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President's Message

I've made no secret of the fact I find great value in NATRC. For me, a large part of that value comes from the opportunity to learn from consequences. Consequences teach us. Some lessons we hear might sound good and make sense, but the consequences of our actions are what truly stay with us and inform us about what works and what doesn't. We don't forget these lessons---they stay with us for life.

Since NATRC rides are competitions based on points, the consequence of our actions (or lack of action) is often points lost. When we present our horses at initial vet-check in an erratic and uneven and maybe unsafe fashion, we will likely lose points. That is the consequence. So, we practice good vet checks. When we plop down heavily into the saddle at a judged mount, we will surely lose points, but there is also another consequence--- those less than delicate mounts are painful to your horse, and probably have a cumulative detrimental effect. So, we practice good and safe mounting not only for the sake of points, but most-

ly for the sake of our horse. Our stirrup length can change incrementally over time and result in our reaching with one leg or the other. This puts us off balance and has definite consequences for both horse and rider. The rider ends up sore and uncomfortable at best, and the horse will suffer anything from a sore back and loins to lameness issues. So we pay close attention to our tack and strive for a balanced seat at all times. Again, it's for the sake of our horse.

If we ask too much of our horse, the consequences can be immediate and profound. Too much heat and too many miles when our horse isn't quite ready will promptly show up as metabolic deficiencies and lameness issues. Often this added stress just comes from getting caught up in the competition and not riding our own ride, but either way the lesson is quick and humbling. So, we re-double our efforts at long, slow, distance conditioning. We scrutinize his dietary needs and body weight. His feet are kept in tip-top shape. He is groomed regularly for his comfort, as well as an opportunity to assess any

potential problems.

The consequences of a bad vet-in or poor mount might only be points from our score-card. But the consequences of continually riding off balance or expecting too much of our horse loom much larger. We won't forget how stove up we felt after that long unbalanced ride, or if it sored our horse's back. And we'll never forget the look of our tired pony. Those are hard lessons we won't forget. They'll stay with us for sure, and there is great value in those lessons. NATRC provides a safe and supportive environment for us to learn from the consequences of our actions. We can safely learn what works and what doesn't, and how to better care for our distance horse. Through NATRC we move one step closer to the horse person we want to be.

There is great value there.

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Ride Management Support Fund Successfully Launched

by Elaine Swiss

Earlier this year at the National Convention in Denver, President Kim Cowart announced the newly-created NATRC Ride Management Support Fund (RMSF). Made possible by a generous donation from an NATRC member, the fund was established to encourage new ride managers and to promote competitions in new locations and in areas currently underserved by NATRC.

Cowart announced that effective March 1, 2013, ride managers who are members of NATRC are welcome to apply for grants up to \$1000 to help defray typical ride costs such as insurance, facilities, judges' fees and awards. The one-page application along with a budget must be submitted at least 90 days prior to the ride. The ride must also be sanctioned before applying for the grant.

An RMSF Review Committee of five receives each application and evaluates it according to the priorities established by the donor:

1. New Ride Manager
2. New Ride Location

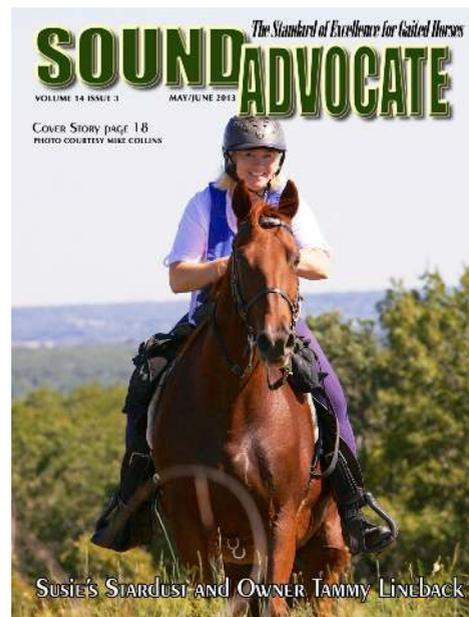
3. Un-sponsored Ride
4. Established Ride with temporary low turnout

In addition, the committee uses comparative analysis with established rides to evaluate line items in the budget submission. If appropriate, the committee makes recommendations to improve the profitability of the ride. These recommendations are included in the final approval or rejection letter, which is mailed within 30 days of receipt of the application. The committee uses e-mail and conference calls to reach consensus on each application.

Three rides have been approved for grants since the announcement of the fund. There is no obligation to repay the money received from the fund; however, NATRC requests that if the ride is profitable, that the ride manager returns some money to insure availability of grants to others.

NATRC Member In The News!

NATRC member and 2012 President's Cup winner Tammy Lineback was featured on the cover of the May 2013 issue of Sound Advocate Magazine. To read the full article about Tammy, click on the photo below.

The advertisement features a photograph of three riders on horses in a wooded area with autumn foliage. The text on the right side of the image reads: 'The Tennessee Walking Horse Breeders' and Exhibitors' Association is pleased to offer a variety of programs for Trail Riders. Visit www.twhbea.com to learn more!'. At the bottom of the image, there is a logo for 'The Tennessee Walking Horse' with the tagline 'SMOOTH RIDIN' ALL TERRAIN VEHICLE'. Below the logo, the website 'www.twhbea.com' and the acronym 'TWH BEA' are displayed, along with the phone number '(931) 359-1574'. The name '©MICHAEL GOMEZ' is at the bottom right.



If You Write It, They Will Print It

By Bev Roberts

If you write it, they will print it! This is so true at the local and regional level. Especially with the internet, it is easy for newspapers and magazines to pop articles up on their websites. The more varied the news, the more attractive the magazine, the more ads they get, and the more circulation they experience which leads to a wider variety of news... you get the picture.

Individuals:

If you win, toot your own horn. *I will help you!* Download the press release template from our national website (it's on the Rider/Volunteer Page under the Documents button, <http://www.natrc.org/documents/ride-r-volunteer.html>), fill in the blanks and send to me, along with photos, for review and assistance.

Parents live in a small town? Prepare a press release with photo to send to the local paper starting with "So and So, daughter of residents Mr. & Mrs. Who, took home first place honors at the what, where, when...". Not comfortable with sending it out by yourself? *I will help you!*

If something funny, unusual or heartwarming happened to you at a ride, or just happened at a ride (not necessarily to you), write about it. Send it to me. *I will help you!*

We'll probably go through several review iterations. We will prepare a press release with photos. We'll send it to your local and regional news media. If it is something I feel will be of interest to national and regional publications, I'll send it to them, too.

Regions and Ride Managers:

Doing a series of rides with other ride managers? Get someone to volunteer to be your team publicity chair. *I will help them!* That's what

the AZ Triple Crown team did in Region 2. Cris Ballard agreed, and has been draining my brain of any and all knowledge about publicity, which didn't take long because I'm not even an expert!

Having a dedicated publicity person works. The AZ Triple Crown team had 15 competitors at their 1st ride, 25 at their 2nd ride, and 30 at the 3rd ride. They are going to keep the publicity momentum going during the rest of the year in hopes of attracting even more riders in 2014. After each clinic and ride, Cris has submitted an article about the ride and the results, complete with photos, to several local and regional online and print magazines/newspapers. Her articles have been consistently published in three of them.

A ride series is also what Region 4 Oklahoma rides are doing with LeeAnn Dreadfulwater handling their publicity. She sent the usual

releases to local newspapers and regional all-breed magazines. She managed to hit a home run when she arranged a four minute interview on a daily "Good Morning" type of TV program for one of the very enthusiastic ride managers. LeeAnn even searched yahoogroups to find other horse groups where she could post the rides on their event calendars. Could the same be done on Facebook?

The Region 6 Kansas ride managers have come up with a three-ride challenge.

Region 3 has set up its own Publicity/Advertising Committee. R1 has its Outreach and Publicity Chair.

Region 4 has an unofficial publicity person who is a contributing editor to an all-breed magazine with a whole page dedicated to competitive trail news. Plus, one of the ride managers has teamed up with managers of two other sports (endurance and trail trials) who hold rides at the same location to promote a three-sport award.

To use a few clichés: keep the ball rolling, everyone; leave no stone unturned; keep plugging away; remember the ram poking a hole in the dam... and if you write it, they will print it. *I will help you!*

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Is It Really the Economy?

by Elaine Swiss

For years, we've heard "It's the economy" from our politicians, our pundits and even our pastors. The leadership in NATRC has voiced the same phrase when debating the reasons for falling membership and ride attendance.

But is it the economy now? Or is that a convenient excuse for not exploring new strategies and implementing new programs and fresh initiatives?

Five years ago, the National Board of Directors adopted a Strategic Plan which included specific goals for membership, number of competitions, average ride attendance and financial performance. Each year the regions set annual goals for these metrics and each quarter I report the results as compared to these goals.

As you have read in this column on NATRC business, most years reflected mixed results. Some regions perform better than others, but the general trend has been relatively stable with slight degradation in all metrics but the finances.

The Strategic Plan of 2009 set a 5% annual growth rate for members and 10% annual growth rate for the average number of competitors through 2013. That would have meant around 2000 members at the end of this year and 60 person average ride attendance. Instead, through the middle of this year we have 961 members and an average ride attendance of 34.

When examining the most recent Measurements Report, it is clear that some regions are performing quite well. But while many regions

have met or exceeded their membership goals, these 2013 goals deviate substantially from the ones set in 2009 for this year because once it became obvious that a 5% annual growth rate was unachievable in 2010 and 2011, the Board set more realistic benchmarks in subsequent years.

It has been demonstrated that word of mouth and personal invitations are the best strategies to bring new competitors into NATRC. We do quite well at this. What we do not do as well is retention of members and competitors. Is it the economy or is it something else?

Talk to each other and talk to your regional and national leadership. Together we will find and implement the right actions. Or we can rely on an excuse.

NATRC 2013 Performance Scorecard

Through May 2013

	Region One			Region Two			Region Three		
	2012	Goal	Actual	2012	Goal	Actual	2012	Goal	Actual
No. of Competitions	7	8	0	5	7	3	8	7	2
Avg Competitors per ride	32	30	0	21	28	23	47	40	34
No. of Members	159	160	119	95	100	94	206	200	190
	Region Four			Region Five			Region Six		
	2012	Goal	Actual	2012	Goal	Actual	2012	Goal	Actual
No. of Competitions	13	13	6	11	11	5	8	7	2
Avg Competitors per ride	42	44	34	33	35	41	26	35	33
No. of Members	204	210	162	208	220	219	125	135	127
	National			Total					
	2012	Goal	Actual	2012	Goal	Actual			
No. of Competitions				52	53	18			
Avg Competitors per ride				35	36	34			
No. of Members	100	50	50	1097	1075	961			

NATRC and Social Media - Marketing, Growth and Evolution

Contributed by Sarah J. Rinne, Social Media Committee Chair

Social media is rapidly becoming a primary resource for organizational promotion and development; it also encourages the individual connection of its members on small and large scales. Some of the top social media sites with the greatest volume of user traffic include Facebook, Twitter, YouTube and LinkedIn which a large majority of the public are either experienced users or have at a minimum, viewed them or heard about them. Social media in all of its forms enables an ease and convenience of communication that is not as viable with email, text messaging and other forms of electronic communication. Did I mention it is free? NATRC both nationally and regionally are actively using Facebook, a social media site that was developed in 2004. To date, the site has over one billion active users making it one of the world's leading social networking outlets. Why Facebook for NATRC? It's free, it's an immediate form of information delivery and it has global outreach.

How can NATRC benefit from utilizing a social media source such as Facebook?

Facebook pages are a free product for organizations, public figures, businesses, and brands to express themselves, communicate and network with people on Facebook, one of the world's leading social media sources. It is one of the most effective forms of free marketing, enables global outreach, increased visibility of our sport and it is a way to connect our members nationwide for social interaction and rapid information sharing. There is no cost for this great promotional tool but there is an investment and that is the investment of member time to promote, fuel and share our

sport through this social media resource. Diligent members have invested time and energy to create and share the pages and groups that represent NATRC as well as keeping them up to date. What can you do as a member? Promote and share these pages and groups with your friends!

Taking the Fear Factor out of Social Media

Social media can be intimidating for individuals who don't spend a great deal of time utilizing technology or internet services so this article is designed to give a brief education in the use of social media, specifically Facebook and how it currently applies to NATRC. In order to utilize Facebook, a personal profile must be created by the member and personal accounts can be developed to the member's preferences for anonymity and privacy. Concerns for privacy have often been the prohibiting factor for individuals choosing to not participate in the use of social media however privacy and security settings run a range of "no one can see my page" to "everyone can see my page" allowing the user to control what information they share. An experienced Facebook user can assist those lacking knowledge in social media and can help with privacy settings and sharing preferences to afford more confidence in the process. Facebook offers a variety of tutorials to help get potential users started in the world of social media and its functions. There are also various sites such as the Goodwill Community Foundation that offer free online tutorials for getting started with various social media sites including Facebook.

(www.qcflernfree.org/facebook101). One note of caution...before you "like" a page, photo, or post

make sure you know the source of who created or posted it to protect your personal page from fraudulent users. This is an easy step to take by only "friending" people that you know and reserving your "likes" for posts you know have been directly posted by friends (not "liked" or "shared"). "Liked" and "Shared" posts can still come from fraudulent users...know the source.

Basic Definitions to Know for NATRC Facebook Users

Profile/User Account: A Facebook profile is intended to represent an individual person to connect with their friends and share information about their interests. Users can determine what information they share on their personal page through a variety of privacy settings.

Friends: These are people who have access to your personal page with your permission and vice versa through a "request" process. You can accept or deny any request or leave it pending until you can confirm the identity of the individual sending the request. You should send or accept friend requests to or from people you have a real-life connection to, like your friends, family, coworkers or classmates and fellow NATRC members! This helps ensure your privacy and information security.

Timeline: The Timeline is a central location for recent information posted by you and about you. It's where you keep your up-to-date content, and where friends can contribute if you so choose.

Newsfeed: A newsfeed is the home page in which recent posts from friends or liked pages appear. Anything a person (Continued on [page 9](#))

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posts to their personal timeline (page) will appear on the newsfeed of their friends.

Pages: Allow real organizations, businesses, celebrities and brands to communicate broadly with people who like them. Pages may only be created and managed by official representatives.

- **Privacy:** Page information and posts are public and generally available to everyone on Facebook.

- **Audience:** Anyone can like a Page to become connected with it and get news feed updates. There is no limit to how many people can like a Page.

- **Communication:** Page admins can share posts under the Page's name. Page posts appear in the news feeds of people who like the Page and their friends. Page admins can also create customized apps for their Pages and check Page Insights to track the Page's growth and activity.

Groups: Groups provide an open or closed space for groups of people to communicate about shared interests. Groups can be created by anyone. You can only add people you're friends with. Other people can request to join open or closed groups but they must be confirmed by an admin before they can join.

- **Privacy:** In addition to an open setting, more privacy

settings are available for groups. In secret and closed groups, posts are only visible to group members.

- **Secret:** Only members see the group, who's in it, and what members post.

- **Closed:** Anyone can see the group and who's in it. Only members see posts.

- **Open (public):** Anyone can see the group, who's in it, and what members post.

- **Audience:** Group members must be approved or added by other members. When a group reaches a certain size, some features are limited.

- **Communication:** In groups, members receive notifications by default when any member posts in the group. Group members can participate in chats, upload photos to shared albums, collaborate on group docs and invite members who are friends to group events.

You can join up to 300 groups. If you have already reached this limit, you will need to leave some groups before you will be able to join new ones.

NATRC on Facebook

NATRC is currently represented on Facebook in eight different pages and groups that can be located in a simple search by typing "NATRC", "North American Trail Ride Conference", "NATRC Region 1", etc., in the Facebook search tab. NATRC has both a national Page and national Group. The national

Page has over 1,300 users and maintains current information impacting our national organization including (but not limited to) national and regional events, links to national and regional information, event photos, and sponsor information. The national Group is an open group for sharing information, discussing various topics related to NATRC, trail riding and horse care. There are over 400 users and it continues to grow as members share it with other NATRC members and horse enthusiast friends. While the Group is NATRC based, the discussion, tips and photos can apply to anyone with an interest in trail riding with their equine partner which is where most NATRC careers have branched from. Another perk of the Group page is the ability for members to upload forms and documents for the use of the other members. The more members promote NATRC Pages and Groups on a national and regional level, the more outreach and visibility our sport has which makes every member a valuable liaison and advertiser of NATRC.

In addition to our national Page and Group, each Region is represented by either a Page or a Group and allows for more specific Region information and photo sharing. Anyone can join or like any of the Region Pages or Groups, you don't have to be a member of that Region to participate! It is a great way to stay connected to members nationwide.

For more information regarding social media, please contact Sarah Rinne at saddle1up@live.com.



Quick Link and Reference for NATRC Facebook Pages & Groups

National Page: <https://www.facebook.com/#!/pages/North-American-Trail-Ride-Conference-NATRC/61468276189?fref=ts>

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There is a Heaven for Volunteers

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And not once volunteered on Earth!

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Second Jewel of AZ Triple Crown A Real Gem

By Cristina Ballard

Mcdowell Mountain Park was the location for the M&M Ride, Arizona Triple Crown's second leg. The Park hadn't hosted an NATRC-sanctioned ride in this location since the 1990s and the trails were just as beautiful this time as they had been in the past.

Although Catherine Peterson is a veteran NATRC rider and has volunteered at her fair share of rides, she was a first-time ride manager for the M&M Ride. She agreed to do this so that there would be more NATRC rides available for Arizona riders and was nervous about the responsibility of managing a ride. "It really went so much better than I could have even imagined," Peterson said. "I had fun and I think everyone else did as well." Based upon the enthusiasm demonstrated by the riders and volunteers, Peterson's assessment seemed to be on point.

The ride had 25 competitors entered, but the Triple Crown team was most excited that three junior riders had entered the one-day Novice division as first-time competitors. Karen Kaf-

ka, ride manager for the Crown's first jewel, the STAR Ride, brought three of her Superstition Mountains Pony Club members

and not only mentored them, but rode with them and showed them the ropes of competitive riding. Kafka wasn't the only one making sure that her juniors made it back to camp safely. An army of volunteers, including the ride's safety riders, made sure that all details were handled so that everyone navigated the park successfully.

After the first day on the trail, Burnt Biscuit provided a delicious catered meal for the riders and volunteers. With a few sunburned faces and a lot of full bellies, the awards for the Novice B (one-day) competitors were announced.

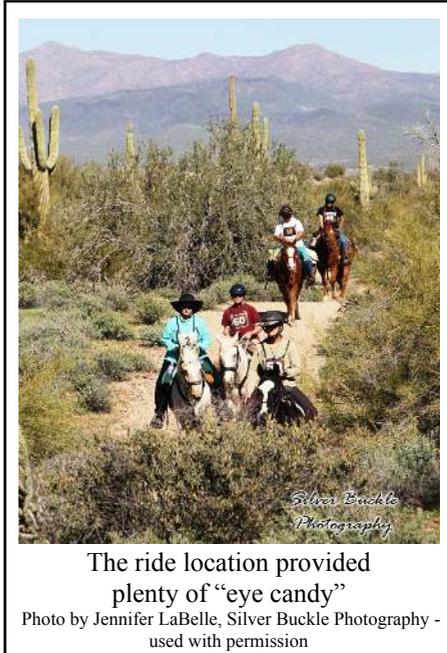
First-time junior rider, Caden Williams, must have been paying very close attention to Karen Kaf-

ka's tutoring. Williams won first place in the Novice B Junior Horsemanship class and her horse, RA Chloe, also took the blue ribbon. Although Caden was very excited about taking two blues, she was positively giddy when it was announced that RA Chloe also won Sweepstakes for the Novice B division, the highest scoring horse for the whole division. Williams' family was also present for the awards and her parents beamed with pride!

It should be noted that the Triple Crown team isn't just a bunch of pretty faces and hard workers, but are also capable of creating clever and artful awards. Karen Kafka put together "bouquets" of various M&M-candied delights for the first-place winners and also made the breed awards, which were candy jars of M&Ms with a plastic horse of the appropriate

breed glued to the jar lid. For the Sweepstakes and High-Point Team awards, Cris Ballard used the NATRC logo to create cross-stitched and framed pictures, which also included the division award, the ride name and the year.

What a team!



The ride location provided plenty of "eye candy"
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On the trail with Caden Williams and RA Chloe
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- Being respectful when giving an opinion
- Substantiating information before giving an opinion
- Being kind and courteous to others

A Tornado Photo

From Jonni Jewell - Region 4

While walking our horses around the grass at camp this past weekend, Deanne Prusak found a photo in the grass. I figured it was a "tornado photo", and volunteered to try to find its owner by posting on the Facebook page to reconnect people to their family memories. I posted the photo earlier today, and just got a note from the family on my Facebook page. The woman who posted is the girls' mom, and the photo was from her sister's house (the girls' aunt) who lived in Bethel OK, and lost her house. The distance from Bethel to Sand Springs is about 150 - 175 miles as the wind blows.

This is one of the ways Facebook really can be used for good, and not just sharing what we had for dinner, how we are feeling, or cat photos.

Protecting Our Trails

by Erin Glassman, NATRC Trails Advocacy Committee Chair

Why should we care about trails? Well, they're only the lifeblood of our sport... right up there with horseback riding itself! If we didn't have trails, we would not have a place to compete, or train, or get the opportunity to see other parts of the country we normally wouldn't get to visit.

Historically, trails were essential to the building of America—discovery, settlement, etc.—all on horseback. As time passed and newer inventions such as the car came around, horses were used less and less as primary means of transportation. Currently they are categorized as pleasure or recreational animals, versus livestock or transportation. Going past the era of the earlier part of the century when only more affluent folk could own them, more and more people were able to acquire their own horse towards the middle of the century. In the 1960s there was a large boom in recreational horse ownership. As such, the U.S. horse industry consists of an estimated 9 million horses, and through horse related goods and services, contributes \$23.5 billion to the nation's economy. They also pay more than \$2 billion in taxes (from the Equine Land Conservation Resource website, elcr.org).

Around the same time as the recreational horse boom and the upstart of NATRC in 1961, people began to realize that the natural resources we had in our national parks and forests were not limitless. In 1964 the Wilderness act was passed, which created legal definition of wilderness in the US and protected around 9.1 million acres of land. This act states that "A wilderness, in contrast with those areas where man and his own works dominate the landscape is hereby recognized as an area where the earth and community of life are untrammeled by man, where man himself is a visitor who does not remain."

As a comparison, conservation is by the following definitions:

1. The act of conserving; prevention of injury, decay, waste or loss; preservation.
2. Official supervision of rivers, forests and other natural resources in order to preserve and protect them through prudent management.
3. The careful utilization of natural resources in order to prevent depletion.

These are fairly broad descriptions, and I will go into them more later on.

Now I'm going to shift back to the part where horses, by and large, with the exception of some ranch horses, are considered recreational animals. We can drive horses, do dressage, rein, rope, cut, jump, show and trail ride these horses, as well as many other activities. Here's the thing—we have to have a place to do all of these things with horses, as well as keep them, breed them, vet them, rescue them, etc. Current statistics from the Equestrian Land Conservation Resource and United States Forest Service say that we are losing agricultural and recreational land at a rate of 6,000 acres per day.

You might say to yourself, "Well, I'm safe! I live way out in the country, ain't nobody gonna bother me and my horses out there." Not true. Existing farms have been shut down due to new developments coming in and then complaining about noise and odor. The same thing happens with equestrian facilities, homes, parks, access to trails across previously friendly properties. The biggest concerns with land overall involve zoning, development and urbanization, and sometimes land owners don't want to deal with the liability of having someone else crossing their land. I am telling you this to caution you to be aware of your surroundings and neighborhood. ELCR is an excellent resource for those encountering such issues with their properties. Here, however, I'm going to focus on the open land that holds our trails.

According to the American Horse Council (AHC) 2009 study, in which they surveyed horsemen and women regarding loss of trail and land access, there are roughly four broader categories that involve threats to equestrian access to trails. These issues include maintenance, funding, user conflict and conservation.

Maintenance: Poor maintenance is one of the reasons AHC lists in its survey for trails closing. Once we put in a trail, it's there forever, right? Wrong. Even with proper construction and placement of trails, maintenance is still required to control erosion, overgrowth, storm damage, etc. Even underusing a trail can cause a need to rebuild or maintain it.

Water and natural elements are by far the biggest culprits for trail breakdown and erosion, although low-impact users such as horses, bikers and hikers do break up the trail surface into sediment that is more readily carried away.

All users cause damage to the environment—some more than others. Too much time is wasted arguing the position that "my use causes less damage to the trail than yours does", or that "you have more irresponsible users than we do." The focus must be on what each trail user can do to decrease the damage they do to the environment. Each user has the responsibility to give back to the trail and to follow established rules of etiquette.

American Trails (www.americantrails.org) says: "All trail users have a right to recreate, but they also have a responsibility to recreate responsibly." With these statements, it appears we have a two-fold approach. One, we need to minimize damage done to the trail environment or prevent and/or repair it, and two, we need to ride responsibly.

As established previously, we all create damage to the trails by creating new sediment from the tread. Of the low-impact group, horses are capable of loosening more sediment, due to weight and number of hooves, than hikers and bikers. That being said, there are four primary factors that are bigger culprits in erosion. Those include climate, soil characteristics, topography and ground cover. A five-year study from one of my sources concluded that horse traffic was not the single dominant process active on trails. Trail degradation was a function of land form, climatic and catastrophic events and geomorphic processes.

So how can we decrease our impact on the trail surfaces? Trail design and construction must focus on building trails that minimize exposure to the elements; most importantly, water. One example of this would be to cut a trail against the fall line instead of with it—in other words, put the trail so that water will go across it rather than down it as it would if you went straight down a hill. There are many other ways to achieve this, but for the sake of this article, we will leave it at that.

We also need to ride responsibly. I understand that it is very difficult to reschedule a ride that we've been planning for months and months, but if possible, we should try to as much as possible stay off the trails when they're muddy. We've all seen how the bogs we are famous for in our region can get so sloppy; think of how those are going to be once they dry. If we can't reschedule, hopefully we can reroute as much as possible. Another thing we could do (Continued on [page 14](#))

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is work with the parks on projects to help solidify the trails in the big problem areas, which we could do in the name of NATRC, helping us to build a good relationship with the parks and other users. There are trail building methods that can help here too. I think that as a user group we are pretty good about following this principle, but it may be something that we can pass on to our non-CTR friends—we need to stay on the designated trails as much as possible. Going off trail not only damages the natural areas we are traversing, but as Kanopolis State Park agent Wendy Bowles has said to me “if you stay on the trails, I know where I can find you if you have an accident, but if you're off trail, I may not be able to get to you very easily or even in time”.

User Conflict. Some of the arguments that horses should not be with hikers or bikers include safety (horse spookiness, etc.), water quality (can horses make water unsafe for humans to be around, through manure and E. coli?) and manure on the trail (yuck!). Most of the arguments made are not based on scientific fact. Studies have shown that horses do not significantly alter water quality (when not in mass quantity like a stable, and as long as they do not urinate in the water), and manure is vegetable based, which means it breaks down easier in the environment than a meat based fecal matter.

Despite the arguments, shared use is possible and more importantly, is probable, due to increased trail interests and a finite amount of land that we have available. Educating other user groups on how to behave around horses, as well as proper right of way rules, can minimize or eliminate conflict.

To further improve safety of all users, be sure to expose and desensitize your horse to hikers and bikers. We do need to realize that we all have much more in common than we have differences, and we all can stand to gain much more if we can work together towards keeping trails open in the future.

Funding. Where do we not hear of being over the limit on budget, spending cuts, sequestration, and more? Currently, this is quite an issue for all of us, and funding is a subject we will probably always have to monitor. Decreased funds can very adversely affect park staffing and other funds for new trails and maintenance, or even basic operating costs.

As always, writing in to give our support to trail and park funding is something we can all absolutely do. We can also donate. One idea here would be to put the proceeds of a ride towards a particular

trail improvement project at your venue. You may be able to put up a sign saying that NATRC funded the project, creating some PR for us! You can apply for grants through the recreational trails program, NATRC, AERC or the American Quarter Horse Assoc., which has a STEP program aimed towards building trails. Instead of asking what the park can do for you, go out and find out what you personally can do to get a project done. Volunteering is a great way to help the parks, although you must check in with the land management agency, as some areas require special training, permission, supervision, etc. Sometimes you can go in with an established group such as the Back Country Horsemen of America (BCHA). BCHA has provided more than \$10 million each year in tools, equipment and manpower—this is a large sum for agencies suffering from funding needs!

Conservation versus Recreation. Remember talking about those finite public lands? There are some areas that are going to the extreme on wilderness areas (wanting no humans in the areas) and conservation methods where areas are protected from any human touch. While it is not right to destroy protected areas, it is also not right to completely deny the public access from publicly owned lands. One of the USFS representatives, Brian Bourne, has said that if it comes down to an issue between recreation and conservation, you can bet that conservation is going to win. Conversely, Rick Potts, former chief of the National Parks Service Conservation and Recreation Division, has said that “for all their importance, physical connections between parks and land or communities near them are not enough to protect parks. Parks also hold deep connections with the hearts of the people all around them”. He has also said that with “an increase in US population, overnight use of back country has decreased more than 25% since the mid-1970s. The danger to protected and boundary areas is NOT from recreationists who are visiting, but from the vast majority of Americans who are not. Although we cannot kill a wild area, apathy and irrelevance surely can. You cannot love a park to death.”

From this you can see that there has to be a balance. And this is where we can most importantly of all, in trying to save access to trails, build relationships with our land management agencies. All of us, as equestrians, need to be involved at the park level. Plan to attend meetings—ask your land manager when those are scheduled or to be notified when they come about. Be the go-to person for your local land manager. Try to help them when pos-

sible in making ends meet for that particular park.

I think as a group, it's also important that NATRC projects itself as responsible users. I do think that we are pretty good at cleaning up after ourselves, thanks to endless hours of volunteering from many of our individuals. I also think that this is a multiple layered approach. We need to encourage our other riding friends to clean up well after themselves. Leave No Trace or Tread Lightly land ethics are wonderful guidelines to follow.

How horses affect the land is a component of the conservation topic. Horses, along with hikers and bikers are considered passive, low-impact users. Of the three, we do cause the most damage to trail tread, and it's useful to know this when talking conservation and how we can interact. We need to be aware of our potential and actual damages that we cause and try to help mitigate those damages where possible. Horses can also be beneficial to trail management (horses are not hazardous to conservation land) in that we can help maintain minimally used trails and fire breaks. Studies have shown that manure is not a contributing vector to spread of invasive species, although we do need to follow weed-free feed rules as posted by certain parks and lands. Be aware of what your horse might be carrying in on his or her body, such as thistle seeds or cockleburrs, etc. Birds, animals and wind are much more likely to spread weed seeds than manure from horses. Water quality is not affected highly by horses as long as we stay on designated paths and don't allow our horses to urinate or defecate in the water. Horses cause less disruption to wildlife than hikers or bikers and riders are less likely to disturb flora and fauna than those closer to the ground.

Last, but not least, horses and horseback riding are a national cultural heritage. America's history was built on horseback. We do have a right to share in the nation's lands, but all users need to do so responsibly.

Gene Wood (professor at Clemson University, Department of Forestry and Natural Resources, founder of SETC, researcher for trail usage and horseman) says it is crucial for us to be more aware of how we behave on trails, as well as how we design, build and maintain trails. He has a usual phrase he ends his speeches . . . “ride with a smile, a light hand, and lightly upon the land”.



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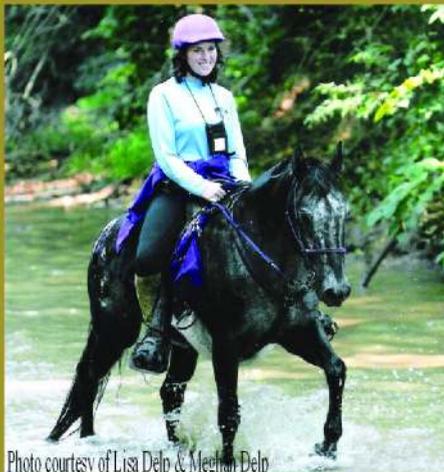


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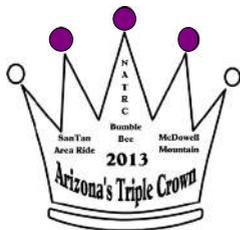
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AZ Triple Crown Winner Decided At Bumble Bee Ride

By Cristina Ballard

Hosting three NATRC rides in three months at three different locations takes a dedicated team who works well together and still enjoys each other's company after the final ride. That would definitely describe the Arizona Triple Crown's management team! All of the members were tired when the final ride wrapped up at the Bumble Bee Ranch but they were also filled with pride and satisfaction in their success of hosting the first Arizona Triple Crown rides.

The only thing harder than hosting three rides is competing in all of them within a ten week period. It is quite an accomplishment for both horse and rider to stay sound and fit enough to successfully complete the series. In the end, only nine horse-and-rider teams achieved this goal. To acknowledge the significance of their accomplishment, the Triple Crown team made special decals to present to each qualifying rider.

The Bumble Bee Ride was not only the final jewel of the Triple Crown series, but was also the most spacious. The 30 competitors enjoyed many amenities that are not usually available at rides. Aside from camping in a huge pasture area, the riders were treated to flushing toilets and hot showers and to prepared dinners by the Bumble Bee Ranch staff each night under a large pavilion where ride briefings and awards presentations were

held. Each rider packet included a generous goody bag provided by "Tack Solutions by Leslie", located in Phoenix, which contained horse treats, discount coupons and key chains.

Karen Kafka and Cris Ballard created ride-specific, unique "trophy" for both class and division winners. Kafka and her team assembled prize bags containing bumble-bee related items of all kinds. For the Sweepstakes and High-Point Team awards, Ballard made bumble-bee themed wind chimes.

Saturday night was time for the one-day awards, which included a mini-Triple Crown presentation. The highest scoring Novice horse and rider team to complete all three AZ Triple Crown rides was Susan Beard and Little Bit's Merry Lad. Susan was awarded a lap rug bearing the AZ Triple Crown logo, a coupon for a horse massage/treatment from Kristy Maffucci, owner of "Freedom In Motion", and the special completion decal to display on Susan's trailer or vehicle.

After all of the A competitors were checked out early Sunday afternoon, the number crunching started for the ride awards and to determine the win-

ner of the *first* AZ Triple Crown. The field of nine qualifiers was so tight that, in the end, the top two scores for the Crown were separated by less than one point.

The Crown went to a surprised Debbie Zinkl and Society Man's Sunny Boy! She was presented with a horse cooler embroidered with "Arizona Triple Crown Winner - 2013" and the Triple Crown logo, a free entry to a 2014 Triple Crown ride, a very large championship ribbon, the special decal, and bragging rights as the *first* winner of the Arizona Triple Crown!

After months of hard work and time spent preparing for these rides, the management team (and their families) was thrilled with success but ready to relax. Until next year, that is. Be assured that the team won't be resting on their laurels too long. Soon they will be gearing up to prepare for 2014 and hope to spread the word between now and then to attract even more competitors at next year's AZ Triple Crown rides.

**NATRC and Region 2...
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The Arizona Triple Crown team dedicates the 2013 rides to Doug Brown - a man always with a ready smile, a kind nature and a true horseman. He will be dearly missed!

Doug & Tammy Brown at Bumble Bee
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AZ Triple Crown Team Members
from left in coach
Catherine Peterson (M&M Ride Manager),
Beni DeMattei (Triple Crown Rides Secretary),
Karen Kafka (STAR Ride Manager),
Penny Nichols (Triple Crown Rides Volunteer Caterer);
from left outside coach -
Cris Ballard (Triple Crown Promotion/Marketing),
Kandace French (Bumble Bee Ride Manager)

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If you do not have your horse's registration number in the RMS it is time to get it there. There are 1600 horse profiles with a breed designation but no registration. "Other" used to be a required field if the breed wasn't in the dropdown list. This field is no longer required. "Other" has already been removed from all horse profiles.

Therefore, **any horse without a registration number in the RMS by the end of June will be automatically changed to Grade.**

In addition, code will soon be implemented that will not accept an official breed designation if the registration number and the name of the governing breed association is not included in the horse profile at the time it is created or edited. If a breed is not in the official dropdown list, the horse owner can still use the "Other Horse Breed" textbox to state the horse's breed but must likewise include the registration number and governing association. This will give NATRC the information necessary to investigate and validate the breed.

NATRC must have a registration number for a horse to compete for breed awards. Owners can also upload scanned breed registration documents via the Horse Profile program. These uploaded files are available when the horse is entered via the Manage Entries and Payment program

Another Reminder:

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If you change your name, please notify the National Office so we can put your mileage with your current name.

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Good Search Report

By Bev Roberts

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It's the Little Things ~ Biomechanics For Ascending Terrain

By Donna Snyder-Smith

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There's an old saying, which goes something like, "what goes up, must come down," which in and of itself is true enough. But in our sport, what needs to be considered is, "what goes up well, can keep coming down sounder - and for a lot longer." How a rider positions themselves in the saddle when ascending a hill is important to the horse's ability to do its job well. That position will be impacted by: 1) length of stirrups, 2) horse's biomechanics (use of body), and 3) suitability of saddle.

Before we examine each of these aspects of efficient function, let's discuss the old wives tale about standing in your stirrups. When a rider "stands" in their stirrups, all of his or her body weight and much of their energy force is directed downward, through their feet, onto the stirrup. The stirrups, in turn, displace this pressure and energy, sending them up the stirrup leather into the saddle tree, thus focusing all of the rider's weight like a pressure laser onto two tiny areas of the horse's back, just behind the shoulder blades. Bad news! As a result of these dynamics, a rider standing in his or her stirrups when ascending a hill actually makes the horse's job more difficult by pinching the muscles the horse uses to move its forelimbs. Since the horse is unable to reach freely outward and upward with his front legs, its stride shortens. The raised head and contracted/ hollow back stiffen the entire body, effectively preventing the horse's hindquarters (its most efficient power source) from functioning to the degree necessary to push its own weight and the weight of its rider efficiently up the incline. The horse then "grabs" at the ground, attempting to pull itself up, over-using and

taxing the muscles of its neck, chest and forearms and the flexor and extensor tendons of its front legs in an attempt to do the job with "second string" muscle groups.

This pattern is inefficient and destructive in the long run and is seen all too frequently. Indeed this pattern is present when horses attempt a really steep incline, panic and topple down slope, or gather speed and try to rush the hill in an attempt to overcome gravity.

The rider's job is to encourage their horse to use the eminently larger and stronger muscles of its hindquarters to push itself up the incline. Training a horse to climb correctly and efficiently is an important part of its development program, but how to do this must be left for another article. Suffice it to say, however, if the rider is not correct in the positioning and use of his or her body to aid the horse in its job, the horse no matter how correctly trained will be unable to function to its fullest capacity.

While "standing" is not an efficient posture for the rider when ascending a hill, neither is staying fully seated against the cantle of the saddle - a position which inhibits the horse's driving mechanism, and once again puts the rider in opposition to the efficient biomechanical function of the horse.

The photo shown here depicts a rider in a body position optimal for helping her horse climb. Her hip, knee and ankle joints are flexed. She has "closed" her torso over her base of support (her feet), by flexing at the hip joint - not by rounding her back. Her buttocks are lifted slightly out of the saddle, redistributing her weight onto her passive inner thigh muscles (no gripping!), allowing only a small amount of the transferred weight to descent to the stirrup. Her weight, because it is centered over her feet, neither overloads the horse's front end nor its hind end. If the terrain becomes excessively steep, she can grab a handful of mane to help maintain her upper body and increase her calf pressure (lightly) against her horse's rib cage if necessary, to keep her legs and feet from swinging back and interfering with the horse's stifles as it climbs. If the horse were removed from the picture, this rider would land balanced lightly over her feet, falling neither backward nor forward.

The three factors which influence correct position - stirrup length, horse posture and equipment - can all be seen

in this photo. The rider's stirrup length is short enough to allow a proper contact between the rider's foot and the stirrup. This allows the rider's ankle to flex and her heel to drop slightly below her toe. Rather than getting stuck behind the horse's motion, forcing the horse to heave the rider around like a sack of potatoes, this heel-toe relationship provides a "springy" base, enabling the rider to move with the horse as it makes reaching efforts with its front limbs and pushing efforts with its hind limbs.

The horse is standing in a relaxed position with its neck lengthened and carried in a natural posture, giving the rider plenty of room for the forward movement of her torso. A horse whose head is high and whose neck is inverted with the accompanying hollow back would make it very difficult, if not impossible, for a rider to position themselves in this manner.

Endurance riding is a partnership. The horse, being the bigger and stronger of the team, can compensate, sometimes for many years, but sooner or later disturbed biomechanics result in re-

duced optimal performance, altered load distribution, increased risk of injury and accelerated degeneration. Top competitors and caring riders can improve their role in the horse / rider team performance by improving their own mechanics.



After 50 years as an active riding coach, instructor and trainer, Donna Snyder-Smith has decided it is time to take some time off. Her retirement started with a move to Jacksonville, Oregon where she is in the middle of all of the music and theatre anyone could want without New York traffic. A long time author and journalist she has written dozens of articles for as many industry magazines during her career, winning an award from A.E.R.C. for her column "It's The Little Things" in the Endurance News. Today Donna offers her services through video consult and says she might still be talked into making the odd appearance as a speaker now and then. Even in stepping away from an active role in the equestrian field, Donna's newest interest has her working with horses: beautiful horses in bronze and silver, etched on riding medals from around the world, many over 100 years old, which she incorporates into amazing, one-of-a-kind necklaces for fashion conscious horse lovers. You can see some of her creations, on her web site www.donnasnydersmith.com just click on "Donna's jewelry designs." Read more in her book, *The Complete Guide to Endurance Riding and Competition*.

Important Reminders for Ride Managers

From Jean Green, Ride Management Chair

A number of problems have come to the attention of the Ride Management Committee over the past few months. It is easy for a ride chair or ride secretary to overlook certain things that are important. So, I have put together the following list of things to remember:

Things to Remember

- Use the forms and instructions that are now available on the web page. Throw out those old, outdated forms. Read the instructions on the web page. These have been updated recently to include changes to the RMS instructions.
- Make sure you have both the NATRC waiver and the second page state waiver signed by each rider and worker.
- Have all of the rider and worker liability forms filled out with the ride name and date in advance so that the riders/workers can just complete their personal information and signatures at the ride.
- If you have junior riders pre-entered, mail the liability forms to their parents and request that both parents sign the waivers in case they are not attending the ride.
- Make sure that your trail is carefully timed and marked and that the mid/average pace is within the rules. (3.5 to 5 MPH for Novice and CP - 4 to 6 MPH for Open.) There is an excellent miles/time calculator on RMS Main Menu/Other Stuff.
- Remember that "In the event that a horse is held for additional recovery time at a P&R stop, the hold time (10 or 20 minutes) must be added to the rider's minimum and maximum ride time."
- And "Official Delays: If horses are delayed by the ride chair, trailmaster, or judges, the time lost will be credited to the rider's maximum ride time. The minimum time is unaffected."
- Those delay times and hold times must be given to the official timer as soon as possible so that final times can be computed.
- It is the responsibility of the ride chair to inform all the judges of any late or early riders as soon as possible and to inform the individual riders within two hours of the completion of a day's ride.

Great News for RMS Users

Janis Baldwin and Colleen Wills have been working to make things easier for everyone. You will no longer need to download the ride reports and send them to the NATRC office. When the ride data is complete, you simply email Colleen at colleenw@myedl.com or Laurie at natrc@natrc.org and let them know that the ride is complete. Colleen will now access the ride reports directly from the RMS. Please check the reports using the "View" button. The following checklist is to help you remember to get everything finalized.

- Are DO-1 and DO-2 riders marked in the proper D.O. fields? Make sure these riders are entered in proper "ride type" e.g. "A" or "B" or in the case of two B rides in 1 event, B1 (Saturday) and B2 (Sunday). RMS will put them in the correct column.
- Have all "Did Not Start" riders been removed from the Ride Report and Fees counts? Any horse and rider team that does not have a score entered probably did not start the ride.

- Are Sweepstakes Rider, Horse and Horse score filled in on the Statistics Fee Form? RMS automatically does this if proper boxes are checked on the Input Ride Results screen.
- Are the judges' names listed on the Statistics Fees Form? If not, correct via Manage Workers and Officials.
- Have you marked TRUE in the Sweepstakes field for Novice and Open Sweepstakes? Put all results on the Input Ride Results screen.
- Did you give out a CP Combo award? If so, mark TRUE by the proper CP Rider in the Sweepstakes column.
- You should review the final ride report and Fees sheet and make sure all the information is correct before you contact NATRC that it is ready. Use the "view" button to check the Ride Reports and Fees and Stats sheet. (Colleen will contact you if there are obvious errors before she downloads.)

Managing an NATRC Ride or working as a ride secretary are monumental tasks. We all thank you for the work you do to make these rides and this organization possible. Please let us know if there is anything we can do to help you.



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Keeping Your Farrier Safe

by Kay Lieberknecht Photos by Nathan Adams

Farriers do their best work when they feel safe. You can make your farrier as safe as possible by offering a good environment, helping your horse get into balanced positions to stand three-legged, and handling your horse in such a way that they develop trust and respect.

The Environment

Your farrier (and your horse) will do best working on a relatively flat, smooth, firm surface, free of objects to bump into or trip over. It's important to have the means to get out of the horse's way in case of problems, so having an area bigger than 12 feet by 16 feet is vital, preferably open on two or three sides.

Distractions like dogs, cats, chickens or small children can be problematic, although being able to see a favorite pasture-mate can help keep your horse calm. Some people like music, but you might ask your farrier's preference. While flies and mosquitoes can wreak havoc on hoof care, it would be important to check in with your farrier before spraying, in case of allergies.

Keep Your Horse Comfortable

A comfortable horse is able to cooperate and may even be grateful. To help your horse balance on three legs,

notice which hoof the farrier is picking up. If a front hoof is lifted, turn the horse's head slightly away from the raised hoof, so the weight of the head is over the foot that's on the ground, and if the horse moves, they naturally go away from the farrier. If a hind hoof is lifted, the horse's head should be turned slightly toward the side the farrier is on, so the horse's weight shifts to the other hind foot, and if the horse moves, their rear end will naturally go away from the farrier.



Turn the horse's head away from the front foot being held up.

When the farrier wants to bring a foot forward to rasp the outside of the hoof wall, the horse should be standing such that the foot to be worked on is already pointing ahead of the corresponding one. You can move the horse a step back so that the foot the farrier wants is ready.



Turn the horse's head toward the rear foot being held up.

Between farrier visits, learn about what positions are most comfortable for your horse when three-legged. When you pick up a foot you should initially move with

the leg, allowing the horse to stretch it whatever way they want to, noticing if they want to cross it over their midline

and how much forward or back is natural for them. A front foot that has its knee pointing to the outside will need to be held really low and under the horse's body to be worked on. On any horse, the femur (thigh bone) is tightly bound into its haunches, so horses can't even begin to do the tiniest of splits with their hind legs! A lot of tightly-muscled horses seem to need their hind foot worked on right next to or right behind their other hind foot. In caring for your horse you may recognize particular ways a foot prefers to be held; you can tell your farrier about these needs.

Developing Trust and Respect

You can help your horse develop trust when receiving hoof care by combining it with massage. Going from the top down, press and move the muscles



With the toe resting on ground, massage the tendon side to side.

of your horse's shoulder, a "handful" at a time, and squeeze the back of the leg and lift the skin, squeeze-lift by squeeze-lift, until your horse either picks up the hoof in a relaxed way or you do. Now lower the hoof till its toe touches the ground while squeezing and wiggling side to side the tendon at the back of the lower leg. Do the same with the rear legs, starting

by massaging the rump. You can get to where you can clean the hooves without having to hold the hoof in your hand, as your horse learns to enjoy the relaxing position.

Most farriers aren't comfortable with horses being distracted by treats or even hay as a *(Continued on page 21)*

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way to get them to accept hoof care. If your horse can't stand for hoof care without being worn out beforehand, provide disciplined, steady exercise before the farrier arrives.

If the horse still wants to move while the farrier is working, it must be with respect for the space of both the farrier and you – to the side away from the farrier, and never forward over you. If the horse isn't cooperative, in a calm way get two

to six steps backward, with the aid of both the lead rope and a finger in the horse's chest, and give a clear release of pressure after each step.

If having them back up doesn't help and the horse is braced against all requests, you might take your horse into an open area and draw their head around toward their shoulder and then hold the lead rope and their tail with



The head is held steady by the same hand holding the tail.

the same hand. Usually they will spin around until they figure out that doesn't work, then stop and give to the pressure, lowering and stretching their neck. Immediately let go of their tail and pet them.

This exercise seems to give horses the idea that people have more power and substance than they formerly thought.

If your horse is quite ambitious to be boss over not only their pasture-mates but over people, they may need to experience the natural consequenc-

es of bad behavior. If a horse repeatedly pulls their leg from the farrier, you can hold a rasp or other hard object in front of their knee or their stifle that the horse can knock into whenever they pull their leg.

If a horse acts aggressively, kicking or striking, you can't expect a farrier to provide hoof care without tranquilizers and/or safe, expert restraint. One farrier says that if an animal is badly behaved, he identifies severe thrush in each hoof and has the owner apply liquid Kopertox daily; by the next visit the horse will probably be used to the handling and the owner will be very sympathetic to the needs of the farrier.

Keep the Faith

Every time you present a horse to the farrier, be prepared to keep the horse comfortable, trusting and respectful, and have the most optimistic expectation that the horse will behave well. In riding, where you look is where you land, and in life what you expect is what you get, generally.



The Role of the Rules Interpreter

By Susan Peters, Chair, Rules Interpreter Committee

NATRC Rule Book, Section 3.B.6. After careful perusal, you will find that this section implies much more than obtained by a casual glance. "Upon request by a rider or ride official, the Rules Interpreter shall interpret the NATRC rules to management and judges and process any disputes concerning rule interpretations. In the event of a dispute, the Rules Interpreter will confer with both judges and ride management to enable them to arrive at a prompt decision. If agreement between judges and management is not forthcoming, then the Rules Interpreter, on behalf of NATRC, is authorized to make a ruling in order to settle the questions. Any such ruling must be reported in writing to the NATRC. If a Rules Interpreter sees a rule infraction in process,

he or she must notify management and judges so corrective steps can be taken." If a situation is settled without consulting you, it is well that you acquaint yourself with the decision made.

From Instructions to Rules Interpreters, www.natrc.org

What are the responsibilities of the RI?

- Be present for all aspects of ride during the ride including check-in, briefings, obstacles, P&Rs, check-out and awards
- Explain the NATRC rules to ride management and judges as required
- Notify management and judges of a rule infraction in progress
- Process any disputes concerning rules interpretations

- Facilitate prompt decisions on rules disputes with judges and ride management
- Provide final ruling on rules dispute
- Complete efficiency report and mail to NATRC office within 72 hours

The Rules Interpreter Report :

- Is the ONLY written documentation of a ride other than the results
 - Is one tool used to improve NATRC rules, ride locations, judging practices and administration
 - Is not the "NATRC police report" or "tattle tale" on ride management
 - Covers **ALL** aspects of a ride:
 - Offers praise for things done well
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- Offers suggestions for improvement
- Needs to be honest and complete

Interesting circumstances and what to do:

- Inclement weather (tornadoes, torrential rain, etc.)
- You witness a rules infraction by rider
- A rider reports a rules infraction of any kind
- Maps, mileage and/or timing are incorrect
- Stabling is inconsistent
- Judges are breaking the rules
- Management is breaking the rules

For all of the above, the RI should confer with judges and ride management to resolve [timing, pace, mileage, obstacle, stabling, penalty points and/or P&R] issues. If any of these examples (or others) occurs, they should be included in the Rules Interpreter Report.

Not only must the RI be thoroughly familiar with the rules, he/she should have a good time and be friendly to competitors, judges, management and all attendant personnel, maintaining a courteous, neutral attitude with all. He/she may serve, if willing, in other capacities if requested by management as long as this additional duty does not affect their neutrality.

Observing and being aware of all aspects of the ride, a proactive RI should constantly try to see the big picture of the ride. Doing this provides many opportunities to answer questions, prevent problems, and to be a good ambassador of the sport.

Looking For A Judge?

Veterinary and Horsemanship Judges:

Has your address or phone number changed?

Please notify the NATRC office of any changes. Indicate home and office numbers. Thank You.

Ride Managers:

Secure your judges early.

Managers remember, you must contact and secure your judges well in advance of your ride date! Please contact the National Office for a current Judges List.

If you have difficulty securing an NATRC judge, please contact the appropriate Judges Committee chairman:

Michael Peralez, DVM - Veterinary Judge Co-Chair
626/446-8911

msperalez@roadrunner.com

Or

Patsy Conner - Horsemanship Judge Co-Chair
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Newly Approved Judges:

Natalie Goldberger, DVM (R4)

Jerry Sims (R3)

All Members:

The following are applicants, apprentices or provisional judges. Members may submit comments to the Judges Committee about the following people:

Provisionals:

Veterinary Judges

Carrie Porter, DVM (R5)

Horsemanship Judges

Becky Rogers (R4)

Apprentices:

Veterinary Judges

Cathy Ann Ball, VMD (R5)

Valerie Bixler, DVM (R4)

Sharon Dehart, DVM (R4)

Phoebe Smith, DVM (R2)

Natalie Morris, DVM (R5)

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A Tribute To NATRC Horses

By Marty Findley - Region 5

On May 5th during a competition in Jasper, Alabama at the Faye Whittemore CTR Paula Riley's mare Swiss Mocha, (known to us as Coco) slipped off a ledge and fell 20 feet into a narrow, water filled, ravine. Paula landed on her right side on a rock shelf about 1/3 way up from the bottom of the ravine. Coco landed on her feet just below Paula. They were rescued, both are recovering, and this is a tribute to the training our horses receive as NATRC horses.



Marty Findley watches over Paula as Regina Broughton (#12) and Carol Ault (#11) help keep her warm. Photo by Ester Diaguila.- Used with permission

We have always known how this sport, this NATRC distance riding, transforms us as individuals. In my 30+ years of participation I have witnessed bold riders humbled, timid made bold, introverts changed into extroverts, and the bullied learning to be confident in the face of their peers. All this through that special bond a rider can cultivate with their horse.

Our horses are transformed as well. They become creatures able to overcome their instinctive fears. With relatively small brains, the horse depends on its instinct, speed, and strength to survive. Our NATRC training asks horses to respond to our partnership in spite of the horse's natural instinct. I witnessed an example of that training at the Faye Whittemore CTR in May.

Paula Riley's horse, Swiss Mocha, (Coco) slipped off a rock face and tumbled 20 feet into a narrow ravine with only one possible exit from that ravine – over the top of Paula. Paula reached up and touched the frightened mare on the chest and said, "Back". She responded immediately, backing away from Paula, and stood still to keep from trampling her devoted owner. Coco resisted the urge to escape and waited while fellow riders scaled the side of the rocks to reach Paula and drag her up and out of the ravine.

Coco continued to wait while the bridle, saddle, and breast collar were pulled away from her body. When she heard the words, "Come on big girl, you can do it," she started the fight to climb out. She stood shivering, quietly waiting while her legs were wrapped to stop the bleeding. Open riders put plastic bags on her to warm her and when help arrived she was led out to a waiting trailer.

Meanwhile, the horses of the riders helping Paula stood quietly waiting for 2 hours. Finally, the EMTs arrived. After determining Paula's neck and spine were not injured they began assessing how to get her to the ambulance. The only route out was a rocky creek cross-

ing and steep 3/4 mile uphill climb that was not accessible with a stretcher. Horseback was the only way and once again our NATRC horse showed his training.

Prime Sensation WH (Prime) carried Paula one step at a time, often holding his motion between steps in awkward positions when asked to "Wait". He crossed streams swollen with spring rains and up the narrow passage to waiting rescue teams. When Paula and Coco were in the hands of the rescue teams, Prime and the other Open horses and riders completed the ride.

It was an accident that could have had a completely different ending. Beyond the ribbons and obstacles, we have one more reason to be exceptionally proud of our NATRC-trained horses. No equestrian sport has the potential to create horses with the cumulative abilities that our horses can achieve.

Paula and Coco will be competing again soon. Back in camp Prime received his usual warm mash and hugs. Well, maybe a few more hugs than usual.



Marty led Prime through the river and up the steep, narrow trail (3/4 of a mile) to the waiting ambulance. Photo by Ester Diaguila.- Used with permission

Our Rule on Hoof Boots

By Mike Peralez, DVM, Co-Chair Judges Committee



This is the third ride year that our new rule allowing hoof boots for sole protection has been in effect. New boot designs have given riders much more of a choice in how they would like to take care of their own horse and compete. *All types of hoof boots that provide sole protection are allowed. However, any attached strap, keeper, or gaiter must not extend above the pastern. The judges may request to observe the area covered by the attached strap, keeper, or gaiter.*

One key aspect is whether extra “parts” or attachments are an integral part of the boot, necessary for its function of protecting the sole, or if they are “accessories.” It would be difficult here to analyze every boot on the market, but we can look at a couple of examples.

The [Easy Boot Glove Back Country](#) is allowed. Its comfort cup is an integral part of the boot and does not come above the pastern.

The gaiters included with [Old Mac G2 boots](#) would be considered an accessory and thus not allowed:

Leg protection, such as bell boots or wraps, is still not per-

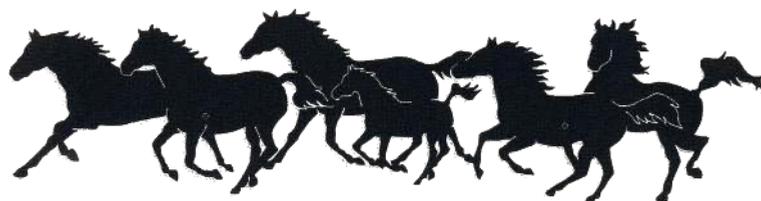
mitted. Wraps such as Vet wrap around the hoof would be OK, but the same thing or a “sock” to prevent chafing above the coronet would be considered (leg) protection and not allowed. Such protection should not be necessary if the gaiter or attachment fits properly.

Some of those boots do provide incidental heel protection because the gaiter covers the heel. The downside of the gaiter is the rubs and trail debris that can get caught inside the boot.

While choice of sole protection during the ride is up to the rider, judges may, and are encouraged to, check for rubs or chafes at the end of a day’s ride by asking riders to remove boots that have parts that go above the coronary band or over the heels. Waiting for a rider to remove the boots may be time-consuming. Unless the rider can quickly remove the boots, the rider should step aside and allow for the next horse to start its exam. At some point during or after the second horse’s exam the first, now unbooted, horse can be checked. The vet judge will have to determine what works best for this quick check.

Horses must be examined at any trot-out exam with the same footwear as used on the trail. If a horse is ridden shod, he is trotted out in shoes; if he is ridden with pads, he is trotted out in pads; if ridden in boots, he should be trotted out in boots; if he competes truly barefoot (without sole protection), he should be trotted out barefoot. If a horse does part of the ride without sole protection and part of the ride with boots, the method used for the trot out would be a judgment call. However, if a rider chooses to check in or check out without boots and the horse trots out lame in front of the vet judge, that rider may not return with their horse, this time with boots, and ask for a “second chance” soundness exam. This is not within the spirit of the rule.

It’s important to remember that there should be no scoring advantage for horses that compete barefoot, nor should there be point deductions for the use of any type of boot or shoe. The use of sole protection throughout the ride is at the rider’s discretion. Therefore, scoring is dependent upon the rider making the proper choice for his or her horse.



Region 4 to Host 2014 National Convention !

From Kris Hapgood & LeeAnn Dreadfulwater

We have signed the contract! The 2014 NATRC National Convention will be held Feb. 19th-23rd in Oklahoma City at the 4 Diamond Renaissance Convention Center Hotel. This venue is in the hub of downtown Oklahoma City, it's just a quick walk to the revitalized Bricktown Historical Entertainment District, featuring a variety of new canal side restaurants, clubs, music venues and attractions. Also just seconds away: the Oklahoma City Memorial Museum, the Myriad Botanical Gardens, The OKC Center Arena and much more. We plan on not only promoting and hosting the convention but also a destination vacation!

Here are some of the specifics:

- Hotel has 3 different restaurants and a spa! Discounted spa rates for all NATRC attendees.
- Room rates only \$139/night, discounted from \$169.
- The Cox Convention Center is a multi-purpose venue designed to host everything from meeting and community events to major conventions, trade shows, concerts and sporting events. It's connected to the hotel by a sky walk.
- Seminar rooms, vendor's room, board meeting room, hospitality room and the very eloquent Ballroom are ALL FREE OF CHARGE when we have at least 64 hotel rooms reserved Thursday through Saturday nights.
- Saturday evening National Awards Banquet in the beautiful, newly remodeled Ballroom will seat 300 people for dinner. The Region 4 Awards will also be done in the Ballroom on Sunday with a Breakfast Buffet.
- The quality of this venue is untouchable and with the Region 4's hospitality the 2014 National Convention will be fun, education and memorable!
- Cheaper flights into OKC, free hotel shuttle from the airport.
- Amtrak train depot across the street from the hotel, inexpensive train ride from Ft. Worth to OKC!
- For those who drive in, a parking garage is available at only \$3 per day.
- Any MANY MORE!!!
- [Visit Oklahoma City - 2013](#)
- [Renaissance Oklahoma City Convention Center Hotel](#)

You're probably getting very excited about this upcoming event and you're asking, "How can I get involved?" We NEED your assistance with getting YOUR region excited about the 2014 National Convention and making plans to attend! Also if you have any suggestions on speakers or topics please let us know. We will be securing speakers in the next few months. WE are hoping to have topics and speakers that would attract **ALL** trail riders so that we could showcase NATRC and attract new members!

Look forward to a website that will be dedicated to the 2014 NATRC National Convention with the program agenda, hotel & convention registration payable via PayPal, information on "additional excursions." Remember this just isn't **our** National Convention it's a destination vacation!

More exciting details and information to follow.



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Trail First Aid For Riders And Workers

By Yvette Haeberle, MD

First Aid on the trail can be broken down into three categories. The first is the situation where you have a minor injury that requires immediate attention, and you may then proceed on down the trail. The second situation would be where you have a seriously injured victim that requires professional medical attention. The third and probably most broad category is everything in between. Being able to recognize which situation you are faced with is necessary in order to render the appropriate first aid.

Before we approach specific injuries, it is important to address the statistics and then talk about prevention. According to a 2000 Centers for Disease Control (CDC) report, the most common horse related injuries in order of frequency are:

1) Soft Tissue injury (lacerations, bruises, scrapes) 2) Fractures/Dislocations (broken arms) 3) Sprains/Strains (wrists, ankles) 4) Concussion/Head Injuries. The most common cause of death is a head injury. The most common cause of hospitalization is a fracture, followed by a head injury.

Falls are by far and away the most common cause of injury, followed by collisions with fixed objects (trees and fences come to mind).

Injuries from being dragged, trampled, kicked or bitten by a horse are much farther down the list.

When thinking about prevention, the words "situational awareness" come to mind. Let's face it - we are involved in a high risk sport with injury rates ranking up there with motocross, downhill ski racing and other sports with the potential for high velocity impact. Know your horse, your tack and equipment, your location and surroundings. Know your fellow riders, yourself and your own limitations. At any given moment, do you know how to call for help, who can help, what the problem is, when did it happen, where you are?

The CDC in their report listed the following recommendations for prevention of injury in equine related activity:

- 1) Wear a properly secured, SEI endorsed, hard shell helmet
- 2) Wear properly fitted, leather soled, heeled boots
- 3) Wear nonskid gloves
- 4) Avoid loose clothing
- 5) Regularly maintain and inspect tack
- 6) Be able to perform a rapid (emergency) controlled dismount
- 7) Don't "drink" (adult beverages) and ride

Despite our best attempts at prevention, injuries will occur. Knowing how to summon help is the first step in providing first aid. Again this comes back to "situational awareness".

A rider should always have some method for contacting help. This can be a cell phone, a radio, or a whistle that is attached to the rider, not the horse. 911 is the universal number for help, but cell reception may not always be available in remote locations. Know your emergency contact numbers and program them into your cell phone. At a ride, find out what are the best local numbers to use to call for help. In Case of Emergency (ICE) numbers should also be on your cell

phone. This is the number of your emergency contact person in case of injury, hospitalization, etc.

Upon calling 911 or alternate local emergency number, are you aware of your location? Surrounding terrain? Closest road access? Name of the trail? Landmarks? How is it safest for emergency personnel to approach the scene? These are all things to consider before heading out on the trail.

Another item that is preferably attached to the rider is a small personal first aid kit that contains the following: whistle, warming blanket, dry matches or lighter, bandages (bandaids, gauze, tape, etc.), knife, aspirin/motrin, high carb snack and oral electrolytes, antibacterial solution/towelettes, and of course water. A larger kit can be carried in saddle bags that would also include: splinting material, kerchiefs, gloves, cutters, larger bandage material (feminine pads, vetwrap, butterfly/steristrips, super glue, stapler, etc.), antibiotic ointment, moleskin, rope halter and lead rope. Other items may be added or subtracted depending upon the situation.

Finally, I think that all ride managers need to provide for a safety plan at the ride. This may include a group first aid kit which may contain rescue asthma inhalers, an epinephrine pen for allergic reactions, aspirin, Tylenol, Benadryl, Ivy Block, etc. As always, trained medical personnel who understand the indications and proper use of these medications should be available for consultation. A basic CPR/First Aid course provided by the Red Cross should also be a minimum consideration along with an automated external defibrillator (AED).

Next issue we will cover providing first aid with the ABC's and 123's.

Dr. Haeberle is a former emergency room physician who participates in rides and has managed rides in both NATRC and AERC.

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Leaving A Lasting Legacy

By Elaine Swiss and Kim Cowart



Within any organization as long-lived as ours, it is inevitable that several of our revered members will die each year. Like the World War II veterans who are passing in great numbers every day in this country, NATRC is also experiencing losses on a sadly regular basis.

While no one can be fully prepared for the end of life on earth, legal and financial professionals encourage people to keep their "affairs" in reasonable order. Generally, these lawyers and advisors are referring to wills, directives and other estate plan documents, including funeral arrangements.

NATRC is not going into the estate planning business, but Board members have been asked in the past how one would leave bequests to this special organization that holds a unique place in

the heart of its members. In response, the Board is introducing and publicizing the most simple and effective ways to remember NATRC:

1. In Lieu of Flowers – Floral arrangements are breathtaking in their beauty, yet many people prefer that the money spent on flowers for their funeral is donated to charity instead. Since NATRC is a 501(c)3 not-for-profit organization, any donation made in memory of a loved one is tax deductible. If this appeals to you as a way to support NATRC, please tell your family now as well as leave written instructions with your important papers. Donations in lieu of flowers should be addressed to NATRC at PO Box 224, Sedalia, CO 80135.

2. Beneficiary of Insurance Policy – Life insurance policies should be updated regularly to reflect changes in the life of the insured. Perhaps a divorce, or death of a previously named beneficiary, has occurred. NATRC can be one of the designated beneficiaries of a policy, named along with relatives or other organizations. Many credit unions offer free term life insurance policies of \$1000 as a benefit. This would be a good example where NATRC could be named as a beneficiary.
3. Bequests in Will – Most people want their wills to make a statement about what they valued in life. Leaving property or money to NATRC declares the importance of the

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in lieu of flowers
for Rex Cowart
and long-time
members
Pat Jub
and
Linda Reuland.

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organization to them. Examples of the language to be included in a will or revocable trust are:

- a. I give, devise and bequeath _____ (\$) to the North American Trail Ride Conference, Tax ID 51-0142931, PO Box 224, Sedalia, CO 80135
- b. I give, devise and bequeath to the North American Trail Ride Conference, Tax ID 51-0142931, all (or a fraction) of the rest, residue and remainder of my estate, both real and personal.

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any gifts received through this program in a prudent and fiscally conservative manner to achieve the mission of the organization. The goals to promote equine and equestrian safety through trail competitions and education programs, and to develop and maintain trail systems throughout the country are in the forefront and always in need of funding.

To implement or adopt any of the donation suggestions, please be sure to also work with your attorney or your financial adviser as NATRC is an equine organization and not a substitute for professional counsel. NATRC is, however, an organization with loyal members who want to insure its future.

Important Information Regarding Year-end Awards!

The ride year ends the second Sunday in November. November 10, 2013.

To be eligible for year end awards, it is the rider's responsibility to have the following requirements completed as indicated by November 10, 2013:

- (1) NATRC Membership dues must be received.
- (2) Horse's accurate breed information must be on file with the NATRC Office. www.natrc.org.

(3) In addition, National breed associations sponsoring year-end awards require that all the equines must be registered with the "association" and "participant(s)" must maintain their "association" membership.

Any doubt?

Contact Laurie (natrc@natrc.org) for NATRC membership verification and

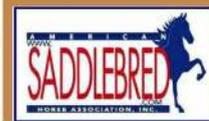
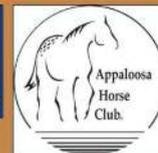
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Contact your own breed association if you have questions for them.



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From the AHA newsletter: Earn Distance Awards

Do you compete with your Arabian, Half-Arabian or Anglo-Arabian in Endurance or Competitive Trail rides? Earn credit for all of your miles with the Distance Horse Award Program! When you reach 500 miles, you will be awarded a beautiful plaque with your horse's name with space for more milestones in 500-mile increments. For every 500 miles you ride in AHA recognized distance rides, you will earn another brass mileage marker that can be added to your plaque. You will also receive acknowledgment in the Recognition Spotlight of the *Modern Arabian Horse Magazine*. For more information on the Distance Horse Award Program, please call the Competitions Department at (303) 696-4500 Option 4, or visit AHA's [website](#).

Rule Changes to be Considered for 2014

From the NBOD February, 2013 (Changes in bold)

1. Page 4-3, Section 4.B.5.

Reads:

5. Weigh In

- a. Lightweight and Heavy-weight competitors must be weighed in with their

own tack prior to the start of the ride. ~~Management may re-weigh any rider at any time during the ride to verify weight~~

~~class.~~ A deviation of 5 pounds is allowed.

- b. Individual regions may issue rider weight cards. At subsequent rides in the same year, a copy of this weight card may be sent with the ride entry or be shown to the Ride Secretary when picking up their rider packet.
- c. Rider weight classification must be maintained throughout the ride.
- d. Failure to maintain weight classification will result in completion points only for both horse and rider.
- e. The minimum weight must be made up with dead weight, pound for pound, if the rider and tack weigh less than 100 pounds (LWT or Senior) or less than 190 pounds (HWT).
- f. No disposable items will be used to make weight. This includes, but is not limited to, food (horse and rider), water, fly spray, etc.

NATRC In The News - Again!

NATRC was featured in the premier issue of *Four Corners Sports* magazine, published in Farmington, New Mexico! Click on the picture below to read the full article.



HAPPY TRAILS

Riders go for fun, competition and love of horses

by Debra Morgan (photography by Tony Bennett)

As they walk a horse can easily guide in North America, but this competition ride that takes place in the desert Southwest, participants ride for fun, and to enjoy the competition. Many riders ride because they love the outdoors and being out with their horses. "It has been going on for about 20-30 years," said Steve Arnold, a Durango, Colo. resident who was invited to the event.

When competition that was April 20 and 21 in Farmington. "It's a mix of fun, fun for the enjoyment of riding."

The ride takes place over the 100+ sq. mi. area to be completed by the participants. There are 25 riders and 2012, and of these because NATRC sponsored rides will be in Northwest New Mexico. There will be a check-in time that runs on May 11 and 12 and a check-in time on May 27 and 28 according to the NATRC website.

Riders participate in regional and national events to earn points. The points are tallied at the end of each year for regional and national prizes.

There were 27 riders who left a camp at La Plata National Forest on the morning of the

Purpose: eliminate that management may re-weigh questionable rider weights during the ride. By eliminating this sentence it becomes clearer the 5 pound weight deviation is at weigh-in.

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2. Page 4-4, Section 4, D Reads:
D. Eligibility of Riders

- 1. All persons 10 years of age or older are eligible to compete in NATRC except:
 - a. Any person designated in Section 3 (i.e., ride chair, ride secretary, trail-masters, stable manager, judges, official timers, judges recording secretary, Rules

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Interpreter, safety riders, P&R timer) shall not be eligible to ride a horse in competition on the sanctioned ride for which he serves in an official capacity.

Change to read:

- a. Any person designated in Section 3 (i.e., ride chair, **ride secretary**, trailmasters, stable manager, judges, official timers,

Purpose: to allow more volunteers to compete on a CTR

3. Page 5-1 Section 5, B Reads:

B. Stabling

1. All horses shall be kept in a designated area from preliminary check in until after the final examination.
2. The Stabling Options used are at the discretion or requirements of CTR management and/or the CTR facility.
3. The Stabling Options used by CTR management and/or the CTR facility must be available to all competitors.

4. Stabling Options **Not Allowed** during competition as primary containment:

- a. Hobbling of any kind
 - b. Portable panels that are not securely anchored to a trailer or tree.
 - c. Electric fencing
 - d. Staking out in any manner.
5. Stallions: Stallions must be double tied whenever tied. The primary and secondary rope will not be tied to the same tie spot.
- a. Stallion double tying requirements are: The primary rope is tied in the normal manner, but the secondary restraint method must be secured around the stallion's neck and tied in the normal manner. If a rope around the neck is secured with a knot, it must be a bowline and run through the halter.
 - b. Other secondary restraint methods may be acceptable (check with horsemanship judge). Two halters are unacceptable.
 - c. Failure to comply constitutes a major rule violation.

(See Rulebook Section 6 E 2d)

Change to Read:

B. Stabling

1. All horses shall be kept in a designated area from preliminary check in until after the final examination.
2. The Stabling Options used are at the discretion or requirements of CTR management and/or the CTR facility. For Stallions see 5 below.
3. The Stabling Options used by CTR management and/or the CTR facility must be available to all competitors.
4. Stabling Options **Not Allowed** during competition as primary containment:
 - a. Hobbling of any kind
 - b. Portable panels that are not securely anchored to a trailer
 - c. Electric fencing
 - d. Staking out in any manner.
 - e. Stallions in portable panels.**
5. Stallions: Stallions must be double tied whenever **stabled (for exceptions, see below)**. The primary and secondary rope will not be tied to the same tie spot.

a. Stallion double tying requirements are: The primary rope is tied in the normal manner, but the secondary restraint method must be secured around the stallion's neck and tied in the normal manner. If a rope around the neck is secured with a knot, it must be a bowline and run through the halter.

b. Other secondary restraint methods may be acceptable (check with horsemanship judge). Two halters are unacceptable.

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c. Failure to comply constitutes a major rule violation. (See Rulebook Section 6 E 2d)

d. Stallions may be stabled in pens when “stallion” pens are provided by the CTR facility.

Purpose: To prevent the use of portable pens for stallions (note the problem is not always the stallion, but mares which sometimes get loose).

4. Page 9-5, Section 9, C Reads:

C. Point Distribution

1. Disqualified or pulled horse and rider receive no points.

2. DO horse and rider receive no points.

3. The Open Sweepstakes winner will receive points equal to the highest points awarded in any of the three Open classes. The Novice Sweepstakes winner will receive points equal to the highest points awarded in any of the three Novice classes.

4. The Sweepstakes winner will receive points, in addition to other points won for horse, as follows: 3 points for a Type AA ride, 2 points for a Type A ride, one point for a Type B ride.

5. Points earned in one class will not be added to points earned in another class by the same horse or rider.

Change to Read:

C. Point Distribution

1. Disqualified or pulled horse and rider receive no points.

2. DO horse and rider receive no points.

3. **(a) When the entire Open Division at any given ride has ten or fewer competi-**

tors within the Division, points will be established after merging all horses in all classes within the Division into one combined class. Then scores for each horse will be ranked from highest to lowest, and points will be awarded based on the horse’s placing in this combined class. In the case of tie scores, equal points will be awarded to the tie scores. Points will be based on the number of starters (see Table Section 9.C4).

(b) When the entire Open Division at any given ride has eleven or more competitors within the Division, points will be awarded according to placings in each class, based on the number of starters (see Table Section 9.Ca).

4. The Open Sweepstakes winner will receive points equal to the highest points awarded in any of the three Open classes. The Novice Sweepstakes winner will re-

ceive points equal to the highest points awarded in any of the three Novice classes.

5. The Sweepstakes winner will receive points, in addition to other points won for horse, as follows: 3 points for a Type AA ride, 2 points for a Type A ride, one point for a Type B ride.

6. Points earned in one class will not be added to points earned in another class by the same horse or rider.

Purpose: Classes within the Open Division are becoming too small, making it difficult to earn points toward year end awards, including National Championships.

5. Page 9-4 Section 9 B 2 g Reads:

g. NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP:

In Open Division in the heavyweight and lightweight class a horse shall be declared a National

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Champion when all the following requirements are met within the first 16 rides officially started in the same year. Type AA ride counts as 1½ rides, Type A ride counts as 1 ride, Type B ride counts as ½ ride. The horse and rider team shall be considered officially started when timed out on the first day of the ride.

- (1) Awarded two firsts or one first and two second placings from any ride type.
- (2) Awarded the first or second placing from any ride type in any two states or two regions, or is awarded a national placing in HIGH POINT OPEN HORSE (Section 9 B2i).

(3) Accumulated 75 points.

Change to Read:

g. NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP:

In Open Division in the heavyweight and lightweight class a horse shall be declared a National Champion when all the following requirements are met within the first 16 rides officially started in the same year. Type AA ride counts as 1½ rides, Type A ride counts as 1 ride, Type B ride counts as ½ ride. The horse and rider team shall be considered officially started when timed out on the first day of the ride.

- (1) Awarded two firsts or one first and two second placings from any ride type in which

there are 4 or more competitors within the competitor's class..

- (2) Awarded the first or second placing from any ride type in any two states or two regions, or is awarded a national placing in HIGH POINT OPEN HORSE (Section 9 B2i).

- (3) Accumulated 75 points.

Purpose: to keep one of the qualifications for a National Championship (the awarding of a first or second) more difficult.



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 Chair: Ellen Pofcher
 Judges: Leroy Burnham DVM, Karel Waugh
 CP Combo- Hickorys Starlet/Dillard, Ashley
 Novice Sweepstakes: Kat Man D/Pimentel, Michelle-99
 Open Sweepstakes: Desert Reinbeau/Meroshnekoff, Angie-100

Open Heavyweight

1/2 Pistol Pete DF/Armer, Jean
 2/4 Amiraborr/Boicelli, Gene
 3/5 Stealth Knight/Boicelli, Victoria
 4/1 Abdul Latif BL/Rader, Jennifer
 5/3 Tango Sierra/Harvey, Laura

Open Lightweight

1/2 Desert Reinbeau/Meroshnekoff, Angie
 2/3 Sierra Sunshine/Stidolph, Donna
 3/1 Huck Finn/Frey, Ute

Novice Heavyweight

1/2 Champ/Smith, Chris
 2/4 Smarty/Kaldunski, Chris
 3/3 Moondancers Prema Nina/Bradley, Paula
 4/1 Trixie/Zayed, Marla

Novice Lightweight

1/2 Kat Man D/Pimentel, Michelle
 2/1 7th Heaven Star/Fuller, Lisa
 3/DO Palistar/Swain, Stephanie
 4/4 Maynard/Hannigan, Rachel
 5/3 Bodacious Tailfeathers/Egerer, Kaysha
 P Bella/Gianotti, Kerynn
 P Sansi Dior/Jamison, Susan

Novice Junior

1/2 Hot Rod/Cooper, Rebecca
 2/1 Geronimo/Yankton, Jordan
 3/4 Princess/Rasmussen, Xia
 4/3 KHS Romance/Heinzmann, Catie
 P Garnet/Gipson, Savannah
 P Chant/Etherington, Tim

Competitive Pleasure

1/2 Hickorys Starlet/Dillard, Ashley
 2/4 OM EL Shakeeb Dream/Dillard, Joe
 3/ OM EL Bilbao/York, Debbie
 4/3 Hot Midnight/Taniguchi, Trisha
 5/5 Marilyn the Mule/Pimentel, Joe
 6/6 Rabea BL/VanTuyll, Caroline
 /1 Ed Zackery/Jones, Mary T.
 Nura BL Da/Cunha, Heather
 P Fames Baydal BL/Fitts, Gary
 P Kamiko/Lieberknecht, Kay
 P Zoe/Pillsbury, Trish

Cowboy Camp A

5/18-19/2013 Region 1-CA
 A-O/CP Total Riders: 14
 Chair: Jean Armer
 Judges: Leroy Burnham DVM, Bev Barmettler
 Open Sweepstakes: Kaylee/Johnson, Karlie-98

Open Heavyweight

1/2 Tango Sierra/Harvey, Laura
 2/4 Stealth Knight/Boicelli, Victoria
 3/1 Amiraborr/Boicelli, Gene
 4/3 Laarkin/Brown, Tammy
 P Tura Lura/Cannon, Linda

Open Lightweight

1/1 Desert Reinbeau/Meroshnekoff, Angie

Open Junior

1/1 Kaylee/Johnson, Karlie

Competitive Pleasure

1/4 Hickorys Starlet/Dillard, Ashley
 2/3 Kamiko/Thurman, Ariel
 3/1 OM El Shakeeb Dream/Dillard, Joe
 4/ Om El Bilbao/York, Debbie
 5/2 Marilyn the Mule/Pimentel, Joe
 6/5 Ed Zackery/Jones, Mary T.
 /6 HN Raina Bo Surely/Schlerf, Haley

Cowboy Camp B

5/18/2013 Region 1-CA
 B-N Total Riders: 11
 Chair: Jean Armer
 Judges: Leroy Burnham DVM, Bev Barmettler
 Novice Sweepstakes: Shayla/Ikerd, Maleah-99

Novice Heavyweight

1/2 Mr. Sandman/Thomas, Shannon

2/1 YS Tyrone/Kroncke, Davern

Novice Lightweight

1/1 7th Heaven Star/Fuller, Lisa
 2/DO Palistar/Swain, Stephanie
 3/2 Kat Man D/Pimentel, Michelle
 4/DO Bodacious Tailfeathers/Lieberknecht, Kay

Novice Junior

1/2 Shayla/Ikerd, Maleah
 2/3 Lola/Johnson, Kirsten
 3/4 Fawkes/Wilson, Tom
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 5/1 Garnet/Anderson, Molly

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Bumble Bee A

3/16-17/2013 Region 2 - AZ
A-O/N/CP Total Riders: 24
Chair: Kandace French
Judges: Greg Fellers DVM, Janine Ancell
Novice Sweepstakes: Holly/Evans, Carol-96.5
Open Sweepstakes: Hot Saki/Smith, Terri-97.5

Open Heavyweight

1/2 National Treasure/Brown, Doug
2/5 Bookcliff Mountain Fire/Bingham, Kenneth
3/4 Laarkin/Brown, Tammy
4/3 Bailey's Angel Baby/Westmoreland, Cheryl
5/1 Peanut/Baker, Matt

Open Lightweight

1/1 Hot Saki/Smith, Terri
2/2 Phantom's Masquerade/Lane, Roxann

Novice Heavyweight

1/1 Holly/Evans, Carol
2/3 Medicine Wolf/Dreyfus, Susan

3/4 Ripley/Williams, Stephanie
4/2 Night Hawk/Noake, Sharon

Novice Lightweight

1/1 Rio/Worley, Jill
2/2 Big Bo/Watson, Sarah

Novice DO

La-da-de/Kirn, Patti
Showboat Cheyenne/
Johnson-Conne, Linda

Competitive Pleasure

1/2 Andarko/Walls, Lory
2/5 Precious Easy Aces/Bingham, Kerry
3/ The Good Son/Barnett, Tom
4/3 Nathan Arizona/Sims, Beth
5/4 Pride's College Boy/Bray, Sherrie
6/6 Ramber's Danny Rose/Carman, Jody
/1 Society Man's Sunny Boy/Zinkl, Debbie
Smokey Sedona/Kafka, Karen
Tres Beau/Poulton, Jennifer

Bumble Bee B

3/16/2013 Region 2-AZ
B-N Total Riders: 24
Chair: Kandace French
Judges: Greg Fellers DVM, Janine Ancell
Novice Sweepstakes: Toledo Tillie /
Montgomery, Pat-97.5

Novice Heavyweight

1/2 RP Fiery Dream/Phillips, Monica
2/3 Magnum's Sunshine Cruiser/
Hinman, Lynne
3/1 Little Bit's Merry Lad/Beard, Susan

Novice Lightweight

1/DO Toledo Tillie/Montgomery, Pat
2/1 WMA Pastella/Fura, Angie
3/2 Shesa Nifty Blond/Calvert, Richard

Vail Lake

5/18/2013 Region 2-CA
B-O/N/CP Total Riders: 12
Chair: Mary Jo Malone
Judges: Greg Fellers DVM, Karel Waugh
Novice Sweepstakes: RA Chloe/
Williams, Caden-96.5
Open Sweepstakes: Kenya Riverlee/
Sterns, Lynda-99

Open Lightweight

1/1 Kenya Riverlee/Sterns, Lynda

Novice Heavyweight

1/1 QCA Sonrey/Carl, Becky
2/2 Sillee Girl/Conklin, Dana

3/3 Nugget/Henneman, David

Novice Lightweight

1/2 Shiloh/Fowler, Marty
2/3 Oritos Flash/Peterson, Sandra
3/1 Beau Jackson/Achilly, Patricia

Novice Junior

1/1 RA Chloe/Williams, Caden

Competitive Pleasure

1/1 Andarko/Walls, Lory
2/2 Dancin in Cylk/Astrino, Phyllis
3/3 Milagro Ghost Dancer/Pavia, Audrey
4/4 Smokey Sedona/Kafka, Karen

4H Junior Rider Year End High Point Award

To encourage participation by 4H members, NATRC offers a 4H Junior Rider Year End High Point Award.

- The award goes to the high point rider and high point horse **regardless** of the rider's division.
- The award is a self-nominating award. The nomination must occur before the end of the ride year, which is the second Sunday in November. This year, it will be November 10, 2013.
- The rider must (1) be a member of NATRC (2) send Laurie DiNatale an email (natrc@natrc.org) stating that they are a 4H member and (3) have their 4H leader verify that they are a member with an email to Laurie DiNatale (natrc@natrc.org).

In a number of states (Colorado is one example), 4H now recognizes competitive trail as an activity that qualifies as a 4H member's project.

Questions?

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Pinon Mesa A

4/20-21/2013 Region 3-NM
 A-O/N/CP Total Riders: 36
 Chair: Jerry Sims
 Judges: Boyd Emond DVM, Becky Rogers
 CP Combo- Nathan Arizona/Sims, Beth
 Novice Sweepstakes: Cadence /
 Tucker, Nicole-95
 Open Sweepstakes: Hot Saki/Smith, Terri-99

Open Heavyweight

1/4 Peanut/Baker, Matt
 2/2 Awesomes Fire N Ice/Wolgram, Ken
 3/5 Bailey's Angel Baby/Westmoreland, Cheryl
 4/6 Bookcliff Mountain Fire/Bingham, Kenneth
 5/1 Magical Serenade/Halligan, Sherri
 6/3 Mariah/Wingle, Bill

Open Lightweight

1/1 Hot Saki/Smith, Terri
 2/3 Cedar Mesa Rushai/Mason, Judy Wise
 3/2 Phantom's Masquerade/Lane, Roxann
 4/4 GE Spartan/Jarrett, Cheryl
 P Nadrah/Gist, Wende

Novice Heavyweight

1/1 Cadence/Tucker, Nicole
 2/2 Charito/LaRue, Sheryl
 3/3 MSA Chloe/O'Brien, Wava

Novice Lightweight

1/1 Rocky Top II/Koons, Pam

Competitive Pleasure

1/1 Nathan Arizona/Sims, Beth
 2/3 Kashmirii Fadmar/Hansford, Bobbi
 3/6 The Missouri Reverend/Wingle, Diane
 4/2 Turner's Wild Card/Ward, Lin
 5/ Golden Ambition/Bingham, Kerry
 6/4 Napoleon Dynamite/Black, Michelle
 /5 Slick's Bar-B-Doll/Rubenstein, Angie
 Rockin E.Z. Raven/Ancell, Steve
 Gen's Rockin Shadow/Ward, Jim
 Summer/Wolgram, Betty
 Tres Beau/Poulton, Jennifer
 Rambler's Danny Rose/Carman, Jody
 Ananda Tsarina/Whitman, Benedikte

Pinon Mesa B

4/20/2013 Region 3-NM
 B-N Total Riders:
 Chair: Jerry Sims
 Judges: Boyd Emond DVM, Becky Rogers
 Novice Sweepstakes: Wrangler /
 Pape, Katheryn-95

Novice Heavyweight

1/1 Ted/Johns, Daniel
 2/3 Trigger's All Distance T/Daney, Devon
 3/2 Mijo/Miller, Robin
 4/4 Cody/Cordova, Lorraine

Novice Lightweight

1/1 Wrangler/Pape, Katheryn
 2/2 Tabooli/Johns, Kathleen
 3/3 Regalo/Rowland, Alix

Novice Junior

1/1 Kolt/Pape, Emily

Navajo Lake

5/11-12/2013 Region 3-NM
 A-O/N/CP Total Riders: 31
 Chair: Cathy Cumberworth
 Judges: Darlene Wehr DVM, Kim Cowart
 CP Combo- The Missouri Reverend/
 Wingle, Diane
 Novice Sweepstakes: Cadence /
 Tucker, Nicole-95.5
 Open Sweepstakes: Touch's Yeller Gold /
 Inman, Gary-96

Open Heavyweight

1/3 Touch's Yeller Gold/Inman, Gary
 2/1 Duke of Shadow Canyon/French, Kandace
 3/4 Moonlight Gambit/Bulcock, Bob
 4/5 Amiri Zambis/Bulcock, Debbie
 5/2 Mariah/Wingle, Bill
 CO Bailey's Angel Baby/Westmoreland, Cheryl

Open Lightweight

1/1 SA Harolds Honey/Combs, Janna
 P Hot Saki/Smith, Terri

Open Junior

1/1 Red/Combs, Alexis

Novice Heavyweight

1/1 Cadence/Tucker, Nicole
 2/3 Trigger's All Distance T/Daney, Devon
 3/4 Precious Easy Aces/Petzold, Sarah
 4/2 Smokin Cezanne/Chaffee, Diane
 5/6 Showboat Cheyenne/Conne, Linda
 6/5 La-da-de/Kirn, Patty
 P My Mojo/Milewski, Teresa

Novice Lightweight

1/1 Dash of Quick Silver/Sims, Sandie

Novice DO

DO/1 Fargo/Krzykowski, Carol

Competitive Pleasure

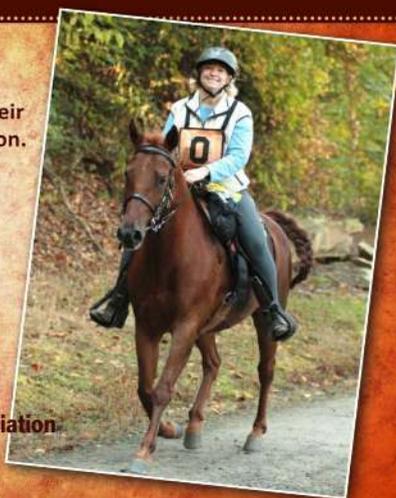
1 Baby/Summer, Susie
 2/2 The Missouri Reverend/Wingle, Diane
 3/ Babydolls Spotted Man/Miller-Inman, Linell
 4/ Turner's Wild Card/Ward, Lin
 5/1 Nathan Arizona/Sims, Beth
 6/3 Pride's College Boy/Bray, Sherrie
 /4 ROCK'N E.Z. REY/Sims, Jerry
 /5 Gen's Rockin Shadow/Ward, Jim
 /6 Golden Ambition/Bingham, Kerry
 Napoleon Dynamite/Black, Michelle
 Rambler's Danny Rose/Carman, Jody
 Tres Beau/Poulton, Jennifer
 P Ananda Tsarina/Whitman, Benedikte

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General Albert P. Clark Memorial Ride A

5/25-26/2013 Region 3-CO
A-O/N/CP Total Riders: 49
Chair: Linell Miller-Inman
Judges: Tamara Gull DVM, Judi Tobias
CP Combo: Summer/Wolgram, Betty
Novice Sweepstakes: Buffnugget G./Haltermann, Susan-85
Open Sweepstakes: Kenlyn Fantasy/Fisher, Taylor-90

Open Heavyweight

1/1 Peanut/Baker, Matt
P Mariah/Wingle, Bill
P Awesomes Fire N Ice/Wolgram, Ken

Open Lightweight

1/1 Phantoms Masquerade/Lane, Roxann
2/4 ROS Jabez/Dashner, Dave
3/2 CRR Boot Scootin/Roper-Dashner, Sharon
4/3 Kenlyn Stealth/Zettlemoyer, Diana

Open Junior

1/2 Kenlyn Fantasy/Fisher, Taylor
2/1 Red/Combs, Alexis
P Ruby Red Slippers/Hein, Liza
P Hank/Winter, Morgan

Open DO

Kenlyn Ellusion/Fisher, Linda

Novice Heavyweight

1/3 La-da-de/Kim, Patty
2/1 Thunder/Lewis, Donna

3/5 Showboat Cheyenne/
Conne-Johnson, Linda
4/ Tornado/Bishop, Stephen
5/4 My Mojo/Milewski, Teresa
6/2 HHF Nevado/Taylor, Don
/6 Levi/Morgan, Dayna
P Dixie's Rowdy Rambler/Judson, David

Novice Lightweight

1/1 Buffnugget G./Haltermann, Susan
2/DO Bezloha/Ulyate, Holly
3/2 RR Skye Robyn/Chaffee, Diane
4/5 Indy/Dandy, Donna
5/ CC/Lawson, Elizabeth
6/ Starlight/Lynn, Heloise
/4 HDP Dakota/Taylor, Bobbi
/3 Springlake Jacki O/Rendfrey, Jenny
/6 Amira/Newman, Jane
Badger/Olson, Calleen
P Rushcreek Honey/Kingery, Wendy
P August/Spikker, Ingrid

Novice Junior

1/1 Magical Serenade/Barnhart, Alarain
2/2 Encore/Dye, Kaylee

Competitive Pleasure

1/1 Summer/Wolgram, Betty
2/ Gen's Rockin Shadow/Ward, Jim
3/ BHR Hosans Prophet/Heniser, Vicki
4/5 Turner's Wild Card/Ward, Lin
5/2 Talk Til Midnight/Gunckel, Kay
6/3 Nathan Arizona/Sims, Beth
/4 ROCK'N E.Z. REY/Sims, Jerry
/6 Nottingham's Mystic Prince/
Vasquez, Louise

Lacey's Flirtation/Halligan, Sherri
Regala de la Estrellas/Marquardt, Diana
SAS's Aussie/Walls, Sharyl
Slicks Bar-B-Doll/Overholt, Dee
P The Missouri Reverend/Wingle, Diane
P Zanie's Sensational Spring/Lynch, Lesly
P Harlems Spirit of Denmark/Tarvin, Jill

General Albert P. Clark Memorial Ride B

5/26/2013 Region 3-CO
B-N Total Riders: 13
Chair: Linell Miller-Inman
Judges: Tamara Gull DVM, Judi Tobias
Novice Sweepstakes: EH Sarmin/Ruge, Teslin-90

Novice Lightweight

1/1 Jewell/Brinkhoff, Carole
2/2 Buddy/Colazio, Gennie
P Aspen/Willeke, Lanita
P Ariel/Stender, Martha

Novice Junior

1/1 EH Sarmin/Ruge, Teslin
2/5 Princess Xellie/Schmidt, Alaina
3/3 Resort Valley Sparkler/Mendoza, Olivia
4/2 Willow/Brinkhoff, Alexis
5/4 Bubbles/Colazio, Zara
CO Chief/Milinzazzo, Sorianna
CO Cayenne/MacArthur, Landon
P Kayenta/Brandt, Olivia
P Wildwych Scofflaw/Brandt, Laure

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7iL Scamper A

3/2-3/2013 Region 4 - TX
A-O/N/CP Total Riders: 28
Chair: Kate Love/Amy Martin
Judges: Kate Jacob DVM, Doanna Daniel
Novice Sweepstakes: Razmataz DBA/
Bass, Carla Jo-99
Open Sweepstakes: Marquisesmischief/
Jewell, Jonni-100

Open Heavyweight

1/1 Marquisesmischief/Jewell, Jonni
2/2 First Rayt Investment/Gould, Larry

Open Lightweight

1/1 Punky/Prusak, Deanne
2/4 Koscot's Dancer's Diamond/Miller, Dolly
3/3 Hes a Rockstar/Van Order, Barbie
4/2 NH Muscats Jewel/Swiss, Elaine
5/5 Windchester/Taylor, Jan

Novice Heavyweight

1/DO Razmataz DBA/Bass, Carla Jo
2/1 Soldier/Murray, Nikki
3/6 AKA Tango/Pirnie, Martha
4/3 Ellie/Tharp, Vicki

5/ Buck/Shenkir, Marjorie
6/5 Peddlin' the Bucks/Hagler, Brenda
/2 Ginger/Griffin, Annette
/4 Indira DD/Baxter, April
P Blondie/Watkins, Tanya
P Foxy's Koda/Bass, Christa

Novice Lightweight

1/1 Cayena de la Madera Roca/
Musgrave, Teresa
2/DO Vaquero/Gallihier, Jenna
3/DO Firecrackers Jose CP/Roberts, Linda
4/2 Gaitor/Kelsch, Cynthia
P Earth Spirit/Hut, Thomas
P Sudden Stars/Michalec, Destiny

Novice Junior

P Magnificent Merlin/Bass, Michaela

Competitive Pleasure

1/3 Moon's Movin' Out/Hagler, Linda
2/2 Tribute to Liberty/Yovich, Alice
3/1 NKR April's Jewel/Zimmerman, Betsy
4/4 Cimmetry/Collins, Mary

7iL Scamper B (Saturday)

3/2/2013 Region 4-TX
B-CP Total Riders: 5
Chair: Kate Love/Amy Martin
Judges: Kate Jacob DVM, Doanna Daniel

Competitive Pleasure

1/3 Hesatuffimpression/Murphree, Suzanne
2/4 Miekki's Sweet Miss/Murray, Dorothy
3/5 Shah Riyaa/Black, Tracy
4/2 Dulce Mia/Fenimore, Nancy
5/1 Traveler's Buddy RSW/Bradford, Candace

7iL Scamper B (Sunday)

3/3/2013 Region 4-TX
B-N Total Riders: 3
Chair: Kate Love/Amy Martin
Judges: Kate Jacob DVM, Doanna Daniel
Novice Sweepstakes: T-Bird/Rohlf, Anna-98

Novice Lightweight

1/1 Tosca/Black, Tracy

Novice Junior

1/2 T-Bird/Rohlf, Anna
2/1 Opportunity Knox/Martin, Madeline

Oklahoma Land Run B2

(originally an A ride, shortened by weather to a B Ride)
3/23/2013 Region 4-OK
B-O/N/CP Total Riders: 31
Chair: Brenda Wyatt
Judges: Darlene Wehr DVM, Patsy Conner
Novice Sweepstakes: Peddlin' the Bucks/
Hagler, Brenda-99.5
Open Sweepstakes: Frontgate Phoenix/
Rinne, Sarah-99.5

Open Heavyweight

1/1 Frontgate Phoenix/Rinne, Sarah
2/2 Diamond's Sassy Stockings/
Keene, James
3/ Rebles Klasiqueluvbug/
Monson, Hannah
4/3 Marquisesmischief/Jewell, Jonni
5/5 First Rayt Investment/Gould, Larry
6/4 PS Arikaree Bask/Glassman, Erin
/6 L. L. Remington/Marston, Marilyn
Docs Waywerd Beaver/
Reinhardt, Kimberly

Open Lightweight

1/1 RPH Queso/Hicks, Patti
2/4 Cito Mocha Raton/Cleveland, Trish
3/3 WH Picos Cozmic/Brodersen, Shirley
4/2 Heza Trouble Makin' Buddy/
Hapgood, Kris
5/6 NH Muscats Jewel/Swiss, Elaine
6/ Hes a Rockstar/Van Order, Barbie
/5 PS Sabres Sun/Everhart-Valentin, Kira
Koscot's Dancer's Diamond/Miller, Dolly

Novice Heavyweight

1/1 Peddlin' the Bucks/Hagler, Brenda
2/3 Chick Got Smashed/Morris, Allison
3/5 Express's Ghost D/McCullough, Sharon
4/DO Razmataz DBA/Bass, Carla Jo
5/2 LuckyMan/Barton, Bobbie
6/4 Sammy/Harper, Melinda
/6 Hancock's Mtn Doc/White, Derrel
/DO Sport Dogy/Everhart, Karen
DQ Boots on the Trail/Brown, Leslie

Novice Lightweight

1/3 Little Jet Fuel/West, Sharon
2/2 Kentucky Blu/Grow, Christi
3/1 Fortuna PaintedMoon/Edmondson, Cheryl

Novice Junior

1/1 Daisy/Paulie, BreAnna

Competitive Pleasure

1/1 Golden Mr Jet Charge/Stucky, Marla
2/2 Moon's Movin' Out/Hagler, Linda

Oklahoma Land Run B

3/23/2013 Region 4-OK
B-CP Total Riders: 10
Chair: Brenda Wyatt
Judges: Darlene Wehr DVM, Patsy Conner

Competitive Pleasure

1/2 War Chick Joewood/Dunsworth, Debbie
2/6 Sterling/Puglisi, Arlene
3/4 Miss Roan Shosone/Cunningham, Monica
4/1 Mateo/McHaffie, Tom
5/ Katie/Pittser, Linda
6/3 Mr. Zan Parr Doc/Owen, Kim
/5 Aaseff/May, Ellen
Mia/Zeller, Jeanette
Don Pintero/McHaffie, Mary
Dally/Loos, Elizabeth

Tarrant Ranch

4/6-7/2013 Region 4-TX
A-O/N/CP Total Riders: 37
Chair: Teresa Gallihier
Judges: Randy Burgess DVM, Shirley Parker
Novice Sweepstakes:
Cayena de la Madera Roca/
Musgrave, Teresa-94
Open Sweepstakes: WH Picos Cozmic/
Brodersen, Shirley-99

Open Heavyweight

1/1 First Rayt Investment/Gould, Larry
2/2 Shes Mighty Impressive/Widon, Richard

Open Lightweight

1/3 WH Picos Cozmic/Brodersen, Shirley
2/4 Punky/Prusak, Deanne
3/1 RPH Queso/Hicks, Patti
4/2 Koscot's Dancer's Diamond/Miller, Dolly
5/6 Hes a Rockstar/Van Order, Barbie
6/5 NH Muscats Jewel/Swiss, Elaine

Open Junior

1/1 Napoleon Solo/Widon, Callie
P Pocket Ful of Sunshine/Ojeda, Cynthia

Novice Heavyweight

1/DO Razmataz DBA/Bass, Carla Jo
2/6 Blondie/Watkins, Tanya
3/5 Buck/Shenkir, Marjorie
4/3 Peddlin' the Bucks/Hagler, Brenda

5/1 Gen's a Pusher Lady/Skarbovig, Kristi
6/2 Juan Mighty Duke/Ambrose, Yvonne
/4 AKA Tango/Pirnie, Martha
Easy Paycheck/Burwood, Werner
Tobbi From Rhythmhill/
McGibbon, MaryAshley
P Keeper/Burwood, Glenda

Novice Lightweight

1/2 Cayena de la Madera Roca/
Musgrave, Teresa
2/5 Sundae/Holm, Sharon
3/3 CSS Risky Leo Iceman/
Dreadfulwater, LeeAnn
4/DO Vaquero/Gallihier, Jenna

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Tarrant Ranch, continued

5/1 Shah Riyaa/Black, Tracy
 6/DO Sum Tigger/Weir, Katie
 /4 Ojala ArielMoon/Edmondson, Cheryl

Novice Junior

1/1 Opportunity Knox/Martin, Madeline
 2/2 Dreamboat Annie/Patton, Morgan

Competitive Pleasure

1/4 Tribute to Liberty/Yovich, Alice
 2/6 Chyna/Key, Corry

3/3 Moon's Movin' Out/Hagler, Linda
 4/ Cimmerty/Collins, Mary
 5/5 Gorgeous Dixie/Steinke, Maggie
 6/1 Nellie's Last Tango – SC/Lucht, Becky
 /2 LRR Matt's Buck Ledoux/Drumm, Jenny
 WRF Starfire/Wills, Meg

Parrie Haynes A

4/20-21/2013 Region 4-TX
 A-O/N/CP Total Riders: 28
 Chair: Alanna Sommer
 Judges: Carol Ormond DVM, Jean Green
 Novice Sweepstakes: Firecrackers Jose CP /
 Roberts, Linda-98
 Open Sweepstakes: RPH Queso /
 Hicks, Patti-100

Open Heavyweight

1/1 Marquisesmischief/Jewell, Jonni
 2/2 First Rayt Investment/Gould, Larry

Open Lightweight

1/4 RPH Queso/Hicks, Patti
 2/5 NH Muscats Jewel/Swiss, Elaine
 3/3 Hes a Rockstar/Van Order, Barbie
 4/1 Punky/Prusak, Deanne
 5/2 Reflections Angel/Hurd, Kelly
 6/6 Topule/Brough, Kelley

P Koscot's Dancer's Diamond/Miller, Dolly

Novice Heavyweight

1/3 Buck/Shenkir, Marjorie
 2/2 Blondie/Watkins, Tanya
 3/1 Peddlin' the Bucks/Hagler, Brenda
 P AKA Tango/Pirnie, Martha
 CO/DO Razmataz DBA/Bass, Carla Jo

Novice Lightweight

1/DO Firecrackers Jose CP/Roberts, Linda
 2/DO Sum Tigger/Weir, Katie
 3/2 Tosca/Black, Tracy
 4/1 Cayena de la Madera Roca/Musgrave, Teresa
 P Up Milky Way Moon/Swindle, Levona

Novice Junior

1/1 Opportunity Knox/Martin, Madeline
 2/2 Cale Xparticus/Callegari, Ann
 3/3 Cale Ptah/Callegari, Claudia

Competitive Pleasure

1/1 LRR Matt's Buck Ledoux/Drumm, Jenny
 2/2 NKR April's Jewel/Zimmerman, Betsy
 3/6 LB Blues Clues/Rabon, Lissa
 4/5 Tribute to Liberty/Yovich, Alice
 5/4 Moon's Movin' Out/Hagler, Linda
 6/3 Gorgeous Dixie/Steinke, Maggie

Parrie Haynes B

4/20/2013 Region 4-TX
 B-CP Total Riders: 4
 Chair: Alanna Sommer
 Judges: Carol Ormond DVM, Jean Green

Competitive Pleasure

1/4 BasksMidnightFire/Packard, Katrina
 2/2 Trinity/Jones, Michelle
 3/3 Quixote Oak/Simmons, Judy
 4/1 Miles/Hudspeth, Christi



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Spanish Trail

3/9-10/2013 Region 5-FL
A-O/N/CP Total Riders: 51
Chair: Patricia Petelle
Judges: Stephanie Ostrowski DVM,
Cheri Jeffcoat
Novice Sweepstakes: Smart Little Tiger/
Bates, Melissa-99
Open Sweepstakes: Danamyte/
Diaguila, Esther-100

Open Heavyweight

1/1 Goodnight's Masterpiece/Clayton, Gary
2/2 Victory CH/Moore, William
3/3 Mary Jane/Ault, Carol

Open Lightweight

1/2 Danamyte/Diaguila, Esther
2/3 Tommys Impressev Ace/Broughton, Regina
3/1 My Noble Ambition/Rand, Lori
4/5 Swiss Mocha/Riley, Paula
5/6 Painter's Polka Dots/Molaison, Melissa
6/4 That's My George/Rand, Emily

Open Junior

P Flash of Lightening/Moulis, Jameson

Novice Heavyweight

1/3 PH Twin Blue/Long, Amy
2/1 Dusty Dawn Little Lady/Lewis, Ray
3/ Canyon/Morrow, Gordon
4/5 Stanley's Travis/Duchesne, Ariel
5/4 Admiral/Duchesne, Margarita
6/2 Mango/Miller, Carnell
/6 Spirit/Ulm, Cathy
Katt/Miller, Ernest
Dakota/Haglund, Pam
Prewitt/Knott, Renee
Brother of Pearl/Draper, Josephine
Ledo Bright Prince/Atkins, Lucy
Abby/Amick, Debby
Quail Roost Skyy/Middleton, Jeanne

Novice Lightweight

1/3 Smart Little Tiger/Bates, Melissa
2/ Fanci's Sharzam/Kingshill, Susan
3/4 Tri-Mi Dealers Choice/Abbott, Cathy
4/5 Sunny Georgia/Lucas, Patty
5/ Cypress Forte/DeRosa, Charmaine
6/6 Lexus Golden Tie L/Dukes, Mary

/1 Mariah's Secret/Riley, Leigh
/2 Winnie/Horn, Juliana
Sey Proofs Joy/Winegarner, Marsha
Faith/Bonner, Brittany
Red/Woods, Diana
Beau/Garnes, Sherry
Destiny/Dennis, Karen
P Raisin the Roof/Daniels, Michelle
P Scatman's Saint/Granger, Jackie
P Rio/Melaven, Cheryl
P Spenda/Pitts, Leslie

Novice Junior

1/2 Tan Leg Juliet/Reagan, Michaela
2/1 Ibn Ionah/Templin, Lindsey

Competitive Pleasure

1/2 Delight's Amber Beauty/Moore, Vickie
2/1 Mandella Bey/Chapman, Carolyn
3/ Santa Maria/Leland, Leslie
4/5 Heart's Desire/West-Pegram, Sandy
5/3 SCF Cindy Lou Who/Riddick, Keri
6/6 DIA Icon/Mount, Janell
/4 Arrow's Saltwater Taffy/Scott, Lisa
Bailey/James, Trish

Spring in Dixie A

3/23-24/2013 Region 5-AL
A-O/N/CP Total Riders: 31
Chair: Paula Riley
Judges: Carrie Porter DVM, Kim Cowart
Novice Sweepstakes: Admiral/
Duchesne, Margarita-100
Open Sweepstakes: Prime Sensation WH/
Findley, Martha-100

Open Heavyweight

1/1 Goodnight's Masterpiece/Clayton, Gary

Open Lightweight

1/1 Prime Sensation WH/Findley, Martha
2/2 My Noble Ambition/Rand, Lori
3/3 Painter's Polka Dots/Molaison, Melissa
4/4 Loco Motion/Baldwin, Sara
5/5 Raisin the Roof/Daniels, Michelle
P Danamyte/Diaguila, Esther

Open Junior

1/1 Flash of Lightening/Moulis, Jameson

Novice Heavyweight

1/2 Admiral/Duchesne, Margarita

2/3 PH Twin Blue/Long, Amy
3/4 Rock It Man/Williams, Lori R.
4/1 Dusty Dawn Little Lady/Lewis, Ray
5/5 Stanley's Travis/Duchesne, Ariel
6/6 Ledo Bright Prince/Atkins, Lucy
P Good Girl/Mitchell, Christopher

Novice Lightweight

1/1 Mariah's Secret/Riley, Leigh
2/4 Tri-Mi Dealers Choice/Abbott, Cathy
3/5 Sey Proofs Joy/Winegarner, Marsha
4/3 Smart Little Tiger/Melissa Bates
5/2 Sunny Georgia/Lucas, Patty

Novice Junior

1/2 Earl Grey/Mitchell, Nathan
2/1 Tan Leg Juliet/Reagan, Michaela
3/3 Kiss Me Kate/Hardy, Matthew

Competitive Pleasure

1/3 Dakota's Dark Knight/Hardin, Kathy
2/2 Kings Lasting Legacy/Petelle, Patricia
3/4 Heart's Desire/West-Pegram, Sandy
4/5 Docs Skip N Rock/Ford, Gail
5/6 Delight's Amber Beauty/Keen, Cindy
6/ Red Eagle/Mobley, Stephanie
/1 OH Bogustus/Chapman, Carolyn

SCF Cindy Lou Who/Riddick, Keri

Spring in Dixie B

3/23/2013 Region 5-AL
B-N/CP Total Riders: 10
Chair: Paula Riley
Judges: Carrie Porter DVM, Kim Cowart
Novice Sweepstakes: Lenox/Senecal, Anita-100

Novice Heavyweight

1/2 TwoBit/McCafferty, Misty
2/3 Flaming Pie/Ragsdale, Lauren
3/1 Hot off the fax/Selph, Gary

Novice Lightweight

1/1 Lenox/Senecal, Anita

Novice Junior

1/1 Magis Moon OnFire/Owens, David
2/2 Spirit of Spotted Alen/Heard, Kathryn

Competitive Pleasure

1/1 Phoenix the Phenomenal/Dudek, Kellie
2/2 Song/Ostrowski, Stephanie
3/3 Faa Fabo/Owens, Amber
4/4 Mister Sid/Ford, Elizabeth

Region Five Benefit A

4/6-7/2013 Region 5-GA
A-O/N/CP Total Riders: 38
Chair: Cindy Keen
Judges: Carrie Porter DVM, Bill Sherfese
Novice Sweepstakes: Dusty Dawn Little Lady/
Lewis, Ray-99
Open Sweepstakes: Flash of Lightening /
Moulis, Jameson-100

Open Heavyweight

1/1 Goodnight's Masterpiece/Clayton, Gary
2/2 Mary Jane/Ault, Carol
3/3 Rockette Survivor/Olson, Foster

Open Lightweight

1/1 Swiss Mocha/Riley, Paula

2/5 Painter's Polka Dots/Molaison, Melissa
3/ Loco Motion/Baldwin, Sara
4/2 Scatoaks Major Jake/Hall, Julie
5/4 That's My George/Rand, Emily
6/3 Prime Sensation WH/Findley, Martha
/6 Tommys Impressev Ace/Broughton, Regina
Raisin The Roof/Daniels, Michelle
My Noble Ambition/Rand, Lori

Open Junior

1/1 Flash of Lightening/Moulis, Jameson

Open DO

MA Sharem Jabask/Nielsen, Lela

Novice Heavyweight

1/3 Dusty Dawn Little Lady/Lewis, Ray

2/2 PH Twin Blue/Long, Amy
3/1 Mango/Miller, Carnell
4/4 Rock It Man/Williams, Lori R. 1
5/DO Terradocs Oconee/Belle Kudra, Sallie
6 Charlie/Dyer, Teresa
/5 Katt/Miller, Ernest
/6 Buddy/Dunne, Aimee
Ledo Bright Prince/Atkins, Lucy

Novice Lightweight

1/1 Mariah's Secret/Riley, Leigh
2/4 El Dorado Lagniappe/Heinrich, Judy
3/3 Alena Rae/Rogers, Andrea
4/5 Nifty Scooter Jac/Timmons, Donna
5/2 Lexus Golden Tie L/Dukes, Mary

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Region Five Benefit A, continued

Competitive Pleasure

- 1/3 Kings Lasting Legacy/Petelle, Patricia
- 2/1 OH Bogustus/Chapman, Carolyn
- 3/2 Oak Knoll Holly/Nathan, Julie
- 4/ Heart's Desire/West-Pegram, Sandy
- 5/6 SCF Cindy Lou Who/Riddick, Keri
- 6/4 Jake/VanEysbergen, Elsa
- /5 Delight's Amber Beauty/Moman, Hayleigh
- TR What's Smokin/Jones, Mark H.

RCC Follow Me/Jones, Debbie T.
Bailey/James, Trish

Region Five Benefit B

- 4/6/2013 Region 5-GA
B-O/N/CP Total Riders: 7
Chair: Cindy Keen
Judges: Carrie Porter DVM, Bill Sherfese
Novice Sweepstakes: Spirit of Spotted Alen/
Heard, Kathryn-97.5
Open Sweepstakes: Thee Vandal/
Ostrowski, Stephanie-88.5

Open Heavyweight

- 1/1 Thee Vandal/Ostrowski, Stephanie

Novice Lightweight

- 1/1 Prince/Ward, Katie
- 2/2 Talharabi/Gunzburger, Lindsay

Novice Junior

- 1/1 Spirit of Spotted Alen/Heard, Kathryn

Competitive Pleasure

- 1/2 Phoenix the Phenomenal/Dudek, Kellie
- 2/1 DIA Icon/Mount, Janell
- 3/3 Amir IBN Sahhar/Goza, Michelle

Uwharrie Forest A

- 4/20-21/2013 Region 5-NC
A-O/N/CP Total Riders: 26
Chair: Voan Stone
Judges: Mike Bridges DVM, Natalie Morris DVM
(apprentice), Richard Stone
Novice Sweepstakes: Alena Rae /
Rogers, Andrea-100
Open Sweepstakes: Prime Sensation WH /
Findley, Martha-97

Open Heavyweight

- P Excelensia DLM/Graves, Pam

Open Lightweight

- 1/1 Prime Sensation WH/Findley, Martha
- 2/3 Raisin the Roof/Daniels, Michelle
- 3/6 Scatoaks Major Jake/Hall, Julie
- 4/ Loco Motion/Baldwin, Sara
- 5/2 Nancy's Summer Dance/Sluys, Nancy
- 6/5 Swiss Mocha/Riley, Paula
- /4 Painter's Polka Dots/Molaison, Melissa

Open Junior

- 1/1 Flash of Lightening/Moulis, Jameson

Novice Heavyweight

- 1/5 Bullet's Bazooka Joe/Shrum, Judith
- 2/DO Terradocs Oconee Belle/Kudra, Sallie
- 3/1 Dements Allens Ace/Cozzolino, Susan
- 4/3 Mango/Miller, Carnell
- 5/2 Dusty Dawn Little Lady/Lewis, Ray
- 6/4 Santana/Mulligan, Jennifer
- /6 Katt/Miller, Ernest
- P Captian Kune/Talbert, Ben

Novice Lightweight

- 1/1 Alena Rae/Rogers, Andrea
- 2/3 Infamous to the Day/Price-O'Brien, Morgan
- 3/2 Spirit/Lee, Elizabeth
- P Beau/Garnes, Sherry

Competitive Pleasure

- 1/3 Oak Knoll Holly/Nathan, Julie
- 2/1 Delight's Amber Beauty/Keen, Cindy
- 3/2 SCF Cindy Lou Who/Riddick, Keri
- 4/4 Kings Lasting Legacy/Petelle, Patricia

Uwharrie Forest B

- 4/20/2013 Region 5-NC
B-N/CP Total Riders: 12
Chair: Voan Stone
Judges: Mike Bridges DVM, Natalie Morris DVM
(apprentice), Richard Stone
Novice Sweepstakes: Esther/Land, Carol-98

Novice Lightweight

- 1/1 Esther/Land, Carol
- 2/4 Clyde/Davis, Debra
- 3/3 Tigger/Smith, Susan
- 4/2 Hale Bob Comet/Mclver, Donna

Novice Junior

- 1/3 Chance/Garnes, Jacob
- 2/2 Naomi/Terry, Caroline
- 3/1 Jabez/Hage, Chloe
- 4/4 Ruth/Kirkland, Mary

Competitive Pleasure

- 1/3 CMF Halle/Hartness, Marilyn
- 2/1 DIA Icon/Mount, Janell
- 3/4 Scarlet/Wertz, Jennifer
- 4/2 Phoenix the Phenomenal/Dudek, Kellie

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5/4-5/2013 Region 6-KS
A-O/N/CP Total Riders: 28
Chair: Erin Glassman
Judges: Kate Jacob DVM, Norma Newton
Novice Sweepstakes: Sun Rock Glory Blaze /
Bouska, Alan-100
Open Sweepstakes: Awesomes Fire N Ice /
Wolgram, Ken-100

Open Heavyweight

1/1 Awesomes Fire N Ice/Wolgram, Ken
2/3 L.L.Remington/Marston, Marilyn
3/2 Frontgate Phoenix/Rinne, Sarah
4/5 Spot Me Wild/Sylvara, Karen
5/4 My Knightmare/White, Vickie

Open Lightweight

1/3 Vikens Bear A Cuda/Prey, Virginia
2/4 Cito Mocha Raton/Cleveland, Trish
3/5 Rushcreek Bonita/Messick, Brenda
4/1 Princess Dina/Payne, Debbie
5/2 Heza Trouble Makin' Buddy/Hapgood, Kris

Novice Heavyweight

1/2 Sun Rock Glory Blaze/Bouska, Alan
2/3 LuckyMan/Barton, Bobbie
3/1 Lucky/Elder, Katie

Novice Lightweight

1/3 Touch's Lucky Strike/Licata, Mary
2/1 Dun Come Unzipped/Reynolds, Margaret
3/2 Tonto/Cleveland, Kayli
4/4 Jordan/Beckham, Diane
P Desi/Champlin, Chasity

Novice Junior

1/1 Trixi/Paulie, BreAnna

Competitive Pleasure

1/4 D.M.'S Eye of The Tiger/Altwegg, Noreen
2/2 Golden Mr Jet Charge/Stucky, Marla
3/1 Mika/Parys, Shari
4/ DJ Maverick/Lysinger, Patricia
5/3 Didi Waa Du Lilly/McCoy, Mary
6/6 Rushcreek Melady/McCoy, Gary
/5 Shadow's Dancer C./Nore, Robin
Goodness Gracious/Childs, Maggie
P Summer/Wolgram, Betty

Kanopolis Canyon B-Saturday

5/4/2013 Region 6-KS
B-N/CP Total Riders: 2
Chair: Erin Glassman
Judges: Kate Jacob DVM, Norma Newton
Novice Sweepstakes: Risky Snickers /
Klamm, Jason-99

Novice Junior

1/1 Risky Snickers/Klamm, Jason

Competitive Pleasure

1/1 Smoky Hill Magic Gloe Willy/Klamm, Liz

Kanopolis Canyon B-Sunday

5/5/2013 Region 6-KS
B-N/CP Total Riders: 4
Chair: Erin Glassman
Judges: Kate Jacob DVM, Norma Newton
Novice Sweepstakes: Smoky Hill Magic Gloe
Willy / Klamm, Ryan-95

Novice Heavyweight

1/1 Deedle/Rockett, Nichola

Novice Lightweight

1/1 Carbon/Medrano, Lisa

Novice Junior

1/1 Smoky Hill Magic Gloe Willy/Klamm, Ryan

Competitive Pleasure

1/1 Risky Snickers/Klamm, Liz

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4/27-28/2013 Region 6-KS
A-O/N/CP Total Riders: 32
Chairs: Hope White, Vickie White
Judges: Kate Jacob DVM, Priscilla Lindsey
Novice Sweepstakes: Touch's Lucky Strike /
Licata, Mary-97.5
CP Combo: D.M.'S Eye of The Tiger/
Altwegg, Noreen
Open Sweepstakes: Nikita's Chilli Sensation WH
/Hinkebein, William-99

Open Heavyweight

1/2 Nikita's Chilli Sensation WH/
Hinkebein, William
2/3 Awesomes Fire N Ice/Wolgram, Ken
3/4 Mr. Chico Lindo/Smith, Yvonne
4/1 Frontgate Phoenix/Rinne, Sarah
5/5 Spot Me Wild/Sylvara, Karen

Open Lightweight

1/5 PS Sabres Sun/Everhart-Valentin, Kira
2/1 Cito Mocha Raton/Cleveland, Trish
3/6 HS SF Remel/Hirsch, Lucy
4/2 Princess Dina/Payne, Debbie
5/3 ViKens Bear A Cuda/Prey, Virginia
6/4 Rushcreek Bonita/Messick, Brenda
Winchester Charm/Wood, Mary Anna

Novice Heavyweight

1/2 LuckyMan/Barton, Bobbie
2/1 Sun Rock Glory Blaze/Bouska, Alan
3/DO Sport Dogy/Everhart, Karen
4/3 Fine Art Design/Harman, Audrey

Novice Lightweight

1/ Touch's Lucky Strike/Licata, Mary
2/5 Foxy/Teeman, Rene
3/6 BRA Leonardo/Norris, Troy

4/2 Kentucky Blu/Grow, Christi
5/1 Tonto/Cleveland, Kayli
6/3 Dun Come Unzipped/Reynolds, Margaret
/4 YM Midnight Angel/Jakopak, Summer
Little Jet Fuel/West, Sharon

Competitive Pleasure

1/3 D.M.'S Eye of The Tiger/Altwegg, Noreen
2/5 Goodness Gracious/Childs, Maggie
3/4 DJ Maverick/Lysinger, Patricia
4/1 Mika/Parys, Shari
5/2 Shadow's Dancer C./Nore, Robin
P Razonn Trail Dancer/Colby, Mary
P Cinder/McDevitt, Mary

Competitive Pleasure DO

Summer/Wolgram, Betty

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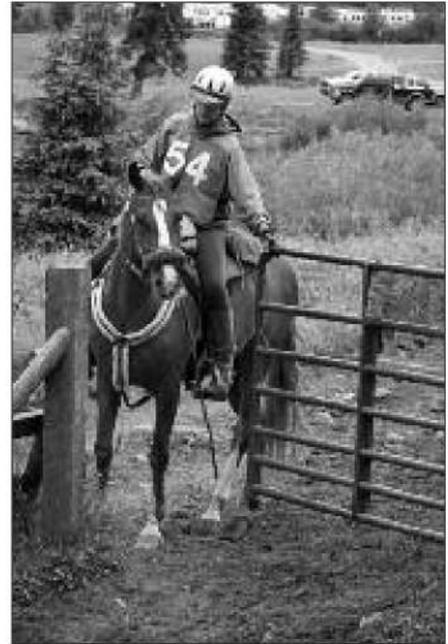
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