

49er's Saddle Club

October 12, 2026

Monthly member meeting was called to order by President Michelle at 6:03 PM.

Attendance:

President- Michelle Stedham

VP & Treasurer- Lisa Hawkins

Secretary- Rashell Doolittle

Director (3)- Mark Cook

Members: Curtis Doolittle, Farrah Meacham, Logan Doolittle, Katelyn Johnson, Karli Peavy, Jonnie Zimnicki, and Jon Johnson.

Royalty Report:

Try Outs was held on October 4th and there was one participant. The 2027 Queen is Arianna Chipman with Co-chaperones Mya Anderson and Erin Stedham. All awards for playnight are almost ordered. Halloween Barrel race is scheduled for October 31st, and the 2026 girls tried out for Asotin Royalty and Queen Callie McKenzie and Princess Farrah Meacham have their coronation on November 14, 2026.

Treasurer Report:

read and approved

(motioned- Curtis, second- Michelle)

Old Business:

Uhlenkott- replaced the control box & pressure switch, Mark is going to be working with them on the Sistine installation

49ers Facebook- No sale ads

Update ByLaws- will work on Fall 2026

Bucking Chutes- Michelle is still trying to work a deal with Lewiston Roundup

Omoksee Judges stand- Tabled to be possibly built spring 2027

Diesel holding tank- hose purchased and replaced

Faucet by cookshack- Fixed

Gas cans and grease guns- purchased

Extra tools- still taking donations

Announcers light fixture- fixed and replaced

Clubhouse electrical box- needs looked into and fixed still

New Business:

- Water Pump/Old Tractor – Curtis has installed the water pump but need coolant to see if it leaks or not.
- Update By-Laws. Our version is 2012 and cannot locate the PDF or Word version. Michelle has typed it up into a word version.
- Round Pen- Jon and Katelyn Johnson with Mission Creek Dachshund will purchase and donate a load of sand to the round pen in the Spring of 2027.
- Sprinkler head by covered bleachers- it is still leaking and Mark knows about it, stated that it is a possible valve leak and might have to be dug up.

- 49ers equipment is not for personal use. All equipment, including the tractor, is to remain on the grounds of the 49er's property.
- Price Increase- on September 14th Rashell proposed that we should raise our prices for membership, clubhouse rental, and pasture rental since they have not been changed over 10 years. It was proposed that the new rates will be as follows: Membership: Individual- \$50 Family- \$100 (family members must all live in the same household), Clubhouse Rental: \$150 for members \$200 for Non-members, Pasture Rental: \$100 per horse. With the clubhouse needing structural work and more beautification all clubhouse rental income will go directly to the clubhouse funding for repairs. It was posted on Facebook on October 8th with good feedback and understanding.
- Member Jonnie Zimnicki was present and representing Patriot Equipment Rentals brought over a 2026 Yanmar SM475 (75 hp) test trial of proposed tractor purchase for our DeAtley grant. Patriot Equipment offered the tractor to be purchased at cost price of \$50,000. It will include a 2-year warranty for full powertrain. All warranty work also covers parts and labor. Brett Christensen also offered to have the tractor stored at his property through the winter at his personal property that is across the street at 29878 Thiessen Road, Lewiston, Idaho. Patriot Equipment asked to have a sign board sponsor and three business decals (one on each side, and either on the front or back). Jonnie will follow up with Brett by asking for a possible date of term for the sign board before having to pay the annual fee.
- Bell Equipment offered the tractor that we have been using all summer for \$49,900; it is a 2022 John Deere 5075E (75 hp). Michelle reached out to Bell to see if any other discount would be available with no response.
- Since an agreement of which tractor could not be resolved and would like for more members to try and look at both options to give input, another member meeting was proposed to be held on October 19, 2026, at 6 pm. As the offer of Patriot Equipment is valid until October 20, 2026, by 5 pm.
- Rashell reached out to Jonnie with Patriot Equipment to see about mower decks also for the 2026 royalty girls to purchase for a departing gift to 49ers. They have 5-foot and 6-foot options available and said that they would sell it for at cost but could not provide the cost numbers due to a bookkeeper out of office. Jonnie will follow up with prices. Patriot will ask in return to have a business decal on the product.
- Christmas party and royalty coronation will be set for December 18, 2026, and will start at 6 pm. Playnight and Junior Rodeo awards will be handed out.
- Tammany High School reached out to Michelle Stedham to see if they could use the 49ers Saddle Club for an evacuation meeting place in case of an emergency. Curtis made motion to allow it, and Lisa- seconded the motion.
- Jonnie Zimnicki asked about our porta potty of how we pay and maintenance. It is by sponsorship and asked if there was a possibility that we could reach out to see if we can obtain an ADA approved outhouse so some handicapped people could attend our events.
- Rena Cook asked if a new point of contact will be in charge for the community service. Michelle Stedham stated that she called and left a voicemail to Harper to make her the point of contact.

- Michelle Stedham noted that we should have a list of all things that need done around 49ers the proposed list is:
 - Clubhouse needs releveled as beams are rotten
 - Roof on the clubhouse needs redone
 - Painting the walls of the clubhouse
 - Install hardwood floor for the clubhouse
 - Announcers stand stair platform beam needs replaced
 - Tear out old bucking chutes and replace them with panels
 - Raise the roof of the lean to next to the activity shed for storage place for equipment like the tractor
- Jonnie asked about the requirements of the cookshack. Stated that her mother Debra Zimnicki would be an interested in running the cookshack for the year 2027.

Next meeting is scheduled to be October 19, 2026, at 6 PM. Meeting adjourned at 7:38 PM.
(Jon- motioned, Lisa- second)