



LCHA Roundup

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LCHA Is Going to the Fair - Will You Help?



August 1- 8, 2010

Hello to all, I hope the start of this wonderful summer finds you and your horse(s) healthy and in Great Spirit!

This year's Larimer County Fair is coming up in several weeks and our fair booth is always a fun thing to be a part of. You get to meet a lot of people and share all the things that LCHA represents and does for our county plus the activities we have to offer to our members.

We'll also need volunteers to help set the booth up, and to take the booth down.

Can you spare a few hours in August? Would you like a chance to come to the Larimer County Fair and spend some time talking to prospective members and folks who have horses or are interested in the world of horses? And there's no fee to come to the fair, so lots of folks should come by.

Here are the time slots for this year's fair. There are no events going on Wednesday or Thursday so the booth will not be manned.

We will be in the Ranch Way Indoor arena. If you are interested in volunteering to help man our booth, please email me for the time you would like to work. There will be two people at the booth for each time slot so if you are volunteering for yourself, I will arrange to put someone to work with you.

On Sunday morning, Aug 8th from 6:30 AM to 9 AM, they serve a free breakfast.

Please contact Gary York 970-203-0144 or my.stall2@gmail.com

THANKS for volunteering!

2010 LCHA Fair Booth Schedule

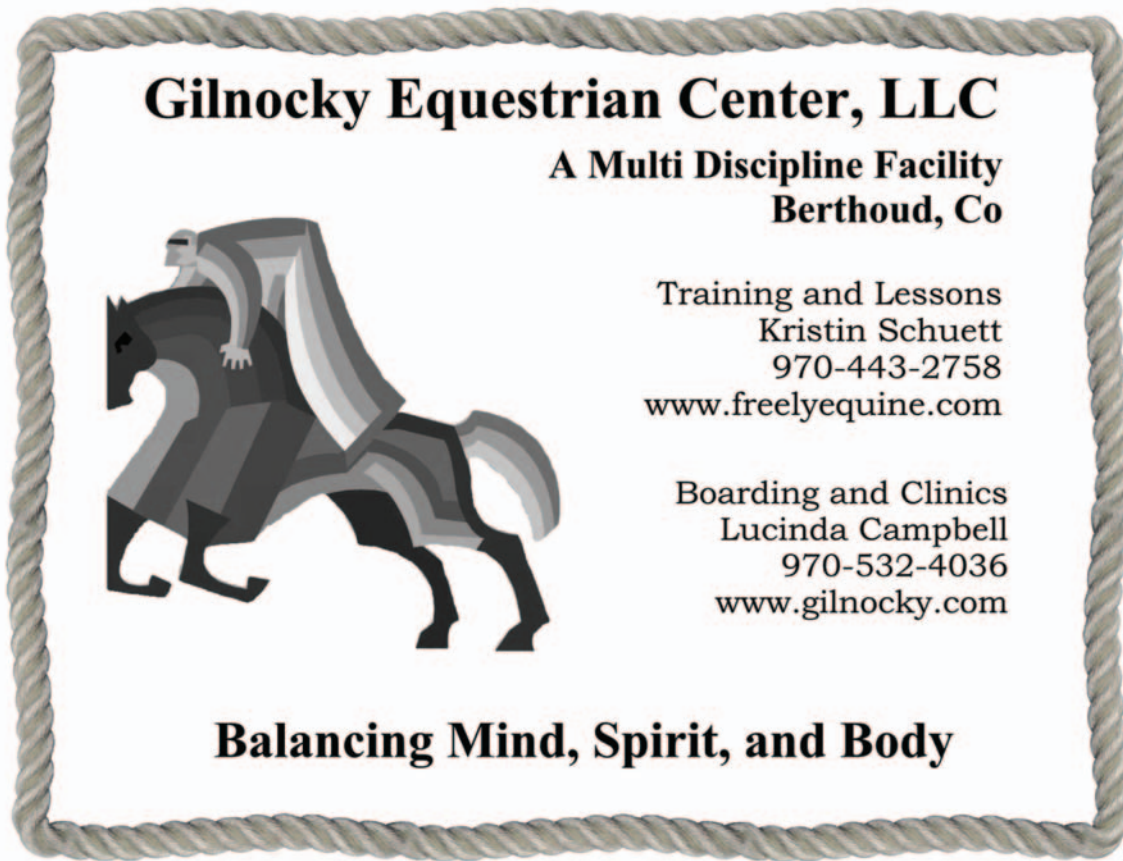
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Editor's Note


Day/Date	Time Slot	Event in Arena
Sun, Aug 1	12 - 2:30 PM	English Horse Classes
	2:30 - 5 PM	English Horse Classes
	5 - 8 PM	English Horse Classes
Mon, Aug 2	6 -8 PM	4 D Barrel Racing
	8 - 10 PM	Open Roping
Tues, Aug 3	8 AM - 2 PM	Western Reining & Western Riding
	6:30 - 10 PM	Open Team Roping
Fri, Aug 6	8 -12am	Mule Show
	12 -3:30 PM	Mule Show
	3:30 - 7 PM	Mule Show
	7 - 10 PM	Mule & Draft Pull
Sat, Aug 7	9 -12am	Junior Rodeo
	12 -3:30 PM	Junior Rodeo
	3:30 - 7 PM	Junior Rodeo
	7 - 10 PM	Open Barrel Race

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Day/Date	Time Slot	Event in Arena
Sun, Aug 8	9 -11:30 AM 11:30 AM - 2 PM	Junior Rodeo Junior Rodeo

This is one of the really great activities we support. It is the best chance all year to present LCHA to the public, to let them know we exist, and that we are a great group. We also have a good time talking to folks who walk by, telling them about LCHA and our horses, and just enjoying the conversations we find ourselves in. We depend on our volunteers to make our Fair appearances a positive experience. Sign up, and have fun while supporting LCHA.

Guaranteed Beautiful Scenery and Fun!

6th Annual LCHA Camping Trip at Jack's Gulch Campground Friday, August 20th - 22nd

If you have never been camping with your horse, maybe you should try: It is a great, enjoyable experience. This camping trip was designed to introduce riders that have never been camping before, so this is an easy, no-worry way to get started. As a bonus, you will enjoy an abundance of wonderful scenery in the Comanche Peaks Wilderness located in the Roosevelt National Forest around the Pingree Park area.



Matt and Butter in a meadow

The Campground

Jack's Gulch Campground has an equestrian loop for horse campers only. There are five sites, each of which has four metal 12' x 12' pens. You will be able to sleep like a baby because you won't have to worry about your horse pulling a disappearing act during the night.



At the equestrian camp sites, pens keep your horses nearby while you eat or sleep

Each site has a dumpster to put manure in, two parking places for a truck and trailer, a picnic table, and a fire ring with a grate. Best of all, we have our own personal restroom. There is also a spot to pitch a tent, or you can sleep in your trailer.

We have reserved two sites out of five (all we are allowed to reserve in advance), and the other three are on a first-come, first-served basis. So right now we have eight pens for horses. If the other spots are available when we get there, and if we need them, we will try to secure them according to how many people will be camping. The use of the pens will go to the first eight people to sign up.

If we are unable to get the other spots, then the rest of us must camp in the forest just outside of the campground. Joy and I usually camp in the forest when we come up for a weekend. You just have a longer walk to the restroom, but you are closer to the trails.

There is a cost for those who stay in the campground; the fee for the two camp sites is \$134 for two nights which will be Friday and Saturday night. That cost will be divided by the number of people for the two sites, if the maximum of eight people sign up, then the cost would be \$16.75 per person for both nights.

Great Food

We have a potluck for all the meals and we eat like Kings and Queens. This gives us plenty of time to socialize and make up stories. For the evening meals we sit around the campfire and consume consumable. If you play a guitar, bring it with you so we can all pretend that we can sing and howl at the moon.

Most people usually drive up on Friday morning – some in the afternoon. The LCHA ride is on Saturday. we'll ride up Fish Creek amongst the Lodgepole and Ponderosa pines with many Aspen groves mixed in along the way. We will stop for lunch at one of grassy meadows on the trail. This ride is eight miles one way and is rated moderate; the elevation gain is 1,633 feet. The ride takes around five to six hours round trip depending on how often we stop to enjoy the scenery. This will be a walk ride unless there are enough riders for one group to ride a little faster. There will be a maximum of three groups of six riders in each group, as Fish Creek is in the Comanche Peak's Wilderness where any group is limited to twelve heartbeats. The groups will be separated around twenty minutes apart. No dogs are allowed on the camping trip as they would have to be on leash. Also, some horses aren't used to being around dogs.

Come up early on Friday and go for a short ride through the large Aspen grove near Bedspring Springs before supper. Or, on Sunday go for a ride on Little Beaver Creek before you leave. The Fish Creek Saturday ride is the only LCHA sanctioned ride.

I hope you will join us. Be sure to bring your camera with you.

Please RSVP by August 11. I will email all the camping info to everyone around the first of August.

Enjoy your summer, horses, and trails!

Gary York 970-203-0144 or my.stall2@gmail.com

Fall Clinic Details

This year's clinic will be Saturday, Aug. 28th, at Circle Back Farm in west Loveland. The clinic is open to LCHA members and the public, and offers topics in groundwork and mounted work for gaited, English, and western disciplines. Thirty percent of all proceeds from the clinic will help support the club.

Participants must register and pay in advance, and Early Bird rates are available through Aug. 11th. Participant rates increase \$5 per session after that date, but auditor rates do not change and auditors do not need to register in advance.

All horses brought onto the property must have a negative Coggins test dated within one year of the clinic.

To register for the Fall Clinic, go to the club's website at www.larimerhorseman.org and use the link on the home page under the photos. There you will find the clinic schedule, cost, and location, along with the registration form.

Worth Repeating:

Emergency Evacuation Teams Look for New Recruits

Several years ago, the Bobcat fire started near Drake and spread rapidly. People living in its path had little time to evacuate themselves or their animals. Some folks spray painted their horses with a phone number and turned the horses loose to fend for themselves: they could not do anything else. The fire eventually scorched several thousand acres.

One of the things we learned from this fire was this: *No organized evacuation plan was in place to help evacuees get their animals to safety.*

Soon afterward, LCHA organized emergency evacuation teams, and contacted Larimer County to let them know that we have people ready and willing to help in case of emergency. LCHA and Larimer County now have a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). The MOU states that LCHA has teams ready to assist the county if the need for emergency evacuation arises.



A wildfire in progress. Fires are not the only emergencies that may require an LCHA emergency evacuation team call-out.

We have also discussed our teams with Loveland Fire and Rescue, who have been training responders in “technical rescue” of large animals (for example, getting a horse out of a muddy ditch or transporting a horse that has been involved in a trailer accident). LCHA has agreed to respond to Loveland Fire and Rescue evacuation or transportation needs.

Teams Need New Members

Over time, some folks have become unable to remain on the evacuation teams. We now find that we need additional emergency evacuation team members. We try to keep several teams trained and ready for call-outs. Why? Call-outs may occur at any time. If a call-out occurs during the daytime when many of us are at work and are unable to respond right away, we still need some team members who can respond immediately. If a call-out is large and requires a prolonged time commitment, we also need teams who, although they did not respond immediately, can respond later and support the initial responders.

No LCHA team member may respond to a call-out alone: Anyone responding to an emergency scene (drivers) MUST have a partner with them.

Not all team members are drivers. We also need communications coordinators – people who can use the telephone to coordinate our responses with the county, call out our teams giving them accurate situation information and instructions, and maintain a record of which teams are active and their locations during the call-out.

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LCHA Roundup thanks the following persons for their contributions:

Karen Bever— 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.

Trained Teams

We agree to train our evacuation teams so that we can work with emergency managers (county, state, or national). All of our team members receive training:

- Trailer inspections
- Driving (to keep our maneuvering as sharp as possible)
- Call-out procedures
- Telephone coordination procedures
- Incident Command System (ICS) concepts and procedures (required by the county)
- Horse loading (your horse may load easily into your trailer, but will anyone else's horse load into it?)

Your Interest?

Are you interested in joining the emergency evacuation teams? If so, call Hugh Templeton at 970-622-0982 (best time is after 7 PM) or email him at hught@lpbroadband.net to indicate your interest. Include your email and phone number. Hugh will give you additional information about the teams, and will request some information from you.

The emergency evacuation teams are an important part of LCHA's community involvement. We welcome your participation.

USDA Forest Service Updates

Mount Margaret Area Trailheads

This has been rather confusing to keep track of based on changing discussions with the contractor who is building the trailheads. However, here is how I understand the situation at this time: The trailheads will be closed as work is being done (Elkhorn already is). I believe the order of construction is Elkhorn, Mount Margaret, Lady Moon, and finally Molly Lake.

As the trailheads are finished, they will be re-opened to use. They may not have the kiosk information or other minor things, but the big machines should be done by then. We are very conscious about keeping them closed for as short a time as possible.

Bark Beetle Hazard Awareness

Falling trees are always a hazard when traveling in the forest. Following these guidelines will help recreationists avoid risks:

- Be aware of your surroundings. Avoid dense patches of dead trees. They can fall without warning.
- Stay out of the forest when there are strong winds that could blow down trees. If you are already in the forest when the winds kick up, head to a clearing out of reach of any potential falling trees.
- Place tents and park vehicles in areas where they will not be hit if dead trees fall.
- When driving in remote areas of the forest, park close to a main road rather than on a spur or one-way section. If trees fall across the road, you may be trapped.
- Do not rely on cell phones for safety as there is no coverage in many areas of the national forest.

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Have a safe and enjoyable summer!

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Trail Crew Spruces Up Lion Gulch

The call went out by email: "Help. We need lots of people to assist in rerouting the trail" The email asked for 20 to 25 people to show up for this specific trail maintenance.

Five showed up. We did not attempt the reroute.

Mother Nature was not kind to the trail over the Winter and rather wet Spring. We found some areas where water had eroded the trail surface, a spot where the hillside by the trail creating a 25 to 30-foot drop-off close to the trail side, a tree

bent over the trail (low enough that a person on a horse would need to dismount to pass safely), a spot where the small stream had removed a bridge, and another spot where a small side stream had swollen and flowed over its banks to run down the trail tread, causing damage.

So what did we do? We fixed the trail:

- We built or repaired check dams where water had run down the trail surface.
- We placed a large flat rock on the soft edge of the drop-off to warn riders and hikers to stay away from the edge.



The large flat rock (center) sits on the edge of a drop-off of 25 to 30 feet into the stream below.

- We removed the bent tree. Later, we used part of its trunk to build yet another check dam.
- We dug out the small side stream's bed so that it would carry a larger volume of water, reducing its ability to overflow onto the trail and erode the trail surface.



The side stream bed (darker color, right to left) is deeper, and a small wall built to prevent water from the side stream from flowing down the trail.

- We put stepping stones into the stream to allow dry passage across it. (We did not have the tools or the permission to rebuild a bridge.)



Only one of the stepping stones was naturally here (can you tell which one?); the rest we put in place to help hikers walk across safely. Some hikers safely walked over the stepping stones while we observed to make sure they would work.

The five of us had a good time, helping each other, telling jokes, and laughing a lot. Thanks to Ted Newport, TJ Newport, Jeff Gasek, and Nicholas Allen (Jeff and Nick were Ted's guests) for a very productive, fun day.

Maybe we'll have enough people to try the reroute next time – July 17.

Hugh Templeton

Tack Sale Tallies Success

Thank you to everyone who either brought tack to sell or purchased tack at our annual tack sale this past May. The final sales total was \$860:

- \$108.50 in clothing
- \$223 from old invoices

- \$528.50 from new invoices.

LCHA will receive \$93.15 from tack and \$108.50 from clothing (minus clothing expenses).

It was a beautiful day; we had a lot of fun and sold a lot of stuff. What a great way to clean out your tack room, make a small donation to LCHA, help other horse friends, and make a little money yourself! Start your piles now for next year!

We will have one small change for next year, as the tack sale is a lot of work and we are storing the unsold tack for members for future sales. The percentage LCHA will be keeping will now be 20%, instead of 10%. If you have expensive items to sell, the rate may be less. If you have questions on this, please feel free to call Susan Kurzweil at 970-663-6738.

Susan Kurzweil IMPS
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June 4 - 6,
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June 12 & 13,
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August 7 & 8,
Equine Touch Level 3

August 13 - 15,
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Horsin' Around in Northern Colorado

A List of Horse Events in the Region

June 5 9AM - 12:30PM

June 19 9AM - 12:30PM

July 10 9AM - 12:30PM

July 24 9AM - 10:30PM

Aug. 7 9AM - 12:30PM

Aug. 21 9AM - 12:30PM

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Trail Obstacle Clinic,
Marty Marten
720-494-9898,
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June 19 & 20,
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Calendar of Events

The Trail Ride Coordinator is Silja Knoll (970-402-5104). If you would like to suggest a trail ride location, or if you would like to lead a trail ride, call Silja.

Sign In

If you intend to participate in a trail ride, please notify the ride leader(s):

For A Trail Ride On ...	Notify the Ride Leader(s) by ...
Saturday	Wednesday evening
Sunday	Thursday evening

For any trail ride, be ready to ride at the time shown on this schedule, unless otherwise noted.

Events in 2010

Date	Day	Event	Location	Contact	Time
Aug 4		Ride in Larimer County Parade	Loveland	Darla Hollingshead	TBA
Aug 6 - 10		Larimer County Fair	The Ranch	TBA	TBA
Aug 20 - 22	Fri, Sat, and Sun	LCHA Camping	Jack's Gulch	Gary York 203-0144	Arrive Friday Evening; leave Sunday
Aug 28	Sat	Fall Clinics	Circle Back Farm, Loveland	Kristin Schuett	TBA
Sept 11	Sat	Poker Ride (LCHA's main fund raiser)	Lory State Park	Bonnie Robinson 970-215-1142	TBA
Dec 4	Sat	Christmas Caroling on Horseback	Berthoud	Kay Thomson	Noon
Dec 5	Sun	LCHA Christmas Party	TBA	Susan Kurzweil 970-663-6738	TBA

Trail Maintenance Schedule for 2010

Day/Date	Trail	Arrive
Sat/ July 17	Lion Gulch Hugh Templeton, 970-622-0982	8:30 AM
Sat/ Aug 21	West Ridge	9:00 AM
Sat/ Sept 18	West Ridge	9:00 AM
Sat/ Sept 25	Lion Gulch Hugh Templeton, 970-622-0982	8:30 AM
Sat/ Oct 9	West Ridge	9:00 AM

LCHA is currently seeking persons who will lead trail maintenance trips on Mill Creek and West Ridge trails. Both are in Horsetooth Mountain Park.

Trail Rides for 2010

Date	Day	Location	Leader	Pace	Limit	Arr	Ride
July							
July 10	Sat	Pineridge LCHA members only	Bonnie Robinson 970-215-1142	W/T	6 riders	10:00	10:30
July 18	Sun	Molly Lake LCHA members only	Pat Carey 970-224-4532	W/T	8 riders	10:00	10:30
July 28	Wed	Lory State Park, South Parking Lot LCHA members only	Pat Carey 970-224-4532	W	no limit	4:00 PM	4:30 PM
August							
Aug 1	Sun	Lone Pine, Lower Road LCHA members only Reminder: You must have a Colorado Department of Wildlife Habitat Stamp to participate in this ride.	TJ Newport 970-397-6986	W/T	6 riders	9:30	10:00
Aug 15	Sun	Hermit Park LCHA members only	Pat Carey 970-224-4532	W/T	6 riders	10:00	10:30
Aug 21	Sat	Fish Creek	Gary York 203-0144	W/T	no limit	09:30	10:00
September							
Sept 11	Sat	Poker Ride, Lory State Park	Bonnie Robinson 970-215-1142	Rider's Choice	Unlimited	TBA	TBA
Sept 11	Sat	Soapstone, Red Mountain Trail LCHA members only	Ted Newport 970-397-9591	W/T/C	6 riders	8:30	9:00
Sept 12	Sun	Red Mountain LCHA members only	Pat Carey 970-224-4532	W/T	6 riders	10:00	10:30
Sept 19	Sun	Mt Margaret LCHA members only	Bonnie Robinson 970-215-1142	W/T	no limit	10:30	11:00
Sept 26	Sun	North Fork Trail out of Dunraven Glade: Fall Colors LCHA members only	TJ Newport 970-397-6986	W	6 riders or 12 riders	9:30	10:00
October							
Oct 2	Sat	Crozier Mountain LCHA members only	Susan Kurzweil 663-6738	W/T	3 trucks/ trailers	9:30	10:00
Oct 10	Sun	Eagles Nest LCHA members only	Pat Carey 970-224-4532	W/T	6 riders	9:00	9:30
December							
Dec 4	Sat	Christmas Caroling on Horseback, Berthoud This event is open to the public.	Kay Thomson 970-532-2443	W	no limit	noon	12:45

W = Walk; T = Trot; C = Canter

Ride Limitations

Some LCHA trail rides have been large. When large numbers of people sign up for trial rides, the ride leader may take one or more of the following actions:

- Encourage horse pooling (if parking space is an issue)
- Limit the number of riders (if this happens, the ride leader will take people on a first come, first served basis, and then will create a waiting list and call people on the waiting list if someone else cancels)
- Depending on the nature of the trail and the experience level of the horse and rider, the ride leader may suggest that some riders not attend a specific ride.

All trail ride sign-ups are strictly on a first-come, first served basis.

Insurance Concerns

The LCHA Board of Directors discovered that our insurance company has been charging an additional fee for each event we sponsor in which non-members can participate. In Board discussions, we decided that we need to keep many of our events open to the public, but we also need to keep some events for members only to limit our insurance costs. Keeping the balance is important. Please notice that the calendar now marks some events **Open** and other events **LCHA Members Only**.

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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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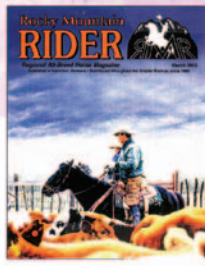
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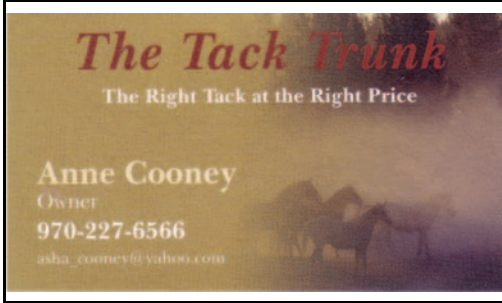
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