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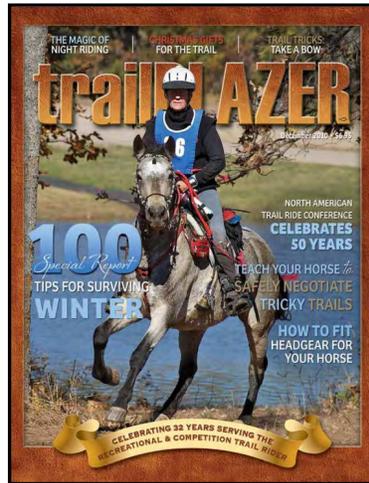


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President's Message

Gary Clayton

There was a great deal of discussion at the National Board of Directors meeting in July concerning the financial soundness of our organization. It has been reaffirmed that one of the responsibilities of the board members is to adopt and maintain a sound fiscal policy. Membership dues and rider fees from the various rides are the major sources of income nationally, and both have been down the past couple of years for many diverse reasons. This has forced the board to look at the major outlays and evaluate each carefully to determine what warrants careful analysis for cost reduction

while also looking at ways to increase membership and ride attendance.

One item the board has addressed in the past is the publication of *Hoof Print*. Several years ago the number of issues was reduced from six per year to four. This change saved NATRC about \$5,000 per year. Further analysis has shown that additional savings could be achieved by delivering *Hoof Print* electronically while offering additional benefits to NATRC.

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The board of directors does not take this issue lightly. We are aware that some members will have problems receiving *Hoof Print* electronically, and for those, provisions will be made to continue with the printed copy. However, there will eventually be an additional fee. I would encourage all of you to study the articles in this issue of *Hoof Print* for more details.

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The First Lessons NATRC Taught Me

MaryAshley McGibbon, Region 4

Despite years of constant and varied riding experience, being a relatively successful albeit young equine professional, and riding a trusted mount I had owned for more than a decade, there was a definite point during my first NATRC ride where I worried I might not know anything about horses, after all. Especially my own.

My 17-year-old Appaloosa gelding, Bandit, and I were winding through pine trees on our first NATRC ride at the Horsemaster's Benefit in Big Sandy, in east Texas. I was tired from fighting my small-though-belligerent horse for the past 10 miles. At home, he was a slightly mischievous but lovable "pet" on whose bare back I could lead a leisurely trail ride without blinking an eye. When we trailered to nearby parks or friends' properties, he sometimes got a bit frisky, but always contained and behaved himself within a few minutes. Yet for some reason, after investing thousands of dollars in this new sport and preparing for months for our first competition, an utter void of communication opened up between us.

Bandit was convinced I had dragged him in the woods to die a slow, humid death on the soft trails of Big Sandy. I was convinced that my childhood mount had been replaced with a troll. We were cantering practically in place, churning up sand and pouring sweat. I was impressed and disheartened to learn just how loudly my horse could whinny while maintaining such a speed. Not only were we falling apart at the seams, but any rider in a five mile radius could probably hear his fussing



MaryAshley McGibbon on Bandit. Photo with permission by Jim Edmondson.

and hollering. We weren't a team, so much as two wild-eyed animals glued together with some fancy synthetic tack. Children half my age on horses only a third of Bandit's age had long ago passed us, trotting along so pleasantly and in tune, I thought I might be sick with envy. We must have looked like a borderline train wreck.

Call it a low spot, but I consider it a testament to how enlightening and energizing the sport of competitive trail riding can be for a rider. The lessons I learned on that first ride, and subsequent competitions and training rides, have made me an infinitely better horse owner and riding instructor.

I came across the North American Trail Ride Conference while participating in a clinic with the Certified Horsemanship Association. Two of the ladies, including one of the clinicians, had been competitors and when they explained the format to me — lots of saddle miles, not a breakneck speed, obstacles that were lightly contrived but still challenging, interesting locations— I was convinced it was the sport for me. After finishing my instructor certification that fall, I went home and did some reading, and made a list of the gear and fitness training I would need. Every month I'd make sure I did enough miles in the saddle, and I'd purchase another piece of my endurance "kit"— a biothane breast

collar one month, matching saddle and water bags the next, then an endurance saddle and stirrups and on down the line until I thought I would at least look the part of a competitor. Lots of NATRC riders indulged my questions via phone or e-mail, and I am forever thankful for their advice.

I may have painted a grim photo of that first ride at the Horsemasters' Benefit, and for at least a couple of miles, it is an accurate one. But things got better, and since the end of that day, I have become very committed to this sport. My job is time-consuming— I am employed full time as the director of the Equestrian Education program for the YMCA of Greater San Antonio.

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The First Lessons NATRC Taught Me, *continued*

I manage a herd of 25 horses aged two through 32, and I teach riding lessons and manage retreat rides throughout the year, and summer camp riding programs during the hot months. That schedule prevents me from attending every CTR that I want to, but I have made three or four a year a priority and hope to increase that number in the years to come.

That little spotted horse, Bandit, ended up helping me win a fourth-place horsemanship ribbon on that very first ride, and went on to win his own ribbons the next ride we attended. He's still a firecracker in competitions, even in his late teens, but the lessons we learned together in Big Sandy have carried us to more success at home and on the trail. A few dressage lessons have helped, too.

We are much better at connecting our minds and finding a common purpose on trail. Judged obstacles remain a point of contention for us, but I see improvements every time we go out. As long as I'm fit and he's sound, we

will continue to ride NATRC. It is my favorite thing to do on the back of a horse, and, like so many of us, I have tried more than a handful of disciplines and events.

And as for those lessons I learned on our first NATRC ride?

In short:

- ◆ When approaching a judged obstacle, no matter the difficulty, you can convince yourself all you want that you're "not nervous at all." Your horse knows differently, and may very well react to that knowledge.
- ◆ There's plenty of reasons to worry about time. Don't miss the scenery because you're staring at your GPS and counting minutes. You're there to enjoy a new or treasured place, and it's a gift!
- ◆ Rarely is it the horse's fault. We've all heard that, but never is it more important to remember than in the heat of competition. My gelding may "have

a screw loose," but it is my job to find that missing piece and improve every time we go out.

- ◆ "Stuff" is important, but it isn't everything. I am so thankful I set aside money to invest in great tack that looks good and will last, and I advise people to look to good endurance retailers before buying any junk. That said, there are still people in old, flimsy, cheap tack who beat me every time.
- ◆ Think before you mount. Use a log, use a tailgate, use topography. There's never a good reason to put more stress on your horse's back.

More often than not, in NATRC, even the winningest competitors are willing to offer you good advice and a kind word. Don't be afraid to ask questions; not only will you get an answer, you very likely will get a great friend in the process who is as horse-hearted as you are. Those mentorships and friendships may be the greatest gift of competitive trail riding.

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Choosing the Proper Headstall: A Snaffle Bit with Correct Fit

Steve Kutie

I have always noticed the small things that people tend to do when it comes to their horses and their choice of equipment, and I have to ask myself, "Do they not know or do they just not care?" Watching people at a recent trail ride I attended, I noticed that a large number of riders had the improper headstall for the bit that they were using.

Headstalls were designed with a specific purpose in mind, to keep the bit hanging in the proper position in your horse's mouth and to allow the rider to pull on the reins and not have the headstall slip over their ears.



Snaffle bit setup.

The hardest thing to overlook, from a safety standpoint, is when one is riding a horse around with a snaffle bit hung on a headstall that has no throatlatch. When pulling on the reins, a headstall that has no throatlatch and brow band will tend to lift off of the horse's poll and possibly slip off over their ears.

The throatlatch and brow band is designed to keep the headstall in the proper position by securing it behind the horse's jaw and across the forehead just in front of the ears. The throatlatch should be adjusted with 2-3 fingers width between it and the horse's throatlatch.

If using a bit that has leverage, a one ear or split ear headstall will be fine since they are being used with a curb chain. The leverage bit, when pulled on, rocks forward in the horse's mouth. This allows the curb chain to apply pressure under the chin and slight pressure over the horse's poll, keeping the headstall in place.

Also for the sake of safety, I like to ride all of my snaffle bits with a curb strap attached to each ring that runs under the horse's chin. This is so I am able to pull the bit left or right without having the rings slide around into the horse's mouth where we lose control.

I will tend to ride all of my horses with a cavasson or nose band to keep them from gapping their mouth open and trying to get away from the bit



Curb bit setup.

pressure. The nose band is NOT used to keep the horse's mouth tied shut; it is just an aid that allows the bit to function properly without allowing any bad habits to start. It is always easier to keep a problem from starting than to have to go back and figure out how to correct it.

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Choosing the Proper Headstall, *Continued*

Proper fit for a snaffle bit depends on the horse's mouth conformation. I will start a colt in the round pen with the bit hanging a little lower in the horse's mouth so that the colt learns how to carry the bit with their tongue. Once I start riding I will pull the bit up so that I have 1-2 slight wrinkles on each corner of the colt's mouths.

Remember that there is no perfect bit; the bit is only as good as the rider's hands that are using it. As always: Ride Hard, Be Safe, Have Fun!

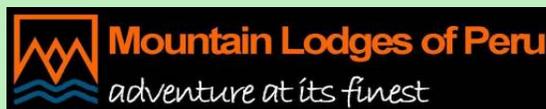
Steve Kutie, owner and operator of KutiePerformanceHorses.com, graduated from MMEC (cert. in teaching). He started out training dressage horses and made the switch to reiners and cowhorses. Steve ran a training/boarding facility in Ohio which had a large group of youth and non-pros. They competed on the local, state, and national level in events as hunt seat, reining, western pleasure, dressage, team penning, halter and showmanship. All of his horses are started with the principles and theories of dressage; building a great foundation to let the horse perform to the best of their ability.



Steve Kutie.

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Macho Mania

Suzanne Murphree

Shelley Bachicha knows her horse Macho of Santa Fe was almost a Missed Macho. The-four-year old half mustang, half quarter horse gelding disappointed his previous owners due to his small size. He just didn't fit their idea of a roping horse, so they were planning on shooting him. Upon learning of Macho's intended fate, Shelley went into action.

"I thought it was unfair to shoot a horse due to human ignorance," Shelley said. She had a bigger vision for this smaller horse.

That was 2005. Training Macho "from the ground up," Shelley feels Macho taught her many things: patience, trust and LOVE!

Fast forward to 2011, and Macho has left his previous life of an unwanted roping horse far behind him.

Competing in events where his size is not a detriment, he has proven to be the star that he is. Macho has competed successfully in the North American Trail Ride Conference (NATRC) and is currently in contention for the American Competitive Trail Horse Association (ACTHA) America's Favorite Trail Horse.

ACTHA's events are limited distance (6-10 miles) competitive trail challenges (CTC) that use judged obstacles along the trail. It was a natural progression from these great weekend CTCs to a nationwide search for America's Favorite Trail Horse. Conceived as a reality TV series, horse and rider teams auditioned across the country for a shot at being America's Favorite Trail Horse. Only 100 teams were chosen, and Shelley and Macho made the cut! The finals (to be aired at a later date) were held May 8, at the Franklin Family Ranch near Austin, Texas.



Macho playing in the water on Wednesday during the freestyle segment. Photo with permission by Katherine Falzone Morgan.

Shelley remembers the experience as "AWESOME! We got to ride in the beautiful Hill Country of Texas. There were rivers with belly-deep water to the horses, beautiful scenery and great camaraderie among all the finalists. There were all ages of riders from 21 to 74 years of age. All breeds of horses were represented. We all came together from all over the United States to celebrate the trail horse. National celebrities coached participants to be the best they could be for the cameras, America's viewers and for your vote!"

Watch Shelley and her horse, Macho of Santa Fe, a small horse with a BIG heart, a horse not to be missed — and possibly the next America's Favorite Trail Horse.

The show initially aired on HRTV on Dish Satellite channel 404 on Sept. 13.

Macho and Shelley will be in episode #11 scheduled to air on Nov. 22. It will also be available online at www.HRTV.com and www.ACTHA.us.

Shelley and her husband Phil are residents of Santa Fe, New Mexico, where they share their home with their two mustangs, Kodi of Santa Fe and Macho of Santa Fe.

For more information on NATRC check out www.natrc.org.

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Pulse and Respiration Counts

Mike Peralez, DVM, Co-Chair, Judges Committee

Several factors contribute to the horse's ability to do the task we ask him to do. To get to a competition, his cardiovascular system must have been trained and conditioned with increasing levels of exercise for weeks or months. As the conditioning program progresses, the increased work load requires that more oxygen is delivered to the muscles. If the conditioning program proceeds appropriately, the heart becomes more efficient at meeting those needs as the horse becomes more fit. During the competition, his heart pumps oxygen-carrying blood to the muscles so they can perform the work needed to cover the course in the allotted time.

Likewise, the respiratory system also adapts to training. For instance, oxygen uptake significantly improves as fitness is improved. Adequate ventilation overall, which also helps control the body's blood gas status, becomes more efficient.

One measure of the horse's level of fitness during a competitive event is the ability of the heart rate to recover to near resting levels in a short period of time after stopping the work. For consistency in NATRC rides, 10 minutes is used as the recovery time. Well-conditioned, fit horses recover by 10 minutes, while less conditioned, unfit horses do not. Heart rates taken immediately after stopping only reflect the work load at that time and are not meaningful in terms of measuring the level of fitness. Several P&R (pulse and respiration) checks are taken during competition.

The veterinary judge sets "go/hold" criteria for P&R readings during the ride. Common criteria for P&Rs are "16 go/17 hold" meaning that if the horse has a 16 or less count for 15 seconds at the 10-minute recovery, he can go on. If either count is above that, the horse must be held for another 10 minutes to be checked again. These guidelines are not arbitrary NATRC

numbers. They follow scientific evidence that horses performing aerobic exercise should recover to 60-64 beats per minute (bpm) in 10-15 minutes. Both heart and respiratory rates should be at least 64 bpm 30 minutes after exercise.

A persistently elevated heart rate, one that does not recover, is an indication the horse's systems are not keeping up with the demands of the exercise. Similarly, prolonged increased respiratory rates also give us cause for concern. Once in a while we hear someone in a P&R line with a rapidly breathing horse say, "Oh, it's okay, he's just panting." Bleep. Horses are designed to dissipate heat by sweating, evaporative cooling. Dogs are designed to dissipate heat by panting, rapid mouth breathing.

A persistently elevated respiratory rate probably indicates the horse has built up excess heat, and his body is trying to use his secondary, less efficient method of rapid breathing to dump some heat. Riders in hot and humid areas know all too well the importance

of keeping an eye on our horses' respiratory rate.

Respiration is complex. The needs for oxygen uptake and heat dissipation are well-known, but there are other anatomic and physiologic factors that play into respiratory rate recovery. Because of this complexity, respiration is not quite as reliable as an indicator of conditioning as is pulse recovery. Nevertheless, respiratory rate is important in determining our horses' response to the stress of the ride and the ability to continue. For these reasons, NATRC records and scores both pulse AND respiration.

To put this in perspective, most of the deviations from normal recoveries that we see on our rides are minor. But major deviations, ones that cause big metabolic problems, are made up of several smaller metabolic changes. Riders should be concerned not only about the P&R readings that translate to scores on the scorecard, but what those readings are saying about the metabolic status of the horse.



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EHV-1/Equine Herpes Myeloencephalopathy “EHM” and Managing the Disease Risks

Stephanie Ostrowski, DVM

As most NATRC competitors are aware, an outbreak of Equine Herpes Myeloencephalopathy (“EHM”), the neurologic form of equine herpes virus-1 (EHV-1; also called rhinopneumonitis or “rhino”) began at the National Cutting Horse Association Western National Championship in Ogden, Utah, which was held from April 30 to May 8, 2011. Reports of serious illness and death in horses from that event prompted regulatory veterinarians in affected states to impose quarantines on the movement of infected and exposed horses, and to issue recommendations to prevent further transmission of the virus. Concern over the outbreak forced the cancellation of horse shows from South Carolina to Saskatchewan just as the prime season for riding competitions was getting under way.

According to the 2005 edition of the Merck Veterinary Manual, immunity after natural infection by EHV-1 occurs through several mechanisms. Most horses are carriers of EHV-1 and EHV-4 viruses but do not fall ill or shed virus unless they are stressed. A few horses -- and almost all donkeys and mules -- can become contagious without developing symptoms, which makes the spread of the virus more difficult to trace.

Five to twelve percent of horses die from EHV-1 infection. Of those that develop neurological symptoms, about thirty percent die. EHV-1 can be spread easily when horses greet each other nose to nose and when they share bits, saddles or water troughs. It can also be transported on a person's hands or clothing, and travel airborne up to 30 feet when a horse coughs or sneezes.

Although there are multiple commercial EHV-1 vaccines that may be used to prevent the common EHV-1 respiratory infections and prevent herpes virus abortions, unfortunately there is **not** any vaccine with a label claim of **effectiveness against the neurotropic form of the virus**. This means that horse-owners mostly need to use basic biosecurity precautions during any period of heightened concern. Should you consider vaccinating against EHV-1 or giving booster vaccinations at times when the risk of transmission is increased? Yes. Is vaccination a “silver bullet” against infection? No, definitely not. Why should you bother? Evidence suggests that re-vaccinated horses are somewhat less likely to develop the neurologic form of the disease, so it will help to improve the odds that your horse is

among the 88-95 percent of horses that only get a fever, cough, and runny nose from EHV-1 infection.

So, if your horse is not among the horses quarantined and under surveillance for contact with a case, what does “basic biosecurity precautions” mean in the context of trail riding and stabling of trail horses? Should you be buying hand-sanitizer by the gallon?

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EHV-1/Equine Herpes Myeloencephalopathy “EHM” and Managing the Disease Risks, *continued*

NATRC riders can think of it as “riding your own ride” – that phrase we hear so often in our sport! In this context it can mean keeping your distance from other horses and riders whom you don’t usually train with or stable next to, to decrease your risk.

Prevent your horse from sniffing noses with horses he isn’t usually stabled with, and don’t let him drink or eat out of the same container after another horse. It means not offering a trailer ride to a friend’s horse from another barn and not getting a group together for a weekend trail ride unless the horses already are stabled or pastured together.

Does it mean that you can’t get out and do your distance conditioning rides? Not necessarily, but do exercise good judgment about where and when you ride, and how much distance you maintain between horses when you meet up with another rider.

Avoid having your horse drink from a bucket or stock tank right behind another horse. If you have off-farm contact with horses belonging to others, wash and sanitize your hands and any tack or tools, blow your nose (because the virus can live up to six hours inside your nose too), and change and launder your clothes before handling your own horses. We needn’t be afraid of the germs that are a normal and natural part of

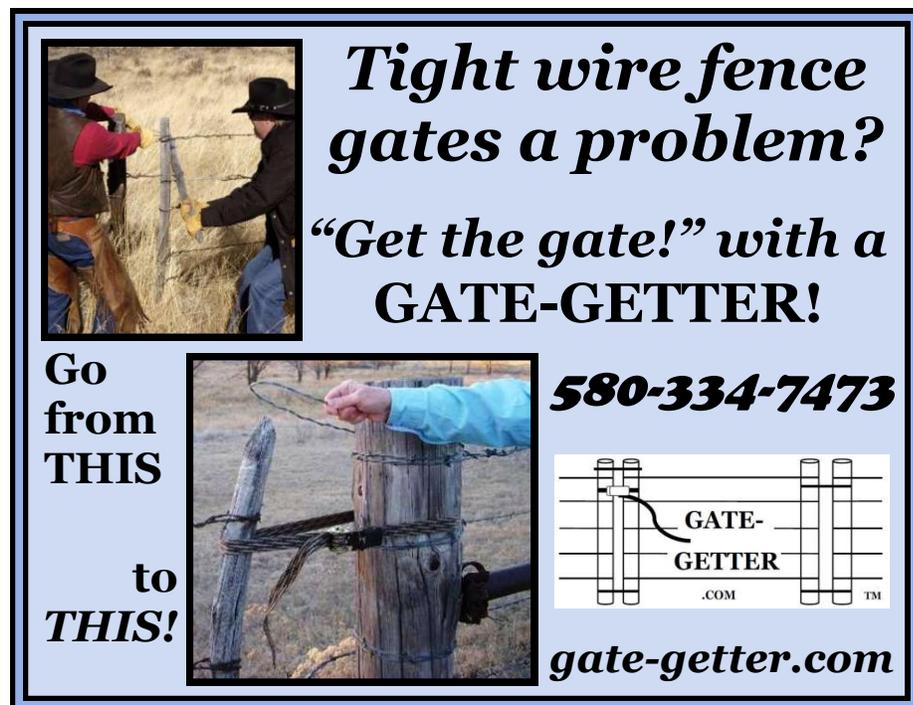
our horses’ everyday environment, but we need to take common-sense precautions when appropriate. Remember, as trail riders we are the ones who aren’t afraid to take our horses out of the arena. On the other hand, we also are the ones who check the tires each time before we load up and make sure we have our cell phones in case of emergencies, because we will be gone riding for hours. We know that “stuff” (like traffic, bees, water crossings, unexpected weather, and barn-sour horses) can and does happen out there, and we have learned to live with and manage those much greater risks every day.

The California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) website provides more detailed information

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To Clip or Not to Clip

Jamie Dieterich, Information and Education

During the fall ride season, we are faced with decisions about how to best manage our horse's temperature. To clip or not to clip? To blanket or not to blanket? Those are the questions, and answers come down to a lot of personal choices.

Horses are designed to be outside. In cold weather, a horse's natural coat traps warm air from the body between the hairs and serves as an insulator to keep them warm just as down in a jacket traps air and keeps us warm. The horse's hair fluffs up to trap more warm air as appropriate. Dry snow stays on top of the hair, similarly to how dry snow stays on the outside of our down jacket. Cold rain, however, flattens the hair and cancels out the insulation properties, much as rain flattens our down jacket and renders it nearly worthless. It is much harder for a horse to withstand cold rain than dry snow.

A horse's winter coat starts growing deep within the follicles as the days start to shorten after the summer solstice. By around late August, the winter coat starts to break through the skin and push out the short summer coat. Most of the shedding of the summer coat happens around the time of the fall equinox. We usually aren't aware of this shedding because the hairs are so short, but we might be aware that our horse is shivering in the early fall because he's lost one hair coat and hasn't fully gained the other. The summer coat starts growing in the hair follicles around the first of the calendar year, and by early spring, is pushing the winter coat out. The spring shedding of longer hair is quite apparent.

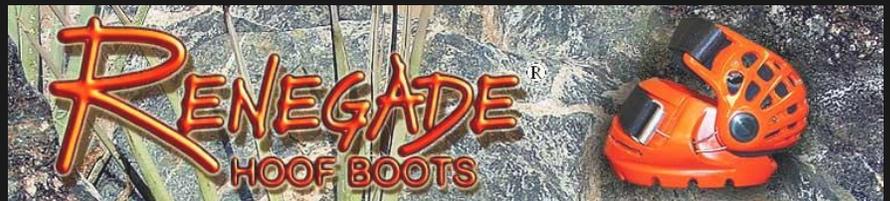
Understanding the hair growth cycle, and therefore picturing when the hair is growing out, helps make decisions

about clipping for rides. For fall rides, Angie Meroshnekoff, Region 1, says she usually clips her horse for mid to late September rides, and finds that coat tends to grow back pretty well by winter. She prefers to do a full body clip leaving a pad of hair for the saddle and girth. However, the later she clips, the less the coat grows back, and if she clips her horse after early November, it doesn't grow back very well at all. Because of the unpredictability of spring weather, she prefers to not remove too much hair and just clips the neck and flanks.

Many riders clip their horses for the fall rides, not only to help them be cooler during the day, but so they can

cool them down slowly and dry them off at the end of the day. Just remember: the later in the season the horse is clipped, the less hair will grow back, and the more likely it is that he will have to wear a blanket during the winter. Even though it means more daily management decisions, many riders actually prefer to clip their horse and blanket him during the winter to make winter cooling out and drying off easier after conditioning rides.

Others, especially those with turn-out, prefer that their horse has its own natural hair coat and protection. The decisions come down to a lot of personal choices.



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Laurie



NATRC Ride Schedule

Please see current ride schedule at www.natrc.org/RideSchedule/RideSchedule.pdf.

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Adopting Electronic Media

Susan Peters and Elaine Swiss

We are at an exciting time in our history – a time where it is important to convey to our members, our advertisers, and the world that NATRC is a vibrant and forward-thinking organization. Two of the most important ways we “reach the world” are through our website and through our newsletter, *Hoof Print*. Over the past few years, we have done much with the website, and we will continue to evolve that communication vehicle. On the other hand, *Hoof Print*

continues to be produced much as it has been for the past 50 years of our history. It is now time to look at ways we can enhance this communication vehicle.

To remain viable, newsletters and magazines need to be focused on two segments – the people who read them (our members and future members) and the companies whose advertising dollars pay a substantial part of the cost of most publications.

Electronic media offers huge benefits for organizations like ours who want to reach their “audience” and attract advertisers in the following ways:

- ◆ We know that it is important for our future to reach a broader audience and a younger audience. The Internet and electronic media are essential to reaching the younger audience.

- ◆ To continue to be attractive to advertisers, we need to understand what kinds of communications they want to use. Here are just a few reasons why electronic media is so much more attractive to advertisers than print media:

- ◆ Color is no longer optional. With electronic media, color can easily be accommodated at no additional cost. In print media, incorporating color increases the cost of production dramatically.

- ◆ “Click through” capability (opening a link such as a website by clicking on the words) is available ONLY in electronic media. It is extremely valuable to advertisers and is fast becoming a requirement for many advertisers to even consider advertising in a communication vehicle.

For the reasons above, it is essential that we provide an electronic version of *Hoof Print*. The question then becomes, “Can we implement an electronic version and still continue publishing the newsletter?” Unfortunately, the truth is that the costs to produce a print version ALONE have escalated to the point of being unaffordable for our organization.

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Our goal is to provide seamless transition from
100% print delivery of the Summer 2011 issue to
100% electronic delivery of the Spring 2012 issue.

Adopting Electronic Media, *continued*

Hoof Print expense in 2010 accounted for 20 percent of our revenue, costing \$18,111 out of revenue of \$92,000. Other than our staff expense, which was 43 percent of our revenue, *Hoof Print* is our largest expense, more than three times bigger than our ride costs!

Although we were able to contract our design work in 2011 for a \$2,000 savings, this savings is offset in part by increased postage and printing expense. 2011 will be very similar to total cost as 2010. This is an unsustainable expense for our organization at this time given we have lost money for four years running.

Many members do not understand that the membership dues we retain at National only cover 25 percent of our expenses, barely enough to

cover *Hoof Print* alone, and not enough to even cover our one staff person.

An analysis of the costs shows that transitioning from a print to an electronic *Hoof Print* will reduce our expenses in 2012 by more than \$10,000. This means adoption of this electronic media can help halt four years of consecutive losses in 2012.

Not only can an electronic media give us much needed savings; it also allows us to:

- ◆ Incorporate the features such as color and click through capability that our advertisers are demanding (and will result in a more attractive document for our members.)
- ◆ Reach market segments that are critical to our future viability.

Many of you have already chosen the option to receive *Hoof Print* electronically on the 2011 membership form. The Summer 2011 issue has been available electronically on the website, and many of you have realized the advantages of the color format and the ability to store the publication on your computer.

This Fall 2011 issue will also be available on the website. Our goal is to provide seamless transition from 100 percent print delivery of the Summer 2011 issue to 100 percent electronic delivery for the Spring 2012 issue. The print version will then be available for a separate subscription fee to satisfy the preference some will have to continue receiving a print subscription.

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Protest Committee Report

Kim Cowart, Protest Committee Chair

One protest was filed, and the decision rendered by the Protest Committee was to disallow the protest.

Explanation and reasoning of Protest Committee regarding Betty Wolgram's Protest of Navajo Lake CTR held May 7-8, 2011:

Complainant asked that two obstacles from this ride be disallowed as violations of the following rules:

- Section 3-C (2) The course must be natural and native to the local terrain and the use of artificial or unsafe obstacles/trail is prohibited.

- Section 6-A (7) Judging obstacles must be natural and native to the local terrain and the use of artificial or unsafe obstacles is prohibited.

Obstacle 1: Riders were instructed to trot to a P&R. Along the course of this trot, the riders encountered sticks/logs to cross on the trail, and the vet judge (Dr. Joe Quintana), was positioned to observe as riders passed. Complainant stated her belief that having to cross over the sticks/logs, particularly at a trot, could have been unsafe due to speed of travel and height of logs.

- It is the belief of the Protest Committee that an NATRC competitor, and any trail rider, should expect to encounter and negotiate such *naturally-occurring* trail obstacles, and in fact, being judged on such obstacles is a common occurrence at NATRC competitions.

- Only two riders went around the logs. No other complaints were made.

- No injuries were reported to any horse or rider.

- This obstacle was set up and observed by an experienced NATRC Vet Judge.

These facts, in conjunction with consistent statements from others at the ride, indicate to the Protest Committee that the obstacle did not appear to have been unsafe or unnatural.

Obstacle 2: Riders were asked to do a v-shaped side pass over an abandoned piece of oilfield pipe. Complainant's main concerns here appear to have been the possibility of the rusted pipe breaking or jagged edges injuring a horse.

- The record indicates that there were no sharp edges to be found on the pipe, and the rust was surface rust on an otherwise sturdy piece of 2 3/8-inch diameter and 6-foot or more in length piece of heavy pipe.

- With the pipe being round, a horse's foot would slide off should he step on the edge.

- No other rider had a problem with the pipe itself.

- This obstacle was set up, analyzed for safety by, and monitored by both judges (Dr. Joe Quintana and Priscilla Lindsey) the rules interpreter (Judy

Cumberworth), the trail master (Bill Cumberworth), the ride manager (Russ Jones), and other experienced NATRC personnel.

These facts, in conjunction with consistent statements from those in attendance, indicate to the Protest Committee that the obstacle did not appear to be unsafe.

On the issue of natural and native, this ride was held in an area of intense oilfield activity. Abandoned/discarded pipe is routinely encountered and has come to be considered natural/native to the particular area. As such, encountering such pipe would not be considered any more unusual/unnatural/non-native than the oilfield road itself.

In conclusion, unless there is a clear indication of a safety violation or violation of rules, we must give deference to and trust the discretion of the Judges and experienced ride personnel who set up the obstacles. To do otherwise would undermine all ride management.



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Greetings from the New National Trail Advocacy Chair

Erin Glassman

Sometimes an opportunity comes into your life that you just cannot pass up. Sometimes it's not at the easiest juncture of life, but despite that, you think that this opportunity may not be there when you do have a "little more time" (whatever that means, ha ha.) This is what has happened with me and the opening of the trail advocacy chair position.

Since the early part of my still-budding NATRC career, I have known two things. The first is that I love the sport of distance riding and hope to keep competing until I can no longer pitch myself up onto the back of my horses. The second is that I know we must have trails and people willing to compete on them for me to obtain the first goal.

I have been trying to learn more about trail advocacy for a while now, and when the position became available due to the events in the life of our previous chair, Doreen Portner, I felt that the best way to learn and achieve was to jump right in. I realize, and hope that you realize as well, that there will be a learning curve that I must follow for a while, but I will do what I can, at the best of my ability, to help

keep our trails open to equestrian use, especially for our distance events.

Actions I have had the opportunity to become involved with include working with Dee Overholt on a trail grant for the Colorado Trail. I have been involved with writing letters to different land management agencies and government leaders regarding potential loss of trail access and have talked with other agencies regarding gain of trail access for CTRs. I also had the opportunity to attend the Southeastern Equestrian Trail Conference in July – a great conference!

I will ask the membership for a few more things: patience for me to get through my learning curve, advice if you have it, cooperation with the land

managers, services and other users we will encounter that we are and will be working with, and open minds to solutions in keeping, maintaining, and potentially making new trails for our use.

I am very fortunate to have Doreen Portner, our former chair, as an excellent resource, and I will be communicating with others both inside and outside our organization to learn as much as I can. I would like to encourage anyone with advice, questions, concerns, trail issues, etc. to contact me (email is best, ejacob716@gmail.com).

I would love to work with all of you all in undertaking the very important task of advocating for our trails! I look forward to our future interactions.

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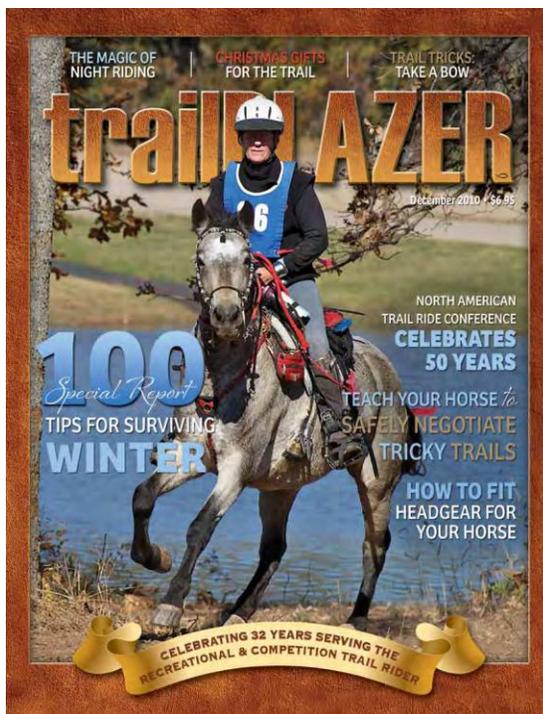
Marketing

What Is Going On?

Bev Roberts

From recent discussions on the chat list, it became clear that most members are not aware of strides we are making in Marketing NATRC. First, may I preface my report with this fact -- the marketing budget in 2011 is zero (nada, nothing, zilch, nil). So every bit of visibility we get has to be free. Here are some of the things we've been doing.

- ✓ Last year we bit the bullet and paid for a year-long contract with the *Trail Rider* magazine for a 1/8th page ad. They were so kind as to let us use a color ad at the B&W rate. The results? In spite of the fact that each issue of the magazine goes to over 40,000 subscribers, we did not receive even one inquiry that could be attributed to that ad.
- ✓ We have expanded the media contact list from about 10 national and one regional magazine to:
 - 12 national print and online magazines
 - Seven (so far) regional print and online magazines
 - Two radio shows
 - 15 breed organization magazines
 - 15 other CTR organizations in the US and Canada
- ✓ Every quarter, stories with NATRC in them appear at least 14 different publications and online horse related sites. That is an average of better than four times a month.
- ✓ Marsh Hayes, R6, was a regular contributor to *TheHorse.com* for more than a year in covering Elmer Bandit's progress to break the



- high mileage record and later covering his passing.
- ✓ A number of NATRC members donated a total of \$1,000 to honor Elmer Bandit and have the NATRC name on a permanent display plaque in the Arabian Horse Gallery at the Kentucky Horse Park.
- ✓ Last year, we were on three radio shows: Rick Lamb's *The Horse Show*, Audrey Pavia's *Horsing Around* on Pet Life Radio and *Horses in the Morning*. This year to date, we've been on *Horses in the Morning* twice.
- ✓ In national publications only, this year so far we have been in *Trail Blazer* twice (once as the feature article in the January issue about CTR, NATRC and our 50th Anniversary convention); *Horse Illustrated* once and

America's Horse (AQHA publication) once. Last year we were in *Trail Blazer* thrice, *Modern Arabian Horse* twice, *Missouri Fox Trotter Journal* once, and *Arabian Horse Times* once.

- ✓ Our entire ride schedule is on the *Best of America by Horseback* website.
- ✓ Thanks to our efforts, *Equisearch.com* now has a CTR Associations Page on their site. Before, we were on the Endurance Page.
- ✓ In one year we have grown our E-News subscribers from around 150 to more than 500 and many of these, estimated at roughly 200, are not NATRC members.
- ✓ We updated our brochure last year for distribution for marketing.
- ✓ Numerous members in various regions have placed and paid for ads in regional magazines announcing rides.
- ✓ NATRC stories and the R4 ride schedule appear every month on the NCTHA Affiliate Page in the all-breed *Southwest Horse Trader* regional magazine.
- ✓ Then, of course, there is our 2012 Raffle in which the prize is a seven-day Lodge-to-Lodge Horseback Ride to Machu Picchu in Peru. This is a GREAT VEHICLE for getting our name out in front of the public!

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NATRC Student Loan Program

Student loans are available up to \$5,000 per person /year, at the discretion of the NATRC National Board of Directors, after proper application has been submitted.

Preference will be given to a full-time student who has been a member of NATRC or whose family has been an active member for at least three years.

Consideration will also be given to a student or a student's family who has been an active member of NATRC for less than three years but more than six months.

A loan will be made based upon financial need, scholastic achievement, and character of the applicant as determined by the Student Loan/Scholarship Committee.

A loan is to be repaid in monthly installments with an annual interest rate of 3 percent charged on that loan, beginning not later than six months following graduation or when the recipient ceases to be a full-time student.

For an *application*, contact the NATRC Executive Administrator at natrc@natrc.org. Please complete the form in Word and submit via email to the NATRC Executive Administrator at natrc@natrc.org.



Marketing, *continued*

If one quarter of our Hoof Print readers (let's say 280 people) went to the NATRC website, downloaded the Raffle Flyer, made at least 10 copies of the flyer and posted them in their local feed, tack, western wear, convenience stores, vet office, fairgrounds and etc., that would be 2,800 flyers posted across the nation.

Now let's do some math. Say at least 50 different people a month (that is 1.5-plus per day) would see each flyer for the next 6 months; NATRC would be in front of 840,000 people! That is pretty good exposure in addition to the 40,000-50,000 people at each magazine mentioned above.

I have my 10 copies posted. Do you?

And ALL OF THIS with a national budget of \$0.00.

There is nothing that says that individuals, ride managers, clubs and regions cannot do the same kinds of things in their local and regional areas using press releases, flyers, articles, radio shows and other marketing vehicles.

Is there anyone who has TV connections who can get us on some RFD-TV horse programs? We have not been able to accomplish that -- yet.

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Timing Your Ride

Jean Green, Management Chair

One thing that makes NATRC rides unique is the timing of rides so that soundness and condition of the horses are compared at the same speed and distance. The rules require that all horses in a division complete the designated trail in the same amount of time. In order to assure this, each horse and rider team has to be timed individually. Accomplishing this is not as easy as you might think. The Ride Timer is one of the most important and difficult jobs at a CTR.

The Rule Book outlines exactly how the ride will be timed. Failure to adhere to this procedure can result in an unfair situation that may lead to a protest. The Rule Book says:

- Official Timers: Each sanctioned ride will provide a timer and recorder for each division unless the ride is so arranged that one timer and recorder can adequately record the times for all divisions. The records kept by the timers are to be presented to the ride chairman.
- The pace is 4 to 6 MPH for Open and 3.5 to 5 MPH for Novice and CP.
- "Riding time" used to compute the pace should not include lunch and P&R stops.
- Horses are timed out at regular intervals, and an accurate time to the nearest minute is recorded for each horse.
- There is a 30-minute window between minimum and maximum ride time.
- Early arrivals lose 1 point per minute under the minimum ride time. Teams more than 30 minutes early are disqualified.
- Late arrivals lose 1 point per minute over the maximum ride time. Teams more than 30 minutes late will receive

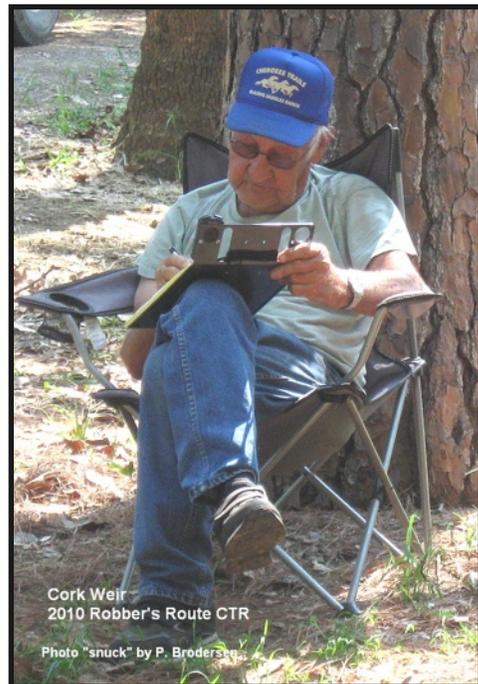
completion points and mileage only.

- Teams will be timed in and out at the lunch stop.
- P & R hold times will be added to a team's minimum and maximum allowed times.
- Official delays due to judging or management hold-ups on the trail will be added to a teams maximum allowed time only.

So, timing a ride is not as simple as recording the time in at out at the start and finish of the ride.

All of these possible time adjustments must be given to the Official Timer at the end of a day's ride, and the timer must calculate each team's actual riding time and report any late or early arrivals to the Ride Chair. The Timer should:

- Be responsible, organized and have a good head for math.
- Have an assistant to help assure that every team gets recorded at the proper time.
- Have two accurate watches synchronized to ride time. These should be set at 12:00 when the first rider is timed out. One of these could be a stopwatch or chronograph that is started as the first rider times out. An additional watch set on real time will be needed to keep track of scheduled events in camp.
- Be available well before the start and finish of the ride and at the lunch stop.
- Have a comfortable chair, protection from the weather, a clipboard and/or table, the timing sheets and several sharp pencils.
- Coordinate with the Trailmaster, Ride Chair,



Judges, and P&R Chair to assure receipt of all hold times or timing changes at the end of each day's ride.

- Report any late or early teams to the Ride Chair as soon as possible after all riders are in camp.

The Official Timing Sheet is available on-line at www.natrc.org on the Ride Documents page. Ride timers should become familiar with this form in advance. A separate sheet should be used for each division.

The Ride Chair should take selection of timers seriously. It is not one of those jobs that can be given to whomever shows up at the last minute. The timer should be introduced to the riders at ride briefing so they know who to look for. Riders should be told where the timer will be sitting and informed that it is their responsibility to be there on time. Failure to time your ride properly can result in hard feelings, protests and even loss of sanction.

Bridging Gaps on the Colorado Trail

Susan McKelvy

Competitors on the Region 3 Colorado Trail CTR over the weekend of June 11-12 can thank the efforts of their ride management for installation of three new bridges over small streams that eased their horses' trips on the trails. Last fall, Dee Overholt, ride manager, noticed that two of the bridges presented potential danger, not only to horses but also to hikers and bike riders and took action to have them repaired or replaced prior to the ride.

Dee started with photos of the problem crossings which she forwarded to the United States Forest Service (USFS), Colorado Trail Foundation (CTF) and to NATRC's trail committee. She inquired about a grant for supplies and materials through NATRC and was subsequently approved for the funds for materials. She also requested that the Colorado Trail Foundation put the bridge replacements on their schedule of trail maintenance for 2011. The bridges had to meet requirements set by the USFS and the CTF which would permit safe passage of people, bikes and horses.

The Colorado Trail wanders south and west from Denver to Durango for 488 miles through some of Colorado's most spectacular scenery. Use of the trail is limited to bicycles (except in designated wilderness), hikers and horseback riders, making it multi-use. It climbs as high as 13,000 feet going over Coney Peak and passes through several wildernesses such as Lost Park and Weminuche. Travelers on the trail can view many 14,000-foot peaks of several mountain ranges including the Collegiates and the San Juans, pristine mountain valleys, old ghost towns, rushing streams, snow fields, myriad wildflowers, wild game including big horn sheep, mountain goats, deer, elk, beavers, picas, coyotes, and marmots just to name a few. The Colorado Trail often shares common tread with the



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Continental Divide Trail. Many NATRC riders in Colorado and New Mexico regularly ride sections of the trail for pleasure and to condition themselves and their horses in preparation for competition. The corridor of the Colorado Trail is also used for the Willow Springs Competitive Ride held in June on a section near Kenosha Pass, and the Purgatory CTR out of Durango, Colorado has sometimes used part of the trail in their competitive trail ride. Some riders have adopted sections of the trail for annual maintenance which requires construction of water bars, corridor clearing, bridge installation and repairs and clearing of downed trees.

Dee was understandably concerned when she learned from the person in charge of scheduling maintenance for the Colorado Trail that such repairs were not on the work list for early May. During discussion with local riding friends and supporters of NATRC, it was decided to contact the Front Range Backcountry Horsemen (FRBCH) organization about possibly scheduling the much-needed maintenance to be done before the CTR was scheduled to happen in June. Everyone who had seen the washed out

bridges agreed the work could not wait! FRBCH responded positively and made an assessment trip to look over the sites and discuss needed materials for accomplishing the repair. All work was scheduled, coordinated and approved by the USFS, and plans were made to do the fix before the CTR.

A date for installation was scheduled, though before it was realized, the Colorado Trail Foundation notified Dee that miscommunication between their scheduler for trail work and the head office had inadvertently left out that much-needed project, and that it was on the docket for repair. True to their promise, CTF work crews doing other trail maintenance in the area installed two stout, horse-worthy timber bridges over the streams a week prior to the event giving safe crossing to all trail users including the riders of the Colorado Trail CTR. A third bridge had been repaired by the USFS work crews earlier in the spring making the section of the trail used for the CTR one of the safest in the whole system.

The Colorado Trail is a treasure of infinite value to people seeking the Rocky Mountain High experience. The Colorado Trail CTR will celebrate its 25th anniversary in 2012. Dee and her management team invite competitive riders to pencil it in for entry on next year's ride calendars.

Cooperation with the USFS, persistence of ride management in pursuit of fixing the bridges, and the generous funding for materials by NATRC made it all happen. The project promoted NATRC beliefs in trail safety. Thanks to all who were involved in identifying the problem and pursuit of a solution. As the USFS representative wryly mused, "The bridges are stout enough to carry several Clydesdales and their riders safely over the streams!"

Friendly Reminder

Annual Points and Data

Cheri Jeffcoat

The name you use for your horse is critical. Regardless of whether you use RMS or paper entries, it is critical that you are consistent with the horse name. Why? If you use different names, the mileage credit for your horse and possibly the points will be split between the different names and there will be no totaling of the miles and points. If you belong to a breed organization, they only know the registered name of the horse. At year-end, if the registered name is not used and they go to check to see if you are eligible for a breed award, they will rule that you are ineligible if you use a barn/nickname. How to prevent the problem? In RMS, if your horse is registered with a breed organization, go in and edit your horse's name and REMOVE any nicknames/barn names etc; leave only the registered name. If your horse is not registered, go in and make sure ONLY one name is in there. If we have a same name horse, we will assign a number, for instance, Ranger 8, which means it is the eighth unregistered horse to enter the system with the name of Ranger. You don't want your records mixed up with any other Ranger. Be sure and use the same names on any paper entries.

I know you think we can read folks mind; we can't. I know you think ride secretaries will just "know" to use a registered name when you have entered under a nickname; they won't. I know that all your region friends know your horses' real and nicknames; we don't. We have an average of 35,000 lines of data we work with each year. It is time consuming and expensive to hire a psychic to try and figure stuff out.

Please take a moment and check and make sure only ONE NAME is used. Check RMS, clean the name up if you have added a nickname or added something in parentheses. Please help! Take a moment to tell your friends about this.

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Ride Results

Purgatory (See photo p. 29)

7/23-24/2011 Region Three-CO

A-O/N/CP Total Riders: 33

Chairperson: Abbie Hazelwood

Judges: Rhonda Gregory DVM, Pat Montgomery

Novice Sweepstakes: Sabrina 2/Hansford, Bobbi-97

Open Sweepstakes: Awesomes Fire N Ice/Wolgram, Ken-99

Open Heavyweight

- 1/1 Awesomes Fire N Ice/Wolgram, Ken
- 2/3 Dee Bar/Westmoreland, Cheryl
- 3/2 Golden Ambition/Bingham, Kerry
- 4/4 Doc 4/Emond, Boyd
- P Lumbre/Bechtolt, Phoebe

Open Lightweight

- 1/4 Hot Saki/Smith, Terri
- 2/3 Cedar Mesa Rushai/Mason, Judy Wise
- 3/2 SA Jhake/Yates, Terry
- 4/1 Hasty's Blossom/Peters, Susan
- CO GE Spartan/Jarrett, Cheryl
- P Shiloh Sphinx/Roper-Dashner, Sharon

Open Junior

- 1/2 Hank 6/Winter, Morgan
- 2/1 Not a Chance/Vanpoolen, Hannah

Novice Heavyweight

- 1/3 Pur Ty Rain Danc/Chamberlain, Alden
- 2/5 SC Mystyc Rosebud/Schnitzler, Deb
- 3/1 Bookcliff Mountain Fire/Bingham, Kenneth
- 4/2 Arthena/Newkirk, Dana
- 5/4 Shiner/Fusco, Sue
- P Joker 2/Guthrie, Jan
- P Lite Foot Slow Poke/Arnett, Leona

Novice Lightweight

- 1/1 Sabrina/Hansford, Bobbi
- 2/3 Ima Dynamic Star/Poulton, Jennifer
- 3/2 Ember/Halterman, Susan

Novice Junior

- 1/1 Ranger/Fusco, Alyssa
- 2/2 Precious Easy Aces/Bingham, Sydney

Competitive Pleasure

- 1/2 Summer/Wolgram, Betty
- 2/4 The Missouri Reverend/Wingle, Diane
- 3/3 Slicks Gal Legacy/Wallace, Dolly
- 4/1 Sixes Peppy Lady/Fezell, Juleen
- 5/5 Blue Spruce Shanta/Howell, Perran
- 6/6 Camberhazi III/Parris, Mickenzie
- Estrella de Yanqui/Marquardt, Diana
- JOR Picasso/O'Brien, Wava

Tarryall River Romp - A

8/6-7/2011 Region Three-CO

A-O/N/CP Total Riders: 40

Chair-Susan Peters

Judges: Jerry Weil DVM, Kathy Budd

Novice Sweepstakes: Silver Zanita/Barlow, Caralyn-98.5

Open Sweepstakes: Awesomes Fire N Ice/Wolgram, Ken-100

Open Heavyweight

- 1/1 Awesomes Fire N Ice/Wolgram, Ken
- 2/2 Touch's Yeller Gold/Inman, Gary
- 3/3 Mariah 3/Wingle, Bill
- 4/4 Baby's Hasty Bay Flyer/Lang, Renee

Open Lightweight

- 1/1 Hot Saki/Smith, Terri
- 2/2 SA Jhake/Yates, Terry
- 3/3 Kourageus Skyy/Brooks, Wendy
- 4/4 GE Spartan/Jarrett, Cheryl
- 5/5 Not a chance/Vanpoolen, Kirt

Open Junior

- 1/1 Hank 6/Winter, Morgan
- 2/2 Dartaway/Vanpoolen, Hannahh

Novice Heavyweight

- 1/4 Levi 2/Morgan, Dayna
- 2/5 Warrior's Blue Skies/Reinhardt, Nancy
- 3/2 Pur Ty Rain Danc/Chamberlain, Alden
- 4/1 Foxy 4/Auer, Beth
- 5/3 SC Mystyc Rosebud/Schnitzler, De
- P Sky Baby/Hoffmann, Markus

Novice Lightweight

- 1/4 Silver Zanita/Barlow, Caralyn
- 2/3 Ttamus/Hofkamp, Sarah
- 3/6 Amira 2/Newman, Jane
- 4/1 SAS's Aussie/Walls, Sharyl
- 5/2 Ranger 8/Todd, Lorrie
- 6/ Starlight/Lynn, Heloise
- /5 Pasion de Zorro Rojo/Oosterhous, Allison
- P Ember 2/Halterman, Susan
- P Yukon 2/Watanabe, Kimberley

Novice Junior

- 1/1 Marcus/Chandler, Susan
- 2/2 Tommy 2/Reega, Sarah

Novice DO

- Lilly 2/Kute, Amanda

Competitive Pleasure

- 1/3 Summer/Wolgram, Betty
- 2/1 The Missouri Reverend/Wingle, Diane
- 3/ Zanie's Sensational Spring/Lynch, Lesly
- 4/2 Sixes Peppy Lady/Fezell, Juleen
- 5/5 Harlems Spirit of Denmark/Tarvin, Jill
- 6/ Baby Doll's Spotted Man/Miller-Inman, Linell
- /4 Eckel's RJ Foxfire/Eckel, Sherry
- /6 Pink Cadillac/Fleischer, Donna
- Resort Valley Sparkler/Marquardt, Diana
- Knights Diamond Pal/Sinnett, James
- P Azad/Meyer, Laura

Tarryall River Romp - B

8/6/2011 Region Three-CO

A-O/N/CP Total Riders: 10

Chair-Susan Peters

Judges: Jerry Weil DVM, Kathy Budd

Novice Sweepstakes: Free Spirit Windsor/Leland, Pat-97

Novice Heavyweight

- 1/1 McWulf HOS/Smith, Richard 2
- CO Traveling Jack/Pilcher, Sandra

Novice Lightweight

- 1/1 Free Spirit Windsor/Leland, Pat
- 2/2 Lena II/Smith, NancyBob
- P Luna 2/Miller, Donna
- P Porscha/Kissmann, Kimberly

Novice Junior

- CO Soaring Mystiki/Pilcher, Kayla
- CO Morning Star Brite/Overton, Hannah
- CO Wildwych Scofflaw/Brandt, Olivia
- P Nascha/Barlow, Anton

NATRC Ride Schedule

Please see current ride schedule at www.natrc.org/RideSchedule/RideSchedule.pdf

EKAHA Hill & Dale

5/21-22/2011 Region Six-KS

A-O/N/CP Total Riders: 30

Chairman: Michael Colby

Judges: Michael Bridges DVM, Frank Keeran

Novice Sweepstakes: Mr. Chico Lindo/Smith, Yvonne-98

Open Sweepstakes: Winchester Charm/Wood, Mary Anna-96

Open Heavyweight

- 1/2 Wineglass Rouge/Nelson, Eric
- 2/1 Countrys Touch WH/Hinkebein, William
- P Frontgate Phoenix/Rinne, Sarah
- P Spot Me Wild/Sylvara, Karenly

Open Lightweight

- 1/6 Winchester Charm/Wood, Mary Anna
- 2/1 King's Mountain Hale Bop/Dollarhide, Patti
- 3/ DJ Maverick/Lysinger, Patricia
- 4/ Lucky's Black Gold/Hiskett, Matthew
- 5/3 Hungarian Jade/Hirsch, Lucy
- 6/2 Twister's Irish Lad/Louthan, Stacie
- /4 Loco Motion/Baldwin, Sara
- /5 MRA Nadria/McLain, Jeannine
- P Cito Mocha Raton/Cleveland, Trish

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Ride Results, *continued*

EKAHA Hill & Dale, cont.

Novice Heavyweight

- 1/1 RW Braveheart/Ginn, Mary
- 2/3 Nehi Charm/Schaben, Anna
- 3/2 Scooter 3/Blakely, Shelly
- P Sequoyah/Hall, Scott
- P Sweet Pea 3/Schnitzler, Deb

Novice Lightweight

- 1/1 Mr. Chico Lindo/Smith, Yvonne

Novice Junior

- 1/1 Vikens Bear A Cuda/Kimmen, Katlyn
- 2/2 La Basksheba/Thompson, Emily

Competitive Pleasure

- 1/6 PS Trakara Bask/Lindsey, Priscilla
- 2/4 Country Star Jet WH/Keller, Donna
- 3/2 Steppin'Out Annie D/Prey, Virginia
- 4/1 Smoke-N-Jaz's Big Man/Stich, Kay
- 5/ SF LA Traviesa/Hall, Erin
- 6/5 Skyline Red Bambi/Aswegan, Beth
- /3 Sir Timothy Gold/Andre, Tamara
- P Calypso De Tiempo/Weber, Cheryl

Competitive Pleasure DO

- Cisco Bey/Glassman, Erin

Nimblewill Challenge - A

6/18-19/2011 Region Five-GA

A-O/N/CP Total Riders: 36

Chairman: Mark and Debbie Jones

Judges: Patrick Regier DVM, Shirley Parker

Novice Sweepstakes: Roxy Ash Moro/Perrin, Anne-96

Open Sweepstakes: Windstorm Sienna/Tolbert, Wayne-100

Open Heavyweight

- 1/1 Windstorm Sienna/Tolbert, Wayne
- 2/2 Susie's Stardust/Lineback, Tammy
- 3/5 Royal Serendipity/Silver, Terry
- 4/3 Marnos Terra Cotta/Kudra, Sallie
- 5/4 Red Bird's Ransom W./Clayton, Gary
- 6/ Imdals Kharrismah/Roemer, Diane
- /6 Amir Ibn Sahhar/Goza, Michelle
- P Onyx's Paloma Plata/Clarke, Lee Ann

Open Lightweight

- 1/2 Swiss Moch/Riley, Paula
- 2/3 Nakota Bey/Buttrey, Marlene
- 3/1 Just a Little More/Williams, Lori lee
- 4/4 My Noble Ambition/Rand, Lori
- 5/5 Tommys Impressev Ace/Broughton, Regina
- 6/ Loco Motion/Baldwin, Sara
- /6 That's My George/Rand, Emily

Open Junior

- 1/1 Calamity Jane's 44 Magnum/Lineback, Marcy
- 2/2 Allan's Desert Rose/Goza, William

Novice Heavyweight

- 1/1 Living Proof CH/Moore, Vickie
- 2/2 Quails Roost Camille/Scott, Lisa
- 3/3 Ledo Sabre Rose/Atkins, Lucy
- 4/4 Ice 2/Moore, William

Novice Lightweight

- 1/2 Roxy Ash Moro/Perrin, Anne
- 2/1 Kings Lasting Legacy/Petelle, Patricia
- 3/6 Texas/Raymond, Alyssa
- 4/5 Thunder 8/Dennis, Karen
- 5/4 Tadoo 2/Beiersdoerfer, Elaine
- 6/3 Allure n Cream/Riley, Leigh
- Raisin the Roof/Daniels, Michelle

Competitive Pleasure

- 1/1 Delight's Amber Beauty/Keen, Cindy
- 2/4 Jake 4/VanEysbergen, Elsa
- 3/3 Oak Knoll Holly/Nathan, Julie
- 4/2 TN Valley Hotrod/Murray, Andrew
- 5/5 Mandella Bey/Chapman, Carolyn
- P Pride's Second Girl/Curtis, Karen
- P Black Jack 2/Curtis, Ted
- P JR's Tenn Rock/Woodall, Courtney

Nimblewill Challenge - B

6/18/2011 Region Five-GA

B-N Total Riders: 12

Chairman: Mark and Debbie Jones

Judges: Patrick Regier DVM, Shirley Parker

Novice Sweepstakes: Magic Man/Cork, Hope-97

Novice Heavyweight

- 1/1 Domino Spotted Legend/Mitchell, Joanne

Novice Lightweight

- 1/3 Magic Man/Cork, Hope
- 2/4 Sully 2/Tibbs, Tara
- 3/2 Scatoaks Major Jake/Hall, Julie
- 4/1 FLF Meeko/Placek, Robyn
- 5/6 Sunny Georgia/Lucas, Patty
- 6/ Sunny 8/Cook, Ashley
- /5 Ms. Millie/Jones, Jane

Novice Junior

- 1/2 Pursuit of Hoppines/Cork, Benjamin
- 2/1 Watch Wimpie Fly/Moulis, Jameson
- P Anne/Montana, Ashley

Novice DO

- RA Mystic Deed/Findley, Martha

Challenge of the North - A

7/16-17/2011 Region 1A-AK

A-O/CP Total Riders: 28

Chairperson: Laurie Knuutila

Judges: Mike Peralez DVM, Sue Flagg

Open Sweepstakes: Quest Forelegance/Hamlin, Kiana-91

Open Heavyweight

- 1/4 Always Lucky/Romine, Rebecca
- 2/3 Star of Excellence/Halley, Catherine
- 3/1 Indy's Midnight Sun/Hess, Lucie
- 4/2 The Jewel Thief/Lythgoe, Marcia
- P Jasmines Magic/Fisk, Colleen

Open Lightweight

- 1/1 CR Splash of Magic/Hamlin, Ginger
- 2/3 Willow Bey Star/Grogan, Brenda
- 3/2 Sha Mara/Forrester, Donna

Open Junior

- 1/1 Quest Forelegance/Hamlin, Kiana
- 2/3 Sanalta's Sugar and Spice/Carlson, Jessica
- 3/4 Siddasnickerechoes/Lorence, Kelti
- 4/2 TWS Echstravaganza/Quinn, Chase

Competitive Pleasure

- 1/5 Genuine Arctic Attitude/McDonough, Barbara
- 2/1 Electrachex/Bergman, Stefanie
- 3/2 Bo 5/Schamber, Pam
- 4/ Dixie Girl/Rinke, Gaila
- 5/ Gypsy 7/Stevenson, Kelly
- 6/3 Dartagnan's Path/Schirack, Julia
- /4 Wild Ladys Nite/Dent, Susan
- /6 Daisy/Hrcir, Dorothy
- Lola/Berkley, Claudia
- Sam 5/Bentti, Keith
- Cinch 2/Sands, William
- Poncho 2/Faulkner, Jane
- Spiffy/Gotschall, Sarah
- P Haidas Handy Lad/Carney, Katie
- P October Impulse/Elsberry, Dorothy
- P Rio Borealis/Williams, Nancy E.

Challenge of the North - B

7/16/2011 Region 1A-AK

B-N Total Riders: 13

Chairperson: Laurie Knuutila

Judges: Mike Peralez DVM, Sue Flagg

Novice Sweepstakes: Dapper Dan Da Lady's Man/Kolehmainen, Karol-98

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Ride Results, *continued*

Challenge of the North - B, continued

Novice Heavyweight

- 1/1 Dapper Dan Da Lady's Man/Kolehmainen, Karol
- 2/5 Push Flirt's Button/Wilson, Shirley
- 3/3 Dynfari from Arctic Arrow/Miller, Charles
- 4/4 Lady's Midnight Scout/Kolehmainen, John
- 5/6 Genuine Silver Dollar/Covel, Kathy
- 6/2 Pace N Mad/Wilfer, Lauren

Novice Lightweight

- 1/3 Manadis/Miller, Cynthia
- 2/2 La Reigna/Smith, Angela
- 3/1 Hoss 2/Kisken, Annat

Novice Junior

- 1/1 Jake 21/Bue, Cortney
- 2/2 Isa Perfect Dream/Parsley, Morgan
- 3/4 Cherries Jubilee/Smith, Rebecca
- 4/3 Dusty 4/Miller, Kiana

Round Valley - A

June 18-19/2011 Region One-CA

A-O/CP Total Riders: 11

Chairman: Gene Boicelli

Judges: Carol Ormond DVM, Jamie

Dieterich

Open Sweepstakes: Desert Reinbeau/

Meroshnekoff, Angie-95

Open Heavyweight

- 1/2 Stealth Knight/Boicelli, Victoria
- 2/1 Tura Lura/Cannon, Linda

Open Lightweight

- 1/2 Desert Reinbeau/Meroshnekoff, Angie
- 2/1 Andarko/Walls, Lory

Competitive Pleasure

- 1/4 Om El Shakeeb Dream/Dillard, Joe
- 2/1 La Paloma Dream/Dillard, Ashley
- 3/3 Lady Tigers Hysyn/Schlerf, Haley
- 4/5 Take-A-Walkaloosa/Hess, Lucie
- 5/2 Lakota 5/Lieberknecht, Kay
- P MJ Abiad Amir/Ferris, Jim

Competitive Pleasure DO

SD SzZaphira/Huff, Suzanne

Round Valley - B

June 18/2011 Region One-CA

B-N Total Riders: 17

Chairman: Gene Boicelli

Judges: Carol Ormond DVM, Jamie

Dieterich

Novice Sweepstakes: Pokani/Owens, Jill-98.5

Novice Heavyweight

- 1/2 Laarkin/Brown, Tammy
- 2/DO ZK Rubicon/Christopherson, Stu
- 3/3 Tuscani Berlitz/Berlitz, Barbara
- 4/DO Blue Camel/Brown, Doug
- 5/1 Tango Sierra/Harvey, Laura
- 6/4 MK Van Gough/York, Ron

Novice Lightweight

- 1/5 Pokani/Owens, Jill
- 2/4 Garnet/Isgrigg, Kaysha
- 3/3 SC Tecka/York, Debbie
- 4/2 Apache's Shila/Arnold, Mary-Ellis
- 5/6 Sierra Sunshine/Stidolph, Donna
- 6/ Tehya 2/Ross, Sandy
- /1 Amiaborr/Thurman, Ariel
- P Sunny 9/Ross, Nicole

Novice Junior

- 1/1 Kaylee/Johnson, Karlie
- 2/3 Sage 5/Heinzman, Catherine
- 3/2 Shadow 7/Goodfriend, Ariel

Colorado Trail

6/11-12/2011 Region Three-CO

A-O/N/CP Total Riders: 50

Chairperson: Dee Overholt

Judges: Bethany O'Brien VMD, Pat

Montgomery

Novice Sweepstakes: Sabrina 2/Hansford,

Bobbi-98

Open Sweepstakes: SA Jhake/Yates, Terry-99

Open Heavyweight

- 1/2 Talk Til Midnight/Gunckel, Kay
- 2/1 Awesomes Fire N Ice/Wolgram, Ken
- 3/4 Touch's Yeller Gold/Inman, Gary
- 4/6 Dee Bar/Westmoreland, Cheryl
- 5/5 Mariah 3/Wingle, Bill
- 6/3 Mikkor/Holder, Sharon

Open Lightweight

- 1/1 SA Jhake/Yates, Terry
- 2/ Shiloh Sphinx/Roper-Dashner, Sharon
- 3/2 Hasty's Blossom/Peters, Susan
- 4/6 Not a chance/Vanpoolen, Kirt
- 5/3 Kourageus Skyy/Brooks, Wendy
- 6/4 Hot Saki/Smith, Terri
- /5 GE Spartan/Jarrett, Cheryl
- Kenlyn Irish Rose/Young, Jane
- Jaxson/Combs, Janna

Open Junior

- 1/1 Dartaway/Vanpoolen, Hannah
- 2/2 Hank 6/Winter, Morgan
- 3/3 Red 9/Combs, Alexis

Novice Heavyweight

- 1/3 Pur Ty Rain Danc/Chamberlain, Alden
- 2/ SC Mystyc Rosebud/Schnitzler, Deb
- 3/4 Baby's Hasty Bay Flyer/Lang, Renee
- 4/2 Bailey's Angel Baby/Westmoreland, Edward
- 5/5 Levi 2/Morgan, Dayna
- 6/1 May Day Parade/Reeder, Dawn
- /6 Pasion de Zorro Rojo/Oosterhous, Allison
- P Dash of Quicksilver Hensley, Perry

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Ride Results, continued

Colorado Trail, continued

Novice Lightweight

- 1/4 Sabrina 2/Hansford, Bobbi
- 2/5 Silver Zanita/Barlow, Caralyn
- 3/6 Tamusk/Hofkamp, Sarah
- 4/2 SAS's Aussie/Walls, Sharyl
- 5/1 Buffnugget G/Halterman, Susan
- 6/3 August/Spikker, Ingrid
- Jake 20/Gillen, Shaleen
- P Bella Blue/Simons, Sandie
- P Ace 5/Kanenwisher, Nancy
- P Cruiser 2/Johnson, Lea

Novice DO

- Ranger 8/Todd, Lorrie

Competitive Pleasure

- 1/1 Summer/Wolgram, Betty
- 2/ Harlems Spirit of Denmark/Tarvin, Jill
- 3/ Blue Spruce Shanta/Howell, Perran
- 4/2 Magical Serenade/Halligan, Sherri
- 5/5 Resort Valley Sparkler/Marquardt, Diana
- 6/3 Sixes Peppy Lady/Feazell, Juleen
- /4 The Missouri Reverend/Wingle, Diane
- /6 Isis Khepri/Scott, Syndi
- JOR Picasso/O'Brien, Wava
- Baby Doll's Spotted Man/Miller-Inman, Linell
- Zanie's Sensational Spring/Lynch, Lesly
- Knights Diamond Pal/Sinnett, James

Navajo Lake

5/7-8/2011 Region 3-NM

A-O/N/CP Total Riders: 40

Chairman: Russ Jones

Judges: Joe Quintana DVM, Priscilla

Lindsey

Novice Sweepstakes: Shiner/Fusco, Sue-91

Open Sweepstakes: LD Dixie Lee/Vasquez, Louise

Open Heavyweight

- 1/4 Mariah 3/Wingle, Bill
- 2/1 Touch's Yeller Gold/Inman, Gary
- 3/3 Dee Bar/Westmoreland, Cheryl
- 4/2 Awesomes Fire N Ice/Wolgram, Ken
- 5/5 Golden Ambition/Bingham, Kerry
- 6/ Moonlight Gambit/Bulcock, Bob
- /6 Doc 4/Emond, Boyd
- P Amiri Zambis/Bulcock, Debbie

Open Lightweight

- 1/2 LD Dixie Lee/Vasquez, Louise
- 2/1 Hot Saki/Smith, Terri
- 3/4 Not a chance/Vanpoolen, Kirt
- 4/5 Hasty's Blossom/Peters, Susan
- 5/3 SA Jhake/Yates, Terry
- 6/ Winnie 2/Thearin, Dianna
- /6 GE Spartan/Jarrett, Cheryl
- Shiloh Sphinx/Roper-Dashner, Sharon
- Mack Arthur/Carman, Jody

Open Junior

- P Dartaway/Vanpoolen, Hannah

Novice Heavyweight

- P SC Mystyc Rosebud/Schnitzler, Deb
- P May Day Parade/Reeder, Dawn
- P Sage AKA Superstud/Miller, Tyler
- P Ricky 2/Rawcliffe, Nancy

Novice Lightweight

- 1/1 Shiner/Fusco, Sue
- 2/4 Bookcliff Mountain Fire/Bingham, Kenneth
- 3/3 Bailey's Angel Baby/Westmoreland, Edward
- 4/2 Precious Easy Aces/Petzold, Sarah
- P Hawk 2/Miller, Amy
- P Ima Dynamic Star/Poulton, Jennifer
- P Gypsy 6/Arviso, Joyce

Novice Junior

- 1/1 Ranger 7/Fusco, Alyssa

Competitive Pleasure

- 1/1 Sixes Peppy Lady/Feazell, Juleen
- 2/4 Nathan Arizona/Sims, Beth
- 3/2 The Missouri Reverend/Wingle, Diane
- 4/3 Summer/Wolgram, Betty
- 5/6 Jack Said Take It EZ/Sumner, Susie
- 6/ Chance's Irish Threat/King, Tom
- /5 JOR Picasso/O'Brien, Wava
- Blue Spruce Shanta/Howell, Perran
- Baby Doll's Spotted Man/Miller-Inman, Linell
- P Tiepolo K/Chapman, Jeanne

Willow Springs

6/25-26/2011 Region Three-CO

A-O/N/CP Total Riders: 51

Chairperson: Dee Overholt

Judges: Jerry Weil DVM, Cheri Jeffcoat

Novice Sweepstakes: SAS's Aussie/Walls, Sharyl-98

Open Sweepstakes: Hot Saki/Smith, Terri-100

Open Heavyweight

- 1/2 Dee Bar/Westmoreland, Cheryl
- 2/1 Awesomes Fire N Ice/Wolgram, Ken
- 3/4 Brazos Blaze/Brown, Jeff
- 4/3 Talk Til Midnight/Gunckel, Kay
- 5/6 IM Sombrero/Haerberle, Yvette
- 6/ Mariah 3/Wingle, Bill
- /5 Touch's Yeller Gold/Inman, Gary
- Golden Ambition/Bingham, Kerry

Open Lightweight

- 1/1 Hot Saki/Smith, Terri
- 2/3 Shiloh Sphinx/Roper-Dashner, Sharon
- 3/6 Hasty's Blossom/Peters, Susan
- 4/4 SA Jhake/Yates, Terry
- 5/5 All The Rage/Brown, Kathy
- 6/2 GE Spartan/Jarrett, Cheryl
- Jaxson/Combs, Janna
- Kourageus Sky/Brooks, Wendy
- P JH-Desert Breeze/Duncan, Julia

Open Junior

- 1/2 Red 9/Combs, Alexis
- 2/1 Hank 6/Winter, Morgan

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Ride Results, continued

Novice Heavyweight

- 1/4 Baby's Hasty Bay Flyer/Lang, Renee
 2/1 Bailey's Angel Baby/Westmoreland, Edward
 3/3 SC Mystyc Rosebud/Schnitzler, Deb
 4/6 Levi 2/Morgan, Dayna
 5/5 Bookcliff Mountain Fire/Bingham, Kenneth
 6/2 Pur Ty Rain Danc/Chamberlain, Alden
 CO Lefty/Guthrie, Jan
 CO Lite Foot Slow Poke/Arnett, Leona
 P Sherekhan/Delerme, Gabriele

Novice Lightweight

- 1/3 SAS's Aussie/Walls, Sharyl
 2/2 Sabrina 2/Hansford, Bobbi
 3/1 Porsha/Kissmann Kimberley
 4/4 Ranger 8/Todd, Lorrie
 CO Dash of Quick Silver/Simons, Sandie
 CO August/Spikker, Ingrid
 P Finch 2/Delerme, Ramona
 P Honey Dijon/Hettema, Lee
 P Caspar 2/Johnson, Ryntha

Novice Junior

- 1/1 Marcus/Chandler, Susan

Competitive Pleasure

- 1/1 JOR Picasso/O'Brien, Wava
 2/5 Zanie's Sensational Spring/Lynch, Lesly
 3/3 Summer/Wolgram, Betty
 4/2 Sixes Peppy Lady/Feazell, Juleen
 5/6 Resort Valley Sparkler/Marquardt, Diane
 6/4 The Missouri Reverend/Wingle, Diane
 CO Baby Doll's Spotted Man/Miller-Inman, Linell
 CO Knights Diamond Pal/Sinnett, James
 P CRR Trigger's Arielle/Fleischer, Donna

Competitive Pleasure DO

- EHF Miss Charming/Johnson, Donna
 Chip 4/Marshall, David
 P Kenlyn Exquisite/Fisher, Linda
 P Freeze Frame/Groat, Erica

Chicken Creek

8/27-28/2011 Region Three-CO

A-O/N/CP Total Riders: 33

Chair: Jenny Smith

Judges: Boyd Emond DVM, Janine Ancell

Novice Sweepstakes: Ranger/Fusco,

Alyssa-95

Open Sweepstakes: Cedar Mesa Rushai/
 Mason, Judy Wise-97

Open Heavyweight

- 1/1 Awesomes Fire N Ice/Wolgram, Ken
 2/2 Touch's Yeller Gold/Inman, Gary
 2/4 Dee Bar/Westmoreland, Cheryl
 4/3 Lumbr/Bechtolt, Phoebe
 5/5 Mariah 3/Wingle, Bill

Open Lightweight

- 1/1 Cedar Mesa Rushai/Mason, Judy Wise
 2/3 Not a chance/Vanpoolen, Kirt
 3/2 Hot Saki/Smith, Terri
 P Hasty's Blossom/Peters, Susan
 P/DO Manarcha/Richine, Bobbi



Susan Peters on Hasty's Blossom (forefront) and Morgan Winter on Hank at the Region 3 Purgatory Ride. Photo by Bill Wingle, with permission.

Open Junior

- 1/1 Dartaway/Vanpoolen, Hannah

Novice Heavyweight

- 1/1 Pur Ty Rain Danc/Chamberlain, Alden
 2/4 Bookcliff Mountain Fire/Bingham, Kenneth
 3/3 Bailey's Angel Baby/Westmoreland, Edward
 4/2 Shiner/Fusco, Sue
 P SC Mystyc Rosebud/Schnitzler, Deb

Novice Lightweight

- 1/1 Ima Dynamic Star/Poulton, Jennifer
 2/2 SAS's Aussie/Walls, Sharyl
 P Mystiko/Grimes, Catherine

Novice Junior

- 1/1 Ranger/Fusco, Alyssa

Novice DO

- Dandy/Goodnight, Veryl

Competitive Pleasure

- 1/1 RMR Nahr Amir/Andersen, Carolynn
 2/6 JOR Picasso/O'Brien, Wava
 3/ Perfection's Dusk til Dawn/Morgan, Ole
 4/ Summer/Wolgram, Betty
 5/4 Harlems Spirit of Denmark/Tarvin, Jill
 6/5 Sixes Peppy Lady/Feazell, Juleen
 /2 April's Harmony/Snip, Virginia
 /3 Baby Doll's Spotted Man/Miller-Inman, Linell
 The Missouri Reverend/Wingle, Diane

Competitive Pleasure DO

- Buckwheat 3/Carman, Jody
 Chance's Irish Threat/King, Tom

Classified Ads

Rocky Mtn Mare



Chocolate, 8 yrs, 14.1H. Was trained for NATRC CP. Very smart, flashy, competitive, smooth, willing, calm, confident w/little attitude. Full ad, pictures, videos on My Dream Horse, #1715127, Shamrock Julie, \$3,250, Kris Cummings, Idaho Falls, ID, 208-419-8720, bkcranch@ida.net

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- NATRC ride photos.
- Family reunions, weddings, special events.

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 512-241-9296 for detailed info.

It's Not Just Numbers

Elaine Swiss

What is more dreadfully boring than reading pages of nonsensical financial figures? To most, not much, but to some, the rows and columns are like reading a good book. There's mystery and intrigue, clues and false leads, good signs and bad signs.

What do the financial statements for NATRC say to you? Are the comparison reports to the budget or to the previous year so much ink on the page with no meaningful message? Does it matter?

Well, yes it does. The NATRC financial statements tell our members, our competitors, our volunteers and our sponsors and advertisers whether our organization is healthy or sick. They tell us whether the future is bright or dark. They tell us where to focus our limited time and attention.

Our total revenue for the six months through June is down more than \$5,000 from the same period last year, and is also more than \$1,000

less than we planned (yes, we budgeted for less revenue). The Board predicted this because last year NATRC received a very generous one-time donation, so the statements told us not to expect as good a year in 2011 in total revenue. We listened and reduced expenses.

Our total expenses are also less than last year by more than \$3000, but are still over the reduced budget, driven by Hoof Print printing costs and drug testing costs. As a result, NATRC is losing more money (\$9,118) this year than last year (\$7,116) at the same time of year.

The Balance Sheet tells us how much money is in the bank for on-going operations. It is a goodly sum (\$110,000), and when coupled with the

Student Loan and Scholarship, and Foundation Accounts, NATRC is nowhere near in need of life support. However, the Balance Sheet also tells us that the organization has lost nearly \$40,000 in the past decade.

This is not a story with a happy ending unless specific actions are taken by not only the Board of Directors, but by all members. Each member can become a marketing force of one, sharing the terrific values and philosophies of NATRC with prospective members. Compete in every ride you can afford to attend. Develop and cultivate National Sponsor leads. We are all authors of this book and it can be and deserves to be a best seller.

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Ready to go paperless? Want to save some trees? Want to read *Hoof Print* in full, brilliant, vibrant color?

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2012 Raffle Opportunity Knocks

Bev Roberts

You have heard others say, "I wish I had the time to pursue some of the opportunities I've had in my life" or "My husband and I put off going on our dream vacation until the kids were grown, and we had the money, and now my husband is gone. We never took our dream trip."

Cheer up folks! Opportunity is knocking and "where there is a will, there is a way!" If you buy a raffle ticket, and you win, then essentially you and your significant other (or your sibling, or friend, or relative) are able to go on a luxury horseback adventure of a lifetime for *HALF PRICE!*

Buy one ticket and the worst case scenario for your odds of winning is one in 3,100. That's a lot better than winning in Publishers Clearing House. Buy several tickets and you increase the odds substantially. So support NATRC and take a chance at grabbing that opportunity that is at your door. Purchase your ticket(s) online or from our national directors.

Pssst -- here is a little secret: buying from your region's national directors, or others who may be selling in your region, helps put them in the running for the top seller award!

MACHU PICCHU NATRC GROUP TRIP

Room for a few more!

At the end of August, we have 14 people interested in adventuring as a group in 2012 on the MLP Machu Picchu Seven Day Lodge-to-Lodge Horseback Ride.

Because jobs may change or emergencies may arise, we still have room for a few more folks. No one has to be fully committed until it is time to pay the deposit. Between now and then, the group is working to agree upon a date that works for most members.

So, if you want to be on the "interested list", please contact Bev Roberts at matefey@gmail.com. She will add you to the list and bring you up to speed with everyone else.

2012 Raffle

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NATRC Board of Directors Meeting

Minutes Summary July 9, 2011 Denver

ROLL CALL. All BOD members present, except Chuck Smith. Susan Peters present as Alternate for Region Three. Laurie DiNatale and Patsy Conner present.

MINUTES February 10, 2011. **Swiss moved to accept minutes, Wolgram seconded. Motion approved.**

PRESIDENT'S REPORT. Clayton stated that the BOD has the responsibility to keep organization financially secure. He felt that EHV virus was handled very well across the organization.

EXECUTIVE ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT DiNatale. Report filed.

SECRETARY/TREASURER'S REPORT. Swiss distributed and reviewed documents showing a financial summary and profit/loss comparisons. The raffle profit for 2010 was higher than expected. Membership renewals have been up. Expenses are down slightly since we have not had to print rulebooks or scorecards this year. Cancelled rides will be felt this year. **Motion by Swiss, seconded by Peters, that in years of financial hardship, memberships will not be complementary in exchange for photos or services. Motion approved.** Swiss would like to see all financial information be shared with Regional BOD's and members.

BYLAWS & RULES Lory Walls (Wayne Hyatt). See Rules and Bylaws reports in this issue of Hoof Print.

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES Dieterich. Consensus that it would be appropriate for P&P to be posted on the website.

PROTEST Cowart was complimentary of his committee in recent protest deliberations. See Protest Report in this issue of Hoof Print.

NOMINATION Ferris. Bylaws vote will eliminate the ballot by National to elect National Directors. He will send any resumes received to the Regions.

RIDE SANCTION Patsy Conner distributed and reviewed report. Six rides have been cancelled. Ride schedule includes 57 rides.

CLINIC SANCTION Linda Clayton. Report filed.

MANAGEMENT Jean Green. Report filed.

RULES INTERPRETER DeMattei. Report filed. Reports have been informative. There have been some issues with late arrivals to the rides, safety riders, stabling and questions regarding actions within the last two miles. DeMattei would like to revise and reorganize the RI Form.

INSURANCE DiNatale. No report. Please call Equisure if certificates are needed early.

SAFETY Gould. Accident Reports sent for Uwharrie, Tarrant Ranch and the Patriot Ride. Swiss will work with Gould to create a Safety Rider Presentation for National and Regional conventions.

MARKETING/ PUBLICITY Bev Roberts. Report received. Roberts will be heading up the Machu Picchu raffle. Roberts works many hours on marketing publicity, including ENews, magazine articles, radio interviews, information for the website, etc. **Motion by Dieterich, seconded by Peters, to adopt Arial as the preferred font for NATRC. Motion amended by Dieterich to add that Media Advisory Committee can decide on other fonts. Motion approved. Motion by Swiss, seconded by Weil, to use "distance riding" instead of "long distance riding" wherever used. Motion approved.**

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NATRC Board of Directors Meeting Minutes Summary, *continued*

Swiss stated that Jennie Paddock would like to find a replacement as webmaster by the beginning of the year. Paddock's work on the website was commended.

SPONSORSHIP Swiss continues to pursue sponsorships.

BUSINESS MODEL & MEASUREMENTS Swiss. Report received. Cancellations of rides and decrease in number of riders will affect the measurements. Swiss encouraged Regions to study the information and use as it most benefits them.

HOOF PRINT Dieterich gave report as Hoof Print Liaison. Swiss and Dieterich will proceed with an Electronic HP proposal and distribute to the BOD.

DRUG TESTING Jerry Weil, DVM. Report filed. Weil will be rewriting the instructions for drug testing. Treasurer Swiss recommended that two more rides be tested this year.

VETERINARY DRUG COMMITTEE Michael Peralez, DVM. No report.

TRAIL ADVOCACY & GRANTS Report Filed by Erin Glassman. Colorado Trail project approved in February has been completed. Patriot Ride will be donating \$1000 to Region Three for trail projects. Money will be administered by Region Three.

EDUCATION Jamie Dieterich. Report received.

MEMBERSHIP Betty Wolgram. Report received. She has representatives in all regions. She found that many of the non-renewals are often folks who have only been members for 1-3 years. We need to work to develop long term loyalty to the organization.

JUDGES M. Peralez/P. Conner. Committee has discussed B rides concerning the inability of judges to judge stabling for some riders, those who either board at the facility or arrive late. Consensus of the committee that we will do our best to accommodate these riders, but the inability to judge stabling needs to result in a large point deduction since stabling safety is a large part of horsemanship judging. Kate Jacob, DVM, has been advanced to Provisional. Jerry Sims is ready to start his apprenticeship.

Scorecard review. Scorecard Committee tries to encourage judges to be educational and include instructive comments on the cards. The committee would like to look at different approaches to the scorecard review. One approach may be to send the yellow copy of the scorecard to the judge with a quarterly letter directed to all judges. Another idea was a form to have riders fill out which would list the comments they have found most helpful on the scorecards, or comments they have found confusing. Committee will be reviewing and revising the Horsemanship Applicant written test. Committee would like to develop a mentoring process for new applicants in Horsemanship judging. Committee asked for feedback on a mentoring program.

HALL OF FAME Jackie Coleman. No report.

STUDENT LOAN/SCHOLARSHIPS Christine Abbott. There are no applications for Student Loans at this time.

FOUNDATION Swiss distributed minutes from the February meeting. Assets include annuity, Invesco Funds, and a checking account.

BREED & ORGANIZATION LIASONS.

A.H.A Bob Insko. No report.

BREED LIAISON Terry Silver. No report.

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NATRC Board of Directors Meeting Minutes Summary, *continued*

HONORARY & APPRECIATION Christine Abbott reminded BOD that deadline for nominations is October 15th.

ANNUAL POINTS/NATRC DATA Gloria Becker/Cheri Jeffcoat/Laurie DiNatale. No reports.

NATIONAL RECOGNITION Becker/DiNatale/Abbott. No report.

CONVENTION 2011 Region Five. Cowart stated that the profit was \$2077.19. There were 170 participants.

CONVENTION 2012 Region Two reports that Convention will be in Reno, March 8-11, 2012 at the Grand Sierra in conjunction with AERC.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF SHARED BOD AMOUNT: \$324.62

REGION REPORTS

Region One Dieterich. Mini convention in March. New webmaster. Junior rider rebate. EBlasts from Region One. Five more rides this year. Sadly Emma McCrary, long time ride manager, passed away. Her family has been, and continues to be, great stewards of the land.

Region Two Walls. Mini convention with Kim Sergent DVM as speaker. AZ held a new ride. The next two rides were cancelled because of EHV and rain. There is a Henry Logan fund for first time Open riders.

Region Three Wolgram. Regional convention held in Pueblo, CO, raised \$4600, of which \$4000 will be used for rider, worker, and management recognition. A 4H CTR clinic was held with Karen Laden's help.

Region Four Swiss. Thirteen rides on the schedule. One cancelled because of EHV. Eight rides already for 2012, including a LA ride. Kim Winterowd is the new Region Four President. Region fosters a good relationship with AERC. Regional convention was held in Decatur, TX. Average number of riders has been 42, although they are trying for 47. Jonni Jewell handles Regional Facebook page.

Region Five Clayton. Five rides so far. One cancelled. Twelve or thirteen rides are scheduled for 2012. Two sanctioned clinics. One AA ride at Biltmore.

Region Six Abbott. One ride so far. Benefit Ride cancelled. No Region fundraiser. Five more rides scheduled in the fall.

Old Business:

1. Prohibited substance penalties. Covered in Rule Changes.
2. Electronic meetings-Ferris. First meeting had technical issues. Second meeting went better but need to research different features offered by the program. Ferris hopes to help the Regional BOD's and National Committees to set up meetings. Ferris is still working towards doing one of our regular meetings electronically in the future.

New Business:

1. Need new webmaster. Covered earlier.
2. Region Four Alternate. Covered earlier.

Motion by Walls, seconded by Abbott, to adjourn. Motion approved.

Minutes on file at National Office.

NATRC Board of Directors Vote on Proposed Bylaw Amendments July 2011

1. Term limits: The proposed amendment is in *italics and underlined*.

ARTICLE IV. Board of Directors

Section 1. The Board of Directors shall consist of two members from each of the six regions, a total of 12. The term of each member shall be for a period of three years. *After serving a limit of two three-year terms, a director is prohibited from serving for a period of three years prior to running for re-election to the National Board of Directors.* The term of office for Directors shall begin on January 1 following their election. The terms shall be staggered so that four regions elect one member in years when a term expires at the Fall meeting of the Board of Directors.

DID NOT PASS

2. To fill vacancies: The proposed amendment is in *italics and underlined*. Present wording is struck out.

Article IV. Board of Directors

Section 5. Vacancies in the Board shall be filled in the following manner:

a) Director. The alternate Director will fill the remainder of the term that was vacated. ~~If there is no alternate Director,~~
b) Alternate Director. The president shall nominate a member to serve the remainder of that fiscal-year term and shall present such nomination to the *National* Board of Directors at any duly constituted meeting. A majority vote of the Board members at such meeting, a quorum being present, shall be required for the appointment of such nominee. ~~At the next election, a new Director and/or alternate Director shall be elected for the balance of the vacant term.~~

PASSED

3. Voting within each region: The proposed amendment is in *italics and underlined*. Present wording is struck out.

A. ARTICLE XIII. Committees

Section 4. Nominating Committee:

~~The President~~ *Each region* shall appoint a Nominating Chairman and a *Nominating Committee*. ~~of one voting member from each region.~~ This committee may nominate annually, sufficient individuals to fill the positions of *National* Board Members/*Alternates* whose terms expire at the end of the year. Nominees must be and have been voting members for at least two full fiscal years previous to the year of nomination. Nominees must, in the opinion of this committee, be active as a competitor, or as a judge or in Ride Management or NATRC Management. The committee shall give due consideration to geographical areas and states, and to different categories of occupation, so that the Board of Directors is widely representative of NATRC and is a true composite of the leadership thereof. At least thirty (30) days before the Fall meeting of *National Board of Directors*, the ~~chairman or designee~~ *regions* shall submit to the voting members *of their region* by ~~written mail ballot~~ a slate of nominees for the vacancies to occur on the *National* Board of Directors. Such ballots shall also provide space for nominees to be written in by the members. ~~To be available for tabulation, all ballots shall be returned by 9 a.m. of the first day of~~ The tabulation *from each region* shall be presented at the Fall meeting of the *National* Board of Directors. ~~The ballots shall be counted before noon of that day.~~

Section 5. Ballot Committee:

~~Ballots shall be counted at the Fall meeting by a committee appointed by the president, excluding nominees and members of the Nominating Committee.~~ This *Each region's Nominating Committee* shall report the results to the President, who shall cause an announcement of the election to be made thereafter.

PASSED

Proposed Rule Changes for 2012

July 2011 NBOD, Denver

Proposed change in bold italics.

1. Page 5-2, Section 5.F.1. *Reads:* 1. Riders must use a saddle. The type of saddle and other equipment is at the discretion of the rider within the bounds of good horsemanship.

Change to read: Riders must use a saddle ***and headgear with attached reins***. The type of saddle, ***headgear with reins*** and other equipment is at the discretion of the rider within the bounds of good horsemanship.

Purpose: To clarify that some sort of headgear is required during participation in a CTR.

Approved to continue as proposed change for 2012.

Rationale FOR: This rule would prevent someone from riding with just a neck strap.

Rational AGAINST: The effectiveness of headgear is a safety issue that can and should be dealt with by the horsemanship judge.

2. Page 1-1 *Reads:* A. Membership

1. Any person interested in the purposes of this organization may be eligible for membership upon proper application and payment of the required dues.

a. Adult Membership: Any person 18 years of age or over.

b. Junior Membership: Any person under the age of 18 as of the beginning of the ride year.

c. Family Membership: A household of one or two adults and children under the age of 18 as of January 1.

d. Associate Membership: Any firm, partnership, group, or any other business sufficiently interested in the promotion of the horse and horse-back riding, upon proper application and the annual payment of dues.

e. Single Lifetime Membership: Any person of any age.

f. Family Lifetime Membership: A household of one or two adults at time membership is obtained and any children under the age of 18 as of January 1.

2. Each membership, except lifetime, shall be for a period of twelve months commencing January 1 each year regardless of the month in which payment of dues is received. All membership fees are due on January 1 each year.

3. Each Senior and Single Lifetime Membership is entitled to one vote. Each Family and Family Lifetime Membership is entitled to two votes.

Change to read:

1. Any person interested in the purposes of this organization may be eligible for membership upon proper application and payment of the required dues.

a. ***Yearly*** Membership

1) Adult Membership: Any person 18 years of age or over.

2) Junior Membership: Any person under the age of 18 as of the beginning of the ride year.

3) Family Membership: A household of one or two adults and children under the age of 18 as of January 1.

4) Associate Membership: Any firm, partnership, group, or any other business sufficiently interested in the promotion of the horse and horse-back riding, upon proper application and the annual payment of dues.

b. Lifetime Membership (***NOTE: new lifetime memberships are no longer offered after March 2011***)

1) Single Lifetime Membership: Any person of any age.

2) Family Lifetime Membership: A household of one or two adults at time membership is obtained and any children under the age of 18 as of January 1.

2. Each membership, except lifetime, shall be for a period of twelve months commencing January 1 each year regardless of the month in which payment of dues is received. All membership fees are due on January 1 each year.

3. Each Senior and Single Lifetime Membership is entitled to one vote. Each Family and Family Lifetime Membership is entitled to two votes.

Purpose: To have the Rule Book match changes made to the dues structure, i.e. the elimination of Lifetime Membership March 2011.

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Proposed Rule Changes for 2012

Continued

Approved to continue as proposed change for 2012.

Rational FOR: Due to financial constraints, no new Lifetime memberships are offered after March 1, 2011. The income from a Lifetime membership does not cover the member benefits it confers.

Rationale AGAINST: This rule should have been changed before the dues structure was changed.

Change to read:

1. a. 3) **Family Household** Membership: A household of one or two adults and children under the age of 18 as of January 1.

Purpose: to remove the political slant of re-defining the word family as equivalent to any household.

Approved to continue as proposed change for 2012.

Rationale FOR: Requested change.

Rationale AGAINST: This would be contrary to the bylaws which names *family* members: Membership/ Section 2. There shall be Junior Members, Senior Members, Family Members, Senior Lifetime Members, Family Lifetime Members and Associate Members.

3. Page 6- 3, Section 6.D.1.:

Currently Reads: Time penalty points will be assessed for time violations (See Section V.J.7).

Change to Read: Time penalty points will only be assessed for time violations (See Section 5.J.7)

Purpose: *To clarify that time penalty points only can be assess for time violations and nothing else.*

Deleted. Not approved to continue as proposed change for 2012.

Rationale: Not necessary; time penalty points already specify what kind of penalty.

4. Add to Section 7. E. Violations and Enforcement Procedures:

1. Any rider/owner violating these rules at an NATRC ride shall forfeit any completion or placing for the ride. NATRC may impose additional penalties for violation of these rules on any person responsible for the violation. Normally, the rider and owner shall be considered the persons responsible for the custody and care at a ride. Accordingly, the rider and owner shall avoid liability for additional penalties for violation of this rule only by showing by clear and convincing evidence that:

(a) some other person outside of the rider or owner's control was responsible for the violation and

(b) the rider or owner bore no fault for the violation.

Purpose: Include a penalty portion to the section dealing with Prohibited Substances and Treatments.

Approved to continue as proposed change for 2012.

Rationale FOR: This wording was originally recommended by the AD Hoc Drug Committee appointed to design a comprehensive drug rule and policy for NATRC. This wording was based on that developed by AERC with professional and legal input. We need latitude to be able to handle violations on a case by case basis.

Rationale AGAINST: Not specific enough.

Financial Statements

North American Trail Ride Conference Balance Sheet As of June 30, 2011

	<u>Jun 30, 11</u>
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
10314 · First Bank Checking #8697	693.84
10315 · First Bank Liquid Assets #2485	109,751.76
10316 · First Bank Student L/S #2493	87,591.75
10501 · Foundation Accounts	75,035.35
Total Checking/Savings	<u>273,072.70</u>
Total Current Assets	273,072.70
Other Assets	
10950 · Foundation Equity	-75,115.35
Total Other Assets	<u>-75,115.35</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>197,957.35</u>
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Other Current Liabilities	
Payroll Liabilities	10,056.15
23400 · Federal Payroll Taxes Payable	-9,154.01
23600 · State Payroll Taxes Payable	237.00
23700 · SUTA Tax Payable	133.87
Total Other Current Liabilities	<u>1,273.01</u>
Total Current Liabilities	<u>1,273.01</u>
Total Liabilities	1,273.01
Equity	
Retained Earnings	-38,245.22
39004 · Retained Equity	244,048.00
Net Income	-9,118.44
Total Equity	<u>196,684.34</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u>197,957.35</u>

Financial Statements, *continued*

North American Trail Ride Conference Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual January through June 2011

	Jan - Jun 11	Budget	\$ Over Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense			
Income			
40000 · Memberships	27,497.19	25,200.00	2,297.19
40100 · Rides	8,101.05	11,400.00	-3,298.95
42000 · Product Sales	570.83	0.00	570.83
43000 · Sponsorships	3,966.70	5,200.00	-1,233.30
43500 · Raffles	1,432.66	800.00	632.66
44000 · Hoofprint Ads/Subscriptions	985.90	390.00	595.90
45000 · Convention and Awards	1,193.17	3,000.00	-1,806.83
46000 · Trail Advocacy Donations	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
47000 · Donations	891.50	1,000.00	-108.50
48000 · Scholarship Donations	100.00	0.00	100.00
49000 · Other Income	69.28	0.00	69.28
49999 · Interest Income	1,926.03	1,960.00	-33.97
Total Income	<u>47,734.31</u>	<u>48,950.00</u>	<u>-1,215.69</u>
Gross Profit	47,734.31	48,950.00	-1,215.69
Expense			
50000 · Member Dues to Regions	12,503.49	9,970.00	2,533.49
51000 · Ride Costs	2,194.70	2,000.00	194.70
52000 · Clinic Expenses	200.00	400.00	-200.00
54000 · Marketing	1,196.93	730.00	466.93
54300 · Raffle	1,070.53	1,000.00	70.53
54500 · Hoofprint	8,015.96	6,500.00	1,515.96
55000 · Convention and Award Expenses	5,465.33	7,300.00	-1,834.67
56000 · Trail Advocacy Expenses	500.00	1,000.00	-500.00
56500 · Staff Expenses	19,492.68	20,250.00	-757.32
57000 · Administrative	5,422.32	5,270.00	152.32
59000 · Other Expense	20.00	0.00	20.00
77000 · Prior Year Adjustments	770.81	0.00	770.81
Total Expense	<u>56,852.75</u>	<u>54,420.00</u>	<u>2,432.75</u>
Net Ordinary Income	<u>-9,118.44</u>	<u>-5,470.00</u>	<u>-3,648.44</u>
Net Income	<u>-9,118.44</u>	<u>-5,470.00</u>	<u>-3,648.44</u>

Financial Statements, *continued*

North American Trail Ride Conference Profit & Loss Prev Year Comparison January through June 2011

	<u>Jan - Jun 11</u>	<u>Jan - Jun 10</u>	<u>\$ Change</u>
Ordinary Income/Expense			
Income			
40000 · Memberships	27,497.19	22,596.18	4,901.01
40100 · Rides	8,101.05	8,268.00	-166.95
42000 · Product Sales	570.83	140.97	429.86
43000 · Sponsorships	3,966.70	4,331.00	-364.30
43500 · Raffles	1,432.66	499.80	932.86
44000 · Hoofprint Ads/Subscriptions	985.90	106.40	879.50
45000 · Convention and Awards	1,193.17	1,621.00	-427.83
46000 · Trail Advocacy Donations	1,000.00	3,261.80	-2,261.80
47000 · Donations	891.50	10,765.69	-9,874.19
48000 · Scholarship Donations	100.00	0.00	100.00
49000 · Other Income	69.28	47.00	22.28
49999 · Interest Income	1,926.03	1,689.62	236.41
Total Income	<u>47,734.31</u>	<u>53,327.46</u>	<u>-5,593.15</u>
Gross Profit	47,734.31	53,327.46	-5,593.15
Expense			
50000 · Member Dues to Regions	12,503.49	9,903.00	2,600.49
51000 · Ride Costs	2,194.70	5,536.20	-3,341.50
52000 · Clinic Expenses	200.00	700.00	-500.00
53000 · Product Costs	0.00	24.00	-24.00
54000 · Marketing	1,196.93	2,706.81	-1,509.88
54300 · Raffle	1,070.53	129.25	941.28
54500 · Hoofprint	8,015.96	8,334.23	-318.27
55000 · Convention and Award Expenses	5,465.33	6,859.40	-1,394.07
56000 · Trail Advocacy Expenses	500.00	1,010.00	-510.00
56500 · Staff Expenses	19,492.68	19,604.16	-111.48
57000 · Administrative	5,422.32	5,404.23	18.09
59000 · Other Expense	20.00	81.93	-61.93
59999 · Investment Expense	0.00	150.00	-150.00
77000 · Prior Year Adjustments	770.81	0.00	770.81
Total Expense	<u>56,852.75</u>	<u>60,443.21</u>	<u>-3,590.46</u>
Net Ordinary Income	<u>-9,118.44</u>	<u>-7,115.75</u>	<u>-2,002.69</u>
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