

TALES 'N TRAILS

Special Interest Articles:

Fall AGM Minutes

Year End Winners

Rider/Horse
Mileages

ECTRA Rules

2014 Ride
Schedule

December 16, 2013

Notes from the manure pile,

Well another AGM is in the books, thanks to Pat & Sylvia for putting it all together. I would also like to thank all the members for a very controlled and informative meeting. We need to keep the club moving forward and making good decisions or we risk stagnation and will eventually die out. We appear to be rebounding with new rides and members, a very reassuring progression.

I want all new members and new ride managers to make use of the wealth of knowledge already in the club and its members. Don't ever be afraid to try new things, there are usually people who have tried them before. I think we are making great progress with plans to push harder on mentoring, both for riders as well as ride managers and even judges. I recommend that anyone interested read the parts of the ECTRA rule book on Lay Judges. ECTRA uses lay judges in combination with Vet Judges on CTR rides to help keep costs down and to get a combination of professional (vet) and knowledgeable (Lay) judge experience. I have personally seen it in practice on many rides and it works very well.

I request that all members feel free and welcomed to help, suggest and question what we do and why we do it. The organization is for the members and for the proper and ethical use of our mounts. We must at all times feel confident that what we do keeps the best protection of our equine partners in the forefront of our minds.

With that said, I look forward to all the members having a safe, successful and happy 2014.

Roy Drinnan.

2013 Year End – Judged Pleasure - Senior



Horsemanship

Champion – Sylvia Gillies / Quincy
Reserve – Anne Bridges / Magic

3rd – Betty Dwyer / Hooley
4th – Jean Bridges / Skye
5th – Pearl Skonsberg / Doc
6th – Bob Curran / Roy
Deanna Johnston / Azzie
Lucy Rudge / Grover
Jody Wiggins / Mischief

Trail Horse

Champion – Magic / Anne Bridges
Reserve – Hooley / Betty Dwyer

3rd – Grover / Lucy Rudge
4th – Quincy / Sylvia Gillies
5th – Doc / Pearl Skonsberg
6th – JustaCat / Leslie Wade
Azzie / Deanna Johnson

RESOLVE

*Always bear in mind
that your own
resolution to succeed
is more important
than any other.*

Abraham Lincoln



2013 Year End - Judged Pleasure - Junior

Horsemanship

Champion – Abby Christianson / Azzie

Reserve – Kathleen Schaefer / Ali

Trail Horse

Champion – Azzie / Abby

Reserve – Ali / Kathleen

2013 Year End - Competitive Trail Ride - Junior

Conditioning

Champion – Ali / Kathleen Schaefer

Reserve – Willow / Marie Eddy

Job well done to all the Juniors!

Trail Horse

Champion – Ali / Kathleen

Reserve – Willow / Marie

2013 Year End - Competitive Trail Ride - Senior

Conditioning

Champion – Magic / Anne Bridges
Reserve – Hoofprint / Irmgard Lipp
Tango / Jim Burns

3rd – Hooley / Betty Dwyer
4th – Skye / Jean Bridges
5th – Odin / Kaaren LeBert
6th – Paris / Lynn Beazley
Glen / Pat Rideout

Trail Horse

Champion – Magic / Anne
Reserve – Glen / Pat

3rd – Azzy / Deanna
4th – Spirit / Lynnn
Quincy / Sylvia
5th – Morgan / Stephane
Addy / Russlyn
Hooley / Betty

Congratulations to all!!



2013 Breed Awards

Purebred Arabian

Champion – PD Cat A Hoolah / Betty Dwyer
Reserve – Magnifique / Kaaren LeBert

Partbred Arabian

Champion – Ice Capades RF / Russlyn Patriquin-Dyke
Reserve – MDA Billy Four / Donna Munn

Purebred Morgan

Champion – Jalna Saffire / Jean Bridges

Partbred Morgan

Champion – Guysborough Grey / Anne Bridges
Reserve – Deuces Wild / Sylvia Gillies

Grade

Champion – Hoofprint / Irmgard Lipp & Tango / Jim Burns
Reserve – BellaHamish Glen / Pat Rideout

COMPETE

*The important thing in
life is not to triumph
but to compete.*

Pierre de Coubertin

2013 Mount Mileage Accumulations

| Mount Name | ACTRA # | Miles |
|-------------------------|----------------|--------------|
| Virginian Magic | 243 | 3,237 |
| Guysborough Grey | 259 | 2,708 |
| Ronya | 267 | 1,436 |
| MDA Billy Four | 275 | 2,496 |
| Call Me Lauren | 276 | 2,026 |
| PD Cat-A-Hoolah | 278 | 1,955 |
| Royal | 279 | 1,100 |
| Doc Holiday | 298 | 610 |
| Grand Marnier | 300 | 583 |
| Thunder | 301 | 523 |
| Hoofprint | 320 | 957 |
| Rewbay | 323 | 866 |
| Arabian Styles | 327 | 542 |
| Whispering Willow | 332 | 134 |
| Summer Breeze | 333 | 545 |
| Jalna Jesta Cat | 336 | 329 |
| Jalna Saffire | 338 | 1,513 |
| Morgan | 343 | 589 |
| Elastic | 349 | 681 |
| Aazzaan | 350 | 1,002 |
| JDA Azrael The Canadian | 357 | 1,336 |
| Caruso | 363 | 813 |
| Precisement | 364 | 77 |
| Prarie ZacIntosh | 365 | 287 |
| CF Dancer | 366 | 431 |
| Prairie Shadowfax | 372 | 262 |
| Kindred Spirit | 376 | 1,197 |
| Magnifyque | 380 | 423 |
| Washademoak Sunset | 381 | 522 |
| Deuces Wild | 382 | 780 |
| Solara | 385 | 678 |
| Ace | 386 | 219 |
| Tara Pathfinder | 388 | 101 |
| Shadow's Jazera RT | 393 | 608 |
| BallaHamish Glen | 394 | 596 |
| Gryphon | 395 | 113 |
| Kizzy's Magic Dream | 397 | 125 |
| Mister Pete | 398 | 265 |
| Poets Starlight Melody | 401 | 16 |
| Optimus Prime | 400 | 15 |
| Ice Capades RF | 402 | 386 |
| Nimblesfeet Mischief | 405 | 145 |
| Rylee Ashtar Redford | 406 | 267 |

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| Recovering Chocoholic | 408 | 79 |
| Red Eclipse | 411 | 15 |
| Windlord | 412 | 465 |
| Aziim | 413 | 25 |
| Tango | 414 | 849 |
| Adios Tiki | 415 | 18 |
| Rugby | 419 | 125 |
| Ace's Adagio | 421 | 20 |
| Benjamin | 422 | 20 |
| Copper N Gold | 423 | 41 |
| Ali Faatah Na | 424 | 148 |

2013 Rider Mileage Accumulations

| Rider Name | Miles |
|--------------------|--------------|
| Anderson, Nicole | 129 |
| Beazley, Lynn | 1,040 |
| Beazley, Tammy | 218 |
| Beazley, Troy | 426 |
| Bridges, Ann | 1,464 |
| Bridges, Jean | 8,492 |
| Brooks, Sherry | 298 |
| Burns, Jim | 849 |
| Button, Heather | 41 |
| Carter, Lauren | 32 |
| Christianson, Abby | 36 |
| Cole, Donna Lee | 1,816 |
| Cosman, Peggy | 180 |
| Curran, Bob | 2,240 |
| Dexter, Gwenn | 4,002 |
| Dillon, Maureen | 18 |
| Dwyer, Betty | 2,098 |
| Elliott, Bev | 4,796 |
| Eddy, Marie | 59 |
| Fairclough, Delle | 773 |
| Fournier, Stephane | 560 |
| Gillan, Chester | 2,419 |
| Gillies, Sylvia | 4,527 |

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|-------------------------|-------|
| Haliburton, April | 3,631 |
| Hovey, Susan | 1,429 |
| Jonah-Brown, Karen | 564 |
| Johnson, Catherine | 174 |
| Johnson, Maureen | 238 |
| Johnston, Deanna | 1,557 |
| Lavoie-Manatall, Nicole | 53 |
| LeBert, Evan | 265 |
| LeBert, Kaaren | 3,429 |
| Lemay, Denise | 385 |
| Lipp, Irmgard | 2,135 |
| Louge, Tahlia | 29 |
| McDonald, Jennifer | 1,375 |
| Mersereau, Rene | 125 |
| Morse, Janie | 18 |
| Munn, Donna | 4,869 |
| Munroe, Elwood | 738 |
| Patriquin-Dyke, Russlyn | 2,943 |
| Rideout, Pat | 3,674 |
| Ritcey, Pat | 503 |
| Rudge, Lucy | 4,687 |
| Rustige, Pam | 548 |
| Riddell, Christie | 148 |
| Scott, Priscilla | 1,134 |
| Sharpe, Bernice | 72 |
| Singer, Lori | 101 |
| Skjonsberg, Pearl | 588 |
| Stewart, Gail | 345 |
| Shand, Margaret | 219 |
| Schaefer, Shelly | 251 |
| Schaefer, Kathleen | 173 |
| Schaefer, Todd | 18 |
| Trenholm, Cheryl | 15 |
| Wade, Leslie | 505 |
| Wiggins, Jody | 145 |
| Weatherhead, Heather | 15 |

If you see any mistakes in your mileage or your horse's mileage....call Jennifer!!



Abby Christianson and JDA Azrael The Canadian



An up and coming Junior Rider!!

ACTRA MEMBERSHIP DUES

Please note that ACTRA's membership dues have increased.

Single - \$20.00

Family - \$30.00 (Which include 2 adults and 2 children under the minority (19) that reside at the same residence)

Lifetime Horse Registration - \$25.00

Memberships to be sent to Gwenn Dexter – RR # 5 Canning, NS B0P 1H0. Any questions give her a call at (902) 582-3463.

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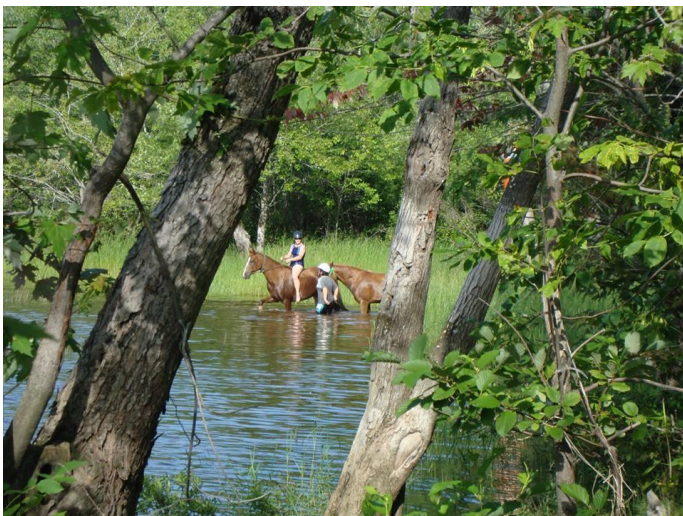
Time again to renew your Horse 'n Pony subscriptions. This is a reminder for members who want to make use of the affiliate subscription thru ACTRA. Please let Afiena know.

The affiliate rate (for 4 annual issues) is \$11.20. It would work best if subscriptions are paid directly to Horse 'n Pony, as long as they let me know.

my email: afienakhansl@gmail.com



Marie and Willow all ready to hit the trails!



Kaaren and Nicole going for a dunk!

2014 ACTRA RIDE SCHEDULE

Donna Munn will be confirming the 2014 Ride Schedule. The following is a tentative schedule.

May 17th – Mud Run LD / 30 Miles / Stanley, NS / Lucy Rudge
 May 18th - Mud Run IDR / 15 Miles / Stanley, NS / Lynn Beazley

June 7th – Endurance & LD / Temperance Vale, NB / Kaaren LeBert
 June 8th - Judged Pleasure / Temperance Vale, NB / Kaaren LeBert

June 21st – Glooscap JP / Parsboro, NS / Bertha Harrison
 June 22nd – Glooscap JP / Parsboro, NS / Bertha Harrison

July 5th – Endurance & LD / Baie Verte, NB / Donna Lee Cole
 July 6th - ???????

Aug 2nd – McDonald's LD 30 miles / Wickham, NB / Jennifer MacDonald
 Aug 3rd - McDonald's LD 30 miles / Wickham, NB /

Aug 16th – CTR & IDR / Peticodiac, NB / Pat Rideout – Jim Burns
 Aug 17th – CTR & IDR / Peticodiac, NB / Pat Rideout – Jim Burns

Aug 30th – Amigo's Do ???? / Belleisle, NB / Donna & Sylvia
 Aug 31st - Amigo's Do ???? / Belleisle, NB / Donna & Sylvia

Sept 27th – Mtn Valley LD 30 Miles / Bishopville, NS / Bev Elliott

I've attached a Ride Sanctioning Form to this email if you are contemplating on hosting a ride for the 2014 ride season!



Are you my friend?

ACCOMPLISH
*There is no happiness
 except in the
 realization that we
 have accomplished
 something.*
 Henry Ford

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Dave and Mura.....reflecting on what they have learned at the clinic!
Hope to see you guys on the trail this summer!!



General Discussion

*Please remember to pay your membership BEFORE you go to the first ride. Ride Managers do not need the added chaos of keeping ride money and membership money separate.

*If you would like anything sent out to the membership (ie something for sale, announcements, etc) please send the information along to Roy Drinnan or Bev Elliott and we will get it out to the membership.

*New riders....if you would like a mentor or have any questions about Distance Riding please give any of the Board of Directors a call or email and we can match you up with someone in your area that will lend their ear and give you a hand. Don't be shy, contrary to what everybody says we are a friendly group!!

This is an excerpt from the ECTRA rulebook that pertains to Judges. There was a discussion at the meeting with regards to clinics and judges. Is this something that maybe we should look at? Take a look and send your comments to Roy at rdinnan@crsoftinc.com

Here is page 25 & 26 of the ECTRA rulebook (the entire book can be obtained from the web site : www.ectra.org) which contains the information you requested.

PURPOSE

Due to the influence of ECTRA, the sport of Competitive Trail Riding has expanded very rapidly and while this is very gratifying, it has created its own problems. Primary among them is a small but growing inconsistency in judging procedures, even as ECTRA continues its efforts to educate its judges. ECTRA feels that competitors deserve more than anything, well run rides and consistent judging. Toward achievement of the latter, a Judge Certification Program was established in 1984 and has been revised over the years as needed. The intent of the Program is to have judges obtain a better understanding and become more comfortable with the ECTRA scoring system, enabling ECTRA to grow through more proficient and better judges.

B. REQUIREMENTS TO BECOME A PROSPECTIVE JUDGE

NOTE: Prospective Judges must judge only with an ECTRA Certified Lay or Veterinarian Judge on ECTRA Competitive Events.

1. Veterinarian

1.1. Must pass the ECTRA Judges Test.

2. Lay Person

2.1. Must pass the ECTRA Judges Test.

2.2. Must have competed in and completed distance events (anywhere) totaling at least 500 career miles.

2.3. Must have served as a recorder (scribe) on at least 1 ECTRA Competitive event.

C. REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTIFICATION AS A JUDGE

1. The following qualifications must be met by all prospective Veterinarian judges.

1.1. Must have judged a minimum of 4 events, of which 1 may be an ECTRA Sanctioned Endurance event and 3 must be ECTRA Competitive events, within a 5-year period.

NOTE: The 3 ECTRA Competitive events must average 25 horses per event for a total of at least 75 starting horses. In the event that less than 75 horses have been judged, additional ECTRA Competitive events will be required to reach a total of 75 horses evaluated, If an ECTRA Sanctioned Endurance event is not used the 4 ECTRA Competitive events must average 25 horses for a total of at least 100 starting horses. In the event that less than 100 horses have been judged, additional ECTRA Competitive events will be needed to reach a total of 100 horses evaluated.

OR

1.2. Must have competed in and completed distance events (anywhere) totaling at least 500 career miles and judged a minimum of least 3 events, of which 1 may be an ECTRA Sanctioned Endurance event, within a 5-year period.

NOTE: The 2 ECTRA Competitive events must average 25 horses per event for a total of at least 50 starting horses. In the event that less than 50 horses have been judged, additional ECTRA Competitive events will be required to reach a total of 50 horses evaluated. If an ECTRA Sanctioned Endurance event is not used, the 3 ECTRA Competitive must average 25 horses for a total of at least 75 starting horses. In the event that less than 75 horses have been judged, additional ECTRA Competitive events will be required to reach a total of 75 evaluated.

NOTE: Final Certification may be withheld – refer to Section J.

2. The following qualifications must be met by prospective Lay judges.

2.1. Must have judged a minimum of 4 ECTRA Competitive events within a 5-year period.

NOTE: The 4 Competitive events must average 25 horses per event for a total of at least 100 starting horses evaluated. In the event that less than 100 horses have been judged, additional ECTRA Competitive events will be required to reach a total of 100 horses evaluated.

OR

2.2. Must have competed in and completed distance events (anywhere) totaling at least 500 career miles and judged a minimum of 3 ECTRA Competitive events within a 5-year period.

NOTE: The 3 ECTRA Competitive events must average 25 horses per event for a total of at least 75 starting horses evaluated. In the event that less than 75 horses have been judged, additional ECTRA Competitive events will be required to reach a total of 75 horses evaluated.

NOTE: Final Certification may be withheld - refer to Section J.

D. MAINTENANCE OF CERTIFIED AND PROSPECTIVE JUDGE STATUS.

1. Must pass any ECTRA supplemental tests to the ECTRA Judges Test and view educational material required by the Judging Committee.

2. Must judge at least 1 ECTRA Competitive event every 3 years.

NOTE: The 1 ECTRA Competitive event must start at least 25 horses. In the event that less than 25 horses have been judged, additional ECTRA Competitive events will be required to reach a total of 25 horses evaluated.

OR 1 of the following:

2.1. Retake and pass the ECTRA Judges Test.

2.2. Attend an ECTRA Judging Clinic.

2.3. Serve as a recorder (scribe) on at least 1 ECTRA Competitive event.

2.4. Complete 100 miles of distance competition of which 50 miles must be from ECTRA Competitive events.

E. REASONS FOR REMOVAL OF CERTIFIED OR PROSPECTIVE JUDGE STATUS.

1. Failure to take and pass supplemental Judges Tests as required.

2. Failure to retake and pass the ECTRA Judges Test as required.

3. Failure to comply with ECTRA Judging standards and procedures.

F. CLINICS

The Judging Committee will offer judging clinics as necessary for educational purposes. Attendance is recommended.

G. JUDGES DIRECTORY

Sanctioning will maintain and update a Judges Directory of all Certified and Prospective Veterinarian and Lay Judges. Copies will be provided to Board Members, Committee Chairmen, Event Manager and others who may request one.

H. JUDGES EVALUATION

Analysis of the score sheets done by the Judging Committee will be added to information concerning judges received from the Event Evaluation Sheets, and comments sent in by competitors, event managers, and judges. This evaluation will be sent to each judge using the Judge Evaluation Form.

I. WAIVER

1. A judge for an endurance ride IS NOT required to take the test.

2. If an emergency situation for an event arises, the Judging Committee may waive the requirement of the Judges Test for a judge.

3. The Judging Committee reserves the right to waive any rules concerning qualifications of judges in the Judges Directory due to extenuating circumstances.

J. FINAL DECISION

The Judging Committee shall research any complaints and concerns regarding a judge, using the score sheets, information from Ride/Drive Evaluation Sheets and communications from competitors, event managers and judges, and give the findings to the BOD for a final decision.

2013 ACTRA Fall AGM

Nov 16, 2013

Fairway Inn, Sussex, NB

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| Rene Mersereau | Roy Drinnan | Donna Munn | Cheryl Trenholm |
| Gwenn Dexter | Pearl Skjonsberg | Susan Hovey | Bev Elliott |
| Jennifer McDonald | Sylvia Gillies | Terry Hale | Jim Burns |
| Pat Rideout | Elliott Bridges | Jean Bridges | Pam Thornton |
| Lucy Rudge | Elwood Munroe | Troy Beazley | Tammy Beazley |
| Lynn Beazley | Todd Schaefer | Shelly Schaefer | Kathleen Schaefer |
| Carrilee Eddy | Sherry Brooks | Ann Bridges | Donna Lee Cole |
| Karen Jonah-Brown | | | |

Meeting called to order at 1300 by Roy Drinnan

- Spring 2013 minutes read by DL Cole
- Minutes approved as read

Roy gave special thanks to Pat Rideout and Sylvia Gilles for hosting the 2013 fall AGM

Committee Reports:

Treasures Report given by Gwen

- Balance as of Oct 31 \$7178
- Income \$ \$2437
- Expenses \$ 1388
- 31 Single memberships
- 21 Family memberships

Newsletter Report offered by Bev

- Two newsletters were sent out in 2013

Statistician Report offered by Jennifer - no report to offer

Sanctioning Report offered by Donna M

- Typically costs \$22 to mail out Ride Fits
- Requesting \$122 for new toner
- *Donna will add upcoming ride dates to website*

Endurance Canada and Equine Canada Report offered by Donna M

- Donna requested \$50 to cover memberships for 2014

Public Relations Report – none offered by Alfina

Rules Report offered by Susan – no report

Reports accepted as offered by Gwen, seconded by Donna. Carried

OLD BUSINESS:

- Bev has been able to retrieve a copy of ACTRA constitution
- The 20 min CTR hold time has worked well for 2013 season
- General discussion of having online archive of minutes

NEW BUSINESS

Jan Thaw 2014

- Jean Bridges is requesting \$70 to cover registration
- Special thanks to Eric Munn for making the ACTRA display board

CTR Trail Horse Judging item placed on agenda by Kaaren Lebert

- Kaaren was not present
- Is the category necessary as it is /was/has been judges preference
- General discussion
- Suggestions – change name to Judges Trail Horse Preference
- Remove Trail Horse category
- No decisions made

CTR Time Windows

- Motion made by Pat “ that the time window on a CTR be reduced to 5 min either side of optimum time. for the 2014 season”
- 10 in favor, 8 opposed 3 abstained. Motion Carried

Endurance Vet Judging clinic

- General discussion re ACTRA offering vetting clinic with AERC vets
- Pearl will contact PEI College re: continuing education hours for local vets to attend clinic
- Committee formed with Pearl, Pat, Lynn and Sylvia
- Committee will report back to ACTRA at Spring meeting

Newsletter

- The front page will now be done by President and not Newsletter editor
- There will be two newsletter/year with a bimonthly E-Bulletin

Modifiable ACTRA entry form

- *Troy will send a modifiable ACTRA Ride Entry Form to Karen Murray to be put on website*

Sanction Fees

- Sylvia made a motion “That ACTRA put a 20 person cap on sanction fees per ride”, seconded by Troy
- Defeated.

Clinics for New Riders/Ride Managers

- Bev is planning on a Pre-Victoria Day clinic for new riders in her area

Ride Managers of newly sanctioned rides

- Donna M will offer the phone numbers of experienced RM to the new RM's for mentoring/questions/guidance

Fall 2014 AGM

- Jennifer will arrange fall AGM
- Roy will arrange Spring 2014 Meeting
- Meeting will be a pot luck

Open Floor General Discussions

- Rene made a motion “That ACTRA memberships be increased from \$17.50 to \$20 per individual. Family memberships will be increased to \$30” seconded by Troy
- Carried
- Bev will put definition for “Family” membership in a E-Bulletin “Two adults and up to two children living in the same household”

New Riders/Mentor

- Links for endurance resources/information be placed on ACTRA website
- Experienced members may offer their names for new riders to mentor

Pat Rideout has suggested that anyone who is more than 30 min outside of the CTR time window be eliminated

- This is to be revisited in the spring meeting

BOD Positions

- Positions up for renewal Donna Lee, Jennifer and Gwen
 - All individuals have reoffered to stay on BOD
 - No new nominations form the floor

BOD members elected in 2012

- Evan, Donna M, Roy
- BOD members MUST have a current ACTRA membership

Motion to adjourn at 16:11 made by Troy, seconded by Donna.

Minutes submitted Nov 22/14

DL Cole
