

Shelby County 4-H

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September Trail Ride Moved to Taylorsville Lake

Hosted by Spencer County Saddle Club

Unfortunately due to another family commitment the Binions are unable to host our trail ride. We originally were going to cancel until spring because hunting season was approaching. Today we received a call from the President of the Spencer County Saddle Club inviting our 4-H group to join their trail ride on the same day. They start earlier than we had planned so everyone planning on going to Promise Ridge Rodeo should be back in time. We will be meeting at the lake at 12:00. Helmets will be required for all 4-H members. This will also be Spencer County Saddle Club's poker run. You can participate in the poker run for \$5.00 per rider with 50% payback, or just enjoy the ride for free. We do not need to bring any food as Spencer County Saddle Club will be providing food and drinks. Please contact Jessica to let her know how many riders you will have so SCSC knows how much food to buy. Jessica's cell 502-529-6020.

Club Leads the Waddy Parade

Drill Team performs at Waddy Day's on Labor Day

The Waddy Days Parade was lead by the Honor guard and right behind leading the way was the Rhythm Riders Drill team of Shelby County Horse-N-Around 4-H Club led by Drill team coach Jeff Radcliff and his Dad on 4 wheelers. Jeff would have ridden a horse but he doesn't seem to have one. Jeff's boy's Brandon and Trevor rode two horses named Thunder and Lightning. After watching Brandon riding Lightning grinning ear to ear without a care in the world the Woods' nicknamed his horse Vanilla Milkshake. If you ever saw Brandon bouncing around on top of his horse you will understand. Trevor then came to us and said his horse needed a nickname like his brother's horse and you can't do for one without the other. His horse was immediately dubbed "Buckaroo" by Michael because several times we have seen Trevor come off that horse and several times he got right back up. After one of those times Trevor asked his Dad if he could ride his horse Zorro (It was a much smoother ride), and it's been that way ever since. Whenever you see Jeff and his boys, Brandon will be bouncing on Vanilla Milkshake, and Trevor is riding "Z-Man" and if you ask Jeff what he rides now he says, "I don't reckon I have a horse anymore."

Jordon Franklin and Sweets Crash at Mt Eden Benefit show. Horse and rider are alright.

Anyone who has seen Jordon Franklin ride this year knows he has a "Need for speed" and his parents Lee Ann and Kevin can always be found near-by cheering him on. Luckily for Jordan Dad was near-by at the Benefit horse show in Mt Eden last month when Jordan was competing in 3-D Barrels. Jordan ran a good clean pattern on one of his horses, *continued on page 3*

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October meeting date changed

The October meeting date will be Tuesday October 2nd at the Shelby County Extension Office at 7PM. This date was changed from our normal meeting date of October 9th because of fall break. We will be collecting registration, welcoming new members, and officers will be nominated for a November election.

District Horse Advisory Meeting Report

The 3rd District Horse advisory meeting was held in Carrollton on September 10, 2007. Jessica Woods attended as the Shelby County Adult representative, and Danielle Woods attended as the Youth representative.

District 3 had 290 registered for the district horse show with 28 kids scratching. There were a total of 260 that qualified for states with 258 participating. Next year the 3rd District horse show will be at Lakeside May 30th-June 1st. Exceptions for class times/date will only be granted for graduation ceremony's only. If granted the member would be scheduled to ride under a judge for a Danish only to qualify for states.

The state show will be June 29-July 5 which will put us at the horse show during the Fourth of July. Problems that were discussed from this year at states were: Mini's and Large horses practicing in the same arena, and lack of courtesy between the two. It was discussed arranging separate practice time for the miniatures now that they have their own division. The Drill team's practicing during contest runs causing a conflict since a lot of drill team members are in contest. There was also discussion of dressage times being posted so the following class would be able to estimate their class time better.

Kentucky sent 30 riders to Regional's this year in Memphis. It was described by attendees as a really positive experience. One parent recalled the PA stopped working during the National Anthem and the kids all started singing, another fell and was hung up during a drill team competition. Her whole team stopped remained in formation while she was assisted then finished their pattern from where they left off. Next year Regional's will be held in Lexington, Virginia.

Elections were also held Jessica Woods from Shelby County was elected secretary; all other board positions were retained. The next meeting we will be discussing recommendations to send to the State meeting. A recommendation is a rule change for the state show, if anyone has any suggestions please bring them in writing to Danielle so she can present them at the next District meeting.

No rain, no hay

No rain, no pastures.

It's a dilemma for all of us this summer in Kentucky. The Kentucky Department of Agriculture and UK have some information regarding hay sources.

KY Dept. of Ag Hay Hotline:
1-888-567-9589

KDA Hay Webpage:

<http://www.kyagr.com/marketing/forage/HayForageDroughtRelief.htm>

The UK Extension Service also provides information related to the drought and forages --
<http://www.uky.edu/Ag/Forage/>

Drill Team Update

The drill team will be accepting new members for the 2007-2008 year at the October Business meeting. Jeff will discuss ideas for new drills, and will get ideas for practice times and places so they can get started. The drill team has come a long way toward their goal of raising money for matching tack to go to states next year both the kids and parents have been working hard. A big thank you to Yvette Perry for coordinating all the fundraising events for the Drill team remember pasta sale money was due September 17th. For further information contact Yvette the Drill Team Fundraising Chairman at Evette.Perry@irc.ky.gov

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

TRAIL RIDE/POKER RUN

SEPTEMBER 29TH 12:00 NOON

PLACE: TAYLORSVILLE LAKE

PLEASURE RIDGE ANNUAL RODEO

SEPTEMBER 28 & 29TH

PLACE: PLEASURE RIDGE FARM

Horse-N-Around Business Meeting

October 2, 2007

Place: Shelby County Extension Office

Time: 7:00 PM

Paint and Pony Show Concession Stand

October 13, 2007

Place: Shelby County Fairgrounds

Time 8:00 AM

MT Eden Fun Show

October 13, 2007

Place: Mt Eden Raritan Club Arena

Time: 6:00 PM

Waddy Fun Show

October 22, 2007

Place: Waddy Raritan Arena

Time: 6:00 PM

Barrel Racing Clinic

October 29, 2007

Place: Terry & Nina Hightchew Farm New Castle, KY

Time: TBA

CHILI SUPPER FUNDRAISER

NOVEMBER 9TH

PLACE: SHELBY COUNTY EXTENSION OFFICE

TIME: 6:00 PM

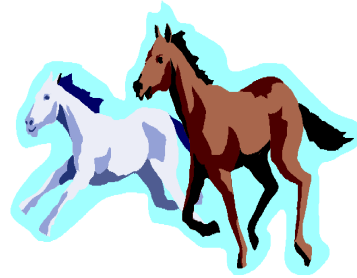
Horse-N-Around Business Meeting

November 13, 2007

Place: Shelby County Extension Office

Time: 7:00 PM

Sweets and seemed to have stopped at the gate.



Jordan says, what happened next was he accidentally dropped the reins and Sweets thought it was time to go, and that is just what she did paying no attention to the stock gate in front of her. Sweets got over the gate taking both the gate and Jordan down with her falling on top of Jordan's leg. Sweets Shoe was caught in the gate, and the other leg in the gate thrashing around. Jordan's Dad who was standing there when Jordan came off face first in the dirt, knew his Son was stuck and he jumped on top of sweets neck calming her. Kevin said, "I knew Jordan was in trouble and I knew he couldn't get out, after I got down there our eyes locked for a just second." Jordan said I knew my Dad had Sweets so I started clawing my way out, it all happened so fast. For Mom Lee Ann who is normally calm during her Son's wild rides, because she knows he practices all the time and he rides well. Lee-Ann was sitting on the other side of the arena and did not know Kevin was holding Sweets down so for her the incident seemed to go on forever by the time she rounded the arena which I think was faster than Sweets ran the pattern she was able to see Jordan was shaken but alright. Jordan did have a knot on his head and twisted his knee and as he limped toward his trailer to check his horse he said, "Mom don't worry I think I am in First place." Jordan took second place for that run.

"Been there, crashed that."





Top ten spooky things

A horse's point of view

10. Blowing Paper:

"At any moment it could whip up into our faces, covering our noses. We could suffocate. And don't try to tell us you'd do CPR."

9. Barking Dogs:

"What? You've never read Steven King's CUJO?"

8. Puddles of Water:

"Quicksand."

7. Trash Cans:

"They've been known to swallow horses and transport them into another dimension."

6. Babies and Li'l Kids:

"Long lost tribe of horse-eating pygmies."

5. Plaid Horse Blankets:

"Hey, when was the last time you wore plaid? It adds 100 lbs."

4. Ropes and Hoses on the Ground:

"Dreaded North American Trail Snakes."

3. Ponies:

"Cute, cleaver, hardy. They want to take over the world."

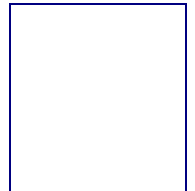
2. Windy Days:

"Two Words: impending tornado."

1. Carts and Wagons:

"Look. You put a human on our backs, we can always buck them off. But hitching a horse to a wheeled object? It's just not right."

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