

### NRHA Professionals Communication Center

**GREETINGS FROM SHANE BROWN,  
NRHA PROFESSIONAL COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN**

AS THE CHAIRMAN OF THE NRHA PROFESSIONALS COMMITTEE I WANT TO WELCOME all NRHA professional trainers to the new Professionals Communication Center where our base can look to get up-to-date information on the happenings and updates pertinent to being an involved and informed member of NRHA. In the past it has been difficult for those professionals not on a relevant committee to feel plugged in and informed. As your representatives we are endeavoring to change that. While this space is very limited, we have some new programs that we are planning to email to the NRHA Professionals membership.

We want to grow our NRHA Professionals membership to more than participating in the Top Twenty Awards Program. In the coming months we hope to detail our new awards programs that recognize our member trainers on a broader level. Categories recognized will be Horseman and Horsewoman of the Year, Up and Coming Trainer of the Year, Non Pro Coach of the Year and Youth Coach of the Year. This and other items are a taste of what we hope to accomplish, making NRHA Professional's membership more beneficial.

We would also like to thank the NRHA Professionals who have participated in the NRHA Regional Clinics and RHSF Rookie Day presented by Classic Equine events as their valuable time is volunteered. It is our plan to grow these events to benefit the Youth, Crisis Fund and Reining Horse Sports Foundation as well as support the Professional membership.

To make sure you get all the up-to-date information on this and other programs, please contact the NRHA office to update or join the NRHA Professionals at 405-946-7400. We plan to send out an email blast to our current list of members as this will rapidly become our main source of communication. Please make sure your email address is updated and current so that you can stay informed.

In the sidebar is our current list of NRHA Professionals Committee members. If you have ideas for growth and bettered communication between the NRHA Professionals, contact a member or staff liaison Todd Barden. ♦



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