

TO: MRCA Top Thirty Contestants
SUBJECT: MRCA Finals Information

September 1, 2016

Dear _____

You are currently in position _____ in the _____ event. This years MRCA Finals Rodeo will be held October 13-15th at the National Equestrian Center in Lake St. Louis, Mo. The Top 15 contestants in each of the standard events will be eligible to compete. Payoff will be posted at the Finals.

Entering

The fee due to the MRCA office is **\$200.00 per qualified event plus a Futurity Fee per event.** This includes a \$195.00 entry fee and \$5.00 office charge. Futurity Fees may have been previously paid, if not previously paid it is an additional \$100 per event. **Entry fees, ballots, and contestant questionnaires must be returned to the MRCA office no later than Wends. Sept. 28th.** This does **not** mean postmarked by October 1st, it means that all fees and information must be **received by Sept. 28th, 2016** or they will not be accepted. If you mail your fees at a late date, contact the MRCA office before Sept. 28th to be sure they have been received. You may need to make further arrangements to insure your entry is received without delay. **NO EXCEPTIONS! If you are in the 16 to 30 positions, it is very important that you send in your entry fees and meet all of the requirements; because if someone in the Top Fifteen decides not to attend, you may be eligible.** If you know of any MRCA member who may win some money in September that could possibly move them up in the standings, have them contact the office to receive the finals information or download from the MRCA Website. Don't wait for the office to make contact, as results may arrive in the office making it too late! If you do not get to compete, your entry fees will be promptly returned to you or check voided. Emergency Phone Number for the finals is 314-608-3557. If anyone is on the suspended list, owes a fine, any funds or a no-show, etc., this will be required to be taken care of or they will not be eligible to compete at the Finals. If you feel there is a discrepancy in your winnings...please don't hesitate to contact the office before the finals to double-check them. If you wait until we get to the finals we don't have the rodeo results on sight to check.

Call-In

Books Open for official MRCA Finals **call in** on **Sunday October 2nd** at **314-608-3557**. (If you receive a voice mail keep trying-do not leave a message.) Books open from **2pm to 6 pm** and you **MUST** call during this time to **ENTER THE MRCA FINALS.** (Please notify the MRCA office due to injury or other commitment if you do not plan to compete in the finals.) If you are bordering towards the top 15 and think you possibly could have moved up, you need to call in to enter. If someone in the Top Fifteen decides not to compete, or fails to meet all of the requirements, the spots will be filled with the next person in line who has successfully met all the requirements, beginning with those in the 16th position or below. PLEASE call as positions change frequently! Call in is a requirement to attend the MRCA Finals.

Finals Positions

If necessary, you may call Monday, October 3rd from 7pm-9 pm to check your Finals Positions at 314-608-3557. Finals contestants will be posted on the website www.missourirodeo.com as soon as possible when all are confirmed.

Drawing Out

You may Draw Out of the Finals without penalty anytime after entering until 24 hours after books close. Drawing out after this period you will forfeit your Finals Entry Fees to the MRCA General Fund. The MRCA will then contact the next qualified contestant to fill the performances for the event. Any contestant who turns out stock at the finals with a doctors or vet release shall be fined, declared ineligible, or both if evidence shows he competed in another rodeo within 72 hours after the performances. All doctors releases must be dated and turned in to the MRCA within 10 days of the finals. Any release dated prior to entry may not be used to draw out of the finals. If a contestant does not compete in all 3 performances, on all three head of stock with the exception of an official release, contestant may be subject to a fine and/or forfeiture of any winnings and will forfeit eligibility to all year end awards. A contestant must compete on every head of stock drawn for him in an event to place in the average. Fines at the finals are double the normal fine rate for any offense.

Dates to Remember:

Wends. , September 28, 2016 - Entries & Money due at MRCA Office –
Sunday, October 2, 2016 - Call in from 2 pm to 6 pm, 314-608-3557
Monday, October 3, 2016 - (optional) Call back for Positions 7pm to 9 pm, 314-608-3557 or check website.

Access & RV HOOKUP AND STALLS

The contestant and **one** buddy will be issued an armband for the finals. Any additional Friends and family members must pay \$20. for a wristband for the weekend. If this is not paid now then each spectator will have to pay per performance at the gate.

The armbands will be in your finals packet and must be worn at all times on the rodeo grounds. If you lose this band, you must purchase a new one at a cost of **\$20.00.** Please check in early **beginning Wednesday, October 12th at 1 pm** until 9 pm.

Stalls for the weekend are \$100.00 shavings may be bought from the National Equestrian Center. If you are staying on the grounds Stalls are mandatory no tie-outs will be allowed. 65 RV hookups are available for \$25.00 per night this must be paid to the MRCA Office you will be issued a RV tag which must be visible or you will be asked to move via the NEC staff. This will be available to the first 65 paid. Departure by Sunday October 16th by noon.

HOTEL INFORMATION: Holiday Inn Express 636-300-4844 tell them you are with the MRCA for special rate that weekend.

Performance Times

Performances begin promptly at 7:30 pm each night. Contestants will be required to ride in the Grand Entry each night.

We will run each event from the number fifteen position to the number one position each performance. Barrel Racing positions will be posted. Positions will change if you move up or down in money won in the average. Positions and draw will be posted at the rodeo office daily.

Immediately following the final performance of the rodeo, we will have the 2016 Awards Ceremony to present all of the Finals Awards and crown the 2016 Year-End Champions. Please be present to accept your awards, the sponsors expect and deserve that courtesy. The top-earning Rookies should be present.

Ground Rules

There will be **NO ALCOHOL** in the arena, behind the Bucking Chutes, or behind the Roping Chutes at any time. A. Anyone caught with alcohol in restricted areas will be subject to a minimum \$25.00 fine for each offense. This will be in effect 1 hour before each performance until the completion of the performance.

There will be **NO Circling** of your horses in the arena or you will be subject to a fine! All persons with horses on the grounds will need a current, negative coggins test paper on your horses. Timed event contestants need to be in the arena and ready to compete when the contestant before you rides out! Rough stock contestants need to be getting ready when the bull or horse before you leaves the chute. **FINES** may apply for contestants not ready to perform in a timely matter when called upon. **NO ONE** besides contestants, contractors, and personnel will be allowed behind the bucking chutes! We want this rodeo to run as smooth as possible. It is a showcase of the best contestants and stock in each event. Listen to your arena directors and they will assist you in any way possible. We are on a strict time schedule!

Payoff checks for the first 2 performances will be available the next day the third performance and average checks will be mailed.

RULE CHANGE PROPOSALS:

Rule Change proposals need to be submitted by September 15th. in order to be put on the ballot for the general membership meeting Saturday at the finals.



THE ORDER OF EVENTS

Bareback Riding
Calf Roping
Breakaway Roping
Saddle Bronc Riding
Steer Wrestling
Team Roping
Barrel Racing
Over 40 Calf Roping
Bull Riding

FINALS SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Wednesday, October 12, 2016

1:00 PM - 9:00 PM Finals Check-In
Approx @7:00 PM Run Timed Event Cattle

Thursday, October 13, 2016

9:00 AM-5:00 PM Finals Check-In
10:00 AM MRCA Board of Directors Meeting
12:00 PM Stock Contractors Meeting
4:00 PM Sound Check/Announcer & Sponsorship meeting
5:30 PM Finals Personnel Meeting
6:00 PM Contestant Event Meeting
7:30 PM **1st Performance - MRCA Finals Rodeo**

Friday, October 14, 2016

12:00 PM Stock Contractors Meeting
1:00 PM Exceptional Rodeo
6:00 PM Finals Personnel Meeting
7:30 PM **2nd Performance - MRCA Finals Rodeo**

Band will be after the performance

Saturday, October 15, 2016

12:00 PM Stock Contractors Meeting
9:30 AM **MRCA General Membership Meeting**
6:00 PM Finals Personnel Meeting
7:30 PM **3rd Performance - MRCA Finals Rodeo**
2016 Awards Ceremony immediately following Performance
Enjoy a relaxing time receiving your awards no rush to leave!!

2016 Finals Entry Form

Finals Entry Fees: \$200.00 + unpaid Futurity Fee of \$100 per event = total due

This fee is NOT YOUR ONLY ENTRY REQUIREMENT, this only reserves your space.

You MUST call in during the ENTRY CALL IN TIME!

Fees & Ballots Due in Office September 28th with Finals Call In on October 2nd, 2pm-6 pm, 314-608-3557

If you may have moved up in the standings, send your fees and call-in accordingly to be entered in the finals

Phone: 314-608-3557

Emergency No: 314-608-3557

Fax: 636-257-6462

Email: mrca.secretary@gmail.com

Card # _____

Name _____

County _____

Hometown _____

Email (for updates & questions) _____

Fees & Forms Returned
by Wednesday
September 28th to:
MRCA OFFICE
249 Green River Trail
Pacific MO 63069

Payments to include:

Finals Entry Fee **\$200. per event** _____ (required)

Futurity Fee: **\$100.** per event (unless prepaid) _____ Event(s) Paid _____

Contestant will receive their armband and 1 extra for a buddy any additional armbands must be purchased

Additional armbands # _____ at \$20es Total _____.

Stalls # _____ at \$100.00 for the weekend Total \$ _____

Camping: \$75.00 for the weekend Total\$ _____

Thurs.- Saturday (Departure by noon Sunday) You may arrive on Wednesday

Total Enclosed: (minimum \$200.00) _____

Payment by Credit Card: Visa / MasterCard / Discover Card Number: _____

Name as it appears on Card: _____ Expiration Date: _____ Security Code _____

Add \$13.00 to your amount due for Credit Card processing of your total payment transaction Total Charge: _____

JACKET SIZE _____

Jackets will be given out at the time of Registration. The Jacket size you order is what you get.

MRCA Finals Personnel BALLOT UPDATED BALLOT

Card # _____

Event(s) _____

*** VOTE ONLY ON THE EVENTS THAT YOU COMPETE IN. ***

MRCA 2016 FINALS PERSONNEL

Rough Stock

MRCA Finals Judges

Rough Stock Contestants vote for **TWO judges.**

Place an "X" on the Line of the Judge(s) you are voting for.

Brad Crum _____

Randy Littrell _____

Todd Crase _____

Brett Griffin _____

Rodney Halsey _____

Danny Hicks _____

EJ McKellips _____

Timed Events

MRCA Finals Judges

Timed Event Contestants vote only for **ONE Flag Judge.**

Place an "X" on the Line of the Judge you are voting for.

Jimmy Reynolds _____

Brad Crum _____

Randy Littrell _____

Todd Crase _____

Brett Griffin _____

Rodney Halsey _____

Danny Hicks _____

EJ McKellips _____

Horse Riders

MRCA Finals Pickup Men

Bareback and Saddle Bronc Riders only vote for two Pickup Men.

Place an "X" on the line of the two Pickup Men you are voting for.

Josh Phillippe _____

Lance McCollum _____

Justin Patterson _____

Landon Henderson _____

Jason Pendegraft _____

Kyle Becker _____

Robert McClaran _____

Bullriders

MRCA Finals Bullfighters

Bull Riders only vote for two bullfighters.

Place an "X" on the line of the two bullfighters you are voting for.

JD Jones _____

Derrick White _____

Josh Phillippe _____

Tyler Simpson _____

Seth Walters _____

Jake (Rooster) reed _____

Matt Metz _____

Dakota Knight _____

Dakota Trofolz _____

Keith Engler _____

Kale Triplett _____

*Personnel must meet guidelines and qualifications prior to working the MRCA Finals, regardless of the voting outcome.
Personnel must be in good standing with the MRCA.*

2015 MRCA FINALS CONTESTANT QUESTIONNAIRE

Name _____ Nickname _____

Occupation _____ MRCA Card Number _____

Events in the MRCA _____ Hometown _____

Year you joined the MRCA _____ Biggest Fan _____

Number of Years you qualified for MRCA Finals _____ Biggest Payoff of 2015 _____

Awards won in the MRCA _____

Other Associations you belong to _____

Other Awards _____

My Inspiration _____

My favorite thing about rodeo is _____

Family Information _____

Most Proud of _____

Thankful for _____

Hero/Idol: _____

Something Funny or Unforgettable _____

Favorite Pastime: _____

Favorite Memory _____

Sponsors: _____

PLEASE RETURN THIS WITH ENTRY FEES AND BALLOTS BY October 1st, 2015