



Rider's Relay

APRIL 2016

Director's Message

What a fantastic way to spend a portion of the Easter weekend...hosting a Washington State Championship Show Benefit in Spokane! We had two new families to WSH join at the show as well as two new youth members. Welcome Harris Family, Nesbitt Family, MacKenzie Beier, and Madison Walker! We had several non-members join us for the day as well and we appreciate their support of the WSCS through their rides. The one-day show had 432 rides and 64 riders. The show generated approximately \$1,200.00 that will be applied to this year's WSCS awards. A big "thank you" to those that helped in the arena, at the gates, with the donation table, and to those that helped clean-up the grounds. As a reminder to our riders...when we attend events please be courteous in cleaning up at the end of the event. The rule of thumb should ALWAYS be that the area in which you were parked looks as good (or better) than when you drove in. Pick up manure, pick up any remaining feed, pick up any garbage, and fill in any holes. Those that put on the shows already have enough on their plates with bookwork, finances, etc. that they should not have to clean-up after riders that did not take the time to tidy their areas. Remember...your show chairs do NOT get paid to host these events and we would like them to continue to WANT to put on shows for us so please, riders, do your part!

Our State Show is in Cashmere again August 26-28. Please begin working on sponsors for this year's event. This is how we are able to continue to give the amazing awards we do each year. The sponsorship forms are available on the newly updated WSH website at www.WashingtonStateHorsemen.org. Show approval forms and the 2016 WSHGD rulebook are also located online.

I'm sending out another plea to our riders...please become an official (First Timer and/or Judge). We really need to spread this responsibility out across our riders so that everyone can have enjoyable weekends. On both of sides of the State (and in the middle)...we have the same few people officiating and we are beginning to see burn out. If we don't lighten their loads, we're going to become really short on officials when they finally say "enough". To start the journey of becoming an official, e-mail wshgd2007@yahoo.com and request this year's test. Thank you in advance for your help this year!

We have show dates in for North Central, Northeast, and Puget Sound again this year. Although PSZ only has one date thus far...they hope to pick up additional dates as facilities become available. Thank you to the clubs and show chairs for putting these events together for our riders! It looks to be another exciting year in WSHGD! Continue to watch the WSHGD Facebook page for more information on upcoming events and the WSCS. If you have any questions on rules or anything please contact me at stockmansaddlery@aol.com. That's it for now...happy riding -- Melissa Stockman.

Facebook

Are you a "Fan" of Washington State Horsemen – Games Division? Currently the page has 734 fans (an increase of 34 fans since our last newsletter). Recently added were Madi Casto, Morgan Flaig, Evelyn Friebus, Heather Maddox, Te Ata Montgomery, Tracie Puthoff, Andy Rogers, Roxy Searies, Jodi Winter and more. We are sure glad that you have joined our page. Show date information as well as other notifications is posted on the Facebook page. If you have not already "liked" our page, please become a fan today by clicking "Like".

Facebook / Member Spotlight Monday

Were you able to catch February's Member Spotlight Mondays on our Facebook page? On February 15, we featured **MARCI LOSHBAUGH**.

Marcie is a member of the Northeast Zone. She was born and raised in Deer Park, WA and attended Deer Park schools Kindergarten through 12th Grade. She states that she was "lucky enough to have been raised with horses all my life." Her sister, Shelley, has been a big influence on her riding ability. The girls were always going to horse shows and attended the local fairs. After High School, Marcie traveled to Tucson AZ to do an apprenticeship at Al-Marah Arabians. There she learned how to break colts and all the basics of big show life. Marcie states that her thrill at the ranch was meeting Michael Landon and having the opportunity to ride a few horses



for him. She states that she quickly learned that family was where she needed to be so she traveled back to Deer Park. After receiving her Associate's Degree, Marcie went to work in the medical field and eventually ended up at Northwest Orthopedics where she has worked for almost 19 years. Marcie also helps her other half, Bob Reilly, at a convenience store in Deer Park...Bob-Mart. Marcie owns 3 horses; Tanner is her 26-year-old mustang, Koda is her 9-year-old buckskin mare that she games on, and Tucker is her 3-year-old paint that she is hoping to show and rein on. Outside of horses, Marcie enjoys spending time at the lake knee-boarding and spending time with her daughter Tabetha and Grandson Baylor.

On March 7th, we featured **TRACY CROTSLEY**. Tracy was born and raised in Ephrata WA and is a current member of the North Central Zone. She grew up on a row crop farm built from the ground up by her Dad. She states that she has always had a love for horses; riding any and every horse anyone would let her. She only had her own horse growing up for about a year in the 7th Grade, a POA Appaloosa named Penny. She spent summers in Ferndale, WA at my grandparents and had the opportunity to ride the polo ponies or the neighbor's horses. Tracy is married to her best friend, Jake. She adds that by keeping Christ at the center of their marriage, it only keeps getting better. Tracy has two children from her 1st marriage; Dalton 13 and Hannah 10. Dalton enjoys motorcycles and 4-wheelers while Hannah wants to start gaming with her mom this year. Tracy has been a hairstylist for 24 years.



Outside of WSHGD, she enjoys time with family, friends and just being a home-body. She enjoys scrapbooking, painting, and making barn wood signs. She loves hanging out at the lake with friends. She is the horse leader for their 4H Club. She has been involved in WSH for three years and is the 2016/7 Director at Large for Position #1, WSHGD Rules Committee Alternate, and NCZ Games Chair. Her trusted steed is named Chance and she states that they are "getting better with every run." His name is appropriate because when she bought him 4 years ago, she almost took him back because he was a "freak". After love and riding, he is safe and bomb proof. She states that her goal is to "win at least one saddle in my horse career" before she is too old to ride.

2015 Permanent Number Registration

Writable PDF forms are available on the WSH Website (WashingtonStateHorsemen.org) under Games Division's Forms and Downloads. All riders must register (or re-register) their numbers prior to competing. If you are a member of any of the zones listed below, one copy of the form must go to the Zone Times Keeper listed and one copy of the form must be sent to the State Times Keeper. If you are not a member of NC, NE, or PSZ...send only to Glenna Eilers.

North Central (W Numbers) – Chris Thompson at thompson99344@hotmail.com

Northeast (R Numbers) – Sharon Kelsey at parnellivestock@aol.com

Puget Sound (K Numbers) – Cameron Backer at crbacker@comcast.net

All Other Zones – Glenna Eilers at horse_krazy0713@hotmail.com

Washington State Championship Show

Director Melissa Stockman announced at the 2015 WSH Convention that the Washington State Championship Show will be held at the Chelan County Fairgrounds in Cashmere WA on August 26-28. This year's colors are Teal, Pink, and Silver. Melissa Stockman is working with associated cause groups (i.e. Breast Cancer Awareness for pink) so that further emphasis can be made on helping our communities. As it is 2016, a theme of "Sweet Sixteen" has been tossed around. Give us your thoughts on our Facebook page!

Director Melissa Stockman is always looking for volunteers to help with every aspect of the show. If you are willing to assist on this year's WSCS Committee (in any capacity), please let Melissa know at stockmansaddlery@aol.com. Here are some of the areas that help is needed in...and your help is needed.

- Program (typing up and taking it to the printer).
- Parking (being on site early to help place trailers and "houses" so that we can utilize the campground and parking area to its optimal use).
- Silent Auction (setting up the silent auction area, collecting the sheets when done, collecting payment).
- Judges / Timers – Jessie McLaughlin will assist in coordinating this year's officials. If you are able to assist as an official for the WSCS, please let us know by sending an e-mail to wshgd2007@yahoo.com.
- Welcome Bags (sending out information to past supporters, seeking new supporters, and coordinating the filling of the bags Thursday at WSCS).
- Golfing – This was super fun in 2015 at the Mt. Cashmere Golf Course. This event is held on Friday morning so if you are interested in playing, let us know ahead so that we can be sure to have enough

tee times.

- Stall Cards – we've had some super fun "stall cards" over the past few years. Once a theme is finalized, we'd love to have someone offer to help with this task. Let's make this year's super creative!
- State Championship Plaques – a big "thank you" to the Deer Park High School wood shop students who have been so wonderful to cut out the plaques for us the past couple of years. If they agree to do it again this year, they will still be in need of being stained (with a little bit of sanding also needed).
- Arena Worker Cards – each rider is assigned to help throughout the weekend and thus the person taking on this role will take the rider list (prior to WSCS) and create cards to distribute to the riders at the Rider's Meeting held on Friday.

Convention 2015 - Winners

The following winners received awards at the 2015 Convention. Congratulations again to each of you!

All Around Games Horse of the Year – Ought to Be a Dancer ridden by Melissa Stockman (NE Zone)

Individual Games Horse of the Year – Zango ridden by Kristy Minkoff (NC Zone)

Roberta Dunckel Memorial Award / Inspirational – Sharon Kelsey (NE Zone)

Club of the Year – North Country Riders (NE Zone)

High Point Leadline Horse and Rider – Bootsie ridden by Arabella Howe (NC Zone)

High Point Buckaroo Horse and Rider – Roanie Pony ridden by McKinzi Tanner (NE Zone)

High Point Junior Horse and Rider – Chancey ridden by Justin Shaffer (NC Zone)

High Point Intermediate Horse and Rider – Fred ridden by Carly Pitts (NE Zone)

High Point Senior A Horse and Rider – Flik ridden by Ashley Valdez (Puget Sound Zone)

High Point Senior B Horse and Rider – Dilly Doll ridden by Suzie Dillman (NC Zone)

High Point Super Senior A Horse and Rider – Zango ridden by Kristy Minkoff (NC Zone)

High Point Super Senior B Horse and Rider – Little Joe ridden by Jerene Rockstrom (NE Zone)

Additional State Championships (based on ages) from the Washington State Championship Show (some were included in the last newsletter) included –

Flags – Arabella Howe on Bootsie (LL), Skyler Neumann on Dreamer (Buck), Jessica Green on Zanzi (Jr.), Wyatt Stockman on Driftin' My Way (Inter.), Kimberlee McCoul on Fritz (Sr. A), Suzie Dillman on Dilly Doll (Sr. B), Kristy Minkoff on Zango (Super Sr. A), Jerene Rockstrom on Little Joe (Super Sr. B)

Keyhole - Arabella Howe on Bootsie (LL), Skyler Neumann on Dreamer (Buck), Tyler Rickert on Pistol (Jr.), Raena Rankin on Tora (Inter.), Erica Lefors on Cash (Sr. A), Caitlin Friebus on BDG Quad's Lucky Kali a.k.a Lady (Sr. B), Kristy Minkoff on Zango (Super Sr. A), Jerene Rockstrom on Little Joe (Super Sr. B)

Keyrace – Arabella Howe on Bootsie (LL), McKinzi Tanner on Roanie Pony (Buck), Sydney Kuhlman on Neo (Jr.), Raena Rankin on Tora (Inter.), Brandon Lyngstad on Splash (Sr. A), Suzie Dillman on Dilly Doll (Sr. B), Angela Tanner on Just Us (Super Sr. A), Rich Parnell on Hannah (Super Sr. B)

Poles - Arabella Howe on Bootsie (LL), Skyler Neumann on Dreamer (Buck), Sydney Kuhlman on Neo (Jr.), Carly Pitts on Fred (Inter.), Ashley Valdez on Flik (Sr. A), Suzie Dillman on Dilly Doll (Sr. B), Melissa Stockman on Ought to Be a Dancer (Super Sr. A), Jerene Rockstrom on Little Joe (Super Sr. B)

Cowhide Race – Melissa and Wyatt Stockman on Ought to Be a Dancer

Rescue Race – Melissa and Wyatt Stockman on Ought to Be a Dancer

Bareback Relay – Fritz's Return (Melissa and Wyatt Stockman, Angela Tanner, Erica Lefors) on Fritz

Team Poles – Cowgirl Up and the Gang (Melissa / Wyatt / Courtney Stockman and Sharon Kelsey)

Convention 2016

The WSH Convention for 2016 is slated for November 11-13 in Yakima at the Howard Johnson. Further information will be found in future editions of the Canter and in the Rider's Relay. When booking a room, be sure to mention that you are with Washington State Horsemen in order to get the discounted group rate. The Games Division's Annual Meeting will be held on the morning of November 12. Proposed Games Division rule changes will be accepted by the Division Director (Melissa Stockman) from August 1 to September 10. Along with discussion and voting upon proposed rule changes, the Games Division hosts a clinic for officials and show committees on Nov. 12. We would love for you to make plans to join us at Convention 2016!

Junior Riders

Hey Junior Riders! If you have some suggestions for fun things to do at this year's Washington State Championship Show, please e-mail your ideas to WSHGD2007@yahoo.com. It'll be here before you know it!

Rider's Relay / The Canter

If you would like send anything in for publishing into the *Rider's Relay*, please send it to WSHGD2007@yahoo.com on or before the 10th of each month. We will then include your information in the electronic version that will go out on or around the 15th of each month. If at any time you are receiving the *Rider's Relay* and would like to be removed from its electronic mailing, please e-mail the address above. The April issue of the *Canter* went into the mailboxes of those members that have renewed their 2016 WSH Memberships. Contact your Zone Reporter to have them include information from shows in your area. The next deadline for the *Canter* is June 15.

2015 Show Approvals

Show Committees – Please be sure to send your show approval forms with payment to the WSHGD Secretary, Jessie McLaughlin. The cost of approving a show is \$15.00 per day. As a reminder, in 2016...with your \$15.00 per day, you will receive State Approval on Zone Approval for one zone. Approval forms are available on the WSH website or you may contact Jessie McLaughlin at LDSMacs@comcast.net to obtain one. Forms should be mailed to WSHGD Show Approvals, c/o Jessie McLaughlin, 7210 E Fairview Ave, Spokane Valley WA 99212-1526. All of the forms typically found in the show packet will be e-mailed to the show chair for printing off once the show has been approved. The forms also will include an Excel spreadsheet for calculating the total rides.

April 9-10: North Country Riders 1 (Start Time 10:00 a.m. Saturday / 9:00 a.m. Sunday)

April 23-24: Desert Duellers 1 (Start Time 9:00 a.m. each day)

May 7-8: Desert Duellers 2 (Start Time 9:00 a.m. each day)

May 7-8: North Country Riders 1 (Start Time 10:00 a.m. Saturday / 9:00 a.m. Sunday)

June 4: Circle C Riders (Start Time 9:00 a.m.)

June 11-12: North Country Riders 1 (Start Time 10:00 a.m. Saturday / 9:00 a.m. Sunday)

June 18-19: Desert Duellers 1 (Start Time 9:00 a.m. each day)

July 9-10: North Country Riders 1 (Start Time 10:00 a.m. Saturday / 9:00 a.m. Sunday)

Sept. 24-25: North Country Riders 2 (Start Time 10:00 a.m. Saturday / 9:00 a.m. Sunday)

October 1-2: North Country Riders 2 (Start Time 10:00 a.m. each day)

October 1-2: Desert Duellers 1 (Start Time 9:00 a.m. each day)

Circle C Riders / Chair Jennifer Recco at circlecriders@gmail.com or (253) 590-6162.

Arena – Frontier Park (21718 Meridian Ave E – Graham WA) / Reschedule if Rain

Event Order – CS,F,KH,P,KR,F8,B,RR,CH,TMS,TM3B,TB,TF,TP,RL

Info: Times Only, A B C D Bk LL. \$40 to ride all day (1 run each event) or \$5.00 per event. Additional runs are \$3 each. Arena Fee at \$5.00 per horse/rider combination. 80% Jackpot (all events) at \$5.00 per person per ride. No dogs or alcohol during the show. Riders must clean up after their horses. Helmets required for riders 17 years of age and younger. Puget Sound, Prairie, and Cascade Zone approved.

Desert Duellers 1 / Chair Glenna Eilers at horse_krazy0713@hotmail.com or (509) 760-0713.

Arena – G & C Arena (12596 Rd A NW – Ephrata WA) / Reschedule if Rain

Event Order – CS,2MS,KR,TM3B,TF,F,B,KH,TB,F8,P,TP,RR,RL,CH

Info: Times Only, A B C D Bk LL at \$2.00 per ride, 80% Jackpot (all events) at \$5.00 per person per ride. Arena Fee is \$5.00 per rider. No overnight pens are available. Dry camping only. All dogs must be on a leash. Riders are to pick up after themselves and their animals. North Central Zone approved.

Desert Duellers 2 / Chair Glenna Eilers at horse_krazy0713@hotmail.com or (509) 760-0713.

Arena – Ted Rice Arena (Coulee City WA) / Reschedule if Rain

Event Order – CS,2MS,KR,TM3B,TF,F,B,KH,TB,F8,P,TP,RR,RL,CH

Info: Times Only, A B C D Bk LL at \$2.00 per ride, 80% Jackpot (all events) at \$5.00 per person per ride. Arena Fee is \$5.00 per rider. No overnight pens are available. Dry camping only. All dogs must be on a leash. Riders are to pick up after themselves and their animals. North Central Zone approved.

North Country Riders 1 / Chair Melissa Stockman at stockmansaddlery@aol.com or (509) 220-9099.

Arena – Triple Creek Ranch (1618 W Antler Rd – Deer Park WA) / Reschedule if Rain

Event Order – KH,KR,TB,P,TP,B,TM3B,F,TF,TMS,CS,RR,F8,CH,RL

Info: Times Only, A B C D Bk LL at \$1.75 per ride, 80% Jackpot (all events) at \$5.00 per person per ride. Arena Fee is \$3.00 per rider. No overnight pens are available. Dry camping only. All dogs must be tied at their trailers. No smoking or drinking in / around arena. Horses must walk outside of the arena except on the warm-up track. Riders must clean up their area around their trailers including filling in all holes. Northeast Zone approved.

North Country Riders 2 / Chair Melissa Stockman at stockmansaddlery@aol.com or (509) 220-9099.
Arena – Stockman’s (1915 W Antler Rd – Deer Park WA) / Reschedule if Rain
Event Order – KH,KR,TB,P,TP,B,TM3B,F,TF,TMS,CS,RR,F8,CH,RL

Info: Times Only, A B C D Bk LL at \$1.75 per ride, 80% Jackpot (all events) at \$5.00 per person per ride.
Arena Fee is \$3.00 per rider. No overnight pens are available. Dry camping only. All dogs must be tied at their trailers. No smoking or drinking in / around arena. Horses must walk outside of the arena except on the warm-up track. Riders must clean up their area around their trailers including filling in all holes. Northeast Zone approved.

WSH Officials for 2016

Below is a list of the officials. Only those in black font are currently carded as they have renewed their cards and proven their 2016 WSH membership. If in white font, they did not attend the Convention and will need to take the 2016 test and prove their membership prior to receiving a card. **Again...only those in black font may serve as officials at shows.**

Officials are reminded that they need to show their Official’s Card (1st Timer, Judge) or their WSH Card (Arena Secretary, 2nd Timer) to the Steward at a show PRIOR to officiating. Steward’s need to show their Judge’s Card to the Show Chair prior to officiating. Those interested in becoming a Judge or First Timer should e-mail wshgd2007@yahoo.com to request a written test.

FIRST TIMERS – First Timer’s Card or Judge’s Card required. Must be 16 years of age and a WSH Member. Amelia Howe / Student (NC), Maria Howe / Student (NC),
Courtney Stockman / Student (NE), Wyatt Stockman (NE), Katelyn Turnbull / Student (NC),

JUDGES – Judge’s Card required. Must be 16 years of age and a WSH Member. Reminder...Judges must have been certified for two or more years in order to train student judges. Judges can also serve as First Timers. Cameron Backer (PSZ), Tracy Crotsley (NC), Sue Dillman (NC), Gerald Eilers (NC), Glenna Eilers (NC),
Scott Howe / Student (NC), Sharon Kelsey (NE), Robin Knutson (NE),
Heidi Lyngstad (NE), Scott Lyngstad (NE), Arlene Marquart (NC),
Jessie / Emma / Dale McLaughlin (NE), Richard Parnell (NE), Jennifer Recco (PSZ),
Brenda Shaffer / Student (NC), Darrin and Melissa Stockman (NE), Chris Thompson (NC),

TWO-YEAR – The following must prove their membership and renew their cards in 2016 or they will need to begin the process again in 2017: Tim and Trisha Byrd (Canal Judges), Patrick dos Remedios (PSZ 1st Timer), Loris Gies (Prairie), Angela Holmes (NEZ 1st Timer), Leigh Holmes (NEZ Student Timer), Val Johnston (NE Judge), Jay Kent (Canal Judge), Marcie and Shelley Loshbaugh (NEZ Student 1st Timers), Don Lowry (Northeast 1st Timers), Terri Lowry (Northeast Judge), Lori Marchand (NCZ Judge), Patty Morrison (Canal Judge), Jeff Price (NE Judge), Jerene Rockstrom (NEZ 1st Timer), Tina Seelye (NCZ Student Timer), and Kelly Stout (PSZ Judge). At this time, none of these officials are current and therefore cannot officiate.

Zone Reports –

NORTH CENTRAL – Tracy Crotsley reports that the Desert Duellers had their yearend awards banquet on December 5. There were many members in attendance and some of their newest members that just joined in October. Show dates have been approved and are included in this issue of the Rider’s Relay. Congrats to the following High Point NCZ Games Riders: Leadline – Arabella Howe (1st), Buckaroo – Mallory McGee (1st), Alyssa Howe (2nd), Roper Dillman (3rd), Junior – Justin Shaffer (1st and 2nd), Emmett Howe (3rd), Intermediate – Amelia Howe (1st), Talia Montano (2nd), Senior A – Vickie Dillman (1st), Amanda Mindus (2nd and 3rd), Jessie Roman (4th), Senior B – Suzie Dillman (1st), Super Senior A – Chris Thompson (1st and 2nd), Glenna Eilers (3rd), Tracy Crotsley (4th), Arlene Marquart (5th), Super Senior B – Sue Dillman (1st), Pam Sortomme (2nd), Diana Montano (3rd), Susan Brown (4th). North Central Zone and the Desert Duellers Club are working together on promotion of their area. Together, they ordered key chains and give them out to those that join the zone and/or club. They are also working together to put on a prize ride this year and a quilt raffle.

NORTHEAST – Northeast Zone is looking to start a great season with their next show on April 9-10 hosted by North Country Riders at Triple Creek Ranch in Deer Park. We are hoping to see lots of faces out with the weather being so wonderful! We held our last meeting on March 23rd. We also attended the Spokane County 4-H tack swap getting our faces out there and passing out flyers and Canters. We had lots of fun and met quite a few new faces. NEZGD will be hosting another meeting in June, time and place still to be determined. Riders are reminded that they must attend one NEZ Games Division meeting each year to qualify for zone awards.

PUGET SOUND – Jennifer Recco states, “I will be submitting show approvals for June 5 and July 16 shows. June 5 will make the June 4 /5 a two-day weekend show. Circle C Riders and the PSZ are off to a good start. CCR had a couple of show planning meetings and are on our way to putting on fun shows. Our goal this year is to provide opportunities for any WSH gamer on the West Side to qualify to go to the championship show in August. We are encouraging our membership to actively pursue becoming officials as they are always in short supply. Several have tests in hand and we are hopeful. Our show dates are June 4/5 with trophies and awards going to age group high point winners over the two days. Our July 16 show will be located south of Pierce County in an effort to show other areas how much fun WSH gaming is. Wish us luck and see you in the arena!”

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