



Fence Talk

February 2005



UPCOMING EVENTS

Feb 28..... Vet Symposium & Hoof Care
March 9Club Meeting
March 18-20Equine Expo - Albany

UPCOMING RIDES

Saturday, February 19th

Karen Matheny will lead a ride on Stratton Creek along the Rogue River. This is a road ride, but very pretty. It is not a loop, just down and back. Parking is a little tight, so try to double up with a buddy if possible. Meet at the Shari's Restaurant at the first Grants Pass exit at 9:00am for breakfast or be there by 9:45am to trailer on to the Merlin exit and towards the Hell Gate Bridge. Call Karen at 245-8511 for more info.

February Meeting

Date: March 9

Time: 7:00pm meeting

Place: IOOF Hall

1139 Hazel St., Central Point

Refreshments: Marshall
Smith, Joyce Gay and Debbie
Davenport

Door Prize: Betty & Mandy
Moore

LILY GLEN CAMPOUT

After a one year hiatus the famous July 4th JCHA Lily Glen Campout is back!! We have agreed to tone it down a bit so as to not burn out all the help, but still make it a fun time for all.



Lily Glen Group areas A & B are reserved for Saturday July 2nd and Sunday July 3rd. We may reserve Friday at a later date if enough members wish to spend Friday night.

Our current plan includes a downsized Trail Horse Trail with 5-6 obstacles, a LINGO game running concurrently with the Trail Trials and a Gymkhana. There will be no-host potlucks on Saturday and Sunday night. There will **NOT** be a breakfast served this year. It was agreed this is very time consuming and not that profitable.

We passed around a volunteer sign up sheet at the last meeting. If you would like to volunteer to help with the camping, rides or gymkhana please call Debbie at 664-1635. The more volunteers the less work for all.

Do keep in mind there are only 32 corrals at Lily Glen now. Traditionally, working board members get first pick and then volunteers second. You will most likely need to use your own high line, hot wire corral, portable corral, etc. so you may want to get your critter used to it in advance.

A flyer with all the info will be available by May 1st.

From the President's Paddock

We had a great meeting last week, with a great turnout. We had two guests at the February meeting: Veronica Scott and Cathy Robbins. Both were attending the meeting to learn a little more about our club and we look forward to seeing their names added to the membership roster in the coming months.

I am really excited about everyone's support for our upcoming events. Spring is right around the corner and we will be kicking into high gear before you know it.

We already have nearly 20 riders signed up for the Pear Blossom Parade. This is going to be a lot of fun, and a great chance to show our colors and promote our club. If you are interested in riding in the parade on April 9th, please give me a call or drop me a line.

The Trail Trials Clinic will be April 17th. This is going to be an excellent opportunity to work on some trail obstacles with your horse. If you can volunteer some time to help at the obstacles, please let me know. It would be great to have a few "shifts" of volunteers, so everyone can participate with their horse as well.

And, believe it or not, we are already making plans for the Lily Glen campout over Fourth of July weekend. A lot of folks signed up to help at the meeting, but we are still looking for a Potluck Manager and a couple helpers. Give me a call!

Finally, my prayers go out to Colleen Low, our new Sunshine Committee member, whose father suffered a heart-attack this week. Your JCHA family is thinking of you.

If I don't see you on the trail this month, be sure to make plans to attend the next meeting on March 9th. I think we have some special Leprechauns who will be making an appearance that night!

Thank you for again for being a part of the Jackson County Horseman's Association. I would love to hear from you. Please feel free to call me at 899-1793, or drop me a line at StacieAndZach@hotmail.com. Remember: Life is just better from the back of a horse!

*God Bless –
Stacie Grier
President*

Community Equestrian Event Calendar

(Not sponsored by JCHA))

February 28 – Vet Symposium 7:00pm – Extension Office
Hoof care to begin around 5:00pm

March 18- 20 – Greater Northwest Equine Expo in Albany.

April 9 – 2005 Equifair in Grants Pass 541-479-4791

April 17 – Spring Poker Ride in Crescent City. Carolyn Dikes 707-464-9261

May 6-8 – Klamath Falls Packing Clinic

May 15 – Lingo Ride in Crescent City - Linda Athey 707-482-8845

June 25 – Roseburg OET Trail Horse Trails and Lingo Ride

October 9 – Fall Poker Ride in Crescent City. Eileen Mitchell 707-464-5895

Annie, get your gun??

By Debbie Davenport

Are you one of the thousands of women who know there is a handgun (pistol) in the house and knows it's there for self defense if someone entered your house and threatened you or your family? Are you also one of those thousands of women that couldn't use it, even if your life depended on it, because you don't know how? Well, I have the answer for you!!



A few weeks ago Mark and I and two other couples decided to take Concealed Handgun Permit Training. I wanted to do this so I would be legal when driving with my pistol tucked under the seat. I assumed the instructor would mostly talk about the gun laws and safety, but I was wrong. This class turned out to be more than I expected!

The instructor, Bill Keefer, states right at the beginning, "This class was originally intended for women who don't know anything about a handgun". He started right from the beginning, explaining the different types of handguns – semi automatic, single action, double action. He had practice pellet guns (that shoot plastic pellets) to practice holding the grip and aiming at a target. Not until the gals were comfortable with the pellet guns did we get to move on to the practice range and fire our pistols. At all times safety was the #1 issue. The instructor was very thorough and watched each person load and fire several times from the 21' line. (I learned that if you need to use your pistol in self defense, most likely, it will be within 21'.) After he was comfortable with all of us practicing safe gun use, we got to shoot as many rounds as we liked. After the 3-hour course I went away with more firearms knowledge and confidence. I know the other two gals in the class (names withheld to protect the novice☺) were not real excited about doing this class, but when we left they were jazzed and ready to come back to the Medford Rifle & Pistol Club's indoor range and do more target shooting!

If you are interested in learning more about the safe handling of YOUR handgun I definitely recommend this \$40 class. Bill Keefer prefers small groups (1-4) but did agree to do it for the six of us. He is flexible on dates and times. You can contact him in Ashland at 541-951-0611.

\$\$\$ CLASSIFIED ADS \$\$\$

FOR SALE: Home + 3.77 acres, all irrigated (TID) new 4 stall barn & older barn, completely fenced and cross fenced; 3 bdrm. 1 bath, remodeled 2001. Lovely home located in Talent. \$375,000. Call Pam at 541-535-3803.

MUST SELL: 14 yr old Arabian Mare, trail rides, loads, bathes, clips. She is just standing in the pasture and hasn't been ridden in a while. We would like to see her go to a good home that has time for her. She would make a good 4-H project for someone with some experience. Up to date on shots and worming including West Nile. \$700 or best offer. Call Kim or Tom at 541-621-2611

GOOD HOME WANTED: AQHA gelding, 13 years, very talented, well-trained and good looking. This outstanding horse stripped the cartilage from a rear pastern joint; it has been fused with a plate. He goes sound and is suitable for light riding; may in time be suitable for more. Call Paula or Bert at 541-831-1625

FOR SALE: Silver is a 19 year old Belgian / Quarter Horse grey mare, 16.1 hand tall. She is very sound and an easy keeper with many good years left. Anyone can ride her, including children. She will go anywhere, has done extensive trail riding in the mountains and on the beach. Her favorite speed is a walk, so even beginners feel safe on her. Silver has won many trail trial competitions too. She has also been shown under saddle and in halter. I have had Silver many years and want her to go to a good home only. \$1500. Call Dawn at 541-301-6580

FOR SALE: Paint Mare - 9 year old black and white paint mare. 15.1, sound and loving. For pictures and full details call Troy at 535-7974

FOR SALE: Arab Mare - 22 year old white Arab mare. We are just looking for a home for this sweet lady. I am afraid she is not sound for real riding any longer due to a rough life before we rescued her, though she is otherwise very healthy. We just want to find her a happy home with people who will take good care of her. She is an excellent companion horse or baby sitter. Call Troy 535-7974 (1/17/05)

FREE TO GO HOME: Bailey the camp cat needs a new home. He's a Manx, neutered, and is a great mouser. Call Joyce Tripp at 779-2217

FOR SALE: 4-H Project Steer: Flash is a beautiful Hereford cross steer who is being hand raised and is very tame. If you don't have a project steer yet, give us a call. Clayton & Stacie. 899-1793.

WANTED: Registered female McNab puppy. Prefer tri-color or red/white. If you or anyone you know raises McNabs, please let us know. Clayton & Stacie. 899-1793.

Dear JCHAers,

Thank you so much for the awesome belt buckle. It is beautiful – silver and gold with my birthstone and it reads “JCHA President 2004” with my name on it. I will wear it with pride – to be part of such a great horse club – and I will wear it with fondness – reminding me of the wonderful year I had as your President. Thanks again.

Gina Ryan

The 2004 Board of Directors would also like to thank Gina Ryan for the wonderful hand-picked personal gifts she gave each of us at the December board meeting. We truly appreciated your thoughtfulness, Gina, and than YOU for being such a terrific President to work with!!

J.C.H.A. Board of Directors

Stacie Grier.....	President.....	899-1793
Betty Moore.....	V.President.....	826-2190
Debbie Davenport.....	Secretary.....	282-0729
Nancy Konantz.....	Treasurer.....	899-4451
Colleen Low.....	Sunshine.....	560-3661
Otis Hussey.....	Refreshments.....	826-5005
Carol Dombrowsky.....	Board.....	779-7697

YVONNE KITCHEN'S WORK ON DISPLAY

Yvonne is the featured artist for February at the Art Du Jour Gallery at 320 Middleford Alley, right across from the downtown garage and next door to High Waters and Hubbard's in Medford. More than a dozen of her bronzes, predominately horses, are on exhibit for the entire month of February. The gallery is open Tuesday through Saturday, 11 AM to 4 PM.

Congratulations, Yvonne!!!

Minutes from February 9, 2005 Submitted By Debbie Davenport

Meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by President Stacie Grier. Roll call of the board showed everyone present. There were no new members, but guests were introduced. She thanked the refreshment and door prize donors.

Motion was made and approved to accept the January minutes as printed in the newsletter.

Treasurer report, presented by Nancy Konantz stated we currently have \$6,813.65 in the checking, savings and petty cash. Report was approved.

Colleen Low gave the Sunshine report. She only sent one card to the Cresci's for the loss of their old horse.

Bill Konantz reported on Lily Glen Barn Rebuild. They have acquired tax exempt status. The Trails Coalition meeting discussed the June 4th National Trails Day. The FS is looking for input on trails to work on that day. Don F. reported that we have the go-ahead to work on the Collins Mtn trail next month.

Don Ferris will hold a ride this Saturday on Sterling Mine Ditch.

Karen Matheny will ride on Stratton Creek road on February 19th. Meet at Shari's in Grants Pass.

Carol Dombrowsky reported the audit committee met and went over the books with Nancy Konantz. They reported everything was in order and well done.

Debbie reported the installation Dinner was attended by 35 people. Gina was given the traditional belt buckle for her year as President. The new board was welcomed and introduced. Stacie was absent due to a death in the family.

Stacie talked about the Pear Blossom Parade and passed around a sign-up sheet. Motion was made and approved to pay the \$35 fee and send in registration.

Stacie also sent around a sign up sheet for the Trail Trials clinic set for April 17th at the fairgrounds. Discussed whether there was enough participation for the \$200 fee.

Stacie brought up the Memorial Day Campout at Chiloquin. Joyce gay went by there and the camp is not complete but the owner said it would be by the time we came.

Stacie discussed the Lily Glen campout over July 4th and said we would do it but a slightly shorter version – shorten the Trail Trials course and not serve breakfast. She sent around a sign up sheet for volunteers.

Karen announced the Crazy Cowgirls Campout will be held on July 15-17 at Hyatt Lake Resort.

Yvonne Kitchen is the featured artist at the Art Du Jour Gallery in Medford for the month of February.

Linda Stockdill announced the annual Vet Symposium will be on Feb. 28th from 7-9 at the Extension Office with hoof care at 5:00ish.

The location of the Christmas Party need to change because the Moose sold the building.

Carol Dombrowsky suggested Rogue River Jet Boat Trip for the club on July 9th. Each person to get their own reservation.

Bill Konantz said he would like us to think about purchasing our own timing light for the gymkhanas. Stacie said she would check on some prices.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55pm.

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