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## President Donna Leipsic

BUCKLE UP and tighten those cinches! – we're gonna be whupin' and ridin' a ton at the grounds in 2011!!

We have started this year off with lots of new additions to our usual Association functions and yearly events and have scheduled several new and exciting activities, so check the calendar and make plans to attend as many of the dates in Bowie as you can.

Our Polar Bear Barrel Race scheduled for New Year's Day had to be rescheduled due to temperatures. It was just a little bit TOO cold (guess we're pretty wimpy polar bears), so we decided to reschedule this first event of ours for 2011 for Sunday the 16th – which happened to be the day after the Ft Worth Stock Show Parade. This first event was Queen Lauren's idea and we had a ton of calls and emails on it. I think had it been a pretty day, you couldn't have stirred them with a stick, but Mother Nature didn't cooperate...se la vie! So we rescheduled and soldiered on.

Next on our schedule was the Ft Worth Saturday, January 15 Stock Show Parade. started off cool and crisp - and with me getting kicked on the side of the knee by our Boss Hogg mare when I was trying to get Paint out of the pasture and into the trailer to head to Ft Worth for the parade. I thought for a while I was in real trouble and had some major knee problems, but thankfully x-rays determined it was not broken and only severely bruised. I spent that Saturday NOT trotting the streets of Ft Worth with my peeps like I had planned, but rather with my injured knee elevated and me getting goofier by the minute on pain meds! Definitely NOT the way I had planned to start off the year, but "dem's da breaks"!

I am told we had a "light" showing at the parade, but Lauren was beautiful as always and she, Sarge and the others that rode represented us very well. Lauren has a new pair of chaps that are GORGEOUS (saw them up close the next day as well as the pictures from the parade – WOW!!) and I know that when she rode by, all heads turned! But then again, we always have the most shining and glamorous royalty in

the parade to my way of thinking and this year certainly did not disappoint. I always enjoy riding in the parade and I was disappointed that I had to miss it this year as I am told they had lots of fun as usual. Thanks to all that made it and represented us so well.

The next day, we held the Executive Board meeting at the office. Turnout for this meeting was lighter than normal, but we got a lot of business attended to. The minutes for this meeting have been published for your edification later in this issue of the Riders Roundup.

I think we have a fantastic team on board this year and I want to say thank you to all that have stepped up and accepted Chair positions for 2011. Your Executive Board Chairs that have accepted positions to date are as follows:

Awards – Becky Rhodes – returning from last year where she did a FABULOUS job!!

Concession – (CoChairs) Kathy Whatley and Janice Blahuta – only one will vote in meetings, but this is a BIG job and we thought it best to divide the work load.

Convention – Loretta Jeter – also returning, but in a different position – thanks so much for your help and support!

Credentials – Jeton Tumlinson – another returning member, always a great job very well done.

Fall Roundup – KD Foltz – couldn't have a better head for this new event! KD always has great ideas so the new format should be great fun.

IT – LaDonna Mild – if you haven't checked out the website, you're missing a great source of info.

Nominating – Rick Fitzgerald – again another member stepping up to serve yet another year!

Parade – Jackie Dunlap – I am so glad to have Jackie as a member of Exec Board as I know she will do a very good job.

Playday - Lynda Knight - don't mess with Lynda!!! I know she'll do a fantastic job running our Finals!

Promotions - Eric Savage - he will be working hard this year trying to entice outside clubs and individuals to join our group, in advertising and promoting our activities, in identifying worthy charities and ways to generate donations to them and in assisting in raising monies to put towards our scholarship efforts this year and going forward.

Queen - Annette Waggoner - who better to chair this committee with the many changes to the Queen's contest that will be happening in the next year!

Riders Roundup - Stephani Foltz - what can I say!!! You're da BEST!!!

Rules - Larry Mitchell - another returning Chair who I am so glad has done me the honor of accepting for another year of service.

Scrapbook - Leslie O'Brien - a very creative lady that will shine in this position, I have no doubt.

Spring Roundup - Wes Moody - hopefully the weather will cooperate for us this year and Wes can put his ideas into action; I am very grateful to have this returning Chair!

Youth - Dwaine Rowe - charged with coming up with new activities for MORE FUN for our youth at our different functions - particularly at Playday Finals.

Special Events-Misty Martin -her position will deal with events other than our normal Association functions such as barrel races, ranch rodeos, team sortings, youth rodeos and the like. Misty will be working closely with Cal Bowman in her efforts, so if you have any ideas for them, please let them know.

Scholarship - Daniel Leipsic - a topic that has been near and dear to Daniel's heart for some years now.

These Committee Chairs have taken on major responsibilities in your Association. Please offer your assistance to them throughout the year and support them by not only offering encouragement but more importantly by pitching in when the need arises. I know they will all welcome your ideas and appreciate any and all help you can provide. Without these members and their dedication to the Association, we cannot possibly function as a group, so again, please help them in any way you can as they carry out their duties.

After the conclusion of the Executive Board. we turned our attention to the rescheduled Polar Bear Barrel Race that was to begin at 2 that afternoon. Though the weather was again a bit chilly and raw, we had a decent turnout. I almost blew the whole thing as I lost track of time and went to lunch with several of the attendees from the Executive Board meeting and had the entry forms and sheets with me of course....but we had a "white knight" come to our rescue and get things started before I returned to the grounds. If you see Jody Dodson from KOBRA in your travels, we are in her debt, so give her a thanks!! In any case, the barrel race went well. Several of our members were in attendance and drew checks, so that was a nice thing to see. Congratulations to the winners! We will be posting all of the times for those that ran in the Open Class each month on the website, so if you come out and ride, vou will be able to see not only who was in the money (hopefully you will see your name in THIS position), but where your time was in relation to the divisions and the winners in those divisions.

That being said, we have scheduled a monthly barrel race for the second Sunday of each month through June at 2pm. Our dates are Feb 13, March 13, April 10, May 8 and June 12. We will move to an evening event during the summer, but the exact times and dates for these summer barrel races has yet to be determined, so there will be more information on that as time goes on.

We are also trying another new idea this year....we have scheduled two clinics for members and non-members to participate in if they choose. First, we are hosting a clinic put on by Mike & SherryLynn Johnson. Mike Johnson is a world renowned calf roper (I believe he has qualified for the NFR a record 23 times) and his wife SherryLynn has qualified for the NFR in barrels numerous times as well as won many titles on the college level in Goat Tying and Barrels. Their clinic will be held on March 5 & 6. They provide instruction in Calf Roping, Goat Tying, Breakaway Roping and Barrels. There are limited numbers of spaces available, so if you or anyone you know is interested in this clinic, have them get their names and deposits in quickly as we have had quite some interest already.

Also, we will be hosting a Lynn McKenzie Barrel Clinic on May 21 & 22. The McKenzies put on wonderful barrel clinics and I am told give people tons of insight into not only how to get the most from your horse, but discuss things such as the physics of the turn and how the conformation of the horse affects the way he turns. Again, there are limited spaces available, so if you are interested, make sure you make plans early.

Information regarding both of these clinics can be found later in this issue as well as more extensive information on the website. Let's all get behind these endeavors and make them a success!

We will hold our first Ranch Rodeo on April 30. I had never seen one of these events until a couple of years ago and let me tell you, they are very interesting to attend! So if you've never seen one, come on out and take a gander. We can always use the help as well, whether it be in the booth upstairs, in the concession stand or on a gate or helping in the arena moving cattle and such. If successful, we plan on having additional ranch rodeos and possibly even a series, so let's hope this event is a boon to the Association as well.

WHEW!!! Makes me tired already!! LOL!!! And we hope to add more and more events to our calendar during the year which will hopefully make our grounds.

Just a quick note - our intention in hosting and adding all of these new events is to promote our Association to outsiders.....let them know the arenas are here, which will hopefully generate some interest in leasing out our grounds and at the same time, draw new members from different areas in the horse industry.....not to mention, MAKE US MORE MONEY!! LOL!!!! We are also hitting around even more ideas for uses of the grounds. There has been discussion on hosting a chili or BBQ cook-off, a bicycle race, a cattle show and even hosting a car show. So if you have an ideas or suggestions, don't think they might be too outrageous! Let's give them a try!!! We have a wonderful facility with lots of open space as well as lots of amenities, so let's run it up the flagpole and see who salutes!!!! Just give me a call as I'm open to listen to any ideas you might have.

We are also planning additional renovations and improvements to the grounds and have scheduled a "work weekend" in March, specifically March 19 & I know there are already several events scheduled for that Saturday, so if you can't make it, please try to pitch in for this purpose on another date this year as there is ALWAYS something at the grounds that needs attention. I have discussed several projects with the Officers and hope that lots of us can come together that weekend and really make some headway. There is always more to be done, but it is my hope that we can knock out some of the things that have been identified as needing attention or that are on the "wish list" of things that might be beneficial. If there are things you would like to see us have at the grounds - additions that need to be made, things you think would be nice to have - contact me or your Region VP and we can certainly talk about how we can get it done. Remember, the grounds are YOURS and our goal is to make them as pleasant and functional as possible so let us know what you would like to see done out there to achieve these ends.

Well, I've gone on quite enough for this issue. As you can see, I'm quite excited about the possibilities for this year. I think we can do some really good things and hope you all plan to come to as many of our Association events as possible. While I know that some of you live a distance away, please come and share in the fun as often as you possibly can.

Until next month, Happy trails. Donna



......The NARC will be returning to the grounds over Labor Day weekend once again this year for their Finals. The contract has been signed and the deposit check has been received. The AASP&RC will be acting as host once more this year. The dates for their Finals are September 3, 4 & 5. We will host it again this year – as we did last year – so we are responsible for getting the grounds and arena ready and for dragging for that weekend.

......We made \$390 at the Polar Bear Barrel Race on January 16 – pretty good for an event on a VERY chilly, windy, damp nasty day! GREAT idea Lauren!! Thanks to all of those who were able to stick around after the Executive Board Meeting and help out. We will post all the times for those that run in the Open for each of our barrel races online so if you attend the barrel races and run in the Open, you can check the website to see where your times fell in relation to the others that ran on that day.

......At the Executive Board meeting, there were several that asked about the possible creation of an Association Facebook page. I am happy to report that LaDonna has our new Facebook page up and running - though as she says, it IS a work in progress. We are hoping it is a great success and helps get the word out and spread the news about our events and keeps everyone up to date as far as what is happening with the rest of our Association family. Take a look when you have a chance!

...... Spring Roundup this year will have some new additions. We still plan to have a 4-D barrel race on Friday, April 15 (pretty easy to remember as it's Tax Day!!) and a team playday on Saturday. We will hold a dinner/dance on Saturday evening as always. On Sunday, we are going to try something a bit different. After the Queen's Breakfast and Cowboy Church on Sunday morning, we will have a Feed Lot Sorting on Sunday afternoon. SO there will be lots of things to participate in over the Spring Roundup weekend.....mark your calendar now and get ready to attend this first Association Function of the year.

......At Convention, it was discussed that a proposal would be brought regarding how to "revamp" Horse Show Finals. At Executive Board, it was voted to accept the proposal put forth to expand the event by adding different activities that will hopefully draw more Look forward to "FALL participation. ROUNDUP" this year on September 16, 17 & 18. At this time, we are planning a barrel race on Friday night, the Horse Show on Saturday morning, followed by a Buckle Playday on Saturday evening. Then on Sunday, we will have a Queen's Breakfast and Cowboy Church, followed by additional events that that will be determined in the future.

...... We will be having a raffle to benefit our scholarship efforts. Details on this raffle and how you can participate will follow in later issues.

...... I am also happy to report that the CMSA (Cowboy Mounted Shooters) will be returning to the grounds for at least one event (and I am hoping a couple more). They had intended to come back on Memorial Day weekend, but have run into some scheduling problems and are now looking at a couple of dates in April. We hope to have their dates finalized within the next couple of weeks, so check the calendar in the near future for information on this event.

### **Executive Vice President**

Hey Y'all,

I am SO ready for Spring and warmer weather! You too. I'm sure! I've had about all I can stand of freezing temperatures, freezing wind, breaking ice and hauling water (when I forget to drain the hoses, ugh!). My horses look more like wooly mammoths than beautiful equines at present. There will be lots of grooming coming up in my immediate future....LOL!!! Going to Bowie for Executive Board and being at the grounds and watching the barrel race sure gave me the "fever"! Hate to say it, but I am one of those "fair weather" riders and we have had very little "fair weather" this winter. When we're not freezing to death, the wind is blowing so hard it will blow you right out of the saddle....LOL!

My silly herd is feeling the "fever" as well. Last week LaKotah decided to head up a "jail break" from our place. I had opened up all the cross fence gates to let them have run of the entire property. When I left for the feed store, NOT a one of them was anywhere near the front gate. Upon my return, they were all up by house. Since I had a load of hay, I figured they would chase me down after I came through the gate. I opened the gate, drove through, shut the gate and sure enough, they thought I had the buffet wagon and followed right along. **EXCEPT for LaKotah!** He must have seen that even though I'd shut the gate, I hadn't chained it, and instead of coming right along with the others, went immediately to try the gate. As HIS luck would have it, he was able to push the gate right open and walk right out! everyone else was happy attending the buffet, I walked behind them and hollered to LaKotah to get himself back home when they turned to see him RUN at his joy of being free! Before I could bat an eye, I swear I heard them scream "PARTY" and whoosh, I was standing in a cloud of dust and they were hot on his heels! They took off down the center of the street in front of the house, were turned back by a driver, but instead of coming back to our gate, turned in across the street. They ran all over the 10 or more acres behind the neighbors,

before they discovered the downed fence at the back of their property and wound up on another street. We finally turned them again and they ended up past another neighbor's house where we were able to trap them. After half the day had gone by, I finally got them all back home and spent the rest of the day picking cactus chunks and needles from their legs! Think it's time they need to be ridden the snot out of so they are too tired to care about another Party!

We had a pretty light turn out for the Ft. Worth parade this year, but understand from those there, as always, had a wonderful time! Pictures of Queen Lauren showed her as beautiful as ever and I can't wait for all of vou to see her sporting her new AASP&RC chaps! WOW! We also had a pretty light turnout for Executive Board, yet we got our business handled. I'm so excited about all the new events coming to the grounds this year! Besides our own functions (some have been tweeked a bit), there will be monthly barrel races, a ranch rodeo, team sortings and the NARC&SP will be coming back again for their finals as well as the CMSA will be returning and there will be two Clinics held there. This is going to be a fabulous and profitable vear AASP&RC!!!

Next up will find me in Lubbock for the Lubbock Saddle Club Awards banquet next weekend, then back again for the ABC Rodeo in March. Hopefully I will see a big bunch able to ride in the San Angelo parade on February 19th. Very soon after that we will all be able to come to Bowie for Spring Roundup. I know that Wes has already started putting his game plan together and know we will all have a marvelous time!

As quick as time flies, for those of you that haven't yet turned in your yearly dues, please don't forget to get that done before time slips away from you and you have to pay that late fee!

May Your Arena ALWAYS be to SMALL to Hold ALL Your FRIENDS!
Renee Guthrie



Hey everyone,

This past month has been fairly slow. I went to Fort Worth and had a wonderful time in the parade and at grand entry. It only took us an hour to find the parking lot where all the horses park! The up side was that I think every one that was downtown waiting for the parade to start knew that the AASP&RC Queen was in town as we meandered all over downtown with the trailer in tow trying to get to the start.

I also got the pleasure of meeting a wonderfully inspiring young man named Martin. He has autism and has been learning to ride as part of his therapy. He had been doing so well, Eric Savage invited him to ride with us in the parade, and he did a great job! Thank you Eric and Summer for giving me that opportunity. I hope that I see more of Martin throughout the year.

Sunday we had the executive board meeting and I was so excited to hear about all the extra events we are going to host this year!



The polar bear barrel race was right after the board meeting. We had a good turnout for being the first time. The association will be holding barrel races monthly and I am hoping they get bigger in turnout as word gets out that we are hosting them! The next one is Feb. 13 and I hope everyone comes out.

I am very excited for Spring Round Up and Playday Finals to get here. Make sure you read the next couple editions of Riders Round Up. I have big plans for both events and they will be something you don't want to miss!

Ride Hard and Be Safe!

2011 AASP&RC Queen Lauren

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17.814 Lynn Cox 2nd Place

17.866 Sage Smith

18.016 Shyanne Jarrett

18.042 Cindy Masters 2D: 1st Place

18.210 Felicia Miller 2nd place

18.242 Kristen Morrison

18.337 Jody Dodson

18.376 KD Foltz

18.408 Andee Shae Nored

18.615 Jody Dodson 3D: 1st Place

18.641 Holly Cauthen 2nd Place

18.653 Haylie Martin

18.731 Sage Smith

18.753 Halie Rhodes

18.853 Ronnie Elrod

19.187 Jason Nelson 4D: 1st Place

19.269 Halie Rhodes 2nd Place

19.320 Roy McKittrick

19.399 Maycie Martin

19.455 Gabby Whately

19.752 Roy McKittrick

20.200 Jackie Skinner

20.541 Lauren O'Brien

21.173 Jordan Dove

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