



# 49er's Saddle Club

## Newsletter February 2021

Feb 10 2021

Next meeting will be Monday March 8<sup>th</sup> at 6pm

### 2021 Officers

President Mark Cook

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Lisa Hawkins

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Secretary Rena Cook

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Treasurer

Lisa Hawkins

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Director

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Barrel and Pole Series

Lisa Hawkins and

Brandi Van Buren

Arena Director

Rich Vigue

Royalty & Omoksee

Director Erika Raggio

208-816-3296

Sign Boards

Lisa Hawkins

Youth Riding Team lead

instructor

Shantel McNamee

Clubhouse Rentals

TBD

Pasture Rental

Brandi Van Buren

Reader Board

Sharon Peterson

Website

Rena Cook

[www.49erssaddleclub.org](http://www.49erssaddleclub.org)

Meeting called to order on Feb 8<sup>th</sup> 5:53pm and adjourned at 7:14pm  
Officers present were Mark cook, Lisa Hawkins, Brandi VanBuren, Rena Cook  
Erika Raggio, and Rich Vigue

### Old Business

The 49ers Saddle Club Youth Riding Team began Jan 15<sup>th</sup> and continues to have lessons twice a week at the Lewiston Round Up Grounds. We have had many new families join the club since the youth team was founded.

The 49ers website has been updated to be an interactive member resource. Silver Creek drill team started their walk through practices in the Clubhouse Friday evenings 7-9pm until the arena is useable. They are currently recruiting new members.

We are working on plans for a team to run the cookshack for the Omoksee, barrel and Pole series, NBHA, and our big race August 27<sup>th</sup>.

We have a need for volunteers and have vacant positions to fill.

Stephanie Patterson is getting quotes and seeking interest for 49er Saddle Club Youth Team riding gear and is looking into sponsorship to cover the cost of changing the current logo to include Youth Riding Team rather than the Oldest Saddle Club.

We have a great team of instructors that have alternated days to lead the Youth Group including Shantel McNamee, Jody Simpson, Tracy Hammond, Stephanie Creutzberg, Joe Smith, and Jim Parvin.

### New Business

Rich Vigue has accepted the position of Arena Director

Sharon Peterson remains in charge of maintaining the signboard

Erika Raggio has accepted the position of Omoksee Director

Shantel McNamee has accepted the position of lead instructor youth riding team.

Mark Cook has accepted the position of State Omoksee Vice President

## New Business continued

The board approved the cost of purchasing the wireless mic/headset

The board approved the \$100 added to each 49ers barrel series pot.

Mark Cook and Erica Raggio attended the State Omoksee meeting in Moscow and negotiated the cost to use our arena, the events, and the schedule is set for June 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>.

They are considering an additional Omoksee date but need to coordinate with other clubs and available days.

The 49ers Saddle Club Youth Riding Team now has Shantel McNamee as the lead instructor.

The youth team will be running the cook shack for the Wednesday play nights and hoping to get sponsorships or donations to purchase the snacks to sell.

Lisa Hawkins is getting a quote for the new timers and digital timer board and Erika Raggio is looking for a sponsor.

We have contacted a few local food truck vendors about attending our barrel and pole series, NBHA, and Omoksees and have also reached out to the Boy Scouts about running the cookshack. Sam Curtis and her crew is not available but the current Boy Scouts leader will present the offer at their next meeting and get back in touch with us shortly as we hope to have food available at every race and event this season.

The topic of Equine Liability Insurance for our club came up at the meeting so we looked into the need and found that our club's current liability insurance policy is consistent with other similar clubs in the area.

We discussed having a sign up sheet for our Youth Riding Team parents to take turns running the concession stand during the Wednesday play nights.

The website has been updated with a Calendar of our scheduled events, an interactive blog to get updated on arena conditions or cancellations, as well as notifications. There are also current membership forms to download as well as pasture, arena, and clubhouse rentals.

There is a members highlight page for both our youth and our adult members so check it out and subscribe to our newsletter.

We expect a great turnout again this year which means a huge demand for member volunteers. Our next monthly meeting will be Monday March 8<sup>th</sup> at 6pm:)

