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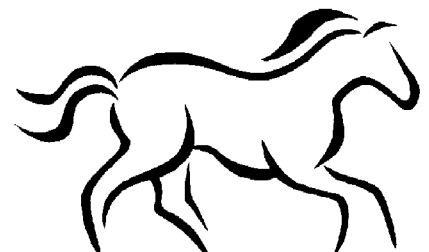
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Dear Region III Members,

## *A Note From Our President, Lin Ward*

Just finished For the Love of Horse. We got blessed with good weather and no accident report. Yea!! We did have one horse have a metabolic issue and have to pull. The road had become impassable for a horse trailer in the 3 weeks before the ride, so she had to walk and have him ponied off the mountain. Fortunately both survived the walk. If we can't get the Forest Service to repair the road I am pretty sure this will be the last time for this ride, at least in this location.

I used the RMS (Ride Management System) for this ride. Spent about 500 hours getting everyone who came into the system. PLEASE check your information and make sure it is all correct, and remember that in the future you will be able to enter any ride in the country with only about 4-5 clicks of your mouse.

Go to [www.natrc.org](http://www.natrc.org) (national site) click on ride schedule, click on the Ride Management System, if you rode in The Love of Horses, you logon is your first and last name with password rider. If you are not set up, set your self up. You can edit your logon, password, other information, as well as update you membership next year. By clicking on the create new one (by the rider) can enter other family members. Click on create a new one ( by horse) you can enter one or more horses.

When you are ready to register for a ride, click on the region, if it is different then 3, find the ride, choose your horse and hit register. Then all you need to do is choose your class from the drop down window, check that you have read the waiver and check the amount of money you are sending and you are done.

If things change, you can cancel, change horses, classes on line and not have to call or email the ride manager.

Region 3 is the last region to come on line and it is really easy to use and wonderful for Ride Sec.

In the next Hoofprint please review the possible rule changes. If you agree or disagree, or have questions, please contact Doreen Portner [d-gportner@hotmail.com](mailto:d-gportner@hotmail.com) or Susie Witter [bfhorsefan@msn.com](mailto:bfhorsefan@msn.com) they are our national board members and will pass on our wishes.

Remember that we host the NATRC National Convention this year in Denver. Check out stirrup and Hoofprint for all the wonderful details. See you at the last few rides and at convention in Feb.

Lin Ward

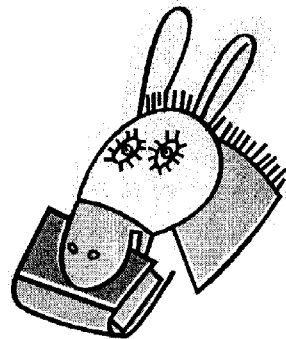
## Letter from the Editor:

Greetings! I'm madly putting the final touches on this issue to finish it before I have to go back to my teaching position tomorrow. Although going back to work doesn't mean the end of my time with my horse, it certainly cuts into it!

In this issue, I was thrilled to be able to discover that one of our Region III members, Nancy Frank, has recently been featured in a one woman art show with her beautiful paintings of ...you guessed it, horses. I find it interesting to see what our members are up to in other horse endeavors, and would appreciate hearing more from everyone! Also, keep those ride stories and photos coming in....they are the "meat and potatoes" of this newsletter!

Hope everyone is doing well and see you somewhere on the trail!

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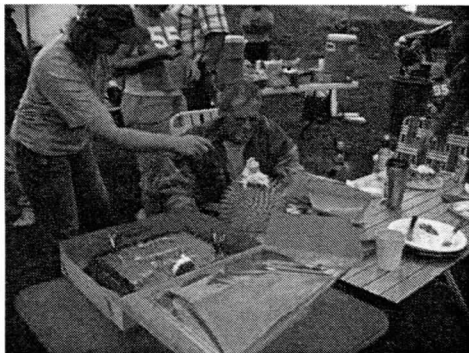
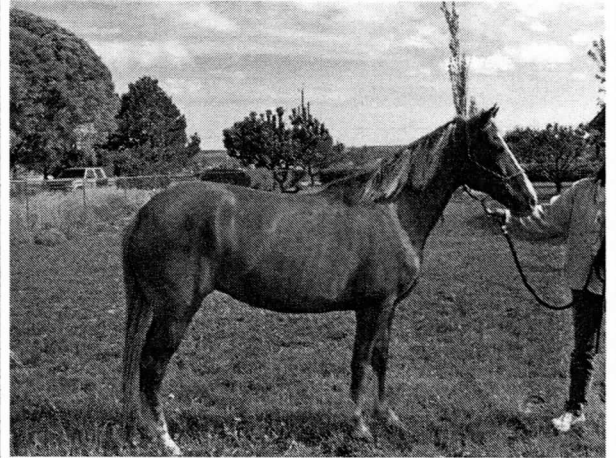
# News Bits & Barn Sales

## A Message from

### Cristy Cumberworth Photography

You can now see Piñon Hills CTR, Navajo (Bill Smith Memorial CTR) and Wickenburg online!  
Share with friends/family far away (or buy enlargements!) [www.cristycumberworth.com](http://www.cristycumberworth.com)

1995 Paso Fino mare, Chestnut, 14.1 hands.  
4<sup>th</sup> seasoned NATRC. 1<sup>st</sup> year took Sweepstakes Novice Lightweight 2004 Navajo Lake, High Point Paso 2004/4<sup>th</sup> 2006. Parades, loads, ties, baths, trusting and very willing. Not spooky. Experienced rider preferred.  
\$3500 firm. 505-793-6471 or [mvaughan80@msn.com](mailto:mvaughan80@msn.com)



Gary Inman was overwhelmed by the "love" shown to him on his 60th birthday at the Colorado Trail ride.

15H 1997 Arabian Mare #0544926, Sweepstakes Nominated

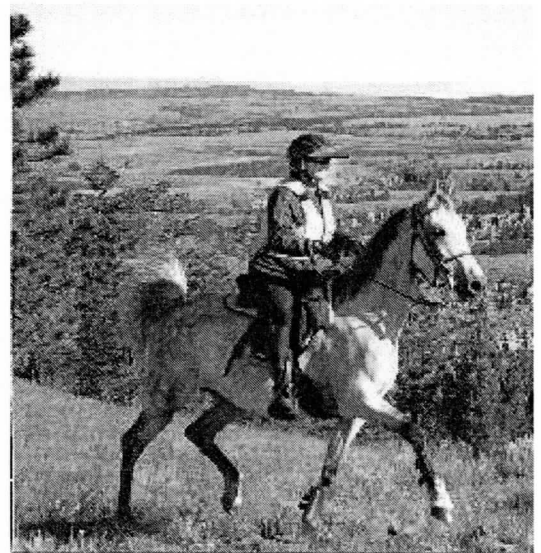
Lil Liza CMF (Baskin X Kentucky Wings)  
Dark dapple grey

Proven endurance horse, has completed a 25-mile and a 50-mile ride with more rides planned for the summer. She is steady and balanced on the trail and has excellent P&R. She was formerly in the show ring as a hunter pleasure horse, and she brings her collection and her manners to the trail. She would be a good endurance horse for a serious competitor or a good trail horse for pleasure riding. For more information or photos, contact [jo@milemakers.com](mailto:jo@milemakers.com) (303-249-7630) or [wk\\_kercheval@msn.com](mailto:wk_kercheval@msn.com) (303-790-8402). \$6000 Located in Castle Rock Colorado

## Horse Cookies

4 oz electrolytes, any kind  
2 c. wheat bran  
1 c. corn meal  
3 c. whole wheat flour  
½ c. corn oil  
½ c. molasses  
1 ½ c. hot water  
½ c. brown sugar

Mix all together and shape into 24 cookies or fill bottom of rectangle cake pan. Bake at 350 degrees for 30-40 minutes or until hard and dry. After baking about 30 minutes I used a pizza cutter and cut into squares and put back into oven until they were hard. Most horses like them a little soft but they fall apart if you try to carry them on a ride.



### Navajo Lake/Bill Smith Memorial Ride

5/12-13/07 Region Three-NM

A-O/N/CP Total Riders: 36

Chairman: Russ and Linda Jones

Judges: Ron Stuber DVM, Patsy Conner

Open Sweepstakes: Fraidy Cat/Smith, Terry-100

Novice Sweepstakes: Snap/Ferganchick, Brandy-98

#### Open Heavyweight

- 1/4 Touche's Yeller Gold/Inman, Gary
- 2/ Obie Won/Spanhoff, Olga
- 3/5 Gunslinger T/Jubb, Mike
- 4/2 Rocky Top II/Ward, Jim
- 5/6 Dee Bar/Westmoreland, Cheri
- 6/ Rock'n EZ Rey/Sims, Jerry
- /1 Rock'n EZ Ruby/Smith, Jenny
- /3 Charlie's Mr. Nickers/Ancell, Steve
- MT Top Gun/Richardson, Carla

#### Open Lightweight

- 1/1 Fraidy Cat/Smith, Terry
- 2/2 Brown R. Dawud/Wise Mason, Judy
- 3/3 Classic Son CC/Courts, Linda
- 4/4 Huck's Last Love/Ward, Lin

#### Novice Heavyweight

- 1/3 Rose/Elsie, Kce
- 2/5 Sienna/Green, Shelley
- 3/2 Riddler/Anderson, Marti
- 4/4 Harley/Shelton, Ron
- 5/1 Slick's 90/Saunders, Lynn
- P Winter's End/Fiala, Robert
- P Dancer;McNeil, Debbie
- P Jet's Cookie;Daggett, DeWitt
- P Chico of Naszrence;Roberts, Gary

#### Novice Lightweight

- 1/1 Snap/Ferganchick, Brandy
- 2/5 Thunder/Elsie, Patty
- 3/3 LKA Bold Print/LaRue, Susan
- 4/4 Emily Te/Brown, Gwen
- 5/2 Bella/Vaughan, Mary
- P Kamberahzi/Henderson, Lisa

#### Competitive Pleasure

- 1/2 LD Dixie Lee/Vasquez, Louise
- 2/5 Ace of Hearts WDG/Miller-Inman, Linell
- 3/1 Rock'n EZ Royal Tee/Ancell, Janine
- 4/3 Spike's Supreme Fox/Yates, Terry
- 5/4 Bonanza's Rebel G/Sims, Beth
- 6/6 Magical Serenade/Halligan, Sherri
- Pride's Lawyer/Sinnett, Jim
- Blue Spruce Shanta/Howell, Perran

### Donkey Derby Days

6/24/07 Region Three-CO

B-N/CP Total Riders: 35

Chairman: Jill Tarvin/Pat Montgomery

Judges: Donna Johnson DVM, Pat Montgomery

Novice Sweepstakes: Harley/Shelton,Ron-99.5

#### Novice Heavyweight

- 1/6 Harley/Shelton,Ron
- 2/2 McWulf Hos (Mickey)/Smith, Richard
- 3/5 Sing To Champagne/Bond-Simmons, Pam
- 4/ Animo De Vega/Gagas, Trudy
- 5/ Bey Shah Malik/Jarvis, Sarah
- 6/ Nautilus/Rowe, Giselle
- /1 Raven/Carpenter, Wendy
- /3 Hawk/Pittman, Cyndie
- /4 Deer Grayson/Steddom, Deborah

#### Novice Lightweight

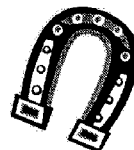
- 1/3 Big Chocolate Chip/Quevillon, Corisa
- 2/6 Tango/Collins, Evy
- 3/5 Amanda Jewel/Goscha, Cathy
- 4/ El Dorado NG/Brueckman,Christina
- 5/4 Leaf/Fleischer, Donna
- 6/ Duke/Easom, Laura
- /1 Sylvan/Campbell, Lorraine
- /2 French Sabor (Joey)/Massa, Barbara
- She's a Shining Oak/Carper, Sandi

#### Novice Junior

- 1/1 GF Majestic Force/Stults, Morgan
- 2/2 Skipette Streak (Victoria)/Lopez, Brandy

#### Competitive Pleasure

- 1/1 Aladdin/Beardsley, Cat
- 2/ Ruffian/Korthuis, Tracey
- 3/ Magical Serenade/Halligan,Sheri
- 4/ Cappuccino's Go Girl Go/Rubenstein,Angie
- 5/ Ezri/Savage, Carol
- 6/ Ace of Hearts WD6/Miller-Inman, Linell
- /2 Cody/Adams, Jan
- /3 Indiana Jones/Frane, Vonnie
- /4 Remington Steele/Lane, Roxann
- /5 Southern Storm Cisco/Vasquez, Louise
- /6 Prides Lawyer/Sinnett, Jim
- China Moon/Heniser, Vickie
- Travelin` Ziggy/Colby, Lou Ann
- Rigaladela Estrellas/Marquardt, Diana
- DO Kenlyn Flare/Young, Jane



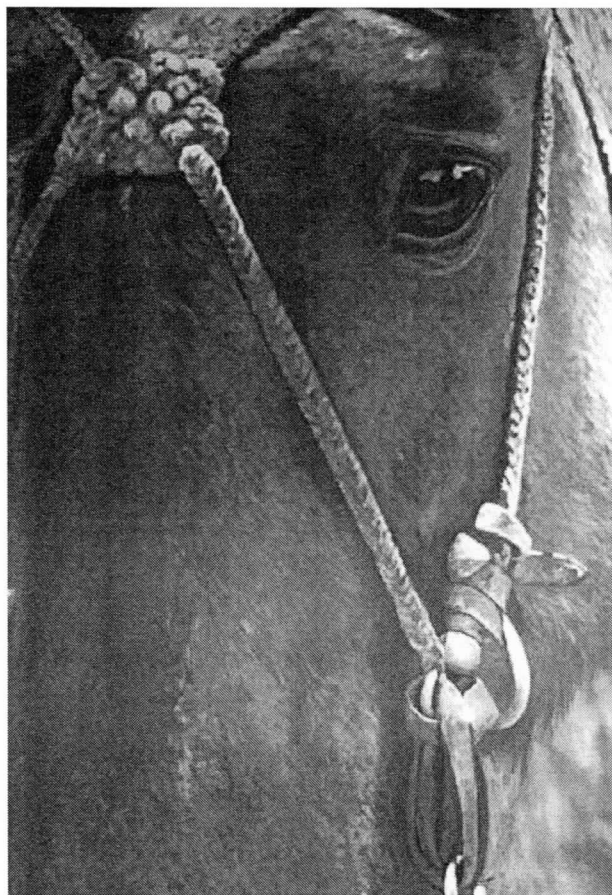
## HORSES AND ART ... WHAT COULD BE BETTER?

An exhibition of exciting new work by artist Nancy B. Frank is being held at Telluride Mountain Gallery in Mountain Village on Thursday August 16<sup>th</sup> from 5:30pm to 7:30pm. Her newest body of work "Caballos y Gauchos" includes 6 large canvases inspired by a series of photos taken while on a horse back riding trip in Uruguay.

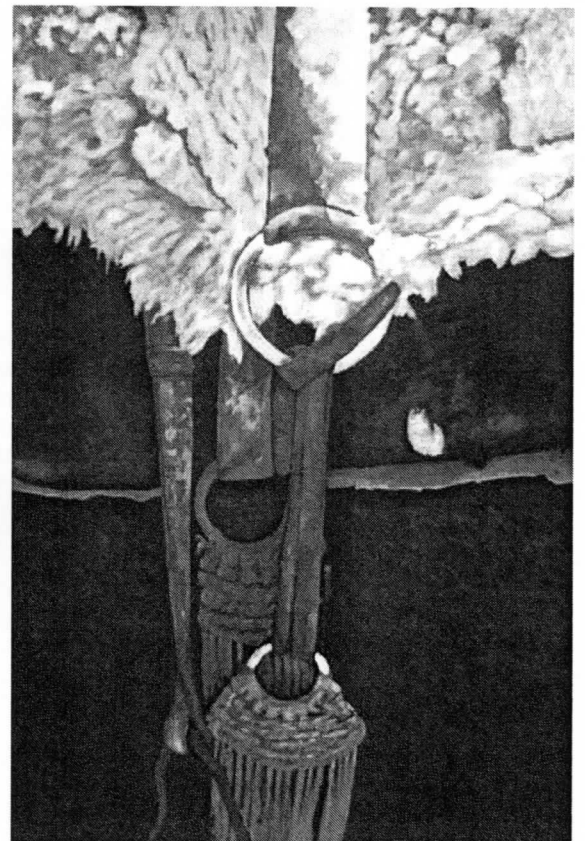
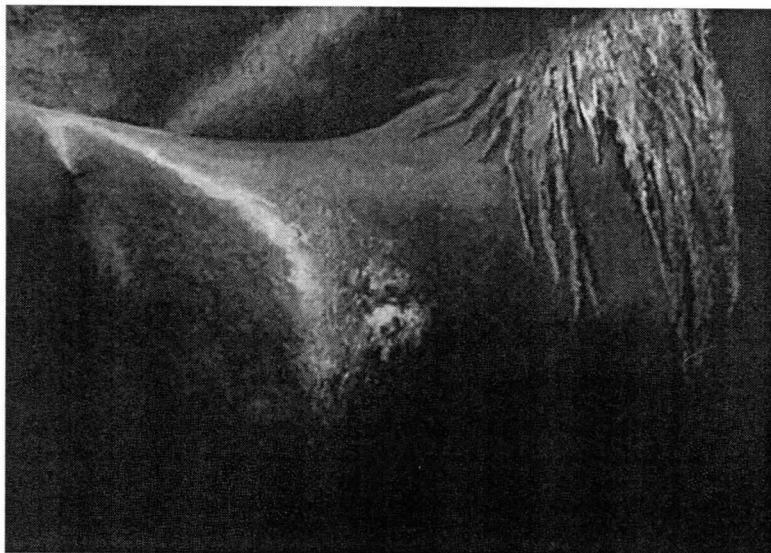
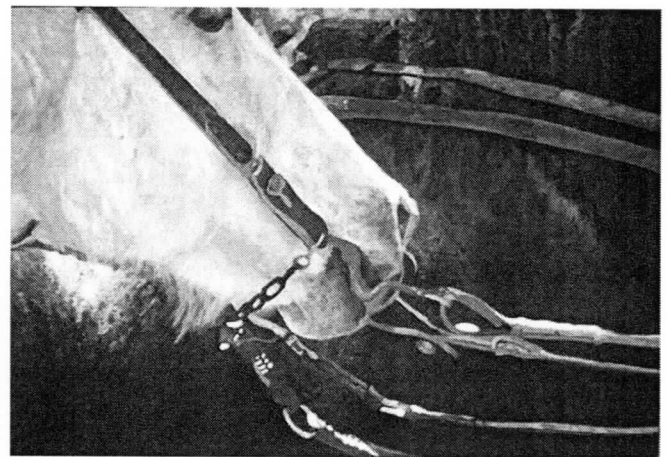
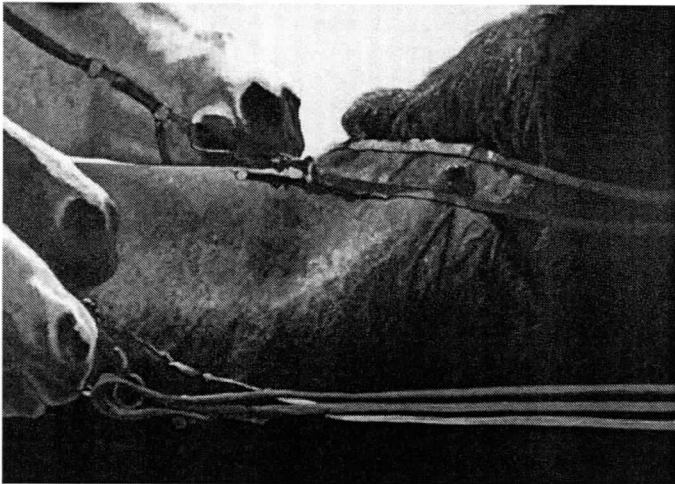
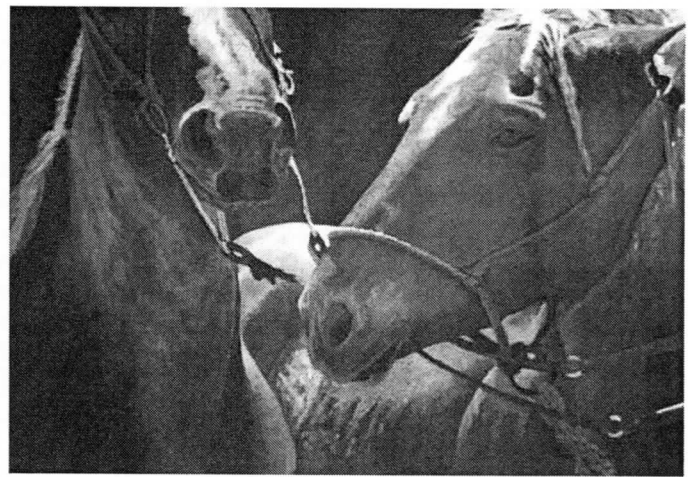
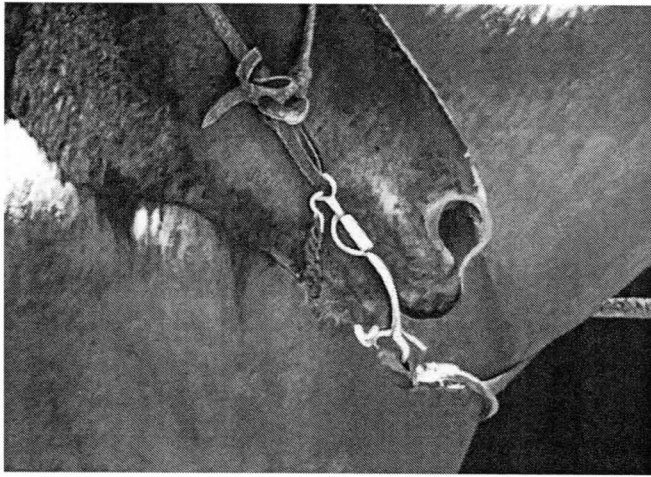
"What amazes me most about the partnership with a horse is that they even allow us to get on their back. After all, they are much bigger and more powerful than we are." Comments Nancy.

Which is exactly what creates the tension in these paintings. The images are in-your-face, larger than life, capturing the beauty and power and grace of the horse, yet the horses are bitted and bound with reins. Man is present, but not within the frame.

Nancy seems to have captured the "agreement" between human and equine, gaucho and caballo; the spirit of both is not submission but shines with light and life from the canvases.



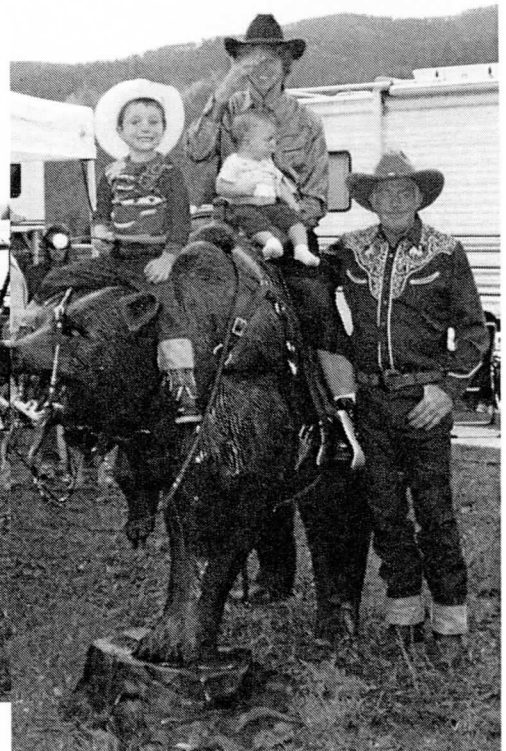
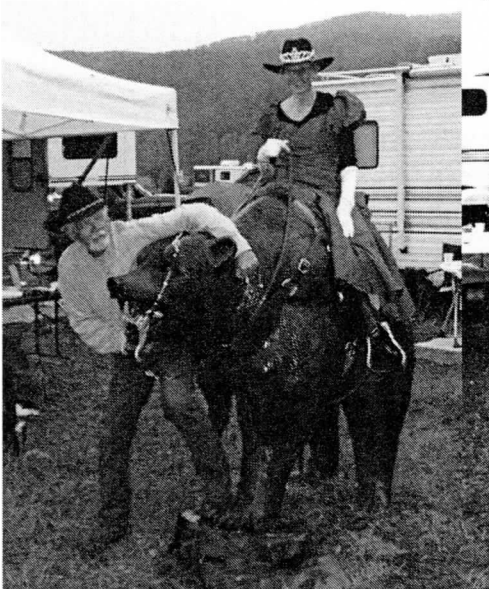
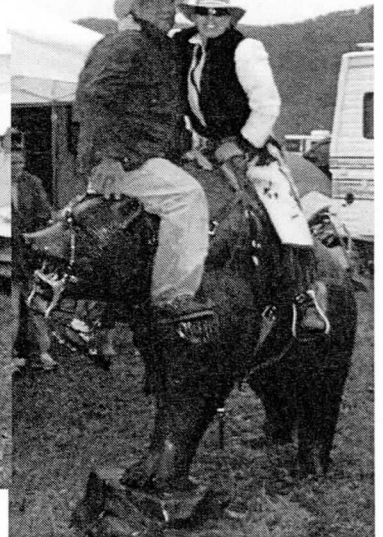




All photos of paintings courtesy of  
Nancy B. Frank

# Purgatory Story

Purgatory Trail Ride, July 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>, was once again, a ride to remember. The Ancells have been putting on this ride for many, many years (wouldn't want to give away anyone's age!) and this year made it more memorable than ever with the "Cowboy Prom". Complete with a grizzly bear for the all of those cowboys and girls to ride! Blue Satin, cow prints, fancy hats and handkerchiefs were managing to poke out from underneath everyone's rain gear. The weather was pretty cooperative during the day, but per Colorado patterns, thunderstorms would move in the afternoon. One might think a thunderstorm might put a damper on a Cowboy Prom....until you remember that true cowboys aren't phased by a little old rain shower, as you can see in these pictures courtesy of Beth and Jerry Sims. Despite the rain, the trails stayed in pretty decent shape. Speaking of trails, climbing the old stage coach road sure conjured up images of teams of mules hauling loaded wagons and perhaps even more refined coaches being pulled by a team of fine horses. The mountain peaks were breathtaking (or was that the altitude?!) Judges Dr Quintana and Janine Ancell kept us on our toes and made the ride fun. Wonderful artwork was awarded as well as thank you gifts to some of the volunteers. It seems to me the Ancells really outdid themselves. Thanks you Steve and Janine and the faithful team of volunteers that continue to make this ride so much fun year after year. ~submitted by Kerry Bingham





Hi Guys and Gals,

Well,,,I completed a dream held in my head for many years this past weekend. I finished Purgatory!!! YES,,it was every bit as tough as I've been told. Made more so by a great deal of rain on Saturday night. Thankfully,,,it did not rain while we were on the trail. The trail Gods were smiling in Colorado last weekend. There were showers off and on, but only in the later part of the day or at night when everyone was in camp. The weather, on the trail, was "letter perfect".

I've been competing in distance riding, both CTR and Endurance, since 1976. I've competed in TX, OK, NM, LA, ARK,FL,AL,KS,MO,NE,GA,CA, Wy,CO,NV and probably a couple other places I don't recall at the moment. The trail at Purgatory was undoubtedly the most challenging trail I've encountered in either sport. It was an honor to finish. Especially on a horse competing his first full season in CTR.

Before last fall, "Hollywood" did 3 or 4 rides spaced over a couple years. I seriously started riding and conditioning him for the fall season of 2006. He did not get the full year in CP that I allowed Orion. I started him in open. He is a great little horse and has handled all the challenges I've thrown at him. Not just competing in "friendly" terrain, but in four different regions under many different conditions. This past weekend he proved again what a great athlete he is and what a good mind he has. I suppose I've bragged enough on my horse, but I felt my safety was in his "hoofs" many times last weekend. He rose to the challenge taking care of himself and me under extreme conditions.

I'm not going to do a "blow by blow" of the trail. I suggest that anyone who wants a real challenge go and ride it themselves. It isn't for the faint of heart or the inexperienced horse. There is an immeasurable sense of accomplishment, however, when you make it off the mountain on Sunday afternoon and head in through the meadow toward camp.

Again, for those riding this kind of terrain regularly, it is less difficult. But,,,for a flatlander such as myself,,,it was a thrill. I wasn't the only one a little out of my comfort zone as I heard several region three riders commenting about "puckered butts" and such. (smile)

I want to apologize to ride management for not staying for awards. My odometer told me the trip home was 777 miles. It was 5 pm TX time when I left camp. I needed to get beyond Albuquerque before I stopped on Sunday night. I accomplished that, but drove until 12:30 am to get to my planned overnight stopping point. I had promised my granddaughter, Aston, who made the trip with me, a little time in a couple souvenir shops on the return trip. We only had time for one, but got home around 6:30 pm Monday evening. I had work on Tuesday,,,so I was cutting time pretty close. I try to stay for awards, out of respect for management, when possible, but I really needed to get on the road ASAP.

A huge thanks to Steve and Janine Ancell for managing this wonderful ride. Getting up the trail on a horse was hard enough. I know it was no easy task getting judges and P&R workers to critical points to make this ride run smoothly. The trail was marked sparsely, but nicely in critical spots so I had no trouble following it. Especially since the open riders were looking after me all the way. I can't thank everyone enough.

Cheri and Eddie who heated water for my coffee when my generator refused to work. Terry Yates who tried to help with the generator situation by loaning me an electrical plug that I forgot to bring. Terri Smith, Judy Mason, Cheri Westmoreland, Jim and Lin ward, Jerry Sims, who all, at various times rode with me making sure I didn't make a wrong turn. Jim and Lin Ward waited at the two mile marker on Sunday afternoon to make sure I made it off the mountain safely and made the right turn toward camp. Steve Ancell for bringing some of the nicest hay I've EVER seen so that I could meet the requirements for certified weed free hay.

**LONNIE WHO PUT SHOES ON HOLLYWOOD IN THE MIDDLE OF THE RIDE AND DURING A RAIN STORM. THANK AND GOD BLESS YOU. HOLLY FINISHED SOUND WITH NO FOOT/SHOEING RELATED PROBLEMS.**

The judges, Janine Ancell and Dr. Joe Quintana provided us with well thought out, VERY challenging obstacles. Good ones, I might add, as they were designed to demonstrate skills really necessary for riding in the kind of terrain this ride provided. Dr. Joe is very thorough and works as hard if not harder than almost any vet I've ridden under. You know your horse has been thoroughly evaluated when Dr. Joe is judging. It was my first time to ride under Janine. I'm looking forward to getting my cards to see what I might glean from her comments.

As always,,,FUN,,,is a necessary part of any Region 3 ride. We had a bear in attendance for the weekend. The bear was saddled and ridden by various riders Saturday evening between bouts of rain. Many photos were taken. I hope to see some in "Hoof Print" as they were truly one of a kind shots. Now to be honest,,,this wasn't a real live bear,,,but you had to get close to tell the difference. I took Hollywood up on Friday evening to introduce him to the bear. He was quite sure the thing was real for quite a while. With a little coaxing,,,however,,,he finally got close enough to take a cautious sniff, then was comfortable enough to walk around and stand beside the "BEAR".

I've been particularly blessed this year to be able to visit and ride in different regions. What I have found,,,no matter which region I'm in,,,is a friendly, helpful group of people. The NATRC ride family is pretty special and is not limited to those in your home region. I've found nothing but graciousness and helpful competitors in all four regions,,,Region Six,,,thank you for the hospitality and all your help on the trail,,,Region Five,,,I was made to feel so welcome and right at home,,,Region three folks are generally those of fewer words, but sparse words do not limit the kindness of the hearts I met there. And of course all the special friends in Region 4.

I took my 10 year old granddaughter with me to this ride. It was her first NATRC experience. I was a bit worried that she would be bored in camp, but she made friends with so many people, walked dogs, baby sat. She had a wonderful time. I asked her, on the way home, what was her favorite thing over the weekend. She thought for a few moments, then said "the people, they were all so friendly, everybody said hi to me and talked to me even though I'm just a kid."

THANKS TO ALL OF YOU. MAY THE TRAIL GODS ALWAYS SMILE ON AND SHOWER YOU WITH BLESSINGS.

Linda Courts



## Rabbit Valley

5/26-27/07 Region Three-CO

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Judges: Ron Stuber DVM, Kathy Shanor

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**Novice Sweepstakes:** R Houdini/Lingle, Leslie-99

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2/6 Gunslinger T/Jubb, Mike

3/ Rock 'N E.Z. Rey/Sims, Jerry

4/ DeeBar/Westmoreland, C.

5/2 Rocky Top II/Ward, Jim

6/5 Obie Won/Spanhoff, Olga

/1 Rock 'N E.Z. Ruby/Smith, Jenny

/3 Phantom's Masquerade/Baker, Matt  
MT Top Gun/Richardson, Carla

### Open Lightweight

1/3 Brown -R Dawud/Mason, Judy Wise

2/1 Huck's Last Love/Ward, Lin

3/2 Fraidy Cat/Smith, Terri

### Novice Heavyweight

1/1 R Houdini/Lingle, Leslie

2/5 Yoyo/Guthrie, Jan

3/4 Nautilus/Rowe, Giselle

4/2 Lefty/Arnett, Leona

5/3 Bandit/Feazell, Juleen

6/6 Son/Helgeland, Krysten

P ESA Pro Temp/Chamberlain, Alden

P Windwalker/Foutz, Ann

P Dots Spooka Jag/McNeil, Debbie

### Novice Lightweight

1/1 Snap/Ferganchick, Brandy

2/2 Boones Whimpy Bar/Boardman, Lori

3/5 Dandi/Clark, Patti

4/4 Moose/Dunkelberger, Donna

5/3 Centalla/Owen, Tori

6/ Miss Mari Lyn/Mettler, Cyndi

/6 Shiloh Sphinx/Roper, Sharon

Sonny/Busey, Barbara

Colonel Breston/Foster, Don

P April Celebrity/Benjamin, Sue

P Skid/Campbell, Andrea

P Diamond/Nugent, Diane

P Desert Bay-Be/Dashner, Dave

### Novice Junior

1/1 Black Eveshka/Baker, Ashly

### Competitive Pleasure

1/1 Magical Serenade/Halligan, Sherri

2/2 RMR Nahr Amir/Anderson, Carolyn

3/ Perfections Dusk Til Dawn/Morgan, Ole

4/6 Bonanza's Rebel/Sims, Beth

5/ Prides Lawyer/Sinnett, Jim

6/ Snip Black Ice/Fucigna, Isabel

/3 Cappucino's GoGirlGo/Rubenstein, Angie

/4 Quiet Riot/Beardsley, Cat

/5 Pearl/Brooks, Wendy

Ace of Hearts WDG/Miller-Inman, Linell

Indiana Jones/Frane, Vonnice

Mr Bey/Brozina, Nadja

Regala de la Estrellas/Marquardt, Diana

# There's FUN in them, that hills!

Join us for a fun-packed weekend up in Golden Gate State Park near Golden, Colorado, featuring meandering trails set in sweetly-scented conifer forests, inviting meadows and the Continental Divide as a backdrop. Keep a sharp lookout for the Golden Horseshoe Treasure and win a cool prize. Enjoy a complementary Saturday night barbeque cookout, while trying your voice on for size with a few rounds of Cowboy Karaoke.

# Golden Gate

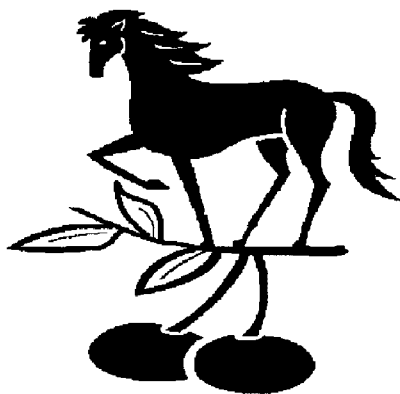
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### **For This Five Hours**

(More or less)

by Kate Kearby

As Saturday morning comes I see a time ahead that brings life and joy to me. I am a NATRC rider with a partner in my horse that few outside of NATRC will ever know. We mount and all is at peace, there is no pain, no worry of the world, just joy. The wondrous adventure and new experiences that will await us, this day, this weekend. Each achievement, every step makes us stronger beings of this world, smarter more alert.

Although we've taken many miles and moments together preparing for these 'events' there's an exhilaration beyond the normal ride. There's something in the joy of different terrains, the 'test' involved and the family of like folks that surrounds us. Yet we trot out alone or gallop together with a deep love of life in our hearts, both horses and riders breathe deeply and grow larger than life. Each time there's something learned, some good, some not so good, but fruitful in their way. Like it's time to retire the old one who has taught us much, or the young one has qualities beyond what was known yet to develop. The old one who's joy in the trail masked her pain she so wanted to go and at last told us it was time to not. The young one who went forward without fear on her own called back with love that she was ready and would carry on.

Then to the great vistas and peaceful meadows, the forests of life and the amazing skies. Those so blue and those full of thunder and thru all you go on. Learning and loving the moment to stop and drink or graze. To run just for fun. To communicate without words and beyond words with everything around you and inside.

Then there's the test, are you together, where do you need to be better. The observations, the condition and soundness, where is the work to be done. What is there to be a better team to move on to more joy, to grow and be more alive with achievements almost beyond belief? Oh and the things that no one sees, what amazement there is in the horse, the partner on this five hours (more or less) that passes each day of 'the ride'.

I am a NATRC rider and my partner is my horse, we are a team and few outside of NATRC will ever know this joy

### The \$125 Horse Goes on His First Ride

A little over a year ago, I headed down to Canon City to take a look at the BLM Mustangs. Notice I said "take a look.." I didn't really plan on adopting one that day... The whole experience was rather overwhelming, with over 1000 horses at the holding facility. I ended up picking a 3 year old out of the stud pen, with binoculars, as none of them would come close... The spot under his mane caught my eye, and he seemed like a decent mover.

Fastforward to May 2007 - I was signed up for the Rabbit Valley CTR with my other horse, but since he was under the weather, I decided at the last minute to take my little Mustang. After all, he had a few months under saddle (I started him last summer), and he has proved to have a good mind and a willing disposition. Never mind that he had never gone on a group ride before, unless you count him running free with his wild herd.

We had 6 inches of snow at our house the day before, and were heading to the desert and 90 degree weather, but I had faith in the adaptability of my little horse. After 5 hours on the road, he was happy to get out of the trailer and went right to eating. After check in, I took him on several walks + lunge sessions, and boy was he excited. He even displayed some fancy airs above the ground! After dinner and briefing, time for another walk. Once again, Riot was feeling pretty amped and not too happy to be away from his new found buddies...

Uh-oh, had I made a big mistake by putting too much on his plate too soon...?

Another thing that had me worried was to have him tied to the trailer all night - he doesn't pull back or anything, but is a power when he gets bored... but he did wonderful with that and I was able to get a good night's rest..

Got up bright and early and took him for a little lunge session. Once again, he was a bit on the excited side, and I was having second thoughts...

Got him saddled up and headed to the start, which was timed 30 seconds between each rider. We headed out and Riot wanted to go, go, go and catch up with the horses ahead. Did lots of hip disengagements to keep him under control and listening to me. My husband who was watching asked upon our return how the ride went, as he saw us do "lots of those little circles" at the beginning!

After about 10-15 minutes, my sweet little horse settled and found his comfort zone within 20 - 30 feet from the horses in front. Not bad as my other horse spent his first couple of rides having to have his nose on another horse's butt! To make a long story short, after getting settled in, my little guy was a rock star!!!

He went everywhere I asked him to: up a really steep chute, and down some high rocky ledges... and by the end of the ride, we could ride anywhere...by ourselves, behind a group, in front of a group,

He was such a good boy and did great at the obstacles. One of the judged obstacles was to go down a ditch, walk a few steps to a rock, SIDEPASS back up the hill (pretty darn steep), and over a log at the top.

I laughed at the judge and said "Ah ah, very funny, you want me to do WHAT???"

But low and behold, I put my leg on and asked for a sidepass and my little pony said - "okey dokey!!!" and did it for me!

Another obstacle was to go down the side of a gorge, make a sharp turn left, pick up a coat hanging from a tree, hand it to the person standing next to it, and ride out a steep trail back to the top. Riot said "no problem, we see red coats growing on trees all the time out in the wild!!"

He did get really, really tired the first morning, but thankfully, lunch was at camp and he was able to eat and rest for 45 minutes. His walk got pretty pokey (that's an understatement!), but he responded well when I asked him to trot.

On the second day, we even cantered some...

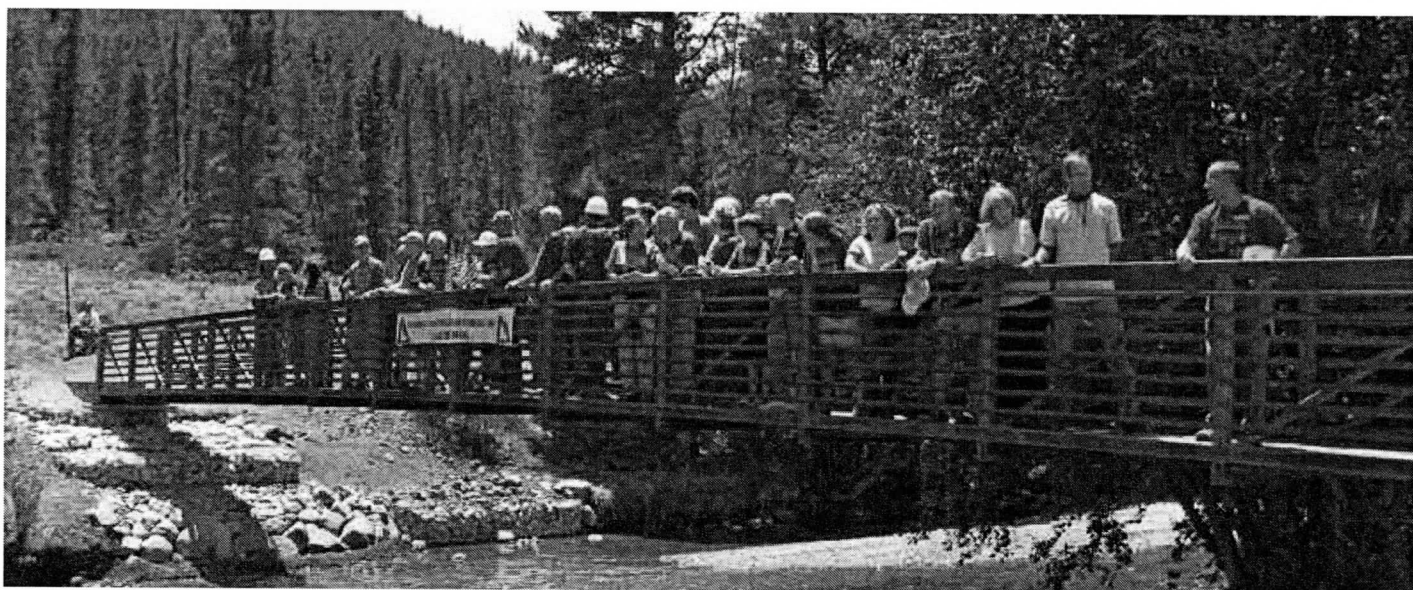
All his metabolics were good, and he passed the vet check with flying colors - no sore back or puffy legs, etc...

I am so proud of my little guy! A year and a month after he was delivered to my house by the BLM, we rode those 40 miles like he was an old pro!! He has such a good heart, I like to say he is one in a million... but really, he was one in a thousand...

We even ended up with a 4th place, which I did not even think we were in the running, since our class was so big and the competition pretty tough!!

Kudos to the ride management too! They cooked all the meals, even getting up at the crack of dawn to flip pancakes for all the riders and volunteers! Yummy!! You guys rock ... and thanks for bringing the swimming pools - er, I mean water tanks! ~Cat and Quiet Riot





### Helping Build the Colorado Trail

Region 3 has a ride that is called the Colorado Trail Ride that is held the first weekend of August and - appropriately - uses a piece of THE Colorado Trail. As part of the ride management for the past couple of years, we have always paid the required percentage of profits to the National Forest Service AND have voluntarily donated money to the Colorado Trail Foundation.

The Colorado Trail is almost 400 miles long and goes from Denver to Durango. It was built entirely by volunteers and continues to be maintained by volunteers. The entire length of the trail is accessible by horses and hikers with some pieces of it accessible by mountain bikers (no motorized traffic is allowed on the trail). Some parts of the trail can be reached with cars/horse trailers.

This summer I talked my husband into joining one of the volunteer trail crews for a week of "giving back to the Colorado Trail" (as a note - these crews do not allow horses or dogs). The Colorado Trail Foundation (CTF) puts out a schedule for each summer for the crews that are available and gets close to 200 volunteers to come and work. There are opportunities for week long crews, weekend crews, women only crews, drive in camps, pack in camps (with mules), and flex crews where you work the days you have available. We selected a week long crew for the week after the 4th of July that was located near a beautiful stream outside of Buena Vista, Colorado. This crew was building new trail to move the Colorado Trail off some private property. The CTF asks for a \$50 fee to cover the cost of the food (which has to be the deal of the century as we had three great meals a day). You bring your tent and work gloves - CTF provides the rest - tools, instruction on using the tools, a crew leader, etc. We arrived Saturday, set up our tent and met our fellow crew members (all were from out of state - Missouri, California, Illinois, Washington DC, Minnesota, Pennsylvania, etc.). On Sunday the crew leader taught us how to use the tools. We worked from 8-2 Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday (Wednesday was a free day with people choosing to raft down the Arkansas River, hike the Colorado Trail, or fish the nearby lakes/streams).

We built close to a mile of new trail. I now have an appreciation for the trails I ride - those nice smooth trails don't just happen - they are the result of a lot of hours of hard work!!

If you want to hike the trail - with guides, gourmet food, and just a day pack (your tents and personal belongings are ferried camp to camp) - you can elect one of the 5 day treks - cost is about \$875.

If you want to ride the trail on horseback (in sections over a period of years or all the way through), the CTF has books/maps available at their web site: [www.coloradotrail.org](http://www.coloradotrail.org)

Sincerely,

Susan Peters

# WANTED . . . MEMBER INPUT

Below are listed the proposed Rule Changes to be voted on by the NBOD at the November meeting. Your NBOD members, Susie and Doreen, need to hear what you think. The Region 3 Board members have expressed their opinions but we need to hear from all the membership.

Most of those listed are clarifications of the existing rules but some are changes in the intent of the rules. The reasons for any change are noted after every proposed change. Please pay special attention to numbers 10 Championship Challenge, 11 Stabling, 12 Changing HDC to DO, and of particular importance, 19 Obstacles and Judging. The easiest way to view these proposals is to first ask yourself if you can understand it. If you can't, it would be a 'no' vote. If you can, do you agree with what is proposed. We want all of your thoughts and opinions so we know how to vote. Doreen Portner, (435) 259-6980  
Susie Witter, [bhorsefan@msn.com](mailto:bhorsefan@msn.com) or (719) 495-4725

## RULE CHANGES FOR CONSIDERATION from July, 2007

### 1. Page V-1, Section V C3

Reads:

3. After a day's ride, riders may handle and care for their horses at their discretion, with any time restraints to be announced by management and/or judges.

**Change to read:**

3. After a day's ride, riders may handle and care for their horses at their discretion, unless specific restricted hours were specified and announced by management and/or judges at the briefing prior to the start of the day's ride.

Purpose: *Makes the verbiage "restricted hours" consistent.*

### 2. Page V-2, Section V F 2

Reads:

2. Trail gear and horse feed desired by the competitor during the day (i.e., at lunch stop) will be carried on the horse. No part of a rider's wearing apparel is considered trail gear.

**Change to read:**

Trail gear desired by the competitor during the ride will be carried on the horse. No part of a rider's wearing apparel is considered trail gear.

Feed:

Riders are responsible for providing all feed for their horses unless management has indicated on all ride information that feed will be available.

The use and choice of feed is at the discretion of the rider.

Feed may be provided by management to all horses at lunch or other locations on the trail. The availability will be indicated on all ride information.

Purpose: *Requested because many rides where there is no grazing available have provided hay for all horses at lunch. This practice is again in the best interest of the horse.*

### 3. Page VI-1, Section VI A4

Reads:

4. Morning Examination: Prior to the start of a day's ride, there will be an examination of all horses by at least one judge. The manner of examination is at the discretion of the judges.

**Change to read:**

4. Morning Examination: Prior to the start of the second and subsequent days of a multi-day ride, there will be an examination of all horses by the veterinary judge. The manner of examination is at the discretion of the judges.

Purpose: *According to the current rule, this mandates that there be some check of all horses by at least one judge on the first day of the ride as well as for the second and/or third day of Class A and AA rides.*

### 4. Page IV-1, Section IV A2c (2)

Reads:

(2) Total mileage in this division is 15-24 miles for a "B" ride and 30-40 miles for an "A" ride.

**Change to read:**

(2) Total mileage in this division is 15-24 miles for a "B" ride and 30-40 miles for an "A" ride.

*In steep and rugged terrain this distance may be shortened.*

Purpose: *If it is desired that Novice and Competitive Pleasure can be shortened in steep and rugged terrain, then this change is needed. The Rule Book does say "Exception to this rule shall be at the discretion of the Sanction Chairman," but it would be more consistent to word it the same as for Open.*

### 5. Page IV-1, Sections IV A2b(1)(a) and IV A3b(1)(a)

Reads:

A.2.b.(1).(a) Registered horses will be considered 48 months of age as of actual foaling date on registration papers.

**Change to read:**

(a) Registered horses are considered 48 months of age as of actual foaling date on registration papers.

Reads:

A.3.b.(1).(a) Registered horses will be considered 48 months of age as of actual foaling date on registration papers.

**Change to read:**

(a) Registered horses are considered 48 months of age as of actual foaling date on registration papers.

Purpose: *"Are" is "stronger" and makes the rules less ambiguous.*

### 6. Page IV-1, Sections IV A1b and IV A2c(1)

**Change to read (add):**

IV A.1.B. (1) (renumbering the rules below as required):

(1) Mileage in this division shall not exceed 35 miles on any one day. (Exception to this rule shall be at the discretion of the Sanction Chairman.)

IV A. 2. c. (1) Reads:

(1) Mileage in this division shall not exceed 24 miles in one day or 40 miles in two days. (Exception to this rule shall be at the discretion of the Sanction Chairman.)

**Change to read:**

(1) Mileage in this division shall not exceed 24 miles on any one day. (Exception to this rule shall be at the discretion of the Sanction Chairman.)

Purpose: *As it stands, a Class A ride Open division "could" be divided into 48 miles on day 1 and 2 miles on day 2. Also clarifies that there is a maximum miles on any one day. Specifying the max in 2 days is not required, since the max mileage is specified elsewhere for an A and/or AA ride. This would also bring the "concepts" of the mileage between Open and Novice/CP in line, as there is such a max mileage limit specified for Novice, and by implication for Competitive Pleasure as well.*

7. Page V-2, Section V F1

Reads:

1. Riders must use a saddle. The type of saddle and other equipment is at the discretion of the rider within the bounds of good horsemanship. However, no inhumane method of restraint is to be used.

**Change to read:**

1. Riders must use a saddle at all times while mounted (in camp or on the trail). The type of saddle and other equipment is at the discretion of the rider within the bounds of good horsemanship. However, no inhumane method of restraint is to be used
- Purpose: Clarify that since the intent of NATRC is to encourage the concepts of how to provide such long term benefits to horse and safety, which this should also apply to any time the horse is ridden during competition.

8. Page VI-1, Section VI A2a

Reads:

- a. For the purposes of scoring trail ability/manners, soundness and horsemanship, the horse and rider shall be considered in competition from the moment that the horse is presented to the judges for preliminary judging.

**Change to read:**

- a. For the purposes of scoring trail ability/manners, soundness and horsemanship, the horse and rider shall be considered in competition from the moment that the horse is presented to the judges for preliminary examination.

Purpose: *Consistency*

9. Page VIII-1, Section VIII

**Add:**

**A. Informal Concerns, Inquiries, and/or Suggestions**

1. Most concerns, inquiries, and/or suggestions are questions of a general nature and are most appropriately directed to ride management, judges, Regional Board members, or the NATRC Executive Administrator. They should be handled diplomatically and informatively on a case by case basis. This can usually be done at the ride where a question arises and without triggering a "formal process."
2. Concerns, inquiries, and/or suggestions that cannot be answered satisfactorily in this manner may be referred to the NATRC Executive Administrator (NEA) for possible referral to the appropriate NATRC Committee.

**B. Letters of Concern**

1. **Letters of Concern** addressing issues, other than those which are appropriately handled as either Complaints or Protests per Rule Book Section VIII, may be submitted by any member, competitor, judge, ride management or ride official.
2. A letter of concern must be in writing, signed by the author, and mailed to the NEA.
3. The NEA shall inform the involved parties. These individuals may reply to the NEA within 21 days with any information that they deem relevant regarding the concern.
4. The NEA will then forward the information received to the Chair of the Committee he/she deems most appropriate to receive the letter of concern. Copies shall be sent to the President. The Committee to which the letter of concern has been referred shall render a written conclusion in a timely manner and forward that conclusion to the NATRC Executive Administrator. The NEA, or the Committee Chair as assigned by NEA, shall then notify all affected parties of that conclusion. A copy of the notification will be sent to the NEA.

10. **Delete Section VII (Championship Challenge Ride) and retire the trophy to the Horse Park.**

Purpose: *This was intended as a challenge to other distance sports. That has not happened. It doesn't draw even within NATRC and costs both the regions and the national organization.*

11. Page V-1, Section V B 1.

Reads: 1. Horses shall be kept in a designated area to permit proper supervision at night. All horses must be kept under similar conditions from preliminary check in until the presentation of awards.

2. Stalls or paddocks if available for all competitors may be used. All horses must be free or tied as instructed.

3. Stationary Tie: If horses are .....the rider's discretion unless prohibited by management.

**Change to read:**

**B. Stabling**

1. Horses shall be kept in a designated area from preliminary check-in until after the final examination.
2. Stabling options allowed at a CTR are at the discretion of CTR Management, must be available to all competitors, and must be specified in the ride information. A rider may choose any of the following options unless otherwise specified by CTR Management:
  - a. Stationary Tie: Horses may be tied to stationary objects (trailer, fence post, tree, tie stall, etc.)
  - b. Overhead trailer ties. Horses may be tied to overhead-mounted trailer ties. Commercial ties manufactured to be able to swing side to side must be set in the fixed position.
  - c. A picket line/high line (a line tied above the horse's head between two stationary objects such as trees, two trailers, posts etc). Horses may be tied to a picket line/ highline. When a picket line/highline is used between live trees, tree savers must be used. Other options include:

Stationary tie on a picket line/high line so that horse cannot slide along the line.

Sliding tether so that the horse is allowed to slide along the highline. Stops must be used to keep the horse from reaching trees or wrapping around end posts.

d. Stalls or paddocks: CTR Management must instruct the competitors on how to secure their horses while in the stall. The choices are free (not tied) or secured with a stationary tie (following Stationary Tie definition).

e. Stallions. Stallions must be double tied whenever tied. Stallion tying requirements are as follows: The primary rope is tied in the normal manner, but the second rope must be secured around the stallion's neck, run through the halter ring and tied in the normal manner. If the rope around the neck is secured with a knot, it must be a bowline. Other secondary methods may be acceptable (check with horsemanship judge). The primary and secondary rope will not be tied to the same tie spot. Failure to comply constitutes a major rule violation. (See Rulebook Section VI E 2 d)

4. Exceptions.

a. Portable type corrals as the primary containment will not be allowed during competition

b. Staking out (sometimes called Picketing) - that is, tying horses either from the head or from a leg to a point on the ground - will not be allowed at any time.

Purpose: *to clarify. As the Rule Book presently reads the conditions are to be similar in B., but then 2 through 4 give three different stabling conditions.*

12. Page IV-4, Section IV C. Change HDC to DO through out

**Change: C. Distance Only (DO):**

Horses and riders participating DO, for any reason, will be judged in all ride activities as are other competitors, but will be eligible for mileage only.

Horses and/or riders participating DO must obey all NATRC rules (except the exemptions specified in paragraphs 3-9 below) and any ride rules. The DO horse/rider team must ride in an acceptable manner and not disrupt the ride for other competitors.

(No change)

A rider may ride DO in any class or division in horsemanship.

A horse may participate DO in any class or division only if the rider also competes DO in Horsemanship.

One day option: only available if both horse and rider are riding DO

The DO team has the option of riding one or two days of an 'A' CTR. When choosing to ride one day only, the team must ride the first day. A DO rider must notify ride management of their intent not to ride a second day after post ride checkout, but before 8:00 p.m.

b. The DO team will receive the standard mileage allotments for each day ridden.

7. DO horses/riders will not count as a competitor in the Class.

8. same as #7 in Rule Book, renumber rest and change HDC to DO

*Purpose: to change HDC to "Distance Only" class to the rule book for 2008.*

13. Page IX-2, 3, Section IX B2c and B2e

**Reads:** B2c(4) Every ride which the horse officially starts during the year shall count, regardless of placing or finishing, provided it is entered in the declared class.

**Change to read:** (3) Only rides officially started in the same Open class will count.

(4) Every ride which the horse officially starts during the year shall count, regardless of placing or finishing, provided it is entered in the same Open class.

**Reads:** B2e(4) Every ride which the horse officially starts during the year shall count, regardless of placing or finishing, provided it is entered in the declared class.

**Change to read:** (3) Only Open Junior class rides officially started will count.

(4) Every ride which the horse officially starts in Open Junior during the year shall count, regardless of placing or finishing.

*Purpose: Since the declaration requirement was removed, the wording needs to be clarified.*

Page III-2, C. Trail Supervision:

**Add:** 5. Arrangements must be made for transporting the Rules Interpreter so he/she can adequately observe trail conditions and the conduct of the ride.

*Purpose: Keep in line with the Management Manual.*

Page VI-2, B.1.f.

**Reads:** A horse may be removed from competition for failure to meet recovery criteria as set forth by the veterinary judge(s).

**Change to read:** If a horse has not met both pulse and respiration recovery criteria simultaneously after two 10-minute holds (a total of 30 minutes recovery time including the initial P&R), the horse shall be pulled.

*Purpose: Clarify P&R recovery pull criteria.*

Page V-4, J.8.b.

**Reads:** In the event that a horse is held for additional recovery time at a P&R stop, that time must be added to the rider's minimum and maximum ride time.

**Change to read:**

b. For its own safety, a horse shall be held for one or two additional 10-minute increments until recovered.

c. In the event that a horse is held for additional recovery time at a P&R stop, the hold time (10 or 20 minutes) must be added to the rider's minimum and maximum ride time.

*Purpose: Clarification, no where in the Rule Book is hold time listed.*

Page VI-4, F.3.

**Reads:** Judges, the trailmaster or the ride chairman have the authority to pull a horse or rider for the following reasons:

**Add:**

4. The P&R Captain has the authority to pull a horse at a P&R stop for failure to meet pulse and respiration criteria as specified by the veterinary judge.

*Purpose: In the case where the others are not present at a P&R, the captain needs to have the authority to pull a horse for failure to recover.*

Page IV-1, A.2.a. and Page IV-2, A.3.a.

**Reads:** 2.a. A ride offering a Novice Division must also offer a Competitive/Pleasure Division.

3.a. May be offered alone but must be offered if Novice Division is offered.

**Change:** delete 2.a. and 3.a. and change numbering appropriately.

*Purpose: Eliminate the requirement of offering CP if Novice is offered.*

19. Obstacles

B. Page III-2, Section III.C.2

**Reads:** The course must be natural and native to the local terrain and the use of artificial or unsafe obstacles/trail is prohibited.

**Change to read:** The trail must be native to the local terrain, including bridges, gates, markers, and any terrain that must be negotiated to complete the course. The course may be routed over difficult natural terrain that might be encountered in a cross-country ride as well as through gates and across bridges. The course will not be altered to cross over or near unusual, unnatural or unsafe items that might be incidental along the trail such as trash, mattresses, old appliances or vehicles.

C. Page V-1, Section V.A.7.

**Reads:** 7. Obstacles: Judging obstacles must be natural and native to the local terrain and the use of artificial or unsafe obstacles is prohibited.

**Change to read:** 7. The judges should use natural terrain wherever possible. The following obstacles are forbidden:

Backing over any obstacle more than 8 inches tall

Dragging any object in a circle or any pattern other than a straight line where the rope may get tangled in the horse's legs or under its tail or saddle

Backing between, stepping over or onto any unusual, manmade objects that are not part of the natural course such as old appliances, mattresses, set up tape fences, etc.

Asking riders to carry any object other than typical rider's apparel such as a raincoat or slicker while mounted (example: plastic bags of cans, tarps, flags, live or dead animals)

Opening a wire or electric gate while mounted

Specifying a canter/lope over obstacles or uneven terrain

Requiring a jump



8. Horses may be asked to perform trail-related tasks that simulate the negotiation of trail situations that require careful, controlled foot placement. The following are examples of allowed obstacles:
- a. Horse and rider teams may be observed while negotiating the CTR trail in order to complete the course.
  - b. Side passing, turns on the forehand or haunches as are necessary to negotiate a tight spot in the trail.
  - c. Backing around and between logs, trees or rocks. Poles, posts or boards may be used to simulate these, but not ribbon, wire, tape or other manmade materials. Ribbon should be used to mark the required path through the obstacle when needed, but will not be used to simulate a barrier.

Page VI-1, Section VI. B.3.

Reads: 3. Trail Ability/Manners 15%: The evaluation of trail ability/manners shall include, but not be limited to, the following: disposition, response to rider, kicking, head tossing, prancing, standing for examination and mounting, buddying up, trail wise, etc.

**Change to read:** 3. Trail Ability/ Manners 15%

Trail ability/manners shall include biting, kicking, head tossing, standing for examination and mounting, obedience, willingness and response to rider, and the general ability to safely carry the rider over difficult terrain and obstacles without rushing, buddying, stumbling or falling. The judge will use the natural terrain to evaluate trail ability whenever possible. The use of set-up obstacles requiring the performance of a specific task such as opening a gate, tying a ribbon, backing, side passing, etc. will be limited to one obstacle per day's ride. The veterinarian may elect to observe an obstacle set up by the horsemanship judge, work with the horsemanship judge to create the obstacle, or set it up independently.

Page VI-2, Section VI, C.2.

Reads: 2. 50%

Trail Equitation: The evaluation of trail equitation shall include but not be limited to the following: balance/lightness, body and leg position, control, hands, and aids to horse on ascending, descending and level terrain; mounting, dismounting and obstacles; control, timing, lightness, etc.

**Change to read:** 2. 50%

The horsemanship judge will use natural terrain to evaluate trail equitation whenever possible.

The evaluation of trail equitation shall include, but not be limited to the following: balance/lightness, body and leg position, control, hands, and aids to the horse on ascending, descending, and level terrain and obstacles.

Obstacles and observations may include mounting, dismounting, and any trail related task as allowed in V.8. a-c

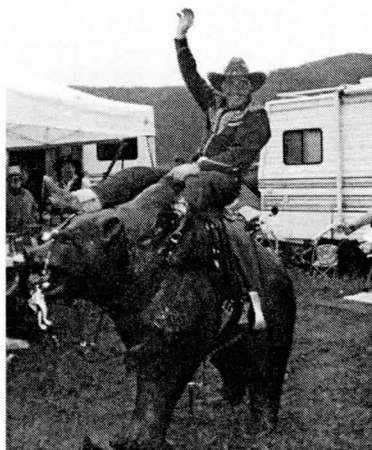
Obstacles described in V.7.a-g will not be allowed

### \$95,000.00 FOR TRAIL DEVELOPMENT AWARDED!!!

Deirdre Monroe from Santa Fe, NM was recently awarded \$95,000.00 from the State of New Mexico to develop the trailhead and extend a new trail down to the Rio Grande at the Caja del Rio site west of Santa Fe. Deirdre has hosted AERC rides at the site, and will do so again this year. AND THERE IS MORE \$\$ AVAILABLE!!! Deirdre said there is approximately 1.2 million dollars waiting to be used in the next couple of years or it goes back to the Feds. She is happy to tell anyone who is interested how she got her application approved. Her email is [Deirdre@swcp.com](mailto:Deirdre@swcp.com) and her phone is 505-455-2624.

IT'S NOT TOO EARLY...

Region 3 is hosting the NATRC National Convention in February 2008. My job is coordinating the best Silent Auction and Raffle EVER. I need your help – before you sell that item you don't use anymore at a yard sale, think about setting it aside for the convention! Also, if you have suggestions of businesses/products that would make nice items. Please let me know- Kathy Brown – [equine@newmex.com](mailto:equine@newmex.com) or 505-776-2575.



Bye for now ya'll!