

# UPPER MIDWEST ENDURANCE AND COMPETITIVE RIDES ASSOCIATION



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**Letter from the Prez....**

Good day!

The UMECRA Board of Directors recently had a conference call discussing possible alternatives to the paper member card. The member card in UMECRA has two purposes:

- 1) a receipt that you are signed up as a member for the year
- 2) a reminder of your member number or issuance of a number if you are a new UMECRA member. This member number stays the same throughout your riding career with us.

Issuing the paper member card is a time consuming process with special paper, unique numbers and names, separate addressing, and postage affixing. During the conference call board members considered the idea of an email notification of member receipt, since so much of our daily life notifications are electronic already. Saving a screen-shot to your phone or having the ability to print a member number for your records from a website were requirements which were discussed. We know a few people will still want a paper member card, and we will provide for that.

The Board expects to roll out an electronic "member card" for the 2018 season. Do you have questions/comments about this? Please contact your UMECRA board members including rider representatives. We want your feedback on this idea!

Thank you,  
Theresa Meyer  
UMECRA President

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**Family Members - Email Address Alert!**  
UMECRA is already preparing for the Rider Representative Election this winter. Last January the board experimented with a couple of email electronic voting programs. One was clearly a winner.

Almost every single member provides us with an email address. This is wonderful because when the time comes they will get an link to an electronic ballot. Family members get two votes. The electronic ballot can not be sent to the same email two times.

**Family members** - if you want to receive your two votes for rider rep this winter - please provide us with your name, at least one other family member's name and the two email addresses you would like to use. Please do it right now so you don't forget.

Send this information to:  
Theresa Meyer  
[thmeyer753@gmail.com](mailto:thmeyer753@gmail.com)

Thanks!

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**Looking for new places to ride in your area and beyond?**

Check out <http://trailmeister.com/>  
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**Ride Schedule – Counting Down but plenty of riding left in the season!**

Dates	Ride	Location
Sep 16-17	Colorama	Greenbrush, WI
Sep 16-17	Tin Cup Springs	Luther, MI
Sep 23-24	Run for the Ridge	Fairfax, MN
Sep 23-24	Salamonie Stomp	Andrews, IN
Sep 30	Metro Park Express Ride	Milford, MI
Oct 6-8	DRAWarama	Palmyra, WI
Oct 14-15	Iron Oak	Arkdale, WI
Oct 14-15	Oak Leaf Run	Hamilton, MI
Oct 20-21	Point Chaser	Theilman, MN
Oct 28-29	AHDRAs Big River	Keithsburg, IL

**Ride Managers – please check dates, ride names and locations - check for accuracy!**



**Attention College Bound and College Enrolled Students**

Applications are now being accepted through Thursday, November 16, 2017 for scholarships from the Upper Midwest Endurance & Competitive Rides Association Scholarship, a component fund of the Community Foundation of Southern Wisconsin, Inc. for post high school educational opportunities. Applicants must have at least two years' membership in UMECRA. The applicants must have participated in at least 25 rides sponsored by UMECRA and intend to study for at least a two-year program at an accredited college, university or technical school.

Former Wisconsin members Ray and Audrey Gehrig established this scholarship in 1996. Additional tax deductible contributions are welcome for anyone at any time.

Many UMECRA members have made charitable contributions to support this scholarship fund in the past. We encourage members to continue to add memorial gifts and honorariums to the fund to support this worthy scholarship for youth and others returning to school. You can donate directly on-line at the website [cfsw.org](http://cfsw.org)

For scholarship materials and/or information about making a contribution to the UMECRA Fund, please go to the website: [www.cfsw.org/scholarships/additional-opportunities/](http://www.cfsw.org/scholarships/additional-opportunities/) and scroll down to UMECRA.or contact Jackie Ommodt at:  
Phone: 608-758-0883  
Fax: 608-758-8551  
Email: [jackie@cfsw.org](mailto:jackie@cfsw.org)

Send completed forms to:

UPPER MIDWEST ENDURANCE & COMPETITIVE RIDES ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP FUND  
c/o Community Foundation of Southern Wisconsin - Jackie Ommodt, Grant & Scholarship Manager  
26 S. Jackson St.  
Janesville, WI 53548



**Board Appointed Positions - Nominations Sought**

Each year two board appointed positions are renewed or new volunteers are appointed at the November Board of Directors meeting. This year the newsletter and sanctioning coordinator positions will be considered.

**Newsletter Editor(s)** will edit, author and publish at least 10 newsletters per year both electronic and by hard copy. It is important to have good computer skills for this positions. Previous newsletter publishing experience is a plus. You do not have to be a writer, but formatting and editing skills are necessary and an aptitude for hitting deadlines is a valuable quality. Please send your letter nomination and qualifications to UMECRA Secretary/Treasurer Bruce Birr at [bbirr@centurytel.net](mailto:bbirr@centurytel.net).

The second open position is **Sanctioning Coordinator** who will work with the UMECRA Board, UMECRA ride managers and AERC Sanctioning Director to sanction and coordinate scheduling recommendations to the Board for UMECRA rides and shall edit and coordinate publishing of the yearly UMECRA ride book. The sanctioning coordinator also distributes ride forms and paperwork to the ride managers. Detail-oriented, organized problem solvers with good communication skills are who

we seek as the sanctioning coordinator. Again, send your letter nomination and qualifications to UMECRA Secretary/Treasurer Bruce Birr at [bbirr@centurytel.net](mailto:bbirr@centurytel.net).

Generally, these positions are advisory and administrative Board positions, and are non-voting. These positions are also subject to the requirements of the traditional duties and standards of responsibility expected of these positions within UMECRA, subject to the authority of the UMECRA Board and as related needs arise within their areas of responsibility. In addition appointees will have to sign UMECRA Code of Conduct. Please contact a board member if you have questions about this process.

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### UMECRA'S TRAIL GRANT FUND

Recently, the Board of Directors (BOD) approved an updated Trail Grant Fund (TGF) program description and a standardization of the guidelines it uses in approving grant applications. The TGF is available to all members looking for funds to assist and establish trails and camping amenities at trails and campsites used for equestrian purposes. The new program description and guidelines were put together by a committee of board members concerned about the continuity of the program and an application and approval process that is both fair and consistent with the values of our organization.

The new trail grant information and an application for funds can be found on the UMECRA web-site (click on the "About" button, then "Membership"). A few of the highlights of the program include:

- Yearly assessment by the BOD in setting the amount of money available per request (current amount is \$300 per grant)
- Priority for approval of grants is given to trails/campgrounds where UMECRA and AERC sanctioned rides are currently held

- Funds must be used either for new trail development or maintenance of existing trails/campgrounds/trailheads.

Once again, the complete Trail Grant Program description and applications for a grant can be found at [www.umcera.com](http://www.umcera.com) A huge THANK YOU to the TGF Committee for their work on this important membership benefit. Committee members involved were Bruce Birr, Darlene Molitor, Peggy Pasillas, Jan Sasena, Bill Suskey, and Jon Wagner

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**Points! Only top 20 (or so) places are shown. See UMECRA.com for full listing. Contact Robin Schadt if you have questions - [robinschadt@aol.com](mailto:robinschadt@aol.com) or call 708.280.8241**

Competitive HW			
Diane	Maxey	LW Constant Sohn	115.2
Amber	Hennig	PAA Baylyn Seer	89.4
Allison	Goetz	Shadowtrax	85.4
Sandra	Wright	LW Raajas Chip	66
Ken	Wright	Samaha Gameela	61
Allison	Goetz	Sarah	52
Barb	Gardner	RR Roman Scooter	33
Stephanie	Crispin	Mr Tiggerific Dhream	31
Jim	Andriakos	CR Cosmic Eclipse	29
Kim	Rumpsa	R Secret Dun Wapiti	25.2
Joshua	Mowrer	EAF Sweet Clementine	25
Carmen	Steuck	Phoenix	24.2
Samantha	Connor	Duchess	22
Bethany	Borchert	Dun Adoby Fox	20
Cassandra	Green	Tryllerika	19
Diane	Maxey	Avaree	13.2
Stacey	Vander Woude	WS Lu Nor Ramil	12
Kristi	Isaac	Tatao's Widcat	12
Debra	Moe	Pendragon Myth	11
Stacey	Vander Woude	Lil Nikki	11
Joan	Thiel	A Risky Encounter	11
Sarah	Mowrer	A Time To Shine	11

Competitive Jr			
Lorelai	Haase	Sky	186.8
Taylor	Walker	Backstreetstrutter GSA	75
Margaretha	Hoffman	Aladda Rodania	68.6
Elyssia	Perez	Hamlet	58.8
Isabella	Moorhouse	Shaheen El Hilal AW	41
Margaretha	Hoffman	Fuzz	21
Isabella	Moorhouse	Elsa	20
Abigail	Moorhouse	Shaheen El Hilal AW	11
Miley	Eischens	Jazz	11
Kyle	Baemmert	Missy	11
Ruby	Thorp	Nightmare Blues	10
Competitive LW			
Laura	Husser	CDWD Margarita	147.2
Laura	Savatski	Murphy's Law	107
Suzanne	Warren	PPF Geyms Sony	81.8
Linda	Jacobson	Mi Precious Ruby	75.2
Lynn	Haase	Fuzz	66.4
Lori	Windows	JA Bannarr	61.2
Lisa	Germann	Over Brooks Image	55
Diane	Meinders	MS Dasani	53.2
Ruth	Casserly	Amir Sam PMR	52
Tori	VonRuden	Neveah	50.4
Lisa	Moorhouse	Moulins SAL-LAS WPA	47
Debby	Weisbecker	Love Me A Latte	45.6
Bev	Specht	JH Arabalest	42
Peggy	Pasillas	Remy	32.8
Miranda Ann	Miller	Brittany Rolsthedice	32
Lori	Windows	Mahrtina	32
Candy	Barbo	SR August Breeze	28
Sally	Hoff	John Henry	25
Colleen	Morgan	Joke Son U	22
Lynn	Reichert	W H Procrastinator	22
Drive			
Ray	Hubert	Lone Oak	77.72
Leslie	Lloyd	Spot	32.08
Alice	Hubert	K-Macaroni	21.3
Jeanne	White	Chessica	19.44
Matt	Hennig	Little Lilly	18.96
Wes	Licht	Rosali	15.36
Sharon	Hahn	My Cameo Love	7.44
Kathleen	Skoza		6.6
Aaron	Mowrer	Arazi	5.5
Alice	Hubert	Scarlet Lite	2.8

Endurance HW			
Sheryl	O'Brien	Wild River Sundancer	106
Stephanie	Crispin	AllAboutMajestic	98
Deb	Searle	Sultann Sundance	92
Kimberly Ann	Fosler	BZ Cojeseryn Sahar	79.8
Stacey	Vander Woude	Lil Nikki	68.2
Sarah	Mowrer	A Time To Shine	58
Robin	Schadt	Kayheart	56
Guy	Worthington	PA Hi-Spirit	48
Cassandra	Green	Yo Dusty	44
Jim	Andriakos	CR Cosmic Eclipse	42
Jennifer	Fischer	Auli Sabah	40
Wes	Elford	Suzie Q	40
Don	Schermerhorn	High Ole Matilda	38
Peter	Dordal	Amaz'n Grace	34
Kathi	Soukup	TSF Time	28
Cassandra	Green	Tryllerika	22
Guy	Worthington	JG Randie	22
Joshua	Mowrer	KW Magnum Archie	18
Kathi	Soukup	GSF Frankie	17.6
Taryn	Lindbeck	TKO Rhio Bask	16
Jeanne	Aslakson	Quincey QT	16
Endurance Jr			
Madelyn	VanDamme	Dreamer	24.2
Endurance LW			
Linda	Hamrick	RTM First In Line	210.2
Jodi	Johannessen	PR Bay Muscrana	193
Lori	Windows	Ella N Fires Jane Doe	148.6
Roberta	Harms	Lady Jane	116
Diane	Meinders	Yo Dusty	111.6
Belinda	Cook	BF Four by Four	109
Linda	Jacobson	Majer Ridge Scarlet Debut	91.2
Sheila	Schneider	Gypsy B Miss Behavin	91
Bettina	Koehn	JBK Nadja	85
Haley	Elliott	Ashe	80
Karen	Bahrman	Prada SF	79.2
Maria	Enge	Faustos Flame	76
Laurie	Henschel	Bataania KSR	58
Leigh Ann	Sytsma	Heza Bright Future	58
Colleen	Morgan	Joke Son U	52
Candy	Barbo	Psyche On Fire	52
Elizabeth	Frieders	UpUp And Away JIF	50
Olivia	Rudolphi	H. WineGlass Syrah	48.2
Barb	Kurti	Kulta	43.4
Jessie	Dux	Renegade Raja	42
Tracey	Roush	Dallas	42
Limited Distance Jr			
Madison	Wagner	Cheyenne	117.2
Alice	Erickson	Rushcreek Calia	87.2
Emma	Christopherson	Misty	33.2
Madelyn	VanDamme	Dreamer	33
Sophia	Gustafson	Tryggr	28
Hattie	Herrmann	WOA Ravens Premier +/-	19
Kendra	Olshefske	Sophia	11
Fallon	Darga	Itaque Jester	11
Aleecia	Adams		10
Lilly	Vos	Jewels	10
Adin	Esqueda		10

Limited Distance Sr			
Jodi	Johannessen	Bombay Ice	105.6
Jon	Wagner	Mi Victory Dance	105.2
TJ	Edwards	Miss Molly Mule	73.6
Tina	Williams	Sonny	67.4
Carol	Wagner	Tripl Blackburn King	65.2
Maxine	Bernsdorf	CH Shamm Bashire	63.4
Jean	Allen	Walor AF	61
Melinda	Stewart	McCues Miss Behavin	57
Nancy	Leonard	NE Klints Maverick	53.2
Linda	Jacobson	Chub Lake Jack Daniel	51.2
Bonnie	Mielke	DLF Boudicca XX	51
Christopher	Power	WineGlass Debonair	49.2
Roberta	Harms	EV Count Valentino	45.4
Angel	Chmurynski	Desperados Legacy	45
Linda	Hamrick	Cash	45
Samantha	Connor	Bey Gaalan	44.2
Elizabeth	Frieders	Hotsprings Fandango	41.2
Wes	Elford	Suzie Q	40
Bonnie	Mielke	PSL Lakota Chief	39.4
Lisa	Docter	HS Kiger Danielle	38
Novice			
Judith	Komp	Haidas Smoke Cutter	21.12
Michele	Bjork	Sorli Fra Fitjamyri	13.2
Pamela	Coolidge	Snappy	11.8
?	Hoffman	Lindy	9.84
Kimberly	Wysislak		9.4
Barb	Hogan	Arapto Keepnfaith	7.68
Megan	Thomas	Karo	7.04
John	Stafford	HS Wineglass Pik Two Buck Chuck	5.5
Terri	McNamara		5
Michele	Bjork		5
Gerry	Van Harpen	Bailey	4.8
Tori	VonRuden	Neveah	3.84
Christi	Mastley	Tamanni BLM	3.2
Brian	Larson		3
Miley	Eischens	Jazz	2.88
Kasie	Thomas	Indy	2.4
Nina	Welschen	River	2.4
Lois	Tesch	BSA Jackson Bey	2.4
Darlene	Farley	SG Sunny Delight	2.4
Keri	Wesley	Gotta Flirt	2.4
Kaitlyn	Wesley	Kusanna	2.4

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## Ride Results!

If you see an error in the ride results, please contact the **ride manager** to make the correction. The ride manager will make the correction with Robin Schadt, the points keeper.

Pine Marten Run - 7/22 - Comp LW			
Lisa	Germann	Over Brooks Image	1
Pine Marten Run - 7/22 - End LW			
Wendy	Maas	Renegade Raja	1
Linda	Hamrick	RTM First In Line	2
Alex	Gencheff	Silver Russian	3
Andrea S.	Redman	Lu-Nor Nykabey	4
Karen	Bahrman	Prada SF	5
Diane	Meinders	Yo Dusty	6
Taylor	Walker	Backstreetstrutter GSA	C
Barb	Kurti	Kulta	C
Kelsey	Shope	Frost	C
Angel	Chmurynski	Desperados Legacy	C
Pam	Cotton	RFR The Icebaby	P
Pine Marten Run - 7/22 - LD Jr			
Madelyn	VanDamme	Dreamer	1
Madison	Wagner	Cheyenne	2
Pine Marten Run - 7/22 - LD Sr			
Kayla M.	Shope	Lu-Nor Tornado	1
Jon	Wagner	Mi Victory Dance	2
Deborah	Taylor-Lansky	Regal	3
Tina	Williams	Sonny	4
Bonnie	Mielke	PSL Lakota Chief	5
Carol	Wagner	Tripl Blackburn King	6
Pine Marten Run - 7/23 - Comp LW			
Diane	Meinders	MS Dasani	1
Pine Marten Run - 7/23 - LD Jr			
Madelyn	VanDamme	Dreamer	1
Pine Marten Run - 7/23 - LD Sr			
Jessie	Dux	Sterling Star Stryder	1
Kayla M.	Shope	Lu-Nor Tornado	2
Bonnie	Mielke	DLF Boudicca XX	3
Tina	Williams	Sonny	4
Linda	Hamrick	Cash	5
Angel	Chmurynski	Dynamo Dash	6
Christina	Hurzeler	Morning	C
Stephanie	Hiltunen	Thaddeus	C
Rita	Seaberg	Hershey	C
Bonecrusher - 7/28 - Comp HW			
Barb	Gardner	RR Roman Scooter	1
Allison	Goetz	Shadowtrax	2
Bonecrusher - 7/28 - Comp Jr			
Lorelai	Haase	Sky	1
Margaretha	Hoffman	Aladda Rodania	2
Elyssia	Perez	Hamlet	3
Bonecrusher - 7/28 - Comp LW			
Laura	Savatski	Murphy's Law	1
Laura	Husser	CDWD Margarita	2
Lori	Windows	JA Bannarr	3
Bonecrusher - 7/28 - End HW			
Deb	Searle	Sultann Sundance	1
Robin	Schadt	Kayheart	2

Bonecrusher - 7/28 - End LW			
Linda	Jacobson	Majer Ridge Scarlet Debut	1
Olivia	Rudolphi	WineGlass Dora	2
Laurie	Henschel	Bataania KSR	3
Roberta	Harms	Lady Jane	4
Anne	Liddell	Solozar	5
Haley	Elliott	Ashe	6
Colleen	Morgan	Joke Son U	C
Belinda	Cook	BF Four by Four	C
Bonecrusher - 7/28 - LD Jr			
Madison	Wagner	Cheyenne	1
Payden	Gray Nichols	Apollo's Geym	2
Alice	Erickson	Rushcreek Calia	3
Bonecrusher - 7/28 - LD Sr			
Jean	Allen	Walor AF	1
Jon	Wagner	Mi Victory Dance	2
Sherry	Aune	Cabernet Sauvignon	3
Bonnie	Mielke	DLF Boudicca XX	4
Jodi	Johannessen	Bombay Ice	5
Lynda	Zimmerman	HDR Petrolero de Nevado	6
Nicole	Mauser-Storer	Sosas Playboy at Sonset	C
Ann	DeLang	Chocolate Martini	C
Kathi	Soukup	TSF Time	C
Jessica	Zirbel	Magnums BeyShah Zen	C
Carol	Wagner	Tripl Blackburn King	C
Melinda	Stewart	McCues Miss Behavin	C
Maxine	Bernsdorf	CH Shamm Bashire	C
Lindsay	Jackson Nichols	Memphis Reins	C
Bonecrusher - 7/29 - Comp HW			
Allison	Goetz	Shadowtrax	1
Amber	Hennig	PAA Baylyn Seer	2
Bonecrusher - 7/29 - Novice			
Heather	Lindroth	John Henry	1
Barb	Hogan	Arapto Keepnfaith	1
Linda	Sweeney	Alera	3
Sally	Hoff	Gloryius Trinity	4
Judith	Komp	Haidas Smoke Cutter	5
Becky	Myers	Raven	6
Karen	Heineman	Sunny	C
Lynda	Zimmerman	Chacofino San Rose	C
Bonecrusher - 7/29 - Comp LW			
Tori	VonRuden	Neveah	1
Laura	Savatski	Murphy's Law	2
Debby	Weisbecker	Brandy	3
Bonecrusher - 7/29 - Comp LW			
Ray	Hubert	Lone Oak	1
Wes	Licht	Rosali	C
Bonecrusher - 7/29 - End HW			
Stith T.	Gower	HK Xpress Avenue	1
Stephanie	Crispin	AllAboutMajestic	1
Guy	Worthington	PA Hi-Spirit	2
Deb	Searle	Sultann Sundance	2
Robin	Schadt	Kayheart	3

Bonecrusher - 7/29 - End LW			
Melissa	Coolich	JG Short Stuff	1
Bettina	Koehn	JBK Nadja	1
Jodi	Johannessen	PR Bay Muscrana	2
Elizabeth	Frieders	Up Up And Away JIF	2
Lori	Windows	Ella N Fires Jane Doe	3
Lisa	Docter	HS Kiger Danielle	3
Olivia	Rudolphi	H. WineGlass Syrah	4
Lucy	Stafford	H WineGlass Sangria	4
Ann	Liddell	Contemporary Dance	5
Tracy	Johnson	Mombo Number Five	5
Charlie D	Koester	FSA Fyrestorm Alert	6
Bonecrusher - 7/29 - LD Jr			
Alice	Erickson	Rushcreek Calia	1
Lindsay	Jackson Nichols	Memphis Reins	2
Bonecrusher - 7/29 - LD Sr			
Wes	Elford	Suzie Q	1
Marianne	Guilfoyle	Gianni Ali Oops	2
Nick	Metz	Sammy	3
Jean	Allen	Walor AF	4
Sherry	Aune	Cabernet Sauvignon	5
Skylar	Wise	Guilty as Psyn	6
Lisa	Marquardt	That A Girl Way To Go Bravo	C
Laurie	Henschel	Ebony's Bravo Moon	C
Nicole	Mauser-Storer	HS Wineglass Pik George	C
Linda	Jacobson	Chub Lake Jack Daniel	C
Kathi	Soukup	GSF Frankie	C
Maxine	Bernsdorf	CH Shamm Bashire	C
Joslyn	Seefeldt	DSD Starstruck	C
Denise	Ziegler	Pearl Layne	C
Sandi	Hanly	SMC Clearly Surprised	C
Nan	Resch	Guilty as Psyn	C
Teri	Resch	Sierra	C
Melinda	Stewart	McCues Miss Behavin	P
Bonecrusher - 7/30 - Comp HW			
Halaina	Crispin	Missy	1
Stephanie	Crispin	Mr Tiggerific Dhream	2
Bonecrusher - 7/30 - Comp LW			
Laura	Husser	CDWD Margarita	1
Linda	Jacobson	Mi Precious Ruby	2
Laura	Savatski	Murphy's Law	3

**From Bev Specht – on getting started in Distance Riding and who our primary demographics are:** I have always felt the more mature ladies, were the majority in UMERCA and for the exact reasons you mentioned, every one on point. I feel I am a good example. I did not get my first horse until I was 32, and didn't attend my first ride until I was in my 40's with a husband and 3 children at home, so it was a slow start. I wasn't able to attend rides on a regular basis until into my 50's, as finances and confidence grew, but a trip I never regretted. **Riders over 50 are the prime supporters of this sport, so GO!!!**

Bonecrusher - 7/30 - LD Jr			
Michaela	Kaminski	Briazz	1
Alice	Erickson	Rushcreek Calia	2
Payden	Gray Nichols	Apollos Geym	3
Madison	Wagner	Cheyenne	4
Bonecrusher - 7/30 - LD Sr			
Jon	Wagner	Mi Victory Dance	1
Bonnie	Mielke	OLA Loki	2
Jodi	Johannessen	Bombay Ice	3
Olivia	Rudolphi	WineGlass Vixen	4
Ann	DeLang	Chocolate Martini	5
Nikki	Boesch	Fia Dahlia	6
Lynda	Zimmerman	HDR Petrolero de Nevado	C
Elizabeth	Frieders	Hotsprings Fandango	C
Denise	Ziegler	SMC Clearly Surprised	C
Lisa	Docter	HS Kiger Danielle	C
Eileen	Kirsch	Hansi	C
Nicole	Mausier-Storer	HS Wineglass Pik George	C
Carol	Wagner	Tripl Blackburn King	C
Lindsay	Jackson Nichols	Ophelia Kkan	C
Deb	Searle	WOA Ravens Premier +/	C
Robin	Schadt	RAL Sorceress (Chloe)	C
Roberta	Harms	EV Count Valentino	P
Tara N.	LeRoy	Mariah Moment	P
Shore to Shore Saturday - 8/5 - Comp HW			
Diane	Maxey	LW Constant Sohn	1
Ken	Wright	Samaha Gameela	2
Sandra	Wright	LW Raja's Chip	3
Shore to Shore Saturday - 8/5 - Comp Jr			
Taylor	Walker	Backstreet Strutter GSA+	1
Shore to Shore Saturday - 8/5 - Comp LW			
Lisa	Germann	Phantomz Mirazh	1
Shore to Shore Saturday - 8/5 - End HW			
Stacey	Vanderwoude	Lil Nikki	1
Earle	Baxter	CH Cameo Bay	2
Josh	Robinette	Moliero	3
Shore to Shore Saturday - 8/5 - End LW			
Andrea S.	Redman	Lu-Nor Nykobey	1
Diane	Meinders	Yo Dusty	2
Karen	Bahrman	Prada SF	3
Linda	Hamrick	RTM First In Line	4
Angel	Chymurinski	Desperado's Legacy	5
Annie	Whelan	Braker Breaker	6
Jim	Rogan	Mirbat WarFawn	C
Alicia	Mansueti	Patralana	C

Shore to Shore Saturday - 8/5 - LD Jr			
Jeremiah	Young	FLF Jullianna	1
Aleecia	Adams	Secondd Wind	2
Shore to Shore Saturday - 8/5 - LD Sr			
Tina	Williams	Sonny	1
Maribel	Paulson	AccomplishYourDreams	2
Noelle	Snyder	KW Farih Magnum+	3
Mary	Mast	Synnonym	4
Mary	Chmielewski	Quick Silver	5
Leah	Palestrant	Central Park CCF	6
Kristi	Isaac	Tatao's Wildcat	C
Mira	Mansueti	Sandy's Djetsetter	P
Shore to Shore - 8/6 - Comp HW			
Sandra	Wright	LW Raja's Chip	1
Diane	Maxey	LW Constant Sohn	2
Ken	Wright	Samaha Gameela	3
Shore to Shore - 8/6 - Comp Jr			
Taylor	Walker	Backstreetstrutter GSA	1
Shore to Shore - 8/6 - Comp LW			
Lisa	Germann	Over Brooks Image	1
Shore to Shore - 8/6 - End HW			
Earle	Baxter	Country Hill Cameo Bay (Cameo)	1
Josh	Robinette	Moliero	2
Shore to Shore - 8/6 - End LW			
Linda	Hamrick	RTM First In Line	1
Diane	Meinders	MS Dasani	2
Barb	Kurti	Tryllerika	3
Alicia	Mansueti	Patralana	4
Annie	Whelan	Breaker Breaker	5

Shore to Shore - 8/6 - LD Jr			
Katelyn	Fleming	RTM Fancy	1
Sarah	Fleming	RTM Azgudazz Gold	2
Jeremiah	Young	FLF Jullianna	3
Aleecia	Adams	Secondd Wind	P
Shore to Shore - 8/6 - LD Sr			
Darrin	Borkholder	Corky	1
Bill	Gage	DJ's Double O Seven	2
Tina	Williams	Sonny	3
Myra	Fleming	SVF Magido Sunn	4
Rebecca	Grams	Windwood Jewel	5
Angel	Chymurinski	Dynamo Dash	6
Leah	Palestrant	Central Park CCF	C
Noelle	Snydeer	KW Farih Magnum+	C
Mary	Chmielewski	Quick Silver	C
Maribel	Paulson	AccomplishYourDreams	C
Mira	Mansueti	Foxfire Tradition	C
Jim	Rogan	Mirbat Warfawn	C
Diana	MacDonald	Quest For Gold	P
Vivianne	MacDonald	Modern Major General	P
Shore to Shore - 8/7 - Comp Jr			
Lorelai	Haase	Sky	1
Shore to Shore - 8/7 - End HW			
Earle	Baxter	Ch Velvet	1

Shore to Shore - 8/7 - End LW			
Linda	Hamrick	RTM First In Line	1
Diane	Meinders	Yo Dusty	2
Alicia	Mansuetti	Patralana	3
Barb	Kurti	Kulta	3
Morgan	Loomis	The Perfect Angel	5
Shannon	Loomis	Wee Willy Whisper	6
Helen	Lynn	DJ's Yo-She	C
Shore to Shore - 8/7 - LD Jr			
Jeremiah	Young	FLF Jullianna	1
Shore to Shore - 8/7 - LD Sr			
Myra	Fleming	SVF Magido Sunn	1
William	Gage	DJ's Double O Seven	2
Sarah	Fleming	RTM Azgudazz Gold	3
Katelyn	Fleming	RTM Fancy	4
Taylor	Walker	Backstreetstrutter GSA	5
Mira	Mansuetti	Foxfire Tradition	6
Leah	Palestrant	Central Park CCF	C
Mary	Mast	Synnonym	C
Maribel	Paulson	AccomplishYourDreams	C
Shore to Shore - 8/8 - Comp HW			
Diane	Maxey	LW Constant Sohn	1
Shore to Shore - 8/8 - Comp Jr			
Lorelai	Haase	Sky	1
Shore to Shore - 8/8 - Comp LW			
Diane	Meinders	MS Dasani	1
Shore to Shore - 8/8 - End HW			
Earle	Baxter	Ch Velvet	P
Shore to Shore - 8/8 - End LW			
Helen	Lynn	DJ's Yo-She	1
Shannon	Loomis	Wee Willy Whisper	2
Morgan	Loomis	The Perfect Angel	3
Shore to Shore - 8/8 - LD Sr			
Barb	Kurti	Kulta	1
Mary	Chmielewski	Quicksilver	2
Mary	Mast	Synnonym	3
Linda	Hamrick	Cash	4
Jeremiah	Young	FLF Jullianna	5
Maribel	Paulson	Accomplishyourdreams	6
Shore to Shore - 8/9 - Comp HW			
Diane	Maxey	LW Constant Sohn	1
Shore to Shore - 8/9 - Comp Jr			
Lorelai	Haase	Sky	1
Shore to Shore - 8/9 - End HW			
Earle	Baxter	Country Hill Cameo Bay (Cameo)	1

Shore to Shore - 8/9 - End LW			
Linda	Hamrick	RTM First In Line	1
Wendy	Maas	Silver Russian	2
Morgan	Loomis	The Perfect Angel	3
Shannon	Loomis	Wee Willy Whisper	4
Helen	Lynn	DJs Yo-She	5
Shore to Shore - 8/9 - LD Sr			
William	Gage	DJ's Double O Seven	1
Stacey	Vander W	Lil Nikki	2
Mary	Mast	Synnonym	3
Shore to Shore - 8/10 - Comp HW			
Diane	Maxey	LW Constant Sohn	1
Shore to Shore - 8/10 - Comp Jr			
Lorelai	Haase	Sky	1
Shore to Shore - 8/10 - End HW			
Earle	Baxter	Country Hill Cameo Bay (Cameo)	1
Shore to Shore - 8/10 - End LW			
Wendy	Maas	Renegade Raja	1
Linda	Hamrick	RTM First In Line	2
Morgan	Loomis	The Perfect Angel	3
Shannon	Loomis	Wee Willy Whisper	4
Shore to Shore - 8/10 - LD Sr			
Stacey	Vander Woude	Lil Nikki	1
Mary	Chmielewski	Quicksilver	2
Mary	Mast	Synnonym	3
Jeanne	Aslakson	Cinbob Go Chief	4
Shore to Shore - 8/11 - Comp HW			
Diane	Maxey	LW Constant Sohn	1
Shore to Shore - 8/11 - Comp Jr			
Lorelai	Haase	Sky	1
Shore to Shore - 8/11 - End HW			
Stacey	Vander Woude	Lil Nikki	1
William	Gage	DJ's Double O Seven	2
Earle	Baxter	Country Hill Cameo Bay (Cameo)	3
Shore to Shore - 8/11 - End LW			
Diane	Meinders	Yo Dusty	1
Morgan	Loomis	Modern Major General	2
Shannon	Loomis	Wee Willy Whisper	3
Shore to Shore - 8/11 - LD Sr			
Wendy	Maas	Silver Russian	1
Linda	Hamrick	Cash	3
Mary	Chmielewski	Quicksilver	4
Mary	Mast	Synnonym	5

Louise Riedel - 8/12 - Comp HW			
Barb	Gardner	RR Roman Scooter	1
Allison	Goetz	Sarah	2
Jim	Andriakos	CR Cosmic Eclipse	3
Louise Riedel - 8/12 - Comp LW			
Laura	Savatski	Murphy's Law	1
Suzanne	Warren	PPF Geyms Sonsy	2
Laura	Husser	CDWD Margarita	2
Linda	Jacobson	Mi Precious Ruby	4
Montana	Storm	Sundancers Paxon	5
Candy	Barbo	SR August Breeze	6
Tori	VonRuden	Neveah	C



Louise Riedel - 8/12 - Drive			
Leslie	Lloyd	Spot	1
Wes	Licht	Rosali	2
Jeanne	White	Chessica	3
Ray	Hubert	Lone Oak	4
Matt	Hennig	Little Lilly	5
Louise Riedel - 8/12 - End HW			
Sarah	Mowrer	A Time To Shine	1
Wes	Elford	Suzie Q	2
Kimberly Ann	Fosler	BZ Cojeseryn Sahar	3
Kathi	Soukup	TSF Time	4
Peter	Dordal	Amaz'n Grace	5
Guy	Worthington	JG Randie	P
Stith T.	Gower	HK Xpress Avenue	P
Joshua	Mowrer	KW Magnum Archie	P
Louise Riedel - 8/12 - End LW			
Lori	Windows	Ella N Fires Jane Doe	1
Laurie	Henschel	Bataania KSR	2
Elizabeth	Frieders	UpUp And Away JIF	2
Roberta	Harms	Lady Jane	4
Belinda	Cook	BF Four by Four	5
Pam	Cotton	RFR The Icebaby	6
Leigh Ann	Sytsma	Heza Bright Future	C
Nicole	Mauser-Storer	Sosas Playboy at Sonset	C
Tracey	Roush	Dallas	C
Tracy	Johnson	Mombo Number Five	P
Colleen	Morgan	Joke Son U	P
Louise Riedel - 8/12 - LD Jr			
Madison	Wagner	Cheyenne	1
Adin	Esqueda	Sham	2
Payden	Gray Nichols	Apollos Geym	3
Elliot	Dymesich	Scout	4
Alice	Erickson	Rushcreek Calia	P
Louise Riedel - 8/12 - LD Sr			
Jon	Wagner	Mi Victory Dance	1
Nancy	Leonard	NE Klints Maverick	2
Bobbi	Belz	Duke	3
Marianne	Guilfoyle	Gianni Ali Oops	4
Jean	Allen	Walor AF	5
Skylar	Wise	Guilty as Psyn	6
Jodi	Johannessen	Bombay Ice	C
Sherry	Aune	Cabernet Sauvignon	C
Janette	Sasena	Caduceus Oriana	C
Carol	Wagner	Tripl Blackburn King	C
Pat	McCullough	Fantasia	C
Melinda	Stewart	McCues Miss Behavin	C
Lindsay	Jackson Nichols	Ophelia Kkan	C
Adrienne	Dymesich	Shady	C
Jessica	Zirbel	Magnums BeyShah Zen	C
Crystal	Esqueda	Lopin in Diamonds	C
Maxine	Bernsdorf	CH Shamm Bashire	C
Katie	Krueger (was Knippel)	Zurhama de Washoe II	P
Bonnie	Mielke	OLA Loki	P
Ann	DeLang	Chocolate Martini	P
Laura	McCormack	Katrina May	P

Louise Riedel - 8/12 - Novice			
Taylor	Adleman	Vegas	1
Karen	Heineman	Sunny	2
Sabrina	Hagstrom	Linus	3
Lisa	Kopp	Tooty Fruity	4
Greg	Radtke	TryKeya	5
Tania	Ruske	Trmpe	5
Judith	Komp	Haidas Smoke Cutter	C
Jamie	Hogan	Lena	C
Aidan	Combs	Apache	C
Barb	Hogan	Arapto Keepnfaith	C
Brandon	Brunner	Pepper	C
Kristy	Brunner	Piper	C
Michele	Bjork	Fitjamyri	C
Lynelle	Hinkley	Blu Sar Midnight	C
Louise Riedel - 8/13 - Comp HW			
Allison	Goetz	Shadowtrax	1
Amber	Hennig	PAA Baylyn Seer	2
Joshua	Mowrer	EAF Sweet Clementine	3
Louise Riedel - 8/13 - Comp LW			
Laura	Husser	CDWD Margarita	1
Candy	Barbo	SR August Breeze	2
Suzanne	Warren	PPF Geyms Sonly	3
Eileen	Kirsch	Hansi	4
Linda	Jacobson	Mi Precious Ruby	5
Colleen	Morgan	Joke Son U	P
Louise Riedel - 8/13 - Drive			
Wes	Licht	Rosali	1
Ted	Olson	Spot	1
Matt	Henning	Little Lilly	2
Jeanne	White	Chessica	3
Louise Riedel - 8/13 - LD Jr			
Madison	Wagner	Cheyenne	1
Louise Riedel - 8/13 - LD Sr			
Jodi	Johannessen	Bombay Ice	1
Ainsley	Suskey	SRB Reno Lytes	2
Laurie	Henschel	Ebony's Bravo Moon	3
TJ	Edwards	Miss Molly Mule	4
Leigh Ann	Sytsma	Misty Afternoon	5
Nicole	Mauser-Storer	HS Wineglass Pik George	6
Adrian	Demisch	Sham	C
Carol	Wagner	Tripl Blackburn King	C
Nancy	Mccoy	Atlas	C
Jim	Andriakos	WBNelsons Thunderbyrd	P
Rock River Charity - 8/19 - Comp HW			
Kim	Rumpsa	R Secret Dun Wapiti	1
Rock River Charity - 8/19 - Comp LW			
Tori	VonRuden	Neveah	1
Cathy	Cook	Red Cloud	2
Molly	Bonjean	BAS Alada Chips	3
Debby	Weisbecker	Love Me A Latte	4
Laura	Husser	CDWD Margarita	
Sally	Hoff	John Henry	
Rock River Charity - 8/19 - Drive			
Kathleen	Skoza	Red	1
Rock River Charity - 8/19 - End HW			
Gerald	Cummings	Bethany Grey C	1
Jim	Andriakos	CR Cosmic Eclipse	2
Kimberly Ann	Fosler	BZ Cojeseryn Sahar	3
Kathi	Soukup	GSF Frankie	4
Marge	Dixon	Kenlyn Intrigue	
Kathy	Torgesen	Jasmine	

Rock River Charity - 8/19 - End LW			
Olivia	Rudolphi	H. WineGlass Syrah	1
Scott	Campbell	JG Kings Major	2
Jan	Worthington	Golden Lightning	3
Lori	Windows	Ella N Fires Jane Doe	4
Jody	Carraway	Sandstar AA	5
Linda	Jacobson	Majer Ridge Scarlet Debut	6
Tracy	Johnson	Mombo Number Five	
Anna	Giurintano	Star Lite Proof	
Belinda	Cook	BF Four by Four	C
Nicole	Mauser-Storer	HS Wineglass Pik George	C
Sheila	Schneider	Gypsy B Miss Behavin	C
Rock River Charity - 8/19 - LD Jr			
Summer	Stahl	Zip Like An Egyption	1
Rock River Charity - 8/19 - LD Sr			
	Schrivier	BJ Dark Hero	1
Craig	Rausch	AMF Renoir Memphis	2
Roberta	Harms	EV Count Valentino	3
Martha	Power	SA Te Jat	4
Christopher	Power	WineGlass Debonair	5
Elizabeth	Frieders	Hotsprings Fandango	6
Angela	Stahl	Sr Ebony Syraff	
Cindy	Stites	GW Shatazz	C
Paula	Kaigh	GR Al Sharif Najem	C
Cindy	Stafford	DB Areila	C
Laurie	Durbin	Pocos Prairie Princess	C
Amy	Betzrlberger	Lexus	C
Vera	Betzelberger	Starr Quest	C
Rock River Charity - 8/19 - Novice			
Serena	Procknow	Bo	1
Maggie	Pearson	Remington	2
Amy	Corneleson	Velvets Hard Rock	
Sonya	Lakhani	Sampson	
Kaylie	Hilsey	Lilly	MO
Rock River Charity - 8/20 - Comp HW			
Allison	Goetz	Shadowtrax	1
Kim	Rumpsa		2
Terri	Johnson	Misup Fireblaze	
Rock River Charity - 8/20 - Comp Jr			
Margaret	Hoffman	Aladda Rodania	1
Catherine	Hoffman	Fuzz	2
Lorelai	Haase	Sky	3
Rock River Charity - 8/20 - Comp LW			
Kim	Lindquist	Senona	1
Rock River Charity - 8/20 - LD Sr			
Jody	Carraway	Burning Ghost	1
Nicole	Mauser-Storer	Sosas Playboy at Sonset	2
Addie	Shotts	Ashe	3
Elizabeth	Frieders	Hotsprings Fandango	4
Rock River Charity - 8/20 - Novice			
Alicia	Smith	Tango	1
Amy	Cornelison	Velvets Hardrock	2
Mike	Humphrey	Honey	3
Renee	Humphrey	Shander	4
Kaylie	Hulsey	Lilly	MO

Northern Highlands - 8/26 - Comp HW			
Amber	Hennig	PAA Baylyn Seer	1
Northern Highlands - 8/26 - Comp Jr			
Margaretha	Hoffman	Aladda Rodania	1
Lorelai	Haase	Sky	2
Catherine	Hoffman	Hamlet	3
Northern Highlands - 8/26 - Comp LW			
Lynn	Haase	Fuzz	1
Northern Highlands - 8/26 - End HW			
Stephanie	Crispin	AllAboutMajestic	1
Northern Highlands - 8/26 - End LW			
Jodi	Johannessen	PR Bay Muscrana	1
Jessie	Dux	Renegade Raja	2
Wendy	Maas	Silver Russian	3
Karen	Bahrman	Prada SF	4
Linda	Jacobson	Majer Ridge Scarlet Debut	5
Bettina	Koehn	JBK Nadja	6
Julia	Newton	Lucca	C
Christine	Hurtzler	Frango	C
Roberta	Harms	Lady Jane	C
Elizabeth	Frieders	UpUp And Away JIF	C
Suzanne	Warren	PPF Geyms Sonly	C
Leigh Ann	Sytsma	Heza Bright Future	C
Ainsley	Suskey	RFR The Icebaby	P
Northern Highlands - 8/26 - LD Jr			
Madison	Wagner	Cheyenne	1
Alice	Erickson	Rushcreek Calia	2
Northern Highlands - 8/26 - LD Sr			
Nancy	Leonard	NE Klints Maverick	1
Wes	Elford	Suzie Q	2
TJ	Edwards	Miss Molly Mule	3
Bonnie	Mielke	PSL Lakota Chief	4
Maxine	Bernsdorf	CH Shamm Bashire	5
Carol	Wagner	Tripl Blackburn King	6
Crystal	Payment	KJ Sterling Psylver	C
Eileen	Kirsch	Hansi	C
Jessi	Zirbel	Magnums BeyShah Zen	C
Jon	Wagner	Mi Victory Dance	P
Northern Highlands - 8/26 - Novice			
Hayley	Conely	Ebony's Bravo Moon	1
Judith	Komp	Haidas Smoke Cutter	2
Katie	Krueger	TKO Rhio Bask	MO

Northern Highlands - 8/27 - LD Sr			
Jessie	Dux	Sterlings StarStrider	1
Jodi	Johannessen	Bombay Ice	2
Bonnie	Mielke	DLF Boudicca XX	3
TJ	Edwards	Miss Molly Mule	4
Leigh Ann	Sytsma	Misty Afternoon	5
Julia	Newton	Lucca	6
Crystal	Payment	KJ Sterling Psylver	C
Northern Highlands - 8/27 - Novice			
Hayley	Conley	Ebony's Bravo Moon	1
Kelsey	Bellman	Cash	2
Gail	Schwenn	Aggie	3
Carsen	Hickson	Bennie	4
Nick	Larson	Mano Remi	5
Katie	Krueger	TKO Rhio Bask	MO

**UMECRA Members - the 2018 convention organizers need your help.**

As you may already know, we have Susan Garlinghouse DVM scheduled to be the presenter at the 2018 convention in Rockford. She has a series of presentations we can choose from and while we would love to schedule all of them it's very unlikely to happen in the time slot we have. So, we are asking you to please rank the topics in the survey from your first choice to last choice? You just click and drag the topic from the left side of the screen to the right side in order of preference with your first choice on the top and the bottom item as the thing you are the least interested in hearing about. It will be hard to choose, but we appreciate your feedback! The survey will close September 15th, so don't delay in sending in your responses.

Electronic newsletter – copy/paste in your browser, paper copy – you will need to type the address below into your browser.

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Susan Garlinghouse, DVM MS has been involved in endurance since 1989. In addition to her doctorate in veterinary medicine, she has completed graduate work in equine exercise physiology and clinical nutrition, and is an adjunct professor at three California state universities. She has published endurance-horse research in peer-reviewed journals, authored articles published in seventeen languages and spoken to equestrian groups worldwide. She serves on the AERC Board of Directors, and is active

as a rider, ride veterinarian and chair of the AERC Education Committee.

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**Competitive Score Sheet Makeover**

Please take a look at the enclosed Score Sheet proposed makeover/revision. There were several things on the old sheet that has been in use for 20 years or more.

The first thing that you will see at the top of the page is a change in pertinent information that is useful to the ride and reporting of results. We no longer need rider address and horse breed, etc. The horse's name, rider's name and the corresponding ID numbers are at the top.

The metabolics that are recorded on the left side of the sheet are arranged neatly and body condition is included and anal tone is deleted. These are not scored. They are rearranged in order that they are looked at by the evaluator.

The Trot Out section has changed the GRADE 3 lameness score to 'No placing miles only' as was voted on and passed by the members in 2015. Fatigue/Attitude is still worth a total of 40 points.

Manners scoring have been put on the left side under the trot out note area so that there could be more room for multiple scoring as was requested by members to the executive members of the board.

The right hand side is used to collect the minus scores and create the Total Deductions to create the final score. The sheet will be arranged on the scoring page as it is presently not as you see this DRAFT example. The one that you see in the news letter is arranged for convenience in publishing.

*THERE IS NO CHANGE IN THE VETTING OF THE HORSE. THIS IS JUST A CHANGE IN THE SHEET TO RECORD THE SCORING RESULTS. Any change in the vetting will require rules change that has to be approved by the BOD and ultimately by the voting members.*

Thank you. The Score Sheet Committee: Linda Jacobson, Laura Husser, Carmen Steuck, Ruth Casserly, Nicole Mauser-Storer, Lisa Germann, and Wes Elford.



## **Basics for winter horse pasture management:**

In the wintertime, keep horses off saturated and rain soaked soils and dormant or frozen pasture plants. Soggy soils or dormant plants simply cannot survive continuous grazing and trampling in winter months. Compaction of soil makes water filtration and plant growth very difficult. In addition, when the soils are wet horse hooves act like plungers, loosening fine particles of precious topsoil to be washed away by rain. All of this hurts your pastures, diminishing pasture growth and vigor next spring and opening the door for weed invasions.

Never graze your pastures below 3 to 4 inches. This is called the Golden Rule of Pasture Management. A pasture plant always needs at least 3 to 4 inches of green, leafy material to manufacture food. If it doesn't have that its health is once again compromised and you will have less forage production next summer and more weeds.

Create a sacrifice area or winter paddock to be used during the winter months. A sacrifice area is a small enclosure such as a corral, run, or pen, which is meant to be your horse's outdoor living quarters. It is called a sacrifice area because you are giving up the use of that small portion of land as a grassy area to benefit the rest of your pastures. Your horse should be confined to the sacrifice area during the winter and early spring when grass plants are dormant and soils are wet. In the summer, utilize the sacrifice area to keep pastures from becoming overgrazed (never below 3 or 4 inches) and to keep your horses from becoming overweight.

A sacrifice area should be located on high, well-drained ground far away from creeks, wetlands, ponds or other water bodies. Using a sacrifice area confines manure and urine to an area where you can manage it. Surround your sacrifice area by a grassy buffer or pasture to act as a filter for contaminated runoff. Using a footing such as wood chips or crushed rock in a sacrifice area will help cut down on mud problems.

## **Fall Barn Chore Checklist**

Stock up on feed and bedding. Winter weather can close roads unexpectedly, preventing you from reaching the feed store or preventing delivery trucks from reaching the feed store. If you normally keep one week's worth of feed and bedding on hand, lay in enough supplies to keep your horse fed and dry for three to four weeks.

Check your horse's winter blanket. Does your horse wear a winter blanket to protect him from the winter weather? As part of your winter preparation, check it over, and repair it now, especially if you clip your horse in fall and ride him through the winter. A clipped horse must wear a blanket in winter to replace the warmth provided by his lost haircoat. Even an unclipped horse might need a blanket at some point, for extra warmth or protection against a cold wind, wet snow, or both.

Spiff up your barn. If you need new rubber mats in your stalls, new gravel around your barn, a new hose or even light bulbs, take care of those needs now. Moving heavy stall mats and standing on ladders is difficult enough in summer; short days, icy weather and cold, and stiff fingers make these tasks almost impossible.

Use rubber buckets. Some ice-removing techniques can cause plastic buckets to shatter. Rubber buckets, on the other hand, are nearly indestructible and will survive even if you slam them against the ground, turn them upside down, and jump on them.

Analyze pasture soil. Take samples of your pasture soil, and have them analyzed. Lime and fertilize pastures based on the analysis. In late fall, re-seed or overseed your pastures. If you haven't been happy with your pasture grasses, solicit advice from your local extension agent on mixing cold-season and warm-season grasses, and/or adding legumes to the mix.

Walk your fence line. Repair any damage before the temperature drops and the ground freezes, especially if fence posts are involved. Earth and wire are both easier to work with in warmer weather.

Clean your run-in shed. Routine cleaning of your pasture's shed and sacrifice area can become difficult in winter, and there may be weeks when snow accumulating or melting makes manure removal impossible. Give yourself and your horses an edge by doing a thorough fall cleanout.

Drain and prep wet areas. Were there wet, muddy or flooded spots in the high-traffic around your pasture gates and water tanks this spring and summer? To help prevent these areas from turning into ice, raise and level them with a load of gravel or road pack. You don't want your horse skidding and falling on ice.

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