

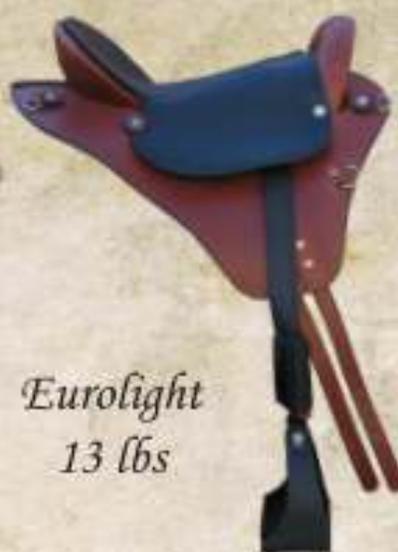
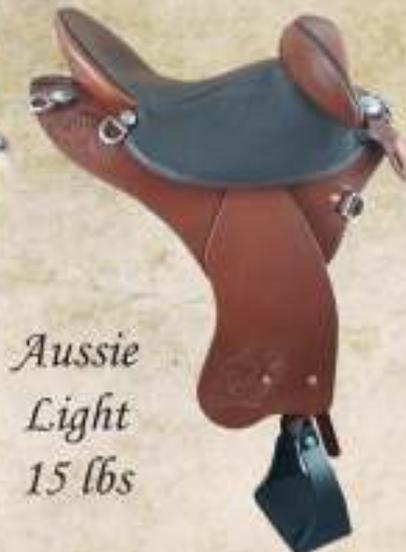
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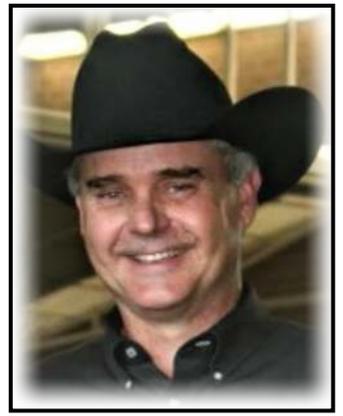
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President's Message



'Til You Can't

Thank you Region 6 for putting on a wonderful convention in Omaha, Nebraska. It more than lived up to its theme, *The Good Life*, as we celebrated 60 years of NATRC. The speakers and presentations were packed full of information. We were able to recognize the accomplishments of our members during an amazing awards banquet. All of this would not have been possible without the generous support of our convention sponsors and all the members and regions who supported our silent auction.

Your national board of directors held their business meeting on Thursday. During this meeting they finalized the wording to the rule proposals that the board will be voting on in July. You will find these rule proposals in this edition of the *Hoof Print* as well as on our NATRC website. Please be sure to visit with your regional board members about these proposals so that their vote reflects the desires of your region.

A video crew from RFD-TV and the Cowboy Channel stopped by Fri-

day afternoon, during the opening session, and interviewed some of our members. They put together a very nice piece about NATRC that has aired on both channels. I am very pleased about this national exposure NATRC received!

If you have not attended our national convention before, you need to. The fellowship with friends and members from across the country is priceless. You will come away inspired! I was not ready for the convention to end, and at the same time, I could not wait to get back home and get to riding my horses.

The convention added to my motivation and anticipation for the upcoming ride season. I consider each day as a gift, and I use that as motivation to get out there and ride, even on those days where it would be easy to find an excuse not to. I figure one of these days I will want to go ride and will not be able to, so I refuse to let an opportunity slip by.

As I started my drive back home from convention that Sunday afternoon, it was only appropriate that when I opened my Apple Music "Horseback Riding" playlist, the first

song that played was Cody Johnson's "Til You Can't!" It was perfect timing. Needless to say, I cranked up the volume!

*If you got a chance, take it.
Take it while you got a chance.
If you got a dream, chase it.
'Cause a dream won't
chase you back.*

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We, the NATRC National Board of Directors, Executive Director, judges, committee members, and employees are ambassadors of our sport whether at an organized event or informal gathering. There is an implied code of ethics to adhere to. This code of ethics dictates that we behave professionally, courteously and responsibly. This includes:

- Representing the sport in a professional manner
- Being respectful when giving an opinion
- Substantiating information before giving an opinion
- Being kind and courteous to others

Meet Our New Apprentice and Provisional Judges

Members: The Judges Committee welcomes your comments on the following apprentice and provisional judges.

Veterinary Judges

Apprentice

Vivian Gay McWilliams Quam, DVM (R5)

Horsemanship Judges

Apprentice

Fran Muench (R4)

Provisional

Jan Jeffers (R1)

Veterinary and Horsemanship Judges:

- Has your address or phone number changed? Please notify the NATRC office of any changes. Indicate home, cell and office numbers.
- Apprenticing must be done with an **approved** judge who has agreed to judge and supervise you.

Ride Chairs:

- Secure your judges early. Remember, you must contact and secure your judges well in advance of your ride date!
- Obtain the current Judges List from the website.
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Letter to all Judges

From
Keri Riddick, DVM &
Lory Walls,
Co-Chairs,
Judges Committee

This letter accompanied the 2022 Rule Book sent to all judges.

December 14, 2021

NATRC Judges:

Happy New Year to all! The year 2021 was better than 2020 on the well-being of not only NATRC as an organization, but also the equines and their riders who participate in our sport. It is hard to believe 2021 is ending! The Covid-19 Pandemic has continued to be a disrupter for NATRC, periodically causing rides to be cancelled often due to state recommendations, but also due to potential increased risk to our volunteers or possibly our judges. For those who traveled in 2021, we recognize you as being one of the elites within NATRC. Thank you for your commitment to look after competitive trail horses, educate riders on how to be a better partner for their horse and in general support NATRC. NATRC cannot happen without our judges! As we learn to adapt to the changing world within the pandemic, we have also had the opportunity to address concerns within NATRC. The greatest concern we are hearing is inconsistency among judges. Judges bring

their style and personality to an event, but ultimately the manner in which an event is scored must be relatively consistent across the nation. Social media is currently serving to demonstrate inconsistencies and providing a platform for competitors to express complaints. This year we are focused on bringing balance and consistency back to our riders and we need your help with this. The longevity of NATRC will partly be dependent on our judges bringing a consistent effort from Alaska to Florida.

Annual requirements.

- ▶ The NBOD has permanently extended the period from 12 to **24 months for veterinary judges** to fulfill their annual requirements. The period for horsemanship and Leisure Division (LeD) judges (12 months) remains the same.
- ▶ Recognizing the impacts of COVID-19 and the extreme weather events, the board waived *all* requirements for *all* judges in 2021 including those for annual renewal and for apprentice/provisional progress. However, with expectations to have rides in 2022, we hope to resume annual requirements.
- ▶ Some judges did meet the requirements, and we'd like **all** judges to please return the enclosed form.

As we ring in the new year, we hope 2022 will provide a safe environment to participate in rides. Our judges are the most impactful ride personnel on site at a ride, and what we do, what we say, and HOW we do our jobs linger in the minds of our riders long after a particular event is over. As all the various committees work to keep NATRC afloat, we are imperative to the sport's success, and a fair judge who is kind, compassionate and encouraging can create a competitor that is motivated to not only improve, but come back ride after ride. We are grateful to entrust this with each of you.

Below are some judging matters to keep in mind and use as part of your routine to ensure quality and consistency within our ranks.

- ▶ While the Judges Committee realizes that efficient vetting in procedures and less time waiting in line for competitors is always appreciated, it is crucial to the conduct of our sport that horses be thoroughly evaluated at both the pre-ride and end-of-ride veterinary examinations. The Judges Committee continues to recommend that all ride veterinarians examine horses on both ends of the ride at the trot on a straight line and in circles in order to detect lameness problems and gait abnormalities. This will aid in scoring the horses and more accurately evaluates horses for our competitors.
- ▶ Remember riders and judges need to be aware ahead of time of critical point-to-point time frames. If the situation happens that a rider on the trail and within the established time parameters does get ahead of the judges, then the judges need to drop that obstacle from their judging plans.

As a reminder: Concern has been expressed about the safety of competitors' footwear while handling horses.

- ▶ In reference to the Judges Manual: *Wearing apparel (footwear, headgear, shorts, and so forth) per se shall not be scored. Judges are free, however, to make notations on scorecards about the safety aspects of apparel so long as the notations do not include plus or minus signs (which many judges use to break ties). What might be considered an exception to the policy actually relates to tack. In checking tack with the rider mounted, the judge can elect to evaluate the size relationship between stirrup and shoe.*
- ▶ However, a rider who shows up for the preliminary or final examination wearing flip flops, for example, presents a safety and liability concern. It's been handled various ways on a case-by-case, judge by judge basis. **The Judges Committee and the NBOD agree that an effective way to handle this is to simply refuse to exam-** (Continued on page 5)

ine the horse until the rider returns wearing safe footwear.

The Leisure Division (LeD) has been very successful.

- ▶ For those of you interested in being a Leisure Division judge, please remember that our online orientation is a required part of the process. It's helpful to all of us and helps to make sure we're all on the same page.
- ▶ The NBOD and Judges Committee have agreed that we will incorporate (at least) one mentor ride for the new LeD judges, and that the senior judge for that mentor ride be an established NATRC judge (rather than another newish, but approved, Leisure judge). We will also incorporate (at least) one provisional ride into the Leisure judge process. It will function much as a provisional ride for a regular judge; the new Leisure judge will work on their own, however there will be feedback with JC and JC chair(s) before final approval by NBOD. These steps are meant to be added support for new Leisure judges.

The Judge's Committee has made the following recommendations regarding the LeD check-in procedure:

- ▶ LeD is intended to be more "relaxed" and primarily caters to riders new to our sport and thus unlikely to understand or currently embrace what the rest of us take for granted during a check-in (Vet-in) process. Examples include: staying with the judge, two hands on the rope, etc.
- ▶ Therefore, the check-in should be more of an "educational" opportunity for these newer riders.
- ▶ Although it is an introductory division, it is also a place folks can come and ride in as long as they want.

Please be aware of rule changes that pertain to the Leisure Division. In particular:

- ▶ Time penalty points for LeD will be assessed at the discretion of the LeD judge, similar to a horsemanship judge assessing penalty points to a rider. A suggested guideline is:

- 1- 6 minutes early/late -1 pts.
- 7- 12 minutes early/late -2 pts.
- 13-18 minutes early/late -3 pts.
- 19-24 minutes early/late -4 pts.
- 25-30 minutes early/late -5 pts.

To promote consistency, you will notice changes to the back of the Horse Card. This change was born following the review of horse cards and realizing there is a generous variation on the Trail Ability and Manners section where scoring is concerned. To facilitate consistency, there is a new scoring system that uses pluses, minuses, and half points. Our veterinary judges bring value to NATRC through examining the horse, advocating for the horse's welfare and judging the horse's behavior. Our veterinarians should focus on what they are expertly and professionally trained to do and that is to judge for metabolic conditioning, soundness and behavior. For those concerned about Sunday math, the half points will be used in the Trail Ability and Manners Section only, not the Conditioning and Soundness sections of the Horse Card. Another change you will notice is we now have a minimum **requirement** for each day. Each day we are judging, the minimum requirements include the following:

- ▶ 2 metabolic assessments while the horse is out on the course
- ▶ 1 soundness assessment while the horse is out on the course
- ▶ 1 surface factor assessment (mouth, back, girth, interference) daily (this is traditionally after the horse has completed the course)
- ▶ Trot by for soundness evaluation prior to starting on the second day of an "A" ride and the second and third days of an "AA" ride

These assessments previously were part of a minimum standard but not required. Now they are required in the same fashion as a Vet-In on Friday or a Vet-Out on Sunday.

Please adhere to these requirements, support the ride managers and trail masters when they have diligently worked to find ideal locations for us to complete our requirements and set the example in being kind to the volunteers.

We want our veterinary judges to be ready to go and lead the charge to these changes. To ensure the message and scoring are consistent, veter-

inary judges will be required to attend a virtual meeting prior to judging in 2022. The changes made to the card are part of a pilot effort to improve our consistency across all regions. After you have judged an event, your feedback is necessary and desired so we can make adjustments for the following year.

As you have questions or concerns, please reach out to us. This is an incredible group of experienced judges that is devoted to NATRC and are wonderful advocates for this sport and a wealth of knowledge for our competitors. As always, thank you for your time and devotion to this wonderful sport.

Thank you for the time you have taken to support NATRC. We understand this is a job that is seldom given the proper accolades and often we spend our dollars to serve as a judge. Without you, this sport cannot happen. **THANK YOU FOR ALL YOU DO!!!!!!** You are appreciated and with great gratitude, please reach out if we can assist you!

Respectfully,

Keri Riddick, DVM
Lory Walls

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Virtual Mileage Challenge Registration & Submission



This year, Top Trail is hosting the challenge, and this year all your rider miles, training and competition, count. All miles MUST be GPS recorded.

To register, go to [Top Trails NATRC Virtual Mileage Challenge](#). You will find rules and procedures there.

You do need to be a NATRC member (any level) to have your mileage counted in the NATRC competition. We verify this after you register. Top Trail collects all fees, the least expensive option being \$50 (\$25 to NATRC + \$25 for Basic Top Trail Membership) plus a \$2.32

PayPal fee. Juniors with a Top Trail member parent are slightly less.

This service gives real time feedback. As soon as you enter your miles, you can see how you stand on the national and regional leader boards.

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- You must report your mileage within 3 days.
- One fee includes you and any horse you ride.
- All mileage is reported using a GPX data file from your GPS, smartphone, or smartwatch.
- While you may be a NATRC member in multiple regions, Top Trail can only track your mileage for one region.

Let's get crackin' on those memorable miles!

2021 Jim Menefee Lifetime Achievement Award

Angie Meroshnekoff - Region 1

Angie began competing in NATRC as an Open Junior in 1976. She started her career as an NATRC evangelist early by introducing her sister, Maria, to the sport in 1979, loaning her a horse and tack. Since then, she has brought a batch of juniors into our sport every year – working with them to develop the trail riding skills necessary to compete successfully, loaning them horses and tack, and getting them to our rides and home again – and using our events to encourage kids in the development of sportsmanship, responsibility, and teamwork, mostly by example.

In addition to exposing youngsters to our sport, Angie is primarily responsible (with tremendous support from her family) for putting on two rides each year in R1. She marks and times trails for Cowboy Camp, the R1 Benefit Ride. She attends, and usually competes in all the other rides in the region (except Alaska). If she's not competing, she volunteers at P&Rs, as a judge's secretary, gives first-time rider briefings – doing whatever needs to be done. Because she never arrives without at least three junior riders in tow, Angie is pretty much responsible for about ten percent of the R1 ridership for our entire ride season.

In addition to front-line work on rides, Angie is always active organizationally. She has been the Leadline editor, co-chaired several R1 mini-conventions, been chair on the R1 board

of directors, organized clinics, and has made the year-end breed awards. On the national level, Angie has served on the Judges Committee, chaired the Protest Committee, chaired the Riders and Juniors Committee, was vice president in 2016, and is a Leisure Division judge. As NATRC president from 2017-2021, she led us through Operation NATRC and the formation of the Leisure Division. She helped make adjustments, for a year of COVID restrictions and instituted the use of Zoom for board meetings.

If it isn't clear by now, Angie is constantly striving to improve every facet of our sport that she touches. She loves competitive trail riding and has a history of doing anything she can to make it safer and more accessible for all involved.

And somehow she managed to have time to condition a horse and dominate her division in R1 competitions! R1's Wonder Woman has definitely earned the NATRC Lifetime Achievement Award.



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2021 Workers Hall of Fame

Becky Rogers - Region 4

Becky Rogers from Alvord, Texas, could easily be the face of NATRC. She is friendly, always smiling and taking care of everyone. We have watched Becky grow from a competition beginner to the best ambassador of NATRC we could ask for.

Becky began competing in NATRC in 2003. She quickly caught the competitive bug, making her way to Open, national championships and numerous other NATRC accomplishments. Becky has often managed multiple rides in the same calendar year and been one of our regular organizers of our regional convention as well as the national convention

in the years it has been held in R4.

Becky has served on the R4 board of directors. She has taken on virtually every worker role that NATRC has, going above and beyond whatever the job calls for. In 2012 she became credentialed as a horsemanship judge and has judged rides across the U.S. She served as a horsemanship judge on the Judges Committee from 2015-2017.

Becky has served as the awards chair for R4 for many years, and the awards she comes up with are spectacular and creative. As part of that role, she also manages R4's various traveling trophies, ensuring they remain in

good condition as they exchange hands to the next recipients.

No matter where we travel to for ride purposes, Becky's name always comes up. Becky is widely known throughout the NATRC family as a hard worker in all areas of the sport, a friend to all members of the sport, and the most deserving of national recognition for all she has added to the sport. She has some 6,000 recorded volunteer hours with our organization, leaving an indelible impact. Because year after year she has generously and selflessly served this organization, Becky Rogers is very deserving of recognition in NATRC's Worker Hall of Fame.



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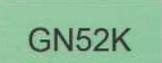
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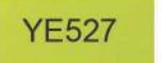
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2021 National Appreciation

Pam Galchutt - Region 3

Pam has competed some in NATRC (260 miles), but she is actually a dedicated volunteer. Pam began NATRC in 1980 riding Novice. Following this introduction, she rode safety and helped organize a new California ride. She scouted, timed, marked, pre-rode, and un-ribboned trail. She was also a judge's secretary.

Pam later moved to Colorado and continued volunteering. In 2006, she and Susan Peters brought the ride at the USAFA out of dormancy. In 2021, the event's

50th year happened because of Pam's instrumental work! As the event occurs on a military base, it has extra challenges. She provides the EAL (entry access list), develops biosecurity plans, and addresses trail issues regarding environmental and historically sensitive areas. She has been ride manager, ride secretary, trail master, and mentor to other management teams. She makes the ride happen.

Pam also originated the Tarryall River Romp and Brett Grey

Ranch rides and created and co-managed the Greenland Clinic, which just completed its 10th year. In addition to management work, she has been an alternate on the national board, R3 BOD member, judge's secretary, pre-rider, ride timer, registrar, weigh master, safety rider, and much more.

Pam is an extraordinary person who has made many contributions through the years to this organization.

Shari Parys - Region 6

Region 6 would like to recognize and thank Shari Parys for her years of service as a R6 representative on the national board of directors from 2015-2020. During her tenure she was vice president 2017-2020, national sponsor chair, member of the national ride processing team, member of the Development Committee for the Leisure Division, and rider representative on the Judges Committee.

Shari joined R6 in 2003, was elected to the R6 board as an at-large representative from 2011-2014, and 2021. The committees/positions held include; recording secretary, webmaster, Google Groups, Ride Book editor, newsletter co-editor, FAC Commit-

tee, R6 convention chair 2016, convention secretary, R6 Expo booth chair, clinic chair, ride chair, and ride secretary. Shari has sponsored the national 4-H High Point Team Award for many years.

In addition, she joined NECTRA (Nebraska Endurance and Competitive Trail Ride Association) in 2002 and has held multiple state level positions on the NECTRA board: president 2013-2018, webmaster, secretary, newsletter editor, and Expo presenter. She's a member of the Nebraska Horse Trails Committee and received their Friends and Ambassador Award in 2014. She was a 4-H Leader, state and national coach.



We look forward to Shari joining us again on the trails and bringing her smile and encouraging words to everyone she meets.

Points and Data

Please notify NATRC of all horse, rider, or ownership changes to save points and mileage!!

2021 Horse Hall of Fame

Desert Reinbeau

Owned, ridden and loved by Angie Meroshnekoff, R1

My favorite poem is by Robert Frost about two roads and taking the one less traveled, and I think that poem best describes the path Beau and I have taken.

I bred this horse. His dam was a wild mustang mare that I adopted from the BLM when she was 4 years old, and she eventually became my NATRC horse. His sire was another incredible horse I owned and was also a mustang out of a wild caught mare; those two have some amazing stories all on their own.

I named him Desert Reinbeau because I knew we would become best beaus. Early in Beau's life I thought he might be as good as his sire. I planned to keep him a stallion, but those plans changed quickly about the time he turned five.

Those of you who know him might be surprised to learn that he suffered two broken bones in his life. When he was a yearling, he broke a bone in his hock. It took about a year for him to go sound, although that hock did give him trouble at times later in his career. Many years later, he broke a vertebra in his neck from a fall during a ride, but with great veterinary help he recovered completely.

I had done all of his early ground training and discovered that he had a

pretty strong temper when pushed. We got through a lot of tough stuff, but when he was ready for saddle training, I wanted the best and discovered that Sue Eoff (youngest NATRC Presidents Cup winner) was back from riding in Europe and taking clients. She put the

Just as he was turning five, my then current saddle horse had colic surgery that would make him unrideable for a long time, and because I'd already discovered that trying to compete or show Beau as a stallion was challenging, I went ahead and had him gelded. After

he recovered from that, I had two months to make this new gelding into a competitive trail horse.

That first season was interesting to say the least. Beau was slower than any horse I had competed before, something I was struggling to live with, and as I said before, he had a temper. Learning to navigate some of the judged observations often deteriorated into a battle of wills, but we got through them.

We had a variety of riding partners that first year, but by the second season, veteran rider Nancy Kasovich, whom I had been conditioning with, took pity on us and suggested we ride together. In the meantime, Beau and I were still working to improve our dressage skills with Sue Eoff and were showing first level and competing successfully in a Quadrille dressage team.

This is where it gets funny. At one point Sue took me aside and suggested that if I was serious about dressage, I should sell my "pony" and get a real horse. Right

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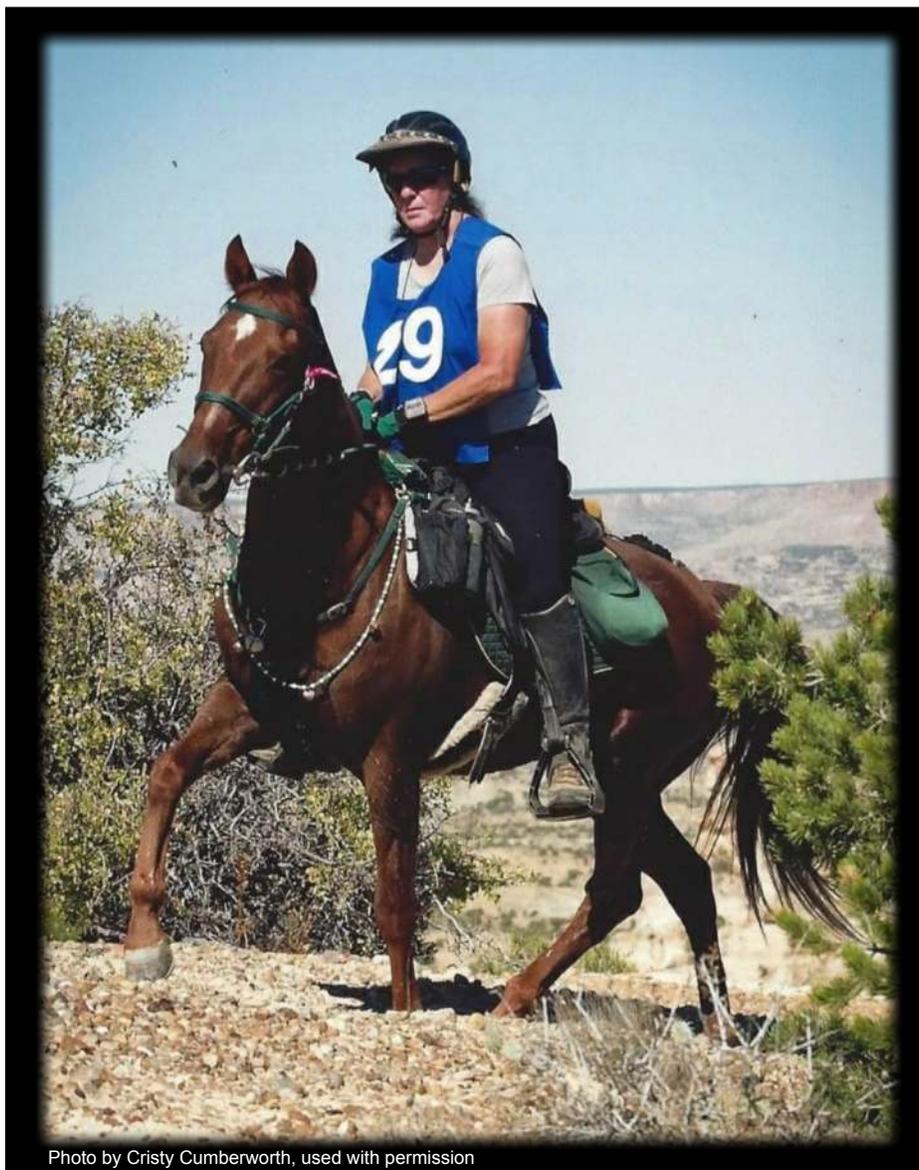


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first 30 days on him, riding him often on the trails at Mount Diablo State Park, the birthplace of NATRC (lots of destiny here).

I took over from there, continuing his training with occasional trail rides.

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about that same time at an NATRC ride, Nancy suggested that if I wanted to be competitive, I should sell him and buy an Arab. I told them both that it meant more to me to ride and compete on a horse that I bred and that I did most of the training on.....Guess I have a real horse now, ladies?

Beau's first sweepstakes win was in our third season together, and that was the same year he won his first National Championship. Beau went on to win seven National Championships, two Bev Tibbets National Grand Cham-

pionships, helped me win two Polly Bridges High Average Horsemanship awards, and together we won the Jim Menefee High Combined points award. He also has almost 7500 competitive trail miles.

However, this horse's skills go way beyond the awards we've won together. In addition to his 7500 competition miles, and thousands of conditioning miles, he has helped me clear and mark hundreds and hundreds of miles of trail. Beau and I have often gone out on our own and marked or

picked up markers for entire Open trails in one day; he has even been known to grab the low hanging ribbons for me.

His trail clearing skills are also amazing. I can operate a handsaw or chainsaw from his back, and he'll brace himself to take the load of a heavy branch across his withers.

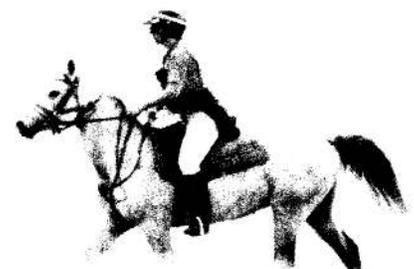
Bears in the way of clearing trail? No problem; he has had several face-offs with stubborn black bears, and once a standoff with a bull elk protecting his herd. Not much fazes that horse. Beau loves to explore; he's not one to try to head home all the time but would rather take that trail we've never been on or check out one we haven't been on in a while, like they were old friends.

He's a mentor to new riders and young horses. Beau is the best babysitter on the trail, willing to go as fast or as slow as the new horse or rider needs to gain in confidence and skill; even recently he braced himself to take the blow to stop a frightened horse from running off a steep drop. Beau and I can often be found ponying another horse along the trail; sometimes it's a horse he knows and sometimes not. He sets the rules for all of them and expects them to obey.

Beau has tens of thousands of road miles on him as well, traveling to all regions except Region 5; we ran out of time there. Every time he steps off the trailer, no matter how long the drive, he looks around with interest and willingly reloads when asked.

He is the best camping horse I've ever traveled with. Many, many times, we have been forced to find a camp site on the side of the road or even right beside a busy train track, yet he just watches and eats. Not a big stressor that one.

So to say we took the road less traveled might not be that accurate. Together we have made that road very traveled, but as Robert Frost said, "it's made all the difference"



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By Bev Roberts

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to Jamie* or me
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*There once was a old
horse from Haiti
Who was owned by
an elderly lady.
They were older than dirt,
And in spite of the hurt,
They rode the green
forest trails daily.*

*Jamie Dieterich



2021 Region 1 Team Awards

Competitive Pleasure Lightweight

Ribbons sponsored by Region 1

1. OM El Sharav / ar.....Ashley Dillard56

Competitive Pleasure Heavyweight

Ribbons sponsored by Region 1

1. OM El Shakeeb Dream / ar.....Joe Dillard72
2. Cledith's Driver / tw.....Kris Skoog42
3. Wind River Rose / gr.....Maria Pilgrim25

Novice Lightweight

Ribbons sponsored by Region 1

1. CH-Eirelands Irish / har.....Joyce Driggers.....58

Leisure Junior - Regional Recognition

1. Pipi / gr.....Regan Powis.....19
2. CJ / gr.....Cassidy Geimer.....17
3. Denebaborr / ar.....Samantha Muller.....5



2021 Region 1 Appreciation

Leroy Burnham, DVM

As a senior veterinary student, Leroy was on classmate Bill Throgmorton's team studying pulse and respiration values on horses competing on the Mt. Diablo Ride in 1962. Soon he was told, "Here's how you judge a ride, now go do it." He has judged NATRC and endurance rides all over the country ever since.

His true dedication to our sport was obvious when he was called from a R1 ride site at 5 pm on a Friday asking if he'd please consider judging a B ride the next day. He thought about it for a few minutes, then called back to say he would drive up (2 hours) with his wife that night and check in horses the next morning.

Opinionated? Yes. Intimidating? Sometimes. Generous? Absolutely. Probably every rider who has competed under Leroy recognizes his dulcet tones ringing out giving instructions or telling them to hurry up. We truly appreciate this man who continues to judge with energy, enthusiasm, and efficiency.

Lory Walls

Lory Walls has participated with energy and enthusiasm in every aspect of NATRC. R1 would like to recognize her for her horsemanship judging. A new rider attended our spring clinic, really enjoyed it, and signed up for our first competition, which Lory

judged. This rider communicated to us that she learned more from speaking with Lory and going over her card than she did in a year of taking arena lessons. She was so excited to find a sport that took the time to teach as well as judge.

This rider really appreciated the time Lory took with her, and now she's a member who, along with two friends, signed up for all the following rides.

Thank you, Lory, for helping us in so many ways.

2021 Region 1A Team Awards

Competitive Pleasure Heavyweight

1. Watch Me Now / mule.....Judy Hayes.....12

Competitive Pleasure Lightweight

1. Marble / gr.....Lindy Jones.....18
2. Monique / gr.....Debra Moore12

Competitive Pleasure Junior

1. San Cali Joy / gr.....Elsa Rodriguez.....26
2. Executive Goldseeker / qtr.....Lydia Hanson.....16

Novice Heavyweight

1. VBF's Master of Disguise / rkym.....Roy Redifer.....6

Novice Junior

1. Hailstorm / morg.....Ellie Kennedy.....7

Leisure Experienced - Regional Recognition

1. Splendidwithoutmyspot / paint.....Veldee Hall.....3
2. Dynamic's Spirit / tw.....Terri Mielke.....2

2021 Region 2 Team Awards

Leisure Experienced - Regional Recognition

1. Patient Laddie / ar.....Mary Jo Malone.....12
2. Milagro Ghost Dancer / smr.....Audrey Pavia.....6

2021 Region 3 Team Awards

Competitive Pleasure Lightweight

1. Dino / gr.....Scarlett Hager.....74

4-H Junior Rider Year End High Point Award

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Encourage your fellow 4-H friends to join you in competitive trail rides and compete for NATRC's 4-H Year-End High Point Team Award. Contact us if you would like a presentation to your club to introduce the sport and answer questions.

To be eligible is simple. Just compete in any division, nominate yourself, and prove that you are a 4-H member! Here are the specifics:

- 1) The award goes to the high point horse and rider team **regardless** of the division.
- 2) Your self-nomination must occur before the end of the ride year which is the second Sunday in November. (For 2022, that will be November 13th).
- 3) You must: (a) be an NATRC competing member, (b) contact Sarah J. Smith at natrc@natrc.org to nominate yourself, and (c) have your 4-H leader contact Sarah to verify that you are a 4-H member.

Additionally, in a number of states (Colorado is one example), 4-H now recognizes competitive trail as an activity that qualifies as a 4-H member's project. How cool is that?

A form to use for documentation at the ride is available [here](#) or contact Sarah at natrc@natrc.org.

Welcome
to new
veterinary
judge,
Verona Chaffin!

2021 Region 3 Appreciation

Dayna Morgan

Like many of us, Dayna has been a competitor, a mentor, and a volunteer with many hats. That is only the start though. Besides helping her horse Levi earn his CP National Championship in 2018, she has worked harder than almost anyone to make this region successful.

When the USAFA ride was struggling to continue (horseback riding isn't exactly in the US Air

Force's mission statement), not only did Dayna know people in the Air Force who were in favor of the ride, but she worked incredibly hard within the bureaucracy to make sure the ride continued year after year. This year she managed its 50th year despite COVID, despite a system with other priorities, and despite serious health issues.

As if the above listed struggles weren't enough, Dayna took on the

job of Region 3 President, a job that makes herding cats look easy. These have been trying times, yet she ensured we had rides, maintained membership, and guided new and old members to understand and maintain the competitive, friendly, supportive spirit of NATRC.

Dayna Morgan exemplifies what NATRC is.

Hannah Clark

Hannah is one of our young competitors who made all things NATRC a big part of her life. For a young woman starting her career, dealing with company mergers and related job insecurity, and financially pulling a life together after college, continuing to ride and compete is in itself a challenge. Throw in COVID, and she's had more than enough to do to

keep busy. Still, she and her stepfather managed the only R3 ride in 2020. She also became the editor of our newsletter, the Stirrup, and she maintains e-mail communications with all our members.

Although she had to move to Montana because her company left Colorado, she is still a R3 member. We hope she hosts a local ride one day, giving us reason to drive

north, and bringing Montana into the fold.

We miss the joy she always showed competing with Dhara. It was infectious and encouraged our Novice riders to move up and refine their skills. We very much appreciate Hannah's continued support and wish for her nothing but the best!

Juleen Fezell

Juleen has ridden NATRC for over 20 years and has always been a leader in all situations.

Juleen had supported R3 in many roles. She has been a wonderful ride manager of Island in the

Sky for several years. She has served numerous terms on the board of directors and held the office of president.

Juleen created the New Rider awards and the Sportsmanship awards that are in full force today.

Her leadership has been unmatched, and we are proud to call her friend.

*Thanks and Appreciation to our
2021 Outgoing National Directors*

Laurie DiNatale – R3

Elaine Swiss – R4

2021 Region 4 Team Awards



Alanna Price

Open Heavyweight

1. SA Jabari / ar.....Gayle Muench.....91
2. Razmataz DBA+/ / ar.....Carla Jo Bass.....88

Open Lightweight

1. Bantam Z / ar.....Cynthia Mettes.....121
2. TA Kaiser+/ / ar.....Deanne Prusak104
3. Wildfire Storm / nssha.....Dolly Miller102
4. RPH Ebony Diamond / har.....Patti Hicks.....88
5. Moon Shadow's Black Gold / mft....Alanna Price.....78
6. Giacomo / har.....Fran Muench.....54

Competitive Pleasure Heavyweight

1. KMA Ali Gator / har.....David Spell.....99
2. Diamond / gr.....Wendy Grotheer.....89

Competitive Pleasure Lightweight

1. Vaquero / smr.....Teresa Galliher.....152
2. Halcon / gr.....Kelly Queen.....120
3. Moonshadow / gr.....Katie Breland.....79
4. Rock Creek's Wild Pepper / must....Holly Jones.....72
5. Flash Black / ar.....Cara Liebman.....62
6. Big Cat / ar.....Cynthia Leatherwood.....58

Novice Heavyweight

1. Fancy I Am / rkym.....Chrissy Knight84
2. Jakes Mystical Daisy / qtr.....Marla Ropp74

Novice Lightweight

1. Mageed Ibn Kamal Ma / ar.....Mollie Kelly.....72

Leisure Experienced - Regional Recognition

1. Jasper / gr.....Shirley Orr.....46
2. Sundown / gr.....Joe Orr.....30
3. Sparks on Blacktop / paint.....Leon Shoenhair.....18
4. The Miracle of Voodoo / gr.....Alice Perryman.....12
4. Sky / gr.....Karen Quirk.....12
5. Painted in the Stars / tw.....Mary Collins.....11
5. Frio Bandito / thrb.....Toni Stevens.....11
6. Rusty's Golden Nugget / ssh.....Teresa Musgrave.....8.5

Leisure Adult - Regional Recognition

1. Buoy / gr.....Tracy Black.....17
2. Sahghid / ar.....Michelle Walaski14
3. Xena / gr.....Korie Walaski.....11
4. Tardy Duster Bueno / br.....Marilyn Dardenne.....8



Kelly Queen



Marla Ropp

2021 Region 4 Appreciation

Pat Collins

Sniff, Sniff, is that a cigar? Who smokes cigars? Why, our own Pat Collins - ride timer extraordinaire, P&R chair and a man of quite stinging humor. Accurate and veracious as a ride timer, Pat allows riders to leave camp timely and efficiently. Professional and

steady as a P&R chair, he assures riders consistency and fairness.

Pat is always ready to lend a hand or a hammer, helping around camp, and has been the "A Team" for his wife, Mary when competing. Having Pat in camp, knowing his background in nursing, his quiet

strength and can-do attitude sets the tone for a total positive CTR weekend experience and adventure.

Pat is one of a kind, and we are lucky to have him in R4!

Cara Liebman

To volunteer takes an approach without fear, With dedication, preparation that you learn through the years. Eager, humble and with infinite patience, too, Cara Liebman volunteers with lots of 'can do'!

In the early 2000's, her CTR passion began, Competing, volunteering, and lending a hand.

A pro in the art of teamwork and pace,

Cara manages the Jingle Bell Jaunt with grace.

Taking initiative, Cara recently worked as a P&R chair, Managing workers fairly with knowledge to share.

A humble competitor, she has many awards to show, Her 100% jacket marks her diligence to grow.

Cara Liebman serves our region well, yes indeed, And has supported our sport on the back of her steed. We appreciate her years of helping in all ways, R4 is better for it, we thank you Cara, hooray!

Fran Muench

Fran Muench began her NATRC career with enthusiasm for competing and volunteering. Her philosophy was to learn both in the saddle and as a worker. She has worked as a judge's secretary and P&R worker, and in recent years

has undertaken ride management with her husband, Gayle.

Fran has served on the R4 board of directors as vice-president and has been the regional points chair for several years. Fran also chaired a very successful national convention in 2020 in San Antonio,

securing Susan Garlinghouse, DVM, for two full days.

Fran continues to embody the spirit of traditional NATRC competitors, understanding that volunteering allows others to ride as it allows you to ride.



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2021 Region 5 Team Awards

Open Heavyweight

1. Windstorm Clay / morg.....Tommy Mitchell.....156
2. Jiminy Cricket / gr.....Jennifer Mulligan82

Open Lightweight

1. Beau / gr.....Sherry Garnes120
2. Papa's Alabama Express / tw.....Patty Lucas.....72
3. Mick Jagger / gr.....Sierra Patisaul.....62

Competitive Pleasure Heavyweight

1. DLC Roxies Peponita / paint.....Marsha Howard.....142
2. Graceful Empire / gr.....Victoria Whitehead116
2. Spirit of Spotted Alen / tw.....Cindy Keen.....116
3. Okies Roanwood 10 / qtr.....Bobby Fields.....100
4. Traveler's Gray King / kym.....Martha Findley.....34
5. Sundancers Comanchero / pf.....Donna Hajek30

Competitive Pleasure Lightweight

1. Impressive Red Rebel / mft.....Paula Riley.....134
2. Merribelle Mist MHF / tw.....Mary Dukes42

Novice Heavyweight

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1. Dec Docs Curious Pep / qtr.....Shae Gragg124
2. Jada Angel / har.....Lael Feist114
3. LW An-La-Rosa Silk / har.....Shannan Hearne86
4. Dobbins Lucky Gambler / rkym.....Debbie Lord.....54

Novice Lightweight

Sponsored by Pegram Horses

1. StarLight's Masterpiece / drft.....Mackie Rader72
2. Locked and Loaded / har.....Jenny DeFelice64
3. Pilgrim / gr.....Jessica Wright57
4. A Priceless Picasso / tw.....Tina Anderson54
5. Hollywood / gr.....Charmaine DeRosa.....34
6. Miss Remington / gr.....Angela Averitt.....32

Novice Junior

Sponsored by Pegram Horses

1. Timber Jac Joe / gr.....Anna Lawrence74
2. Mick Jagger / gr.....Anna Lawrence.....48

Leisure Experienced - Regional Recognition

1. Jiminy Cricket / gr.....Jennifer Mulligan.....6
2. KSF Leprechaun / gr.....Heather Alonso.....5

Leisure Adult - Regional Recognition

1. Wishbone Two Eyed Jak / paint...Kathryn Barclay.....26
2. StarLight's Coffee Break / gr.....Caitlin Goncz13



Tommy Mitchell



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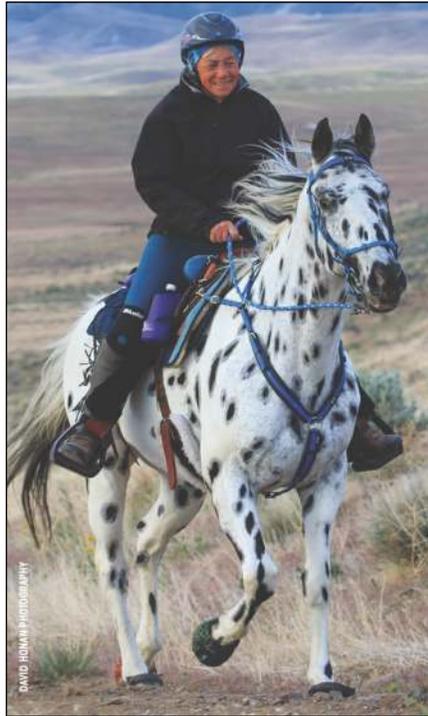
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Other considerations include financial need, scholastic achievement, and character of the applicant as determined by the Student Loan/Scholarship Committee.

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2021 Region 6 Team Awards

Open Heavyweight

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1. L.L.Remington / har.....Marilyn Marston70
2. King's Charley R.E / mft.....Kris Wech34



Marilyn Marston



Margaret Reynolds

Open Lightweight

Ribbons sponsored by Region 6

1. VA Caradelle / ar.....Margaret Reynolds.....101
2. Hungarian Jade / har.....Mary Anna Wood73
3. Focus Jessie / ap.....Helen Smith.....50

Competitive Pleasure Heavyweight

Ribbons sponsored by Region 6

1. Roho Honoy Mocha WH / mft.....John Zeliff.....82



Mary Anna Wood



John Zeliff

Competitive Pleasure Lightweight

Ribbons sponsored by Region 6

1. EZ Rocket WH / mft.....Marla Stucky.....121
2. Wyntez Buddy+ / ar.....Beverly Roberts58
3. Kaique Rain / smr.....Trish Cleveland.....42
4. King's Mountain Hale Bop / mule..Patti Dollarhide.....32



Marla Stucky



Patti Dollarhide

Novice Heavyweight

Ribbons sponsored by Region 6

1. Pistol Annie / mule.....Kent Wassenberg.....36

Novice Lightweight

Ribbons sponsored by Region 6

1. Dolly / gr.....Rianna Deselich.....39

Leisure Experienced - Regional Recognition

1. Starbuck KVA / gr.....Mary Fettes.....16
2. Rushcreek Frontier / ar.....Helen Smith.....13

Leisure Adult - Regional Recognition

1. Roho Honoy Mocha WH / mft.....Jessica Rodgers.....22
2. Dynamites Pine Stik / qtr.....Cheryl Bohling15
3. BlackHawk / gr.....Vickie Gautier.....9
4. Houston's Astro / gr.....Beth Hurst.....7
5. Xenara / awssr.....Sila Samo.....6.5
5. Annie Oakley / gr.....Krista Kovach-Hindsley.....6.5



Kent Wassenberg



Rianna Deselich



2021 Region 6 Appreciation

Cheryl Bohling

Whatever our region needs, Cheryl Bohling does it - from being the best “horse trail water girl” at those hot summer rides to resetting horseshoes during a competition. You may also find her volunteering as a judge’s secretary. Cheryl has gone above and beyond to make our R6 awards extra special. The convention awards program she designed is very informative and extremely professional in appearance.

This year, when the Indian Cave ride was looking for a ride manager, Cheryl stepped up without hesitation and did an outstand-

ing job. This was reflected by an increase in riders. During the Sunday awards presentation, all the riders and volunteers overwhelmingly thanked Cheryl for everything she did. An emotional Cheryl was left speechless, showing how much she truly cares about NATRC and our region!

Cheryl currently serves as our R6 vice president and has been actively involved in national convention planning. We are so fortunate to have Cheryl as an active member of R6. She makes our region and all of us better!



Kristen Schmalzried and Mary Licata



Kristen Schmalzried

When one of this year’s R6 rides had to cancel, Kristen Schmalzried and Mary Licata stepped up, without any hesitation, to make sure we still had a ride at another location that weekend. It did not matter to them that neither one of them had ever put on a ride before. What mattered to them was making sure our members would not lose out on a ride.

In a short amount of time, Kristen and Mary successfully put all the pieces together that goes into putting on a successful ride. Their actions exemplify the spirit of our sport and serve as an outstanding model for every R6 member.

Thank you, Kristen! Thank you, Mary! R6 is very appreciative of all your efforts.



Mary Licata

Priscilla Lindsey

More than any other R6 member, Priscilla Lindsey stepped up when her region needed her the most this past year. It was hard getting rides rolling again after our shutdown in 2020, and even more

difficult to secure horsemanship judges. But heeding the call, Priscilla judged four of our six Type A rides, and was trail master at a fifth. Our region’s riders could not have had the success they found or

offered the opportunity for out-of-region riders to earn points without the late season rides and Priscilla’s efforts.

Well done Priscilla! Let’s see you in the saddle in 2022!!

2021 National Champions

Competitive Pleasure

Ribbons sponsored by Bill and Nancy Sluys

Region 4

Halcon / Grade.....Kelly Queen
(Blanket sponsored by Phil and Shirley Brodersen)

Vaquero / Spanish Mustang.....Teresa Galliher
(Blanket sponsored by Alanna Price)

Region 5

Impressive Red Rebel / MFT.....Paula Riley

DLC Roxies Peponita / Paint.....Marsha Howard

Graceful Empire / Grade.....Victoria Whitehead
(Blanket sponsored by Sherry Gernes)



Teresa Galliher & Vaquero

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An advertisement for Rogue Pet Science. The background features a close-up of a horse's eye and a large green 'ROGUE' logo. The text 'PET ROGUE SCIENCE' is written in a circular arrangement. A red seal says '100% NO BULL GUARANTEE'. A circular logo says 'Locally Owned - Locally Sourced - Made in Texas'. A product bag is shown with the text 'ALL LIFE STAGES • ALL DIET TYPES', 'ROGUE EQUINE ORIGINS 5 IN 1', and 'NUTRITION • GUT HEALTH FOR HORSES FOOD TOPPER'. Three green checkmarks are followed by the text 'Nutrition', 'Gut Health', and 'Performance'. At the bottom, there are social media icons for Facebook, Instagram, LinkedIn, and Twitter, along with the website 'RoguePetScience.com'.

2021 National Champions



Sherry Garnes & Beau

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Cynthia Mettes & Bantam Z

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Alanna Price & Moon Shadow's Black Gold

Open

Ribbons sponsored by Nancy and Bill Sluys

Region 4

Bantam Z / Arabian.....Cynthia Mettes
(Blanket sponsored by Phil and Shirley Brodersen)

Moon Shadow's Black Gold / MFT.....Alanna Price

Region 5

Windstorm Clay / Morgan.....Tommy Mitchell

Beau / Grade.....Sherry Garnes
(Blanket sponsored by Patty Lucas)

Region 6

VA Caradelle / Arabian.....Margaret Reynolds
(Blanket sponsored by Region 6)



Margaret Reynolds & VA Caradelle

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2021 High Mileage Awards

High Mileage Rider Awards

4,000 Miles – Bronze Medallion

Patty Lucas / R5

Linda Moss / R5

10,000 Miles – Gold Medallion

Carla Jo Bass / R4

Marty Findley / R5

24,000 Miles – Double Diamond Medallion

Mary Anna Wood / R6

High Mileage Horse Awards

1000-Mile Horse Award

Rushcreek Darline / ar.....Hannah Clark / R3

Rock Creek's Wild Pepper / must.....Holly Jones / R4

Jiminy Cricket / gr.....Jennifer Mulligan / R5

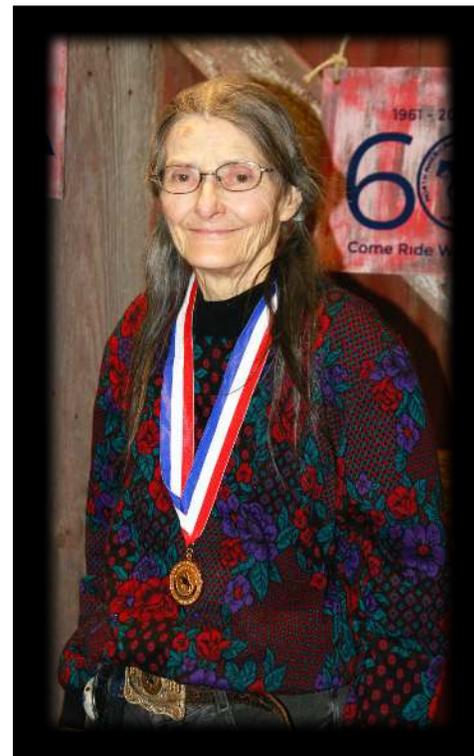
Pistol Annie / mule.....Kent Wassenberg / R6

2000-Mile Horse Award

Impressive Red Rebel / mft.....Paula Riley / R5

3,000-Mile Horse Award

Windstorm Clay / morg.....Tommy Mitchell / R5



Mary Anna Wood

An advertisement for RoFlex Portable Fencing. The top part features the brand name 'RoFlex' in a large, stylized font, with 'Portable Fencing' underneath. To the right is a silhouette of a horse and the text 'Distributed by SLYPNERGEAR.COM'. Below this, three columns of text highlight features: 'SAFE Reliable System', 'QUICK Setup', and 'EASY Retractable Tape'. The main image shows a woman in a white shirt and dark pants leading a brown horse through a portable white fence. At the bottom, the website 'RoFlexFencing.com' and phone number '800-759-7637' are displayed.



2021 High Point Breed Awards

Half-Arabian
 Arabian Horse Association
 Giacomo / Fran Muench

American Indian Horse
 American Indian Horse Registry
 Foxhaven's Medicine Man / William Morgan

Arabian
 Arabian Horse Association
 Bantam Z / Cynthia Mettes

Rocky Mountain Horse
 Rocky Mountain Horse Association
 Fancy I Am / Chrissy Knight

Morgan
 American Morgan Horse Association
 Terradoc's Oconee Belle GCH / Sallie Kudra

Missouri Fox Trotters
 Missouri Fox Trotting
 Horse Breed Association

Paso Fino
 Paso Fino Horse Association
 Eduardo el Negro Knight / Diane Wingle

Overall
 Impressive Red Rebel / Paula Riley

Appaloosa Horse
 Appaloosa Horse Club
 Focus Jessie / Helen Smith

Region 1
 None
Region 2
 None
Region 3
 The Missouri Reverend / Whitney Schofield
Region 4

Grade
NATRC
 Halcon / Kelly Queen

Moon Shadow's Black Gold / Alanna Price
Region 5
 Impressive Red Rebel / Paula Riley
Region 6
 EZ Rocket WH / Marla Stucky

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2021 Overall High Point Novice Awards

Heavyweight Horsemanship

1. Shae Gragg / R5.....66
2. Lael Feist / R5.....58
3. Marla Ropp / R4.....54
4. Shannan Hearne / R5.....43
5. Chrissy Knight / R4.....40
6. Steven Bloomfield / R5.....26

Lightweight Horsemanship

1. Kathi Wiggins / R5.....38
2. Mollie Kelly / R4.....36
3. Mackie Rader / R5.....32
4. Jessica Wright / R5.....30
4. Tina Anderson / R5.....30
5. Angela Moore / R5.....26
6. Joyce Driggers / R1.....25

Junior Horsemanship

Silver Tray and Ribbons sponsored by
Angie Meroshnekoff

1. Anna Lawrence / R5.....46



*Marla Ropp &
Jake's Mystical Daisy*

Heavyweight Horse

1. Jakes Mystical Daisy / qtr.....Marla Ropp / R4.....64
2. Dec Docs Curious / qtr.....Shae Gragg / R5.....58
3. Jada Angel / har.....Lael Feist / R5.....56
4. Fancy I Am / rkym.....Chrissy Knight / R4.....54
5. LW An-La-Rosa Silk / har.....Shannan Hearne / R5.....46
6. Dobbins Lucky Gambler / rkym.....Debbie Lord / R5.....30

Lightweight Horse

1. StarLight's Masterpiece / drft.....Mackie Rader / R5.....40
1. Locked and Loaded / rkym.....Jenny DeFelice / R5.....40
2. Mageed Ibn Kamal Ma / ar.....Mollie Kelly / R4.....36
3. CH-Eirelands Irish / har.....Joyce Driggers / R1.....33
4. Pilgrim / gr.....Jessica Wright / R5.....27
5. Dolly / gr.....Rianna Deselich / R6.....22

Junior Horse

Silver Tray and Ribbons sponsored by Angie Meroshnekoff

1. Timber Jac Joe / gr.....Anna Lawrence / R5.....48
2. Mick Jagger / gr.....Anna Lawrence / R5.....28



Lunch at Mt. Diablo, California, 1969

Then
And
Now...



Lunch at Mt. Diablo, California, 2012

2021 Overall High Point Competitive Pleasure Awards



*John Zeliff &
Roho Honoy Mocha WH*
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*Marla Stucky &
EZ Rocket WH*
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Heavyweight Horse

Silver Tray sponsored by Bob & Margie Insko
R4 Ribbons sponsored by Gayle & Fran Muench
R6 Ribbons sponsored by Region 6

1. DLC Roxies Peponita / paint.....Marsha Howard / R5.....83
2. Graceful Empire / gr.....Victoria Whitehead / R5.....76
3. Spirit of Spotted Alen / tw.....Cindy Keen / R5.....58
4. Okies Roanwood 10 / qtr.....Bobby Fields / R5.....54
5. KMA Ali Gator / har.....David Spell / R4.....47
6. Roho Honoy Mocha WH / mft.....John Zeliff / R6.....46

Lightweight Horse

Silver Tray sponsored by Kristen Schmalzried
R4 Ribbons sponsored by Gayle & Fran Muench
R6 Ribbons sponsored by Region 6

1. Halcon / gr.....Kelly Queen / R4.....110
2. Impressive Red Rebel / mft.....Paula Riley / R5.....102
3. Vaquero / smr.....Teresa Galliher / R4.....91
4. EZ Rocket WH / mft.....Marla Stucky / R6.....61
5. Eduardo el Negrito Knight / pf.....Diane Wingle / R3.....58
6. Moonshadow / ssma.....Katie Breland / R4.....51

Heavyweight Horsemanship

Silver Tray sponsored by
Bob & Margie Insko
R4 Ribbons sponsored by
Gayle & Fran Muench

R6 Ribbons sponsored by Region 6

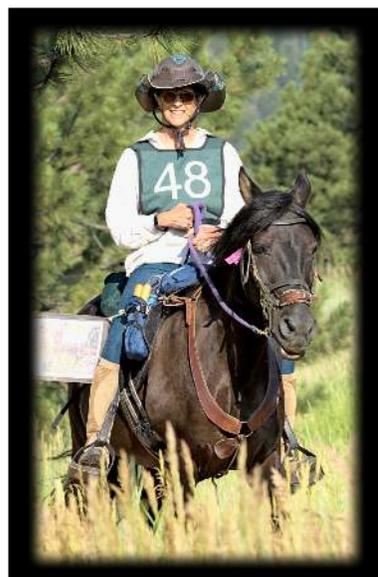
1. Marsha Howard / R5.....80
2. Victoria Whitehead / R5.....76
3. Cindy Keen / R5.....58
4. Wendy Grotheer / R4.....53
5. David Spell / R4.....52
6. John Zeliff / R6.....50

Lightweight Horsemanship

Silver Tray sponsored by
Gayle and Fran Muench
R4 Ribbons sponsored by
Gayle & Fran Muench

R6 Ribbons sponsored by Region 6

1. Kelly Queen / R4.....102
2. Teresa Galliher / R4.....81
3. Diane Wingle / R3.....63
4. Marla Stucky / R6.....60
5. Paula Riley / R5.....50
6. Beverly Roberts / R6.....48



*Diane Wingle &
Eduardo el Negrito Knight*
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2021 Overall High Point Competitive Pleasure Awards

High Average Horsemanship

Buckle sponsored by Bob and Margie Insko

Kelly Queen.....98.80%

Runner Up:

Victoria Whitehead.....86.10%

Grand Champion High Average Horse

Buckle sponsored by Bob and Margie Insko

Impressive Red Rebel / MFT.....Paula Riley.....99.17%

Runners Up:

Halcon / Grade.....Kelly Queen.....98.47%

Graceful Empire / Grade.....Victoria Whitehead.....84.86%



Paula Riley & Impressive Red Rebel

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Kelly Queen & Halcon

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2021 Overall High Point Open Awards

Heavyweight Horsemanship Bruce Becker Memorial Awarded to First Place Silver tray sponsored by Sarah J. Smith R4 and R5 Ribbons sponsored by Bill & Diane Wingle R6 Ribbons sponsored by Region 6



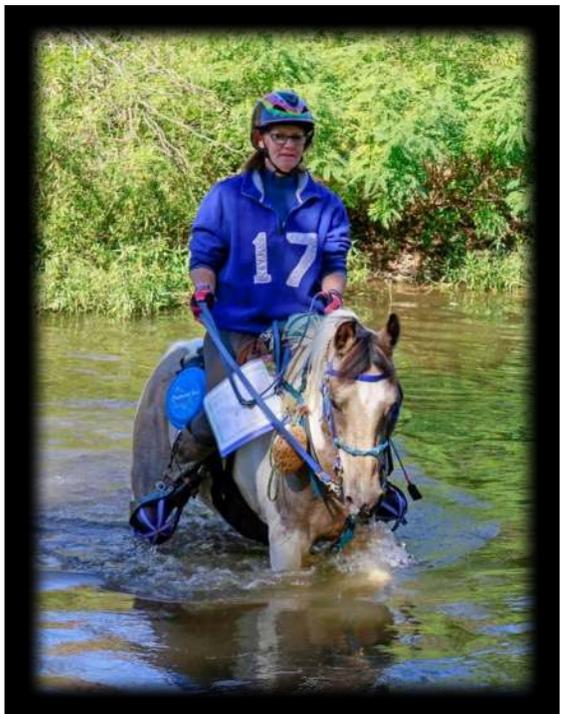
- 1. Tommy Mitchell / R5.....80
- 2. Gayle Muench / R4.....59
- 3. Kris Wech / R642
- 4. Carla Jo Bass / R441
- 5. Jennifer Mulligan / R5.....38
- 6. Marilyn Marston / R6.....31

Heavyweight Horse Bill Smith Memorial Awarded to First Place Silver Tray and Ribbons sponsored by Kim Cowart

- 1. Windstorm Clay / morg.....Tommy Mitchell / R5.....100
- 2. SA Jabari / ar.....Gayle Muench / R4.....52
- 3. Razmataz DBA+/ / ar.....Carla Jo Bass / R4.....47
- 4. Jiminy Cricket / gr.....Jennifer Mulligan / R5.....44
- 5. King's Charley R.E. / mft...Kris Wech / R6.....40
- 6. L.L. Remington / har.....Marilyn Marston / R6.....39

**Kris Wech &
King's Charley R.E.**

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Marilyn Marston & L.L. Remington

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**Carla Jo Bass & Razmataz DBA+/
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2021 Overall High Point Open Awards



Margaret Reynolds & VA Caradelle
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Lightweight Horsemanship

Silver Tray sponsored by Sarah J. Smith
Ribbons sponsored by John Zeliff

1. Margaret Reynolds / R6.....89
2. Deanne Prusak / R4.....71
3. Alanna Price / R4.....70
4. Cynthia Mettes / R4.....68
5. Patti Hicks / R4.....66
6. Sherry Garnes / R5.....64

Lightweight Horse

Silver Tray sponsored by Jonni Jewell
Ribbons sponsored by Bill & Diane Wingle

1. Bantam Z / ar.....Cynthia Mettes / R4.....101
2. Moon Shadow's Black Gold / mft.....Alanna Price / R4.....86
2. VA Caradelle / ar.....Margaret Reynolds / R6.....86
3. Beau / gr.....Sherry Garnes / R5.....76
4. TA Kaiser+ / ar.....Deanne Prusak / R4.....63
5. Wildfire Storm / ssh.....Dolly Miller / R4.....51
6. RPH Ebony Diamond / har.....Patti Hicks / R4.....50



Sherry Garnes & Beau
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Cynthia Mettes & Bantam Z
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Deanne Prusak & TA Kaiser+ /
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Alanna Price & Moon Shadow's Black Gold



Patti Hicks & RPH Ebony Diamond
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2021 Overall High Point Open Awards

Polly Bridges Memorial High Average Open Horsemanship

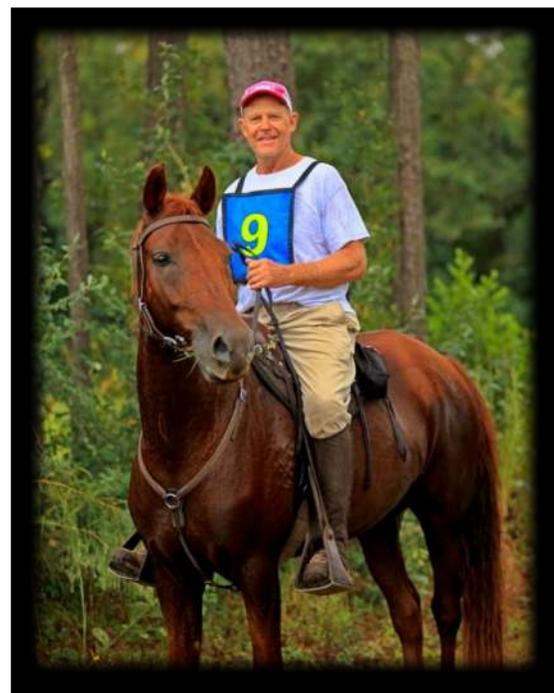
Buckle and ribbon sponsored by Sallie Kudra

Tommy Mitchell.....98.25%

Runners Up:

Alanna Price.....86.72%

Cynthia Mettes.....86.69%



Tommy Mitchell & Windstorm Clay

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Bev Tibbitts Memorial High Average Open Horse

Buckle and ribbon sponsored by Bob and Margie Insko

Windstorm Clay/Morgan

Tommy Mitchell.....99.27%

Runners Up:

Bantam Z/Arabian

Cynthia Mettes.....87.84%

Moon Shadow's Black Gold/Missouri Foxtrotter

Alanna Price.....87.59%



Jim Menefee Memorial Combined Open Horse & Horsemanship Award

Perpetual Trophy Donated by Jack Menefee
Jim Menefee Buckle and Ribbon sponsored by
Esther Diaguila

Windstorm Clay and Tommy Mitchell - 180 Points

2021 President's Cup Winner Overall High Point Open Horse

Saddle sponsored by Specialized Saddles and John Nowell

Blanket sponsored by Jonni Jewell

Buckle sponsored by Gayle & Fran Muench

Ribbon sponsored by Sarah J. Smith

Bantam Z ridden by Cynthia Mettes

(101 points)

Acceptance Speech by Cynthia Mettes

So, if you spread out a map of Houston Texas, and put your finger smack dab in the middle of it, that is where I grew up. Unlikely that some “city girl” would have the opportunity to get into horses, but I had the good fortune of having a grandfather who decided to enrich his life outside of being a medical doctor and get into cattle ranching.

Which of course came with horses. Which meant that my sister and I got to ride the horses on weekends. I'm not sure what other kids did on weekends, but we got to ride for hours and hours. Little did I know that what we were doing was distance riding. And, little did I know what it would develop into later in life.

When I went to college, horses were no longer a part of my life, and for 14 years I didn't get on a horse. But, when the opportunity presented itself for me to get back into horses, I jumped on it, and since that time I haven't looked back.

Now growing up, I was around horses that were on large acreage, and managing them was nothing like managing horses on small acreage. We didn't worry about saddle

fit, choice of bit or tack; feet weren't trimmed, teeth weren't floated; we never wormed them, didn't vaccinate them, nothing along those lines. Now, when I got back into horses, I was

smart enough to know that there was a LOT I didn't know about managing horses, especially on small acreage, so I scoured every magazine, book, and article I could find to increase my knowledge. And boy, was there a lot for me to learn.

I did realize I should get a more seasoned horse, so my first horse as an adult was a nice 12-year-old Quarter Horse mare who knew much more than I did. Six weeks into it, I came flying off and realized I had better get some help.

Coming off that horse was one of the best things that ever happened to me. I found a really good instructor who required that I ride with a helmet. That alone has saved my life more than once. Riding lessons also eventually led me to the sport of distance riding. I was looking for something to do with my new horse and there were some “fun” shows that my instructor told me about.

So I went and warmed up like we were supposed to – you know, 20 minutes or so to take the edge off and get her working nicely. Well, 45 minutes later here we were still zipping around the warm up area. You see, I was riding a *(Continued on page 33)*



*Cynthia and John Nowell, representative for
Specialized Saddles*

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lot, unknowingly conditioning her with long, slow distance rides, and she was very fit.

I took a break, and a very nice lady came up and informed me that my horse might be good in endurance or competitive trail. Never heard of it, what was THAT?? So she wrote down books to read, people to contact, and away I went. I had no idea what I was getting into.

A couple months later I did my first CTR. I was clueless, absolutely clueless. I hadn't done my homework, I just thought it sounded like fun, and I didn't come prepared – I didn't even have a manure rake with me. I did a whole lot of things wrong and ended up rider optioning out.

But I was hooked. It opened up a whole new world for me. In the end, that mare was not a distance horse after all. She had mostly done arena stuff and just pleasure riding, so when you threw her in a

competition with 59 other horses, she melted down. It wasn't fun for either of us, so after a year of competing with her, I looked for another horse and found a nice.... Arabian stallion!

He was 13 and was actually much easier to ride and compete than my mare. He taught me a lot, and I enjoyed the 4 years that I competed with him.

I won't bore you with all the horses I have had over the years other than to say that each horse taught me so much. I was a willing pupil and they were wonderful teachers. And each horse took me to new places, gave me

the opportunity to meet new people, and experience new things.

I competed in NATRC for several years then got into endurance riding seriously, for a while even competing at the FEI level. There again, it took us to places we would never have gone - up to Montana, over to California, over to Florida, and more. Had it not been for FEI, I would not have had the pleasure to ride in some amazing places and meet some wonderful people. All in all, it was a fabulous (and incredibly expensive) experience. Competing on



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that level teaches you a lot, but it also took the fun out of it for me.

So, after several years, I backed off of that, but I never did totally quit competing in CTRs during that time, doing at least one CTR each year. You see, I am a firm believer in how much it can teach you as a horseman. As you know, there is always something more to finesse.

Fast forward, and my husband, Kim, and I decided to breed our two mares. Each had some really nice qualities that we hoped would be passed on. We weren't disappointed.

Bantam Z was born almost 8 years ago – a tiny little thing – and it turns out he got the best of both sire and dam. We taught him the basics of being a good citizen and leading nicely, standing quietly for the farrier, standing patiently tied, those kind of basics.

But actually putting a horse under saddle - I will leave that to a professional. I had always fantasized about sending a horse to get trained in the Clinton Anderson method. So, I found a Method Ambassador, Jamie Laird, near Waco Texas and she did her magic with Bantam and put a wonderful foundation on him.

Two weeks after coming out of training with Jamie, I took Bantam for his first camping adventure at Parrie Haynes. Then the next weekend, he did his first CTR in the Open Division and placed second. That competition year (which was 2020), Bantam did four CTRs, two ridden by me, and two ridden by my riding

buddy, Emma Swan.

I always marvel at how people come into your life and have a profound effect on it. Emma has been one of those people. She has taught me a lot and ultimately has had a profound effect on me AND my horses. I can't begin to thank her for all she has taught me (and continues to teach me).

I want to thank my vet, Brazos Valley Equine, for keeping my horses healthy and extending their longevity. I must also thank my farrier, Quinn Hansen. He has been my farrier for many years and is the only (Continued on page 34)

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farrier to have ever touched Bantam. Quinn is by far one of the best farriers in the nation and is worth his weight in gold. I also want to thank my husband, Kim, for supporting me in every way with my extreme horse passion. He's been my rock and biggest fan all these years. And finally, I want to thank Bantam who gave me an unexpected year full of fun and excitement.

We competed in five different states in the 2021 ride year and experienced some fabulous venues, made new friends, and rode some spectacularly beautiful trails. The following is a synopsis of what Bantam achieved in the 2021 ride year:

- There was a six-page article in the Clinton Anderson *No Worries Journal* featuring Bantam as a success story.
- In NATRC, Bantam placed in the Open Division with six firsts and three sweepstakes awards.
- He earned his NATRC National Championship.
- He completed an AERC limited distance pioneer ride (85 miles over 3 days) placing top five in each ride and was awarded High Vet Score on Day 3.
- He completed his first AERC 50 in the mountains of Colorado placing in the top 10, and we were a turtle.

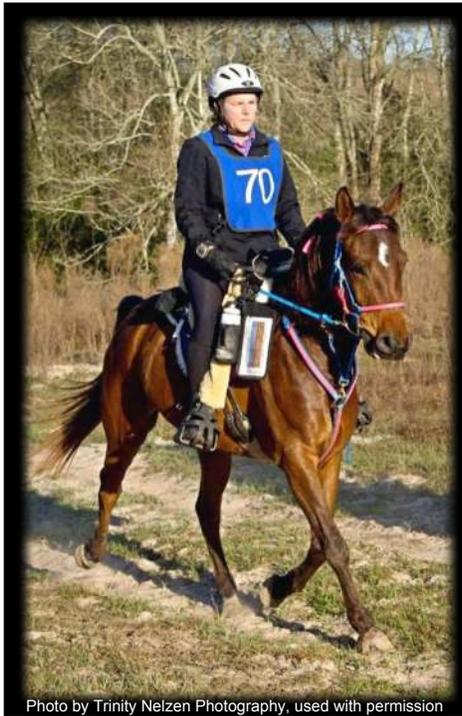


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- Bantam finished the year by winning the Arabian Horse Association Region 9 CTR Championship with a perfect score.
- Total competition miles for the 2021 competition year: 645.
- And then Bantam was awarded the Arabian Horse Association Distance Horse of the Year.
- And then ... Bantam won the President's Cup!

Wow – what a year it was.

In the end, competing is not about winning. It's more about **the people you meet, the places you go, and the experiences you have.**

Oh, the wonderful people I have met over the years. I can't and don't want to imagine my life without them.

And the places I have been. How many beautiful places – each unique in their own way with their own charm.

And then the experiences – how can I even begin to measure that?

I can't begin to sum up all this other than to say that life is about people, places, and experiences. How rich my life is because of all these things. I shudder to imagine how different my life would be had I not come flying off that 12-year-old Quarter Horse mare all those years ago and where it led me.

I am blessed beyond belief. I look around this room at all the people I have come to know by way of my horses and how much it has enriched me. I thank you for that and am very grateful to know you. And I thank all the horses that have come into my life, especially Bantam.

On behalf of Bantam, I thank you for this award. As they say, it is the "icing on the cake." Bantam's future looks bright and I look forward to many more miles on the trail with him and seeing what lies around the next bend in the trail.

Volunteer Needed

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- Proficiency with proof reading
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Past National Winners

OLD PRESIDENT'S CUP

(National High Point Horse, Unlimited Number of Rides)

YEAR	NAME OF HORSE	BREED	RIDER
1961	Duke	Quarter Cross	Frances Huling
1962	Suds	Morgan	Maxi Riggs
1963	Shamus	Arabian	LeRoy Krusi
1964	Warriors Merry Lady	Missouri Fox Trotter	Larry Rossi
1965	Posse	1/2 Arabian	Leah Martin
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1967	Rafftez	Arabian	Sandy Parker
1968	Dandy Bar IV	Quarter	Dave Nicholson
1969	Shafarr	Arabian	Mel Eriksen
1970	Lippitts Dusty Thursday	Morgan	Linda Throgmorton
1971	Casey	Grade	Beverly Tibbitts
1972	Stormy	P.O.A.	Denise Throgmorton
1973	Dagger	3/4 Arabian	Linda Peters
1974	Kandar	Arabian	Ruth Waltenspiel
1975	Double	Grade	Lynn Anne Kohlmeier
1976	Jayess Rykstan	Arabian	Ken Burkdoll
1977	El Gaynik	Arabian	Linda Waltenspiel
1978	Chicaro's Mocha	Quarter	Violet Peak
1979	Antelope New Moon	Appaloosa	Beverly Tibbitts
1980	Sailor	Grade	Gail Gouskos
1981	Flashy Tomboy	Thoroughbred	Georgia Boulton
1982	Bezarue	1/2 Arabian	Sue Eoff
1983	Capi Comet	Arabian	Ginger Johnson
1984	Mighty Aledo Gal	Quarter	John Webb
1985	Mahra Khan	1/2 Arabian	Milne Parish
1986	Cody Joe	Grade	Tammy Thompson
1987	Angel	Mule	Pat Seymour
1988	Wing Tempo	American Saddlebred	Shirley Sobol
1989	Wing Tempo	American Saddlebred	Shirley Sobol
1990	Lokman	Arabian	Barbara Harvey
1991	Spring Fever	Mule	Pat Seymour
1992	Wing Tempo	American Saddlebred	Shirley Sobol

NATIONAL SWEEPSTAKES CHAMPION

(National High Point Horse, Number of Rides Limited to 16 Starts)

YEAR	NAME OF HORSE	BREED	RIDER
1993	Wing Tempo	American Saddlebred	Shirley Sobol
1994	Hickory's Country Gold	Missouri Fox Trotter	Bill Hinkebein
1995	Wing Tempo	American Saddlebred	Shirley Sobol
1996	Wing Tempo	American Saddlebred	Shirley Sobol
1997	Wing Tempo	American Saddlebred	Shirley Sobol
1998	Chargers Rampage	Missouri Fox Trotter	Lisa Brooks

NEW PRESIDENT'S CUP

(National High Point Horse, Old Name Returned, Ride Limit Remains at 16 Starts)

YEAR	NAME OF HORSE	BREED	RIDER
1999	Chargers Rampage	Missouri Fox Trotter	Lisa Brooks
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2001	Sonic's Morning Star	Tennessee Walker	Gerald Ferguson
2002	Summer	Grade	Ken Wolgram
2003	Windstorm Sienna	Morgan	Wayne Tolbert
2004	Swiss Mocha	Grade	Paula Riley
2005	Windstorm Sienna	Morgan	Wayne Tolbert
2006	Diamond's Sassy Stockings	Missouri Fox Trotter	James Keene
2007	Diamond's Sassy Stockings	Missouri Fox Trotter	James Keene
2008	Generator's Magic Pride	Tennessee Walker	Gary Clayton
2009	Marquisesmischief	Arabian	Jonni Jewell
2010	Prime Sensation WH	Missouri Fox Trotter	Cheri Jeffcoat
2011	Awesomes Fire N Ice	1/2 Arabian	Ken Wolgram
2012	Susie's Stardust	Missouri Fox Trotter	Tammy Lineback
2013	Awesomes Fire N Ice	1/2 Arabian	Ken Wolgram
2014	Loco Motion	Grade	Sara Baldwin
2015	Danamyte	Arabian	Esther Diaguila
2016	Turner's Wild Card	Kentucky Mountain Horse	Lin Ward
2017	Tezuby	Arabian	Jonni Jewell
2018	By the Grace of God	Grade	Victoria Whitehead
2019	Giacomo	1/2 Arabian	Fran Muench
2020	None - year of Covid 19		
2021	Bantam Z	Arabian	Cynthia Mettes

JIM MENEFFEE MEMORIAL

(Combined Horse and Horsemanship)

YEAR	NAME OF HORSE	BREED	RIDER
1979	Antelope New Moon	Appaloosa	Beverly Tibbitts
1980	Sailor	Grade	Gail Gouskos

YEAR	NAME OF HORSE	BREED	RIDER
1981	Flashy Tomboy	Thoroughbred	Georgia Boulton
1982	Bezarue	1/2 Arabian	Sue Eoff
1983	Capi Comet	Arabian	Ginger Johnson
1984	Mighty Aledo Gal	Quarter	John Webb
1985	Mahra Khan	1/2 Arabian	Milne Parish
1985	Arab Incognito	1/2 Arabian	Ripley Tate
1986	Cody Joe	Grade	Tammy Thompson
1987	Angel	Mule	Pat Seymour
1988	Wing Tempo	American Saddlebred	Shirley Sobol
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1994	Hickory's Country Gold	Missouri Fox Trotter	Bill Hinkebein
1995	Wing Tempo	American Saddlebred	Shirley Sobol
1996	Wing Tempo	American Saddlebred	Shirley Sobol
1997	PS Ganarmus	Arabian	Steve Lindsey
1998	Moonshiner Silver Mist	Missouri Fox Trotter	Frank Keeran
1999	Moonshiner Silver Mist	Missouri Fox Trotter	Frank Keeran
2000	Chargers Rampage	Missouri Fox Trotter	Lisa Brooks
2001	Sonic's Morning Star	Tennessee Walking Horse	Gerald Ferguson
2002	Summer	Grade	Ken Wolgram
2003	Windstorm Sienna	Morgan	Wayne Tolbert
2004	Windstorm Sienna	Morgan	Wayne Tolbert
2005	Windstorm Sienna	Morgan	Wayne Tolbert
2006	Diamond's Sassy Stockings	Missouri Fox Trotter	James Keene
2007	Diamond's Sassy Stockings	Missouri Fox Trotter	James Keene
2008	Generator's Magic Pride	Tennessee Walking Horse	Gary Clayton
2009	Prime Sensation WH	Missouri Fox Trotter	Cheri Jeffcoat
2010	Prime Sensation WH	Missouri Fox Trotter	Cheri Jeffcoat
2011	Awesomes Fire N Ice	1/2 Arabian	Ken Wolgram
2012	Susie's Stardust	Missouri Fox Trotter	Tammy Lineback
2013	Awesomes Fire N Ice	1/2 Arabian	Ken Wolgram
2014	Desert Reinbeau	Mustang	Angie Meroshneko
2015	Danamyte	Arabian	Esther Diaguila
2016	Turner's Wild Card	Kentucky Mountain Horse	Lin Ward
2017	Tezuby	Arabian	Jonni Jewell
2018	By the Grace of God	Grade	Victoria Whitehead
2019	Giacomo	1/2 Arabian	Fran Muench
2020	None - year of Covid 19		
2021	Windstorm Clay	Morgan	Tommy Mitchell

BEV TIBBITTS GRAND CHAMPION

(High Average Horse)

YEAR	NAME OF HORSE	BREED	RIDER
1975	Sheiks Scimitar	3/4 Arabian	Barbara Jagoda
1976	Jayess Rykstan	Arabian	Ken Burkdoll
1977	Gam's Borkaan	1/2 Arabian	Julie Munger
1978	Velvet	3/4 Arabian	Gloria Becker
1979	Antelope New Moon	Appaloosa	Beverly Tibbitts
1980	Elmer Bandit	1/2 Arabian	Mary Anna Wood
1981	Talib Amil	1/2 Arabian/Morab	Jean Throgmorton
1982	Touches Velvette	Arabian	Elisabeth Grogan
1983	Capi Comet	Arabian	Ginger Johnson
1984	Mighty Aledo Gal	Quarter	John Webb
1985	Barthart	Arabian	David Young
1986	Arab Incognito	1/2 Arabian	Linda Tate
1987	San Barraf	Arabian	Kathy Morris
1988	San Barraf	Arabian	Kathy Morris
1989	Bo Rand	Arabian	Helen Logan
1990	Wing Tempo	American Saddlebred	Shirley Sobol
1991	Hickory's Country Gold	Missouri Fox Trotter	Bill Hinkebein
1992	Aur Shammar (Sam)	Arabian	Lory Walls
1993	Wing Tempo	American Saddlebred	Shirley Sobol
1994	Winchester Charm	1/2 Arabian	Lucy Hirsch
1995	Hickory's Country Gold	Missouri Fox Trotter	Bill Hinkebein
1996	Wilson's Abbey	Arabian	Don Parkhouse
1997	Woods Rawhide Ace	Missouri Fox Trotter	Jenny Smith
1998	Prince Alla Ba Ha	Arabian	Ellen Lovett
1999	Brown-R Dawud	Arabian	Judy Wise Mason
2000	Prince Alla Ba Ha	Arabian	Ellen Lovett
2001	Winchester Charm	1/2 Arabian	Lucy Hirsch
2002	Chargers Rampage	Missouri Fox Trotter	Lisa Brooks
2003	Symplicity Sue	Arabian	Nancy Bacon
2004	Panama Jack	Grade	Terri Smith
2005	Desert Reinbeau	Mustang	Angie Meroshneko

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2006	Andarko (Alex)	Arabian	Lory Walls
2007	Fraidy Cat	Tennessee Walking Horse	Terri Smith
2008	Diamond's Sassy Stockings	Missouri Fox Trotter	James Keene
2009	Andarko (Alex)	Arabian	Lory Walls
2010	Fawn Creek	Norwegian Fjord	Brandy Ferganchick
2011	Awesomes Fire N Ice	1/2 Arabian	Ken Wolgram
2012	Hot Saki	1/2 Arabian	Terri Smith
2013	Prime Sensation WH	Missouri Fox Trotter	Martha Findley
2014	Awesomes Fire N Ice	1/2 Arabian	Ken Wolgram
2015	Awesomes Fire N Ice	1/2 Arabian	Ken Wolgram
2016	Awesomes Fire N Ice	1/2 Arabian	Ken Wolgram
2017	Hot Saki	1/2 Arabian	Terri Smith
2018	Desert Reinbeau	Mustang	Angie Meroshnekoff
2019	Lonesome Lady Bug	1/2 Arabian	Terri Smith
2020	None - year of Covid 19		
2021	Windstorm Clay	Morgan	Tommy Mitchell

2002	Rita	Grade	Melinda Hirsch Sadler
2003	MKS Shamal Nejma	Arabian	Kymerlie Shanor
2004	Fortunataa	Arabian	Kymerlie Shanor
2006	TN Valley Hotrod	Appaloosa	Andrew Murray
2007	Rambler	Spanish Mustang	Jenna Galliher
2009	Kiva	Spanish Mustang	Layne Lampley
2012	Gorgeous Dixie	Grade	Maggie Steinke
2013	Flash of Lightening	Spotted Saddle Horse	Jameson Moulis
2015	Lincoln	Grade	Alexis Combs
2016	Shady Sunset WH	Missouri Fox Trotter	Jessica Reeter
2017	None		
2018	None		
2019	None		
2020	None - year of Covid 19		
2021	None		

POLLY BRIDGES MEMORIAL
(High Average Horsemanship)

YEAR	RIDER	YEAR	RIDER	YEAR	RIDER
1987	Barbara Jagoda	1988	Charlie Crider	1989	Charlie Crider
1990	Betty Young	1991	Terri Roberts	1992	Terri Roberts
1993	Betty Young	1994	Betty Young	1995	Ellen Lovett
1996	Charlie Crider	1997	Angie Meroshnekoff	1998	Jenny Smith
1999	Frank Keeran	2000	Charlie Crider	2001	Lucy Hirsch
2002	Gerald Ferguson	2003	Wayne Tolbert	2004	Angie Meroshnekoff
2005	Wayne Tolbert	2006	Wayne Tolbert	2007	Elizabeth Kendall
2008	Wayne Tolbert	2009	Lory Walls	2010	James Keene
2011	Ken Wolgram	2012	Terri Smith	2013	Debbie Payne
2014	Ken Wolgram	2015	Ken Wolgram	2016	Ken Wolgram
2017	Sarah Rinne	2018	Angie Meroshnekoff	2019	Terri Smith
2020	None - Covid 19	2021	Tommy Mitchell		

JUNIOR GRAND CHAMPION
(High Average Horse)

YEAR	NAME OF HORSE	BREED	RIDER
1990	Friday's Applauz	Arabian	Jeanne Kelly
1991	Sadiki	1/2 Arabian	Heather Parson
1992	Shannon's Cameo	1/2 Arabian	Shannon Mitchell
1993	Saint Simon	Morgan	Holly Ward
1994	Cherokee's Pride	Appaloosa	Mica Hart
1995	Jazz	Grade	Klare Chapman
1996	Jazz	Grade	Klare Chapman
1997	Lucite	Grade	Janelle Meuten
1998	Avar Desert Storm	Arabian	Kalinda Renfro
1999	Heartlight Delila	Arabian	Sarah Neunzig
2000	MKS Fancy's Folly	Arabian	Kymerlie Shanor
2001	Cisco Kid	American Indian Horse	Carrie Porter

JUNIOR HIGH AVERAGE HORSEMANSHIP

YEAR	RIDER	YEAR	RIDER	YEAR	RIDER
1990	Jeanne Kelly	1991	Heather Parson	1992	Shannon Mitchell
1993	Holly Ward	1994	Mica Hart	1995	Klare Chapman
1996	Klare Chapman	1997	Janelle Meuten	1998	Kara Galliher
1999	Paula Nelson	2000	Melinda Hirsch Sadler	2001	Carrie Porter
2002	Melinda Hirsch Sadler	2003	Kymerlie Shanor	2004	Kymerlie Shanor
2006	Andrew Murray	2007	Jenna Galliher	2008	Jennifer Maddox
2009	Layne Lampley	2011	Hannah VanPoolen	2012	Maggie Steinke
2013	Jameson Moulis	2015	Alexis Combs	2016	Jessica Reeter
2017	None	2018	None	2019	None
2020	None - Covid 19	2021	None		

COMPETITIVE PLEASURE GRAND CHAMPION
(High Average Horse)

YEAR	NAME OF HORSE	BREED	RIDER
2015	Silver Valley Tate	Morgan	Mary Hanson
2016	Andarko	Arabian	Lory Walls
2017	Impressive Red Rebel	Missouri Fox Trotter	Paula Riley
2018	Spirit of Spotted Alen	Tennessee Walker	Cindy Keen
2019	TA Kaiser+/-	Arabian	Deanne Prusak
2020	None - year of Covid 19		
2021	Impressive Red Rebel	Missouri Fox Trotter	Paula Riley

COMPETITIVE PLEASURE HIGH AVERAGE HORSEMANSHIP

YEAR	RIDER	YEAR	RIDER	YEAR	RIDER
2015	Leigh Riley	2016	Lory Walls	2017	Diane Wingle
2018	Beverly Roberts	2019	Deanne Prusak	2020	None - Covid 19
2021	Kelly Queen				

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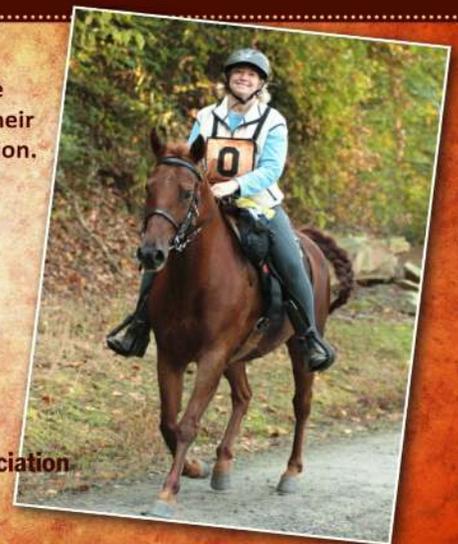


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YEAR	NAME OF HORSE	HORSE HALL OF FAME BREED	RIDER
1986	Elmer Bandit	1/2 Arabian	Mary Anna Wood
1989	Casey	Grade	Beverly Tibbitts
1991	Barthart	Arabian	Betty Young
1993	Rebel's Raider	1/2 Arab/Appy	Marilyn Hunter
1996	Hickory's Country Gold	Missouri Fox Trotter	Bill Hinkebein
2000	Mahra Khan	1/2 Arab	Milne Parish
2002	Winchester Charm	1/2 Arab	Lucy Hirsch
2004	Brown R Dawud	Arabian	Judy Wise Mason
2010	Chargers Rampage	Missouri Fox Trotter	Lisa Brooks
2014	Swiss Mocha	Grade	Paula Riley
2015	Windstorm Sienna	Morgan	Wayne Tolbert
2021	Desert Reinbeau	Mustang	Angie Meroshnekoff

WORKER HALL OF FAME

1998	Lew Muzzy, R2	2010	Cork Weir, R4
	Bill Cumberworth, R3		Florence Blanks, R6
	Ann Burnsed, R4	2011	Bev Roberts, R4
1999	Max Barmettler (posthumous), R1	2013	Lory & Randy Walls, R2
2000	Joan & Bill Throgmorton, R1		Susan Peters, R3
2001	Linda Shannon, R2		Elaine Swiss, R4
2002	Phil & Betty Young, R1	2014	Larry & Barbara Gould, R4
	Joyce & Frank Keeran, R6	2015	Jamie Dieterich, R1
2003	Karel Waugh, R1		Beni DeMattei, R2
	Bob & Margie Insko, R2	2016	Angie Meroshnekoff, R1
2004	Kathy Nixon, R1	2017	Linda Thomason, R1
2005	Jim & Jan Jeffers, R1		Mary Jo Malone, R2
	Bill Smith, R3	2018	Chuck Edwards, R6
	Mike Bridges, R5	2019	Shirley Brodersen, R4
2006	Steve Meroshnekoff, R1	2021	Becky Rogers, R4
	Garrie and Marshall Bates, R5		
2009	Sue Flagg, R1		
	Jenny Smith, R3		

BEV ROBERTS NATIONAL HORSEMANSHIP CHAMPION
(Five National Championships on Five Different Horses)

RIDER	YR QUALIFIED
Nancy Diamond	1990
Terri Smith (Roberts)	2002
Kymerlie Welp (Shanor)	2004
Bill Hinkebein	2005, 2016
Bev Roberts	2007

YEAR	REG	NAME	YEAR	REG	NAME
1977	R1	Leroy Krusi	1995	R3	Michelle Glover, DVM
1978	R1	Joan Throgmorton	1996	R3	Neal McKinstry
1979	R1	George Cardinet	1997	R5	E. Larry Bentley, DVM
1980	None		1998	R2	Henry Logan
1981	R2	Bob Bohannan	1999	R6	Jerry Weil, DVM
1982	R3	Duane & Bessie Scott Family	2000	R1	James C. (Jim) Ferris
1983	R4	Ann Burnsed	2001	R1	Robert Goulding, DVM
1984	R1	Fred Kirkham	2002	R5	Connie Driskell
1985	R1	Betty Menefee	2003	R1	Jamie Dieterich
1986	R1	Bill Throgmorton, DVM	2004	R2	Lory Walls
1987	R1	Nancy Kasovich	2005	R5	Bucky Starnes
1988	R1	Bev Tibbitts	2006	R3	Bill Smith
1989	R3	Iris Mosgrove	2007	R4	Patsy Conner
1990	R6	Joann Christensen	2008	R4	Shirley Parker
1991	R3	Patricia Jubb	2009	R3	Doreen Portner
1992	R2	Elisabeth Grogan	2010	R1	Jim & Jan Jeffers
1993	R1	Rod Cole	2011	R3	Bill & Judy Cumberworth
1994	R3	Gene Naugle, DVM			

JIM MENEFFEE LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP AWARD

(Award of Lifetime Membership for Outstanding Service)

JIM MENEFFEE LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

(Changed from an award of Lifetime membership to Lifetime Achievement Recognition for Outstanding Service)

2012	R4	Jean Green	2017	R2	Greg Fellers, DVM
2013	R5	Paula Riley	2018	R5	Mike Bridges, DVM
2014	R6	Priscilla Lindsey	2019	R4	Larry & Barbara Gould
2015	R6	J.R. Kendall	2020	None	- year of Covid-19
2016	R3	Laurie DiNatale, NATRC	2021	R1	Angie Meroshnekoff

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Book Review

Robert Eversole's
"The ABCs of Trail Riding
and Horse Camping"

By Bev Roberts

Robert Eversole, better known as the TrailMeister and an NATRC partner, has written a reference manual for those who love trail riding and camping with their equines. Whether taking a day ride or a weeklong wilderness pack trip, Eversole provides tips and essential knowledge for trail riders.

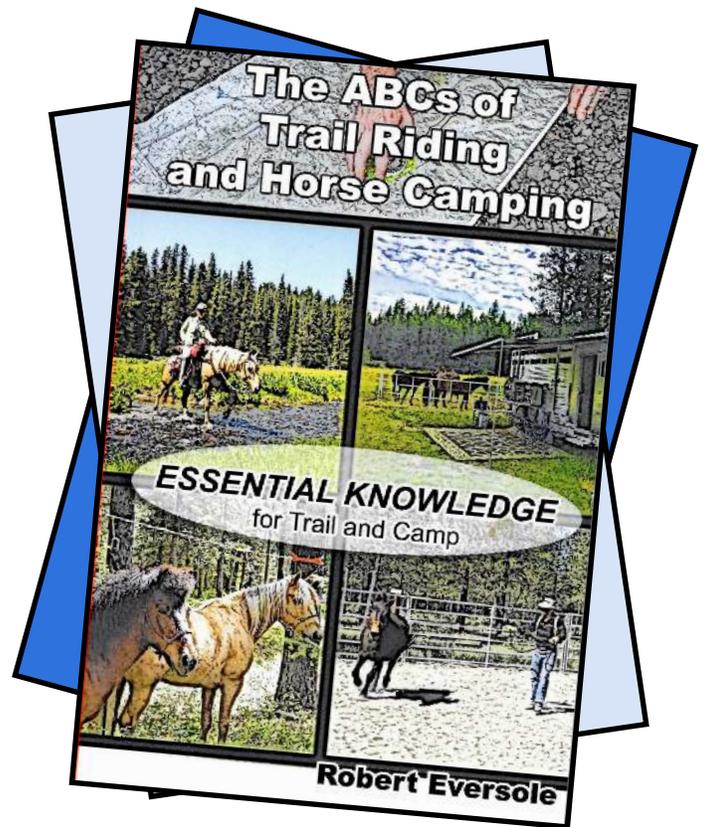
His book covers the kinds of things learned from years of his own experience and from renowned backcountry lifetime enthusiasts. Eversole literally covers everything from **A** to **Z**. The table of contents is an alphabetic index of topics covered. For example, **L** covers **L**atigo, **L**ead Ropes, **L**ightweight Horse Camping, **L**ove Notes, and **L**ow Impact.

Love notes?! Sure. As Eversole delivers in a lighthearted manner, these are thank you notes that you send to land managers. He interjects humor and wit along with quotes and pro tips throughout his manual.

Don't expect a lot of "how-to" information. This book covers the kinds of things a mentor passes onto a newbie. Things like: carry a reliable trail map and know how to read it, even if you are carrying a GPS; nylon ropes stretch considerably when wet so avoid using as a highline; or avoid overly loose garments that can catch and hang up on tack or tree limbs.

All-in-all, a delightful read. Eversole condensed so much valuable knowledge into a 6" x 9", 300-page book. Similar to the cover, the many stylized B&W photos within look like drawings. Read it cover to cover or pick a few subjects you are curious about. You will not be disappointed.

I recommend this book to anyone who trail rides and especially to those starting out.

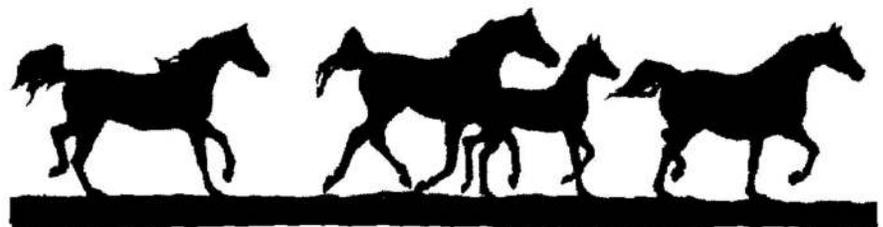


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2023 PROPOSED RULE CHANGES – February 24, 2022 – Changes in Bold

#1: CHANGE THE END OF THE RIDE YEAR.

SECTION 2 - SANCTIONED RIDES AND CLINICS

- A. Rides
 1. Sanctioning
 d. Ride year **will end the second Sunday in November ends the last Sunday in November.**

SECTION 9 – AWARDS

- B. Annual Awards
 1. General
 e. Ride year **will end the second Sunday in November ends the last Sunday in November.**

Rationale: Currently, the ride year ends the second Sunday in November. The NBOD meeting is held the second full weekend in November. Most of the time, the end of the ride year and the NBOD meeting are on the same weekend. But if the month starts on Sunday, the ride year would end November 8, and the NBOD meeting would be November 14 (as happened in 2020). Using the last Sunday in November would avoid that conflict and confusion. Currently, only one ride is being held between mid-November and December 1, so there would minimal impact as far as getting ride results in for year-end audits.

#2: COMBINE DIVISION WEIGHT CLASSES INTO ADULT CLASS (A TEMPORARY ONE-YEAR ACTION)

SECTION 4 – DIVISIONS, CLASSES, AND ELIGIBILITY

- A. Divisions
 1. Open
 d. Classes
 (1) This division will offer **Heavyweight, Lightweight Adult** and Junior Classes in horse as defined in Section 4 B.
 2. Novice
 d. Classes
 (1) This division will offer **Heavyweight, Lightweight Adult** and Junior Classes in horse as defined in Section 4 B.
 3. Competitive Pleasure
 d. Classes
 (1) This division will offer **Heavyweight, Lightweight Adult** and Junior Classes in horse as defined in Section 4 B.
 B. Classes
 1. **Heavyweight: Rider and tack (everything the horse carries) weighing 190 pounds or more. The Heavyweight and Lightweight classes are being combined into the an Adult class on a temporary basis for the 2023 ride year and will revert to 2022 rules unless extended by the National Board of Directors.**
 2. **Lightweight: Rider and tack (everything the horse carries) weighing a minimum of 100 pounds and less than 190 pounds. Riders 18 or older at the beginning of the ride year must compete in the Adult class.**
 3. Junior
 b. Juniors may compete in Open, Competitive Pleasure or Novice Division **Heavyweight or Lightweight Adult Classes if weight requirements are met.**
~~d. No weight requirements apply if competing in Junior Class.~~
 5. ~~5. Weigh In~~
 a. ~~Lightweight and heavyweight competitors must be weighed in with their own tack prior to the start of the ride.~~
 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. Management may re-weigh any rider at any time during the ride to verify weight class. A deviation of +/- 5 pounds is allowed for reweigh only.~~
 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 (lightweight) or less than 190 pounds (heavyweight).~~
 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.~~

Rule Change Standing Schedule	
NBOD Meeting	Activity
Prior to November	Accept submitted rule changes
November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Decide changes to carry forward Publish for comment - <i>Hoof Print</i> and website
February/March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Finalize wording Publish for comment - <i>Hoof Print</i> and website
July	Vote on changes
After July	Update Rule Book

SECTION 9 – AWARDS

- A. Divisions
 1. A sanctioned ride having an Open, Competitive Pleasure and Novice Division will offer **Lightweight, Heavyweight, Adult** and Junior Classes in horse and horsemanship.
 2. National Awards
 i. NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP: In **the** Open Division **in the Heavyweight and Lightweight Adult Classes**, 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.
 k. COMPETITIVE PLEASURE NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP: In the Competitive Pleasure Division **in the Heavyweight, Lightweight, Adult** and Junior Classes, a horse shall be declared a National Champion when all the following requirements are met within the first 12 rides officially started in the same year.
 l. HIGH POINT OPEN HORSE: Points shall be credited to horses for the purpose of determining annual high point awards in each Open Class, (i.e., **Heavyweight, Lightweight Adult**, Junior), first through sixth place.

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- m. HIGH POINT OPEN HORSEMANSHIP: Points shall be credited to riders for the purpose of determining annual high point awards in each Class, (i.e., ~~Heavyweight, Lightweight Adult~~, Junior), first through sixth place.
- n. HIGH POINT COMPETITIVE PLEASURE HORSE: Points shall be credited to horses for the purpose of determining annual high point awards in each Competitive Pleasure Class (i.e., ~~Heavyweight, Lightweight Adult~~, Junior), first through sixth place. Only the first 12 rides officially started will count.
- o. HIGH POINT COMPETITIVE PLEASURE HORSEMANSHIP: Points shall be credited to riders for the purpose of determining annual high point awards in each Competitive Pleasure Class (i.e., ~~Heavyweight, Lightweight Adult~~, Junior), first through sixth place.
- q. HIGH POINT NOVICE HORSE: Points shall be credited to horses for the purpose of determining annual high point awards in each Novice Class (i.e., ~~Heavyweight, Lightweight Adult~~, Junior), first through sixth place.
- r. HIGH POINT NOVICE HORSEMANSHIP: Points shall be credited to riders for the purpose of determining annual high point awards in each Novice Class (i.e., ~~Heavyweight, Lightweight Adult~~, Junior), first through sixth place.

SECTION 10 – REGION 1A AWARDS

B. Annual/Year-end Awards

2. National Awards

- a. National Championship: In Open Division in ~~Heavyweight, Lightweight Adult~~ and Junior Classes, a horse shall be declared a National Champion when both of the following requirements are met within any consecutive three-year period in which rides are held.
 - (1) Awarded one first place. ~~for the class in which the horse is entered at the ride(s).~~
 - (2) Accumulated 36 points.
 - b) ~~When classes are combined for the purpose of establishing points, the points earned by the same horse and rider must be from the same class (Heavyweight or Lightweight) in which the horse was entered at the ride. Points from one weight class cannot be combined with those earned in a different weight class during any given 3-year period. If the rider is no longer age-eligible, points earned as a Junior during the applicable 3-year period can be applied to the new aAdult weight class.~~
- b. National Championship: In the Competitive Pleasure Division in ~~Heavyweight, Lightweight Adult~~ and Junior Classes, a horse shall be declared a National Champion when both of the following requirements are met within any consecutive three-year period in which rides are held.
 - (2) Accumulated 36 points.
 - b) ~~When classes are combined for the purpose of establishing points, the points earned by the same horse and rider must be from the same class (Heavyweight or Lightweight) in which the horse was entered at the ride. Points from one class cannot be combined with those earned in a different 10-2 Revised 10/2020 class during any given 3-year period. If the rider is no longer age-eligible, points acquired as a Junior during the applicable 3-year period can be applied to the new aAdult class.~~

Rationale: In light of decreased ridership caused by external forces such as significantly increased costs to get to rides, reduction in riders' disposable incomes and free time, sluggish economy and, most recently, the pandemic, our weight classes are most often nearly empty and sometimes non-existent. The temporary change to combine division weight classes into adult classes will make the divisions more competitive and ride management simpler.

#3: CONSISTENCY IN LIMITATIONS FOR NOVICE DIVISION AND LEISURE ADULT CLASS

SECTION 4 - DIVISIONS, CLASSES, AND ELIGIBILITY

A. Divisions

2. Novice

e. Limitations

- (1) Any horse and adult rider combination having earned 250 points, lifetime accumulation, in horse (regardless of class in Open, Competitive Pleasure, ~~and Novice~~) ~~or in Leisure Team~~, shall not compete for awards in Novice Horse Division.
- (2) Any horse and junior rider combination having earned 250 points, lifetime accumulation, in horse (regardless of class in Open, Competitive Pleasure, ~~and Novice~~) ~~or in Leisure Team~~, and rider having reached age of 14 shall not compete for awards in Novice Horse Division.
- (3) Any adult rider having earned 250 points, lifetime accumulation, in horsemanship (regardless of horse, or class in Open, Competitive Pleasure ~~and Novice~~) ~~or in Leisure Team~~, shall not compete for awards in Novice Horsemanship Division.
- (4) Any junior rider having earned 250 points, lifetime accumulation, in horsemanship (regardless of horse, or class in Open, Competitive Pleasure ~~and Novice~~) ~~or in Leisure Team~~, and having reached the age of 14 shall not compete for awards in Novice Horsemanship Division.
- (5) Horse and rider combinations having won a National Championship or placed 3rd or higher in the NATRC annual high point awards (excluding regional awards) in any class in Open or Competitive Pleasure in any previous year are ineligible to compete in the Novice Division ~~except by participating Distance Only.~~
- (6) No accredited ~~past or present~~ NATRC horsemanship, ~~or~~ veterinary or ~~leisure~~ judge shall compete for horse or horsemanship awards in the Novice Division.

4. Leisure

e. Classes

- (1) This division will offer Experienced, Adult and Junior Classes as defined in Section 4 B, with the exception that Experienced teams are defined as:
 - (a) Any ~~past or present~~ NATRC judge (Veterinary, Horsemanship, Leisure).
 - ~~(c) Any NATRC rider who has won a national award in a Competitive Pleasure or Open Division. Horse and rider combinations having won a National Championship or placed 3rd or higher in the NATRC annual high point awards (excluding regional awards) in any class in Open or Competitive Pleasure in any previous year.~~
 - (d) Any NATRC rider having attained 1,500 miles in competition or having won one or more National Championships, President's Cup, Jim Menefee Combined Horse and Horsemanship, Bev Tibbitts Grand Champion High Average Horse, or Polly Bridges High Average Horsemanship in any class in any previous year. ~~is ineligible to compete in Leisure-Adult.~~

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Reminder

Please submit proposed rule changes for the 2024 ride year to your region's national board representative by **October 15, 2022**. Please submit in the format as it would appear in the Rule Book, including the appropriate section number(s).

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Rationale: Currently Novice and LeD Adult have different eligibility requirements. For example, LeD Adult has no mileage limitation; a rider could have 5,000 miles and be eligible to compete as LeD Adult (vs Experienced). LeD lifetime points includes Leisure points; Novice does not, so we have two point structures. This proposal would make the limitations for Novice and Leisure Adult consistent.

#4a: LOWER AGE OF ALL JUNIOR COMPETITORS

SECTION 4 – DIVISIONS, CLASSES AND ELIGIBILITY

B. Classes

3. Junior

- a. Age ~~10~~ 8 through 17. The rider must be ~~10~~ 8 years old to enter competition; thereafter the age of a junior shall be determined by whatever their age is as of the beginning of the ride year, and this age shall continue throughout that ride year.
- b. Juniors may compete in Open, Competitive Pleasure or Novice Division [**Heavyweight or Lightweight**] [**OR Adult**] Classes if weight requirements are met. **Juniors may compete in Leisure Division Adult or Experienced Classes.**

D. Eligibility of Riders

- 1. All persons **10 years of age of minimum competitive age** or older are eligible to compete in NATRC, except:

Rationale: We have received consistent requests to lower our eligible age. NATRC could be the best introduction of junior riders to distance riding will allow them to participate while keeping them to a shorter, slower paced event and one that does not judge the stabling of the horse thereby allowing for more assistance from the adult sponsor without altering the level playing field. Children of this age are developmentally able to ride and care for horses. Often an adult competitor requires minimal assistance due to limited range of motion or recovery from a recent injury or surgery, so there are similar expectations for young riders.

#4b: LOWER AGE OF LEISURE DIVISION JUNIOR COMPETITORS

(Only voted on if #4a fails)

SECTION 4 – DIVISIONS, CLASSES AND ELIGIBILITY

B. Classes

4. Junior

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- c. Age ~~40~~ 8 through 17. The rider must be ~~40~~ 8 years old to enter competition **in the Leisure Division, and 10 years old for all other divisions**; thereafter the age of a junior shall be determined by whatever their age is as of the beginning of the ride year, and this age shall continue throughout that ride year.
- d. Juniors **age 10-17** may compete in Open, Competitive Pleasure or Novice Division [**Heavyweight or Lightweight**] [**OR Adult**] Classes if weight requirements are met. **Juniors aged 8-17 may compete in Leisure Division Adult or Experienced Classes.**

D. Eligibility of Riders

1. All persons **40 years of age of minimum competitive age** or older are eligible to compete in **the Leisure Division** in NATRC, **and all persons 10 years of age or older are eligible to compete in the Open, Competitive Pleasure, and Novice Divisions** in NATRC except:

Rationale: We have received consistent requests to lower our eligible age. NATRC could be the best introduction of junior riders to distance riding, and by restricting those age 8-9 to the Leisure Division will allow them to participate while keeping them to a shorter, slower paced event and one that does not judge the stabling of the horse thereby allowing for more assistance from the adult sponsor without altering the level playing field. Children of this age are developmentally able to ride and care for horses. Often an adult competitor requires minimal assistance due to limited range of motion or recovery from a recent injury or surgery, so there are similar expectations for young riders.

#5: JUNIOR COMPETITORS SUPERVISION

SECTION 4 – DIVISIONS, CLASSES AND ELIGIBILITY

B. Classes

3. Junior

- a. Age 10 through 17. The rider must be 10 years old to enter competition; thereafter the age of a junior shall be determined by whatever their age is as of the beginning of the ride year, and this age shall continue throughout that ride year. **Riders must be able to care for their horse with minimal assistance. Riders 12 and under must ride with an adult sponsor or a junior sponsor, 13 or older with more than 250 NATRC miles, with a limit of two per sponsor. The sponsor must also be a registered participant in an appropriate division. If the sponsor cannot continue, a sponsor on trail can be substituted with another appropriate competitor or DO rider.**

Rationale: Large groups of young riders can be a challenge to manage. Having adequate supervision is important for the safety of the junior riders. The sponsor must also be a competitor as ride management and safety must monitor and support these riders as well.

#6: SANCTION LANGUAGE (ON HOLD UNTIL APRIL)

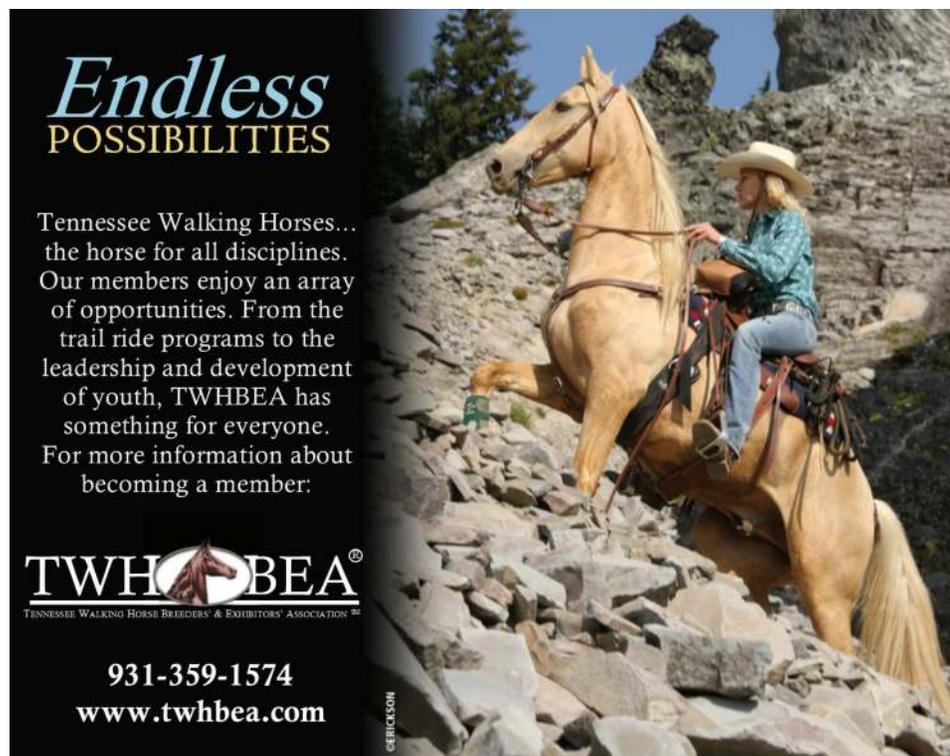
SECTION 2 – SANCTIONED RIDES AND CLINICS

A. Rides:

1. Sanctioning

- e. In order that rule standardization will prevail on all sanctioned rides, competitors, chairs and judges must comply with all rules as outlined herein.
- f. Rule violations may cause ~~denial or revocation of sanction of the ride with~~ loss of **placings, points, and mileage** to the competitors.
- g. Failure to comply with established NATRC sanctioning guidelines **may cause denial or revocation of sanction up to 14 days prior to the ride date may cause denial or revocation of sanction. Further failure to comply with sanctioning guidelines or rules will cause a review of the ride by the sanction chair, executive committee, and representative from the judges committee. The review committee will render a judgement on allowing placings, points, and mileage.**

Rationale: At an early 2022 ride an issue came up where the ride became in violation of the sanction as it started. The vet judge got into an accident and could not perform judging duties. It was also noticed in the Policies and Procedures document that sanctions can only be revoked two weeks prior to the ride start. This language cleans up some contradictions between the Rule Book and the P&P and addresses the procedure to deal with significant sanction and rule violations once the ride is imminent or has started. Additional changes have been made to the P&P.



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Statement FOR Combining Weight Classes

By Bev Roberts and Bill Wingle

How many rides have you gone to recently where you, or maybe you and one or two other riders, were the only ones in your weight class? Have you won your weight class at all the rides you rode and still could not accumulate enough points to earn a National Championship? Have you entered a ride only to find it cancelled for lack of entries? Has placing lost its luster because if you show up and complete the ride, you are guaranteed a placing? Are some riders with competitive goals, in addition to the fun ones, not riding because they know they can't achieve their goals without attending a huge number of rides (like 14)?

In the early years, classes were full, and waiting lists were the norm. That is no longer the case. Whether this is because our membership base is aging, people's lifestyles have changed and they have little time and disposable income for conditioning and competing,

or COVID, ride attendance is down significantly. NATRC recently added the Leisure Division to address some of these changes. That was a great move and is helping to revitalize our rides, but that hasn't solved all our multi-day A-ride problems.

Dropping weight classes now is not based on an argument over whether weight matters. That can be debated. This temporary, 1-year change (renewable) is being proposed to address the very small class sizes many rides have had in the last several years, particularly from 2019-2021.

In 2021 A-rides, the average Open Heavyweight class had only two competitors, and 69% of all Open adult classes had three or fewer competitors. For CP, 66% of all adult classes had three or fewer competitors. In Novice 76% of all adult classes had three or fewer competitors.

If weight classes were merged using 2021 (post-COVID with 29 rides) data, these small classes would have occurred far less often: O-21%, CP-0%, and N-28%. While not identical, 2019 (pre-COVID with 46 rides) and 2020 (COVID with 11 rides) showed similar statistics, but aggravating the situation was the average number of competitors per ride was down for 2019.

With these small class sizes, it is becoming difficult to argue we have a competitive sport. Many competitors are guaranteed a 1st or 2nd place at a ride, but points for year-end awards, particularly national championships, are very difficult to accrue, regardless of how good the horse and rider are.

Until ridership levels increase, a change to have no weight classes would increase competition, simplify ride management, reduce ride expenses, simplify record keeping, and hopefully motivate many riders to attend events.

Statement AGAINST Combining Weight Classes

By Esther Diaguila

The year was 1961 and a new sport was born, the North American Trail Ride Conference. Two regions were organized in 1966. A board was established, comprised of members from different regions. During the evolution of this sport, the NBOD grew and learned. Rules were changed and refined as members and board alike learned what worked and what didn't.

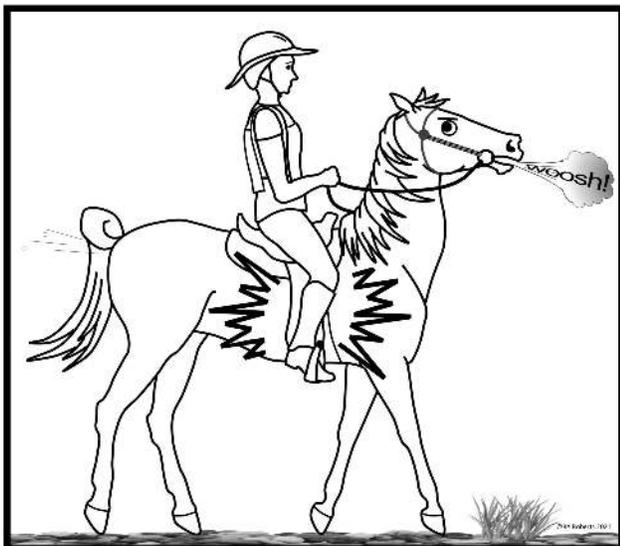
It wasn't so long ago (2018) that the Competitive Pleasure Division was finally divided into weight classes.

One of the primary premises of this sport is an even playing field for competitors. Combining weight classes would give an unfair advantage to the lightweight riders. Heavyweight riders put more stress on their horses' bodies than do the lightweight riders. As a result, horses ridden by heavyweight riders are more likely to lose points on metabolics and soundness than their counterparts, the lightweight riders.

Is the number of competitors in each weight class declining? Yes, but to

change the rules for ONE YEAR, with plans to revisit this each year would be confusing for riders and a nightmare for ride managers and year-end awards / points. Our riders are already complaining about too many rules. Having a rule that has the potential to change every year would cause more issues that it solves.

Do not change rules to solve what is likely a temporary problem.



Trail Tip - Tension

Courtesy of Jamie Dieterich, R1 Horsemanship Judge

Tension is your enemy. Your horse picks up on your tension. It causes fatigue and is counterproductive to flowing smoothly with your horse. A rider who is not in balance both longitudinally and laterally uses muscle tension or "grip" for security. Although tension in a rider's body might make the rider feel secure, it causes tension in the horse. Consider trotting your horse for a mile on packed sand by the ocean's edge. How much energy does it take to do the distance? How much more energy would it take to go that same distance if your horse was in knee-deep water? Tension, like water, creates resistance to motion. It tires and debilitates. Relax and ride balanced.

Statement FOR Lowering the Age Limit of Junior Competitors

By Fran Muench

1) NATRC's mission is to "promote horsemanship and horse care as they apply to the sport of distance riding by offering a variety of challenging and educational experiences designed to strengthen horse and rider partnerships." We are about education, and there are many young riders that can benefit by being educated on horse care and horsemanship at a younger age than 10.

2) There is the possibility of increasing rider/volunteer pool as parents or guardians of youth may also come to participate.

3) Youth will ride with a sponsor at all times during competition.

4) Regions have lost competing families over this issue. NATRC loses young riders and their families to other riding venues that allow a lower starting age.

5) We have a unique opportunity to offer two versions of Junior rider education. Through LeD we can offer a slower paced, lower mileage competition for those who do not quite have the stamina for longer, faster distances. Through the Novice, CP, Open divisions we offer the opportunity to those who have a more established "horsey" aptitude AND the stamina for longer, faster distances.

Statement AGAINST Lowering the Age Limit of Junior Competitors

By Esther Diaguila

Children at 8 years old are at the cusp of a critical developmental phase of their life. At this age, children are given more complex responsibilities.

They are capable of saddling and taking care of their horse with minimal help, but the important question is, are they capable of coping with an unexpected and potentially dangerous situation on the trail? Are we putting too much stress on a child who, at this point, is in a critical stage of emotional, physical and mental development?

On the University of Illinois Extension website, the Agricultural Safety and Health page discusses the development stages of children and accident risk potential. The findings of a study¹ on that topic are adhered to today.

Christine M. Todd, Ph.D, Child Development Specialist, and Robert A. Aherin, Ph.D, Safety Specialist, state that for ages 7-9: "They also are beginning to ask to be included in the work done by adults. However, because they have little knowledge of the requirements of a task or their own physical and mental limitations, the risk of injury is very high. They do not recognize dangerous situations fast enough to avoid them, and once in an emergency situation, they do not have

the problem solving abilities to avoid injury. Unfortunately, these limitations in their thinking abilities are often not evident to many parents until their child experiences an accident."

There is no doubt that under ordinary circumstances, children that have had years of exposure to horses have the ability to take care of their horse. Unfortunately, a ride venue causes stress for participants and horses alike. A well-known phrase in NATRC is, "The horse you have at home is not the same horse you unload at a ride." We have all experienced this and have to ask ourselves if an 8-year-old is mature enough to cope with this, and if we, as an organization that prizes safety, are willing to take that risk.

1. The [Developmental Stages of Children and Accident Risk Potential](#) paper, 1989 International Winter Meeting of the American Society of Agricultural Engineers.

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NATRC Membership Committee Spring Update

By John Zeliff

The membership renewal incentive was a success! Three monthly drawings were held beginning in November for everyone who renewed their NATRC membership for the 2022 ride season.

Congratulations to our three membership renewal incentive winners and thank you to all of you who renewed your membership.

- November Winner - Kimberly Nauge, Region 1, won an NATRC logo jacket from Distance Depot.
- December Winner - Betsy Zimmerman, Region 4, won a \$50 gift card from Riding Warehouse.
- January Winner - Lindsey Matthews, Region 3, won a NATRC logo item from Custom Ink.

We sent a supply of the 4" round NATRC emblem stickers to the regions. Each region is to determine the most efficient, convenient, and least burdensome means possible to ensure brand new members in their region continue to receive one of these decals.

A "rack card" that you can use in promoting NATRC has been shared to the membership committee's shared Dropbox folder. These rack cards (for printing on card stock) are an excellent

resource to use at any horse expo or other events when promoting NATRC. Our marketing committee designed these, and they are a wonderful promotional item for our favorite sport.

All of us would like to see an increase in the number of rides and riders. Our membership committee is focused on both, but it will take all of us. Even the little things we can each do will make a big difference.

Support and promote all our rides by signing up as early as possible (huge help for ride management). Encourage your horse friends to come give us a try. Bring a friend with you to volunteer. Not riding, no problem, come volunteer at a ride. Provide a donation to one or more rides in your region. Share our ride schedule on your social media platforms. Let your friends know that we offer free NATRC memberships again in 2022 for first time members. There are lots of things we can do to help support and promote our rides, and as a result we all benefit from these efforts.

Two Clinics Per Region

Clinics are an excellent way to introduce new riders to NATRC and to increase our membership. Clinics also provide a fantastic opportunity for any

rider to hone their skills and learn from some of the top riders in our sport.

How many clinics does your region have scheduled this year? Clinics directly benefit our A rides. It is not too late to add clinics to each of our regions for this ride year. Include an LeD ride the same weekend of your clinic, and your new riders can immediately apply some of what they learned.

Our NATRC website has some outstanding resources to assist clinic managers. New from 2021 is an updated NATRC Clinic Handbook. This 28-page document is an excellent resource for clinic participants. We reimburse insurance costs for two clinics per region as determined by the earliest clinics to apply for sanction, and request, the \$100 reimbursement.

Trail Meister

Trail Meister is one of our NATRC partners. It is the official NATRC trail directory. Take advantage of what they offer by making sure that you post your region rides on their website, www.trailmeister.com/events.

You will also find many useful articles, tips, reviews, horse trails, and videos on their website. Check out the section that demonstrates useful horsemanship knots.

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Ride Results

How to read these results:

Ride Type: AA=3 day, A=2 day, B1=1 day Sat, B2=1 day Sun / 1st # = Horse's Placing / 2nd # = Rider's Placing / LeD Team Placing
 SW = Div. Sweepstakes Horse / Score / CO = Completion Only / P = Pulled / DO = Distance Only / DQ = Disqualified
 The official record source for ride results is the NATRC national office. Results published here may be subject to audit.

Region 2

Boyd Ranch Adventure Gala B1

12/11/2021 Region 2 AZ Total Riders: 11
 Chair: Kimberly Johnson
 Judge: LeD - Jamie Dieterich;
 Sherrie Bray - Apprentice

Leisure Adult

- 1 The Mask of Phantom / Johnson, Kelli
- 2 Dalton Boy / Hill, Renea
- 3 Tequila de Cientí / Heritage, Mariann
- 4 Dillon 5 / Jarman, Jill

Leisure Experienced

- 1 Duke of Shadow Canyon / Contreras, Kandace
- 2 Show Me Billy / Peterson, Catherine

- 3 Patient Laddie / Malone, Mary Jo
- 4 Milagro Ghost Dancer / Pavia, Audrey
- 5 Maxine / Heslin, Janet

Leisure Junior

- 1 Sunrise Cappuccino / Arrowwood, Temperance
- 2 Ill Be Smart N Move / Peers, Jaydean

Boyd Ranch Adventure Gala B2

12/12/2022 Region 2 AZ Total Riders: 10
 Chair: Kimberly Johnson
 Judge: LeD - Sherrie Bray - Apprentice;
 Jamie Dieterich

Leisure Adult

- 1 Cody 10 / Ekundayo, Desiree

- 2 Billy 2 / Long, Robert
- 3 Dalton Boy / Hill, Renea
- 4 The Mask of Phantom / Johnson, Kelli
- 5 Logan 2 / Hauber, Michala
- 6 Tequila de Cientí / Heritage, Mariann
- 8 Kestane Bey / Hendershot, Asligul
- 8 Buckaroo Buck / Dixon, Catherine

Leisure Experienced

- 1 Maxine / Heslin, Janet

Leisure Junior

- 1 Ill Be Smart N Move / Peers, Logan

Region 4

Jingle Bell Jaunt A

12/4/2021 Region 4 TX Total Riders: 17
 Chair: Cara Liebman
 Judges: Vet - Damaris Hochanadel; Hsp - Kim Cowart

Open Heavyweight

- 1 / 4 Rohara Hasanni / Muench, Gayle
- 2 / 1 Razmataz DBA+ / Bass, Carla Jo
- 3 / 3 Fancy I Am / Knight, Chrissy
- 4 / 2 King's Charley R.E. / Wech, Kris

Open Lightweight

- 1 / 3 SW - 98.5 Vaquero / Galliher, Teresa
- 2 / 1 Bantam Z / Mettes, Cynthia
- 3 / 2 RPH Ebony Diamond / Hicks, Patti
- P / P Wildfire Storm / Miller, Dolly

Competitive Pleasure Heavyweight

- 1 / 1 Mishaal Nadir KFA / Fazzino, Kim

Competitive Pleasure Lightweight

- 1 / 3 SW - 100 Giacomo / Muench, Fran
- 2 / 4 Sinan Mishaal Odyssey / Shaath, Teri
- 3 / 2 KMA Ali Gator / Daniel, Doanna
- 4 / 1 TA Kaiser+ / Prusak, Deanne
- P / P Jake's Trails and Trials / Stewart, Jan

Novice Heavyweight

- 1 / 2 SW - 96.5 CSAFirstClassFancee / Casarez, Tracee
- 2 / 3 HF Ghazis El-Luzion / Brandau, Jean
- 3 / 1 Jakes Mystical Daisy / Ropp, Marla

Jingle Bell Jaunt B1 CORRECTED

12/4/2021 Region 4 TX Total Riders: 17
 Chair: Cara Liebman
 Judges: Vet - Damaris Hochanadel; Hsp - Kim Cowart;
 LeD - Kate Hollar

Competitive Pleasure Heavyweight

- P / P Thunder 16 / Lahiri, Sam

Competitive Pleasure Lightweight

- 1 / 1 SW - 98 Sahghid / Walaski, Michelle

Leisure Adult

- 1 Gina's Black Maiden / Zercher, Vicki
- 2 Final Clu / Nelson, Mollie
- 3 Northstars Mountain Brandy / Bardone, Julia
- 4 Jag Rebel Spirit / Hollenback, Deanna
- 5 Tribute to Liberty / Padgett, Tawnya
- 6 Balagon / Klir, Tamara
- GF Gray Gay Borrego / Fields, Megan
- Good Boy Scout / Mosley, Deb
- Myss Gdache / Waldrip, Anita

Leisure Experienced

- 1 Ricochet 2 / Neal, Melissa
- 2 Sundown / Orr, Joe
- 3 Jasper 6 / Orr, Shirley
- 4 Sky 6 / Quirk, Karen
- 5 Painted in the Stars / Collins, Mary
- 6 The Miracle of Voodoo / Perryman, Alice

Jingle Bell Jaunt B2 CORRECTED

12/5/2021 Region 4 TX Total Riders: 15
 Chair: Cara Liebman
 Judge: LeD - Kate Hollar

Leisure Adult

- 1 Final Clu / Nelson, Mollie
- 2 Mageed Ibn Kamal Ma / Kelly, Mollie
- 3 Tribute to Liberty / Padgett, Tawnya
- 4 Gina's Black Maiden / Zercher, Vicki
- 5 Jag Rebel Spirit / Hollenback, Deanna
- 6 Myss Gdache / Waldrip, Anita
- Good Boy Scout / Mosley, Deb
- Rondoe / Marek, Lisa
- Balagon / Klir, Tamara

Leisure Experienced

- 1 Jasper 6 / Orr, Shirley
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Region 5

Christmas in the Pines A

12/4/2021 Region 5 FL Total Riders: 23

Chair: Sara Baldwin

Judges: Vet - Kay Gunckel; Hsp - Becky Rogers

Open Heavyweight

1 / 2 Jiminy Cricket / Mulligan, Jennifer

2 / 1 Ruby 8 / Talbert, Ben

Open Lightweight

1 / 2 SW - 100 Danamye / Diaguila, Esther

2 / 1 Beau 11 / Garnes, Sherry

3 / 3 Papa's Alabama Express / Lucas, Patty

4 / 4 TFF Psyrendipity / Kolehmainen, Sofia

Competitive Pleasure Heavyweight

1 / 1 SW - 98.5 By the Grace of God /

Whitehead, Victoria

2 / 2 Dec Docs Curious Pep / Gragg, Shae

3 / 3 Okies Roanwood 10 / Fields, Bobby

4 / 4 Wishbone Two Eyed Jak / Barclay, Kathryn

5 / 6 Sam's Houdini / Stroh, John

6 / 5 Mntop Never Say Never / Howard, Marsha

P / P VA Anistazio / Riddick, Keri

Competitive Pleasure Lightweight

1 / 1 Impressive Red Rebel / Riley, Paula

Competitive Pleasure Junior

1 / 1 Sir Percival / Edelstein, Kinsley

Novice Heavyweight

1 / 4 SW - 98 Jada Angel / Feist, Lael

2 / 2 Chuck / Sherer, Elaine

3 / 1 McCurdys Hollywood / Wiggins, Kathi

4 / 3 EHR Chanel NO 5 / Miller, Marilyn

P / P Romeo O Romeo / Haglund, Pam

P / P Destinys Chrome Flying Eagle / Curry, Donna

Novice Lightweight

1 / 1 Pepper's Lady Star / Valentine, Savannah

2 / 2 StarLight's Coffee Break / Goncz, Caitlin

Christmas in the Pines B1

12/4/2021 Region 5 FL Total Riders: 7

Chair: Sara Baldwin

Judges: Vet - Kay Gunckel; Hsp - Becky Rogers

Competitive Pleasure Heavyweight

1 / 3 DLC Roxies Peponita / Crews, Stephanie

2 / 1 Mandella Bey / Chapman, Carolyn

3 / 4 Starlight's Wildcard / Cooley, Jessica

4 / 2 Stanley's Waylon / Tolbert, Wayne

Competitive Pleasure Lightweight

1 / 1 SW - 99 Om El Bastian / Riley, Leigh

2 / 2 John Henry 2 / James, Trish

Novice Lightweight

1 / 1 SW - 99 Dark Royalty / Smith, Kallie

New Year's Resolution A

1/28/2022 Region 5 FL Total Riders: 24

Chair: Esther Diaguila

Judges: Vet - Keri Riddick; Hsp - Kathy Shanor

Open Heavyweight

1 / 1 Rohara Hasanni / Muench, Gayle

2 / 2 Flicka's Rose / Stroh, John

P / P Jiminy Cricket / Mulligan, Jennifer

Open Lightweight

1 / 3 SW - 97 Beau 11 / Garnes, Sherry

2 / 2 Papa's Alabama Express / Lucas, Patty

3 / 4 Moon Shadow's Black Gold / Price, Alanna

4 / 1 TA Kaiser+ / Prusak, Deanne

Competitive Pleasure Heavyweight

1 / 3 Okies Roanwood 10 / Fields, Bobby

2 / 4 Mntop Never Say Never / Howard, Marsha

3 / 2 Wishbone Two Eyed Jak / Barclay, Kathryn

4 / 1 By the Grace of God / Whitehead, Victoria

5 / 5 Dec Docs Curious Pep / Gragg, Shae

Competitive Pleasure Lightweight

1 / 2 SW - 95.5 Giacomo / Muench, Fran

2 / 1 Om El Bastian / Riley, Leigh

3 / 3 Hollywood / DeRosa, Charmaine

Novice Heavyweight

1 / 1 McCurdys Hollywood / Wiggins, Kathi

2 / 2 Bella 19 / Watson, Keely

3 / 3 Code Red / Surdel, Therese

P / P Loki / Damacio, Marcelino

P / P Destinys Chrome Flying Eagle / Curry, Donna

P / P The Hudson Bay / Banks, Yvonne

P / P Jasmine 4 / Corbin, Tammy

Novice Junior

1 / 1 SW - 94 Mick Jagger / Lawrence, Anna

2 / 2 Banshee / Corbin, Dixie

New Year's Resolution B1

1/28/2022 Region 5 FL Total Riders: 4

Chair: Esther Diaguila

Judges: Vet - Keri Riddick; Hsp - Kathy Shanor

Competitive Pleasure Heavyweight

1 / 1 SW - 99 Stanley's Waylon / Tolbert, Wayne

Novice Lightweight

1 / 2 Slate / McCollum, Donya

2 / 1 Generator's Tacoma / Peck, Laura

Novice Junior

1 / 1 SW - 95.5 Rocky 14 / McCollum, Asheton



Which division is right for me?

		LEISURE	NOVICE	CP	OPEN
Number of Days		1	1 or 2	1 or 2	1, 2, or 3
Shortened 1-day Format		X			
Distance (miles)	1 day	8 - 12	15 - 24	15 - 24	25 - 35
	2 days		30 - 40	30 - 40	50 - 60
	3 days				80 - 90
Average Pace (mph)		3 - 4.5	3.5 - 5	3.5 - 5	4 - 6
Horse Minimum Age		4	4	4	5
Classes		Adult Junior Experienced	Lightweight Heavyweight Junior	Lightweight Heavyweight Junior	Lightweight Heavyweight Junior
Leg Protection Allowed		X			
Judging Observations		Up to 5	Varies	Varies	Varies
Number of Judges		1	2	2	2
Scorecards		1	2	2	2
Scoring Type		Positive	Negative	Negative	Negative
What is Scored	P&Rs/day, scored	1, X	2 (min), X	2 (min), X	2 (min), X
	Trail Ability & Manners	X	X	X	X
	Equitation & Communication	X	X	X	X
	Safety & Courtesy	X	X	X	X
	Soundness	Go / No Go	X	X	X
	Condition	P&R Only	X	X	X
	Tack	Eval+ Safety	X	X	X
	Stabling	Eval Safety	X	X	X
	Grooming		X	X	X
	Trail Care		X	X	X
National Year-end Awards			X	X	X
Mileage Tracked & Awards		X	X	X	X

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Plan Name	Competing*			Non-Competing	
	Adult	Family	Junior	Supporting	Fan
Fee	\$75	\$125	\$25	\$50	\$35
Eligibility					
Single adult age 18 or over	X			X	X
Household		♦			
Single child age 10 through 17			X		X
Benefits					
Voting privileges	1	2		1	
Reduced ride entry fees	X	X	X		
Ride awards eligibility	X	X	X	♦♦	♦♦
Volunteer awards eligibility	X	X	X	X	X
Lifetime mileage tracking	X	X	X		
Mileage awards	X	X	X	♦♦♦	♦♦♦
Participation in virtual challenges	X	X	X	X	X
National year-end awards eligibility	X	X	X	♦♦♦	♦♦♦
Regional year-end awards eligibility	X	X	X	♦♦♦	♦♦♦
Sponsor discounts	X	X	X	X	
Can purchase excess liability ins.	X	X		X	
Electronic <i>Hoof Print</i> and E-News	X	X	X	X	X
Region membership and newsletter	X	X	X	X	X
Exclusive access to updated Rider's Manual	X	X	X	X	X
CHECK PLAN DESIRED	<input type="checkbox"/>				

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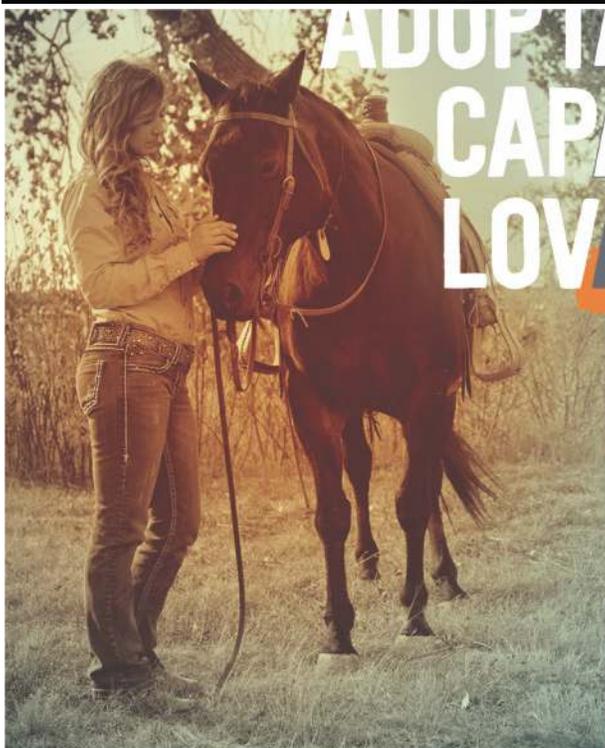
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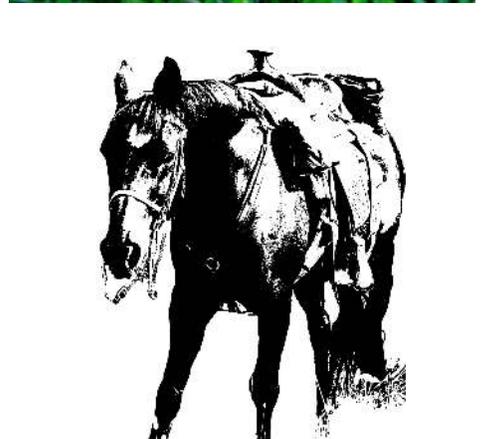
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