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Directors 2011/2012

Nate Welch	2014
Tim Gilliland	2014
Frank Schweisow	2014
Seth Madry	2014
Mike Shegan	2013
Stoffer Cowles	2014
Sarah Vander Kooy	2013
Garett Madry	2013
Jarid Rinz	2014
Kylee O’Heran	2013
Dave Firman	2013
Kacie Kapp	2014
Nate Vanderkolk	2013
Truman Mast	2014
Dennis Orr	2013
Dan Swiler	2013

2011-12 Team Roping Schedule

Membership Dues:

New **\$62.00**, Renewal **\$60.00**, Youth (age 16) **\$15.00**, Family **\$105.00** (Parents + High School & under18),
Day Permit **\$20.00** and Associate (bulletin only) **\$30.00**

- Jackpots can be cancelled without notice due to inclement weather, i.e. extreme heat or cold – please call ahead if doubt.
- Negative Coggins required at all roping functions
- Western attire is appreciated at all roping events

Thank You to our 2011 Season Year End Award Sponsors!

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Award sponsorships are still being accepted! If you chose to ask for donations to help support the MRA Year End Awards, please have checks made out to MRA and send them to Katie VanderKolk. All sponsors will be recognized in the bulletin and those who sponsor over \$125 will also be recognized on the MRA website. All help is greatly appreciated!

January 28

3-P Ranch

Stuart Pletcher 989-233-9655

Elewyn Pletcher at 989 882-7301

11:00 AM

Team Roping

Novice –2 Hd \$20/person \$8.50cc. Payoff: 1/10 entries up to 4, 6 if over 100, each side (header & heeler)

Open – 5 Hd Progressive \$60/team \$15cc. 1st go- 1 pl/50 teams, Avg.- 1/10 teams up to 4, 6 if over 100

9 PT - 4 Hd Progressive \$40/team \$15cc. Payoff: 1st Go-1/50 tms, Avg - 1/15 teams up to 4, 6 if over 100

6 PT - 4 Hd Progressive \$40/team \$15cc. Payoff: 1st Go-1/50 tms, Avg - 1/15 teams up to 4, 6 if over 100

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February 18

Sundance Riding Stable, Grand Ledge , MI

A.J. O'Heran 269-838-6636,

11 AM

Jason O'Heran 269-758-3341

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February 25

G-3 Arena

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Sundance Series

Series Header/Heelers Winners will receive:

1st—Buckles to 4 and above—Bob Berg
Reserve Champions—will be embroidered blankets
Runners Up—Bronc Halters

1st—Buckles to 3 & under—Bob Berg
Reserve Champions—will be embroidered blankets
Runners Up—Bronc Halters

Series will be held at all ropings held at the Sundance Riding Stable—**9250 Nixon Rd.
Grand Ledge, MI**

December 17

January 21

February 18

March 17

April 14

Winter Roping Schedule

March 3 —3-P Ranch
March 17—Sundance Riding Stable
March 24—G-3 Arena
April 14—Sundance Riding Stable
April 21—G-3 Arena
April 28 —3-P Ranch

**Please note all Sunday ropings at 3-P have been cancelled.

Rule Proposal

This proposal is supported and submitted to the MRA membership by the board of directors present at the 10/9/11 directors meeting.

MRA Stock Contractors will offer all divisions. They will also be allowed to offer alternate ropings to count toward MRA points. Points will go to the division that the team number belongs to.

Team Totals

2pt--Novice

3-6—6pt

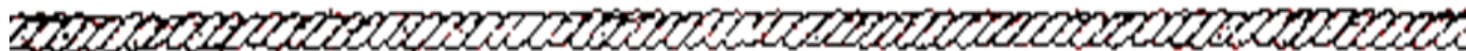
7-9—9 pt.

10 and above—Open

There will be a "trial" run of this system between November and January and system will be voted upon at the February General Membership meeting. If this proposal passes the points will counted retroactively the beginning of the year.

For Sale

Place your ad **HERE** and on the **NEW MRA website – FREE for members!** Advertise horses, saddles, shoeing, and other small businesses! Ad can include a 35 word brief summary, 1 photo, and contact info. The website can link to yours if available! 1/2 page or smaller fliers are OK if they are saved as PDF, DOCX, or JPEG. Please send all ads by email to Katie vanderkk@hotmail.com by the 1st of the month.



4-horse walker, like new, excellent condition, multiple speeds and reverse, brand name is Supreme Horse Walker. Asking \$2,300.00 Call 231-972-2255 or email coltmarek09@yahoo.com for more information.

15" Cactus Team Roping Saddle, bought new in 2008 and in great condition. Asking \$1200. Call Nate VanderKolk or email 616-291-4943 / vanderkk@hotmail.com.

High Quality farm gates, feeders and corral panels. Reasonably priced and delivery available. Call for prices and further information Located in Michigan. Kenny Clement 606-706-9462

Roping pictures- www.wegotchaphoto.com Jerry Cline (269)-623-2040 email: wegotchaphoto@yahoo.com A lot of the pic's should be cropped, Shutterfly doesn't do this, so if you call or email me I'll repost a cropped version or print them for you. Thanks, Jerry Cline

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Total Equine Horse Feed—As seen on "All Around Performance Horse" on RFD TV. Please contact Total Equine Distribute, Tom and Charlotte Kennedy 810-793-2659.

Correction

The October 15, 2011 roping had the following number of teams enter in each division:

Open: 0

9 pt: 18

6 pt: 16

Novice Heading: 8

Novice Heeling: 7

Sorry for any confusion this may have caused.

Team Roping Results

3-P Ranch November 19
Secretaries: Bridgett & Morgan Pletcher, Casey & Carson Robertson

Open 9 Teams	Header	Points	Heeler	Points	Time
Fast Time	Travis Robertson	18	Todd Foresberg	18	8.20
1	Mike Shegan	162	Todd Foresberg	162	31.54/2
9 pt 19 Teams	Header	Points	Heeler	Points	Time
Fast Time	Todd Foresberg	21	Kacie Kapp	21	8.98
1	Todd Foresberg	113	Kacie Kapp	113	20.16/2
2	Gene Robinson	75	Mike Shegan	75	38.63/2
6 pt 12 Teams	Header	Points	Heeler	Points	Time
Fast Time	Gene Robinson	13	Cash Shegan	13	12.53
1	Gene Robinson	119	Cash Shegan	119	12.53/1

Novice Heading 4 Teams	Header	Points	Time	Novice Heeling 1 Team	Points	Time
1	Tyler Keller	40	9.95/1	Charles Stuttler	10	16.59/1

G3 Arena November 26
Secretaries: Kelly O'Heran, Tim Wilson, John Tiemeyer

Open 13 teams	Header	Points	Heeler	Points	Time
Fast Time	Jason O'Heran	26	Garett Madry	26	7.41
1	Jason Terpening	140	Luke Vander Kooy	140	58.87/5
2	Kelly O'Heran	93.50	Garett Madry	93.50	59.66/5
9 pt 24 Teams	Header	Points	Heeler	Points	Time
Fast Time	Brett VanderKodde	26	Jason O'Heran	26	7.59
1	Paula Robinson	142.50	Luke VanderKooy	142.50	41.18/4
2	Jason Terpening	95	Dale Miller	95	53.47/4
6 pt 12 Teams	Header	Points	Heeler	Points	Time
Fast Time	Brent Johnson	13	Chris Miller	13	10.39
1	Brent Johnson	118.50	Chris Miller	118.50	36.52/2

Novice Heading 10 Teams	Header	Points	Time	Novice Heeling 10 Teams	Points	Time
1	Jessalyn Gingrich	100	37.28/2	Mandy Bolt	100	29.88/2

3-P Ranch November 19
Secretaries: Bridgett, Chelsea & Morgan Pletcher

Open 0 teams	Header	Points	Heeler	Points	Time
9 pt 0 Teams	Header	Points	Heeler	Points	Time
6 pt 3 Teams	Header	Points	Heeler	Points	Time
Fast Time	Steve Morrey	3.50	Tom Meyers	3.50	17.00
1	Steve Morrey	29.50	Tom Meyers	29.50	17.00/1

Novice Heading 3 Teams	Header	Points	Heeler	Points	Time
1	Dawn Pavelka	30			48.04
Novice Heeling 0 Teams	Header	Points	Heeler	Points	Time

Sundance Riding Stables December 17
Secretaries: Kelly O'Heran, Kylee O'Heran, Tom O'Heran

Open 26 Teams	Header	Points	Heeler	Points	Time
Fast Time	Tim Gilliland	52	Tavis Walters	52	6.25
1	Tavis Walters	234	Garett Madry	234	40.55/5
2	Steve Shattuck	140	Garett Madry	140	46.36/5
3	Jason Terpening	93.50	Shawn Matherly	93.50	49.05/5
9 pt 45 Teams	Header	Points	Heeler	Points	Time
Fast Time	Sam Beasley	49.50	Tim Wilson	49.50	6.19
1	Kacie Kapp	222.50	Rob McPhail	222.50	46.16/4
2	Jason Terpening	133.50	Dale Miller	133.50	52.58/4
3	Paula Robinson	89	Bill Tucker	89	56.0/4

6 pt 27 Teams	Header	Points	Heeler	Points	Time
Fast Time	Kylee O'Heran	29.50	Billy VanPortfliet	29.50	10.62
1	Matt Reed	160	Dale Miller	160	59.37/3
2	Nate VanderKolk	106.50	Dale Miller	106.50	36.85/2

Novice Heading 5 Teams	Header	Points	Time	Novice Heeling 8 Teams	Points	Time
1	Caleb Griffin	50	9.88/1	Justin Collins	80	8.56/1

Team Roping Results

Sundance Riding Stables **December 31**
 Secretaries: Kelly O'Heran, Kylee O'Heran, John Tiemeyer

Open
16 Teams

Fast Time	Jason Terpening	32	Dan Cline	32	6.33
1	Jason Terpening	172.50	Dan Cline	172.50	53.99/5
2	Cal Casey	115	Garett Madry	115	50.41/4

9 pt
75 Teams

Fast Time	Dave Fuller	49.50	Cody Schmitz	49.50	8.35
	Dave Fuller	33	Seth Madry	33	8.5
1	Ed Liest	297	Kellen Youngdyke	297	74.42/4
2	Kelly O'Heran	222.50	Luke Vander Kooy	22.50	39.18/3
3	Paula Robinson	148.50	Stoffer Cowles	148.50	19.61/2
4	Paula Robinson	74	Dustin Link	74	23.72/2

6 pt
61 Teams

Fast Time	Jarid Rinz	40	Anne Reger	40	9.77
	Tim Marek	26.50	Anne Reger	26.20	10.70
1	Nate VanderKolk	241	Dale Miller	241	54.25/4
2	DJ Vandendriessse	181	Chris Miller	181	54.84/3
3	Tim Marek	120.50	Anne Reger	120.50	27.07/3
4	Gene Robinson	60	Doyle Donn	60	30.29/3

Novice Heading		Points	Time	Novice Heeling	Points	Time
14 Teams				21 Teams		
1	Caleb Griffin	84	8.64/1	Katie VanderKolk	105	30.55/2
2	Austin Grimm	56	9.08/1	Mandy Bolt	63	31.03/2
3				Austin Grimm	42	33.78/2

**No results for the January 14 roping.

**General Meeting of the Michigan Ropers Association
September 12, 2011
Countryside Arena**

General Membership Meeting called to order at 8:18 p.m.

Roll Call:

Stuart Pletcher--Y

Will Martin	N	Stoffer Cowles	Y	Kacie Kapp	Y
Don Keller	N	Sarah Vander Kooy	Y	Nate Vanderkolk--	Y
Marc Erffmeyer--	Y	Garett Madry	Y	Truman Mast	N
Seth Madry	Y	Dirk Rinz	Y	Dennis Orr	Y
Mike Shegan	Y	Kylee O'Heran	Y	Dan Swiler	Y
AJ O'Heran	Y	Dave Firman	Y		

Treasury Report given: Total \$25,000.81 in checking, Scholarship \$2850—Motion to accept the treasurers report by Mike Shegan, 2nd By Stoffer Cowels. Motion passed.

Secretary's report: Motion to accept the secretaries report as read by Jaosn O'Heran, 2nd by Cal Casey. Motion passed.

Thanks to Altmans for use of the facilities and thanks to O'Herans for the cattle during the 2011 MRA Finals.

Directors Nominations for 2 year term:

Truman Mast	Frank Schwiesow
Tim Gilliland	Seth Madry
Stoffer Cowles	Kacie Kapp
Nate Welch	Jarid Rinz

Motion to close nominations by Mike Shegan, 2nd Kylee O'Heran. Motion passed.

Motion to accept the nominations by unanimous ballot by Katie VanderKolk, 2nd Nate VanderKolk. Motion passed.

New Business:

1. Jason O'Heran brought up changing the way that awards are done to an individual number system.
 - a. Concern about the ease of tracking for the secretary.
 - b. Concern about the difference in the amount of money offered in the divisions and the fairness of possibly bumping people to a higher number from a division that offers less money.
 - c. The "slide" roping system was explained. Basically, there is one roping that is a #10 slide, a 10 pt. team is straight time, and then time is added to

- handicap.
 - d. Discussion to return to a point system rather than the dollars earned type system.
 - e. Discussion about how advertizing would be done—option would be to advertize that if there aren't X number of teams, there will be a 10 pt. slide as an example.
 - f. Slides may potentially be capped in order to protect the lower number ropers.
 - g. Question about awards—how do you decided how awards are structured?
 - h. Jason O'Heran will write up a proposal for the bulletin.
2. Qualifying Roping
- a. Question—do we need it?
 - b. Suggestion to get rid of the qualifier but spread out to the contractor divisional qualifier roping to run concurrently with a regular roping.
 - c. Suggestion to make a day of qualifier roping and then one day for MRA roping, but still a full weekend.
 - d. Suggestion that if we move to an individual number system to pay the top 5 spots.
 - e. Location was an issue—where do we have it?
 - f. A survey will go online for members to share their ideas.

Motion to adjourn the general membership meeting made by Jason O'Heran, 2nd by Dave Firman. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 9:41 p.m.

MRA 2011 MONTHLY TREASURY SUMMARY REPORT

MONTH	Permits				FIN.		Misc.	Banq.	Donation	Award	Printing	Postage	Supplies	Insur.	Sec. Fee	Expo	TOTAL
	TR Gen	Runs	Finals	M/Ship	Money	Schol..											
MARCH	1257.00	0.00	0.00	1488.00	0.00	0.00	200.08	0.00	0.00	230.00	-96.85	-52.80	-66.98	0.00	-150.00	486.00	3294.45
APRIL	384.00	38.00	19.00	350.00	0.00	0.00	-187.05	0.00	0.00	0.00	-83.11	-88.00	-122.90	0.00	-450.00	0.00	-140.06
MAY	1894.50	0.00	0.00	723.00	0.00	0.00	-62.94	0.00	0.00	2451.88	-90.16	-48.50	-46.61	-1634.00	-300.00	0.00	2887.17
JUNE	1156.50	0.00	0.00	487.00	0.00	0.00	0.47	0.00	0.00	0.00	-100.17	-47.60	0.00	0.00	-300.00	0.00	1196.20
JULY	2974.50	0.00	0.00	587.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-144.69	-77.60	-4.24	0.00	-300.00	0.00	3034.97
AUGUST	1914.50	0.00	2450.00	305.00	0.00	0.00	-998.64	0.00	0.00	0.00	-101.47	-19.40	-48.71	-1200.00	-300.00	0.00	2001.28
SEPT.	2152.00	0.00	-5960.13	1129.00	0.00	-250.00	-20.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-116.85	-77.60	0.00	0.00	0.00	-165.00	-3308.58
OCT.	0.00	0.00	0.00	740.00	0.00	0.00	207.03	0.00	0.00	125.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-135.00	-600.00	0.00	337.03
NOV.	145.50	0.00	0.00	1176.00	0.00	0.00	-29.68	0.00	0.00	180.00	0.00	-124.30	-216.66	-1050.00	-300.00	-165.00	-384.14
DEC.	1491.00	0.00	0.00	3272.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	39.00	0.00	-2040.01	-98.30	-67.90	0.00	0.00	-300.00	0.00	2295.79
JAN.	540.50	0.00	0.00	980.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	338.00	0.00	-79.00	0.00	-88.00	0.00	0.00	-300.00	0.00	1391.50
FEB.	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL	11733.00	38.00	-3491.13	11237.00	0.00	-250.00	-890.73	377.00	0.00	867.87	-831.60	-691.70	-506.10	-4019.00	-3300.00	321.00	12605.61

Beginning Balance	7324.77
Income/Expense	12605.61
	Sub. Total
	19930.38
Scholarship Fund	2851.34
	Total MRA
	22781.72

****\$492 was paid to A Cut Above Buckles on 1/9/2012 for 2010 Calf Roping Award Buckles**