

Newsletter - October 2018



Our producer meeting in September was great! Thanks to all our hard-working producers who found time in their busy schedules to attend. It is certainly a group effort to make our association a success and we appreciate all the time and effort our producers dedicate to OTRA!

For those of you who head AND heel with different classifications on each end, you'll be glad to know that we are reducing our double number fee from \$30 to only \$10! All our producers really wanted to make this change to encourage our double numbered ropers to get that split card and enter up as much as possible!

Entry fees will remain the same in 2019 and our format will change only slightly. The #3.0 and #4.0 be replaced with a #3.5 and a #4.5(slide). We decided that with all the classification changes made last season and reviewing attendance, a #3.5 and #4.5 would drive team count and participation up to a better level.

At OTRA Finals the #4.5 will not be a slide but a #5.0 slide will be held.

Also, the Mixed will be numbered like the Century as a #3.5 roping (both will still optional at district level and will continue as part of OTRA Finals categories).

The Top 3 Regular Season Cash Awards, and the District High Point \$500 Finals Credit Awards will again be part of our prize line offering as well as the Regular Season High Point Girl \$500 Finals Credit Award. These prizes proved to really drive participation at the district level and really helped out all the ropers who roped at OTRA Finals. Be sure to watch for all the details on how you can win these regular season prizes. We'll post info on our web page and facebook page and also will send out email/text notifications as the 2019 season gets closer.

One new addition to our qualification rules has been made to help address ropers whose numbers get raised during the regular season. If a roper's number gets changed after the 3rd district roping, that roper can have their qualification status moved up to the next higher category for both District Finals and OTRA Finals.

All our Best to All of You!
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