

# HORSEFEATHERS



**December 2017**

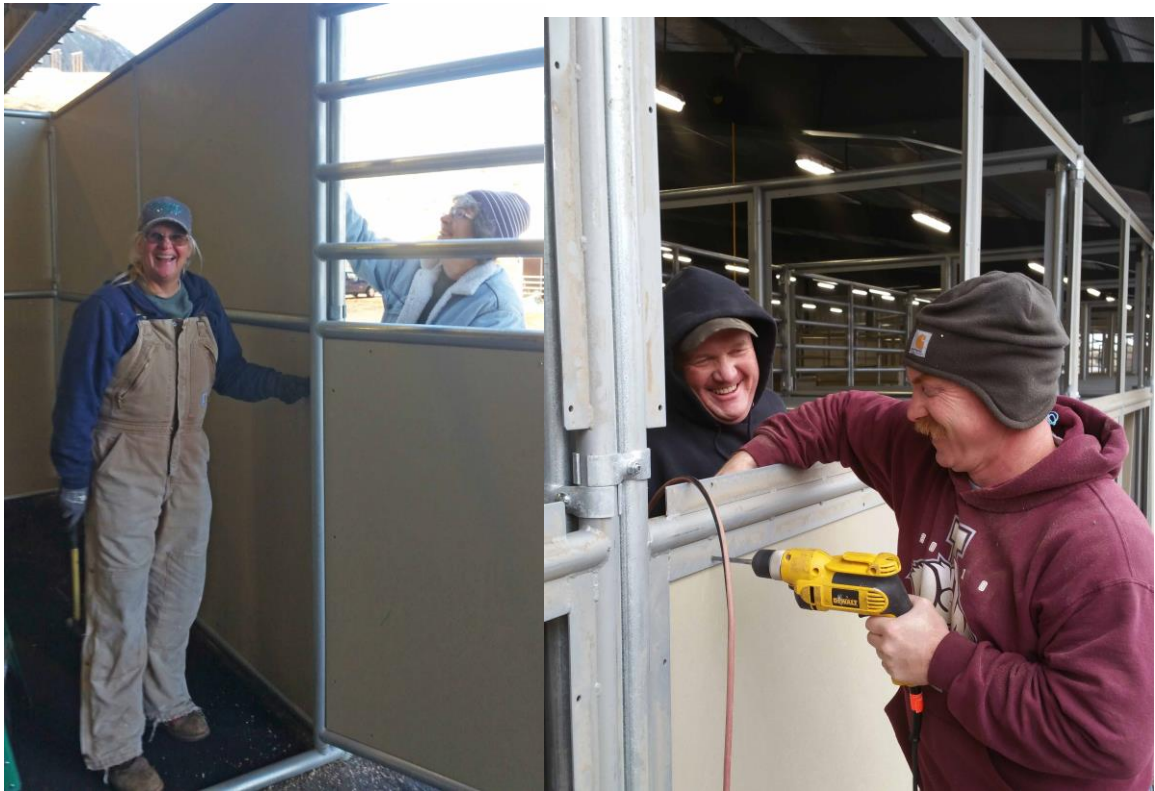
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## **FROM THE OFFICE**

**From the Office:** We are about to finish up a very successful year for Appleatchee Riders Association, and we have seen a lot of changes to the grounds. There was a lot of problem-solving to do with shows and guests on the grounds while construction was continuing during the show season. Work continues on the Show Barn, camping and parking, including overflow parking/dry camping on our property on the south side of Circle Street. Next show season should be a lot less stressful to all of us. I'm pretty sure the show barn committee will be just as glad as the members are that the project is nearing completion.

### **Show Barn Work**

We have had several volunteer work days in the show barn to assemble stalls, and have also used some inmate workers from the jail to help. We have gotten a lot done working 8 hours each day, with the coffee pot on all day and a hot lunch for everyone. Volunteers and employees have worked on the weekends in temperatures from 30 to 45 degrees and were still willing to show up again and again. These dedicated members deserve a big thank you for all their help. Thank you to **Tim Beck, Brock & Sonja Ragan, Ken & Terri Tinchler, Becky & Tom Goodwin, Lesa & Vince Bland, Hannah Symonds, Brett Schneider, Jeremy Price, Julie Sauve, Lonnie Howard, Terri Morrow-Balcom, Angella Kirschner,**



**Joye Delabarre, Brigitte Ranne, Tammy Wheeler, Stan & Mary Sawyer, Rachel Buchanan, Michelle Burchett, Peter Spadoni, John Lehmkuhl, Pam Morgan, Tony Kirschner, John Holmes, Katie Hamilton, Michelle TeVelde, Linda Coates-Markle, Latifa Coley, Derek, Nathaniel & Rachel Whitehall, Betsy Schweitzer and Deb Walk.** All of the employees have worked on the project during the weekdays when their regular tasks are completed, and have also worked some of the weekends on their normal time off. We will still have some more volunteer days of work to complete the stall work. It was nice to see some members that don't stall here working on the project. We got to meet some new horse friends that we don't usually see.

***Editor note: We must thank Susan for keeping everyone going with the lunch, coffee, and snacks.***

On November 20<sup>th</sup> at the General Membership Meeting the election for the 2018 Board Officers and Trustees was held.

## Board for 2018

### Officers

Past President-Tim Beck  
President- Brock Ragan  
Vice President- Tony Kirschner  
Secretary- Becky Goodwin  
Treasurer- Tammy Wheeler  
Sergeant at Arms- Kimberly Lantzy

### Trustees

Linda Coates-Markle 2018  
Michelle Burchett 2018  
Pam Morgan 2018  
Ken Tincher 2019  
Terri Morrow-Balcom 2019  
Karen Kooy 2019

**Membership renewals will be going out next week.** Don't forget to stop in the office for a new membership card after your dues are paid. Coastal will ask to see your card. Your membership dues are due on January 1<sup>st</sup> and considered late on February 1<sup>st</sup>.

--Susan

## ROPING

The roping division had a very successful November, running over 670 teams throughout the entire month. We gave away buckles to the high money winners in 3 different divisions over November 4<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>. Winners had to participate both Saturdays to earn buckles.



(from left)

1- 1.5 division – **Josh Fisher**

2 - 2.5 division **Shelby Streeter**

3 + division – **Bud Streeter**

The next Saturday Roping is our playday, Dec 30. We are also have a roping school on February 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> . The instructors will be the Streeter family.

The roping club will continue to practice every Tuesday night at 7PM in the indoor arena. The fee is only \$10 for members and \$15 for non- members to practice. We would like to encourage everyone that is interested in exposing their horses to cattle, please to come join us.

We are having Team Sorting practice on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month through the winter months. Appleatchee members pay \$15 and non-members \$20. Practice starts at 6PM for setup. Everyone gets a full 2 minutes in the pen sorting. With a minimum of 3 times each. See the Sorting report below for more information.

Upcoming Dates:

**December**

12/01/17	Friday night Draw	7:00
<b>12/08/17</b>	<b>No Roping NFR</b>	<b>7:00</b>
12/09/17	Team Sorting Competition	9:00
12/15/17	Friday Night Draws	7:00
12/22/17	Friday Night Draws	7:00
12/29/17	Friday Night Draws	7:00
<b>12/30/17</b>	<b>NEW Years Play Day</b>	<b>11:00</b>

**January**

1/05/18	Friday Night Draws	7:00
1/12/18	Friday Night Draws	7:00
1/19/18	Friday Night Draws	7:00
1/20/18	Team Sorting Comp	9:00
1/26/18	Friday Night Draws	7:00

**TEAM SORTING**

**We had a good start in November to the winter sorting series with 18 riders attending!** We had local riders, and riders from the Spokane, Yakima, and Snohomish areas. All great fun with the new scoring method, shorter sorting time, and the buyback pot. We paid out \$560 to four winners of the 2-man, \$165 to the winning 3-man team, and \$140 to the buyback winner! **Next up will be 3-man jackpot sorting and 2-man jackpot sorting for the winter prize series on December 9.** In addition to earning points for the series prizes, you can win jackpot cash at each event. For all the details, see the winter flier on our Facebook page Appleatchee Riders Team Sorting or on the Appleatchee website team sorting division page. Let me know if you need stalls or camping, otherwise just come and sort.

**We practice on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month at 6 PM.**

Practice sessions are a great time to see if you like the sport or to test out a new horse. Cost is \$15 for at least 3 goes (+\$5 arena fee for non-members). Willy Hart is coming back once a month to coach practice, probably next on December 13. Willy will help you and your horse with advice before, during, and after your runs. Cost for coached practice is \$30. I'll let you know ASAP. Please arrive at 6 PM to help setup the pen and mark cattle; the crew will take down the pen the next day. You earn a \$5 credit toward sorting fees when you help with the pen. Check in with Joanne.

(right) **Ernie Hokens** and **Laura Wagner**

*See you in the sorting pen! --John*



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## **JOB WITH ROPING DIVISION**

The Roping Division is looking for a new Roping Division Secretary.

Shawna would like to have a new person trained and ready to take over the position next season.

This is a paid position. Applicants should contact Shawna at 509-264-4062 the roping phone or [Shawna\\_cook@yahoo.com](mailto:Shawna_cook@yahoo.com) for all information. Or contact the Appleatchee office. This position has a monthly salary plus pay for each of the ropings. Must have some computer skills, cash handling experience, and be able to multi task. People skills are very important. Announcing during the ropings and watching the box and flagger are an important part of the roping office position. Shawna will train the new person.

If you know of a non member that might be a good fit for this job, please have them contact us, and of course this position is open to Appleatchee members.

### ***Mission Statement:***

*Appleatchee Riders Association is a member owned and operated equestrian complex. It is dedicated to the encouragement, development and promotion of horse related activities that are of interest to its membership and that are supported by member involvement and by efficient use of Appleatchee's resources*

*Adopted January 8th, 2006*