

## WTPC UPDATES MAY 2025





#### Show #2 Stats: 272 Teams for the weekend \$12,837 in winnings \$24,000 pledged Sponsorships Thank you to all our volunteers!

#### Congratulations are in order!

Open Sorting Winners: Debra King and Kris Johnson Am Sorting Winners: Kent Dinelt and A.G. Garrison Nov Sorting Winners: Kent Dinelt and Tawny Felton Pro/Am Sorting Winners: Dee and John Heggenberger Green Novice Winners: Ranie Creamer and Ryan Kramer

#9 Winners: Art Aske and Debbie Easterson

Open Penning Winners: Chrislyn Prantl, Frank Prantl, and Vicki Gray Am Penning Winners: Brianna Peseo, Dee and John Heggenberger Nov Penning Winners: Lyle and Vanessa Nygren and A.G. Garrison PAN Penning Winners: Fred Young, Kirk Williams, and Tawny Felton Green Nov Winners: Dee Heggenberger, Jillian White-Boyte, and Kevin Wagner

June 7-8 Show Entries Please email in your May Entries to: <a href="https://www.wtpcentries@gmail.com">wtpcentries@gmail.com</a>.

June Show Directors: Rob Bouffard and

Heather Anderson

For camping and stalls: text Jake Yancey at

(360) 561-4083

Thanks to sponsors...June is an all-class buckle month again!



#### Board Member Spotlight: Treasurer Vicki Gray

I became hooked on sorting and working cattle at Musgroves Flying M about 15 years ago. Although I didn't have a "cow horse" at the time I rode my trusted trail steed, Twig, a Saddlebred. A few years later I bought my first cow horse, and the journey began. I fell into a great group of mentors at Stick Horse Training and grew from there. It took time to learn the game and then I was introduced to the Westside Team Penning Club. Robert Bouffard and Mike Guyton were the president and V.P at the time and many of us green novice and novice riders often were recruited as the breakdown crew. We had a blast learning everything we could about the sport!

Over the last ten years as a member of WTPC I have met some amazing people and have served on the board as a club secretary and treasurer. I really enjoy the support this club provides riders as they enter as novice and am riders. As the coaching and encouragement helped me grow my skills, I enjoy helping other riders learn too. Part of being a member of this club is to share your knowledge and support one another.

Outside of this game, my husband Dale and I are owners of South Sound Honda, Suzuki, Polaris in Olympia. We sell fun! We also enjoy playing on the products we sell, Motorcycles and off-road vehicles.







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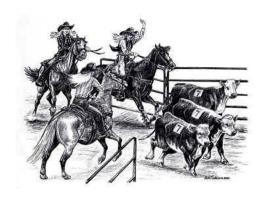












# Thoughts and Considerations from Show #2

- ➤ Board members are working on adjusting some panels to enlarge the pens. When purchased, the panels had to fit within Stewarts with all the cattle pens behind them...that shorted the pen size by about 5 feet. Many thanks to Larry and Gwen Mielke who are taking the lead on welding up some panels for us!
- > There was a request to be able to choose to sort both directions (like RSNC) upon rider request. This has been added to the June 7 board meeting agenda.
- > We reduced the gates to one for use during the penning. This cuts down on one volunteer, and it worked great! Thanks for the great idea, Jake Yancey!
- ➤ Black Lake Plumbing (Chris Gildner and Sarah Mealy) bought the club new caulk guns...they are fancy and took us a bit to get the glue dialed down to the right amount. Wow, they were efficient once we got them figured out!
- > There was a request to lower the door a bit more during penning. Some people had trouble seeing where it was left. Noted for next show.
- > The coffee was amazing, and she already committed to be back for the next show.
- The food truck was also pretty darn good, and she committed to return to the next show.
- > We received more sponsorships during this event. We are nearing meeting our budget for awards. Thank you so much to everyone who steps up to sponsor. If you want to help it will definitely show in the awards offered at year end!
- > The cattle worked great this past show. They looked healthy coming off the truck and stayed fresh and workable all weekend. Many thanks to the cattle crew. They are very good stewards of the cattle and it shows.
- ➤ I just posted the ratings sheets on the website. Please be kind...I am no secretary but several of us on the board have stared at things as long as we care to. If there are errors or you have questions, please feel free to ask. The ratings reflect only 2024 and 2025 members now and the ratings committee has been hard at work trying to watch everyone

new that needs a review. Many thanks to them for all their help and unbiased look at each rider.

➤ We also offered up ONE paid position which is the event secretary open to anyone to email their interest to the <a href="https://www.wtpcsec@gmail.com"><u>WTPCsec@gmail.com</u></a>. This position enters all teams as they come in, manages teams during the show and all things admin in the office during the show. If you have an interest it pays \$400 per show and knowledge of Sort Arena helps. Email interest by May 29.



That's all till next time! If you have any questions or suggestions...email, PM, or give a call to one of your board members. Thanks to everyone who participated in the May show and making it a great two days!

Reminder: Our June show also has a <u>General Membership Meeting on Saturday night (June 7) at 6 p.m.</u> You should have received an email asking for any topics you would like to discuss. Please respond to that email if you do have topics you would like to see on the agenda. Thank you!