

# 49er's Saddle Club 2023 Newsletter

September 30th, 2023

Next meeting will be Monday October 9th, 6pm

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## September

As we say goodbye to Summer and prepare for cooler temperatures, we still have a few things on the calendar.

Our royalty tryouts will be held Oct. 15<sup>th</sup> 6pm at the 49er's arena. We will have a meet and greet for interested contestants Oct. 9<sup>th</sup> 6pm in the Clubhouse. You can bring the completed contestant application with you and give to Patti Triplett at that time.

We had a successful awards ceremony for the **49er's Jr. Rodeo** followed with some fun indoor games due to the not so pleasant weather. Kids competed in Musical Chairs and the wheelbarrow race, and much fun was had.

We had added awards for all our kiddo's that got sponsors for our rodeo series. They are the real MVP's as our sponsors are the heart of our program.

We also had most improved in each event and age group, Horsemanship awards, and Sportsmanship awards in each age group. I love all these categories but most improved is by far my favorite!

For anyone who was not able to attend the 49er's Jr. Rodeo awards, I will be available at the clubhouse October 9<sup>th</sup> at 6pm and you are welcome to have someone collect your awards if you are unable to be there.

We want to sincerely thank everyone that helped this year be such a success. We appreciate our rodeo directors, our volunteers, our sponsors, and all our members that showed up in record numbers for our paynights, Jr. Rodeo series, and our barrel and pole series. We couldn't do this if not for your support.

**Tracy Hammond**, host of **Wild Rides TV** recently interviewed 49er's President Mark Cook on the growing success and idea behind our Jr. Rodeo Summer Series and we hope you'll all check it out. You can get a free 7-day subscription to Wild Rides and see Mark's interview and many more amazing stories.

Our sponsor **Intermountain Feeds** has a new remote store at the **Rocking Y Stables and Arena**. You can visit the main store to set up a pin code for 24 hours a day access to their remote supply trailer. They also have full and self service stables at the **Rocking Y** with full access to their indoor arena:)

In just a few short months we will be in the planning stage for the 2024 Jr. Rodeo so now is the time to offer your suggestions and feedback as well as sign up to volunteer for one of the many positions needed. It will be here sooner than we realize.

**Our royalty court, Queen Corlene Gibleau and Princess Cahira Harding** did a phenomenal job this year and we are so proud of them. They will be at the tryouts to show the 2024 royalty contestants the pattern and assist in any way.

Keep an eye out for them as they represent our club in the annual Veterans day parade and lighted Christmas parade in Clarkston.

Stay tuned for an updated calendar to include our annual Christmas party and elections.

We are very grateful to the **Twin River Back Country Horsemen** for their generous donation of a warm up, round pen to the 49er's Saddle Club. They have been a wonderful partner to us and the other local saddle clubs in the LC Valley. Also a huge shoutout to Lorelei McNamee for personally delivering it and to the volunteers that met her to unload it for us. It truly does take a village and ours is the best!

Last year we were added to the list of available non profits to have people do community service at our club and it has been such a blessing. We have had over 70 hours of volunteer work done to include building project, painting, cleaning, installing signboards, etc.

If anyone has some hours to complete, we always have projects available for any level of experience and are very appreciative of our helpers.

**Finally, and perhaps most importantly**, we want to acknowledge both **Don and Carolyn Cook** for their lifelong dedication to the **49er's Saddle Club**. At 90 years old, Don may say his body has slowed down, but his dedication to the upkeep and care of the 49er's Saddle Club has not. He personally planted all the shade trees, installed the drip line, and has diligently maintained them year after year. Before every barrel race and event we host year after year, you would find him spending hours meticulously preparing the arena regardless of the extreme heat.

Most of the signboard sponsors that our club enjoys is thanks to Don and his personal relationship with each and every one of the local business owners. We owe him so much for the countless hours of work for over 60 years and hope to continue in his footsteps to ensure the integrity and success of the **Historic 49er's Saddle Club!**

It has made both **Don and Carolyn Cook** proud to have their grand daughter **Denali Cook** out there getting Jr. Rodeo sponsors on behalf of the 49er's saddle Club and their son Mark Cook being just as particular about the integrity of the Historic 49er's saddle Club arena and to the ongoing success of the oldest saddle club in Idaho.

# 49er's Schedule of Events

**Royalty Contestants meet and greet 49er's Clubhouse October 9<sup>th</sup> 6pm**

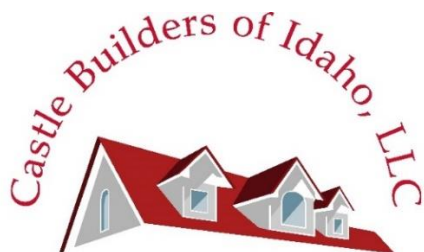
**Royalty Tryouts are scheduled for Oct.15<sup>th</sup> at the 49er's Saddle Club**

**Stay tuned for our Jr. Rodeo winter riding and lesson schedule.**

**Breakaway lessons at the 49er's arena on Tuesdays at 6-7pm for a max of 6 people \$40. Rocking Y Arena will be used for backup. If interested, contact *Scotti or David Erickson with Pursuit Equine 208-691-8653***



**We want to thank our Annual 2023 Jr. Rodeo Sponsors!**

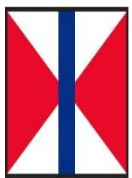


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