

Boots & Saddles



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Cheyenne Saddle Tramps Monthly Newsletter



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We're off and runnin'!

Thanks to all of you who helped out with and participated in this year's Easterwood Memorial Show! The attendance was one of the largest in recent memory and with relative cooperation from the weather the event was an outstanding success. A big thanks goes to our Horse show and Gymkhana chairs, Heidi Kindsvater and Victoria Boyer-Jackson, for their efforts and skill at putting on a good event. With their continuing commitment and the support of our club members who volunteered for the many extra duties involved in these events, the season will easily be a great experience for all.

On another note, I am in the process of organizing a trail ride for this spring. I'm negotiating with a member who has lots of experience with trail rides and it may be that Veedawoo is the most convenient place, but if any of you have ideas please let me know.

Phil Haberman
President

EASTERWOOD

The 2004 Easterwood will go down in the CST record books as a great success. April 24 marked the start of the 2004 show season with the annual Easterwood. Special thanks to the Benning family and to Brent Kindsvater for donating prizes. Heidi and Victoria should be commended for their work on this event. And, of course, to Sheri, the food and treats were great; thanks for missing most of the show to feed us. Grand Champion and Reserve for each division were:

Grand Champion	Reserve
Rookie	Shay Fura
Allee Williamson	Colton Carlson
PeeWee	Kelley
Novice Rider	Susan Benning
Novice Horse	Jordan Fogg
Junior	Lael Lavalias
Senior	Erin Ostby
Adult	Janet Stoneburner, Heather Hall (Tie)
Jack Benny	Christine Towns
Lead Liners	Asha Seiloff, Trey Seiloff, Abbie Colbert, Taylor (Tie)

THANKS, THANKS, THANKS!

The first CST work day was a great success, thanks to the hard working crew. The projects were plenty; trash clean-up, cleaning the clubhouse and crows nest, mowing, rock pick-up, replacing the 'grandstand' seating, and painting, painting, painting (the crows nest stairs, handrail, barrels, fencing and new seating). With the area cleaned up, inside and out, we're ready to start the 2004 show season. The efforts of the Ostby family, Martinez/Sleeper family, Lavalias family, Haberman family, Kindsvater family, Fura family, Miller/Jolley family and Osban/Walsh family are greatly appreciated!! Special thanks to Dan and Boni Dillinger for donating the use of the scissor lift. (Hope we didn't forget to mention anyone!) Just so you know, we saved a few projects for the next work day on July 10, 9:00 a.m. Hope to see you all there.

WEB SITE

The CST web site is now up and running! Check it out at www.CheyenneSaddleTramps.org. Let Jay Ostby know if you have additions to the site. (632-5817 or jostby@aol.com)

April Membership Meeting
4/21/04

- ! Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m
- ! Minutes were approved
- ! Royalty: Shelby presented information on equipment used for grooming and how to groom a horse. Maggie gave instruction on saddling a horse.
- ! President/Fundraising Report: Sutherlands donated approximately \$300 worth of building materials for our work day. Martinez donated approximately \$850 in labor for fixing the bathroom plumbing in the clubhouse. The Benning family donated \$50 for prizes for the Easterwood.
- ! Vice President Report: Suggested we have guest speakers at the meetings to help boost attendance. Michelle will look into this.
- ! Secretary: Stacey distributed postcards that Boni had printed with horse show dates.
- ! Horse Show: Easterwood show is this Saturday. Decided to allow a free Western or Gymkhana class for anyone who signs up and pays during the first 15 minutes of registration. Jolene will look into adding a fourth English class so the same discount can be offered in English. Decided to use the same value prizes for all disciplines; Western, Gymkhana and English. Decided any person not paying in full by the end of the show will not be awarded points for that show.
- ! Stephanie Hockhalter, Safe Kids Wyoming, is requesting to use our facility for a 'Safe Horse, Safe Rider' clinic in May.
- ! Grounds: The work day was a great success. We replaced the boards on the bleachers, cleaned the grounds/clubhouse and painted. Jay will be unavailable for the Easterwood and June 1 & 8 3-D barrels. Help with the grounds on these dates will be appreciated. Options for watering the arena: Big R has commercial sprinklers that are raised on re-bar for approximately \$60.00. Phil will see if he can get a discount on these. Jay also suggested purchasing timers so we can more easily water during the water restriction. The front fence has some rails down. Please be aware of this during the upcoming horse shows.
- ! Advisor: Jolene has the suggested sending the work day postcard to the past year membership list, in addition to the current members list.
- ! Royalty: Maggie & Shelby went to KGAB radio and spoke about Cheyenne Saddle Tramps. They gave a great interview. Barb is still trying to organize an article and pictures for the newspaper.
- ! 3-D Barrels: No activity. Phil contacted the American Barrel Horse Association to see if they would like to host a barrel event at CST. He will look into the lease and insurance requirements before we proceed with this.
- ! Drill Team: Walk through was a couple of weeks ago, with a good turn out. Practice will be Sundays at 2:00, and the first performance will be at the May 23 gymkhana. Practice at Frontier Park will begin Wednesday, May 26.
- ! Audit: Jolene has the checkbook to perform the audit.
- ! Rules: Lisa unable to attend, but forwarded the showing guidelines for distribution.
- ! Voted to approve the rules as printed in the newsletter with the addition of two classes: Rookie and Special Olympics; and the addition of a nondiscrimination clause.
- ! Sherry will contact a Special Olympics rider who attend an international event recently to be a guest speaker at an upcoming meeting.
- ! The no smoking sign needs to be replaced in the clubhouse.
- ! Jolene suggested having a photographer at the horse shows. All agreed this is OK as long as CST is not liable.

FENCE RAILS NEEDED

The south fence is missing some rails. If you have any fence rails just laying around looking for a home, CST would really appreciate the donation. Please contact Jay Ostby at 632-5817 or jeostby@aol.com. We would like to have the fence fixed prior to the next horse show.

2004 Board
President: Phil Haberman
775-0623

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634-5704

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632-5817

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632-0002

Horse Show: Heidi Kindsvater
638-8309

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Concessions: Sherry Lavalais
638-1997

Grounds: Jay Ostby
632-5817

Advisor: Jolene Curtis
637-7332

Royalty: Barb Pitt
547-3577



ROYALTY REPORT

CST royalty has been hard at work representing our club in the community. On Monday April 19 they had a radio appearance on KGAB radio and took the opportunity to promote CST.

Maggie and Shelby both did a great job!

Guide to Showing

Novice Division

- The Novice Division was established to introduce inexperienced exhibitors and horses to CST shows and allow them to compete with others with similar skills. A Novice will advance to their respective age division after the first year of showing.

Showmanship at Halter

- The showmanship class shall be judged strictly on the exhibitor's ability to fit and show a horse at halter. The horse is merely a prop to demonstrate the ability and preparation of the exhibitor. The ideal showmanship performance consists of a poised, confident, neatly attired exhibitor leading a well groomed and conditioned horse that quickly and efficiently performs the requested pattern with promptness, smoothness, and precision.

Western Classes

- Western Pleasure
 - Contestants compete simultaneously, traveling the perimeter of the arena, and at the discretion of the judge, are asked to walk, jog, lope, and reverse the direction of the horse. Horses are evaluated on quality of movement while staying quiet and calm, traveling on a loose rein.
- Western Riding
 - Judges the ability of the horse to change leads precisely, easily and simultaneously, using both hind and front legs. Following patterns consisting of a log and a series of pylons, the horse and rider must change gaits – from a walk to a jog or a lope throughout the course. Reward is given to the horse that changes fluidly and precisely between the middle of the pylons within the pattern.
- Western Horsemanship
 - Designed to test horsemanship abilities of riders using western tack. Divided into two sections, individual riders first follow a prescribed pattern of maneuvers at a walk, trot or lope. In the second section, riders are judged as a group as they ride around the perimeter of the arena. Judging focuses on the rider's body position, seat in the saddle and ability to control the horse.
- Trail
 - The trail class tests the maneuverability of a horse through an obstacle course. Scoring is based on the horse's willingness, ease and grace in negotiating the course.
- Reining
 - Judges the horse on movements, mastery of a prescribed maneuver and attitude as he is guided through patterns. The horse is required to perform a number of stops, spins, rollbacks, lead changes and circles at the lope. The horse should be willing to be guided with little or no resistance.

English Classes

- Hunt Seat Equitation
 - Tests a rider's ability to ride not the performance of the horse. As in western horsemanship, contestants work a predetermined pattern consisting of maneuvers such as changing gaits, travel in a figure-eight pattern; backing up as well as posting on the correct diagonal and counter-cantering. Top riders return to be judged as they travel; the perimeter of the arena performing gait changes at the judge's discretion. Emphasis is placed on ability to sit correctly, hold the correct riding posture and control the horse on a precise pattern.
- Hunter Under Saddle
 - Judges evaluate a hunter type horse on the flat at a walk, trot and canter. Emphasis is placed on smoothness of gait, free-flowing stride and willingness to perform.
- Hunter Hack
 - Horses are required to jump two fences then are put on the rail to walk, trot and canter both directions in the ring. Emphasis is on manner and way of going on the flat and style over fences.

Where Dreams Become Adventures
Cheyenne Saddle Tramps Riding Club
P.O. Box 2062
Cheyenne, WY 82003

FOR SALE

6 year old APHA Breeding stock
paint mare grey. She's been ridden
in drills, parades & horse shows.
Both Inexperienced and experienced
riders can ride her.

Contact: Barb 547-3577

Membership Meetings:
Now being held at the club
house!

May 19, 2004

June 16, 2004

Next WORK DAY!
July 10, 9:00 a.m.
Mark your calendar and
come join the fun!

Horse Show/Gymkhana

#1 May 22/23

#2 June 5/6

#3 June 26/27

#4 July 17/18

#5 August 21/22

#6 September 4/5

Rain Dates: June 12/13 and Sept 18/19

Spring 3-D Barrels

Tuesday evenings beginning May 18

