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LOTS AND LOTS INSIDE!!!

Jan-Feb Events

National Convention

February 10 -13 Nashville, TN

Region 3 Convention

March 18-19 Pueblo, CO



(note legs out of stirrups while laughing)
Courtesy: Nancy B Frank

http://www.natrc3.org/

President's Message Dear Members: Happy New Year and welcome to 2011!!

I hope you are already anticipating a new year of Region 3 activities. The region has eight sanctioned rides and one dinic, and, while I would have wished for at least one more ride this year, I am deeply appreciative of the dedicated ride managers who have stepped forward to put on these events. They and all their volunteers are the backbone of our organization.

I will be trying this year to motivate even more of you to get involved in putting on a ride. Startup money is available and we have the leadership available to mentor new ride managers. We cannot

continue to rely on the same people to put on our rides year after year and forever. They all need a break occasionally and even volunteering as a co-manager and/or assistant ride secretary can provide much needed assistance to them.

This issue of the *Stirrup* is full of information about upcoming activities, beginning with the NATRC National Convention which will celebrate the 50th anniversary of our sport and will be held in Nashville, Tennessee, February 10-13. Region 5 has been working very hard to host what promises to be an unforgettable convention. I hope as many of you as possible will attend.

The Region 3 Convention, hosted by Don and Kathy Budd, will be held in Pueblo, Colorado, on March 18-19. Registration form, schedule, and other information about the convention can be found inside this issue as well as on our website, www.natrc3.org. Let's make this convention the biggest and best-attended yet! I guarantee that if you stay home, you will wish you hadn't. A beautiful new hotel with great rates and food, educational speakers, luncheon honoring our wonderful workers, silent auction with lots of goodies, hospitality room get-togethers beginning Friday evening, and, of course, the awards banquet to condude the festivities with our yearly rousing auction of donated ride entries, premier parking spots, and the premier check-in/check-out for each ride as well as the recognition of our competitors in all divisions and dasses for the 2010 ride season.

Please mark your calendars for our eight upcoming rides in 2011:

Pinon Mesa	April 16-17	
Navajo Lake	May 7-8	
Greenland Clinic	May 14	*please let Susan Peters know if
		you can help with this dinic*
Patriot's Ride (formerly Cavalier)	May 28-29	
Colorado Trail	June 11-12	
Willow Springs	June 25-26	
Purgatory Region 3 Benefit Ride	July 23-24	
Tarryall River Romp	August 6-7	**New ride 14 miles north of
		Lake George, CO**

Chokecherry September 24-25

Lastly, please renew your membership as soon as possible. NATRC dues increase goes into effect on March 1, 2011, but if you renew before then, you can renew at the old rate. I hope we can retain all our 2010 memberships and have another healthy gain in new members in 2011 and once again lead NATRC with the largest number of members of any region in the country!

I am looking forward to seeing you at convention and on the trails. And let's all resolve to promote our region and our trail rides in 2011. Bring in a new member, a new competitor, a new volunteer. Cherish and support our continuing members, competitors, and volunteers.

Sincerely, Betty Wolgram, President, Region 3

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From the Editor...

This Christmas we went to Germany for the holidays. One of the highlights was visiting the castles built



by King Ludwig II. To get to Neuschwanstein one could take a 20-30 minute hike up the hill in the snow or ride in a horse drawn carriage. We opted for the carriage going up (we did walk going down). The driver had two horses and she said one had been doing the job for a while and the other who was just starting out. As we watched the horses it could be seen that they weren't walking the same and we tried to figure out was going on. At first we thought maybe one was hurt. As we watched the horses and listened to the driver give instructions it became obvious the reason they looked out of

sync was that they were not pulling the same weight. That seemed odd since they were both attached to the same carriage. Continued observations revealed the new horse would slack off and the old horse would have to pick up that slack. They did that all the way up the hill. Every so often it seemed like the old horse would look over and glare at the new horse as if to say 'you just wait until we get home, I'm going to deal with you then.' In watching those two, it dawned on me that maybe every species has an instinct to try and let 'the other horse' do all the work. With



2011 upon us we each have the choice of being the 'old horse' who does all the work or the 'new horse' who is just along for the ride. I encourage everyone to be the 'old horse' because that way everyone's yoke gets a little lighter. John



Region 3 Convention Schedule - March 18 & 19, 2011

Hampton Inn & Suites Hotel 4790 Eagle Ridge Circle, Pueblo, CO 81008 Exit 102-Behind Cracker Barrel Telephone 1-719-543-6500

http://hamptoninn.hilton.com/en/hp/hotels/index.jhtml?ctyhocn=PUBELHX

Friday, March 18, 2011

4:00 p.m. 'til

5:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, March 19, 2011

7:00 a.m. - 7:45 a.m.

7:45 a.m. - 9:15 a.m.

9:15 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.

9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

10:30 a.m. - 10:45 a.m. 10:45 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.

11:45 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. 12:00 p.m. - 1:45 p.m.

1:45 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

6:00 p.m. - 'til

Registration and Hospitality Suite Open

Region 3 Board Meeting

Registration

Welcome, general membership meeting, announcements, etc.

Jay Janssen, DVM - Colorado licensed veterinarian who has extensive post-doctoral training, certification, and experience in veterinary acupuncture, manipulative therapy, and orthopedic manipulation will be sharing ways that horse owners can utilize holistic veterinary methods in conjunction with traditional veterinary care to enhance performance and maintain optimum equine health and well-being.

Break

Gene Naugle, DVM - Retired former NATRC veterinary judge and lifetime member of NATRC, Dr. Naugle will speak on the importance of preparedness, what to know when you call the vet from home, items to have in your first aid kit at home, what to carry in your trailer, and more.

Break

Luncheon honoring our ride managers, regional volunteers, and

ride volunteers.

Break

Gene Ovnicek, (www.hopeforsoundness.com), is a registered Master farrier with almost 50 years of farrier experience. Owner of EDSS, Inc. (Equine Digit Support System, Inc.), he is nationally recognized as a farrier, dinician, and researcher, and is dedicated to the pursuit of soundness in horses. Gene will discuss the evolution and principles of natural balance hoofcare for the

barefoot, booted, or shod horse.

Time on your own to put in that final bid on silent auction items (bidding doses at 5:00 p.m.), enjoy socializing in the hospitality

room, and getting ready for dinner.

Dinner and year-end awards, silent auction results, other special

auctions to benefit Region 3 (ride entries, premier parking,

premier check-in/check-out) and purchase vest numbers for 2011

ride season. Bring your checkbooks!



Region 3 Convention Registration Form

Registration Form
Region 3 Convention/March 18 & 19, 2011
Hampton Inn & Suites
4790 Eagleridge Circle, Pueblo, CO 81008 Telephone 1-719-543-6500

Seminar plus lunch ONLY* (worker and management awards presentations) \$50.00 x = \$	Name(s)			
Please make your hotel reservation directly with the hotel and mention Region 3 NATRC convention for special \$89/night rate which includes free breakfast buffet. Directions to hotel: Take 1-25 north or south and take Exit 102. Hotel amenities include: indoor pool and whirlpool, free wired and wireless Internet access throughout the hotel, in-suite flat screen TV's, fitness center including free weights, complimentary newspaper, in-room coffee service, express check-out service. Seminar Only * \$35.00 x = \$	Mailing Address:			
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dinner) \$65.00 x = \$	Seminar plus dinner ONLY* (auctions and year-end placings & special awards presentations)	\$60.00 x	_=	\$
Total submitted \$ Cancellation fee of \$15.00 per person if cancelled after March 10, balance paid will be refunded. NO SHOW, NO REFUND. Make check payable to "Region 3 Convention" and mail to: Juleen Feazell Convention Secretary	Seminar Special Package* (includes lunch AND dinner)	\$65.00 x	=	\$
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Questions? Call Juleen at (970) 856-1173 or e-mail gjfeazell@tds.net

or Don or Kathy Budd, Convention Co-Chairs at (719) 784-2333 or e-mail buddrancho@msn.com

Region 3 Riders 2010 National Standings

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR REGION 3 RIDERS ON THEIR 2010 NATIONAL STANDINGS!!

Open High Average Horse (Bev Tibbits)

Fawn Creek Thor/Brandy Ferganchick 98.984%



Overall Competitive Pleasure High Average:

Overall Competitive Pleasure High Average Horse 3rd Magical Serenade/Sherri Halligan 96.432%

Overall Competitive Pleasure High Average Horsemanship

3rd Sherri Halligan 97.029%



Overall Open High Point Standings:

Open Heavyweight Horse

3rd Rock'n E.Z. Rey/Jerry Sims

5th Awesomes Fire N Ice/Ken Wolgram

5th Touch's Yeller Gold/Gary Inman

Open Lightweight Horse

2nd Fawn Creek Thor/Brandy Ferganchick

5th Cedar Mesa Rushai/Judy Wise Mason

Open Heavyweight Horsemanship

4th Ken Wolgram

5th Cheri Westmoreland

Open Lightweight Horsemanship

2nd Brandy Ferganchick

Open Junior Horse

1st Red/Alexis Combs

Open Junior Horsemanship

1st Alexis Combs

National Championships:

Rock'n E.Z. Rey/Jerry Sims

Touch's Yeller Gold/Gary Inman

Awesomes Fire N Ice/Ken Wolgram

Cedar Mesa Rushai/Judy Wise Mason

Fawn Creek Thor/Brandy Ferganchick





REGION 3 2010 PLACINGS

HORSE PLACINGS

Open Heavyweight

Rock'n E.Z. Rey/Jerry Sims 2nd(tie)Touch's Yeller Gold/Gary Inman 2nd(tie)Awesomes Fire N Ice/Ken Wolgram

3rd Dee Bar/Cheryl Westmoreland

4th Peanut/Matt Baker 5th Rocky Top II/Jim Ward 6th Obie Won/Olga Spanhoff

Open Lightweight

1st Fawn Creek Thor/Brandy Ferganchick 2^{nd} Cedar Mesa Rushai/Judy Wise Mason 3^{rd} Phantom's Masquerade/Roxann Lane 4th GE Spartan/Cheryl Jarrett 5th Frank's Proud Prince/Lin Ward 6th SA Jhake/Janna Combs

Open Junior

1st Red/Alexis Combs

Competitive Pleasure

1st Summer/Betty Wolgram

 2^{nd} Magical Serenade/Sherri Halligan

3rd(tie) Eduardo El Negrito Knight/Diane Wingle 3rd(tie) Baby Doll's Spotted Man/Linell Miller-Inman

4th RMR Nahr Amir/Carolynn Andersen

5th Mariah/Bill Wingle

6th Pearl/Wendy Brooks

Region 3 Competitive Pleasure Champion Horse Award

Summer/Betty Wolgram

Novice Heavyweight

1st JOR Picasso/Wava O'Brien

2nd ESA Pro Temp/Alden Chamberlain

3rd(tie) Bailey's Angel Baby/Edward Westmoreland

3rd(tie) Golden Ambition/Kenny Bingham

3rd(tie)Lite Foot Slow Poke/Leona Arnett

4th Sage/Tyler Miller 5th Lefty/Jan Guthrie

Novice Lightweight

1st Sixes Peppy Lady/Juleen Feazell 2nd Not A Chance/Kirt van Poollen 3^{rd} Winnie/Dianna Thearin 4th Champagne/Jennifer Poulton 5th Hawn/Amy Miller

Novice Junior

1st Hank/Morgan Winter

2nd Sunseeker/Hannah van Poollen

HORSEMANSHIP PLACINGS

Open Heavyweight

Ken Wolgram 1st 2nd Cheryl Westmoreland

3rd Jerry Sims 4th Gary Inman

5th(tie) Matt Baker 5th(tie) Jim Ward

6th Olga Spanhoff

Open Lightweight

1st Brandy Ferganchick 2nd Roxann Lane

3rd Judy Wise Mason

4th Cheryl Jarrett 5th Susan Peters

6thGwen Brown

Open Junior

Alexis Combs

Competitive Pleasure

1st Betty Wolgram 2ndSherri Halligan 3^{rd} Beth Sims 4th(tie)Diane Wingle 4th(tie)Linell Miller-Inman 5th(tie) Wendy Brooks 5th(tie) Angie Rubenstein Carolynn Andersen

Novice Heavyweight

1st Wava O'Brien 2nd Alden Chamberlain 3rd Phoebe Bechtolt 4th Dawn Reeder 5th Jan Guthrie

Novice Lightweight

1st Juleen Feazell 2^{nd} Kirt van Poollen 3rd Dianna Thearin 4th Jennifer Poulton 5th Amy Miller

Novice Junior

1st Morgan Winter 2^{nd} Hannah van Poollen

REGION 3 2010 PLACINGS

TEAM AWARDS

Open Heavyweight Team

1st Ken Wolgram-Awesomes Fire N Ice 2ndJerry Sims-Rock'n E.Z. Rey

 3^{rd} Gary Inman-Touch's Yeller Gold

4th Cheryl Westmoreland-Dee Bar

 5^{th} Matt Baker-Peanut 6th Jim Ward-Rocky Top II

Open Lightweight Team

1st Brandy Ferganchick-Fawn Creek Thor 2^{nd}

Roxann Lane-Phantom's Masquerade 3^{rd} Judy Wise Mason-Cedar Mesa Rushai

4th Cheryl Jarrett-GE Spartan

5th Lin Ward-Frank's Proud Prince

6th Jody Carman-Mack Arthur

Open Junior Team

Alexis Combs-Red

Competitive Pleasure Team

1stBetty Wolgram-Summer

2nd Sherri Halligan-Magical Serenade

3rd Diane Wingle-Eduardo El Negrito

Knight

4th Linell Miller-Inman-Baby Doll's

Spotted Man

5th Beth Sims-Nathan Arizona

6th Carolynn Andersen-RMR Nahr Amir

Novice Heavyweight Team

Wava O'Brien-JOR Picasso 1st

2nd Alden Chamberlain-ESA Pro Temp

 3^{rd} Kenneth Bingham-Golden Ambition

4th Ed Westmoreland-Bailey's Angel Baby

5th(tie) Leona Arnett-Lite Foot Slow Poke

5th(tie) Dawn Reeder-May Day Parade

Jan Guthrie-Lefty

Novice Lightweight Team

1st Juleen Feazell-Sixes Peppy Lady

 2^{nd} Kirt van Poollen-Not A Chance

3rd Dianna Thearin-Winnie

4th Jennifer Poulton-Champagne

5th Amy Miller-Hawk

Novice Junior Team

Morgan Winter-Hank

SILENT AUCTION ITEMS NEEDED **FOR CONVENTION**

Silent Ametica

Linell Miller-Inman is seeking donations for the silent auction tables at the Region 3 Convention to be held on March 18-19, 2011, in Pueblo, Colorado. Please contact her to donate items or services at

Imiller.inman@qmail.com or telephone her at (303) 644-5895.

If for some reason you cannot attend the convention, you can hopefully send you donation with someone who is attending. If you have a problem locating someone to bring your donation, please feel free to contact me or Linell. Thank you so much for your support. Submitted by:

Betty Wolgram, President, Region 3 bkwranch@hughes.net, 970-824-8359

Jim and Lin Ward have graciously offered to host our Hospitality Room at the Region 3 Convention to be held March 18-19, 2011, in Pueblo, Colorado. They will need donations of food (chips, dip, hor d'oeuvres, etc.), drinks (soft drinks, wine, liquor, etc.), and/or even cash. Please contact them by e-mail at jimlinward@gmail.com or telephone (719) 783-9645 and let them know what you can bring or send.

Jim will also once again be our "Auctioneer Supreme" at the awards dinner to auction off the donated ride entries as well as the coveted premier parking spots and premier check-in/check-out for each ride.

To enlighten our newer members: Premier Parking is a choice spot that puts you near the briefing and judging check-in areas and gets you a welcome goodie box as well. Premier check-in/check-out gives you the privilege of going right to the front of the line whenever you choose for vet checks in camp. Winning bidders may pay "twice the money" if they wish to include their spouse or significant other for premier check-in/check-out privileges. (I, myself, prefer to be able to cut ahead of my husband, but maybe some of you are kinder than I am.)

All the above including ride entries are transferable. A winning bidder may sell or donate the item if he or she is unable to attend the ride or wishes to give their winning certificate to someone else. Submitted by:

Betty Wolgram, President, Region 3



Region 3 2010 Mileage Awards

Horse and Rider Mileage Awards are given each year when certain levels of mileage are achieved. If you don't see your name here this year as receiving a mileage award, it is because you are "between" mileage increments. If you have any questions about your mileage, please contact Jenny Smith, Mileage Awards Chair, at jennysmith1974@q.com.

	<u>Rider</u>	<u>Mileage</u>		<u>Horse Mileage</u>		
250 Miles		2000 Miles		250 Miles		
				Amiri Zambis/Debbie Bulcock	260	
Alden Chamberlain	360	Kathy Brown	2110	Angelita Carinosa/Betty Garrett	320	
Donna Fleischer	300	Susan Peters	2130	Awesomes Fire N Ice/Ken Wolgram	480	
Wava O'Brien	480	Cheryl Jarrett	2290	Baby Doll's Spotted Man/Linell Miller-Inman	440	
Kirt van Poollen	760			Dillon/JJ Gunckel	300	
		2500 Miles		ESA Pro Temp/Alden Chamberlain	360	
<u>500 Miles</u>				GE Spartan/Cheryl Jarrett	620	
		Jerry Sims	2740	JOR Picasso/Wava O'Brien	460	
Bob Bulcock	540	Lin Ward	2740	Lite Foot Slow Poke/Leona Arnett	320	
Jody Carman	560			Mack Arthur/Tom King	300	
Donna Dunkelberger	540	3000 Miles		Not A Chance/Kirt van Poollen	320	
Juleen Feazell	680			Shiloh Sphinx/Sharon Roper	280	
Betty Garrett	560	Linell Miller-Inman	3390	Sixes Peppy Lady/Juleen Feazell	480	
Perran Howell	520	4000 Miles		Talk Til Midnight/Kay Gunckel	340	
Dianna Thearin Kirt van Poollen	540	4000 Miles		500 Miles		
Bill Wingle	760 740	Gary Inman	4280	Blue Spruce Shanta/Perran Howell	520	
Dili Wiligie	740	Roxann Lane	4130	Cappuccino's Minnie Pearl/Angie Rubenstein	500	
1000 Miles		ROXAIIII Laile	4130	Esport/Kay Gunckel	520	
1000 i-iiies		4500 Miles		Frank's Proud Prince/Lin Ward	560	
Wendy Brooks	1100	4500 Miles		GE Spartan/Cheryl Jarrett	620	
Jane Young	1040	Ken Wolgram	4500	Magical Serenade/Sherri Halligan	660	
Cheryl Jarrett	2290	Ken Wolgram	4300	Mariah/Bill Wingle	740	
		5000 Miles		Moose/Donna Dunkelberger	540	
				Peanut/Matt Baker	780	
1500 Miles		Betty Wolgram	5250			
				1000 Miles		
Brandy Ferganchick	1580	7000 Miles		Fawn Creek Thor/Brandy Ferganchick	1220	
Kay Gunckel	1500			Pearl/Wendy Brooks	1040	
Sherri Halligan	1580	Matt Baker	7010			
Beth Sims	1550			1500 Miles		
Louise Vasquez	1540	9500 Miles		Dee Bar/Cheryl Westmoreland	1870	
Cheryl Westmoreland	1870					
Cheryl Jarrett	2290	Judy Wise Mason	9630	2000 Miles		
				Rock'n E.Z. Rey/Jerry Sims	2510	
				2500 Miles		
				2500 Miles	2500	
				Obie Won/Olga Spanhoff Rocky Top II/Jim Ward	2580	
				Rock'n E.Z. Rey/Jerry Sims	2760	
				NOCK II L.Z. REY/JEITY SIIIIS	2510	
				3000 Miles		
				Phantom's Serenade/Roxann Lane	3250	
				Summer/Betty Wolgram	3120	
				2500 Miles		
				3500 Miles Touch's Yeller Gold/Gary Inman	3840	



Region 3 Worker Points Awards

Worker points awards are given each year when certain worker points levels are achieved by those who help with rides and/or serve in other volunteer positions within the Region 3 organization. Volunteers do not have to be members of NATRC to qualify for these awards. If you don't see your name here this year as receiving a worker points award, it is because you are "between" worker point increments. If you have any questions about your worker points, please contact Beth Sims, Worker Points Chair, at beth sims@q.com.

250 points

Kristi Boink Pam Bond-Simmons Joyce Bower Elaine Chamberlain Cathy Cumberworth Greg Cumberworth Juleen Feazell **Bob Files** Brandy Ferganchick Pam Galchutt Jim Goza Jerry Herring Trish Hua Sally Irving Ed Kehoe Jimmy LaValley Kristiei LaValley Louann Lundberg Sherie Mcfarland Dave Morgan Kathy Morgan Bonnie Mowry **Deb Nesies** Jo Pine Syndi Scott Shari Sedam Sally Sutton Rochelle Thompson Kirt van Poollen John Volkerding Bill Wingle Diane Wingle

500 points

Brooke Winter

Jessie Woodard

Jody Carman Elaine Chamberlain Rich Garrett Trish Hua Kenny Irving Kathy Morgan Kirt van Poollen Mary Vaughn John Volkerding Bruce Walker Diane Wingle **Brooke Winter**

1000 points

Ole Morgan Jim Sinnett Kirt van Poollen Maarten van Poollen Bruce Walker Ed Westmoreland Diane Wingle

1500 points

Carolynn Andersen Don Budd Shelley Green Steve Lindsey Sonny Mills Rachel Seiferle Melanie Son Maarten van Poollen Cheri Westmoreland Ken Wolgram

2000 points

Carolynn Andersen Jeff Brown Sherri Halligan Cheri Westmoreland

2500 points

Jeff Brown Jan Cook Cathy Moore Carla Richardson

3000 points

Cathy Moore

3500 points

Judy Bengfort Kathy Brown Abbie Hazlewood Cameron Jones

4000 points

Kerry Bingham Kathy Brown Mike Mason

4500 points

Kerry Bingham Kathy Brown Mike Mason Linell Miller-Inman Chuck Smith

5000 points

Kerry Bingham Linell Miller-Inman Chuck Smith

5500 points

Beth Sims Chuck Smith

6000 points

Linda Jones Beth Sims Chuck Smith

6500 points

Thom Harris Beth Sims Teri Smith

7500 points

Russ Jones Judy Mason Jerry Sims Larry Tobias

8000 points

Judy Mason Larry Tobias Jerry Sims Betty Wolgram

8500 points

Jerry Sims **Betty Wolgram**

9000 points

Lonnie Smith Judi Tobias Betty Wolgram

9500 points

Judy Cumberworth Lonnie Smith

10,000 points

Judy Cumberworth

12,000 points

Steve Ancell

12,500 points

Jenny Smith

13,000 points

Jenny Smith

14,000 points

Dee Overholt Jenny Smith

14,500 points

Dee Overholt Jenny Smith

15,000 points

Dee Overholt Jenny Smith

15,500 points

Jenny Smith

16,000 points

Jenny Smith

16,500 points

Jenny Smith

22,500 points

Dr. Bill Cumberworth

23,000 points

Dr. Bill Cumberworth

Thank You to ALL our wonderful volunteers! Your generous commitment of your time is what keeps Region 3 strong



WEG X - Water Jump Courtesy: Nancy B Frank who sat for 5 hours here



Thanks to ALL our ride managers for donating a ride entry to the Region 3 **Convention Auction!**

Pinon Mesa April 16-17 Farmington, NM

Navajo Lake May 7-8 Near Farmington, NM

Patriot's Ride May 28-29 Air Force Academy Colorado Springs, CO

Colorado Trail June 11-12 Buffalo Creek, CO

June 25-26 Willow Springs Jefferson, CO

Purgatory July 23-24 Durango, CO Region 3 Benefit Ride

Tarryall River Romp Aug. 6-7 **NEW RIDE!**

14 miles north of Lake George, CO

Sept. 24-25 Chokecherry Farmington, NM

News Bits

ADVERTISEMENTS NEEDED TO HELP DEFRAY COST OF 2011 RIDE BOOK PUBLICATION...

Ads or donations will be greatly appreciated to help reduce the cost of publishing this year's ride book. Types of Ads:

> Full Page \$100 \$ 50 ½ Page 1/4 Page 30 \$ 20 **Business Card** "Happy Ads" \$ 10

For a "happy ad," submit a brief, handwritten message which will scanned to the ad page. Celebrate your horse, your friends, yourself, etc. with a "happy ad." For business ads, try to submit camera ready ad if at all possible although the ride book editor can do some design/layout.

We will also have a "patron page" for donations of any amount from those who wish to help with the ride book's cost without submitting an ad (listing names only, not amount of donation).

Ads and donations must be received by the ride book editor no later than February 15, 2011. Please submit WITH check payable to NATRC Region 3 and mail to: Diane Wingle

8841 E. Tanglewood Road Franktown, CO 80116

Any questions, please contact Diane Wingle, ride book editor, e-mail dianew0@yahoo.com (303) 279-1290

**Note: Those selling ads and/or donations also receive one region 3 worker point for each \$4 worth of ads or donations.

Thank you for your support.



Courtesy: Nancy B Frank

Edward Gal and the incredible Totilas, from Holland **FIRST FIRST** across the board, sold to the Germans afterwards for \$13 million,

News Bits

DON'T MISS IT!!!!!! 2011 NATRC Golden Anniversary Convention

February 10-13, 2011 Nashville, TN

Featuring the NATRC "WALK OF FAME" Celebrating 50 years of Exceptional Champions

We will have a Special Recognition Ceremony for Our Honored Guests.

Invitations are going out to the Champions of NATRC History asking for their attendance at this National Convention.

We would like to collect any available pictures of past winners of the following awards: President's Cup, Jim Menefee Memorial, Bev Tibbitts Grand Champion Horse, Polly Bridges Memorial, Junior Grand Champion Horse, Junior High Average Horsemanship, and Horse Hall of Fame.

Please send to Debbie Jones at 1038 Gaddis Rd., Canton, GA 30115 or email: jonescant@aol.com

VEST NUMBERS ON SALE FOR 2011 RIDE SEASON

If you wish to use the same ride number all season, you may pre-purchase your number by mailing a check payable to Region 3 NATRC and send to Chuck Smith, Treasurer, P. O. Box 687, Flora Vista, NM 87415. You may also pay for your vest number at the Region 3 Convention to be held March 18-19, 2011, in Pueblo, Colorado.

Cost of Open numbers is \$30.00 each; cost of Competitive Pleasure numbers is \$20.00 each, and cost of Novice numbers is \$10.00 each. Those who had a number in 2010 may keep the same number if they wish as long as the number is paid for on or before 6:00 p.m. Saturday, March 19. After that time the number can be re-issued to another rider.

Members may contact Chuck to see what numbers are available at chucksmith2020@earthlink.net or telephone (505) 215-2625. Please note that after you purchase your vest number for the season, you need to enter the vest number into your RMS rider profile. Submitted by: Betty Wolgram, President, Region 3



Make plans to attend the 50TH Anniversary Celebration!

2010 NATRC National Convention

February 10 -13 2011 Nashville, TN

Embassy Suites Nashville Airport Hotel \$109.00/Nt +Tax FOR 1-4 Reservations 1-615-871-0033

Special Programs & Visits to Local Attractions!

\$70.00 ALL Sessions (Fri & Sat) \$40.00 Fri Only, \$40.00 Sat Only \$50.00 Sat Awards Banquet

For More Information Contact:

KIM COWART KCNeverRestRanch@gmail.com 678-773-6038

REMINDER . . . PROPOSED BY-LAWS CHANGES

The ballot for by-laws changes was printed incorrectly in the Autumn Hoofprint (missing mailing instructions and signature line). To avoid improper procedures, the vote will have to be re-done and the ballot will be in the next issue of Hoofprint. PLEASE VOTE --- your vote is very important. Submitted by:

Betty Wolgram, President, Region 3



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HAPPY 90TH BIRTHDAY, BOB SANTISTEVAN !!

When:

Saturday, February 5, 2011

Noon 'til ??

Where:

4845 Lamar Road

Las Cruces, NM 88005

Contact:

Bob's daughter Jeannie

at 575-649-3847

e-mail: cjsi1949@gmail.com

If you have any stories or favorite memories of Bob that you would like to share, please e-mail them in advance so we can compile them in a book.

If you'd like to mail a card, you can to: 711 El Prado, Las Cruces, NM 88005

Jenny Smith will be going down if anyone would like to travel down with her. jennysmith1974@q.com or (505) 334-6275.

Reins, Manes, Bits, Bridles A partnership with humans The eye is telling

Haiku by Nancy B Frank



WEG X Courtesy: Nancy B Frank

Champagne

At a horse sale in Delta, Co in 2005
I made a purchase that changed my life
A three year old grade mare with thirty rides
Big brown eyes, and a Palomino hide



From Sorting to Horse shows to the Open Road The destination didn't matter as long as SHE GOT TO GO! With a whinney that still warms my heart at the thought



You are a horse I am so GLAD that I bought.

I hope you will be waiting for me, and until we meet again
Enjoy luscious green pastures in Heaven

Born Sometime in the Spring of 2002 -Nov 16, 2010 I miss you deeply my Friend!!, *Jennifer Poulton*



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Outgoing/Incoming Region 3 Board of Directors

Incoming directors will be installed at the board meeting to be held at our convention in Pueblo, CO, on Friday, March 18, 2011, from 5:00 to 7:30 p.m. Outgoing directors also need to attend this meeting if at all possible.

I want to thank outgoing regional directors Beth Sims, At-Large, and Linell Miller-Inman, District 2, for their service to the Board, as well as Brandy Ferganchick, At-Large, and Carla Richardson, Region 3 National Director. I also want to thank Diane Wingle, Jim Sinnett, Ginger Snip, and Cheri Westmoreland for their continuing service on our Board and Continuing Alternate Jenny Smith.

To our brand new incoming regional directors, Kirt van Poollen, Sherri Halligan, Janna Combs, John Volkerding, and Susan Peters, thank you SO MUCH for stepping up to the plate to serve our region.

We could use another Alternate or two, so if you would be willing to serve in this capacity, please call or e-mail me. If you have any questions about the duties of an Alternate regional director, I would welcome your call.

Thanks also to Chuck Smith who will be serving as National Director in Carla's place next year and to Susan Peters, our new National Board Alternate.

I am looking forward to working with what I know will be a remarkable regional Board of Directors.

Betty Wolgram, President, Region 3



Jenness Cortez



A keepsake CD for Robert L. Santistevan of recorded messages from friends and family as a celebration of Bob's 90th Birthday is being created. If you are someone special to Bob he would love to hear your voice talking about a special time you shared together, a story about him that always makes you smile, or what you think makes Bob uniquely special, or just a birthday greeting.

If you'd like more tips about what to say, please visit

http://www.LifeOnRecord.com and click on the "CALLER TIPS" link towards the top right.

Here's how to record your message:

- 1) Call LifeOnRecord, 800-606-0697 by Dell Jean Izzo Reitz and Jeannie S. Izzo deadline date is Feb 1, 2011
- 2) When prompted, enter your Invitation Number: **10941**
- 3) Record your message after the tone. When finished you can either hang up or press the # key. If you press the # key you'll be given options to listen to your recording, accept your recording, or rerecord it.

Remember when leaving your message that a congratulatory wish is nice, a warm sentiment is better, and a meaningful story or shared memory will make the most impact.

Feel free to forward this onto other people that know Bob so that they can contribute to the keepsake as well. Callers outside of the US and Canada can call-in using the phone number 847-943-2021.

This will be a surprise for Bob, so please use your discretion if you talk to him.

Thank you for helping to make this a wonderful gift for Robert L. Santistevan's 90th Birthday.

-Jeannie



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What are your Goals for 2011, Betty Wolgram, President, Region 3

I hate resolutions but I love setting goals. Now if that sounds kind of strange, I guess the best way to explain how I feel about the two is that I always associate making resolutions with having to "give up something" while I associate setting goals with "gaining something." OK, I know, get to the point. The point is that I'd like to see all our members set some personal goals for their involvement with horses and Region 3 in 2011. They could be pretty lofty like a National Championship or a year-end top six placing in one's division/dass. They could be to make it to all the rides or to three rides or any other number. Use your imagination. And write your goals down so you don't forget them. My own personal goal setting involves making about five goals with each goal increasing in difficulty. That way if I don't quite reach #5 or even #4, I can look back with pride on having accomplished #'s 1 through 3. I always make at least one of the goals involve giving back to the organization in some way. The past couple of years one of my goals has been to do as many "ride-alongs" as possible with first-time competitors and it has turned out to be one of the most fulfilling experiences that I have ever had. I felt like I received even more than I gave and I had more fun than I dreamed was possible.

Region 3 offers an incredible amount of recognition for our members no matter what your goals are. There is recognition for everyone who participates in our organization. In fact, I was thinking this past week that it would be a good idea to remind our members just what the region offers for both competition and volunteer goals.

RECOGNITION FOR COMPETITION:

Region 3 keeps track of and offers incredible recognition for both horse and rider mileage, from beautiful glasses, to plaques, to plates for different levels of accomplishment. I value my horse and rider mileage achievements as much if not more than the placings I have earned.

High point 1st through 6th placings in all divisions and dasses. It's fun to figure your points earned (you even receive points for completion if you don't place in top six) and keep track of them throughout the year. A year-end placing is very attainable if you can enter at least three or four rides, especially for our novice competitors. If you don't know how to figure your ride points and would like to learn, just give me a call sometime.

The Regional Team Award offered by National adds the horse and horsemanship points earned throughout the year. Competitors are eligible if they have completed a minimum of three rides and 1st through 6th placings are given in all divisions and dasses (Open, Competitive Pleasure, & Novice).

A special novice year-end award, sponsored by Jeff & Kathy Brown, is given to the high point novice horse in its FIRST year of competition in NATRC. To be eligible, a minimum of three Region 3 rides must be completed by the horse and both the owner and rider of the horse must be a member of NATRC.

A special award is also given each year to the highest scoring horse in each of the three divisions (Open, Competitive Pleasure, and Novice) that competes in one or more rides sponsored by the San Juan Valley Trail Riders. It is called the Land of Enchantment Award and is a beautiful traveling trophy that you get to keep and display in your home until the next year. The ride scores of the horse are added together for the eligible rides. For 2011 there will be four rides, Pinon Mesa, Navajo Lake, Purgatory, and Chokecherry.

Competitive Pleasure horses can earn a Region 3 NATRC CP Champion Horse Award when 1) the horse is awarded at least one first place and one 2nd place (or two 1st places) in the CP Division, 2) the horse accumulates a minimum of 65 points in the CP Division, and 3) only Region 3 rides will count toward this award.

Competitive Pleasure riders and horses can also be eligible for the High Average Combined Horse and Rider Award if they have entered a minimum of 75% of the rides in the ride season and all rides entered will be counted.

Open horses and riders are also eligible for two prestigious awards if they enter a minimum of 75% of the rides in the ride season with all rides entered being counted: The Ken Burkdoll award is the combined high average horse and rider award and the Ruth Tyree is the high average horsemanship award.

VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION PROGRAM:

Our volunteers are the backbone of our sport and Region 3 has committed itself to providing the recognition that our workers deserve. Region 3 provides recognition awards for the people who take part in the work involved in putting on a competitive ride and/or who serve in other volunteer positions within the Region 3 organization. Volunteers do not have to be members of NATRC to qualify for these awards.

This year at our convention in Pueblo on March 18-19, the luncheon will feature a special recognition program of its own for our regional and ride workers. It also came to my mind that the vast majority of our members might not realize how worker points are figured, so I have decided to publish the section of the Region 3 Standing Rules which breaks down the points that these jobs receive.

Ride management is always asked to turn in a list of their ride workers but some are occasionally overlooked with all the other responsibilities of ride management after a ride is over. So keep this list, keep track of what you contribute during the year, and check with our Worker Points Chair, Beth Sims, at the end of the year to be sure she has received all your worker points. Don't let any of your contributions be overlooked. She'll be happy you did and so will you.

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Region III Workers Awards: General regional worker points and ride worker points are periodically updated by the Board, so the job descriptions and point values might be changed from time to time.

Workers need not be members of NATRC or Region III to accumulate workers points.

Co-chairpersons shall split workers points.

Workers points shall be totaled as follows:

General Regional Worker Points:

General Regional Worker Points:	
Awards/Mileage Chair	500
Bretag & other year-end placings Chair	500
Worker points awards chair	500
National Board/per year	250
National Convention Chair	500
National Convention Committee	150
National Convention Secretary	250
National Convention Worker	75
Horse Expo Chair	200
Horse Expo Worker/per shift	25
Regional Board Member/per meeting	75
Regional Board Officers:	
President	250
Vice President	100
Secretary	150
Treasurer	200
Regional Convention Chair	250
Regional Convention Secretary	250
Clinic Manager	150
Clinic Judge	150
Clinic Worker	50
Membership Chair	250
Member List Directory	150
Ride Book Editor	400
Ride Coordinator	150
Newsletter Editor	500
Historian	125
Supply Chair	250

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Ride Manager		250	
Ride Secretary		250	
Ride Trail Master		250	
P&R Chair		150	
Ride Awards Chair		100	
P&R worker		50/day	
Ride Judge (if fee	donated)	150/day	
Judge's Secretary		150	
Worker Drive		50/day	
Ride Timer		100/day	
Trail Marking		50/day	
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Safety Rider	50/day(+Region	3 mileage for division ridder	١)
Pre-Rider	50/day(+Region	3 mileage for division ridder	1)
Rules Interpreter		75/day	
Weigh Master		25	
Water Haulers and	assistants	75/day	
Mentor (ride along)	50/day	
Cook for Volunteer	s Only	200	
Cooks Helper for v	olunteers only	50/day	
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Cooks Helper for all camp

Cook for all camp (not paid caterer)

Steffan Peters and Ravel who took bronze

WEG X

250

50/day

Courtesy: Nancy B Frank

Sales of advertising for Stirrup and/or

Safety Chair

Mentor Chair

Webmaster

Publicity/Advertising Chair

New Members Chair

Region 3 ride book 1 point for each \$4 in ads sold

250

250

200

200

150

The Sue Bretag award is given to a Region 3 member who has been voted on by the general membership as having made major contributions of time and energy to Region 3 during the year.

Each year the membership also votes on the Best Managed Ride of the year. This is an award that is sought after by all the ride managers. It means everyone really had fun and appreciated the ride management --- the trails, the judges, the meals, the overall effort made to put on an outstanding ride.

The Bill Smith "Buddy" Award: A special award, sponsored by Jenny Smith, is given in honor and in memory of Bill Smith, our Region 3 Best Buddy. This award is given to the person or persons that have helped and mentored other riders, management, been an outstanding buddy to all. It can be a rider, worker, etc., who has displayed sportsmanship, horsemanship, friendship, and enthusiasm for our sport, and for all who enjoy it.

NEW AWARD FOR 2011:

At the September, 2010, Board meeting, the regional directors voted to establish the Region 3 100% Club Award as follows: To earn a 100% Club jacket a person must compete or volunteer at every ride during the ride season. The jackets will be fleece and have the person's name (they used the first name but we could put first and last if the person would prefer) NATRC Region 3, NATRC logo, 100% Club and the year on the front. Winners for subsequent years will be given an embroidered patch to sew on their jacket.

Last but not least ... please submit your entry to the rides you are going to attend this year as early as you possibly can. Ride management needs to do a lot of advance planning, preparation of rider packet, scorecards, food, etc. Not knowing how many are coming creates a logistical nightmare.

Also, last year several rides in other regions were cancelled due to low entry numbers just a few weeks prior to the rides. Don't let that happen to us!

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In 2010 several regions only averaged between 25-30 riders per ride. Region 3 averaged 40 riders per ride, down a bit from an average of 42 in 2009. Depending on a number of factors, including costs for permits, campsite, judges' fees and their travel expenses, food, awards, etc., between 35 and 40 riders are needed for a ride to break even. More than that will usually assure at least a small profit managers to use as startup money for the next ride.

Let's all work as hard as we can to increase our rider numbers in 2011. I know the cost of entering and fuel to travel to rides is a big factor for all of us, but ride managers are also shouldering the cost of putting on these rides for us. There is nothing more discouraging to ride management who have eagerly anticipated ride weekend to have only a small number of riders show up. Let's help our ride managers throw BIG parties this year. And if you can't ride a ride for some reason, please consider volunteering. You'll learn a lot and have a lot of fun.

Greenland Clinic 2011 Call for Volunteers

The Third Annual Greenland Clinic will be held Saturday, May 14, 2011, at the Greenland Open Space (off I-25 between Monument and Castle Rock). This year's format will duplicate last year's successful event with Susie Witter providing an hour of lecture followed by a turn at the obstacle course and a 4 mile obstacle course. The management team consists of Susie Witter, horsemanship judge; Bill and Diane Wingle, Trail Masters; Pam Galchutt, secretary; and Susan Peters, clinic manager. Again, we need enthusiastic NATRC volunteers to act as obstacle judges, safety riders, and P&R educators. We had a great group of riders and volunteers last year, and we had a grand time in spite of last year's cold, nasty weather. With a later date this year we are certain to have better weather!! Also, we expect to have a number of 4H participants in the clinic which is certain to make for a fun event. Please email Susan Peters sapeters@pcisys.net or 719-488-2267 if you would like to volunteer.

Ride Manager Mentorship Opportunities

If you have thought you might want to try ride management but weren't sure about jumping headlong in it, Ride Manager mentorship opportunities are available at the Patriot's Ride (Air Force Academy over Memorial Day weekend) and at the Tarryall River Romp (August 6-7 west of Colorado Springs). You will work alongside an outstanding management team as the ride manager during the ride weekend. Optionally, you can be involved as much or as little as you like in the preplanning and the post reporting phases of the ride. Contact Susan Peters at 719-488-2267 sapeters@pcisys.net for more information

Important Announcement Regarding RMS - the Online Ride Registration System

After paying your dues for 2011, it is extremely important that you update your membership expiration date on the RMS online registration system. Even lifetime members need to complete the update. If you don't do the update, you will be registered as a non-member for rider fees and this causes a big headache for both you and the ride management.

To update: Log on to the RMS system. You can do that through the Region 3 website at www.natrc3.org and dick on RMS or you can to go www.natrc5.org/rms/Logon and enter your ID and password. If you have forgotten your Log On information, there is a space to enter your e-mail address and it will be mailed to you. Some of you may have been entered by ride managers by proxy, so this is a good method to try first before you attempt to register for an account. If you are sure that you have never signed up for RMS, look for the "Don't have an account? Click here" and then follow the instructions to form an account.

After you are logged on to RMS, look under Manage Profile and then next to Rider Profile, dick on GO. Check all your information and make any needed changes to address, phone, e-mail, etc. If this information is correct, then update your membership expiration date. Members who have renewed should enter the new expiration date of 12/31/2011. Lifetime members should enter 12/31/2199 again. Then dick on "Update Rider" and dick on "Return." You will be taken back to the Main Menu and just dick on Logout and you are through.

I know that all renewing members in our region are honest and would not even dream of updating their membership expiration date without having renewed. The National NATRC office does, however, send a membership list to all ride managers just prior to their ride which shows new members and membership renewals to avoid any confusion with the RMS System.

Updating your membership expiration date will avoid a lot of unnecessary hassle on your part and on ride management's hardworking ride secretaries, so please take the few minutes to complete this task. If you have any difficulties at all, please feel free to contact me at bkwranch@hughes.net or our Region 3 RMS Administrator Susan Peters at sapeters@pcisys.net and we'll be glad to help. Thanks so much.

Submitted by: Betty Wolgram, President

Region 3