Newsletter – May 2017



Wow!! It is District Finals time already and OTRA Finals will be here before we know it! Are you qualified for your District's Finals....and are you getting qualified for OTRA Finals???

If you have questions on qualifications, please don't hesitate to contact us!! At District Finals, any member can compete but only those qualified by attending two dates prior to district finals date are eligible for prizes.....and remember, qualification is by the individual category!!

For OTRA Finals, in all REQUIRED categories (#1.0, Beginner, #1.5, #2.0, #2.5, #3.5), roper must be qualified from the District level. A roper must compete in the specific roping category – either on 3 Home District dates or on 4 dates in any combination of Districts. For the All Girl, Century and Mixed-Jr/Sr, roper must be qualified in any other *Required* category. IN THE 4.5 and OPEN ROPINGs <u>ONLY</u>, no qualification is required and no points are awarded (for high point prizes) ANY roper can compete (\$20 fee to be paid by nonmembers).

Lots of good times and lots of good prizes are in store for all of you at OTRA Finals! That truck and those trailers will be looking good going down the highway...so come and get entered so you can be one of the big winners taking them home! Every member will receive an entry/information flyer in the mail around the middle of May. It is packed with a lot of information, so be sure to read it, use it and keep up with it!!

The Taylor County Expo, our home for OTRA Finals, will soon be getting an awesome "facelift"!! If all goes well, by this time *next* year, the existing Covered Outdoor Arena will be updated and a brand new Livestock Barn Arena will be ready!! Then....according to the schedule, by 2019 a modern, *fully climate controlled* Event Center will be complete!! So....for any of you who think it may be too hot in June and July to come to Abilene to rope.....all that is gonna change in the near future!! So share this news with all your roper friends, because over the next couple of years, the Taylor County Expo is where everyone is going to want to be for OTRA Finals!

All our Best to All of You, Tim & Whitney McCright Original Team Roping Association, Inc.