



April 2007

JACKSON COUNTY HORSEMAN'S ASSOCIATION

Fence Talk

Willow Prairie Horse Camp Work Party ~ May 12-13

Rogue Valley OET has a work party planned on Mother's Day weekend, May 12-13, to open the Willow Prairie Horse Camp for the season. This work party is open to all equestrians with a desire to do some camp clean up and trail clearing. Please bring tools (shovel, rake, pruners, gloves, etc.) Work will begin both days at 9:00am.

Camping is free for the weekend beginning Friday night, or just come for the day.

Saturday night we will have a "bring your own meat BBQ" potluck, so bring meat to BBQ and

a potluck dish to share, and also your own table service.

You may bring horses if you wish to help with trail clearing. Saturday, Karen will lead a working trail ride to clear trails, so be at the camp by 9:00am if you would like to participate.

Willow Prairie is located about 28 miles up Hwy 140 and then 2 miles towards Butte Falls. This

beautiful camp was built and maintained by local horse groups. There are 10 sites with 4-horse corrals, water and out-houses. It is on the ReserveUSA system. Because of its close proximity to Medford it is a very popular camp all summer long.

Please call Bill Ryan at 826-8171 if you are willing to help or want more information.



Klamath Falls Packing Clinic ~ May 5-6

This great event has been around for years, and gets better all the time! Both days are filled with equine demos. There are tons of vendors with everything from horse trailers to fly spray, and hundreds of horse people all under one roof at the Klamath Co. Fairgrounds. And, it's

free admission! What more could you ask for!

Saturday night is the \$15 tri-tip/chicken dinner at 6:00 followed by the fantastic auction and raffle. This is so much fun to just watch if you are not into the buying mode.

Mini seminars include tack

adjustment, equine massage, first aid, packing tips, using GPS, hoof care, big game field care and the list go on!

Check it out at www.hdtrbch.org for a complete schedule or call Les Hathorn, Clinic Chairman, at (541) 882-6141.

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Calendar Of Events

- April 29..... Club Trail Ride
- May 9..... Club Meeting
- May 12-13..... Willow Prairie Work Party
- June 17..... JCHA Horse Show
- July 6-8..... Lily Glen Campout
- Aug 9-12..... Chief Paulina Campout

What's Happening ~

May Meeting Notice

Date: May 9

Time: 7:00pm

Place: I.O.O.F. Hall

1129 Hazel Street, Central Point

Refreshments provided by:

The Moore Family, Denise Snyder and

Linda Stockdill

Door Prize provided by:

Charlotte Maynard

Club Ride - Saturday, April 28

Karen Matheny will lead a ride to Medco Ponds near Butte Falls. This is an easy ride to get horses and riders conditioned for the coming season. There is a shale section, so shoes are recommended. Meet at

Always: pack drinking water, halter & lead rope, any special medicines you require and a cell phone if available

the Old Farmhouse Cafe on Hwy 62 at 8:00am for breakfast or be there by 8:45 to trailer to the trail-head up above Butte Falls. This ride will include a lunch stop, so bring something to munch on.

Call Karen at 245-8511 if you have questions or the weather looks iffy.

Rain, Rain... Go Away...

But, it didn't... and the Annual Pear Blossom Parade went on anyway. Despite the weather JCHA had more horses than any other group! Horse riders included Betty, Mandy and Audrie Moore, Christine and Amanda Parker, Charlotte Maynard, Alex Fedorow, Flisha Hansen, Don Williams, Glenna Cresci, Mike Lutz and Debbie Davenport. Horse drawn carts were driven by Harlan Anderson with Loys Taylor and Sommara Oliver and Linda and Mereena Anderson. And, we couldn't do it without our pooper scoopers - Karen Matheny and Carol Lutz!! Our ground crew, Jimmy Moore and Gary Anderson were a welcome addition too. And, GUESS WHAT!! We won 2nd Place in the Equestrian Division and received \$50 and a plaque!! Thank you to all who participated!!! Hopefully next year will be hot and sunny!

Classified Ads ~

STALLION SERVICE: Registered Swedish Warmblood Stallion, Red chestnut, 16H, Dressage and Eventing bloodlines. Fresh/Frozen semen, LFG. Call Bill Konantz at 541-899-4451

WANTED: Looking for a young man that might want to guide trail rides at Diamond Lake this summer. Corrals and camp are located across the street from Diamond Lake Resort. Pay plus room and board. Give Marty Davis a call at 541-840-3246

FOR SALE: 9 year old daughter of the famous Mr. Robin Boy, Robins X Ton Diamond (aka Aidia) is a beautiful, athletic, intelligent mare with an engaging personality. She is fast, agile and sure footed. Her potential has never been tested fully, but she is certain to excel at anything she is used for. Call Troy at 535-7974 to set up a time to come see this excellent mare.

FOR SALE: 2006 AQHA Red Dun filly out of Halston Commandx Fritx Commandx King Fritx and Call Me A Delight x Call Me a Ten. Chance is a cute, willing yearling that is wide in the front end and round at the hip. She's done everything we've asked of her without any fuss. She's very willing to please and can go any direction with those bloodlines. Call Donna Oliver at 664-9239 for more info. \$1500 obo.

FOR SALE Registered Spanish Mustang gelding, 8 yrs. old, solid 14.2 hands. Sweet personality, strikingly handsome silver grullo dun. Natural horsemanship training. Nice trail and pleasure horse. We have been riding him English, but he looks terrific in western tack. He would be a wonderful 4-H project or family horse. \$2500. Only to an excellent home. Call Alice at 541- 535-6329.

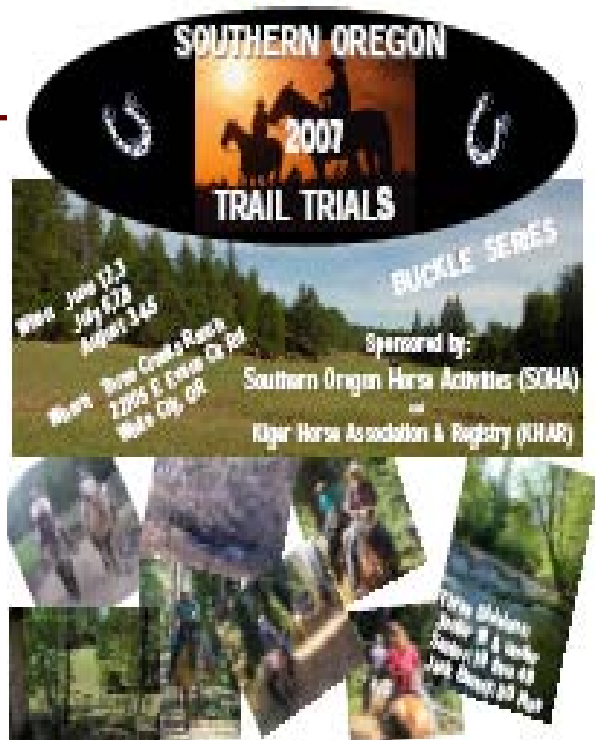
Southern Oregon 2007 Trail Trials

Southern Oregon Horse Activities (SOHA) from Grants Pass and the Kiger Horse Association & Registry (KHAR) have teamed up to sponsor a Silver Buckle Series of Trail Trials this summer. They have planned 3 separate weekends of activities surrounding the trials. To compete for the buckle you must attend 2 of the 3 trials. But, even if you are not interested in winning a buckle these events are fun for everyone and great practice too!

The dates are June 1-3, July 6-8 and August 3-5. Camping is available for Fri. and Sat. night. Activities include: no host trail riding Friday

and Sunday, Trail Trial on Saturday and BBQ dinner on Saturday night. Cost for the entire weekend is \$70 or just for the Trail Trial is \$25. Pre-registration is REQUIRED.

The events (all 3 dates) will be held at Three Creeks Ranch on East Evans Creek Road out of Sam's Valley (11 miles off Hwy 234). For information and a flyer visit www.sohahorse.org or call Candy Harvey at 541-472-5193.



Work Party to be held in Tolowa Dunes ~ May 12

The Northwest Trail Rider of Crescent City has a Memorandum of Understanding with the state park to maintain the Horse Camp which was built by them in 1988. This ride-in camp is out in the dunes off of Pala Road. Anyone who rides in the North Beach area winds up at the camp for lunch, potty break or just to relax. There are picnic tables, a fire ring, outhouses and a bunch of corrals.

They have planned a work party for

Saturday, May 12th to repair the corrals, outhouses, weed, prune, paint and just generally clean up the area. They welcome volunteer help from anyone.

Unfortunately, this is also the same weekend as the Willow Prairie work party so many of our members are already committed.

The club also needs funds to help offset the cost of lumber, so we voted to donate \$300 from the Joann

Pool Equestrian Enhancement fund.

If anyone would like to go to Crescent City to help with the work

please call Suzanne or Kenny at 707-464-9093 for more information and directions.

Anyone who rides on North Beach winds up at the camp..

Northwest Trail Riders "After Easter Ride" ~ April 22



On Sunday, April 22nd there will be a trail ride in Hamilton Road State/National Park in Crescent City. This is a 3-hour plus ride which is mostly graveled so shod horses are recommended. Lunch will be

served and you will have the chance to hunt for Easter eggs and win prizes.

The arrival time (behind a locked gate) is 9:00-10:00am with the ride beginning at 10:00am. Cost for non-members is \$7. For more information and directions call Suzanne at 707-464-9093.

NWTR Calendar of Events

Open to the Public

April 22..... After Easter Ride
 May 27.....Lingo Ride
 June 17..... Cowboy Challenge
 Sept. 23.....Poker Ride (formally held in October)

From the Presidents Paddock

What a great group we had at the Pear Blossom Parade. Wet horses, wet saddles and wet riders, but what troopers they were. I'm still trying to dry out from the rain. Thanks to Carol for help in pooper scooping, we had a fun time and found a dumpster at the end of the ride, it said solid waste only, we fit right in.

We had a nice day a week ago Saturday, so I thought about going for a ride, but decided to take the horse trailer down to get the wheels packed and get tire pressure checked. If you haven't got your trailer done, it may be time to think about getting it checked for safety. Grant Bailey told me of a place in Grants Pass that is only \$75. Give him a call if you want to know where. I wish he would have told me a little earlier, cost me over \$125, but feel a lot safer. Now I'm ready to try to find my way to Medco Ponds next Saturday. Just kidding, I know the way now so if it's a decent day, come on out and play.

We had a nice ride last month in Prospect. Just a beautiful day with perfect temperatures. Hope we get some more of those kind of days. But we need the rain, right!!

Talk about playing, can't wait to get out of town this weekend and go to the Red Bluff Rodeo. This rodeo is as good as Pendleton's, so really looking forward to some good 8 second rides.

Hope to see you on the trail,

Karen

P.S. The buckaroo draw is up to \$60, you can only win if you come to the meeting. See you there.

JCHA Family Fun Schooling Show ~ June 17th

Carol Dombrowski, Show Chairman, is hard at work getting ready for the Equine Show on Father's Day. This year the show will be held at the South Stage Stables in south Medford.

There are 54 classes including halter, showmanship, lead line, english, western, reining, trail and pony driving. Some classes



are for JCHA members only, so don't be afraid to give it a try. Any breed of equine may enter. The show is PAC and AHA approved for those seeking points.

If you don't plan to ride, she will also need several helpers—clerks, runners, gatekeepers, etc. This is

an all-day event, but if you can only

volunteer for a few hours that's okay too.

Another way to help is to sponsor a High Point Award for \$35 or an individual class for \$10. Your name (or business) will be posted at the show, in the newsletter and on our website.

Please call Carol at 821-2914 for more info and to volunteer your help.

Community Equestrian Event Calendar

April 22 – NWTR After-Easter Ride. Crescent City 707-464-9093

May 5-6 – Klamath Falls Packing Clinic

May 19-20 – 2007 Equifair in Grants Pass 541-479-4791

May 27 – NWTR Lingo Ride. Crescent City 707-487-7109

June 1-3 – SOHA Trail Trials. White City 541-472-5193

June 9 – BCHO Poker Ride. Lake Selmac. 541-596-2488

June 12-14 – Ranch Horse Versatility Clinic. Chiloquin. 530-938-2365

June 15-16 – Trail Horse Clinic. Chiloquin. 530-938-2365

June 17 – NWTR Cowboy Challenge. Crescent City 707-464-9484

July 6-8 – SOHA Trail Trials. White City. 541-472-5193

Aug. 3-5 – SOHA Trail Trials. White City. 541-472-5193

Sept. 23 – NWTR Poker Ride. Crescent City 707-464-5895

Meeting Minutes ~ April 11, 2007

Submitted By Debbie Davenport

Meeting called to order at 7:00pm by President Karen Matheny. She thanked the refreshment and door prize donors. Roll call of the board – Janet Lopez – absent (came in later), and Otis Hussey absent. Otis is home with Carmelita who came home from the hospital last week. She can have visitors, just call ahead. All other board members were present. Karen welcomed the guests and new members.

Minutes from the March meeting were approved with two corrections requested by Colleen Low.

Treasurer's Report – we now have \$3,510.57 in the checking, \$4,466.14 in the money market, \$42.56 petty cash and \$2,000 in the JP enhancement fund. The March Gymkhana netted \$842 minus the new timers at \$365 giving us \$477 profit. Report was approved.

Janet Lopez, Sunshine, reported she sent some cards but didn't have her list with her. Linda Stockdill was sent a card for her foot surgery. Debbie delivered a flowering plant to Carmelita at the hospital shortly after last month's meeting.

Amanda Moore, Junior Member, reported the lamb weigh-in is this Sunday. Also the state horse judging is at the end of the month in Klamath Falls. She explained about the competition. She rode Carol D's stallion, PT Cruiser, in the Morgan Horse exhibition in Albany last month.

Debbie said the annual OET Willow Prairie Work Party is set for Mother's Day weekend, May 12-13th. Anyone is welcome to attend and help clean up the camp and clear trails. Camping is free from Friday on. There is still a considerable amount of snow there now, but it should be gone by then. Watch the newsletter for details.

Karen Matheny told about her ride on March 31 to Prospect. Several ladies went on the ride and it was a great day. Karen will lead a ride on April 28th to Medco Ponds.

Debbie reminded all that the Pear Blossom Parade is on Saturday. It's still not too late to sign up to ride.

Karen reported that the audit of the treasury books went well and all accounts are in order. She praised Gina Ryan for an excellent job.

Reminder to sign up for the Lily Glen and Chief Paulina campout soon. Debbie needs money for the Chief Paulina campout by the May meeting.

Carol D. gave a report on the Horse Show on June 17. She is working on the entry form and will order ribbons. Karen Matheny volunteered to judge the trail course and Shari Woods is judging the main show. Carol is signing up sponsors for high point awards (\$35) and/or class sponsors (\$10). This helps to pay for the ribbons. Sponsors will be listed and announced during the show and in the newsletter and website.

Special guest speaker, Richard Anderson and friend Roger, talked about the Expo Pond Park plan to accommodate handicapped people. There are 35 acres that can be remodeled and improved. He is not connected to any government agency – strictly non-profit volunteers do all the work. He wanted to assure everyone that horses are not being excluded from the project which includes paving the trail from Pine Street to the expo ponds. Richard would like the support and help from the equestrian community, and this would be the best way to ensure horses are allowed on the trails. Call Richard at 826-7917 to volunteer or for more information.

Debbie talked about the Northwest Trail Riders of Crescent City holding a work party at the Tolowa Dunes Horse Camp near North Beach-Pala Rd area. It is the same weekend as Willow Prairie Work Party. They also need \$180 to buy lumber for the gates alone. Motion was made to donate \$180, and then motion was amended to donate \$300 to the project from the Joann Pool Trail Enhancement Fund. It passed unanimously. Request was made that they include us in any report made to the state and also a report as to the work done.

Memorial Day campout was not decided, and tabled again until next month.

Shari Woods, SOHA President, spoke about the series of Trail Trails they are holding this summer up E. Evans Creek on the Three Creeks ranch. You can go for the weekend, ride the Trail Trials, ride the trails, or just camp and have fun. (See article in our newsletter).

Sunny Privette won the door prize and Gary Anderson won the 50/50 drawing. The Farmer-Bryant Family was drawn for the Buckaroo Drawing, but were not present, so next month it's worth \$60.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15pm.

Horse Trailer Safety Tips

So, your horse trailer has been sitting all winter. Now is the time to do an annual inspection BEFORE you hit the road.

• *Pull out all mats and check the floor for wear and rot (use a long screwdriver and try pushing it into the wood, especially along the wall.)*

• *Check the tires for tread wear and side cracks. Check the air pressure.*

• *Have the hubs repacked and the brakes checked. (There is nothing worse than brakes out of sync. It will make the trailer sway.)*

• *Lubricate all hinges, doors, hitch, etc. Be sure everything moves smoothly.*

• *When hooked up to the truck, check all lights and test the brakes.*

All season long.....

• *Check for bees before loading your horse. They love to make nests in and under the trailer!*

• *Keep at least 5 gallons of fresh water in the tack compartment. Some trailheads do not have water. Take a bucket to put it in.*

• *Take a spare halter and lead rope.*

• *Keep first aid for you and your horse in the trailer.*





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