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AZRCHA Participants:

You are receiving this as you are a past or current member of, have participated in, or supported the Arizona Reined Cow Horse Association. As the new President I would like to take this time to welcome you into the New Year and introduce our new board of directors and plans for the 2023 show year.

First let me start by introducing our board of directors, please feel free to reach out to any of us with questions, comments, concerns, or just to say hi:

Jeffrey Heyer, President
Jake Barry, Vice President
Marilyn Brandt, Secretary
Jess Pipkin and Gianna Hansen, co Treasures
Sue Schmidt

Many are aware that AZRCHA has been struggling the past few years and this board's goal is to rebuild the association from the ground up and are looking at 2023 as a rebuilding period. With that we ask that you bear with us at times as we work through planning, scheduling, and implementing shows; an updated web site, and everything else that goes with the association.

While it took place in December the Parkinson Memorial show was the first show of the 2023 season. Thank you to those that attended and braved the rain. We expect to have show results and AZRCHA Year to Date Standings published on the website in the next few weeks.

January brings the Saguaro Classic in Queen Creek. In addition to a full slate of NRCHA classes including the Non Pro Box Drive class we are planning a General Membership Meeting Friday afternoon/evening at the conclusion of cow horse classes. We look forward to seeing everyone at the show and meeting.

We originally announced on Facebook that we were presenting 2022 Yearend Awards during the general membership meeting at the Saguaro Classic but have since been invited to and plan to present them at the AZQHA Awards and Yearend Banquet February 4th at SJ Ranch – 17440 E. Pinnacle Vista Drive, Scottsdale, AZ 85262. Thank you, Jayne Vatcher and the AZQHA for making this possible, we hope everyone can attend.



Below is the tentative 2023 schedule:

January 25-29 Saguaro Classic, Horseshoe Park, Queen Creek

March 4 – 12 AZ Sun Circuit, Westworld, Scottsdale

May 6-7 Jackpot Ranch, Camp Verde

TBD Chino Livestock Summer Show, Chino Valley

September 20-24 AZ Fall Championship

November 4-5 Jackpot Ranch, Camp Verde

As with all associations without your support we can't produce shows, have the added money everyone wants, or provide fantastic yearend awards. You can start your support by renewing or becoming a member, entering and attending shows, and lastly sponsoring either personally or through your business. For your convenience I have attached both a 2023 membership form and sponsorship form.

We have more ideas and plans but want to get our foundation solid starting slowly then expanding offerings as we grow and can afford to do so.

Thank you all for your time, I look forward to meeting those I don't already know and hearing any thoughts or ideas to make our association worthy of receiving the NRCHA Affiliate of the Year award.

Happy New Year, Jeffrey

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