

MRA Meeting Agenda
March 19, 2019, 7:30 pm Via Conf Call

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order by Jojo Wagner at: 7:32

Attendance/Roll Call: highlight members in attendance. Underlined = nonvoting member

President: Jojo Wagner

VP: Emmitt Davis

Secretary: Kari Heidebrink

Treasurer: Jill Scott

Bull Riding: Kenny Betts & Wayne Johnston

Calf Roping: Cullan Hewitt & Mikey Loiseau

Over 40 CR: Royce Larson & Greg Hewitt

Barrel Racing: Camille Jacobson & Courtney Otto

Team Roping: Matt McCormick, Jimmy Jacobson, Wyatt Treeby, Eric Nelsen

Breakaway Roping: Katie Bell & Whitney Locken

Steer Wrestling: Nolan Hart, Garrett Steven

Judges Director: Dru Wilking

Bareback: Dylan Pratt & Allen Petron

Saddle Bronc: Billy Hampton, Jason Cole

Queen Director: Tana Dirks

Stock Director: Scott Berends

PR Director: MRA Queen (Paige Storlie)

Mixed Team Roping: Carm Schneider & Jess Shirley

Finals Director:

General Members: Jamie Thompson, Terry McCutcheon

Topic	Who	Decision/Action
Treasurers Report	Jill	Total in checking account currently: \$ 5,504.00, Savings (awards account) has \$1,871.83. Total of checks not cleared: \$1,155 Jill and Kari have been paid through March 2019. <u>Income:</u>

		<p>Memberships, Raffle, Auction – 2 people are still needing to pick up and pay for their items so I do not have a final total for this yet, profit (after Paypal fees and shipping) will be somewhere just over \$3000 I project)</p> <p><u>Expenses:</u></p> <p>Kari purchased Stamps for \$55, and paid Secretary of state for raffle for \$15. MRA reimbursed her for this.</p> <p>We also paid for our Liability Insurance to Hanneken Insurance \$878.12 (Chris waived his commission on this considering we are a non profit)</p> <p>\$300 to Rope for the Crown, which the breakaway ropers will need to submit extra fundraising for.</p> <p>Upcoming Expenses: payment to Tax Person: \$300. Pay Jojo for shipping cost of auction items.</p> <p>Approve a budget if possible</p> <p>Matt mm to approve treasurers report, 2nd by Cullan. Approved as read</p> <p>Jill talked about how last meeting we went over the 2017, 18, & 19 budget</p>
Secretaries Report	Kari	<p>February meeting minutes were emailed to the board and posted online. Before Sioux Falls we had 50 members, we sold 48 memberships at Sioux Falls. All event pages on the website should be up to date.</p> <p>Courtney mm to approve secretary's report, 2nd by Cullan. Approved as read</p>
Queen Report	Paige	Nothing to report
Stock Committee Report	Scott B,	Nothing to report
Awards / Fundraising Committee	Kari, Jill, Jojo,	
Budget	Jojo, Jill	
Nominations		
Rules and Bylaws	Jojo, Kari, Scott Berends, Dru Wilking	<p><u>Rule change proposals:</u></p> <p>Rule #1: Minnesota Rodeo Association</p>

2019 Season
O40 Calf Roping
Trial Rule Change

Proposed rule Change: (from Terry McCutcheon)

Time handicap based on age.

40-49: Even, 50-54: -1, 55-59: -2, 60-64: -3, 65-69: -4, 70 and up -5 per run for the purpose of placings in the event.

A survey of 2017 (2018 had no results for 70 and up) MRA first approved rodeos (not including the finals) had 219 runs. When this handicap was applied to the '17 season results, only 4.5% of the placings were affected.

Currently the association is looking to stimulate membership growth and the O40 Tiedown roping event is a good opportunity. In 2004 the O40 was first approved as a new event on a trial basis for the purpose of increasing membership. At that time you could only compete in one of these Tiedown events. The MRA has an open calf roping and at this time the O40 is simply another open calf roping. Since 2019 (15 years since the O40 was approved) the contestant demographic as changed to the extent that the 2 major age groups are 40-45 and 60 and over with the 60 and over having the larger number of members. That's a major age difference. Because this event is different than the open tiedown, this handicap is meant to level the playing field to retain members and encourage new members. I also feel that with this purposed trial rule change the O40 could become a great spectator friendly event. Contestant ages would be based on their age as of January 1 (regardless if their age group changed during the competition year). I would volunteer to help with this event in its trial year in any way that the association needs.

Dru says that O40 is a good deal, but it could end up being a secretary nightmare trying to keep everything straight and making sure numbers are correct.

Royce also said there was another discussion on whether or not the rule should be changed with the possibility of adding in the young high school rodeo kids (18 or younger?) and making it similar to the idea of MTR so that it isn't just two open calf ropings.

Jamie- if it was a calf roping assoc it would be a great idea, but agrees that it could be a nightmare for secretaries and other events may start to try doing something like this with handicaps.

Terry- it's a proposal that they would like to see and try. There's a lot of talk about it that's heard. There's the two main age groups- early 40's and over 60's. O40 used to be a non competitive event and that's what it was made for, to bring in more memberships. If people aren't worried about waiting for their checks Terry will volunteer to help secretary the 2019 season to help with the headache and confusion. He would be more than happy to volunteer to do it for free.

Dru- It was a trial and error when it first came out and they had to choose which one to go to. If guys were competitive they would choose the open, if not they would choose O40. Instead of making a handicap maybe start looking into raising the age group.

Jamie added that if he could go to a rodeo and rope in both ropings he would do that and go the extra way, but if only get to choose between one, he would just as rather stay back.

		<p>General discussion concludes that adjusting one event could open a book of a lot of problems.</p> <p>A lot of discussion on different possibilities and changes that could be done. It was asked if anyone liked the change of adding young boys and girls to the O40 and discussion led to not maybe people thinking that would be very beneficial and we need to stop changing the MRA rules.</p> <p>Greg- there's two ends to the event close to 40, rope very well, and far off from 40 who don't have much of a chance. It's getting harder for the older guys to want to keep going.</p> <p>JoJo suggests to go to the contestants in the O40 and see what the general consensus is of the contestants.</p> <p>Emmett said that if the O40 ropers really are serious about this, they need to take their time to call in on the meeting and support it.</p> <p>Royce mm to table until April 2nd. Cullan 2nd. Rule proposal is tabled.</p> <p>Rule #2: The Mixed Team roping event will have a \$5.00 Awards fee added to the entry fees at each rodeo \$2.50/per person/run.</p> <p>JoJo confirmed that TR has 2.50/person.</p> <p>Cullan mm to approve, 2nd by eric. Motion approved.</p>
Finals	Jojo, Kari, Jill,	JoJo & Wayne are meeting with the board. JoJo will send everything out to the board before the April 2 nd meeting and we will be voting on finals then. After that, we will be discussing the budget so we can finalize the budget.
Old Business	All	

New Business

All

JoJo talked to IPRA president and Mike F. and gave jojo a # for Big Cat Rodeo company. They wanted to get co approvals for their rodeos (IPRA/MRA). O40 is not an event that IPRA has, but if we approve with them they will it. Breakaway roping may have to hold off until next year as they don't have calves contracted for their rodeos.

Henderson- The river has crested 8 ft in the last day. Roads are closed. Henderson is canceled as of right now. Would like to put a rodeo on this fall instead.

Fines list- There was a guy who entered and his daughter was in the ICU. Forgot to send in a med note. Paid for a membership at Sioux Falls. Asking the board to remove the fines. A lot of discussion agreed that a rule is a rule, we cannot be waiving rules for select people.

Rodeo approvals:

Rodeo Name	Buckhorn Rodeo
Sanction	SDRA/NRCA/MRA
Stock Contractor	Smokin Guns Rodeo Company
Address	10 miles East of Britton SD on Hwy 10
Performance	June 21 st @ 7 pm, June 22 nd @ 7pm
Slack	June 22 nd @ 11 am
Entries	www.midwestrodeoentries.com
Events	SB, BB, BR, CR, O40 CR, SW, TR, Breakaway, Barrels, Team Penning
Entry Fee:	Per SDRA Scale
Added Money	\$800 in Rough Stock, \$500 in all other events, per team in TR, \$500 in Over 40 CR.
Emergency #	605-470-0281
Application Status	You must have your membership post marked by June 17th 2019 for your points to count

Rodeo Name	Scottie Stampede Rodeo
Sanction	SDRA/NRCA/MRA
Stock Contractor	Hollenbeck Rodeos
Address	North end of town on Hwy 25 then 1/2 mile east, Scotland SD
Performance	August 10th and 11th at 6:30 pm
Slack	August 11th 9 am

Entries	SDRA Central entry- Midwest rodeo
Events	SB, BB, BR, CR, SW, TR, Breakaway, Barrels, Team Penning, Mixed Team Roping, goat tying, Sr Mens Breakaway
Entry Fee:	Per SDRA scale
Added Money	\$400 in timed event, Per team in Team Roping and Team Penning, \$400 total in Mixed Team Roping, \$800 in Roughstock
Emergency #	605-464-0184
Application Status	You must have your membership post marked by August 5th 2019 for your points to count. "Brounc Bounty" - \$500 bounty paid out each night for high score in saddle bronc/bareback

Rodeo Name	Estelline Rodeo Days- 10 th year anniversary
Sanction	MRA/NRCA/MSRA
Stock Contractor	Triple B Rodeo
Address	Estelline Hwy 28 & 5 th St South
Performance	June 21 & 22 @ 6:30pm
Slack	Limited slack after perf on June 21, June 22 @ 10 am
Entries	June 17 @ 12pm-6pm. Call 320-367-2047 Call backs June 18 @ 7-10pm
Events	SB, BB, BR, O40, CR, SW, TR, Breakaway, Barrels, Sr Mens Breakaway
Entry Fee:	Per MRA scale
Added Money	\$1,500 per event, per end in TR
Emergency #	320-226-1487
Application Status	You must have your membership post marked by June 17th 2019 for your points to count!! Buckles in each event All Around Cowboy Buckle All Around Cowgirl Buckle Contestant Hospitality Tent Contestant Hay & shavings Instant Replay Screen Back Numbers Must be worn in and around arena

All TBRA rodeos that follow are pending call in info

Rodeo Name	Grant Co Ag Association
Sanction	MRA/TBRA
Stock Contractor	Triple B
Address	Herman MN Grant county Fairgrounds
Performance	July 20th @ 6pm
Slack	After Perf
Entries	TBA
Events	SB,BB, BR, CR, O40 CR, SW, TR, Breakaway, Barrels, MTR
Entry Fee:	Per MRA Scale
Added Money	\$400 in all events No added \$\$ in MTR
Emergency #	320-226-1487
Application Status	You must have your membership post marked by July 15th 2019 for your points to count. MTR in slack only

Rodeo Name	Gary, SD Rodeo
Sanction	MRA/TBRA
Stock Contractor	Triple B Rodeos
Address	Gary, SD
Performance	July 6 @ 4pm, July 7 @ 2 pm
Slack	July 6 @ 12:00 PM
Entries	TBA
Events	SB,BB, BR, CR, O40 CR, SW, TR, Breakaway, Barrels, MTR, Goat tying
Entry Fee:	MRA Scale
Added Money	\$400 in all events, No added \$\$ in MTR
Emergency #	320-226-1487
Application Status	You must have your membership post marked by July 6 th , 2019 for your points to count . MTR in slack only

Rodeo Name	Great Northern Classic Rodeo
Sanction	MRA/TBRA/URA
Stock Contractor	Triple B

Address	Superior WI
Performance	August 30th at 7pm, August 31st at 7pm, September 1st @ 2pm
Slack	After Friday and Sat perfs
Entries	TBA
Events	SB, BB, BR, CR, O40 CR, SW, TR, Breakaway, Barrels,
Entry Fee:	Per MRA Scale
Added Money	\$1000 Rough Stock, \$550 CR, O40 CR, and Breakaway, \$650 in SW and Barrels, \$400 per end in TR.
Emergency #	320-226-1487
Application Status	You must have your membership post marked by August 26th 2019 for your points to count

Rodeo Name	Polk Co Fair
Sanction	MRA/TBRA
Stock Contractor	Triple B
Address	Fertile MN Fair grounds
Performance	July 10th and 11th @ 7pm
Slack	July 10th after Perf
Entries	TBA
Events	SB, BB, BR, CR, O40 CR, SW, TR, Breakaway, Barrels, MTR
Entry Fee:	Per MRA Scale
Added Money	\$400 in all events No added \$\$ in MTR
Emergency #	320-226-1487
Application Status	You must have your membership post marked by July 1st 2019 for your points to count. MTR in slack only

Rodeo Name	Gold Mine Ranch Rodeo
Sanction	MRA/TBRA
Stock Contractor	Triple B
Address	Bemidji MN- Beltrami Fairgrounds
Performance	August 9th and 10 th @ 7pm
Slack	After Friday Perf
Entries	TBA
Events	SB, BB, BR, CR, O40 CR, SW, TR, Breakaway, Barrels, MTR
Entry Fee:	Per MRA Scale

Added Money	\$400 in all events No added \$\$ in MTR
Emergency #	320-226-1487
Application Status	You must have your membership post marked by August 5th 2019 for your points to count. MTR in slack only

Rodeo Name	Silver Bullet Saddle Club Rodeo
Sanction	MRA/TBRA
Stock Contractor	Triple B
Address	Clearwater MN - saddle club arena
Performance	August 16th at 6pm, 17th @ 7pm, and 18th at 2pm.
Slack	August 17th @ noon
Entries	TBA
Events	SB, BB, BR, CR, O40 CR, SW, TR, Breakaway, Barrels, MTR
Entry Fee:	Per MRA Scale
Added Money	\$1200 Rough Stock, \$700 in all other events. No added \$\$ in MTR
Emergency #	320-226-1487
Application Status	You must have your membership post marked by August 12th 2019 for your points to count. Mixed Team Roping in slack only.

All rodeos have been read. Royce motion that we accept all the rodeos. Carm second. All rodeos have been approved

Next meeting date and time: Adjourn:	All	Next meeting date: April 2 nd 7:30 pm via conf call. Special finals meeting. Dru mm to adjourn the meeting, Royce 2 nd @ 8:41 pm. Meeting adjourned.
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