

HORSEFEATHERS



MAY 2022

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FROM THE OFFICE

May has been a challenge on the grounds with the arena conditions changing from day to day. Hopefully we are past that now. We are going to have a very busy summer. The newsletter is late going out because we are having an issue with information gathering. We do need members and divisions to get your information on events and clinics to the office and Katherine. We cannot get it out timely without your help.

We are looking for volunteers to help clean up in the show barn after the Memorial Weekend Roping. We have a very tight turnaround time to have the barn ready for WRHA Show to start arriving on Tuesday May 31st. We are looking for volunteers to come to the show barn on Monday May 30th at 4:00 pm to help clean up the barn and help the crew have the barn ready for the show's arrival.

Please remember to sign the liability release outside of the office for the guests you bring on the grounds. This is how we protect our facility.

Hannah and **Becky** are still wanting to recognize members that are doing good things on the grounds, so if you see things that members do that you think are positive and helpful to the others and the club please put a note in the drop box so I can pass it on to them. They have a plan to recognize these acts.

--*Susan Ward*

PERFORMANCE

It's been quiet with no performance events in the last month. The Dressage Show Committee has been meeting regularly and everything is on schedule. We are currently working on awards and a show photographer.

WEBSITE AND SOCIAL MEDIA

The website is mostly up to date. Facebook is getting a steady amount of interactions and I have about a month worth of posts scheduled. The Riders Group has had several new members join, and I have denied a few join requests due to the people not answering questions or not agreeing to the group rules.

Instagram has been really fun here lately, especially with Pam's entry sign updates and the Easter Egg hunt. Instagram is definitely reaching people I do not see on the Facebook.

- Facebook Likes- 1,221
- AR Group Members- 201
- Instagram Followers- 90

--*Thank you,*

Breanna Howell

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4-H

The Appleatchee 4-H Club kids are back on the grounds with their horses for weekly ride meetings on Wednesdays 6-8 in Sparks, that's why there are so many kids now in the arena on that day/time 😊. We are up to 10 4-H club kids, 3 have their horses boarded at ARA! Plus you'll see their parents/guardians with them too.



Photo of the kids last fall at the 2021 Veterans Day Parade. Our first show will be Sunday, June 12th in the IA.

*Janey
Co-Leader
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GAMES

Due to the crazy April snowfall, we had to reschedule our first show that was supposed to take place April 16 & 17. The new dates for that show will be June 11 & 12.

Here is the current calendar for games:

- June 11-12
- June 17-19 (O-Mok-See)
- July 16-17
- July 30-31
- August 11-14 (State Finals)
- Sept 17-18

Everyone is welcome to come watch or join us in riding! Feel free to reach out if you have any questions!

- *Megan Howard*

MUSTANG MATT CLINICS

MUSTANG MATT will be at Appleatchee August 15th (Monday) through August 21st (Sunday) for a set of clinics!

Matt lives in Hamilton, Montana. He not only trains Mustangs for the BLM but is a rare and well-rounded talent!

He offers a variety of clinics including Colt Starting, Trust & Respect, Advanced Riding, Horsemanship, Obstacles, Gentling, Problem Solving and Farrier/Hoof Health.

Check out his Facebook page *MUSTANG MATT HORSE TRAINER* for more information, videos, etc.

Our clinic schedule and costs are tentatively set as follows:

August 15-16 (Mon-Tues) **COLT STARTING CLINIC**: 2 days, 6 participants, horses minimum of 3 years old, \$580 members, \$600 nonmembers.

*Note: (One spot is already filled – so 5 spots still open)

August 17-18 (Wed-Thur) **TRUST & RESPECT CLINIC**: 2 days, 10 participants, day one groundwork, day two riding, \$350 members, \$400 nonmembers.

August 19-20 (Fri-Sat) YOU GET TO VOTE!

Option 1: Another **TRUST & RESPECT CLINIC**: 2 days, 10 participants, day one groundwork, day two riding, \$350 members, \$400 nonmembers.

Option 2: Day one **OBSTACLES**: 1 day, 12 riders, \$175 members, \$200 nonmembers.

Day two **PROBLEM SOLVING**: 1 day, 6 riders, \$225 members, \$275 nonmembers.

August 21 (Sun) **PRIVATE LESSONS**:

Option 1: 1 HOUR – 1 person = \$170.

Option 2: 1 HOUR – 2 people = \$85 per person

Due to the overwhelming interest expressed in having Matt come, we've scheduled him for an entire week. We are getting the word out now so that people can plan ahead if you need to get time off work, etc. We also want Appleatchee members to have first dibs. We will wait a couple months before advertising outside of Appleatchee. Matt has a lot of followers who wait for him to come to Washington to get into his clinics .– So if you are serious, don't wait too long to sign up. These clinics are expected to fill up. A one-half deposit to Appleatchee holds your spot!

Matt does charge for auditors. \$30 members, \$40 nonmembers per day.”

TO SIGN UP, VOTE RE: AUG. 19-20, OR FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT CHARLENE BECK @ 509 669-0332 OR BREANNA HOWELL.

See the attached flyers.

Charlene M. Beck

ODIN RESCUED



Little Odin, last month's rescue pony, has found a home. Here he is with the lucky adopter.