and put you at a disadvantage on a cow. In other words, you will be chasing a cow when you want to be controlling a cow.
So the proper sequence to controlling a cow is to kick forward and head the cow, sit deep, get your legs out of the horse and stop. Start your turn with the direct rein and pull your horse over its hocks, nose first. Halfway through the turn, kick with your cow side leg to complete a 180 degree turn. The shortest distance between two points is a straight line. Sound simple? It is!
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## BUSTING AT THE SEAMS AT LINKED D COWHORSES

BY DEBBIE MCFARLAND, PALM CITY, FL

Our March show brought out 247 teams!! The April show had 217 teams. For a one day show we are Rockin'. Luckily most of the trailers rotated in and out as they either got done with their classes or came in later in the day for their upcoming class. The parking field was jam filled and overflowed into the next field for both shows! Starting a couple of hours earlier in the day helped us get done at a better hour for the April show. It is a little tougher for you all that have to travel very far for our 1st class; but it is sure nice for the beginners to get done earlier!! Our weather has been beautiful for our shows. If we can get through the next couple months without getting too hot we'll be in luck. We will be off for the summer months of June - Sept; starting back the beginning of Oct.
Our April show was very nice. The All Levels class was huge with 67 teams. We added a 2 nd go round for our first time. It was a little more work for our secretary but I like the idea of having to be very consistent to win. The most consistent team; taking home Maynard Buckles and almost a $\$ 1,000$ was Liz McClendon and Bryan Roberts. They won with 30 head; getting 10 head here is very rare, much less getting 10 head $3 \mathrm{X}!!!$ They both rode awesome. Bryan had a really good show also placing 2nd in this class and 2nd in the\#14. They are both rated \#4's-goes to show you that the lower \#'s can not only be competitive; but big time winners in this All- Levels Handicap class. We went ahead and added $\$ 700$ to this class. It paid back \$954 to win! Bryan and Jimmi Philman were the reserve champs.
The points race is on for the novice riders. They are all pushing hard to lead in the point standings. So far Roy Thomas is still at the top. The next 4 or 5 people are all pretty close together. We have 4 more shows in our state before the dust settles to see who comes out on top.
Winning his last check and 1st buckle in the Beginner Ranch Hand Class at the March show was Greg Caldwell. He was also 1st and 2nd in the \#4 class. Greg has moved his way up quickly. We're proud



Greg Caldwell
to see him doing so well. His excitement has caught on to his wife Debi. She is now taking riding lessons and has hopes of getting a horse for her birthday. Sounds like another Ranch Sorting family in the works!
The April show had another winner getting his 1st buckle. Dr. Luis Villar went into the finals tied for 1 st and got 5 cows to win. His daughter and grandson were there to cheer him on. Luis has been making DVD's for everyone of some of our shows. He does an awesome job. It is really fun and a great learning experience to watch your rides on TV. We have enlisted him to do some more taping at our place to make some promotional and educational DVDs for the Ranch Sorting and Cutting. Luis
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Left, Bryan Roberts, and above, Bob Prine, our oldest and favorite sorter. He is the grand father of team penning.
Left, Brian


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\#6 HC - First place
Dave Horn and Bridgette Banks
\#4 - First place
Gary Heemstra and Ernie West
Beginner Sort -First Place Bridgette Banks and gate rider Gae Mathis

## Linked D

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may be the only plastic surgeon wearing cowboy boots in the surgery room! His perfectionist type personality has brought him from the ground floor on to become a buckle winning Ranch Sorter!
Close behind Luis in the beginner class were Ashton Royal and Shelby Kirton. Both of these little girls really put on a show. They both rode really well and made the beginner class quite competitive. It is really fun to ride with these kids and be a part of their growing success. As most of you know it's the kids that are tough to beat!
Our \#4 class is really coming along. This last show had 23 teams. I think our 1st show only had 9 teams. I wanted a place for those just out of the beginner class to have a place with their peers (and a little lower entry fees) to compete. We have even had a

If you combine Great customers and Ranch Sorting what do you get? The answer is a lot of fun and four hundred teams in one day. Rob Cosby owns Cosby Ranch Store in Mustang, OK, and is partners with Mike and Tim Keith with Chism Trailers in Shawnee, OK. Rob says our customers wanted to compete in sorting and we wanted to let them

## Mike Keith \& Rob Cosby



Left, Carrie Wyatt \& Rob
Cosby. Above, Camron Cosby.
know how grateful we are for their business. With the help of RSNC we accomplished all our goals and introduced a lot of new people to the fastest growing equine family sport. Here's how it went.
We begin the day with a \#11 RH won by Rick Avara and George McKiddie with 19 head in 110.30 Then a \#14 RH won by Bill Entz and Bobby Gray w/ 18 head in

114.33, Bill and Bobby also won 2nd, Bobby had 3 rd as well. The All levels was won by Rob Cosby and Carrie Wyatt w/ 20 head in 108.91 The biggest class of the day was 155 teams is the Beg/ Rookie Class which was one by Larry Downey and Carrie Wyatt on 15 head in 112.070, 2nd was

## seems at all consistent is Jimmi

 Philman. At the rate he is going; he will be on the FL. team going to the finals.We're looking forward to Florida's new producers "Painted Quarter Acres" in Ft. McCoy. They are putting on a couple of shows before the summer sets in. They have scheduled shows for April 18th and May 16th. With them being 3 hours to the north of us it will be a good location to
pull in some of our North Florida and Georgia friends. I for one am looking forward to showing at someone else's place! We have them hooked up with some exceptional staff to kick things off and are looking forward to some fun shows. I hope everyone will head on out to their beautiful facility and welcome them on into our Ranch Sorting Family!!.
Our phones have been ringing off the hook with new sorters

Fran McKinnis and Tim Keith, 3rd Shawn Wyatt and Marlin Wimberly, 4th Fran McKinnis and Rob Cosby, 5th Cole Rice and Shawn Wyatt, 6th Christy Woods and Belinda Vanzant, 7th Glenda Woodside and Bull Watkins, 8th Wendy La'Nee and Mike Gemmill, 9th Rebecca Ferda and Bill Entz, 10th Stacy Nemecek and Mike Keith. Lots of prizes were given away in this class by Cosby Ranch Store, Purina Mills Feed, Priefert, Ariat, Rocky Boots, Diamond P Tack, Professional Choice, Oxbow Tack, Cactus Ropes and Justin. I would like to say a special thank you to the companies for supporting Cosby Ranch Store and RSNC.
The \#6 was won by Gordon Dennison and Janet Hulsey w/ Sylvia Smith and Lisa Weant in Second.
The youth was huge with 36 teams the winner was Cheyenne McKiddie w/ her uncle Randy holding the gate.
The \#13 was won by Houston Heidelberg and Carrie Wyatt.
The \#10 was won by Rob Cosby and Jodi Meller
Lunch was served over an open hickory fire by Award winning Chuck Wagon cooks and included Chicken fried steak, fried potatoes, handmade biscuit and Cobbler.
Two handmade custom cutting saddles were given away manufactured by Cosby Ranch Saddle and the winners were Carrie Wyatt and Bill Entz. Photos courtesy Jerrie McGehee, Jay Peg Studios.
and potential producers calling. It won't be long and Florida will have a variety of RSNC shows to participate in. Hopefully Georgia will follow suit and we can develop our whole region. I think it would be fun to have a SE Regional Finals someday. That day will probably be here sooner than later at the speed the RSNC is growing.
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| Bastrop TX- 1/3/09 | Anaheim CA- 1/31/09 |
| Ardmore, OK-1/3/09 | Gainsville TX- 2/7109 |
| Humansville, MO-1/10/09 | St. Paul NE- 2/7/09 |
| Ramona, CA- 1/10/09 | Kansas OK- 2/7/09 |
| Livingston TX- 1/10/09 | Twin Falls ID- 2/709 |
| Thermopolis WY-1/11/09 | Humansville MO-2/14/09 |
| Kaufman, TX- 1/17/09 | Tucson AZ- 2/14/09 |
| Queen Creek, AZ-1/17/09 | Purcell OK- 2/14/09 |
| Platte SD-1/17/09 | Ramona CA- 2/14/09 |
| Centerview MO-1/17/09 | Hurricane UT- 2/14/09 |
| Ardmore, OK- 1/17/09 | Livingston TX- 2/14/09 |
| Ponca City, OK- 1/23/09 | Pueblo CO- 2/15/09 |
| Elkhorn, NE-1/24/09 | Thermopolis WY-2/15/09 |
| Seguin TX-1/24/09 | Ponca City OK- 2/21/09 |
| Gainsville TX-1/31/09 | Platte SD- 2/21/09 |
| Palm City FL- 1/31/09 | Kaufman TX- 2/21/09 |
| Marshfield MO-1/31/09 | Centerview MO-2/21/09 |

* Indicates Frozen Competitor

| Alma MI- 1/31/09 | Elm Springs AR-2/28/09 | Platte SD- 3/21/09 |
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| Anaheim CA- 1/31/09 | Anaheim CA- 2/28/09 | Purcell OK- 3/21/09 |
| Gainsville TX- 2/7/09 | Alma MI- 2/28/09 | Springville IN- 3/21/09 |
| St. Paul NE- 2/7/09 | Palm City FL- 3/7/09 | Richfield ID- 3/21/09 |
| Kansas OK- 2/7/09 | Gainsville TX- 3/7/09 | Fort Collins CO- 3/22/09 |
| Twin Falls ID- 2/7/09 | Fergus Falls MN- 3/7/09 | Waurika OK- 3/2209 |
| Humansville MO-2/14/09 | Gillette WY- 3/7/09 | Marshfield MO- 3/28/09 |
| Tucson AZ- 2/14/09 | Golden CO- 3/7/09 | Alma MI- 3/28/09 |
| Purcell OK- 2/14/09 | Humansville MO- 3/14/09 | Kansas OK- 4/4/09 |
| Ramona CA- 2/14/09 | Cactus Creek CO- 3/14/09 | Palm City FL- 4/4/09 |
| Hurricane UT- 2/14/09 | Mustang OK- 3/14/09 | Marshfield MO- 4/4/09 |
| Livingston TX- 2/14/09 | Livingston TX-3/14/09 | Twin Falls ID-4/4/09 |
| Pueblo CO- 2/15/09 | Ramona CA- 3/14/09 | Gainsville TX- 4/4/09 |
| Thermopolis WY-2/15/09 | Elkhorn NE- 3/14/09 | Waurika OK- 4/5/09 |
| Ponca City OK- 2/21/09 | Queen Creek AZ- 3/14/09 | Thermopolis WY-4/5/09 |
| Platte SD- 2/21/09 | Thermopolis WY- 3/15/09 | Longmont CO- 4/5/9 |
| Kaufman TX- 2/21/09 | Centerview MO- 3/2 1/09 | Ramona CA- 4/11/09 |
| Centerview MO- 2/21/09 | Cortez CO- 3/21/09 | Farmington NM- 4/11/09 |

Tucson AZ- 4/11/09 Humansville MO- 4/11/09 Fergus Falls MN- 4/11/09 Platte SD- 4/11/09 Waurika OK- 4/18/09 Galena MO- 4/18/09 Ft McCoy FL- 4/18/09 Centerview MO- 4/18/09 Waurika OK- 4/19/09 Santa Fe NM- 4/19/09 Kansas OK- 4/25/09 Ponca City OK- 4/25/09 Loveland CO- 4/25/09
Last qualifying day for points 5/31/09.
Last day for five qualifying shows 6/6/09.



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Ninety-one brand new sorters participated in ranch sorting clinics at the Colorado State University Equine Center March 21st! When asked why so big? First time RSNC Producer Chuck Peterson replied, "We promoted to the general equine communities with a vengeance." Now that sounds simple, but there was actually a plan of attack put together by Chuck and the RSNC marketing team that produced remarkable results! Before this event, Dave Wolfe sat the team down and asked them to come up with a marketing plan. The idea was to promote the sport in ways that could be duplicated by RSNC producers so the sport can grow in the same successful way all across the country. Mr. Wolfe said, "I kept thinking if we could prove right here in Fort Collins where I have been
putting these events on for 15 years, that we have yet to tap into the ranch sorting market, then producers everywhere will see that the secret to getting new sorters is to quit preaching to the choir." Not only did it work, but the two instructors, Gene DeGroot and Dave Wolfe, put on two clinics each to get through the great response.
After the sorting clinic on Saturday, most came back Sunday to make the Beginners class so big that Beginners were paired up with Beginners and there were still over 90 teams in the Beginners class!
Now with over 400 current RSNC members in Colorado, producers have a great opportunity to host big successful sorting competitions.
On Saturday night, current and potential producers were invited to a producers seminar to visit and share ideas about marketing the sport. After a complimentary steak dinner grilled to perfection by Kevin Speer, the marketing team along with Chuck Peterson and Dave Wolfe, talked in detail about how the Saturday clinic and Sunday Competition was promoted. They presented ten specific

promotional tools they used and discussed how other producers could do the same. Templates are being made of the fliers, news releases, internet notices, and magazine advertisements so producers can simply change dates and locations to use the same successful tools.
Phil Hartley, RSNC marketing director, said, "With so many families who want to learn more about Ranch Sorting, these tools
of promotion are guaranteed to get results. We want RSNC producers to be successful and we can speak from experience when we say they will get results."
So producers if your goal is to attract more contestants, be sure to call the RSNC office to get on the list to receive a promotional DVD and templates for the 10 tools of success.


Team Penning Clinic Tape by Pete Loftin "The flag is up are you ready" www.loftinyp.com One hour video only \$39.95


## OVER THE SHOULDER \#'s

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Tyvek (non-tear paper) style -
\$14 per set of 30
Ranch Rodeo/Ranch class
double digits available


Tag Glue at
\$2.50 per tube or
$\$ 160$ by the case
Also available in
caulking gun tubes
at $\$ 5.00$
Accepting all
major credit cards
Next day UPS available
All orders add
shipping \& COD
(Call for quote)

## SCENES FROM FORT COLLINS, COLORADO



Beginner RH HC winners Dezoray Varland \& Katie Gore (center) pictured with Miss Rodeo Colorado Audra Dobbs and Dave Wolfe.


Producer Chuck Peterson with Rookie winner

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## THINGS YOU WILL WANT TO KNOW ABOUT THE FINALS

ATTENTION ALL RANCH SORTERS.
If you would like to attend the largest event in the history of the sport, we want you to know:

## YOU ARE INVITED!

Those that have attended five sanctioned events will ride for $20 \%$ more, but All Ranch Sorters are invited.

## IT IS AFFORDABLE!

All divisions have entry fees of $\$ 50$ or less! If you like to gamble and ride for the big bucks, the MEGA CLASSES pay back $90 \%$ on \$100 entry fees!
All draw entries in the MEGA Classes will be $\$ 50$ unless otherwise specifically requested. Outdoor stalls are $\$ 50$ for the entire week! Those that want covered tent stalls must RSVP by May 15. Otherwise they won't be available. The cost is $\$ 75$.
RV hook-ups are not available so bring your generators. Pitch a tent, build a camp fire and cook up some beans! If you have ever had the opportunity to eat some of the great vittles John and LaJuana make at the Play Pen Arena you will love the cook shack. They serve the best home cooking available!
There are fun activities scheduled for every night including karaoke, hot dogs and s'mores Producers Banquet, cowboy races and lots of country music.

## MOTEL RATES FOR RSNC FINALS

Call prior to June 1, 2009
MUST MENTION THAT YOU ARE HERE FOR RSNC FINALS
Holiday Inn Express Econo Lodge
2809 N. 14th St.
(580) 762-3700 $\$ 90.00$
Comfort Inn
3101 N. 14th St.
(580) 765-2322 \$80.96

212 S. 14th St.
(580) 762-3401 $\$ 59.99$
Quality Inn
2215 N. 14th St.
(580) 762-8311
\$66.00
EVENT DETAILS
MEGA CLASSES
In All Levels, \#13HC, \#10HC and \#6/4
Incentive there are two options for entering.
A - $\$ 100 /$ person with a $90 \%$ payback of all entry fees.
B - $\$ 50 /$ person with a $70 \%$ payback of all entry fees based on $\$ 50$.
In all divisions including the Mega Classes there will be a 5 -ride limit with a mandatory 1 draw. You can choose to draw up to all five if you wish. All draw entries in the MEGA Classes will be $\$ 50$ unless otherwise specifically requested.
Each day at the finals the entries for the 1st class of the day will close the night before. Be sure to get your entries in so you don't miss out.

- MASTERS DIVISION

All contestants age fifty and older may enter
the Masters' Division and compete for cash payouts. In addition to vying for payouts, individuals representing the Top Twenty Masters from their home state will compete for special year-end awards. These riders will enter the Finals with 20 to 1 points, respectively, in the Masters' Division. In addition to a rider's Top Twenty points, points earned in this class only will determine the winner of the Masters' Division saddle and other year-end awards.

- GRADUATED BEGINNERS' DIVISION

All contestants with a rating of 2 or less may enter as a sorter in the Graduated Beginners' Division and compete for cash payouts. In addition to vying for payouts, all 2008 Graduated Beginners as well as \#1 rated Beginners representing the Top Twenty Beginners from each state will compete for special year-end awards. All Graduated Beginners will enter the Finals with no less than 10 points in the Graduated Beginners' Division. In addition to a rider's Top Twenty points, points earned in this class and the Rookie \#11 RH HC Sort will determine the winner of the Graduated Beginners' Division saddle and other year-end awards. A graduated Beginners division will be a pick 4 partners, draw 1 or draw up to all 5 partners.

- GRADUATED ROOKIES' DIVISION

All contestants with a rating of 3 or less may enter in the Graduated Rookies' Division and compete for cash payouts. In addition to vying for payouts, all 2008 Graduated Rookies as well as Rookies representing the Top Twenty Rookies from each state will compete for special year-end awards. All Graduated Rookies will enter the Finals with no less than 10 points in the Graduated Rookies' Division. In addition to a rider's Top Twenty points, points earned in this class and \#6/4 Incentive will determine the winner of the Graduated Rookies' Division saddle and other year-end awards.
The Graduated Rookies' Division will be a pick 4 partners, draw 1 or draw up to all 5 partners. The draws for this division will come from a pool of other 3 or below rated riders. - NOVICE, AMATEUR, AND OPEN DIVISIONS All Novice, Amateur, and Open riders may enter their respective classes and compete for cash payouts. In addition to vying for payouts, the Top Twenty Novice, Amateur, and Open riders from each state will compete for the year-end awards. These riders will enter the finals with 20 to 1 points, respectively. Riders graduating from Novice to Amateur or from Amateur to Open will enter the Finals with no less than 10 points. These Top Twenty points, plus points earned in respective qualifying divisions, will determine the winners of the Novice, Amateur and Open saddles and other year-end awards.

- ONE HAND SORT

This division is an All Levels Handicap but all contestants must ride with one hand on the reins. If you use two hands or switch hands at any time during the run, the team is disqualified.

## - RATED YOUTH DIVISION

This division is for all youth 18 or below with a rating of 2 or higher. It will be like all other divisions with a pick 4 and draw 1 or draw up to all 5. Youth will ride with each other in this division.

## - BEGINNER YOUTH/ADULT

This division is for \#1 rated youth 18 or under only. This will be a Ranch Hand division where the youth sorts and an adult or upper rated contestant works the gate. It is a pick 4 and draw 1 or draw up to all 5 .

## - DOUBLE BACK REVERSE SADIE HAWKINS

Here is a new one for ya, how about a twist on your typical sort. How many times have you, well, mistakenly sorted in reverse order? Ok, so the announcer calls number 6. The team must sort cattle to the opposite pen and at some point start sorting in reverse order the same cattle back into the original pen. The kicker is only the cattle that are successfully sorted back to the original pen count. If the correct numbered cow starts across the line but doesn't completely clear before reversing back the other way, that cow does not count and the reverse must begin. Sound ok so far? Oh yes and we added Sadie Hawkins; please tell me you know about Sadie Hawkins. It's where the girls ask the guys to dance. Should be a mad rush for those prime male team sorters. This will be a pick 4-draw one or draw all 5. All guys that are picked at least once must enter the draw once. No guy can be picked more than 4 times.
Biggest rule for the weekend: No whining, complaining or sulking. All caught doing any of these infractions will be fined dunks into the water trough!!!! Supervised by the camp boss.
BRING YOUR STATE FLAG FOR THE STATE EXTAVAGANZA!
It is not necessary to have attended five sanctioned shows to ride in the STATE EXTRAVAGANZA.
You must be the high point rider from your state in your rating category to qualify.
The high point Beginner, Rookie, Novice, Amateur, Open and Masters from each state will each ride twice with their five other state team members.
Your state team can choose how your six teams are entered.
The Division will be an All Level Handicap.
If a high point member does not attend, the next highest point member who attends can ride.

If no member qualifies or attends in a rating category, then the highest attending member in the next rating category down is eligible.
If a Masters does not qualify or attend, any youth attending from that state can substitute.
If a State doesn't have enough attending members for a six person team then they can combine with other states in the same situation. However the rating catagories must be enforced for the assembled team
Entry fees are $\$ 50$ /entry with a required two ride limit. This is a prize division and prizes will be awarded through third place state teams.
Six Vinton saddles will be awarded to the winning state team.
The teams in the top 10 in the State Extravaganza All Levels Handicap Class will each receive 10 to 1 points respectively.
These points will determine the top three states who will all ride again with the same partners as before with a clean slate.(three states equaling 18 teams to the finals)
The teams in the top 10 in the Finals of the State Extravaganza will each receive 10 to 1 points respectively.
You have to get a time to get points. Those points will determine the winning....
RSNC NATIONAL FINALS STATE
EXTRAVAGANZA TEAM!

## SORT FOR THE VINTON SADDLES

 POINTS RACEAttention all Sorters! Go to the web site at www.RSNC. us and click on SORT FOR THE SADDLES
Then click on your home state in the United States map. See where you are placing in this exciting saddle race!
It is not necessary to have attended five sanctioned shows to qualify for the points race.
You must be in the top 20 from your state in your rating category to qualify for these prizes.
If your rating has changed and you qualified in two or more rating categories, you are eligible to place in the highest two categories and can chose one prize.
Example: if you started the year as a Beginner and have advanced to a $\# 3$, you are eligible for your choice of prizes as a Rookie or Novice but will not be eligible to compete in the Beginners or Graduated Beginners division at the finals.
Any division that has 100 or more teams will be double points.
Contestant can earn points in the designated classes listed on page 5 in which they are eligible to ride.



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