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in Region 4.

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- Being kind and courteous to others

President's Message

Do you folks play the “remember when” game with your friends, or sometimes just with yourself? Usually it’s a bit of nostalgia centered around remembering special times, or it can also take the slant of remembering less difficult times, or less productive times, or less fulfilling times. So, lately I’ve been asking myself “remember when you did not have NATRC stuff to do every day?” And myself answers back, “well, no....”

It has been my privilege to serve as President of NATRC for the last four years, and although this has kept me busy and often in the midst of difficult decision making, I will truly miss what this role has brought and will wistfully remember when. It has indeed been fulfilling, and hopefully at some point will look productive ☺.

NATRC has phenomenal and dedicated volunteers who define and embody the term “service,” and I am blessed to have gotten a chance to share our sport with such a cooperative bunch. When I judge a ride, there are times I single out individuals to recognize their excellence because, well, they were excellent! So I want to single out some folks here whose unwavering examples of service embody the spirit of NATRC.

Laurie DiNatale wasn’t just my Executive Administrator---she was a friend, advisor, confidant, and above all an advocate for dealing with all parties in all situations in the kindest manner possible.

Jamie Dietrich is NATRC’s behind the scenes energizer bunny who has a seemingly endless supply of time and energy for us. The amount of work she does is extraordinary, and I cringe to think of how much of her personal time she gives up for this sport she so loves.

Dr. Greg Fellers is a staunch supporter of NATRC’s stated goals for sound veterinary judging and

care for the horse as well as recognizing the need for our competitions to reward the soundest and fittest horses if our judging is to be credible.

Lori Rand came on the NBOD as a fellow representative from R5 and has proven herself to be an extraordinary “go to” person for projects and problems. When I say I need something, she is halfway done before I get through describing what I want!

Bev Roberts never fails to deliver, and deliver quickly.

And Sarah Rinne, NATRC Vice-President for 3 years and now our Executive Administrator, has been the definition of “right hand person”. Her wise counsel and support for NATRC never waivers, and her professionalism sets an example for all of us.

There are certainly many more folks I have depended upon and whom I have watched so selflessly serve NATRC, and I sincerely appreciate all of you committee chairs, committee persons, ride managers, judges, secretaries, ride volunteers, mentors, and those who serve in any capacity they are able.

For those of you who encouraged and supported my suggested efforts for improvement the last four years, I thank you. And for those who did not particularly support all I endeavored on behalf of NATRC, I thank you as well. Because from you folks I truly learned the most. You required me to constantly look at all situations from all perspectives and listen closely to each and every person. Thank you for holding me to that.

“The wind cannot uproot a tree with strong roots”...I heard a similar phrase somewhere and jotted it down because it seems so applicable to NATRC. Our stated Mission, Vision, and Philosophies are our roots. They have served to help us hold on in a world of swirling winds

of change. It is true that change is inevitable, inexorable, and relentless. However, being grounded with strong roots allows us to bend with the winds, sway with the winds, shake and twist with the winds, and when the storm dies we may look a little different, yet we are still standing. If we abandon our core values, we are in essence chopping loose our anchor, severing our roots and abandoning NATRC to strong winds.

NATRC requires a lot of hard work. And it’s no big secret I feel that is where our value comes from. You work hard, you achieve. You work hard, you succeed. You work hard and you are rewarded with a sense of personal satisfaction, self-confidence, and a challenge overcome. So in exchange for that hard work you have every right to expect quality, integrity, credibility, consistency and professionalism from your NATRC.

Once you’ve found yourself a part of the NATRC family, you will find that yes, here is a group of folks that share similar values and a similar vision for what brings meaning to your life. That sharing, even while acknowledging our occasional differences, is the glue that binds. So, Come Ride With US. Take Pride in Your Ride and help NATRC do what it does so well...make Better Riders for Better Horses. Happy Trails to you all. Thank you for the opportunity.



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Friday, February 17 - Fun!

Morning: The day begins with stories written by Angie McGhee from her book "The Lighter Side of Endurance Riding". The hilarious similarities between our two sports make for a great start to the day. After a short break, the six regions of NATRC will compete in Equine Jeopardy. Marty Findley and Debbie Jones will provide the entertainment and award the prizes.

12:30 - 4:30: Chattanooga Sightseeing Excursions - choose one of two - or just visit and socialize in the hotel.

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Evening: In the hotel join Jean Abernethy for The Life and Times of the World's Most Popular Cartoon Equine, Fergus, and his adventures at his first NATRC ride. Then relax with Region 5 on the patio for refreshments and Old Time Mountain Music with The Trail Buddies.

Saturday, February 18 - Focus!

Morning: Seminars

"Through The Eyes Of An Equestrian", Becky Pearman of Smugmug Photography: Becky has been photographing equine events for over 20 years. Her experience shows through when we are fortunate enough to have her come to our NATRC competitions. As the official photographer for the World Equestrian Conference in France in 2014, she shares some of her tips and suggestions for taking photographs of our equine partners.

"The Riding Doctor", Beth Glosten, MD author of "The Riding Doctor": A prescription for healthy, balanced, beautiful riding, now and for years to come. The exercises and stretches presented will be valuable, but most impressive is what she stresses as Mental Focus. "Come to the ride prepared to fulfill your role as your horse's leader (benevolent alpha) prepared to commit positive and unwavering attention to the job at hand. It means that you recognize the importance of the practice-continuous awareness of our body position and your horse's movements." We'll have chairs, exercise balls, balance platforms and bands available for participation in hands-on demonstrations.

"Wrapping Your Mind Around Trail Obstacles", Cheri Jeffcoat, Horsemanship Judge, 2010 President's Cup, NATRC Past President : Cheri continues to instruct riders through clinics in Tennessee and Alabama following her move to Region 5 in 2016. In her topic, she shares the technique of controlling your mental and physical approach to performing trail obstacles (opportunities) during competition. She may give you some additional pointers to practice with your horse at home to create a smooth transition throughout the "opportunity."

"Don't Lose Your Mind In A Crisis", Andrew Murray, Captain of the East Rome Fire Dept., NATRC Competitor and Board Member: Andrew also works for the City of Oak Ridge Fire Department Rescue and Emergency Medical Services. His topic could make the difference between saving your horse (and preventing permanent injury) or doing further damage in an emergency.

Afternoon (3:15): Video Presentation - **"The Legacy of NATRC"**, a showcase of the history of NATRC through video.

Evening: The National Awards Banquet and Ceremony highlighting all of the amazing accomplishments of our members and their equine partners, plus the Riding Warehouse Gift Certificates' raffle drawing.

Sunday, February 19 - Region 5!

Morning: Region 5 Awards Ceremony - a wonderful celebration of the accomplishments of those competing in Region 5.

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Breed Awards and Breed Associations

By Terry Silver, NATRC Breed Association Liaison

Every year I talk with a number of NATRC "Partner" breed associations about how very important it is to a "high point" horse owner to be recognized by their respective breed association for their horse's accomplishments in NATRC. I ask them to again sponsor an award for their breed's "high point" horse.

Only too often, various breed associations tell me that they would love to sponsor an award, but either the owner/rider is not a member, dues are not current, and/or the registration of the horse was not transferred. It is the breed associations that determine the award sponsorship.

If your breed association does not sponsor an award or does not know about NATRC, the contact and communication must start with you as a rider/member of that particular breed association. It is up to you to ask them to work with us. It is hard for a breed association to sponsor an award when they have not heard from their members. I have found that many breed associations have trail programs where your mileage is recorded for competitions for year-end awards. Please check on NATRC's website under the "Partners" heading for those breed associations already involved with NATRC.

NATRC needs the sponsorships of the breed associations as much as the various breed associations need NATRC. It is a win-win situation for all; the breed associations promote and market NATRC, showing the versatility of their breed, and NATRC shows that any breed can compete in distance and trail challenges.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me, Terry Silver, at Turquoisehorses@aol.com

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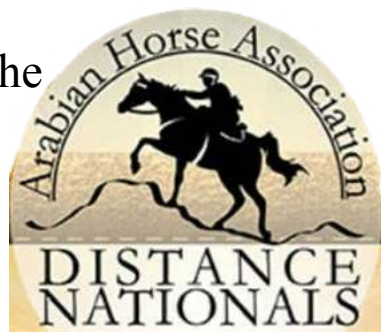
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TA Kaiser+, owned and ridden by NATRC Region 4 member, Deanne Prusak, and TR Olena, owned and ridden by Region 1 member and former NATRC judge, Terry Reed, took Purebred Reserve Champion and Purebred Champion, respectively, at the Arabian Horse Association (AHA) Distance Nationals held in Vinita, OK on September 22-23, 2016.

AHA CTR's are very similar to NATRC's in that all the riders must ride the same pace and finish within a 30-minute window or else be penalized, or disqualified if more than 30 minutes over maximum allowed time. The judging is based on metabolic and soundness criteria determined by vets and also by several pulse checks. AHA rides differ in that there are no obstacles, there is no horsemanship judging, the mileage is longer (70 miles in two days), and the pace faster.

Says Prusak, "I had never ridden that far before - the furthest being 30 miles a day at the AHA regional CTR last year which qualified Kaiser for the nationals. I wasn't sure we could do the longer trail, especially maintaining the faster pace. Typically, in NATRC the Open pace is usually around 5 mph. The AHA National CTR was set a lot faster, essentially trotting the whole way; no room for missing trail, mistakes, or wasting time for anything.

"People attended from all over. One camp neighbor was a woman from California, Terry Reed, who drove 2000 miles to compete in the CTR. She was a professional trainer and had been an NATRC judge. Her horse was in a league of its own. She looked just like a racehorse, no fat, all muscle, incredible animal. Terry did 50-mile endurance rides on her and she also completed the Tevis Cup. I just looked at that mare and thought oh...my...what are we doing here with

this caliber of competition!

"We finished the entire ride and Kaiser was in great shape, so I was happy! Kaiser got second place, being beaten by that incredible California horse. He won a gorgeous bronze trophy, a top ten embroidered wool blanket, a Reserve ribbon, a Sweepstakes ribbon, a water bottle and mug. I received a silver bracelet for completion. Being Sweepstakes nominated on his papers means he will win some money for this achievement. And what made it extra special was the President of AHA, Cynthia Richardson, specifically flew out to the ride to give out the awards for the CTR. It was a lovely moment to be rewarded for all our hard work."



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Deanne Prusak and TA Kaiser+, 2016 AHA Reserve Champion Competitive Trail Horse. Kaiser also accumulated enough points at the Distance Nationals to earn his AHA Legion of Honor Achievement Award and the right to display the "+" symbol after his name.



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Terry Reed and TR Olena, AHA Champion Competitive Trail Horse. Olena went on to win Reserve Champion in the Endurance 50 Mile. Olena also was awarded AHA Best Condition & furthermore Overall Best Condition - Highest Score of all 4 Championships (Purebred, Half Arab, Appaloosa & AERC Open).



**By Kimberly Murphy,
Management Chair**

As you plan and prepare to hold your 2017 ride, you will need to do a bit of "Spring Cleaning" of your ride boxes and folders. We have made changes and updates to several forms and document resources for the new season.

- With Sarah Rinne taking the helm as our new Executive Administrator, any documents bearing the NATRC address have been changed to reflect the new location in Beatrice, NE.
- The old "Ride Packet Checklist" sent with the scorecards has been replaced with the "Management Instructions and Ride Packet Checklist". It has been updated/ revised to be more in line with current procedures as well as the updates that had been made to the Management Manual.
- The Scorecards themselves have been updated to include places to

record the CRI. The types of rides now include B1 and B2 etc. Please use up any old scorecards you have on hand before requesting new ones from National for this season.

- The [Management Checklist](#), [Scorecard Instructions](#), and [Rules Interpreter Ride Report](#) on the website have all been updated/ revised. Be sure to refresh the page to see/download the current files for your ride.
- The [Awards Sheets](#) have had a much needed update as well. You will find that the Horsemanship Awards sheets now list the rider's name first, and the horse's name is first on the Horse Awards sheets. We have also added shaded boxes for calculating the optional CP Combo Award, and a section for listing any other optional awards. I believe you will find these changes to be very helpful for announcing the awards at the end of a long ride weekend.

If you have questions, comments, or suggestions on these or any other ride management resources, please feel free to contact the national office. As ride management staff, your knowledgeable feedback is always appreciated.

Membership Reminder

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

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By Lucy Hirsch, DVM

NATRC is reviewing some aspects of its drug policy. This article regarding "natural" products, written several years ago and updated here, by Lucy Hirsch, DVM, still speaks to us.

One common question is, "Why can't you give a horse something that occurs naturally?" Clearly, you can feed your horse regular food such as grass, hay, grain, and beet pulp. Don't be fooled by the term "natural" which is a pure marketing term with no suggestion of safety, efficacy or legality. Oleander and hemlock are "natural", but I wouldn't feed them to my horse!

Many "drugs" are normal chemical elements found in plants. For example, aspirin is salicylic acid, found in willow bark. I would not worry if your horse ate a bite of willow branch as you crossed a stream. But just because aspirin is the same chemical found in a plant that a horse would possibly eat on its own does *not* make it OK to give it in a purified and concentrated form. I would not encourage my horse to

graze willow all afternoon in camp, either!

Try to focus on the intent and rationality of the rule and stop trying to define what the meaning of "IS is". Be realistic here. If you feed your horse hay for food, fine. If you can find some plant that has painkilling or tranquilizing properties and make a bunch of it into hay so you can feed it to your horse to have a therapeutic effect, you are cheating in thought and deed! This is why I am trying to stress the philosophies and reasons rather than specific ingredients.

Our sport is not about feeding your horse batwings and foo foo dust to help them do better. It is about choosing an athletic horse with good legs, lungs, heart, mind and conformation and then training them to be fit, useful and safe partners with us so we can share the trails joyfully.

Food, water, vitamins, and electrolytes in normal amounts, certain joint cartilage protectants against long term wear and tear, ice and ice water administered orally or topically, dewormers, probiotics, vaccines, and pergolide mesylate are OK to give (although not by injection during competition). Magnesium sulfate for electrolyte supplementation is allowed; magnesium or thiamine at levels to provide a calming effect are not.

Anything to help a problem/symptom is probably not allowed. That means:

- no stimulant, nothing that would perk them up, including chocolate

bars (they have theobromine in them that will test as a stimulant).

- no depressant or calming agent, including lavender essential oils, valerian root, L-tryptophan, Calm and Cool, and LOTS of other things.
- no substances with purported anti-inflammatory properties such as MSM, yucca, and Devil's Claw.
- no steroids, steroid injections, local anesthetics, menthol and liniments, benzicane, lidocaine, any tranquilizer, sedative, general pain killer (there are several circulation boosters, diuretics and more.

Be careful with joint supplements that have MANY ingredients - one or more of them is likely to have an anti-inflammatory, pain killing purpose and would not be allowed. Glucosamine and chondroitin sulfate are safe.

The United States Equestrian Federation cautions against the use of herbal products. "The use of so-called herbal and natural products in a horse or pony might result in a positive test; i.e. a finding of a forbidden substance, contrary to claims by those who manufacture and/or market such products for profit. The plant origin of any ingredient does not preclude its containing a pharmacologically potent and readily detectable forbidden substance. For example, cocaine, heroin, and marijuana all come from plants."

Basically, if it does something to remedy a problem that food and water and electrolytes won't fix alone, it is probably not allowed.

4-H Junior Rider Year End High Point Award: Just for Juniors

Are you a 4-H member? Know someone who is? Encourage your friends to do competitive trail rides. They and you can compete against each other to win NATRC's 4-H Junior Rider Year-End High Point Award.

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

- The award goes to the high point horse and high point rider **regardless** of the rider's division.
- Your self-nomination must occur before the end of the ride year, which is the second Sunday in November. (For 2017, that will be November 12th.)
- You must (1) be an NATRC member, (2) send an email to Sarah Rinne, natrc@natrc.org, stating that you are a 4-H member, and (3) have your 4-H leader also send Sarah an email verifying that you are a 4-H member.

Additionally, in a number of states (Colorado is one example), 4-H now recognizes competitive trail as an activity that qualifies as a 4-H member's project. How cool is that?! A form to use for documentation at the ride is available [here](#) or contact Sarah Rinne, natrc@natrc.org.

Questions?

Contact Angie Meroshnekoff, awhitedog@aol.com
Chair, Riders and Juniors Committee

Updates to the Drug Rule Appendices

At the November National Board of Directors meeting, the following additions / clarifications to the Drug Rule Appendices were approved.

Glaucine was added to Appendix A, Prohibited Substances. Glaucine, available as a cough medicine in some European countries, can have bronchodilator and anti-inflammatory effects and thus could be performance enhancing. A few racing Standardbreds have been tested positive. By definition, it's included in Appendix B, Categories of Prohibited Substances (bronchodilators and cough suppressants), but including it specifically in Appendix A further clarifies it as a prohibited substance.

Bisphosphonates were added to Appendix B, Categories of Prohibited Substances. Tiludronate (Tildren) and Clodronate (Osphos), both bisphosphonates were added to Appendix A, Prohibited Substances.

Bones undergo constant turnover – osteoblasts form bone tissue and osteoclasts break down/ resorb bone tissue. This usually takes place in a coordinated fashion with the amount of bone formed in equilibrium with the amount of bone resorbed.

In bone disease, the stimulated osteoclasts often outpace the bone-forming osteoblasts. Bisphosphonates inhibit resorption of the bone by blocking the action of osteoclasts. In human medicine, bisphosphonates, such as Fosamax and Boniva,

are used to treat bone loss diseases such as osteoporosis. Spontaneous fractures of the femur have been associated with long-term use.

Equine navicular syndrome has long been considered one of the most common and most frustrating causes of forelimb lameness. It is characterized by pathologic changes to bone, cartilage, ligaments and tendons. The exact cause is elusive, but it is thought that biomechanical influences cause damage to the navicular bone which leads to increased bone remodeling and destruction.

Osphos and Tildren were approved in 2014 to help control the clinical signs of navicular syndrome. Although there is some optimism for their effectiveness, there are downsides. Bisphosphonates can affect the blood plasma concentrations of some minerals and electrolytes. Tildren may cause gastrointestinal irritation and renal toxicity. There is some thought that for maintenance, if bisphosphonates prevent bone resorption, there would be a net gain of bone mass, but it's not that simple - the normal bone equilibrium wants to stay in equilibrium. The short and long-term effects of bisphosphonates on the skeletal system of distance horses have not really been determined.



Bisphosphonates do not appear to be a safe option for horses in competitive distance sports.

Nitrofurazone ointment was added to Appendix A, Prohibited Substances. A topical antibiotic, it's already included by definition in the appendices in the Prohibited Categories (Appendix B). Listing it specifically in Appendix A, Prohibited Substances, is a clarification.

Kinesiology taping was added to Prohibited Treatments, Appendix F. Originally developed for use in humans for injury prevention, training, and rehab, kinesio tape is basically an elastic cotton strip with an acrylic adhesive. The stretched product is applied to the skin, and as the tape contracts, it pulls the skin, changing the relationship of the skin to the muscles below it. It is used with the intent of treating pain and disability from athletic injuries. Advertising "train harder, recover faster," several equine products are now available. Their use is counter to the principles of competing without the use of artificial aids.

EquiVibe and similar whole body vibration treatment were added to Prohibited Treatments, Appendix F. These devices are marketed for injury prevention and rehabilitation and increased performance. Their use is counter to the principles of competing without the use of artificial aids.

To Wong Foo CTR Clinic

Funny name, great fun!

By Tammy Vasa
 Reprinted from the R6 Rally
 Newsletter, June 2016
 Photos courtesy of NECTRA

Nebraska Endurance and Competitive Trail Ride Association (NECTRA) has spent years promoting our sport. Hosting the longest running ride at the same park; Indian Cave will celebrate its 43rd year this fall and this marks the second year of the return of the Rock Creek Station ride. While our club strives to hold a clinic every year to introduce the sport to new riders,



this time we wanted to try something a little bit different and hold a mock ride at pace so riders could get the feel of the real thing.

Plans were made early in the year to host the To Wong Foo CTR Clinic on the Oak Creek Trail which runs to the tiny town of Loma, Nebraska which was the setting for the Patrick Swayze movie "To Wong Foo, Thanks for Everything Julie Newmar." While our mock ride would not run all the way to Loma, a little notoriety never hurts. We hoped for 25 entries and had about half of those spots filled in early February and the remaining spots were filled at the NECTRA booth at the Horse Trail Riding Expo in Omaha. With riders on a waiting list, we quickly checked our calendars and decided to add a second day clinic, hosting close to forty riders.



of NECTRA, suggested we divide the groups up in stations, where riders would learn an important feature of CTR. Groups of three or four riders visited those stations to learn about 1) Equitation, 2) Showing To the Judge, 3) P&R's, 4) Trail Tack, 5) **Stabling At Camp** and 6) Maps and Pace (which included the map we would be using that afternoon). Lectures were limited to about 20 minutes with an air horn signaling riders to move to the next station. Following a lunch provided by NECTRA, riders saddled up for the ride.

With maps in hand, groups of two to four riders timed out with a mentor at a 4-mph pace. We added a few minutes between each group to avoid bottle necks at the obstacles. As the first riders came up a small hill, they were met by horsemanship judge, Sarah Rinne, for their first observation. Our "fake-vet" judge, Mary McCoy, stopped the riders and checked each horse's metabolics on the trail.

One of the reasons we wanted the ride at pace was so riders could learn how their horses handle groups, how it paces itself; plus, it would give riders an opportunity to experience what a 4-mph ride felt like compared to a pleasure ride. Much different, many mentioned!

At the 5-mile marker, the riders experienced their first Pulse and Res-

piration stop. Auditors assisted P&R chair, Chuck Edwards, in taking incoming and outgoing pulses and respira-

tion stop. Auditors assisted P&R chair, Chuck Edwards, in taking incoming and outgoing pulses and respira-



tions at their 15-minute stop. Riders learned how their horses act with other horses lined up side by side and techniques for quieting a horse to help achieve a successful P&R.

On the way back to the trail head, once again the judges stopped the riders and asked them to back the horse down a small incline between two trees. Many were surprised that this was not as easy of an accomplishment as it sounds. All riders made it back in the 30 minute window and were asked to unsaddle and present their horse to the judge for a back check before putting them up.

At the conclusion, riders were presented with their score cards and the judges spoke on what they were looking for and what they saw. There were question and answer sessions before the riders loaded up to leave. There were lots of smiles and many were anxious to sign up for The Pony Xpress at Rock Creek, Indian Cave or both.

As ambassadors to our sport, it is very satisfying to introduce others to competitive trail riding and help the sport grow. We hope this is the first of many clinics in this format and especially hope to see new riders on the trail.

Meanwhile . . .

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Sidebar to the To Wong Foo Clinic . . .

By Tammy Vasa

Shari Parys, Mary and Gary McCoy, and I did ride timing, trail flagging and last minute trail clearing prior to the clinic. Shari brought her white Foxtrotter, Mika, who got his National Championship in his last year of competition. She wanted her “steady Eddy” since she would be helping other riders. I was riding our 3-year old filly, Darby, who had been in training. While working, Shari moved into a trail to hang a ribbon while I went another direction to hang caution tape. I heard a commotion much like Big Foot coming through the brush. I saw Gary dismount from his horse and run to the trail, and, in a flash, saw Mika run riderless past us.

It was amazing how we all came together when an accident occurred, exercising much of what we learned through NATRC. Gary handed his horse off to Mary as he went to assist Shari. I took my young horse and followed Mika. When I got Mika’s attention, I stopped and turned back toward the other horses. Mika, realizing he might be left alone, trotted up next to me. I snapped Mika’s reins onto the halter loop of Shari’s halter/bridle combo and securely ponied Mika next to Darby.

When I returned to the scene, Gary had his horses a safe distance from Shari, and Mary, a nurse, was taking Shari’s pulse. Shari was having a hard time catching her breath. We waited quietly hoping things weren’t as serious as they

appeared. We determined quickly that at the very least, we would need to go get a truck as Shari was sure she couldn’t ride. We discussed calling 911 but Shari was certain it was not necessary as long as she didn’t have to ride back to the trailer. (Note to all of you, do NOT let the injured make that choice.) We decided I would take Darby and Mika back to the trailer, tie them off to Shari’s trailer and drive out to pick everyone up with my rig. Gary and Mary would stay with Shari.

With Mika dallied next to me (I was riding in a horned saddle that evening), I started trotting the 4 miles back to the trail head. At about the first mile, I heard the civil defense sirens sound in the small town of Valparaiso signifying the request for emergency medical volunteers. Mary,



Shari Parys and Mika

Photo by Tammy Vasa, with permission

Gary and Shari had called 911.

I waited at the mile road for the ambulance, directed the squad to where I had been and then continued on. I was never more proud of my young horse for handling the 4-mile trot (and some loping) while ponying a strange horse and not even flipping an ear at the ambulance sirens and red lights.

The squad took Shari to the hospital and the other truck dropped Mary at the trail head. Sarah Rinne was there. After securing Mika and

Darby to Shari’s trailer, we set out to find Gary and his Arabs. Sarah contacted Shari’s family as we quietly loaded the McCoy’s Arabs in my straight load trailer.

Shari’s horse had gotten tangled in some vines on the trail and in his struggle, fell over on her. Shari sustained four broken ribs and a small puncture to the lungs. She was wearing a helmet when the 1,000 pound horse pushed her to the ground. She had the equipment on her horse for him to be handled safely by another rider. Mary and Gary secured their own horses while offering aid to Shari. Mary provided basic first aid and ultimately made that call to 911 that Shari so wanted us to avoid. We knew we could tie our horses safely to the trailer and leave them when going out to get the other horses who had no problems loading into a small trailer unfamiliar to them.

This incident also illustrates it is not the young horses that can hurt us; the best trained horses can have accidents, too. Shari is one of the safest riders I know, and in an instant, things can go terribly wrong.

One of the mantras of our sport is that we promote safety. Yes, we do. And it was obvious to see what we learned from this sport go into play in an emergency.

Well played, CTR.

Shari said afterwards:

“Another lesson from that day: Take a phone with a full charge, whether you think you will need it or not. Neither Gary nor Mary brought theirs since they knew I always have mine, even though we rode separate most of the time that day. My phone battery was low and then died before the paramedics could locate us, so it took longer.”

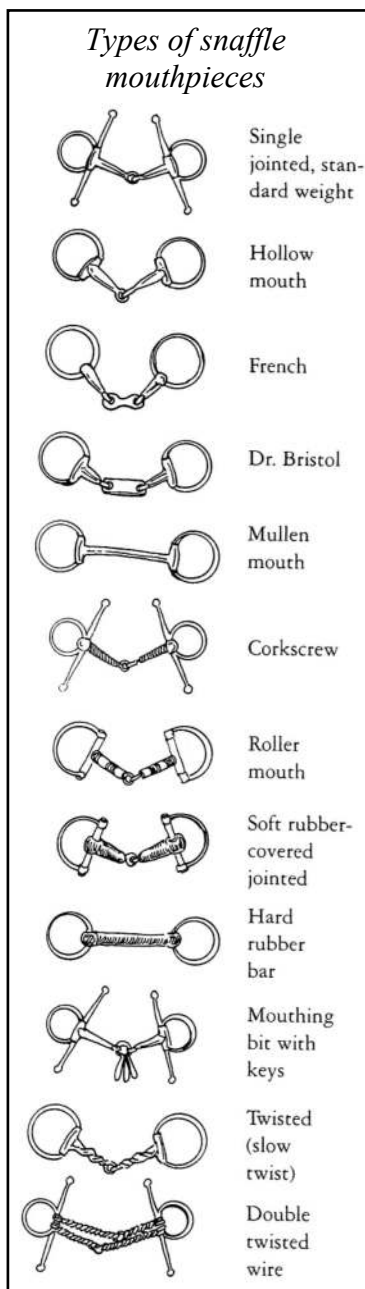
Bits: A Look at the Basics

By Laurie Knuutila

Understanding bits is vital to good horsemanship. In this article we will take a look at bit basics and in the second installment, we will delve into biting theory and rein aids.

What really is the purpose of a bit? A bit is a way of communicating with another species. Think of it this way. If someone were to say something to you, let's say, in French, but you don't understand French, what is it that you need in order to be able to understand? Do you need the person to repeat what they just said? No, you still don't understand French. So do they need to say it louder? No, you still don't understand French. Do you need them to scream at you, or start hitting you, slapping you around? No, you would just get scared and run away, still not understanding French. What you really need is for the person to give you some clue as to what the words mean and how you're supposed

trying to communicate with the horse through the bit,



allow subtle, soft communication, like a whisper. Others allow us to

to respond to them. Without that, there is a total lack of communication.

Unfortunately, that's sometimes the position our horses are in. The rider is

trying to communicate with the horse through the bit, but the rider is not getting the response he/she wants. So

he/she changes bits. While the new bit may provide more pulling power, the rider may simply be "shouting" the same message over and over that the horse didn't understand in the first place. So the goal is to understand how bits work and how to use them intelligently and humanely.

In order for horse and rider to work together, communication through the bit must be crystal clear, with the horse clearly understanding what the signals from the bit mean. Some bits

shout, if necessary; that's where the art of biting comes in, knowing when we need to shout and when we don't. That only comes with years of experience.

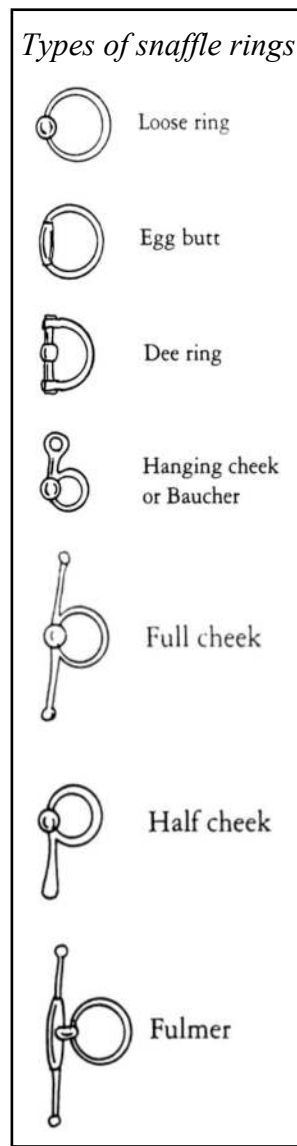
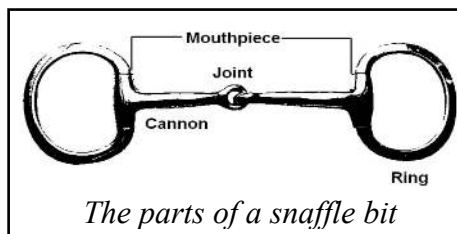
We've probably all heard it said that there are no bad bits, only bad hands. That is not entirely true. There are as

many poorly designed bits as there are unskilled riders. Design or construction flaws may make a

bit undesirable. A poorly made bit at best hinders the flow of communication and at worst, may inflict pain or cause permanent injury to the horse.

Understanding bit mechanics will help us to choose the best made tools for the job and avoid poorly made ones. The principle areas of the horse's head and mouth that the bit affects are the bars, the tongue, the roof of the mouth or the hard palate, the lips, nose, chin, jaw, and to a certain degree, the poll.

The first order of bits to consider is the snaffle. A snaffle consists of two rings, joined by a mouthpiece. It does not have



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shanks nor need a curb strap. The action of the snaffle is on the tongue, corners of the mouth, and bars. It acts by direct pressure. The rider pulls on the reins and that signal is translated pound for pound in a direct line to the horse's mouth. Neither the line of force nor the force of the pull is altered or amplified. The reins are most effective when used independently. Equal, steady pressure on both reins of a snaffle encourages the horse to pull in return and makes the snaffle much less effective.

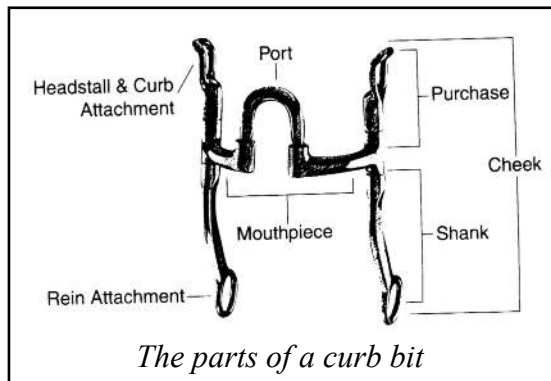
Snaffles come in many types and the mouthpiece may be solid, jointed, hinged, straight, twisted, curved, or cylindrical. It may be made of metal, wood, leather or rubber. If the mouthpiece is jointed, the parts of the mouthpiece on each side of the joint are called cannons. The diameter and construction of the mouthpiece

is very important. As the diameter of the cannons increases, the severity of the bit decreases because the pressure is distributed over a greater area. Any mouthpiece with a sharp or rough edge, such as a twisted mouthpiece, is more severe than a smooth one, since the sharp edge cuts into the mouth and concentrates the pressure onto a small area.

Snaffle rings come in different shapes and configurations – loose ring (O ring), D ring, eggbutt, full-cheek, half-cheek, hanging cheek

(Baucher), and Fulmer. The rings on a snaffle can have a big impact on how the bit works. The size, shape and design of the rings will either concentrate or disperse pressure in a given area; the larger the rings, the greater the area over which pressure is applied. Cheeked snaffles encourage the horse to turn in the desired direction by applying pressure on the corners of the mouth and the sides of the face. Putting the upper prong into a keeper stabilizes the bit, keeping it from turning in the horse's mouth.

The number of joints in the mouthpiece is also important. A single joint applies pressure to the lips and bars and forms a sort of bridge over the tongue. As more pressure is put on the reins, the joint rotates down into the tongue. Equal, steady pressure with both reins on a snaffle with a single jointed mouthpiece



The parts of a curb bit

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will cause the cannons of the bit to collapse, resulting in mild nutcracker action and more pressure of the joint into the tongue and onto the bars and sides of the jaw.

A three-piece bit or double-jointed mouthpiece (with a center link) spreads the tongue pressure out over the width of the tongue, and when the reins are used, there is more pressure on the bars and lips with less of a nutcracker effect. The shape of the center link can make the action mild or severe. If the link is smooth and round, the action is mild. If it is flat, like a Dr. Bristol, the edge presses down into the tongue making the action more severe. Double mouthpieces (i.e. double twisted wire) are very severe and offer no tongue relief. They have the potential to severely pinch the tongue.

A solid (with no joints) mouthpiece acts on the whole mouth (tongue, bars and lips on both sides). The tongue takes the brunt of the force. If a solid mouthpiece is curved, the tongue gets some relief and the pressure is transferred somewhat to the lips and bars.

The second order of bits is the curb bit. The definition of a curb is any bit, regardless of mouthpiece design, that has shanks and uses a curb chain or strap. Sometimes, curbs with jointed mouthpieces are called snaffles. But if they have shanks and use a curb strap, they are more correctly called broken mouthed curbs.

The curb bit operates on the principle of leverage, which amplifies the force of the pull on the reins. There are two components

to the curb, the mouthpiece and the shanks (cheeks). The shanks are the arms of the lever and the mouthpiece acts as the fulcrum. The fulcrum is the pivot point between the load end and the force end. The load is the horse's mouth or head. The longer the distance from the fulcrum to the load, the

easier it is to shift the weight. It requires less effort to move the object because the lever multiplies the force applied. So a long shanked curb would apply more force to the horse's mouth than would a short shank. As with snaffles, there are many different types of curb bits.

Each serves a slightly different purpose.

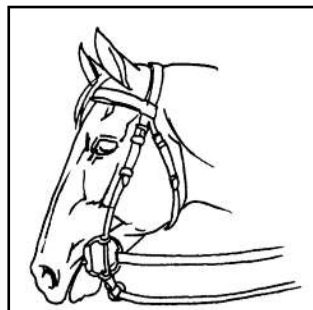
Without a curb strap, so called because it controls or curbs the bit's rotation, a shanked bit will rotate in the horse's mouth before the bit engages. Only when the rotation stops will the lever action take

effect. The curb strap controls the rotation. The strap balances or positions the load onto the lever so the shanks can do their job. The strap also puts pressure on the chin groove, bringing the mouthpiece into greater contact with the tongue and bars. The more the bit rotates before the strap engages, the more the pressure is transferred to the corners of the mouth and the poll and less

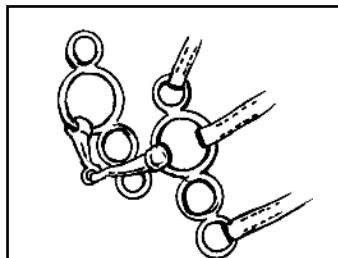
to the tongue, bars and chin groove.

Of course, there are always exceptions to the two basic types of bits. One variation is the gag bit, also known as the "draw" bit, since it tends to draw up into the horse's mouth when the reins are pulled. The gag is attached to the headstall in a pulley-like way, and it works directly on the lips and poll, as well as the tongue and bars, with the result that the horse keeps his head up.

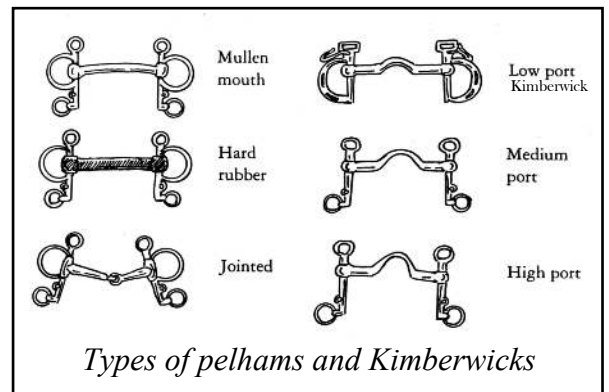
Another type of gag bit is the Dutch or Pessoa gag, which is technically a curb, since it has shanks. But it doesn't use a curb strap. There is also what's known as a shanked gag, which acts like



Gag bit with two sets of reins attached



A "Dutch" or "Pessoa" gag bit with two sets of reins attached



Types of pelhams and Kimberwicks

a leverage bit. Gags are popular on jumpers, polo horses, barrel horses and other timed event horses. A gag of any type is not recommended for use by a beginner or inexperienced rider.

Another variation is the double bridle, also known as a full bridle or a Weymouth bridle. The double bridle utilizes the good of the snaffle and the good of the curb, giving complete control. The snaffle acts to raise the head and the curb acts to lower it and tuck the nose. With its four reins and different control factors, it allows a rider infinite shading of touch and contact. The snaffle rests above the curb in the horse's mouth. The snaffle bit is called a bradoon, and

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the curb is called a Weymouth. The double bridle is used in dressage above third level and in show hack classes and in saddle seat classes, like park and Arabian English pleasure. Only horses who have been meticulously trained to accept it should wear a double bridle, and likewise, the rider needs very educated hands to use it correctly.

The pelham and the Kimberwick are also variations on the two basics. The action of a pelham is similar to the double bridle. A pelham is useful for a rider who may need more control than a regular snaffle provides. The Kimberwick is similar to the pelham but its action depends on whether it has slots or not. If the reins are in the top slot, it acts more like a snaffle. If they are in the bottom slot, the action is more like a curb. Both bits are considered curbs, since they have shanks and are used with curb straps/chains.

There are also some other forms of control. These include the traditional hackamore, sometimes called a bosal. It works on the bridge of the nose and the sides of the face. The bosal is made of finely braided leather over a rawhide, nylon or cable core.

There is also the mechanical hackamore. Its action more closely resembles a curb bit than it does a true hackamore. It has no mouthpiece but has metal shanks that attach to a noseband (which can be a flat piece of leather or can be round braided leather) and a curb chain or strap. The shanks amplify the force on the nose, chin and poll in the same way that a leverage bit works on the mouth, chin and poll. Depending on its construction, it can have great force. There is also what's known as a sidepull, which usually has a rope noseband. A sidepull can be useful on

young horses or those with mouth or teeth issues. It has limited usefulness for collection or lateral work.

Lately, the bitless bridle has gained popularity. Some styles resemble rope halters. Another style has straps that go from one side of the horse's face to the other and acts on the nose and sides of face with gentle shoving action when the reins are applied. It is handled in the same way as a regular snaffle bit. Depending on the horse, it can be good for trail riding, arena work and for use on horses with sore mouths or teeth problems. Like the sidepull, it is limited in its usefulness for collection or lateral work.

The subject of bits and biting is huge and much has been written about it. But the fact is that the bit we choose to use on our horse has such a major impact on our horse's performance that we do well to educate ourselves to the best of our ability on this vital piece of equipment. Doing so will go a long way toward speaking to your horse in a "language" he understands. You don't, after all, want to be "yelling" at him in

French when he only understands English!

Laurie Knuutila has been riding and working with horses for most of her life. She taught riding lessons and trained horses professionally for many years. She worked extensively with youth in the 4H program and developed a presentation on bits and biting to help both the youth and their parents and leaders understand this important topic. She currently has over 80 different bits in her collection. She has been involved with NATRC since the early '80's, and both competes in and manages rides.



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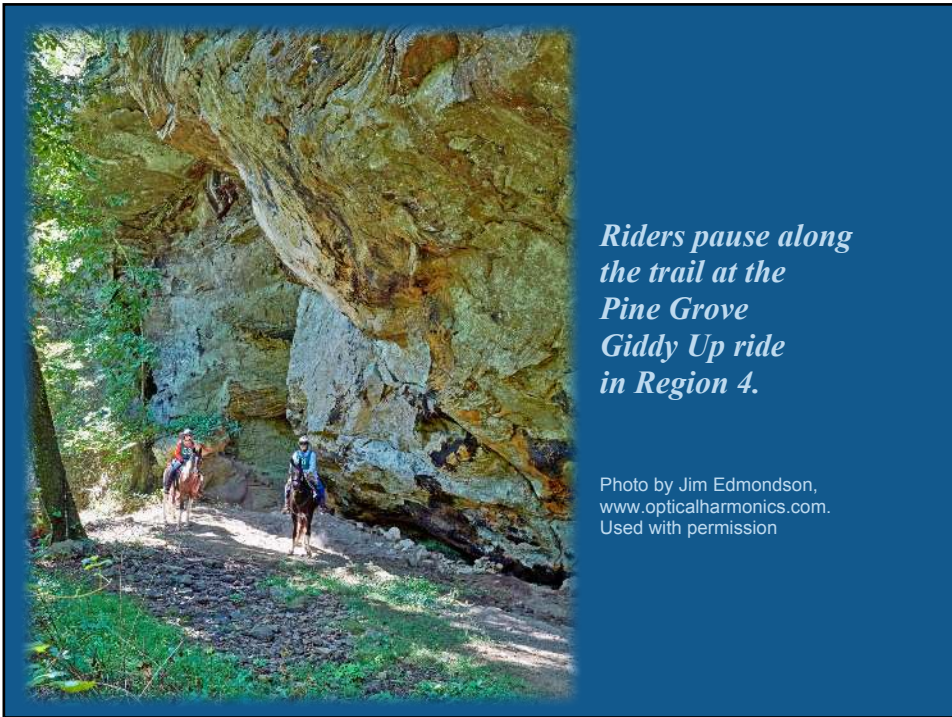


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Riders pause along the trail at the Pine Grove Giddy Up ride in Region 4.

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Reminder from Cheri Jeffcoat, Points and Data Committee And Terry Silver, Breed and Organizational Liaison

1. To be eligible for year-end awards, NATRC membership dues must be paid by the second Sunday in November, the end of the Ride Year.
2. Many breed organizations sponsor year-end high point breed awards. Memberships in NATRC and the breed association are required, so be sure to keep your breed association membership current.
3. It is the responsibility of the owner of the horse to accurately report/verify the horse's breed to NATRC.
4. Questions about the horse and/or rider records should be directed to NATRC, natrc@natrc.org.



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NATRC Trails Advocate

By Mary Hanson

Who You Going to Call?

In my intro article on trails advocacy, I stated building a relationship with your land manager was one of the most important factors in successful trail access. I don't care if your soul is pure, you said your prayers, you never ride a muddy trail, you pay for all trail construction where you ride, and preach trail etiquette to other horse riders. If you do not make contact, and build a relationship with the land manager, nothing is going to happen.

Congress creates laws. To fulfill the requirements of the law, every agency creates regulations. Each forest or park must go through a planning process to assure they follow federal regulations. Being involved from the start of a planning process enables you to meet and visit with the land manager on issues important to riders.

To start this relationship, you need to know who to contact, which can be confusing. Federal, state, and local parks and forests each have a legal authority to control the land, but each one has their own enabling legislation, hierarchy and nomenclature. Land

managers can be superintendents, managers, chiefs, rangers, division heads, etc. Just to make it more confusing, agencies have different designations for different lands – parks, forests, Wilderness (legal name), wilderness (type of land), reserves, wildlife manage-

ment land, recreation area, preserves, rangelands, etc.

As a horse rider and a citizen owner of your national lands, you should be involved with how your parks and forests are managed. Just telling an employee you see on a trail what you want will not work. Signup for planning notices, join partnerships that work with the park, and be responsible for maintaining where you want to ride.

To help you understand who to contact, and understand what legal mandates federal land managers operate under, I will provide information on the major federal land agencies that include horse trail use. There are too many details and variations to list each park and forest manager specific names and contact information. The Internet links will provide contact information, background information, and explain legislation and policies as you push through to a real live person.

A plan can be a long, slow process so do not become discouraged and quit after a year or two. Numbers speak, so the more people involved in the planning process the more horse use will be considered. Once again, the Backcountry Horsemen of America are active at many parks and can help contacting park management.

When totally confused, please feel free to contact me or even better your local [Backcountry Horsemen of America](#) (BCHA) chapter. The national BCHA has partnership agreements with both the US Forest Service and the National Park Service. Most chap-

ters can partner for coordinating a project and help you work with the local land managers.

The 'Feds'

Federal land management agencies were established by Congress to accomplish a specific purpose. There are wide interpretations of how to do this within each agency, but knowing the agency's 'enabling legislation' can determine what

can happen on a piece of land.

The federal government manages about 650 million acres, or 29 percent, of the 2.27 billion acres of U.S. land. Four land management agencies within the Department of the Interior (DOI) - the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), the Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS), the National Park Service (NPS), and the Department of Agriculture's United States Forest Service (USFS) manages about 95 percent of all federal acres. The Department of Interior's Bureau of Reclamation (BoR) manages another 1 percent of these acres and focuses on water projects. The U.S. Army's Corp of Engineers manages open lands for water control with recreation as a secondary use.



United States Forest Service (USFS)

USFS manages and protects 154 national forests and 20 grasslands in 43 states and Puerto Rico. The agency's mission is to sustain the health, diversity, and productivity of the nation's forests and grasslands to meet the needs of present and future generations. Recreation, including pack and stock use, is one purpose that has been recognized over time as important thanks to the efforts of horse friendly USFS employees, Backcountry Horsemen of America, and private citizens.

For a specific forest or grassland, type in the name or state from the USFS's [home page](#), or in [map finder page](#).

If you want to dig deeper into the planning process here are the USFS information: [Partnership page](#); [Regulations & Policies](#); [Agency Focus](#).

Each forest will have information on types of use allowed on individual Land & Resources Management and Working Together pages.

This is an example of a [Work Together page](#) for the Big Horn Mountains.



National Park Service (NPS)

NPS has over 413 parks that are called 'units'. Each has its specific purpose(s), scenic, park, historical, rivers, and each has a 'plan' – [Park Planning](#). Approximately 30% of parks allow some level of equestrian use. It is vital

Non-Feds

We all need to build a relationship with our state and local land managers too as many NATRC rides are often held on state park properties. Just like federal lands, there are many different agencies, titles, and requirements. Too many to list here.

If you do not have a contact for your local trail, start your search with the forest's or park's main office contact information. Ask who oversees the trail system.

Facing reality, there will be few dedicated trail managers. Expect the manager, a maintenance person, or even a volunteer as your contact.

Budget cuts and reduced staff numbers are why they need our help preserving and creating trails.

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for equestrians to be involved with their closest parks to assure equestrian use at the park is not lost due to



new management or regulations.

This page can provide more background information on [policies, regulations, and public participation](#).

Everyone can sign-up for park planning notices.

Here is a current [trail management plan](#) from Ozark National Scenic Riverways that includes horse use issues.



Bureau of Land Management (BLM)

Another Department of Interior agency, the Bureau of Land Management's mission is to sustain the health, diversity, and productivity of the public lands for the use and enjoyment of present and future generations. This includes trails.

Most BLM land is located within the western states with many opportunities for primitive, remote horse riding. Just like all federal agencies, it follows a structured planning process that private citizens are encouraged to join, including [Planning](#), [Recreation](#), and [Resource Advisory](#).



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Change to "Boot Rule"

The boot rule was changed a few years ago to allow gaiters and attachments above the coronet. One key aspect has been whether the extra "parts" or attachments are an integral part of the boot, necessary for its function of protecting the sole, or if they are "accessories" and thus leg protection.

In practice, this distinction between "allowed" and "not allowed" was very hard to make and has caused frustration among rules interpreters and riders alike. In considering the initial change to allow attachments, straps and gaiters for hoof boots, most of the Judges Committee believed that any type of hoof boot conferred minimal, if any, competitive advantage. Likewise, many think there is no competitive advantage in using an optional sock or wrap under a boot or gaiter, and that trying to make the distinction is splitting hairs.

The current change gives the rider more options to choose what works best for the horse. See Rule Changes for 2017 on [page 26](#).



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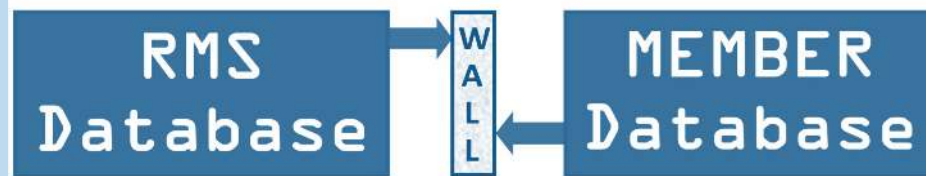
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- see your, or your horse's, name incorrect in the *Hoof Print*. Ask for a correction.
- corrected a name on the RMS System. Because the RMS is a separate database, the correction will not appear in the national membership database.

Contact Sarah Rinne natrc@natrc.org 303-688-1677

No migration between databases



North American Trail Ride Conference

Actual vs Budget - YTD 10/31/16

January - October, 2016

	Year to Date		Over/(Under) Budget
	Actual	Budget YTD	
Income			
Memberships	\$ 21,024	\$ 25,305	\$ (4,281)
Platinum Membership Upgrade	2,536	1,705	831
Rides	22,362	22,769	(407)
Product Sales	253	145	108
Sponsorships	6,080	4,800	1,280
Raffles	217	0	217
Hoof Print	866	830	36
Convention and Awards	6,982	6,490	492
Judge Fee	15	0	15
Trail Advocacy	49	0	49
Donations	0	650	(650)
Other Income	(12)	200	(212)
Interest Income	1,653	1,651	2
Total Income	\$ 62,025	\$ 64,545	\$ (2,520)
Expenses			
Member Dues to Regions	\$ 5,792	\$ 8,010	\$ (2,218)
Platinum Membership Upgrades	3,216	2,375	841
Ride Costs	5,247	6,350	(1,103)
Clinic Expenses	400	1,000	(600)
Product Costs	276	3,250	(2,974)
Marketing	4,313	20,435	(16,122)
Hoofprint	7,039	6,500	539
Convention and Award Expenses	10,759	8,070	2,689
Staff Expenses	28,225	28,704	(479)
Administrative	12,769	13,202	(433)
Scholarships/Student Loans	2,000	2,000	0
Other Expense	322	145	177
Total Expenses	\$ 80,358	\$ 100,041	\$ (19,683)
Net Income	\$ (18,333)	\$ (35,496)	\$ 17,163

PARTNERS



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—Kim Cowart

ATTENTION

Ride Chairs & Secretaries

ALL FORMS

have been updated - some changed

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Lettin' the cat outta the bag is a whole lot easier'n puttin' it back in.

—Will Rogers

North American Trail Ride Conference Balance Sheet Comparison

	Total		
	As of 10/31/2016	As of 10/31/2015 (PY)	Change
ASSETS			
Current Assets			
Bank Accounts			
First Bank Checking	\$ -	\$ 6,247	
First Bank Liquid Assets	-	148,829	
First Bank Student L/S	-	80,051	
Pinnacle Checking	2,730	-	
Pinnacle Savings	137,459	-	
Pinnacle Student L/S	78,084	-	
Total Conference Accounts	\$ 218,273	\$ 235,127	\$ (16,854)
Foundation Accounts	92,668	91,821	847
Total Bank Accounts	\$ 310,941	\$ 326,948	\$ (16,007)
Other current assets			
Student Loan Receivable	5,000	5,000	0
Total Current Assets	\$ 315,941	\$ 331,948	\$ (16,007)
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 315,941	\$ 331,948	\$ (16,007)
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY			
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities			
CapitalOne Credit Card	\$ 3,702	\$ -	
Ride Management Support Fund	30,220	35,585	
Federal Payroll Taxes Payable	(1,188)	(1,026)	
Sales tax payable	0	(1)	
State Payroll Taxes Payable	(85)	56	
Total Current Liabilities	\$ 32,649	\$ 34,614	\$ (1,965)
Total Liabilities	\$ 32,649	\$ 34,614	\$ (1,965)
Equity			
Foundation Equity	\$ 11,042	\$ 10,300	
Foundation Earnings	3	3	
Retained Equity	244,048	244,048	
Retained Earnings	46,532	57,184	
Net Income	(18,333)	(14,201)	
Total Equity	\$ 283,292	\$ 297,334	\$ (14,042)
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$ 315,941	\$ 331,948	\$ (16,007)

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**North American Trail Ride Conference
Profit and Loss - YTD 10/31/16 vs 10/31/15**

January - October, 2016

	Year to Date		
	Jan - Oct, 2016	Jan - Oct, 2015 (PY)	Change
Income			
Memberships	\$ 21,024	\$ 25,271	\$ (4,247)
Platinum Membership Upgrade	2,536	1,704	832
Rides	22,362	23,423	(1,061)
Product Sales	253	164	89
Sponsorships	6,080	884	5,196
Raffles	217	1,460	(1,243)
Hoof Print	866	834	32
Convention and Awards	6,982	7,181	(199)
Judge Fee	15	0	15
Trail Advocacy	49	25	24
Donations	0	725	(725)
Other Income	(12)	(256)	244
Interest Income	1,653	1,653	0
Total Income	\$ 62,025	\$ 63,068	\$ (1,043)
Expenses			
Member Dues to Regions	5,792	8,000	(2,208)
Platinum Membership Upgrades	3,216	2,361	855
Ride Costs	5,247	6,048	(801)
Clinic Expenses	400	400	0
Product Costs	276	1,227	(951)
Marketing	4,313	5,753	(1,440)
Raffle	0	20	(20)
Hoofprint	7,039	6,970	69
Convention and Award Expenses	10,759	7,420	3,339
Staff Expenses	28,225	26,085	2,140
Administrative	12,769	10,985	1,784
Scholarships/Student Loans	2,000	2,000	0
Other Expense	322	0	322
Total Expenses	\$ 80,358	\$ 77,269	\$ 3,089
Net Income	\$ (18,333)	\$ (14,201)	\$ (4,132)

Tack Tip

Most saddles have a gullet or pommel arch built into them to relieve the weight of the saddle and rider from pressing directly on the bony part of the withers and spine and to allow the free flow of air for cooling. The saddle pad or blanket should be raised well up into the gullet for the same reasons. Your horse will appreciate it!



Equitation Tip

Look up and around with what Sally Swift calls soft eyes. This will help keep your head up, which will help keep your shoulders from creeping forward, which will help keep your whole upper body from tilting forward, which will help keep your hands in a good position to communicate through the reins and will help keep your legs centered under your body. Your horse will appreciate it!

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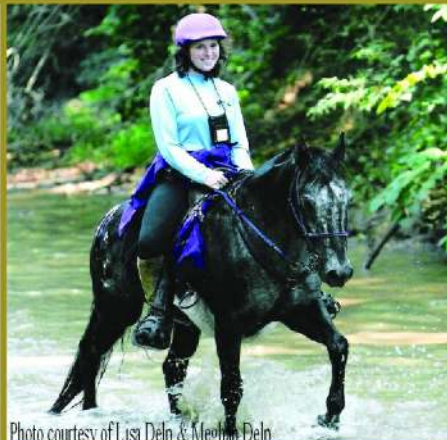


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Rule Changes for 2017

Changes indicated in **bold**.

CHANGES TO HOOF PROTECTION

SECTION 5 – THE RIDE

E. Hoof Protection/ Leg Protection

1. There are no shoeing restrictions.
2. All types of hoof boots that provide sole protection are allowed. However, any attached strap, keeper, gaiter **or accessory** must not extend above the pastern. **Socks and wraps under hoof boots or any of their parts are allowed if they do not extend above the pastern.** The judges may request to observe the area covered by the attached strap, keeper, gaiter, **or accessory**.
3. Protective devices, such as bell boots, **splint boot or leg** wraps are not permissible on the legs of horses except **as part** of hoof sole protection as allowed in 5.E.2. The leg is defined as all structures above and including the coronet.

F. Tack

1. Riders must use a saddle and headgear with attached reins. The type of saddle, headgear with reins, and other equipment is at the discretion of the rider within the bounds of good horsemanship. However, no inhumane method of restraint is to be used.
2. Trail gear desired by the competitor during the ride will be carried on the horse. No part of a rider's wearing apparel is considered trail gear.
3. ~~Protective devices, such as bell boots or wraps, are not permissible on the legs of horses except for hoof sole protections as allowed under Section 5.E.2. The leg is defined as all structures above and including the coronet.~~

RULE CLARIFICATIONS

Ride Results and Office Procedure

SECTION 2 - SANCTIONED RIDES AND CLINICS

A. Rides

2. Fees

- ~~a. A rider's fee as established by the Board of Directors will be sent with the ride results within 7 days following the ride (count each rider who officially starts, see Section 5.A.2). After receipt by the NATRC office of all scores, points will be recorded on behalf of the competitor who is a current member or who joins at any time during a year in which that rider has competed in a ride.~~
- b. Rider fees and notification that ride results are completed in the ride management system will be sent to the NATRC national office within 7 working days following the ride. All riders who officially start the ride shall be counted. The NATRC national office will download all scores and then record rider's points and mileage. The rider's fee will be established by the Board of Directors on an annual basis.

Definition of Ride Year

SECTION 2 - SANCTIONED RIDES AND CLINICS

A. Rides

1. Sanctioning

- d. Ride year will end ~~immediately after~~ the second Sunday in November.

SECTION 9 - AWARDS

B. Annual Awards

1. General

- e. Ride year will end ~~immediately after~~ the second Sunday in November.

Points Distribution

SECTION 9 - AWARDS

C. Point Distribution

1. ~~Disqualified or pulled horse and rider receive no points.~~
1. Points shall be based on the number of starters in a Class according to the Points Distribution Table.
2. ~~DO horse and rider receive no points.~~ DO participants are not counted as starters in a ride. DO horses and riders receive no points.
3. Disqualified or pulled horse and rider receive no points.
4. The Open Sweepstakes winner will receive points equal to the highest points awarded in any of the three Open classes. The Novice Sweepstakes winner will receive points equal to the highest points awarded in any of the three Novice classes.
5. The Sweepstakes winner will receive points, in addition to other points won for horse, as follows: 3 points for a Type AA ride, 2 points for a Type A ride, one point for a Type B ride.
6. Points earned in one class will not be added to points earned in another class by the same horse or rider.

Backing In Hand

By Jamie Dieterich

Backing in hand seems to be “in vogue” at our rides these days. It is a good skill in the repertoire of a “handy horse,” and it can indeed come in handy on the trail. We need to remember, however, to not let performance of this interfere with the flow of the ride.

There is more than one way to start to do this. One is to stand several feet out in front of the horse and wiggle the lead rope at him. If he doesn't pay attention, increase the activity of the rope. As soon as he even starts to step back, stop wiggling the rope. After a pause, do it again. You'll get to where he'll take a full step back, then another, then another. Give a gentle pull of the lead rope to invite them back into your space.

If you want to have more precise control, stand close in front, but more to the side of his head. With one hand, put a little pressure on the lead rope to block forward motion. Put pressure on his chest with the other hand until he starts to take a step backwards, then stop the pressure. Repeat (with pauses and praise in between) until you get good steps back.

Before you can control the direction well, you need to be able to move the haunches each way with soft touches (or tap tap tap with a whip) on his side. When you're tacking up, you probably give soft touches to get him to move over a bit. I like to try to do this on the side, behind the girth area, at least in the general area where you'd use your leg to ask him to step over. Some people use a whip; some horses are worried about a whip, so you have to use what works for you and your horse.

Try moving the front legs over right and left by using pressure on

the shoulder as you also block forward motion.

Now you can move the horse backwards, forwards, right and left (John Lyons says north, south, east and west). The turning left and right is like turning on the haunches or on the forehand from the saddle.

To get him to back up with some direction, use a combination of blocking forward motion, step back, step over with the haunches. One step at a time. Slowly. Don't practice on something that will hurt or worry him if he hits it; you don't

want him to lose confidence. Keeping the confidence is critical.

Equipment. Depends on the horse. Some horses do fine with a regular halter and lead rope. Some might respond better with a rope halter with the knots properly adjusted. Some people advocate using a chain over the horse's nose. Some use a chain under the chin. Patience and persistence will get you farther than equipment will.

Ellen Lovett, who used to compete quite successfully in R1, did trail trials as cross-training to get her horse to do one step at a time. She said she never just put her horse away – she backed him into the stall every time just for practice.

My own horse needs to practice this more. ☺



*Elisabeth Giedt riding Heza Trouble Making Buddy and
Kris Hapgood riding Wish Upon a Star
at the Final Rendezvous ride in Region 4.*

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Close Encounters of the Equine Kind

By Bev Roberts

A few years ago, the question was asked in the [CTR chat room](#): "What was your horse's biggest spook?"

Members chuckled over the humorous tales of encounters of the oddest sort. What kinds of things do our horses puzzle over besides the usual dog, deer, hiker, biker or 2- or 4-wheeled cycle? Here is a compilation of encounters mentioned in the chat room:

- Llama - especially one spitting
- Windmill turning and rattling in a brisk breeze
- Beer can innocently laying on the ground
- Bobcat jumping from tree to water tank
- Freight train approaching and blowing its whistle
- Loose emu
- Meeting other riders unexpectedly
- Foam cup floating in a creek
- Huge longhorn cow
- Pony moving in tall weeds
- Miniature horse
- Group of wild hogs
- Loud geese in a pasture
- Tree falling
- Flatulence sound of both the human and equine type
- Birds in trees
- Large birds swooping
- Cut logs
- Icelandic pony that had a mane like a lion
- Dead cow in the road
- Girl sitting in a lawn chair
- Cows coming into camp at night
- A certain vet judge
- Horse eating rock
- Gunfire in the distance
- Mound of dirt
- Wagon - like chuck wagon or Conestoga
- Loud speakers
- Smoke machine
- Noisy motor/engine starting up
- Oil rig coming on while going past it
- Cardboard deer standing next to the trail
- Photographer standing near the trail
- Tumble weeds (Walmart bags)
- Armadillo that leaped and ran
- Bear

Hope you had a chuckle, too.

Traveling Considerations



A busy ride season will be upon us before we know it, and that involves not only hauling our horses and thinking about trailer safety, but also it involves thinking about the health of our own horse, those horses we come in contact with, and our other horses we leave at home.

It goes without saying to check on the entry requirements into another state. You'll need a veterinary health inspection and a Coggins (EIA) test. Check with your veterinarian about recommended vaccinations and plan to get them at least 2 weeks ahead of time for some immunity to develop. Don't leave home if your horse has a cough or fever.

We can't keep our horses in a bubble, but we can think about some biosecurity practices to help protect them. Following are some recommendations adapted from the United States Department of Agriculture brochure, "Biosecurity – The Key to Keeping Your Horse's Health."

At the ride:

- Don't share equipment (e.g. buckets, brushes, etc.) with other horses. Diseases, fungus, and bacteria can be spread through shared equipment.
- If there is a common water trough, the best practice (not always doable) is for everyone to scoop water out into their own individual buckets rather than let every horse drink out of the common trough.
- Wash your hands, especially after you help other people with their horses.
- If you stable your horse in a stall at the ride facility, it might be out of your control to disinfect the stall prior to use. But at LEAST provide a clean (disinfected if possible) water container and your own clean feed and feed pans.
- Don't let your horse touch nose-to-nose with another.
- When you arrive home, shower and put on clean clothes and shoes before going near your other horses. Clothing can carry disease from one location to the next.

Bringing a horse home from a competition:

- If even one of your horses travels, all of your horses need to be vaccinated. Horses can bring disease home with them to your farm. Work with your local veterinarian to determine an appropriate vaccination program. Be sure to tell the veterinarian where you plan to travel as different areas of the country have different disease concerns.
- When you return from a trip with your horse, isolate (if at all possible) the horse from the rest of your herd for at least 2 weeks. Returning horses should not be allowed to have nose-to-nose contact with other horses.
- Work, feed, and care for any sick horses last to prevent spreading diseases among your herd.
- Don't share equipment (e.g. buckets, brushes, etc.) with your other horses. Wash your hands and change your clothes after you work with sick horses.

Limiting the spread of disease is up to all of us. Think about what happens when you touch wet paint; it gets spread on everything else you touch for a while. Disease organisms travel much the same way. We can't see them, but they're there.

National Board of Directors Meeting Summary, Kansas City, MO, Nov. 11,12 2016

CALL TO ORDER by Kim Cowart, 7:19 p.m., November 11, 2016.

ROLL CALL. Jamie Dieterich, Angie Meroshnekoff, Mary Jo Malone, Bob Insko, John Horne, Kay Gunckel, Alice Perryman, Gayle Muench, Kim Cowart, Lori Rand, Shari Parys and Marla Stucky. Sarah Rinne, Executive Administrator. Beni DeMattei, R2 Alternate. Ruth Mesimer, R6, guest.

MINUTES. July 16, 2016. **Meroshnekoff moved to accept the minutes as recorded, Parys seconded. Motion approved.**

PRESIDENT'S REPORT. Cowart's last meeting on BOD. Dieterich stated he will still be ex-officio and can attend. Due to many changes in the organization recently, continuity with his attendance would be beneficial. Cowart announced election results. Jamie Dieterich, R1, and Mary Jo Malone, R2, were re-elected. William (Bill) Moore, R5, and Mary Hanson, R6, were elected as new directors. Chuck Smith, R3, was re-elected as Alternate Director. Marla Stucky remains Alternate for R6. Elections were not completed for R4 Alternate. Ruth Mesimer brought to the attention of Cowart and Rinne that Beni DeMattei's appointment as Alternate for R2 was never voted on and formally appointed in November 2015. **DeMattei's previous appointment as Alternate confirmed.**

Motion by Horne, seconded by Stucky to approve the election of directors. Motion approved.

EXECUTIVE ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT. Discussed membership and the question as to the continuance of the free memberships for 2017. Reviewed membership numbers including 2016 free members, renewed members and lifetime members. Rinne attended the Coalition of State Councils Conference in Kansas City on behalf of NATRC. Recommendation of board to change title from Executive Administrator to Executive Director. **Motion by Horne, seconded by Muench to change the title from Executive Administrator to Executive Direc-**

tor pursuant by the most expedient and legal process possible. Motion approved.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m. by Cowart.

CALL TO ORDER by Cowart, 8:02 a.m., November 12, 2016

SECRETARY/TREASURER'S REPORT. Malone made comparison from 2016 to 2015. Income: Membership is down 17% compared to the first 10 months last year. Lower fees collected from rides, the lowest it has been. Sponsorship is higher. Total income is down 2%, consistent with the 4-year trend. Expenses: Dues to the regions down 28%. Ride costs are down 13%. Drug testing down \$4,000; not all invoices are in. Awards \$3,000 higher than 2015 due to adding CP National Championships. Staff expenses were up due to paying two Executive Administrator salaries and rent during transition from DiNatale to Rinne. Budget: Membership is under budget by \$4,200 for this time of year – need \$12,000 to meet budget. Sponsorships are over budget. Ride income is under budget. Marketing, spent \$4,300 of \$20,000 budgeted. Convention expense was over budget for the year by \$2,500 (awards). Total expenses \$20,000 below what was budgeted.

Motion by Rand, seconded by Meroshnekoff to continue to offer the free membership to new members for 2017. Horne opposed. Motion approved.

Meroshnekoff discussed need for continuing education for veterinary judges. Greg Fellers suggested NATRC provide a limited "scholarship" for vet judges to attend the AERC convention continuing education training. Vet judges would have to apply. NATRC to subsidize registration fees only. Cost was \$175 this year. **Motion by Dieterich, seconded by Meroshnekoff to fund the AERC CEU at convention up to one vet judge per region for 2017. First to apply for each region that judged a ride in 2016**

gets the opportunity. Motion approved.

BY-LAWS & RULES. Meroshnekoff. See Rules Report.

POLICY & PROCEDURE. Dieterich. Internet Media and Breed Liaison job descriptions being added. Bev Roberts is formatting. Dieterich will email out.

PROTEST. Meroshnekoff. No protests.

PLANNED & CHARITABLE GIVING. Cowart. We may have not been proactive enough with our members in this area. It's not about hard selling; it's about leaving a legacy. Any given organization has various charitable or estate planning options.

SANCTION REPORT. Patsy Conner, report filed. Noted a few issues including still not getting maps for all rides. Late progress reports have been problematic. Electronic forms are great if used appropriately. New sanction forms allow for Saturday and Sunday B rides.

CLINIC SANCTION. Linda Clayton. No new clinic sanctions received.

MANAGEMENT REPORT. Kim Murphy, report filed. Talked about updating the packet checklist, scorecard instructions and Rules Interpreter report. E-News recently distributed to help ride managers with efficient flow of the ride.

RULES INTERPRETER REPORT. DeMattei reviewed report. Delays in camp and holdups on the trail still big issues.

INSURANCE. Rinne. Roberts will update interactive Equisure fillable form on our website.

SAFETY REPORT. Insko reviewed the accident reports that have been received. Stressed the importance of replacing a helmet that had been worn in an accident.

E-NEWS. Jean Green. Several E-News have gone out on various topics to members, riders, and ride management.

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MARKETING. Dieterich/Roberts. Need to specify NATRC in Good-search, easy way to make money for NATRC. Horses in the Morning, (Perryman) well received, free publicity. Advertising with BCHA at \$76 per quarterly issue. Display ad running in *The Trail Rider* magazine.

MEDIA. Dieterich. Hoof Print main focus here. Action item is to consider and approve continued contract with Laurie Knuutila as Editor. Dieterich would like someone to take over what she is currently doing with HP. Duties include soliciting, compiling and reviewing submissions for HP. Essentially pre-editing. **Parys made a motion, seconded by Stucky to approve continued contract with Laurie Knuutila as Hoof Print Editor. Motion approved.**

NATIONAL AWARDS. R5. Establishing a team to prepare and set up awards.

SOCIAL MEDIA. Jonni Jewell. No report filed. Social media is very active for NATRC, and Jewell doing a great job moderating the national and group pages.

BUSINESS MODEL AND MEASUREMENTS. Muench. Created a performance scorecard showing changes in average competitor per ride from 2015 to 2016. Fifty-seven rides total which was above national goal. BOD decided to set 2017 goals in February.

HONORARY & APPRECIATION AWARDS. Mesimer. **Motion made by Muench, seconded by Parys to approve all selected award recipients. Motion approved.**

SPONSORSHIP REPORT. Parys. Parys and Smith have contacted over 50 new companies as potential sponsors. Spent a lot of time collecting unpaid sponsorships for 2015. Lost EasyCare, although hopefully not permanently. ICE ID is interested in sponsoring. National Raffle is going well, only 1,000 tickets total. Raffle advertised on social media.

RIDERS & JUNIORS. Meroshnekoff. Biggest thing that has come up is the Juniors "pointing out" of Novice. When the five firsts and 160-point level was set, there were fewer

juniors in certain regions, and it was rare that any juniors achieved this point level. R5 has two junior riders that are 12 years old who could possibly point out of Novice mid-season next year. Discussion of adding a Junior CP Class.

SPECIAL GUEST PRESENTATION. Denise Farris – Equine Law. NATRC liability regarding dangerous horses.

VETERINARY DRUG COMMITTEE. Mike Peralez/Jamie Dieterich. Recommended to add Glaucine (cough med with anti-inflammatory properties), bisphosphonates (Tildren and Osphos), bone formation drugs, can affect mineral and electrolyte balances in horses. Also recommended is the addition of Nitrofurazone Ointment. Two treatments recommended for addition are Kinesiology taping and Equivibe. **Perryman made a motion, seconded by Gunckel to approve the recommended additions to the Drug Appendices. Motion approved.**

NATIONAL DRUG TESTING. Gunckel. All six regions tested for the 2016 season.

TRAIL ADVOCACY & GRANTS. Hanson, report filed. Suggests we improve the form/application – had a suggestion for an addition. Trail

grant application for \$500 received from Big Hill in Kansas. Trail signs, and horse camp improvement were a part of the proposal, and it would be in conjunction with a federal handshake grant. **Motion made by Stucky, seconded by Parys to approve the trail grant for Big Hill Lake. Motion approved.**

EDUCATION REPORT. Dieterich. Riders Manual is currently on hold. Roberts is working on it. CRI data being compiled now. Looking at overall metabolics, age, and breed to come up with a firmer scoring recommendation. Still a lot of questions and concerns about scoring method and relevance to NATRC.

MEMBERSHIP RECRUITMENT & RETENTION. Nearly 400 new free members. All regions need to work to reach out to these individuals and work to retain them. R5 is sending letters to new free members to encourage them to come back and to attend the national convention since it is in their home region. Each region will have to take charge of their own new members.

JUDGES COMMITTEE REPORT. Kay Gunckel, Priscilla Lindsey, Jamie Dieterich and Kim Cowart. Reports filed. Two vet judge appren-

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tices, Susan Dent and Camilla Jamieson. Alina Vale (R2) and Wesley Perry (R5) still possibilities. Horsemanship provisional - Jill Talbot; apprentice - Esther Diaguila. New scorecards were ordered and arrived; will be rolling out for 2017 season. Cowart expressed great concerns about wait times at rides. Stated in some instances we are becoming a "trail stop" instead of a trail ride. Also significant wait time in camp for vet checks or other camp activities. Riders feeling constantly busy, no down time. Need management educated in ways to promote an efficient flow at rides. Judges need to be educated as well.

HALL OF FAME. Jackie Coleman. No report filed and no nominees.

STUDENT LOAN & SCHOLARSHIP. Horne. No new applications for loans or scholarships. Rinne received confirmation letters from the respective colleges for two current recipients, Jason Klamm, R6, and Madeline Martin, R4.

BREED ORGANIZATIONS/A.H.A. Insko. Some A.H.A. rides. DeMattei interested in holding an A.H.A. Regional Championship. A.H.A. not allowing metabolic checks on trail which is not compatible with NATRC.

ANNUAL POINTS DATA & RECOGNITION. Rinne. Year-end audits are in progress now that the season is completed. Prepping for year-end awards.

ELECTRONIC MEETINGS. Cowart. Electronic meetings possible, conference call format is available to all regions.

CONVENTION 2017. Cowart. February 16, 2017 for NBOD meeting. February 17-18, 2017 for convention presentations and awards. Embassy Suites Hamilton Place, Chattanooga, TN. Registration for hotel and convention available online now. More information forthcoming. There is a website for the convention – www.natrcnc.com.

REGIONAL REPORTS. R1, Meroshnekoff, mini convention March 3-4. Two speakers, including a veterinarian. Six rides for 2016, hoping for seven in 2017. R2, Malone and DeMattei, setting up ride schedule in December for 2017. R3, Horne reported seven rides for 2017, possibly eight, and Rabbit Valley is coming back. R4, Perryman, nine rides scheduled for 2017. Ride in December. R5, Cowart, focused on convention, believes 13 rides on schedule for 2017. One or two clinics. Junior

rider issues (pointing out of Novice). R6, Parys stated nine rides in the works for 2017. Regional Convention first weekend in March.

Shared BOD amount for November 12, 2016 is \$320.10.

OLD BUSINESS.

1. Electronic Scorecards – no update.
2. Riders Manual - on hold.
3. Marketing - always marketing through clothing, hats etc.
4. RMS – priority changes/fixes compiled for Peter. Need to think about what should be priorities moving forward to improve the experience.

NEW BUSINESS

1. NATRC Historian Report. Conner. No report filed.
2. Replacement of Jim Menefee Trophy - Cowart/Rand. Actual physical trophy is in poor condition and disrepair. It was taken to a repair shop; recommendation is that the trophy be retired. **Horne made a motion, seconded by Gunckel to approve expenditure up to \$750 to replace Jim Menefee award. If higher the committee must come back to the board for approval of additional funds. Motion approved.**

ELECTION OF OFFICERS. Secretary Treasurer. **Meroshnekoff nominated Mary Jo Malone, seconded by Parys. No other nominations. Motion approved.** Vice President. **Cowart nominated Shari Parys, seconded by Meroshnekoff. No other nominations. Motion approved.** President. **Parys nominated Angie Meroshnekoff, seconded by Dieterich. No other nominations. Motion approved.** **Motion by Gunckel, seconded by Stucky to adjourn the meeting. Motion approved.**

Minutes on file at the National Office.

Next meeting to be held February 16, 2017, at the Embassy Suites Hamilton Place, Chattanooga, TN.

A large advertisement for the Tennessee Walking Horse Breeders' & Exhibitors' Association (TWHBEA). The background is a photograph of a person in a cowboy hat riding a light-colored horse up a rocky trail. The text on the left side of the ad reads: "Endless POSSIBILITIES Tennessee Walking Horses... the horse for all disciplines. Our members enjoy an array of opportunities. From the trail ride programs to the leadership and development of youth, TWHBEA has something for everyone. For more information about becoming a member: 931-359-1574 www.twhbea.com". The TWHBEA logo is at the bottom left, and the name "CERICKSON" is written vertically on the right side of the ad.

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Region 1

Jackson Forest Summer A

8/20-21/2016 R1-CA
 A-O/N/CP Total Riders: 16
 Chair: Steve Meroshnekoff
 Judges: Heather Raynack DVM,
 Jamie Dieterich
 CP Combo: Andarko/Walls, Lory
 Novice Sweeptakes: NHR Bravo/
 Christiansen, Sheila - 96
 Open Sweepstakes: TR Olena/
 Reed, Terry - 95

Open Heavyweight

1/1 Amiraborr/ Boicelli, Gene

Open Lightweight

1/1 TR Olena/ Reed, Terry
 2/2 Desert Reinbeau/Meroshnekoff, Angie
 3/3 Sierra Sunshine/Stidolph, Donna

Competitive Pleasure

1/1 Andarko/Walls, Lory
 2/2 OM El Nairobi/Dillard, Ashley

3/3 OM El Shakeeb Dream/Dillard, Joe
 4/5 OM El Bilbao/York, Debbie
 5/6 Bodacious Tailfeathers/Lieberknecht, Kay
 6/ Tura Lura/Cannon, Linda
 /4 MK Vangouh/York, Ron
 P Stealth Knight/Boicelli, Victoria

Novice Lightweight

1/1 NHR Bravo/Christiansen, Sheila
 2/2 Chism/Pino, Micheline

Novice Junior

1/1 Lucky Eddie/Cichocki, Claire
 2/2 Denebaborr/Gipson, Savannah

Jackson Forest Summer B

8/21/2016 R1-CA
 B-N Total Riders: 9
 Chair: Steve Meroshnekoff
 Judges: Heather Raynack DVM,
 Jamie Dieterich
 Novice Sweeptakes: Dream/
 McOsker, Jordan - 99

Novice Heavyweight

1/1 Pop Star/Davidson, Athena

Novice Lightweight

1/1 First Flyte/O'Donnell, Sam
 2/2 Hershey 4/Gadd, Anne
 DO HM Raina Bo Surely/Schlerf, Haley

Novice Junior

1/1 Dream/McOsker, Jordan
 2/2 Valentyne/DiMartino, Alexis
 3/5 Abishagg/Niderost, Natalie
 4/4 Lola 3/Monlux, Anais
 5/3 Mistress Jezebel/Xerogeanes, Lia

Jackson Forest Fall A

9/17-18/2016 R1-CA
 A-O/N/CP Total Riders: 16
 Chair: Steve Meroshnekoff
 Judges: Natalie Goldberger DVM, Sarah Rinne
 CP Combo: Andarko/Walls, Lory
 Novice Sweeptakes: Valentyne/
 Gipson, Savannah - 94
 Open Sweepstakes: Desert Reinbeau/
 Meroshnekoff, Angie - 92

Open Heavyweight

1/1 Smokey Sedona/Kafka, Karen

Open Lightweight

1/1 Desert Reinbeau/Meroshnekoff, Angie
 2/3 Amiraborr/Schlerf, Haley
 3/2 Sierra Sunshine/Stidolph, Donna

Competitive Pleasure

1/2 OM El Shakeeb Dream/Dillard, Joe
 2/1 Andarko/Walls, Lory
 3/3 OM El Nairobi/Dillard, Ashley
 4/4 Tura Lura/Cannon, Linda
 5/6 Bodacious Tailfeathers/Lieberknecht, Kay
 6/5 Nausicca Maji/Johnson, Karlie

Novice Heavyweight

1/1 Pop Star/Davidson, Athena

Novice Lightweight

1/3 Chism/Pino, Micheline

Novice Junior

1/2 Valentyne/Gipson, Savannah
 2/1 Lucky Eddie/Cichocki, Claire
 3/4 Mistress Jezebel/Xerogeanes, Lia
 4/3 Serafina/Johnson, Kirsten

Jackson Forest Fall B

9/18/2016 R1-CA
 B-N Total Riders: 7
 Chair: Steve Meroshnekoff

Judges: Natalie Goldberger DVM, Sarah Rinne
 Novice Sweeptakes: Abishagg/
 Niderost, Natalie - 97

Novice Lightweight

1/1 Hershey 4/Gadd, Anne

Novice Junior

1/1 Abishagg/Niderost, Natalie
 2/4 Annie/Petersen, Maren
 3/2 Lola 3/Monlux, Anais
 4/3 Kaylee/Boles, Grace
 CO Denebaborr/DiMartino, Alexis
 P Beauhemian/Redin, Lily

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Region 2

RAHA Rally A

10/1-2/2016 R2-AZ
 A-O/CP Total Riders: 3
 Chair: Margie Insko
 Judges: Carol Meschter DVM, Karel Waugh
 CP Combo: Andarko/Walls, Lory
 Open Sweepstakes: Smokey Sedona/
 Kafka, Karen - 88

Open Heavyweight

1/1 Smokey Sedona/Kafka, Karen

Competitive Pleasure

1/2 Andarko/Walls, Lory
 2/1 Patient Laddie/Malone, Mary Jo

RAHA Rally B1

10/1/2016 R2-AZ
 B-O/N/CP Total Riders: 2
 Chair: Margie Insko
 Judges: Carol Meschter DVM, Karel Waugh
 CP Combo: Aria de Los Cielos/
 Deerinck, Alessandra
 Novice Sweepstakes: It's Legit/
 Murphree, Joanna - 83

Competitive Pleasure

1/1 Aria de Los Cielos/Deerinck, Alessandra

Novice Junior

1/1 It's Legit/Murphree, Joanna

RAHA Rally B2

10/2/2016 R2-AZ
 B2-O/N/CP Total Riders: 2
 Chair: Margie Insko
 Judges: Carol Meschter DVM, Karel Waugh
 Open Sweepstakes: SA Seraphim/
 Lowell, Barbara - 87

Open Heavyweight

1/1 SA Seraphim/Lowell, Barbara
 2/2 Silver Idol/Lowell, Titus

Horsenut Stables A

10/22-23/2016 R2-AZ
 A-O/N/CP Total Riders: 11
 Chairs: Carol Evans, Sharon Noake
 Judges: Greg Fellers DVM, Jamie Dieterich
 CP Combo: Pride's College Boy/Bray, Sherrie
 Novice Sweepstakes: Johnnie/
 Williams, Evelyn - 97.5
 Open Sweepstakes: Dee Bar/
 Westmoreland, Cheri - 96.5

Open Heavyweight

1/1 Dee Bar/Westmoreland, Cheri
 2/2 Smokey Sedona/Kafka, Karen
 P Bailey's Angel Baby/Westmoreland, Edward

Open Junior

1/1 Rocky 7/Floyd, Brianna

Competitive Pleasure

1/3 Zachary/Peterson, Catherine
 2/2 Pride's College Boy/Bray, Sherrie
 3/1 Andarko/Walls, Lory

Novice Heavyweight

1/1 Hindi Naim/Walsh, Sheila
 2/2 Bill's Li'l Girl/Wischmeyer, AJ
 P Elite Willow/Biro, Anita

Novice Junior

1/1 Johnnie/Williams, Evelyn

Horsenut Stables B

10/22/2016 R2-AZ
 B-N Total Riders: 5
 Chairs: Carol Evans, Sharon Noake
 Judges: Greg Fellers DVM, Jamie Dieterich
 Novice Sweepstakes: Tallonted Falcon WA/
 Stinemetz, Rhea - 97.5

Novice Heavyweight

DQ Starfire 2/Valentine, Michelle

Novice Lightweight

1/1 Tallonted Falcon WA/Stinemetz, Rhea
 2/2 Mr. Appy Tears/Kraft, Tex
 CO Princess 9/Whaley, Shirley
 CO Willy Man/Dyson, Lizabeth

Wine Country A

11/5-6/2016 R2-CA
 A-O/N/CP Total Riders: 6
 Chair: Mary Jo Malone
 Judges: Greg Fellers DVM, Kim Cowart
 Novice Sweepstakes: Yosemite Sam 2/
 Gonzalez, Jeanne - 96
 Open Sweepstakes: Desert Reinbeau/
 Meroshnekoff, Angie - 97

Open Heavyweight

1/1 SA Seraphim/Lowell, Barbara
 2/2 Smokey Sedona/Kafka, Karen

Open Lightweight

1/1 Desert Reinbeau/Meroshnekoff, Angie
 2/2 Sierra Sunshine/Stidolph, Donna

Open Junior

1/1 Rocky 7/Floyd, Brianna

Novice Heavyweight

1/1 Yosemite Sam 2/Gonzalez, Jeanne

Wine Country B1

11/5/2016 R2-CA
 B-O/N/CP Total Riders: 8
 Chair: Mary Jo Malone
 Judges: Greg Fellers DVM, Kim Cowart
 CP Combo: QCA Sonrey/Carl, Becky
 Novice Sweepstakes: Pumpkin Festival/
 Siderman, Lisa - 95
 Open Sweepstakes: Sea Dragon/
 Walls, Lory - 95.5

Open Lightweight

1/1 Sea Dragon/Walls, Lory
 2/2 Today not Tomorrow/Deerinck, Alessandra

Competitive Pleasure

1/1 QCA Sonrey/Carl, Becky
 2/2 Milagro Ghost Dancer/Pavia, Audrey

Novice Heavyweight

1/1 Pumpkin Festival/Siderman, Lisa
 P Pipi/Pilgrim, Maria

Novice Lightweight

1/1 Havana Love Aphair/Lee, Trenna

Novice Junior

P Ford Mustang II/Johnson, Kirsten

Wine Country B2

11/6/2016 R2-CA
 B2-O/N/CP Total Riders: 2
 Chair: Mary Jo Malone
 Judges: Greg Fellers DVM, Kim Cowart
 CP Combo: Blackbird/Dent, Susan

Competitive Pleasure

1/DO Sea Dragon/Walls, Lory
 2/1 Blackbird/Dent, Susan



Vet judge Dr. Greg Fellers, DVM, checks the metabolics on a competitor's horse at the Wine Country ride in Region 2.

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Region 3

Chicken Creek Region 3 Benefit Ride

8/20-21/2016 R3-CO

A-O/N/CP Total Riders: 43

Chair: Chuck Smith

Judges: Boyd Emond DVM, Sarah Rinne

CP Combo: Eduardo el Negrito Knight/
Wingle, Diane

Novice Sweepstakes: Taras Sham/
Mitchell, Paula - 97.5

Open Sweepstakes: Awesomes Fire N Ice/
Wolgram, Ken - 97.5

Open Heavyweight

- 1/1 Awesomes Fire N Ice/Wolgram, Ken
- 2/2 Gen's Rockin Shadow/Ward, Jim
- 3/3 Talk Tii Midnight/Gunckel, Kay
- 4/4 Dee Bar/Westmoreland, Cheri

Open Lightweight

- 1/1 Hot Saki/Smith, Terri
- 2/2 Turnner's Wild Card/Ward, Lin

- 3/3 SAS's Smokey Annie Oakley/
Feazzell, Juleen
- 4/4 Moon's Movin' Out/Sommer, Alanna
- 5/6 BR Elusive Flame/Jarrett, Cheryl
- 6/5 Dakota Cole/ Olson, Calleen
- P Tres Beau/Poulton, Jennifer

Competitive Pleasure

- 1/1 Eduardo el Negrito Knight/Wingle, Diane
- 2/2 Kokopelli Moon/Brooker, Natalie
- 3/ Big Mac's My My/Wylie, Karen
- 4/ Classic Lines/Scott, Syndi
- 5/5 Summer/Wolgram, Betty
- 6/4 Levi 2/Morgan, Dayna
- /3 EHF Miss Charming/Clark, Hannah
- /6 Curiosa CR/O'Brien, Wava
- Slicks Bar-B-Doll/Moore, Cathy
- Harlems Spirit of Denmark/Tarvin, Jill
- P Mariah 3/Wingle, Bill
- P Safara/Thearin, Dianna
- P Precious Easy Aces/Bingham, Kerry

Novice Heavyweight

- 1/3 SAS'S My Future is Spots/Gardner, Carrie

- 2/2 A Goodtime Cowboy Casanova/
Daney, Devon
- 3/5 Foxhaven's Medicine Man/Morgan, William
- 4/4 4K Black Powder/Arnett, Leona
- 5/1 Bo 8/Guthrie, Jan
- 6/ Legends Legacy Lena/Alley, Paula
- /6 Fannie/Bishop, Stephen
- DO Becky C/Wylie, John
- P Princess Tru Lena/Jones, Hugh
- P Reign/Galt, Jenee

Novice Lightweight

- 1/4 Taras Sham/Mitchell, Paula
- 2/1 Sixes Peppy Lady/Lyons, Johnnie
- 3/2 Hauler/Figg, Julie
- 4/3 Chester 6/Andrews, Jill
- 5/5 Zeppelin/Hager, Scarlett
- P Stitch/McDermont, Keara
- P Bee Bees Touch/Jones, Jayne
- P Pearl 2/Holmes, Kathleen

Novice Junior

- 1/1 Dixie 9/Stanifer, Molly
- 2/2 Little Bit 3/VanPoolen, Sydney

Chokecherry Canyon A

9/24-25/2016 R3-NM

A-O/N/CP Total Riders: 33

Chairs: Lonnie Smith, Edward Westmoreland

Judges: Carrie Porter DVM, Jerry Sims

CP Combo: Diva 3/Combs, Janna

Novice Sweepstakes: 4K Black Powder/
Arnett, Leona - 91

Open Sweepstakes: Turnner's Wild Card/
Ward, Lin - 94

Open Heavyweight

- 1/4 Gen's Rockin Shadow/Ward, Jim
- 2/2 Talk Tii Midnight/Gunckel, Kay
- 3/1 Peanut 2/Baker, Matt
- 4/3 Dee Bar/Westmoreland, Cheri
- 5/5 Bookcliff Mountain Fire/Bingham, Kenneth
- CO Smokey Sedona/Kafka, Karen

Open Lightweight

- 1/2 Turnner's Wild Card/Ward, Lin
- 2/1 Hot Saki/Smith, Terri
- 3/3 BR Elusive Flame/Jarrett, Cheryl
- P Phantom's Masquerade/Lane, Roxann

Open Junior

- 1/1 Stormy 11/Baker, Madison

Competitive Pleasure

- 1/ Danner/Inman, Gary
- 2/3 Diva 3/Combs, Janna
- 3/6 Safara/Thearin, Dianna
- 4/5 Slicks Bar-B-Doll/Moore, Cathy
- 5/1 Eduardo el Negrito Knight/Wingle, Diane
- 6/2 Autumn 2/Black, Michelle
- /4 Kokopelli Moon/Brooker, Natalie
- Guinness/Horne, John
- P Curiosa CR/O'Brien, Wava

Novice Heavyweight

- 1/1 4K Black Powder/Arnett, Leona
- 2/3 Bo 8/Guthrie, Jan
- 3/2 A Goodtime Cowboy Casanova/
Daney, Devon
- P Legends Legacy Lena/Alley, Paula

- P May Belle Tru C Note/Jones, Hugh
- P Pistolero/Wiltshire, Diane

Novice Lightweight

- 1/1 Zeppelin/Hager, Scarlett
- 2/2 Sunny 14/Kelly, Robin
- P Bee Bees Touch/Jones, Jayne
- P Sir Casanova/Sistek, Joanne

Novice Junior

- 1/1 Little Bit 3/VanPoolen, Sydney
- P Dixie 9/Stanifer, Molly
- P Ren/King, Adriana

Chokecherry Canyon B

9/24/2016 R3-NM

B-O/N/CP Total Riders: 1

Chairs: Lonnie Smith, Edward Westmoreland

Judges: Carrie Porter DVM, Jerry Sims

Novice Sweepstakes: Dragonlady Anne/
Skinner, Pam - 91.5

Novice Heavyweight

- 1/1 Dragonlady Anne/Skinner, Pam



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Region 4

Pine Grove Giddy Up A

9/17-18/2016 R4-AR
 A-O/N/CP Total Riders: 27
 Chair: Kimberly Murphy
 Judges: Tamara Gull DVM, Patsy Conner
 CP Combo: Tomachichi's Little Feather/
 Lampley, Patty
 Novice Sweepstakes: Missouri's Cassey's Ringo/
 Dieckman, Junior - 85
 Open Sweepstakes: Awesomes Fire N Ice/
 Wolgram, Ken - 93

Open Heavyweight

1/1 Awesomes Fire N Ice/Wolgram, Ken
 2/3 Tezuby/Jewell, Jonni
 3/2 Razmataz DBA/Bass, Carla Jo
 4/4 Tribute to Liberty/Steinke, Alice
 5/5 R Secret Decoration/Rumpsa, Erin

Open Lightweight

1/1 Wildfire Storm/Miller, Dolly

2/2 Moon's Movin' Out/Sommer, Alanna
 3/4 WH Picos Cozmic/Brodersen, Shirley
 4/3 Moonshadow 2/Galliher, Teresa
 5/5 Hes a Rockstar/Van Order, Barbie

Competitive Pleasure

1/3 Tomachichi's Little Feather/Lampley, Patty
 2/ Giacomo/Muench, Fran
 3/ Pepper 9/Apple, Edward
 4/4 Nellie's Last Tango SC/Lucht, Becky
 5/2 Hytone Commander/Jackson, Becki
 6/1 Wyntez Buddy/Roberts, Beverly
 /5 Summer/Wolgram, Betty
 /6 Buck 10/Shenkir, Marjorie
 Oliver Queen/Steinke, Maggie

Novice Heavyweight

1/2 Missouri's Cassey's Ringo/
 Dieckman, Junior
 2/1 Flying Pass/Berger, Maria
 CO Joe 5/Turney, Liz
 CO Town of Freckles/Turney, Dale

P Sweet Pepper/Spector, Roni
 P Fierce Grace/Berger, Douwe
 P Skye/Gould, Lisa

Novice Lightweight

1/1 Eds Scarlett Dawn/Griffin, Annette

Pine Grove Giddy Up B

9/17/2016 R4-AR
 B-CP Total Riders: 6
 Chair: Kimberly Murphy
 Judges: Tamara Gull DVM, Patsy Conner
 CP Combo: LRR Matt's Buck Ledoux/
 Drumm, Jenny

Competitive Pleasure

1/1 LRR Matt's Buck Ledoux/Drumm, Jenny
 2/3 Almira Nefous/Dreadfulwater, LeeAnn
 3/2 Foxy 5/Wiens, Jaylin
 4/4 MGA's El Ave Vuella/Colburn, Tonia
 5/6 Capril/Milligan, Misten
 6/5 Bashira/Brown, Leslie

Robbers Route A

10/1-2/2016 R4-OK
 A-O/N/CP Total Riders: 23
 Chairs: Becky Rogers
 Judges: Stephanie Ostrowski DVM,
 Patsy Conner
 CP Combo: Wyntez Buddy/Roberts, Beverly
 Novice Sweepstakes: Joe 5/Turney, Liz - 96
 Open Sweepstakes: Moon's Movin' Out/
 Sommer, Alanna - 97

Open Heavyweight

1/2 Razmataz DBA/Bass, Carla Jo
 2/1 Tezuby/Jewell, Jonni
 P Tribute to Liberty/Steinke, Alice

Open Lightweight

1/1 Moon's Movin' Out/Sommer, Alanna
 2/3 Moonshadow 2/Galliher, Teresa
 3/2 WH Picos Cozmic/Brodersen, Shirley
 4/4 Wildfire Storm/Miller, Dolly
 5/5 Hes a Rockstar/Van Order, Barbie

Competitive Pleasure

1/3 Ellie 2/Tharp, Vicki
 2/2 Tomachichi's Little Feather/Lampley, Patty
 3/ Hytone Commander/Jackson, Becki
 4/1 Wyntez Buddy/Roberts, Beverly
 5/6 Nellie's Last Tango SC/Lucht, Becky
 6/4 Heza Trouble Makin' Buddy/Hapgood, Kris
 /5 Cadence/Wommer, Nikki

Novice Heavyweight

1/1 Joe 5/Turney, Liz
 2/3 Penny 5/Tharp, Wade
 3/5 Flying Pass/Berger, Maria
 4/4 Shadow 8/Apperson, Hoguen
 5/2 Missouri's Cassey's Ringo/
 Dieckman, Junior
 P Zeck/Turney, Dale
 P Jacks Red Rhubarb/Skidmore, Veronica

Novice Lightweight

1/1 Halcon/Queen, Kelly

Robbers Route B

10/1/2016 R4-OK
 B-N/CP Total Riders: 2
 Chairs: Becky Rogers
 Judges: Stephanie Ostrowski DVM,
 Patsy Conner
 CP Combo: Almira Nefous/
 Dreadfulwater, LeeAnn

Competitive Pleasure

1/1 Almira Nefous/Dreadfulwater, LeeAnn
 2/2 MGA's El Ave Vuella/Colburn, Tonia



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*Junior Dieckman and Missouri's Cassey's Ringo
 at the Pine Grove Giddy Up ride in Region 4.*

Region 4, continued

Grassland Gamble A

10/22-23/2016 R4-TX
 A-O/N/CP Total Riders: 22
 Chair: Cheryl Edmondson
 Judges: Natalie Morris DVM, Jean Green
 CP Combo: Layla CBA/Shanor, Kathy
 Novice Sweepstakes: Halcon/Queen, Kelly - 97
 Open Sweepstakes: Wildfire Storm/
 Miller, Dolly - 97

Open Heavyweight

1/1 Tezuby/Jewell, Jonni
 2/3 Gen's Rockin Shadow/Ward, Jim
 3/2 Talk Til Midnight/Perryman, Alice
 P Razmataz DBA/Bass, Carla Jo

Open Lightweight

1/4 Wildfire Storm/Miller, Dolly
 2/1 WH Picos Cozmic/Brodersen, Shirley
 3/3 Turner's Wild Card/Ward, Lin
 4/5 Moonshadow 2/Galliher, Teresa

5/2 Moon's Movin' Out/Sommer, Alanna
 P Hes a Rockstar/Van Order, Barbie
 P TA Kaiser/Prusak, Deanne

Competitive Pleasure

1/1 Layla CBA/Shanor, Kathy
 2/2 Wish Upon a Star/Hapgood, Kris
 3/3 Tomachichi's Little Feather/Lampley, Patty
 4/4 Buck 10/Shenkir, Marjorie
 P Oliver Queen/Steinke, Maggie

Novice Heavyweight

1/5 A Twist with Dude/Stewart, Lisa
 2/2 Town of Freckles/Turney, Dale
 3/1 Im Just Fine/Turney, Liz
 4/3 Missouri's Cassey's Ringo/
 Dieckman, Junior
 5/4 Jacks Red Rhubarb/Skidmore, Veronica

Novice Lightweight

1/1 Halcon/Queen, Kelly

Grassland Gamble B

10/22/2016 R4-TX
 B-CP Total Riders: 4
 Chair: Cheryl Edmondson
 Judges: Natalie Morris DVM, Jean Green
 CP Combo: Cayena de la Madera Roca/
 Musgrave, Teresa

Competitive Pleasure

1/1 Cayena de la Madera Roca/
 Musgrave, Teresa
 2/2 Sparkles Snazzy Jack/Trimmell, Shalen
 3/3 Tosca 3/Black, Tracy
 P Lady's Finishing Touch II/Dieckman, Ermine

The Final Rendezvous A

11/5-6/2016 R4-OK
 A-O/N/CP Total Riders: 38
 Chair: Leona Harris
 Judges: Tamara Gull DVM, Becky Rogers
 CP Combo: Wyntez Buddy/Roberts, Beverly
 Novice Sweepstakes: Flying Pass/
 Berger, Maria - 98
 Open Sweepstakes: Tezuby/Jewell, Jonni - 99

Open Heavyweight

1/2 Tezuby/Jewell, Jonni
 2/1 Little Ann/Klamm, Liz
 3/4 L.L. Remington/Marston, Marilyn
 4/3 Razmataz DBA/Bass, Carla Jo
 DQ Gen's Rockin Shadow/Ward, Jim

Open Lightweight

1/5 Wildfire Storm/Miller, Dolly
 2/2 Princess Dina/Payne, Debbie
 3/1 Turner's Wild Card/Ward, Lin
 4/4 WH Picos Cozmic/Brodersen, Shirley
 5/ Moonshadow 2/Galliher, Teresa
 6/6 EZ Rocket WH/Stucky, Marla
 /3 Cito Mocha Raton/Cleveland, Trish
 Moon's Movin' Out/Sommer, Alanna
 Little Jet Fuel/West, Sharon

Open Junior

1/1 PS Arikaree Bask/Brooker, Natalie
 P Angel's Ricochet Shot/Klamm, Ryan

Competitive Pleasure

1/ Danner/Inman, Gary
 2/1 Wyntez Buddy/Roberts, Beverly
 3/ Domino 3/Muench, Gayle
 4/3 Giacomo/Muench, Fran

5/6 Hytone Commander/Jackson, Becki
 6/2 Risky Snickers/Wood, Mary Anna
 /4 Nellie's Last Tango SC/Lucht, Becky
 /5 Wish Upon a Star/Hapgood, Kris
 Mariah 3/Wingle, Bill
 Heza Trouble Makin' Buddy/
 Giedt, Elisabeth
 P Eduardo el Negrito Knight/Wingle, Diane

Novice Heavyweight

1/5 Flying Pass/Berger, Maria
 2/2 Im Just Fine/Turney, Liz
 3/3 Town of Freckles/Turney, Dale
 4/4 A Twist with Dude/Stewart, Lisa
 5/6 Bueno Mystic/Ropp, Marla
 6/1 Jacks Red Rhubarb/Skidmore, Veronica
 Missouri's Cassey's Ringo/
 Dieckman, Junior
 XenaWariorPrinces/McKenzie, Christine

Novice Lightweight

1/3 Armed and Grandiose/Griffin, Annette
 2/2 Aelfleah Idlewild/Holm, Sharon
 3/1 Halcon/Queen, Kelly

The Final Rendezvous B

11/5/2016 R4-OK
 B-CP Total Riders: 5
 Chair: Leona Harris
 Judges: Tamara Gull DVM, Becky Rogers
 CP Combo: Fives Bert Harlan/Bouska, Alan

Competitive Pleasure

1/2 Fives Bert Harlan/Bouska, Alan
 2/1 Sherman 4/Perryman, Alice
 3/3 D.M.'S Eye of The Tiger/Altwegg, Noreen
 4/4 Almira Nefous/Dreadfulwater, LeeAnn
 5/5 MGA's El Ave Vuella/Colburn, Tonia



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Region 5

Ride the Edge A

9/10-11/2016 R5-TN
 A-O/N/CP Total Riders: 36
 Chair: Wayne Tolbert
 Judges: Natalie Morris DVM, Cheri Jeffcoat
 CP Combo: RCC Follow Me/Jones, Debbie T.
 Novice Sweepstakes: Maggie Mae/
 Saunby, Lauren - 98
 Open Sweepstakes: Windstorm Clay/
 Mitchell, Tommy - 97.5

Open Heavyweight

1/1 Windstorm Clay/Mitchell, Tommy

Open Lightweight

1/6 Moon's Movin' Out/Sommer, Alanna
 2/ Nancy's Summer Dance/Sluys, Nancy
 3/3 My Noble Ambition/Rand, Lori
 4/1 Magnum 2/James, Trish
 5/2 Kiss Afire Babe/Riddick, Keri
 6/5 Terradocs Oconee Belle/Kudra, Sallie
 /4 Sunny Georgia/Lucas, Patty
 Numero Majestic Tres/Lowery/Rita

Open Junior

1/1 Polka Dot/Herbert, Maddie
 P RaJahada/Ware, McKinsey

Competitive Pleasure

1/1 RCC Follow Me/Jones, Debbie T.

2/ Lucky Sunday/Broughton, Regina
 3/4 Giacomo/Muench, Fran
 4/2 Impressive Red Rebel/Riley, Paula
 5/6 Appalachian Spring/Moss, Linda
 6/3 Alena Rae/Rogers, Andrea
 /5 Lexus Golden Tie L/Dukes, Mary
 Domino 3/Muench, Gayle
 Q-Tip/Rogers, Cynthia
 P TR What's Smokin/Jones, Mark H.

Novice Heavyweight

1/2 Ruby 8/Talbert, Ben
 2/3 Santana 3/Mulligan, Jennifer
 3/5 Pepper 9/Apple, Edward
 4/6 Wilkinson's Wired Drifter/Simmon's Taunya
 5/1 Zeke 2/Crews, Stephanie
 6/ Pusher's Blue Treasure/Carraher, Kathy
 /4 I'm Double Loaded/Green, Natalie
 P Toby Secret Spook/Bass, Patricia

Novice Lightweight

1/2 Maggie Mae/Saunby, Lauren
 2/4 Cider/Walker, Pamela
 3/DO Jingaling/Alonso, Heather
 4/1 Beau 11/Games, Sherry
 5/3 Matt Dillon/Mills, Carolyn

Novice Junior

1/2 Sampson 1/Sandifer, Brianna
 2/1 My Horse Onyx/Nunn, Mikayla

Ride the Edge B

9/10/2016 R5-TN
 B-N/CP Total Riders: 22
 Chair: Wayne Tolbert
 Judges: Natalie Morris DVM, Cheri Jeffcoat
 CP Combo: Brandy Wyne/Ault, Carol
 Novice Sweepstakes: Shadow's Evening Shade/
 Gray, Kristen - 98.5

Competitive Pleasure

1/1 Brandy Wyne/Ault, Carol
 2/5 PH Twin Blue/Long, Amy
 3/ Spotted Alen's Finale/Keen, Cindy
 4/ CMF Halle/Hartness, Marilyn
 5/ Fire Dancer/Ellenburg, Beth
 6/ Heart's Desire/Pegram, Sandy
 /2 Thee Vandal/Findley, Martha
 /3 O.H. Perfect Storm/Murray, Andrew
 /4 DLC Roxies Peponita/Howard, Marsha
 /6 Sydney 2/Hensley, Joyce

Novice Heavyweight

1/2 Shadow's Evening Shade/Gray, Kristen
 2/4 Spirit 15/Kucinski, Kimberly
 3/1 Zakreb Ogon/Wolf, Teresa
 4/3 GreyGold/Paro, Patricia
 P Dawson/Moore, Cassidy

Novice Lightweight

1/3 Koda Two Eyes/Sharkey, Tracy
 2/2 Delight's Amber Beauty/Ward, Katie
 3/1 Texas/Murray, Alyssa
 4/4 Tez/Dentice, Bonnie

Heart of Dixie A

9/24-25/2016 R5-AL
 A-O/N/CP Total Riders: 29
 Chair: Victoria Light
 Judges: Natalie Morris DVM, Kathy Shanor
 CP Combo: Lucky Sunday/Broughton, Regina
 Novice Sweepstakes: Jingaling/
 Alonso, Heather - 97
 Open Sweepstakes: Windstorm Clay/
 Mitchell, Tommy - 97

Open Heavyweight

1/2 Windstorm Clay/Mitchell, Tommy
 2/3 Norman/Moore, William
 3/1 Goodnight's Masterpiece/Tolbert, Wayne

Open Lightweight

1/3 Kiss Afire Babe/Riddick, Keri
 2/2 Danamye/Diaguila, Esther
 3/4 Terradocs Oconee Belle/Kudra, Sallie
 4/1 My Noble Ambition/Rand, Lori

Competitive Pleasure

1/ PH Twin Blue/Long, Amy
 2/5 Spotted Alen's Finale/Keen, Cindy
 3/4 Impressive Red Rebel/Riley, Paula
 4/1 Lucky Sunday/Broughton, Regina

5/2 DLC Roxies Peponita/Howard, Marsha
 6/6 Midnight Oil/Woodall, Courtney
 /3 Red Bird's Ransom W./Clayton, Gary

Novice Heavyweight

1/1 Zeke 2/Crews, Stephanie
 2/2 Dawson/Moore, Cassidy
 3/4 Captain Augustus McRae/Apple, Edward
 4/3 Winston 3/Rankin, Benny
 5/5 Rudy 3/Swartzendruber, Samantha
 P Wilkinson's Wired Drifter/Simmons, Taunya

Novice Lightweight

1/DO Jingaling/Alonso, Heather
 2/1 Matt Dillon/Mills, Carolyn
 3/2 Lenox/Senecal, Anita
 4/3 Shades/Lowery, Rita

Novice Junior

1/3 Sweet Dollar/Stanley, Janna
 2/2 Lena Honey/Sharkey, Elizabeth
 3/1 Spirit of Spotted Alen/Hatcher, Hannah
 4/4 Allans Desert Rose/Goza, Clint

Heart of Dixie B

9/24/2016 R5-AL
 B-O/N/CP Total Riders: 10
 Chair: Victoria Light
 Judges: Natalie Morris DVM, Kathy Shanor
 CP Combo: Papa's Alabama Express/
 Lucas, Patty
 Novice Sweepstakes: Jett/
 Martin, Gretchen - 97.5

Competitive Pleasure

1/1 Papa's Alabama Express/Lucas, Patty
 2/3 Song/Ostrowski, Stephanie
 3/2 Dusty Dawn's Little Lady/Lewis, Ray

Novice Heavyweight

1/3 Rock It/Clifford, Brian
 2/1 Gabriel 3/Piezon, Sherry
 3/2 Keeper 2/Rigel, Patricia
 P Sebastian 2/Cerinetti, Jul

Novice Lightweight

1/2 Jett/Martin, Gretchen
 2/1 Koda Two Eyes/Sharkey, Tracy

Novice Junior

1/1 Zion/Senecal, Lexi



Region 5, continued

Shoal Creek A

10/15-16/2016 R5-AL
 A-O/N/CP Total Riders: 29
 Chair: Nancy Crutchfield
 Judges: Mike Bridges DVM, Wayne Tolbert
 CP Combo: RCC Follow Me/Jones, Debbie T.
 Novice Sweepstakes: Sweet Dollar/
 Stanley, Janna - 97
 Open Sweepstakes: Goodnight's Masterpiece/
 Clayton, Gary - 98

Open Heavyweight

1/1 Goodnight's Masterpiece/Clayton, Gary
 2/2 Windstorm Clay/Mitchell, Tommy

Open Lightweight

1/2 Kiss Afire Babe/Riddick, Keri
 2/1 My Noble Ambition/Rand, Lori
 3/3 Sunny Georgia/Lucas, Patty
 4/4 Raisin the Roof/James, Trish

Open Junior

1/1 Ralahada/Ware, McKinsey
 2/2 Polka Dot/Hebert, Maddie

Competitive Pleasure

1/ Impressive Red Rebel/Riley, Paula
 2/2 RCC Follow Me/Jones, Debbie T.
 3/ TR What's Smokin/Jones, Mark H.
 4/4 DLC Roxies Peponita/Howard, Marsha
 5/1 Mariah's Secret/Riley, Leigh
 6/6 Q-Tip/Rogers, Cynthia
 /3 Lucky Sunday/Broughton, Regina
 /5 Mandella Bey/Chapman, Carolyn
 P Brandy Wyne/Ault, Carol

Novice Heavyweight

1/3 Gabriel 3/Piezon, Sherry
 2/1 Winston 3/Rankin, Benny
 3/2 Dickie Dayle Olena/Dalis, Morgan

Novice Lightweight

1/6 Maggie Mae/Saunby, Lauren
 2/1 Lenox/Senecal, Anita
 3/3 Koda Two Eyes/Sharkey, Tracy
 4/5 Matt Dillon/Mills, Carolyn
 5/4 Gambit/Kirsch, Claire
 6/2 Shades/Lowery, Rita

Novice Junior

1/2 Sweet Dollar/Stanley, Janna
 2/1 Lena Honey/Sharkey, Elizabeth

3/3 Allans Desert Rose/Goza, Clint

Shoal Creek B1

10/15/2016 R5-AL
 B-N/CP Total Riders: 2
 Chair: Nancy Crutchfield
 Judges: Mike Bridges DVM, Wayne Tolbert
 CP Combo: Jake 4/VanEysbergen
 Novice Sweepstakes: Pocco/
 Hatcher, Hannah - 88

Competitive Pleasure

1/1 Jake 4/VanEysbergen

Novice Junior

1/1 Pocco/Hatcher, Hannah

Shoal Creek B2

10/16/2016 R5-AL
 B-O/N/CP Total Riders: 1
 Chair: Nancy Crutchfield
 Judges: Mike Bridges DVM, Wayne Tolbert

Open Heavyweight

CO Pebbles 2/Crews, Stephanie

Kings Mountain A

10/29-30/2016 R5-SC
 A-O/N/CP Total Riders: 28
 Chair: Carol Ault
 Judges: Mike Bridges DVM, Kim Cowart
 CP Combo: RCC Follow Me/Jones, Debbie T.
 Novice Sweepstakes: Elvis 2/Wertz, Jennifer- 99
 Open Sweepstakes: Sunny Georgia/
 Lucas, Patty - 95

Open Heavyweight

1/1 Windstorm Clay/Mitchell, Tommy

Open Lightweight

1/4 Sunny Georgia/Lucas, Patty
 2/3 Kiss Afire Babe/Riddick, Keri
 3/2 Terradocs Oconee Belle/Kudra, Sallie
 4/5 Raisin the Roof/James, Trish
 5/1 Nancy's Summer Dance/Sluys, Nancy
 P My Noble Ambition/Rand, Lori

Open Junior

1/1 Ralahada/Ware, McKinsey

Competitive Pleasure

1/ Heart's Desire/Pegram, Sandy

2/2 RCC Follow Me/Jones, Debbie T.
 3/3 Pocco/Woodall, Courtney
 4/ PH Twin Blue/Long, Amy
 5/ Spotted Alen's Finale/Keen, Cindy
 6/1 DLC Roxies Peponita/Howard, Marsha
 /4 TR What's Smokin/Jones, Mark H.
 /5 Q-Tip/Rogers, Cynthia
 /6 Harley D/Tolbert, Wayne
 Impressive Red Rebel/Riley, Paula

Novice Heavyweight

1/3 Elvis 2/Wertz, Jennifer
 2/1 Ruby 8/Talbert, Ben
 3/2 Miss Kitty 2/Sayers, Randy

Novice Lightweight

1/DO Do Little/Alonso, Heather
 P Koda Two Eyes/Sharkey, Tracy

Novice Junior

1/2 My Horse Onyx/Nunn, Mikayla
 2/3 Sweet Dollar/Stanley, Janna
 3/4 Lena Honey/Sharkey, Elizabeth
 4/1 Spirit of Spotted Alen/Hatcher, Hannah
 5/5 Georgia/Howell, Katie

Kings Mountain B

10/30/2016 R5-SC
 B-O/N/CP Total Riders: 10
 Chair: Carol Ault
 Judges: Mike Bridges DVM, Kim Cowart
 CP Combo: Ester/Land, Carol
 Novice Sweepstakes: Spirit 15/
 Kucinski, Katherine - 97

Competitive Pleasure

1/3 Ester/Land, Carol
 2/1 CMF Halle/Hartness, Marilyn
 3/2 Sydney 2/Hensley, Joyce

Novice Heavyweight

1/1 Fury/Kucinski, Kimberly

Novice Lightweight

1/1 Gypsy 10/Manuel, Amy

Novice Junior

1/5 Spirit 15/Kucinski, Katherine
 2/3 Willow 5/Manuel, Merritt
 3/4 Ruth 2/Adams, Joline
 4/2 Lucas 2/Seibold, Julia
 5/1 Linus/Joseph, Victoria

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Region 6

No Kansas Isn't Flat A

9/10-11/2016 R6-KS
 A-O/N/CP Total Riders: 28
 Chairs: Vickie White, Rhonda Levinson
 Judges: Jeanie Hauser DVM, Norma Newton
 CP Combo: Mika/Parys, Shari
 Novice Sweepstakes: Delcies Acasia/
 Jakopak, Autumn – 97.5
 Open Sweepstakes: Gen's Rockin Shadow/
 Ward, Jim - 95

Open Heavyweight

1/3 Gen's Rockin Shadow/Ward, Jim
 2/4 Roho Honey Mocha WH/Hinkebein, William
 3/1 Awesomes Fire N Ice/Wolgram, Ken
 4/2 Little Ann/Klamm, Liz
 P L.L.Remington/Marston, Marilyn
 P Silver Valley Tate/Hanson, Mary
 P Talk Til Midnight/Gunckel, Kay

Open Lightweight

1/2 Turner's Wild Card/Ward, Lin

2/1 Dun Come Unzipped/Reynolds, Margaret
 3/3 Cito Mocha Raton/Cleveland, Trish

Open Junior

1/3 Country Mocha WH/Reeter, Josie
 2/2 Shady Sunset WH/Reeter, Jessica
 3/1 Angel's Ricochet Shot/Klamm, Ryan

Competitive Pleasure

1/2 Fives Bert Harlan/Bouska, Alan
 2/5 SF Silver Dragon/Jakopak, Summer
 3/4 Risky Snickers/Wood, Mary Anna
 4/1 Mika/Parys, Shari
 5/3 Summer/Wolgram, Betty
 6/6 D.M.'S Eye of The Tiger/Altwegg, Noreen
 Goodness Gracious/Childs, Maggie
 CO Shadow's Dancer C./Nore, Robin

Novice Heavyweight

1/2 KS Franks Banjet/Chaffin, Verona
 2/1 Johnnie Whoa Jo/Zeliff, John

Novice Lightweight

1/1 Nakita Rose/Shively, Joyce
 2/2 Cheyenne 11/Fearing, Donna
 CO Zack the Tank/Budke, Amy
 CO Peaches 3/Koontz, Susan

Novice Junior

1/1 Delcies Acasia/Jakopak, Autumn

No Kansas Isn't Flat B

9/10/2016 R6-KS
 B-O/N/CP Total Riders: 3
 Chairs: Vickie White, Rhonda Levinson
 Judges: Jeanie Hauser DVM, Norma Newton
 CP Combo – Rannah's Jubilee/Sirridge, Althea

Competitive Pleasure

1/1 Rannah's Jubilee/Sirridge, Althea

Novice Heavyweight

CO Badger Hill Mariah/Bryant, Jennifer
 P Edgewood Amanda/Rush, Barbara

Indian Caves B1

9/24/2016 R6-NE
 B1-O/N/CP Total Riders: 18
 Chairs: Sarah Rinne
 Judges: Carol Ormond DVM, Kim Cowart
 CP Combo: Risky Snickers/Wood, Mary Anna
 Novice Sweepstakes: Delcies Acasia/
 Jakopak, Autumn – 91.5
 Open Sweepstakes: Angel's Ricochet Shot/
 Klamm, Ryan – 95.5

Open Heavyweight

1/1 Awesomes Fire N Ice/Wolgram, Ken
 2/4 Silver Valley Tate/Hanson, Dwight
 3/3 Little Ann/Klamm, Liz
 4/2 Roho Honey Mocha WH/Hinkebein, William

Open Lightweight

1/1 Cito Mocha Raton/Cleveland, Trish

2/2 Dun Come Unzipped/Reynolds, Margaret

Open Junior

1/1 Angel's Ricochet Shot/Klamm, Ryan
 2/3 Shady Sunset WH/Reeter, Jessica
 3/2 Country Mocha WH/Reeter, Josie

Competitive Pleasure

1/1 Risky Snickers/Wood, Mary Anna
 2/2 Goodness Gracious/Childs, Maggie
 P Xpressionoffreedom/Jakopak, Summer
 P Summer/Wolgram, Betty

Novice Heavyweight

1/1 KS Frank's Banjet/Chaffin, Verona
 P Zhara To Impress/Frank, Brenda
 P Invest Ina Three Bar/Kollars, Gina

Novice Lightweight

1/1 Jessie 3/Smith, Helen

Novice Junior

1/1 Delcies Acasia/Jakopak, Autumn

Indian Caves B2

9/24/2016 R6-NE
 B2-O/N/CP Total Riders: 3
 Chairs: Sarah Rinne
 Judges: Carol Ormond DVM, Kim Cowart
 Novice Sweepstakes: Johnnie Whoa Jo/
 Zeliff, John - 77
 Open Sweepstakes: EZ Rocket WH/
 Stucky, Marla - 99

Open Lightweight

1/1 EZ Rocket WH/Stucky, Marla

Novice Heavyweight

1/1 Johnnie Whoa Jo/Zeliff, John
 CO Bee Jays Ten/Jackson, Barbara

Kanopolis Canyon A

10/8-9/2016 R6-KS
 A-O/N/CP Total Riders: 22
 Chair: Erin Glassman
 Judges: Kate Jacob DVM, Priscilla Lindsey
 CP Combo: Eduardo el Negrito Knight/
 Wingle, Diane
 Novice Sweepstakes: Peaches 3/
 Koontz, Susan - 96
 Open Sweepstakes: Angel's Ricochet Shot/
 Klamm, Ryan - 100

Open Heavyweight

1/4 Gen's Rockin Shadow/Ward, Jim
 2/2 Roho Honey Mocha WH/Hinkebein, William
 3/3 Silver Valley Tate/Hanson, Dwight
 4/1 Little Ann/Klamm, Liz
 P Country Diamond Rio/Blue, Erica
 P Talk Til Midnight/Gunckel, Kay

Open Lightweight

1/2 Cito Mocha Raton/Cleveland, Trish
 2/3 EZ Rocket WH/Stucky, Marla
 3/4 Turner's Wild Card/Ward, Lin

4/1 Dun Come Unzipped/Reynolds, Margaret
 P Wildfire Storm/Miller, Dolly

Open Junior

1/1 Angel's Ricochet Shot/Klamm, Ryan
 2/3 Shady Sunset WH/Reeter, Jessica
 3/2 Country Mocha WH/Reeter, Josie

Competitive Pleasure

1/2 Eduardo el Negrito Knight/Wingle, Diane
 2/4 Fives Bert Harlan/Bouska, Alan
 3/3 Mika/Parys, Shari
 4/6 Risky Snickers/Wood, Mary Anna
 5/1 D.M.'s Eye of The Tiger/Altwegg, Noreen
 6/ /5 Danner/Inman, Gary
 Goodness Gracious/Childs, Maggie

Novice Heavyweight

1/1 Johnnie Whoa Jo/Zeliff, John

Novice Lightweight

1/1 Peaches 3/Koontz, Susan

Kanopolis Canyon B

10/8/2016 R6-KS
 B-O/N/CP Total Riders: 3
 Chair: Erin Glassman
 Judges: Kate Jacob DVM, Priscilla Lindsey
 Novice Sweepstakes: Blaze 10/
 Knight, Matthew – 88.5
 Open Sweepstakes: Princess Dina/
 Payne, Debbie - 99

Open Lightweight

1/1 Princess Dina/Payne, Debbie
 2/2 Little Jet Fuel/West, Sharon

Novice Heavyweight

1/1 Blaze 10/Knight, Matthew



Region 6, continued

Region 6 Benefit at Cedar Creek A

10/22-23/2016 R6-MO
 A-O/N/CP Total Riders: 13
 Chair: Christine Wallis
 Judges: Kay Gunckel DVM, Sarah Rinne
 CP Combo: Wyntez Buddy/Roberts, Beverly
 Novice Sweepstakes: Johnnie Whoa Jo/
 Zelif, John - 92
 Open Sweepstakes: EZ Rocket WH/
 Stucky, Marla - 100

Open Heavyweight

1/1 Little Ann/Klamm, Liz
 2/2 My Nightmare/White, Vickie

Open Lightweight

1/2 EZ Rocket WH/Stucky, Marla
 2/1 Cito Mocha Raton/Cleveland, Trish
 3/3 Dun Come Unzipped/Reynolds, Margaret
 4/4 Taking Over My Heart/Levinson, Rhonda

Competitive Pleasure

1/1 Wyntez Buddy/Roberts, Beverly
 2/2 Fives Bert Harlan/Bouska, Alan
 3/4 D.M.'S Eye of The Tiger/Altwegg, Noreen
 4/5 Tide's Main Man/Stanford, Mary
 5/3 Risky Snickers/Wood, Mary Anna
 6/6 Triggers Golden Nugget/Aswegen, Beth

Novice Heavyweight

1/1 Johnnie Whoa Jo/Zelif, John

Region 6 Benefit at Cedar Creek B1

10/22/2016 R6-MO
 B-O/N/CP Total Riders: 7
 Chair: Christine Wallis
 Judges: Kay Gunckel DVM, Sarah Rinne
 Novice Sweepstakes: KS Franks Banjet/
 Chaffin, Verona - 90
 Open Sweepstakes: Silver Valley Tate/
 Hanson, Dwight - 98

Open Heavyweight

1/2 Silver Valley Tate/Hanson, Dwight
 2/1 Roho Honey Mocha WH/Hinkebein, William

Open Junior

1/1 Angel's Ricochet Shot/Mallory, Britney
 2/2 Country Mocha WH/Reeter, Josie
 3/3 Shady Sunset WH/Reeter, Jessica

Novice Heavyweight

1/1 KS Franks Banjet/Chaffin, Verona
 2/2 Missouri Country Rambler WH/
 Snow, Nathan



Region 6 Benefit at Cedar Creek B2

10/23/2016 R6-MO
 B2-O/N/CP Total Riders: 7
 Chair: Christine Wallis
 Judges: Kay Gunckel DVM, Sarah Rinne
 Novice Sweepstakes: KS Franks Banjet/
 Chaffin, Verona - 90
 Open Sweepstakes: Angel's Ricochet Shot/
 Klamm, Ryan - 96

Open Heavyweight

1/1 Roho Honey Mocha WH/Hinkebein, William

2/2 Silver Valley Tate/Hanson, Dwight

Open Junior

1/1 Angel's Ricochet Shot/Klamm, Ryan
 2/3 Shady Sunset WH/Reeter, Jessica
 3/2 Country Mocha WH/Reeter, Josie

Novice Heavyweight

1/2 KS Franks Banjet/Chaffin, Verona
 2/1 Missouri Country Rambler WH/
 Snow, Nathan

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