NEWSLETTER

NATRC • North American Trail Ride Conference

Fall 1991



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NATRC Region III Seminar here soon

The 15th Annual NATRC Region III Seminar will be held in Durango, Colo., Nov. 1-2, 1991. We have a very interesting and active agenda for you this year.

There will be special rates at the Red Lion Inn, 501 N. Camino Del Rio. You must call the hotel by Oct. 21 to get the rate and advise them you are with NATRC. The phone number is (303) 259-6580.

The Red Lion Inn overlooks the Animas River at the northwest corner of the intersection of US Highway 160 and US Highway 550. The motel has all the amenities with pool, jacuzzi. exercise room, restaurant and bar.

To get to Durango and the Red Lion Inn, any of the major highways will bring you into town. Continue east on Highway 160, or if coming from the west, continue west on 160. If arriving from the north or south, US Highway 550 will get you there. *Friday, Nov. 1, 1991:*

Early bird special and early registration.

5:30-7:00 p.m. - Registration in the lobby

7:00-9:00 p.m. – Mini clinic in the Anasazi Room featuring "Have Saddle, Will Travel" with Donald Parker West. He has been with Ortho Flex saddles for 5 years, and brings with him a background in

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President's Message

It's Miller Time!

I hope all of you have enjoyed all the rides this summer — there has been quite a variety to choose from.

This year you have probably noticed I have not been competing, but I found out there is still plenty of things to do in Region III. There are a lot of people involved to put on a ride and each of these people are important for a ride to go smoothly. I have a greater appreciation for all the people who put on and help out on these rides that we enjoy. A big thank you to all who help put on these rides. You are appreciated!

Remember, now is not too soon to be getting ads, rides and other information to Sena Fitzpatrick for the 1992 Ride Book. Let's make this book more successful than the last one.

I hope to see you all in Durango on November 2, for our annual seminar and awards banquet.

Judy Miller (719) 683-3310

Editor's Box

Please send all ads, articles, photos and other news items to the Editor no later than Jan. 15, 1992 for the winter issue of the *Newsletter*. All articles must be typed and double-spaced, please!

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Editor moving on to other Region III activities



Psssst . . . Arky! Tell everybody we are moving on to bigger and better things in Region III!

Well, it is finally time to "hang up my spurs" as the Region III Newsletter editor! Six years of creative and enjoyable issues concerning all the gossip, mutterings, hysterical events, travels, well-earned awards, facts and fiction about the wonderful people and horses in NATRC/Region III. I have loved every minute of it, thank you!

I turn my pen over to Lisa Sowell now. She has been my assistant for over a year now and not only does she have fun doing the Newsletter, she's got a bunch of new ideas on changing its format that I think you will love, so please support her efforts to get our regional information out to the membership . . . send those articles, stories, etc. to her at the following address:

Lisa Sowell 8150 West 111th Ave. Broomfield, CO 80021

Good-bye for now! Don't worry though, I'll be hard at work for Region III in many other ways in the near future. Thank you again for your support and input over the years.

. - Jil

Jill E. Talbot

Upcoming Region III seminar promises busy schedule

hunter-jumpers, Peruvian Paso trainer and as a working cowboy. Mr. West is an expert in his field on detecting back problems and determining a properly fitted saddle.

Saturday, Nov. 2, 1991:

If you haven't registered by Friday evening, you will need to get up early, be dressed warmly, and be at the Thurston Arena south of Durango. Take 550 south toward Farmington, to the top of the hill. Approximately 2 miles south, you will see a sign that says "SOD Farm," turn right and follow the ribbons.

7:15-8:30 a.m. - Registration, coffee and doughnuts. Please be on time!

8:30-12:00 p.m. - "Horse Sensitivity Awareness Clinic" taught by Blaine E. Smith of the National Mounted Training Group. Mr. Smith has instructed 26 different schools for mounted police and is the Rocky Mountain regional director. He has been actively involved with training horses since 1988.

Your packet has several lunch choices and you are on your own - enjoy!

2:00-3:00 p.m. - Horsemanship judging, Anasazi Room. Film and lecture by Pat Jubb, NATRC Horsemanship judge.

3:00-5:30 - Region III Board of Directors meeting, Anasazi Room. All members are welcome.

5:30-6:30 p.m. – Cash bar and Happy Hour in the parlor suite, #104. Come see yourself on film and enjoy highlights of some of the rides.

6:30 p.m. - Region III Awards Banquet. We do it up right with a western buffet and awards presentation to follow, entertainment on the town afterwards. Be there or be square!

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SEMINAR REGISTRATION

This form must be returned by Oct. 21

	clinics are \$20 per person, includes all programs:
	Total no. attending clinicsx \$20 ea
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Election time approaching for Region III Board of Directors

Elections for Region III board of directors will be held prior to our annual seminar. All ballots will be mailed to current members and must be returned by mail prior to seminar or by hand at the seminar before the annual meeting. No ballots will be available at the seminar.

Each district will elect their own representatives from within their own district. Even-numbered districts elect representatives for even-numbered years. This time, Districts 2, 4 and 6 will be electing new representatives.

All districts elect members-at-large each year. Voters may select any member-at-large candidate from any district. We will be electing TWO members at large to serve on the board.

Candidates running this year have submitted brief biographies for your consideration.

District 2:

Frank Bowman

I was introduced to competitive trail riding in 1985, as a safety rider and rode "drag" at several rides until deciding to try competition. I have marked trails and pulled ribbons, worked P&Rs, provided transportation, cooked and gained an appreciation for the orchestration necessary in putting on a competitive ride. I have also ridden most of the rides in the region and have been a NATRC and Region III member since 1987.

My background is in construction and land use planning and I am very familiar with the workings of boards and committees. My wife Stacy and I enjoyed riding most all of the rides in Region III and the friendships that have formed over the past few years, and I am looking forward to the opportunity of serving on the board of directors for Region III and lending support to the organization in any way I can.

Kathryn L. Utke

I have participated since 1986 as a rider and also worked marking and timing trail and safety rider and became a member of NATRC and Region III in 1991.

I have a Bachelors Fine Arts degree in Dance and have danced with ballet companies. Also, I have taught ballet for 15 years. My husband and I am owner/managers of the Flintridge Dental Center.

I became interested in horses when I was a volunteer for Acts 19:11, a therapeutic horseback riding program for the handicapped and am presently an instructor for Acts 19:11.

I am interested in creating and sustaining interest in NATRC and Region III. I believe that NATRC and Region III have taught me a great deal of how to take care of my horse on the trail and also correct body position and balance (something one does not acquire once in a life time but must be maintained continually).

Would like to encourage the "B" rides to continue inn the region as a special interest to those who have never tried

NATRC or for those who, for whatever reason, cannot do the 'A" rides.

Would like to see a consistency in the quality of every ride. Know that this is difficult, but maybe there are some guidelines that can be established to help in keeping this consistency.

District 4:

Patsy Conner Tomb

Member of NATRC and Region III since 1987. I started working on P&R teams at the Van Vleet Ride at Perry Park. Shortly after my introduction to NATRC, I put on the Vedauwoo Ride with my 4H group. The ride eventually became the Bridle Bit Ride.

Besides managing and working on P&R teams, I have helped other rides by timing and marking trail, helping with food and where ever I was needed.

Serving on the national board for six years, of which two years serving as president, gives me insight into the broad picture of the needs and concerns for NATRC. I have also competed as rider with my family and am a horsemanship judge.

We need to make sure that we keep trails open for riders through continually following events of the organizations that regulate trails.

Maintaining current membership and developing ways to continue to add to the list are vital to our organization.

District 6:

Neal McKinstry

I have participated as rider since 1977, riding only two or three per year and increasing to a fuller schedule. Have been a NATRC and Region III member since 1981, and served on the IAHA Committee for NATRC since 1981. (This committee was increased from one to two members this year.) I have also been an active member of IAHA Competitive Trail Ride Committee and worked to insure cooperation between the organizations to increase participation. Participated as part of management for Rabbit Valley for several years, occasionally been a steward and managed one clinic ride.

I started trail riding to promote the Arabian horses we were raising and because it looked like a great sport. It "hooked" me and one of my goals is to get a lot more folks involved. Many new people are hesitant to attempt two days of trail riding and we must encourage them to participate by stressing the fun and fellowship of the sport as well as the competitive aspects and how to care to care for and condition their horses.

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Board of directors candidates . . .

At-Large:

Joyce Calhoun

In 1984 I began working on P&R teams the first two years then graduating on to pre/aafety riding, working as many as four rides a year. In 1990, I secretaried two rides and in 1991, I chaired one ride and secretaried three and was nominated for the Sue Bretag service award in 1990. I have participated as a worker in NATRC and Region III since 1984.

I have not competed before because I did not have a horse that would qualify under NATRC rules. I now have a new horse and hope to compete in a few rides in 1992. I am not a competitor by nature but feel I must compete so that I will have more experience with both sides of the sport. Competing will make me a better worker.

Since joining the Cavalier Trail Riding Club in 1984 and becoming involved with NATRC, I have learned what it is to be a conscientious rider and how to take good care of my horses in and out of the stable. I feel this sport best relays accurate information to new riders and would like to introduce this sport to up and coming riders. Region III also needs more junior riders and I would like to see an information clinic held for 4Hers across the state and possibly implement a program giving them added incentives to compete, i.e. special awards, etc.

I would also like to see national adopt a ruling to allow competitors to corral their horses in pens, behind electric fence or whatever during competition. I feel this consideration for the horse should be the competitors choice, not the choice of national.

Sena Fitzpatrick

I have participated in NATRC as a rider since 1985, after becoming involved with horses for the second time in my life. Distance riding immediately appealed to me because horse and rider must work as a team as they traverse cross-country.

I enjoy spending the weekend camped next to my horse and NATRC certainly affords me that pleasure. It is interesting to get to know the other horse and rider teams and see how they work together. I appreciate NATRC's focus on the horses' well-being, as well as the horsemanship aspect of the sport. Bonnie Kaufman once noted how NATRC gives a rider "something to aspire to" vs. some other horse activities and I agree with her thoughts.

My goal as a board member would be to continue to promote competitive trail riding and to work with the other board members in seeing that Region III keeps working to improve the sport.

Jill Talbot

I have been a rider and NATRC/Region III member since 1982, starting out in the novice division for three years, then going into open division. I change horses season-to-season between Gahali (Arabian) and Lark (grade). Lark won his national championship in 1987. I have accumulated approximately 2,000 rider miles and have consistently placed in the year-end standings since 1982.

As a worker I have helped at various rides both as a P&R person, secretary to vet and horsemanship judges and organizing awards. As well as being the *Region III Newsletter* editor for the past six years, I have worked on promotional literature, clinics and "buddy-riding" to help get the word out about NATRC.

I took over the Region III Newsletter as editor in 1986, and now sadly, this is my last issue. It has been great fun during these past years "experimenting" with various formats and ideas that I have come up with or that have been suggested to me from the membership. I have also enjoyed putting together other forms of publicity (i.e. ads, pamphlets, articles, etc.) to promote NATRC and Region III. Currently I am putting together a new NATRC/Region III Youth Manual for distribution in the spring of 1992. I received a nice "pat on the back" when the membership honored me with both the Sue Bretag Service Award and the Region III National Appreciation Award in the past few years.

In 1986 and 1987, I served on the Region III board of directors and through these efforts, I have developed wonderful friendships with many Region III members as well as in other regions too. Their support, advice and suggestions have guided me both for the Newsletter and as a fellow competitor. Because of this, I feel that I can just pick up the phone and get the help I might need to solve any future problems in the region.

My goals, if elected, are nothing out of the ordinary from what past directors have tried to promote, but maybe I can add some new twists! First of all, I will listen and respond to what any member in Region III has to say, good or bad. Members of the region's board are the voices for the entire membership. Our membership needs to grow. I would like to see more clinics offered in 1992, with new prospective members actually signing up for future rides at the clinics. By use of more advertising and publicity efforts, we can fill our rides next year and especially encourage new riders to try the "B" rides. I would like to see more "B" rides being offered and the current ones continue with some better effort towards downgrading the ride for the novice/first-time rider. Ride managements need more guidance and support — to avoid "burn-out" and help put on a better, safer and more organized competition. The repeated use of the same judges has become an issue that needs to be addressed before the next ride season starts. Finally, we need to distribute and use our new Region III Ride Book to an even better advantage - it's great!

Enough said . . . I have got the energy, my background is in advertising and sales, and I will have the time as I am taking a break from competing for a year or two to really support and work for Region III.

Service awards

The nominees for the Susan Bretag and the Region III National Appreciation recognition awards will be voted on by the general membership. The vote will be taken at the regional seminar, Nov. 2-3, 1991. Region III purchases the plaques that are presented to the award recipients on an annual basis.

Region III National Appreciation Award

This award is presented at the national convention and is given to an individual or individuals (no more than two in any one year) annually. It is in honor of outstanding contribution to both NATRC and the region over a period of time. Individuals may be eligible every two years.

Past recipients have been: Ike Mosgrove, 1984; Tom Butterfield, 1985; Bill and Judy Cumberworth, 1986; Gene and Vel Naugle, 1987; Mike and Bonnie Kaufman, 1988; Pat Jubb, 1989; and Jill Talbot, 1990.

Susan Bretag Service Award

This award is presented to an individual or individuals who have made contributions to Region III within the current year. Nominees may be eligible every second year. Presentation is made at the annual Region III seminar.

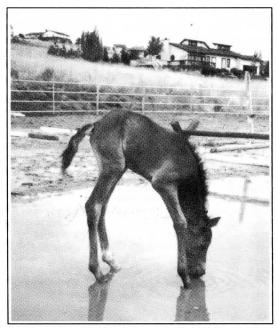
Recipients of the Susan Bretag Service Award have been: Audrey Burris, 1986; Jill Talbot, 1987; Pat Jubb, 1988; Lovell Gritch, 1989; and Joyce Calhoun, 1990.

Horsemanship Pointers



Be sure you know how to read your trail maps! Ask questions at the briefings each night . . .

New Arrival



CASTASHADOW (Shadow Grey x Shadow Play) known around Judi Tobias' barn as Bijou, showing a bit of her future potential at her first water obstacle. – Photo Judi Tobias



Happy Halloween!

Care to try this on your horse, anyone?

Australian scientists have developed a way to better distribute cattle dung over pasture land. According to a trade journal there, "A slow-release pellet of photoreactive gallium-arsenide-3 is fed to the cow and finds its way through the digestive tract into the animal's dung. Then, when an offending cow plop is exposed to the ultraviolet rays of sunlight, it explodes. An initial increase in dung production is noted," the journal reports, "but the animals are soon conditioned to the noise of exploding pads." – Food Technology in Australia

Colorado Trail "Aloha" ride provided surprises for riders

Thirty-three horses and riders hit the beach at Buffalo Creek on Friday afternoon July 12, 1991. After a brief shower Friday evening, riders enjoyed clear skies, an abundance of wild flowers and enough obstacles to keep it interesting. "Seven," the pack burro, met riders on a couple occasions and Judd Adams can tell a thrilling tale of having that burro on the end of a lead rope!

Great chow was prepared by Bill Smith who tagged along with his competitor-spouse, Jenny. Riders seemed to appreciate a hot meal after a long day in the saddle. Claudia Masters and her horse demonstrated tumbling, an act she says will not be repeated if she can help it. Luckily no one was hurt.

Ride management sported neck scarves in a tropical theme and aloha T-shirts featuring a horse in a lei of Colorado wildflowers were popular.

Judges Dick Barsaleau, Loomis, Calif., and Pat McCoy, Durango, Colo., were a compatible if diabolical team with their secretaries . . . laughter was the noise most often heard as they reviewed riders and horses.



MILNE PARISH on Mahra Khan, leading "Seven" the pack burro at the Colorado Trail Competitive ride. – Photo Faye Plucker

The computerized scoring that backed the judges' decisions made rapid work of discerning the placements of horses and riders. Despite a bout of "beaver fever," Terri Roberts and her horse, Kristabar, won open sweepstakes and Cydney Spreier and her mount, Dark's Lucky Charm took the novice sweepstakes. – Sue McKelvy

Colorado Trail results

SWEEPSTAKES:

Open: Kristabar/Terri Roberts

Novice: Dark's Lucky Charm/Cydney Spreier

OPEN HEAVYWEIGHT:

1/2 Raf's Rainbow/Dean Schrader

2/3 Mahra Kahn/Milne Parish

3/4 MLA Raj Bahabas/Judd Adams

4/1 Lark/Jill Talbot

OPEN LIGHTWEIGHT:

1/1 Kristabar/Terri Roberts

2/2 Aba Daar/Laurie Butterfield

3/3 Five Wings Aliza/Linda Adams

4/4 Saucedo's Numero Uno/Kris Cummings

NOVICE HEAVYWEIGHT:

1/2 Indy/Mai Wisdom

2/1 Hahn's Diamond Rose/Larry Keckler

3/3 Minstrel Song/Robert Masters

4/4 Mt .Sterling Bask/Joan Flaherty

5/6 Sir Sea Storm/Lonnie Smith

6/ Red Roan Snazzy/Dennis Flaherty

/5 Woblaze/Penny Skoglund

NOVICE LIGHTWEIGHT:

1/2 Dark's Lucky Charm/Cydney Spreier

2/6 Fad Beau Jur/Kathy Weigle

3/3 Sureyna's Fate/Paula Wills

4/ Tsatinna/Paula Montano

5/5 SA Boomer/Jenny Smith

6/1 Maxibaba/Claudia Masters

/4 Lakehart Arion/Judy Eggemeyer

CP:

1/3 Gypsy/Kathryn Utke

2/1 Aftamia/Ariel Schrader

3/2 Talizare Prince/Anne Haas

4/5 Foxton Celeritee/Thom Harris

5/4 La-Nask/Karen Moe

6/ RV Jaxon/Michele Waterbury

/6 Wildfire IBN Rayi/Jeff Wagner

NOVICE JUNIOR:

1/1 Cambridge Myria/Keeley Cory

2/2 Fancy/David Flaherty

Foothills ride planning improvements

Finding a new trail in the foothills in the spring was our first challenge. In some places the snow was belly deep to a big horse. Trailmaster Faye Plucker, and her super-trail helper Jerry Davis and friends got the job done but it sure wasn't easy. We believed our trail was a fair test for open riders but a bit too much for a novice.

Next year we intend to improve the open trail and develop a new novice trail. You can count on the trail and the management improving in 1992 and we look forward to seeing you. In 1992, the Foothills ride at Perry Park will also have a new date. We plan on the ride being held on Aug. 15-16, 1992.

Bobbi DiPietra owner of The Rocky Mountain Training Center, will share the management of the ride with me and also prepare all the great meals we have come to appreciate. – *Dean Schrader*



Foothills results

SWEEPSTAKES:

Open: Silver Rose/Jeri Avila Novice: Toni Nez/Bonnie Eichar

OPEN HEAVYWEIGHT:

1/4 MLA Raj Bahabas/Judd Adams

2/3 Mahra Kahn/Milne Parish

3/5 HVVA Babazon/Neil Spahn

4/2 Lark/Jill Talbot

5/6 Sir Love/Matt Baker

6/1 Vanity Fair S/Frank Bowman

OPEN LIGHTWEIGHT:

1/4 Silver Rose/Jeri Avila

2/5 Spring Fever/Pat Seymour

3/2 Aba Daar/Laurie Butterfield

4/ Kai Callisto/Susan McKelvy

5/1 Kristabar/Terri Roberts

6/ CR Krystallette/Pat Jubb

/3 Par Sundance/Kathryn Hayes

/6 Five Wings Aliza/Linda Adams

NOVICE HEAVYWEIGHT:

1/4 Jabal Musahib/James Porter Jr.

2/6 Malabar Sharif/Kaydawn Simpson

3/1 Hahn's Diamond Rose/Larry Keckler

4/3 Good Golly Miss Molly/Judy Bengfort

5/ Miss Intergoloa/Dorothy Nepa

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6/2 Silly/Mary Ellen Zager

/5 Woblaze/Penny Skoglund

NOVICE LIGHTWEIGHT:

1/2 Toni Nez/Bonnie Eichar

2/1 Lakehart Arion/Judy Eggemeyer

3/3 SA Boomer/Jenny Smith

4/4 Fad Beau Jur/Kathy Weigle

CP.

1/1 Gypsy SJ/Kathryn Utke

2/2 La-Nask/Karen Moe

3/3 Dosilara/Judi Tobias

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El Jinete results

SWEEPSTAKES:

Open: Spring Fever/Pat Seymour Novice: Star On Parade/Bill Burnett

OPEN HEAVYWEIGHT:

1/3 Lady's Charlie B/Janine Ancell

2/2 Raf's Rainbow/Dean Schrader

3/4 Kamil Todd/Rita Schlim

4/6 Mahra Kahn/Milne Parish

5/1 Pesky Native/Susie Huffman

6/5 Sir Love/Matt Baker

OPEN LIGHTWEIGHT:

1/6 Spring Fever/Pat Seymour

2/ Rogbar Karat/Sena Fitzpatrick

3/3 Aba Daar/Lauire Butterfield

4/ Win-Tivaan/Judy Wise

5/2 Par Sundance/Kathryn Hayes

6/5 CR Krystalette/Pat Jubb

/1 Kristabar/Terri Roberts

/4 Dancin' Wind/Patti Embree

OPEN JUNIOR:

1/1 Revilo Sundance/Aspen Butterfield

NOVICE HEAVYWEIGHT:

1/4 Star On Parade/Bill Burnett

2/3 DH Dusk/Robert Britton

3/2 Sir Sea Storm/Lonnie Smith

4/4 Good Golly Miss Molly/Judy Bengfort

5/6 Time Allowed/Thomas Bohley

6/ Prestigous/Judith Stanley

/1 Jet Punch/Thurman Dabbs

NOVICE LIGHTWEIGHT:

1/Strider/Karen Moore

2/ Cambridge Jannalyn/Jim Wisom

3/6 Shaltczar/Shannon Hilger

4/ Tsatinna/Paula Montano

5/ Desert Russian/Cheryl Britton

6/ Fill My Shoes/Liz Greenhaus

/1 Lakehart Arion/Judy Eggemeyer

/2 Sureyna's Fate/Paula Sue Wills

/3 Hummer/Lila Sanchez

/4 RA Aladiyat/Carol Thompson

/5 SA Boomer/Jenny Smith

NOVICE JUNIOR:

1/1 Angel's Sunny/Julie Jones

2/3 Mandy/Cathy Jones

3/2 My Boogie Shoes/Shanna Reed

CP.

1/1 San Bailador Oscuro/Linda Watson

2/2 Independence Day/Don Grieser

3/3 Riferaf/Susan LaRue

4/4 Wildfire IBN Rayi/Jeff Wagner

Top of the World beautiful as usual

The 24th Annual Top of the World Competitive Trail Ride was sponsored by Foxton Morgans, Tom and Barb Butterfield and was held Sept. 7-8, 1991. All total, there were nine open, 21 novice and seven competitive pleasure riders on Saturday morning. We had 11 first-time riders, what a good turn out this year!

The weather was beautiful and the riders were anxious to get on the trail. The ride went very nicely except for one casualty in the morning.

Since the Platte River was running high this year, we picked out a new loop for the open riders which was a challenge for them. With all of the beauty of the mountain scenery, some of the riders missed some of the turns by looking at the splendor, but found their way back on the correct trail.

Everyone enjoyed the delicious meals prepared by Bill Smith from Flora Vista, NM. - Lois Arbour



SIR SEA STORM appears to be sticking his tongue out at the photographer as he and his rider, Lonnie Smith cruise past. – Photo Mike Fulk

Stars gather for "Hollywood-on-Horseback" Region III Benefit ride

A gathering of Hollywood's most famous film stars were at Mike and Laurie Butterfield's Indian Park Ranch for a weekend of fun and sun on June 29-30, 1991. Possibly sick of being sighted by the tabloids or worried about the declining crowds at theaters, the stars decided to spend a weekend away from the film capital. Pampered polo steeds also joined their noted owners leaving their air-conditioned paddocks and heated swimming pools for the wilds of the Rocky Mountains.

The trails were absolutely gorgeous with meadow grass up to the horses' bellies and blooming wildflowers were abundant.

Right out of camp, Pat Jubb waited in the thicket of aspens, giving riders their first obstacle of the day – a back-up and log-crossing to note "good control of anxious (and in some cases, fractious!) horse!" The rest of the day was spent traversing the beautiful trails, including going up and down the power line. The "Tree", aka Patsy Tomb, made a special appearance and more comments were added to cards. Barbecue and all the trimmings were provided by Bill Smith & company on Saturday night.

A ferocious black bog surrounded by judges waited for riders on Sunday morning, giving Doc ample opportunity to witness "reluctant to enter" on the part of more than a few mounts. In the afternoon, Pat Jubb really outdid herself and came up with a blaze of blue ribbons on the side of a wooded hill and what was described as "lead through" obstacle. ("Hmmm, there must be more than meets the eye..." was thought by more than a few competitors and sure enough, they were right.)

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Nelson Eddie (Matt Baker) in an encore performance at the "Hollywood-on-Horseback" Region III Benefit ride. – Photo Kathy Weigle

Region III Benefit results

SWEEPSTAKES:

Open: Win-Tivaan/Judy Wise Novice: SA Boomer/Jenny Smith

OPEN HEAVYWEIGHT:

1/3 Raf's Rainbow/Dean Schrader 2/6 Mahra Kahn/Milne Parish

3/4 MLA Raj Bahabas/Judd Adams

4/1 Sir Love/Matt Baker

5/5 Mi Champagne/Dee Overholt 6/2 Vanity Fair S/Frank Bowman

OPEN LIGHTWEIGHT:

1/3 Win-Tivaan/Judy Wise

2/1 Aba Daar/Laurie Butterfield

3/6 JJ's Grand Finally/Marge Broughton

4/ Tamaron LaCE/Pat McCoy

5/ Silver Rose/Jeri Avila

6/ Five Wings Aliza/Linda Adams

/2 Rogbar Karat/Sena Fitzpatrick

/4 Dancin' Wind/Patti Embree

/5 Par Sundance/Kathryn Hayes

OPEN JUNIOR:

1/1 Revilo Sundance/Jason White

NOVICE HEAVYWEIGHT:

1/3 Jabal Musahib/James Porter Jr.

2/1 Rose/Larry Keckler

3/4 Jet Punch/Thurman Dabbs

4/2 Silly/Mary Ellen Zager

5/5 Beaversun/Stephen Nelson

6/6 Bugs/Jay Freeman

NOVICE LIGHTWEIGHT:

1/5 SA Boomer/Jenny Smith

2/1 Lakehart Arion/Judy Eggemeyer

3/ Par Jim Dandy/Marguerite Porter

4/3 DDA Asma Sama/Mary Buser

5/4 Surena's Fate/Paula Wills

6/6 Tsatinna/Paula Montano

/2 Fad Beau Jur/Kathy Weigle

CP:

1/6 La-Nask/Karen Moe

2/1 Aftamia/Ariel Schrader

3/2 Independence Day/Don Grieser

4/4 San Bailador Oscuro DP/Linda Watson

5/5 Talizars Prince/Anne Haas

6/1 Dawn/Susan Witter

Benefit ride attracts Hollywood's finest

Other than a slight drizzle (which doesn't count for those of us who have spent an entire drenched weekend at the Benefit ride in previous years) was the only weather mishap.

The Academy of Motion Pictures held the awards ceremony under the deck of Mike and Laurie's hacienda. Everyone took their reserved seats and visited until Mistress of Ceremonies, Jan Thomas, made her way down the stairs and through the crowd in her stunning sequinned evening gown. Some of the truly rich and famous stars were called up to the stage to share in a moment of glory: Carol Burnett Wudy Wise), Ray Charles (Linda Watson), Madonna (Jenny Smith), Dolly Parton (Stacy Bowman), Nelson Eddie (Matt Baker) and Doc Holliday (Dr. Dabbs). Even "Hot-to-Trot," the movie horse (Patti Embree, Kathy Hayes and Pat McCoy) waltzed on stage for a bow. The Man from Snowy River (Steve Nelson) was also spied at the back of the crowd and shyly made his way to the stage with the rest of the stars.

Nelson Eddie in full Canadian Mountie regalia serenaded the open riders from his shining steed all weekend and was even persuaded to warble a tune for the audience on Sunday evening.

Squeals of delight followed Jan's announcements of "And the winner is . . ." for each of the divisions after the sealed (pink flamingo) envelopes were opened. All 1st place horsemanship winners received a traditional Oscar.

Open junior rider Aspen Butterfield, away at a conference in the Midwest, phoned home during the ceremonies and all guests got to shout a thunderous "Hi Aspen!" into the receiver.

Thanks to all the behind-the-scenes crew who made Hollywood-on-Horseback a box office hit; Lois and

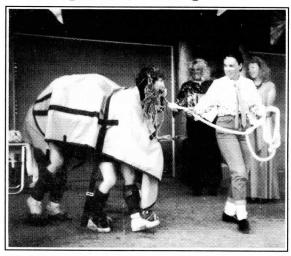


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"HOT-TO-TROT" the famous movie horse makes a brief cameo appearance at the "Hollywood-on-Horseback" awards ceremony Sunday evening. — Photo Kathy Weigle

Dick Arbour (safety), Joyce Calhoun (ride secretary and safety), Jim Calhoun (safety), Stacy Bowman (safety), Judy Pufter (safety), Steve Dowdy (safety) and Sharon Wright (point rider on a hot new mare), Tom Butterfield (P&R captain), Jerry Miller (all-around worker), and all the many P&R workers, and to trail mistress, Jeri Avila. A special thanks to the judges who donated their time and energy; Dr. Louis Pavetti, Patsy Tomb and Pat Jubb, and their hardworking secretaries; B. Haas, Kathy Kadash and Chris Ford. Great job Jan, Judy and Joyce, and thanks for loaning us your home Mike and Laurie! – Sena Fitzpatrick

Horse hero of the year

The Morris Animal Foundation/American Youth Council has an annual horse hero of the year award. CoHoCo presented the Colorado State award to Gandolf, a 16-2 hand thoroughbred cross gelding.

In nominating Gandolf, young Michael Neil wrote: "Gandolf is a very special horse. He took me out on a trail ride and I was able to see deer and lots of other wildlife. When I took him to a show, he listened to everything I told him." Gandolf may not sound like a special horse to you, but he is to Michael. Michael has spina bifida. – Larimer County Horseman's Assn. Newsletter

Singing Hills first Region III "B" ride to be held in 15 years

Huge red sandstone rock formations frame the secluded valley where the DiPietra's Rocky Mountain Training Center lies. Arabian horses serenely graze in the meadows while foals race around the mares. This was the camp area for the Singing Hills Competitive Trail Ride near Perry Park, CO on Aug. 18, 1991.

Singing Hills was the first B ride held in Region III in over 15 years. Ride organizer Judi Tobias put on the ride in hopes of interesting new riders to the sport and a dozen first timers responded. The ride was held in a spot halfway between the metro areas of Colorado Springs and Denver – an easy commute for most of the contestants.

Judges Joe Quintana and Pat Jubb met the challenge of a one-day ride and even managed to throw in an excellent talk session after the evening briefing.

Bobbie DiPietra's gourmet cooking put smiles on lots of faces and even the early morning wakeup call was more pleasant with the smell of fresh coffee cake wafting through camp.

Open riders started their day with a DJQ (Dr. Joe Quintana) approved obstacle five minutes from camp. Afterwards, Dr. Quintana said with a grin, "That got rid of the perfect scores!" Pat Jubb zipped around the mountain roads in a WW II vintage jeep. Her after lunch back-up was a classic.

All in all, even the open riders agreed that a one-day

ride was a fun change-of-pace and they enjoyed not spending the whole weekend competing. - Judi Tobias

Ed. note - Singing Hills ride results were not available at press time. Look for them in the next issue.



From left, first-time rider Sandra Clayton on Big Red and Kathy Weigle on Fad Beau Jur riding merrily down the trail. – Photo Judi Tobias

Announcing another new ride . . .

Cherry Pitts Competitive Trail Ride

And the name of the game is . . . fun!

Can't stand the fact that WINTER is on the way? Gotta have just one more ride before the snow flies, but don't care to travel half way across the state of Arizona? Have we got a deal for you!

Join us for the challenges of a new ride – the **Cherry Pitts Competitive Trail Ride** to be held Saturday, Oct. 19, 1991. Since this is a "B" ride (one-day ride), we'll have all the time we need for one of the most important parts of a year-end ride – PARTY TIME! Bring your costumes and we'll have a Halloween party immediately following the awards presentation that will continue until the last witch falls off her broom! A prize will be awarded for the best costume and we will also have the best BBQ dinner that can be found on this side of the Atlantic Ocean, served up by none other than the world-famous Bill Smith . . . so be sure to bring your appetite. Everyone will be welcome to spend Saturday night in camp.

For additional information contact: Lonnie Smith, P.O. Box 502, Aztec, NM 87415 (505) 334-2001; or Bill Smith, 12 Rd. 3540, Flora Vista, NM 87415, (505) 334-6275; or Deb Morris, 4690 Daybreak Dr., Farmington, NM 87401, (505) 325-1171.

Don't miss out on a frighteningly good time!

Horsetooth Mountain ride raises over \$1,300 for Front Range Equestrians

Thanks to the generosity of business and community sponsors, the riders and their sponsors, the Horsetooth Mountain Rides raised over \$1300 for the Front Range Exceptional Equestrians. And we had fun doing it too, despite what had to be the hottest weekend of the year.

The heat and sun added to the challenge of an already challenging, though scenic, trail along Horsetooth Reservoir, into Lory State and Horsetooth

Mountain parks, and back.

Saturday's AERC 50-mile endurance ride was won by local rider Joyce Dingman with a riding time of 8hours and 49minutes, a longer time than usual and a testimony to the difficulty of the trail. Saturday afternoon riders for the "B" competitive trail ride started trickling in, and we had lots to keep them entertained, what with a calcutta, dinner catered by Coopersmiths of Ft. Collins, and a travelling bluegrass duo - not to mention check-in!

Sunday's NATRC ride was one of the first one-day rides in this region in a long time. Of the 44 riders who started, 16 were first-timers! We were glad that Region III's goal of trying to attract new riders seemed

to pay off.

It turned out to be another hot day, but thanks to many strategically located water tanks, none of the horses suffered from serious dehydration despite the determined efforts of Mother Nature. I wished I could say the same for the riders; they looked pretty beat as a group! The horses did have to work hard, and we had a number of riders who chose to take penalty points and come in late, rather than push their horses to complete on time and thereby risk possible injury or illness. We think this is a strong testimonial to the caliber of horseman we have here in Region III, who put their horses' well-being above their own competitive instincts.

Another magnanimous incident occured when Dean Schrader's horse, Raf's Rainbow, lost a shoe in a remote portion of the park. Jerry Davis, one of our safety riders, unselfishly pulled a shoe off of his own horse, and put it on Dean's with a rock and a pair of pliers. We didn't determine if this was under coercion, but we gave Jerry the "most generous rider"

award anyway!

We thank the many volunteers who helped before, during, and after this event; we couldn't have done it without them! And we also want to thank the CSU equine center for allowing us to use their facilities as our base camp.

No doubt the heat has affected management's brains because they are already planning next year's ride. Mark down June 6-7 on your calendar's now (pending sanction) this is the week after the Cavalier ride. The weather should be cooler, the trail will be shorter, and the wildflowers should be in full bloom. Shoot, we might even have snow instead of heat!

Horsetooth Mtn. results (not official)

SWEEPSTAKES:

Open: Schar Royal/Neal McKinstry Novice: Par Jim Dandy/Marguerite Porter

OPEN HEAVYWEIGHT:

1/1 Schar Royal/Neal McKinstry 2/2 Raf's Rainbow/Dean Schrader

OPEN LIGHTWEIGHT:

1/2 Saucedo's Numero Uno/Kris Cummings

2/3 Brown-R Lance/Amy LeSatz

3/1 C.R. Krystalette/Patt Jubb

COMPETITIVE PLEASURE:

1/1 Mr. Jack/Mary Susan Kerchival

2/2 Aftamia/Ariel Schrader

3/5 Rafferti/Ron Kruczek

4/6 Teddee/Larry Tobias

5/3 Magestisc Illusion/Laurie Gaines

6/ Zafarrancho/Sandra Kruczek

/4 Jim Pascucci

NOVICE HEAVYWEIGHT:

1/Jabal Musahib/James Porter

2/1 Gypsie/Woody Kerchival

3/5 Mariah/Edmond Boutte

4/4 Tallajink/LaNette Irby

5/3 Will Silver/Bill Hamill

6/6 Beaver Sun/Stephen Nelson

NOVICE LIGHTWEIGHT:

1/2 Par Jim Dandy/Marguerite Porter

2/5 Haydee/Kea Kerchival

3/3 Banner/Helen Stout

4/ Fad-Reynjur/Diana Pernicka

5/ Fad Beau Jur/Kathy Weigle

6/1 Sureyna's Fate/Paula Wills

/4 Barb Pappas

/6 Toni Hamill

NOVICE JUNIOR:

1/3 Nifty/Cindy Brink

2/1 Goldie/Kristen Gray

3/2 Mickey/Alex Leeson

Region III 1991 Ride Schedule

Rabbit Valley VII	April 27-28	GRAND JUNCTION, CO	Sharon Wright 237 Arroyo Drive,Grand Junction, CO 80153 (303) 243-7089
Navajo Lake XVII	May 11-12	NAVAJO LAKE, NM	Bill Cumberworth 1908 Glade Road, Farmington, NM 87401 (505) 327-2286
Cavalier XX	June 1-2	PEYTON, CO	Joyce Calhoun 761 W. El Portal, Pueblo West, CO 81007 (719) 547-3152
The Foothills Ride	June 15-16	PERRY PARK, CO	Dean Schrader 9755 Bay Lane, Castle Rock, CO 80104 (303) 790-2558
Region III Benefit VIII	June 29-30	SEDALIA, CO	Laurie Butterfield 1599 N. Hwy. 67, Sedalia, CO 80135 (303) 688-2510
Colorado Trail	July 13-14	BUFFALO CREEK, CO	Dee Overholt P.O. Box 2, Bailey, CO 80421 (303) 838-7507
El Jinete Solitario XIII	July 27-28	DURANGO, CO	Patti Embree 3507 County Rd. 311, Ignacio, CO 81137 (303) 563-4640
Singing Hills I "B" Ride	August 17-18	PERRY PARK, CO	Judy Tobias 3020 Shrider Rd., Colo. Springs, CO 80920 (719) 593-7310
Horsetooth Mtn. I "B" Ride	August 25	FT. COLLINS, CO	Cindy McNamara 3312 Buckskin, La Porte, CO 80535 (303) 493-0022
Top of the World	September 7-8	FOXTON, CO	Richard Arbor 28502 Hummingbird Hill, Conifer, CO 80433 (303) 838-4487
Van Vleet Memorial XX	September 21-22	GOLDEN GATE STATE PARK	Dean Schrader 9755 Bay Lane, Castle Rock, CO 80104 (303) 790-2558
Chokecherry Canyon VIII	October 5-6	FARMINGTON, NM	Calvin & Cindy Reed 2 Road 3063, Aztec, CO 87410 (505) 334-3015
Cherry Pitts "B" Ride	October 19	LA PLATA VALLEY,NM	Lonnie Smith P.O. Box 502 Aztec, NM 87415 (505) 334-2001

NORTH AMERICAN TRAIL RIDE CONFERENCE

NATRC - Region III Membership Application form for 1991

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NATRC National Raffle to support the Trail Development Fund As we all know, the problem of losing our trails all

over the country is a serious threat to our sport and the livelihood of NATRC. It is a very real threat and many of our current rides are experiencing problems with loss of trails.

Region V has spearheaded the Trail Development Program in Northwest Georgia at the site of the Pigeon Mountain - Crockford Wildlife Management area, 17,000 acres of beautiful wooded mountain trails of great historic significance. They are fortunate to have the support and cooperation of the Department of Natural Resource and with the aid of Region V members and Ranger Chuck Hans, trails that will include permanent horse trails are a reality in that area. All trails are properly cut, marked and maintained with no threat to ecology or over-use of the land. Region V donated \$500 to start funding this trail development and the Pigeon Mountain Spectacular ride held in June donated an additional \$300 to this area. Permanent signs and trail heads have been purchased and all trails will be named, measured and marked accordingly. A shelter for detailed trail instruction, rules and maps is still needed and with that in mind, Region V made a presentation at the July national board of directors meeting in San Diego to solicit additional funds. It is their hope that this project will inspire people all over the country to develop new trails and also an opportunity for NATRC to make a positive permanent contribution to a trail project with a lasting positive impression of our organization as a true and working trail organization. Pigeon Mountain is an opportunity to show the horse enthusiasts all over the country what can be accomplished by just one trail organization working in cooperation with park rangers and forest service people to establish permanent trails. A video of the work done at Pigeon Mountain will be available at the next NATRC convention in San Jose, CA in February and it is imperative that each region have a trail representative at the convention to take this important input back to their regions.

Region V's endeavors at the July national board of directors meeting to get trail funds donated by NATRC for the financial support of permanent trail development has been very positive with three major

1. A \$500 donation to the Pigeon Mountain trails was approved by the board to be added to the funds already donated to complete the trail development

project in that area.

2. A Trail Development Committee was established by NATRC President, Nancy Kasovich. Mark Jones (Region V) is committee chairman and serving with him are Barbara Brinig (II), Laurie Butterfield (III), Peggy Hixson (IV), Helene Pritchard (V), Judy Jesse (V)



and Lucy Hirsch (VI). This committee will develop policies and guidelines for future trail development monies to be available. Now . . . where does this urgently needed money come from?

3. A National Rafflel With all proceeds to go into the Trail Development Fund, this raffle can bring much needed funds to be used for the development of permanent horse trails throughout the United States. JoAnn Christensen of Region VI will be making one of the many raffle prizes, a unique one-of-a-kind queen size quilt (like the one pictured above) made from NATRC ride T-shirts, patches and chevrons from all over the country. (WANT TO DONATE A RIDE LOGO T-SHIRT AND/OR RIDE PATCH FOR THE QUILT? CONTACT JOANN RIGHT AWAYI) The picture shown is of a similar quilt owned by Helen Pritchard and made by her Mother from Region IV ride T-shirts, patches and mileage chevrons. Other great raffle prizes will be available and are being solicited. (WANT TO DONATE A RAFFLE PRIZE? CONTACT THE NATRC OFFICE RIGHT AWAYI) Hoofprint and our regional newsletters will publish an updated listing of items to be raffled in each issue and the drawings will be at the national convention in San Jose, CA, in February. Peggy Hixson is raffle chairperson and the national directors from each region will soon have raffle tickets available. PLEASE SUPPORT THIS RAFFLE, BUY YOUR OWN BOOK OF TICKETS AND SELL AS MANY BOOKS AS POSSIBLE TO GIVE NATRO THE OPPORTUNITY TO CREATE AND MAINTAIN PERMANENT HORSE TRAILS AND INSURE THE FUTURE OF OUR SPORT.

Thank you and happy trails!

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:

Cory Keeley; Sedalia, CO Edmond Boutte; Colo. Springs, CO Bill Betsy; Boulder, CO Sandra Clayton, Morrison, CO George & Rennie De Boer; Elizabeth, CO Nancy Reinhardt; Colo. Springs, CO Paula Montano; Castle Rock, CO Judith Bengfort; Aztec, NM J.R. & Jo Fanelli; Albuquerque, NM Leon & Piper Mellow, Sante Fe, NM Charles & Joan Lemmel; Longmont, CO

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

Gordon Haines; Taos, NM

Nancy Loving DVM; Boulder, CO

The positive approach

NATRC has meant a lot to our family over the past 21 years of our participating in this sport. We have had the privilege to learn much about horses and riding as well as life through the principles that it has taught.

Through negative and positive comments on score cards, judges advice and fellow competitors, positive attitudes have developed. Not all of the lessons have been easy, but all have been worth the learning. Some of the hardest were the most important learned.

Some things cause us to stretch and grow. Next time you hear a negative comment or something you disagree with, think about the positive attitude this negative comment is meant to achieve in you, as you strive to meet the challenges. And even if you want to hate the person for being so accurate. Take the time to evaluate the comment and try to apply what is indicated, or, throw a temper tantrum and ignore the whole thing. Actually, it's up to you!!!

If a person says something to you and you become angry. You have wasted a lot of energy.

The smart person listens, sorts, applies and keeps cool. If they did intend to make you angry ... they LOST. If you use the information to your advantage ... you WIN. – Shared from Region I - June/July Newsletter, Karen Mansel



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Here's a little information about the many breeds of horses we use in our sport of competitive trail riding.

This issue ...

Missouri Fox Trotting Horse

The Pride of the Ozarks

The Missouri Fox Trotting Horse might not be a well known breed in today's equine world, but back when early Americans depend upon saddle horses as their means of transportation, these "amblin" horses were much sought after for their easy way of going and gentle dispositions.

The Missouri Fox Trotter was developed in the rugged Ozark Mountains during the 19th Century by settlers who needed easy riding, durable mounts that could travel long distances in a short period of time.

Stamina, soundness and gentle dispositions were a must in the breeding of the fox trotter by Ozark pioneers. Easy gaited stock imported to our nation's shores during the Colonial era left their genetic imprint on Missouri's breed, the American Saddle Horses of Kentucky and the Walking Horses of Tennessee.

The saddle horse, walking horse and horses that were known for their smooth gait were brought with pioneer families who came to the Ozark Mountains to homestead. It soon became apparent that horses able to perform the easy, broken gait called the Fox Trot, were the most useful in the rocky, forest-covered hills, thus the origination of the Missouri Fox Trotter.

The distinguished characteristic of the Missouri Fox Trotting Horse is the fox trot; the horse walks with the front feet and trots with the hind feet. This extremely sure-footed gait gives the rider little jar since the hind feet slide into place. Their smooth gait eliminate the "bouncing" that inexperienced riders suffer when riding hard trotting breeds.

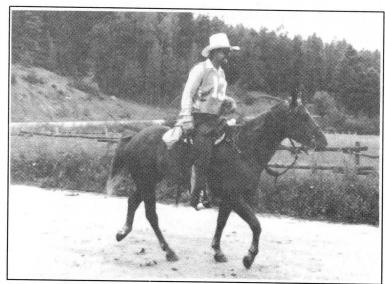
The fox trot is a rhythm gait and these horses can maintain it for long periods of time with little fatigue.

The Missouri Fox Trotter also performs a rapid flat-foot walk and rocking chair canter.

These horses became the using horse of the Ozarks. They were the favorite mounts of cattlemen, country doctors, sheriffs and tax assessors before improved roads and cars appeared on the scene.

Today, trail riders across the nation who ride through mountainous terrain as well as long distances have discovered what U.S. Forest Rangers have known for years; Missouri Fox Trotters have no equal when it comes to delivering an easy, sure-footed, ground-covering willing ride on hazardous terrain.

The Missouri Fox Trotter ... the pride of the Ozarks and those who can call one their own. – Stacy Bowman



Nick Stevens shows how comfortable riding a Missouri Fox Trotting horse can be.

NATRC MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

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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 complementary Newsletters, then no more unless they join Region III. Do not forget that applicants for Region III membership must be National NATRC members first!

Ride critiques discontinued

As of a recent National Board of Directors meeting it was voted that there will no longer be any ride critiques.

Any comments can and should be directed to Region III Board members, National Board members or Gloria Becker at (619) 58-TRAIL

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 lke Mosgrove at (719) 495-2906.

Memo from Supply Chairman

 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:

 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.

Verifying points and mileage

The Point Secretary keeps all Region III members' points and mileage each year. You are welcome to verify your points with the Chairman by Oct. 15 of the current year, otherwise you must accept the points as calculated by the Point Secretary.

Contact:

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 1 of each year will have to pay an additional \$15 secretarial fee if they wish to have either their horse or rider points and mileage recorded.

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.

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Bits and Pieces

Membership computer labels now offered

Pat Militzer is in charge of all computerization of membership for Region III. She also does membership labels for the Newsletter and makes labels for Ride Chairs and Clinic organizers. These lists offer much information and can 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

Horse classics calendar

Arabians are featured on the cover of the 1991 Horse Classics desk appointment calendar.

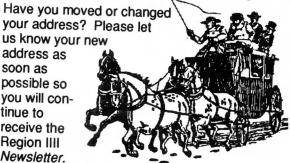
The appointment calendar has more than 50 full-color horse photos, one for each week, representing more than a dozen breeds.

The 112-page calendar also contains a special riding vacation directory and important dates of equestrian events.

For prices and more information, write Horse Classics, 4799 Lower Mountain Rd., Dept. AHE, New Hope, PA 18938 or call (215) 794-5878. - October 1990 Arabian Horse Express

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us know your new address as soon as possible so you will continue to receive the Region IIII Newsletter.



Horse nutrition tape

Horse nutrition is the topic of the latest VHS video tape from Virginia Tech.

"Applied Horse Nutrition," is a 50-minute tape pertaining to the nature of the horse, feedstuffs, vitamins, minerals, protein, energy, feed requirements, balancing rations, feeding management and nutritional problems. It is designed for the horse owner, adult and youth.

The tape's script was written by Dr. A.N. Huff, Extension Horse Specialist at Virginia Tech.

For more information, contact Video Tape Order, Extension Distribution Center, 112 Landsdown St., Dept. AHE, Blacksburg, VA 24060. - October 1990 Arabian Horse Express



Have you seen the new Region III Ride Book? No more waiting to get Ride applications in . . . do them all at once!

Ride Book now available

Region III is now using a new format for both promotional information, ride schedule and ride applications . . . all in one Ride Book. Sena Fitzpatrick, editor of this Ride Book has done an outstanding first-effort job putting together this wonderful publication. Thank you Sena! If you need a Ride Book(s), please contact Sena at (505) 775-3242 or Iris Mosgrove at (719) 495-2906.

The Horse's Plea

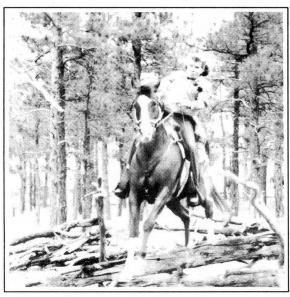
Up the hill push me not Down the hill rush me not On the flat, spare me not In the stable, forget me not.

- Anon.

"Good horses make short miles"

George Herbert

The big debate of the summer



CR KRYSTALETTE (ridden by Pat Jubb) leaves no doubt that this obstacle is one that needed a little leap to clear it safely. – Photo – Laurie Butterfield



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