

HORSEFEATHERS



MAY 2016

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FROM THE OFFICE

We are off to a great start for our show season. Thank you to all the members that have helped facilitate grounds clean up, and preparation for the events. There have been work parties in several areas on the grounds. May is looking very busy with the Pony Club Rally, RHANW, 3 Man Sorting Clinic, 3 Man Sorting Competition, Games Shows, 4-H Clinic and Memorial Weekend Roping. That said, when you come on the grounds bring a good attitude and have fun with the events, or even volunteer in a division that in which you don't participate. If the division is small it allows some of the group to compete in as well as work at the shows.

Don't forget to check your stalls for needed repairs before the lockouts.

New Memberships: Sandy and Theresa Stribling, Tiffany and Michael Taylor and Jessie Watson all family memberships.

If you see someone you do not recognize, introduce yourself. It's a good way to become acquainted with the new members, and to explain to non-members about Appleatchee Riders being a private club. In spite of the large sign at the entrance some people don't know they can't just come in.

Please remember to slow down when driving on the grounds.

Thank you, Susan

BOWL PARTY



We had a wonderful turnout for the Bowl Party, thanks to all of you, with 17 hard-working members, and were finished in two hours. Then we enjoyed the birthday cake.

Tim and Conner Beck
Michelle TeVelde
Tarah Montgomery
Mary Jo Herkenrath
Katie Hamilton
Michelle Burchett

Noel Clark
Pamela Nelle
Brigette Ranne
Jennifer Jones
Corie Bassett
Karen Hall

Tammy Wheeler
Dustin, Maurya and
Riley Fisher
Jessica Sacket

Not shown: Terah Montgomery, Karen Hall, and Noel Clark

Thanks again for all you do.--*Mary*

ROPING

We are looking forward to Memorial Weekend May 27th–30th. Jess Ford has sponsored our saddles for high money winners. A extra special thanks goes out to Jess Ford for being a reliable and generous sponsor of our Appleatchee Roping Events. We also appreciate those that have donated fun prizes for the dummy roping competition.

We know these events bring in a lot of traffic and want to thank everyone in advance for your patience.

Starting in June, the roping division has decided to cut back the Friday night ropings. We will only be roping the 1st & 3rd Friday nights of each month, only during the summer season. The participation decreases during these months due to other events such as rodeos going on around us. When we move back indoors for the winter months, we plan to pick back up to our every Friday night routine.

The Roping Club will continue to practice every Tuesday and Thursday night @ 7pm. The fee is only \$10 for members, and \$15 for non-members to practice. We would like to encourage everyone that is interested in exposing their horses to cattle, please to come join us.

We are having Team Sorting practice on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month through the Summer months. Appleatchee members pay \$15, and non-members \$20. Practice starts at 6PM for setup. Everyone gets a full 2 minutes in the pen sorting, with a minimum of 3 times each. Be sure to read the Sorting Division report below for more details.

Check out our appleatcheeropers.com and see pictures of our winners along with other pictures of ropers, and link to our Facebook page.

Upcoming Dates:

May

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| 5/06/16 | Friday Night Draws | 7:00 |
| 5/7-8/16 | Sorting clinic | 9:00 |
| 5/13/16 | Friday Night Draws | 7:00 |
| 5/20/16 | Friday Night Draws | 7:00 |
| 5/21/16 | 3man sorting | 9:00 |
| 5/22/16 | 3 man sorting | 9:00 |
| 5/27/16 | Memorial Day Fri Night | 7:00 |
| 5/28/16 | Memorial Day Roping | 10:00 |
| 5/29/16 | Memorial Day Roping | 9:00 |
| 5/30/16 | Memorial Day Roping | 9:00 |

June

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| 6/03/16 | Friday Night Draws | 7:00 |
| 6/04/16 | Saturday (<u>ACTRA SADDLE ROPING</u>) | 11:00 |
| 6/11/16 | Team Sorting Competition | 9:00 |
| 6/17/16 | Friday Night Draws | 7:00 |

TEAM SORTING

We had a fun April jackpot sorting. We paid out \$550 to winning teams in the 3-man and 2-man events, and gave out prizes to the 1st and 2nd place winners of the winter prize competition: 1st Division, Terri Tincher, John Lehmkuhl ; 2nd Division, Brock Ragan, Sonja Ragan. First place winners in each division won a nice trophy buckle and 2nd place won an engraved snaffle bit, both from Showtime Awards. The summer buckle competition runs from June through October.



All our 2016 monthly competitions will be on Saturdays! Come on down June 11 for the next monthly sorting to have some fun and take home some cash! We will start at 10 AM with the usual 3-man 3-go jackpot sorting. You can find a flier with all the dates on the website or on our FB page *Appleatchee Riders Team Sorting*.

On **May 7, we will have a 3-man sorting practice day** to get ready for the big competition May 21-22 (read below). It does not matter how good you are, this is the time to come learn and practice how to do this fun and fast version of team sorting. I will let you know by email when we start, or you can check our Facebook page.

There is still time to sign up for the May 8th 2-man sorting clinic with Barry and Liz Baremore from La Grande, OR. I have 16 riders signed up, and will take 20 riders. Locally, I have Donna M., Kathy W., John L., Laura W., Joanne W. Dianne C. Elora L., Kady D., and Dave and Sue F. signed up. If you want to sign up, or told me and don't see your name there, then let me know ASAP. The Baremores do well-regarded clinics at Speck's arena in Sunnyside each spring, and are top riders who recently competed in Las Vegas. Cost is \$125 (\$135 for non-members), including lunch. Check the FB page for updates. Please sign up with me by emailing (jlehmkuhl@nwi.net) or calling/texting (509 669-7373). I'll be sending out a note to signed-up riders this weekend.

On May 21-22 we will host our 3rd annual 3-man 8-go open sorting competition. We've had riders from all over the Northwest compete. The going is fast and fun. Entry fee is \$200, but payout is high too. Hey, anyone can win – I won 1st place last year, so you can do it! Come practice May 7! See the flier posted on Facebook. I expect a good crowd this time, hopefully, 50-70 riders.

We practice outdoors in the roping arena on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month at 6 PM. Cost is \$15 (+\$5 arena fee for non-members). **If you are going to arrive late** (6:15 or later) for whatever reason, send me a text message at 509 669-7373 so I know you are coming. *Thanks for helping set up and take down the pens and mark cattle!*

See you in the sorting pen! –John

PERFORMANCE

The dressage show is coming up on June 5th and 6th. Entries and premiums are available on the website. We are again featuring Western dressage this year, as well as traditional English dressage on both Saturday and Sunday. If you have questions, contact JoAnne at 630-5821 or JP.Fenton@live.com. Volunteers can contact Katie Hamilton. Our recent ride-a-test with Linda Coates Markel was a huge success, and will be something that we look forward to doing again in the future. Linda did a great job with lots of helpful information in spite of recent shoulder surgery
Enjoy yourself in the saddle...JoAnne

RESCUE ROPER

Roper, a 10 year-old 14.2 gelding, was rescued from the Sunnyside Feedlot near Yakima almost 1 year ago.

A dusty buckskin, he was said to be a roping horse named Cyclone prior to ending up at the feedlot. He moves well off the leg, and he neck reins. Roper is a smooth mover and has a fast, easy walk.

He is being cared for by KC's Ittybitty Rescue Ranch near Yakima and has an adoption fee of \$1,000.



Please contact Charlene Beck 669-0332 or KC's Ittybitty Rescue Ranch via Facebook if you are interested in giving Roper a shot at a new life.

BE AWARE OF TOXIC PLANTS

We all do our best to provide the best hay and pasture for our horses, but as the growing season takes off, it's time for a refresher. The recently hot summers may have given invasive plants more opportunity to out-compete suitable forage. Horses will avoid eating many (but not all) plants listed as toxic, but when pasture is depleted they are likely to try out what is left. Fire and flood-damaged land is particularly desirable for invasion of weeds, or unsuitable native plants.

Attached is a short (but not complete) list of common toxic plants in Washington.

If you really want to delve into this try:

http://webpages.uidaho.edu/range/toxicplants_horses/Toxic%20Plant%20Database.html

There will always be plants we need help identifying. A great local resource is the Chelan-Douglas Master Gardeners. They have volunteers for plant identification, Mondays from 1:00-4:00, at the Conservation District Office, 400 Washington Street. You can call with questions at 667-6540, and that is not limited to the Monday clinics.

Mission Statement:

Appleatchee Riders Association is a member owned and operated equestrian complex. It is dedicated to the encouragement, development and promotion of horse related activities that are of interest to its membership and that are supported by member involvement and by efficient use of Appleatchee's resources. Adopted January 8th, 2006

LOST: Black leather head stall with pink stones and Tom Thumb with big copper roller, on March 24th, in Sparks or Indoor arena.

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\$7,500 obo.

Please contact Rachel (509) 881-0278