

July 2011

UPPER MIDWEST ENDURANCE AND COMPETITIVE RIDES ASSOCIATION



Ride Calendar!

July 23-24 – AHDRA 1.5 Zumbro Bottoms Boogie – Wabasha, MN
July 29-31 – Fort Meade Remount Pioneer – Sturgis, SD
July 29-31 – Wildcat – Neilsville, WI
Aug 7 – Warm Up – Oscoda, MI
Aug 8-12 – Shore to Shore – Lake Huron to Lake Michigan
Aug 13 – Cool Down – Empire, MI
Aug 13-14 – Louise Reidel Memorial – Arkdale, MI
Aug 20-21 – Thistle Down – Frazee, MN
Aug 20-21 – Rock River Charity – Utica, IL
Aug 27-28 – Northern Highland – Florence, WI
Sept 3-5 – White River Fall Labor Day – Hesperia, MI
Sept 10-11 – Charity Cup – Pillager, MN
Sept 10-11 – Keweenaw – Lake Linden, MI
Sept 10-11 – Lincoln Trails – Kinmundy, IL
Sept 17-18 – Colorama Classic – New Prospect, WI
Sept 17-18 – Tin Cup Springs – Luther, MI
Sept 24-25 – Run for the Ridge – Fairfax, MN
Sept 29-Oct 2 – Drawarama – Palmyra, WI
Oct 1-2 – Pine Martin Run – Nahma Junction, MI
Oct 7-8 – Brighton Competitive Trail Fall – Howell, MI
Oct 21-23 – Point Chaser – Hinckley, MN
Oct 21-23 – Oak Leaf Run – Hamilton, MI
Oct 29-30 – AHDRA III Big River – Keithsburg, IL

UMECRA BOARD MEETING!

Sat. Nov 12th, 2011
10 AM---3 PM
12PM --- 12:30PM , Lunch
Rockford, IL.
Clock Tower Inn
I-90
Business -20
Questions - ask Rick

Found at Run for the Border: **Olive green** polarfleece Irideon shirt with horses on bottom hem. Please contact Sharon or Phil at [763-422-9655](tel:763-422-9655) or sharon.hahn@usa.com to claim it if it's yours.

ATTN: UMECRA Members

We are looking for a volunteer to take over as the Ride Sanctioning Coordinator for the rest of this year. If you are interested in helping out – please contact Rick Nelson.
Thanks for your help!



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Empty Saddles...

UMECRA lost two of its long time members in June:
Mark Jensen & Bob Mielke.

Mark Jensen passed away yesterday, Tuesday June 13, after a long fight with Lymphoma Cancer. Mark and Terry Jensen were very active in MnDRA and UMECRA back in the early to mid 1990's. They managed a ride for MnDRA at Hay Creek near Red Wing for several years. Mark's wife, Terry also designed the first "official" brochure for MnDRA to hand out at the Minnesota Horse Expo.

Mark was Holly Egerer's mentor for her Rookie year of Endurance on her Morgan Mare "Misty". She spent many hours on the trail with Mark and some of the things he taught her she still uses today in competition and in training. Holly also rode her first 2 day 100 with Mark at Point Chaser, years ago.

Mark and Terry originally lived near Elko, MN but moved to the Annandale area several years ago. The last few years Mark and Terry have been doing Missionary work traveling to Africa. Mark was a

wonderful guy and will be missed by all who knew him.

In memory of Bob Mielke who passed away on Saturday night June 25th at about 11:30 PM. The first portion of this is the speech that was made the year Bob was inducted into UMECRA's Hall of Fame.

In 1969, a friendly wager took place. Knowing the people involved, I assume the big talk began in a tavern and was fueled by alcoholic libation. One party bet another party that his polo pony could not complete a 50 mile endurance race. The cocky polo player took the bet and attended the South East Minnesota ride. When he pulled in to camp, he took one critical look at the skinny, crooked-legged Arabs and knew he'd not only win the bet but probably the race. Almost 12 hours later, our polo player crossed the finish line dead last and won his bet. Can one be filled with triumph and humility at the same time? He also won a new respect for those skinny Arabs and for the sport that they dominated.

As the years passed, our polo player became a champion endurance rider. It is said that he was first to get the bright idea to put a wooden spoonful of salt in his horse's mouth during a race to encourage him to drink water. It is also said that he was the first to add soaked beet pulp to his horse's slurry. His great horse, Smoke, was the first recipient of UMECRA's Rider's Choice Award. He has raced or crewed at almost every high profile race in the country. He has mentored two generations of distance riders. He is always willing to help, but make sure you are ready for an honest answer when you ask him a question. His trademarks are his blue hat and his kick-ass martinis. His favorite entertainer is Frank Sinatra, and like the Chairman of the Board, he has always done it "his" way. With great love and respect, I would like to induct my friend Bob Mielke into UMECRA's Hall of Fame.

Last Saturday, June 25th, Mr. Bob Mielke was inducted into another great Hall. If St. Peter has any sense of humor, I am sure he was waiting for Bob with a Martini in hand. The sound track from Magnificent Seven was blasting away, and Bob's great horse, Smoke, was there to greet him, I am sure. I am proud to have known Bob, and will remember his stories and acts of kindness all my life.

Thanks for the drinks – both alcoholic and otherwise – and "luv ya, hon."
Lori, Shaman, Gandie, Benny, Bannarr and Seger

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American Horse Council Washington Update
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GAO Releases Horse Welfare Report

The Government Accountability Office (GAO) has released its eighteen month report entitled "Horse Welfare: Action Needed to Address Unintended Consequences from Cessation of Domestic Slaughter." In 2009, Congress directed GAO to examine horse welfare following the end of domestic slaughter in 2007. You may view the complete report here.

The study was requested by Congress in the 2010 Appropriations bill for the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA). The GAO is an independent federal agency that Congress often turns to for reports and analysis of important issues. GAO evaluates

federal programs and policies; and provides analysis, recommendations, and other data to help Congress make informed policy, and funding decisions on issues before it.

Report Findings

The 63 page GAO report made a number of findings.

- The U.S. slaughter market has changed since domestic slaughter ceased in 2007. Exports to Canada and Mexico have increased with nearly the same number of U.S. horses now processed in those countries (138,000 in 2010), as were in the U.S. before the state bans on slaughter and the restrictions on paying USDA employees involved in the process were put in place.
- These horses are traveling further to slaughter now and are being slaughtered in facilities not protected by U.S. law and regulations.
- Many of the state veterinarians contacted for the report said that fewer horse sales have been held and that prices for horses have declined since 2007, especially for the lower-to-medium end of the horse market. This means owners have fewer options for getting rid of horses they no longer want. The number of shippers has also declined dramatically.
- The GAO analysis indicates that the prices for these horses have declined by 8 to 21 percent, depending on sale price (lower-to-medium end). GAO estimated that the economic downturn reduced prices for all horses by perhaps 4 to 5 percent, which does not account for the entire decline.
- Horse welfare has also declined; although, the precise extent is unknown. State, local government, and animal welfare organizations reported a rise in investigations for horse neglect, straining their resources. They attribute this to several factors, but primarily the ending of domestic slaughter and the downturn in the economy.
- Several state veterinarians reported more cases of horses abandoned on private or state parks since 2007. Nearly all reported anecdotes indicated that the number of cases of abandonments has increased.
- Based on the information these officials provided, the primary drivers for the increase in abandonment and neglect are the cessation of domestic slaughter, causing lower horse prices and difficulty in selling

horses, and the economic downturn, affecting horse owners' ability to properly care for their horses.

- State and local governments, tribes, and animal welfare organizations, especially rescues, are facing growing pressures to care for abandoned and neglected horses at a time of economic recession and tight budgets.
- Tribes reported increases in abandonments on their land, exacerbating the overpopulation of herds already there.
- The increase in unwanted horses available for sale or being abandoned on public lands is affecting the federal government's ability to manage the wild horse and burro population and adopt out these animals in government holding facilities.
- USDA faces three challenges in overseeing the welfare of horses during the transport to processing plants: (1) the current regulations only apply to transport directly to the plant; (2) annual bans by Congress on USDA's use of funds appropriated for inspecting horses impede USDA's ability to improve compliance with, and enforcement of, the current transport regulations; and (3) horses are now traveling significantly greater distances to their final destination where they are not protected by U.S. humane slaughter protections.
- In particular, GAO found that the Congressional ban on funding for the inspection of horses bound for slaughter had impeded the USDA's efforts to protect horse welfare because it only allows a USDA compliance officer to inspect the owner/shipper certificate, not the actual horses or their condition. Even if a compliance officer suspects a violation of the regulations regarding the physical condition of horses on the way to slaughter they are not allowed to inspect the horses to document potential violations by shippers.
- Even after the recent economic downturn is taken into account, horse abandonment and neglect cases are reportedly up, and appear to be straining state, local, tribal, and animal rescue resources. GAO found that clearly the cessation of domestic slaughter has had unintended consequences, most importantly, perhaps, the decline in horse welfare in the U.S.

Report Recommendations

The GAO report offered several recommendations to Congress and the USDA.

Matters for Congress

- In light of the unintended consequences, the report suggests that Congress may wish to reconsider the annual restrictions on USDA's use of appropriated funds to inspect horses being transported to slaughter facilities to allow USDA to better ensure horse welfare and identify violations of the Commercial Transportation of Equines to Slaughter regulations.
- Congress may wish to consider allowing USDA to use appropriated funds to inspect horses at slaughter facilities under the Federal Meat Inspection Act.
- Alternatively, Congress may wish to consider an explicit ban on domestic slaughter and shipping horses for slaughter in foreign countries.

Matters for USDA

- To better protect horses USDA should adopt the amendments proposed several years ago to the transport regulations to more broadly define "equines for slaughter" so that federal oversight is extended to more of the transportation chain for horses going to processing facilities.
- USDA should use other agency resources to improve the completion, return and evaluation of the owner/shipper paperwork required under the transport regulations.
- USDA should enter into formal agreements with Canada and Mexico to improve the cooperation and assistance between USDA and the authorities in those countries responsible for processing horses.

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Ride Results

ApDRA Corrected

ApDra 6/4 - 12 Mile Competitive Drive			
Rick	Nelson	Hearts Big Boy	1
Tim	Cassery	Harley & Bach	2
Tony	Troyer	Heart of Valparaiso	3
Connie	Petrick	Mike & Junior	4
Roxanne	Cromheecke-Kluge	BP Geoffrey Esquire	5
ApDra 6/4 - 25 Mile Competitive HW			
Maxine	Bernsdorf	Ch Shambashire	1
Adam	Janz	Corky	2
Kim	Rumpsa	R Secret Joe Medallion	3
Karen	Sylvara	Spot Me Wild	4

ApDra 6/4 - 25 Mile Competitive LW			
Nancy	Leonard	Chet	1
Kathy	Schauer	Morning Glory	2
Susan	Keating	Amazingt Grace Experience	3
Cathy	Hansen	Shooting Chance	4
Jackie	Novitski	Spirit	5
Barb	Gardner	RR Roman Scooter	Pull
ApDra 6/4 - 12 Mile Competitive Novice			
Malinda	Zielke	RR Ghazreal	1
Katie	Knippel	Lurham de Washoe II	2
Kalin	Sunde	Cutter	3
Jessie	Zirbel	Velocity	4
Larry	Allen	Midnight Moon	5
Nancy	Mathieu	Lightning	6
John	Smith	Way Denied	C
Pam	Fullerton	RFR Northern Thundar	C
Josh	Hellman	Bailey Eternal Flame	C
Alexis	Smith	Molly	C
Cora	Wujek	She is extra Classy	C
Christina	Hyke	Faith	MO
ApDra 6/4 - 50 Mile Endurance HW			
Guy	Worthington	PA Hi Spirit	1
Robin	Schadt	Sassey Aspen	2
Art	Espe	Fancy	3
Joe	Mattingley	Mattingley Evita	4
Jen	Allen	Norsk's Add MacColor	Pull
Marge	Dixon	Kanlyn Intrigue	Pull
Kathy	Soukup	GSF Frankie	Pull
ApDra 6/4 - 50 Mile Endurance LW			
Lori	Windows	Ella N Fires Jane Doe	1
Linda	Jacobson	Majer Ridge Scarlet Debut	2
Bettina	Koehn	JBK Nadja	3
Eileen	Kirsch	Sabins Scooter	4
Marcia	Weilbach	Danger Zone KRA	5
Sheila	Schneider	Gypsy B Miss Behavin	6
Joan	Fisher	CC Louis	C
ApDra 6/4 - 25 Mile Limited Distance JR			
Jill	McInturff	JG Sammu	1
Reno	Glasgow	JJS LTD	2
ApDra 6/4 - 25 Mile Limited Distance SR			
Celeste	Hunter	Precious	1
Darin	Schultz	Racer	2
Bonnie	Mielke	Chariotoffire LNVF	3
Kucy	Bagot	Autum Maverick	4
Katie	Bachhuber	JG Batsh	5
Larissa	Sprecher	Nadia Bint Najib	6
Christina	Hyke	Karinos Fire	C
Amber	Erickson	Simon the Magic'n	C
Melodie	Sprecher	AR Namani	C
Frank	Langholt	Jewel	C
Ellen	Rapp	GT High Commander	C
Donna Lee	Ozment	Got Spirit	C
Jill	Feller	JG Hamdah	C
Carol	Wagner	Tripl Blackburn King	C
Joslyn	Seefeldt	Pasarabs Abierto	C
Jeremy	Olson	Selila	C
Jan	Worthington	Sallie	C
Adam	Miller	Style & Attitude	C
Ashley	VanRaalte	Bandit	C
Tracy	Rhyner	Nickel	C
Kristin	Glaze	Fabai Kalliv	Pull
Shirley	May	Twinkle	Pull
Ann	DeLang	Chocolate Martini	Pull
ApDra 6/5 - 12 Mile Competitive Drive			
Tim	Cassery	Harley & Bach	1
Connie	Petrick	Mike & Junior	2
Rick	Nelson	Hearts Big Boy	3
Tony	Troyer	Heart of Valparaiso	4

ApDra 6/5 - 25 Mile Competitive HW			
Kim	Fosler	Corona	1
Kathi	Soukup	TFS Time	2
Vicki	Wright * Rookie	Brimstone	3
Linda	Miller	Plaudit McUle	4
Art	Espe	Sundance	5
Max	Bernsdorf	Mi Lucky Charm	6
Kim	Rumpsa	R Secret Joe Medallion	C
Karen	Sylvara	Spot Me Wild	C
ApDra 6/5 - 25 Mile Competitive LW			
Holly	Kemmis	Wineglass Sherry	1
Kathy	Schauer	SLU Mananya	2
Linda	Jacobson	Chub Lake Jack Daniel	3
Cathy	Hansen	Shooting Chance	4
Susan	Keating	Amazing Grace Experience	5
Jackie	Novitski	Spirit	6
ApDra 6/5 - 12 Mile Competitive Novice			
James	Hyke	Ransomed Heart	1
Malinda	Zielke	RR Ghazreal	2
Larry	Allen	Midnight Moon	3
Alezya	Brown	Mahalaleel Rizing	4
Kalin	Sunde	Cutter	5
Ann	Delang	Chocolate Martini	6
Nancy	Mathiew	Lightning	C
Christina	Hyke	Mandate For Gold	MO
Karen	Tellef	Okar Extra Ordinare	MO
ApDra 6/5 - 25 Mile Limited Distance SR			
Lori	Windows	Red Satin Star	1
Eileen	Kirsch	DA Maymoona	2
Guy	Worthington	Rerun	3
Bonnie	Mielke	BNB Nemesis Chindhi	4
Marge	Dixon	Kenlyn Lexus	5
Joslyn	Seefeldt	Pasarab's Abierto	6
Shirley	May	Atalissa	C
Vonn	Gohr	Stefie Tee	Pull

SE Minn 6/17 - 25 Mile Competitive HW			
Sherry	Scheibelhut	Vallies SharDonae	1
Suzanne	Warren	PPF Geyms Aurora	2
Maxine	Bernsdorf	Mi Lucky Charm	3T
Laurie	Brown	Lazers Legacy	3T
Art	Espe	Sundance	5
Lisa	Powell	CSA Bobbi Sox	6
Rich	Elbert	Faloo	C
Joan	Thiel	RF Joyride	C
Vicki	Wright	Brimstone	C
Kim	Rumpsa	R Secret Joe Medallion	C
Tom	Gower	HK Xpress	C
Michael	Powell	Chant Khoumkhemos	C
Sheryl	OBrien	CRF Still Crusin	C
Ed	Barbo	Psyche on Fire	C
SE Minn 6/17 - 25 Mile Competitive Jr			
Tanya	Meyer	Samarii	1
Olivia	Goddard	A Wish Granted	2
Justin	Vannurden	Vallies Kastiel	3
SE Minn 6/17 - 25 Mile Competitive LW			
Theresa	Meyer	Queen Heartt	1
Candy	Barbo	Nobel Annie	2
Darlene	Molitor	Vallies Amerah	3
Joan	Elbert	Lucky	4
Mary	Lambert	High Tail Hanna	5
Sarah	Carlson	Major Bling	6
Kathy	Schauer	Morning Glory	C
SE Minn 6/17 - 55 Mile Endurance HW			
Robin	Schadt	Sassy Aspen	1
Sherry	Aune	Cabemet Sauvignon	2
Kathi	Soukup	GSF Frankie	3
Elizabeth	Laurie	Vallies Shooting Star	4

SE Minn 6/17 - 55 Mile Endurance Jr			
Ayla	Spry	FC Lantana	1
SE Minn 6/17 - 55 Mile Endurance LW			
Linda	Jacobson	Majer Ridge Scarlet Debut	1
Danna	Theis	Vallies Hi Strider	2
Jan	Worthington	Mirbat Dreamy Gal	3
Sarah	Maass	GP Cali-Rooz	4
Ann	Usher	H L Kastaspell	5
SE Minn 6/17 - 110 Mile Endurance HW			
Scott	Campbell	Monachers Charm	1
Bonnie	Mielke	Ola Loki	2
SE Minn 6/17 - 110 Mile Endurance LW			
Tracy	McIntosh	Amigo Rissar	1
SE Minn 6/17 - 25 Mile Limited Distance Jr			
Danielle	Hollerud	Dutchess	1
SE Minn 6/17 - 25 Mile Limited Distance Sr			
Walter	Freiberg	Laser	1
Sue	Schedin	Faden Gazad	2
Eileen	Kirsch	DA Maymoona	3
T. J.	Edwards	Miss Molly Mule	4
Jennifer	Allen	Norsks Add More Color	5
Larissa	Sprecher	Nadia Bint Najib	6
Melodie	Sprecher	AR Namani	6
Katie	Bachhuber	J G Btosh	C
Christina	Hyke	Karinos Fire	C
Paula	Goligowski	Little Bay	C
SE Minn 6/18 - 25 Mile Competitive HW			
Robin	Schadt	RA Ibn Maruf	1
Maxine	Bernsdorf	CH Shamm Bashire	2
Suzanne	Warren	Turbolatian	3
Ed	Barbo	Psyche on Fire	4
Kathi	Soukup	TSF Time	5
Tom	Gower	JG Saqr	6
Lisa	Powell	VC Sundae Edition	C
Michael	Powell	Chant Khoumkhemos	C
Kim	Rumpsa	R Secret Joe Medallion	C
SE Minn 6/18 - 25 Mile Competitive LW			
Candy	Barbo	Nobel Annie	1
Cathy	Gower	JG Bandy	2
Mary	Lambert	Psyches Amore	3
Holly	Kemmis	Wineglass Sherry	4
Kathy	Schauer	SW Mananya	5
Janet	Sarver	Bashir	6
Sarah	Carlson	Asti Spumante	C
Linda	Jacobson	Chub Lake Jack Daniel	C
SE Minn 6/18 - 10 Mile Competitive Novice			
Hillary	McCulloh	Icy	1
Nancy	McCoy	Gizmo	2
Malinda	Zielle	RR Ghazrael	3
Katie	Knippel	Zurham Dewahoe	4
Jason	Fullerton	Passing Velocity	5
Pamela	Fullerton	RFR Northern Thundar	6
Toby	McCoy	Josey	Pull
SE Minn 6/18 - 25 Mile Limited Distance Jr			
Grace	Steffl	Daisy	1
Ayla	Spry	SC Zhivago	2
SE Minn 6/18 - 55 Mile Endurance HW			
Michael	Hartman	Count on Tessie Flyin	1
Walter	Freiberg	Jerico	2
Doug	Biegert	Tango	3
Art	Espe	Fancy	4
Barry	Saylor	Ultra Psuede	Pull

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SE Minn 6/18 - 55 Mile Endurance LW			
Andrea	Tims	CR Infinite Pryde	1
Eileen	Kirsch	Sabins Scooter	2
Kristine	Hartman	Klassy Sam	3
Sarah	Maass	Tazmanian Angel	4
Julie	Jackson Biegert	Ace	5
Chip	Jack	Bey Decision	6
Sheila	Schneider	Gypsy B Miss Behavin	C
Beth	Lecy	Fancy T Basko	C

SE Minn 6/18 - 25 Mile Limited Distance Sr			
Angie	Mikkelson	SLA Special Request	1
Amber	Erickson	Simon the Magicn	2
T. J.	Edwards	JBK Tara	3
Kym	Life	Rome Rambo	4
Katie	Bachhuber	J G Btosh	5
Paula	Goligowski	Willie Winchester	6
Jan	Worthington	Impact Psy	C
Victoria	Robison	SC Casa Nova	C
Kelly	Hazledine	Dreamer	C
Megan	Meyers	Zippin Tucker Grand	C
Colleen	Hueners	Tarow	C

SE Minn 6/19 - 25 Mile Competitive HW			
Laurie	Brown	Lazers Legacy	1
Sheryl	OBrien	Psyches Amore	2
Ken	Meyer	Samarii	3
Sherry	Scheibelhut	Vallies SharDonae	4
Tom	Gower	HK Xpress	5
Rich	Elbert	Faloo	6

SE Minn 6/19 - 25 Mile Competitive LW			
Theresa	Meyer	Queen Heartt	1
Candy	Barbo	Nobel Annie	2
Mary	Lambert	High Tail Hanna	3
Danna	Theis	Vallies Hi Strider	4
Joan	Elbert	Lucky	5
Emily	Stover	Vallies Jazirah	6
Holly	Egerer	Dreams of Pushmatahan	C

SE Minn 6/19 - 25 Mile Limited Distance Jr			
River	Campbell	The Girl Next Door	Pull

SE Minn 6/19 - 25 Mile Limited Distance Sr			
T. J.	Edwards	Miss Molly Mule	1
Bonnie	Mielke	BNB Nemesis Chindhi	2
Peggy	Pasillas	Never A Fantahcee	3
Nicole	Eller-Medina	PPF Geyms Quinta	4
Sherry	Aune	Code Red EE	5
Barry	Saylor	Thee Magicman HT	6
Julie	Jackson Biegert	SHF Zareefa D Star	C
Doug	Biegert	Halsteads Firesky	C
Scott	Campbell	MD Kamadon	C
Walter	Freiberg	Laser	Pull
Beth	Lecy	MRA Captivator	Pull

Prairie Smoke - 6/25 75 Mile Endurance LW			
Ona	Lawrence	CR Mackie's Finn	1
Jackie	Erickson	Excelsjor (Loki)	Pull
Kirsten	Kimbler	Fringant	Pull
McCamey	Kimbler	Junior CAHR	Pull

Prairie Smoke - 6/25 75 Mile Endurance HW			
Molly	Perkins	Doll	1
Charlotte	Tuhy	L. S. Maximus	Pull
Marissa	Cline	Harley	Pull

Prairie Smoke - 6/25 50 Mile Endurance - LW			
Jodi	Johannessen	PR Bay Muscrana	1

Prairie Smoke - 6/25 50 Mile Endurance - HW			
Michele	Seaman	Dinero	1
Jill	Trautman	Sage	Pull
Hannah	Pruss	Rushcreek Staci	Pull

Prairie Smoke - 6/25 30 Mile Limited Distance Sr			
Christy	Kuhlka	Denndi Moore (Jodi J's)	1
Teresa	Fett	CR Mistiraaz	2
Sarena	Leppert	Dakotas Glory	3
Josephine	Leppert	The Black Warrior	4
Joel	Hildebrandt	GD Pippin	5
Paula	Goligowski	Little Bay	6
Lauretta	Leppert	BKL Shaining Star	

Prairie Smoke - 6/26 50 Mile Endurance - HW			
Hannah	Pruss	Krusador	1
Karl	Paschal	Kraejus	2
Steve	Hanson	LAS Seykret Affair	Pull

Prairie Smoke - 6/26 50 Mile Endurance - LW			
Debra	Karl	Krown MajusDee	1

Prairie Smoke - 6/26 30 Mile Limited Distance Sr			
Jodi	Johannessen	Denndi Moore	1
Teresa	Fett	CR Eastirylllee	2
Paula	Goligowski	Willie Winchester	3
Ona	Lawrence	Royal Immage	4

Big Valley 7/1 - 25 Mile Competitive HW			
Vicki	Wright	Brimstone	1
Kathi	Soukup	TSF Time	2
Adam	Janz	Corky	3
Max	Bernsdorf	CH Shamm Bashire	4

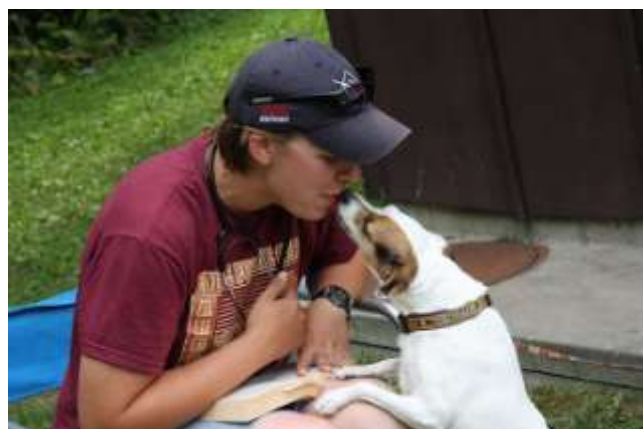
Big Valley 7/1 - 25 Mile Competitive Jr			
Tyler	Griff	Sege's Accompany Me	1

Big Valley 7/1 - 25 Mile Competitive LW			
Kathy	Schauer	Morning Glory	1
Nancy	Leonard	Chet	2

Big Valley 7/1 - 50 Mile Endurance HW			
Scott	Campbell	MD Kamadon	DNF
Robin	Schadt	Sassy Aspen	DNF

Big Valley 7/1 - 50 Mile Endurance HW			
Scott	Campbell	MD Kamadon	DNF
Robin	Schadt	Sassy Aspen	DNF

Big Valley 7/1 - 25 Mile Limited Distance Jr			
Jillian	McInturff	JJJ STD	1
Ayla	Spry	FC Zhivago	2
Chase	Myers	My Ransomed Heart	DNF



Big Valley 7/1 - 25 Mile Limited Distance Sr			
TJ	Edwards	Miss Molly Mule	1
Shirley	May	Twinkle	2
Katie	Bachhuber	JG Btash	3
Ann	Usher	HL Kastaspell	4
Wes	Elford	Rakis	5
Carol	Wagner	Partner	6
Bonnie	Mielke	BNB Nemesis Chindhi	7
Lynne	Himmelreich	SHF Tifaan	8
Donna Lee	Ozment	Nightmare Blues	9
Jan	Worthington	Style n'Attitude	10
Kelly	McInturff	Easter Lilly	11
Edward	Martins	Kings Major	12
Deb	Searle	RK Misty Velvet	13
Colleen	Morgan	Casa Nova	14
Christina	Hyke	Mandate for Gold	DNF
Big Valley 7/2 - 25 Mile Competitive HW			
Robin	Schadt	RA Ibn Maruf	1
Deb	Searle	WOA Raven's Premiere	2
Big Valley 7/2 - 25 Mile Competitive LW			
Holly	Kemmis	Wineglass Sherry	1
Kathy	Schauer	SW Mananya	2
Nancy	Leonard	Chet	3
Barb	Gardner	RR Roman Scooter	4
Big Valley 7/2 - 10 Mile Competitive Novice			
Bobbie	Belz	Duke	1
Kalin	Sunde	Cutter	2
Halaina	Crispin	Skipper	3
Malinda	Zielke	RR Ghazreal	4
Jason	Fullerton	Passing Velocity	5
Pam	Fullerton	RFR Northern Thunder	6
Stephanie	Crispin	EE Vning Shade	MO
Jeanne	Crispin	Jebel Razi	MO
Jessi	Zirbel	RFR Silver Crescent	MO
Big Valley 7/2 - 50 Mile Endurance HW			
Guy	Worthington	PA Hi Spirit	1
Big Valley 7/2 - 50 Mile Endurance LW			
Wendy	Fournier	JG Tadd	1
Eileen	Kirsch	Sabins Scooter	2
Marianne	Guilfoyle	Trekea	DNF
Big Valley 7/2 - 25 Mile Limited Distance Sr			
TJ	Edwards	JBK Tara	1
Larissa	Sprecher	Nadia Bint Najib	2
Melodie	Sprecher	AR Namani	3
Wes	Elford	Impact PSY	4
Nancy	Salazar	Steady's Bad Boy	5
Kathi	Soukup	GSF Frankie	6
Shirley	May	Atalissa	7
Joan	Fisher	CC Lois	8
Jill	Feller	JG Hamdah	9
Joslyn	Seefeldt	Pasarab's Abierto	10
Karen	Farnsworth	Mystique	11
Lynne	Himmelreich	SHF Tifaan	12

Big Valley 7/3 - 25 Mile Limited Distance Jr			
River	Campbell	MD Kamadon	1
Bryce	Crispin	Cody	2
Breanna	Baemert	Cheyenne	3
Big Valley 7/3 - 25 Mile Limited Distance Sr			
TJ	Edwards	Miss Molly Mule	1
Eileen	Kirsch	DA Maymouna	2
Shirley	May	Twinkle	3
Bonnie	Mielke	BNB Nemesis Chindhi	4
Nancy	Salazar	Peanut	5
Kym	Life	Rome	6
Jeanne	Crispin	CR Tequila Rose	7
Scott	Campbell	Chiefs Irish Clover	8
Stephanie	Crispin	Tazman Come Lately	9
Jason	Fullerton	Passing Velocity	10
Jessi	Zirbel	RFR Silver Crescent	11
Carol	Wagner	Tripl Blackburn King	12
Ann	Plata	Acostaborr	13
Guy	Worthington	Coronna	DNF

Point Standings

1st through 10th only – see www.umecra.com for complete placings.

The following rides are included in the Year-To-Date points:

Brighton Spring	Ahdra I	Maplewood West	Big Valley
White River Spring	Run For The Border	White River Summer	Prairie Smoke
Glacier Trails	Grand Island	SE Minn	
Mndra I	ApDra	Hopkins Creek	

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Competitive - HW				
1	Robin	Schadt	RA Ibn Maruf	100.4
2	Maxine	Bernsdorf	CH Shamm Bashire	76
3	Deb	Searle	WOA Ravens Premier+	45
4	Vicki	Wright	Brimestone	45
5	Joan	Thiel	RF Joyride	44
6	Ken	Wright	LW Raajsreflection	41
7	Sherry	Scheibelhut	Vallies SharDonae	40
8	Ken	Meyer	Samarii	39
9	Jeanne	Aslakson	Cin Bob Go Chief	38.6
10	Kathi	Soukup	TSF Time	38



<i>Competitive - LW</i>				
1	Diane	Meinders	Lacey's Game	70.6
2	Nancy	Leonard	Chet	69
3	Candy	Barbo	Nobel Annie	60
4	Leslie	Bennett	Catchulatr WLA	59
5	Rosanne	Clark	Emalika	59
6	Darlene	Molitor	Vallies Amerah	46
7	Joan	Elbert	Lucky	41
8	Holly	Kemmis	Wineglass Sherry	41
9	Kathy	Schauer	Morning Glory	36
10	Theresa	Meyer	Queen Heartt	33

<i>Competitive - Jr</i>				
1	Whitney	Meinders	Honey	109.4
2	Tyler	Griffin	Seger's Accompany Me	33
3	Rachael	Meinders	MS Disani	30
4	Rachel	Meinders	AHM Duallah	22
5	Rachel	Clark	Ahmdu Allah	20
6	Christina	Theoret	Tender Dell Leo	15
7	Nell	Hansen	Gage	11
8	Tanya	Meyer	Samarii	11
9	Lauren	Mershon	Turbolatian	10
10	Justin	Vannurden	Vallies Kastiel	10

<i>Competitive - Novice</i>				
1	Malinda	Zielke	RR Ghazrael	22.36
2	Kaylin	Sundee	Cutter	22.08
3	Sarah	George	Diego	13.2
4	Larry	Allen	Midnight Moon	11.68
5	Pam	Fullerton	RFR Northern Thundar	11.04
6	Barbara	McGivney	Lika Charmer	11
7	Diane	Schemerhorn	Iron Lady Hawk	10.08
8	Ruth	Casserly	Auran HarleyDvdsn	9.5
9	Hillary	McCulloh	Icy	8.72
10	James	Hyke	Ransomed Heart	8.64

<i>Competitive - Drive</i>				
1	Tim	Casserly	Bach/Harley	19.2
2	Rick	Nelson	Hearts Big Boy	17.28
3	Ray	Hubert	Penguin Beware	9.6
4	Connie	Petrick	Mike & Junior	8.64
5	Tony	Troyer	Heart of Valparaiso	8.16
6	Alice	Hubert	Pistol Pete	8.16
7	Katz	Jackson	Talon	5.28

<i>Endurance - HW</i>				
1	Scott	Campbell	Monachers Charm	95.4
2	Gene	Dake	CSA Zafirah	88.0
3	Charlotte	Tuhy	L S Maximus	77.0
4	Robin	Schadt	Sassy Aspen	74.2
5	Bonnie	Mielke	Ola Loki	74.0
6	Guy	Worthington	PA Hi Spirit	70.0
7	Carl	Dosman	J. Dalmaar Sharri	60.0
8	Sherry	Aune	Cabernet Sauvignon	50.0
9	Art	Espe	Fancy	49.8
10	Jen	Allen	Saleros Legacy	48.0

<i>Endurance - LW</i>				
1	Lori	Windows	Ella N Fires Jane Doe	92.0
2	Eileen	Kirsch	Sabins Scooter	78.0
3	Linda	Jacobson	Majer Ridge Scarlet Deb	62.2
4	Linda	Hamrick	RTM First In Line	60.0
5	Roxi	Welling	Pablo Paez	55.0
6	Shelley	Dake	Crusion	54.0
7	Andrea	Tims	CR Infinite Pryde	52.2
8	Roberta	Harms	EV Count Valentino	42.0
9	Angie	Mikkelson	Joke Son U	42.0
10	Rebecca	Grams	Bears Northern Light	36.0

<i>Endurance - Jr</i>				
1	Rachel	Meinders	Ms Dasani	62.0
2	Ayla	Spry	FC Lantana	46.2
3	Brooke	Koehn	JBK Zum Bayou	22.0
4	Ayla	Spry	Dreamy Gal	22.0
5	Zane	Baker	Java Baskin's Attache	18.0

<i>Limited Distance - Jr.</i>				
1	Grace	Steffl	Daisy	44
2	Ayla	Spry	SC Zhivago	30
3	Danielle	Hollerud	Dutchess	22
4	Rachel	Meinders	Shatto's Sirlancelot	13.2
5	River	Campbell	MD Kamadon	11
6	Brooke	Koehn	JBK Zum Bayou	11
7	Dylan	Koehn	Poncho	11
8	Ayla	Spry	JJ Std	10
9	Breanna	Baemert	Cheyenne	9

<i>Limited Distance - Sr.</i>				
1	Bonnie	Mielke	BNB Nemesis Chindhi	60.4
2	TJ	Edwards	Miss Molly Mule	56
3	TJ	Edwards	JBK Tara	44
4	Eileen	Kirsch	DA Maymoona	40
5	Linda	Hamrick	Mattingly KC Heart	39
6	Marge	Dixon	Kenlyn Lexus	36.2
7	Larissa	Spercher	Nadia Bint Najib	35
8	Joslyn	Seefeldt	Pasarab's Abierto	34.2
9	Katie	Bachhuber	JG Batsh	33
10	Walter	Frieberg	Laser	33

<i>Rookie - Competitive</i>				
1	Leslie	Bennett	Catchulatr WLA	66
2	Vicki	Wright	Brimestone	55
3	Adam	Janz	Corky	31
4	Peggy	Pasillas	MRA Whirlwind	22
5	Debra	Juettner	Rena	21
6	Jessi	Zirbel	RFR Silver Crescent	9

<i>Rookie - Endurance</i>				
1	Emily	Stover	TS Fames Allionce	
2	Kevin	Soukup	TSF Time	
3	Amber	Erickson	Simon the Magic'n	



Calcium and Phosphorus Ratios in Equine Diets

by: Marie Rosenthal, MS

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Ensuring your horse maintains a balanced diet is one of the most important aspects of horse care. In particular, ensuring your horse maintains a balanced calcium and phosphorus ratio in his diet is critical, as horses with calcium or phosphorus deficiencies or toxicities are prone to various disorders, according to Ramiro E. Toribio, DVM, MS, PhD, Dipl. ACVIM, associate professor in the Department of Veterinary Clinical Sciences at The Ohio State University, who recently composed a literature review on the topic.

In horses calcium helps maintain normal brain and nerve function and aids in heart, skeletal muscle, and intestinal contraction. Phosphorus helps regulate muscle and heart contraction, cell integrity, and glucose use.

The calcium to phosphate ratio in the equine diet is important because the two work closely together: "A balanced equine diet must have 0.15-1.5% of calcium and 0.15-0.6% of phosphorus in feed dry matter," Toribio explained. "A calcium to phosphorus ratio of less than 1:1 can have negative consequences on the skeleton." Simply put, a horse needs at least as much calcium in his diet as phosphorus, never the reverse.

Deficiencies

Most animals with a calcium or phosphorus deficiency show subtle clinical signs, generally because most of the resulting damage is internal. When blood levels are low, the horse's body will draw calcium and phosphorus from the bones to carry out bodily functions, which can lead to some serious consequences, as described below.

Chronic calcium deficiency is rare and is associated with abnormal skeletal development, lameness, weak bones, fractures, poor growth, and poor performance. Acute calcium deficiency also is rare and is associated with neurologic signs (e.g., seizures), muscle trembling, decreased intestinal motility, and, in pregnant mares, dystocia (difficult birth) or retained placenta.

Phosphorus-deficient horses often show clinical signs such as muscle weakness and trembling, said Toribio. Additionally, lack of phosphorus can hinder horses'

ability to regulate their energy needs properly, which can lead to high blood levels of glucose and fats.

Toxicity

Phosphorus toxicity is more common in horses than calcium toxicity, Toribio said. Horses with phosphorus toxicity often display similar clinical signs as horses with a calcium deficiency; the excess phosphorus binds to the calcium in the intestine, decreasing the body's absorption of the latter. The horse's body also tries to compensate for the excess phosphorus by using calcium from the bones, essentially weakening the skeleton.

Calcium toxicity is rare in horses and provided the horse receives enough phosphorus in his diet, there's little risk of detrimental effects.

Toribio noted that while most horses receive a good balance of calcium and phosphorus from a daily diet of high-quality forage coupled with a commercial grain mix (some forages are low in phosphorus, so hay should be tested if the horse is eating a forage-only diet), some, including foals, high performance horses, and pregnant or lactating mares, could require a higher daily amount of the two minerals. Owners can fulfill an increased calcium and phosphorus requirement easily by providing the horse with a balanced vitamin and mineral supplement.

Simple blood tests can detect calcium or phosphorus toxicity or deficiency, so it's advisable to work with your veterinarian if concerns mount about a particular horse's daily intake of the two required minerals. Also consider having the nutrient contents in your horse's hay and grass tested to ensure he's receiving the appropriate amount of vitamins and minerals. Finally, your veterinarian or equine nutritionist can help you plan a balanced diet for your animal, complete with vitamin or mineral supplement suggestions if necessary.

The article, "Disorders of calcium and phosphate metabolism in horses," appeared in April in *Veterinary Clinics of North America: Equine Practice*. The abstract is available on PubMed.



TRAILER SMART FOR SAFER HAULING

by: Kentucky Horse Council
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We've all been there. A truck that isn't quite large enough to haul that heavily loaded bumper pull gets pushed around when the horses bicker over the hay bag. The old trailer doesn't have any brakes or tail lights, but it's only a few miles down the road. Your brakes lock, but it's only on one wheel and you're a good driver, so why worry?

Ignoring limitations when hauling your horses is dangerous and can cause injury and maybe even death to you, your horses, and others. No one is such a good and conscientious driver that they can compensate for hauling too large a load with too small a vehicle or for a lack of brakes and tail lights.

While it is impossible to eliminate every risk when hauling horses, we can certainly reduce them significantly by choosing and matching our towing vehicle and hauling equipment carefully, properly hitching and loading our trailers, and practicing careful driving habits.

Consider the following when selecting your trailer and towing vehicle:

- Is the truck correctly sized to haul the loaded trailer? It is best to get an outside professional opinion on matching the truck and trailer.
- Does the vehicle have a correctly installed frame hitch, rated to tow the loaded weight of the trailer? Again, seek professional assistance if you're unsure.
- Is the ball correctly sized for the coupler? A 2-inch ball is correctly sized for a 2-inch coupler, while a trailer with a 2 5/8-inch coupler needs a 2 5/8-inch ball. Joining a coupler to a smaller sized ball might at first seem like a workable solution, but as soon as you cross the first set of rail road tracks or bump in the road, your truck and trailer can easily be separated.
- Does your truck have the right electrical outlet for the trailer wiring? All livestock trailers should have working brakes and lights, which requires a proper electrical connection.
- Does the trailer have a solid floor? Make sure you check under the floor mats. Moisture becomes trapped under floor mats and can cause wood to rot and steel to rust, and urine causes aluminum to corrode. Aluminum floors can also crack. All

livestock trailers should have a stout floor, no exceptions.

- Is the trailer appropriately sized for the animals you intend to haul?

What are the benefits and limitations of a tow behind verses a gooseneck trailer? Which is most appropriate for your use and hauling vehicle? Generally a gooseneck trailer is more stable and less likely to sway when hauled. A gooseneck has a smaller turn radius and will track inside the curve when following the truck through a turn. Tow behind trailers track behind the hauling vehicle even when on a turn. An anti-sway bar can be used to reduce sway when hauling a tow behind trailer.

Every time you hitch up you should also verify:

1. All the lights are working;
2. The ball is properly attached to the draw bar;
3. The correctly sized ball for the particular trailer you are towing is on the draw bar;
4. The draw bar is properly attached to the hitch receiver (be sure to check the pin);
5. The trailer coupler is properly secured to the ball (Most tow behinds have a clasp that needs to be closed or a pin that needs to be placed. Failure to secure the coupler may result in the separation of the towing vehicle and trailer);
6. The safety chains are attached correctly (Tow chains should be crossed under the trailer tongue and secured to the towing vehicle using the hooks next to the ball.);
7. The trailer floor is sound;
8. The trailer is properly ventilated for the season and number of animals being hauled;
9. Tire pressure of both the truck and trailer tires is adequate;
10. Tire tread of the truck and trailer is suitable; and
11. The emergency brake box is charged and properly connected.

Remember, trailers need maintenance just like vehicles, so have your trailer serviced annually. The service should include a check of the wheel bearings (as they may need repacking), wiring and lights, brakes, alignment, tire wear, emergency brake box, and structural integrity.

Loading the Trailer

In general it is a good idea to balance the load in your trailer. Your goals should be to keep the trailer level when it is loaded and situate your horses in a manner that limits risks.

Remember to load your heaviest horse on the driver side of the trailer. Also if you are only hauling one horse it should

be loaded on the driver side. This helps keep the trailer from flipping if your passenger-side tire runs off the road.

In slant load trailers the heavy horse or single horse should go into the first stall. Keeping your weight toward the front of the trailer, rather than toward the back, helps avoid trailer sway.

Evaluate your rig once the trailer is loaded. If the trailer buckles down at the tongue (and the truck is properly sized for the load), you need to reconsider how your horses are distributed in the trailer and shift some weight to the back. Similarly, if the trailer buckles up at the tongue (and the truck is properly sized for the load) too much weight is in the back of the trailer.

Driving

Speed up and slow down more gradually, take turns slower, and allow more stopping room, but when you're on straight and safe roads, you can go as fast as is legal and manageable for your vehicle. Remember, when your horse gets off the trailer he should be uninjured and not afraid of getting back on!

Accident or Intention

An accident is "any event that happens unexpectedly, without a deliberate plan or cause." It seems that definition is worth remembering and perhaps we should step back and carefully survey every trailer driving calamity before casually assigning the word "accident."

Hopefully we can all agree that when we wreck it is not because we had a "deliberate plan"; but how many of us can truly say there wasn't a "deliberate cause?" When hauling livestock we have a duty to be trailer smart by selecting and maintaining appropriate vehicles and equipment, carefully loading animals, and focusing on the safety of our human and livestock passengers, other motorists, pedestrians, and cyclists.

Triple Crown Standings!

Rider	Horse	Pts (#rides)
Robin Schadt	RA Ibn Maruf	53 (2)
Deb Searle	WOA Ravens Premier	44 (2)
Connie Caudill	Hava Nahn	40 (1)
McKaleigh Burton	Kahemosabi	40(1)
Lois McAfee	LMS Hoosier	40(1)
Roberta Harms	EV Count Valentino	32 (2)
Guy Worthington	Fast William	30 (2)
Team Casserly	Auran Harley Dvdsn/ Auran Bachlava	28.5 (2)
Karen Sylvara	Spot Me Wild	28 (2)
Gerald Cummings	Bethany Emma	22.2 (1)
Jeremy Olson	Guesswhozgotitall	22 (1)

Bonnie Mielke	BNB Nemesis Chindhi	21 (2)
Marge Dixon	Kenlynn Intrigue	20 (2)
Tyler Griffin	Mahrtina	20 (1)
Marge Dixon	Kenlyn Lexus	20 (2)
Aaron Mowrer	Arazi	19 (2)
Tyler Griffin	Seeger's Accompany Me	19 (1)
Maxine Bernsdorf	Mi Lucky Charm	18 (2)
Vicki Wright	Brimstone	17 (2)
Barbara McGivney	Lika Charmer	16.5 (2)
Joyce Mocilan	Special Edishahn	15 (2)
Ayla Spry	FC Lantana	14 (1)
Ann DeLang	Chocolate Martini	13.5 (2)
Jan Worthington	Impact Psy	12 (1)
Eileen Kirsch	Sabin's Scooter	12 (1)
Kalin Sunde	Cutter	12 (2)
Tony Troyer	Precious Legacy	11.5 (1)
Holly Kemmis	Wineglass Sherry	11
Art Espe	Jim	11
Eileen Kirsch	DA Maymouna	11
Marty Power	SA Te Jat	10
Chris Power	Wineglass Debonair	8
Guy Worthington	Coronna	8
Reno Glasglow	Cody	7
Ayla Spry	JJ Std	6
Doug Biegert	Tango	6
Art Espe	Sundance	6
Jan Worthington	SC Casa Nova	5
Linda Miller	Plaudit Mc Ule	4.5
Julie Jackson/Biegert	Ace	4
Josh Mowrer	Riako Magnum Archie	4
Linda Mowrer	Rasuli The Magnificent	3
Kim Rumpsa	R Secret Joe Medallion	1



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