

# Behind the Chutes

May 2009

Evergreen Rodeo Association

## From our president..

I have several important reminders for everyone this month...

- ★ **We will be having a Committee Chairs' Meeting next Wednesday, May 27<sup>th</sup>, at 5:30 at the Ice House.**
- ★ Remember we're having weekly meetings until the rodeo...every Wednesday night starting at 7:00 p.m. at the Ice House.
- ★ With only six weeks left before Rodeo Weekend, we have lots of things to do. Please find where your passion is and contact Liz Nordeen to sign up to volunteer. I am sure the parade committee needs help as well as many other committees. If you are not sure where you want to help just let us know and we will put you to work. Rodeo weekend is fun no matter where you help out.
- ★ Thank you to everyone who came out to the cattle sorting. I think it was a huge success and Dave Wolfe has offered to come up either once or twice a month. We had about 30-35 people show up for the event and had lots of fun. I know that once my horse settled down from all the excitement and the other horses she did pretty good. Sometimes she doesn't play well with others, we are working on that.

Thank you all for your help. Rodeo Weekend is only as successful as those on the committee and you guys are fantastic. Thanks again

*Kristy Tolan*



*Local artist, Carolyn Quan, has donated "HOLD ON" to the Evergreen Rodeo Association. This is an original oil painting that would retail for \$1000.00.*

### **ALL PROCEEDS FOR THIS PIECE BENEFIT THE EVERGREEN RODEO ASSOCIATION.**

Carolyn has lived in Evergreen for the past 15 years and is also a member of the Evergreen Rodeo Association, Artists with Altitude, and The Denver Arts Students League. She loves all things rodeo and particularly the tenacity of the cowboys and cowgirls who participate in the sport. She is a student and fan of Western Art, and believes that rodeo and ranching help keep our Western heritage alive. She hopes her paintings will help document this Western tradition.

If you would like to see more Western Art, please head to the Center for the Arts in Evergreen for the first ever Evergreen

**Western Art Show, May 29<sup>th</sup> thru June 21<sup>st</sup>.** Many renowned western artists will be represented and Carolyn feels honored to be able to participate in this juried art show.

Our newsletter is PACKED with information and announcements this month. Please take time to read through them all so you know what's happening. You don't want to miss out on all the fun!

- ★ Liz Nordeen, our Volunteer Coordinator extraordinaire, is looking for volunteers to help during the parade and at the rodeo grounds. **We need LOTS of volunteers** to keep everything running smoothly. Call Liz at 303-670-8775 (she's up early in the morning, and in bed early at night!) or email her at [nnordeen@earthlink.net](mailto:nnordeen@earthlink.net). You don't have to be a member of the rodeo association to volunteer – see if your friends and neighbors want to come be part of Evergreen's historical community event.
- ★ Here's something new – we're going to have **photo IDs for all our volunteers**. T.J. Mecomber of Black Hat Enterprises will be at taking volunteer photos at meetings right up to and including the rodeo. Have you had your picture taken yet?
- ★ Remember, we're going to have an entry in the **Idaho Springs Parade on Saturday, June 6<sup>th</sup>**. We'll have a truck with a banner and horseback riders. Come join in the fun. The parade starts at noon. Call Ross Seline for more information. 303-526-4478.
- ★ **Help Wanted:** Volunteers are needed to help spruce up the rodeo grounds. Work Days are on Sundays. Lunch provided. Bring your horse and go for a trail ride after you work.
- ★ **Sponsorsheeps?** For a mere \$25 you or your business can sponsor one of the Mutton Bustin' sheep. You can name "your" sheep and your business's name will be announced during the event. Talk to Kim Meyer if you're interested. See more information on Mutton Bustin' later in this newsletter.



- ★ **Tickets** are on sale online, as well as Cactus Jacks, Pine Country Feed, and the Safeway and King Soopers in Evergreen and Conifer. Friday Night PBR tickets are \$20. Rodeo tickets are \$15 for adults (\$13 if purchased in advance), \$5 for children, kiddos five and under are free. **Parking on the rodeo grounds will cost you \$5.** There is a free shuttle from the old Albertsons parking lot.

★ **Please support and thank our many fine sponsors:**

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- ★ Thanks again to **Connie Bally** for sharing so many of her wonderful photos with us.
- ★ The **Railbenders** will be performing at the Little Bear on June 12<sup>th</sup>. This is not a rodeo fundraiser but we want to support them.

★ The **Queen's Luncheon** (for visiting royalty) will be at the Black Hat Cattle Company on Friday, May 19<sup>th</sup>, followed by a regatta at Evergreen Lake.

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## Kids Rodeo Stampede!

Saturday, May 30th  
9am – 12pm  
Evergreen Rodeo Grounds

1 mile, 2 mile and 50 yard dash courses available for children of all ages.  
Age categories range from preschool through adult.

A post race celebration with fun for the whole family including Denver Bronco cheerleaders Evergreen Rodeo Queen, petting farm, food and fun! Don't miss out on this great new Evergreen Tradition!

Proceeds benefit The Children's Hospital Foundation and Rocky Mountain Academy For registration, kids training program, and more information, please visit our website at [www.kidsrodeostampede.com](http://www.kidsrodeostampede.com) .

WANTED: Volunteers to help out on race day! Please let us know how you would be able to help by visiting our website and filling out a volunteer form. We appreciate your help!

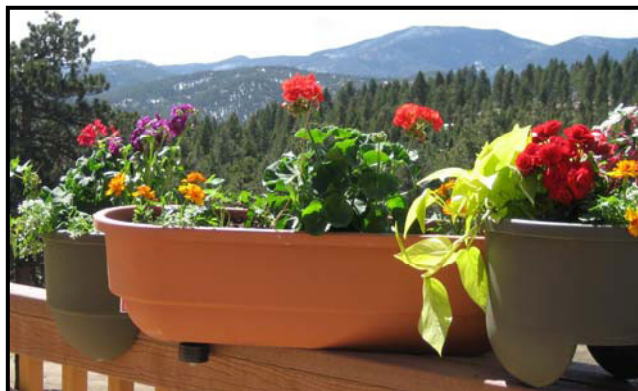
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If you need any kind of **deck planters or hanging baskets**, here's a connection for you!

Flower baskets/planters are put together here in Evergreen and ALL of the proceeds are put toward the Colorado Horse Care Food Bank. Please see the website: [www.horsefoodbank.org](http://www.horsefoodbank.org) . Click on flowers or call 303-670-6762 for additional information for your custom order. Why not have your flowers be partially tax-deductible and support a good cause as well?

The Colorado Horse Care Food Bank is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit foundation developed to address the growing challenge associated with feeding Colorado horses whose owners have been impacted by the current economic environment. Horse owners face dire circumstances when they can no longer afford to buy food for their beloved animals and are taking desperate measures—abandoning horses and letting them forage for food or cutting back food to near starvation levels. Colorado's rescue facilities are at capacity and the reports to humane societies are at the highest levels ever. The Colorado Horse Care Food Bank was formed to keep people and their horses together during these difficult times, by providing food grants and locating facilities that can provide interim help during this crisis.



Here's everything you need to know about Mutton Bustin'....



**Come join in the fun!**

# Mutton Bustin' at the Evergreen Rodeo

**Ride a sheep Cowboy Style!**

**for children 5 to 7 years old  
(weighing 55 pounds or less)**

## **Friday, June 19<sup>th</sup>**

- ★ Registration begins at 5:00 p.m.
- ★ Mutton Bustin' will take place during the PBR (Professional Bull Riding) performance.
- ★ PBR starts at 7:00 p.m.

## **Saturday, June 20<sup>th</sup>**

- ★ Registration begins at 3:00 p.m.
- ★ Mutton Bustin' will take place before the rodeo (at about 5:15) and during the rodeo performance.
- ★ Rodeo starts at 7:00 p.m.

## **Sunday, June 21<sup>st</sup> – Happy Father's Day!**

- ★ Registration begins at 10:00 a.m.
- ★ Mutton Bustin' will take place before the rodeo (at about 12:15) and during the rodeo performance.
- ★ Rodeo starts at 2:00 p.m.

**\$10 entry fee. Every Mutton Buster gets a ribbon.**

Register at the rodeo grounds on the day of the event.  
Space is limited and sign-up is on a first come-first served basis.  
Parents or guardians must be present and sign a waiver.

Questions? Email: [muttonbustin@evergreenrodeo.com](mailto:muttonbustin@evergreenrodeo.com)

**Buy your tickets to the rodeo online!  
[evergreenrodeo.com](http://evergreenrodeo.com)**



## 2009 Evergreen Rodeo ~ Detailed Schedule

Thursday, June 11<sup>th</sup>

### **Evergreen Rodeo Sponsor Appreciation Dinner**

5:30 p.m. at Center Stage  
Rodeo Sponsors, Board Members & Spouses

Friday, June 19<sup>th</sup> - Dress "western" at work – promote the rodeo!

Friday, June 19<sup>th</sup>

### **Evergreen's first PBR!**

5:00 p.m. - Gates open  
5:00 - Mutton Bustin' sign up begins  
5:30 - Music by Clay McClinton – also after the PBR at the Little Bear  
6:15 - Celebrity Buck-Off  
7:30 – PBR!  
Mutton Bustin' during PBR

Saturday, June 19<sup>th</sup>

### **Rodeo Parade (10:00 – downtown)**

7:00 a.m. staging begins at Christ the King Church  
All livestock trailers park at the Elks Club. Please do not park at Hiwan Museum.  
9:45 – road closes  
9:45 – parade steps off from the Highway 74 frontage road  
12:00 – parade is through downtown

Stay downtown after the parade for special activities sponsored by downtown merchants.

### **Evergreen Rodeo**

3:00 Gates open  
3:00 Mutton Bustin' sign up begins  
5:00 Drill Team  
5:15 Mutton Bustin'  
5:45 Drill Team  
6:00 Contestant Warm Up  
6:30 work the arena  
**7:00 Rodeo**  
Mutton Bustin' during the performance

Sunday, June 19<sup>th</sup>

7:00 Pancake Breakfast for cowboys  
8:00 Slack (audience rodeo association members only)

### **Evergreen Rodeo**

10:00 Gates Open  
10:00 Mutton Bustin' sign up begins  
12:00 Drill Team  
12:15 Mutton Bustin'  
12:45 Drill Team  
1:00 Contestant Warm Up  
1:30 Work Grounds  
**2:00 Rodeo**  
Mutton Bustin' during the performance  
Queen's Coronation before Bull Riding

<p><b>President</b> Kristy Tolan 303-674-9668 (h)</p> <p><b>Vice President</b> Randy Weidner 303-370-1428 (w)</p> <p><b>Secretary</b> Sue Caicedo 303-670-7732 (h)</p> <p><b>Treasurer</b> Jerry Toman 303-674-5096 (h)</p>	<p><b>Fundraising</b> Open</p> <p><b>Grounds</b> John Orlando 303-674-6607 (h) Rex Eaves 303-674-0434 (h)</p> <p><b>Marketing</b> Randy Weidner 303-370-1428 (w)</p> <p><b>Membership</b> Nancy Lyons 303-674-7448 (h) Amy Dunkleman 303-921-0315 (h)</p> <p><b>Merchandise Sales</b> Jesse Romanin 303-912-9114</p> <p><b>Mutton Bustin?</b> Steve Banks 303-679-8770 (h) Kim Meyer 303-674-6098 (h)</p> <p><b>Newsletter</b> Kim Meyer 303-674-6098 (h)</p> <p><b>Pancake Breakfast</b> Tammy Marshall 303-674-4011 (h)</p> <p><b>Parade</b> JoAnne McGee 303-674-6590 (h) Ross Seline 303-526-4478 (h)</p> <p><b>Programs</b> Randy Weidner 303-370-1428 (w)</p> <p><b>Queens</b> Amanda Bodkin</p> <p><b>Security/Parking</b> Bob Benefiel 303-679-1229</p> <p><b>Sponsorships</b> Sharon Mowry 303-674-9705 (h)</p> <p><b>Tickets</b> Sue Caicedo 303-670-7732 (h)</p> <p><b>Veterinary</b> Shane Baird 303-279-4893 (w)</p> <p><b>Volunteers</b> Open</p> <p><b>Website</b> Tom Hushen 303-679-1195 (w)</p>
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# Upcoming Events...

**May 27th – Committee Chair Meeting at the Ice House, 5:30 p.m.**

**May 27th – General Meeting at the Ice House, 7:00 p.m.**

★ June 4th – Board Meeting at Remax Realtors, 7:00 p.m.

June 6<sup>th</sup> – Idaho Springs Parade, 12:00 noon

**June 10th – General Meeting at the Ice House, 7:00 p.m.**

June 12<sup>th</sup> – Railbenders Concert at the Little Bear

**June 17th – General Meeting at the Ice House, 7:00 p.m.**

★ **Friday, June 19th – Professional Bull Riding performance**

★ **Saturday, June 20th**

★ Parade in downtown Evergreen, 10:00 a.m.

★ Rodeo performance, 5:00 p.m.

★ **Sunday, June 21st**

★ Slack, 8:00 (not open to the public)

★ Rodeo performance, 2:00 p.m.

**See detailed schedule elsewhere in this newsletter.**



Visit our new and improved website at

**[evergreenrodeo.com](http://evergreenrodeo.com)**

for all the latest news and information.

Thank you, Tom Hushen,  
for all your work on our behalf.