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LARIMER COUNTY HORSEMAN'S ASSOCIATION

March, 2011

Two Programs in One

Larimer County Horseman's Association March Program

March 3, 2011
7 until 9 PM
The Ranch - 4-H Building
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We have 2 exciting presentations for our March/2011 program!

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Draft Horses

“Considering the Draft Horse in a Light Horse World”

Bud Walsh is both a light and a heavy horse owner.

Being involved in both worlds, Bud will talk about the background of the major draft breeds and their history in the United States. He will go over their establishment in today's environment and the growing use of the draft horse in farming & ranching as a supplemental source of power. In addition, he will discuss draft horse use in advertising and competition, as well as breeding of the draft horse.

Remember that membership to Larimer County Horseman's Association is not required to attend our

program meetings. Please feel free to bring your guests. As always, there is NO fee or charges to attend.

For more information contact:

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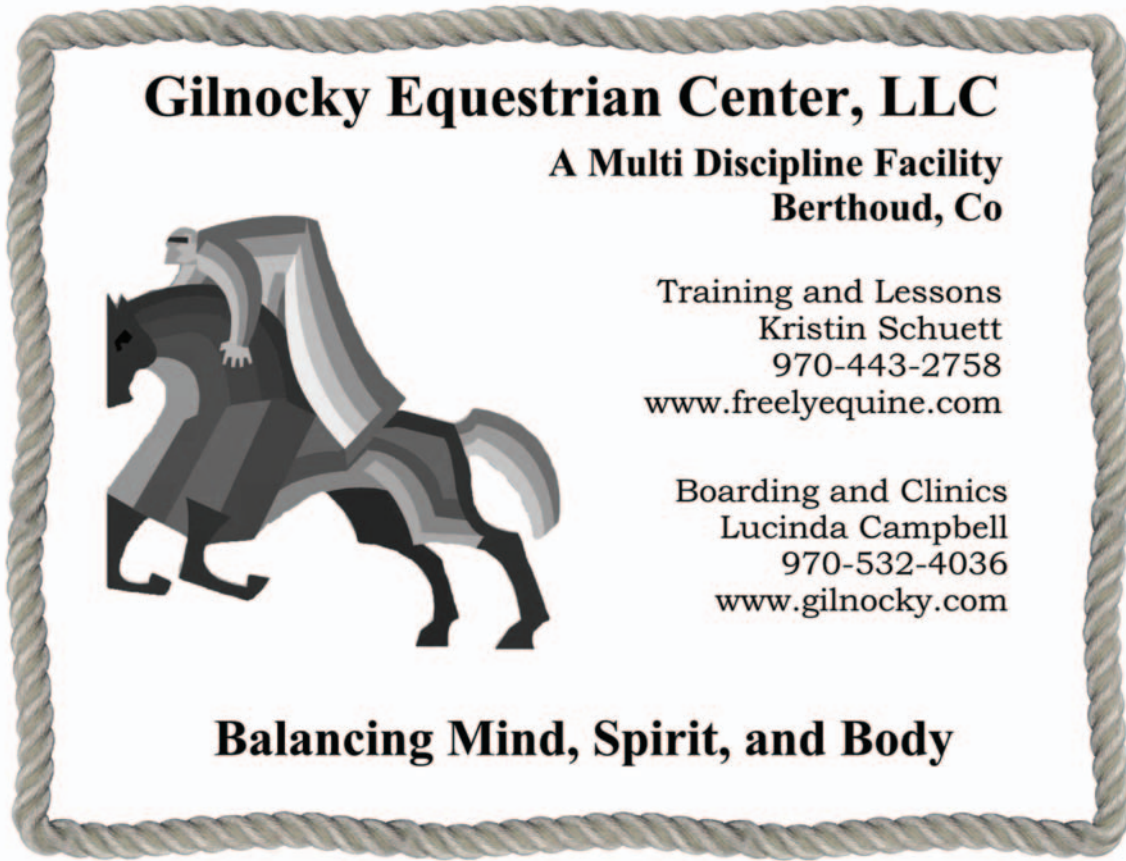
Fascinating! Another Way Our Horses Help Us

April Program


Thursday, April 7th, 2011
Time: 7:00 to 9:00pm
Where: Wilder-Nest Retreats, LLC
Address: 9144 N. Glade Road, Loveland Colorado

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New programs just added for Trauma and Cultural Diversity.

Check out our website to see the many different types of programs we have!

Editor's Note:

These are large claims. Can this program meet them? How do horses fit in? Are you curious? Come to the April LCHA meeting to satisfy your curiosity. Remember, LCHA meetings are open to everybody – you do not need to be a member to attend. AND, there is NO fee to attend.

See you there.

FYI: Ranch Sorting

I hope that this message finds everyone doing well.

Here is the pitch: Ranch Sorting National Championships and Wolfe Productions are presenting a Ranch Sort and Clinic March 19-20 at CSU Equine Center. The clinic is Sat. March 19. There are 2 clinics: 8 AM to noon and 1 PM to 5 PM.

The cost is \$40. But as a member of LCHA you can get a discount of \$5, which makes it \$35 for a 4 hour clinic.

Sun. March 20 is the competition.

If you decide to go to one of the clinics, please let me know as I have to give them a list of who's coming so they can give the \$5 discount to those persons.

Here is a link to their web site (<http://www.rsnc.us/>), so you can read more about Ranch Sorting. TJ and I have been doing this for a little over a year and having a blast doing it. As Dave Wolfe says, "If you can ride a horse, you can ranch sort." If you have questions about this, please give me a call at the number below.

*TED W. Newport
970-397-9591*

Don't follow where the path may lead... go where there is no path and leave a trail

Check Those Trailer Brake Batteries

Just a reminder to our membership; this extreme cold weather is really devastating to the emergency breaking system battery on you horse trailer.

It would be a good idea to:

- Remove the battery to an indoor location during the low temperatures
- Check the battery before use to see that it does indeed have a charge
- If the battery is dead, replace it
- You can also purchase very inexpensive battery "trickle" chargers at a variety of stores like Harbor Freight for ten bucks or less.

I've found the Batteries Plus store a good location to replace these batteries at a reasonable cost. You can also purchase solar panels for under \$20 that will keep the batteries charged all the time. They take a bit of connecting, but your battery will last for years and you will always know it is fresh to operate.

Keith Jacobson

Humor: Texting Abbreviations for the Horse Owner

Is it OK to text while riding? Sure, but who wants to? Still, if you are addicted to texting, here are some new abbreviations you can use:

OOH - out of hay
LAS - lost a shoe
FOMHL - Fell Off My Horse Laughing
FTC -- Forgot the carrots
MIHA -- Mare's in heat, again
IPTI -- I'll pick up tennis instead
LWW -- Lesson went well
MSMBO - mud sucked my boot off
HSIH - Horse Snot in Hair
HAO - Hay All Over
HIMB - Hay in My BRA
PIHH - Poop Induced Half Halt
UD - Unplanned Dismount
PTTDG - Prayed to the Dirt God
MMM - Master Manure Mucker
OOM - Out of money
MHTS - More horses than sense
BAHHFDP - bought another horse husband filed divorce papers
GBBF - got board bill, fainted
GFBB - got farrier bill, fainted
HRHCF - husband realized horse costs, fainted
SLH - Smell like horse
DQFOY - Dressage Queen fell off - yippee
HTNHFH - Hiding the new horse from hubby
WWFNS - Will work for new saddle
AROGC - Arena rained out - going crazy
SSB - saddle sore butt
BTLGR - b####hy trainer left - good riddance
ALIGAR - At least I got a ribbon
NLT - No lesson today

HGR - Have a great ride
R2R – Ready to Ride

I'm Proud To Be an LCHA Trail Minder

In 2010, Larimer County Horseman's Association (LCHA) planned 9 trail maintenance trips; 3 on Lion Gulch Trail (managed by the USDA Forest Service), and 6 other trails (managed by Larimer County Department of Natural Resources).

I am proud to say that in the three planned trips, LCHA trail maintenance crews repaired, cleaned, and generally took care of Lion Gulch trail. I have said it before, and I will repeat it here: Our Lion Gulch trail maintenance crews are among the very best in the state.

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LCHA consistently has crews who care for the heritage, the beauty, and the safety of the trail. These crews – all volunteers – have worked hard to repair Mother Nature's ravages and the wear and tear of many users. We have rerouted short sections of the trail that have become dangerous, and we have removed obstacles that prevent users from passing. And we always keep an eye out for ways to keep the trail as pristine and beautiful as possible.

Many of the users who see us at work on the trail take a moment to chat, and to thank us for our work.

I am proud to be part of LCHA's trail maintenance crews – what I call our “trail minders.” You can be proud of our trail minders.

Other organizations I have belonged to (including one that has over 20,000 members worldwide) have “special interest groups (SIGs).” These are groups

within the membership of the parent organization consisting of persons who have a strong interest in one special aspect of the parent organization's mission. For example, in the Society for Technical Communication (an international organization for the support of technical writers and the improvement of technical writing), a special interest group (SIG) centers around writing online help systems for computer applications.

For LCHA, I think we could have a trail minders' SIG. It would be a group of persons who are strongly interested in one part of LCHA's mission: trail maintenance. These persons would support our trail maintenance in work and deed:

- Word – Talking others into joining us on trail maintenance trips by letting them know what we do, the fun we have when we do it, and the great sense of satisfaction we get for a job well done.
- Deed – Participating in trail maintenance with our crews, whether it be on Lion Gulch or any other trail we agree to maintain.

I would like membership in the Trail Minders SIG to involve at least two maintenance trips per year. We would certainly encourage all our members to participate as often as possible, but we would reserve SIG membership to those who participate at least twice per year.

And I think LCHA needs to proclaim that we are proud of our LCHA Trail Minders. We can use the newsletter, announcements in meetings, and other means (for example, a poster for the booth at the Larimer County Fair).

I want the LCHA Trail Minders to continue to be the "go to" group for Larimer County Department of Natural Resources or for the USDA Forest Service. Larimer County has already suggested that it might ask us to assist them on some different trails that need attention.

And I want all of us – especially those who help us maintain the trails – to be able to say, "I am proud of our LCHA Trail Minders."



One of our many successful trail repairs

LCHA Roundup is a newsletter of the Larimer County Horseman's Association (LCHA), P.O. Box 270375, Fort Collins, CO 80527-0375.

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Racheal 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.

Trail Maintenance Schedule for 2011

Day/Date	Trail	Arrive
Sat Apr 16	Trail to be determined	9:00 AM
Sat May 14	Trail to be determined	9:00 AM
Sat/ June 4	Lion Gulch Hugh Templeton, 970-622-0982	8:30 AM
Sat/ July 16	Trail to be determined	9:00 AM
Sat/ Aug 13/17	Lion Gulch Hugh Templeton, 970-622-0982	8:30 AM
Sat/ Aug 20	Trail to be determined	9:00 AM
Sat/ Sept 10	Trail to be determined	9:00 AM
Sat/ Sept 17	Lion Gulch Hugh Templeton, 970-622-0982	8:30 AM
Sat/ Oct 8	Trail to be determined	9:00 AM

We have not yet confirmed with Larimer County which trails we will work on this year. As soon as we know, the information will appear here.

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

Training for Trail Minders

LCHA received this message from Kristy Wumkes, USDA Forest Service Liaison for Adopt A Trail partners:

Dear Adopt A Trail partners,

It's time to sharpen those saws and prepare for another season of trail maintenance! We would like to encourage everyone on your team to take the Forest Service training to help you build capacity within the AAT program.

Read on for the annual invitation to the Forest Service Trail Maintenance Workshop, as well as opportunities to

enhance your skills through classes offered by Volunteers for Outdoor Colorado.

Best,
Kristy

Training Workshop

You're invited! Forest Service Trail Maintenance 101 in April

If you work on- or would like to work on- Forest Service trails as a volunteer, this training is for YOU!

Any healthy adult can perform all of the basic tasks needed for trail maintenance. Our goal for this two-part workshop is to give you the confidence and skills you need to properly maintain a US Forest Service trail- to whatever degree you can assist. By the time you complete the training, you'll be able to do these things:

- Demonstrate safety procedures for use, carry, and storage of hand tools used in trail maintenance.
- Demonstrate how to give a trail head safety session and complete required safety forms.
- Recognize unsafe tools and know when to stop using them.

- Understand how to perform basic tool repair and maintenance.
- Recognize unsafe trail conditions and trail damage.
- Apply trail maintenance techniques to actual trail situations.
- Instruct other volunteers in basic trail maintenance techniques.

The FREE 2011 workshop is in two parts on the following dates:

April 27, 6-9 PM classroom session: Introduction to trail tools, maintenance techniques, safety, and Forest Service trail standards.

April 30 8-2 PM trailside session: The fun part! We'll carpool to a trail in the Poudre Canyon for some hands-on experience to put into practice the techniques you learned in the class. We'll be covering trail corridor maintenance, water drainage structure construction, and hand saw use.

Join us afterwards for a free BBQ.

Registration is required. Please RSVP to Kristy Wumkes at kwumkes@fs.fed.us or 970-295-6721 as soon as possible, and no later than April 9, 2011. Please note if you will be staying for the BBQ and if you have a preference for a veggie burger.

Location for both sessions is the Forest Service office at 2150 Centre Ave, Building E, Fort Collins.

Trail Minders, Take Note

This is excellent training. If you want to know more about what our trail minders do, or if you want to become one of our trail crew leaders, this training will help you. If you decide to attend, please let me know. We need more folks who have been through this training.

Calendar of Events

Events in 2011

Date	Day	Event	Location	Contact	Time
Mar 3	Thurs	Miniature Horses , Ben and Robbie of Pura Vida Ranch Considering the Draft Horse in a Light Horse World , Bud Walsh	The Ranch McKee 4-H Building Fort Collins Room	Bonnie Robinson (970) 217-1113	7 to 9 PM
Apr 7	Thurs	Phoenix Rising , Alisha Adrian This is a demo program with horses in an indoor arena.	Wilder Nest Retreat, Loveland/Masonville, 9144 N. Glade Road (at Firethorne Rd)	Bonnie Robinson (970) 217-1113	7 to 9 PM
June 25	Sat	LCHA Annual Picnic and Meeting	TBA	TBA	1:00 to 3:00 PM
Dec 3	Sat	Christmas Caroling on Horseback	Berthoud (details to be announced)	TBA	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

Date	Day	Location	Leader	Pace	Limit	Arr	Ride
April							
Apr 24	Sun	Bobcat Ridge LCHA members only	Susan Kurzweil, 663-6738	W only	6 (per group)	9:00	9:30
May							
May 1	Sun	Ramsay-Shockey LCHA members only	Susan Kurzweil, 663-6738	W, T	5 trailers		
May 21	Sat	Bobcat Ridge LCHA members only	Ted Newport 970-397-9591	W, T	6	8:30	9:00
May 22	Sun	Soapstone LCHA members only	Pat Carey 970-224-4532	W, T	6	9:00	9:30
June							
June 18	Sat	Crozier Mtn LCHA members only	Susan Kurzweil, 663-6738	W, T	3 trailers	9:30	10:00
July							
July 16	Sun	Lady Moon LCHA members only	Pat Carey 970-224-4532	W, T	8	9:00	9:30
July 17	Sun	Mt Margaret LCHA members only	Susan Kurzweil (663-6738) and Kim Andrews (613-0121)	W, T, C	None	9:30	10:00
July 29	Fri	Lion Gulch LCHA members only	Kay Thomson 532-2443	W, T	None	8:30	9:00
July 30	Sat	Bobcat Ridge LCHA members only	Stacey Geer	W, T, C	6	10:00	10:30
August							
Aug 14	Sun	Beaver Meadows LCHA members only	Pat Carey 970-224-4532	W, T	8	9:00	9:30
Aug 21	Sun	Lory State Park LCHA members only	Stacey Geer	W, T, C	None	10:00	10:30

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Aug 27	Sat	Hermit Park LCHA members only	Kim Andrews 970-613-0121	W, T, C	None	9:30	10:00
September							
Sept 18	Sun	Crozier Mountain LCHA members only	Susan Kurzweil 663-6738	W, T	3 trailers	9:30	10:00
Sept 24	Sat	Poker Ride	TBD	W, T, C	No limit - come one, come all	10:00	10:30
Sept 25	Sun	Red Mountain LCHA members only	Pat Carey 970-224-4532	W, T	6	9:00	9:30
October							
Oct 15	Sat	Pawnee Grasslands LCHA members only	Kay Thomson 970-532-2443	W, T, C	None	9:30	10:00
Oct 22	Sat	Hall Ranch LCHA members only	Stacey Geer	W, T	8	10:00	10:30
Oct 23	Sun	Eagles Nest LCHA members only	Pat Carey 970-224-4532	W, T	None	9:00	9:30
December							
Dec 3	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

**** Reminder:** You must have a Colorado Department of Wildlife Habitat Stamp to participate in any ride on Department of Wildlife trails.

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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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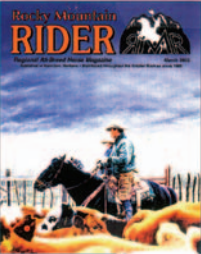
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Trail Maintenance Pictures – The Work We Do

Before/After	Comments
<p data-bbox="110 443 196 470">Before</p> 	<p data-bbox="971 646 1544 879">The trail has a significant berm – a ridge of earth that built up on the downhill side. The berm prevents water from draiing properly across the trail. Notice the spots on the right at which we cut into the berm as we start to remove it so that rain or snow melt can drain across the trail and not run down the trial, creating a gully-like effect (which you can see in this picture).</p>
<p data-bbox="110 1157 180 1184">After</p> 	<p data-bbox="971 1402 1544 1520">Now you can see that the trail side is just slightly lower than the trail tread, allowing water to run freely off the trail. Good work!</p>

Trail Maintenance Pictures – The Work We Do

Before/After	Comments
<p data-bbox="61 310 151 342">Before</p> 	<p data-bbox="922 600 1503 716">Here the trail is very rocky. People have tried to walk around the rocky area because it is dangerous to try to navigate through the rocks. This makes the trail unnaturally wide.</p>
<p data-bbox="61 1024 134 1056">After</p> 	<p data-bbox="922 1255 1503 1398">Here you can see (It is not easy) that we have removed some of the rocks on the left side of the trail, making it easier to go up the little hill. We have also blocked the right side of the trail so that people can't widen the trail any further.</p> <p data-bbox="922 1434 1503 1493">All LCHA members can be proud of the work we do on trails.</p>



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