

Seen and Heard Clark Co. Saddle Club Newsletter

August 2019

Hello Club Members,

We are bringing back the newsletter to keep members informed on what's going on at the club. Planning on getting a newsletter out quarterly. December will be the next newsletter. Heads of groups and functions send me your information if you would like it posted in the newsletter. E-mail: clarney55@aol.com Barbara Jones, editor.

LEASE EXTENSION

At the July 15 board meeting the board voted to extend the lease of the former club facility as the County has not issued the site permit for construction on the new property. The permit delay pushes completion of the new arena further out.

The same conditions will apply during the new lease period which will extend from August through January or until the new arena is completed, whichever period is shorter. Active adult members are required to pay \$60 and minors are required to pay \$30 to contribute to the lease and maintenance expenses. This computes to \$10 and \$5 per month for the respective member categories. The rates apply to all active status members who wish to use and/or ride at the facility. Payment can be mailed to Clark County Saddle Club, PO Box 872754, Vancouver, WA 98687. A form has also been included in this publication to assist in making the payment. Only those paying have access to the facility with the exception being an open and public event such as a barrel race, game show, etc. Anyone not paying but using the facility is trespassing on private property and will be asked to leave the premise. A list of those members making payment will be published on Facebook and on the club's website. If you paid and your name is not on the list, please contact a board member.

Extending the lease will provide the club the opportunity to hold revenue producing events which will contribute to the lease expenses and new property development.

PAVER SALE FUNDRAISER

Coming soon, the Club will be selling pavers to help raise funds to support construction of the n ew arena. This is an opportunity for members to become a part of the Club's history and legacy. Members will be able to purchase and/or sell pavers through a link on the Club's website or directly from the Club. The pavers will be displayed as part of the landscaping. Some possibilities are entrance walkways, a patio, decorative wall, etc. The paver campaign is waiting on the club's new website going live to turn on the paver link. Please watch for more details on the Club's website and various Facebook sites. You can also contact Shannon McKinzie-Scott for more information or to volunteer to help.

CHANGES HAPPENING AT THE OLD CLUB

In case you haven't been at the old saddle club site, there is a lot of moving and cleaning happening. Joey Wooldridge has dismantled the mobile home and it has been hauled away. In addition, he has removed a lot of garbage and junk from the grounds.

The warm-up arena framework has been moved to the new property. The roof was scrapped as it was not salvageable since the metal was glued together.

The rodeo office and rodeo ticket booth have been moved to the new property. The bucking chutes and cattle pens have also been moved to the new site. There is a lot of moving and cleaning to be done over the lease period and the more that is done before the bad weather sets in the better off we will be. If you can participate in work parties, please

contact George Hinderliter (360-903-9185) who volunteered to organize work parties. You can also contact Craig Kampe (360-990-6983) who is organizing projects.

A big thank you goes out to Joey Wooldridge, Craig Kampe, Joe Thompson, John Kelley, Dave Stevenson, Don Hanley, Decker Hubbs, George Hinderliter, and Dan Franklin, just to name a few who have spent a tremendous amount of time and effort to this relocation project. In addition, Joe Thompson and Joey Wooldridge have donated their own equipment and fuel to make this transition happen.

RELOCATION PROJECT UPDATE

The new arena project is moving along. The arena colors have been selected. The outside walls will be "Light Stone" (a beige/taupe color) and the roof and trim will be "Weathered Copper" (a gray/brown color). The inside steel framing will be red. The deposit has been made on the arena materials kit for the arena size previously voted on by the general membership. The infrastructure, excavation, and grading will be started as soon as we receive the site permit from the County. It is estimated that the infrastructure phase will take about two months. The arena materials kit is projected to be delivered to the site in October.

PROJECT SHORTFALL

There will be a project shortfall in finishing the infrastructure, utilities, and indoor arena. Major items causing the shortfall are (1) purchase of the east 20 acres for \$411,000 and (2) price increases since the original estimates of four years ago. The original project estimates had also resulted in a shortfall to complete Phase I of the project. The shortfall will require the club to secure a loan to make the indoor arena operational. In order to service the loan, dues and the dues structure will need to be updated which will be addressed in By-Law changes. By-Law changes will be presented to the general membership for approval in the coming months. The By-Law committee is working hard to minimize the financial impact on the members and still support the new facility.

GAMER ADMINISTRATION CHANGE

George and Shelly Hinderliter have announced that they will no longer be able to administer the gaming events for the club due to increased family commitments. They will be available to help volunteers get started. Anyone interested in assuming responsibility for the gaming activities, please convey your interest to a board member. Gaming has been a consistent revenue source for the club and needs to continue to contribute to the club's financial welfare. Thank you, George and Shelly, for your hard work and efforts in administering the Gaming activities.

NEW WEBSITE HAS GONE LIVE

The Club's new website has gone live. Please take a tour at www.clarkcountysaddleclub.com. The objective is that it will be more user friendly and informative.

BARREL RACER'S

There is going be a <u>FALL SERIES BARREL RACES</u>. Starting in October and ending in November. Will need everyone's help to put this on. Dates are: October 5 and 19, November 2, 16, and 30th. You will find more information on the Brn4d website, Clark Co. barrel racer's face book website, and the club's website. This is pending board's approval.

CLUB CALENDAR

Look on the club's website for the calendar. It should be up to date.

MOVING

With this move to our new facility we will need every member's help. If you have a business, experience in areas needed for this move and building of our new facility please contact our President or Board Member. Let them know what you can donate or help with. As members we all own this club together and we need to pull together and do what you can.

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RIDER FEE – LEASE PERIOD BEGINNING AUGUST 1, 2019

Name or Names:		
Address:		Zip Code:
Phone Number:	E-Mail:	
Number of Active Adults:	x \$60 each = Adult Total Fees: \$	
Number of Active Minors:	x \$30 each = Minor Total Fees: \$	
Make checks payable to: CCSC	Total Fees: \$	
Mail to above address.		
Due Now.		

PLEASE FILL OUT THE ABOVE AN MAIL BACK ASAP. THIS LEASE IS AN ADDITIONAL COST FOR OUR CLUB OVER AND ABOVE ALL OF OUR OTHER EXPENSES. WHERE CAN YOU RIDE FOR \$10 A MONTH? PAY YOUR FEE AND HELP THE CLUB, YOU OWN IT AS A MEMBER.