

Newsletter – April 2020

We have been working to put together a daily schedule for Finals and this is what we have so far. We want to utilize the new AND climate controlled "Taylor Telecom" Arena as much as possible and also try not to rope really late into the night. Since the Open roping and the Warm Up ropings don't require qualifications, these ropings will be the only ones that can be entered on the day of the event. For ALL the other ropings, we are planning on closing the books each night before the ropings for the *next day* so we can best determine how to handle the number of teams. So PLEASE be aware of when books close for the ropings you want to compete in. Depending on the number of teams we get, we could *possibly* end up running two arenas. For those of you that like to plan farther ahead, we will still be mailing out a pre-entry form that you can return to the office by a designated deadline. So, here is the tentative schedule:

Monday, June 29 : Open Roping Tuesday, June 30 : Golf Tournament - Washer Pitch Tournament - Warm Up Roping Wednesday, July 1 : Beginner - #1.0 Thursday, July 2 : #2.0 Friday, July 3 : Century - All Girl - #2.5 Saturday, July 4 : Mixed Jr/Sr - #3.5 - #4.5

For all the main event ropings, entry limit will be 10 times per category at \$75/man. And, as always you can enter with pick partners and/or use the draw in option! A revision is also being made to our point system for the Grand Prize pickup truck. Points will still be awarded on a descending scale determined by the number of places paid in each of the main event ropings; however, first place will not earn more than eight points. In a roping that pays *more* than eight places, first place will receive eight points, second place receives seven points & so on through eighth place, *then* every place after eighth will be awarded one point. In a roping that pays eight places or less, first place will receive eight points, second place receives seven points & so on. Our goal here is to level the points out a bit more across all the ropings and encourage ropers to compete in as many different categories as possible.

Please remember that qualifications are required at OTRA Finals by attending district ropings. If anyone has questions on Finals qualifications, please let us contact us: <u>office@otrc.net</u> or 806-499-3584.

All our best to all of you, Tim & Whitney McCright Original Team Roping Association, Inc.