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Spring (Mar/Apr/May) Feb. 15
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Just Throw a Leg Over

Really?? It’s that easy? No, I don’t think so.

Whether it’s a new horse, a new job, a new organization, a new sport or just trying something you’ve never done before – it’s not as simple as “just throwing a leg over.” So why is it that we don’t want to try something new? It usually boils down to fear – fear of pain or fear of failure, loss of income, loss of self-esteem, embarrassment, etc. Or not “enough” - enough money, skill, courage, responsibilities, experience and so on.

So anecdotal story time. When I was a young adult, I was taking lessons from a noted dressage coach who wanted me to attend two clinics being taught by some of the top dressage riders in the country. Oh heck no! I asked her why she thought I could even be in the same arena as these two greats. She said she knew I could do this, and the only thing holding me back was me.

Ok money was really tight, but I knew if I wanted to get there, I could make that happen; so why wasn’t I? It had never occurred to me that I was suffering from fear of failure. But, I heard her words, and I trusted her, so I took that leap. I attended those clinics and surprised myself (but not my coach apparently), and I think that made all the difference - not only in my riding but in my ability to stretch myself in new or uncertain situations and have confidence in myself.

So where am I going with this? I’ve seen a number of posts on social media recently from riders who have seen an ad or event posting for an NATRC ride and said they want to try this but don’t think they can, or they will wait until next year, or they don’t have anyone to ride with, and so on.

I have also heard people say they might want to become involved as a volunteer in some aspect but don’t know if they can do it (take on managing a ride for example). So, what is holding them back? One or all of the things I listed above. And, that’s actually normal, but we need to work on taking that first step or “throwing a leg over it.”

The first step is to stop looking at the reasons “why not,” find at least one reason “why you can,” and build from there. Map out a small plan (don’t try for big steps) and ask for mentoring help. Want to ride a longer distance? Ask an experienced rider how they got there. Want to try volunteering? Offer to assist with a job (large or small), and you’ll learn a whole lot.

OK last anecdotal story: At a recent ride, a brand new competitor was discovering that her horse wasn’t as well trained or responsive at the ride as he was at home, and she struggled with it. I related some of my early experiences in NATRC, and she was very relieved to learn that she wasn’t alone with the problem, and that it could be fixed. While spending time with the horsemanship judge that weekend, that judge also related a story about her first ride, what a disaster it was, how out of control the horse was, and how the judge on that ride gave her pointers to fix the issue (and here she is years later a very respected horsemanship judge).

Now you know - we all had to start somewhere. We all had the first ride in some capacity. Go ahead, find mentors and throw a leg over it!

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North American Trail Ride Conference Mission Statement

The North American Trail Ride Conference (NATRC) promotes 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.

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)
Provisional Verona Chaffin, DVM (R6)

Horsemanship Judges
Provisional Jan Jeffers (R1)
Norma Newton (R6)

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!
- For a current Judges List, please visit the website.
- If you have difficulty securing an NATRC judge, please contact the appropriate Judges Committee Co-Chair:

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Code of Ethics

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
2022 NATRCTM National Convention

February 24-27, 2022
Omaha, Nebraska

Hosted by Region 6
For updates, check at natrcr6.org
or on Facebook at REGION 6 NATRC Riders

Room Reservations
Embassy Suites by Hilton in Omaha’s Downtown/Old Market Area

Thursday 24th:
National Board of Directors Meeting (Everyone is welcome!), Judges Committee Meeting

Friday 25th:  Henry Doorly Zoo - Behind the Scenes
Rhonda Martin
  ● Saddle fit check points for Competitive Trail
  ● Posture vs Conformation: How to ride to improve your horse’s body carriage
  ● Recognizing pain and compensation patterns in your trail partner
Evening - Museum of Shadows, Ghost Hunt Tour

Saturday 26th:
Q&A - Leisure Division: Feedback, Discussion, Are you moving forward or staying put?
Partnership on the Trail: How NATRC prepares you for other equestrian adventures
Lisa Eggerling - Cross Training with Cowboy Dressage to Develop Partnership and Softness
Dr. Dean Hendriksen DVM, MS, DACVS Colorado State University - Wound Care on the Trail
National General Meeting
National Banquet and Awards

Sunday 27th:
Region 6 Awards

Vendors, Silent Auction, Hospitality Room available Friday and Saturday

We’ll see you in 2022 in Nebraska, “the good life.”

Copy and paste the entire URL for it to work properly.

Group Name: North American Trail Ride Conference
Arrival Date: 24-Feb-2022
Departure Date: 27-Feb-2022

Please share this link with anyone who needs to book North American Trail Ride Conference rates. The hotel looks forward to welcoming us!

Contacts: Helen Smith, 402-298-1411, hsmithtmoran@gmail.com or Cheryl Bohling, 402-269-5625, ccherylhop@hotmail.com
As I sat down to write this, I had to ponder what and how my personal experience regarding NATRC and Western States Endurance Ride “the Tevis” could be relevant. I’ve had many years of experience in NATRC and rode a horse successfully to the President’s Cup award in 2019. But what about Tevis?

I’ve been a member of crew teams on 100 mile rides four years in a row. For Jonni Jewell and Sarah (Rinne) Smith at Tevis in 2018, Jonni at Tevis in 2019, and Gayle Muench at Tevis in 2019 and 2021 and also at Big Horn in 2020. I’ve been part of many discussions with those riders, their mentors, and others regarding the parallels to being successful in the two competitive venues. Both are exhilarating and exhausting at the same time. The excitement of being part of successful efforts can be contagious, but 100-mile rides are not for every horse or rider. So how does Tevis show us why what we learn in NATRC matters?

Tevis is a world-renowned 100-mile endurance ride recognized for its degree of difficulty in terrain, logistics and climate. Course and distance amplify any potential challenge and what every NATRC competitor learns is crucial to being successful in competitive trail riding and endurance, whether its 15-30+ miles two days in a row or 100 miles in 24 hours.

In 2019, Gayle Muench had his first successful Tevis attempt and completion. At that time, Mike Perez, head vet for Tevis for the last several years, NATRC vet, and former NATRC rider, encouraged Gayle by stating that his NATRC education and experience would make completion well within his grasp.

Horse care, horsemanship, teamwork and planning are essential for success. Sounds familiar right? Course and distance amplify any potential challenges.

Horse Care, Conditioning, Manners and Trail Ability

Your teammate, your horse, must be conditioned and you, the rider, must be aware of its capability and be able to recognize how to manage any athletic shortcomings that will be very evident in difficult terrain and the longer distance. Special shoes, boots and leg protection are allowed as ways of managing for technical terrain.

Tevis veterinarians check horses’ heart rates, metabolics and lameness approximately every 10 or so miles. Volunteers and/or crew are present at most stops to assist with helping the horse cool down and provide horse and human nutrition. Does your mount’s heart rate increase when given forage right before its pulse is taken? Will your horse stand quietly for the vet during the vet check or for you or a member of your crew while they are checking its tack, shoes or providing food or water? This is necessary information and skills to have before you go into competition in either venue. Manners, conditioning and trail ability go a long way to contribute to a timely finish.

Horsemanship

Imagine riding 100 miles of rocky terrain, up mountains and down into deep, hot canyons. Light and balanced riding, as well as being aware of how rating your horse for various types of terrain and pacing it for a lengthy distance, will positively impact your chances for success. Managing your body position on prolonged up/down steep, rocky trails protects your teammate’s back and lessens chances of your horse stumbling and you becoming unseated or going off on the often-narrow trail.

Blowing out an anxious horse can be helpful in the beginning, but remember there are 100 miles to complete with a horse that is fit to continue. Your horse should be well accustomed to your attempts to set a suitable pace for him/her to complete the distance. The pace for a successful Tevis completion is 5 mph while you’re in the saddle. There are about 4 hours of time used for vet checks. The 4 hours is dependent upon the speed your horse pulses down, its metabolics and passing the lameness check.

Teamwork

Horse care and horsemanship combine to make a great competitive team. Does your horse go out well on his or her own? Is he buddy sour or does he require a “rabbit” to pull him along?

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The start of Tevis is in large, close groups of competitors. Will your horse have his head in the game or be overly anxious by being in close quarters with other horse/rider teams? Hopefully, you’ve worked with your horse to make a connection that will provide a relationship that enables overcoming those obstacles. Gayle and Jonni have both commented how beneficial it is to have your own pocket or space on the long Tevis trail if possible.

Planning your ride
You’ve put in hours of training and conditioning your horse on different terrain and in a variety of climate conditions. The obligatory minimum of 300 cumulative lifetime miles of competition, in events of 35 miles or more sanctioned by AERC, NATRC or other recognized distance riding organizations, required for rider entry into Tevis are completed. You’re ready to go!

You fill your saddle packs with a variety of supplies for you and your mount: supplements, water, snacks, extra ties and clips for emergency tack repair, boots for loss of a shoe or boot. You have lined up your crew to help you and your horse during mandatory hour long holds.

But wait, what is your ride plan? What are your timing points? Your pace? Jonni Jewell has mentored quite a few riders going into Tevis and has provided guidance on pacing by expanding on the point-to-point times supplied by the Tevis organization to complete the ride safely and successfully. Gayle Muench added personal notes to the ride plan as to when to supplement with electrolyte and BCAA (branched chain amino acids) to maintain the horse’s metabolic status. (See pics at right)

Upon receiving the good news of his 2021 Tevis completion from head vet Mike Peralez, Gayle told Dr. Peralez that he followed his plan by nailing the times that I had set to reach each stop. Dr. Peralez replied, “You had a plan and not everyone goes into this ride with one.”

Course and distance amplify any potential challenges. Tevis emphasizes the need for knowing your horse, having good horsemanship, building a relationship with your horse and planning for success. Sound very familiar, right? Tevis illustrates how the NATRC experience is relevant for safe, healthy successful goals in competitive trail riding. Each time the crew saw Gayle and Blue on the trail at 36, 62, 68 miles and the finish, Gayle was focused and smiling and Blue, with ears forward, was eager to continue on down the trail.
Moved? Changed Name? Sold a Horse? Bought One? Added a Junior? Different Phone?

Please report any changes in your membership information to the national office. Such changes might include your name, a move to a different address or region, the sale of a horse, or the addition of juniors to a family membership - particularly if a junior has a different last name.

Basic changes like address, phone number and email address can be made on the website under “My Account” at the top right hand side of the screen. It’s your responsibility to keep your information up to date.

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ATTENTION JUDGES!

Annual requirements.

- The NBOD has extended the period from 12 to 24 months for veterinary judges to fulfill their annual requirements. The 12 month period remains in effect for horsemanship and Leisure Division (LeD) judges.
- Recognizing the impacts of COVID-19, the board waived all requirements for all judges in 2020 including those for annual renewal and for apprentice / provisional progress. However, with the return of rides in 2021, we will resume annual requirements.
- In order to be eligible to judge, you must be a current member. Please note ALL levels of membership satisfy this requirement (Family, Single, Supporting and Fan).
I’ve wanted to ride Grand Teton National Park for ages, but I’m at the point where “dude string” rides don’t excite me (especially since many won’t let you take photos...). So, I hauled up to make it happen. Because of NATRC, I know how to care for my horse over a 9+ hour haul. I know that the length of time wouldn’t stress her. I knew I could pull up and camp at a Forest Service campsite, even if there were not corrals open (which there were not). I knew I could take her out alone. Alright, a lot of my true backcountry riding training came from Donna and not NATRC specifically, but I know my horse can handle any trail I point her down. I know she’s conditioned for the distance and terrain (and altitude!), and I know how to care for her before, during, and after a ride.

Yes, we compete with NATRC, but this is why: so I can ride the places I’ve always dreamed of riding!

By Hannah Clark

Honorary and Appreciation Nominations
due Wednesday, October 13, 2021

By Ruth Mesimer, Honorary and Appreciation Chair

- Jim Menefee NATRC Lifetime Achievement Award
- Workers Hall of Fame
- National Appreciation Award
- Regional Appreciation for National Recognition

PROCEDURE
Brain storm with your fellow region members and prepare write-ups for deserving folks in your region. Submit nominations and write-ups to your region’s BOD for approval. PLEASE, keep the word limit in mind on each nomination and submit in Word format.

A person designated by each region’s board forwards the approved nomination write-ups to the Honorary and Appreciation Chair.

Your national board members receive all of the approved nominations and make their selection at the November 13, 2021 meeting. NATRC presents the awards to the chosen recipients at the following national convention.

CRITERIA
Jim Menefee NATRC Lifetime Achievement Award - awarded one time only to an individual. Each region may nominate one NATRC member for the award. The national BOD selects one. The recipient gives a brief speech upon accepting the plaque at the national convention. This award honors Jim Menefee, a favorite judge who was especially encouraging to Novices and first-time competitors. Write-up limited to 400 words.

National Appreciation Award - each region may nominate one member for this award. The BOD selects three. A recipient can be eligible only once every 3 years. Write-up limited to 200 words.

Regional Appreciation Award for National Recognition - each region may nominate up to three members for recognition. Nominees may be individuals, pairs, or groups such as ride sponsors or clubs. Write-up limited to 200 words.
DIY Standalone Banner Displays

The national templates for self-standing banner panels are available to each region for making region-specific banners. Available are MS Publisher files for five banners – three can be displayed together as one large display and two can be one double-sided display. Any one panel can be used by itself. They are approximately 33" wide by 85" tall.

Regions are welcome to change some or all of the photos, change text, or add the region name or logo in order to create their own set of banners.

Whoever prepares region banners will want to download the Montserrat and Montserrat Alternates font to their computers in order to see the banners properly on their computer screens. The font zip files are available from the marketing committee as are the banner panel templates.

The consensus of our national board of directors is that it makes sense for regions to “personalize” their banners/displays if they wish.

Because regions may use the NATRC logo, logo color, name, acronym or all those elements (our trademarks), the regions should coordinate with the “branding police” (Bev Roberts), the Marketing Committee (LeeAnn Dreadfulwater and Kris Gray) and the Education Committee (Jamie Dieterich) before finalizing their banners. This is simply for consistency in branding and message.

One or any number of the national banners are still available for regions to borrow for equine activity booths, conventions, and so on. If not arranging for personal transport of the banner(s), regions should expect to pay for shipping. Contact Executive Director, Sarah J. Smith (Rinne).
The last of the Virtual Obstacle Challenge Summer Series has started. The summer challenge offers three separate challenge sets, each one containing three obstacles. Riders choose to do one, two or all three sets. Whatever works for you!

The series has four experience brackets with awards given to those with the top scores in each bracket. To be eligible for an award, you must submit at least three videos out of the nine obstacles offered. That could be a video from each set, or any combination thereof. Each set is $15 per entry. You may enter multiple equines.

The first challenge set ran from May 1 – June 30, the second from July 1 – August 31.

Challenge Set 3 runs September 1, 2021 – October 31, 2021. We will release the obstacles for this set on September 1, 2021. You may submit your videos anytime until 11:59 pm on October 31, 2021. At that time, the final challenge set will close to entries.

Go to natrc.submit.com to register and submit your videos.

Log your Miles for the 2021 Virtual Mileage Challenge

Don’t forget to log your training / non-competition miles! The Virtual Mileage Challenge for 2021 runs December 01, 2020 – October 31, 2021. This is where you get credit for all those casual riding miles and conditioning miles (non-competition miles).

Those with the highest mileage totals for each bracket at the end of the challenge will receive awards. It is easy to register and submit your miles. Simply fill out a Mileage Challenge application at natrc.submit.com and click save (not finish). The $50 participation fee applies to the whole year. Multiple equines? Just complete one application per equine and let the fun begin! Then as you ride, you fill in the date, mileage, etc. on the log table in your account and watch your miles add up! Each time you add to your log, click save (not finish).

Be sure to tell your friends about our Virtual Challenge options. We’d love to have them join in on the fun and introduce them to NATRC. The first-time free membership applies to those who would like to join us virtually.

“Let’s Ride” Seminar Series Continues

Be sure to join us for the “Let’s Ride” Seminar Series hosted via Zoom. Members can ask questions in these live, interactive webinars. May’s topic was “Electrolytes for the Competition Equine,” and June’s was “What the Vet Judge is looking for at Check-in and Check-out.” August’s topic was, “Obstacle Challenge Set 1, A Debriefing – What We Look for & Tips for Success.”

Presented by veterinary and horsemanship judges and competitors, these educational virtual seminars are aimed at answering questions we all have. Watch the website, Facebook Pages and E-News communications for dates and more information on upcoming topics.

Missed a seminar? No worries! They are recorded and available to watch anytime; go to natrc.org and click “NATRC Webinars.”
## NATIONAL TOP 10

### BY HORSE & RIDER TEAM

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Some competitors chose to do only some of the challenges.

*COMPETITOR BRACKET EXPLANATION
A - Experienced with > 1500 miles  
B - Experienced with < 1500 miles  
C - New with 0 miles  
D - Junior age 10 - 17

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Let's Put **COMPETITION** Back in to Competitive Trail Riding

By Bev Roberts

In light of our reduced membership and ride participation, it is time to take a hard look at our weight classes.

**Are you frustrated like me?**

How many rides have you gone to 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?

Did you know that when there are six or fewer riders in a division, if the weight classes are combined, no matter how you place, you will receive the same or more points than if the weight classes were separate? Ever wonder if some riders with competitive goals, in addition to the fun ones, are not riding because they know they can’t achieve their goals without attending a huge number of rides (like 14)?

**An analysis.**

I have been analyzing the ride results from our NATRC website for 2019, 2020 and 2021 through May. My analysis includes only divisions with weight classes so LeD and juniors are excluded as well as DO competitors as their participation does not contribute to the calculation of points. I have no data on how many total classes rides offered, and of those, how many had zero entries. During that period, participants populated 300 divisions at 70 ride locations. For example, at a single ride location, three rides can be held – A, B1 and B2. If all three rides have O/CP/N divisions, then there is a potential for nine (9) divisions at a location.

I looked at division composition for the three years for these four cases:

- as is,
- with classes combined if there are 6 in a division,
- with classes combined per Case 2, plus, if more than 6 in the division but neither class is full, and
- with classes combined per Case 3, plus, if more than 6 in the division and one class is full. Case 4 is essentially combining all weight classes regardless of size or, in other words, no weight classes.

**What I found.**

Here is what I found for the last 2 ½ years (See table):

- There are not enough entries to fill even one class in 69% of the A ride divisions and 96% of the B ones.
- Type A rides would have benefited from combining classes as seen by:
  - a 50% reduction in the number of “no full classes” from 52% to 25%,
  - a 50% increase in the number of “one full adult classes” from 32% to 60%.
- Type B rides would have seen little benefit from combining classes because their classes were so small to begin with.
- The “only one class” divisions would be unaffected because there were no classes to combine.
- If there were no weight classes, although the percentages remain the same as the “no full class,” the number of divisions with classes combined increases to 211 of the 300; that’s 70%!
- In the raw “As Is” data (not shown)
  - only one division of the “only one class” scenario had a full class and
  - only five divisions had two full classes (none of them were in Open).

**What does it mean?**

It means that most classes are excessively small! You already knew that. OK, so I razzle-dazzled you with numbers, but, these numbers confirm it. Where is the competition in that? One could sarcastically say, “We don’t need completion awards anymore because everyone earns a ribbon.”

In the early years, there were only Open and Novice Divisions with heavy-weight, lightweight and junior classes, and mostly Type A rides. Yes, there were Type B, but they were usually in place of Type A, not in addition to. Pretty simple. Managers planned for and usually gave out 74 (72 + sweepstakes) ribbons/awards. There were completion awards to celebrate the accomplishments of those who completed the rides but didn’t place. There was lots of competition for the competitive riders, plenty of opportunities to work on personal goals, (and some surprises with placings), and everyone had fun.

Over the years, NATRC grew and we added Competitive Pleasure for those experienced competitors who wanted slower speeds and distances. The Novice Division became one of truly inexperienced competitors.

In the 2000’s, even with these three divisions (with managers supplying 111 [108 + sweepstakes and CP combo] ribbons/awards), rides were often full. Deposits held your spot and waiting lists became the norm. Not so now. Our membership base is aging, plus many people have little time and disposable income for conditioning and competing.

Because of this, NATRC has recently changed by adding the Leisure Division to be both a 1-day introductory division and a place for those with limitations to still compete and visit with their NATRC family. That was a great move helping to revitalize our rides. We are changing in difficult times.

**My proposal.**

I think we need to do one more thing – combine the weight classes at all the rides – (Continued on page 15)
BUT not do away with weight classes. We can even give ride managers the option to have weight classes in those rare instances where there are enough riders to fill both classes in a division.

How it would work.

At the first ride you attend in the season, you weigh-in and establish your weight class. This will be yours for the year, just like now. Everything associated with the ride, points, reports, record keeping, cards, year-end awards, etc. is the same.

The difference is in the database and with whom you are competing at rides. The database will associate your weight class with you (just like your address, phone, and email) instead of with the ride.

At the rides, you compete against all the riders (heavyweight and lightweight, but not juniors) in your division. Awards will be 1st - 6th in the combined part of the DIVISION. The placing points you earn go into the database. A ride combined division result might look like this.

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At year-end, a sort is done on weight classes and by descending order of points. The top six nationally in heavyweight and lightweight per the appropriate division receive awards as we always do. All other national awards are unaffected.

Is it fair to the heavyweight riders?

I argue that it is. We are not traveling at the AERC average winning endurance pace of 10 mph. Most of our open competition is at a 5 ± .25 mph pace. Our novice and competitive pleasure pace is 4 ± .25 mph. Our daily distances are shorter. Thus, we put less stress on our horses.

A well-conditioned horse carrying either weight of rider can and does win. Look at our President’s Cup winners. Over 38% of the winners had heavyweight riders and most of those riders were men even though 80% of our competitors are women. The bottom line is - the rider, who makes the fewest mistakes, wins.

So what is your position on this? I’d like to know if you agree or disagree and why. Your region’s national directors need to know. Be heard. I’ll be submitting such a rule change to the national board this fall. Let’s put COMPETITION back into competitive trail riding!

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**Average Percent of Divisions for Listed Class Scenarios at Various Combined Class Levels**

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Number of divisions with classes combined: 112, 149, 211

* The percentages for the three scenarios may not tally to 100 because of rounding in the calculation of the percentages themselves.
To Scrape, or not to Scrape?

By Jamie Dieterich

Humans at work generate heat. We know how this feels if we’re working outside in 40 degree temperatures – it doesn’t take long for us to peel off layers of clothing. Similarly, horses at work generate heat. Somehow, this heat of metabolism has to be transferred out of the body for the horse to not become a baked potato. Humans and horses can lose a lot of heat through the evaporation of their sweat. As a molecule of sweat changes from a liquid to a gas, it releases a lot of energy which helps cool its source.

Horses can lose up to 10-15 liters/hr (2.6-4 gal/hr) in sweat, and that sweat carries electrolytes with it – mainly sodium, chloride and potassium, but also magnesium and calcium. Adding water on the surface of the horse can be beneficial not only to add water for evaporation, but to spare the horse some internal water and electrolyte loss.

The prevailing concept for several years has been to pour water on the horse, then because the water heats up and holds heat on the horse’s surface, to scrape it off and repeat. Recent studies are challenging this concept.

A paper published in 2020, *A Comparison of Five Cooling Methods in Hot and Humid Environments in Thoroughbred Horses*, J. Equine Veterinary Science. 91. 1031:30 2020 by Takahashi, Y., H. Ohmura, K. Mukai, T. Shiose, and T. Takahashi reported on the results of measuring the pulmonary artery and rectal temperature using five different cooling methods used after treadmill exercise in a warm, humid environment. They found that continuous walking or walking with fans blowing air were not as effective as applying intermittent water with hoses with or without scraping, and that continuous tap water applied with shower heads was the most effective way to lower the horse’s core temperature. However, this most effective cooling depends on an abundant supply of water! Jerry Gillespie, DVM, Ph.D., expert in equine cardiopulmonary physiology, gives a comprehensive review of this study in AERC’s Endurance News, May 2021, *Cooling Horses During Competition*.

Following is a review of a more recent but similar study in Australia with similar conclusions.

What does this all mean for competitive trail riders? These studies show us we need to keep an open mind to what might be the best care; the science and recommendations are evolving. We need to listen to the science while at the same time remember these studies were conducted in controlled, indoor environments. In the real world, providing ample drinking water is good. Keeping the horse in the shade would decrease the radiant heat from the sun. Applying cool water is good; water is a great heat sink; we lose a lot more heat in 70-degree water than in 70-degree air. Apply cool water as practical – it might not be readily available; apply (pour some on the back), wait, apply again. Overzealous activity wastes water. Moving some air over the horse can’t hurt, might help some. Watch the heart rate; an elevated heart rate indicates the metabolic heat has not been dissipated.

Relinquish the Sweat Scraper to Best Cool Horses

By Kentucky Equine Research Staff, August 23, 2021

If you want to start a heated discussion among equine enthusiasts, ask the best way to cool a horse after exercise. Chances are, most will agree that actively cooling the horse with cold water is the best place to start. After that, though, the conversation may rapidly devolve when you ask whether to leave the water on the horse or scrape it off.

The main mechanism horses use to thermoregulate (maintain appropriate internal body temperature) is evaporation. In exercising horses, sweat evaporates from the skin to facilitate cooling. If horses are actively cooled with water, then some caretakers believe that the water will trap heat against the skin unless it is removed by scraping. Others believe that leaving the water on will help cool the horse by an alternative method called heat conduction.

In an effort to learn more about cooling methods, Australian researchers used both cooling methods after exercise and compared the central and rectal temperatures in five horses. Each horse was exercised on a treadmill in hot and relatively humid conditions (about 27C [80F] and 50% humidity). After exercise, horses were then *actively cooled by applying 8 gallons (30 liters) of cold water to the horse each minute for six consecutive minutes*. The water was either scraped off after each application of the water or was left in place. “Compared to horses that did not have direct water application after exercise, the body temperature of horses that were actively cooled decreased significantly regardless of scraping, explained Catherine Whitehouse, M.S., and advisor for Kentucky Equine Research.

In other words, direct water application decreases a horse’s body temperature whether or not the water is scraped off between applications.

“The data also showed that greater reductions in body temperature were observed when the water was not scraped off between applications,” Whitehouse added.

The researchers concluded “that constant contact with water is more important for heat conduction and more effective than producing and using sweat evaporation to remove heat.”

Many regions in the world with large horse populations achieve or exceed the high temperatures and humidity used in this (Continued on page 17).
study. Because of this, these horses require active cooling after training or competition to avoid heat stress or exertion-related illness.

And with all that bathing, owners need to be cognizant of the health of the horse's skin.

Whitehouse said, "In addition to a well-balanced diet, owners should use high-quality products to provide key nutrients for the maintenance and repair of healthy skin. For those horses with stubborn skin problems, like rain rot or scratches, consider a marine-derived oil high in omega-3 fatty acids, such as EO-3."

She also noted that when cooling off a horse after exercise or bathing, it is important to remove all traces of sweat and residual soap to help maintain skin and coat health.


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Gone are the days when an NATRC competition produced enough profit to provide seed money for the following year’s upfront expenses such as insurance, airfare, awards and facility deposits. Today many rides struggle to break even, but financial help is out there.

First, through the generous donation of an NATRC member, there is a Ride Management Support Fund. This fund provides grants, not loans, of $1000 ($500 for a Leisure Division Only) with priority given to new managers or to rides in new locations. If an event receiving a grant does make money, it is asked that funds up to the amount of the grant be returned to NATRC for redistribution to another applicant. The simple application is available on the website.

Second, some horse organizations including 4-H Clubs, trail riding groups or breed associations will sponsor a ride as a marketing opportunity or a service project. Church groups and civic organizations such as the Lions or Masons may be interested in handling the catering needs to raise money for themselves while reducing costs for the ride.

Third, rides can offer an item for raffle or sell ride logo T-shirts, ball caps or patches. This option is very popular but is often raising the out-of-pocket cost of a ride for competitors unless the item is made available and appeals to a wider audience.

Finally, soliciting donations from businesses is the easiest way to defray costs but is also the universally disliked alternative. It is a rare person who enjoys asking for money. Even those who are good at it dislike doing it.

Asking a potential sponsor to either complete a task (catering, for example) or requesting a cash gift or prizes is challenging for a ride manager for two primary reasons:

1. Too many other things to do such as securing judges and volunteers, marking trail, making maps and ride packets, ordering ribbons and port-a-potties, and making travel arrangements.

2. Lack of confidence in the NATRC value proposition. Specifically, competitors are not usually local, so why would the local feed store donate $50? Or why would a non-horse-oriented business or person support a ride?

The first challenge was more easily addressed when there were more volunteers on the roster, namely ride chairs could find someone to help get the administrative work done so the ride manager can raise money. Creative delegation can still free up bandwidth to raise money. Co-managers can share administrative and fundraising duties.

Overcoming the second challenge requires a solid understanding of the mission of NATRC and the ability to articulate it. NATRC provides an abundance of materials to demonstrate the organization’s value to horse people of all ages and from all equestrian disciplines. Share a personal story with the target sponsor that depicts the educational value of NATRC, giving examples of safety and good horsemanship that was learned from NATRC. Passion for what NATRC does and how it does it is an attractive value proposition and one worth an investment for many business owners.

Managing a ride requires boundless energy and commitment, but it does not need to be a financial drain. Help is out there.

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Elaine Swiss, Management Chair

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NATRC Membership Committee Summer Update

Committee members are as follows:

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Great news! The number of NATRC memberships have increased in 2021. The table below compares the number of members from July 2020 to July 2021. July 2021 includes free memberships. Committee members are currently following up with any non-renewals from their region.

The membership committee has created a Dropbox folder that allows each region to share various membership resources. These “best practices” can be used by all our regions in their efforts to recruit and/or retain memberships.

The NATRC Board of Directors voted to allow membership in multiple regions during their July board meeting. This rule change will allow those who live in two different regions, or close to two different regions, to compete for points in both.

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YEAR-END AWARD SPONSORSHIP

NATRC™ invites you to consider sponsoring a year-end award. Make this your yearly tax-deductible donation to NATRC. We appreciate any individual sponsorship or that of a club or business. Your sponsorships ensure the continued high quality of our awards. All sponsorships will be acknowledged in Hoof Print.

You may sponsor entire awards, portions of awards, or a certain horse’s or rider’s award. We try to accommodate requests for specific sponsorships. Please indicate both a first and second choice. Date of receipt will receive priority. The awards will be presented at our national convention. See www.natrc.org for registration information.

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PRESIDENTS CUP:  ___ SILVER BUCKLE: $150  ___ BLANKET: $135  ___ RIBBON: $10

NATIONAL CHAMPION HORSE:  ___ BLANKET: $135 Horse Name______________________________
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JIM MENEFEE HIGH POINT COMBINATION HORSE/HORSEMANSHIP:  ___ SILVER BUCKLE: $150  ___ RIBBON: $10

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___ SET of SIX RIBBONS (First through sixth place): $60/set: Division/Class__________________________
___ SINGLE RIBBON (First through sixth place): $10/ea

Horse Name______________________________ Region______________________________

OVERALL HIGH POINT OPEN & CP HORSEMANSHIP AWARDS: Total Needed - Four Sets: Open Heavyweight, Lightweight, Junior, and Competitive Pleasure.

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Rider Name______________________________ Region______________________________

REGION HORSE & RIDER TEAM AWARDS: Total Needed - 42: Seven Sets per region for seven regions.

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Region __ R1 __ R2 __ R3 __ R4 __ R5 __ R6
Division______________________________ Class______________________________

___ SINGLE RIBBON: $10

Horse & Rider’s Names:______________________________ Region______________________________
Division:______________________________ Class:______________________________

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Make check payable to NATRC. Amount Enclosed:__________ Mail To: NATRC SPONSORSHIP, PO Box 969, Beatrice, NE 68310

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT. WE APPRECIATE IT!
CALL TO ORDER by President Angie Meroshnekoff, 9:02 a.m. July 10, 2021.

ROLL CALL. Angie Meroshnekoff, Jamie Dieterich, Bob Insko, Lory Walls, Cathy Cumberworth, R3 Alternate, Laurie DiNatale, Elaine Swiss, Kim Murphy, Esther Diaguila, Kris Gray (dismissed at 10:08 a.m.), Marla Stucky, John Zeliff and Sarah J. Smith (Rinne), Executive Director. Also attending: Patsy Conner, Sanction Smith (Rinne), Executive Director. Also attending: Helene Pritchard this year at Kings Mountain, so Conner is gathering up historical information to share at the rides. One was 47 minutes which is concerned about hold times at some of the rides. One was 47 minutes which is extreme. Swiss and Murphy were both at that ride and stated it was a miscommunication with instructions and shouldn’t have happened.

SHAREHOLDERS. Angie Meroshnekoff. Welcomed Ruth Mesimer aboard for taking over on Andrea Rogers’ job in the data role at the end of the 2021 season.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT. Smith. Membership numbers are up by 150 from July 2020 to July 2021. A lot of credit is given to the work of John Zeliff and the membership committee.

BY-LAWS & RULES. Dieterich brought up our need to develop a process for replacing an officer who leaves their position mid-term. Rule Proposal – Make date for determination of junior age consistent. Motion by Zeliff, second by DiNatale to approve. Motion carried.

Rule Proposal – Allow membership in multiple regions. Motion by Walls, second by Diaguila to approve. Stucky and Zeliff opposed. Motion carried. Motion by Walls to make the secondary membership fee 50% of the respective competing membership fee (i.e. single, family, junior), second by Diaguila. Motion carried.

Rule Proposal – Correcting region definitions with the Canadian territories. Motion by Walls, second by Murphy, motion carried.

Rule Proposal – Clarify limitations for Novice Division. Motion by Murphy, second by Stucky to approve. Motion carried.

Rule Proposal – Lowering the age of Junior competitors. Motion by Murphy, second by Zeliff to approve. Affirmative votes Cumberworth, Swiss, Murphy, Kudra, Stucky and Zeliff. Opposed Dieterich, Insko, Walls, DiNatale, and Diaguila. Meroshnekoff voted opposed to create a tie vote. Motion failed.

Rule Proposal – Clarify leg protection allowed in DO and Leisure. Motion by Dieterich, second by Walls to approve. Motion carried.

Rule Proposal – Allowing additional leg gear during stabling. Motion by Insko, second by Kudra to approve. All opposed. Motion failed.

POLICIES & PROCEDURES. Dieterich. There are no action items at this time.

PROTEST. Stucky. No protests.

PLANNED AND CHARITABLE GIVING. Swiss. No update.

NATIONAL HISTORIAN. Conner. Currently going through old newsletter and Hoof Print editions. Thank you to Dieterich for sending the materials. Region 5 is doing a memorial ride for Helene Pritchard this year at Kings Mountain, so Conner is gathering up historical information to share at the ride.

RIDE SANCTIONS. Conner. Report filed. Meroshnekoff had a comment in regards to an email thread. If a member of management also has to double as a Leisure Division Judge, is that something that needs to be approved by the Sanction Committee, or Judges Committee? What protocol should be put in place? The Judges Manuals currently state a judge may not serve in any other official position within a ride to prevent appearance of impartiality. Meroshnekoff suggested use of something similar to an emergency judge protocol. If the Sanction Committee notices these conflicts they will take it to the Judges Committee for decision.

CLINIC SANCTIONS. Linda Clayton. Report filed. Five clinics have been held to date with more on the calendar for the fall.

MANAGEMENT. Swiss. Big issues with weather, and often managers are leaving it up to riders. It really needs to be up to managers, and it should not be up to the “majority vote” because it is not keeping safety at the forefront. Ultimately, the safety of the equines and riders is on the manager. The next big issue is unruly riders and horses. Again, the ultimate responsibility and liability falls on the manager.

RULES INTERPRETER. Wingle. Report filed. No major accidents to date this year. Meroshnekoff is concerned about hold times at some of the rides. One was 47 minutes which is extreme. Swiss and Murphy were both at that ride and stated it was a miscommunication with instructions and shouldn’t have happened.

INSURANCE. Smith. Rolling into Executive Director’s report on future agendas.

MARKETING/SOCIAL MEDIA. Gray/LeeAnn Dreadfulwater/ Jonni Jewell. Paid marketing is placed on hold. The committee is currently using the 60th year logo on everything to really promote our 60 years as an organization. LeeAnn’s job is keeping her really busy, so the committee can use additional help with the graphics if anyone is interested.

BUSINESS MODEL & MEASUREMENTS. Gray. Report rolled into the financials.

SPONSORSHIPS. Shari Parys. No report.

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MEDIA/HOOF PRINT ADVISORY. Dieterich. Dieterich still needs someone to assume the duties but has not found anyone to take it on.

RIDERS AND JUNIORS. Perryman. No report.

FOUNDATION. Conner. No changes for the Foundation. The annual meeting will be at the national convention in February.

NATIONAL DRUG TESTING. Murphy. The new customized panel is being utilized for the 2021 ride season.

VETERINARY DRUG COMMITTEE. Dr. Tamara Gull. No report.

TRAIL ADVOCACY AND GRANTS. DiNatale. No applications.

EDUCATION. Dieterich. Working on updating clinic manuals. Region 6 had independently adapted the clinic manual. Rather than each region having their own version of a clinic manual, we’d like to have one national clinic manual, and Dieterich has been working to update and adapt one to create an overarching national clinic document, consistent and current. Paula Riley compiled an LeD clinic manual that was reviewed by Dieterich and Bev Roberts; it is ready to post.

MEMBERSHIP RECRUITMENT & RETENTION. Zeliff. The committee started a shared Dropbox folder to pool membership resources and documents so each region member can pick and choose what works for them. Zeliff is hoping to build that resource and share best practices amongst the regions.

JUDGES COMMITTEE. Walls. Report filed. Updated a lot of the documents. The committee recommended against approval of the proposal for standing leg wraps. The committee had a discussion regarding mileage towards LeD judge’s qualifications. It was agreed that 250 of the 750 miles could be LeD mileage. There are three new veterinary judge prospects with applications submitted. The committee fielded an inquiry whether heart rate monitors could be used for P & R’s checks, and it was determined that there was too much variance amongst units and that they could not. Walls shared a PowerPoint about LeD judging concerns and inconsistencies that need to be addressed. Dr. Keri Riddick, Judges Committee Co-Chair, joined the meeting and shared a PowerPoint on vet judging trends on horse cards and rider concerns.

HALL OF FAME. Smith. Meroshnekoff will be submitting a nomination for her horse in November.

STUDENT LOAN/SCHOLARSHIPS. Kay Gunckel. No new applications; however, previously approved recipient Hannah Steele just obtained her student ID, and Smith will get her scholarship payment submitted to the college.

BREED & ORGANIZATION LIASONS. Stucky. She will be working to send out emails to the breed organizations in November to request support for year-end national awards. A new breed has been added to NATRC and being competed in Region 2, the Mangalarga Marchador, a Brazilian gaited breed.

AHA. Insko. No update.

HONORARY & APPRECIATION. Mesimer. Report filed. Nomination dates were provided in the report. Make sure to submit the nominations on time.

TECHNOLOGY. Smith. Update provided in Executive Director report.

CONVENTION & NATIONAL AWARDS. 2022 convention is still planned for Omaha. February 25-27, 2022. Committee meeting regularly. The convention will be held at the Embassy Suites; everything will be on one floor, and the set-up is very good. We need to really promote our attendance.

REGIONAL REPORTS. R1 – Meroshnekoff – 2 rides, well attended. Clinic in April that was over attended and had to turn people away. Eel River had to cancel second day due to hot weather. Two more rides scheduled. R2 – Insko – only having LeD rides due to uncertainty with COVID at the beginning of the year. Some date changes are happening and one new ride. R3 – DiNatale – 7 rides on the schedule. Rider numbers are down but hoping that will improve. R4 – Swiss - Attendance is interesting. It is down but not worse than last fall - mostly Open riders which is interesting. 30-34 entries average. The (Continued on page 23)
core riders are coming, and new riders not starting. LeD is doing well. Nine rides this season for sure. Working to bring back more managers, that is R4’s challenge. R5 – Diaguila – a bunch of new ride managers. Five rides completed so far; five more rides on the schedule. R6 – Stucky – two rides – third ride had to cancel due to heat. Four more A rides and one LeD ride. Rider counts are down. Prepping for national convention.

**SHARED BOARD** – No shared board.

**OLD BUSINESS.**

1. Status of Coreware – provided in Executive Director report.
2. Webinars. Wingle provided a report. Dieterich provided a brief update on some upcoming webinars, but July is to be determined.

**NEW BUSINESS.**

1. Dangerous Horse Policy. Meroshnekoff looked at various other organizations’ dangerous horse policies and combined it with suggestions contributed by Diaguila and Wingle to develop the draft policy shared with the board for discussion. We are to a point in our sport where we need a policy of this nature. Dieterich pointed out an article she shared with the board in Dropbox provided by Denise Farris about inherent risk and to differentiate between unruly (retrainable) and truly dangerous horses. We will continue to discuss the policy going forward.

2. Junior – age of 9. Ruth Mesimer asked what the board members think of having 9 year olds compete?

Next monthly meeting will be August 3, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. Next full board meeting will be November 13, 2021 via Zoom.

Motion by Walls to adjourn, second by Diaguila. Approved. Meeting adjourned.

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**Trail Tip**

**Metronome**

Avoid metronome-like movement when riding down hills. Keep your waist flexible so your hips can follow the horse’s motion while keeping your upper body vertical and still, without side-to-side sway. Ride your thighs. With each step, when your horse’s front foot hits the ground, put slight pressure in the stirrup on the same side as that foot. Release and then put slight pressure in the other stirrup to match your horse’s other foot hitting the ground.
2022 RULE CHANGES APPROVED – July 10, 2021 – Changes in Bold

MAKE DATE OF DETERMINATION OF JUNIOR AGE CONSISTENT

SECTION 1 – GENERAL

A. Membership
   1. Any person interested in the purposes of this organization may be eligible for membership upon proper application and payment of the required dues.
      a. Yearly Membership
         (1) Adult Competing Membership: Any person 18 years of age or over.
         (2) Junior Competing Membership: Any person under the age of 18 as of the beginning of the ride year.
         (3) Family Competing Membership: A household of one or two adults and children under the age of 18 as of January 1 the beginning of the ride year.

CORRECT REGION DEFINITIONS

SECTION 1 – GENERAL

B. Regions
   1. There are presently six regions. Others will be established as needed.
      f. Region 6: Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan (upper peninsula only) Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota, Wisconsin; Manitoba and Northwest Nunavut Territories.

ALLOW MEMBERSHIP IN MULTIPLE REGIONS

SECTION 1 – GENERAL

B. Regions
   5. If the domicile and residence of the horse/rider are in different regions, or if the rider desires to compete in a region one or more regions other than that of the domicile, the rider must inform the NATRC Executive Director of in which region(s) the rider is competing at the time of the first ride in said region(s). Neither a horse nor a rider may compete for regional points in more than one region in any year. A horse or rider may compete for regional points in more than one region in any year if rider pays membership dues for the additional region(s).

SECTION 9 – AWARDS

B. Annual Awards
   1. General
      j. In order to qualify for annual national awards, the competing horse or rider must have completed at least three rides of any ride type in their designated region(s). See Section 10 for Region 1A requirements. In order to qualify for annual regional awards, the competing horse or rider must be a member of that region and have completed at least three rides of any ride type in that region.

CLARIFY LIMITATIONS FOR NOVICE DIVISION

SECTION 4 – DIVISIONS, CLASSES AND ELIGIBILITY

A. Divisions
   2. Novice
      e. Limitations
         (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.

CLARIFY LEG PROTECTION ALLOWED IN DO AND LEISURE

SECTION 4 – DIVISIONS, CLASSES AND ELIGIBILITY

C. Distance Only (DO) (not in competition)
   3. Horses may participate with or without boots (e.g. splint boots, bell boots) and/or the use of any temporary types of hoof protection.

SECTION 5 – THE RIDE

E. Hoof Protection/ Leg Protection
   4. Horses in the Leisure Division may compete with or without boots (e.g. splint boots, bell boots) and/or the use of any temporary types of hoof or leg protection.

SECTION 6 – JUDGING

D. Leisure Division. Horses will be evaluated on trail ability and manners. Riders will be evaluated on equitation and partnership with the horse. Safety may be scored.
   5. Horses in the Leisure Division may compete with or without boots (e.g. splint boots, bell boots) and/or the use of any temporary types of hoof or leg protection.
Recently, on NATRC’s Facebook group, Julia Hoyt made a comment: “I tried searched the posts but it wouldn’t filter my key words. And she asked the question: “What do you carry? I’ve seen some stuff go down this year and I feel what I have on me is a joke. Give me the essentials that are realistic to fit in a saddlebag - horse & human.

Our experienced helpful members were quick to reply! Below is a tally of their responses. Consider these a must when conditioning alone. Remember, use of medications on horses is prohibited during competition except as noted below.

**Vet wrap / bandana**
- (put Vet wrap in cutoff water bottle to protect it from squishing)
- Band-Aids
- Cotton / roll cotton / gauze
- Sanitary pad
- (to use as an absorbent pressure bandage if needed)
- Q-tips
- Tissues
- Washcloth that expands when wet
- Duct tape
- (rolled around a Sharpie)

**Spare hoof boot**
- Multi-tool
- (with wire cutter)
- Poncho / Rain gear
- Gloves

**Benadryl**
- (even if you do not have any known allergies)
- Betadine wipe
- Triple antibiotic ointment
- (works for both horse and human)
- Small human first aid kit
- (like hikers carry)
- Medications you know how to administer properly
- Tylenol or Motrin
- Desitin cream
- (for rashes; OK to use as sunscreen in competition)
- Toothache gel
- (numbs more than a tooth)
- Clear Eyes drops

**Zip ties**
- Parachute cord
- (bracelet)
- Leather ties / Shoestrings / string
- Flagging ribbon to mark a spot
- (use Sharpie to write on ribbon)
- Carabiner snap
- (for rein repair if snap breaks)

**Things to Have on Your Person**
- Emergency call device, such as SPOT GPS
- Knife
- Hoof pick
- Cell phone
- (on person in a place where crushing it is not likely if you execute an “unplanned dismount”)

**Make sure the items you don’t want to get wet are in a waterproof bag!**
## Region 1

### Cowboy Camp A
5/15, 16/21 Region 1 CA Total Riders: 12
Chair: Maria Pilgrim
Judges: Vet – Leroy Burnham; Hsp – Lory Walls

**Open Heavyweight**
P / P TWS Comanche / Smeding, Hendrik

**Open Lightweight**
P / P Rushcreek Tigger / Smeding, Lettle

**Competitive Pleasure Heavyweight**
1 / 1 SW / 100 OM El Shakeeb Dream / Dillard, Joe
2 / 3 Rebels Aliza / Travers, Susan
3 / 2 Cledith's Driver / Skoog, Kris
4 / 4 MK Vanguouh / York, Ron

**Competitive Pleasure Lightweight**
1 / 2 Seven 4 / Cook, Audra
2 / 1 OM El Sharav / Dillard, Ashley
3 / 3 Om El Benito / York, Debbie

**Novice Heavyweight**
1 / 1 Liadan / Salvetti, Tiffini

**Novice Lightweight**
1 / 1 SW / 99 Disko KidTT / Tabangcura, Kathy
2 / 2 CH-Eirelands Irish / Driggers, Joyce

### Cowboy Camp B1
5/15/21 Region 1 CA Total Riders: 26
Chair: Maria Pilgrim
Judges: Vet – Leroy Burnham; Hsp – Lory Walls; LeD – Debbie Murphy

**Open Lightweight**
P / P TWR Leather N Lace / Swain, Stephanie

**Novice Heavyweight**
1 / 1 WPMA Fire Opal / Roth, Shermlyn
2 / 3 Boots 4 / Curtin, Shaventea
3 / 1 Cassie’s Fancy / Killey, Abby
4 / 4 Prime Time Lady / Smart, Karen

**Novice Junior**
1 / 2 SW / 99 Sugar Roan Warrior / Monlux, Anais
2 / 1 ROL Born to Dance / Kelly, Chesney

**Leisure Adult**
1 Dakota 16 / Firpo, Denise
2 Josz Bikr / Woodford, Andrew
3 Marcel / Winfield, Linda
4 Silver Moon Eclipse / Byrom, Morgan

**Leisure Experienced**
1 Mogley / Lieberknecht, Kay
2 Tucker B / Bettenhausen, Jennifer

**Leisure Junior**
1 Denebaborr / Doering, Rebekah
2 Pigi / Powis, Regan
3 Valentyne / Muller, Samantha
4 CJ / Geimer, Cassidy
5 Lightning 5 / Baldwin, Holly
6 SMD Girls Gone Wild / Braito, Whitney
Reina / Gregory, Eric
Hooz Your Daddy / Noonan, Susan
C’mon Irma / Laurent, Susan
CO Silver’s Got Milk / Kinohita, Liz
5 Zip 3 / Passantino, Rosemary

### Region 1A

### Lazy Mountain Trail Adventure A
7/24, 25/21 Region 1A AK Total Riders: 17
Chair: Cindy Wallace-Bonine
Judges: Vet – Kay Gunckel; Hsp – Lin Ward

**Open Heavyweight**
1 / 1 SW / 89 Sid / Briggs, Jim
2 / 2 Moriah Sativa / Faiks, Jayme
3 / 3 Ireland / Murphy, Mike

**Open Lightweight**
1 / 1 Ebony Sonnet / Long, Francine
P / P TWS Echstravaganza / Vanaman, Tara
P / P Arrow 3 / Vogt, Dawn

**Open Junior**
1 / 1 Junior 4 / Schock, Allie
P / P Nova (a.) / Jaynes, Kielan

**Competitive Pleasure Heavyweight**
1 / 1 DP’s Classy Chassy / Halley, Catherine
2 / 2 Watch Me Now / Hayes, Judy

**Competitive Pleasure Lightweight**
1 / 2 Marble / Jones, Lindy
2 / 1 Karma 2 / Havertikova, Ivana
3 / 3 Monique / Moore, Debra

**Competitive Pleasure Junior**
1 / 1 SW / 93 San Cali Joy / Rodriguez, Elsa
2 / 2 Path Finder’s Yukon Ghost / Cromwell, Samantha
3 / 3 Executive Goldseeker / Hanson, Lydia
4 / 4 Midas Golden Grace of Koa / Piekarski, Eliza

### Lazy Mountain Trail Adventure B2
7/24, 25/21 Region 1A AK Total Riders: 10
Chair: Cindy Wallace-Bonine

**Novice Heavyweight**
1 / 1 VBF’s Master of Disguise / Redifer, Roy

**Novice Junior**
1 / 1 SW / 96 Hallstorm / Kennedy, Ellen

**Leisure Adult**
1 Kella / Engler, Sierra
2 Shadow 10 / McFaddin, Sonja
3 Lazy Mountain Prince-2 Exxon / Eckart, Mary
4 Rowan Tumbleweed / Hirsiger, Ruth

**Leisure Experienced**
1 Splendidoutwithmyspot / Hall, Velda
2 Ephrata Cash / Seppi, Zoe
3 Dynamic’s Spirit / Mielke, Terri
DO Jasmine’s Magic / Fisk, Colleen

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**Ride Results**

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**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.

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### Region 2

**Spring Fling B1**
6/12/21 Region 2 CA Total Riders: 15
Chair: Margie Insko
Judge: LeD - Alice Perryman

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**Spring Fling B2**
6/13/21 Region 2 CA Total Riders: 8
Chair: Margie Insko
Judge: LeD - Alice Perryman

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### Region 3

**Navajo Lake A**
5/8, 9/21 Region 3 NM Total Riders: 16
Chair: Cathy Cumberworth
Judges: Vet – Susan Dent; Hsp – Lin Ward

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**Navajo Lake B1**
5/8/21 Region 3 NM Total Riders: 8
Chair: Cathy Cumberworth
Judges: Vet – Susan Dent; Hsp – Lin Ward

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**Navajo Lake B2**
5/8/21 Region 3 NM Total Riders: 8
Chair: Cathy Cumberworth
Judges: Vet – Susan Dent; Hsp – Lin Ward

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### Greenland B2
6/27/21 Region 3 CO Total Riders: 12
Chair: Bill Wingle
Judge: LeD – Diane Wingle

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**General Albert P. Clark Memorial A**
7/10, 11/21 Region 3 CO Total Riders: 28
Chair: Dayna Morgan
Judges: Vet - Kay Gunckel; Hsp - Jerry Sims

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## Region 5

**H Cooper Black A**
4/24, 25/21 Region 5 SC Total Riders: 23
Chair: Angie Lindberg
Judges: Vet - Natalie Goldberger; Hsp - Kim Cowart

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**H Cooper Black B1**
4/24/21 Region 5 SC Total Riders: 23
Chair: Angie Lindberg
Judges: Vet - Natalie Goldberger; Hsp - Kim Cowart

### Competitive Pleasure Lightweight

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Tennessee Trail Scamper A
5/22, 23/21 Region 5 TN Total Riders: 26
Chair: Marsha Howard
Judges: Vet - Linda Galbraith; Hsp - Wayne Tolbert

Open Heavyweight
1 / 1 Windstorm Clay / Mitchell, Tommy
P / P Jiminy Cricket / Mulligan, Jennifer
P / P Terradocs Oconee Belle GCH / Kudra, Sallie

Open Lightweight
1 / 1 SW / 99 Beau 11 / Garnes, Sherry
2 / 2 Papa’s Alabama Express / Lucas, Patty
3 / 4 Moon Shadow’s Black Gold / Price, Alanna
4 / 5 Sea Dragon / Walls, Lory
5 / 3 Mick Jaggar / Patasaul, Sierra

Competitive Pleasure Heavyweight
1 / 1 Graceful Empire / Whitehead, Victoria
2 / 3 Okies Roanwood / Fields, Bobby
3 / 2 Spirit of Spotted Allen / Keen, Cindy

Competitive Pleasure Lightweight
1 / 1 SW / 99 Impressive Red Rebel / Riley, Paula

Novice Heavyweight
1 / 2 Dobbins Lucky Gambler / Lord, Debbie
2 / 3 Jada Angel / Feist, Lela
3 / 1 Dec Docs Curious Pep / Gragg, Melissa
4 / 4 Floodwatch in Full Force / Broomfield, Steven
P / P Sanjoes LTL Haida / Fike, Connie
P / P Spirit’s Pretty Boy / Johnson, Lisa A.
P / P Sun Frost Flick / Lester, Kristi

Novice Lightweight
1 / 1 Locked and Loaded / DeFelice, Jenny
2 / 2 Yolo / Wiggins, Katherina
3 / 1 Pilgrim / Wright, Jessica
4 / 4 Serengeti / Kern, Lori
5 / 5 A Priceless Picasso / Anderson, Tina

Garrie Bates Memorial at Virginia Highlands A
6/19, 20/21 Region 5 VA Total Riders: 26
Chair: Nancy Sluys
Judges: Vet - Natalie Morris; Hsp - Wayne Tolbert

Open Heavyweight
1 / 1 Windstorm Clay / Mitchell, Tommy
2 / 2 Jiminy Cricket / Mulligan, Jennifer

Open Lightweight
1 / 1 SW / 96 Lucky Sunday / Broughton, Regina
2 / 3 Ataah Elek / McGhee, Angie
3 / 2 Beau 11 / Garnes, Sherry

Competitive Pleasure Heavyweight
1 / 1 Blue Moon Maggie / Buttry, Marlene
2 / 5 Jewel 3 / Hunter, Danielle
3 / 2 DLC Roxies Peponita / Howard, Marsha
4 / 3 Graceful Empire / Whitehead, Victoria
5 / 4 Okies Roanwood 10 / Fields, Bobby

Competitive Pleasure Lightweight
1 / 1 SW / 97.5 Impressive Red Rebel / Riley, Paula
2 / 2 Meribelle Mist MHF / Dukes, Mary
3 / 3 Spirits Diamond Lil / Alonso, Heather

Novice Heavyweight
1 / 1 Dec Docs Curious Pep / Gragg, Melissa
2 / 3 Jada Angel / Feist, Lela
3 / 4 LW An-La-Rosa Silk / Hearme, Shannan
4 / 2 Nephew / Nunn, Mikayla

Novice Lightweight
1 / 1 SW / 94 Kanz At / Kula, Cheryl
2 / 1 Poetic License / Moore, Angela
3 / 4 Startlight Masterpiece / Rader, Mackie
4 / 5 Hollywood / DeRosa, Charmaine
5 / 2 Sterling 4 / Goscha, Cathy
6 / 1 King Payne / Gauthier, Julie
7 / 3 Priceless Picasso / Anderson, Tina

Novice Junior
1 / 1 Jamaica Blues / Chilton, Maria
2 / 2 Rebel Man / Nunn, Kamron

Tennessee Trail Scamper B1
5/22/21 Region 5 TN Total Riders: 12
Chair: Marsha Howard
Judges: Vet - Linda Galbraith; Hsp - Wayne Tolbert

Competitive Pleasure Heavyweight
1 / 1 DLC Roxies Peponita / Lehr, Halla
2 / 2 Sundancers Comancheero / Hajek, Donna
3 / on Traveler’s Gray King / Findley, Martha

Competitive Pleasure Lightweight
1 / 1 SW / 96 Palos Roan Glo / Alonso, Heather
P / P Kings Lasting Legacy / Petelle, Patricia

Novice Heavyweight
1 / 2 SW / 100 Braska / Belew, Amy
2 / 1 Scooter 5 / McGill, Carol
3 / 3 Buck Twentyfive / Redmon, Michelle
4 / 4 Johnny Reno / Wolf, Teresa
5 / 5 Chief Black Elk / Hearme, Shannan

Novice Lightweight
1 / 2 Tez / Dentice, Bonnie
2 / 1 Hollywood / DeRosa, Charmaine

Garrie Bates Memorial at Virginia Highlands B1
6/19/21 Region 5 VA Total Riders: 9
Chair: Nancy Sluys
Judges: Vet - Natalie Morris; Hsp - Wayne Tolbert

Open Heavyweight
1 / 1 SW / 94.5 Terradocs Oconee Belle GCH / Kudra, Sallie

Open Junior
P / P J A Hallys Eclipse / Triban, Emma

Competitive Pleasure Heavyweight
1 / 2 SW / 96 Ruby 8 / Talbert, Ben
2 / 1 Traveler’s Gray King / Findley, Martha

Competitive Pleasure Lightweight
1 / 1 SW / 98 Once Upon A Time / Brown, Amanda
2 / 2 Miss Remington / Averitt, Angela
3 / 3 Syda / Oliphant, Mary

Novice Heavyweight
1 / 1 Rejois / Swerbinsky, Cherri

Novice Lightweight
1 / 1 SW / 98 A Priceless Picasso / Anderson, Tina

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Region 6

Branching Out B2
5/9/21 Region 6 NE Total Riders: 10
Chair: Helen Smith
Judge: LeD – Brenda Messick
Leisure Adult
1 Cool Like That / MacKeogh, Terri
2 Decks Tru Grit / Vasa, Tammy
3 Luna 6 / Schindler, Ruth
4 Josey / Elmore, Martha
5 BlackHawk / Gautier, Vickie
6 Justin’s Bey Trey / Hardesty, Laura
Alishahs Norus Amir / Pantke, Katie
Butter / Vasa, Case
Windy V / Vasa, McCain
P Carolina Willow / Loyd, Kimberly

Leisure Experienced
1 Starbuck KVA / Fettes, Mary
Leisure Junior
1 Frodo de HR / Funk, Athena

Mozingo Lake B1
5/22/21 Region 6 MO Total Riders: 9
Chair: John Zeliff
Judge: LeD – Sarah J. Smith
Leisure Adult
1 Benners Montana Rosebud / Landuyt, Julie
2 Roho Honoy Mocha WH / Rodgers, Jessica
3 Annie Oakley / Houghton, Melvin
4 Ransom / Frederick, Kathy
5 Houston’s Astro / Hurst, Beth
Leisure Experienced
1 Starbuck KVA / Fettes, Mary
Leisure Junior
1 Frodo de HR / Funk, Athena

Mozingo Lake B2
5/23/21 Region 6 MO Total Riders: 8
Chair: John Zeliff
Judge: LeD – Sarah J. Smith
Leisure Adult
1 Roho Honoy Mocha WH / Rodgers, Jessica
2 BlackHawk / Gautier, Vickie
3 Benners Montana Rosebud / Landuyt, Julie
4 Annie Oakley / Hindsley, Krista
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