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Whoo hooo! We are on our way to an AWESOME year with the American Association of Sheriff's Posses & Riding Clubs! Several of our members participated in the Fort Worth Stock Show Rodeo Parade and even rode in the grand entry! On Sunday, January 15th, we have had our first Executive Board meeting.

Rider's Roundup Chair

There are many great things in store for the 2012 season! There are plenty of playdays and other horse events that you may participate, at all of our fellow clubs! 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! LaDonna Mild, RRU Chair

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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.

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DRAWDY BENEFIT PLAYDAY

Saturday 2/11/12 at 1PM

TTRC ARENA

5139 Glenn Ct

Forest Hill. TX 76140

Please help TTRC raise funds to help Kelly and Meagan cover vet expenses . They lost 5 horses within a 24 hour period due to Botulism. Their 6th horse, Isis, has spent 6 days at the vets office trying to overcome the poison. As of 1/23/12, she got to come home and is recuperating at home. Upon bringing Isis home , Kelly had to take 2 more horses to the vet. This morning, 1/24/12, both horses have passed away. She has one more horse showing signs .

> Pylons, Poles, Barrels, Spur & Flags \$10.00 for one or all \$2.00 EXB per ride (Pay at sign up booth and get your ticket) Concession will be open!!!!!!

> > Jennie Erwin 817-980-6478 Andy Baxley 682-553-5891 www.tiptopridingclub.com



Raffles



Hey Y'all! Due to circumstances beyond my control, I was unable to submit a lengthy article for this month. I apologize! I DO however, want to remind everyone about their Association dues – If they are received after March 1st a late fee of \$25.00 will be added! Also, please remember that we are accepting SEALED bids on the trailer! Look below for information related to that! SRU is just around the corner! LET'S GET GOING!

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





The AASP&RC is now accepting SEALED bids on the "Queen's Trailer!

If you are interested in submitting a bid to purchase the "Queen's Trailer, Please forward your bid to the Kempner address in the following manner:

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The bids will remain SEALED and UNOPENED until Spring Round Up at which time the bids will be opened and the highest bid will be selected and announced.

The trailer details: 2003 CM 2-horse slant trailer. Good luck and happy bidding!



Hello All!!! Stock Show Parade was AWESOME!! Thank you all for coming. I had to miss last year for the first time in many, many years and hated that. We had so much fun. A blowout on the trailer a couple wrong turns in the "questionable" part of only added to the adventure. The executive board meeting Sunday got us off to a good start. A lot of important issues and decisions were covered; I won't do a blow by blow since the minutes will be available to you. However on one of the issues discussed about voting, and a letter that has been written... We are all volunteers in this, doing the best job we can and hoping everyone is honest. The guidelines and rules we go by were put in place years ago by some very wise people. They have worked for us all these years and will continue to do so as long as we follow them honestly. That being said I'm looking forward to a great year with you all, and can't wait for the playdays and fun to begin! See you all down the road!

Charmie Sanders Exec Vice

Welcome

to the

Tip Top Riding Club!

Newest club in District 14, Region 5 Of the American Association Of Sheriff's Posses & Riding Clubs!



Howdy from Lubbock and West Texas! Well 2012 is here with a BANG! We have received some moisture; we could use a whole bunch more so we can get water on the arena. I know Region 1 is looking forward to playday season kicking off.

January is Fort Worth Parade month; this year West Texas Raiders and Lubbock Saddle Club both had members ride in the parade. There were 176 entries in this years parade. WTR was 176, nothing like saving the best for last. They got to see the whole parade before they had to be in the parade.



We had some newbie's riding, it was their first time to ride in Fort Worth. I think they all had a good time. WTR Queen, Brooklyn Mason (Bella),



was introduced from the press box. From what I was told she had a great time. Next year if she holds a title she will be old enough to be introduced from the arena. We had a really good time while in Fort Worth; we went shopping at Teskey's on Friday. Spent all day in Cowtown on Saturday. Some members walked around the of our stockyards and shopped after the parade. We headed over to the Coliseum to park the trailers. We ate lunch at Cooper's BBQ; that was some good grub. We made it back to Bowie after the Grand Entry with no major problems. We missed a couple of turns but, were able to get back on track.

Thank you to Charmie for opening her home to the officers for the officer's meeting. Breakfast was good. The Executive Board meeting went well. The best part was the naming of the new game. Congratulations to Larry Mitchell and Annette Waggoner for having the new playday game named after them. The Larry-ette.

I will be a Great Grand Papa in June, I hope he (Kash Ray Swade) comes before PDF. Otherwise my partner in crime will be traveling solo this year. I'm already looking for a pony for the boy. If anyone knows where I can find one please let me know. I'm still tossing around the idea of another horse for myself, Jackie keeps telling my standards are too high. She's right of course they are high.

Playday season is just about here, I hope everyone has a great year riding in 2012. Hopefully the blowing dirt won't cancel too may of the playdays here. District 2 kicks off February 25th and will run through August 25th. They will be on the 4th Saturdays. If you are in the area on any of these weekends come join them I know they will welcome you to the arena. We did notice that the grass at the grounds was green. The horses buried their noses and didn't want to quit grazing. Poor things looked so pitiful when they got put in their stalls.



SRU is in April which is about three months away; I'm looking forward to seeing all those that attend. If you haven't been before maybe this should be your first time. You will have a blast. I think Jackie has been talking to some of the WTR members about coming.

I have a question we all need to think about and answer.

Now that we only have SRU, PDF, and Convention, what do we have to offer new families to get them to join the Association? This might need to be something to think about, if we want to grow and not shrink.

May you travel the road less taken in life and create your own path.

Until we meet again Happy Trails to you,

Ronnie Elrod Region 1 VP



Hello everyone,

I hope you all had a Happy New Year. Libby and I were invited to a Party in Sanger. They take there karaoke very serious. It was a great old fashion western ho down.

Saturday morning began early getting my horse ready for the ride to Fort Worth to the Stock Show Parade. My Granddaughter Shelby and daughter-in-law Donna were also up early get ready for me to pick them for the Stock Show Parade. It was a beautiful day for a parade. We had a great time.

Hope everyone is getting ready for the up coming Playday season it just around the corner. I will be riding my colt Marlee this year getting her trained.

Region III will be holding a work day at the association grounds (Bowie arena) at the end February or first of March. I will post the date on the association website with workday plans so you know what we will be working on.

Ronnie Maxwell, VP Region III





To Promote Horsemanship, Sportsmanship & Citizenship And to Keep Alive the Spirit of the Old West

Honestly, this past year was my first real participation in the Association. Though I've been a member in the past, it was always from afar with no real interaction with the dynamics within. This past year gave me a real education to say the least. The pinnacle of my education was at the Association Convention, if you could really term it a "convention" as such.

I arrived, paid my money and was astonished at what I witnessed. I was somewhat disenchanted at the lack of inclusion of the membership in the Association business. What was particularly intriguing was the "Delegate System." For lack of a better term I found it conspiratory. If not in reality, it cave off the perception of a surreptitious plan to swav votes in the favor of a select few. I support that claim by the fact that people were appointed delegates to clubs that have no active membership!!! Really... how did that happen?!?! How's does a club, that doesn't have a single play day or EVEN members have a right to vote?!?! Who came up with the logic in that?!? It looks to me that a club would have to have a NON Related. President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer at the minimum and at least one NON RELATED member. Further, ATLEAST hold one Association Play day to be defined as an Association "Club". Further, delegates were appointed to represent clubs that they don't belong to. Really...you can vote for a club that you are not a member of?!?! So, that's the definition of representation?!? LOL Exactly HOW DO YOU REPRESENT a group of people that you don't ride with?!?! During the convention of course...when these points were made and a rule change attempted... it was voted down by the "delegates". Go figure...

Imagine my astonishment when I was advised of the fact that "members" who want to come and be included could NOT vote!!! Are you all hearing me... if you as a member go to the convention to see what happens and participate...you are NOT allowed to vote!!! Does anyone else see the hypocrisy in purporting the ideology of wanting people/members to participate, but NOT include them in on the process?!?! This is our Motto. Really... how in the world are we teaching Horsemanship, Sportsmanship when we strap kids in magic saddles and put them on automatic horses JUST for the sake of winning. I do NOT believe we are promoting good citizenship when we allow certain families to monopolize the "delegate process" to benefit a select few. I sure know we aren't doing ANYTHING to "Keep Alive the Spirit of the Old West" Exactly, how are we Keeping the Spirit alive through skewing the rules and strapping people on a horse they CLEARLY cannot ride based on their current skill level.

I think most people do not join the association or stay in the association because of a select few who manipulate the rules in order to benefit a select few. Here's one statement made to me by a past member:

"Actually I quit being a member two years ago because of the backroom politics, the secrets, the downright dishonesty of some of the ones who consider themselves the chosen AASP&RC Leaders. After more than 5 years for myself and my Daughter, I felt I was almost to the point of "Guilt by Association". I let no one compromise my integrity and refuse to associate myself with those that do so, I have not renewed my membership or attended a single event in the past two years."

I believe our membership would be stronger if we begin to operate different than what has been established. It's leadership like we've had that sit around condemning membership for not participating in a system where they are CLEARLY not included. They want us to show up and work, but when the decisions need be made or rules are drafted or changed, we are only a necessary evil and irrelevant in the grand scheme of THOSE things.

If this association REALLY wants its membership to participate, I believe EVERY family should have ONE vote. This is the ONLY way this association is going to have a REAL consensus of how we operate. These puppet affiliations are absolutely ridiculous. EVERY year it's allowed to continue is another year the association's credibility and reputation is harmed. If our association membership wants TRUE competition and NOT a set up award system, then by all means join me in fight. If we want membership to grow and the association to prosper, then join me. It's going to take all of us to

take back this association and restore it to the reputation it once had. It's going to take all the "Old School" members to come forward and be vocal. YOU know how it once was and YOU know how to restore it to greatness.

What I want is to return to a family organization. Good spirited horsemanship, competition and sportsmanship. Designate competitions where each club participates in Parade Competitions throughout the year. Have homemade ice cream competitions, cook offs. Friendly competitions between the clubs across the state!!! Of course these are just ideas and may not be practical. All you "old schools" know what used to be done, traditions that were once passed down, but now forgotten. By ALL MEANS...jump on in...the water is fine!!! Everyone else...jump on in with your ideas of a new direction!!! However, it will NEVER be done under the current system. If we don't get this passed where each family has ONE VOTE, it will never be what we want it to be which is what the ultimate goal here is!!

In closing, you can't be Sweden ALL THE TIME. Sometimes, you have to get in the fight!!! Don't sit on the sidelines complaining about how it's run if you're NOT willing to get in the fight and take it back.

Sincerely, W.B. Lane



Hello All,

District 31 will not be having a February Playday. There will be a Region 2 / District 31 Meeting Sat., February 11th at Bono's Chophouse & Saloon in Decatur, TX. The meeting will start at 1:30 PM. Please come early and have lunch.

District 31's first playday will be March 10th. Time TBD.

Thanks, Nicole Martin Dist. 31 VP



Hello from Lubbock,

Please remember if your club rides in parades there is an end of year award. Last year only two clubs turned in forms. I would like to see more clubs show an interest in parading or at least turning in a parade form, to be counted for year end and presented at Convention. The form is in the Rulebook page 27 or somewhere close to there.

The Ft Worth All Western Parade was in January. San Angelo is coming up on February 18th, I know these are parades that some of our member clubs attend. Good luck to each group that does parade this year, may your horse carry you safely.

Address to send forms Jackie Skinner 701 N FM 1729 Lubbock, TX 79403

Jackie Parade Chair







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

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

Hawley Saddle Club

Howdy from the Hawley Saddle Club! January brought a fresh start to a new year for the club. We are ready to start our 2012 PLAYDAY NEW YEAR! The club has many returning members and some new family members...we welcome all! We closed out 2011 with a December Awards Banquet. There were many smiling faces as they came up to get there awards. Lonna Lopez did a great job pulling the banquet together and getting the club some fabulous awards. Way to Go – Lonna! And the winners were:

HAWLEY SADDLE CLUB AWARDS BANQUET WINNERS

Super Senior Women: I st place - Georganne Cole 2nd place - Ruby Crocker 3rd place - Jennifer Aufill 4th place - Tammi Faught

<u>Super Senior Men</u>: I st place - Lorenzo Moreno 2nd place - Robert Cole 3rd place - Jan Crocker 4th place - Pat Arnold

<u>Super Pee Wee Girls</u>: I st place - Kaiden Roberts 2nd place - Brylan Heathington 3rd place - Teyla Dennis 4th place - Dani-Ryan Johnson Leadline - Lena Lopez

<u>Super Pee Wee Boys</u>: I st place - Koda Miller 2nd place - Dodge De La Rosa 3rd place - Rodie Johnson Leadline: Hunter Walker

<u>Pee Wee Girls</u>: I st place - Loren Moreno 2nd place - Samantha Istre 3rd place - Brylee Powers 4th place - Bailey Ryan <u>Pee Wee Boys</u>: I st place - Rowdy Miller 2nd place - Lukas Moreno

Junior Girls: I st place - Delaney De La Rosa 2nd place - Brianna Luna 3rd place - Madison Brody 4lh place - Mikka Giddings 5lh place - Makayla Easley 6lh place - Becca Bullard

<u>Junior Boy</u>: I st place - Zachary Powers

Intermediate Women: I st place - Marti Smith 2nd place - Lonna Lopez 3rd place - Jennifer Gaston 4th place - Jesse Hanson 5th place - Kristan Walker 6th place - Robyn Cole

Intermediate Men: I st place - Logan Cole

Senior Women: I st place - Lisa Luna 2nd place - Angela Miller 3rd place - Wyn D Lee Roberts 4th place - Jennifer Brody 5th place - Tracy Davis 6th place - Teia Dennis

> <u>Senior Men</u>: I st place - Alan Brody

Other HSC Club Awards: Horsemanship - Delaney De La Rosa Sportsmanship - Loren Moreno Citizenship - Lukas Moreno Al Cunningham - Randy De La Rosa Horse Award - Hannibel Stick Horse - Jan Crocker Most Improved Rider - Teyla Dennis Most Overall points for the Year - Delaney De La Rosa <u>New 2012 HSC Sweethearts</u>: Club Sweetheart - Loren Moreno Senior Sweetheart - Marti Smith Junior Sweetheart - Mikka Giddings

New 2012 HSC Board Members: President - Lorenzo Moreno Vice President - Lisa Luna Club Secretary/Treasurer - Deann Powers Arena Director - Randy De La Rosa Playday Secretary - Emilia Moreno Newsletter - Jennifer Brody Concession Stand Rep. - Gwen Smith Awards - Angela Miller

We would like to encourage anyone interested to become one of our Facebook friends, where we keep the latest information for the club as current as possible...just look up Hawley Saddle Club. We would also like to invite you all to come out & playday with The first and third weekends of the US. month is when we playday, so come on out and join us! Right now (during Winter Season) we playday on Sundays. We signup at I pm and ride at I:30 pm. The schedule is:

February 2012 Sign up at 1:00 p.m., ride at 1:30 p.m.

Sunday February 5th Events: Pylons, Larryette and Baseball

Monday February 6th: Club meeting @ 6:30 Sunday February 19th Events: Barrels, SW Barrels and Flags Sunday February 26th Events: Poles Flying W and Hitch N Go

March 2012

Sign up at 1:00 p.m., ride at 1:30 p.m.

Sunday March 4th Playday moved to February 26th

Monday March 5th: Club meeting @ 6:30 Sunday March 18th Events: Pylons, Larryette and Baseball



Dear Family,

Well our season has officially started! Haven't rode much around here, unless you have a horse that likes to swim. Praise God for the rain, we did need it. Since our January playday was canceled we want to remind all of you about the one on February 3rd, this is a donation playday, we are running all 8 events so it will also be a great time to qualify for finals. Don't forget all of you who are not the early birds of the family that we do start at 10 am with sign-up at 9am this year.

I want to also bring to attention our upcoming things for March. We have our playday on the 3rd, our first normal one that counts for points, but also on that day we are hosting the Region 3 Buckle Show. This will be held at the same time as our playday, at Salt Creek Arena, but there is a separate fee to enter. We are hoping for a major turn-out, this supports our region so that we may pass on the generosity to the association this year. There will be 7 buckles, running both men and women in same groups together but we also have a buckle for our ade lead line kiddos too! And since its also a PGCCRC playday we have high point awards for the normal events that day if you are a Junior or under. Events for that playday and buckle show are, Pylon, Flag, Poles, Barrels and Larry-ette, (its the new one for finals this year).

Second activity for March is the 'Fly Without Wings' benefit. It will be at the grasslands next to Decatur off 730, held on March 31rst- April 1rst. There will be 3 meals provided, a live band and auction Saturday night, and church services Sunday morning. The overnight camping fee has been waived, so come out and enjoy the fellowship, food and trail rides with the family. I know that our calendars start to fill up around this time, but if you have either one of these weekends open we would love to see everyone there. Well, I better get back to the hope you all have a very Happy Valentines Day! family,

Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. 1 Cor. 13:7

Until Next Month, 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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 214-534-8440

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On Dec. II, 2011, the Lewisville Saddle Club held their annual Christmas Party and Awards Banquet at the beautiful Diamond D facility in Denton. We had a full room, and tons of food provided by the club, and the ladies of the club. The meat, prepared by D.L.Bowles of Sanger, was provided by the club, and the ladies outdid themselves with sides, salads, and desserts! Sorry to say, I overdid myself eating it, too! (and suffered for it later)!

Our new officers for 2012 were introduced as well as our Junior Sweetheart. Executive Officers. New President is Mike Wheeler (returning), Vice-President, Suzanne Wilson, Secretary Dianne Johnson (returning), and Treasurer Terry Petty. New Jr. Sweetheart, Morgan Johnson. Congratulations, guys, we know you will do us a good job. Directors are. Eric Savage, Doyle Coulter, Jennifer Berrier, Hugh Byrom, Denyse Swaney, & Bob Webb, and Gene Montgomery ex-officio officer and lifetime member of our club.

Our outgoing officers were recognized for their service with very nice gifts, as was our Region 5 V.P., Summer Savage, who was present and made a short speech promoting the Assn. to those who were not members YET! We are very proud to have Summer represent us to the Assn. She became a member of LSC when she was born! Haha. Mike Wheeler, president, presented her with a gift for attending.

We had several members who were receiving the club year-end saddle for the first time. Morgan Johnson, peewee girl, asked Suzanne Wilson to receive the saddle with her, as the horse that Morgan rode this year belonged to Suzanne, who had won 5 saddles on him before, and gave him up for Morgan to ride. Connie Ivins was pleased to be the recipient of the Super Senior Women's saddle for her first one as LSC member. A very new member, Megan Maimone, was very surprised and pleased to have earned the Senior Women's saddle this year., And Erin Neff, Intermediate Women, another first time winner! Of course it was "old hat" for Doyle Coulter, Super Sr. Man, and Kendall Wheeler, Junior Girl, to take home the saddles! Belt buckles, and great tack were presented to 2nd thru 6th places, and participation awards to the other riders.

We were pleased to have as visitors, members of TipTop Riding Club which will be a new member of District IY and Region 5 for 2012. Summer Savage, Region 5 V.P. has been working with them for some time. Welcome!

I hope everyone had a Blessed Christmas, and wishing you each a VERY HAPPY NEW YEAR 2012! MAY GOD BE WITH YOU!

Bobbie Montgomery



Our 2012 Queen, Kaitlyn Strube and a few others from the Lubbock Saddle Club made the trip to Fort Worth to ride in the Annual Fort Worth Stock Show Parade and Grand Entry on Saturday, January 14th.

While the group was small, it was bigger than the groups that have ridden in the recent past. This year, Kaitlyn and others are working hard to participate in as many events as they can this year!

Some of the members of the Lubbock Saddle Club will begin their playday season on February 25th by participating in the first District II playday at the West Texas Raiders Arena. Those that do not ride in District II will begin their season in March.

The next major event that the Lubbock Saddle Club will participate in will be the ABC Rodeo Grand Entries, March 29th March 31st. The ABC Rodeo is an annual rodeo put on by the Lubbock AMBUCS. The national AMBUCS' mission is to "Create independent lifestyles for people with disabilities." The proceeds that are raised during this rodeo go to support the Lubbock Boys and Girls Club and other local charities.

The members of the Lubbock Saddle Club invite anyone from the Association to come out and ride with us in the grand entries. We ride in each of the grand entries: Thursday and Friday nights and the matinee on Saturday afternoon as well as the Saturday night performance. As we have in years past, we will tailgate in the parking lot on Saturday between the performances. We typically cookout, play games and have fun until the next performance. If you are in town, stop by and say hi! We'd love to have you! Next month, we will confirm the schedule of our playdays and update our playday rules! We expect to resume our barrel races once the weather is a bit warmer outside!

Our playday season will begin in March and will run through August! 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, stay warm, love your families, ride your horses and enjoy the New Year! LaDonna Mild Lubbock Saddle Club



You've Touched My Heart On You've given me a reason For smiling once again, You've filled my life with peaceful dreams and you've become my closest friend.

You've shared your heartfelt secrets And your trust you've given me, You showed me how to feel again To laugh, and love, and see.

If life should end tomorrow And from this world I should part, I shall be forever young For you have touched my heart.



West Texas Raiders Riding Club (WTR)

Happy New Year ya'll.

We have had several more inches of snow & yes even some rain since the first of December. It has been a nice change from the dry, windy west Texas we have had of late.

Due to weather we were forced to cancel our last playday of the season, which was scheduled for December 4th, 2011, however we rescheduled for January 7, 2012 and we had beautiful skies, and a very nice turn out. The plan for 2012 is to start our playdays just a little earlier in the year, in order to finish the season by November.

We have had two team pennings this year, not only a lot of fun, but they really helped the club out financially. There seems to be a calling for team pennings in this area, we have had people travel to come to our team pennings all the way from Amarillo, Abilene & Roswell, New Mexico. The pennings are a blast & the members work very hard to be sure all runs smooth.

I have seen this club really unite in the past several months. We have acquired about 16 new members since September and there are others who will be joining soon. I see people working together, as one, for the purpose of fun, horsie fellowship & the love of the horse. I am very proud of how new members are accepted readily, thrown in the mix & treated as though we have been here among these other horse people for years.

WTR members did attend the Fort Worth Stock Show & Rodeo this year, January 14th & 15th. There were 7 of us that rode in the parade & grand entry and 3 non-riding members attending for support. There were 176 groups/clubs participating in the parade & we rode dead last, 176th. But it was great fun.

Our queen this year is Brooklyn Mason (a/k/a Bella) and our princess is Erin Sisson. They will be excellent representatives for our club this year.

Our officers for the year are as follows... Payton Gill - President Cindy Clark -Treasurer Virginia Dunlap - Secretary

Wendell Richardson - Vice President Sissy Tedder - Parade Marshall

We will be updating our web site soon. As we feel it is important to keep our members up to date with as far as happenings & point standings...so please stay tuned.

And God took a handful of southerly wind, blew His breath over it and created the horse... May you all be blessed in 2012.

Sissy Tedder WTR Parade Marshall

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Happy New Year from us at Twin Mountain Riding Club.

I have not been very good about writing as I have missed a couple of articles. I really need to get someone elected to this position.

Let me begin with Thanking GOD for the most recent rains that we have received. Here in San Angelo we are so dry and the moisture was post needed and appreciated. A couple of weeks ago we got a couple inches of snow that caused a lot of the shrubs here in town to bend over to the ground as the snow had so much moisture and then we received about $2\frac{1}{2}$ inches of rain this week. Life is good.

Some of us attended the Executive Board meeting in Bowie in January. I will have to say that I learned a lot by sitting back and not saying very much. It is interesting to watch people and what they say.

We are starting to get our horses ready for the San Angelo Stock Show and Rodeo Parade. We have ridden in this parade every year since we formed the club several years ago.

We had a benefit playday scheduled this weekend but since all the rain that has been moved to the 4th of February. Hope we have a large turn out and get some much needed practice in for the upcoming District Playdays that will start in March in Big Lake.

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

Keep this poem in your thoughts.

l sure been needin' a lot of proppin' up lately. WHEN I AM ASKED TO PRAY



Every time I am asked to pray, I think of the old fellow who always prayed, 'Lord, prop us up on our leanin' side.' After hearing him pray that prayer many times, someone asked him why he prayed that prayer so fervently.

He answered, "Well sir, you see, it's like this... I got an old barn out back. It's been there a long time; it's withstood a lot of weather; it's gone through a lot of storms, and it's stood for many years. It's still standing. But one day I noticed it was leaning to one side a bit. So I went and got some pine poles and propped it up on its leaning side so it wouldn't fall. Then I got to thinking about that and how much I was like that old barn. I've been around a long time. I've withstood a lot of life's storms. I've withstood a lot of bad weather in life, I've withstood a lot of hard times, and I'm still standing too. But I find myself leaning to one side from time to time, so I like to ask the Lord to prop us up on our leaning side, 'cause I figure a lot of us get to leaning at times. Sometimes we get to leaning toward anger, leaning toward bitterness, leaning toward hatred, leaning toward cussing, leaning toward a lot of things that we shouldn't . So we need to pray, 'Lord, prop us up on our leanin' side, so we will stand straight and tall again, to glorify the Lord.'"



If you <u>stare at this barn</u> for a second you will see who will help us stand straight and tall again..Do You See HIM? Pass This on to others who might need Propping Up. "In God we trust!"

Take care and until next time. Jeton Tumlinson

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2012 Executive Board

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FEBRUARY 2012

- 4TH Brushy Creek Saddle Club Fun Playday BO @ 8:00am
- 4TH PGCCTC PLAYDAY BO @ 9AM, TIDES @ 10AM
- 4TH TWIN MOUNTAIN FIDING CLUB BENEFIT PLAYDAY
- 5TH Hawley Saddle Club Playday BO @ 1PM, fides @ 1:30 PM
- 11^{TH} Weatherford Comancheros National Dist 3 12:00PM
- 17^{TH} Brushy creek saddle club practice Night
- 19[™] Hawley Saddle Club Playday BO @ 1:00PM, fides @ 1:30 PM
- 25th District II Playday BO @ 12:30PM, rides @ 1:30PM
- 26TH Hawley Saddle Club Playday BO @ 1:00PM, Fides @ 1:30PM

<u>april 2012</u>

7TH - LUBBOCK, SADDLE CLUB PLAYDAY - BO @ 11AM, FIDES @ 12PM

March 2012

3^{TD} - LUBBOCK, SADDLE CLUB PLAYDAY - BO @ 11AM, FIDES @ 12PM

4TH - Hawley Saddle Club Playday - BO @ 1:00PM, Fides @ 1:30PM

18[™] - Hawley Saddle Club Playday - BO @ 1:00PM, Tides @ 1:30PM

3^{ID} - PGCCTC PLAYDAY - BO @ 9AM, TIDES @ 10AM

18TH - SAN ANGELO STOCK SHOW & FODEO PARADE

29-31ST - ABC TODEO - LUBBOCK SADDLE CLUB

10TH - Weatherford Comancheros Playday - 12:00PM

24TH - DISTRICT II PLAYDAY - BO @ 12:30PM, RIDES @ 1:30PM

10TH - DISTRICT 31 PLAYDAY - TIME TBD

- 14^{TH} Weatherford Comancheros Playday 2:00PM
- 14TH PGCCIC PLAYDAY BO @ 9AM, IIDES @ 10AM
- 28TH DISTRICT II PLAYDAY BO @ 12:30PM, RIDES @ 1:30PM
- 28TH Weatherford Comancheros National Dist 3 2:00PM

<u>May 2012</u>

- $5^{\rm TH}$ Lubbock saddle club playday BO @ 11am, fides @ 12pm
- 5TH PGCCIC PLAYDAY BO @ 9AM, IDES @ 10AM
- 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

JULY 2012

- 7TH LUBBOCK SADDLE CLUB PLAYDAY BO @ 11AM, FIDES @ 12PM
- 7TH PGCCIC PLAYDAY BO @ 9AM, IIDES @10AM
- 14TH Weatherford Comancheros Playday 2:00PM
- 21st Hailey's found up benefit playday Lubbock saddle club
- 28TH DISTFICT II PLAYDAY BO @ 12:30PM, FIDES @ 1:30PM

<u>august 2012</u>

 4^{TH} - LUBBOCK, Saddle Club Playday - BO @ 11am, fides @ 12pm 4^{TH} - PGCCTC Playday - BO @ 9am, fides @ 10am 25^{TH} - District II Playday - BO @ 12:30pm, fides @ 1:30pm 25^{TH} - Weatherford Comancheros Playday - National Dist 3 - 2:00pm

SEPTEMBER 2012

 15^{TH} - PGCCTC PLAYDAY - BO @ 9AM, TIDES @ 10AM 15^{TH} - Weatherford comancheros Playday - 2:00PM

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 6^{TH} - PGCCTC PLAYDAY - BO @ 9AM, TIDES @ 10AM 13^{TH} - Weatherford Comancheros Playday - 2:00PM 27^{TH} - Weatherford Comancheros Halloween Playday - 2:00PM

NOVEMBER 2012

10TH - Weatherford Comancheros Playday - 12:00PM



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