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"A Lil' Dazzle" Pony Team from Oak Creek Ranch in Lower Lake. From left to right, Joy Bennett on Radiant Star, Desiree Damante on Tivio's Montana, Jocelyn Bennett on Jazzy Jasmine, and Julienne Bennett on Classy Ashley Bars. See story on pages 6-7.

Do you have a favorite photo you'd like to see on our cover? Please email it to the editor: [juliana@highlandspringsequestrian.com](mailto:juliana@highlandspringsequestrian.com)

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## *A Message from the President*

*Written by Carol Biggs*



The Lake County Horse Council was formed in October of 2010. It was started with the idea that the horse community needed to have a voice. Together, as horse owners and horse keepers, we have strength in numbers.

We had several planning meetings and decided there was enough interest to form a council.

The goals of the Horse Council were defined and we were ready to start our organization. After the By-laws were drafted, we elected a Board of Directors, applied for "not for profit status" and began to define our purpose, in the form of a "Mission Statement", which is presented below. The short version of it is the bottom line, "We promote all aspects of equine industry."

The 1st year was dedicated to organization. This year we have several events planned to bring our dedication to horses to every day people who may have never seen a live horse, much less touched or smelled one!

Look for the Lake County Horse Council at "Western Days", the Pear Festival, the Fair, the Rodeo, and all your favorite events around our beautiful county. We are looking forward to sharing our passion for horses with you.

The Lake County Horse Council meets quarterly: January, April, July and October. We welcome everyone who appreciates horses. For information about the Horse Council contact any of the Board Members mentioned in the front of this Journal.

- Carol Biggs, Lake County Horse Council President

## ***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 Editors*

Many thanks to those who contributed articles and photographs to this issue of the Journal: Dave Claus, Jerri Waddington, Jec Ballou, Carleene Cady, Carol Biggs, Jaxan Christensen, Susan Feiler, and Scott Bennett. .

We would like to have the Lake County Horse Council Journal cover mainly the local equine scene. We welcome your articles and photographs on any

horse-related topic, and any ideas you have for articles. Would you like to write a regular column in the Journal? Do you know someone who has accomplished something extraordinary with horses? Please send us your stories! You may send them by email to [juliana@highlandspringsequestrian.com](mailto:juliana@highlandspringsequestrian.com) or by regular mail to Lake Co. Horse Council Journal Editor, P.O. Box 1551, Kelseyville, CA 95451

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## John Gay

We are all very sad to hear of the passing of John Gay on January 26, 2012. John was very active in the Horse Community of Lake County. He was instrumental in the success of the Lake County Horse Council and served on the Board for a period of time. He was also involved with the Humane Society and founder of the Disaster Rescue Committee of the Horse Council. We will all miss him. He was dedicated to the equine community and youth of Lake County.

By Carol Biggs, LCHC President

## Lake County Pony Team Wins at 2011 Northern CDS Junior/Young Rider Championships



From left to right: Desiree Damante on TIVIO'S MONTANA, Jocelyn Bennett on JAZZY JASMINE, Joy Bennett on RADIANT STAR, and Julianne Bennett on CLASSY ASHLEY BARS. Photo by S. Bennett

Four young women from Lake County - Jocelyn Bennett, Desiree Damante, Joy Bennett, and Julianne Bennett - won many prizes at the CDS (California Dressage Society) 2011 Northern Junior/Young Rider Championships last September, held at Rancho Murieta Equestrian Center in Rancho Murieta, CA. **As a team of four, they won the Training Level Pony Team First Place Prize, and each of them won individual prizes as well.**



Julianne Bennett riding CLASSY ASHLEY BARS. Photo by Scott Bennett.

The young women spent many months preparing for the Championships by riding at Oak Creek Ranch in Lower Lake and at various dressage shows in Northern California. They received training from several people, including Karin Hudson of Lake County, and Sharon Marshall and Jaki Hardy of Sonoma County. Kathy Jefferson, owner of Oak Creek Ranch, very generously provided the champion paint sport ponies that she bred and raised herself, and also paid for much of the expense of training and competing.

Individual wins were as follows:

*Training Level Championships 14 & under:* Desiree Damante 6<sup>th</sup> place (64.221%), Julianne Bennett 9<sup>th</sup> place (62.625%), Joy Bennett 13<sup>th</sup> place (59.950%)

*Team Equitation 13 & under:* Joy Bennett 3<sup>rd</sup> place (70.000%), Julianne Bennet 4<sup>th</sup> place (69.000%)

*Team Dressage Seat Equitation 14-18:* Desiree Damante 13<sup>th</sup> place (70.000%), Jocelyn Bennett 14<sup>th</sup> place (69.000%)

*Pony Team, Training Level Test 1:* Julianne Bennett 1<sup>st</sup> place (66.458%), Desiree Damante 2<sup>nd</sup> place (65.208%), Joy Bennett 3<sup>rd</sup> place (64.583%), Jocelyn Bennett 6<sup>th</sup> place (58.750%)

*Pony Team, Training Level Test 2:* Julianne Bennett 1<sup>st</sup> place (59.643%), Desiree Damante 2<sup>nd</sup> place (57.857%), Joy Bennett 3<sup>rd</sup> place (55.714%), Jocelyn Bennett 6<sup>th</sup> place (54.643%)



Joy Bennett riding RADIANT STAR. Photo by Scott Bennett



Desiree Damante  
Photo by S.Bennett

Desiree, Jocelyn, and Joy shared some comments about their experience. According to Desiree, "This past show season was my first season of competing at rated shows and it really was tons of fun! I'd really like to thank Jaki Hardy for helping us and especially Kathy Jef-

## Lake County Pony Team Wins, *continued*

*Written by Juliana Vidich*

person who got us all to the shows. This last year was a great learning experience and I'm really excited for this next year."



Jocelyn Bennett.  
Photo by S. Bennett

Jocelyn had this to say: "It was a lot of hard work getting to the ranch a few times a week and riding and having lessons, but it was definitely worth it. All four of us worked hard as a team to be as good as we could get. We always gave each advice and helped each other wash and braid

before each show. Lots of encouragement was given between the four of us, and we all became great friends!"

Joy said, "It was kind of a challenge at first. If we hadn't stuck with it, we wouldn't have been able to compete and win! The things that are the hardest work and require the most diligence are the things that are worth the most and are the most valuable and magical. And I think that's what made the whole thing so special and honorable for me and my team mates. It was my first year ever doing anything with dressage! But, since I've shown my horses before in english, jumping, western, and showmanship, that gave me a huge boost! Now, I catch myself using dressage techniques with my own horses, even when I'm riding western. It definitely was a great experience, one I'll always remember."



Joy Bennett. Photo by Scott Bennett.



Desiree Damante riding TIVIO'S MONTANA. Photo by S. Bennett

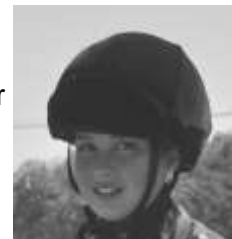


Jocelyn Bennett riding JAZZY JASMINE  
Photo by Scott Bennett

The team is very grateful to everyone who helped them be successful, and hopes to ride in the CDS Junior Championships again this year.

If you are interested in helping these young women with travel expenses and some needed supplies and tack, please

call or email Winnie Lea of the Lake County Dressage Chapter at: 707-350-4126 or Kathy Jefferson at 707-995-3907. You may also email questions to [winlea@airlinkweb.com](mailto:winlea@airlinkweb.com) or [kathyjefferson@hotmail.com](mailto:kathyjefferson@hotmail.com).



Juliennette Bennett.  
Photo by S. Bennett

For more information about the California Dressage Society, see [www.california-dressage.org](http://www.california-dressage.org), and for information about the local Lake County CDS Chapter, see [www.squidoo.com/lakecountycds](http://www.squidoo.com/lakecountycds) or contact Winnie Lea at 707-350-4126.



From left to right: Juliennette Bennett on CLASSY ASHLEY, Jocelyn Bennett on JAZZY JASMINE, Desiree Damante on TIVIO'S MONTANA, and Joy Bennett on RADIANT STAR. Photo by S. Bennett

## Fundamentals of Horsemanship

Written by Dave Claus

Regardless of what discipline you ride, you will need a horse who willingly goes forward, stops, turns and backs on request, with life in his feet.

We all dream of having a quiet, sensitive, and responsive horse.



Dr. Susan Cannon lunging horse. Photo J. Vidich

Lunging is one of the first steps in the fundamentals of training. The two rein positions will be established during

lunging - open and closed. The open position can be as subtle as turning your wrist, or in starting a colt it may be extended completely to a full arm's length, or anything in between. The closed position may be closing your fingers gently or applying enough pressure to get the desired response.

To start lunging your horse to the left, stand in front of him, open your left arm straight out from your body (with the rope in your hand) to give him a direction, swing gently with the surplus rope in your right hand at his eye until he moves out to the left, letting the surplus rope slide through your hand. Swing only when you want a change in pace. Swing, cluck, and if necessary, lightly spank with the end of the rope.

Walk with your horse (walk FORWARD, never BACKWARDS) to enlarge the circle. To slow the pace down, close your left hand as you shorten the rope. Eventually, the horse will slow down just from you closing your hand. When you want him to stop, simply step back and bring him to you.

To change directions, switch hands on the rope and

open the right arm. At first, this may require a firm pull. With practice, just the weight of the rope will signal to the horse that you want him to change direction. With more practice, he will walk, trot, and canter at the end of a 12-14 foot halter rope. He should always be light and forward at your request.

Can you bridle your horse on your knees? If you can't, you have some work to do. Put your left hand on the rope where it attaches to the halter and your right hand on his poll.

Apply light pressure and release at the slightest drop of his head. Pet and praise. He will drop his head lower with each try, and hold it down longer. The last four inches will be the hardest. Patience, calmness, and persistence are the keys.



Dr. Paul Marchand cueing horse to lower her head. Photo J. Vidich



Dr. Paul Marchand handling the horse's ears. Photo J. Vidich

Can you pet your horse's face, muzzle, and ears without him objecting? This will be necessary for easy bridling.

Will your horse back willingly and smoothly - melt backwards softly where you ask? Stand in front of your horse. Gently

wiggle the halter rope using increasing pressure until he takes a step back - stop immediately and praise. Continue until he backs softly with minimal pressure and approaches you willingly as you back away from him.

Another way to back a horse up teaches him to round his back and pick up the rider. Stand beside



*Fundamentals of Horsemanship, continued*

*by Dave Claus*



Dr. Paul Marchand backing horse. Photo J. Vidich

his head, facing the hindquarters. Put your hand on the rope where it attaches to the halter. Your thumb faces down and your forearm is against his jaw, preventing him from throwing his head into you. Apply gentle pressure and/or wiggle your hand a little until he steps or even leans back - release, pet, and praise.

making turn on the fore relatively easy. However, the turn on the haunches requires the horse to shift his weight backwards to the hind end, which most horses find more difficult.

To start this, you will stand on your horse's left side, facing his head and neck. The halter rope is in your right hand, placed against his neck. The surplus rope will be in your left hand. As you gently swing the rope towards his head, he will move his front end away from you. At first, any sideways movement will be accepted. Any forward movement should be discouraged by asking him to step back a step or two. Continue until you complete a 360 degree circle.

There is a lot more to horsemanship than these simple exercise, however, this will give you an idea of what I feel is important to get a good start with your horse - on the ground as well as in the saddle.

*Dave Claus is a horse trainer in Clearlake Oaks who specializes in dressage and horsemanship. He can be reached at 707-998-9564.*



Dave Claus teaching a dressage clinic. Photo by J. Vidich

When standing next to your horse, will he bend his neck and head to the side softly without moving his feet? At first he may turn to follow you, moving his hindquarters. Bend his head with the halter rope, using gentle pressure - the instant he gives the slightest bit, release, pet and praise. Before long, his feet will remain still and his neck will become soft and supple. His nose will almost touch his side.

Turn on the forehand is the basis for all lateral movement. This is also a strengthening and suppling exercise. Stand on the left side of the horse, flexing his head slightly to the left. The surplus rope is in your right hand. Put pressure with your left hand behind the girth area. If your horse does not move his hindquarters over, tap him lightly with the surplus rope in your right hand. When he moves, release pressure, pet and praise.

Here we are looking for the inside leg to step over in front of the outside foot. There is an old cowboy saying - "be as soft as you can and as firm as you have to". Some people say "squeeze, cluck and spank". We are walking the hindquarters around the front end - "turn on the fore".

The last fundamental I will be describing is "turn on the haunches". This will be your horse's first lesson in neck reining. It is also a good exercise to teach him not to invade your space unless invited. The majority of the horse's weight is on the forequarters,

## Winter's Equine Perils

I had a request the other day to discuss the veterinary issues that I see during the winter season, especially here in Lake County. I would have to say that winter colic, grass founder, and hoof abscesses are the big three.

### Winter colic

Colic is colic is colic, so really there is no difference between regular and winter colic. However, I do see colic for different reasons during winter. The big winter issue is the weather. It gets warm during the day, then really chilly at night, which seems to throw off horses' normal drinking schedule. If it gets cold enough to freeze the water trough, then they really don't drink well.



Young horses are not experienced enough to break the ice, to drink and older horses sometimes just simply do not like their water that cold for drinking.

If horses do not drink enough water they can get dehydrated and it can bind up their intes-

tines. (Just like in the middle of August).

Luckily, prevention is relatively simple. We need to keep a constant supply of non-frozen water readily available. Sometimes just breaking the ice in the trough in the morning so that they can drink is sufficient as it might thaw during the day.

Some horses are sensitive enough that they don't just want non-frozen water, they want a medium temperature water, which may require either an insulated trough or you can add a heater to the trough. I have seen many catalogues carrying electric water heaters that plug into the plug at the bottom. I have to admit the idea of electricity and water concerns me but it must work or how would they handle winter out east or up north. We are lucky relative to out east or up north where water freezes thicker, and for a longer time and all winter long. (There are many reasons I live in California and not back with my family in Alaska.)

by Jerri Waddington, DVM

### Grass Founder

One of the nice things about northern California is that in the winter we usually (not this year unfortunately) get a fair amount of rain which allows our pastures to get a good portion of their growth over the winter months. This is great for growing feed for our horses. This also sets us up to overfeed a horse.

Horses are not the most restrained animals when it comes to eating. Given the opportunity many horses will just continue to eat

and eat and eat. This not only makes for pudgy horses it can lead to colic (as most cases of overeating will do) and founder, aka laminitis.



Photo by J. Vidich

Founder is when the sensitive lamina (little fingers of tissue that connect the hoof to the coffin bone in the hoof) get inflamed and swell causing serious pain and tenderness. I imagine that it must feel similar to what it would feel like to hit your fingernail with a hammer then have to walk around on it.

Founder is an article all by itself, but basically horses are moving around like they are walking on eggshells. Tip-toeing around or laying around, or not moving at all are the signs you may notice. **This is a medical emergency**, not quite to the level of colic, but pretty close. The sooner we get treatment on board (pain control, anti-inflammatories, and soft squishy footing) the better the outcome for the horse and the sooner they can return to normal. Treatment usually involves working in combination with both a veterinarian and a farrier to get the best results.

## **Winter's Equine Perils, continued**

### **Hoof Abscesses**

During the rainy winter season (it could still happen) the change from dry ground and hard hooves to wet ground and soft hooves sets us up for abscesses or infections in the hoof. Abscesses can happen any time, and often we never know the inciting cause but in winter standing around in the muck just seems to be made to brew up a good hoof abscess. The signs are often confused for a broken leg. The swelling inside the hoof for the abscess is very painful because it is literally between a hoof and a hard place (bone). **This is also a medical emergency**, as abscesses, while they are growing, are destroying tissues inside the hoof.

Treatment is usually aimed at softening the hoof and



Hoof soaking boot. Photo J. Vidich.

bringing the abscess to a head so that it can rupture or be pared out. Antibiotics are usually not started until after the abscess has been opened. I used to spend a lot of time making diaper and duct tape booties to soak the hoof in, until I discovered the Davis soaking boot (a reusable rubber soaking boot).

Once the abscess is opened it is merely a waiting game (weeks to months) while the hoof heals and grows over the rupture/pairing spot. Hoof protection is continued throughout the healing process.

Winter can be a wonderful time in northern California, weather wise; it just means we have to pay a little extra attention to our horse's care and then we can all go out on a nice crisp trail ride. So keep your horse water trough ice free, their feet cleaned out, and be careful not to let them overeat, and all will be well. See you out on the trail!

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## *NEW HORSE COUNCIL LOGO*



Congratulations to **Brenna Sullivan**, who created the winning logo design in our Lake County Horse Council logo contest! Our thanks also to Karen Sullivan for her assistance, and to Deb Baumann for photoshopping the final image. This logo was selected by popular vote at the October 2011 general member meeting. We are very grateful to everyone who submitted logo designs.

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### *Western Dressage, Continued from page 12*

DiBella acknowledged that her fellow founders are scrambling to meet the demand as well as to continue growing and shaping the sport so that it remains true to its mission. Admittedly, some equestrians unfamiliar with the training goals behind WDAA, worry that the sport will become just a costumed version of traditional dressage.

But this is a misinformed view of what Western Dressage can achieve, says Colorado trainer Cliff Swanson. When asked the frequent question what exactly IS Western Dressage?, Swanson does not hesitate.

"People need to recognize that this is just classical dressage," says Swanson, who offers clinics near Castle Rock, CO.

Jec A. Ballou has a foot in both worlds. A dressage rider and trainer, she serves on the national advisory board for Western Dressage Association of America. Her web site is [www.jecballou.com](http://www.jecballou.com)

*Western Dressage - Grab Your Stetson and Hit the Dressage Court* by Jec Aristotle Ballou

Imagine an arena with a relaxed and balanced horse moving elegantly through a pattern that tests its skills. Now imagine the American West meeting the Spanish Riding School. It is what many consider the inevitable marriage of Western and dressage, now officially its own discipline and quickly gaining a following nationwide.



Joost Lammers riding in a Cowboy Dressage class in a Lake County CDS dressage show. Photo by J. Vidich

Founded in 2010, the Western Dressage Association of America has received an early nod from the United States Equestrian Federation and stands poised to soon be included as a national competition discipline. First witnessed at schooling shows and exhibitions by a handful of trainers that helped popularize it, the sport visibly exemplified the objectives of dressage. But in a western saddle. And without a Warmblood.

The burgeoning sport gained early support from not only Western riders who liked the challenge of progressively training a horse for dressage but also from equestrians who saw it as a way to preserve the ideals of softness, lightness, harmony. For those who argue that these ideals are not always seen in modern dressage, western dressage offers an alternative. It also gives Western riders an organized way to train—and compete, if they choose—in skills they have practiced for decades on ranches and in their everyday lives, thanks to the lasting influence of horsemen like Tom Dorrance and Ray Hunt.

National advisors for the new sport include National Reining Horse Association hall of fame inductee Jack Brainard, Western Horseman magazine editor

Darrell Dodds, Lynn Palm, and World Equestrian Games performer Eitan Beth-Halachmy. In its infancy, WDAA is forming affiliate groups in 20 states across the U.S. which promote the discipline through clinics and competitions.

For now, Western Dressage tests are modified from regular U.S.D.F. tests to suit the gaits of a western horse. In the future, these tests will evolve to more specifically demonstrate the training and maneuvers of western training. Currently, licensed USDF judges are used at shows since they are the most familiar with test requirements.

Dressage luminaries like Olympic judge Anita Owen and U.S.D.F. vice president George Williams helped the sport with early direction. As the sport grows and continues to define itself, dressage and western trainers are working side by side to teach students.

Founding directors of WDAA are committed to the sport embodying the best of both dressage and western worlds. President Ellen DiBella says the sport has numerous aspects to offer enthusiasts, the largest being a method of riding that “focuses on harmony, correct movement of the horse, and proper sequential training.”

According to the group’s mission statement, it was only a matter of time until this sport took hold in the horse industry. “It was only natural that at some point



Lacy Peterson riding in a Cowboy Dressage class in a Lake County CDS dressage show. Photo by J. Vidich.

on this journey East would meet West, English would meet Western and classical dressage would meet the spirit of the Western horse. When that day arrived, Western Dressage was born,” says the group’s mission statement.

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## Tales of Trooper

Written by Carol Biggs

It was Thanksgiving and I had a lot to be thankful for; I was gifted a magnificent, 1 ton, 18 hand black Percheron, with a badge on his forehead. Hence the name "Trooper". Trooper is now 6, has been trained under saddle and had some dressage schooling. For a horse his size he is remarkably smooth under saddle. (I saw him being ridden bareback, by Freeman, an Amish gentleman after he had his mammoth hooves trimmed!) Admittedly, I haven't straddled him yet!



Juan Erquiaga with Trooper. Photo by Carol Biggs.

I am blessed to have Juan Erquiaga for a friend. Juan has forgotten more about horses than most of us will ever know. When I told Juan, "I want to go up to Auburn to pick up a Percheron", he borrowed a trailer from a friend and off we went.

We got a late start, of course, so it was nearly dark when we finally found our way to the Auburn ranch that had been Trooper's home since he was a weanling. Now to load him in the trailer, in the dark! After a few attempts, Juan convinced Trooper that, "maybe" it would be more comfortable inside that trailer than it was becoming outside! Trooper loaded and off we went with his former owner leading us out of the maze that even confused my GPS!

We were headed towards Sacramento on Highway 80 when I thought either Trooper had put a dent in our borrowed trailer or, you guessed it, we had a blow out! As luck would have it, we were at a closed weigh station.

Where is that US Rider insurance card the first time you need it? Somewhere at home! Bill and I are double insured because he likes his CSAA insurance and I insist I need a company that will tow you with livestock! The Auto Club was there in record time and we were once again on our way.

I was so proud of my latest equine. He is magnificent,

however, he started to show clear signs of disrespect. Not good with a 1 ton horse, or any horse for that matter.

It is a New Year for Trooper. Juan helped me with his respect issues and in 2 hours we accomplished what I imagined would take 2 weeks! Juan is truly a master with horses, he had Trooper paying attention and responding in 20 minutes.

Okay, says Juan, "let's take him up to the barn and put the harness on him." he had already been in a collar a couple of times, and didn't object to having it slipped over his head. We very cautiously laid all the harness on his back and set about attaching all the various straps. Crouper? Hmmm! No problem, he took all this in stride. I walked him around in the barn a few times waiting for a delayed reaction to all this new gear! Good boy, no sign of stress, so off we go, back to the round pen.

Chains rattling, britchen, tugs, collar all bouncing along as he trotted around the pen. Juan suggested that we take the tug chains down, from their secure place on the spider, and hook them together about his hocks. That got a reaction! After some rapid circling, kicking and carrying on, Juan got his attention and you would have thought he had done this drill before. He actually looked quite proud! Not half as proud as me!

So, you might ask, what do you plan to do with this horse? My plan is to teach him to drive. (Pull a cart). We are off to an excellent start! Grass Valley here we come. The Draft Horse Classic is the 3rd week end in September and Trooper and I plan to be there. Sound ambitious? It is. Stay tuned for the next report of "Trooper's Tails", in the next Lake County Horse Council Journal. That will be April, and Trooper will be driving!



Carol Biggs leading Trooper. Photo by Bill Biggs.

## *Brassfield Winery Ride and Drive*

*written by Jaxan Christensen*

*Photos by Karen Sullivan*



Team of Percherons driven by Glenn Benjamin and Dana Diricco

The Hooves and Wheels Driving Club hosted a ride and drive on Sunday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> at the Brassfield Winery in Clearlake Oaks. We had three hitches and nine riders. The hitches, all of Upper Lake, were a salt and pepper team of Percherons put to a spring wagon; a Welch Cob put to a marathon cart; and a BLM mustang put to a gig. Our riders were well mounted on various breeds from Arabs to Percherons and more, a terrific selection.

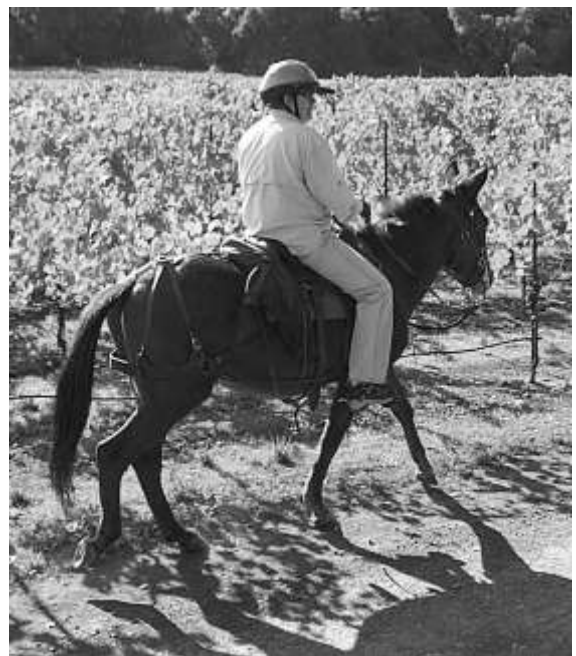


Jaxan and Walt Christensen driving a Welch Cob with a marathon cart.



BLM Mustang pulling gig driven by Marty Brookman & Carol Biggs

The three hour drive took us around and through the many beautiful vineyards with views of the surrounding mountains with the winery in the background. Our hostess, Judy Wilson, gave us history on the construction of the winery which is largely recycled building materials from the Bay Area.



Carol Thorn riding a mule.

*Brassfield Winery Ride and Drive, continued* written by Jaxan Christensen



Marie Trzeczak , Barbara Kroboth, and Cindy Campman riding



Cindy Smith riding a buckskin

Our drive circled around and ended going by a large, beautiful natural pond being enjoyed by flocks of geese that gave us a great sight as they took flight above us.

We concluded the day with a picnic lunch on site and wine tasting from the tasting room. Ter-  
rific day with terrific company!!



Judy Wilson, Cindy Smith, and Carol Thorn enjoying the beautiful scenery surrounding the vineyards



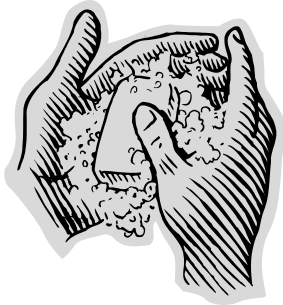
Left to right: Marty Brookman, Quincy Andrus, Barbara Kroboth, Fran Ransley, Marie Trzeczak, Walt and Jaxan Christensen, Cindy Campman, Sally Green, and Carol Biggs.

## Treating Lacerations

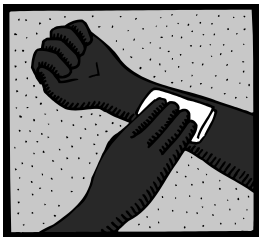
Written by Carleene Cady

Any break in the skin is going to be called an abrasion, puncture wound, or laceration, depending on the size and depth. Only a laceration needs to be evaluated as to whether there needs to be a repair or to let it heal by itself. I will discuss basic care of these injuries. I have sutured many human lacerations, a couple of dogs and only a superficial laceration on a horse. I defer to a vet regarding horse lacerations.

Number one, WASH THE WOUND! So many times I have people come in with lacerations filled with dirt but they proudly pronounce they poured peroxide on it. Wash a wound with soap and water. You do



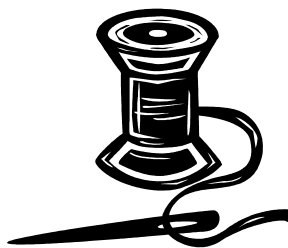
not need special soap, just wash it! The sooner the better as the wound will quickly become more tender as time passes. You can use a dilute betadine solution, but get the dirt out. Also, you can further evaluate the injury after you get dirt and debris out of it. If it is bleeding, get it clean and then you can put pressure on it until a clot will form and the



bleeding will stop. If you put pressure first and then clean it, you will disrupt a clot and start the bleeding again. It is ok to allow it to bleed some when cleaning it. You will have to use judgment as to

assessing if the bleeding is from an artery. An arterial bleed will pump and you will want to put pressure on it right away and seek further help.

Remember that pretty much any laceration will eventually heal, no matter what you do. We sew them to help them heal quicker with less scar, but often the healing process brings edges together and forms a scar even without help. To close wounds that are not severely deep we sew, use glue, wrap, or butterfly.

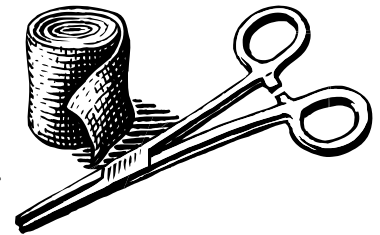


Sewing is just as it says. I once used a carpet needle and dental floss to close a wound - it worked. Sewing, unless you have no one else available, should be done by someone who is trained. Humans and dogs are not so difficult, but anything deep on a horse or on a leg, shoulder or other important area needs a vet.

Glue is painless but needs to be used on a laceration not too deep, probably only on humans, and do not get the glue "in" the wound. It must be only on the skin surfaces.

To use butterfly strips (you can cut strips out of any good tape or band aids), just get your skin edges barely touching and put the strips on. They work great but probably only on humans or shaved dog skin where there is no tension.

You can use vet wrap in some places to hold a straight laceration together. A great dressing for a superficial leg laceration on a



horse, dog or human is a kotex pad or mini pad and vet wrap.(polo wrap even better as it gives). Remember not to make it too tight.

Most lacerations will not be closed after 24 hours as it increases the risk of infection, and healing has already started. There are exceptions.

Tooth bites are not to be closed at all unless absolutely necessary for cosmetic or function reasons, and then they are closed loosely to allow them to drain (same with any repair after 24 hours). Proud flesh is seen below the knee or hock on horse legs. (refer to your vet about this)

You now can use your peroxide to dab daily to the wound to keep it clean and remove dried blood. Remember tetanus immunization! Every 5-10 years for humans. Horses usually get it in the 4 way vaccination

*Carleene Cady is the LCHC Trail Safety Advisor.*



## Places to Buy Hay

Editor's Note: This is the beginning of a "Lake County Equine Directory" that will eventually include a list of Boarding Stables, Veterinarians, Farriers, Barefoot Trimmers, Trainers, Riding Lessons, Feed Stores, Tack Stores, Equine dentists, and other equine product and service providers. If you would like to be included in the list, or removed from it, please contact me at juliana@highlandspringsequestrian.com or 707-279-1903.

Mendocino County Farm Supply,  
303 Talmage Rd, Ukiah 462-1492

Archer's Feed, Upper Lake,  
Hwy's 20 & 29

Ag Unlimited, Argonaut Road,  
Finley 279-4654



Rainbow Ag, 1975 Argonaut Road, Lakeport 279-0550

Rainbow Ag, 235 E. Perkins, Ukiah 462-2404

Barreda Lower Lake Feed, 16345 Main, Lower Lake  
995-3333

CJS Ranch Supply, 21713 S. Hwy 29, Middletown  
987-9771

## Hay Sellers

*(This list is gleaned from many sources including Craig's list, the Yellow Pages, Facebook, word of mouth, internet searches, etc.. Many of these sources only have hay during the growing season. They are not listed in any particular order. Listing them here does not constitute an endorsement of their products by the Lake County Horse Council. )*

Ken Stroh, 14400 Eel River Rd, Potter Valley 743-1463

John Woolley Ranch, 11650 West Road, Potter Valley,  
743-2337

Williamson Hay Sales, Ukiah 707-391-5673

Flying S Ranch, 8101 Ballou Terrace, Redwood Valley,  
(707) 485-8156

Gene or Jan, Upper Lake, 707 275 2777, 8am and 8pm.

Tim Poindexter – 3055 Finley East Rd , Finley

Holdenried Hay Sales, Kelseyville, 707-279-0650 or  
707-245-8106

Lake County hay, 707-322-8847

Scott Bennett, Merritt Road,  
Kelseyville. 263-5814



### INTERNET SOURCES:

[www.hayexchange.com](http://www.hayexchange.com)

[charleswhitehaysales.com](http://charleswhitehaysales.com)

[RedBarnHayCompany.com](http://RedBarnHayCompany.com) , [redbarnhayco@yahoo.com](mailto:redbarnhayco@yahoo.com)  
or 541-390-5022

Mendocino County Craig's List: [mendocino.craigslist.org](http://mendocino.craigslist.org)  
click on "farm + garden" and enter search word "hay"

North Bay Craig's List: [sfbay.craigslist.org/nby](http://sfbay.craigslist.org/nby) click  
on "farm + garden" and enter search word "hay"

Bay Area Equestrian Network: [www.bayequest.info](http://www.bayequest.info)  
click on "CLASSIFIEDS" and then click on "Hay"

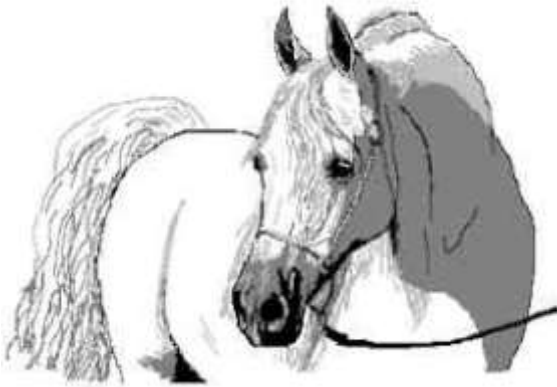
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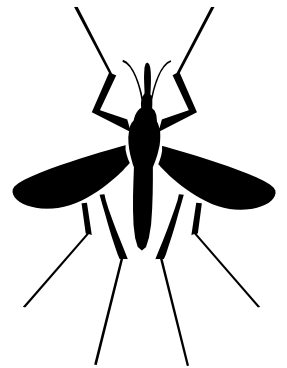
## The Importance of Equine Vaccines: Protecting your horse from infectious disease



Vaccinations are important to help protect horses from infectious diseases that are detrimental to them, if not deadly. However, owners must have realistic expectations and realize that vaccinations alone without good management practices directed at infection control, is not sufficient for the prevention of infectious disease. Outbreaks and occurrence of infectious diseases in horses tends to increase with increased population density, movement of horses on and off the facility, and environmental and managerial influences, such as stress, parasitism, inadequate sanitation, and poor nutrition. By minimizing these external factors, along with appropriately administering vaccinations prior to likely exposure, we can minimize the risks of infection and enhance resistance to those diseases.

There is a group of “core” annual vaccinations that we recommend to every horse. There are four very important infectious diseases that we vaccinate horses for annually. These are: (1) Western and Eastern encephalomyelitis, (2) West Nile virus, (3) Tetanus, and (4) Rabies. The incidence of these diseases has decreased since better vaccinations have become available and since we are vaccinating our horses more regularly and effectively. However, we still see them, even herein Lake County. Just two years ago, we diagnosed two horses with West Nile. In the past years we have also seen Tetanus. And just this year, there were four human fatalities in Florida from Eastern equine encephalitis.

Western equine encephalitis, Eastern equine encephalitis, and West Nile virus are all diseases that cause inflammation of the central nervous system. These viruses cause neurological signs in horses that are very debilitating. They can even cause death. All of these viruses are diseases of wild birds that are transmitted to horses and humans by mosquitoes. Besides vaccinations, it is very important to minimize the amount of mosquitoes on the property by getting rid of stagnant water, keeping sanitary conditions, and also protecting yourself with mosquito repellent. Vaccinations should be given annually, ideally prior to vector season in the spring. In unvaccinated horses, there need to be two shots given 4 weeks apart initially, then annually thereafter. Pregnant vaccinated mares should be vaccinated 4-6 weeks before foaling. Foals of vaccinated mares can begin a three-shot series at 4-6 months of age, but if they are from unvaccinated mares, these should begin at 3-4 months of age.



Tetanus is an often fatal disease caused by a potent neurotoxin from the bacteria *Clostridium tetani*.



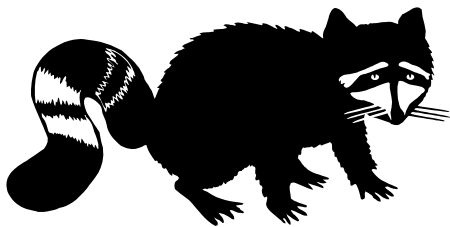
These organisms are present in the intestinal tract and feces of horses, other animals and humans, and are abundant in the soil. The spores can survive in the environment for many years, resulting in an ever-present risk of exposure on equine facilities. It is not a contagious disease. Tetanus is the result of *C. tetani* infection of puncture wounds,

open lacerations, surgical incisions, and exposed tissues (i.e. umbilicus of foals and reproductive tract of the postpartum mare). Tetanus causes spasms of the muscles that lead to paralysis and death. In the

## The Importance of Equine Vaccines: Protecting your horse from infectious disease, continued

early stages of tetanus, signs include protrusion of the third eyelid, twitching and spasm in the ears, drawing back of the lips, flaring of the nostrils, the appearance of a stiff neck and abnormal carriage of the tail. As the problem develops, marked stiffness in the limbs ("sawhorse stance"), difficulty swallowing and drinking ("lockjaw"), difficulty standing, profuse sweating, and respiratory distress occur. In order to help prevent this disease, vaccination with the tetanus toxoid vaccine is very important, as well as cleaning wounds thoroughly, and keeping sanitary conditions. The vaccine protocol is the same as the vaccines for the encephalitides. The only difference is that horses that sustain a wound or undergo surgery 6 or more months after their previous booster should be revaccinated with tetanus toxoid immediately at the time of injury or surgery.

Rabies vaccine is the last of the "core" vaccinations. Rabies is an infrequently encountered neurologic disease of horses. However, although the incidence of rabies in horses is low, the disease is fatal and has considerable public health significance. It is con-



tagious to humans as well as other animals. Rabies occurs through the bite of an infected (rabid) animal,

typically a wildlife source such as raccoon, fox, skunk, or bat. Bites to horses occur most often on the muzzle, face, and lower limbs. The virus migrates via nerves to the brain where it initiates rapidly progressive, invariably fatal encephalitis. Vaccination is critical to help prevent this disease. The rabies vaccine is an annual vaccine. It should also be given to pregnant mares 4-6 months prior to foaling. In foals of vaccinated mares, it should be given at 6 months of age, boosted 4-6 weeks later, then annual thereafter. In foals of unvaccinated mares, it should be given at 3-4 months of age, then annual thereafter.

Legally, the rabies vaccine must be administered by a licensed veterinarian. However, all vaccinations should be given by a licensed veterinarian to assure that viable vaccine is utilized and injections are properly administered. Mistakes in vaccination protocol by well-meaning horse owners can result in ineffective protection in an animal that was thought to be risk free. All too frequently, owner vaccinated horses develop overt cases indicating that the animal was improperly vaccinated or was vaccinated with vaccine that had lost its protective properties. Properly administered vaccinations are effective for only one year, thus, booster shots are required on an annual basis. It is also important to be aware that each horse in a population is not protected to an equal degree or for an equal duration following vaccination. All horses in a herd should be vaccinated at intervals based on the veterinarian's opinion. Ideally, the same schedule is followed for all horses in a population, thus minimizing transmission of infectious agents in a herd and indirectly protecting those horses in the herd that responded poorly to vaccination.



*Written by Dr. Brie Taylor, Dr. Jeffrey J Smith, DVM, and Dr. Joanna Holtz of Middletown Animal Hospital, 21503 Highway 29, Middletown, CA 95461, 707-987-2000*



## LAKE COUNTY HORSE COUNCIL – CALENDAR OF EQUINE EVENTS IN NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

**Add your events to the calendar by submitting details to Susan Feiler, [skf@airlinkweb.com](mailto:skf@airlinkweb.com)**

**JANUARY 2012**

- 19 (Thursday) 6:30 p.m. **Lake County Horse Council** general meeting at Lakeport Yacht Club, 15 Fifth St. Info: 279-1903  
 22 (Sunday) 10am **Hooves and Wheels Carriage Club** Meeting, Info: Barbara Kroboth (707) 279-2429 or (707) 489-0030  
 25 (Wednesday) **Mendocino County Search & Rescue Meeting** Info: Nina (707) 743-1316  
 26 (Thursday) 7PM **BCHC Meeting**, Info: Toni Villanueva (707) 263-0147 zorro1313@hotmail.com  
 27 (Friday) **Shoreline Riders Annual ElectionsPotluck**, Info: Janet Meacham (707) 961-1712  
 28-29 (Saturday-Sunday) **Rein Dance Clinic Clay Maier - Carriage Driving**, (707) 279-0915 or Susan McCarty (707) 275-3365

**FEBRUARY 2012**

- 4 (Saturday) **Clearlake Jr. Horsemen Buckle Series Gymkhana** Info: Tootsie Huggins (707) 349-6855  
 4-5 (Saturday-Sunday) **Rein Dance Clinic Clay Maier—LongReining** Info:(707) 279-0915 or Susan McCarty (707) 275-3365  
 23 (Thursday) 7PM **BCHC Meeting** Info: Toni Villanueva (707) 263-0147 zorro1313@hotmail.com  
 25 (Saturday) 5-11PM **2nd Annual Western Dance & BBQ Rodeo Fundraiser** Info: Angel Purdy (707) 228-6322  
 26 (Sunday) 10AM **Hooves and Wheels Carriage Club** Info: Barbara Kroboth (707) 279-2429 or (707) 489-0030

**MARCH 2012**

- 3 (Saturday) **Buckle Series Gymkhana** Info: Tootsie Huggins (707) 349-6855  
 22 (Thursday) 7PM **BCHC Meeting** Info: Toni Villanueva (707) 263-0147 zorro1313@hotmail.com  
 25 (Sunday) 10AM **Hooves and Wheels Carriage Club** Info: Barbara Kroboth (707) 279-2429 or (707) 489-0030

**APRIL 2012**

- 7-8 (Saturday-Sunday) **Jec Ballou Clinic Weekend** Info: Kate Schmidt-Hopper (707) 987-0421 wiseacre@wildblue.net  
 14 (Saturday) **Lake County Horse Council Equine Insurance & Liability Seminar** (tentative) Info: 279-1903  
 19 (Thursday) 6:30 pm **Lake County Horse Council** general meeting at Lakeport Yacht Club, 15 Fifth St.. Info: 279-1903  
 22 (Sunday) 10AM **Hooves and Wheels Carriage Club** Info: Barbara Kroboth (707) 279-2429 or (707) 489-0030  
 26 (Thursday) 7PM **BCHC Meeting** Info: Toni Villanueva (707) 263-0147 zorro1313@hotmail.com

**MAY 2012**

- 19/20 (Saturday/Sunday) **Lake County Horse Council Trail Ride** (tentative). Info: 279-1903  
 24 (Thursday) 7PM **BCHC Meeting** Info: Toni Villanueva (707) 263-0147 zorro1313@hotmail.com  
 27 (Sunday) 10AM **Hooves and Wheels Carriage Club** Info: Barbara Kroboth (707) 279-2429 or (707) 489-0030  
 28 (Monday) **Lower Lake Memorial Day Parade & BBQ**
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## LAKE COUNTY HORSE COUNCIL – CALENDAR OF EQUINE EVENTS IN NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

**JUNE 2012**

2 (Saturday) **Upper Lake Wild West Day Parade**

2-3 (Saturday-Sunday) **Jec Ballou Clinic Weekend** Info: Kate Schmidt-Hopper (707) 987-0421 wiseacre@wildblue.net

8-10 (Thursday-Sunday) **Western States Horse Expo**, Sacramento

24 (Sunday) **Lake County CDS Schooling Show** Info: Anna Macomber (707) 489-4981 or wildoaks@pacific.net

24 (Sunday) 10AM **Hooves and Wheels Carriage Club** Info: Barbara Kroboth (707) 279-2429 or (707) 489-0030

29 (Thursday) 7PM **BCHC Meeting** Info: Toni Villanueva (707) 263-0147 zorro1313@hotmail.com

30 (Saturday) **Lake County Horse Council's "Fiesta of the Horse"** . Info: (707) 275-9234 or email LCHCfiesta@yahoo.com

**JULY 2012**

13-14 (Friday-Saturday) **83rd Lake County Rodeo** <http://lakecountyrodeo.com/RodeoSchedule.aspx>

19 (Thursday) 6:30 pm **Lake County Horse Council** general meeting at Lakeport Yacht Club, 15 Fifth St.. Info: 279-1903

21 (Saturday) **Lake County CDS Sharon Marshall Clinic** [Tentative] Info: Juliana Vidich (707) 279-1903

22 (Sunday) 10AM **Hooves and Wheels Carriage Club** Info: Barbara Kroboth (707) 279-2429 or (707) 489-0030

26 (Thursday) 7PM **BCHC Meeting** Info: Toni Villanueva (707) 263-0147 zorro1313@hotmail.com

**AUGUST 2012**

4 (Saturday) **Lake County CDS Barn Dance and BBQ Fundraiser + Silent Auction** Info: Juliana Vidich (707) 279-1903

23 (Thursday) 7PM **BCHC Meeting** Info: Toni Villanueva (707) 263-0147 zorro1313@hotmail.com

26 (Sunday) 10AM **Hooves and Wheels Carriage Club** Info: Barbara Kroboth (707) 279-2429 or (707) 489-0030

**SEPTEMBER 2012**

8-9 (Saturday-Sunday) **Jec Ballou Clinic Weekend** Info: Kate Schmidt-Hopper (707) 987-0421 wiseacre@wildblue.net

16 (Sunday) [Tentative] **Lake County CDS Rated Show** Info: Juliana Vidich (707) 279-1903

23 (Sunday) 10AM **Hooves and Wheels Carriage Club** Info: Barbara Kroboth (707) 279-2429 or (707) 489-0030

27 (Thursday) 7PM **BCHC Meeting** Info: Toni Villanueva (707) 263-0147 zorro1313@hotmail.com

29 (Saturday) **Lake County Horse Council "Cavalcade of Horses"** at the Pear Festival (tentative). Info: 279-1903

**OCTOBER 2012**

18 (Thursday) 6:30 pm **Lake County Horse Council** general meeting at Lakeport Yacht Club, 15 Fifth St.. Info: 279-1903

20 (Saturday) **Lake County Horse Council "Try It, You May Like It"** Equestrian Sport Day (tentative) Info: 279-1903

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5:30 PM - 11:00 PM  
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Dancing from 8 PM to 11:30 PM

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A fundraiser for the 83rd Annual Lake County Rodeo being held at the Fairgrounds on July 13 & 14, 2012.

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Tickets: \$25.00/Person and Tickets are available from any [Lake County Rodeo Board](#) member or at:

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21713 Highway 29, Middletown, CA  
Phone: 7077-987-9771

Lake County Chamber of Commerce  
875 Lakeport Boulevard, Lakeport, CA  
Phone: 707-263-5092

Rainbow Ag  
1975 Argonaut Road, Lakeport, CA  
Phone: 707-279-0550

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