

Prez Sez, April 2023

I, for one, am looking forward to more sunshine in April. I think we are all at the point where the words, "Atmospheric River" are not only dreaded, but also unwelcome. I think Dennis would rather get back to maintaining our arenas rather than flood abatement.

I am looking forward to the resumption of our Horse Shows and Barrel Racing. We had many, many shows and events rained out the first few months of the year. I think almost every event in February and March was rained out. What that also means is that our coffers are running on empty. We depend on horse show income to sustain the maintenance of our grounds, for capital improvements and to bring new members into PVRA.

So please support our events. I remember when nearly every horse show had PVRA members striving for high scores to achieve awards towards High Point at all ages. And our High Point celebrations were jam packed with people getting ribbons and awards.

Our Show Managers also need volunteers to put on the events that fund our club operations. I have never been so grateful to our members as when shows are fully staffed and everyone at the show is happy. Many Horse Show jobs require little or no training. Show Managers just need willing volunteers. Working one day will fulfill your work hours for months. There are also work hour opportunities at the Rodeo, which require PVRA help.

So, I am asking all of us to step up and either Ride or Volunteer to make this year's horse shows, Rodeo, and Work Parties happen. Commit to events early so you get your pick of job.

I hope you all will attend the April Meeting at Mainstream Bar & Grill starting at 6:30 pm to order food with meeting following at 7 pm.

Thanks to all the Show Managers for the hard work they put in.

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