

Cascade Team Penning Association

November 30, 2024 Board Meeting

In attendance: Carly Moore, Jason Lepore, Jay Lehigh, David Liberty, Billy Moore, Dana Flock, Janelle Markovich, Mike Bloom, Breanne Long, Kaylee Smith, Loreen Height, Wendy Lunan, Rick Olsen, Cheryl Wesinger, Donna Stevens

Called to order by Carly Moore at 11:19AM

Location: Albany Comfort Suites

President statement: Thanking everyone for attendance, new board members welcomed. Memberships collected from board and rule books passed to all in attendance.

Treasurers report: Janelle shared a great packet (attached) that includes a summary of recent reports and show receipts. She noted multiple points in her recent transition:

1. Transitioning/merging current data into Quick-books, hoping to be finalized in December
2. Looking into better show invoice/receipting system/documentation for events, such as the admin cost spreadsheets, still working on compiling all data
3. Transferred to a new credit card with signors to remove Donna & her credentials given new board treasurer
4. Researching ideas to be able to charge credit cards
5. Janelle to update email address to Cascade Team Penning Association

Donna has multiple forms/contracts to share with board. The livestock contract, form for cattle dates and the promoters contracts need updated, Donna will update and share.

Old business:

1. Discussion on why there is no draw or HC in the Open. Board confirmed that the Open is a true open and is the one class without a HC leveling the playing field for Open riders.
2. Discussed point system for further understanding with new board members, point system remains as is. Discussion included combination of penning & sorting points, year-end points and how those correlate to awards,
3. Discussion on when ratings are done, which is end of each year prior to starting the next. Breanne confirms new ratings from 2024 season will be released prior to January 2025.
4. Discussion on set-up fee charge per entry, concluded no increase, it will stay at \$3.
5. Cheryl consulted about the hat vs. no hat & long/short sleeve debate. Per CTPA rules we will continue to follow our current dress code rules per the rule book.
6. Carly to review rule book to confirm online website updates.

New business:

1. Direction of Association:

- a) Membership fee adjustment? Membership fee will remain the same for 2025 season.

- b) Discussion of 2-man sorting concluded with the cost being too high to justify putting on a 2-man event/class. With the rising cattle costs it isn't worth pursuing at this time. Discussion tabled for the time being.
- c) Breanne brought up the idea of class awards rather than buckles, board discussed this and the potential of pay out rather than awards. Conclusion of buckles are easier and people enjoy them. Will continue with normal class awards given sponsors are usually specific on sponsor awards ie saddles, buckles etc.
- d) Conversed about not being a c-3 organization, concluded at this time it is still not in our best interest to attempt to pursue c-3 status.

2. Event/s Structure:

Finals:

- a) Continue having penning on Friday and sorting/banquet on Saturday for finals given people will leave on Sunday prior to banquet.
- b) Allow people to compete for day money/awards at finals given feedback from 2024 season. Only fair to open entries to all to encourage attendance and financials/pot. Discussed the hardship of data entry with points for finals if all can attend with sorting who is a finalist vs not.
- c) Clarified that you do not need to attend finals to have qualifying finalist points count towards year end awards banquet.

2025 Events:

- a) Discussed location and dates of 2025 events. First event is end of February in Roseburg. Schedule, location and dates as of 11/30 are as follows:
 1. January, NONE
 2. February 22, @Douglas Co Fairgrounds Roseburg, 3-man sorting
 3. March 29-30, @Eugene Horse Center, team penning, 3-man sorting, sanctioned w/ WVTPA
 4. April 26-27, @Kerley Ranch PB, team penning, 3-man sorting, (pending confirmation of location)
 5. May 24-25, @Sky Hawk Ranch Terrebonne, team penning, 3-man sorting, sanctioned w/ Sky Hawk (pending sanction)
 6. June 28-29, @Kerley Ranch, team penning, 3-man sorting
 7. July 25-27, @Rolling H Ranch, team penning, 3-man sorting (pending sanction)
 8. August 30-31, @Kerley Ranch, team penning, 3-man sorting, (pending confirmation of location)
 9. September, NONE
 10. October 10-11 Finals, @Brasada PB, team penning, 3-man sorting
- b) Bobbi scheduled 2025 dates with Kerley Ranch in Powell Butte. Need to cancel March Kerley date given Cindy Cool Memorial is that weekend. Carly to confirm dates with Kerley Ranch.

- c) Carly to verify status of 2025 sanctioned events with Sky Hawk & Hogan show.
- d) We will not hold a September event again given the amount of show calendar conflicts.
- e) Discussed and confirmed an end of April show at Kerley Ranch, details in confirmation. Office aka, Emily Kennedy, is confirmed available to add this show.
- f) Emily Kennedy as office admin has been confirmed for all 2025 shows.
- g) Janelle brought up and is investigating the idea of having signups available via the website.
- h) Set up and tear down crew pay to raise to split \$500.00 per event, historically has been \$300.00.
- i) Wendy discussed idea of posting event or season flyers at feed stores.

February Event:

- a) Breanne handling set up/tear down crew. She is contacting the local FFA for help. All equipment is there for use.
- b) Carly to confirm event contract in Roseburg & to confirm tractor operator to drag during event.
- c) No food trucks due to fairgrounds expense, Breanne will see about youth kids running cafeteria “for donation”.
- d) Crystal will do flyer, needs accurate info ASAP for event to ensure it is done promptly and has time for review.
- e) Loreen taking over cattle boss. Ordering cattle- Donna said historically we equate # of entries + 20% for cattle order week of event.

3. Cattle:

- a) Cattle boss & crew compensation under review during the transition of finding a new crew.
- b) Loreen Height acting as cattle boss and Dana Flock to help.
- c) Pat has given Loreen cattle box, discussed ordering more numbers and glue for season. Loreen & Janelle to handle ordering & billing.

4. Motions:

- a) Breanne motioned to move Youth class to draw only. Also moving awarding youth team buckles to high point individual buckle only; 50% Payback. Discussion was very positive promoting draws and encouraging youth. Wendy set to motion, Kaylee second, all in favor.
- b) Discussed potential of no trash over the line in penning rule for review, could benefit the cattle producer feedback on over running cattle. Janelle motioned to change the rule to “no trash over the line“ in penning rules, Breanne second, all in favor. Loreen to let cattle producer know of new rule change. Change needs to be announced publicly, on flyer and announced at shows prior to every class.
- c) Mike discussed the discouragement and poor performance in the #6 class that happens at every show, board confirmed his observation and discussed

possible class changes. Breanne motioned to dissolve #6 class and replace with a “Pro-2” class. This class to be structured to include an Open level rider above a 4, and two riders rated either 1’s or 2’s. Class specifically to not include 3 rated riders to promote lower-level success and create a learning environment. Open rider may not leave the gate, will not be charged for class fee, takes 25% earnings & will gain points towards year end award standings. Open rider must be entered in two other classes to be able to participate in class.

- d) Donna brought to motion that office crew would like an increase in compensation given other association’s higher pay. Thorough discussion involved the board being in agreement for a raise but is dependent on our income per events; meaning to raise any payout for personnel we need to re-evaluate our entry fees, graphs and data. Board purposes to increase class fees by \$5 per entry for all classes and raise \$10 for the Open entry. Breanne motioned raising class fees, Jason second, all in favor. Personnel pay raise to be specifically adjusted/discussed after final review of numbers and supporting data.

5. Sponsor(s)/ship:

- a) Kaylee consulted on multiple aspects of sponsors, her discussion included potential incentive for sponsors at events, needing to create a sponsorship letter- Jason to provide an outlined sponsorship draft letter.
- b) Discussed types of sponsorships and what is asked in return for awards, logos, banners etc.
- c) Kaylee to create a proposal of any sponsorship changes/ideas and bring to meeting for review.

Meeting adjourned at 2:25PM. Dave put to motion, Dana second, all in favor.