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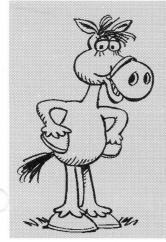
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SECTION IV - THE RIDE

E. Shoeing

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Shoes affording protection to the frog or sole including but not limited to bar shoes are prohibited.

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2. If shod, any variation of the thickness of the shoe that may alter the angle of the hoof is prohibited. Shoes affording protection to the frog or sole including but not limited to bar shoes are prohibited.

Direct your comments to: NATRC, P.O. Box 2136, Ranchos de Taos, NM 87557.

Thank you for your help!

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Return with us now to those "days of yesteryear" this year at the *same* hotel in the *same* city as that historic occasion. Join us for information, awards and FUN!

The date is Jan. 11, 1997, and the place is the Radisson Inn North in Colorado Springs, just outside the South Gate of the Air Force Academy (where you've enjoyed so many Cavalier CTRs). Here are the details:

HOTEL RESERVATIONS must be made directly with the Radisson Inn North. The rate is \$59 per night for up to three people in a room. To get this special rate, you MUST call before Dec. 11 and tell them you are with Region III, NATRC. Call 1-800-333-3333 to make room reservations, Remember, it's the Radisson Inn North.

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# REGISTRATION FORM

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Address	
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I/we will be attending Seminar (\$10 ea.)	
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# OFFICIAL RIDE RESULTS

#### El Jinete Solitario

July 27-28, 1996

#### Sweepstakes:

Open: Judy Mason/Brown R Dawud Novice: Kathy Lyons/Buster

#### Open Heavyweight:

1/2 Halcyon Hurricane/J. Bengfort

2/3 SA Boomer/L. Smith

3/1 Duster's Image/L. Keckler

4/4 Sir Love/M. Baker

5/5 Skipper's Snip/L. Jones

#### Open Lightweight:

1/2 Brown R Dawud/ J. Mason

2/1 Par Torpedo/P. Embree

3/3 Max/T. Smith

4/4 Two/B. Olson

#### **Open Junior:**

1/2 Resort Valley Riga/C. Malin

2/1 Tibor/A. Lindgren

#### **Competitive Pleasure:**

1/ Rockin' EZ Rose/J. Wheeldon

2/6 Numero Uno/K. Kafka

3/1 June's Lucky Mac/B. Smith

4/4 Montoya Olympia/S. Reed

5/2 Wood's Rawhide Ace/J. Smith

6/3 JJ Cracker Jack/B. Barber

/5 Fred Hudson

#### **Novice Heavyweight:**

1/6 Cambridge Arianne/S. Barker

2/2 Storm Dancer/B. Fjerstad

3/5 Ammoniet/S. Cornes

4/ Pokey/B. Skersick

5/4 Egyptian Gem Star/M. Shanor

6/3 Jazz/M. Riggs

/1 Terry Hull

#### **Novice Lightweight:**

1/3 Buster/K. Lyons

2/1 Zarr Tan/K. Shanor

3/4 Quickly/E. Wolgram

4/2 GAE Mac/S. Wilson

5/5 Raider/R. Hansen

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#### Hole in the Wall

August 17, 1996

#### Sweepstakes:

Open: Dee Overholt/SW Windwalker Novice: Bonnie Olson/Two

#### Open Heavyweight:

1/4 SW Windwalker/D. Overholt

2/1 Wood's Rawhide Ace/J. Smith

3/3 Dahhali/J. Hicks

4/2 Duster's Image/L. Keckler

5/6 Zarr Tan/M. Shanor

6/5 Sir Love/M. Baker

#### Open Lightweight:

1/5 Brown R Dawud/J. Mason

2/1 Tulip/K. Morris

3/4 Mahra Khan/M. Parish

4/3 Barbaria/K. Shanor

5/2 Teddee/J. Tobias

#### Open Junior:

1/1 Shadow Play/S. Mosley

#### **Competitive Pleasure:**

1/2 Major/M. Keckler

2/3 RU Rose/T. Harris

3/ CD Tabor/J. Bisson

4/5 Zandungo/Bob Farmer

5/1 June's Lucky Mac/B. Smith

6/6 Magee/Ben Farmer

/4 Lisa Farmer

#### **Novice Heavyweight:**

1/5 Ara Bay Sherazade/C. Lien

2/ Troubleshooter/B. Barker

3/3 Irony/T. Woltman

4/6 Kinnja/Y. Jelberg

5/4 Rim Rock Runner/T. Hull

6/2 Come On Cotton/K. Wolgram

1/ Linda Werner

#### **Novice Lightweight:**

1/2 Two/B. Olson

2/ Quickley/B. Wolgram

3/5 Al Flyer/J. Feldman

4/4 Chico's Paintbrush/K. Cummings

5/ Gae Mac/S. Wilson

6/1 Hoofin' It Merlin's Shadow/R. DeBoer

/3 Janelle Lear

/6 Kary Woltman

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#### Top of the World

Aug. 31- Sept. 1, 1996

#### Sweepstakes:

Open: Milne Parish/Mahra Khan Novice: Bobbi Chenoweth/ Ibn Faratt

#### Open Heavyweight:

1/4 Sir Love/M. Baker

2/1 Duster's Image/L. Keckler

3/3 Wood's Rawhide Ace/J. Smith

4/2 Dahhali/J. Hicks

5/5 SW Windwalker/D. Overholt

6/6 SA Boomer/L. Smith

#### Open Lightweight:

1/3 Mahra Khan/M. Parish

2/1 Brown R Dawud/J. Mason

3/5 Gae Mac/S. Wilson

4/2 Foxton Bandido/S. Eckel

5/4 Sadie/C. Wolfe

#### **Open Junior:**

1/1 Resort Valley Riga/C. Malin

#### **Competitive Pleasure:**

1/2 June's Lucky Mac/B. Smith

2/1 Major/M. Keckler

3/3 Tedolera/C. Fredal

4/6 Patchouli/S. Fricklin

5/ Golden Country Sunshine/C. Beumer

6/4 Miss Sonata Bacs Gill/K. Flanagan

/5 Roger Beumer

#### **Novice Heavyweight:**

1/5 Rim Rock Runner/T. Hull

2/ Dakota Joe/R. Van Gilder

3/4 Come On Cotton/K. Wolgram

4/1 Egyptian Gem Star/M. Shanor

5/3 Apache Wings/J. Sabados

6/2 Embee Karmol/S. Lyons

/6 Teri Bracha

#### **Novice Lightweight:**

1/ Ibn Faratt/B. Chenoweth

2/ Raikin/R. Hansen

3/6 Pepsi/S. Hollis

4/2 Zarr Tan/K. Shanor5/5 RV Jaxon/D. Kielian

6/ Flight's Gorgeous Son/J. Benham

/1 Rennie De Boer

/3 Tracie Scarlett

/4 Kathleen Burke

#### **Novice Junior:**

1/1 Amber/A. Jahn

2/2 Pay Day Tivio/S. Flanagan

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## OFFICIAL RIDE RESULTS

#### Golden Gate

September 14-15, 1996

#### Sweepstakes:

Open: Judy Mason/Brown R Dawud Novice: Kathy Shanor/Zarr Tan

#### Open Heavyweight:

- 1/2 Duster's Image/L. Keckler
- 2/3 Shadow's Playgirl/F. Keeran
- 3/5 Sir Love/M. Baker
- 4/6 SW Windwalker/D. Overholt
- 5/1 Wood's Rawhide Ace/J. Smith
- 6/4 Dahhali/J. Hicks

#### Open Lightweight:

- 1/3 Brown R Dawud/ J. Mason
- 2/2 Teddee/T. Daugherty
- 3/1 Foxton Bandido/S. Eckel
- 4/5 Baladdin/R. Harper
- 5/4 Fantasy of Fyre/L. Thielen

#### Open Junior:

- 1/1 Jazz/K. Chapman
- 2/2 Shadow Play/S. Mosley

#### **Competitive Pleasure:**

- 1/4 Tedolera/C. Fredal
- 2/2 HA Petala/C. Knauss
- 3/3 El Hombre Quieto/C. Zuck
- 4/1 June's Lucky Mac/B. Smith

#### **Novice Heavyweight:**

- 1/2 Rim Rock Runner/T. Hull
- 2/4 Flash/D. Barker
- 3/3 JJS Eladin/C. Rowe
- 4/5 Lady Carrigan's Reverence/T. Bracha
- 5/1 Generator's Iron Master/T. Woltman

#### **Novice Lightweight:**

- 1/5 Zarr Tan/K. Shanor
- 2/4 Quickly/B. Wolgram
- 3/1 Hoofin' It Merlin's Shadow/R. DeBoer
- 4/3 Copy's Talk of Texas/K. Woltman
- 5/6 Flight's Gorgeous Son/J. Benham
- 2/ Tracie Scarlett

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#### **Chokecherry Canyon**

September 28-29, 1996

#### Sweepstakes:

Open: Jenny Smith/Wood's Rawhide Ace Novice: Roger Hansen/Raikin

#### Open Heavyweight:

- 1/1 Wood's Rawhide Ace/J. Smith
- 2/4 SA Boomer/L. Smith
- 3/3 Halcyon Hurricane/J. Bengfort
- 4/2 SW Windwalker/D. Overholt

#### Open Lightweight:

- 1/2 Mahra Khan/M. Parish
- 2/3 Baladdin/R. Harper
- 3/1 Bar Alibi/T. Smith

#### **Open Junior:**

1/1 Shadow Play/S. Mosley

#### **Competitive Pleasure:**

- 1/6 HA Petala/C. Knauss
- 2/2 Devlynn Mojaja/A. Taylor
- 3/1 June's Lucky Mac/B. Smith
- 4/3 Taffy/G. Daves
- 5/ Rockin' EZ Rose/S. Wheeldon
- 6/4 Go Boy Grand Finale/F. Hudson
- 6/5 Montoya Olympian/S. Reed

#### **Novice Heavyweight:**

- 1/1 Kat Ballou/K. Alsup
- 2/3 Ammoniet/S. Cornes
- 3/5 Ms Khema Marie/J. White
- 4/4 JJS Eladin/C. Rowe
- 5/2 Lady E's Fancy/G. White

#### **Novice Lightweight:**

- 1/1 Raikin/R. Hansen
- 2/2 Pepsi's Fire/S. Hollis
- 3/4 Bint El Rosal/S. White
- 4/3 KA Barbie Doll/F. Hendershot

#### Novice Junior:

- 1/2 Dutchess' Royal Duke/C. Smith
- 2/1 Mandy/M. Jones
- 3/3 EA Ellie Mae/D. Nicely

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# National board reminders

- Student loan money is available from NATRC. College students out there should be aware of this.
- NATRC strongly encourages everyone to wear helmets. Junior riders, even those not competing, must wear one any time they are mounted at a ride.
- All rides will be required to use NATRC insurance in the future, even if they have club insurance. P&R crews will ride in open pickup trucks this is a definite no-no, now.

#### David B. Thomas

October 18, 1996

#### Sweepstakes:

Open: Kathe Hayes/Par Sundance Novice: Jessie Councilman/Star

#### Open Heavyweight:

- 1/1 Wood's Rawhide Ace/J. Smith
- 2/3 June's Lucky Mac/B. Smith
- 3/4 Halcyon Hurricane/J. Bengfort
- 4/2 SA Boomer/L. Smith
- 5/5 Kiss O Sunshine/L. Jones

#### Open Lightweight:

- 1/1 Par Sundance/K. Hayes
- 2/4 Montoya Summerane/A. Hazelwood
- 3/3 Blue Hills Nala Ash/S. Camrud
- 4/2 Bar Alibi/T. Smith
- 5/5 Black Sammy/C. Jones

#### **Competitive Pleasure:**

- 1/1 Taffy/G. Daves
- 2/2 WSA Desert Wind/A. Taylor
- 3/3 Rockin' EZ Rose/J. Wheeldon
- 4/4 Montoya Olympian/S. Reed
- 5/6 Mary Ann's Wildfire/S. Wheeldon
- 6/ Go Boy Grande Finale/F. Hudson
- /5 Vickie Gilfillan

#### **Novice Heavyweight:**

- 1/1 Ammoniet/S. Cornes
- 2/2 Rainy Star/B. Jones
- 3/3 Moeft/R. Santistevan
- 4/4 Lady/B. Weaver
- 5/5 Rambler's Angel/S. Ballai

#### Novice Lightweight:

- 1/1 Ms Khema Marie/S. White
- 2/3 Bint El Rosal/H. Brackett
- 3/2 Dollar/K. Councilman
- 4/6 Krisma/B. Hendershot
- 5/5 GA Bask Mia/L. Gardner
- 6/ Bo/M. Weaver
- /4 Frankie Hendershot

#### **Novice Junior:**

- 1/1 Star/J. Councilman
- 2/6 Dutchess' Royal Duke/C. Smith
- 3/4 Doha Baheia/L. Alsup
- 4/2 Short Cut Sunday/C. Councilman

5/5 Romeo/C. Jones 6/3 Mandy/M. Jones

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HAPPY NEW YEAR

# Tales from the Golden Gate ride

Unusual circumstances kept management hopping

when you expect when your ride falls on Friday the 13th? Well, if you aren't superstitious, you may laugh. But wait until you read about the Golden Gate ride which started on Sept. 13 at Golden Gate Canyon State Park near Blackhawk, Colo.

Besides the numerous minor glitches that always happen on rides, on Friday afternoon, novice riders Heidi Holwell and Gisela Chase had their truck break down as they were hauling their rig up the winding mountain road to camp. P&R chair Larry Tobias and competitor Frank Keeran from Iowa took Frank's truck and Larry's car down to rescue the ladies in distress. While Frank towed the trailer back into camp, Larry waited with the policeman at the scene to have the truck towed. Much to Larry's shock, when the tow truck arrived, the policeman arrested the driver for being drunk! So Larry had to wait for a second tow truck.

The ride began Saturday with lovely fall weather. Forty-five riders hit the trail. The only way in to the interior of the park is by foot or horseback. Even the lunch timers have to go in on horseback. Shortly after lunch, a competitor's horse colicked. The only solution was to walk the horse out to the nearest road where it was picked up and taken to a vet. Local ham operators notified ride secretary Judi Tobias in camp of the problem and the vet was called.

Then, two first-time novice riders got lost. Two safety riders went back to try and find the lost pair. Suddenly, just before the other competitors reached camp, huge dark clouds filled the sky. The tempera-

ture plunged and rain, hail, lightning and thunder appeared. Just a passing storm – everyone thought. That wasn't the case. After waiting in the deluge for nearly half an hour, vet judge Linda MacKinnon told the riders to get their horses under cover. She said she wouldn't check horses unless it quit raining before dark. It didn't quit. Meanwhile, word came that the lost competitors plus the two safety riders were out in the storm – with no rain

gear. Jeff Hicks and ride chair Judd Adams filled their cars with warm coats and blankets and took off on the park's perimeter roads, hoping the

riders had been found. Wet and weary, they rode back into camp.

Then the disaster hit. Several horses, stressed by the ride and chilled by the weather, began to colic. In pitch darkness, Dr. MacKinnon – with medication borrowed from other riders and with help from competitor Terry Woltman, DVM, began making rounds treating the sick animals. Larry Tobias tried to reach the on-call vet on the phone. One horse was definitely going to need major help – an Arabian mare belonging to Janelle Lear of Texas. The mare had gone down

once and was cast. Volunteers finally got her up and Larry headed down the mountain again, hauling the ailing mare to Golden Animal Hospital. While riders hunkered down to wait out the storm – some finding their campers leaking – ride management, judges and rule interpreter Thom Harris met to decide whether to continue the ride. Their fears for the safety of the riders and horses, as well as the condition of

the water-soaked trails made them cautious. Finally by 3 a.m. Sunday, the rain stopped. Nearly six inches had fallen.

Shortly after dawn, a rider's

briefing was held. Nearly all of the riders wanted to continue. The sun came out. Judd, with his knowledge of the park, rerouted the riders to dirt roads, refigured the mileage and the ride continued. When the riders came in on Sunday afternoon, there were smiles all around. Larry had the grill going and riders and workers shared hamburgers and hot dogs. The horses were checked out and awards held. But this is one ride the riders will probably NEVER forget – the "Friday the 13th" ride! – *Judi Tobias* 

# Golden Gate ride report

Their fears for the safety of

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water-soaked trails made

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By Judd Adams, ride manager

ongratulations to all the riders who hung on through the worst hail-rain storm I have ever experienced since I began competing in 1983 (except perhaps the snow storm we rode through at Rabbit Valley several years ago).

Thanks to the novice riders for maintaining a very **good window** on

Sunday. Saturday was not so good – causing the horsemanship judge to miss a judging point or two.

Also thank you to all the riders who sent in early entries. It's a matter of comfort level (last minute work) and predictability to management in terms of covering costs. I

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## Golden Gate

was still receiving adds and drops to the ride as I was trying to leave the house at 10 a.m., Friday. Because we had a better than expected budgeted turnout, we were able to grant the \$10 early entry discount to all riders. On behalf of ride managers, I would like to encourage competitors to *get your entries in early* next year. I will offer the early discount next year too.

Special thanks go to the two fellows who stopped by to see what was happening and stayed the entire weekend to help out – including picking up the disabled horse trailer and hauling colicking horses to the vet.

Since this ride was established 10 years ago, I have wondered whether it was sufficiently difficult. Riders have consistently said that the pace and timings fine – make no

51 entries
6 no-shows
45 started
10 pulled
35 finished

changes. On the other hand, sorting our horses and riders based upon halfpoints and plus-comments can be a source of frustration to riders.

To address this question of difficulty, see the table of horse and rider scores for the classes and divisions (excluding juniors) below. Note the range from 1st to 6th place. This is presented partly for your curiosity and about your conclusions for this ride. Is the ride difficult enough? Should it be made more challenging? My observations follow.

RIDE SUMMARY STATISTICS								
	Start	Finish	Horse			Rider		
			1st pl.	Median	Range	1st pl.	Median	Range
Open heavy	8	8	98.0+	97.0	1.5	100.0	97.5	9.5
Open light	9	6	98.5+	97.0	10.0	96.5	92.5	10.0
Open junior	2	2						
СР	4	4	95.5	94.0	3.5	99.5	97.0	9.0
Novice heavy	8	5	96.0	94.5	6.5	97.5	90.5	10.5
Novice light	13	10	100.0	93.0	9.5	100.0	97.0	4.5
Novice junior	1	0						
Total ride	45	35	100.0	96.0		100.0	95.0	

- Horses and riders performed well in general (high scores).
- First-place horse scores ranged from 100 to 95.5.
- First-place horsemanship scores ranged from 100 to 96.5.
- · Median scores for horses ranged from 97 to 93.
- Median horsemanship scores ranged from 97.5 to 90.5.
- The tightest competition for horses was in open heavyweight where the first through sixth placing range was only 1.5 points, followed by CP at 3.5, novice heavyweight at 6.5, novice lightweight at 9.5 and open lightweight with a range of 10 points.
- In terms of horsemanship, the tightest competition was in novice light-weight with a range of 4.5, then CP at 9, open heavyweight at 9.5, open lightweight at 10, finishing up with the novice heavyweights with a range of 10.5 points.

If you think the ride is just fine as is or can be improved in any way, please call or fax me with your suggestions. I can be reached at (303) 494-4241 or (fax) 543-1365. – *Judd Adams* 



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# My first endurance ride

n mid-October, I rode my first endurance at KenLyn Arabian Ranch near Buckley AFB, east of Denver. More than 15 years ago, my wife Linda and I first heard about endurance and competitive trail riding. We were very interested in endurance, but didn't think our horses were ready, so we began with NATRC to get them in shape. Perhaps because I haven't done many NATRC rides lately, I decided to try my first endurance ride.

Unlike NATRC, you show up the day of the ride, with an hour or so lead time to check in. Briefing took place about 15 minutes before the start, with rather simple and straightforward instructions.

Friday night – over a few glasses of wine - Linda and I tried to determine my challenges and develop an appropriate strategy: 1.) What am I

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going to do at the start so I don't get caught up in the mad rush? 2.) How to come into lunch with a low enough pulse (16) so that time isn't wasted waiting for it to come down (they don't take respiration). 3.) What to do if someone passes me? 4). How do I avoid getting caught up in the mad race at the finish? The strategy: chill out, don't worry, don't race and take my time. Linda Fisher gave me this advice - ride it like a NATRC ride and you'll be fine. Okay!

That is sort of what I did. It began with a rolling start, like in car racing. The riders who wanted to "go" lined up first, the slower ones hung back, and the rest of us were in the middle. The first horses out began walking for several hundred yards, then picked up the pace until finally were at a fast trot. One by one the horses dropped the pace until Raj and I were riding beside the third place rider. I stayed with her until we watered, having pleasant conversation the whole way, just like in NATRC, with the difference being that it was all done at a trot or canter - no walking yet!

After watering, Raj was breathing hard and needed more recovery time. Five minutes later he was ready. First a walk, then slow trot working into an extended trot. He was pacing himself, he was centered and riding his own ride!

About a mile from the farm house (mile 14) he dropped to a walk. He was getting tired and slowed on his own. Soon a few riders trotted by. Worry? No need to ... Raj just kept walking. Wonderful. Just what I was hoping for, a sign of maturity.

At lunch I pulled his saddle and received a courtesy pulse check - 16! They immediately took the official check. Everything was going well - no

lost time. The riders who had passed earlier had to wait for their horses to reach 16. The strategy was working.

After leaving lunch I rode with with those two riders the last 11 miles into camp. My knees were getting sore from so much trotting. We maintained the pace steadily, no race for the finish. We finished 4th, 5th and 6th (in the order we had been riding for most of the way in).

You're not officially done until the pulse returns to 16. Raj's pulse was 21, so we hadn't finished yet. In endurance, awards are given for finish and best conditioned among the top ten. Our official finish was 8th. However, after dinner when the awards were handed out Raj placed 4th in condition. Out of 29 competitors he did much better that I thought. That night I reported our success to Linda. The next day, Raj's legs were nice and tight, but I could hardly walk for three days! Clearly he was in better condition than I.

Why this story? Consider trying an endurance ride. Notice I said ride and not race. That's the point. Don't race. Next season I intend to do some endurance rides as conditioning rides. NATRC is still my sport. Raj did 25 miles in 2 ½ hours. You don't have to go that fast. The last rider took close to 4 hours to finish. No problem, just having fun. In the process of riding with the endurance riders several things happened. They have more respect for NATRC - our horses can move as well as handle obstacles. I showed them how a gate can be opened while mounted.

Expect to see several endurance riders trying NATRC next year. See you at Rabbit Valley in 1997. - Judd Adams

# **NATRC Membership Application**

#### NATRC offers six membership plans (check plan desired):

<ul> <li>1. FAMILY membership</li> <li>2. SENIOR membership</li> <li>3. JUNIOR membership</li> <li>4. ASSOCIATE membership</li> <li>5. SINGLE lifetime membership</li> <li>6. FAMILY lifetime membership</li> <li>Membership is for total NATRC memberships include: rule book, membership</li> <li>NATRC annual high score awards and championships, respectively.</li> </ul>	adults and children (one vote) e vote) der age 18 (no vote) businesses (no vote) and children (two votes) r, eligibility to compete for d ride entry fees.		
PLEASE LIST ALL FAMILY MEMBERS			
Name(s)			
Street			
Phone ( Birthdate of jur	nior(s)		\$ enclosed
NATRC Specialties*	NATRC Manuals*  Rule Book (incl. w/ membership)  Judge's Manual Rider's Manual Management Manual (plus P&H, 1-3 manuals)	\$2.00 \$5.00 \$4.00 \$4.00	Contributions to NATRC are tax deductible. If you wish to show your added support by contribution to our Foundation, Awards, Student Loan or General Funds, please increase the amount of your payment and direct how you
2 for \$2.75; 3 or more \$1.25 ea.  Hat \$4.50 + \$2 P&H 1-5 hats  Jacket \$30.00 + \$3 P&H  Sizes: \$34-36 \$ M38-40 \$ L42-44 \$ XL 46-48	NATRC Videos* ☐ Vet Judge Video ☐ Horsemanship Video ☐ Both Videos	\$20.00 \$20.00 \$35.00	wish it to be used.  \$\rightarrow\$ \$10 \rightarrow\$ \$25 \rightarrow\$ \$Other  How did you learn about NATRC?

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