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Alice Rowland hears her "winning number."

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On The Cover: Alice Rowland and Callaway's Winning Number win the Three-Gaited Country Pleasure 13 and Under Championship at the Kentucky State Fair World's Championship Horse Show. *Photo by Brooke Jacobs.*

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2009 ASHA Scholarships

Each year, the American Saddlebred Horse Association (ASHA) honors several outstanding junior members for their high achievements in academic success, extracurricular activities, and most importantly for their involvement with and dedication to the American Saddlebred Horse. This year, five ASHA Scholarships will be awarded.

Crystal Atwood

Hermiston, Oregon



As a child, Crystal knew exactly what she wanted to do; become a veterinarian specializing in equine breeding, and continue to help her dad with his breeding program.

She is very active with Northwest Saddlebred Horse Association youth groups, winning the 2008 NWSA Youth of the Year Award. Her accomplishments have not only been in the horse industry, but also in martial arts and swimming. Crystal became a black belt in Tae Kwon Do at the age of 16, and has been teaching martial arts for the last four years.

During the past few years, the pursuit of her goals was put to the test when her father was diagnosed with cancer. Someone had to keep up the hay, farm and breeding programs, keep the finished horses in shape and train the new ones. The family was in danger of losing the farm when she and her brother took over most of the major work involved with the daily farm activities and horse training.

Throughout all of this, Crystal has maintained a 3.5 GPA in predominantly honors classes at Hermiston High School.

Crystal has been accepted to Oregon State University, where she plans to earn a degree in Animal Sciences, and would like to attend veterinary school.

Katie McAuliffe

Goodrich, Michigan

Katie McAuliffe, winner of this year's ASHA Youth-to-Youth Scholarship, is a graduate of Goodrich High School in Goodrich, Michigan. She has been riding since she was seven years old, active with ASHA since 2001, and participated in all of the ASHA Youth programs.

Katie has earned bronze, silver and gold in the ASHA Academy medal program, participated in the ASHA photo contest, judged in numerous junior judging contests, and participated in the ASIYP badge program. She was a member of the Tall Tails Youth Club and is currently youth leader of High Times Super Star Youth Club.

Katie was also active on her high school Equestrian Team, and has earned the team Sportsmanship Award. She has been very enthusiastic about promoting the breed through youth club and school activities, working several horse expos throughout the state, and helping her barn put on clinics to promote the breed.

She recently showcased the American Saddlebred in a driving clinic at the Saginaw Valley Equine Vet Clinic and in a riding exhibit at the Michigan Horse Council Horse Expo.

Katie has worked with the Girl Scouts, helping them to earn their Equine badge by



teaching them about the American Saddlebred, as well as general horse care and grooming. She has not only been successful in the show ring, but broadens her knowledge by working on a horse farm, helping to care for and train the horses, and giving lessons to beginner and intermediate riders of all ages.

Katie plans to attend the University of Michigan, where she will study graphic design and photography. Upon graduation she hopes to become an Equine Event Photographer with a focus on the American Saddlebred.

Allison Strash

Pleasant Prairie, Wisconsin

Allison is a graduate of Tremper High School in Kenosha, Wisconsin, where she was a member of the National Honor Society, and has been riding American Saddlebreds since she was nine years old.

Allison worked at Applewood Farms in Pleasant Prairie, where she teaches both adults and children. She also assists the owner of the barn with the breeding and foaling of Saddlebreds, breaking young horses, and assisting the veterinarian with all the procedures done at Applewood.

Allison is also a member of the Kenosha 4-H club, where she reached the state level in



competition with her horse. Her determination and drive to continue in the industry led her to apply to William Woods University to work toward a degree in Equestrian Science.



Anna Stoddard

Gibsonville, North Carolina

Anna has always made time in her busy life for American Saddlebred horses, even successfully negotiating with her school principal to be allowed to attend horse competitions during the school year, without being penalized.

Her argument was that horse competitions should be considered similar to any other sport offered at school!

Anna has maintained a straight "A" honor student status, was the Sophomore and Senior National Beta Club Chapter Secretary, and also served as Science Club manager.

She was a summer intern for Apex Veterinary Clinic, has been a camp volunteer for three years, and helped on the family farm during the summer months.

Anna has been a member of ASHA, ASAC and USEF for nine years, and secretary for the ASAC youth group in 2009.

Anna plans to attend Guilford College in the fall to study Chemistry and Veterinary Science.

Shelby Reimer

Senoia, Georgia

Shelby Reimer is a graduate of Flint River Academy in Woodbury, Georgia.

She has been showing competitively since the age of five, and her commitment to the breed is not limited to the show ring. She has been the president of Jr ASHAG for the past three years. Shelby was the recipient of the Frank Ogletree Youth Award in 2005, and serves as show Chairperson for the Midsummer Classic in Alpharetta, Georgia, which their youth club organizes. Proceeds from the show benefit Saddlebred Rescue and the Ronald McDonald House.

She has also worked closely with UPHA to provide winter tournaments and clinics for their chapter. She is a lifetime ASHA member

and a junior member of American Hackney Horse Society, United Professional Horsemen's Association, and American Road Horse & Pony Association.

Shelby excels academically as well, maintaining a 4.0 GPA in an honors program. She is a member of the National Honor Society and has several awards in individual subject areas.

Shelby plans to attend the University of Georgia in the fall, where she hopes to earn a degree in the medical field.



Winners Honored at Kentucky State Fair



Photo by Shiflet

The 2009 ASHA Youth Scholarship winners were recognized at center ring. From left to right are Katie McAuliffe, Anna Stoddard, Allison Strash, Crystal Atwood and ASHA Youth Chairperson Germaine Johnson. Not pictured is Shelby Reimer.

ASHA Junior Judging Winners Honored

The American Saddlebred Horse Association (ASHA) held its annual World's Championship Horse Show (WCHS) Junior Judging Contest on Tuesday, August 25, at Freedom Hall in Louisville, Kentucky.

Horse show judging is an important part of ASHA Youth Programs, as these contests are an educational way for young people to learn about judging in a fun environment, while being educated about class specifications and show procedures for judging American Saddlebreds. Any individual, age 20 and under, was eligible to compete in this year's contest, administered by Germaine Johnson, ASHA Youth Committee Chair, and Brenda Newell, ASHA Sr. Program Administrator. The contestants were required to judge a minimum of four classes, but no more than six classes, during the performance. All judging was done on an individual basis from a designated area, and no outside assistance was allowed.

The contest was a success, with 16 participants competing in two age divisions. For more information about ASHA Junior Judging Programs, contact Brenda Newell at (859) 259-2742, ext. 343, or by email at b.newell@asha.net.



Photo by Shiflet

From left to right, Charlie Glenn of the R.E. Fennell Company with daughter Julia Glenn, artist James L. Crow, 14-20 Division winner Delynn Uttecht, ASHA Youth Chairperson Germaine Johnson, and 13 and Under Division winner Rebecca Doss.

Age division 13 and under

1. Rebecca Doss, Salem, VA
2. Hope Haynes, Somerset, KY
3. Alexa Cole, Kansas City, MO
4. Kevin Zuercher, Hoover, AL
5. Carysanne Fielding, Finchville, KY
6. Holly Hein, Nashville, TN

Age division 14-20

1. Delynn Uttecht, Omaha, NE
2. Kelsie Zuercher, Hoover, AL
3. Lisa Simonis, Manitowoc, WI
4. Allie Board, Louisville, KY
5. Amy Hein, Nashville, TN
6. Brooke Whitaker, Shelbyville, KY
7. Rachel White, Waddy, KY
8. Nettie Melanson, Shelbyville, KY

The 2009 World Cup Team



Photo by Jane Jacobs

Team USA: Angela Darrow, Jacqueline Beck (Captain), Gary Garone, Jo Cornell, Missy Hughes, Brittany McGinnis, Anne Speck, Brooke Jacobs (Captain), Cyd Simmons, Mackenzie Lyttle and Jessica Moctezuma. **Absent:** Emily Abbott, Brittany Baird, Eleanor Watkins, Victoria McHenry and Callie Dillon.

THREE-GAITED

Emily Abbott, Brittany McGinnis, Eleanor Watkins and Victoria McHenry. Alternate: Angela Darrow. The Three-Gaited team is coached by Gary Garone, managed by Jo Cornell and captained by Jacqueline Beck.

FIVE-GAITED

Cyd Simmons, Mackenzie Lyttle, Brittany Baird and Jessica Moctezuma. Alternate: Callie Dillon. The Five-Gaited team is coached by Anne Speck, managed by Missy Hughes and captained by Brooke Jacobs.

A Bidding Bonanza

The American Saddlebred Horse Association (ASHA) Youth Committee announced the winners of the Basket Bonanza Contest held Thursday, August 27, as part of the 2009 ASHA Youth Auction during the week of the World's Championship Horse Show (WCHS).

There were 16 ASHA Youth Club participants in the contest. This contest was a way for clubs to work on a project together as well as help to support ASHA Youth programs and scholarships. Judges for the contest consisted of three directors of the United States Equestrian Federa-

tion, and one ASHA Auction Volunteer. All of the baskets were very creative and received high bids.

The grand prize winner was a "Horse Show Mom" themed basket created by Rancho Del Martians of Escondido, California, that featured a Cole Haan bag with wine and everything Mom would have on hand for her child in the show ring. This basket received the highest winning bid of \$335, and won a complimentary 2010 ASHA Youth Club Renewal for the Rancho Del Martians. The complete list of winning baskets in all categories is as follows:



Photos by Kaelyn Donnelly



Highest Winning Bid

"Horse Show Mom"

Rancho Del Martians, Escondido, California



Best Equine Theme

"Saddlebred Treats and Sweets"

5-Gaits to Heaven, Kankakee, Illinois



Best Food Theme

"Kentucky Proud"

Mighty Mallard Mustangs, Georgetown, Kentucky



Best Horse Show Theme

"Rider's Show Box"

Tall Tails Youth Club, Grand Blanc, Michigan



Most Creative Basket

"We're Off to the Horse Show"

Club Landmark, St. Charles, Illinois



Best Regional Basket

"Carolina Coast"

High Calibur Hot Shots, Kernersville, North Carolina

Other baskets and participants included "Texas Charm" by Winning Ways Whinnies, Tomball, TX; "Movie Madness" by The Rackin' Riders, Grand Blanc, MI; "Kentucky Proud" by Blue Willow Brigade, Versailles, KY; "Show Time Basket" by De Equus Stablemates, Cato, WI; "UK" by Biggins Bridle Bunch, Simpsonville, KY; "Best of the Southwest" by White Star Show Stoppers, Scottsdale, AZ; "Horse Themed Movie Night" by Krussell Stables Youth Club, Richmond, IL; "Husker and Nebraska" by Cheradon's Chevals, Springfield, NE; "Horse Grooming Kit" by The Sassy Saddlebreds, London, OH; and "Brannon Barnsters Basket of the Bluegrass" by Brannon Barnsters, Georgetown, KY.

ASHA would like to thank all the youth clubs who participated in this contest.

ACADEMY AWARDS PROGRAM



ASHA is proud to offer this unique program. All instructors, advisors and horse show committees are encouraged to promote academy classes in their areas. The development and appreciation of horsemanship and sportsmanship in our beginning Saddle Seat riders will develop skill and appreciation for the American Saddlebred that will last a lifetime.

Academy Awards Program Enrollment

ASHA membership is REQUIRED for participation in the Academy Awards program. For information on becoming a member, please contact ASHA at (859) 259-2742.

Definition of Academy Class

An academy class is any class offered in a local tournament in which two or more stables are participating, or any class designated "academy" at an open show. To be eligible, participants in these classes must be riding a horse designated as a "school" horse, a horse used REGULARLY in lesson program instruction. Acceptable attire is jodhpurs or dark pants, boots, and dress shirt or sweatshirt bearing stable logo. Riding suits are unacceptable. Hard hats are optional.

How Points Are Earned

1 point: Participation in an academy riding or driving class.

1 point: Placing 2nd – 8th in an academy riding or driving class.

2 points: Placing 1st in an academy riding or driving class.

Points will be tabulated throughout the show year, beginning October 1 and ending September 30 of the following year. An official point sheet verifying an individual's participation and placement in academy classes must be signed by BOTH the rider and the instructor or Youth Club advisor, and submitted to ASHA by October 31 of the award year.

To qualify for an award, a total of 15 points must be accumulated during a single show year in either juvenile (17 and under) or adult (18 and over) divisions. Points earned in one year may NOT be carried forward into a subsequent show year.

Awards

A bronze medallion will be awarded for earning 15 points in the first year of competition, a silver medallion for 15 points in the second year, and a gold for 15 points in each additional year. Only one medallion per year may be earned by an individual competitor.

ASHA ACADEMY AWARDS OFFICIAL POINT REPORT

— Please type or print clearly —

Name of rider: _____ ASHA membership # _____

Stable name/City/State: _____ Last medal received: _____

List classes/shows in which rider participated (refer to ASHA Academy Awards Rules and Point System):

Event	Location	Date	Description	Placing	Points Earned
1.					
2.					
3.					
4.					
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6.					
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10.					

All results must be submitted to ASHA by October 31, one month following the end of each complete award year. Please photocopy additional sheets or write ASHA for additional forms. Incomplete applications will be returned.

Riding Instructor/Youth Club Advisor _____ Date _____ Rider _____ Date _____

Return to: ASHA , 4083 Iron Works Parkway, Lexington, Kentucky 40511 859/259-2742

ASHA ACADEMY MASTER MEDAL AWARD

ASHA is proud to offer this award, which goes beyond the ASHA Academy Awards program. After participants in the Academy Awards Medal Program attain their first gold medal, they then have the option to continue with the Academy Awards program by earning gold medals on a yearly basis or enter the Academy Master Medal Awards Program, which encourages participation in promotion, education, and continued involvement with the American Saddlebred.

HOW POINTS ARE EARNED

Riding points are earned according to the rules of the Academy Awards Program. A list follows giving the options for activity points.

MASTER BRONZE: 20 riding points + 15 activity points

MASTER SILVER: 20 riding points + 20 activity points

MASTER GOLD: 20 riding points + 25 activity points

Activity points can be accumulated from the following list. All points must involve a combination of no less than 3 different activities total.

Participate in Junior/Adult judging or Showmanship at Halter – 5 points each

Enter the ASHA Youth Photo Contest (entries received by November 30 of award year) – 5 points

Give a speech to a Youth Club, organization, or class about the American Saddlebred – 5 points

Volunteer at a horse show – 5 points

(i.e. pass out ribbons, help stable or barn, assist other riders, concessions, etc.)

Be a member of an ASHA Youth Club – 5 points

Volunteer at an equine therapy riding program – 5 points

Participate in an ASHA Youth/ASHA Youth Club activity – 5 points

(i.e. assist with summer camp, assist with donation for annual ASHA Youth Auction at the Kentucky State Fair, etc.)

Participate at the ASHA Annual Meeting and Youth Conference – 5 points

Participate in ASHA Saddle Time Program

Complete level 1-3 – 5 points

Complete level 4-6 – 10 points

Participate in ASHA International Youth Program

Earn a Badge – 5 points

Enter an ASIYP activity/horsemanship competition – 10 points

Complete a level of ASIYP

Level 1 – 5 points

Level 2 – 10 points

Level 3 – 15 points

Points will be tabulated throughout the show year, beginning October 1 and ending September 30 of the following year. An official point sheet verifying an individual's participation and placement in academy classes and activities must be signed by BOTH the rider and the instructor or Youth Club advisor, and submitted to ASHA by October 31 of the award year.

To qualify for an award, a total of 20 riding points, plus the required number of activity points must be accumulated during a single show year in either juvenile (17 and under) or adult (18 and over) divisions. Points earned in one year may NOT be carried forward into a subsequent show year.

MASTER MEDAL CHECKLIST

NAME: _____ MEMBER NUMBER: _____ TOTAL POINTS EARNED: _____

Points may be accumulated from the following list. All points must involve a combination of no less than 3 different activities total.

Participate in the ASHA Annual Meeting or Youth Conference – 5 points

Describe: _____

Participate in Junior/ Adult Judging contest – 5 points

Name of show and placing: _____

Participate in Showmanship at Halter – 5 points

Name of shows and placings: _____

Enter the ASHA Youth Photo Contest – (entries received by November 30 of award year) – 5 points

Give a speech to a Youth Club, organization or class about the American Saddlebred – 5 points

Name of Organization and leader/teacher: _____

Volunteer at a horse show (i.e. pass out ribbons, assist riders, help stable or barn, concessions) – 5 points

Name of show and how you helped: _____

Be a member of an ASHA Youth Club – 5 points

Name of club: _____

Volunteer at an equine therapy riding program – 5 points

Name of organization and contact: _____

Participate in an ASHA Youth /ASHA Youth Club activity (i.e. assist with summer camp, assist with donation for ASHA Youth Auction at Kentucky State Fair, etc.) – 5 points

Name of activity and leader or contact person: _____

Participate in ASHA Saddle Time Program

Complete level 1-3 – 5 points Complete level 4-6 – 10 points

Participate in ASHA International Youth Program

Earn a badge – 5 points

Name of badge(s): _____

Enter an ASIYP activity/horsemanship competition – 10 points

Name of Competition: _____

Complete a level of ASIYP

Level 1 – 5 points Level 2 – 10 points Level 3 – 15 points

Please attach additional sheets as necessary to record activities.

2010 ASHA/USPC Annual Awards Program



Sign up now!

Areas in which participants can earn points include:

- Participating in Pony Club lessons/clinics
- Participating in a regional rally
- Participating in a national rally

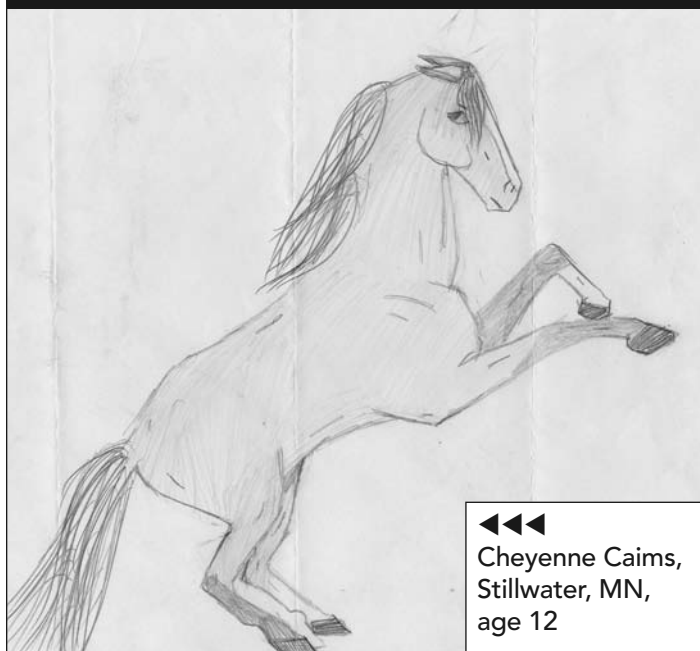


Remind your Pony Club friends who ride American Saddlebred or Half-Saddlebred Horses to register for this exciting program.

All Pony Club activities throughout the current year will count toward points.

For more information about the *ASHA/USPC Awards Program* contact:
The USPC office at (859) 254-7669 or the ASHA office at (859) 259-2742, Ext. 343.

READER CONTRIBUTIONS



◀◀◀
Cheyenne Caims,
Stillwater, MN,
age 12



◀◀◀
Camryn Mallery,
Grand Blanc, MI,
age 8

Michaela Kratofil
Grand Blanc, MI,
age 12



Hinds nominated

Sarah Hinds of Lake St. Louis, Missouri has been selected by the American Saddlebred Horse Association (ASHA) as its nominee to the United States Equestrian Federation (USEF) for the USEF Youth Sportsman's Award.

This award focuses on developing leaders in the equine industry from all breeds and disciplines. This is an opportunity for USEF to give back to outstanding youth members and recognize them for their achievements. Applicants must be active members in good standing with both USEF and their Recognized National Affiliate. They must demonstrate an ongoing commitment to the promotion of the horse, must serve as a positive role model for their peers, and exhibit characteristics that exemplify positive sportsmanship principles.

The American Saddlebred has been a major part of Sarah Hinds' life, as she began riding at the age of four. Hinds rides with Glendale Stables and shows her Saddlebred gelding, Heir to My Heart, in the pleasure equitation division. She also helps

with beginner lessons at the barn, and provides whatever help is needed to prepare for shows. Sarah is involved with a number of programs within the Saddlebred industry, such as the UPHA Ribbons of Service Program, ASHA Youth Planning Committee, ASHA Saddletime Program and the American Saddlebred International Youth Program. Hinds is also a member of the 2009 United States Saddleseat Invitational Team that will travel to Parys, South Africa in December to compete in the International Saddleseat Invitational.

In addition to Sarah's aforementioned involvement and contributions, she uses her writing talent to benefit the industry as well. Sarah has written articles for *American Saddlebred* and *Junior Junction* magazines, covering the ASHA Youth Conference, and serves as a guest editor for the weekly *Show Ring Times* publication.

For four years, Hinds also wrote the Missouri Junior Exhibitor Jumble column for *Saddle & Bridle* magazine.



Sarah also contributes to the industry through her community service involvement. She is a volunteer during the summer at a local Therapeutic Riding School assisting with lessons for handicapped riders and general barn chores. In the spring of 2007, Sarah solely managed a silent auction to benefit Saddlebred

Rescue which raised over \$2,800.

As the ASHA nominee, Sarah will be honored at the USEF annual meeting, and will be invited to a career workshop at USEF this summer. In the event that Sarah is unable to attend the workshop, our alternate nominee is Sarah Lawson of North Salem, Indiana.



Sarah Lawson



Photo by Sarah Hinds

Sarah Hinds won the age 14-20 division of last year's ASHA Youth Photo Contest with this entry titled *Peace and Tranquility*.



Saddle Time

The ASHA Saddle Time Riding Program is an incentive-based program that rewards you with recognition and gifts for doing what you already love to do. It works like this: you keep a log of hours spent riding registered American Saddlebred* horses, and at the various hour levels, you receive special Saddle Time awards.

Requirements:

- ⇒ Current/active ASHA Membership
- ⇒ *Levels one through three do not have to be accumulated on Saddlebreds
- ⇒ Levels four through six must be earned on registered Saddlebreds
- ⇒ No time limit as long as membership stays active
- ⇒ Time recorded will begin upon receipt of enrollment fee and application
- ⇒ Hours will be recorded on an honor system
- ⇒ Hours required for each award are cumulative
- ⇒ Ownership of horse is not required

Hours required and awards offered:

- 20 Patch and certificate
- 50 Patch and lapel pin
- 100 Patch and cap
- 150 Patch and T-shirt
- 200 Patch and tote bag
- 250 Patch and award, with an acknowledgement and photo in Junior Junction, the ASHA Youth newsletter

Hours WILL count in the following activities:

- trail riding
- lessons
- parades
- drill teams
- non-recognized events/shows (only 15 minutes allowed per class)

Hours WILL NOT count in the following activities:

- recognized events/shows
- competitive trail rides
- endurance rides
- grooming
- driving
- hot walking

Saddle Time 2009

Current as of October 16, 2009

NEW

ENROLLMENTS

Avery Barlow
 Sydney Beason
 Libby Bowen
 Lilly Boyd
 Stephanie Brackett
 Mallory Brown
 Kathryn Evans
 Alexandra Foster
 Drew Taylor Hewitt
 Ellie Kangur
 Cassidy Kelly
 Audrey Kim
 Meredith Macy
 Camryn Mallery
 Drew Mallery
 Kaeli McCarty
 Allison McMillin
 Shelby Monroe
 Sydney Monroe
 Mallory Osborne
 Laura Plant
 Allie Poovey
 Shalynn Randel
 Ainsley Ruley
 Graham Troxell
 Sydney Young

LEVEL TWO

Taylor Cooley
 Alexandra Fischer
 Amanda Isoda
 Cassie Neu
 Josie Neu
 Lisa Simonis
 Stephanie Stoley
 Destiny West

LEVEL THREE

Gabrielle Clauser
 Alexis Fenger
 Michaela Kratofil
 Ella Lentz
 Halle Lentz
 Maggie McElroy
 Katie McLaughlin
 Michelle Porter
 Hallie Ungerson

LEVEL FOUR

Melina Labonte
 Anna Grace
 Whitworth
 Hannah Vandeventer

LEVEL FIVE

Grace O'Brien
 Christy Stovall

LEVEL ONE

Lauren Amos
 Arielle Clauser
 Eliessa Eddie
 Carmen Gonzalez
 Ellie Grosspietsch
 Emmie Neu
 Hailley Stantz
 Laura Wood



SaddleTime

RIDING PROGRAM APPLICATION

Rider Information

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ E-mail: _____

ASHA Number (must be current member): _____

Enrollment Fees

	Fees	Amount Paid
Levels One through Three	\$20.00	\$ _____
Levels Four through Six	\$20.00	\$ _____
TOTAL ENCLOSED		\$ _____

Method of Payment

Check Payable to ASHA, MasterCard or Visa.

Credit Card Number: _____ Exp. Date: _____

Print Name: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Scavenger Hunt

Approximately 20 youth participated in the first ASHA-sponsored Scavenger Hunt at the World's Championship Horse Show. A few more than that actually picked up the list, but many were too busy to complete the hunt.

A list of 60 tasks were given to the junior exhibitors to complete, beginning at 9 AM on Tuesday, concluding on Thursday at 10 AM. The objective of the scavenger hunt was for the junior exhibitors to meet "Saddlebred Celebrities," consisting of trainers and other junior exhibitors, and to become familiar with items and exhibits offered at the Kentucky State Fair.

The youth were required to get the signatures of Mr. Don Harris and Mr. Nelson Green, obtain a UPHA Ribbons of Service pamphlet from Helen Robertson, meet 2009 Frank Ogletree Recipient Ivy Johnson and meet current ASHA President Judy Werner, to name a few. They were required to obtain items from such trainers as Bret Day, Rich & Maureen Campbell, Wendy Winstead, Peter Mace, and many others. Participants were also required to take photos of themselves with the Tom Moore Statue in front of Freedom Hall, and to take a photo with the world famous photographer, Avis! They also were required to visit exhibits at the fair like the "Ugly Lamp Contest" and the "Quilt Contest." Points were assigned to each activity.



Above: Amy and Holly Hein pose in front of the Tom Moore statue in front of Freedom Hall during the ASHA Youth Scavenger Hunt. **Below left:** The Heins found Don Harris. **Below right:** Anna Hansil finds photographer Avis Girdler at the ASHA Youth Scavenger Hunt at Kentucky State Fair.

The top four point award winners were:

- DeLynn Uttecht – Omaha, Nebraska
- Rebecca Doss – Salem, Virginia
- Catherine and Sallie Mason Wheeler – Keswick, Virginia
- Anna Hansil – Roswell, Georgia

These participants were awarded gift cards from iTunes or Starbucks. Each participant was also eligible for the drawing for an iFlip video camera, donated by Roy and Judy Werner of Redwing Farm. The winner was Catherine Wheeler.



Club Happenings



Above left: Heritage Farm Summer Camp educational activities. **Above right:** The White Star Show Stoppers collected food for a local food bank after the organization announced its supplies were running low. **Middle right:** Jacob Flip of Winning Ways Whinnies, and his mom, in the Parent Lead Line class at the Winning Ways Farm Show. **Lower right:** Attendees pose with a horse at Winning Ways Summer Camp.

Heritage Farm Youth Club

The Heritage Farm Youth Club of Winston-Salem, North Carolina recently participated in the Forsyth County 4-H Model Horse Show. Ribbon winners included Sage Schweickert, First Place Overall High Point Champion, Jade Schweickert, Third Place Overall High Point Champion, and Daniel Castillo, Second Place winner in the Scene Category. Tess Garrison also placed Fourth in the Scene Category.

White Star Show Stoppers

The White Star Show Stoppers started off the year with their annual Easter Egg Hunt and Barbeque to raise funds for the Horses Help Therapeutic Riding Center. Horses Help works with special needs children through interacting with horses. They have had a wonderful relationship with this organization for the last four years, donating in total over \$2,500. Recently they took a field trip to visit and help with the kids and horses, and presented them with a check for \$500.

In June, the Show Stoppers learned to drive. All the members got a chance to drive Dudley through the desert. They were learning about the versatility of the American Saddlebred while working on their driving badge for the ASIYP program.

What to do in Arizona in July when the temperature is over 100 degrees? The

White Star Show Stoppers decided to collect food for a local food bank. Foothills Food Bank was running low on food, so the Show Stoppers stepped up. Their goal was to collect more pounds of food than the temperature! The day was a balmy 115 degrees and the group collected 120 pounds of food! They also gave them a gift card of \$100 for groceries.

Heading into fall, White Star Show Stoppers came to the aid of the Maricopa County Animal Care and Control organization (MCACC), a focus philanthropy for the Show Stoppers. For the second year they held a blanket and toy drive for the shelter. The group collected over 100 blankets, dog beds, dog bones and toys and presented them with a check for \$200. The shelter is in great need of all things during these economic times as more and more animals are being abandoned, and the Show Stoppers were honored to help.

Winning Ways Whinnies

Advanced Camp was a big hit! Nearly all of the senior members took part in their first advanced camp. A three day, two night adventure featured loads of riding lessons and educational talks, along with a little extra time (sleepovers) at their trainer's home. They learned that Steve is a great cook and Mae does occasionally relax. In addition, they took two wonder-





Above: Members of Walnut Ways Wylde Wryders brought Peek-A-Boo as an exhibit to the Jefferson Place Fair. **Below:** Members of the Rackin' Riders learned about the anatomy of the horse with the assistance of Mr. Caveat.



Walnut Way Wylde Wryders

The Walnut Way Wylde Wryders helped with a fair at a nursing home in their community. Each year, Jefferson Place puts on their own "fair" for the residents during the week of the Kentucky State Fair. Walnut Way took their miniature horse, Peek-A-Boo, to the fair as an exhibit. The kids lead her around to greet all the residents. A good time was had by all!

Blue Willow Brigade

The Blue Willow Brigade had a very busy summer. During one of

their summer camps, a photographer from Young Rider magazine came out and did a photo shoot with the kids and lesson horses. She hoped to keep the photos in their library to use as "fillers" in upcoming issues. What a surprise two months later when they received a Horses USA magazine in the mail with their pictures featured in the summer camp article! Horses USA is an annual magazine that will be available for the remainder of 2009 and all of 2010.

In addition to the magazine, the Brigade was able to promote the Saddlebred through a Morton Buildings video. A camera crew came out to shoot a few kids get-

ting a riding lesson to promote the building company as well as the American Saddlebred. This video will be on display during the 2010 World Equestrian Games at the Morton Buildings booth!

The Brigade continues to sell their handmade fleece dog toys to raise money for the Youth-to-Youth Scholarship. They had a booth at the Kentucky Fall Classic Horse Show, and are setting up a booth at the Woodford County Humane Society's "Canine Olympics" in mid October. Looking into the future, the Brigade plans on providing four horses and riders for the National 4-H judge's clinic in November, as well as having a float in the annual Versailles, Kentucky Christmas Parade.

Rackin' Riders Youth Club

The Rackin' Riders Youth Club of Taylor Creek Stables in Davison, Michigan, has enjoyed a busy summer of expanding their knowledge of horse breeds, use of tack, anatomy, volunteering, fundraising and of course, fun! The group made an effort to expand their horse knowledge by one member presenting a breed to the group each month. So far, the Rackin' Riders have covered Hackney horse/pony, Morgan, and Arabian. These breed presentations will continue as they strive to make themselves well-rounded horse people. They focused on learning basic horse anatomy by covering their trusty school horse, Caveat, with stickers displaying the proper anatomy. Mr. Caveat stood like a true gentleman as a team took each side to correctly identify basic parts. The Rackin' Riders also honed their tack skills by viewing a tack demonstration by President Aimee Labrie, followed by dressing her like a horse with the appropriate tack.

This group of fun-loving kids donated their time during the ASHAM Summer Sizzle Horse Show to help sell raffle tickets and chuck-a-ducks to support the 2010 ASHAM Horse Show. As winter approaches, the Rackin' Riders already have a list of fun, educational, and fundraising activities planned!

Brannon Barnsters

The Brannon Barnsters held a Junior Judging Contest during the February competition of the Lexington Winter Tournament Association. On May 3, 2009, the Brannon Barnsters held a Pony Game Fundraiser and raised \$500, which was donated to St. Jude's Children's Hospital.

Moving into fall, the Barnsters have helped a local Brownie Troop earn their Giddy Up and Go Badge.

Desert Palms Diamondbacks

The Desert Palms Diamondbacks have been in full swing this year. With a lot of shows on the schedule, the Diamondbacks have been working hard on their scrapbook pages featuring horse shows. Some of the shows they have attended this year are Carousel, Del Mar Charity, Santa Barbara, and Louisville. When not traveling around, the club members have been working on their ASIYP badges.

With seven horsemanship camps, all the youth members were busy this summer, either being a camper or being a camp counselor.

This year their club took the Arizona's LUV Shack Challenge. They adopted a starved and unbroken Mustang named Del Fica, fattened her up and gave her three months of training. With the help of all the members they were able to get her broke to lead, groom, haul, love people, and ride! After three months, they got to show off all their efforts with the seven other teams that took the challenge.

New this year was a tour of Chaparral Animal Hospital's Equine Surgical Unit. Everyone was amazed and learned a lot of important things about colic and other equine diseases.

This fall season they are planning a candle drive as fundraiser. They also plan to adopt a family for Thanksgiving and participate in a parade in November for the Wild West Days in Cave Creek, Arizona. The youth members will wear the Little Saddlers costumes. Moving ahead to winter holidays, the group will host a barn toy drive to help less fortunate children.

Biggins Bridle Bunch

Biggins Bridle Bunch has been active this spring and summer! In March, Renee taught at an Instructors Clinic at William Woods University, and most of the members were able to go on the trip. The club sold Graeter's Ice Cream at the May Classic Horse Show as one of their fundraising efforts. There was lots of excitement June 22-27 during the Biggins Summer Camp. On the first day of camp, farrier John Hill came and spoke to the group about working in the horse industry. The week included a visit from Yasmin Wazir, a veterinary intern who spoke about the



Top right: Nine states were represented by attendees at Biggins Summer Camp. **Middle right:** Members of the Rancho Del Martians helped Junior Girl Scout Troop #5099 from Chula Vista, California, earn their Horse Fan badge at Rancho Del Mar. **Below:** Emily Burg was one of the summer's many ribbon winners for the Desert Palms Diamondbacks.

anatomy of the horse, a trip to Churchill Downs, and a trip to the Shelby County Fair, where the group participated in the Junior Judging contest, and Jane Bennett spoke to them about judging.

In August, Biggins Bridle Bunch hosted the Snapper's Gas and Brass Touring Club for an exhibition of Antique Cars and American Saddlebreds. The event was attended by approximately 90 members of the antique car group. The club has about 300 members nationwide, and each year they select a different region to spend several days touring. The Bridle Bunch exhibited several horses and taught guests about the breed. Promoting to those outside the show horse world is critical to growing interest in the breed.

In September, the Bridle Bunch hosted a group of German exchange students from local schools. There was horseback riding, hayride and a bonfire. It has already been an eventful year with even more planned!



Rancho Del Martians

The Rancho Del Martians regularly volunteer their time and earn community service hours by helping with local Girl Scout programs while at the same time promot-



Top: Tall Tails members at their fund raising booth at the “Good Times in Goodrich” 2009 Festival. **Above:** Horse clipping demonstration at the Tall Tails’ Executive Farm Summer Camp.

Equine Field Day in June, the “Hats Off to the Horse Industry Day” at the Kentucky Horse Park in August, and the “Experience the Horse” activities during the Festival of the Horse in Georgetown, Kentucky in October. Club members had a float in the Festival of the Horse, Colt and Filly Review Parade which ended up winning 2nd Place in the Best Float category. During the parade, members passed out brochures about the American Saddlebred, Junior Junction magazines, and flyers on the benefits of learning to ride. They also had a “Pumpkins for Puppies” booth during the Experience the Horse activities at the local park. The pumpkin painting raised over \$200 for the Scott County Animal Shelter. The Mustangs also donated jars of Saddlebred Salsa for the gift bags for the Media Day event at the Kentucky Horse Park in July. Several reporters from a wide variety of publications attended including representatives from Southern Living magazine and many horse publications from across the country. They also were invited by the Kentucky Horse Council to set up a table to sell Saddlebred Salsa during a program they are sponsoring in November called “Your Future with Horses.”

August was a busy month of club donations for good causes. They donated a “Kentucky Proud” basket full of items, including Saddlebred Salsa, made here in Kentucky, which won the award for “Best Food Themed Basket” from the American Saddlebred Horse Association. They also donated an Adirondack chair (which converts to a child sized wheel barrow) to the ASHA Auction which helps to raise funds for Youth Programs. Saddlebred Rescue was also a recipient of a silent auction item that included a one of a kind etched glass chip and dip container along with salsa and chips.

They will be hosting a potluck picnic in October, “Bring a Friend to the Barn Day” to introduce others to Saddlebreds.

High Caliber Hot Shots

The High Caliber Hot Shots recently paired with the Second Harvest Food Bank in Winston-Salem, North Carolina, to collect nonperishable food items at the Piedmont Opera’s production of Hansel and Gretel. The Hot Shots collected food at three different performances.

The Hot Shots are participating with other area nonprofit organizations in Macy’s “Shop for a Cause” day on October

ing the American Saddlebred. They average at least 100 Scouts per year, or about 10 troops. The youth help set up, teach the girls grooming and tacking in the stalls, and most of them do actual teaching in a mini private lesson and more. The younger members help by making “ice cream” cones for the horses, providing an extra hand and leading ranch tours to meet the ten different breeds there on the farm. The last group to visit was the Junior Girl Scout troop from Chula Vista, California, who earned their Horse Fan Badge.

Mighty Mallard Mustangs

The Mighty Mallard Mustangs have had an extremely busy spring and summer. Spring started with an Easter Egg Hunt for the area youth to help the local food bank.

The club asked each participant to bring 3 nonperishable food items or donate \$5 payable to the food bank. Over 1000 eggs were hidden around the farm and everyone had a great time helping families in need. In May, club members were busy picking up their high point awards from the Winter Tournament series. Taking home Championship awards were Ashlyn Warren, Claire Hankins, Hannah Herbst, Fiona Steele, Julie Queen, and Jessica Cornelius. Reserve Champion honors went to Gabrielle Whitlock. Emma Redmon and Haley Enriquez both finished in the top 3 in their respective divisions.

The Mustangs have been very busy on the promotional front as well, setting up and manning booths promoting the Saddlebreds at the University of Kentucky’s

17. Youth members are selling passes prior to the event and then will be at the Winston-Salem store on October 17, promoting the American Saddlebred to the public.

The Hot Shots won the “Best Regional” basket award at the ASHA Auction in Louisville at the World’s Championship Horse Show.

Tall Tails Youth Club

Members of the Tall Tails Youth Club, from Executive Farms, have been volunteering their time and service this summer to help with local organizations in their community. In July, Tall Tails kids put on their boots and gloves and picked up their rakes and shovels to participate in O.A.T.S. (Offering Alternative Therapy with Smiles) clean-up days, a two-day all volunteer event. Members raked grounds, installed winter heated buckets, raked the arena, cleaned the feed room, and many other jobs.

In September, members put the gloves and boots back on to participate in the Horses Haven Fall clean-up event. Horses Haven is a horse rescue farm located in Howell, Michigan. Tall Tails members painted fences, washed stalls, installed winter heated buckets, raked the arena, cleaned the feed room and many other jobs.

Executive Farms hosted three summer camps for riders, which ran smoothly with the help of the Tall Tails volunteers. Riding lessons, demonstrations, horse care, and horsey games were the focus.

Four fun shows were also held at Executive Farms this summer, which were a lot of fun for all.

The club has also been busy with fundraising efforts. They operated a booth at the “Goodtimes in Goodrich” Fall Festi-

val, as well as at the “O.A.T.S. Mane Event” Horse Show.

Club Landmark

Club Landmark presents Landmark Farm of Elgin, Illinois and their American Saddlebreds. These riders from across the state of Illinois were happy to present their show horses prior to the PBC Bull Ride at the Kane County Fair. Club Landmark and their “line-dancing” American Saddlebreds were dancing to the Boot Scootin’ Boogie. The ten riders were Jonelle Gardner, Brittany Logan, Beata Flatly-Lilja, Megan Dragich, Rachel Maxwell, Shirley James, Darcy Ozer, Megan Hull, Kristen Gardner and Mary McLaughlin. Horses performing included WC Starmakers Look At Me, rescued Saddlebred “Blue,” South African Saddlebred, Vida Eraser among others. Drill Captain Rachel sums it up, “What a great opportunity to combine the skills we worked on in lessons with the chance to entertain a crowd.”

Zu-Kru

Zubrod Stables held two day camps this summer. The first one was for three days in June and the second was in July. There were about 15-20 kids at each camp and there was much to do the entire time.

Each child got to ride at least two times each day, in addition to a lesson, they were able to ride bareback and learn more about driving as they got to help jog a horse. There were fun activities and crafts



Above: Paige Russell of the Zu-Kru tended to a horse in its stall at summer camp. **Bottom left:** Attendees at Zubrod Stables Summer Camp. **Bottom right:** Lovell’s Stables Summer Camp featured an outing to the movies.

each day thanks to Leslie Mattingly and Lee Weisbach. The students got to learn more about shoeing horses by watching a demonstration by farrier James Quiram, and they also learned all about the basics of taking care of a horse. They learned more about grooming, getting a horse tacked up, the parts of the horse and even got to wash all of the lesson horses, so they were shiny and slick!

Everyone had a great time and is looking forward to doing it again next year!



Junior Judging

To hold a Junior Judging event, contact Brenda Newell at (859) 259-2742, Ext. 343 or e-mail b.newell@asha.net



Photo by Dede Gatlin

Junior Judging participants at the Kentucky State Fair World's Championship Horse Show.

SWARTZ CREEK KIWANIS SHOW

JULY 31, 2009

1. Josie Neu, Goodrich, MI
2. Cassie Neu, Goodrich, MI
3. Megan Riley, Howell, MI

SUMMER IASPHA

JULY 11-12, 2009

Ages 13 and Under

1. Melissa Smith, West Allis, WI
2. Alex Fischer, Elgin, IL
3. Allie Tanzilo, Bartlett, IL
4. Jenna Sarno, Cary, IL
5. Quincy Bastian, Neenah, WI
6. Abby Bastian, Neenah, WI

Ages 14-20

1. Corie Allen, Kankakee, IL
2. Bryana Mitchell, East Peoria, IL
3. **(Tie)** Claire Mogren, Sycamore, IL, and Alison Lapidus, Glencoe, IL
4. **(Tie)** Seth Lapidus, Glencoe, IL, and

Sarah Karaba, Prairie Grove, IL

5. Laura Tovar, Delafield, WI

6. Stephanie Koerner, Kankakee, IL

MID AMERICA SIGNATURE HORSE SHOW

JULY 31-AUGUST 2, 2009

Ages 13 and Under

1. Alison McMillin, Algonquin, IL
2. Rachel Starke, Lake in the Hills, IL
3. Abby Bastian, Neenah, WI

Ages 14-17

1. Allison Lapidus, Glencoe, IL

FALL IASPHA

SEPTEMBER 5-6, 2009

Ages 13 and Under

1. Alex Fischer, Elgin, IL
2. Amanda Isoda, Naperville, IL
3. Quincy Bastian, Neenah, WI
4. Abby Bastian, Neenah, WI

Ages 14-20

1. Alyssa Tanzillo, Bartlett, IL
2. Mikayla Hubley, Fox River Grove, IL
3. BriAnne Sells, Bourbonnais, IL
4. **(Tie)** Claire Mogren, Sycamore, IL, and Deborah Jacobson, Sycamore, IL
5. Gabriella Greco, Oconomowoc, WI
6. Sarah Stuebing, Dekalb, IL

HEARTLAND

MAY 8-10, 2009

Ages 13 & Under

1. Fiona Foster
2. **(Tie)** Sophia Dueno, Spring Valley, OH, and Connor Farley, Waverly, WV

Ages 14-17

1. Jennica O'Reilly, Delaware, OH
2. Taylor Boyer, Sheridan, IN

ETSA MIDSUMMER CLASSIC

AUGUST 6-8, 2009

Ages 11 & Over

1. Austin Hazelwood, Ringgold, VA
2. Megan Schultz, Roanoke, VA
3. Kathy Hall, Salem, OR

Ages 10 & Under

1. Frankie Sue Snider, Newport, VA
2. Christina Barfield, Roanoke, VA
3. Jamie Bo Lucas, Gibsonville, NC
4. Olivia Horan, Blacksburg, VA
5. Kelli Horton, Bluefield, WV
6. Samantha McManus, Lewisburg, WV
7. Morgan Hylton, Ghent, WV

SHELBY COUNTY FAIR

JUNE 24-27, 2009

Biggins Summer Camp

1. Lindsey Merrill, Charleston, WV
2. Sasha Ferguson, Shelbyville, KY
3. Natalie Haugen, Middleton, WI
4. Afton Greif, Grimes, IA
5. Anna Rapp, Shorewood, WI
6. Emma Gearon, Lexington, KY

Byers Summer Camp

1. Lindsay Pierce, Salem, OR
2. Rose Marie Wheeler, Anchorage, KY
3. Lucia Struck, Carlsbad, CA

4. Faith Brickzen, Shelbyville, KY
5. Emma Turpin, Greenville, SC
6. Savanna Miller, Escondido, CA

Equus 4-H Club

1. Rachel White, Waddy, KY
2. Nettie Melanson, Shelbyville, KY
3. Brooke Whitaker, Shelbyville, KY

WORLD'S CHAMPIONSHIP HORSE SHOW

AUGUST 25, 2009

Ages 13 and Under

1. Rebecca Doss, Salem, VA
2. Hope Haynes, Somerset, KY
3. Alexa Cole, Kansas City, MO
4. Kevin Zuercher, Hoover, AL
5. Carysanne Fielding, Finchville, KY
6. Holly Hein, Nashville, TN

Ages 14-17

1. Delynn Uttecht, Omaha, NE
2. Kelsie Zuercher, Hoover, AL
3. Lisa Simonis, Manitowoc, WI
4. Allie Board, Louisville, KY
5. Amy Hein, Nashville, TN
6. Brooke Whitaker, Shelbyville, KY
7. Rachel White, Waddy, KY
8. Nettie Melanson, Shelbyville, KY

UPHA CHAPTER 10 FALL SHOW

OCTOBER 3-4, 2009

Ages 13 & Under

1. Alex Fischer, Elgin, IL
2. Amanda Isoda, Naperville, IL
3. **(Tie)** Madelynn Kendall, Batavia, IL, and Brooklyn Glavach, North Aurora, IL
4. Emily Heckert, White Water, WI
5. Lucy Mellema, North Aurora, IL
6. Amanda Glavach, North Aurora, IL

Ages 14-20

1. Audrey Schneider, Crystal Lake, IL
2. Corie Jean Allen, Kankakee, IL
3. BriAnne Sells, Bourbonnais, IL
4. Melissa Sells, Bourbonnais, IL
5. Lisa Simonis, Manitowoc, WI
6. Alison LaPidus, Glencoe, IL

MID-AMERICA MANE EVENT

OCTOBER 22-24, 2009

Ages 13 & Under

1. Foster Roberts, Georgetown, KY

Ages 14-20

1. Claire Mogren, Sycamore, IL
2. Sarah Stuebing, DeKalb, IL
3. Katie Sullivan, Crystal Lake, IL
4. Alison LaPidus, Glencoe, IL



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Youth compared their Youth Academy Awards medals at last year's conference.

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First time exhibitor at Freedom Hall, Garrett Weiler and Salt Heir finish in the top five qualifying and championship classes in the Three-Gaited Country Pleasure 13 and Under division.