

FORT ARMSTRONG HORSEMEN'S ASSOCIATION
NEWSLETTER – JUNE2010
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BLEACHER FUND

If you haven't heard, we have started a bleacher fund. As you can see, the bleachers need repaired or replaced soon. The cost of this project is enormous. Therefore, we are going to have numerous fundraisers to help defray the costs. If you would like to chair a fundraiser or have an idea for one, please let us know. As you know, the playground was funded strictly by fundraising. We can do it again, but we need your help!!

OUR HORSE WAS STOLEN!!!!!!

At our workday, the rodeo queen contestants erected a horse sign at the entrance to the park. They also painted signs to be attached to the horse to announce the upcoming events. It wasn't there very long. Someone stole our horse!! If you have seen our horse please let us know. We have contacted the Manor Township Police and they will keep an eye out for it, but in the meantime if you have artistic abilities, we sure could use another horse sign. HELP!!!!

We're cookin' now. As a fundraiser for the bleachers, we are compiling a cookbook of your recipes. We are asking each of you to submit at least one of your favorite recipes to be included in the cookbook. Please email your recipes to faharecipes@yahoo.com Amy Shaffer is monitoring the site. If you have questions, please email Amy at that address. Hopefully, with everyone's help, we will have the cookbook ready for sale early 2011.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Rodeo Queen – June 5 - Ice Cream Social and Queen Crowning at 12 Noon in the Picnic Area. Please bring your favorite ice cream topping to share.

I would like to thank everyone who helped in any way this year for all your support and patience. Our committee has worked hard to make this a fair contest for the girls. We will be crowning the winning girl on June 5 at 1:00 P.M. We hope to see everyone at the Ice Cream Social and for the Crowning.

To Aubrey, Hannah, Jessica, Maranda, Marissa and Olivia:

I had a great time working with all of you. I know that at times I can be tough, but everyone of you did your best to keep up with me and do all I asked of you.

Thank you for a great year ~ Miss Diana and the committee

JUNE 6 – Cowboy Mounted Shooting Practice - \$6 a run – starts at 11AM

Up the Creek Saloon -Those interested in participating in the Up the Creek Saloon this year need to contact Sandy 724-668-2796 ASAP. Last year was a huge success. This year we are adding a little General Store along with the Candy Store. I need volunteers to help with both of these areas. I also need "Bar Keepers and Poker Players". Its lots of fun and the monies raised go to the bleacher fund.

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July 3 and July 4 – TEAM PENNING & POKER RIDE WEEKEND

The 4th of July holiday weekend is always a lot of fun at CCHP. Plan to come early or stay late and enjoy all the activities at the park.

Note to holiday campers: In preparation for the rodeo, we will not have horses on picket lines or tied to trailers in the area next to Barn 1. You may still camp inside the shady grove – but no horses there please! Also, if you camp near a pavilion and hook-up to the electric there – you will be charged for a camping hook-up. Thank you for your cooperation.

NO JULY FUN SHOW!!! Reminder August Fun Show has been changed to August 28th due to conflicting events. The Fun Show will start at 10:00 A.M.

The Handcrafted Silent Auction will be held at the August Fun Show. This event is always a lot of fun. Don't forget to get your craft item to the administration building Friday night or early Saturday morning so that the auction can be ready to go at 10:00 A.M. Monies raised at this auction will be set aside in the bleacher fund.

The Rodeo Queen and her Court will be hosting a **Barn Dance** on Saturday, August 28th in the Up The Creek Saloon. The party starts at 8:00 P.M. There is no charge and everyone is welcome to attend and bring a friend. (Adults are also invited). Refreshments will be provided. The Queen and her court will be demonstrating and teaching some line dances. Come join in the fun.

TRAIL UPDATE: We are hoping to have the entire 35 mile loop of trail open in 2010. Our goal is to host a competitive or endurance ride at CCHP in 2011. We need people who are able to donate their time for an organized work day to help clear trash from the trail and update our trail markers. Our focus will be on the section of trail accessed from the McAninch Trail Head. Some of the most beautiful, scenic and enjoyable trails of our system are located out there. If you have only been riding the trails from CCHP... you are missing out on the best. If you are a trail rider and are interested in helping with the trail loop – please contact Karen Winter at 724-537-2806 or krwinter@comcast.net.

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RODEO UPDATE: Rodeo Trail Ride registrations are now being accepted. Please be sure to get your camping and trail riding reservations in to Karen Clark (724-354-2148) as soon as possible. Reservation forms are included with your newsletter and on our website. This year the rodeo entertainment will be Willard Powell "Lone Indian Chief". You can view his shows at www.loneindianchief.com Altmeyer's Trailer Sales & Western Wear on Route 422 will have discount tickets available for advance purchase. Volunteers are still needed to work at the rodeo. If you are interested in volunteering for the parking crew or any other rodeo help – please contact Karen Winter @ 724-537-2806. We also need help after team penning to set up for the rodeo.

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2010 CALENDAR OF EVENTS (tentative)

All dates are subject to change – please contact event manager to confirm.

For open dates, rental info, or to schedule an event – contact

Sue Mangus @ (724) 567-5539 or suefaha@yahoo.com

JANUARY

12 BOD & Membership Meeting 7PM

FEBRUARY

9 BOD & Membership Mtg @ Kings 7 PM
 20 Rodeo Queen meeting 1pm @ CCHP

MARCH

9 BOD & Membership Meeting 7 PM

APRIL

3 - 4
 10-11
 13 BOD & Membership Meeting 7 PM
 17 FAHA Tack Swap 8AM / Shot Clinic 10 AM 724-668-2796
 / Fun Show 1 PM
 18 FAHA Work day
 24-25

MAY

1 Horseman's Open Obstacle Challenge 724-859-7938
 For more info go to www.pnhainc.com
 7 FAHA Family Fun Night 7:30 PM 724-668-2796
 8 FAHA Fun Show 10 AM 724-668-2796
 9 FAHA Cowboy mounted shooting 11 AM 724-468-6808
 11 BOD & Membership Meeting 7 PM
 14-15
 20-23 Hickory Creek Camping/Trail Ride 814-484-7520
 For reservations call Tom
 22-23
 29-30

JUNE

5 FAHA Rodeo Queen crowning 10 AM 724-668-2796
 / Fun Show 2 PM
 6 FAHA Cowboy Mounted Shooting 11 AM 724-468-6808
 8 BOD & Membership Meeting 7 PM
 12-13
 19-20 Fort Armstrong Open Game Show 724-397-2885
 25-27 Westmoreland Horseman's Assoc. 724-539-2834

JULY

2-4 FAHA Team Penning 724-468-6808
 4 FAHA Poker Ride 724-537-2806
 9-11 FAHA Rodeo and Trail Ride 724-545-1271
 13 BOD & Membership Meeting 7 PM
 17
 18 Armstrong County 4-H Round Up 724-548-3447
 24-25
 30 FAHA Mounted Shooting Challenge 7PM 724-468-6808
 31 Obstacle Course Clinic 10 AM – 3 PM 724-537-2806
 31 FAHA Open Obstacle Competition 6PM 724-537-2806

AUGUST

1 FAHA Poker Ride 10 AM 724-668-2796
 6-8 Crooked Creek Open Show 724-864-1689
 10 BOD & Membership Meeting 7 PM
 14-15 Fort Armstrong Open Game Show 724-397-2885
 21
 22 Judged Pleasure Trail Ride 724-668-2796
 28 FAHA Fun Show 10 AM 724-668-2796
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SEPTEMBER

4-5
 11 FAHA Fun Show 10 AM 724-668-2796
 12 FAHA Cowboy Mounted Shooting 11AM 724-468-6808
 14 BOD & Membership Meeting 7 PM
 16-19 Benezette Trail Ride Weekend 724-295-3357
 18-19 PA High School Rodeo
 25-26 Liz Graves All Breed Horse Clinic 724-845-9790

OCTOBER

2 Cow Patty Bingo 724-543-8682
 3
 9 IUP Show/ Event 724-994-4605
 10
 12 BOD & Membership Meeting 7 PM
 Nomination of Officers for 2011
 16 FAHA Halloween Fun Show 10 AM 724-668-2796
 17 FAHA Fun Show Banquet 724-668-2796
 23-24
 30-31

NOVEMBER

9 BOD & Membership Meeting 7 PM
 Election of Officers for 2011

DECEMBER

NO MEETING

NOTE: Check entry forms for early registration and FAHA member discounts. Early registration helps show managers plan for your favorite shows. And, it can save you money!

Questions about events should be directed to the number listed for each event.

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July 31st - FAHA will host a **Mounted Open Obstacle Challenge at 6PM**. This event will be for adult riders and will be triple judged and cash will be paid out to the top three riders - no breed or age divisions - this is an OPEN event. Number of entries will be limited - pre-register to guarantee your entry in this event. We will not use the same obstacles as the Mounted Police Style Obstacle Clinic.

FAHA Member Discounts: July 31 and August 1, 2010 - Save \$7!

FAHA members may enter the Mounted Open Obstacle Challenge for \$20 per horse/rider combination. This is a \$5 discount from the full \$25 non-FAHA member entry fee.

FAHA members may enter the August 1, 2010 Poker Ride at a reduced entry fee of \$18. This is a \$2 discount from the \$20 non-member fee.

Rodeo road signs will be available at the fun show in May and June. Please take a couple and help us advertise the event. We have 200 signs to put up - if everyone takes a couple it makes the job so much easier.



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