



Make plans to attend the NATRC/Region III Seminar

Wild horses won't be able to keep you away from the 14th Annual NATRC/Region III seminar to be held in Ft. Collins, Colo., on Nov. 3, 1990, at the University Park Holiday Inn.

The morning sessions will be held at the Colorado State University Veterinary Teaching Hospital. Featured guest speakers will be Dr. Schlupf and Dr. Stashak. Dr. Schlupf will speak on "Advances in Equine Medicine" and will give us a tour of the veterinary hospital. Dr. Stashak will discuss "Conformation and Lameness in the Equine Athlete." He will focus on trail-related injuries and will show us some cases in the hospital . . . weather permitting.

We will have lunch at the Holiday Inn, followed by local author, Cherry Hill, as our afternoon guest speaker. Cherry will speak on "Horsekeeping on a Small Acreage." During the afternoon break, she will have her books on display. Other local horse merchants will also have booths set up at the Holiday Inn.

A regional board meeting will follow the afternoon session . . . all are welcomed! The awards banquet will be held at the hotel, then we will all go country western dancing at the nearby Sundance Saloon (so bring your dancing boots)!

Please join us for a fun and informative seminar and feel free to invite an interested friend!

For more information, call Cindy McNamara at (303) 493-0022. You should receive your registration flyer soon.

Cost:

Seminar:

Senior Member	\$ 20
Junior Member	\$ 15
Lunch	\$ 9
Banquet	\$ 18

Rooms:

Single	\$ 51.50
Double	\$ 54.50
Quad.	\$ 64.50

We hope to see you all there!

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President's message

Words from Wise

We have an exciting seminar planned for this year. Do yourself a favor and attend. Not only will the event be very educational, but you will see the riders cleaned up (some are amazingly good looking), see ride managers not tearing their hair (actually pleasant, calm people), meet the judges as people (kind, horse-loving folks), swap lies, receive regional year-end awards, do some wild dancing (as is our tradition) and in general have a heck of a party. If you are looking for a well-spent weekend, come to the Region III seminar and awards banquet.

I would like to invite ALL NATRC members to attend a brainstorming session at the seminar. I believe we need to have ride management, riders and judges sit down and discuss ride trends, what they see as a future for our sport in our region, problems they foresee, solutions for present problems of decreasing membership, ride management burnout, new rider retention, how should our sport change or evolve and whatever burning issues you have after a season. This discussion can give the next board ideas and direction and help us all understand our sport from various vantages. This session will be right after the open board meeting at about 4 p.m. Let's sit down and have a drink together and discuss our future.

We are almost to the end of the Region III ride season and it has been a different kind of season. The reduced number of rides has certainly caused the remaining rides to fill much better. We might need to look at our schedule early next year and try to change ride dates to minimize the huge gaps of time with no rides. This is a little difficult since many ride managers have personal schedules that prevent flexibility.

I believe I'm noticing that it takes two major ingredients to make a good ride. Ride management that believes the event is fun and judges that are both objective and outgoing. We've had some of each this year and I think a good season. Hope you enjoyed yourself.

SEE YOU AT THE SEMINAR!

- Judy Wise

Editor's Box

Please send all ads, articles, photos and other news items to the Editor no later than **Jan. 15, 1991** for the winter issue of the Newsletter. All articles must be **typed** and **double-spaced, please!**

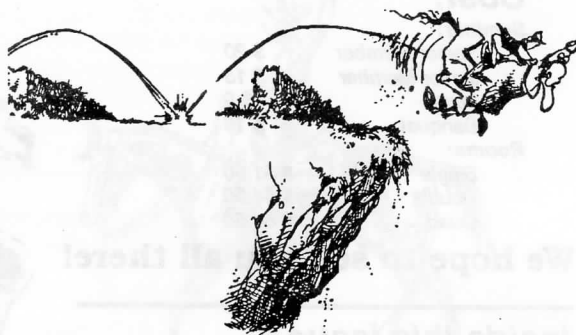
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Horsemanship Pointers



Look before you leap! Our judges' obstacles can be tricky!

Winter means special care for your horse

Wintertime in Colorado poses special dangers to horses. With plummeting temperatures comes the need to change food and water rations, as well as provisions for shelter.

The following are guidelines for safe and healthy horse care during the cold months:

- With a comparatively small stomach, a horse needs to eat often. Twice-a-day feedings will improve disposition and efficiency in utilizing the food.
- A horse consumes about two percent of its body weight each day in feed. No more than one percent of this should be in grain, with the balance being in good quality hay. If the grain mix does not contain salts and necessary minerals, these should be provided as a supplement.
- The amount of hay fed in winter may need to be increased, especially if your horse does not have shelter. Heat production during digestion helps keep the animal warm.
- A horse drinks between 10 and 12 gallons of water per day, with more in hot weather. A horse may not drink enough in winter, especially if the water is not heated. If a heater is used, keep temperature at 30-40 degrees F and check daily for electrical shorts.
- Shelter for most horses need furnish only protection from the hot sun, wind or precipitation. That is why a three-sided shed in the corner of the pasture will work, although a complete stable with box stall and tack room are available to many horses.



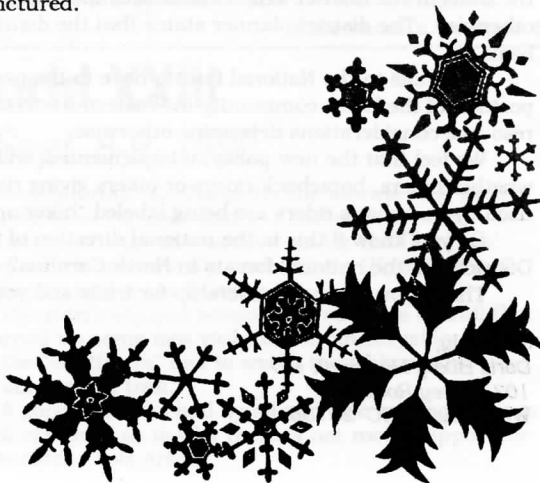
"... be sure to keep your horse warm and comfortable!"



"To avoid any serious illnesses . . ."

If your horse is in an enclosed barn, proper ventilation is important. Respiratory troubles often develop when horses are left in tight barns that become too warm and humid. Fresh air is needed even in winter, but avoid drafts. Keep stable temperature and atmosphere as close to that outside as possible. Bedding should be dry and clean. Remove manure from stalls at least once each day and be certain the stable is well-drained.

Regardless of the shelter, be alert for loose boards, nails or any projections that can cause injury. And, keep all wire and baling twine picked up to avoid a horse ingesting or tripping over it, or being cut or punctured.





Dear Editor:

We wish to thank all ride chairmen, secretaries, vet and horsemanship judges, and all assistance teams for the superb job you did this year to put on the rides we attended.

This is our first year riding with NATRC and we are very grateful to have been involved with such a conscientious group of horse people and we really appreciate all the work it takes to put a ride on. We really enjoyed each ride and learned a lot. Thanks everyone!

I attended the Van Vleet ride in September and was surprised at the small number of entries. The ride management and teams did a masterful job, the facilities were the best and the ride was beautiful. I hope more people will come and enjoy it next year.

Sincerely,
Cheryl & Robert Britton

Editor's note:

The following letter was sent to Gloria Becker, NATRC Secretary in El Cajon Calif. If you feel you would like to respond to Doris' letter her address follows.

Dear Gloria:

I come to you with another concern involving horse activities. Please may the horse community in Western North Carolina have the assistance of the North American Trail Ride Conference? We are in a discussion with the National Forests in North Carolina that may have national consequences.

The Pisgah District of the National Forests in North Carolina is preparing a pilot trail management plan for the trails in the district which starts with the assumption that all trails are hiker only trails unless determined otherwise. The district planner states that the district will be willing to "consider" other uses on an individual trail basis.

The trails in the National forests have in the past been multiple use unless marked otherwise. It is the position of the horse community in Western North Carolina that all trails should be multiple-use unless safety or resource considerations determine otherwise.

We feel that the new policy, if implemented, will be confrontational with the forest service, the trail users whether hikers, horseback riders or bikers giving rise to conflict concerning trail use. Trails that have always been used by horseback riders are being labeled "hiker only."

Do you know if this is the national direction of the national forests or an isolated decision of the Pisgah District and the national forests in North Carolina?

Thank you for your leadership for trails and your help to us in Western North Carolina.

Sincerely,
Doris Bixby Hammett, MD
103 Surrey Road
Waynesville, NC 28786

El Jinete Solitario XXII

Durango, Colorado – July 28-29, 1990

Last year this ride was but a thought. Wouldn't it be great to revive the El Jinete Ride, since it had not been put on in three years and not much hope in sight? Traditionally, being known to "try most anything" once dared, cajoled and volunteered, we decided to go for it.



JUDY WISE and *Ninja* horse *Win Tivaan* promoting the upcoming *Benefit Ride*.

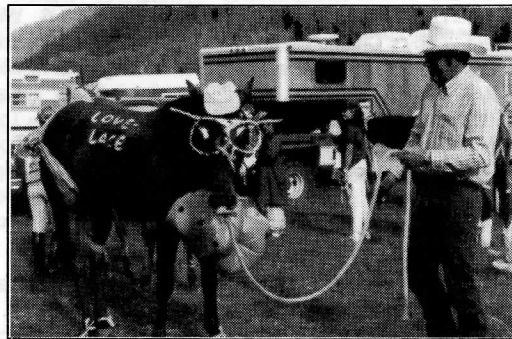
July arrived, along with 65 riders from all over. We even had people show up waiting to get in the ride if there were cancellations. There were a multitude of volunteers that drove to Durango to help and to enjoy our views . . . and views we had!

The ride traversed mountainous terrain with beautiful wildflower meadows and mountain streams abounding. The horses climbed to 10,900 feet for their P&R's and we kept telling them, what goes up must come down. There were a lot of areas for the judges to observe on the trail and even a white knuckle grip obstacle for the open riders. Check Pat Jubb's saddle for her imprint. Novice and CP did well on a hill Saturday that I am sure they'll put an extra notch of accomplishment on their saddle to remember (or forget). The Appaloosa owners got all got a chuckle from Jerry Weil's Appy jokes (as did we all) the whole weekend.

Without any prior planning, I thought it would be fun to have a horse fashion show while waiting on awards. Spontaneously, riders grabbed items at hand: garbage bags, bras, pillows, blankets, socks, toys, ribbon, glasses, hats, just to name a few. We had horses dressed as Dolly Parton, The

Durango Hiker, Fun-in-the-Sun, Ninja Turtle, Lulu Lovelace and many more. Steve Ancell and Lulu Lovelace won the fashion show and Lulu is still wondering about Steve.

All in all we had a great time and a beautiful ride and that's what this sport is all about! – *Kathy Hayes & Patti Embree, Ride Chairpersons*



STEVE ANCELL and *"Lulu,"* winners of the *El Jinete Costume contest*.

Top of the World XXIII

Foxton, Colorado – Sept. 8-9, 1990

The 23rd Annual Top of the World Competitive Trail Ride was sponsored by Foxton Morgans. All total, there were 15 Open, 16 Novice and seven Competitive Pleasure riders on Saturday morning.

The ride management wishes to thank veterinary judge Jim Wright for filling in at the last minute. It seems Jim and horsemanship judge Harold Nickerson have judged many rides together and really worked well together to give the horses and riders good obstacles and knowledgeable judgements on horsemanship and horse conditioning and manners.

The weather cooperated for the mornings and early afternoons; however late afternoons brought the usual

thunderstorms. On Saturday the storms only caused a little inconvenience and wet horses and riders. On Sunday, vetting-out was done under the "big blue" tarp which occasionally would do its "Rogallo Wing" imitation and try to fly away.

The riders enjoyed several new sections of trail that opened up some new views of the countryside. Some of the "old timers" had to watch the ribbons this year to stay on the trail.

A good time was had by all and ride management is still confused as to why there is not more support for this ride. – *Lois Arbour*

EL JINETE SOLITARIO - 1990 (official results)

Sweepstakes awards:

Open - Nick Stevens/Dolly's Sundance G

Novice - Susie Huffman/Pesky Native

OPEN HEAVYWEIGHT

- 1/2 Dolly's Sundance G/Nick Stevens
- 2/4 Lady's Charlie B/Janine Ancell
- 3/3 Sun's Dakota Parader/Laurel Whiting
- 4/1 Gahali/Jill Talbot
- 5/5 MLA Raj Bahabas/Judd Adams
- 6/ Glin Maybi/Ed Dumph
- /6 Shal Shadow/Jan Thomas

LIGHTWEIGHT

- 1/6 Win Tivaan/Judy Wise
- 2/2 Kristabar/Terri Roberts
- 3/1 Cliffwood's Hakime/Pat Jubb
- 4/ Nayrbee/Betsy Dumph
- 5/ Tony's Boy/Liz Nastasi
- 6/ Lokman/Barbara Harvey
- /3 Blue Hill Nala Ash/Susan Camrud
- /4 Mountain Music's Grey Dawn/Linda Stevens
- /5 Consil/Chris Hoden

JUNIOR

- 1/2 Tony Nez/Elizabeth Ancell
- 2/1 Grabeau/Jason White

COMPETITIVE/ PLEASURE

- 1/6 Lady's Bay Beauty/Steve Ancell
- 4/1 Par Rasul/Debbi Jablonski
- /3 Qirbe/Cindy McNamara

- 2/ Desert Ebony/Susan Wyson
- 5/ F.W. Golden Baska/Virginia Cole
- /4 Prince Zebulante/Jan Murphy

- 3/2 Gypsy/Kathryn Utke
- 6/5 Senorita Zorra/Catherine Zuck

NOVICE HEAVYWEIGHT

- 1/1 Pesky Native/Susie Huffman
- 2/2 Wildfire IBN Rayi/Jeffrey Wagner
- 3/ Painty/Linda Jones
- 4/4 D.H. Dusk/BJ Britton
- 5/ Pepper/Barbara Fjersted
- 6/5 Dakhil Allahra/Ann Newsted
- /3 Short Cut Sundae/Lonnie Smith
- /6 Black Sammy/Russ Jones

LIGHTWEIGHT

- 1/5 Desert Russian/Cheryl Britton
- 2/3 Siete/Sara Davis
- 3/ Durango Cirrus/Louise Voelker
- 4/4 Saucedo's Numero Uno/Kris Cummings
- 5/ NT Silver Hawk/Rick Willard
- 6/ K.A. Kolob/Dawn Treadway
- /1 Beau Rhapsody/Karen Laden
- /2 Countryshine Fraz/Sharon Wright
- /6 Zamans Image/Robin Claxton

JUNIOR

- 1/2 Angel's Little Dolly/Theresa Ancell
- 2/3 Chance to Win/Jill Davis
- 3/5 Angel's Sunny/Julie Jones
- 4/4 Mandy/Cathy Jones
- 5/1 Joe/Darcy McCune

Southwest is risk area for sand colic

In the wake of an item in the July issue of *Horsemen's Voice* about a sand colic remedy made in Arizona comes word of another southwestern producer of a colic product. This one comes from Nevada.

Custom Services of Carson City makes Select Products, which produces Sand Lax. It was introduced earlier this year.

The key ingredient is described as psyllium hydrophilic mucilloid which, under the name Metamucil, has aided humans for 50 years. Sand Lax apparently contains 70% of the substance; higher than some other brand names.

Psyllium, because it is soluble in water, becomes gel-like, taking up the sand, and moving with the natural contractions of the intestine. It is said to be far more effective than either bran or oil.

Information: Custom Services, Inc., Carson City, NV
1-800-648-0950

Shared from *The Horsemen's Voice* - Sept. 1990 issue

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Region III Benefit Ride VII

Teenage Mutant Ninja Trail Ride

Sedalia, Colorado – Aug. 11-12, 1990

Cowabunga! Teenagers, turtles, mutants, Ninjas and other assorted super horses and riders gathered the weekend of August 11 at the Butterfield's Indian Park Ranch outside Sedalia, Colo., for the 7th Annual NATRC Region III Benefit competitive trail ride.

Not to be outdone by last year's theme (the search for the King – Elvis Presley music and trivia dominated the events), ride chairperson, Laurie Butterfield asked each participant to bring a Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtle grab bag for door prizes.

Check-in was enlivened as a part-Arabian Native Customer, part Ninja rider Jason White, paraded through the camp on his spunky gray Arabian gelding Grabeau. Additional excitement was provided when the Butterfield's herd found an open gate and stampeded through camp. Some junior riders and their friends had fun trying to catch them!

Dr. Joe Quintana, Judi Tobias and Susan Witter had the task of judging the 20 Open and 12 Competitive Pleasure horses and riders.

Dr. Louis Pavetti and Kathy Morris were responsible for scoring the 29 Novice and 14 Novice Junior riders.

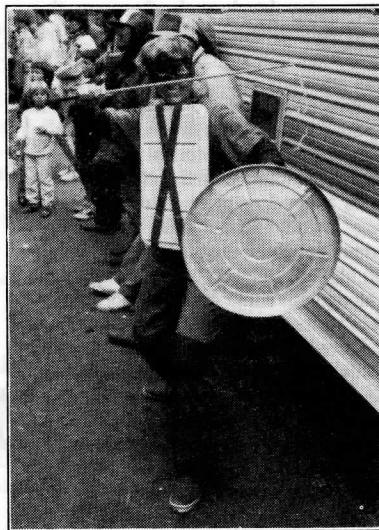
Breed entrants included Arabians, 1/2 Arabs, Quarter Horses, Appaloosas, American and Missouri Fox Trotters, Morgans, Connemaras, Paints, Tennessee Walkers, a Spanish Barb, a Mustang and grade horses.

Trail master Jeri Avila, reviewed the trail maps with the riders at each night's briefing. No one got lost but there was a slight scramble Saturday morning as Open and CP riders searched in vain for checkpoints 3 and 4 on the trail. Later, riders were informed (to their

relief) that due to a misunderstanding, the point rider did not ribbon those sections of the trail. Only one super Ninja trail rider, Catherine Zuck actually located and rode that section of the trail. Sorry, no plus

points, Catherine!

The obstacle that will live long in the minds of riders was Joe Quintana's "bog and log" shortly out of camp on Saturday morning. The ride scenery and terrain were pure paradise up until the riders encountered a blur of orange ribbons and to the dismay of many horses ("you want me to walk into that – you've got to be kidding! No way!!") they were asked to



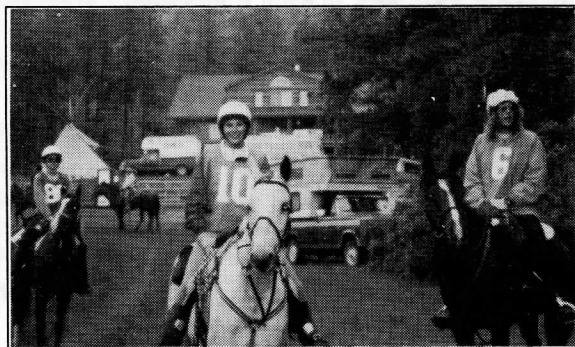
TEENAGE MUTANT NINJA TURTLE and novice horsemanship judge, Kathy Morris made a slashing appearance at the Sunday awards.

"stay between the orange ribbons" which led straight into a wet black mushy bog. After a few steps on decent ground, horses negotiated a few boulders and then crossed a giant log. Since the entire team of judges were stationed at that point, riders breathed audible sighs of relief as they headed on down the trail. Little did either riders or judges know that it would be six hours before they would meet again due to the lost loop mentioned earlier.

Lunch was at a grassy meadow near a stream on the trail, while the judges snacked back at camp, plotting "Plan B," after missing their originally scheduled judging spots.

Mounting and backing were observed by Suste and Joe while Judi hid out and watched the Ninja gate/log stepover. Kathy noted uphill form and lightness and a moment later, Doc stepped out on the trail demanding a "Whoa!" "Just seeing if you could!" was his reply to Linda Stevens question in camp that

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FROM LEFT, Mary Ellen Zager on Silly, Linda Watson on Mtn. Music's Grey Dawn and Tina Broida on Sa Salea ready to hit the trail.

Ninja Trail Ride . . .

night, "What were you looking for at the stop?"

Saturday night was barbecue night and management provided grill, salad, rolls and beans to all hungry riders and workers.

Sunday's ride was highlighted by yet another bog which got boggiwer after a number of horses squished through it and a log maze that Joe Quintana swears, "Please don't write 'contrived obstacle' on your critique because those logs were put there by God!"

Though there was a rainy drizzle each afternoon, the rain didn't really kick in until the Sunday check out started. The double set of judges were very much appreciated at that point as the check outs went smoothly and efficiently.

The awards ceremony at Benefit are always something extra special and keeping with tradition, a Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtle (aka NATRC judge, Kathy Morris) made an appearance. Aspen Butterfield and Laurie Avila drew rider numbers out of a bag for Ninja door prizes which ranged from Ninja laundry bags to Ninja fanny packs while everyone snacked on free ice cream cones. Beautiful wooden bridle racks made by Vernon McNeill for each first place winner which were awarded along with Ninja drinking bottles.

Open Sweepstakes winner was Dolly's Sundance G and Nick Stevens, his third sweepstakes this season. He carried off a leather halter, Ninja bottle, bandana and an Oscar-like

Ninja replica back to his trailer. Nick and Linda, as well as a number of others, are making their marks with some good Missouri Fox Trotters this year.

Cee Wolf, 82 years young, rode her new BLM mustang mare, Wind Song, and brought along daughter Alice and granddaughter Amanda for the ride. Alice and Amanda rode Cee's exceptional mules, Bint Squeaky (1/2 Arab) and Minnie Mae. Miss Minnie Mae stands all of (10?, 11?, 12?) hands but showed 'em how to do it with her first place junior winning ribbon and the Novice Sweepstakes award.

The best sportsman award on the trail was awarded to current leading Novice Junior rider, Theresa Ancell by the P&R crews.

The Teenage Mutant Ninja crew would like to especially thank the following for their work: Mike Butterfield (technical advisor), Joyce Calhoun (ride secretary), Tom Butterfield (P&R captain), Jean McNeill and Sharon Wright (cooks), Aspen Butterfield, Mary Lou McManaman, Barb Remy, Teresa Danielson and Colleen Wills (judge's secretaries). Thanks to Jill Talbot who donated leather halters for both sweepstakes winners. The Morgan Horse Association donated a certificate to the top Morgan competitor, Cambridge Myria. Thanks to all the P&R crews and everyone else that made the Teenage Mutant Ninja Trail Ride!

REGION III BENEFIT RIDE - 1990 (official results)

Sweepstakes awards:

Open - Nick Stevens/Dolly's Sundance G

Novice - Amanda Gilborn/Minnie Mae

OPEN HEAVYWEIGHT

- 1/2 Dolly's Sundance G/Nick Stevens
- 2/4 Rafs Rainbow/Dean Schrader
- 3/6 Sun's Dakota Parader/Laurel Whiting
- 4/3 MLA Raj Bahabas/Judd Adams
- 5/1 Gahali/Jill Talbot
- 6/5 Shal Shadow/Jan Thomas

LIGHTWEIGHT

- 1/2 Mtn. Music's Grey Dawn/Linda Stevens
- 2/3 Win-Tivaan/Judy Wise
- 3/5 Mtn. Music's Smokey/Linda Watson
- 4/ Sa Salea/Tina Broida
- 5/1 W.B. Auspicious/Sena Fitzpatrick
- 6/4 Five Wings Aliza/Linda Adams
- /6 ALES FA Sahara/Diania DeCant

JUNIOR

- 1/1 Grabeau/Jason White

COMPETITIVE/ PLEASURE

- 1/1 Lady's Bay Beauty/Steve Ancell
- 4/6 La Nask/Karen Moe
- /2 Senorita Zorra/Catherine Zuck

- 2/4 Bint Squeaky/Alice Gilborn
- 5/ Patches/Peggy Smith
- /5 Wind Song/Cynthia Wolf

- 3/3 Queen of ZK/Wendy Fischer
- 6/ AM Comrades Gaze/Joyce Conrey

NOVICE HEAVYWEIGHT

- 1/5 Wildfire IBN Rayi/Jeffrey Wagner
- 2/2 Perf's. Magic Shadow/Stacy Bowman
- 3/ Riyadh/Carl Kelley
- 4/1 DH Dusk/B.J. Britton
- 5/3 Rose/Larry Keckler
- 6/4 Silly/Mary Ellen Zager
- /6 Whisky Cider/Linda Eslick

LIGHTWEIGHT

- 1/3 Beau Rhapsody/Karen Laden
- 2/6 A.J./Mary Carew
- 3/2 Desert Russian/Cheryl Britton
- 4/4 R.V. Jaxon/Michele Lee Waterbury
- 5/ Willowwind Malika/Denise Kahler
- 6/1 Sun Mtn. So Elegant/Lisa Sowell
- /5 Comar Raffdazeyn/Joan Feldman

JUNIOR

- 1/2 Winnie Mae/Amanda Gilborn
- 2/5 Lady's Charlie B/Theresa Ancell
- 3/ Cracker Jack/Kat Meadows
- 4/6 Cambridge Myria/Kelly Cory
- 5/ Windswept Isle/Laura Austgen
- 6/ EC Grey Sabre/Ricki Conrey
- /1 Sherman/Chandelle Boger
- /3 Country Miss/Sheryl George
- /4 Nifty Lori/Heather West

TURKEY TRACK RIDE VI – (official results)

Sweepstakes awards:

Open - Nick Stevens/Dolly's Sundance G

Novice - Angel's Little Dolly/Theresa Ancell

OPEN HEAVYWEIGHT

- 1/2 Dolly's Sundance G/Nick Stevens
- 2/3 Lady's Charlie B/Janine Ancell
- 3/5 Mi Champagne/Dee Overholt
- 4/1 Raf's Rainbow/Dean Schrader
- 5/4 Shal Shadow/Jan Thomas
- 6/6 Manicole/Dexter Savage

LIGHTWEIGHT

- 1/1 PAR Sundance/Kathryn Hayes
- 2/6 Blue Hill Nala Ash/Susan Camrud
- 3/4 Mtn. Music's Grey Dawn/Linda Stevens
- 4/2 Kristabar/Terri Roberts
- 5/ La Nask/Karen Moe
- 6/ Ales Fa Sahara/Diania DeCant
- /3 Tequila/Chris Hoden
- /5 W.B. Auspicious/Sena Fitzpatrick

JUNIOR

- 1/1 Grabeau/Jason White

COMPETITIVE/ PLEASURE

- 1/3 Lady's Bay Beauty/Steve Ancell
- 4/2 SPR The Gambler/Patti Embree

- 2/1 Par Rasal/Debbie Jablonski
- 5/5 Deylynn/Audrey Taylor

- 3/4 Aftamia/Ariel Schrader
- 6/6 Rirraff/Susan LaRue

NOVICE HEAVYWEIGHT

- 1/2 Short Cut/Lonnie Smith
- 2/1 Shabesiah/Judith Stanley
- 3/ Manquita's Sunrise/G. Fred Stevens
- 4/4 Rosa/Joanie McSweeney
- 5/3 Neeleem/Mike Slagle
- 6/6 Missy/Kathery Celler
- /5 Miss Intergoloo.Dorothy Nepa

LIGHTWEIGHT

- 1/6 PAR Sualani/Rosemary Hansen
- 2/ Raamazon Moniet/Jo Johnson
- 3/3 K.A. Kolob/Dawn Treadway
- 4/ RQC Amanda/Julia Wood
- 5/ Tielas IBN Arko/Caroline Stephens
- 6/1 Cream Soda/Jeanne Palmer
- /2 Saf Faisal/Lorretta Maez
- /4 Kai Callisto/Susan McKelvy
- /5 Misty/Dathey Duck

JUNIOR

- 1/1 Angel's Little Dolly/Theresa Ancell
- 2/3 KA Buddy/Sally Smith
- 3/2 Moca Lady/Heather DeCant

Calaway wins national championship ride

Sherrie Calaway of Bigfork won the championship in the purebred division of the National Championship Arabian Trail Ride held in Libby, Mont. last week.

Forty-four riders registered for the two-day competition; only 22 completed the grueling 40 mile a day ride.

"Several horses were pulled from the competition due to extremely hot heather the first day," said Mike Switzer, coordinator. "Three horses didn't pass the physical before the ride."

"Everyone who finished felt like a winner," Switzer said. "This was one of the toughest and best rides of the competition."

"Although the trail ride was a success, two minor incidents created some problems," Switzer said.

A small forest fire was located Saturday morning by his wife, Heidy and rider Juanita Rose. The two fought the fire attempting to get it under control and then rode at a gallop to the first portable radio station to notify the forest service.

Also, on Sunday, Heidy rode up and found a man and four boys carrying the ribbons used to mark the trail. All the markings for approximately 1-1/2 miles of ride had been removed.

The Kalispell man said he took the ribbons because

"if the horse didn't know where to go, it shouldn't be there."

"The trail was re-flagged before riders reached the area and no one got lost. "The ribbons are used to mark the trails so that the riders don't get lost," Switzer told them.

The remaining winners for the purebred competition are: Reserve Champion - Connie Lien of Bozeman riding Tryzil; Bonnie Twardowski of Pennsylvania riding R.H. Corimandy; Judy Schmid of Wisconsin riding Raskaye; Barbara Harvey of Texas riding Lokman; Mary Jane Westermarck of Kalispell riding Porsonnex; Marilyn Wood of Kalispell riding Ravenwood Shald; Bobby Hall of Whitefish riding Ridin-P-Tuzdy; Linda McKay of Pennsylvania riding Ramegwa Rhodora; Valerie Kanavey of Pennsylvania riding Pieraz and Heidy Switzer of Libby riding Babu.

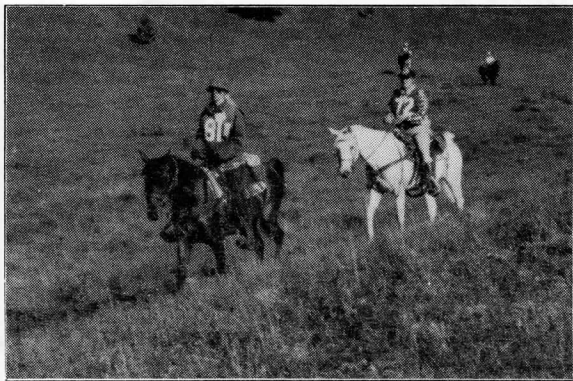
The top four winners of the 1/2 Arabian competition were: Suzanne Hayes of Polson riding Kootenal Zizzero, champion; Juanita Rose of Libby riding Hot Sauce, reserve champion; Connie Priesz of Minnesota riding B-A Cinbozo and Marilyn Hunter of California riding Rebel's Raider.

A special award was presented to Whitney Bass, 13, Polson, Mont., the top youth in the competition.

Ride write-Ups . . .

Van Vleet Memorial Trail Ride - XIX

Golden Gate State Park, Colorado – Sept 22-23, 1990



FIRST TIME RIDER Betty Squire and fellow competitor Joanie Feldman at Van Vleet XIX.

Beautiful fall weather greeted riders at the nineteenth Van Vleet Memorial Competitive Trail Ride which was held at Golden Gate Canyon State Park in the Colorado mountains north of Golden. This year's ride was also the International Arabian Horse Assoc. Region 8 Championship ride.

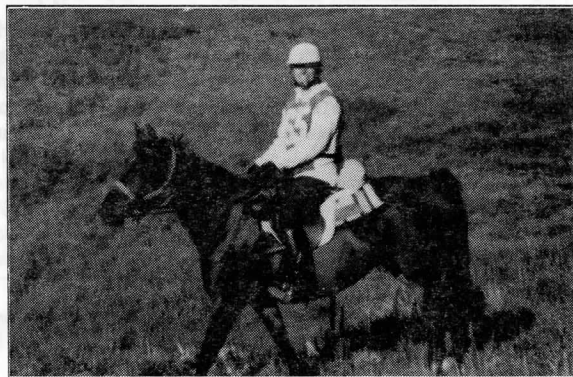
Open vet judge Joe Quintana built an impressive log obstacle that challenged riders on Saturday. Some of the horses would have done well in an open jumper competition.

Even the P&R crews had fun as they were treated to

a hot dog cookout on Sunday when they returned to camp.

Colorado Arabian Horse Club Vice-President Ron Harden was Ride Chairman Dean Schrader's right hand man and Johanna Harden provided tasty meals for ride workers. CAHC sponsored the Van Vleet ride.

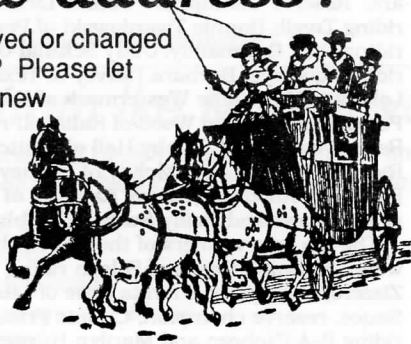
The prestigious Van Vleet trophy was won by Nick Stevens on his Fox Trotter, Dolly's Sundance G. The beautiful Arabian and Half-Arabian awards were carried off by Kathy Morris' Brown R Seayn and Dean Schrader's Raf's Rainbow, ridden by Dee Overholt.



MARY ANN MORRISSEY of Golden on her half-Arabian *Midnight Rainbow*.

New address?

Have you moved or changed your address? Please let us know your new address as soon as possible so you will continue to receive the Region III Newsletter.



Stall mat is light, easy

A blend of polymers and rubber is what the Muth Matt is made of, and the K.W. Muth Company of Sheboygan, Wisc., says the mats weigh less, are more easily cut and fitted, are urine resistant and just generally better than other mats now available for trailers, stalls and aisles where horses need good footing.

The Muth firm says their blend of materials allows for a lighter non-skid surface than other brands. Besides, they say, Muth uses rubber from scrapped tires, thus helping to get rid of the nearly indestructible and unsightly waste items.

The mats come in a 6' by 6' size, can be shipped UPS at a relatively low cost, and are available direct from the factory.

Muth Matts, K.W. Muth Co., 2821 Muth Court, Sheboygan, WI, 53083-0909. Telephone: (414) 458-9181.

Shared from *The Horsemen's Voice* - Sept. 1990 issue

Our deepest sympathies . . .

to these fellow NATRC/Region III members who have recently lost their beloved equine friends:

Jim and Gerda Pascucci's 5-year old Arab gelding, "Yahalla."

Cindy McNamara's 17-year old Arab gelding, "Khayomar".

Catherine Zuck's 11-year old Spanish Barb mare, "Senorita Zorra".

God forbid that I should go to any heaven in which there are no horses.

—R.B. CUNNINGHAM GRAHAM

Make a Wise Investment in the Horse Industry. . .

Attend the fourteenth Colorado Horseman's Seminar at Colorado State University. This year's seminar will provide a wealth of up-to-date equine information beneficial to all horse enthusiasts. Well-known experts from Colorado State University and from across the country will cover the following topics:

- Hoof Care: Shoeing the Sound and Unsound Horse
- Training the Newborn Foal
- Packing and Outfitting
- Parasite Control and Preventative Medicine
- Dressage: Horse Selection and Training
- Cutting: Horse Selection and Training
- Team Penning: Demonstration and Strategies

For information call CSU at 491-8373

Equine first aid

Color-coded tabs for quick reference about different equine ailments and a rating system of from one to three asterisks to indicate the potential gravity of a problem are two of the aids provided horse owners in a new book from *Breakthrough Publications*.

The 236 page book by Eleanor M. Kellon, DVM, is entitled, appropriately enough, *Dr. Kellon's Guide to First Aid for Horses*. Among other features are over 75 photographs, both black and white and in color, showing symptoms and what to look for. Tranquillizing, twitching, giving injections, bandaging and controlling shock or bleeding are all covered.

The book is available at \$19.95, plus \$2.75 for shipping, through *Breakthrough Publications*, 310 North Highline Avenue, Ossining, NY 10652, or call 1-800-824-5000.

(The editor recommends Dr. Kellon's book based upon previous articles she has contributed on veterinary subjects to such publications as "The Chronicle of the Horse.")

Shared from "The Horsemen's Voice" - Sept. 1990 issue

Colic is a word that conjures up visions of a horse in distress, nostrils flared, pawing the ground, kicking or biting at his belly, rolling on the ground, sweating. He may stretch out as if to urinate, yet be too uncomfortable to apply an abdominal press to empty the bladder. He may stand depressed and dull, not wanting to eat. He may lie down, get up, only to lie down again in an effort to relieve the discomfort within his belly.

The horse possesses a unique intestinal system. The distinctive anatomy of his guts predisposes him to a variety of intestinal syndromes that can result in pain. The pain of colic comes from excess tension or stretching of the bowel lining or of the mesentery which serves as a supportive sling of the intestines. Spasms of the bowel lining due to irritation, or a decrease in blood supply, will also result in pain.

We need to remember that the horse evolved as a grazing animal, serenely munching on sweet grasses of the plains as he moved with the herd in search of available forage, and in this way he developed an intestinal system accustomed to small and frequent meals. He ingested forbs and grasses that were moist with dew and the natural water contained in plant life. He cropped down the grasses as they grew, slowly adapting the microflora (bacteria) within his intestinal tract to the changing nutrient composition of the plants.

The horse, in this idyllic state, moved about maintaining muscle tone and good circulation. As a food source dwindled, he moved on, not stopping long enough to contaminate his feed with droppings that might re-infect him with parasite eggs.

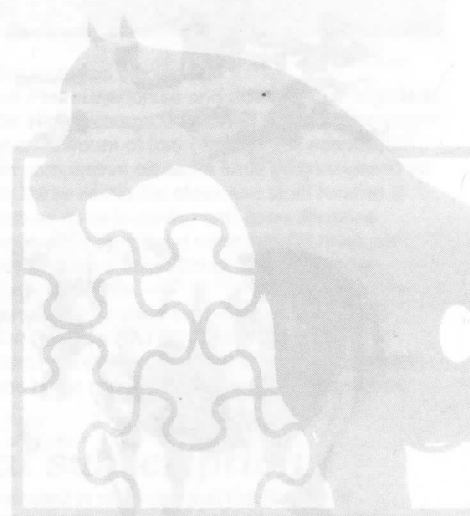
Today, our horses live quite differently. Urban development and limited time have compelled us to confine our equine friends for reasons of convenience. We're now faced with the management of an animal not naturally equipped to deal with the diets, feed schedules and exercise routines we've imposed upon him. When you examine the design of the equine digestive system, you can see how sensitive it is to the conditions of confinement.

Whenever I'm treating a horse suffering from colic, several questions are invariably asked: What is colic? What causes it? How could it have been prevented?

Colic is not a disease in itself, just the word used to describe abdominal pain. It's a sign or symptom of an underlying intestinal problem, and must be differentiated from other situations not relating to the gastrointestinal tract.

It's important to recognize that pain resulting from other syndromes can mimic a colic; for example, the mare in the process of foaling, a horse that is foundering (he may refuse to get up, or assume postures resembling colic), a horse suffering from exertional rhabdomyolysis - a disease of skeletal muscle - may go down and thrash in pain. A horse that is choking on a lump or mass of food caught in the esophagus may sweat, extend the neck, paw and be misconstrued as a "colic" or an infection within the thoracic cavity - pleuritis - may be painful enough to induce colic symptoms.

The role of parasites in causing equine colic cannot be overstated. Internal parasites create areas of inflammation



*The outcome can be death
chain of events that leads*

By Dr. N.

and irritation as they migrate through the intestinal lining or the blood vessels supplying the intestines. Damage by bloodworms, particularly the large strongyles, has been implicated in up to 90% of all colic episodes.

Interruption in normal blood flow diminishes oxygen to the bowel loops and interferes with the normal nerve input to the intestines. Waves of contractions will proceed in a disorganized fashion, or may cease altogether. Adequate cleaning of corrals and stalls, along with an aggressive parasite control program, can markedly reduce this cause of serious colics.

Any alteration in normal motility (spontaneous movement) patterns in the intestines can be detrimental. When bowel movements cease altogether it is called an ileus. Fermentation continues, but gas does not move towards the rectum, and as gas builds within the intestines, pain results from overdistention. Bacterial overgrowth may occur because of stagnation, and eventually bacteria begin to die and release endotoxins (poisonous substances present in bacteria) that can result in shock and death.

As the gas builds in the stagnant gut, blood supply is further compromised due to excess pressure and tension on the blood vessels. Portions of the bowel may be displaced abnormally as the segments balloon with gas. The left side of the large intestine normally floats freely in the abdomen with no supporting attachments to the body wall or to other organs. This makes it prone to large excursions within the abdomen.

It's largely myth that twisting of the intestines is caused when a horse rolls around in pain. This can happen, but intestines can twist even if the horse is standing on his feet.

The Colic PUZZLE

*If you don't understand the
the #1 killer of horses!
by Loving DVM*

The free suspension of the left large colon, coupled with gas distention, abnormal peristaltic waves, or an ileus, can bring on the same result.

A colicky horse should be allowed to lie quietly if he will, but prevented from rolling so as not to inflict injury upon himself. Forced walking may be beneficial for 10-15 minutes and can keep a violent horse on his feet until veterinary help arrives. Yet, hours of imposed movement will only serve to exhaust the horse and deplete valuable energy and calories he needs to combat the illness.

Many causes of colic can be referred back to inappropriate dietary management. Excessively rich feeds (grain, alfalfa hay, lush pasture) can stimulate excess gas production within the stomach or large intestines. Excessively dry or coarse feed materials or limited access to water may cause an obstruction within the bowel. Horses in a natural state snack continually, but when we provide "canned" meals we drastically alter how the intestinal tract handles food.

Horses require 2.5% of their body weight in fiber intake per day, equivalent to about 25 pounds of hay for a 1,000 pound horse. At least 50% of the horse's diet should be in the form of bulk roughage. This fiber component serves to stimulate intestinal motility. The horse that is fed completely pelleted rations, condensed hay cubes or limited quantities of hay also suffers from boredom. His natural urge to chew finds him devouring the fence boards that confine him, eating dirt and sand off the ground, or consuming his own manure (coprophagy).

Horses fed alfalfa on the ground are particularly prone to pick up sand as they nonselectively root around for the fine

tasty leaves. Overgrazed pastures will induce horses to ingest sand as they crop vegetation closer to the ground. Sand and dirt can accumulate in the intestine over a period of time. The sand will abrade and disrupt the normal integrity of the intestinal lining, causing discomfort, spasms and alterations in normal absorption of nutrients. Many sanded horses initially display symptoms of mild diarrhea. If the sand builds up long enough, it can form a concrete-line blockage that may require surgical removal.

By ingesting manure the horse can re-infect himself with parasite eggs that then mature and induce internal damage to the intestinal tract. As described above, bloodworms can interfere with blood supply and motility, while round worms can form obstructions within the lumen (cavity) of the bowel. Other internal parasites can damage and erode the bowel lining enough to allow leakage of fecal contents into the abdomen. This results in an infection and inflammation called peritonitis, which is a painful and potentially lethal condition.

Sudden changes in feed can be detrimental to the bacterial microflora in the gut and lead to over production of gas or endotoxins. For example, rapid introduction of large volumes of grain or legume hay, or access to moldy food will upset the system.

Introduction of feed immediately after vigorous exercise can also be dangerous. At this time blood supply is still circulating in the muscle tissue, and shunted away from the stomach; it delays emptying of food material from the stomach and allows excess fermentation to occur. Excessively cold water may set off spasms at the pyloric sphincter located between the stomach and the small intestine and delay movement of ingesta (stomach contents) out of the stomach. The stomach can overdistend with gas and become quite painful, and then you have a sudden and violent colic.

Horses that crib and suck air tend to build up excess quantities of gas in their stomachs. They are predisposed to colic.

The overweight horse is predisposed to form lipomas, a tumor of fatty tissue. As fat accumulates in the body, it builds into lumps within the mesentery – the tissue that wraps around the small intestine and supports it within the abdominal cavity. Gravity may pull these lumps of fat into one large mass with a stalk attaching it to the mesentery; a loop of small intestine may then become entrapped around this stalk and strangulate.

Many mild colics are often attributable to an impaction within the lumen of the intestine. This can then cause obstruction of the bowel. Once an impaction begins, the smooth muscle of the intestinal walls will contract in an attempt to move it along. This may generate some pain, but it will also squeeze out more and more of the fluid in the feedstuff material that sits in the bowel, worsening the problem. Now the ingesta is no longer pliable and moveable, and forms an obstruction.

This article will be continued in the next issue of the Region III Newsletter . . .

Bits and Pieces

The Region's Plea

*Our sport is one of the best,
But, supporting it is the real test.*

*We need new riders to join Region III,
And old members to pay-up, you see?*

*So before you hit the trail,
Send your RENEWAL in the mail!*

Remember . . . the Rule!

The Region III BOD voted on a new rule, as of January 1987: June 1st of each year will be the cut-off date for the Newsletter to be sent out to Region III members who have not yet rejoined for that year. National members (but not yet Region III members) that are in our Region will get two complimentary Newsletters, then no more unless they join Region III. **Do not forget that applicants for Region III membership must be National NATRC members first!**

Verifying points and mileage

REMINDER: It is the responsibility of the rider to verify, if there are any questions, their 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 Secretary.

Please send your calculated Rider and Horse points and your calculated Rider and Horse mileage at the end of each ride season to:

Pat Jubb
3455 Hartsock Lane
Colorado Springs, CO 80907
(719) 574-8522

ADDITION: Past Region III/NATRC members who have not renewed their memberships by June 1st of each year will have to pay an additional \$15 secretarial fee if they wish to have either their horse's or rider's points and mileage recorded.

Eligibility for Region III Year-end Awards

All National NATRC members who are dues paying members to Region III NATRC are eligible for Region placings and awards.

Eligibility requirements:

Open horses and riders must enter three (3) rides per season and accumulate a minimum of 30 points to be eligible for year-end placings.

Open horses and riders will be eligible for the Ruth Tyree High Average Horsemanship and Ken Burkdoll Combined High Average Horse/Rider awards if they enter a minimum of six (6) regional rides. All rides started will be counted.

Competitive Pleasure horses and riders must enter two (2) rides per season and accumulate a minimum of 20 points

to be eligible for year-end placings.

Competitive Pleasure horses and riders will be eligible to compete for the High Average Combined Horse/Rider award but must enter a minimum of four (4) rides per season.

Top horse in competitive pleasure shall be considered as a sweepstakes horse within the class and shall receive 2 additional points as done in novice and open divisions.

Novice horses and riders must enter two (2) rides per season and accumulate a minimum of 12 points to be eligible for year-end awards.

A leased horse may be used but we must be notified according to the National NATRC By-laws.

All horses and riders receive 4 points for ride completion.

Sweepstakes horse receives 2 points for sweepstakes (18).

Special subscription

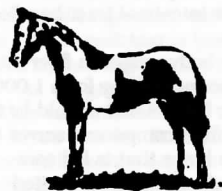
Anyone interested in receiving just the Region III Newsletter, without becoming a Region III or National NATRC member, may do so. It will cost you \$8.00 to subscribe to the Newsletter alone. If interested, please contact Ike Mosgrove at (719) 495-2906.

Position of Clinic Coordinator now open

Due to personal reasons, Diana Zettlemoyer is not renewing her NATRC membership this year. Haven only ridden a few rides in the past three years, she realizes that time constraints are not permitting her to participate fully in club activities. Diana has advised Judy Wise of her decision and would like her name removed as clinic coordinator from the newsletter. She hopes to return soon and will miss her NATRC friends and wishes them luck for this year.

"Good horses make short miles"
George Herbert

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Groucho's
Horseshoeing

Scott Marx

Colorado
Certification
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Bits and Pieces

Memo from Supply Chairman

1. Rides are requested to send the results of a Ride to National within two weeks after the Ride. Ride results and Region III rider fees should be sent at the same time to the Supply Chairman.
2. If the Rides *do not* accomplish the above, they will be penalized as follows:
 - a. After 3 weeks, management will forfeit their supply deposit and be fined \$25 (total being \$40).
 - b. After 8 weeks, management will be fined an additional \$50 (cumulative fine \$75).
 - c. No supplies will be shipped to Ride Management the following year unless all fees and fines have been paid.

Financial Support for Board Members

Committee report on proposal for financial support for Region III National board Members' expenses.
 Proposal drafted by committee composed of: Judi Miller, Vel Naugle, Vern Vobejda, Diana Zettlemoyer and Susan Witter.

Past financial support to Region III National Board Members:

- 1987 - \$478.00
- 1988 - \$614.00*
- 1989 - \$614.50

* Includes \$150 Benefit Ride refund from NATRC.

Support from other regions:

- Region I - Benefit Ride/\$1 Rider Fee @ \$750 year.
- Region II - \$0
- Region IV - Benefit Ride/Raffle/\$1 Rider Fee 90% travel expenses @ \$750 year.

Region V - Benefit Ride/Raffle of Rides @ \$750 year.

Region VI - Benefit Ride @ \$350-500 year.

Recommendation: Region III will contribute \$1200 (minimum and maximum) per year to each National Board Member from Region III. If more than \$3600 is raised by Region III per year, a "slush" fund will be created for a leaner year.

The following methods of raising financial support are listed in order of priority and these were voted upon and passed by the Region III BOD at the January 1990 meeting:

1. Three dollars of the four dollar Region III rider fees go towards this fund.
2. Region III membership fees are now increased.
3. Fifty percent of Region III Benefit Ride donation each year will go to this fund.
4. Ride entries will be raffled off at each previous ride.

Examples: Raffle off Rabbit Valley ride entry at Seminar; raffle off Navajo Lake ride entry at Rabbit Valley . . etc. Ride entries can be transferred or sold.

5. Allow riders three choices for their vest deposits:
 - a. refund to rider
 - b. support National Board Members
 - c. buy raffle tickets
6. Tack sale in conjunction with a "fun ride," clinic and/or set up flea market style.
7. Fun Ride and barbeque for and by area Region III members and guests.

Membership computer labels now offered

Pat Militzer has been in charge of all computerization of membership for Region III in the past. She has also done membership labels for the Newsletter and made labels for Ride Chairmen and Clinic organizers. These lists can offer much information and be categorized by Districts, zip codes and include people who rode within the past two years. This can be helpful to solicit participants for all Region III/NATRC events. The fee is \$5.

Pat Militzer
 1190 Marshall Road
 Boulder, CO 80303
 (303) 494-8219

Until a replacement can be found, Pat will continue doing the labels if you need them.

Equine Activities Liability Act

The Equine Activities Liabilities Act SB-90-84 passed both the house and senate and has been signed by governor Romer. As you may recall, this bill limits civil liability claims by participants in equine activities, thus reducing liability risk to horse trainers, instructors and others in the horse industry. It is based on the premise that a rider must assume a certain amount of risk that is inherent to the sport of riding. - El Paso County Horseman's Council

Mandatory registration papers

REMINDER: In order to be eligible for Breed Awards at each ride, you must send in with your Ride Entry a copy of your horse's registration papers. These copies will be returned to you the day of the Ride.

The Horse's Plea

Up the hill push me not
 Down the hill rush me not
 On the flat, spare me not
 In the stable, forget me not.

- Anon.

WELCOME!



We would like to take this opportunity to thank all the many new people who have recently joined NATRC/Region III !
We appreciate your interest in our sport and we hope to see you all on the trails!
ALSO . . . a special thanks goes out to all the present members that have been diligently renewing their memberships. We would not exist without you!

Welcome to our newest National NATRC and Region III members:

Tom & Abby Bohley; Colo. Spgs. , CO
Emily Sandler (Jr. rider); Colo. Spgs., CO
Karen Smith; Gypsum, CO
Mary Ellen Zager & Larry Keckler;
Woodland Park, CO

Kathleen Mussetter; Buena Vista, CO
Dexter Savage; El Prado, NM
Judith Standley; Kirtland, NM
Dale Zulaf family; Franktown, CO

Welcome to our newest National members (not yet Region III members):

Denise Arthur family; Nederland, CO
Roger Miller; Durango, CO
Rick Swan; Colo. Spgs., CO

Russell Jones family; Durango, CO
Louise Boelker; Durango, CO

Welcome back:

Earl and Debbie Raymond; Lakewood, CO

Memo from Ike Mosgrove, Membership Chairman

I have National and Region III application forms and information. If you know someone who is interested in getting information about National or Regional memberships send me their address:

Membership Chairman

Iris J. Mosgrove

10590 Egerton Road

Colorado Springs, CO 80908

(719) 495-2906

Currently, there are 45 new members and 98 renewals for a total of 143 Region III members.

The Horseman's Exchange

40-acre ranch, access to national forest, 3 bdrm, 2 bath, w/basement, 5 stall barn, 2 tack rooms, horse wash, fenced/cross fenced, auto heated waters, quiet area. \$169,500 (303) 688-5030 or (303) 681-3237.

Reg. 4 year Anglo/Arab mare, black, 15.3 h, Dosil daughter. Very well trained, excellent on trail, good bone and feet, \$2,500.00. (303) 681-3237 or 688-5030.

Reg. 5 yr. Arab gelding, Polish, 14.3 hands. Gentle to ride, great on trails, trailers, excl. conformation, \$2,000.00. (303) 681-3237 or 688-5030.

Trustworthy 1980 Arabian mare. Experienced & successful in NATRC, safe with children. Healthy, easy keeper, 15 h, Linda & Judd Adams, (303) 494-4241. \$1,000

Tabour is retired from NATRC and for sale to a good home. Delightful pleasure trail horse. Experienced rider. Bay Arab gelding, 1975, 15 h, Linda & Judd Adams, (303) 494-4241. \$1,000

Used topper for standard sized pickup bed, \$75. Linda & Judd Adams, (303) 494-4241

7 year old Reg. Arab mare - small, but stocky. Quiet on trail - flashy. \$1,500 or best offer. Call (719) 683-3310

DISPLAY ADS:

Full page - \$50 (6 3/16" X 7 9/16")

Quarter page - \$15 (2 7/8" X 3 3/4")

Half page - \$30 (6 3/16" X 3 3/4")

Eighth page - \$10 (3 7/8" X 1 7/8")*

* This is also considered a business card size.

Full page flyers - that you print and deliver to us by the deadline - \$35.

Deadlines are listed in the Editor's Box of each previous Newsletter.

CIRCULATION: 350

Anyone wishing the Editor to put together an ad for their business or self, will be charged an additional \$10 graphic arts fee.

If you wish to use a photograph in your ad, it *must* come camera-ready and only in black and white.

CLASSIFIED ADS:

Members - \$5.00 for 4 lines or less, then \$1.00 each line thereafter.

Non-members - \$2.50 for each line.

* 10-12 average words per line.

NEWSLETTER DISTRIBUTION SCHEDULE:

Fall Issue - October 15

Winter Issue - February 15

Spring Issue - April 15

Summer Issue - July 15

Please mail in your ads **typed** and **double-spaced** to:

Jill Talbot

JET Arabian Ranch

858 Marshall Road

Boulder, CO 80303



Know your fellow competitor

I learned to ride on a donkey when I was a kid. Then a rancher gave us a horse colt. My sister and I finally got him broke. We thought he was the GREATEST.

When I got married, I had to sell my horses. After 30 years a friend gave me a horse colt, four months old. I asked him, "What would you sell his mother for?" He said "She goes with the colt". So I rode the mother and ponied the colt. I named him Tom Thumb.

My three grandkids and I rode in rodeo and sheriff posse parades and in "play-days" We had lots of fun.

My friend Lois got information about a NATRC ride via the Appaloosa Horse Club. She told me what she was going to do. I asked if I could go too. It happened to be the Navajo Lake Ride.

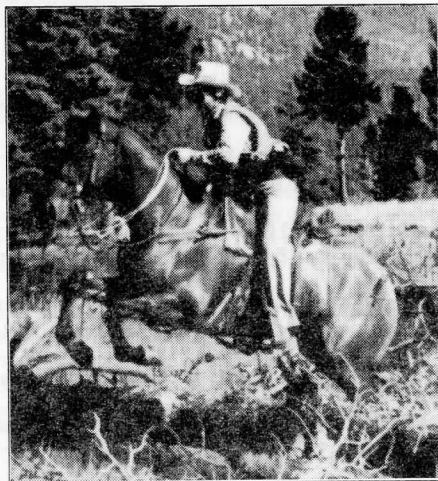
Three days before we were to leave, my horse "Miss Eternal Eddie" got real bad rope burns on her back legs. They were swollen and she could hardly walk. I had to take another horse - her colt, Tom Thumb, who was not six years old. I had not been conditioning him!

Talk about green

horns! We didn't know anything about the ride and what we were supposed to do. Of all things, I entered the OPEN DIVISION. We made 20 miles before we were pulled (my friend Lois made the full ride). Talk about pain in muscles and everywhere else! But, we were ready to try again. Everyone was trying to help us and to show us what to do. We never would have made it without all their help.

The next ride I rode Miss Eternal Eddie and of all things, her first and my second ride, she took 6th place and I was thrilled. We are still at it and have covered many miles and have made many friends. I can't name them, but I love them all. When we get in trouble, and we've had plenty, there is a ways someone to help. One can't beat friends like that.

I hope to make many more rides and share the trails with all of the friends I have met since I started riding NATRC.



Do you know your fellow Rider?

Elsie Rylant

Desert Forest III Wickenburg, Arizona

Desert Forest III is scheduled for Thanksgiving weekend, Nov. 23-25, 1990. If you and your faithful steed are still in peak condition and would like to have one last chance to pick up those year-end points, or maybe the realization that winter (gasp) is right around the corner and it'll be months before next year's rides begin, consider the challenge of **Desert Forest III**. The weather is great (almost guaranteed) this time of year, the scenery is right out of an old Western movie, the trails are challenging and we'd like to save a spot for you.

For more information, please contact Kyle Anne McCroskey, ride manager (602) 237-3168; Rt. 2, Box 666F, Laveen, AZ 85339; or Dione Kremer-Reynolds (602) 684-3166 or 684-5985; P.O. Box 21166, Wickenburg, AZ 85358.



Region III Board of Directors Meeting North American Trail Ride Conference

August 10, 1990
Region III Benefit Ride, Sedalia, Colorado

The meeting was brought to order by Region III President, Judy Wise at 10:28 a.m. at the Region III Benefit Ride, Sedalia, Colo.

Members, chairpersons, guests present:

Judy Wise, Ariel Schrader, Sharon Wright, Judy Miller, Susie Witter, Sena Fitzpatrick, Bonnie Kaufman, Kathy Morris, Cindy McNamara, Nancy Pavetti, Gay-Ellen Fisher, Judi Tobias, Patsy Tomb, Nick Stevens, Laurie Butterfield, Jan Thomas, Jerry Miller, Jill Talbot and Lisa Sowell.

I. Approval of the minutes, April 27, 1990 board meeting. MOTION: Dispense with reading of the minutes. Approved as presented. No corrections, second approved.

II. Treasurer's report - Judy Miller

Treasurer Judy Miller handed out a report to members present. MOTION: The report was accepted, second approved.

A. Checking account balance: \$3,441.93;

Sue Bretag account: \$6,923.82;

Ruth Tyree Memorial: \$725.58;

Ken Burkdoll Memorial: \$793.10

Donations for Region III Nat. BOD: \$1,242.64.

Susie Witter comments: Let regional members know our region is helping fund our Nat. BOD, so more people may consider joining for Nat. BOD.

I. Committee Reports

A. Membership - *Ike Mosgrove*, not present.

Material sent by Ike indicates our membership dropped slightly in 1990. Some people have not renewed yet.

Comment: Renewal problems may be due to late joiners in 1989 not realizing their renewal date for 1990. Comment: Ike traveling, may need help with this large job.

B. Publicity - *Judi Tobias*

Ride managements have not asked for help with pre-ride publicity.

1. Arabian magazine is a good source to advertise.

C. Public relations - *Kathy Morris*

1. Did PR work at rides in Alaska.

2. Button maker: use photos of rider, horse, etc. inside each button - cost per button: \$1.50.

Ideas: sell buttons to riders as a money-making project; completion awards; need photographer to take pictures; polaroid film too thick to use unless peeled.

MOTION: Reimburse Kathy Morris for the button maker machine at \$50+ dollars. Second approved.

D. Clinic coordinator - *Diane Zettlemoyer*, not present

Resigned position and Region III for personal reasons.

E. Newsletter editor - *Jill Talbot*

Introduction of Lisa, Jill's assistant in the production of our paper. Good job!! We appreciate you very much.

F. Benefit Ride - *Laurie Butterfield*

Ride going according to schedule.

G. Colorado Trails committee - *Jan Thomas*

We are going to get the section of trail we wanted, a total of seven miles from Copper Mountain to the top of Cerro Pass.

MOTION: We accept this area of trail. Second approved.

H. Ride management coordinator - no report.

I. Board policy - *Ike Mosgrove*, not present

Note from Ike: It's not done yet.

J. Clinic resources coordinator - *Jerry Miller*, no report.

K. Nominating committee - *Gaye-Ellen Fisher*

1. Deadline of Sept. 1, 1990, to submit nominees to Gaye-Ellen Fisher for ballot.

2. Odd districts elect representatives - all districts elect members at-large.

L. Supplies - *Pat Jubb*, not present

M. Seminar - *Cindy McNamara*

Region III Seminar - Nov. 3, 1990, Ft. Collins, Colo.

1. Lodging - discussion of three choices, chose Holiday Inn Prospect. Food: banquet at HIP - two-three choices; lunch choices, mid dollar range

Mini Minutes . . .

2. Booths available, perhaps exhibitors will give us door prizes
 3. Raffle
 4. Fee of speakers - \$30 plus lunch
 5. Cherry Hill - speaker - maximum number of handouts .
 6. Hospitality room
 7. Expenses and tentative schedule reviewed - looks good.
 - N. Awards - *Pat Jubb*, not present
 - O. Historian - *Lovell Grych*, not present
 - P. National board members reports - *Susie Witter and Bonnie Kaufman*
 1. Membership rose
 2. Finances
 3. Riders committee - some judges taking points for lameness, but do not verbally tell rider, rider finds out on score card; riders like speedy checkouts; critiques: Bunny Betty hasn't been editing - will do so; Gene Naugle got horseshoe defined: As 1" wide at toe and 3/4" at branch - not ok for wedgy shoes to be used
 4. Situation: rider came in over 30 minutes late - horse gets completion points, rider gets horsemanship points needs clarification
 5. P&R scoring to be according to judges' committee guidelines of - to be completed, due to no hold over base given at some rides
 6. Junior Champion & Reserve Grand Champion - need eight rides.
 - Discussion: Bonnie Kaufman thinks six rides more reasonable, others think eight better
 7. Expenses and tentative schedule reviewed - looks good
 8. 1991 - NATRC Convention - Kansas City, MO - Linda Tellington Jones
 9. Newsletter - five-six issues
 10. Video tapes for veterinarians - \$1,500 allocated to produce them
 11. Student loans - \$1,000 per semester per student
 - a. average return per ride: 1989 = 11.5; 1990 = 8
 - b. critiques will go to sanction chairman and judges' committee - judges have to ask for their critiques to be sent to them
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 13. 1992 - NATRC Convention - Monterey, CA
 14. Bruce Becker comments on four items:
 - a. revise horsemanship judges' test;
 - b. score card comments;
 - c. maintenance cards; and
 - d. ride evaluations - constructive comments
 15. Open horsemanship judging dropped for a year?
 16. Seminar for horsemanship judges?
 - Q. Other
 1. Situation: New rider at Rabbit Valley 1990 was charged nonmember fee because NATRC membership form not accepted at ride site by management. MOTION: Ride management must take NATRC membership forms and payment if management sends it in to national.
 - a. Supply chairman to include NATRC membership forms in management packets
- ### IV. Old Business
- A. Financial support for Region III Nat. BOD members 1. Total donations as of Aug. 10, 1990 = \$1,242.64
 - B. Increased membership/member retention
 1. Perhaps have some B rides to get new riders interested.
 2. Judi Tobias: Hunt Club may sponsor a new ride.
 3. Ariel Schrader: Colorado Arabian Horse Association, Ron Hardin - some people tired of showing. Maybe could help put on some new rides.
 4. Alternate rides.
 5. Judi Tobias - showed a book which listed numerous shows - class lists, fees, etc. Perhaps could use same format for rides. Would list health regulations - coggins, etc., standard release forms, ride entries, uniform deposit, etc. Updates to be noted in newsletters. Disadvantage: Have to get all ride management to get information in by March 1. Sell ads to cover cost of printing. Sena Fitzpatrick will get information on printing costs to us.
- ### V. New Business
- A. Next season ride schedule
 1. New rides discussion:

Mini Minutes . . .

- a. Joseph Day, Boulder, dude ranch
- b. Portage Phillips, Bozeman Trail, too far away
- c. Jan Thomas - new ride in her area

2. Tally: Rabbit Valley - yes; El Jinette - no; Taos - new dates; Virginia Dale - one day, may be in conjunction with an endurance ride; Cavalier - maybe, need new trails and management; Navajo - yes; Turkey Track - yes; Colorado Trail - ?; Benefit Ride - ?; Iron Horse - probably no?; Top of the World - yes.

B. General comments

- 1. Discussion of pros and cons of rides.
- 2. Visit management of rides no longer run - can ride be resurrected?
- 3. More B rides?
- 4. Use one trail for more than one ride.
- 5. Have to watch for off-hand, put-down comments of novice.
- 6. Open riders often rude to novice.

C. Appreciation awards

Nominees will be voted on at Region III Seminar, Nov. 3. Think about who you would like to nominate for Susan Bretag award.

- 1. 1989 winner: Lovell Grych
- 2. Regional award 1989 winners: Mike and Bonnie Kaufman

D. Other

- 1. State Law: House Bill 90-1175. You must control dangerous weeds. Handout for further details.
- 2. Equine Liabilities Law - July 21, 1990 Colorado Horseman's Council has signs for \$10. MOTION: Purchase four signs to include in kit for ride management to post at their rides.

Meeting adjourned at 1:53 p.m.

Next meeting: Saturday, Nov. 3, 1990 - afternoon Region III Seminar, Holiday Inn Prospect, Ft. Collins, Colo.

Respectfully Submitted,
Nancy Pavetti, Secretary

TREASURER'S REPORT NATRC REGION III

PREVIOUS BALANCE (4-27-90):	\$2,844.10
INCOME:	
Membership dues	\$404.00
Newsletter ads	240.00
Rider fees	1,156.00
Ride deposits	129.40
Mailing labels	20.00
Donations for National Board	549.71
Reimbursement from Clinic	105.47
Dividends	<u>21.43</u>
TOTAL INCOME	\$2,625.96
EXPENSES	
Historian (Grych)	100.00
Region III Benefit Ride	500.00
Kathy Kadash (Tack swap)	8.07
Newsletter printing (Talbot)	390.22
Newsletter expenses (Talbot)	146.99
Supplies expenses (Jubb)	19.81
Membership expenses (Mosgrove)	211.70
Supplies refunds	62.00
Tack Swap expenses (Moe)	105.42
Awards glasses (Baird)	459.61
Clinic coordinator (Zettlemoyer)	<u>24.31</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES	<u>2,028.13</u>
NEW BALANCE	\$3,441.93

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and his counte-
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horse.**

William
Shakespeare



"I can kiss my horse for free."

The Colorado Equine Liability Act Senate Bill 90-84

By Sue Meacham, Douglas County Horse Association

Governor Romer signed this bill into law effective July 1, 1990. The following is a synopsis of the pertinent portions of the bill:

It is recognized that persons who participate in equine activities may incur injuries as a result of the risks involved in such activities. It is also found that the State and its citizens derive numerous economic and personal benefits from such activities. It is the intent of this bill to encourage such activities by limiting the civil liability to those involved in such activities.

"Equine activity" means:

Equine shows, fairs, competitions, performances, or parades that involve any or all breeds of equine and any of the equine disciplines, including dressage, hunter and jumper horse shows, grand prix jumping, three-day events, combined training, rodeos, driving, pulling, cutting, polo, steeplechasing, English and western performance riding, endurance, trail riding, western games and hunting;

Equine training or teaching activities or both;

Boarding equines;

Riding, inspecting, or evaluating an equine belonging to another;

Rides, trips, hunts, or other equine activities of any type however informal or impromptu that are sponsored by an equine activity sponsor; and

Placing or replacing horseshoes.

"Equine activity sponsor" means:

An individual, group, club, partnership, or corporation, whether or not the sponsor is operating for profit or nonprofit, which sponsors, organizes, or provides the facilities for an equine activity, including but not limited to: Pony Clubs, 4-H Clubs, Hunt Clubs, Riding Clubs, school and college-sponsored classes, programs and activities, therapeutic riding programs, and instructors, and promoters of equine facilities, including but not limited to ponyride strings, fairs and arenas at which the activity is held.

"Inherent risks of equine activities" means:

Those dangers or conditions which are an integral part of equine activities.

No participant or participant's representative shall make any claim against or recover from an equine activity sponsor, an equine professional, or any other person for injury, loss, damage, or death of the participant resulting from any of the inherent risks of equine activities.

Every equine professional shall post and maintain signs which contain the warning notice found elsewhere on this page:

Signs are available through CoHoCo, at a cost of \$5.50 to members, \$10.00 for non-members. For information on this, contact Connie Diedrichs at Table Mountain Ranch, 279-4546.

All this means is that you, an equine professional, are no longer liable for law suits in case of injury on or in your property or horse.

WARNING

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Such signs shall be placed in a clearly visible location on or near stables, corrals, or arenas, where the equine professional conducts equine activities. The letters must be black, with each letter to be a minimum of one inch in height. Every written contract entered into by an equine professional shall contain the same warning notice.

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. . . to make plans to attend the 14th Annual NATRC Region III seminar!

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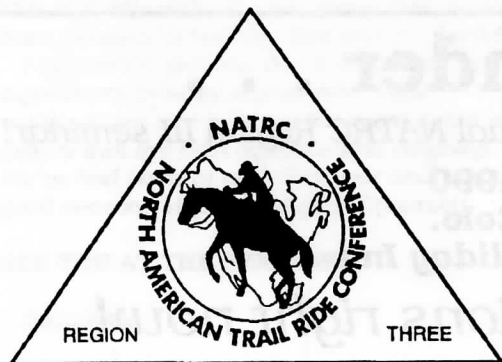
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