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The “words of the month” for the next several months are “Strategic Planning.” Many of you are aware that in 2009 a five-year strategic plan was implemented for NATRC. Well, those five years are up and it is time to revisit the plan and make needed revisions. And by revisit, I mean “adapt.” The economic, social, and cultural changes Elaine Swiss mentions elsewhere in this issue are beyond our ability to control. But thankfully we have choices. The first choice we have is to either be a victim of these changes, refuse to adapt and flounder, or take responsibility for our own future and continue to take steps to ensure 50 more years for NATRC. I choose responsibility. The next choice we have looms large and ominous, and the mere discussion upsets many of us. But in order for NATRC to actually adapt and take steps for our future, we have to decide what we want that future to look like—which begins by admitting where we are right now. Or maybe I should say figuring out where we are right now. Essentially, NATRC has been trying valiantly for years to be many things to many people. We all know how difficult that can be. So let’s all of us focus our attention on what we want NATRC to be. Priscilla Lindsey framed the question very well when she asked, “(1) do we want to be a distance riding sport that encourages the selection, conditioning, and testing of the best horses for multi-day distance riding? Or, (2) do we want to be an educational organization that trains riders to be excellent trail riders on skilled trail horses?” As we straddle that fence we sometimes have the best distance horse win and sometimes the best trail horse wins because our focus is so broad.

Once we make the choice for responsibility, we are in control. We get to choose. We don’t have to drift, flounder, or grasp. At that point it will be a matter of plain old hard work, and with the amazing determination and dedication of our legions of members and volunteers we are sure to easily hop the hurdle of hard work. A successful organization is willing to adapt. A successful organization is willing to take the next step. No heads in the sand for NATRC. Instead, please help your National and Regional Boards of Directors with your input, insight, and honest appraisal as we determine that next step. This is not my sport. This is not your sport. It is our sport, and our decisions are what will ensure the value of 50 more years of NATRC.

Whatever our present and future incarnation, NATRC is a judged sport. We absolutely rely on and depend upon the work, effort, and dedication of all of our judges. All of them. Because I am a Horsemanship Judge, I want to be clear that my words here are those of a member, rider, volunteer, ride manager, and President of NATRC. The greatest rewards of an NATRC judge will invariably come from the words of gratitude and appreciation from a rider. In case some of you aren’t sure, let me guarantee that it is not the money that keeps us doing it ☺. Each of our judges has unique qualities of personality and skill to offer, and that is one of our treasured intangibles. Our judges aren’t drones or cookie cutter copies but are individuals with vastly varied offerings for our sport. Any person willing to serve as an NATRC judge must care about our sport, our people, and our horses because, folks, it is hard work. There is an incredible emotional investment required to put oneself out there to judge our sport. So speaking as that member, rider, volunteer, ride manager and President of NATRC, I want to express my appreciation and gratitude and very publicly thank all of the judges who work so very hard to guarantee an NATRC ride even happens.

I can say with complete sincerity that I have enjoyed my first year as President of NATRC. My wife asks me if I ever think of anything else 😃. I’m looking forward to the challenge of our Strategic Planning and our decisions on NATRC. Kicking the can down the road is just not my style, so let’s get this done! Thank you all for the part you play in the sport we all love.

Kim A. Cowart
President, NATRC
Throughout the United States, we are losing access to trails. There are thousands of acres of beautiful land in our National Forests, National Parks and even ranches and private land that used to welcome us but are no longer available. Kings Mountain National Historic Site in North Carolina and Kings Mountain State Park in South Carolina are exceptions.

Kings Mountain is the location of the battle that turned the tide of the Revolutionary War in October 1781. In short, it was the tenacity of the Whigs who marched to surround Colonel Ferguson encamped on top of Kings Mountain. The patriot sharpshooters had no problem picking off the redcoats to win this decisive battle. What a thrill to walk on the ground and ride among the hills that supported the efforts that eventually led to our United States.

It is with that same zeal and dedication that the Friends of Kings Mountain and the Kings Mountain CTR are mobilizing the troops and taking action to expand the 15 miles of trails currently available for us to ride on.

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October 27th, 2013 is not the darkest day in history but pretty darned close in many ways. That is the day we lost the great Dr. Joe Quintana. A huge loss to many, including NATRC, the San Juan Valley Trail Riders, all of his clients & co-workers at Animal Haven Clinic, his wife, Susan Moreland, DVM, and extended family, and most of all, to countless animals, especially of the equine persuasion.

Joe was born in Pecos, New Mexico on December 9, 1946. Joe's formative years were spent at the Tres Lagunas Guest Ranch, honing his horsemanship and wood-cutting skills, and developing a love for the Santa Fe National Forest. He became a certified wrangler at age 9. As a sophomore at Pecos High School, Joe was part of the very first basketball team to represent Pecos in the State Tournament. Joe graduated from high school as the Valedictorian of his class. While in high school Joe started working leather, a skill which he developed to a professional level.

Joe served his country in the United States Marine Corps from 1965-1970. He attended Colorado State University (CSU), receiving a Bachelor's Degree in 1973 and a Doctorate of Veterinary Medicine in 1977.

Upon graduation from Veterinary School, Joe journeyed to Farmington, NM and began his life as veterinarian at Animal Haven Clinic. Joe and his wife, Susan, spent countless hours taking care of many four-legged creatures in the surrounding 30-mile area. In 1982, Joe took a course at CSU so colic surgery could be offered at Animal Haven Clinic, a service exclusive to the Four Corners area. Through Joe's efforts, Animal Haven Clinic was one of the few places that could offer hospitalization for long-term care for horses and farm animals. Joe was a devoted veterinarian, especially to the horse, but he extended quality care to all species.

One of his earliest clients, Judy Cumberworth (also an NATRC Horsemanship judge) figured out very quickly that Joe was a brilliant vet with the right temperament for NATRC and talked him into coming to a ride to see what it was all about.

Joe came, Joe saw and Joe was hooked! It wasn't long before he applied for his vet judge card, which he received in 1981. He apprenticed at Navajo Lake under the late Doc Pavetti, DVM, & Gene Naugele, DVM. He also purchased his lifetime membership the same year. He judged his first rides as a sanctioned vet judge in the 1982 season. Joe judged NATRC horses across entire nation including as far away as the ride in Region 1A near Fairbanks, Alaska in 1998 and again in 2007. It is estimated that he judged over 100 rides in the 33 years he was an NATRC judge. One of his very favorite obstacles was a log. (Whatever you do, DO NOT EVER jump the log.) He was so well known for his log obstacles they became known as a noun, the famous, or infamous, DJQ (coined by Terri Smith.)

Even with as many as five local rides hosted by the San Juan Valley Trail Riders, when he wasn't judging, Joe stayed busy doing nearly everything else that a ride needed. He was always the "vet on call," and he was usually at the ride doing P&Rs, being Rules Interpreter, helping tally score cards, and sometimes even competing.

Dr. Joe once rode up a mountain on a borrowed horse to treat a competitor's horse so it could make it to a trailer. He then sent it down to his clinic 70 miles away to get the help it needed from his associate vets. He followed it soon after, returning to the competition in the morning to work some more. He was known, more than once, to judge a ride on Saturday, get called into his clinic for a difficult colic case requiring surgical intervention, and then later return to the ride. At the Great Western Ride in Utah, Joe did a fantastic job sewing up Roxann Lane's horse, Foxy, after she fell down a cliff into a rocky ravine. With no real instruments, he used thread and a needle from a rider's sewing kit. Foxy healed wonderfully with no scarring. Joe didn't even think twice about the fact that he wasn't licensed to practice in that state. The horse needed treatment; he was there, 'nuff said.

Joe was also known to bail out rides at the last minute when the scheduled vet judge had to cancel. He served on the NBOD from 1997-1999. He was chosen by Region 3 to be a recipient of one of the National Appreciation... (Continued on page 6)
Joe and his stallion Yugo Dr. Max
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Joe gave a lot of memories to many NATRC people. Olga Spanhoff remembers when she was just starting riding in NATRC: “I was still new to NATRC and was riding crazy mare, aka Mirage, and she was so upset that our trail buddies left us at a P&R stop that she wouldn’t let me get back on her. A few people tried to hold her and give me a leg up and it didn’t work, so Dr. Q came over and said, ‘Are you ready? Well, BE ready!’ and he grabbed her ear, bit it, and Todd gave me such a fast leg up I thought I was on the race track. Needless to say, she walked calmly the rest of the way to camp.”

Cathy Cumberworth recalls: “I just remember the first time I rode as an Open Junior, probably the only time my awesome older sister and I rode against each other. I ended up with a 5th or 6th place, and low and behold, my beloved Oly won first place, then the Arabian breed award, and then somehow Sweepstakes. All I remember was Dr. Joe saying, ‘Oh, we need to recount, there must be a mistake.’” That was probably the same ride that Cathy was the only rider who spotted him hiding in the wash during a mandatory trot. He was laughing at her strategic placement to carry her chosen Mother’s Day Trail gift, a hula hoop which she had placed it around her horse’s neck for the trot to the P&R. Cristy Cumberworth remembers her horse, Red’s, very first ride which happened to be judged by Joe. Red won Novice Jr. Sweepstakes because he was “the only horse that did not jump” over an obstacle, which was a small but deep, dark ditch. That was the day everyone decided Red was a keeper.

Roxann Lane: “My first ride under Joe was on my little mare, Foxy. We were riding Novice and had to sidepass to a tree to tie a ribbon. Joe told me I had 30 seconds to do it, at which point I started to panic. Thinking I would NEVER get it done in time as Foxy was SO slow and methodical in everything she did. Foxy must have sensed my unease as she promptly did a perfect turn on the haunches and peed right at Joe’s feet causing him to jump back about three feet. Janine Ancel was the horsemanship judge, and she made the comment that Foxy certainly showed Joe exactly what she thought of his 30-second rule. I was sure we were going to get docked for trying to pee on the judge! We were all laughing so hard, I could hardly stay on my horse.”

From Jenny Smith: “Don’t forget his bear hugs! He always hugged everyone like a bear, with a big ol’ grin on his face. There are so many other good stories and memories, I can’t possibly pick just one out.”

Joe always used to say that when he got to heaven, he was going to have a chat with God about the flawed design of the equine digestive system that causes colic. Expect changes soon.

¡Hasta la vista, José, mi querido amigo. Nos vemos por el camino.
4H Junior Rider Year End High Point Award

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

- The award goes to the high point rider and high point horse regardless of the rider’s division.
- The award is a self-nominating award. The nomination must occur before the end of the ride year, which is the second Sunday in November. This year, it will be November 9, 2014.
- The rider must (1) be a member of NATRC (2) send Laurie DiNatale an email (natrc@natrc.org) stating that they are a 4H member and (3) have their 4H leader verify that they are a member with an email to Laurie DiNatale (natrc@natrc.org).

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

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Cork (Phil E.) Weir

Cork (Phil E.) Weir passed away October 7, 2013, at his horse farm near Conroe, TX, at the age of 85. He was born March 31, 1928, in Republic County, Kansas. Over the years, he worked at many different jobs including farming, construction, communications systems installation, and many others.

He was treasured by NATRC as the official ride timer for Region 4. He was inducted into the NATRC Worker Hall of Fame in 2010. He was considered family by everyone, and he was compassionate and helpful to all, but especially to first time competitors. At one ride, looking unsure at time out Saturday morning, a first timer stood by Cork. He told her, “Follow the ribbons, and I’ll see you back right here in 5-5 ½ hours; you’ll be fine.” When she returned, he was exactly in the same spot and seemed to be waiting just for her. He had a huge smile on his face, a sparkle in his eyes and said “I see you made it back. Did you have fun today?” His reassurance calmed her fears and welcomed her the NATRC way!

Besides being the Ride Timer, Cork was also the Region 4 “Jack of all Trades.” Without a doubt, everyone believed that Cork could fix anything! Be it backing up a trailer, fixing a generator or just a kind or inspirational word, he knew how to fix anything that needed fixing.

In spite of Cork’s physical limitations, he didn’t complain. He was always concerned with the best interests of the riders and their well-being. Riders felt that Cork’s presence at the end of a ride was like the lighthouse beacon for a wayward ship. When they saw Cork sitting in his lawn chair at the end of the ride, whether they were hot, tired, cold, or wet, they knew they’d arrived safely back at camp. They were always welcomed with a wonderful smile from the Official Ride Timer for NATRC Region 4!

He will be sorely missed by his NATRC family and everyone whose lives he touched.
At first you may believe dressage and endurance to be polar opposites. While very different, the disciplines are not mutually exclusive, and there is a treasure trove of benefits to the endurance horse and rider who practice basic dressage. This article will not be a “how-to,” but rather “why” dressage helps deal with basic riding issues.

Dressage is really just training. For most of us, it is not about Olympic aspirations, and it should never be about drilling for a test. Dressage should not give you nightmares or cause you to believe that you or your horse is not good enough. It should provide a fun training program that focuses on safety, longevity, and correct and balanced riding for any horse and rider, in any discipline.

To break dressage down to its most fundamental parts, it is about being able to consistently perform figures: circles, corners, diagonals, and changes of gait at specific points.

For most horses it is true that if you don’t have control in a controlled environment, such as an arena, you won’t have control in a chaotic one, which is the trail. Why do you want control? The simple answer is safety. You want you and your horse to be safe while riding. Secondly, you want your horse to understand what it is that you are asking of him.

While circles, corners, and diagonals seem on the surface to have little to do with control on the trail, it would be difficult to argue that transitions, flexibility, balance, turning, stopping, and backing have little place on the trail.

Dressage figures allow you to gauge how well your horse is listening to you and how much he understands of what you are asking. Much of what we see as “naughty” behavior from a horse is really either a lack of understanding of what we want, or our improper cue due to an unbalanced or unknowledgeable seat.

So this brings us to balance in the saddle. Being balanced is not simply that you will not fall off. Lots of cowboys can ride a good buck, but their horses have sore backs. To view your balance from your horse’s point of view, think of having to carry a bag on your left shoulder that weighs 67 pounds, and you can’t switch the bag yourself. It has to decide on its own to switch, which it never does. Even if you only had to carry the bag for 10 minutes a day, you would soon develop muscle to help you compensate for the unbalanced bag.

Now imagine that you had to run a marathon with the bag - you would soon be lame and have to take the bag off. Think of this moment as your horse bucking, sulking up, or other naughty behavior. Being balanced is important to you and your horse. So, what is balanced?

First it means sitting square on your horse, without overloading in any direction (front, back, left or right). This is real (Continued on page 10)
ly where you will need a second set of eyes, because feeling square is not the same as being square. What most riders feel is “comfortable,” which is very rarely balanced.

Second, being balanced means that you are moving with your horse. As your balance gets better, you will find yourself being able to cross more varied and difficult terrain without having to grab mane or rein for balance.

There are two major benefits of being balanced. First is that your horse will not have to compensate for your inability to sit square on his back (remember that bag?). He will tire more slowly because he will be better muscled and you will be moving with him. He will also be able to cross more varied and difficult terrain because he won’t be afraid of you falling off, or pulling on his mouth. Second, you and your horse will be less prone to injury because you and your horse will be evenly muscled, supple, and flexible.

The risk of injury to a non-flexible, non-supple horse or rider crossing varied terrain is high. A torn ligament, tendon, or muscle can be a career-ending experience for you or your horse. The injury is usually caused by asking too much too soon, but can also be caused by a tight, fatigued, unbalanced body. Correct work in both directions on circles, diagonals, and corners created lift in your horse’s shoulder and drive on the inside hind leg. In the rider, it created flexibility in the back and shoulder, softness in the arms and hands, and depth in the seat and leg. All of this serves to evenly strengthen and stretch muscles and tendons in both horse and rider.

Finally, dressage gives you something to work on between endurance events. Perhaps your horse isn’t old enough to compete in an endurance ride, or the rides near you are few and far between. Maybe you and your horse have never left the property, or one of you is nervous about new places. Dressage schooling shows are relatively inexpensive, and tend to occur more frequently than endurance rides.

If you decide to compete in dressage, you can take the same level test multiple times at several different events and locations, allowing you to get feedback on your horse’s performance and progress. The insight of a dressage judge will tell you where your horse is doing his best and where he still needs improvement. Also, the judge will provide comments on your seat, cues and effectiveness.

A final note: do not worry about being “perfect.” As an endurance rider you know that every step can’t be perfect. Worry about being better than when you started, and having deeper, more solid communication with your horse. Once your horse has a basic understanding of the figures, you can start to work on the quality and build your and your horse’s strength and flexibility. As with endurance, for a dressage test – to finish is to win.
A solid NATRC rider recognizes that good, safe horsemanship can extend across the dividing lines of discipline, breed, or organization. The Certified Horsemanship Association believes the same and emphasizes safety and education in all styles of riding. I spent three days in Buffalo, New York at the International CHA Conference as part of my job as the Equestrian Director for the YMCA of Greater San Antonio. Through nearly every lecture and demonstration, I was able to pull threads of wisdom to be used both in my arena with my students and out on the trail with my personal horses. NATRC and CHA should look forward to building a strong relationship with programming and instruction that goes hand-in-hand.

The first evening of the conference, we were treated to an opening lecture from the world-renown Olympic-level dressage horse trainer Walter Zettl. Mr. Zettl encouraged us to think always of the horse and to put ego aside in all matters of training or instruction: “We should really work to forget the hand… Force should not exist in riding.” How many times has a comment akin to that (although perhaps not as eloquent) appeared on a horsemanship judging card?

Following his talk, the conference broke into smaller discussion groups, covering such topics as partnering with youth groups such as 4-H, horse and staff selection, and equine forage management techniques. Connecting with other organizations is key—most equestrians can’t afford to go it alone and can use some help getting a handle on new technologies and partnerships.

The next morning included a bus ride out to the Showplex arena in Hamburg, NY, where Houghton College supplied their school horses for more instruction. Classical dressage lessons gave way to a bits and bitting discussion from Dale Myler, then more lessons covering Centered Riding and Western Dressage, and a lecture on equine biomechanics from the one and only Susan Harris, author and artist of the Anatomy in Motion series and illustrator and author of dozens of equine instruction manuals. Mrs. Harris later turned a handsome grey Trakehner into a living, breathing, galloping, jumping anatomical textbook—a highlight for horsemen and women of all ages at the conference.

Famous instructor, trainer, and RFD-TV star Julie Goodnight was on deck the following day, teaching a class called “Instructing All Skill Levels—All At Once” and another seminar on unmounted lessons to improve equitation. Christy Landwehr, CEO of the Certified Horsemanship Association, participated in the unmounted class in part to gather more tutorials into her impressive repertoire before coming to teach at the NATRC National Convention in Oklahoma City, February 20th-23rd. Mrs. Goodnight was later recognized with the CHA Partner in Safety Award for 2013 (an award normally given to an entire organization) because of her pledge to always wear a helmet and set an example of responsibility and safety on an international scale. “When I started wearing a helmet, riding western, Western Horseman and Horse and Rider did not allow me in their magazines with a helmet,” said Mrs. Goodnight. “Things have changed a lot, and I am proud of that. I can see the impact it has.”

CHA recognizes horses and riders for their commitment to safety, dedication to horsemanship, and longevity in the field. Common school horses to camp “nags” to high-dollar show ponies can all be celebrated—same goes for the instructors and trainers who teach with, train, and love those horses. NATRC also celebrates those same qualities, just on a different playing field. There can be great value for each organization to share resources and knowledge. CHA offers instructional videos on YouTube at absolutely no cost to interested parties, over such subjects as safe mounting and dismounting, emergency stops, tack fitting, and basic riding techniques. NATRC could benefit by sending horsemanship judges or other parties to CHA certification clinics—and CHA is always looking to train instructors to be clinicians, certifying more riding instructors and trail staff down the road. The building blocks of riding instruction outlined in the CHA manuals would be an excellent resource for anyone bringing a junior along in the sport of distance riding.

The more educated and responsible we can make the equestrian community, the better off we all are and the more promising the future is for our sport. Partnering with CHA is a good step for NATRC—let us continue to develop that relationship as we move into the future.

Visit the Certified Horsemanship Association online at www.cha-ahse.org.

MaryAshley McGibbon, a CHA Level 3 Certified Instructor in Western and English riding, is the director of the Equestrian Horse Camp for the YMCA in the San Antonio area. She is an enthusiastic Novice NATRC and AERC rider.
On September 2nd, my mare Susie and I arrived at the Missouri Fox Trotting Horse Breed Association Show and Celebration in Ava, MO. When we arrived they surprised us with a beautiful banner welcoming her. Susie was their special guest.

After the flag ceremony, they had her "gait" into the arena showing her beautiful foxtrot. I then brought her to the center and had her do some tricks—backing a figure 8, side passing both ways and finally standing in a beautiful pose while they spoke about her accomplishments. The MFTHBA presented her with a garland of roses around her neck. Then they had us come to the photographer's show spot with the MFTBHA sign and potted plants, where they took our picture for their magazine, The Journal.

They are very proud that a MFT won the NATRC President's Cup. They made a big deal about her being a show mare in the ribbons before she was a CTR horse. Others MFT's have won NATRC's highest award, but I think Susie is the first to go from the show ring to the Presidents Cup.

They also wanted everyone to know that she does not do anything but a true fox trot when gaiting. We had a great welcome and met wonderful folks. Susie was stalled next to her “uncle,” who was one of the top MFT show horses this year. The man that bred and raised Susie was there to shake my hand and see her again, and he was very happy.
We’ve all seen them, trails that are beautiful, easy to navigate, and fun to ride. We’ve also seen trails that are plagued by mud holes, impossible climbs, unfriendly rocks, and deep ruts. Have you ever wondered what causes the difference?

Inspired when I learned of new trail construction at our "local" national forest (pictured here), I recently spent four days at a Trail Master Certification Course. The class was led by Mike Riter of Trail Design Specialists, LLC. We learned about trail design, construction and maintenance. Each day we had classroom instruction and practical, on the trail, instruction.

On Day One, our focus was trail design. To properly design a trail we need to identify the types and volume of users. We also need to understand the types of impacts that trails are subject to. Basically, all trails are impacted by three natural actions: water, wind, and gravity. Users of any type only speed up the natural processes. As you may expect, water, when combined with gravity, has the most detrimental impact on trails. To overcome this, we must properly design and construct our trails so that water does not flow along, or collect on, our trails. This means we must consider how water moves, which is of course, on the path of least resistance—downhill. This is called the fall line. The steeper the slope, the faster the water will move. The farther the water travels along the trail, the more it will collect. So, we want our trails to slope gently to slow the flow, and not to follow the fall line, so that the water crosses the trail, rather than flowing along it.

For our fieldwork on Day One we divided into teams and were given a plot of land on which we were to plan a trail. We discovered that though we wanted to use all of the land given to us, it was more advisable to have a shorter, better-designed trail that would require less maintenance.

The topic for Day Two was trail construction. Proper design sets the stage for low maintenance trails. Proper construction completes the picture. We learned how to use tools designed specifically for the construction of trails, and how to do so safely and effectively. It is important that trails be built on firm, naturally settled soil. Loose soil is prone to trapping water that will create mud. As users encounter these muddy areas, they will cause further damage to the trail environment by creating new trails when detouring around the muddy areas, or leaving deep impressions that will collect more water. Correctly constructed trails are graded so that the trail is not perfectly flat, but rather slopes a small bit downhill to facilitate the shedding of water. On the uphill side of the trail, any cut into the hillside should be blended into the hill so there is not a sharp drop off that water coming down the hill would "fall" over. Such falling water will create a trench along the inner edge of the trail, and water will flow down the trail instead of across and off the trail.

Day Two's fieldwork consisted of practice with the tools on a section of trail. We learned safety and proper technique.

Trail maintenance was the topic for Day Three. Even properly designed trails will need occasional maintenance. Trees will fall on trails; brush will grow up and infringe upon the trail. The trail itself will be further compacted in the most highly traveled section of its width. This will create a small berm that interferes with the grade established at construction to shed water. This berm must be removed, and the downhill grade restored. We took a walk along a section of trail and discussed the maintenance needed for our fieldwork on Day Three.

On the last day of the class, we built a section of new trail from scratch and were evaluated as we each turns leading the group. Successful completion of the course prepared us to lead groups of volunteers in trail building and maintenance in a safe and effective manner. I am hoping to be able to put this training to work as a volunteer, helping to maintain and improve the trails in my local National Forest.

Interested in attending a Trail Master’s course or trying to have one in your area? To see if one of Mr. Riter’s classes at his home facility meshes with your schedule, you can visit his website at www.traildesign.com.

If you’re interested in bringing a class to your local trails, please contact Erin Glassman at ejacob716@gmail.com for information on some basic requirements you must have available as well as possible contacts to help with attendance and funding.
It has been two years since I’ve reported on the status of marketing NATRC. Thanks to the efforts of dozens of members across the continent, we have accomplished a lot. My heartfelt THANK YOU to ALL of you!

Keep in mind that all the things listed below were done on a zero budget, naught a penny, diddly-squat, zip, the big goose egg, no more than a hill of beans, insignificant funds, nothing; i.e., exactly $0.00 of NATRC dollars! (A few folks took money from their own pockets to pay for ads, flyers and such in their locales.)

► NATRC’s media list has expanded from 51 to 93 (Includes one international online magazine).

► The number of E-News subscribers has grown from 527 to 1,437 (Includes all members w/email addresses).

► Our articles and stories mentioning NATRC, that we know of, have appeared in
  o 21 different print magazines; several multiple times and one monthly.

The Trail Rider magazine is a great supporter.
  o 32 different online magazines, blogs, websites (this excludes websites that just carry our logo and link)
  o One radio show
  o Briefly - three TV shows

► All the Regions now have Facebook pages.

► Best of America by Horseback carried our ride schedule on their website.

► R4 continues to have NATRC stories and R4 ride schedule monthly in the Southwest Horse Trader, a regional magazine.

► There is a permanent BLM sign at a CO ride site (Rabbit Valley) shared by NATRC R3 and Back Country Horsemen acknowledging their involvement in site improvements.

► R6 has an ad in the Kansas Equestrian Trail Guide that has a distribution of 10,000.

► In 2012 NATRC introduced its Partners Program which trades ads and website visibility.
  o 10 breed associations are partners.
  o Three non-profits are partners.

► Two magazines are in the wings for becoming partners.

► One partnership agreement, with the TrailMeister, goes beyond the standard by listing all of our rides in the trail directories, including our logo and link and highlighting one ride in each monthly newsletter, and more. We have adopted the TrailMeister as our Official Trail Directory.

► One of our partners, Friends of Sound Horses (FOSH) represented NATRC at the Pomona, CA Horse Expo.

► GoodSearch/GoodShop donations to NATRC are on track to reach nearly $600 in 2013.

► The marketing workload is now shared.
  o Cris Ballard, R2, is the Publicity Chair
  o Jean Green, R4, is the E-News Chair
  o Priscilla Lindsay, R6, is the Breed Liaison Co-Chair (handling everything but awards)

► Some regions have established their own Marketing/Publicity Chairs.

Keep up the great work everyone! If any of you want to help, let me know. If any regional Marketing/Publicity folks want some support, ideas or guidance, contact Cris or me. As Red Green (you know, the Canadian who has that terrifically funny show) says, “Remember, we’re all in this together!”
The National Board of Directors consists of two members elected by each of the six NATRC regions, for a total of 12 members, plus one alternate director from each region. These hard-working people meet in person three times per year and they have quite a laundry list of responsibilities:

1. To maintain the integrity of NATRC,
2. To contribute to trail development,
3. To encourage young people through scholarships,
4. To recognize and reward achievement,
5. To educate judges, competitors and volunteers,
6. To make financial decisions,
7. To provide logistical support to ride management,
8. To preserve historical and regulatory records,
9. To promote the sport throughout the country, and
10. To establish overall strategy, policy, and direction.

Every year the priority of these items shifts, but maintaining the integrity of NATRC is always the highest priority for the Board. However, without a consistent strategy, policy, and direction for NATRC, it becomes much more difficult to stay true to the course.

At the final National Board meeting of 2013, the Board of Directors spent nearly one-third of their total meeting time over two days discussing and debating the future of our organization. The Five-Year Strategic Plan horizon was at hand. It is time to update for the 2014-2018 time period. The stage is well set for the decisions required in these next five years.

As evidenced by the financial statements included in this issue of Hoof Print, the National organization is on extremely solid financial footing. This is due to the Board’s focus for the past five years to make difficult decisions on revenue and expenses. Unfortunately, ride managers and the regional boards are losing ground on ride attendance and membership. Average ride attendance has fallen nearly 40% from 2009 to 2013 with the same number of rides in nearly the same geographic areas. Membership has fallen below 1000 for the first time in nearly two decades.

Why? The reasons are plentiful and can be debated and discussed for hours on end, and have been. It boils down to economic, social and cultural changes that are affecting most institutions in our country, from churches to schools to performing arts to outdoor recreation to marriage. Reality dictates that NATRC cannot influence these changes, but must adapt to them. How NATRC adapts is the challenge in setting strategy, policy, and direction.

In an effort to widen the appeal of NATRC in recent years, ride managers have introduced more one-day rides, buckle series, partnerships with other organizations, shorter distances, slower speeds, meal deals, yoga classes, etc. The outcome is that ride attendance for distance events, including AERC who has introduced similar changes, like Intro Rides, still declines.

NATRC offers a great equine experience to those who love many miles of challenging trail-riding, with an opportunity to learn new skills (both horse and rider) and meet like-minded people. It does take commitment. And discipline. And time. And money. And all of these elements have been affected by societal change.

What should NATRC do? The answer is not clear, but what is clear is that NATRC is better served to choose its destiny rather than to drift toward oblivion. Should NATRC stay true to its foundation and philosophies, which might mean reverting to some older practices that have gone by the wayside? Or is there another “incarnation” of NATRC yet to come?

The Board is looking for your input on this to set the course for the next five years at its next meeting in February at the National Convention in Oklahoma City. Speak with your elected representative to help with these momentous decisions.

Meanwhile, in 2014, more than 50 ride managers are willing to step out to provide NATRC competitions and clinics across the country. Many will be eligible for financial assistance from the NATRC National Ride Manager Support Fund. But when it comes down to it, competitors have to enter the rides for ride managers, who are independent contractors, to be successful.

Please go to the national website, look at the ride schedule for 2014, and decide which competitions you will enter, bring a friend to, or help with. All of these rides are well into the planning stages to prepare for you, our members and friends. In the final analysis, your choices will set our strategy for the future.
Student loans are available up to $5,000 per person/year, at the discretion of the NATRC National Board of Directors, after proper application has been submitted.

Preference will be given to a full-time student who has been a member of NATRC or whose family has been an active member for at least three years. Consideration will also be given to a student or a student’s family who has been an active member of NATRC for less than three years but more than six months.

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

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

For an application, contact the NATRC Executive Administrator at natrc@natrc.org. It is also available in the Admin Documents under the Documents button on the website, www.natrc.org.

Please complete the form in Word or as an interactive PDF and submit via email to the NATRC Executive Administrator at natrc@natrc.org.
1. Page 4-3, Section 4.B.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 (LWT or Senior) or less than
190 pounds (HWT).
      f. No disposable items will be used to make weight. This includes, but is not
limited to, food (horse and rider), water, fly spray, etc.

2. Page 4-4, Section 4.D
   D. Eligibility of Riders
   1. All persons 10 years of age or older are eligible to compete in NATRC except:
      a. Any person designated in Section 3 with the exception of the ride secre-
tary (i.e., ride chair, trailmasters, stable manager, judges, official timers, judg-
es recording secretary, Rules Interpreter, safety riders, P&R timer) shall not
be eligible to ride a horse in competition on the sanctioned ride for which he
serves in an official capacity.

3. Page 5-1 Section 5.B
   B. Stabling
   1. All horses shall be kept in a designated area from preliminary check in until after the
final examination.
   2. The Stabling Options used are at the discretion or requirements of CTR manage-
ment and/or the CTR facility. For Stallions see 5 below.
   3. The Stabling Options used by CTR management and/or the CTR facility must be
available to all competitors.
   4. Stabling Options Not Allowed during competition as primary containment:
      a. Hobbling of any kind
      b. Portable panels that are not securely anchored to a trailer
      c. Electric fencing
      d. Staking out in any manner
      e. Stallions in portable panels.
   5. Stallions: Stallions must be double tied whenever stabled (for exceptions, see be-
low). The primary and secondary rope will not be tied to the same tie spot.
      a. Stallion double tying requirements are: The primary rope is tied in the normal
manner, but the secondary restraint method must be secured around
the stallion’s neck and tied in the normal manner. If a rope around the neck
is secured with a knot, it must be a bowline and run through the halter.
      b. Other secondary restraint methods may be acceptable (check with horseman-
ship judge). Two halters are unacceptable.
      c. Stallions may be stabled in pens/stalls when “stallion” pens/stalls are
provided by the CTR facility.
      d. Failure to comply constitutes a major rule violation. (See Rulebook Section
6.E.2.d)
Based on recommendations from the Veterinary Drug Committee and input from the Judges Committee, the NBOD voted at its November 2013 meeting to approve the use of pergolide during NATRC competitions.

Pergolide is the drug of choice for treating Equine Pituitary Pars Intermedia Dysfunction (PPID), or Equine Cushing’s disease which is common in older horses. Metabolically, Cushing’s disease is characterized by elevated levels of cortisol and many other hormones. The most classic symptom of PPID is a long curly hair coat that does not shed properly. Other symptoms that have been associated with PPID include excessive drinking and urination, laminitis, lethargy, excessive sweating, muscle mass loss, repeated infections such as sole abscesses, tooth root infections and sinusitis, infertility, and bulging eyes secondary to the redistribution of supraorbital fat. Many horses have subtle signs of the disease.

Pergolide is a dopamine receptor agonist (a chemical that binds to some receptor of a cell and triggers a response by that cell) and helps decrease the hormones associated with PPID. In turn, symptoms of PPID are reduced. Pergolide can control - but not cure - the disease in many horses and improve their quality of life. Allowing pergolide during NATRC competition would allow older horses with PPID to compete without interruption in treatment. Since untreated, uncontrolled PPID commonly leads to serious and premature health issues, the allowance of pergolide may be a humane issue for those older horses still competing.

Pergolide has no known effect on performance in horses, and should not affect the safety of horses competing in long distance competitions. Prascend, pergolide’s trade name, is the only FDA-approved form of pergolide for use in horses.

AERC has also approved the use of pergolide beginning January 1, 2014. The NATRC Veterinary Drug Committee appreciates their cooperation with this proposal.
This year has been quite the exercise in flexibility for me as a ride manager. My other two rides went fairly well as planned, but the third...well, that was quite a different story. I am sharing this story as a platform to discuss some trail advocacy issues, to help us plan for potential access issues in the future, and to move forward with a positive approach. Names are withheld to avoid blame games.

My story starts a couple of years ago when I volunteered to take over managing a ride (eight hours from where I live) for some well-loved Region 6 members who were moving out of region. Late last winter/early spring, I followed the usual protocol for sanctioning my ride, put together a ride flier with my Ride Secretary, and geared up for the ride that fall. We sent the ride flier to the campground where the ride was traditionally held, and to help us out (as well as their business), the campground listed the ride flier on their website to advertise for us.

Not long after that, I was contacted by the National Park Service (NPS) asking if I had applied for a special use permit for the event, a good deal of which cut through the Ozark National Scenic Riverway (ONSR). Other parts of the ride were on land managed by the United States Forest Service (USFS), the Missouri Department of Conservation, as well as on private lands. I told the representative, “No, I haven’t,” and knew that since they were aware of the ride, I must try to do what I could to follow their guidelines. I provided the map that we had used two years previously and made my application to the park, thinking that we should be good to go. This was not so; apparently the trails that we were using to get to the designated trails within the NPS were not designated, and therefore, our permit was denied.

Exercise in flexibility Part One: Living eight or more hours from the ride site, alternative options were not coming together for me or for my trail master. Another Region 6 member generously volunteered to have me move the ride to Cedar Creek, near Columbia, MO, which was on USFS ground. Great! Plan B! Let’s go!

The end of the year rolled around, and guess what? Sequestration happened. At the National Equestrian Trails Conference, our very first speaker, Mark Rey, from the Center for Systems Integration and Sustainability, Washington, D.C., had discussed this very topic. Originally Sequestration was built into the federal fiscal plan to be a result so bad that Congress would work hard to not get to that point. Although it didn’t really hurt the government, we were not allowed access to our public lands - NPS, USFS, Bureau of Land Management (BLM), United States Army Corps of Engineers land- etc. We even saw the closure of the campground/trails at the Talladega National Forest and how it affected an endurance ride. Now nearing the end of September and hearing about another NATRC ride being canceled because of Sequestration, here goes Exercise in flexibility Part Two: My fall ride was on USFS land, and we didn’t know what would happen by the end of October, so I proactively chose to move my ride to Kanopolis State Park, which was under state management. This proved to be ultimately unnecessary since a temporary budget was passed not too long before the ride occurred.

We have seen how rapidly our trails can be taken away through the consequences of Sequestration. What then can we do to prevent or alleviate our losses in the future? First and foremost, we need to keep pressure on the Congress to get future budgets passed, but that is going to be up to the entire populace as well. Second, as ride managers and riders, we need to try to foresee potential threats such as these, so that we can be on the lookout for alternative venues such as private lands or state parks. Third, we can help each other out by pulling together in those times and get the rides going with additional help. Without the help of my ride management crew from both sites, I don’t know that I could have pulled off the exercise in flexibility part two.

The denied permit. So what about these non-designated trails? Non-designated trails have been placed by users other than the park (not just in the ONSR but nationwide) and may cut through areas that are historically or environmentally sensitive. They may not be designed to be sustainable trails (i.e. they may erode possibly to the point of being unsafe). Designated trails have been deemed by the park to be sustainable, suitable for people to ride through without causing significant damage to flora, fauna, rock formations or historical sites and are likely to be there many years down the road. The NPS has been managing that specific site for almost 50 years, it is not a new governing body, and these federal regulations have been in place for a long time. There seems to be local resistance/lack of understanding to work with the NPS to stay on designated trails or to cooperatively work towards designating non-designated trails.

Interestingly enough, trying to get my ride permit earlier this year is not the only time I have run across this issue with this park. In November, I was alerted to some mes-
Looking For A Judge?

Veterinary and Horsemanship Judges:

Has your address or phone number changed?
Please notify the NATRC office of any changes.
Indicate home and office numbers. Thank You.

Ride Managers:

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

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

Michael Peralez, DVM - Veterinary Judge Co-Chair
626.446.8911
msperalez@roadrunner.com
Or
Patsy Conner - Horsemanship Judge Co-Chair
H: 501.663.1477 Cell: 281.381.8189
Fax: 501.663.6781
connerpatsy@yahoo.com

Newly Approved Horsemanship Judge:
Becky Rogers (R4)

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

Provisionals:
Veterinary Judges:
Valerie Bixler, DVM (R4)
Natalie Morris, DVM (R5)

Horsemanship Judges:
No Provisionals

Apprentices:
Veterinary Judges:
Cathy Ann Ball, VMD (R5)
Sharon Dehart, DVM (R4)
Phoebe Smith, DVM (R2)

Horsemanship Judges:
Patti Hicks (R4)
Sarah Rinne (R6)
Wayne Tolbert (R5)

Remember, apprenticing must be done with an approved judge who has agreed to judge and supervise an apprentice.

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trails with our activity base, regardless of our historical use, and we must learn to get out there and put some sweat equity into our trails. This holds a great deal more emphasis than just griping and complaining that we are losing trails. One example of an organization that is excellent in putting their shovels to the ground is Back Country Horsemen of America. Check out your local chapter or open one if you don’t have one!

Last, but not least, and certainly not all, get involved far before you have an issue come up. Keep abreast of the issues in your area, and be sure to have some representation at planning meetings or voice your opinion (nicely) when there are comment periods. If you can, try to keep your emotions out of it and look at the situation with logic. You will gain far more ground, literally, by keeping your cool.

The ONSR planning rule comment period is open until January 8th. To leave a comment, go to Ozark National Scenic Riverways Documents List to find the area where you can voice your opinion. Feel free to email me at ejacob716@gmail.com if you have further comments or questions regarding this topic :)

### NATRC 2013 Performance Scorecard

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| 56000 Trail Advocacy | 0       | 0      | 0           |
| Expenses             |         |        |             |
| 56500 Staff Expenses | 30948   | 30253  | 695         |
| 57000 Administrative  | 8340    | 8697   | -357        |
| 59000 Other Expense  | 49      | 20     | 29          |
| 59999 Investment     | 0       | 0      | 0           |
| Expense              |         |        |             |
| **Total Expenses**   | $61,433 | $69,091| $(7,658)    |
| **Net Operating Income** | $8,597 | $(1,086) | $9,683 |
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Call to Order by Kim Cowart, 8 a.m., November 9, 2013.

Roll Call. Dieterich, Meroshnekef, Walls, DeMattei, Sims, Peters, Swiss, Gould, Cowart, Clayton and Lindsey present. Rinne not present. Laurie DiNatale, Executive Administrator. Patsy Conner present as Judges Committee Co-Chair and Sanction Chair.


President’s Report. Cowart stated he chooses success for our organization. We have the talent to move forward. We need to work on retention of new members and volunteers. We have some great new Apprentice Judges in process. We need to look at maintaining quality judging.

Executive Administrator’s Report. DiNatale reported that the renewal process is in process. Current membership numbers will be reported in Swiss’s measurements report.

Secretary/treasurer’s Report. Swiss reviewed her report. NATRC is having a very good year financially. We are presently running at an $8,597 profit. BOO needs to think about investing in projects that will drive membership and rider numbers. We use Quickbooks online. This enables both Swiss and DiNatale to do online bookkeeping and provides added auditing capabilities with two people working on the books.

Social Media. Rinne, by phone. We now have a growing Facebook Group page. That page includes both member and non-member friends. Rinne screens the Facebook page for inappropriate postings. We need a protocol on what sponsors should expect in terms of Facebook exposure. This needs to be defined in the 2014 sponsor contracts.

By-laws & Rules. Lory Walls (Wayne Hyatt). For approved rule changes for 2014, see the Rules Report in Hoof Print. Below is a rule change proposal that was discussed and voted on, but not approved.

Change Page 4-3 Section 4C to Read
C. Distance Only (DO): outside of the competition
   1. Both horse and rider must ride DO.
   2. Horses and/or riders teams participating DO for any reason will be judged in all ride activities as are other competitors but will be eligible for mileage only.
   3. Horses and/or riders teams participating DO must obey all NATRC rules (except those exemptions specified in paragraphs 3-9 below) and any ride rules. The DO horse/rider team must ride in an acceptable manner and not disrupt the ride for other competitors.
   4. Horses may participate with or without boots (e.g. splint boots, bell boots) and/or the use of any temporary types of hoof protection.
   5. A rider may ride DO in any class or division in horsemanship.
   6. One day option: only available if both horse and rider are riding DO.
      a. The DO team has the option of riding one or two days of an ‘A’ CTR. When choosing to ride one day only, the team must ride the first day. A DO rider must notify ride management of their intent not to ride a second day after post ride examination, but before 8:00 m.
      b. The DO team will receive the standard mileage allotments for each day ridden. If the rider chooses to ride the second day, but does not complete that day, then no mileage will be awarded for either day.
   7. DO horses/riders will not count as a competitor in the Class.
   8. Any person or horse excluded from competing in Section 4 D1b of the rules (family members or horses owned by family of judges or Rules Interpreters) may enter the ride DO.
   9. Any rider or horse-and-rider combination excluded from competing in the Novice Division in Section 4 A2f of the rules (having five firsts, placing 3rd or higher, judges) may enter the ride DO in the Novice Division.
   10. Any horse ineligible to compete for awards may enter DO if said ineligibility in the opinion of the veterinary judge does not constitute a physical abuse of the horse.
   11. DO must be declared prior to the official start of the ride.

D. Horse Only
   1. Horses participating competing “Horse Only” will be judged in all ride activities.

The horse and rider must obey all NATRC and ride rules.

2. A horse competing “Horse Only” will count as a competitor (horse) in the Class entered.

3. A rider participating “Horse Only” will not be judged, placed, or count as a competitor (rider) in the Class. The rider will receive standard mileage allotment.

4. “Horse Only” must be declared prior to the official start of the ride.

Purpose: Flexible thinking- to provide a division where it is clear a rider can compete without being judged in horsemanship. Please note: there are some additions which have been suggested (in italics).

Motion by Walls, seconded by Lindsey, to approve HO section of proposal. Discussion. Dieterich felt that allowing HO with no horsemanship judging takes away from NATRC’s educational aspect and is inconsistent with our strategic plan. Clayton stated that DO already provides a way to ride and not be judged. HO was brought up during a brainstorming session in July. Swiss stated that after further thought, she felt that HO may run counter to our goals.

Lindsey felt that HO riders could learn from watching others, and riders coming from other organizations may prefer HO. Meroshnekef does not want to see HO detracting from NATRC’s educational aspect. Discussion on different wording on HO proposal. Lindsey felt that there are riders that don’t want to be judged on horsemanship. Dieterich stated that horsemanship judging is unique to NATRC. Peters felt that some people will not try the sport if they are going to be judged. Cowart stated that we already have DO in place which enables the rider not to be judged. Clarification on DO and HO. With HO the rider would not be judged or receive a score (Continued on page 24)
card. Meroshnekov felt that the motion should be tabled until we clarify our strategic plan. Motion by Meroshnekov, seconded by Walls, to table the motion. Dieterich asked that the rule change proposal be voted on then revisit if it is defeated. Meroshnekov withdrew her motion to table. Cowart felt that we need to educate the riders better on DO and how they do not have to be judged in horsemanship or receive a scorecard. Original question called on rule change proposal as presented. Motion defeated. Walls, Sims and Lindsey voted in favor.

Action item. Swiss suggested that we need more education via Judges Committee, Hoof Print and Management Committee regarding DO. Peters suggested that DO be clarified further in the Rulebook and on entries.

Policies and Procedures. Dieterich. Added section on Bev Roberts Award to P&P. Peters will be taking over the P&P in 2014. P&P is available on our website.

Protest. Clayton. No current Protests. We do have a drug violation which will be reviewed by the Protest Committee.

Planned Giving. Cowart and Swiss. Swiss reminded the BOD that our members need to know that NATRC is an option for donations. We need to develop the strategic plan before the planned giving plan is developed further. Swiss felt that donations were best made to Trail Development and Ride Manager Support. Other options might be CHA training and awards. Conner asked if Ride Manager Support could come in the form of monetary help in vet travel expenses. Bev Roberts is developing a card that can be sent to both the donor and the family of deceased.

Raffle. Swiss. The winning tickets will be drawn at the convention in Oklahoma City.

Media Advisory. Dieterich. Chair. Laurie Knuttila’s contract will be included in budget discussions.

Rules Interpreter. Peters. No big issues on RI reports.

Insurance. DiNatalie. No changes to report.

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Education. Dieterich has been working on the "new to NATRC" section of the website. She is also revising the Riders Manual. Format of the manual will need to be determined.

Membership. Jerry Sims. We have many non-members riding NATRC. Sims would like to see Regional Recruitment teams, which can provide personal contact with the non-members after they ride a ride. Those teams would be chaired by the National BOD members.

Sanction Revisited. Conner stated that many rides decrease their mileage because of steep and rugged terrain. Many rides are coming in at minimum mileage. The miles vary greatly, although all of our riders are getting credit for 20 miles per day for Novice/CP and 30 miles per day for Open. Conner wanted input on how much shortening of the trail she should allow for steep and rugged terrain. Lindsay suggested a minimum of 47 miles for two days of Open. Swiss felt that a minimum of 50 miles should be maintained. Discussion on how much the trail can be shortened for steep and rugged terrain. Consensus that Conner will need to deal with each case separately.


Dieterich reviewed Apprentice and Provisional Vet Judges.

Conner reviewed Apprentice and Provisional Horsemanship judges. Becky Rogers has completed her apprentice and provisional judging. Judges Committee recommends her approval. Motion by Swiss, seconded by Lindsey, to approve Becky Rogers as an NATRC Horsemanship Judge. Motion approved.

Sarah Rinne is in Apprentice status, with Priscilla Lindsey acting as her Mentor. Patti Hicks is in her apprenticeship, with Jean Green acting as her Mentor. Wayne Tolbert will be mentored by Kim Cowart.

Dieterich stated that she and Walls have been looking at scorecards to see if there is a correlation between horse and horsemanship comments. Different judges have different styles, strengths and weaknesses. We have an obligation to provide quality judging.

Conner and DiNatale audited two days of a CHA clinic. Conner raised the question of judging standards for NATRC. Cowart felt that our riders have every right to expect quality judging and to be able to know what will be expected of them. Cowart, Dieterich, Walls and Conner have created a statement asking all NATRC Horsemanship Judges to come to a consensus on judging guidelines. This would be a long term project. Cowart felt that this will also promote professionalism. Swiss asked if this will happen with the Vet Judges. Cowart stated that they will be pursuing this concept first with Horsemanship Judges.

Hall of Fame. Jackie Coleman. No report.

Student Loan/scholarships. DeMattei stated that there are no applications, but plenty of funds available.

Breed & Organization Liaisons.

A.H.A. Bob Insko. No report.

Breed Liaison. Lindsey stated that she will be contacting breed associations that we have reciprocal ad agreements with, asking them to re-new.

Honorary & Appreciation. Ruth Mesimer. Nominees for the three National Appreciation awards are AZ Triple Crown Rides, Jerry Sims, Shirley Brodersen, and Cindy Keen. A vote was taken and the three recipients will be Jerry Sims, Shirley Brodersen, and Cindy Keen.

Paula Riley was nominated for the Jim Menefee Lifetime Achievement Award. A ballot was taken. Paula Riley will be the recipient of this award.


Webinar. No report.


Regional Reports. Skipped due to time constraints.

Shared BOD amount $298.59.

Old Business:

1. RMS Status. Linda Clayton filed report.
3. President’s Cup award package. Covered previously.
4. Use of TM as pseudo trademark Consensus that Bev Roberts can do that.

New Business:

1. Election results.
   R1-Joe Pimentel-Director (2014-2016),
   R2-Mary Jo Malone-Director (2014-2016),
   R3-Sharon Roper-Alternate (2014-2016),
   R4-Jean Green-Alternate (2014-2016),

   R5-Kim Cowart-Director (2014-2016),
   R6-Sarah Rinne-Director (2014-2016),

   RMSF. Previously covered.
2. Location of 2014 July 12 and November 8 meetings. Motion by Lindsey, seconded by Swiss to hold meetings in Denver. Motion approved.
3. Elections.

   Motion by Dieterich, seconded by Meroshnekoff, to nominate Swiss for Treasurer. Motion by Walls, seconded by Lindsey, to close the nominations. Motion approved. Swiss elected by acclamation.

   Motion by Dieterich, seconded by Swiss, to nominate Rinne for Vice President. Motion by Lindsey, seconded by Peters, to close the nominations. Motion approved. Rinne elected by acclamation.

   Motion by Dieterich, seconded by Swiss, to nominate Cowart for President. Motion by Clayton, seconded by Walls, to close the nominations. Motion approved. Cowart elected by acclamation.

Cowart recognized and thanked Walls and Dieterich for their many years of service.

Motion by Cowart, seconded by Gould, to adjourn. Motion approved.

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The Rookie & The Veteran:
Arizona’s First Triple Crown Winning Team

By Cris Ballard

At the beginning of 2013, a dedicated team hosted a series of distance rides that took place in the San-Tan Regional Park, McDowell Mountain Park, the Bumble Bee Ranch. The team dubbed these rides the Arizona Triple Crown Rides. The goal of the team was to host at least three rides each year and award the AZ Triple Crown to the high-point horse and rider team that had competed in all three rides.

In 2013, Debbie Zinkl and Society Man’s Sunny Boy were crowned as the inaugural AZ Triple Crown winners. Having learned that Debbie has been competing in NATRC rides since 1977, it was not surprising that her years of experience would make her a natural contender for and winner of the Triple Crown rides. The surprising part was by his achievement. Having had plenty of time to recuperate since the last ride in March, he was very cooperative while being fitted with his winning cooler. Sunny seemed to know how handsome he looked while wearing the cooler and proudly posed for his photo session.

When asked if she was surprised to have won the AZ Triple Crown, Debbie said that she really was. The rigors of the Triple Crown rides may have been taking a toll on Sunny toward the end of the series, as he finished out of the ribbons at the final ride. Because of this, Debbie felt that she and Sunny were no longer in contention. Lucky for them, the winner was decided by the combined score of both horse and rider from all three rides and their score just edged out the other contenders.

Debbie has managed or volunteered at her fair share of rides in the past and welcomed the opportunity to be a competitor for a change when the Triple Crown Rides were offered. She was also interested in entering her newest horse in com-

A lot was learned from that ride, as well as the many rides and horses that followed, that helped Debbie to become the accomplished horsewoman that she is today. She attributes the friends and family-like atmosphere that the NATRC community engenders, as well as the opportunity to ride in different terrains, to her continued interest in, and support of, the sport. All of these things, together, helped Debbie to develop and train Sunny to create the winning combination they turned out to be after competing in Sunny’s first NATRC rides.

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petitive distance riding to see how he would respond. “I think I may have been the oldest competitor,” Debbie said. Saying that she isn’t sure how much time she may enjoy good health and the physical ability to do something like this three-ride series, Debbie wanted do this while she could and had the horse to do it.

When asked to reflect about how she prepared herself and Sunny for the Triple Crown Rides, Debbie stated that the most important thing is to insure that you and your horse are conditioned adequately. She went on to say that less-experienced riders may not know how or what it takes to do this but that experienced competitors are often more than willing to mentor new competitors in the nuances of competitive distance riding. A specific concern that Debbie recalls having about Sunny was how he would respond to the numerous, unfamiliar horses he would encounter on the trail that would be passing them and vice versa. She realized that she would also need to work more with Sunny so that he is more relaxed during the in-hand presentation with the judges. In general, however, Debbie expressed her satisfaction with how well Sunny responded to all of these new challenges.

Since the 2014 AZ Triple Crown Rides will be starting in January, Debbie was asked if she would be defending her crown in the coming year but she seemed to skirt the question. The closest she would come to committing to an answer was to say that she would like to enter one or two of the rides again but would like to ride in the Open division in the ride(s) she enters.

Despite the fact that Debbie felt her first ride was “a disastrous ride, weather wise,” she went on to say that, “the sport made an impression on me and I stayed with it.” Since then, she’s competed in NATRC rides for approximately 30 years and would highly recommend the sport to anyone who is interested in learning more about safely distance riding and camping with your horse. “There is a lot of information that people can find about the sport, how to prepare for a ride, how to condition their horse, or they can attend a clinic in their area,” Debbie went on to say. Another tool that NATRC rides provide to riders is direct, immediate feedback in the form of a copy of their score cards after the ride, which have the judge’s notes and comments written on them for the rider’s information.

The 2014 AZ Triple Crown Rides are just around the corner so mark your calendars!

Debbie and Sunny at one of the Triple Crown Rides

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How many of you know what a round up is?
In 2013 there were 303 loose “strays” (non-members) riding in our rides; they are strays we have to get in the pen. Three rides have not reported at this writing, so there are probably more strays.

Most of the rides use the Ride Management System (RMS) for ride data. The RMS tracks members and non-members if correct membership expiration information is entered by riders into their rider profile. However, as a privately owned and maintained system, it is not linked to our membership data base. This makes it difficult to track the non-members to see if they have joined NATRC.

I have asked each of the National Board of Directors to become a membership recruiting leader in their region. Each region then forms a recruiting team. Teams can be anyone in our membership; try to include those who are relatively new to NATRC because they have friends who are not members yet. Elaine Swiss, National Board member, reminded me,

“Our friends already belong to NATRC; we know few who we could ask to join. It is the newer members who have more friends who are not members of NATRC.”

The team will try to gather information on who is riding as a non-member before and/or during each ride. Ride Secretaries should have that information. The non-member could be contacted before or during the ride to find out if they have any questions or need any help at the ride. If the non-member information is not available from the Ride Secretary, then a list of non-members could be obtained through the National Office after the ride is processed. The database team member could then check the membership update list against their non-member rider database. This information is then sent to the recruiting team leader, who sends the information on to the team members who live in the stray’s (non-member’s) home area. Riders who have not joined can be contacted as follow-up. Follow ups are very important when you are gathering strays.

Then what? We pen ’em. We ask them to join. After all, it would be better for them to join the rest of the herd members; they are welcome in our pen; it is to their advantage. “They’re Gonna Learn Something.” We invite them for coffee, or to lunch, or to go riding, or to go to a Christmas party.

Some of the team is always at the rides where the strays are competing, and they could try to round them up there. Ask them to join. Make them feel welcome. Distribute our poster, “You’re Gonna Learn Something” along with other posters about rides and clinics.

I asked my Grandson the other day, “If you had to go out and advertise the Boy Scouts to get new members, how would you do it?” His answer, “I would gather up scout members and go out into the public and do something so they could see us. I would try to attract attention.”

Clinics attract attention. We don’t have to charge much, we have so much to give, and we attract new members.

It is up to all of us to move NATRC to the next level. If you want something bad enough, you will work hard enough to get it. The 2014 ride season round up begins, and it will be a better place for the strays since the rest of the herd makes the strays feel welcome. The strays want to feel good about joining; they want to fit in with the herd. They want to be part of the family.

Welcome New Members

Region 1
Peter Tira
Megan Smith
Leah Tintinger

Region 2
Sharon Noake

Region 4
Maddie Hebert
Brooke Miller
Sharon McCullough

Region 5
Nancy Hart
Kristen Gray

Region 6
Jennifer Fischer
Riders travel at different speeds, stop at different times and encounter other trail users all the time. Courtesy goes a long way in making the outing enjoyable for everyone! Here are some tips:

Passing Other Horses and Riders
- Always make your presence and intent known to the rider you are overtaking. Do not gallop or charge up behind other riders. Slow down, make sure the rider in front has control, and then ask to pass, telling the rider on which side you intend to pass, right or left. Say something like, “May I pass you on the left?” The rider in front of you may want to pull off the trail first, so wait for the rider to answer your request.
- After passing another rider, move on down the trail far enough to not interfere with the horse and rider. Horses usually slow down once they are in front, so the horse that may have been rushing along behind another team, may suddenly slow down and hinder the progress of the passed team once in front.

Passing Pedestrians
- Always make your presence known before you get close to the person(s). They may not hear you approaching. This is especially important if a hiker(s) has a tall backpack and does not look like a “human” to “old Dobbin.” Getting the hiker(s) to say something reassures your horse that these are indeed humans.
  - They’ll appreciate not be startled.
  - Some will have dogs with them and will want to corral them before you get close.
- Most hikers will move to the side of the trail when they know you are approaching, to let you pass. If not, ask them to do so for your safety and theirs.

Meeting Motorized Vehicles
- As soon as you see someone approaching, wave so they will wave back thus acknowledging that they have seen you.
- Most bikers will move to the side of the trail and turn off their engines to let you pass.
- If you are on a hillside, pass on the high side of the trail. Should something startle your horse, you are less likely to plunge over the edge and down the hillside.
- When passing, be sure to smile and thank the bikers for stopping and turning off their engines.
- If you encounter someone who doesn’t know trail etiquette when meeting horses, stop, signal them to stop (flat of the hand against facing them) and cut their engines (slitting your throat move with your hand). As you are passing the stopped vehicle(s), you have the opportunity to explain trail etiquette to them and thank them for their courtesy.
- If you encounter someone who has no regard for etiquette or your signals and keeps coming, especially if your horse is NOT used to the type of vehicle approaching, this is not the time for a training session, dismount and lead your horse off trail (or ride off trail and dismount) and steady your horse.

Meeting Other Horses and Riders
On a narrow trail, if those approaching are a larger group than your own, find a place to pull off the trail and stop so they can pass by. It never hurts to chat with them, too, so everyone is relaxed.

Meeting Pedestrians
- As soon as you see someone approaching, holler “hi” so they will say “hi” back and your horse can identify them as “humans”, especially if they have tall back packs.
- Most hikers will move to the side of the trail when they know you are approaching to let you pass. If not, ask them to do so for your safety and theirs.

Watering
- At water spots on the trail, do not crowd other horses and riders. Ask if it’s ok to move up and water beside another horse.
- Wait at the water hole until the other horse finishes drinking before you ride off.

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**Election Results**

The following people have been elected or reelected to the NATRC National Board Of Directors. Elections were held in November 2013.

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**Robber’s Route Drug Violation Report**

It was determined that a competitor’s horse at the Robber’s Route CTR October 4-5, 2013, was found to contain phenylbutazone and its metabolite, oxyphenbutazone in the following concentrations:

- Phenylbutazone: 11.9 micrograms / ml
- Oxyphenbutazone: 1.3 micrograms /ml

NATRC rules do not allow horses to compete under the influence of medication.

NATRC Rule Book Section 7.A. states:

A. General Provisions:

1. Purpose: The purpose of this rule against the use of Prohibited Substances or Prohibited Treatments in equines during NATRC rides is both to protect the equines from harm and to ensure fair competition. Equines should compete under their natural abilities without the influence of any drug, medication or veterinary treatment. 2. Prohibited Substances or Prohibited Treatments as defined in this Rule shall not be administered to or used in an equine competing in a NATRC ride. No equine in which a Prohibited Substance or its metabolite is present shall compete, regardless of when the Prohibited Substance was administered to it.

Further:

NATRC Rule Book: Section 5.C.6. states:

6. The ride constitutes implied consent for drug testing.

A committee was formed pursuant to Section 7.E.3.c. and Section 8.E.1. The committee reviewed all pertinent information before making a decision to disqualify the horse. In correspondence with the committee, the owner (who was not the rider) admitted that packages of feed prepared for the ride could have gotten mixed up with feed prepared for another horse on medication at her barn.

The committee considered, 6.E.1: “A horse and rider, for the purpose of disqualification, are considered a team. Disqualification of one automatically constitutes the disqualification of the other.” As a result, the rider is also disqualified. The committee realizes that the rider may not have been aware that drugs were administered.

Gary Clayton, Protest Committee Chairman
# Jackson Forest A

8/17-18/2013 Region 1-CA  
A-O/N/CP Total Riders: 18  
Chair: Steve Meroshnekoff  
Judges: Carol Meschter DVM, Bev Barmettler  
Novice Sweepstakes: Shayla/Ikerd, Maleah-89  
Open Sweepstakes: Kaylee/Johnson, Karlie-93

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# Jackson Forest B

8/17/2013 Region 1-CA  
B-N Total Riders: 8  
Chair: Steve Meroshnekoff  
Judges: Carol Meschter DVM, Bev Barmettler  
Novice Sweepstakes: Lola/Johnson, Kirsten-97

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# Pilchuck

9/28/2013 Region 1-WA  
B-O/N/CP Total Riders: 7  
Chair: Kathryn Lewandowsky  
Judges: Patrick Regier DVM, Lory Walls  
Novice Sweepstakes: Amazing Spider/Reiter, Kristen-96  
Open Sweepstakes: Desert Reinbeau/Meroshnekoff, Angie-96

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**RAHA Rally**
10/19/2013 Region 2-CA  
B-O/N/CP Total Riders: 10  
Chair: Carrie Garufis  
Judges: Kimberly Sargent DVM, Karel Waugh  
Novice Sweepstakes: QCA Sonrey/Carl, Becky-91  
Open Sweepstakes: Kenya Riverlee/Stems, Lynda-95  
Novice Lightweight  
1/1 Ramius SH/Housh, Shelley  
2/2 Shiloh/Fowler, Marty  
Novice Heavyweight  
1/1 QCA Sonrey/Carl, Becky  
P Havana Love Apha/Sidelerman, Lisa  
P Genius Northern Tuxedo/Sidelerman, Carlos  
Open Lightweight  
1/1 Kenya Riverlee/Stems, Lynda  
Novice Junior  
1/1 RA Chloe/Williams, Caden  
Competitive Pleasure  
1/2 Patient Laddie/Malone, Mary Jo  
2/1 Smokey Sedona/Kafka, Karen  
P Andarko/Walls, Lory  

**SYVAHA Sage Hill A**  
11/2-3/2013 Region Two-CA  
A-O/N/CP Total Riders: 24  
Chair: Kathy Stegman  
Judges: Mike Peralez DVM, Karel Waugh  
Novice Sweepstakes: Gold King Fritz/Wasielewski, Lisa-85  
Open Sweepstakes: Sierra Sunshine/Stidolph, Donna-81  
Open Lightweight  
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2/1 Cache Kahill El Jamall/McFarlane, Kathy  
Novice Lightweight  
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P Camulet/Mendenhall, Lena  
P Silver Samurai/Barnes, Kris  
SyvaHA Sage Hill B  
11/2/2013 Region 2-CA  
B-N Total Riders: 9  
Chair: Kathy Stegman  
Judges: Mike Peralez DVM, Karel Waugh  
Novice Sweepstakes: HMA Shahtahr/Fleet, Jennifer-93  
Novice Heavyweight  
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Novice Lightweight  
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5/1 RA Calla Lily/Manor, GraceAnn  
6/5 Dakota/Firpo, Denise  

**Chokecherry Canyon**  
9/21-22/2013 Region 3-NM  
A-O/N/CP Total Riders: 37  
Chair: Tammi Cumberworth  
Judges: Joe Quintana DVM, Patsy Conner  
Novice Sweepstakes: Cadence/Tucker, Nicole-95  
Open Sweepstakes: Awesomes Fire N Ice/Wolgram, Ken-98  
Open Heavyweight  
1/1 Awesomes Fire N Ice/Wolgram, Ken  
2/5 Mariah/Wingle, Bill  
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5/6 Bookcliff Mountain Fire/Bingham, Kenneth  
6/2 Doc/Emond, Boyd  
Open Lightweight  
1/1 Phantoms Masquerade/Lane, Roxann  
2/3 GE Spartan/Jarrett, Cheryl  
3/2 Slicks Bar-B-Doll/Wingle, Diane  
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1/2 Cadence/Tucker, Nicole  
2/6 Lite Foot Slow Poke/Arnett, Leona  
3/1 My Mojo/Milewski, Teresa  
4/ Tuff/Horne, John  
5/5 Big Mac’s My My/Wylie, Karen  
6/ Cats Flashy Feather/Hensley, Perry  
/3 Lefty/Guthrie, Jan  
/4 Thunder/Lewis, Donna  
Novice Lightweight  
1/1 Dash of Quick Silver/Simons, Sandie  
CO RR Skye Robyn/Chaffee, Diane  
CO Rocky Top II/Koons, Pam  
Competitive Pleasure  
1/5 Turner’s Wild Card/Ward, Lin  
2/3 Gen’s Rockin Shadow/Ward, Jim  
3/1 Nathan Arizona/Sims, Beth  
4/2 CRR Boot Scootin/Roper-Dashner, Sharon  
5/ Power Steering/Wilber, Patti  
6/ Precious Easy Aces/Bingham, Kerry  
4/ Autumn/Black, Michelle  
6/ Hispano Aria/Whitman, Benedikte  
Tres Beau/Poullon, Jennifer  
Ros Jabez/Dashner, Dave  
Rambler’s Danny Rose/Carmen, Jody  
Summer/Wolgram, Betty  
Babydoll’s Spotted Man/Miller-Inman, Linell  
P Rockin E.Z. Raven/Ansell, Steve  
P Tonight’s Top Story/Schick, Marcia  
Competitive Pleasure DO  
Rock’n E.Z. Rey/Sims, Jerry  

**Ride Results**

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**Wimberley Wayfarer A**
9/7-8/2013 Region 4-TX
A-O/N/CP Total Riders: 31
Chair: Elaine Swiss
Judges: Carter Hounsel DVM, Becky Rogers
Novice Sweepstakes: Razmazta DBA/Bass, Carla Jo-99
Open Sweepstakes: RPH Queso/Hicks, Patti-96

**Open Heavyweight**
1/1 A Shirazz/Ambrose, Yvonne
P Ojala ArielMoon/Edmondson, Cheryl
P First Rayt Investment/Gould, Larry

**Novice Lightweight**
1/1 Taqua Chance/Miller, Dolly
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7/3 Sundance Shaklana/Davis, Pat
P Kayro/Davis, Ashley
P Yippee Ki-Yay/Hester, Christi
P LuckyMan/Barton, Bobbie
P Taqua Chance/Miller, Dolly

**Robbers Route A**
10/5-6/2013 Region 4-OK
A-O/N/CP Total Riders: 28
Chair: Becky Rogers
Judges: Mike Peralez DVM, Jean Green, Sarah Rinne-Arpttice
Novice Sweepstakes: Razmazta DBA/Bass, Carla Jo-91
Open Sweepstakes: Diamond's Sassy Stockings/Keene, James-89

**Robbers Route B**
10/5/2013 Region 4-OK
B-CP Total Riders: 1
Chair: Becky Rogers
Judges: Mike Peralez DVM, Jean Green, Sarah Rinne-Arpttice

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### Horsemasters Benefit A

**10/19-20/2013 Region 4-TX**

**A-O/N/CP Total Riders:** 29  
Chair: Larry Gould  
Judges: Darlene Wehr DVM, Shirley Parker

**Novice Sweepstakes:** Express's Ghost D/McCullough, Sharon-95.5  
Open Sweepstakes: Heza Trouble Makin' Buddy/Happgood, Kris-97.5

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### Horsemasters Benefit B

**10/19/2013 Region 4-TX**

**B-CP Total Riders:** 10  
Chair: Larry Gould  
Judges: Darlene Wehr DVM, Shirley Parker

**Competitive Pleasure**

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### Last Chance at the OK Corral

**11/2-3/2013 Region 4-OK**

**A-O/N/CP Total Riders:** 42  
Chair: Leona Harris  
Judges: Darlene Wehr DVM, Frank Keeran

**Novice Sweepstakes:** Juan Mighty Duke/Ambrose, Yvonne-97.5  
Open Sweepstakes: Frontgate Phoenix/Rinne, Sarah-99.5

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### Ride Results

#### Region 5

**Ride the Edge A**

9/14-15/2013 Region 5-TN  
A-O/N/CP Total Riders: 21  
Chair: Wayne Tolbert  
Judges: Donna Johnson DVM, Kathy Shanor  
Novice Sweepstakes: Lexus Golden Tie L/Dukes, Mary-97.5  
Open Sweepstakes: Flash of Lightening/Moulis, Jameson-97  

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**Ride the Edge B**

9/14/2013 Region 5-TN  
B-N/CP Total Riders: 18  
Chair: Wayne Tolbert  
Judges: Donna Johnson DVM, Kathy Shanor  
Novice Sweepstakes: Beau/Games, Sherry-98  

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### Heart of Dixie A

9/21-22/2013 Region 5-AL  
Chair: Tammy Lineback  
Judges: Heather Raynack DVM, Becky Rogers  
Novice Sweepstakes: Mariah's Secret/ Riley, Leigh-100  
Open Sweepstakes: Swiss Mocha/ Riley, Paula-97  

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### Heart of Dixie B

9/21/2013 Region 5-AL  
B-O/N/CP Total Riders: 17  
Chair: Tammy Lineback  
Judges: Heather Raynack DVM, Becky Rogers  
Novice Sweepstakes: Jerry's Melody/Pendleton, Lydia-99  
Open Sweepstakes: Thee Vandal/ Nielsen, Emily-93  

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### Shoal Creek A
10/12-13/2013 Region 5-AL  
A-O/N/CP Total Riders: 24  
Chair: Paula Riley  
Judges: Heather Raynack DVM, Richard Stone  
Novice Sweepstakes: Prime Sensation WH/Findley, Martha-94  
Open Sweepstakes: Mariah’s Secret/Riley, Leigh-99  

#### Open Heavyweight
1/1 Goodnight’s Masterpiece/Clayton, Gary  
P Song/Ostrowski, Stephanie  
3/4 Raisin the Roof/Daniels, Michelle  
5/5 Thee Vandal/Nielsen, Emily  

#### Open Lightweight
1/1 Prime Sensation WH/Findley, Martha  
2/3 Swissoch/Clayton, Gary  
4/2 Prime Sensation WH/Ostrowski, Stephanie  
5/6 HP Twin Blue/Long, Amy  

#### Novice Sweepstakes
1/1 Mariah’s Secret/Riley, Leigh  
3/1 Sunny Georgia/Lucas, Patty  

#### Novice Lightweight
1/1 Dusty Nickle/Crutchfield, Julianne  
2/4 Prime Sensation WH/Moulis, Jameson  
3/5 Swiss Mocha/Riley, Paula  

#### Novice Heavyweight
1/1 PH Twin Blue/Long, Amy  
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#### Novice Junior
1/1 Nobles’ Secret/Findley, Amy  
2/1 Zarita/Snyder, B.J.  
5/2 Tommys Impresssve/Avery, Catalonia  

#### Competitive Pleasure
1/1 Dakota’s Dark Knight/Hardin, Kathy  
3/1 Lexus Golden Tie/Johnson, Payton  
5/2 Texas/Murray, Alyssa  
6/1 DIA Icon/Mount, Janell  

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### Shoal Creek B
10/12/2013 Region 5-AL  
B-N/CP Total Riders: 6  
Chair: Paula Riley  
Judges: Heather Raynack DVM, Richard Stone  
Novice Sweepstakes: Barbie/Gray, Kristen-96  

#### Novice Sweepstakes
1/1 Barbie/Gray, Kristen  
2/1 PH Twin Blue/Long, Amy  
3/2 Dusty Dawn’s Little Lady/Ault, Carol  
4/5 Raisin the Roof/Daniels, Michelle  

#### Novice Lightweight
1/1 Sunny Georgia/Lucas, Patty  
2/4 Alena Rae/Rogers, Andrea  
3/3 Swiss Mocha/Riley, Paula  

#### Novice Heavyweight
1/1 Larry’s Little Lady/Ault, Carol  
2/1 PH Twin Blue/Long, Amy  

#### Novice Junior
1/1 Nobles’ Secret/Findley, Amy  
3/1 Sunny Georgia/Lucas, Patty  
5/2 Dusty Nickle/Crutchfield, Julianne  

#### Competitive Pleasure
1/1 Barbie/Gray, Kristen  
2/1 PH Twin Blue/Long, Amy  
3/1 Lexus Golden Tie/Johnson, Payton  
5/2 Texas/Murray, Alyssa  
6/1 DIA Icon/Mount, Janell  

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### Kings Mountain
11/2-3/2013 Region 5-SC  
A-O/N/CP Total Riders: 41  
Chair: Mike Bridges  
Judges: Carrie Porter DVM, Patsy Conner  

#### Open Junior
1/1 Flash of Lightening/Moulis, Jameson  

#### Open Heavyweight
1/1 Goodnight’s Masterpiece/Clayton, Gary  
2/2 Mary Jane/Ault, Carol  
3/3 Swiss Mocha/Baldwin, Sara  

#### Open Lightweight
1/1 Prime Sensation WH/Findley, Martha  
2/5 Loco Motion/Baldwin, Sara  
3/3 Swiss Mocha/Riley, Paula  

#### Novice Sweepstakes
1/1 Nobles’ Secret/Findley, Amy  
2/1 Philipp’s Secret/Spencer, Susan  

#### Novice Lightweight
1/1 Nobles’ Secret/Findley, Amy  
2/1 Philipp’s Secret/Spencer, Susan  
3/1 Sunny Georgia/Lucas, Patty  

#### Novice Heavyweight
1/1 Nobles’ Secret/Findley, Amy  
2/1 Philipp’s Secret/Spencer, Susan  

#### Novice Junior
1/1 Nobles’ Secret/Findley, Amy  
2/1 Philipp’s Secret/Spencer, Susan  
3/1 Sunny Georgia/Lucas, Patty  

#### Competitive Pleasure
1/1 Nobles’ Secret/Findley, Amy  
2/1 Philipp’s Secret/Spencer, Susan  
3/1 Sunny Georgia/Lucas, Patty  

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### “What lies behind us and what lies before us are tiny matters compared to what lies within us.”  
- Ralph Waldo Emerson
## Ride Results

### Dave Smith Fall Fiesta A
9/14-15/2013 Region 6/IA  
A-O/N/CP Total Riders: 34  
Chair: Karen Glock  
Judges: Kate Jacob DVM, Priscilla Lindsey  
Novice Sweepstakes: Mary Jane/Seguin, Kristen-99  
Open Sweepstakes: Awesomes Fire N Ice/Wolgram, Ken-100

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### Ne-Kota Turkey Trot
9/28-29/2013 Region 6-NE  
A-O/N/CP Total Riders: 24  
Chair: Shari Parys  
Judges: Kay Gunckel DVM, Frank Keeran  
Novice Sweepstakes: Bartending For Money/Vasa, John-99  
Open Sweepstakes: Phantoms Masquerade/Lane, Roxann-99

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10/12/2013 Region 6-NE  
A-O/N/CP-Total Riders: 34  
Chair: Sarah Rinne  
Judges: Jerry Weil DVM, Cheri Jeffcoat  
Novice Sweepstakes: Easy Wind Dancer/Coon, Laura-97.5  
Open Sweepstakes: Princess Dina/Payne, Debbie-100

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### Region 6

#### Dave Smith Fall Fiesta B
9/14/2013 Region 6/IA  
B-N Total Riders: 3  
Chair: Karen Glock  
Judges: Kate Jacob DVM, Priscilla Lindsey  
Novice Sweepstakes: Silver Nugget Dream/Schieffer, Denise-99

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#### Competitive Trail Riding -
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### Region Six Benefit A

10/26-27/2013 Region 6-KS  
A-O/N/CP Total Riders: 26  
Chair: Erin Glassman  
Judges: Jerry Weil DVM, Frank Keeran  
Novice Sweepstakes: Dun Come Unzipped/Reynolds, Margaret-97.5  
Open Sweepstakes: Princess Dina/Payne, Debbie-100  

**Open Heavyweight**  
1/2 Awesome Fire N Ice/Wolgram, Ken  
2/6 Touch's Yeller Gold/Inman, Gary  
3/3 Diamond's Sassy Stockings/Keene, James  
4/4 My Knightmare/White, Vickie  
5/ Nikita's Chilli Sensation WH/Hinkebein, William  
6/5 L.L.Remington/Marston, Marilyn  
/1 Frontgate Phoenix/Rinne, Sarah  

**Open Lightweight**  
1/1 Princess Dina/Payne, Debbie  
2/2 Heza Trouble Makin' Buddy/Hapgood, Kris  
3/4 Cito Mocha Raton/Cleveland, Trish  
4/3 PS Sabres Sun/Everhart-Valentin, Kira  

**Novice Heavyweight**  
1/2 KS Bluestem Lady Liberty/Hanson, Mary  
2/1 Lethal Status/Ankersen, Sharron  
3/6 Silver Valley Tate/Hanson, Dwight  
4/3 Bartending For Money/Vasa, Tammy  
5/00 RM Savannas Hope/Everhart, Karen  
6/4 Windy/Vasa, John  
/5 Tempra/Barton, Bobbie  

**Novice Lightweight**  
1/1 Dun Come Unzipped/Reynolds, Margaret  
2/2 Little Jet Fuel/West, Sharon  
3/3 SC Akil Gassur/Brinck, Travis  

**Competitive Pleasure**  
1/1 Sir Timothy Gold APJ/Andre, Tamara  
2/2 Mika/Paray, Shari  
3/5 DJ Maverick/Lysinger, Patricia  
4/3 Babydoll's Spotted Man/Miller-Inman, Linell  
5/4 Summer/Wolgram, Betty  

### Region Six Benefit B

10/26/2013 Region 6-KS  
B-N Total Riders: 1  
Chair: Erin Glassman  

**Novice Sweepstakes:** LuckyMan/Wahl, Kimi-95.5  

**Novice Heavyweight**  
1/1 LuckyMan/Wahl, Kimi  

**Novice Lightweight**  
1/1 LuckyMan/Wahl, Kimi  

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Horse Name____________________________ Region____

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Horse Name____________________________ Region____

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Rider Name____________________________ Region____

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