PoloCross



Hi Everyone;

Who is tired of being home and watching your horse sit in the pasture? I know I'm ready to do some riding and according to a rumor I heard, there is a chance, if there are no new cases of the Equine Herpes Virus, that we may be able to resume our horseback riding activities by late June.

Keeping that slight unknown in mind, please consider attending our upcoming LCHA fun activity of Polocross on Saturday, July 23rd. It's going to be an early activity at 8:00 am, so we can use the cooler part of the day.

We will be meeting at Kay Thomson's arena in Berthoud. Please plan to arrive at 7:30 am, so we can be ready to ride at 8:00 am. This event will run for approximately two hours, with the first hour covering instruction and practice and the second hour splitting into teams and giving it a try. Most of the time you with either be walking or trotting, but please wear your helmet.

Please RSVP by July 10th using email to Susan at Susankurzw@aol.com or give me a call at 970-663-6738. All equipment will be provided and the cost is \$20 per person. Come, have some fun, and learn something new!



Susan Kurzweil

Editor's Note:

Here is some information on the sport from Wikipedia:

Polocross it is a team sport that is played all over the world. It is a combination of polo and lacrosse. It is played outside, on a field (the pitch), on horseback. Each rider uses a cane stick to which is attached a racquet head with a loose, thread net, in

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which the ball is carried. The ball is made of sponge rubber and is approximately four inches across. The objective is to score goals by throwing the ball between the opposing team's goal posts.

Anyone who can ride a horse can play Polocross, which also helps improve riding skills. All ages and abilities are encouraged to play...



For more information about the sport, you can search for "polocross" on Google or other search engines.

By the way – we won't expect anyone to dress in a uniform, to look as good in the sport as these pictures and drawings show, or to be an expert at polocross after only one hour of instruction for you and your horse. We do hope that you will have lots of fun.

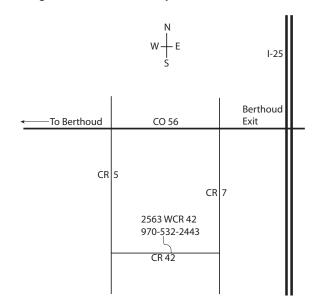
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Directions to Kay Thomson's Arena for Polocross

From north. south. or east

- Take the Berthoud exit from I-25.
- Turn west on CO 56.

- Go about 1 mile on CO 56 to CR 7.
- Turn Left on CR 7.
- Go about 1 mile on CR 7 to CR 42.
- Turn right on CR 42.
- Go about one-half mile on CR 42, and then turn right into the driveway for 2563 WCR 42.



From west

- Take CO 56 east from Berthoud.
- Follow CO 56 to CR 5 (about 2 miles from the east edge of Berthoud at County Line Road).
- Turn right onto CR 5.
- Go about 1 mile on CR 5 to CR 42.
- Turn left on CR 42.
- Go about one-half mile on CR 42, and then turn left into the driveway for 2563 WCR 42.

LCHA Is Going to the Fair - Will You Help?



August 1-8, 2011

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. We need volunteers to work in the booth. As a volunteer, 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!

2011 LCHA Fair Booth Schedule

Day/Date	Time Slot	Event in Arena
Sun, July 31	2 - 4 PM 4 - 8 PM	4H Horse Show, English Classes 4H Horse Show, English Classes
Mon, Aug 1	6 - 8 PM 8 - 10 PM	Musical Freestyle Larimer County Open Roping
Tues, Aug 2	8 AM - 11 AM 11 AM - 2 PM 2 - 5:30 PM 5:30 - 9 PM	4H Horse Show, Western Classes 4H Working Ranch Horse Classes
Thurs, Aug 4	7 - 10 PM	Larimer County Barrel Racing and Roping
Fri, Aug 5	8 -12am 12 -3:30 PM 3:30 - 7 PM 7 - 10 PM	Mule Show Mule and Draft Pull

Day/Date	Time Slot	Event in Arena
Sat, Aug 6	9 -12:00 AM 12:00 AM - 3:30 PM 3:30 to 7 PM 7 to 10 PM	Junior Rodeo Junior Rodeo Junior Rodeo Larimer County Open Barrel Race

Gary York

Editor's Note

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.

Welcome to the New Fiscal Year for LCHA!

Welcome to the new Board of Directors. These are members who are willing to set aside time to bring value to the horse community. The new board members and their phone numbers will be in the August newsletter (this is July's newsletter which went to print before the election picnic.) We are very open to all members' input, so give us feedback and ideas. We hope to make this program year – 2011/2012 – a great year for the horse.

The last two months, with the scare of the EHV-1 virus, is a good example of the use of our e-list. Trying to put this news and ever changing updates on the web site would have been a full time job for TJ. Through the LCHA simple list, we were informed by caring local veterinarians and members forwarding the Colorado State veterinary reports. Join the e-list for updates, emergency information, and LCHA activities location changes (picnic). If you want to receive current LCHA information, you MUST be on the e-list. Join today by contacting Bonnie Templeton at 970-622-0982.

We are all volunteers for this great organization. Every member tries to do quality work, whether working on the

trails, riding the trails, programs, fund raisers, training activities, or helping the county. Join in saying "I am proud to be a LCHA member and volunteer."

""The simple things done with quality are a doorway to horsemanship."

Ed Odgers

This quote referred to a number of activities done on a daily basis when we are around our horses. Examples:

- Noticing how one prepares the bridle or halter before approaching the horse.
- Noticing the horse's expression while approaching.
- Noticing the activities going on around you before and during the task at hand.

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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. Noticing, noticing, noticing is what the horse is all about. The simple things done with quality are a doorway to horsemanship.

Kim Andrews LCHA President 2010/2011

Worth Repeating

Special Notice Regarding Your LCHA Membership

The LCHA membership year runs from June 1 through May 31. Now is the time to renew your membership for the 2011/2012 LCHA year.

You should receive a post card soon reminding you to renew your membership, and you will see another reminder in the next two or three newsletters. We don't want you to miss all the great activities planned for the year just because you forgot to renew.

So stick around. Take a moment now to send your renewal check to

Larimer County Horseman's Association P.O. Box 270375 Fort Collins, Colorado 80527-0375

Thanks, and see you around.

Trail Minders Tame the Lion

Lion Gulch trail, that is. Yes, 10 trail minders and guests met at the Lion Gulch trail head on June 4 for trail maintenance:

- Mary Detweiler
- Cary Ford

- Joseph Ford
- Stacy Geer
- Susan Kurzweil
- Maddy Murphy
- Ted Newport
- TJ Newport
- Mark Reinke
- Hugh Templeton

We had a spectacularly beautiful day, almost cloudless with warm temperatures, but not too hot.

After introductions and tool demonstrations, we started "up" trail – well, actually, the first part of the trial leads downhill to the stream that runs down Lion Gulch. We saw little work to do until we had reached almost a half mile. We blocked a side trail or two (the Forest Service prefers that users stay on the main trail), and blocked off some wider areas where the trail had begin to slide down a hill, leaving it potentially unsafe.

Everybody helped, making the work light and fast.

We continued up the trail, and found some areas in which trail traffic and mother nature had "gullied" the trail – beaten a depression on the trail tread between the hillside on one side and a mound of berm on the other side. We removed the berm, putting the mound of earth on the trail tread and tamping it down so that water would flow directly across the trail rather than flowing down the trail, which causes erosion of the trial itself.



Berm removed from the downhill side of the trail and put into the trail tread to stop trail erosion in a gully; the tree trunk defines the edge of the trail so that users won't wander off the side of the trail tread



Another section of berm removal; the tree trunks and branches define the edge of the trail so that users won't wander off the side of the trail tread. A check dam (the log across the trail) holds the downhill end of the repaired trail tread in place as the trail starts more sharply downhill.

We fixed other sections of the trail that needed berm removal. By lunch time, everyone was ready for a break and a chance to have our sandwiches. Thanks to Subway of Berthoud for donating a 6-inch sandwich for each volunteer on our trail maintenance trips. This time the sandwiches were turkey, and they tasted good after a morning of work.

Before we reached our lunch spot, we noticed another section of trail that needed a different type of solution to a gully. After lunch we returned to that section and built 5 new check dams (these are barriers directly across gullied trail). We use check dams when the gully is deep or in a location in which we can't remove berm. The dams slow down the water that flows down the trail; when the water slows down, it drops sediment it is carrying. Eventually, the sediment builds up in the trail tread, filling in the gully.

It actually works that way!

After the check dams, we headed back to the parking lot, and then to the Dairy Delite in Lyons for a treat for ourselves and some quiet chat before going home.

It was a really good day on the trail. We had a good time outdoors on a beautiful trail, we enjoyed each other's company, and we accomplished important work on the trail.

Trail Maintenance Schedule for 2011

Day/Date	Trail	Arrive
Sat/ July 16	Nomad Trail, Horsetooth Mountain Park Hugh Templeton, 970-622-0982	9:00 AM
Sat/ Aug 13	Lion Gulch Hugh Templeton, 970-622-0982	8:30 AM
Sat/ Sept 17	Lion Gulch Hugh Templeton, 970-622-0982	8:30 AM

If you have questions regarding LCHA Trail Minders, or if you want to sign up for a specific trail maintenance trip, call or

email Hugh Templeton at 970-622-0982 or hught@lpbroadband.net.

Calendar of Events

Events in 2011

Date	Day	Event	Location	Contact	Time
July 23	Sat	LCHA Fun Ride – Polo Cross – and Fundraiser	Kay Thomson's Arena	Susan Kurzweil, 970-663-6738	Arrive 7:30 AM, Ride 8:00 AM
Sept 24	Sat	Poker Ride	Lory State Park	Kim Andrews 970-613-0121	Arrive at 10:00, Ride at 10:30
Dec 3	Sat	Christmas Caroling on Horseback	Berthoud (details to be announced)	ТВА	Meet at Noon, ride at 12:30

Trail Rides in 2011

The Trail Ride Coordinator is TJ Newport (970-397-6986). If you would like to suggest a trail ride location, or if you would like to lead a trail ride, call TJ.

Sign In

If you intend to participate in a trail ride, please notify the ride leader(s) at least two days in advance:

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.

Trail Rides for 2011

Ride	Arr	Limit	Pace	Leader	Location	Day	Date
		1		1			July
9:30	9:00	8	W, T	Pat Carey 970-224-4532 Bring a lunch	Lady Moon LCHA members only	Sun	July 16
10:00	9:30	None	W, T, C	Susan Kurzweil (663-6738) and Kim Andrews (613-0121) Bring a lunch	Mt Margaret LCHA members only	Sun	July 17
9:00	8:30	None	W, T	Kay Thomson 970-532-2443, or 970-443-7111 Bring a lunch	Lion Gulch LCHA members only	Fri	July 29
10:30	10:00	6	W, T, C	Stacey Geer 970-635-2695 or 970-988-7996 Bring a lunch	Bobcat Ridge LCHA members only	Sat	July 30
		•					August
9:30	9:00	8	W, T	Pat Carey 970-224-4532 Bring a lunch	Beaver Meadows LCHA members only	Sun	Aug 14
10:30	10:00	None	W, T, C	Stacey Geer 970-635-2695 or 970-988-7996 Bring a lunch	Lory State Park LCHA members only	Sun	Aug 21
10:00	9:30	None	W, T, C	Kim Andrews 970-613-0121 Bring a lunch	Hermit Park LCHA members only	Sat	Aug 27
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10:00	9:30	3 trailers	W, T	Susan Kurzweil 663-6738 Bring a lunch	Crozier Mountain LCHA members only	Sun	Sept 18
10:30	10:00	No limit - come one, come all	W, T, C	Kim Andrews 970-613-0121	Poker Ride	Sat	Sept 24
9:30	9:00	6	W, T	Pat Carey 970-224-4532 Bring a lunch	Red Mountain LCHA members only	Sun	Sept 25
			1	1		1	October
10:00	9:30	No limit - come one, come all	W, T, C	Kay Thomson 970-532-2443 or 970-443-7111	Pawnee Grasslands Open to LCHA members and their guests Bring a lunch	Sat	Oct 15
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Trail Rides for 2011

Date	Day	Location	Leader	Pace	Limit	Arr	Ride
Oct 22	Sat	Hall Ranch LCHA members only Bring a lunch	Stacey Geer 970-635-2695 or 970-988-7996 Bring a lunch	W, T	8	10:00	10:30
Oct 23	Sun	Eagles Nest LCHA members only Bring a lunch	Pat Carey 970-224-4532 Bring a lunch	W, T	None	9:00	9:30
December	December						
Dec 3	Sat	Christmas Caroling on Horseback, Berthoud This event is open to the public.	Kay Thomson 970-532-2443	W	No limit - come one, come all	noon	12:45

W = Walk; T = Trot; C = Canter

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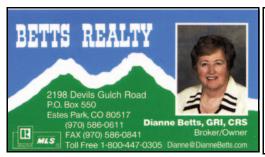
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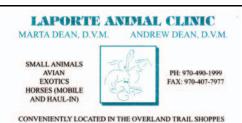




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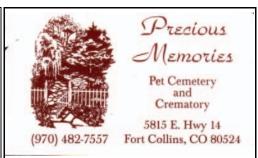


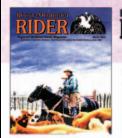




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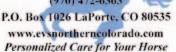
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