

REGION THREE NEWSLETTER

FALL 1986

Now our 1986 Competitive Trail Riding season has come to a close...fond memories of all our favorite rides are stored away in our minds to look back on during the long winter ahead. Anticipation of next season's rides is not far away! Below are the final official "Ride Write-Ups" that have been sent in to this Editor. Read them, and remember how fun they really were!

TAOS MOUNTAIN RIDE

The Taos Mountain Ride was held on June 14-15th once again in the beautiful campsite near the town of San Cristobal. One feels like you have gone back in time, when you drive through this quaint Mexican village. The weekend trail ran from pinon covered mesas bordering the Rio Grande River at 6500 ft. to the forested foothills of the Sangre de Cristo mountains at 9000 ft. Everyone who attends this Ride on yearly basis can tell you it is one of their all-time favorites! The scenery, the warm & friendly people and the delicious post-Ride strawberry daiquiris are all the more welcoming!

Taos Mountain Ride results for June 1986:

OPEN DIVISION

- Sweepstakes - San Barraf/Kathy Morris
 Heavyweight - 1/1 Mahra Khan/Milne Parish
 2/5 Raf's Rainbow/Dean Schrader
 3/ Tabour/Linda Adams
 4/2 Brown R Kean/Mike Lee
 5/3 Cliffwoods Hakime/Pat Jubb
 6/6 Five Wings Saint/Virginia Cole
 /4 Silver Light/Jerry Lee
 Lightweight - 1/3 San Barraf/Kathy Morris
 2/ Par Rak Faraf/Annette Reals
 3/1 Queen-of-ZK/Barb Jagoda
 4/6 Shadow Play/Judi Tobias
 5/4 Count Niga/Bev Roberts
 6/ Gator Shane/Susan Witter
 Junior - 1/1 Ka Shonda/Stephen Wasmund
 2/2 Montoyas Olympiad/Cathy Cumberworth

**RIDE
WRITE-
UPS**

May you always camp
 Where the water runs sweet,
 With plenty of shade and grass,
 Where well trod trails
 Of friendship meet,
 As the kind years gently pass.



NOVICE DIVISION

- Sweepstakes - /Eric Reals
 Heavyweight - 1/ Candy's Twist A Bottom/Nick Stevens
 2/1 Silver Springs Derek/Chuck Keil
 3/ Gahali/Jill Talbot
 4/2 HCC Walaw/Bob Racicot
 5/ Dahali/Pat Trumble
 6/5 Lovilla's Nimrod/Martha Love
 /3 Seneca/Pat Armijo
 /4 Wine Drigt/Bob Gentzler
 /6 Jehhah/Steve Hansen
 Lightweight - 1/1 Awanis Aquila/Cheryl Brooks
 2/5 Clab Cat/Mary Hockett
 3/ Nutmeg/Naomi Weeden
 4/4 Water Bird Mist/Pam McArthur
 5/3 Ashley/Susan Camrud
 6/ Peg's Imperial Lad/Liz Nastasi
 /2 Sarley/Linda Stevens
 /6 Arizona Mescalero/Joann Davidson

- Junior - 1/1 / Eric Reals
 2/2 Natagsha/Belinda
 Wykoff



HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

HORSEMANSHIP POINTERS



And raise his saddle from time to time
to let the air circulate

TURKEY TRACK II RIDE

Turkey Track II Ride went pretty well even though those who showed up early had to learn all about chains, 4-wheeling and slick mud. Several days of pouring rain had turned our campsite into a tricky quagmire of decent, not so good and rotten parking. Some drivers just unloaded horses and headed full tilt into the meadow until their wheels disappeared and that's where they camped. Latecomers had drier ground, but it was hard to get to it with all the stuck vehicles. Once we were in, the sun made a fantastic comeback and the whole weekend in camp was great.

It was hot and humid, but the Shannons always had ice cold sun tea available in camp and fabulous meals too. There was plenty of water available on the trails for horses and riders thanks to Ken, Dennis, Cappy and the P/R teams. Sunday, while out hiding the judges for a judged trot, we actually heard a wild turkey! He took off to parts unknown though and all the riders saw were spooked up cows, which I'm quite sure Dr. Freidly enjoyed as he watched the horses' reactions. Sunday was a rushed day for the judges as the riders were really spread out. We only missed one spot by five minutes or so and the Open riders who beat us there were as pleased as punch (little did they know, we had seen them plenty times before anyway!).

Our problem of ribbon pulling was eased somewhat this year, and the lead riders did an excellent job rechanging the few that were gone. We carefully marked holes, wire and other dangerous spots with yellow ribbon, but we had to warn riders of one area where they were confiscated by prairie dogs who had taken up residency. Reckon they were redecorating their homes!

After timing back in Sunday, riders were offered watermelon and a pick off the ribbon tree. Later a raffle was held and everyone who rode won something; sometimes silly sometimes useful like the "wats-a-ma-call-it" boot cricket to a hat complete with can holders and siphon hoses for drinking on the go! The awards were quite late because P/R teams were tending to pulled horses, etc. but those who stayed seemed to have a good time. Count Niga, ridden by Bev Roberts of Parachute, CO, won his 2nd place out-of-state and only needs seven points for his Nat'l. Championship. Open Sweepstakes was won by Aftamia owned by Ariel Schrader of Castle Rock, Co. Novice Sweepstakes was won by Riferaf, ridden by Susan Larue of Edgewood, N.M. We had lots of Novice and 1st-time riders at this ride so we had an award for Novice Combination Horse/Rider...Ann Newsted riding Dakhil Allah Ra (Tijeras, N.M.) won this award.

Thunderclouds began to roll in and riders packed up hurriedly to zip out before the storm hit. A couple of horses decided to hang around awhile and it took quite some persuading before they gave in. Reckon they too had a great time!

(Submitted by Audrey Burris)

EL JINETE SOLITARIO X RIDE

The 10th Anniversary Ride for El Jinete Solitario X was held on July 26-27th in Durango, Colorado. This ride was sponsored by the Navajo Trails Horsemen's Association, and chaired by Nick Stevens and Pat & Dale McCoy. Many people consider this ride to be the most beautiful ride in Region III. The 360-degree view from the top of Butler Creek Hill says it all...you can see over 60 miles in any direction! The ride was blessed for the first time in years with NO RAIN AT ALL during the entire weekend. The columbines were in full bloom and the breath-taking scenery was incredible! Even Dale McCoy survived the weekend...on top of being a chairman of this ride, he was also given the title of being a notorious "log-killer"! After many rider reports of a dangerous (and mysterious) log blocking a trail, Dale spent many hours tracking, locating and removing this massive log (it took him until Sunday to do it!). All in all, everyone had a marvelous time and they are looking forward to doing this spectacular ride again next season. The El Jinete ride results for July 1986:

OPEN DIVISION

- Sweepstakes - San Barra/Kathy Morris
Heavyweight - 1/2 Mahra Khan/Milne Parish
2/3 Raf's Rainbow/Dean Schrader
3/4 Five Wings Saint/Virginia Cole
4/1 Cliffwoods Hakime/Pat Jubb
5/5 Bozo/Nancy Sarada
6/6 Justi Bay Leo/Janet Thomas
Lightweight - 1/4 San Barra/Kathy Morris
2/2 Count Niga/Bev Roberts
3/1 Queen-ZK/Barb Jagoda
4/3 Aftamia/Ariel Schrader
5/ Alfa Sharade/Linda McZehil
6/6 Doc's Strange Love/Judy Wise
/5 /Pat McCoy
Junior - 1/1 Montoyas Olympiad/Cathy Cumberworth

(submitted by Pat McCoy...only Open Division results available.)

EDITOR'S BOX

Please send all ads, articles and news items to the Editor by November 25th, 1986. All articles must be typed and double-spaced. Send to:

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REGION III BENEFIT

The Region III Benefit Ride was held on August 9-10th at Singing Hills Arabian Ranch in Sedalia, Colorado. A perfect weekend of super weather, wonderful trails, and friendly people made this ride one that all riders participating this year... would like to see held again next year at the same location. The trails consisted of rolling grasslands (no rocks!), jeep trails and mountain climbs in the Pike National Forest. The views of the red rock formations near Perry Park... were incredible! Many, many thanks go out to the donated time, money and effort the judges, Dr. Jim Freidly and Patsy Tomb, offered as well as the wonderful hosts, Mr. & Mrs. John DePietra, owners of Singing Hills Arabian Ranch. The Region III Benefit ride results for August 1986 are:

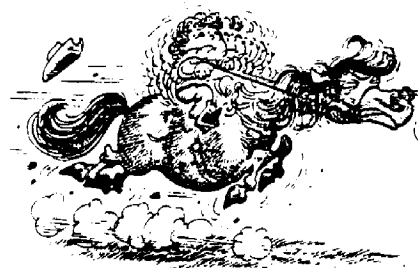
OPEN DIVISION

- Sweepstakes - Panze Zarnite/Jo Dean Parish
Heavyweight - 1/1 Cliffwoods Hakime/Pat Jubb
2/ Raf's Rainbow/Dean Schrader
3/2 Scharmoun/Neal McKinstry
4/4 Five Wings Saint/Virginia Cole
5/ Justa Bay Leo/Jan Thomas
6/5 Gai Rainshadow/John Miller
/3 Mahra Khan/Milne Parish
/6 Blue Sur/Michael O'Donnell
Lightweight - 1/ Panze Zarnite/Jo Dean Parish Junior - 1/1 Lady Bird/Tanya Avila
2/5 San Barraf/Kathy Morris
3/1 Queen of -ZK/Barb Jagoda
4/2 Aftamia/Areil Schrader
5/4 Gator Shane/Susan Witter
6/ Shadow Play/Judi Tobias
/3 /Pat McCoy
/6 High Spot's Gypsy/Sena Fitzpatrick

NOVICE DIVISION

- Sweepstakes - Sunday's Fortune/Vickie Hynser
Heavyweight - 1/1 Blue Chip's Sassie Fras/Mike Kaufman
2/5 Silver Springs Derek/Chuck Keil
3/ Gahali/Jill Talbot
4/4 Silver Springs Sadat/Vern Vobejda
5/2 A-Ka-Wi's Shanada/James Graziano
6/ Baskie-Tus-Chaz/Chuck Fuller
/3 /Joe Strange
Lightweight - 1/ Sunday's Fortune/Vickie Hynser
2/ Mr. Lee/Pauline Stieha
3/ Ruby/Chris Husted
4/2 T.S. Streaker/Debra Raymond
5/4 Rifahi/Peggy Waller
6/ Sharroc/Cathy Bender
/1 Awalani's Aquila/Cheryl Brooks
/3 El Zear/Victoria Caparelli
/5 Doc's Strange Love/Judy Wise
/6 Tenana/Pat Militzer

- Juniors - 1/2 Aba Daar/
Aspen Butterfield
2/1 Missy's Love
Child/Heather
Ranache
3/3 Synaire/
Christy Waller
4/4 Coco/Danella
Hill
5/5 Justa Frosty
Lark/Wendy Fisher



"Oh! All those miles!"

BIZARRO

By DAN PIRARO



TOP OF THE WORLD RIDE

The tenth annual Top of the World Ride was held on September 6-7th. Once again, our annual hosts, the Butterfields and the 4-H Traildusters...did a fantastic job! This year's ride was conducted under great conditions for the horses. Weather was cool, misty (rains or thunderstorms occurred mostly at night after all riders were off the trails) and stressed entrants who scrambled for warmer hats, gloves and layers of clothing. In fact, the judges and P/R teams built fires to keep warm while waiting for horses.

Friday's check-in procedures were ably handled by Barb Butterfield and several other volunteers in the secretary's absence (pressures of the job). The afternoon was marred by a distressing accident. Jo and Milne Parish who lost their motor home in a fire returning home from this ride two years ago, were on their way to the ride this year when their mare Pokee went through the floorboards of their trailer, broke her leg and had to be humanely destroyed. All members who haul horses in trailers should periodically check the condition of the flooring of the trailer.

We had 58 riders compete with 21 Open riders, 34 novices (including a fine showing of Juniors). In spite of the weather, they all enjoyed the well-marked trails. Even the P/R teams got some thrills...on one occasion they spotted a whole herd of elks! Judges for the ride were Dr. Jim Freidly and Judi Tobias.

Very special breed and sweepstake awards were pewter horses mounted on geodes. And the the Awards dinner was deliciously prepared by the 4-H cooks (prime rib and creampuffs!).

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(Ride Write-Ups continued...Top of the World Ride)

The Top of the World Ride results for September 1986 are:

OPEN DIVISION

- Sweepstakes - San Barraff/Kathy Morris
 Heavyweight - 1/2 Mahra Khan/Milne Parish
 2/3 Raf's Rainbow/Dean Schrader
 3/4 Justa Bay Leo/ Jan Thomas
 4/5 Dakota/Ken Schleman
 5/1 Cliffwood's Hakime/Pat Jubb
 Lightweight - 1/2 San Barraff/Kathy Morris
 2/1 Count Niga/Bev Roberts
 3/5 Bronz/Merla o'Donnell
 4/6 Aftamia/Ariel Schrader
 5/4 Fat Chance/Lori Fortier
 6/ Ga-Rajah/Pat McCoy
 /3 /Jeri Avila
 Junior - 1/1 Blue Chips Sassie Fras/Jemery Kaufman
 2/2 RV Ladybird/Tanya Avila
 3/4 Murphy/Candy Avila
 4/3 Cambridge Myria/Michelle Waterbury
 5/5 Sho Mis/Christy Morris

NOVICE DIVISION

- Sweepstakes - Slick/Sally Offerson
 Heavyweight - 1/6 Weiser/Peg Hayden
 2/2 Akawi's Shanada/Jim Graziano
 3/ Bobby Sox/Kathy Beaudet
 4/ Three Grahams/Dave Thomas
 5/1 Fantasia Flambeau/Joyce Leitner
 6/3 Silver Springs Sadat. Vern Vobejda
 /4 /Linda Verbick
 /5 /Bill Wicklund
 Lightweight - 1/ Slick/Sally Offerson
 2/ Mr. Lee/Pauline Steiha
 3/ Miss Holey Jody/Sara Wither
 4/5 Sunday's Shadow/Vicki Heniser
 5/ Dusty/Shelly Ergas
 6/ Pee Wee King/Gay O'Rouke
 /1 /Cheryl Brooks
 /2 /Susan McCarthy
 /3 /Holly Vielhak
 /4 /Judy Miller
 /6 /Susam Camrud
 Junior - 1/2 Sprite/Jenny Mitchell
 2/1 D.J./Danny Morris
 3/4 Poco Shady Bars/Sheryl George
 4/3 Dakota/Heather Bullard

THE 15th ANNUAL VAN VLEET MEMORIAL COMPETITIVE TRAIL RIDE

The 15th Annual Van Vleet Memorial Competitive Trail Ride on September 27th & 28th, was a success by almost all measures. Golden Gate Canyon is a very scenic location, with substantial variety of terrain well-suited for a competitive trail ride...based on comments from riders. Of particular enjoyment was a 2-mile stretch of the Mountain Lion Trail which wound its way up a narrow canyon crossing fern-lined stream ten times in a half-hour, emerging upon a series of beaver ponds, and then climbing almost to the top of Windy Peaks. A turn-out of 44 riders (from 51 registrants) was quite a respectable showing for a new ride location and this late in the season. Although weather forecasts threatened snow, it held off until Monday when all the riders had departed (it dumped two inches on Monday while we took down the tent and cleaned up camp!). Temperatures were in the 60's and 70's Saturday and Sunday, which made it a pleasant ride for horses and riders alike...and, the aspen trees were in their full splendor.

Because of Park regulations, ribbons were restricted to marking turns and trail crossings. Even with a detailed map this provided quite a challenge to most riders, with some added extra miles to their ride as a result. In spite of this, all riders finished on time on Saturday. Sunday was a different story, with all riders having to make up time at the end of the day, including a mad dash the last two miles for two Open riders (names unmentioned). The lay out of the Park proved quite convenient for ride management to get to P&R and judging spots with time to spare. There was an abundance of help, mostly volunteers who showed up unannounced, but nevertheless, greatly appreciated. The horse and horsemanship judging teams (Lou & Nancy Pavetti, Dr. David Varra, Patsy Tomb and Bonnie Trafford) were very effective and efficient...so much so that the Awards on Sunday evening concluded by 7 p.m. Carol McCoy and Carl & Patti MyCoff won the raffle of two half-Arabian fillies, donated at the last minute by Jim Peek...with the proceeds of \$205 being donated to the Region III scholarship fund in Violet Peek's name. Rider vest fee donations totaling \$88 were donated to the scholarship fund in Sue Bretag's name. Thanks to all of you with a generous spirit!

Based upon the positive feedback received at the ride, and several letters since then, we will be putting on the ride in the Park again next year with several changes. First, we will correct the times to balance out Saturday and Sunday. Second, we will make special efforts to obtain a pre-rider who knows the trails to make sure the trail turns are well-marked & ribbons are not removed (any volunteers?) and third, we are thinking of moving up the ride two weeks (the week after the Top of the World Ride) to reduce the chance of snow. Any willing volunteers who wish to help me with the Ride next year, please call Judd Adams at 494-4241.

The Van Vleet Memorial Competitive Trail Ride results for September 1986 are:

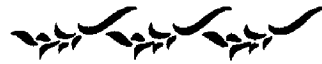
OPEN DIVISION

- Sweepstakes - Mahra Khan/Milne Parish (*2nd year in a row!)
 Heavyweight - 1/2 Mahra Khan/Milne Parish (*3,000 miles this ride!)
 2/5 Raf's Rainbow/Dean Schrader
 3/1 Scharmoun/Neal McKinstry
 4/3 Cliffwood's Hakime/Pat Jubb
 5/4 Justa Bay Leo/Jan Thomas
 Lightweight - 1/2 Blazing Gold/Jeri Avila
 2/ Shadow Play/Judi Tobias
 3/5 San Barraff/Kathy Morris
 4/6 Pas Rafaga/Judy Wise
 5/4 Panze Zarnite/Jo Parish
 6/3 Queen of -ZK/Barb Jagoda
 /1 /Ariel Schrader
 Junior - 1/2 Par Ali Hawa/Laurie Avils
 2/1 R.V. Ladybird/Tanya Avila

NOVICE DIVISION

- Sweepstakes - Baskie Tus Chaz/Chuck Fuller
 Heavyweight - 1/ Baskie Tus Chaz/Chuck Fuller
 2/3 Sun's Dakota Parader/Laurel Whitin
 3/ Gahali/Jill Talbot
 4/1 Silver Springs Derek/Chuck Keil
 5/2 April's Fancy/Nancy Smith
 6/4 Akam's Shanada/James Graziano
 /5 /Dr. Ron Kruczek
 /6 /Gary Saint
 Lightweight - 1/ Rahzan/Shawn Murphy
 2/2 Justiphire/Donna Ruff
 3/6 Syndate Lady/Marilyn Fallert
 4/1 Slick/Sally Offerson
 5/4 Spicey/Sheila Zinn
 6/ Halizahn/Janet Enell
 /3 /Vicki Heniser
 /5 /Gay-Ellen Fischer
 Junior - 1/1 Kelpie/Catherine Judson

Combination Horse & Rider Award - Open/Milne Parish & Mahra Khan
 - Novice/Chuck keil & Silver Springs Derek





Goodbye to our friends...

SUE BRETAG

Susan G. Bretag succumbed to cancer on Saturday, September 27, 1986 in Colorado Springs, Colorado. She was 42 years old. Ms. Bretag was not your ordinary person...that is why there is now a riding trail bearing her name in the Garden of the Gods. For 15 years, Ms. Bretag, a paralegal for the 4th District Attorney office, slugged it out with cancer. She got in a lot of punches...18 times she underwent surgery for abdominal cancer; 17 times she bounced back. "Somebody asked her once how she kept going and she said it was anger," recalled district attorney investigator Ed Rodgers, "She refused to let it defeat her." Even in her final days, said friend, Jeanie Brooks, "Sue was constantly giving us an example that there is no limit to our strength and courage." Ms. Brooks continued, "She had such a love of nature and people, and she could project such feeling for the beauties in both that we could see and appreciate things we had not been able to see and appreciate before." And her friends said Sue continued to laugh and joke even as she lay dying in the hospital. Outside of work, Sue was very involved in her horses and horse-related activities. She rode every day until five weeks before her death. She not only rode for pleasure but she engaged in years of competitive trail rides, judged competitions, photographed horses and wrote about them for horse magazines. She also fought many battles to establish new riding trails and keep existing ones. Over 100 people gathered at the Susan G. Bretag trail for the ceremony on Aug. 5th...including many city officials and policemen. She was a former president of EPCHC and on the board of NATRC/Region III. In 1975 she was named Legal Secretary of the Year by the El Paso County Trial Lawyers Association. Any contributions in her name may be sent to: The Palmer Foundation, P.O. Box 1281, Colorado Springs, CO 80901. Her friend, Judi Tobias, wrote the following poem for Sue:

"FOR SUE....I think of you, free of pain, free of the poor, tired body that betrayed you so. I think of you astride a wondrous horse...that carries you endlessly through flowered paths beneath a sky forever blue. I think of you...of your great brave soul set free...for I know you are, in Paradise." (excerpts from the Gazette & Judi Tobias' article in EPCHC News.)

ED GOTHBERG

Edwin K. Gothberg died on Friday, September 26, 1986 at his home on Casper, Wyoming at the age of 65. Mr. Gothberg was born on July 2, 1921 in Casper and moved to San Francisco at the age of 8. When he was 18 years old, he returned to Casper to ride his horse Trigger II and was devoted to the training and raising of horses. He graduated from California College of Arts & Crafts and received a Master's degree from UC-Berkeley. Mr. Gothberg, who was a well-known Casper artist, had taught at Casper College from 1955 to 1980. He is survived by his wife, Angela, and his five daughters.

Ed's accomplishments with NATRC/Region III were as follows: in 1983, Ed's Half-Arabian gelding, Kermit+, was first-place National Heavyweight Champion, a National Champion and received the 1000-mile award. He also rode his Arabian stallion, Tarlima, in many NATRC Competitive rides.



RIDE MANAGEMENT NEEDS MORE HELPERS

Region III may be losing rides next year because of a lack of volunteer help and increasing costs of putting on a trail ride. Helpers are primarily needed the day of the ride.

The money that ride management collects from us, the riders, generally covers only a portion of the total cost of a ride; usually for judges' expenses, trail ribbon, permits, and awards - directly out of pocket costs. Ride management time, and expenses such as gasoline fall into the donation category. Therefore, most helpers have been non-riders; spouses of riders, sponsoring club members, family and friends of the ride management or anyone who did not know how to say "no".

Therefore, Region III would like to call upon its riders to make a commitment for 1987: make a commitment to be a helper on a ride weekend for at least one ride. Be a P&R person, or help with the meals, or whatever ride management needs most. The benefits to you and ride management will far outweigh having to give up one ride.

Pick a ride for next year and contact ride management NOW by telephone, letter, or better yet at the Annual Seminar on November 8th, 1986. You will be glad you did!

VERIFYING POINTS & MILEAGE

REMINDER: It is the responsibility of the rider to verify points and mileage with the appropriate Point Secretary prior to October 15th of each year. Otherwise, you must accept the points and mileage as calculated by the Point Secretaries.

Please send your calculated Rider & Horse points, and your calculated Rider & Horse mileage for just Region III to:

Pat Jubb
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Change of Address

Have you moved or changed your address? Please let us know your new address as soon as possible to insure your receiving the Region III Newsletter.

ARTICLES & INFORMATION FOR THE NEWSLETTER

If you have any articles, items of interest or information to contribute to our Region III Newsletter, we would like to hear from you. If your Ride or business would like to purchase advertising, let us know. Please contact the editor, or Marty Marten, P.O. Box 379, Lafayette, CO 80026 or call Marty at 665-5281 eves.

WRITERS AMONG OUR RIDERS

Over the last two years there have been some excellent articles in national and regional magazines by Region III members. Western Horseman published an article last fall by Ed Gothberg and this summer another by Kathy Morris. Judd Adams collaborated with Gordy Prall (Colorado Arabian Horse Association) on two articles, one in Horses West and another in the Record Horseman. Barb Butterfield authored an excellent piece in the September 1985 issue of the Record Horsemen calling on Morgan horse owners to compete in competitive trail riding in our region.

If you have a similar interest but you are not sure just how to get published, contact Marty Marten at 665-5281 eves.

For one, Western Horsemen would like a "How To" article on putting on a competitive trail ride.



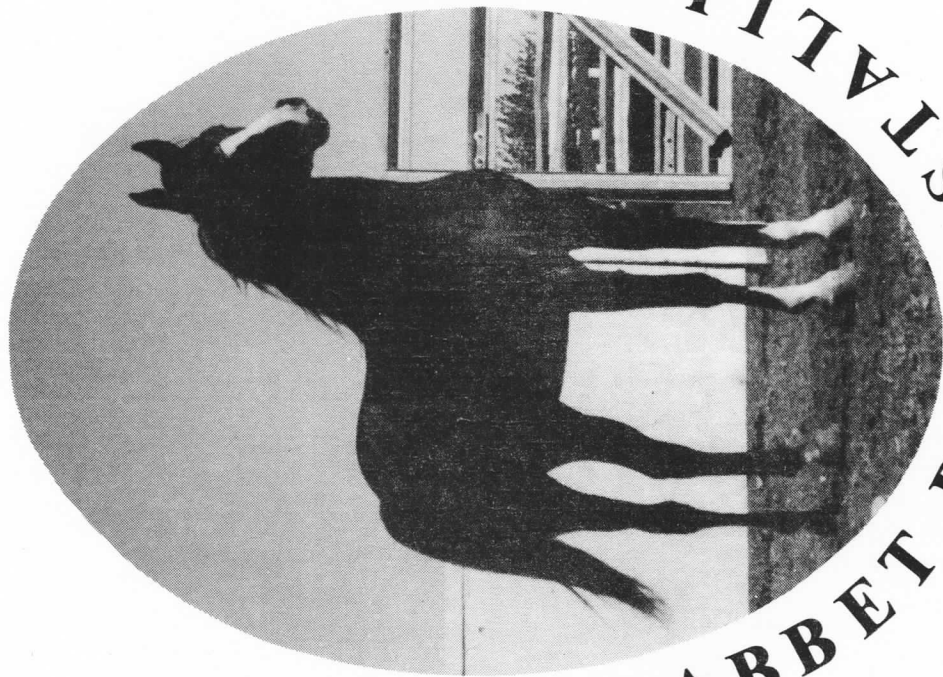
TRAIL RIDE CLINICS FOR 1987

Now is the time to start thinking about and organizing trail ride clinics for the fall, winter, and spring before the start of next year's ride season. Region III has available an excellent trail ride video and slide show to loan to your clinic. We have also put together a TRAIL RIDE CLINIC PACKET to assist you.

Trail Ride Clinics are an excellent way to help novice riders and to stimulate interest in our sport.

Contact Bonnie Kaufman, Region III Clinic Chairperson, P.O. Box 329, Arroyo Hondo, NM 87513, 505-776-2650.

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Moreover, railroad corridors are continuous tracts in highly fragmented urban and suburban areas. Assembling hundreds of small parcels into a new city park for recreation and commuting could be politically difficult and financially prohibitive. In contrast, an abandoned track can offer this opportunity at lower cost—and perhaps even for free.

Finally, railroad rights of way provide excellent wildlife habitat, serve as shelterbelts to reduce soil erosion and, in the Midwest, contain some of the last remnants of the original prairie ecosystem.

After the Trains Stop Running

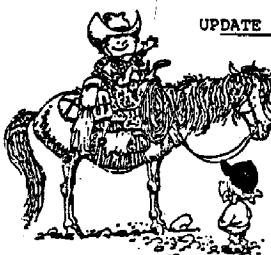
The Conservancy does not advocate the curtailment of any railroad service or the abandonment of any track. However, when railroads do abandon rights of way that were obtained specifically for transportation purposes, the Conservancy works to keep those lands in public use as trails.

Congress supports this effort. Under federal law, the Interstate Commerce Commission, the U.S. Department of Transportation and the U.S. Department of the Interior must all encourage the conversion of unused rail lines to trails. Many states and counties have become actively involved in rail-to-trail projects. And scores of private groups have mobilized to save their local corridors from being lost.

Unfortunately, however, the rail abandonment process is complex, with many pitfalls, short deadlines and limited opportunity for trails groups and agencies to become involved. Many corridors are lost before people even know of their availability. That's why the Rails-to-Trails Conservancy was formed.

What the Conservancy Does

The Rails-to-Trails Conservancy (RTC) is a non-profit organization created in 1985 by trails enthusiasts. RTC's program includes public education, advocacy, negotiation and short-term land purchase to preserve rail corridors for future generations of trail users. The Conservancy rarely becomes involved in specific conversion projects on its own; instead, it notifies local groups of upcoming abandonments, assists public and private agencies in following proper legal procedures, and publicizes rail-to-trails issues throughout the country. In the nation's capital RTC works for simplified regulations to promote rail conversions.



UPDATE FROM THE MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN, NATRC-REGION III

WELCOME NEW 1986 NATRC-REGION III MEMBERS

Marilyn Fallert	Morrison, CO.	7/87	D-2
Colleen Willis	Sedalia, CO	7/87	D-2
Edward/Betsy Dumph	Alamosa, CO	5/87	D-2
Chris Husted	Tijeras, NM	5/87	D-1
John/Vicki Miller	Black Forest, CO	8/87	D-2
Richard/Janet Thomas	Florissant, CO.	10/87	D-2
Cheri Livingston	Grand Junction, CO	8/87	D-6

WELCOME NEW NATIONAL AND 1987 REGION III MEMBERS:

Alton Signan	Orem, Utah	8/87	D-6
Gary/Patricia Telitz Family	Franktown, CO	10/87	D-2

WELCOME NEW NATIONAL MEMBERS

Mary Ann Laughlin	Bellvue, CO	8/87
Kay Cook	Durango, CO	9/87

1987 was a Record year for NATRC-REGION III Memberships—161 (Three 1987 Memberships already received)

MEMBERSHIP BY DISTRICT

DISTRICT I	23
DISTRICT II	64
DISTRICT III	27
DISTRICT IV	8
DISTRICT V	16
DISTRICT VI	22
ARIZONA	1
	161

FAMILY MEMBERSHIPS	58
SENIOR MEMBERSHIPS	95
JR. MEMBERSHIPS	8

NATIONAL MEMBERSHIP: (as of July 1986)

REGION I	260
REGION II	145
REGION III	207
REGION IV	195
REGION V	216
REGION VI	114
	1137

DISTRICT I	NEW MEXICO (except the Northwest corner) Includes East of the Continental Divide: RATON, TUCSON, SANTE FE, ALBUQUERQUE, CHAMA, ETC.
DISTRICT II	COLORADO East of the Continental Divide and South of I-70: COLORADO SPRINGS, LITTLETON, EVERGREEN, CONIFER, SEDALIA, ETC.
DISTRICT III:	COLORADO: East of the Continental Divide and North of I-70: GOLDEN, FT. COLLINS, BOULDER, LOVELAND, ETC.
DISTRICT IV	WYOMING, MONTANA, CANADA
DISTRICT V	SAN JUAN BASIN; COLORADO west of the Continental Divide and South of Red Mountain Pass. NEW MEXICO west of the Continental Divide and North of Hwy 60. FARMINGTON, CORTEZ, MANCOS, DURANGO, PAGOSA SPRINGS, ETC.
DISTRICT VI	COLORADO, UTAH, COLORADO West of the Continental Divide and North of Red Mountain Pass. GRAND JUNCTION, CRAIG, MEeker, MONTROSE, ETC.

Please note your MAILING LABEL: It indicates the date of expiration of your National NATRC Membership, and your DISTRICT. Currently there are 13 NATRC-REGION III Members whose NATIONAL NATRC membership has expired. You must maintain your NATIONAL NATRC MEMBERSHIP to retain your REGION III MEMBERSHIP, and eligibility for YEAR-END AWARDS.

We will start our 1987 MEMBERSHIP DRIVE after our 1986 REGIONAL SEMINAR at Grand Junction, Nov. 8, 1986. RENEWALS for 1987 MEMBERSHIP are due by JUNE 1, 1987. If not renewed by that date an additional \$15.00 Secretarial Fee will be charged. NEW NATRC Members who wish to become members of REGION III must pay their REGION III dues by the weekend of the last ride of the 1987 RIDE SEASON to be eligible for REGIONAL AWARDS. RULES AND BY-LAWS of NATIONAL NATRC are followed.

YEAR-END AWARDS:

OPEN HORSEMANSHIP AWARDS: Open LIGHTWEIGHT and HEAVYWEIGHT riders must have a minimum of 30 points to qualify for year-end Awards;

OPEN JUNIOR HORSEMANSHIP: Must enter 3 rides. No Minimum Points required

NOVICE HORSE AND RIDER: Must enter a minimum of two rides. No minimum points required.

Who Does the Conservancy Serve?

The RTC constituency is remarkably diverse, including:

- walkers, runners, bicyclists, skiers, sportsmen, horse riders, wildlife observers and other outdoor enthusiasts
- local business and tourism groups interested in community economic development
- state and local park officials trying to increase recreational opportunities at reasonable cost
- nature educators seeking new areas for field study
- advocates for increased handicapped recreation
- historic preservationists and local railroad history buffs
- railroads seeking to "bank" corridors for future rail use.

What the Conservancy Can Do for You

If you are interested in the rails-to-trails issue, RTC can help:

- We can notify you of proposed railroad abandonments in your area.
- We can provide you with a step-by-step manual which explains the abandonment process and how you can get involved.
- We can make available legal analyses of issues relating to rail conversion.
- If you need technical assistance, we can supply a list of experts in the field.
- If your state or local park agency wants to buy an abandoned right of way but does not have fiscal authority to do so, RTC will attempt to secure interim purchase of the land.

Whether you have abandoned tracks in your community or not, RTC will keep you abreast of the latest developments in this exciting field, provide you with information on rail trail recreational opportunities and explain how you can help build a network of converted trails around the country. Converting abandoned rail ways to trails is an idea whose time has come. Why don't you join the Rails-to-Trails Conservancy today?

Yes, I am interested in helping convert abandoned rail ways into trails.

- Send me more information
- Notify me of abandonments in my area
- Send me _____ copies of the citizen's manual for converting rails to trails (\$5 each) _____
- Send me _____ copies of the legal manual for converting rails to trails (\$25 each) _____
- I want to become a year's member of the Rails-to-Trails Conservancy (check dues level) _____
- \$18 Supporting
- \$25 Family
- \$35 Sustaining
- \$50 Patron
- \$100 Benefactor
- I do not wish to become a member now, but here is a special donation for land acquisition _____

Total \$ _____

Make check payable to Rails-to-Trails Conservancy
Address: Suite 304, 1701 K Street, NW, Washington, DC 20006.

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Organization (if any) _____
Address _____
City, state and zip _____
Telephone (day) _____
(eve) _____



"Well...do you know your fellow competitor?!?"

THE COLORADO TRAIL

The Colorado Trail is a hiking/pack trail which goes from Denver to Durango. The trail is being built to pack horse specifications so it should be a nice trail to ride. It is approx. 400 miles long, beginning at the Chatfield Reservoir and ending at Durango, traversing the Continental Divide many times. Open riders on this year's Top of the World Ride took part of the Colorado Trail near the campground.

All but 39 miles have been constructed. The unfinished part is between Copper Mt. and Tennessee Pass, at Twin Lakes, Mt. Princeton area, Molas Divide and near Durango. These will be completed by 1987.

If you or a group would like to help complete this mecca for trail riders, your help would be greatly appreciated. Next summer, pack horses to pack in supplies at the Copper Mt. section are needed. Call Mrs. Gaskill at the below address & phone. This needs trail rider support!

A set of maps (\$4.39 @ set) are available. A speaker & slide show too.

FRIENDS OF COLO. TRAIL
548 Pine Song Trail
Golden, CO 80401
303-526-0809

DO YOU KNOW YOUR FELLOW COMPETITOR?

Our rider has been a horse addict since she was big enough to point at a horse and yell, according to her Mother, a city girl. Her Dad was born on a ranch in Steamboat Springs, Colorado that his parents had homesteaded. He loved the mountains, horses and skiing.

Our rider was born in the foothills, north of San Bernardino. She was 8 years old, when her Dad brought her, her first horse, although he had been taking her riding since she was three. She has had horses ever since. As a young girl she preferred to run her horse around the mountain instead of the usual pursuits of most girls. It was nice then, with lots of wildlife. Her dream was to run away to Wyoming and marry a cowboy and raise horses, instead she met and married a "city bred" Californian, after a 30 day courtship. She was working for the State of California as a psychiatric technician, and he was training there too. They have lots of fun telling people they met in the State Mental Hospital. For some reason their two daughters, don't see much humor in it. Her major in school had been music and Vocational Agriculture (she loved the class, 70 boys-2 girls) changing later to medicine.

Two girls were born while living in California. The family moved to Colorado in 1970, and in 1980 they moved to Southern New Mexico, buying a small ranch in Dexter where they raise Arabian horses. She believes that Arabians should not only be beautiful but be able to do mentally and physically what ever you want them to do. One of their Arabians, FIVE WINGS SAINT, is close to finishing his LEGION OF MERIT, with points in Class A Halter, Performance, Endurance and Competitive Trail Riding. She loves to show halter horses and then take them out on the trail when they are old enough.

About five years ago, she was badly injured in an accident, resulting in a broken jaw and neck, internal injuries and other fractures, and was partially paralyzed for a short time. She was told she would probably never be able to ride or compete again. Fourteen months later it was discovered she had cancer that had started to spread, and was told she had about a year to live. Chemo-therapy to attempt to slow the spread of the disease was advocated. Our rider, with her usual spunk told them to "go to hell, that there had to be a better way." and started Immune-therapy treatment with the Livingston Clinic. This is treatment to strengthen the immune-system with nutrition, vitamins, vaccines and other treatments including visualization and the relief of stress to help the body fight the disease. She never had conventional treatment. In three months she went into remission and remained in excellent health ever since. Because of this program she was able to resume a normal life and ride her horses as she wishes. Her family is on the same diet and vitamin program, and as a result they also are remaining healthy and never ill.

The daughters, Jane and Deidra and husband Dwight are not all that enthused about those 4 legged creatures that "eat the barn" and tear up fences, although he does admit they have a good use (regarding specific contributions to the garden soil) and he does condescend to ride once in a while. Their oldest daughter Jane, is married and will be making our rider a Grandmother come March. Deidra is a junior in Highschool, enjoys "P&R ing" on NARC RIDES. She competed in a 1985 ride.

Our Rider and husband love to travel, and she almost has him talked into taking the horses on their next trip. They have just bought an antique buggy (restored and beautiful) and have a gelding that drives beautifully. So now, she has a new way to use the horses, while Dwight must figure a way to haul buggy and horse together.

Currently husband Dwight manages the ALLWOODS HOME CENTER, and she is office manager for Pecos Valley Anesthesia Association, both in Roswell, New Mexico

She concludes with, "Thank God for my patient, understanding and loving husband."

VIRGINIA (GINGER) COLE

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- 15 inch seat - adjustable girth (forward
5/8 or 7/8 or center) - very good condition.
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IAHA Reg. VIII Champion and 1985 Reg. VIII Reserve Champion Competitive Trail
Horse, 1985 6th place Open Ltwt. in Reg. III NATRC, and a halter winner too.
Out of ZIPTEZ+ daughter. ZIPTEZ+ is an MRER Champion endurance stallion, has
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- ☐ 2. **SENIOR membership** (\$25 per year) Single adult member (one vote)*
- ☐ 3. **JUNIOR membership** (\$15 per year) Single junior member under 18 (no vote)*
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*Membership includes: Rule Book, Membership Card, Club Patch, Ride Schedule, Newsletters and eligibility to compete for NATRC Annual High Score Awards and Championships plus rider and horse mileage awards, and reduced ride entry fees.
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