

## Newsletter – May 2015



This month, we would like to address a few things that are a little different for OTRA Finals this year.

For on site entries, books will now close at **7pm** nightly for the ropings held the next day...including the Beginner, the #1.0, the #3.0/80 Mixed, the #1.5, the #2.0 & the #2.5.

The fees for the Beginner roping will be \$60/per man rather than being a little less than the others as it has been in the past. Beginner ropers, get ready for an awesome payout!

The Century will be an additional offering again, but this year, it will count for points towards the truck. Century ropers, enter up to get those points!

The Open will be a true open roping; no qualifications required and it will not count for points towards the truck. A non-member must pay an office fee of \$20 to compete. Open format will be: \$200 a man; bring 1/draw 1; enter 1 or 2 times – 80% Payback. Prizes to first in the Open Average will be Buckles and \$500 (each roper).

The #4.5 and #3.5 will be 80% payback -- more money back to the ropers in the higher entry fee roping categories.

The allocations for payout percentages have also been adjusted.

In ropings with rotations: 15% in Rotations, 5% in First Go Fast Time, 80% in Average; *without* Rotations 10% in First Go Fast Time, 90% in Average. This will increase the overall money won in the average places while still compensating ropers in the fast time and rotations.

The tradition of roping in Abilene will continue!! OTRA Finals will be in Abilene, TX at the Taylor County Expo from July 1 through the 7.

The Finals Information/Entry Form out will be sent to all current members the first part of May. You can pre enter using the Form or enter on site as instructed in the Form. Pre Entered teams will rope last in each category. Watch your mail for your paperwork!!

All our best to all of you,

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