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January, 2012

When Do I Call a Vet?

January Meeting Thursday, January 5, 2012 7 to 9 PM McKee 4H Building, at the Ranch

attention?



While you are feeding your horses one cold morning, your normally voracious gelding turns up his nose at the morning rations and walks off to stand by himself in the corner of the paddock. Should you "wait and see," or is this a situation requiring immediate veterinary

You take off your mare's fly mask to discover that her eyelids are puffy and her eyes are weeping. Is this an urgent problem?

Having horses means that you will frequently be presented with situations where you need to decide whether the horse requires veterinary attention, and if so, whether it is an emergency. As any experienced horsemen will attest, for being such large and strong creatures, horses are surprisingly susceptible to injury and medical issues, some of which require immediate veterinary attention for optimal treatment.

Dr. Stephanie Brault of Equine Veterinary Services of Northern Colorado, PC, will discuss common equine emergency medical problems and tips for determining how to address them. She will cover a broad range of issues that concern horse owners, giving us many examples, symptoms, and cases to help us determine when we should call for veterinary help. Dr. Brault is a graduate of the University of California, Davis, School of Veterinary Medicine and a board-certified large animal internal medicine specialist (Diplomate of the American College of Veterinary Internal Medicine).

Don't miss this important presentation, unless, of course, you are always absolutely sure of when to call -- or not call -- your veterinarian when your horse has a problem.

Planning Activities for 2012



Hi everyone it's that time of the year again. We start thinking about where we want to go riding this next summer, and what other LCHA activities we want to participate in. Now, I know it's not even spring yet; it's still winter, but in order to provide all the fun and exciting activities the club hosts, we need to come up with the schedule now.

So be thinking of all the places you would like to ride, days you would like to ride, and times you would like to ride. Be thinking of other activities you would like (for example, what would you like to do to celebrate LCHA's 40th anniversary). When you have ideas, please feel free to let me know, and your input will be heard.

Remember these activities are for you, the members: Who better to pick the rides and other activities? Your thoughts are important. No idea is too small – it may serve as the beginning of a great event for everybody. No idea is dumb. To paraphrase: "The ONLY dumb idea is the idea that never gets expressed."

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Planning

To set up the year's activities, we have a planning meeting:

- Thursday,
- January 26, 2012
- 7 PM to as late as 9 PM
- Estes Park Room at the McKee (4H0 Building at the Ranch



You are invited! So come on out and join us to help plan the activities for LCHA's 2012.

The meeting will include current and prospective trail ride leaders, trail maintenance leaders, people who set up training sessions, people who set up fun events (for example, the annual picnic, Christmas caroling, and Christmas party), and anyone with suggestions for events in 2012.

Again it's YOUR input that I am looking for to help build another great season. So come on out and share your suggestions.

Also, bring along one of your favorite desserts to share, and we'll all have a great time enjoying the desserts while planning 2012.

Feel free to contact me at any time: Ted Newport Jr. (T.J.) at (970) 397-6986 or by email at *tednewportjr@live.com*.

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Equine Dentistry: How to Preserve Teeth for Old Age

February LCHA Meeting

Did you know that 60% of horses over 15 years of age have painful periodontal disease and 79% have infundibular cavities (what the heck is an infundibulum, anyway)?

When do horses start having dental problems and when do the teeth wear out? What can we do to keep the teeth healthy and comfortable?

Drs. Jim and Patty Latham of Mill Creek Veterinary Service in Fort Collins will be discussing the fine points of dental exams and therapies in older horses. The Lathams owned and operated practices in Napa, California, and Pagosa Springs, CO, for 36 years. They are currently teaching the equine dentistry curriculum at CSU's College of Veterinary Medicine and seeing dental cases throughout the northern front range and in Pagosa. They invite you to visit their website at www.lathamdvm.com.

The First Weekend of December

Good news and bad news.

Bad News First

We had to cancel the Christmas Caroling on Horseback. According to Kay Thomson, who has been involved with this activity 17 years, it was only the third time we have had to cancel. Why we canceled (in case you missed the email that went to the club):

Reason #1 - Icy town streets (not safe for man or beast)

See "Bad News" on page 4

Bad News

- Forecasted snow
- Very cold (high about 25 °F)
- · Gusty breeze to make it feel even colder

I'm sorry we had to cancel. I'm sorry we have no descriptions of an exciting day. I'm sorry we have no pictures of horses or riders, or both, decked out for Christmas. I'm sorry we did not have the enjoyment of chatting while munching on cookies, brownies, fudge, or whatever other goodies people brought to share.

We usually have good weather and we usually have good fun when Christmas Caroling on Horseback.

Oh, well. Next year.

Good News

We had a great time at the LCHA Christmas party. Held at the Best Western Coach House Inn in Loveland (I25 and US 34), it started out with a meet and greet, then progressed to dinner:

- salad
- lasagna
- chicken alfredo over linguini
- mixed vegetables
- chocolate lave cake or key lime pie.

Yum. The food was good, and plentiful.

After dinner, we had the obligatory period of announcements, one of which was Hugh Templeton awarding Trail Minder T-Shirts to those who earned them by attending at lest two trail maintenance trips in 2011:

- Mary Detweiler
- Stacy Geer
- Susan Kurzweil
- Marianne Mitchell
- Ted Newport
- TJ Newport
- Gary York
- Hugh Templeton

Mark Reinke earned his T-shirt, but did not attend the meeting. He'll get his shirt later.

When Hugh finally finished, our hostess for the evening – Susan Kurzweil – took over. Susan had a series of word games for us to play. The first games were brain teasers. For example, a quick crossword puzzle using horse terms, a series of scrambled words that, when unscrambled, were all horse words, and so forth. Most of the games were timed; the winner had the highest count of words within the time limit.

Then we played Bingo – three simple games and a fourth game in which a Bingo required three horizontal rows. The rows needed to be first, third, and fifth on the Bingo cards. It

took a while, and our caller (Bonnie Templeton) nearly ran out of letter/numbers to call, but eventually someone won (several of us were within a number or two of finishing the Bingo).

Each game winner received a prize. All the games prompted laughter and good fun.

The party, attended by 28 people, went well and was a success, with lots of laughs and companionship. Thank you to Susan for arranging the party and coming up with creative ways to have fun together. Thank you to Bonnie Templeton, who helped with this event, to Silja Knoll who put together the beautiful slide show, and to TJ Newport who demonstrated a new look for the LCHA web site.

If you weren't there, you missed a great evening! Maybe next year?

If anyone has any suggestions on what they'd like to do for next year's Christmas party, please pass them on to a Board Member or attend one the Board Meetings, which are held on the third Thursday of every month at 7 pm.

Navigating Your Newsletter (If you read it online)

Many of you receive this newsletter in printed format. If so, you see two columns. If an article is too big for one column, it continues at the top of the next column or at the top of the next page. To navigate through articles, it is easy to adjust to the new location to continue reading an article: Just look up at the next column or turn the page. Right?

If you read this newsletter online, you see two columns. If an article is too big for one column, it continues at the top of the next column or at the top of the next page. Sound familiar? Sure. It is the same presentation as in the printed version.

However, since the online newsletter is in a PDF (portable document format) file on your computer, you have another easy way to navigate through articles. Here are some tips.

See "Going Directly" on page 5

Going Directly

Going Directly to an Article

On page 1, you'll find an "In this month's issue ... " box in the lower right corner. It is a Table of Contents for the issue. You can go directly from to the start of any article listed in it:

- Select the article you want to read by moving your mouse pointer over the article title until the pointer changes to a hand shape with the first finger pointed upward.
- Click once.

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LCHA Roundup thanks the following persons for their contributions: Rachael Cohen—preparing the newsletter for mailing.

If you have ideas, comments, or questions about LCHA, horses, the horse industry in Larimer County, or this newsletter, send them to the editor. Your computer should display the beginning of the article you selected.

This is great feature for when you want to check the date for the next trail maintenance date or the next trail ride. Or perhaps you want to show your spouse a great article you think they would like. You can navigate right to it.

Return to Page 1

To return from the end of the article to the first page,

- Move your mouse pointer to the "first page" icon at the bottom of the screen (14)
- Click once.
 Your computer should return to page 1.

Scrolling Through an Article

A couple of folks have mentioned to me that they would prefer not to scroll from the end of one column to the top of the next column so that they can continue to read an article. They would also prefer not to need to scroll to move from the end of one column to the top of the next page (really?). So I am going to try to make that easier.

- If an article breaks at the end of a column, a continuation line appears; for example, See "Bad News" on page n.
- Click once.
 The computer should jump to the point at which the article continues.

This should make it easier for you to follow articles from the end of one column to wherever it continues. Who knows, an article may continue a page or two later. Using this feature, you can follow it anywhere.

If you don't like these changes, let me know. I'll be glad not to do the extra work it takes to set the continuations up. If you have questions about these changes, let me know. I'll do my best to help. If you like these changes, let me know. Positive reinforcement always feels good.

Hugh Templeton Editor, LCHA Roundup

Calendar of Events

Events in 2012

Date	Day	Event	Location	Contact	Time
Jan 5, 2012	Thurs	When To Call a Vet: Stephanie Brault, DVM	McKee 4 H Buliding The Ranch	Butch Kasubick, 970-568-9102	7 to 9 PM
Jan 26	Thurs	PLanning Meeting for 2012 Activities (Rides, etc)	Estes Park Room McKee 4 H Buliding The Ranch	Ted Newport Jr. (T.J.) at (970) 397- 6986 or email tednewportjr@live .com.	7 to 9 PM
Feb 2	Thurs	Equine Dentistry Patty Latham, DVM and Jim Latham, DVM	McKee 4 H Buliding The Ranch	Butch Kasubick, 970-568-9102	7 to 9 PM
Mar 1	Thurs			Butch Kasubick, 970-568-9102	7 to 9 PM
April 5	Thurs	How To Regain Your Saddle in Different Situations Kristin Schuett	Gilnocky Equestrain Center	Butch Kasubick, 970-568-9102	7 to 9 PM
May	Thurs	Saddle Fitting Danna Galden		Butch Kasubick, 970-568-9102	7 to 9 PM

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Classified Ads

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Editor's Note:

In the past, we have sometimes continued to publish classified information after an item is no longer useful; for example, an item for a trailer for sale ran two months after the trailer sold.

Policy: LCHA Roundup (this newsletter) will run "for sale" classified items for two months. If the owner of the item for sale wishes to extend the classified item, she/he must contact the editor and request an extension. Without an extension, LCHA Roundup will remove the item from the Classified section. This policy does not affect classified information for services offered.

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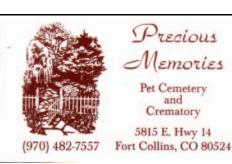






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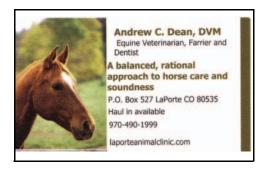
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