

IGRA Contestant Liaison Report
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The contestant liaison committee met yesterday and discussed a number of issues relevant to both new and existing rodeo contestants.

What is a contestant Liaison, what do they do?

There are two main areas that contestant liaison are involved with – assisting new and old competitors with both providing relevant information to them, and second to act as a conduit or ombudsman for the contestants if there is an issues during a rodeo.

Lines of Communication

Mainly, communication from the IGRA contestant liaison committee will be though the association contestant liaison person, if present. If an association does not have an contestant liaison, issues will be communicated through the association trustee of someone they suggest.

IGRA Contest Liaison Yahoo Group

A new group will be set up specifically for contestant issues.

New Contestant Check List

A new list will be created for new contestants. It will include critical relevant information for the new competitors to get them started. Things to include would be: new contestant meeting; relevant dress code; read the rule book, etc.

Rodeo 101

Over the next year, continue and finish a rodeo 101 manual document to assist new competitors and competitors looking at entering an event for the first time.

IGRA Rodeo Calender – Additional information

Look at including additional information on the IGRA calender relevant to competitors; rodeo play days, gymkanas, etc.

Rodeo Schools; IGRA insurance

Gather information regarding putting on a rodeo school, and issues surrounding insurance.

Contestant Crisis Fund

Post information regarding the crisis fund and application form on the internet.

Homorodeo fuel funds for Distribution

Gather and post information regarding how the funds will be distributed.

Respectfully Submitted,

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