



*Eastern Plains Reining Horse Association
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Welcome to 2010 EPRHA! Plan to attend this week's membership potluck meeting, March 3, 2010 at Latigo. Get yourself "up to speed" on all of the opportunities that EPRHA is offering this year. From our successful Jackpot shows to our increasing presence in the NRHA Youth and Affiliate programs, we are growing and expanding our influence. No longer are we to be confused with Eastern Pennsylvania. If you have any questions, just use eprha.org as your information source or contact any of the 2010 officers or board members.

"Spring Tune Up – March 14, 2010 at the Colorado Horse Park (south of Parker and north of Franktown – High Prairie) is a great way to prepare for the upcoming "Spring Rein" – EPRHA's first jackpot show. There are a couple of rider slots left (\$95) and audits are welcome (\$25). Youth audits are FREE. Contact Bev to sign up (canasilk@aol.com or 303-841-2080).

April 10, 2010 is our first jackpot show at Latigo. Some class offerings have changed so make sure to check out the show information at eprha.org. The Rookie Youth/Short Stirrup will offer two levels so that we can accommodate the improving abilities of our entry level

reiners. Those lead-line kids are improving by leaps and bounds now that they have new classes and goals.

We continue to research and discuss the possibility of a show offering the NRHA's new "Green, Ride & Slide program. Information will be available at the membership meeting. Be sure to give the officers and board members your thoughts, comments, ideas.

The EPRHA Youth are off to a fast 2010 start. These young reiners left most of us in the "dust" last year, especially as it relates to "volunteer" participation. Lacey Vernon has agreed to work with the EPRHA Youth. Lacey knows first hand how these programs work and the benefits and rewards that they offer.

I am blessed to have a great board. All of you know Rocky and Bev, and we are fortunate to have their expertises. In 2010, many new faces are working hard to make EPRHA a household word in the reining industry.

Welcome to Kathy Hancock, aka Cody's mom. Kathy's background as an educator is a real asset. In addition to being secretary, she is serving on the Show and Youth committees.

Ron Hancock, aka Cody's dad, has agreed to "herd the volunteers". Ron and Bev will continue to make working the gate and other projects, "the social place to be" during EPRHA events.

Winona Walker has agreed to assist all of us in promoting EPRHA by continuing local sponsorships but also seeking national sponsorship support. Winona encourages your ideas and assistance in this most important area of promotion - especially when it comes to awards, scholarships and other incentives to be part of EPRHA.

Jeff Houchin is seeking volunteer article writers and publication contacts to assist in MediaPublicity for EPRHA. Thanks to Jeff for “getting the word out about EPRHA”.

Brian Lessig has agreed to prepare the Latigo ground for 2010; however, we need a tractor driver during the shows. This enables Brian to show his horse this year. If you would like to drive the tractor, get in touch with Brian.

Christine Goetsch and Lacey Vernon are seeking ideas for meeting programs. Be sure and give them your ideas.

So, with all of this assistance, “what is the President doing?” As the facilitator of all things EPRHA, I am learning and acting as the major “public” persona of EPRHA and becoming more presidential. As my daughter said to me, “Dad, don’t you know what parli-pro is?” Not having been in 4-H and having been many years since 1st grade, Kathy and Rocky have educated

me that this is parliamentary procedure. One of my 2010 goals is to become more proficient in “parli pro”.

See all of your March 3, 2010 at the EPRHA membership meeting.

**Scott Guynn
President, EPRHA**