



# 49er's Saddle Club Newsletter March 2021

March 8 2021

Next meeting will be Monday April 12 6pm

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Meeting called to order March 8<sup>th</sup> 6:05 pm and adjourned at 7:25pm

Officers present were Mark cook, Lisa Hawkins, Brandi VanBuren, Rena Cook Erika Raggio, and Rich Vigue

## Old Business

Board approved the purchase of a sound system wireless headset.

Board approved adding \$100 to each of the 49er's barrel series races.

Lisa to get quote for a new digital scoreboard and 2 sets of new arena timers.

Rena will meet with Boy Scouts about running the cookshack for the seasons scheduled races and State Omoksee.

Erika and Mark are planning an additional Omoksee event for the Spring Calendar.

The Youth Riding team will be running the cookshack Wednesday play nights May-August and will be looking for some fundraising ideas to purchase the concession items.

The 49ers website has an active calendar and blog for a current list of events as well as any changes, cancelations, or updates.

We have started highlighting some of our awesome club members and looking for someone to volunteer to be in charge of the nominations.

Members highlighted were Rashell Corder, Billie Ellison, Lisa Hawkins, and Karen Parvin.

Youth members highlighted were Cahira Harding, Charlie Jackson, Denali Cook, and Paige Canning

We are still in the application process of collecting pictures of the 49er's Saddle Club to submit to the Historical Landmark Registry. Email photos or documents of interest to [the49erssaddleclub@gmail.com](mailto:the49erssaddleclub@gmail.com).

The youth riding team has been a big success bringing many new families to join our club with 33 youth team members.

The Lewiston Roundup Grounds generously donated the use of their indoor arena for the youth lessons and some of the best local trainers around are volunteering to give lessons at no cost to our Youth Riding Team.

Special thanks to Shantel McNamee, Kindsey Bartholomew, Stephanie Creutzberg, Jodi Simpson, Tracy Hammond, Jamie Rynearson, Jim Parvin, and Joe Smith for the many hours they've invested in our kids.

## New Business

Erika is planning the royalty coronation this spring. The date TBD check with the 49er's Saddle Club Royalty Facebook page for updates.

The State Omoksee Spring Round and Potluck will be April 17<sup>th</sup> at 12:00pm. Bring a dish to share and the clubhouse will provide drinks, utensils, and plates. Mark and Erika have added an additional Omoksee date to our summer schedule for June 13<sup>th</sup>. The Idaho state royalty fundraising barrel race is June 25<sup>th</sup> and the State Omoksee will be June 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>.

Lisa and Brandi have chosen the barrel series awards and will be placing an order for the buckles.

Lisa got the quote for the digital scoreboard and timers and Erika has submitted the quote to her sponsor and is waiting on a response. The board approved moving forward with the purchase.

The youth riding team is doing a raffle to raise funds for this summer's play night concession stand and for awards. They are accepting donations for the raffle and have several items donated already. We are asking each of the youth members to sell 20 tickets at \$1 each. Prizes given to the kids that sell the most tickets. Contact Jann Dahmen~Morbeck 509-592-7735 for tickets to sell, to donate to the raffle or to purchase tickets.

Shantel McNamee and Kindley Bartholomew have begun teaching roping to the youth riding team and have had a lot of interest. Mark is looking to add some competitions to this season calendar so they can put some of their new skills to use.

Rich Vigue is coordinating with The Back Country Horsemen to schedule a member's trail ride to be added to the calendar.

The board approved donating the arena and services for a 4D barrel race July 10<sup>th</sup> benefitting Jessi Guinn's medical expenses.

The board approved changes to the clubhouse rental rates. Changes include removing the ½ day and hourly rental option and increasing the daily rate for club members to \$75, and non~members \$150 per day. The refundable cleaning/damage deposit of \$100 remains the same.

The board approved charging \$30 per tractor rake at all races with a required rake every 10 timed events to maintain the integrity and safety of the arena as well as help with the cost of tractor maintenance, parts, and fuel.

The Boy Scouts have agreed to run the cookshack for all our summer barrel races and events and bring much experience as well as the capability to accept debit/credit cards. Please support them this summer.

Keep up to date with the 49er's this year by visiting the website [The49erssaddleclub.org](http://The49erssaddleclub.org)

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Special thanks also to the Lewiston Roundup Grounds for allowing our 49er's Youth Riding Team use of their indoor arena twice every week, and to our amazing instructors who continue to donate their time to instruct our youth.

Shantel McNamee

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