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Articles and Pictures for Publication

Are due the last Monday of each month. As soon as your last event is over you need to start working on your article.

The sooner the better.

What an awesome start to our year! We have had several clubs that have already began hosting their playdays. My club, the Lubbock Saddle Club, had our first playday on the 3rd of March and it went great! Even though it was very windy (imagine that!) and the temperature was rather chilly, we had 61 riders! Not too bad for the first playday of the year, I'd say.

Rider's Roundup Chair

Thank you to everyone that has been turning their articles in and doing so in a very timely manner. Some have said that the deadline for the RRU has been too confusing so to make things simple, please have the articles to me no later than the 25th of each month.

I know that everyone has been gearing up to begin their playday seasons with their clubs. Remember, you can put your events in the RRU and on the Association Website! Just email me and I will make sure they get included. Remember, the facebook group & Association page as well, things can be posted there as well!

Please forward your articles to me at: <u>aasprc@lubbocksaddleclub.org</u> no later than the LAST Monday of each month! If you miss the deadline, your article will not be included until the following month. Let me know if you have any questions!

Thanks Y'all!

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Supporting the AASP&RC

since 1962

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Remember that your memberships were due January 1st. They are considered late after <u>March 1st</u> and a \$25.00 late fee will be assessed for those received after that date. You can use the revised form included in this issue to send them in and you may always pay using PayPal on the website!

REMEMBER...If you pay your dues thru the PayPal link, you need to print your receipt, have your club treasurer sign it and then forward it to the Association Office!



Send your club rosters to the Association office, Attn: Peggy Franklin.

Make sure that you include a listing of your club appointed delegates. A form may be found in the rulebook on the website!

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AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF SHERIFF POSSES & RIDING CLUBS

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Signature (must be at least 18 years old)

Help the Association and Your Pocketbook

With the nature of the economy as of late and everyone having to tighten their belts, it has become increasingly difficult for our average member to afford to continue to participate in all of activities. The affects the AASP&RC directly in many ways. When people cannot afford to come to Bowie, not only do they miss out on the fun, but the association does not collect their entry fees, registration fees and such revenue that allow us to continue to operate as a whole.



For several years, the Association has had an incentive program in place whereby you could ride for free at Playday Finals if you sold \$150 worth of ads in either the Rider's Round Up or the function programs. There have been some that have taken advantage of this program and it is not known if others knew it existed. By taking this idea and expanding it, the hope is that this will afford our members some assistance in helping to lessen the strain on their finances as well as add to the AASP&RC's bottom line! Understand that this is NOT a requirement as not everyone has the ability to sell ads. But for those that will put forth the time and yes the expense, that is takes to go our and sell ads, it will reward their efforts. And for some that are financially strained, participation in this program might allow them to participate in functions where they may not have the ability to do otherwise.

If you sell ads, you will earn credits to be applied to your Association fees (such as event fees, registration, stall rentals, membership, etc.) OR you may receive a prepaid Visa or Wal-Mart gift card OR a combination of both. The achievement levels are as follows:

- \gg \$150 free ride at finals (\$40 value)
- ▶\$500 or a saddle donation 4 free rides at playday finals or credit of \$125 for Association fees or \$125
- Visa or Wal-Mart gift card or combination of card and credit for fees
- ▶\$1000 \$250 card, credit or combination of the two
- ▶\$2000 \$500 card, credit or combination of the two
- ▶\$2500 \$625 card, credit or combination of the two
- ▶ Platinum or Diamond Corporate Sponsorship \$1000 card, credit or combination of the two

IN ADDITION, as an additional incentive, the family with the highest amount of ad sales will receive and additional \$100 card/credit and recognition at convention in October.

For example, John Doe, his wife, and two kids belong to the AASP&RC. John sells \$2000 in ads. He decides instead of having this all on a prepaid Visa card, he would rather the four of them all get free rides at Playday Finals (\$160 value), registration (\$40 value), 4 dinner tickets (\$40 value), their RV space for finals (\$60 value), and 4 stalls for the week (\$100 value). The rest he would like on a Visa card to help pay for gas, feed, and food for the week. He has earned \$500 for selling the ads. We give him credit for the entry fees, registrations, dinner tickets, RV space and stalls for a total of \$400 credit and then give him the remaining \$100 on a Visa or Wal-Mart card. He could also choose to hold the \$100 credit and apply it to convention.

This way if an individual or a family cannot afford to pay for the trip to Bowie to Playday Finals in the traditional way, they have the option to sell ads to pay for all or part of their participation in AASP&RC functions. This can be done for all functions, membership dues, and any other things we normally collect a fee for. The only thing we will NOT use this for would be charges at the concession stand to avoid the bookkeeping nightmare it could pose due to the amount of people that work in there over the course of the various functions.

Saddle donations will also be handled as a credit. When someone donates a saddle personally or goes out and gets a saddle donation from a business, it would be a credit of the cost of the saddle to their total ad sales. If this was the extent of their donation and their were no more ad sales, the credit would be worth the equivalent of 4 rides at Playday Finals (\$40 each for \$160) or a \$125 Visa/Wal-Mart gift card. The only place this would not be credited is for a saddle donation from a club, district, or region will also not warrant signage at the grounds as an Ivory sponsor.

There is no limit on the amount of ad sales that a person can sell and no limit to the amount that a person or family can earn. The types of ads that are included are the function program ads that will run in all event program ads for the year, ads for the Rider's Round Up, signage for the arenas, and sale of corporate sponsorships. As you sell ads, send them in immediately so that they may be prepared for publication as soon as possible. If a receipt is requested, please contact the office and one will be provided.

AASP&RC ADVERTISING RATES 2012 PROGRAM / RIDERS ROUNDUP ADVERTISING SCHEDULES For and ad to run in the Riders Round Up for 12 issues

\$400.00
\$250.00
\$125.00
\$75.00
\$40.00

For an ad to run in all event programs (Spring Round Up, Playday Finals, Convention)

\$100.00
\$75.00
\$50.00
\$25.00

Signage for the arena for one year 4x4 sign one color \$350.00 4x8 sign one color \$500.00





Don't forget to sell your ads! It will get you free rides &/or gift cards!

Corporate Sponsorship Levels Advertising Levels

Ivory Level - Saddle donation or \$500 – Sponsor will receive recognition on the website, recognition in the Riders Roundup on our "Sponsors" page, 4x4 signage at the grounds and a full page in the Playday Finals event program.

Bronze Level - \$1000 – Sponsor will receive recognition on the website, half page in the Rider's Roundup recognizing them as a Bronze Sponsor for 2012, recognition in all event programs as a Bronze Level Sponsor, 4x4 signage at the grounds.

Silver Level - \$1500 – Playday Finals Class Sponsor – will receive recognition on the website, a full page in the Riders Roundup recognizing them as a finals class sponsor for 2012, 4x8 signage at the grounds, recognition in all function programs as a Playday Finals Class Sponsor.

Gold Level - \$2500 - Function Sponsor - Choice of:

- 1. Convention Sponsor Sponsor will receive recognition of the website, a full page in the Riders Roundup recognizing them as a convention sponsor for 2012, 4x8 signage at the grounds, banners at the check in table at the convention location during convention, recognition in all function programs as convention sponsor.
- 2. Spring Roundup Sponsor Sponsor will receive recognition on the website, a full page in the Riders Roundup Sponsor for 2012, 4x8 signage at the grounds, additional banner under the announcer stand at Spring Roundup, recognition in all function programs as a Spring Roundup Sponsor.

Platinum Level - \$5000 - Choice of:

- Playday Finals Sponsor sponsor will receive recognition on the website, a full page in the Riders Roundup recognizing then as a Playday Finals Sponsor for 2012, 4x8 signage at the grounds, recognition in all function programs as a Playday Finals Sponsor, banner displayed on the announcer stand during playday finals.
- 2. Pavilion Sponsor sponsor will receive recognition on the website, a full page in the Riders Roundup for one year recognizing them as a Pavilion Sponsor, 4x8 signage inside the pavilion to be displayed for a period of 10 years, recognition in all event programs as a Pavilion Sponsor.

Diamond Level - \$10,000 – (Playday Finals Sponsor) – sponsor will receive recognition on the website, a full page in the Riders Roundup recognizing them as a playday finals sponsor for 2012, 4x8 signage to be displayed at a choice location for 10 years, recognition in all function programs for 2012.

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CORPORATE SPONSORSHIP LEVELS:

Ivory Level – saddle donation or \$500
Bronze Level - \$1000
Silver Level- \$1500
Gold Level - \$2500
Convention Sponsor
SRU Sponsor
Queen Sponsor
Platinum Level - \$5000
Playday Finals Sponsor
Pavilion Sponsor
Diamond Level - \$10,000

Amount collected: _____

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Attachments: yes/no _____



In response to Mr. Lane's letter to the AASP&RC:

Mr. Lane, in your first sentence you make mention that the Convention in 2011 was your first real participation in the Association. Even when you were a member, to your own admission you really did not participate when you were a member.

My family has been members since 1974, participating in playdays, relay races, horse shows, parades, holding offices and our daughter was Queen in 1990. We were members when the future of the Association felt we needed a home base and the grounds at Bowie were created. Much long and hard labor were put into these grounds. It was not just one or two from a club, but whole clubs who came and did what was needed to be done at the time; this is still happening for repairs, etc. Such was the case last year when we came together to find much damage, everyone pitched in to help. We did not have to have a delegate meeting to see which club could do what, it was done as a whole by members. It was like a family getting together to do what needed to be done.

If my memory serves me right the one vote per family was tried, guess what, the ballots were lost, filed in file 13, forgotten about, or whatever reason it did not work because the response was not there. So back to the 2 delegate per club vote. If you feel so strong on each family having a vote, you should have been participating all the years you were on the outside looking in. You have not been there to help set the rules and why now are you trying to tear down what has worked and is still working.

The only way the membership is going to have a REAL Consensus of how the Association works, they need to be there to hear what goes on. Maybe everyone does not have a vote, but everyone has a voice in what goes on. Opinions can be expressed and it may come as a surprise to you, but a lot of the ideas and opinions that have been expressed have been tried and work.

Mr. Lane, I feel that your opinion of the Association is wrong, and one meeting in a number of years does not make you a judge and jury to criticize The AASP&RC. Will be looking for you in 2012 to see what your level of participation is.

Virginia Dunlap, Region 1, District 2, West Texas Drifters Riding Club.



Hey Y'all!

For those of you that haven't heard yet, (the Facebooker's and a few other's know) I have totally LOST my mind and my sanity! LOL!!! When returning home after Executive Board, hubby and I decided that something had to "give" at our house and that would be me giving in to having a full time job again....LOL!!! Like a complete idiot, I let the "used car salesman" that the hubby is, talk me smooth into working with him. I have never had so much fun at work or met so many new and interesting people in such a short amount of time in my life. If I had a dollar for every person that I've talked to that had below average credit or there weren't large issues of "negative equity", I would be a rich woman by now....LOL!!! I have worked over 67 customers in the five weeks I've been at it, yet have sold less than 10 autos. Gee.....I wish that people interested in trading for a new car actually had money.....LOL!!! It's been pretty entertaining as well as educational to say the least. We "get" to work six days a week, arriving at 9:00 or a bit before and closing time is SUPPOSED to be 6:00!!! I have YET, to get out of the office prior to 7:00 and most nights, even much later than that. This is WILD!!! Wish me luck and IF you "might" be looking for something..... hahaha.....let me know.....hahaha!!!!

Now....On to the more important issues at hand....We are gearing up for the fun stuff!!! Each Region VP at the Officer's meeting prior to Executive Board volunteered for a job and we would like to see all those jobs handled by Spring Round Up if we could get that managed. Spring Roundup this year will be April 20th, 21st, and 22nd (Thank You Summer!!!). We will be trying to repeat the success of last year with jackpots, but I don't think we're going to go back with the "cow stuff" again this year unless an overwhelming bunch of you wish to participate as it was not all that profitable last year. I'm sure Wes is working on something fun for Sunday, maybe a trail ride since we haven't done that in a few years!

For those that have inquired, I would like you know that Playday Finals will be June 13th through 16th. There was some confusion because of that month starting on a weekend. I will inform you now that I would like to schedule another Executive Board Meeting for the Sunday morning after Finals concludes on Saturday. That worked pretty well last year and it allows us to stay within the framework of the Rule Book as having 2 Meetings a year and still be able to leave all of Convention open to the general membership meeting without having to repeat day one on day two. Convention will be Oct. 19th and 20th.

The Officers, (mainly CHARMIE) as we dumped it all on her to deal with are still looking into the dirt work and repairing the "grand canyon". Don has the grounds under control! He and Billy have spent several days working on the well house and the electrical in there and hopefully we will have NO water worries on our next visit!

The Shooters have inquired about Memorial Weekend and July 4th. I heard back from them just last night and they are coming for BOTH of these weekends!!! We LOVE having them there!!!! This an awesome bunch of people to work with and enjoy them coming out any chance they can!

I can't think of anything else for this time around, got to get back to work! Take care and hope to see you all very soon!!!! If you have any questions or issues that I can assist with, PLEASE do NOT hesitate to contact me!!!!

May Your Arena ALWAYS Be TOO SMALL To Hold ALL Your FRIENDS!!! Renee Guthrie



Hello all!!

I know everyone's getting ready to playday! We sure are, the horses are still hairy but frisky and can feel spring in the air.

Reg2/Dist 31 had their first meeting of the year this past weekend. It was originally scheduled to be a playday but thank goodness they decided to just make it a meeting cause it turned off really cold.

The new district officers did a great job and have great ideas for the upcoming year. The kids here at the land of the little people are driving us insane with "cabin fever" we need Spring Break bad!!!!

Spring Roundup is just around the corner and I'm looking forward to seeing you all there.

See you down the road. Charmie Sanders Exec. Vice



Ist Question: When is Spring roundup? 2nd Question: Is playday finals going to be June the 3rd weekend which would be the 2nd full of June or is playday finals going to be the 3rd full week of June which is the 4th week end?

As I said to the point.

Until we meet again Happy Trails Region 1 VP



Ronnie Elrod Region I VP



Don't forget... Time change begins Sunday, March 11th!

Spring Forward – Set your clocks forward!



Hello All!

Due to some issues I had decided I wouldn't write too many articles this year however, I feel I need to respond to an article written by Mr. Brett Lane last month in the Rider's Round-Up. I would like to start this article by saying that this is my fourth year to be an officer and I was the secretary of District I4 for 5 years. I have also served on the executive board 4 times previously. I made my first trip to playday finals when I was 4 months old, I have never missed one and I will be 34 years old on March 21st. While I am the youngest officer, in short I would like to say "this ain't my first rodeo".

I have been attending convention and sitting quietly in meetings since I was 4 years old! So I consider myself one of the "old school" members that Mr. Lane refers to. The reason we have a delegate system is so that one club or district does not have influence over the decisions of the association than another just because of sheer size. Just as an example and the fact that I know they won't take it personally a club the size of my club Lewisville Saddle Club. I would consider us a medium sized club by today's standards. We don't deserve anymore say in what goes on than a club the size of the Wild Cat Wranglers that our President Renee Guthrie belongs to. Nor do some of the clubs that are huge deserve anymore say. If one reads past the first page of the AASP&RC Rulebook one would read that "The club is the basis for legislation in the association" is for me anyway pretty easy to understand. It leaves no room for "the clubs that are the biggest get what they want". Clubs rely on the trust in the two delegates that they elect to send to convention contrary to what some believe we are not sitting at convention for two days to "stick it to the little quy or club" for that matter.

Mr. Lane states that each family should deserve a vote and it will "make our membership stronger". This will not happen; it will totally discourage people that belong to small clubs from even participating because they won't have any influence because some clubs are so big. We will become smaller and smaller! There would be no need for clubs, districts, or regions. We would only need executive officers and based on the foundation upon which the AASPGRC was founded that will not work. With all that we have been through as an organization it has been our clubs that are the glue that hold this thing together. The more I have thought on this particular issue and what was stated about our delegate system the more my 11th grade U.S. History and college government classes ring in my head. The "two delegate system" is how the United States Senate is set up. Each state is represented by two elected senators regardless of population. Do you think the state of California deserves more power than a state of Montana for example just because they have more people... NOPE. While I wasn't there when the rule book was written I am almost positive those that did had this in mind.

These days most clubs basically say "hey who wants to be a delegate" and two people raise their hand or we beg a couple of people to go to convention in some cases...LOL! However back in the day if there were more people that wanted to vote they held of election within the club. I suggest if someone would like to be a voting delegate that they get elected to the position.

Now I have my own opinions on the magic seats and over mounted children but children have parents to make that call not us as an association. Now I can ride a horse but I won't be riding like my hair is on fire anytime ever. I have a disability, cerebral palsy to be exact. Does Mr. Lane want to send me home because I don't ride as fast as most of the other senior women? Are we going to tell people to GO HOME because they can't ride at the appropriate skill level? There are 4D acres that will be really empty come June. How can we expect anyone not even only kids to ride better if we as an organization don't allow them to try? Regardless of that, parents have been over mounting their kids in all kinds of horse stuff since before we all came along and will be doing long after we are ALL gone.

Furthermore, I don't appreciate "our traditions" being used to make a point by someone who hasn't been there to witness them! I am one of the "Old Schools" and I do remember the ice cream gathering on the slab Tuesday night before finals. I however, in my life have never been to a cook off with the association. We are about horses around here people! Everyone is so busy on Tuesday night of playday finals now "moving in" because we have all worked up to the very last minute so we can keep our jobs and still attend playday finals! We can't keep all the traditions we used to have just because of the simple fact that life sped up for the whole wide world, we don't even have a queen anymore for goodness sake!

Lastly in response to Mr. Lane's "in closing" he says you can't be in Sweden all the time and sometimes you have to get into the fight. One level I do agree with that because I grow very tired of people complaining about the association in conversation or even on facebook! These people haven't put on a blue vest or do they even attend AASP&RC functions. I would like to add though that I have some VERY GOOD friends from Sweden including one that went to all the hot spots of the 90's in their MILITARY! I sure hope he realizes that they are SOCIALISTS in Sweden and it is Switzerland in Neutral...

I mean no disrespect but I was raised in the $\ensuremath{\mathsf{AASP}\ensuremath{\mathsf{RC}}\xspace}$ and feel the need to defend it.

Summer Savage Region 5 Vice President

2012 Playday Schedule

Pleasant Grove Cowboy Church Riding Club

Salt Creek Arena, Boyd, Texas

Sign up starts at 9am, Ride at 10am \$2.00 per event for members, \$3.00 per event for non members \$2.00 Exhibition



Dates:

- *February 4th (benefit playday for tractor, run all 8 events)
- *March 3rd (points playday to qualify, also Region 3 Buckle Playday separate fees)
- *April 14th
- *May 5th
- *June 2nd
- *July 7th
- *August 4th
- ***September 15th**
- ***October 6th**

Full Concession Stand and Cake Walk with Silent Auction every Playday

Playdays follow all AASPC&RC rules, and age groups. High Point awards given daily to age groups Super PeeWee to Juniors.

Must ride 5 out of 8 playdays and work an event each playday to qualify for year-end awards.

Contact: Lisa Herrington - 214-226-6641

Don't forget to pay your Association of Sheriff's Posses & Riding Club dues.

All dues received after March 1st are considered late and a \$25.00 late fee will be assessed!

Pay through your club or online through PayPal!



It's that time again. District 31 opens the 2012 season Saturday, March 10th. Sign up at 1PM and ride at 2 PM. Everyone is welcome and we would love to see you there.

Below is our dates for playdays: All sign up at 1PM ride at 2PM March 10th April 14th May 12th No June July 14th August 11th September 8th October 13th (TBD) Thanks, Nicole Martin Dist. 31 VP

SPRING ROUND UP CHAIR

Are you ready to ride?

SPRING ROUND UP IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER! GET YOUR HORSE READY FOR TONS OF FUN! THIS YEAR SPRING ROUND UP WILL BE APRIL 20TH, 21ST AND 22ND. THE FORMAT WILL BE VERY SIMILAR TO LAST YEAR'S EVENT. IT IS PLANNED TO HAVE A JACKPOT BARREL RACE ON FRIDAY NIGHT, A JACKPOT PLAYDAY ON SATURDAY FOLLOWED BY A DINNER AND DANCE AND THEN A TRAIL RIDE ON SUNDAY!

WHOO HOO!! SOUNDS LIKE FUN, DON'T YA THINK? IF THERE ARE ANY YOUNG LADIES THAT WOULD LIKE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PRINCESS PROGRAM, YOU GET TO SIGNUP AND GET INVOLVED DURING SPRING ROUND UP! ALSO, THE WINNING BID FOR THE PURCHASE OF THE QUEEN'S TRAILER WILL BE ANNOUNCED DURING SPRING ROUND UP WEEKEND!





Hey y'all! I am Lori Brock, and I am the Scrapbook chairman this year. I would love to see every club submit a scrapbook at Convention this year. You can choose to do a traditional scrapbook or a digital scrapbook. I personally LOVE the digital idea: It can be shared with every member of your club. It can be shown at banquets. It can run as a slide show during signups at playdays. It can be available for prospective members to see on your club website or Facebook page. Join in the fun! Make and share your memories with everyone!



Well as we come to end in January we can only look ahead to February and what it has in store for us. On January 27 we had our first practice night at the showbarn in Georgetown, Texas. We had about 20 riders and 60 exhibitions which isn't too shabby for the first time. If you were interested in attending but couldn't make it out, no worries, we will be having another one on February 17. Although, before then we will be having our funday playday to increase membership on February 4 at the showbarn in Georgetown, registration starts at 8. This will be a FREE playday to everyone who pays membership dues that day. Even if you don't want to become a member you can still come out to ride and have fun!

> Until Next Time, Jacey Roberts



AMERICAN ASSOCIATION of SHERRIFF POSSES AND RIDING CLUBS

SCHOLARSHIP AWARD GUIDELINES:

Each year the AASP & RC will award two \$1,000 scholarships to an Association member. The scholarship beneficiary will be chosen from all eligible applicants who meet the award criteria.

The beneficiaries will be chosen anonymously by a panel of five judges selected by the Scholarship Chairperson and comprised of Association Officers, Association members and at least two impartial non-Association members. The scholarship beneficiaries will be announced each year at the Association Convention.

AWARD CRITERIA:

1) Applicant must be an AAPS&RC member for two consecutive years (including the year in which the award is received).

2) Applicant must submit the completed Biographical Questionnaire, two letters of reference from AASP & RC members, and a one page essay on the question provided in the Questionnaire.

3) Applicant must provide proof of enrollment/registration at an accredited, post-secondary institution (two/four year college/university or vocational training program) prior to receiving the scholarship award. Awards will be made payable to the educational institutions.

4) Applicant must mail all documents (biographical questionnaire, two letters of reference and essay) postmarked no later than July 31, 2012 to the Scholarship Chairperson.

AMERICAN ASSSOCIATION OF SHERIFF POSSES AND RIDING CLUBS Renee Guthrie, President / Connie Ivins, Scholarship Chairperson

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

AWARD COMPONENTS:

Each year the AASP & RC will award two \$1,000 scholarships to any applicants who meet the award criteria.

AWARD CRITERIA:

- 1. Applicants must be a member of the AASP & RC for two consecutive years in which the award is received.
- 2. Applicants must submit the completed Biographical Questionnaire, two letters of reference from AASP & RC members and a one page essay on the question provided in the Questionnaire.
- 3. Applicants must provide proof of enrollment/registration at an accredited, post-secondary institution (two/four year collage/university or vocational training program prior to receiving the scholarship award.
- 4. Applicants must mail all documents (application, two letters of reference and essay) with a postmark on or prior to July 31, 2012 to the Scholarship Chairperson:

Connie Ivins 3236 Luzon Road Irving, Texas 75060

BIOGRAPHICAL QUESTIONNAIR:

AASP & RC Club membership	:
Region:	District:
Legal name in full	
	Best e-mail address
Date of AASP&RC membership	p:
School name in the current aca	demic year
In one or two sentences describe	e your career goal
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	(GPA)
Beginning with the school you c four years, including any for su	currently attend, list all schools you attended in the last mmer or special courses.

List any awards, honors, or scholarships you have received in the past four years.

List any programs and activities in which you have participated on campus such as clubs, publications, dramatics, music, art, student government

List internships, assistantships, and jobs (including summer employment) you have held in the past four years.

List public service and community activities (Do not repeat items listed previously.)

Describe a specific activity or experience that has been important in clarifying or strengthening your commitment to the AASP & RC.

What additional information (not already addressed in the application) do you wish to share with the AASP & RC Scholarship Committee.

ESSAY (Please attach). Name your career choice or choice of course study and tell the committee about the experiences that have influenced your decision and how these experiences will help you in this career choice.

STATEMENT OF ACCURACY

I hereby affirm that all the above stated information provided by me is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

I hereby understand that if chosen as a scholarship recipient, I must provide evidence of enrollment/registration at an accredited, post-secondary institution in Texas before my scholarship funds can be awarded.

Signature of scholarship applicant	

Signature of parent if applicant is dependent_____

Recipient announced at 2012 AASP & RC Convention and notified by mail.

The Game has a Name!!!

Larry-ette

Race Description: The rider crosses the timer line either to the right or left set of poles. Rider goes on the outside of the first pole, inside the second, outside the third. Going around the barrel, rider proceeds to the second set of poles, going outside the first, inside the second and outside the third and crosses the finish.

Equipment required: Six (6) standard poles; one (1) 55 gallon barrel w/pad

Measurements: First pole is thirty (30) feet from starting line Poles are thirty (30) feet between each going down the arena Poles are sixty (60) feet apart across the arena Barrel is centered in the pattern and thirty (30) feet vertically from last pole

Penalties: There will be a five (5) second penalty for knocking over each pole or the barrel.

Disqualifications: Failure to run a correct/complete pattern

Judges: At least two (2) judges, one on each side of the pattern



West Texas Drifters Riding Club (WTD) (Formally West Texas Raiders)

Howdy ya'll from all of us WTD members!!!

We have started the update on our website <u>westtexasdriftersridingclub.com</u> Please stop by and check it out, we have allot to do on the site still, so forgive the construction, but we are slowly getting there.

Several of us went, intending to ride in the San Angelo Stock Show & Rodeo parade on February 18th, however it rained & rained & rained some more. So for safety sake, we opted out of actually riding in the parade. However, we did go shopping at a few of the San Angelo western stores and ended up getting the best shopping done at the stock show. It was great fun to spend time with horsie friends.

Our next meeting will be March 1st, at which time we will be setting our playday and team penning dates.

May ya'll have a blessed & safe journey this month.

The horse: God's gift...Woman's

Best friend...Man 's partner.

Sissy Tedder WTD Parade Marshall

Hello Family,

Our playday season has official started! I don't think my horse is as happy as I am though. Just wanted to give a guick update about our playday on February 4th. we had an excellent turn out. We had a few issues, one with the concession stand, our cook had a car accident the night before and couldn't make it. Praise God she was ok. I like to remind you that we do offer a full concession stand now with all the proceeds going towards our club, and everyone knows the more money, the better the year end awards are! We did pull in a little over 400.00 to go towards tractor repairs and owe a big thank you to everyone who came and donated their time and money, even if it was a little cold we had a great time.

Hello fellow rid

Now on to new business, don't forget about the trail ride and fundraiser for Fly Without Wings the last weekend in March. It is at the grasslands next to Decatur, a 2 day event with 3 meals, live music, trail rides, fellowship and a Sunday Service to end it all. This is a great opportunity to be a part of something special along with good friends, food and relaxing in the wilderness ok well as close as it gets around here. Also hope everyone didn't forget about the playday on March 3rd it coincides with Region 3 buckle show.

Our playday in April will be on the 14th, we moved it because of Easter weekend, we believe that is a time reserved for family and celebrating one of the most important days of the year! Start time is the same, so plan on joining us for the day. Well there never seems to be enough time in my day anymore, gotta get back to work. Hope to see ya'll soon!

Shout with joy to God, all the earth! Sing the glory of His name; make His praise glorious! Psalms 66:1-2

Randi Cox surrender1009@aol.com

Region 5 Convention Fundraiser Playday Lewisville Saddle Club Arena

Come join us visit our concession stand for a Pawpaw burger! We will be having a cake walk and other fun!

May 19, 2012 at 12:00

Combined classes:

Super Seniors Super Pee Wees Pee Wees Juniors Intermediates Seniors \$10 Per Rider and \$3 exhibition High Point Award given in each class at the end of the day Call before you haul!

Lewisville Saddle Club Arena North Mill Street at Parkway Drive Lewisville, TX

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Whooo Hooo!! Our first playday of the season was completed, Saturday, March 3rd! Even though the day was very windy (imagine that!) and the temperature was in the upper 40's and lower 50's we had 61 riders! We began the day with a brief meeting to vote in the members that joined and then we began riding!

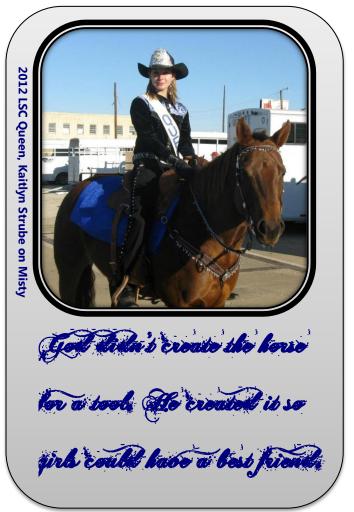
We had one "casualty" – rider was bucked off of their horse; however, he cowboy'd up and got back on and finished his day! Despite the "fresh" horses, the wind and nippy weather, the day was a HUGE success!

As we have in the past, the Lubbock Saddle Club will participate in the ABC Rodeo grand entries on each night of the rodeo, Thursday – Saturday, March 29th-31st. There will be two performances on Saturday – a matinee and a performance Saturday night. Come out and watch us ride or let us know you are coming and we can work you in to ride with us as part of the Association! We will tailgate between the two Saturday performances. We love this event and always have so much fun!

Our next LSC playday will be the first Saturday of April. As they will all season, the books will open at 11:00 am and the rides will begin at 12:00 pm. Come on out and ride with us when you are in our neck of the woods! We would love to have you join us!

The District II playday was rescheduled because many of the WTD and LSC members that ride in District II also were participating in a benefit barrel race, Wrap'n Up A Cure. This barrel race benefits Individuals that are battling cancer. District II believed it was very important to show our support for this barrel race. As a result, the first District II playday will be held at Lubbock Saddle Club on March 24th. The books will open at 12:30 pm and the rides will begin at 1:30 pm. If you are ever in our neck of the woods, be sure to bring your horse and play in the dirt with us!

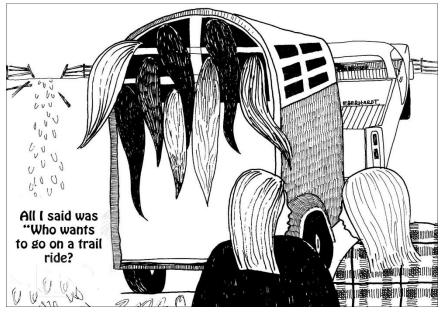
Until next time, love your families, ride your horses and enjoy the beginning of a great playday season ! ! LaDonna Mild Lubbock Saddle Club



Trail Ride Benefiting

Fly Without Wings

Sponsored by Pleasant Grove Cowboy Church Riding Club



March 31 & April 1

Trail ride start 9am March 31 Grasslands In Decatur, TX Parking Location: Tadra Fee: \$10 Donation each Day Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner at Additional Cost Saddle Raffle <u>Music, Fun and Live Auction!!!!!</u> For More Info Call 972-215-9977



Hello from all of us at Twin Mountain.

We were able to get our Benefit Playday in 02/04/12 and raised money for the Pregnancy Help Center of Concho Valley. We had a good turnout and was glad to help such a great organization.

We have finally received some rain. The week before the San Angelo Stock Show and Rodeo parade it started raining and rained all the way through Saturday of the parade.

A big part of our club showed up to ride in the Parade. We had Linda Bell, Natalie Dragt, Buster and Brittney Jones, Jessie and Lori Brock, Jessie Lee, Chandra, Makailey and Tres Brock, Donna Rutledge, Ginny and Amber Shuster and Jim and myself.

Some decided not to pull their horses out of the trailers, and left but some of us decided to go ahead and saddle and walk over to where the judges were. After we crossed the bridge, we sat their in the rain and it started raining harder and harder. Finally after about 30 minutes we asked the judges to please get out of their truck and please judge us. After we were judged, we decided to not ride in the Rodeo Parade although the show did go on just without us. We did win 1st place for the in town club.

I think that my trailer and tack is still drying out. I had a sequenced jacket on that I was going to wear in the parade and they started coming off in the trailer and Jim was not happy with me at all.

After we decided not to ride in the parade, we all went to Los Panchitos and met up with Tom and Jeane Orsak, Juanice and Kenneth McLaurin, as well as Georgia and Dakota Bullock. We also had join us for lunch for Val, Lane and Lance Whitney (Raymond and Donnå daughter and grandchildren). It was great to dry out. After we ate lunch we took the horses home and unsaddled them in the trailer as it was still raining and put them up. We then headed home to change clothes and go to the Rodeo.

The Rodeo was great and after the Rodeo we walked around the fair grounds and ran into Jackie Skinner and other Lubbock Saddle Club members who did not ride in the parade as it was raining to hard.

We had several of our young people ride in the Mr. Boots Barrel Race which was Makailey and Tres Brock, Natalie Dragt, and Allison Vaughn. All of these young people have the making of becoming professional rodeo people.

The 2nd half of the San Angelo Rodeo is coming up this weekend and I know a lot of our members will be attending as this is cowboy country.

We have our first district playday coming up the 3rd and 4th in Big Lake, Texas. It will be great to see everyone from Hawley Saddle Club and West Texas Extreme Riders.

Our next club meeting will be March 6, 2012 at 7:00 at Los Panchitos on the Paseo. Hope to see everyone there.

THIS IS SUCH A NEAT STORY....JUST HAD TO SHARE IT WITH YOU!

This might surprise you, a true story!!!



Back in the 50's there was a well known radio Host/comedian/song writer in Hollywood named Stuart Hamblen who was noted for his drinking, womanizing, partying, etc.

One of his bigger hits at the time was, "I won't go hunting with you Jake, but I'll go chasing women."

One day, along came a young preacher holding A tent revival. Hamblen had him on his radio show presumably to poke fun at him.

In order to gather more material for his show, Hamblen showed up at one of the revival meetings.

Early in the service the preacher announced, "There is one man in this audience who is a big fake." There were probably others who thought the same thing, but Hamblen was convinced that he was the one the preacher was talking about (some would call that conviction) but he was having none of that.

Still the words continued to haunt him until a couple of nights later he showed up drunk at the preacher's hotel door around 2AM demanding that the preacher pray for him!

But the preacher refused, saying, "This is between you and God and I'm not going to get in the middle of it."

But he did invite Stuart in and they talked until about 5 AM at which point Stuart dropped to his knees and with tears, cried out to God.

But that is not the end of the story. Stuart quit drinking, quit chasing women, quit everything that was 'fun.' Soon he began to lose favour with the Hollywood crowd.

He was ultimately fired by the radio station when he refused to accept a beer company as a sponsor.

Hard times were upon him. He tried writing a couple of "Christian" songs but the only one that had much success was "This Old House", written for his friend Rosemary Clooney.

As he continued to struggle, a long time friend named John took him aside and told him, "All your troubles started when you 'got religion', was it worth it all?" Stuart answered simply, "Yes."

Then his friend asked, "You liked your booze so much, don't you ever miss it?" And his answer was, "No." John then said, "I don't understand how you could give it up so easily."

And Stuart's response was, "It's no big secret. All things are possible with God." To this John said, "That's a catchy phrase. You should write a song about it."

And as they say, "The rest is history."

The song Carl Stuart Hamblen wrote was "It Is No Secret."

"It is no secret what God can do. What He's done for others, He'll do for you.

With arms wide open, He'll welcome you. It is no secret, what God can do...."

By the way... The friend was John Wayne. And the young preacher who refused to pray for Stuart Hamblen? ...That was Billy Graham.

Share this with your friends ... I did!

Jeton Tumlinson

The National Association of Riding Clubs & Sheriff" s Posses

has invited YOU



Chisholm Challenge Benefit Playday



March 31, 2012 - Alvarado Range Riders Arena Raindate - April 21, 2012

This NARC&SP recognized Benefit Playday raises money for the Chisholm Challenge event held annually at the John Justin Arena. The Chisholm Challenge is a horse show for special needs riders of all ages, who may be mentally or physically challenged. Please support the NARC&SP as we support the Chisholm Challenge.

The Chisholm Challenge Benefit Playday offers a day of fun for the entire family:

- Leadline for any age
- Mini Pee Wee Classic Classes
- Silent Auction
- Cake/Tack Raffles
- Full Concession
- Restroom Facilities

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- Go to narcsp.org for a map and directions



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"UP" coming Events

March 2012

- 3rd Lubbock Saddle Club Playday Bo @ 11am, fides @ 12pm
- 3rd PGCCTC PLAYDAY BO @ 9AM, TIDES @ 10AM
- $4^{\mathbb{TH}}$ Hawley Saddle Club Playday BO @ 1:00PM, fides @ 1:30PM
- $10^{\rm TH}$ District 31 playday BO @ 1PM, fides @ 2PM
- 10^{TH} Weatherford Comancheros Playday 12:00PM
- 18^{TH} San angelo stock show & rodeo parade
- $18^{\rm TH}$ Hawley Saddle Club Playday BO @ 1:00PM, fides @ 1:30PM
- 24TH DISTRICT II PLAYDAY BO @ 12:30PM, RIDES @ 1:30PM
- 29-31ST ABC TODEO LUBBOCK SADDLE CLUB

<u>april 2012</u>

- 7TH LUBBOCK SADDLE CLUB PLAYDAY BO @ 11AM, FIDES @ 12PM
- 14[™] DISTRICT 31 PLAYDAY, BO @ 1,PM, RIDES @ 2PM
- 14[™] PGCCIC PLAYDAY BO @ 9AM, FIDES @ 10AM
- 14[™] Weatherford Comancheros Playday 2:00PM
- 28[™] DISTFICT II PLAYDAY BO @ 12:30PM, FIDES @ 1:30PM
- 28TH Weatherford Comancheros National Dist 3 2:00PM

May 2012

- 5TH LUBBOCK SADDLE CLUB PLAYDAY BO @ 11AM, FIDES @ 12PM
- 5™ PGCCIC PLAYDAY BO @ 9AM, IIDES @ 10AM
- 12[™] DISTRICT 31 PLAYDAY BO @ 1PM, RIDES @ 2PM
- 12TH Weatherford Comancheros Playday 2:00PM
- 26TH DISTRICT II PLAYDAY BO @ 12:30PM, RIDES @ 1:30PM

JUNE 2012

- 2ND LUBBOCK SADDLE CLUB PLAYDAY BO @ 11AM, FIDES @ 12PM
- 2ND PGCCTC PLAYDAY BO @ 9AM, TIDES @ 10AM
- 9TH Weatherford Comancheros Playday 12:00PM
- 23rd District II Playday BO @ 12:30PM, rides @ 1:30 PM

<u>JULY 2012</u>

- 7[™] LUBBOCK SADDLE CLUB PLAYDAY BO @ 11AM, FIDES @ 12PM
- 7TH PGCCIC PLAYDAY BO @ 9AM, FIDES @ 10AM
- 14th District 31 Playday BO @ 1PM, rides @ 2PM
- 14TH Weatherford Comancheros Playday 2:00PM
- 21st Hailey's found up benefit playday Lubbock saddle club
- 28[™] DISTRICT II PLAYDAY BO @ 12:30PM, RIDES @ 1:30PM

<u>AUGUST 2012</u>

 $\begin{array}{l} 4^{\text{TH}} - \text{LUBBOCK Saddle Club Playday} - \text{BO @ 11am, fides @ 12pm} \\ 4^{\text{TH}} - \text{PGCCIC Playday} - \text{BO @ 9am, fides @ 10am} \\ 11^{\text{TH}} - \text{DISTFICT 31 Playday} - \text{BO @ 1pm, fides @ 2pm} \\ 25^{\text{TH}} - \text{DISTFICT II Playday} - \text{BO @ 12:30pm, fides @ 1:30pm} \\ 25^{\text{TH}} - \text{Weatherford commonCheros Playday} - \text{National Dist 3 - 2:00pm} \end{array}$

SEPTEMBER 2012

- 8th District 31 Playday BO @ 1PM, fides @ 2PM
- 15th Pgcctc Playday BO @ 9am, fides @ 10am
- 15TH Weatherford Comancheros Playday 2:00PM

OCTOBER 2012

 6^{TH} - PGCCIC PLAYDAY - BO @ 9AM, IDES @ 10AM 13^{TH} - Weatherfoid Comancheros Playday - 2:00PM 27^{TH} - Weatherfoid Comancheros Halloween Playday - 2:00PM

NOVEMBER 2012

10[™] - Weatherford Comancheros Playday - 12:00PM



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