

# HORSEFEATHERS



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## **FROM THE OFFICE**

It looks like spring has finally arrived. Ralph has been working the outdoor arenas to get them ready for riding. The Top Arena still has a couple of soft/damp spots and the Roping Arena is looking good. The wind over the last week has worked in our favor. We are hoping to move the **WAHSET Show** speed events to the Top Arena Sunday of this week. We will watch the weather forecast closely this week and will send an updated arena use email out before the weekend so members will know which arenas will be used. We will have a very tight turnaround time before the next show, so please be mindful of the crew's work schedule as they have a lot to get done in a short time.

The **WRHA Show** will start arriving on Wednesday April 11<sup>th</sup>. This should be a large show and they are expecting a good turnout. They are excited about the new show barn. I am looking for a volunteer or two willing to help me get the RVs and campers parked on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. I will be working on that, but would appreciate any and all volunteers willing to help.

We are going to have the **World Series Roping Event** starting with a practice roping on Friday May 4<sup>th</sup>, followed by the event on Saturday May 5<sup>th</sup> and Sunday May 6<sup>th</sup>. We are looking for volunteers to help with camping and stalls during this event. I have a few members that have said they want to help with this, but would like more, so volunteers can split up the time in order to shorten their workdays. We had a core group of about 20-30 members that have worked on most of our big projects this last year. These projects benefit the club not just a division or group. We would like to see some new faces participating in making our club the best it can be.

Please remember to watch your speed on the grounds. It is a safety issue.

--Susan

## **APPLEATCHEE BOWL SURVEY**

I did a survey last month to gauge member use and interest in the Appleatchee Bowl – the natural arena with all the jumps and trail obstacles beyond the trailhead parking lot. The bowl used to have a lot of trail obstacles, but they have not been well maintained and many have been removed. I was interested to know if Club members use the Bowl, what they like to do out there, and if they are interested in helping improve or maintain the riding opportunities in the Bowl.



There was a great response to the questionnaire – 73 people responded. I am not sure the respondents are a representative sample of the Club membership, so read the results as such. Ninety-six percent of respondents said they rode in the Bowl frequently (several times a month, 36%) or occasionally (once a month, 60%). Forty percent of respondents like to practice on the trail obstacles, 8.5% used the jumps, and 20% both jumped and used the trail obstacles. Most people thought the Bowl was a great place to ride, train a horse, or just have fun, and they wanted to see more trail obstacles or more jumps. You can see all the results in a presentation posted on the Appleatchee website.

The Appleatchee Board decided to keep the status quo for managing the Bowl, but offered to provide more crew time for maintenance. Any improvements would be up to interested members, but the Club might buy construction materials. **If you are interested in restoring or adding trail obstacles in the Bowl, then you need to help! There will be a meeting April 17 at 7 PM in the show office (next to Susan's office) to discuss how we might improve the trail course.** We need people who are interested in actually getting their hands dirty helping rebuild the trail course! If you are willing to do that and cannot make the meeting, then send me an

email at [jlehmkuhl@nwi.net](mailto:jlehmkuhl@nwi.net) with your ideas and commitment. Otherwise come to the meeting, if you want to see progress. Thanks! –*John Lehmkuhl*

## WASHINGTON STATE EQUESTRIAN TEAM (WAHSET) COMPETITION



Cascade and Wenatchee High School teams, both consisting of Appleatchee youth riders, competed March 15-18 in their first of three District Meets here on the Appleatchee Grounds. Both teams have been practicing as much as possible the past 4 months in performance, drill, gaming and cattle events. Their practice time paid off with outstanding results! Below is a listing of some of the highlights:

**Dressage** – **Ava Holmes** finished in the Top 10.

**Drill** – **Cascade and Wenatchee Drill teams** placed 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> respectively.

**In Hand Obstacle Relay** – **Cascade** – 1<sup>st</sup> place and 5<sup>th</sup> place, **Wenatchee** - 7<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup>

**Break Away Roping** – **Jacob Masengale & Baz Lloyd** of Cascade were 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup>, with **Amber Cook** from Wenatchee – 3<sup>rd</sup> .

**Steer Daubing** – **Jacob Masengale** 1<sup>st</sup> and **Amber Cook** 7<sup>th</sup>

**Team Sorting** – **Monica Alloway & Hollie Dahl** from Cascade 1<sup>st</sup>, **Hannah Fries & Denae Mackenzie** from Wenatchee 2<sup>nd</sup>, and **Baz Lloyd & Jacob Masengale** from Cascade 3<sup>rd</sup>. Two other Wenatchee teams finished in the Top 10 out of 37 teams competing.

**Hunt Seat Equitation** – **Ava Holmes** finished 5<sup>th</sup> and **Sasha Morgan** placed 11<sup>th</sup>.

**Hunt Seat Equitation Over Fences** – **Ava Holmes** finished 7<sup>th</sup>

**In Hand Trail** – **Katelyn Schweitzer** from Wenatchee placed 1<sup>st</sup>, with **Hailey Bermingham** from Cascade finishing 8<sup>th</sup>.

**Trail** – Wenatchee swept the event with **Amber Cook, Katelyn Schweiter and Kady Dittel** finishing 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>. Sierra White from Wenatchee took 5<sup>th</sup> with **Schyler Archer** from Cascade placing 6<sup>th</sup>.

**Reining** – **Kady Dittel** from WHS placed 2<sup>nd</sup> with Hollie Dahl from CHS placing 5<sup>th</sup>.

**Driving** – **Katelyn Schweitzer** of WHS placed 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**Showmanship** – **Hollie Dahl** placed 3<sup>rd</sup>, **Amber Cook** (6<sup>th</sup>), **Sierra White** (7<sup>th</sup>) and **Hannah Fries** (8<sup>th</sup>)

**Stockseat Equitation** – **Kady Dittel** and **Katelyn Schweitzer** placed 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> with **Sierra White** (4<sup>th</sup>) **Amber Cook** (6<sup>th</sup>), and **Hollie Dahl** 8<sup>th</sup>.

**Working Rancher** – **Jacob Masengale** and **Baz Lloyd** placed 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>, with **Camryn Pike** taking 3<sup>rd</sup>. Sierra White, **Kady Dittel** placed in the Top 10.

**Working Pairs** – **Monica Alloway & Hollie Dahl** placed 2<sup>nd</sup>, with **Camryn Beidler & Tia Ragan** placing 3<sup>rd</sup>. **Kady Dittel & Camryn Pike** finished 6<sup>th</sup>.

**Barrels** – **Hollie Dahl** finished 3<sup>rd</sup> out of 57 riders. **Ryanna Layton, Schyler Archer, Tia Ragan, Monica Alloway, Camryn Beidler, Mackenzie Imes, Hannah Fries, and Denae MacKenzie** also competed.

**Keyhole** – **Camryn Pike** finished 1<sup>st</sup> with **Schyler Archer** placing 7<sup>th</sup>. **Ryanna Layton, Camryn Beidler** and **Hailey Bermingham** placed in the Top 20.

**Figure 8** – **Jacob Masengale** placed 2<sup>nd</sup> out of 59 riders. **Ryanna Layton** and **Schyler Archer** placed in the Top 20.

**Pole Bending** – **Ryanna Layton** placed 8<sup>th</sup> out of 51.

**Individual Flags** – **Schyler Archer** placed 7<sup>th</sup> with **Camryn Beidler** 8<sup>th</sup> out of 38 riders.

**Canadian Flags** – Cascade's Team of **Hollie, Monica, Schyler & Jacob** placed 3<sup>rd</sup> with Wenatchee's team of **Camryn, Ryanna, Cambryn and Tia**, placing 8<sup>th</sup>.

**Two Man Birangle** – **Hollie Dahl & Jacob Masengale** placed 2<sup>nd</sup>, **Monica & Schyler** placed 6<sup>th</sup>, and **Ryanna & Camryn** placed 7<sup>th</sup> out of 39 teams.

## ROPING

What a cool start to our Spring! We are excited that our new steers are here!

We are officially moved outside! Our first Jackpot roping on new cattle is April 20th in the outdoor roping arena. We will not have a rainout option for the month of April. If you have any questions on arena condition please call first or check Facebook for our status.

We look forward **The World Series Roping operated by Harry Larson** who will be coming to Appleatchee May 4th, 5th, 6th. This will be a very busy weekend with a lot of new faces and participants that are new to Appleatchee. This is a very high dollar roping, with lots of prize money on the line. We are asking all members to help make this a pleasant experience for our new faces.

The Roping Club will continue to practice every Tuesday night at 7PM. We are not sure about Thursdays night yet. 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 Team Sorting practice on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month. 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. For more details read the Team Sorting report below.

Check out our [appleatcheeropers.com](http://appleatcheeropers.com) and see pictures of our winners along with other pictures of ropers, and link to our Facebook page.



### Upcoming Dates:

#### **April (Outdoor Roping Arena)**

<b>4/06/18</b>	<b>NO Roping</b>	<b>7:00 WAHSET</b>
4/20/18	Friday Night Roping	7:00
4/21/18	Team Sorting Competition	9:00

**May**

<b>5/04/18</b>	<b>Friday night Warm-up roping</b>	<b>7:00</b>
<b>5/05/18</b>	<b>World Series roping</b>	<b>8:00</b>
<b>5/06/18</b>	<b>World Series Roping</b>	<b>8:00</b>
<b>5/20/18</b>	<b>Team Sorting 3man</b>	<b>All Day</b>
<b>5/25/18</b>	<b>Memorial Day Fri Night</b>	<b>7:00</b>
<b>5/26/18</b>	<b>Memorial Day Roping</b>	<b>10:00</b>
<b>5/27/18</b>	<b>Memorial Day Roping</b>	<b>9:00</b>
<b>5/28/18</b>	<b>Memorial Day Roping</b>	<b>9:00</b>

**GAMING**



Hello everybody. The weather is warming up and we're getting ready to move back outside. I hope everyone wintered well. If anyone is interested in seeing what gaming is all about, come to the gaming show at the end of this month, or you can get hold of me anytime with questions

This weekend we have a WAHSET show, and gaming will be on Sunday. Come watch, and see how exciting it is. Everyone has a lot of fun and we're always looking for more people. See you guys around the barn. --Jeremy



## TEAM SORTING



**We had another great competition during March with 22 riders competing in 3-man and 2-man sorting.** We paid out \$985 to winning riders! That competition finished the winter prize series. Here are the winter series winners: 1<sup>st</sup> division **Terri Tinch** (1<sup>st</sup>), **John Lehmkuhl** (2<sup>nd</sup>); 2<sup>nd</sup> division **Liz Hockens, Ernie Hockens** (both from Zillah). Congratulations to the winners!

**Next up will be 3-man jackpot sorting and 2-man jackpot sorting April 21.** This is just a fun jackpot sorting – not part of any prize/buckle series. For all the details, see the winter flier on our Facebook page “Appleatchee Riders Team Sorting” or on the Appleatchee website team sorting division page. Let me know if you need stalls or camping, otherwise just come and sort. We’ll be sorting outdoors from April through September. If the concessions stand is not open, then we will try to get lunch served. During May we will have only the 3-man open sorting (see the flier) on the 20<sup>th</sup>, then start the summer sorting prize series June 2<sup>nd</sup>. See the 2018 flier for all the dates.

**Want to ride in a first-class 2-man sorting clinic with top clinician Roger Braa?** Yep, we have Roger coming again on **June 23 for a 1-day clinic.** Roger travels from his Kittitas valley home all over the country and Canada giving clinics. All levels of riders are encouraged to come –especially new riders to come and learn the game. You will get tons of time sorting cattle and personal coaching. We also might follow the next day on Sunday with a fun drawpot sorting for clinic riders to use the skills they learned, and for anyone else interested in some sorting fun. The clinic is full now, but I can put you on the waiting list if you are interested.

**We practice on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month at 6 PM.** Practice sessions are a great time to see if you like the sport or to test out a horse – we’ll help you get going with coaching. Cost is \$15 (+\$5 arena fee for non-members) for at least 3 goes (4 if there is a small crowd and we have time). We’ll be sorting outside starting April, and the pen will be setup when we arrive so we can get riding early! Please help number cattle starting at 6 PM, then stay to help take down the pen when we are finished.

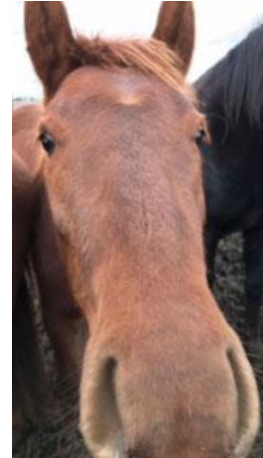
*See you in the sorting pen! --John*

## **RESCUE ELLA**

Let me introduce you to Ella, a 14 hand long yearling mustang filly. This filly had a rough start on her life. She was only a couple weeks old in the roundup and ended up with a broken skull. After just over a year of age Ella got a clean bill of health and her halter breaking began. Ella is extremely friendly and is usually the first to meet you at the gate.



***If you would like  
more information on  
this wonderful filly  
contact Charlene  
Beck 669-0332.***



### ***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*

*Statement Adopted January 8th, 2006*