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HAW-ride!**



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Cover Photo

Is it love, or just an itchy face? Annie and Jimmy enjoy a break during the HAW Brassfield Winery drive. Owned by Kenn and Susan McCarty of Upper Lake.

Photo by Deb Baumann

To stay current with Lake County equine events, check out our Facebook page "Lake County Horse Council", and our website, www.lakecountyhorsecouncil.com

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A Message from the President

by Virginia Vovchuk

Greetings horsemen and women of Lake County!

I hope the Year of the Horse has started off well for you and your equine partners. The LCHC board of directors is very busy this season on a number of fronts:

1. We were welcomed by the Lake County Chamber of Commerce in a ribbon-cutting ceremony at the 4th annual member showcase "mixer" in February; as members of the Chamber we will be able to expand our marketing and educational efforts.
2. The juniors committee has been active with this year's gymkhana series, and we contributed our first award from LCHC in March. Congratulations to our young riders!
3. New project teams within the The Konocti Trails Committee were kicked off in February, including several LCHC members in their ranks. Thanks to their efforts, equestrians will have the opportunity to influence county plans and policies, as trails are considered and developed.
4. The Westside Community Park Committee (non-profit board) is backing a proposal for the equestrian center at the park in Lakeport, which has always been in the park's master plan, and has become a recent focus. The team is currently seeking community input and researching similar facilities in neighboring counties.

Please renew your Horse Council membership if you haven't done so already; your contributions allow us to produce this journal four times a year, and to sponsor our annual local events and awards. Our membership is growing and we are pleased to be getting some great feedback from the community, thanks to the dedication of our volunteers. You can find our 2013 Annual Report in this issue.

Hope to See you at Highland Springs on Sunday April 27th, for our annual Trail Work Day and Potluck. 10am - 2pm.



Virginia Vovchuk, with board members Dave Lowrie, Barbara Kroboth, and Anna Ravenwoode (front), with Carol Biggs and others at the Chamber of Commerce Showcase Mixer in Lakeport

The Lake County Horse Council's Mission is to:

- Promote and preserve the horse as agriculture, industry, and recreation
- Inform the public about horse community goals, projects, and events
- Promote educational programs for the horse industry
- Support private and public equine facilities and activities
- Serve as liaison between the horse industry, the community, and government agencies
- Promote all aspects of the equine industry

A Message from the Editor

Many thanks to those who contributed to this issue of the Journal, and especially to **Scott Bennett** (of **Scotts Action Photos**) for providing so many photos of equestrians at Lake County events.

You can help the Lake County Horse Council Journal cover the local equine scene. We welcome your articles and photographs on any horse-related topic, and any ideas you have for articles.

Send your stories and photos by email to: deb@vaqueroheritage.org (please identify location and persons in photos).

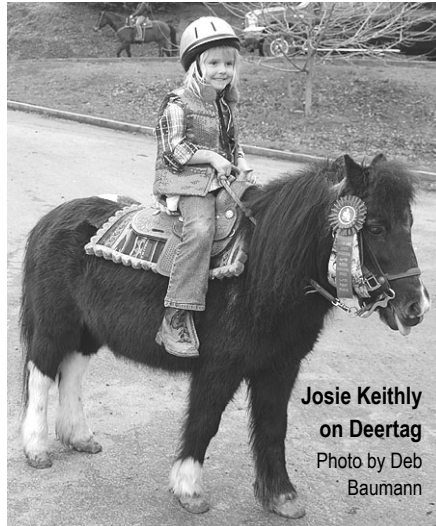
Deadlines are: December 15, March 15, June 15, September 15. Write your "event" stories right away, while memory is still fresh. Don't wait—send your stories **now!**

— Deb Baumann, Editor

If you have a story idea you'd like to discuss, feel free to call Deb at 275-9234

Well if there's one thing I've learned by editing this Journal, its that there is a whole lot of fun to be had with horses in Lake County! So many great events are happening that you cannot attend them all, they pile up so fast, often on the same weekend and sometimes on the same day.

Volunteering at the **Clear Lake Junior Horsemen's Gymkhana Series** now holds a special place in my heart. When I was Josie Keithly's age, I took it for granted that adults would always be standing at the gates, ready to open them for me. I gotta confess, it tickles me pink to now be one of those adults, opening the gate for Josie and all the riders, big and small. It's a good feeling to give back. Not to mention great fun, watching riders of all ages braving the competition. People come from other counties and drive for hours to participate. The CLJH are doing us all a service with this popular fundraiser. The Horse Council donated money towards the series' prizes, and I was proud to become a sponsor, too, on behalf of Rancho Californio.

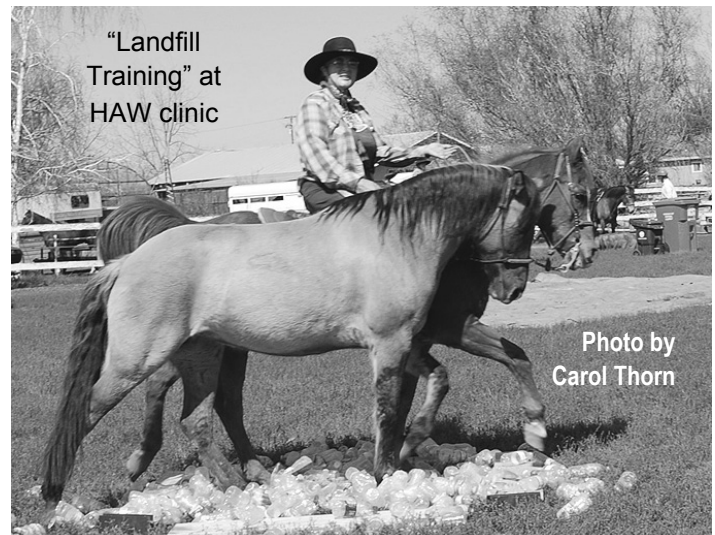


Josie Keithly
on Deertag
Photo by Deb
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The Hooves And Wheels de-sensitizing clinic is a great way to get ready for the **Mendo-Lake Arabian Horse Association Trail Obstacle Challenge** in September (held at the same location... hint, hint).

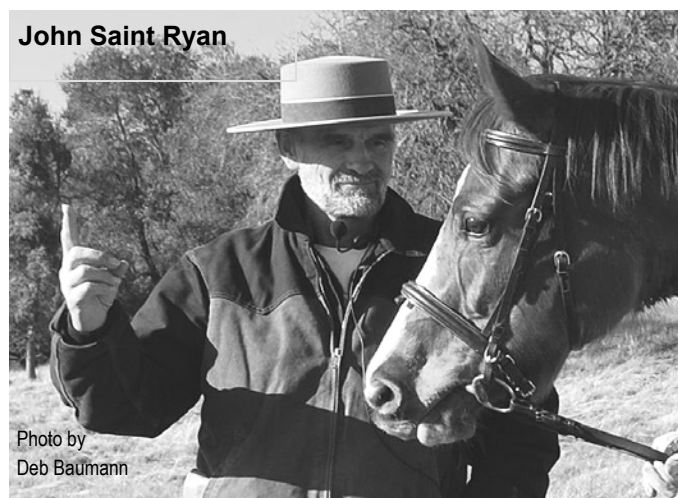
Every year, the creativity and challenge of the obstacles grows. One of my personal favorites was wading through the big pile of loud crackling

plastic drinking bottles. (You know, so you can prepare your horse for riding across a landfill some day!)



"Landfill
Training" at
HAW clinic

Photo by
Carol Thorn



John Saint Ryan

Photo by
Deb Baumann

Spring is the time of year we start getting our horses out on the (dry) trails, and that brings to mind the need for desensitizing and obstacle training. There were multiple obstacle-related events held in Lake County in February and March, including a **Working Equitation Clinic with John Saint Ryan** at Highland Springs Equestrian Center (page 14), **HAW's annual De-sensitizing Clinic** at Argonaut Farms (page 12), ongoing Working Equitation/obstacle training every month at **Rancho Californio**, a "Relay for Life" competition at **Gaddyshack Ranch** (article in next issue), and, less than two hours' drive away in Browns Valley, world-renowned Working Equitation judge **Jose Manuel Correia Lopes** came all the way from Portugal to share his knowledge with local riders in a 3-day clinic in March.

Desensitizing is also good parade training. There are many great parades all around Lake County, and what's a parade without horses? On **June 7** there will be an **ALL EQUINE parade in Upper Lake** (page 20), heir to the Wild West Days parade of yore, but this year it will be just for horses. Be it individuals or groups, under saddle, pulling carts or carriages, or led on foot... Upper Lake's Wild West Horse Parade wants **YOU** and your Equine!



Vaya Con Dios

Right: Deb in Upper Lake's
Wild West Day parade, photo
by Scott Bennett

Head'Em Up, Move'Em Out, HAW Ride!

by Deb Baumann

On February 23 Hooves & Wheels (HAW) headed for High Valley to host an event that keeps growing in popularity, the Brassfield Winery drive-and-ride. A record turn-out of "gentle giant" draft horses were surrounded by swarms of mini's, making for a picturesque and unique cavalcade.

Wagonmaster Judy Martin organized a smooth event, starting with an hour-long trek through the wild oak country, then another hour winding through vineyards. Many thanks to outriders such as Brenna Sullivan and Carol Thorn, who rode ahead to open gates in advance of the rest of the group, thus keeping things moving very nicely.

The scenery was breathtakingly beautiful with muted winter colors and clear blue skies, and leafless trees showing off their dramatically dripping moss and mistletoe.

A successful day was capped off with wine and food and happy socializing in the winery's patio area and gardens.



Above photo by Jaxan Christensen, the rest by Deb Baumann



DBaumann



Draft Horse & Mule Enthusiasts Story and photos by Deb Baumann

The Golden State Draft Horse and Mule Club was started by Corning resident and draft horse enthusiast Nolan Darnell in 1999. Three simple rules have made this club grow and thrive in the years since: 1) No politics or religion; 2) Leave your ego at home; 3) Just show up and enjoy the horses (and mules).

The Golden State club encompasses California's northern half, with 60-70 members from Corning, Orlund, Sacramento, Red Bluff, Redding and Lake County. This family oriented club meets monthly on second Saturdays, rotating meeting locations.

The March meeting was held in Lake County and the topic was Safety. Nolan identified key elements of harness and rig, ratios and distances between various pieces of harness or equipment, and addi-



GOLDEN STATE DRAFT HORSE & MULE CLUB



tional safety precautions that can be taken to reduce potential for mishaps. The informative lecture was well attended and appreciated.

Annual events include plowing seminars, driving and harnessing clinics, and wagon trains. A few years back, the club hosted a 400 mile wagon train re-enactment following an historic immigrant route. It took two years of planning to make the 400-miler happen.

Not everyone who started that adventure finished it, and Nolan cautions would-be wagoners to test the waters by finding out what ONE 20-mile day is like, before committing to a long trek. Both people and horses need to be conditioned for long hard travel. (Experience with wagon trains has inspired Darnell's interest in mules, which he says have more stamina and better endure long journeys.)

The club's next big special event is this June, starting from Susanville and following the old (1848) Jesse Applegate Oregon trail 300 miles round-trip to Soldier's Meadow in the Black Rock Desert.

Visit **You Tube** to see footage from Grass Valley: "2011 Draft Horse Classic: Presentation of Colors" featuring Stony Creek Shires, from Orland, CA. Driven by Nolan Darnell.



Clockwise from left: Susan McCarty and Keith Brandt drive 4-Up Belgians at Brassfield, Nolan Darnell, club members at March meeting, Boersma's percherons at Brassfield.

Clear Lake Junior Horsemen 2014 Gymkhana Results



Over all series high point CLJH member: Kia Kohler.

Over all series 9 and under high point winner: Rubey Veno, reserve high point: Ashlyn Taylor, 3rd: Alyssa York, 4th: Canella Coleman, 5th: Maddie Kincade.

10-13 over all series high point winner: Taylor Griffen, reserve is Emily Mayo, 3rd Emma Wade, 4th Serena Bowman, and 5th Code Browing.

14-17 over all high point: Shanna Gayski, reserve: Naomi Pierucci, 3rd Jenny Kurkendall, 4th Kia Kohler, and 5th Isabella Vance.

18-34 over all high point series winner: Nicky Ogneff, reserve: Savannah Meyer, 3rd Carmen Coleman, 4th is Luisa Solomon, and 5th is Jessica Sweeny.

Over all high point for 35 and better: Pam Wilson, reserve: Jill Holcomb, 3rd Misty Gayski, 4th Debbie Grinols, 5th Misty Taylor.

LCHC Saddle Clinic & Member Meeting By Virginia Vovchuk

The Lake County Horse Council kicked off the year with their annual January 11 meeting, this time in south county in Hidden Valley, with a focus on education. Over forty attendees, including continuing and new members, met for the afternoon to learn about saddle fit from Linda Cowles, and to see a unique collection of saddles on display.

Horse owners are typically very concerned about the comfort of their saddles – both for themselves and their horse. Due to the wide variety of saddle styles and shapes available, the uniqueness of each horse's back, how the horse is used, and the rider's needs, the process of saddle fitting is complex. There are many variables that affect proper saddle fit, perhaps most importantly, the horse's anatomy. Linda's presentation included an overview of the parts of a horse affected by saddles and saddle pads, and shared her extensive knowledge on the topic, as well as that of other experts in the field including Kerry Ridgway DVM.

Following a discussion about saddle quality and price, Linda demonstrated how a rider can check his/her own saddle for a proper fit by running a hand under the saddle before it's cinched, feeling for air space. Observing how the saddle sits when placed on the back without a pad (seat should be level) and whether or not it pinches the scapula (upper shoulder blade) in motion is criti-

cal. Generally speaking, a saddle that "rocks" from front to back, sits on the wither or pinches behind the scapula is not a good fit!

Different breeds of horse and different riding disciplines will also be a factor in saddle fit determination. Linda described the definitions of "bars" and "panels" used in the construction of both western and English saddles. A discussion about saddle pads was also helpful; Linda prefers the use of natural fabrics and materials over synthetic ones, although many riders have had success with synthetics. While a good quality pad cannot correct the faults of a poor saddle fit, therapeutic type pads and inserts may be helpful for horses with unique issues, for example, pockets behind the withers.

Horses will subtly shift their bodies to accommodate saddles, and this is not always to their benefit! For this reason, a good quality saddle, and thorough saddle fit check can help your horse in the long run. For more information, go to Linda's website at SonomaSaddles.com, or call 707 849-6984.

Linda also offered these recommendations for further reading:

English

<http://www.amazon.com/Horses-Pain-Free-Back-Saddle-Fit-Book/dp/1570762929>

Western

http://www.amazon.com/Western-Horses-Pain-Free-Back-Saddle-Fit/dp/1570763895/ref=pd_bxgy_b_img_y

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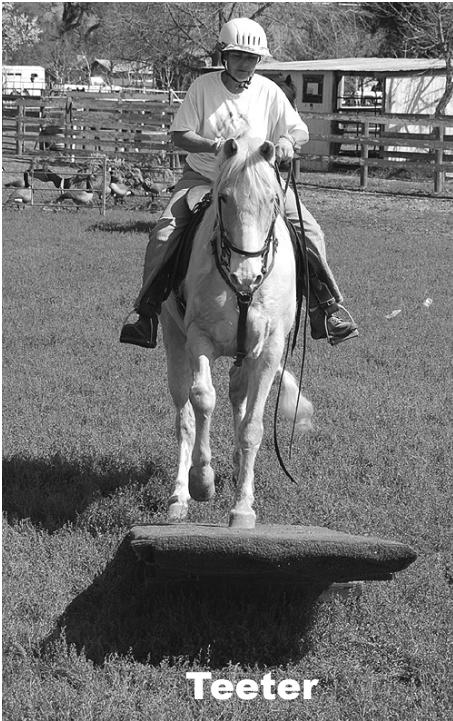


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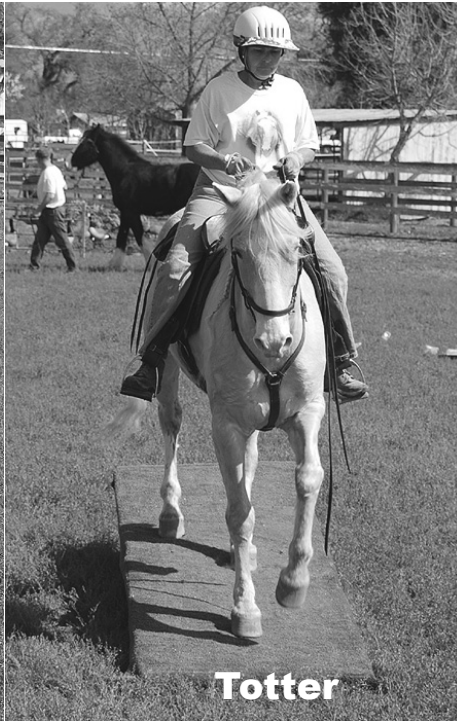
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(more) Lions & Tigers & Bears, Oh my!

Smart riders appreciate opportunities to expose their horses to things that horses tend to find objectionable. "De-sensitizing" makes for a safer, happier horse and rider. Each spring, the **Hooves and Wheels** club holds a desensitizing clinic at **Argonaut Farm**.



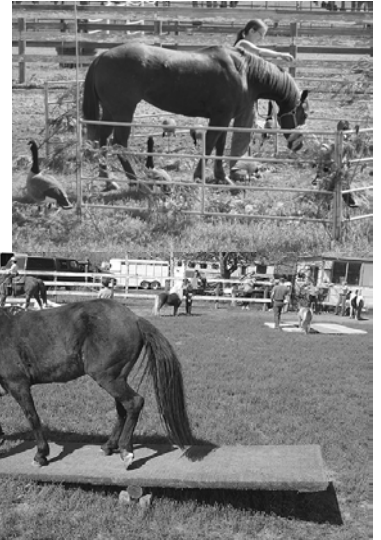
Teeter



Totter

This year, the teeter-totter bridge was a crowd favorite. Other obstacles included a giant (20x20) tarp, numerous bridges, mattresses and pole obstacles, water crossings, trashcans, and a live llama. Many introduced their horses to the course in-hand first.

In-hand work can be an effective method for building confidence in horse and rider.



TEAM PENNING (Another Way to Have Fun!)

The **Redwood Empire Quarter Horse Association** is based in Mendocino and has members from Sonoma, Lake and Marin. Second Saturdays in the winter they pen under the roof at the Lake County Fairgrounds. They also pen in Middletown, and last fall they had a team-pen "play day" at Gaddyshack Ranch in Kelseyville. Visit their Facebook page for upcoming events or contact President Debbie Grinols at 707-245-8443 or email Debbie at regha.mendocino@gmail.com

Right: Three generations in the saddle make a unique team: grand-daughter Gracie Silva, her mother Regina Dickson, and Regina's mom, Carmen Saye, all of Laytonville. The family that rides together stays together! Photo'd at Lake County Fairgrounds by Deb Baumann.

Below: Play Day at Gaddyshack, photo by Cheryl Johns.



cheryl johns ©2015



Rancho Californio bases many of its obstacles on the types used in European *Working Equitation* competitions, including clover-leaf and figure-eight barrel patterns, in-line and off-set pole-bending, jumps, chutes for slide-stopping and backing up, bridges and ring-spearing. Additionally there are obstacles inspired by *Extreme Cowboy* and the kind of tasks one expects a working ranch horse to master.



The cross-country course is a permanent fixture that will continue to grow and expand over the years.



Clockwise from Left: Karen Sullivan stair-climbing onto the Tall Bridge, Deb Baumann ponying a youngster over a jump, Carol Maxwell on the Tall Bridge, Sally Green leading a mini-mule over the Small Bridge, Jennifer Bennett's horse contemplates the Fiesta Gate, Carol Maxwell and Dave Lowrie on the side-pass poles, and Laura Jernigan knocking a ball off a cone with a spear.



It won't be long before Laura and her horse are grabbing the pole at a run, spearing a ring and returning the pole to its barrel-holder without slowing down. But training starts by picking up the pole at a walk and knocking down a ball. (Always start with baby steps!)



John Saint Ryan Winter 2014

Working Equitation and Horsemanship Clinic

By Heather Sentz

If you can measure success of a clinic by the amount of smiles from riders, auditors and the count of happy ears of horses, one could say that Highland Springs Equestrian Center's first John Saint Ryan clinic was a huge success.

Working equitation is a horse sport that I have become very interested in and I had high hopes of hosting a working equitation clinic this year somewhere in Lake County. Together with Highland Springs EC, in offering their ranch as a host site, I reserved clinician John Saint Ryan, for a combined general horsemanship clinic and WE. John agreed to add Lake County to his clinic schedule already scheduled in Sonoma County, and I enthusiastically started planning and booking.

The clinic started at 9am on the 15th with the working equitation group class. The weather was rainy, windy and cold, but we braved it under the security of the covered arena at Highland Springs EC. The first part of the day, from 9am - noon, consisted of learning about control, proper cues/aides, and proper framework, all so we could understand what working equitation is all about -- work ethic,



**Above: Dave Claus and Dominique
Below: Aaralyn and Red
Photos by Joyce Barker**

dressage (training) and discipline. John started out with a discussion about the way horses learn with negative reinforcement, the way they think, and their flight response.

We went over the six basic moves riders need to be disciplined in: 1) Forward 2) Stop 3) Rein back 4) Turn on the fore 5) Turn on the haunches 6) Leg yield. Each one of us practiced and demonstrated each maneuver and John helped us through any bumps in our learning, all the while, reminding us of the importance in getting these steps down before moving on to obstacles. We each learned a bit about our horses within this time; their strengths, weaknesses and where they needed work. The horses had obvious holes in their training that would prevent us from moving forward through the obstacles correctly, so each one of us spent time reminding each of our horses and ourselves of these very important steps. The goal in working equitation is to maneuver around the obstacles with the right hand free at a collected canter. This is achieved through training and discipline.

After lunch, we all enjoyed learning the basics of the obstacles we had to work with; The Jug, the Stockpen, the Jump, the Single Pole Slalom, the Rein back, and the Garrocha pick up/spear ring. John kept it novice and fun and we all learned a lot. We wrapped up the day, cold and tired and some of us gathered down at Paul and Juliana's house for a wine pairing, courtesy of





**Above: Jaycee, Blizzy and the garrocha
Below: Heather Sentz and Suzie Q
Photos by Jayson Sentz**

Wrapping up the sessions of the day, Dave Claus and myself had our private sessions with John working with Paul's mare Dominique. Dominique, a rescued 18yo TB, is being reconditioned by Dave and myself and John was helping us in relaxing this very athletic and over achieving mare. The day was full of breakthroughs and fun moments.

Monday was our last day of the clinic. Private sessions started out with a wonderful family of three - Hill, Cori and her daughter, 5 year-old Aaralyn. This family's three sessions began with the adorable Aaralyn and her trusted steed, Red, continuing with Hill, working on turns on the haunches and exercises to help his beautiful dun QH work the stock, and wrapping it up with Cori riding a 'been there done that' kind of horse named Big Chief. What a treat it was to watch Cori's ride; she got to learn the art of the garrocha in the session. John also worked with Barbara Voorhees and Anna Macomber and their lovely horses, each with a different focus. Each day the decks alongside the arena were full of auditors and family members watching and learning right along with the riders.

Upper Lake's Lake County Wine Studio, and to meet and greet the clinician. Fifteen guests enjoyed local wines and hors d'oeuvres while chatting with John and Joyce.

"The goal of equitation for me is to bring myself and the horse as closely connected as possible, so that we both feel of each other, and in that sense, show respect for each others' efforts."

John Saint Ryan

I do believe this will be the first of many working equitation clinics coming to Lake County.

I would like to thank Highland Springs Equestrian Center, Juliana Vidich, Paul Marchand, our co-sponsor Lake County CDS Chapter, Barbara Kroboth for generously donating the use of the slalom poles, Liz Rohnstock for the use of the barrels and ground poles, and all of the people who came out and made this clinic happen. Thank you!!

With a huge weather improvement, Sunday's private sessions started out at 9am and continued throughout the day until 5pm. John's private sessions are a one-on-one opportunity to work on specifics, find a better connection, and discover new and better methods and philosophies while still exploring the old. Riders worked on many different things throughout the day.

Liz Rohnstock's very opinionated filly, Nicki, gave us all a show with her refusals to go forward with her bucks and rearing, but by the end of their session, Nicki was more relaxed and willing, and stayed focused on what was being asked of her. Duv Cardenas, an lone resident, but Lake County native, traveled here to participate with her young Spanish Barb gelding. She had a wonderful private session and worked on some very basic exercises. We also had Floriane Welch and Robyn Spector traveling here from Sonoma and Mendocino counties.



Lake County Horse Council 2013 Annual Report

The Lake County Horse Council ended 2013, its first full year as a registered 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation, with a record 145 memberships. Building on a solid foundation of visibility in the community through educational events, communications and sponsorships, our volunteers donated many hours of hard work to make this possible. The 2013 Fiesta of the Horse, the Horse Faire at the Kelseyville Pear Festival, and two Poker Run / Scavenger Hunts at Highland Springs Recreation Area were the highlights of the year. In addition, a trail repair grant from AQHA and Tractor Supply was utilized at Highland Springs on the popular Lake Trail.

Event income represented \$2359 in income, followed by memberships with \$2243. Journal advertising and donations made up the remainder of revenues, adding up to a grand total of \$6467 in revenue. The Council's operating expenses include printing and paper for four journals per year, insurance, supplies, postage and website, in addition to event expenses, totaling \$4235. After covering those expenses, it has become possible for the Council to give back to the community, in the form of awards and sponsorships for local events.

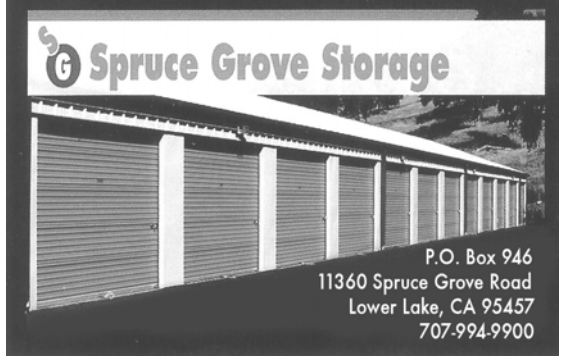
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Lake County Rodeo Association Annual Kick-off Dance

The 4th Annual Rodeo Kickoff Dance will be held on Saturday April 26th in Fritch Hall at the Fairgrounds in Lakeport. Doors open at 5pm and the delicious BBQ Tri Tip & Chicken dinner is served at 6pm, being served by the Scotts Valley Swine Club. Dancing to the Blue Rock Country Club band begins at 8pm.

Our sponsor for the 4th Annual is Family Owned, Chapel of the Lakes Mortuary in Lakeport.

Tickets for the Rodeo Kickoff Dance can be purchased at: CJS Ranch Supply in Middletown (sponsor of the Mutton Bustin' Contest at the Rodeo); Barreda's Lower Lake Feed; Rainbow Ag in Lakeport; Lake County Chamber of Commerce in Lakeport and Lakeview Market in Lucerne.

In addition to a fun raffle with a variety of prizes, an opportunity drawing for a 7 night stay at a QM Resort in Lake Tahoe or Sparks Nevada will also take place during the dance.

All proceeds from this dance will help the Lake County Rodeo Association put on the 85th Annual Lake County Rodeo on July 11 & 12 at the Fairgrounds.

The Grand Marshal for 2014 will be introduced at the April 26th dance.

A new event at the Rodeo this year will be a reunion of all past Queens and Princesses that we can find. If you know of someone or you are a past Queen or Princess, please contact Tami Graeber at Graeber@pacific.net. Tami was the Lake County Rodeo Queen in 1968 and has taken on the task of locating as many of the past Royalty as possible. They will be introduced on Friday evening, July 11th, at the Rodeo.

Young women interested in signing up for the 2014 Lake County Rodeo Queen & Princess competition can contact Rodeo Director Greg Scott at 263-5350 or email at gscottdtm@mediacombb.net.

The 2013 Lake County Rodeo Queen Joy Bennett and Princess Karissa Huggins will be on hand to greet guests and answer questions for the girls interested in joining the contest for Queen and Princess. The Queen competition is open to young women ag 16 to 24; Princess competition is open for ages 9 to 15.

For more information about the dance contact Chair Angel Purdy at 349-1991.



2013 Rodeo Photos by Scott Bennett

LAKE COUNTY HORSE COUNCIL – CALENDAR OF LOCAL EQUINE EVENTS

General Contact for LCHC
Virginia Vovchuk
vovchukvm@gmail.com

Add your event to our calendar by submitting details to:
Kate Schmidt-Hopper: (707) 245-9091 wiseacre1farm@gmail.com
Local clubs are invited to send their entire 2014 calendars for inclusion as soon as available.

Annual



Highland Springs Trail Work

“Earth Day” and Potluck

Sunday April 27th

10 am to 2pm

Contact Virginia Vovchuk 707 245-9091

Due to frequent updating of the Rolling Calendar, the printed version in any Journal becomes outdated very quickly. Therefore this hard-copy Journal calendar has been shortened to become an informal overview of the year. Please visit the LCHC website for the most current Calendar information including events held in locales beyond Lake County.

www.lakecountyhorsecouncil.com

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Wild West Horse Parade

June 7 (Saturday)

Upper Lake

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LAKE COUNTY HORSE COUNCIL – CALENDAR OF LOCAL EQUINE EVENTS

Ongoing or Multi-Date Events

Back Country Horsemen Lake Mendo Unit: Quarterly meetings at Round Table Pizza, Lakeport. Contact: Paul Villanueva 263-0147 or villan13@pacific.net

CDS co-sponsored Dave Claus clinics - Highland Springs Equestrian Center. Heather Sentz: 998-9176, March 8, April 12, May 10, June 14, July 12, August 9

LCHC Board Meetings: Second Monday of each month, Guido's Pizza in Kelseyville, 6pm

Redwood Empire Quarter Horse Association Team Penning - see Facebook page for new events

One-Time Events

4/6 Lake County CDS Schooling Dressage Show. Western Dressage and English Dressage. Highland Springs Equestrian Center. Juliana Vidich: 279-1903

4/27 LCHC Highland Springs "Earth Day" Potluck and Member Meeting (see opposite page for more info)

5/4 Lake County CDS Recognized Dressage Show. Highland Springs Equestrian Center. Juliana Vidich: 279-1903

5/10 Annual Horse O' Rama, 11am to 3pm, Hidden Valley Lake Equestrian Center, 20432 Powderhorn Rd., Pasha Tingle 987-4075
www.pashatingle.com

5/23 Ridgewood Ranch Seabiscuit Heritage Foundation Celebration Friday May 23rd in Willits
<http://www.seabiscuitheritage.org/tourschedule.php>

6/7 Upper Lake Wild West Horse parade and street fair (see opposite page for more info)

6/7-8 Julie Goodnight Clinic sponsored by Lake County CDS Chapter. 800 225-8827 or purchase tickets online at
www.juliegoodnight.com/clinics

6/14-15 Middletown Days Rodeo and Parade <http://www.middletowndays.org/>

6/23-27 & 7/14-18: "All About Horses" Summer Camp @ HVLA equestrian center, Open to boys & girls ages 7-15, Contact: Pasha Tingle 987-4075

6/29 (Sunday) Fiesta of the Horse – Rancho de la Fuente, Lakeport - Contact: 275-9234 or deb@vaqueroheritage.org

7/11-12 Lake County Rodeo, Lakeport Contact: Melissa Fulton 245-7431

7/19 LCHC Annual Trail Ride and Picnic, Upper Lake. Contact: Virginia Vovchuk 707 245-9091

8/23-24 Lake County Fair Horse Show <http://www.lakecountyfair.com/>

9/6 (Saturday) MLAHA Trail Obstacle Challenge - Argonaut Farms, Lakeport Contact: CFloodARt@pacific.net or 621-0238

9/20 Union Campesina Hispanic Rodeo, Lake County Fairgrounds Lakeport, Info: <http://www.lakecountyfair.com/>

9/21 Dressage & Western Dressage schooling show, sponsored by Lake County CDS chapter. Juliana Vidich: 279-1903

9/27 (Saturday) Kelseyville Pear Festival and Horse Faire. Virginia Vovchuk 707 245-9091

10/18 HVLA Equestrian center Pumpkin Patch and pet costume contest. Hand led horse rides throughout the day. Pasha Tingle 987-4075

November (tba) LCHC Poker Ride at Highland Springs

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