

UPPER MIDWEST ENDURANCE AND COMPETITIVE RIDES ASSOCIATION



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Ride Results

Ride Name	2023 Date	Ride City State
Bonecrusher Ride	7/28 - 7/30/23	Palmyra, WI
Dakota Dash	8/5 & 8/6/23	Leonard ND
Rock River Charity Ride	8/5 & 8/6/23	Franklin Grove, IL
Louise Riedel Memorial	8/11 - 8/13/23	Arkdale, WI
Bearfoot Boogie	No Ride 2023	
DRAW's Prairie River Ride	8/26 & 8/27/23	Gleason, WI
White River Labor Day	9/2 - 9/4/23	Hesperia, MI
Charity Cup	9/9 & 9/10/23	Pillager, MN
Keweenaw Ride	9/9 & 9/10/23	Marquette, MI
Lincoln Trails AHA	9/9 & 9/10/23	Kinmundy, IL
DRAW's Colorama Classic	9/15 & 9/16/23	Campbellsport, WI
DRAW Finale	No Ride 2023	
Huntersville Hundred (Distance Nat'l Champ'ship)	9/29 - 10/1/23	Menahga, MN
Iron Oak	10/14 & 10/15/23	Arkdale, WI
Oak Leaf Run	10/14 & 10/15/23	Hamilton, MI
Point Chaser	10/20 & 10/21/23	Theilman, MN
AHDRA - Big River	10/28 & 10/29/23	Keithsburg, IL

SE MN - 6/17/23 - Comp Jr 25			
Sarah	Kieser-Flim	Eleanor Ambrosia B	1
Bonnie	Mielke	BNB Khrome Azrael	2
Linda	Pakes	Remi	3
Paula	Brummel	Natasha	P
SE MN - 6/17/23 - Comp HW 25			
Allie	Oien	VC Joyful Eddition	1
Elin	Lupo	Batalah Al Janoubi (Betty)	2
Audrey	Thorp	Nightmare Blues	3
SE MN - 6/17/23 - Comp LW 25			
Darlene	Molitor	VC Arieon	1
Colleen	Morgan	Batman SH	2
Linda	Jacobson	AE Gimli Strength	3
Alana	McNutt	Ole	4
Kristen	Johansen	PVA Light 'Nthe Storm	5
Suzanne	Warren	CR Zohlaraaz	6
Miranda	Williams	PPF Geyms Sonsy	C
Peggy	Pasillas	Remy	C
Pamela	Coolidge	AW Michiah	C
SE MN - 6/17/23 - End HW 50			
Sheryl	O'Brien	Wild River Sundancer	1
Mandie	Roggenkamp	The Outlander	2
SE MN - 6/17/23 - End LW 50			
Scott	Campbell	JG Kings Major	1
Jodi	Johannessen	TM Hannie M	2
Karla	Ovsak	Dobella NPA	3
Maria	Enge	Faustos Flame	4
Jessi	Lipponen	Mystic Dynasty PF	5
Eileen	Kirsch	Hansi	6
Kristine	Jubeck	Silver	P
SE MN - 6/17/23 - LD HW 25			
Daniel	Pakes	KoKo	1
Crystal	Esqueda	Lopin in Diamonds	2
Debra	Moe	UTCS Aur Mojito	3
Janet	Sarver	Legacy of Khourage	4

SE MN - 6/17/23 - LD Jr 25			
Marit	Antous	Spot	1
Grace	Carter	Corona Breeze	2
SE MN - 6/17/23 - LD LW 25			
Nola	Westphal	Greta	1
Lisa	Aga	Noble Emotions CRF	2
Jennifer	Mlocek	Hot Belle Pepper	3
Ruby	Thorp	Jupiter	4
Laurie	Hoepfner	Gai Caravel	5
Paula	Goligowski	Ms Lightening	6
Jennifer	Boettcher	Cooper	C
SE MN - 6/18/23 - Comp HW 25			
Sarah	Kieser-Flim	Eleanor Ambrosia B	1
Rachel	Temp	Triumphant Echo	2
Sheryl	O'Brien	LC Ernani	3
Katja	Wiedrich	Noble Adventure	4
Becki	Sanford	Stryka Major Chord	5
Ben	Davidson	NFF Hawkeye Taylor	6
SE MN - 6/18/23 - Comp LW 25			
Montana	Storm	Sundancers Paxon	1
Candy	Barbo	Psyche On Fire	2
Jessica	Sonnek	Jazmine	3
Peggy	Pasillas	Remy	4
Linda	Goddard	Luv's Bayfire	P
SE MN - 6/18/23 - LD HW 25			
Daniel	Pakes	KoKo	1
Jennifer	Lisowe	Ace	2
SE MN - 6/18/23 - LD Jr 25			
Marit	Antons	Spot	1
Grace	Carter	Corona Breeze	2
SE MN - 6/18/23 - LD LW 25			
Sarah	Maass	Holy Mozart	1
Scott	Campbell	Jedwab	2
Megan	Myers	VA Chazze Dancero	3
Jesse	Shaddrick	Jinjersnapp	P
SE MN - 6/18/23 - Novice 15			
Erika	Achberger	Jetla	1
Kristen	Johansen	PVA Light 'Nthe Storm	2
Jacki	Devine	Jet	3
Megan	Kane	Coffee Break	4
Linda	Pakes	Remi	5
Laura	Geisler	Wyoming Serenade	6
Sam	Dreyer	Ace	C
Zoe	Oase	Dessa Darling	C
Linda	Jacobson	Hazelrun Mighty Roark	MO
Lisa	Aga	Noble Emotions CRF	MO
Emily	Schupp	Whimsical Sun	MO

Grand Island North - 6/24/23 - Comp LW 30			
Jessica	Gruebner	JR Perseus	1
Grand Island North - 6/24/23 - End HW 55			
Stephanie	Boomgaard	Arceus SS	1
Brandon	Brunner	Mighty	2
Sarah	Carlson	FPH Second Badge	P
Grand Island North - 6/24/23 - End Jr 55			
Grace	Carter	Sterlings Starstrider	1
Ilona	Jarvi	Trinadee	2
Grand Island North - 6/24/23 - End LW 55			
Jodi	Johannessen	SC Izzabella	1
Diane	Meinders	Yo Dusty	2
Jessie	Finnila	Renegade Raja	3
Shanon	Ployhart	Eternety De Valle	4
Karen	Jarvi	Sony De Mayo Rose	5
Grand Island North - 6/24/23 - LD HW 30			
Diane	Maxey	LW Constant Sohn	1
Pam	Darga	Ecliptic Azraff	2
Bettina	Koehn	JBK Nadja	3
Lisa	Knapp	Toblerone	4
Don	Knapp	Drifter	5
Grand Island North - 6/24/23 - LD Jr 30			
Elliot	Dymesich	Norsks Viking Sunrise	1
Emily	Dymesich	Maverick	2
Eva	Dymesich	Whisper	3
Shane	Darga	Spot On A Diamond	4
Grand Island North - 6/24/23 - LD LW 30			
Rebecca	Bond	Quincey QT	1
Stephanie	Vavra	AOF Moniet Al Raja	2
Halli	Lindley	Sweet Pea	3
Nikki	Boesch	Fia Dahlia	P
Grand Island North - 6/25/23 - LD HW 30			
Diane	Maxey	LW Constant Sohn	1
Sarah	Watts	Mikey Likes It	2
Pam	Darga	Ecliptic Azraff	3
Grand Island North - 6/25/23 - LD Jr 30			
Grace	Carter	Corona Breeze	1
Shane	Darga	Spot On A Diamond	2
Tabitha	Kostreva	Never Missed A Meal	P
Grand Island North - 6/25/23 - LD LW 30			
Jessie	Finnila	Sterlings Starfire	1
Lauren	Anderson	Marvelous Maven	2
Rebecca	Bond	Quincey QT	3

Dead Dog Creek - 6/24/23 - Comp HW 30			
Kaylie	Hulsey	Rsecret Dun SoPretty	1
Joshua	Mowrer	KW Magnum Archie	2
Dead Dog Creek - 6/24/23 - Comp LW 30			
Lori	Windows	Ella N Fires Jane Doe	1

Dead Dog Creek - 6/24/23 - End HW 50			
Robin	Shadt	RAL Sorceress (Chloe)	1
Gerald	Cummings	Easi Goer	2
Carol	Weber	Belesema Exclusiva	3
Brittney	Sisson	Tuck	4
Dead Dog Creek - 6/24/23 - End LW 50			
Julie	Moore	Khlassic Banner	P
Dead Dog Creek - 6/24/23 - LD HW 30			
Daniel	Pakes	KoKo	1
Janeta	Carr	Man In The Moun	2
Dead Dog Creek - 6/24/23 - LD LW 30			
Krista	Kester	All Gone MHF	1
Katarina	Candee	Ashe	2
Alyssa	Chute	Finesse MSF	3
Pamela	Garrison	DB A Bayberry	4
Bonnie	Summers	Krusaders Crown Jewel	5
Michaela	Costello	Fable Tuscon	6
Dead Dog Creek - 6/24/23 - NOV 15			
Donna	Hanford	Dakota's Mountain Macy	1
Sam	Dreyer	Blue Razzle Berry	2
Skylar	Tolbert	Cricket	3
Michaela	Treimer	Babe	4
Julia	Binder	Amaal El Nefous	MO
William	Byman	Affirmmed Victory TL	MO
Brooke	Moeller	LW Lady Derringer	MO
Christina	Byman	Baqi	MO
Emily	Schupp	Whimsical Sun	MO
Dead Dog Creek - 6/25/23 - Comp HW 30			
Kim	Rumpsa	R Secret Lucky Seven	1
Dead Dog Creek - 6/25/23 - Comp LW 30			
Alana	McNutt	Ole	1
Katarina	Candee	Zephyrus TF	2
Dead Dog Creek - 6/25/23 - LD HW 30			
Gerald	Cummings	Easi Goer	1
Brooke	Moeller	Aurora's Magical Luv	2
Dead Dog Creek - 6/25/23 - LD LW 30			
Pamela	Garrison	Dbayerry	1
Alyssa	Chute	Tyrion	2
Dead Dog Creek - 6/25/23 - Nov 15			
Gwen	Paschall	Molly	1
Michala	Treimer	Babe	2
Donna	Hanford	Dakota's Mountain Macy	3
Melissa	Lamaster	Duntide My Patence	4
Amber	Davis	Whiskey Girl	5
Skylar	Tolbert	Cricket	6
Sam	Dreyer	Blue Razzle Berry	C
Emily	Schupp	RedAxel	MO
Christina	Byman	Baqi	MO

Firecracker Fling - 7/1/23 - Comp HW 25			
Andrea	Pfeifer	Mytalisha's Titan	1
Joshua	Mowrer	KW Magnum Archie	2
Firecracker Fling - 7/1/23 - Comp LW 25			
Lori	Windows	Ella N Fires Jane Doe	1
Katarina	Candee	Ashe	2
Linda	Jacobson	AE Gimli Strength	3
Jennifer	Haras	Maverick	P
Firecracker Fling - 7/1/23 - End HW 50			
Sarah	Mowrer	A Time To Shine	1
Guy	Worthington	PA Hi-Spirit	2
Deb	Searle	Sultann Sundance	3
Firecracker Fling - 7/1/23 - End LW 50			
Carrie	Taft	Dimitri	1
Eileen	Kirsch	Hansi	2
Sheila	Schneider	Rushcreek Giggles	3
Firecracker Fling - 7/1/23 - LD HW 25			
Nikki	Boesch	Fia Dahlia	1
Daniel	Pakes	KoKo	2
Kimberly Ann	Fosler	BZ Cojeseryn Sahar	3
Mary	Otto	Noahs Serene Sunrise	4
Amber	Erickson	Ottalia Mystic	5
Brooke	Moeller	Aurora's Magical Luv	6
Peter	Dordal	Amaz'n Grace	C
Samantha	Echaves	Little Bit Naughty	P
Firecracker Fling - 7/1/23 - LD Jr 25			
Grace	Carter	Corona Breeze	1
Ellie	Otto	Camelots Spot Check	2
Alice	Erickson	Ophelia Kkan	3
Logan	Erickson	A Kings Delivery	4
Firecracker Fling - 7/1/23 - LD LW 25			
Alyssa	Chute	Finesse MSF	1
Melissa	Esser	Habib Al Mar	2
Roberta	Harms	Lady Jane	3
Misty	Haumschild	Star Bar Skip	4
Jane	Kirkeide	Bassim	5
Jennifer	Boettcher	Cooper	6
Kristine	Jubeck	Rusty Chris-te	C
Firecracker Fling - 7/1/23 - Novice 10			
Skylar	Tolbert	Cricket	1
Samantha	Echaves	Ritzzy Rozarita	MO
Firecracker Fling - 7/2/23 - Comp LW 25			
Jessica	Sonnek	Jazmine	1
Katarina	Candee	Ashe	2
Lori	Windows	Ella N Fires Jane Doe	3
Linda	Jacobson	Hazelrun Mighty Roark	4
Firecracker Fling - 7/2/23 - LD HW 25			
Samantha	Echaves	Ritzzy Rozarita	1
Firecracker Fling - 7/2/23 - LD LW 25			
Alyssa	Chute	Tyrion	1
Jane	Kirkeide	VG Dreambeau	2

AHAM - 7/8/23 - Comp LW 25			
Jan	Wylie	Dose	1
Jessica	Gruebner	JR Perseus	2
Aurora	Walsh	Win D Prado	3
AHAM - 7/8/23 - End HW 50			
Sarah	Watts	Mikey Likes It	1
AHAM - 7/8/23 - End LW 50			
Rebecca	Bond	Quincey QT	1
AHAM - 7/8/23 - LD HW 25			
Diane	Maxey	LW Constant Sohn	1
Pam	Darga	Ecliptic Azraff	2
Sarah	Fleming	RTM Triple Threat	3
Trish	Holbel	Al-Marah Fox Romeo	4
Don	Knapp	Drifter	5
Francis	Lewis	Fadjiraba	6
AHAM - 7/8/23 - LD Jr 25			
Shane	Darga	Spot On A Diamond	1
Shauna	Howard	Magik Silver Spirit	2
AHAM - 7/8/23 - LD LW 25			
Katelyn	Fleming	MSU All Shook Up	1
Emily	Seidler	Shaneequah	2
Linda	Hamrick	Cash	3
Kristen	Howard	Aristaborr+	4
Jennifer	Shooshanian	Elvis	5
Lisa	Knapp	Toblerone	6
Sara	Hall	WP Yippe Ki Yay	C
Natalie	Hauswirth	Ruffle Your Feathers	P
AHAM - 7/9/23 - Comp LW 25			
Jan	Wylie	Dose	1
Jessica	Gruebner	JR Perseus	2
AHAM - 7/9/23 - LD HW 25			
Francis	Lewis	SH Yukon Ggold	1
Sarah	Fleming	RTM Fancy	2
Diane	Maxey	LW Constant Sohn	3
Pam	Darga	Ecliptic Azraff	4
Jeanne	Aslakson	GF Midnight Confession	5
AHAM - 7/9/23 - LD Jr 25			
Shane	Darga	Spot On A Diamond	1
Shauna	Howard	Magik Silver Spirit	2
AHAM - 7/9/23 - LD LW 25			
Emily	Seidler	Shaneequah	1
Audrey	McMurry	Powerofthetriangle	2
Kristen	Howard	Aristaborr+	3
Sara	Hall	WP Yippe Ki Yay	4
Michelle	Wiegand	Hes Gens Pusher	5
Katelyn	Fleming	MSU All Shook Up	P

Mosquito Run - 7/8/23 - Comp HW 25			
Kasie	Thomas	Apollo	1
Mike	Whiteford	Maggie	2
Rachel	Temp	Triumphant Echo	2
Mosquito Run - 7/8/23 - Comp Jr 25			
Elin	Lupo	Batalah Al Janoubi (Betty)	1
Audrey	Thorp	Nightmare Blues	2
Avery	Alberts	Katalina	3
Meisha	Kuttner	Rizzo	4
Mosquito Run - 7/8/23 - Comp LW 25			
Jessica	Sonnek	Jasmine	1
Darlene	Molitor	VC Arieon	1
Candy	Barbo	Zahara	3
Colleen	Morgan	Batman SH	5
Theresa	Meyer	Silverado RCF	6
Karrie	Halbur	Eraf Sanlamara	C
Victoria	Robison	Luvs Bayfire	C
Mosquito Run - 7/8/23 - Drive 15			
Ray	Hubert	JimmyCrackedCorn	1
Alice	Hubert	Gridlock	2
Mosquito Run - 7/8/23 - End HW 50			
Mandie	Roggenkamp	The Outlander	1
Sarah	Carlson	FPH Second Badge	2
Brandon	Brunner	Mighty	3
Dana	Gasner	Whispering Echo	4
Sarah	Kieser-Flim	Eleanor Ambrosia B	5
Crystal	Esqueda	Lopin in Diamonds	6
Jennifer	Frerichs-Ramon	Halley's Comet	C
Sheryl	O'Brien	Wild River Sundancer	P
Ruby	Filhart	Hannah Rose	P
Mosquito Run - 7/8/23 - End LW 50			
Scott	Campbell	JG Kings Major	1
Jodi	Johannessen	TM Hannie M	2
Karla	Ovsak	Dobella NPA	3
Teresa	Fett	CR Mistiraaz	4
Michelle	Splonskowski	Nasar IBN Moniet	5
Margaret	Reynolds	VA Caradelle	6
Mccutchen	Lori	Allumination MCS	C
Maria	Enge	Faustos Flame	C
Jessi	Lipponen	Mystic Dynasty PF	C
Shanon	Ployhart	BBA Fahad Al Hadi	C
Kasey	Corcoran	Sharif El Moniet	P
Mosquito Run - 7/8/23 - LD HW 25			
Deane	Jorgenson	Rushcreek Fast	1
Matthew	Splonskowski	LK Willy Willy Cool	2
Melissa	Ashbaugh	Victorious Luck	3
Krystyna	Eischens	Indikha	4
Jill	Piechowski	Southern Jackpot's Lil Tucker	5
Jutta	Schmidt	AF Go For Gold	6
Mosquito Run - 7/8/23 - LD Jr 25			
Miley	Eischens	Ozzy	1
Colton	Eischens	Amiyah B	2

Mosquito Run - 7/8/23 - LD LW 25			
Anne	Anderson	SH After Midnite	1
Jennifer	Mlocek	Hot Belle Pepper	2
Sherry	Legatt	SBF Capaccino	3
Megan	Thomas	Baskin Dream	4
Jason	Nicol	Nasmat Basim	5
Lisa	Aga	Noble Emotions CRF	6
Zoe	Oase	Dessa Darling	C
Sophie	Gustafson	Tryggr	C
Paula	Goligowski	Good Thunder	C
Ruby	Thorp	Jupiter	C
Chip	Jack	Brunello NA	C
Shea-Lynn	Ramthum	SS Butter Me Up	C
Megan	Anderson	Zora	C
Michelle	Deboer	Spot	C
Amy	Ellingson	Gideon	P
Hannah	Knutson	SB Sedona	P
Mosquito Run - 7/8/23 - Novice 10			
Charlotte	Suggs	WHINNY	1
Shanon	Pietig	Indy	2
Paula	Brummel	Natasha	3
John	Houltan	MS Famous Fancy Nancy	3
Jack	Suggs	Rocket	5
Kristin	Naruko	Ember	6
Sam	Dreyer	Blue Razzle Berry	6
Heather	Ives	Derby	C
Nicole	Klein	Jax	C
Kelly	Suggs	Authentic Fashion	C
Sophia	Barke	Riley	C
Laura	Geisler	Wyoming Serenade	C
Braylee	Biers	Lemon	C
Heather	Ives	DMA Sultry	C
Tony	Putz	Harbor Blue Bear	C
Kayle	Benesh	Aish Osiris	C
Catherine	England	Owen	C
Jennifer	Anderson	Sherman	C
Valerie	Temp	Peace Be Still	C
Jacki	Devine	Jet	C
Rosalie	Jaenisch	Coco	C
Amber	Davis	Whiskey Girl	C
Erika	Achberger	Jetla	C
Taryn	Lindbeck	TKO Rhio Bask	MO
Kathryn	Vadnais	Fabulous Jasper	MO
Bev	Specht	FPH Fantajias Payback	MO
Amy	Ellingson	Lacy	MO
Mosquito Run - 7/9/23 - Comp HW 25			
Sheryl	O'Brien	LC Ernani	1
Katja	Wiedrich	Noble Adventure	2
Becki	Sanford	Stryka Major Chord	3
Rachel	Temp	Triumphant Echo	4
Sarah	Carlson	HMR Sshameus	5
Mosquito Run - 7/9/23 - Comp Jr 25			
Audrey	Thorp	Nightmare Blues	P
Mosquito Run - 7/9/23 - Comp LW 25			
Jessica	Sonnek	Jazmine	1
Karrie	Halbur	Karmas Alluring Lady	2
Jodi	Johannessen	SC Izzabella	3

Mosquito Run - 7/9/23 - Drive 10			
Ray	Hubert	JimmyCrackedCorn	1
Sharon	Hahn	Gemini	2
Alice	Hubert	Gridlock	3
Tamm	Poffenberger	Midnight Reign Cloud	4
Mosquito Run - 7/9/23 - LD HW 25			
Natasha	Teske	JB Ultra Ody	1
Jutta	Schmidt	AF Go For Gold	2
Jennifer	Frerichs-Ramon	Towering Oaks Dixie	P
Crystal	Esqueda	Ouch My Stitches	P
Mosquito Run - 7/9/23 - LD Jr 25			
Elin	Lupo	Batalah Al Janoubi (Betty)	P
Aubrie	Meyer	Lads Switch Blade	P
Mosquito Run - 7/9/23 - LD LW 25			
Darlene	Molitor	VC Arieon	1
Scott	Campbell	Jedwab	2
Karla	Ovsak	Patches MN	3
Megan	Thomas	Baskin Dream	4
Neisha	Emerson	WMA Super Sport	5
Valerie	Poyer	Jackpot	6
Elizabeth E.	Bell	Anzio Bsf	C
Teresa	Fett	Ice Falcon LRA	C
Ruby	Thorp	Jupiter	C
Jesse	Shaddrick	CR Mistiraaz	C
Marianna	Mayo	Justa Little Breeze	C
Mosquito Run - 7/9/23 - Novice 10			
Sissy	Deitchler	Just Jerry	1
Laura	Geisler	Wyoming Serenade	2
Sydney	Alberts	Carrots	2
Marty	Vita	Dude	4
Sam	Dreyer	Ace	5
Austin	Deitchler	BMQ Smokin Legacy	6
Valerie	Temp	Peace Be Still	6
Aubrie	Meyer	The Outlander	C
Kim	Fournier	Tux	C
Catherine	England	Koda	C
Ruby	Rostberg	Gabe	C
Nevena	Vukomanovich	Clusified Investment	C
Angela	Seegerstrom	MR. Prince	C
Zoe	Oase	Tamanni BLM	C
Hannah	Spencer	Hush Lollipop	C
Talys	Belland	Princess Leia	C
Meisha	Kuttner	Rizzo	C
Tony	Putz	Harbor Blue Bear	C
Erica	Chopskie	Ali	C
Michele	Bjork	AM Suwanne Adrianna	C
Avery	Alberts	Katalena	C
Amber	Davis	Whiskey Girl	C
Jacki	Devine	Jet	C
Amy	Ellingson	Lads Switch Blade	MO
Kathryn	Vadnais	Fabulous Jasper	MO
Pamela	Coolidge	AW Michiah	MO
Kasie	Thomas	Apollo	MO
Jennifer	Frerichs-Ramon	Halley's Comet	MO
Maria	Enge	Mani	MO
Joshua	Ramon	Towering Oaks Lilo	MO
Crystal	Esqueda	Lopin in Diamonds	MO
Lisa	Aga	Noble Emotions CRF	MO

Lori Windows – UMECRA member and Author of Simiakia

I bought my first horse when I was 8 years old. He was a wild as a March hare yearling who kicked the auctioneer in the gut. I got him for \$20. I named him Chico. The spots on his red rump told of his Appaloosa heritage. We rode together for over 20 years! In 1972, I saw a movie called Bite the Bullet, loosely based on a 500-mile horse race that took place in the early 1900's. I thought, "Too bad they don't do that anymore. Chico and I would Kick Butt." Years passed and so did Chico. I replaced him with another non-papered Appaloosa, Wallowa. And I found out they still do "that". "Lowa and I started distance racing in '82. She carried me to Endurance Rookie in '84. My love of the Appaloosa and their founders, the Nez Perce grew.

I had been a published author since I was 18, but I had never tried to publish - or write - a novel. I hadn't even tried. But 15 years ago, I decided to write a book about the Appaloosas, the sport of distance racing, and my respect for the Nez Perce. It took me 3 weeks to write and type it out. But the world of novel publishing had changed. I could no longer mail a hard copy to a publisher. I had no computer, nor did I want one, and my novel, SIMIAKIA, collected dust in a binder. I lent it to a few folks to read. I even read it aloud to Sarah Mowrer one weekend when we went to a faraway ride together. Two years ago, I lent it to one of John's classmates who isn't even a horse person. He loved it and said the appeal reached beyond horse, Indians, and dog lovers. He insisted I try to publish it. But how? Then last year, I lent the book to Kat Candeed. She took forever to read it and I figured she didn't like it. When she returned the binder about a year ago, she had a

surprise. She had put it on a flash drive! I had no excuses not to submit it now. My Wyanet library took over, sending it to agents/publishers I recommended. Endless Sky Publishing in Saskatchewan gave the best connection. Two months later, the book was available online and in print!

SIMIAKIA is a Nez Perce word meaning pride in oneself. The main character, a young Nez Perce named Al, has nothing but disgust for his heritage. Through a series of events involving a generous horse rancher, a retired rodeo rider, a young Indian girl on her way to becoming a veterinarian, a dominant coydog, and a very special "misfit" horse, Al learns that pride and accomplishes feats beyond his beliefs. Throughout the story, Al drifts into "smoke dreams" that hint of circumstances that happened a century passed.

The book is not PG rated. There are some pretty sad happenings, some rough language, and a "little" sex. Recommend 16 years up. Available online (Amazon best) or from me at rides. If you get a book online, bring it to a ride for signing. I am at a lot of them. In closing, people have told me the book is a little autobiographical. I agree. The character that best portrays the author is The Dog!!

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*Family memberships shall consist of one or more related, or coupled as significant other, adults, and/or children of such adults who are less than 18 years of age, all of whom reside in the same household. Please include all names of eligible family members below.

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Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone number (s): _____

Email: _____

If you do NOT want your name and contact info in the membership book, check this box:

Please mail completed form along with check made out to UMECRA to:

Deb Moe – Treasurer
2632 County Road G
Emerald, WI 54013



UMECRA TRAIL GRANT REQUEST

Trail grants are provided to public trails only and are for an organization, not individuals.

Requests will be reviewed and voted on at each board meeting three times a year.

Send completed form to: Janet Sarver 5670 Foxboro Lane, Wyoming MN 55092 or email to Jsarver662@gmail.com.

Date: _____

UMECRA Member making request: _____

Phone # _____ Email: _____

Amount of request (\$500 maximum): _____

Date money is needed: _____

Name required on check if grant is approved:

_____ *The name needs to be an organization name; not an individual name.*

Address to send check:

Please explain the reason for request. Include:

- What the money will be designated for (be specific)? You can use back of form or submit more information if needed.
 - How UMECRA will benefit from granting this request?
 - How UMECRA will be recognized for this request?
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Date received: _____

Date approved: _____

Check number/amount: _____

Date check sent: _____

Want to find all those lovely photos taken at the ride or share the photos you took? Check out <https://www.umecrphotos.com/albums/>.

You can browse all the photos taken by our talented photographers! Photo credit for all the pictures in this newsletter go to Katy Carter! Thank you!



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