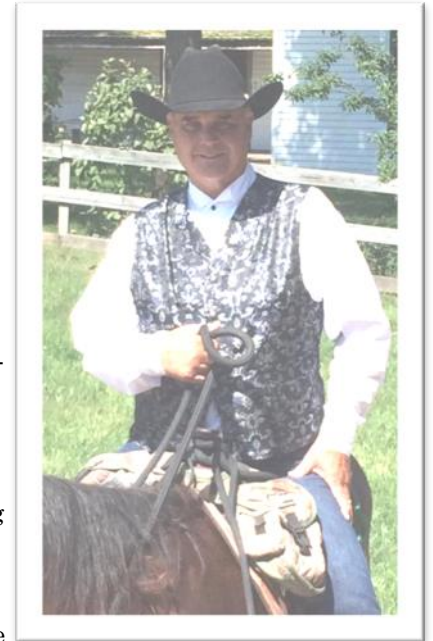


# REGION 6 RALLY

## A Message from the President



As I look forward to the upcoming ride season with much anticipation, I pause for a few moments to think back upon the previous year. The weather played a big role last year with our rides. Our first spring ride was Kanopolis and I can still remember driving west across highway 36 in Kansas going into a very strong wind, then right before I turned south it started snowing and blowing like crazy. We had historic spring and summer flooding that caused rides to have to be rescheduled. Then we rode in the rain at the Jesse James Rideout and the Return to Brushy Creek. More rain turned Indian Cave into a B ride and moved our Region 6 Benefit Ride to a drier location. With each of these events, our riders persevered and developed character the way only NATRC riders can do! I am looking forward to recognizing the accomplishments of these Region 6 riders during our upcoming Region 6 Convention. #NATRCregion6strong



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While serving as a public school district administrator, I facilitated two major long-range planning processes for our schools. The first one of these took place during the early 1990's and the result was a plan with the name of our school district and the year 2000. I thought it was a clever name for a long range plan since we were about to enter into a new century. Y2K came and went with no real excitement and soon we were ready to embark upon that process once again. The year is now 2009 and as we looked ahead, what better name could we come up with than to use the name of our school district and the year 2020. And now, all of a sudden, it is 2020 and a whole new decade is underway. Where did the time go?

Time sure seems to go quickly. I constantly remind myself to be sure and not let it get away from me. There are too many goals I want to accomplish and I have a huge bucket list so it is important for me to make the best use of my time. If I am not careful, it can be too easy to procrastinate or come up with an excuse as to why I shouldn't go saddle up this afternoon and go get a few conditioning miles in. Instead, I like to use time as a motivator. I keep reminding myself that someday I will want to go ride and I may not be able to, so I better make sure to take the time now and go ride! I refuse to let excuses or procrastination rob me of my goals! After all, in my book, excuses only satisfy those who make them!

Now as my vision turns to the 2020 ride season, I can set my partnership goals for my horse and I using the strength and character gained from this past ride season along with the lessons learned from time moving so quickly. Looking forward to a better than ever upcoming ride season and the fellowship of our Region 6 family sitting around the campfire!

#NATRCregion6family

# NORTH AMERICAN TRAIL RIDE CONFERENCE



# A Message from the Editor

By Tammy Vasa

Living in a state that relies so much on climate (dry for planting, rain at the appropriate times, pray for no hail, dry for harvest), I can only say I am happy I am not in the farming business. This year has certainly given us our weather challenges! The last two rides I attended (Jesse James Rideout and Indian Cave) were not only wet but offered up thunder and lightning. A few years ago, I wrote about ride meetings being held in the bathroom at Kanopolis. At the Jesse James Rideout, P & R's were done in the horse barn!

Jesse James had been postponed because of flooding at Smithville Lake. The ride previously scheduled for June was moved until the lake waters subsided. When the ride was held in late August, the park was quite beautiful and still fresh and green from all the rain. The ride was pleasant on Saturday. The predicted rain came early on Sunday and continued off and on through checkout. We caught our horsemanship judge, Priscilla Lindsey, observing us coming down the hill in the rain – from the front seat of her pickup!

I rode the Leisure Division at Indian Cave and took a penalty point

for coming in early. It was worth it. Not long after checking in with the judge, the lightning and thunder came so fierce, I loaded my mare in the trailer until it passed. Looking at my feed pan, it was easily 2 inches of rain. Unfortunately for the A riders, Sunday's ride was canceled.



Many of the trails at Indian Cave were damaged due to the spring flooding and not available by ride time. Management was able to use the rain route which went through the meadow and looped back. Leisure Division repeated the loop twice to get the appropriate mileage. I was told Open looped six times! There was talk

of just having a Leisure Ride that weekend, but the riders said no, "bring it on"! No one's enthusiasm was dampened by the dire forecast.

In September, Robin and David Nore brought back competitive trail riding to Brushy Creek, and they, too, were cursed with rain. It was good to see so many people out to support that ride and bring the sport back to Iowa.

Cedar Creek was canceled due to low participation and damaged trails and a team was able to get another ride quickly planned at Big Hill, Kansas. A big thank you to an ad hoc management team and the judge's flexibility on a last-minute change from Cedar Creek. It means a lot to those riders trying to get end-of-year points and placings.

I finished out the year in the Leisure Division (LeD) on my young mare. I competed four times and saw many repeat riders in this class. Most often the class was full or close to full. I think NATRC has hit a home run with this new division. At Rock Creek, Smithville and Indian Cave, the LeD was held on Saturday and a B ride on Sunday. A rider may have entered an LeD on Saturday to get the taste of the sport and had so much fun, they signed up for the B ride

on Sunday! Ride managers should consider this type of double-header next year.

Here's to hoping next year will be more about the riding and less about the weather. I think we are past due!

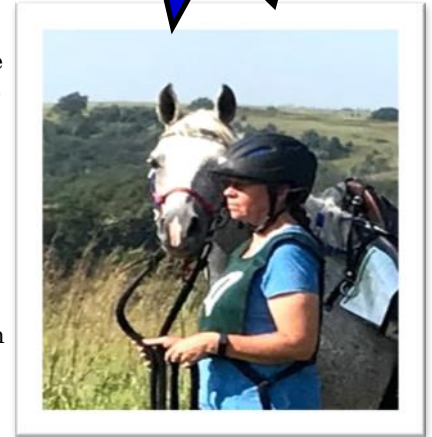




# From the National Board of Directors

By Shari Parys

It's a busy time of year for the National Board of Directors as we just completed one of our three annual in-person meetings on November 8<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> and have much work to do to wrap up the 2019 ride season and gear up for the 2020 one. The Kansas City meeting location is convenient for several of our Region 6 members and we are always glad to see friends sit in. We adopted the NATRC Bylaws changes, voted on regional and national appreciation nominations, and discussed rule change proposals for the 2021 ride year. We are in a period of adjustment, but it is also an exciting time to see many positive changes taking hold and prospering. Data was available from most of this past ride year so we could check our courses of action, the results so far, and discuss our next steps. Membership is the highest it has been in several years. Not only did we see a spike in the free memberships with the advent of the Leisure Division, but also many past members rejoined after being absent for several years! The free memberships for those joining NATRC for the first time will continue in 2020. New regional directors were nominated and approved, so Region 6 is blessed to have Marla Stucky continue her service to the board in a full position for the next three years.



Shari Parys, NATRC Vice President

I appreciated being able to speak at several ride briefings this past season to share NBOD happenings and answer questions, and will try to keep improving communication in the new year. Always feel free to reach out to me or Marla Stucky with your ideas or concerns. We are here to represent you.

The Leisure Division brought many new competitors in across the country, and some have gone on to enjoy Novice rides also. It's been a fun division for our experienced members to try too, and we certainly appreciate those that served as mentors! We desperately need judges for this division in Region 6 so please consider helping our sport in this important way. Many of you are qualified and would make excellent judges in this more laid-back and relaxed ride environment.

Here are the requirements to be a Leisure Division Judge:

- \*Be a NATRC member in good standing and at least 21 years of age
- \*Complete a minimum of 750 miles in any division
- \*Volunteer as horsemanship judge secretary
- \*Know and understand the current NATRC Rule Book, Leisure Division Judge's and Management Manuals
- \*Pass a written exam
- \*Participate in an official Leisure Division Judges training seminar

Here's a link to the Leisure Division Judge application: [https://www.natrc.org/download.php?file\\_id=295](https://www.natrc.org/download.php?file_id=295) I am going to pursue mine this winter while I have more time and I'd love to have some friends join me in the training. There are many resources to help you prepare and it is eye-opening to see things from the other side of the scorecard!

We need to continue to focus on growth and energy, across the nation but especially in Region 6. Help us come up with ideas to get more people to the rides and keep them coming back for more. For them to come back, we need events for them to go to! Please consider managing a ride, as there are several who would support you along the way in preparing, marking, managing, and cleaning up. It's been sad to see Perry Lake, Hill & Dale, Sand Hills and others drop off the schedule. Other regions are expanding their schedules and hopefully Mother Nature cooperates better in 2020 for us to do the same!



## 2021 RULE CHANGE PROPOSALS – November 9, 2019

### CHANGE LIMITS FROM PLACINGS TO POINTS FOR COMPETING IN NOVICE

#### SECTION 4 – DIVISIONS, CLASSES AND ELIGIBILITY

##### A. Divisions

##### 2. Novice

##### e. Limitations

- (1) Any horse and adult rider ~~combination pair~~ having ~~won five firsts earned 250 points, lifetime accumulation,~~ in horse (regardless of ~~division or class in Open, Competitive Pleasure, and Novice~~) shall not compete for awards in Novice Horse Division. Four-year-old horses are exempt from this rule. A horse and rider ~~combination pair~~ that attains ~~five firsts 250 points~~ in horse during a ride year, and competes in a novice ride in that year while still eligible for novice horse awards, may continue to compete in Novice Horse Division for the remainder of that ride year.
- (2) Any horse and junior rider ~~combination pair~~ having ~~won five firsts and 225 points earned 250 points,~~ lifetime accumulation, in horse (regardless of ~~division or class in Open, Competitive Pleasure, and Novice~~) and rider having reached age of 14 shall not compete for awards in Novice Horse Division. Four- year-old horses are exempt from this rule. An age eligible horse and rider combination that attains ~~five firsts and 225 250~~ points in horse during a ride year, and competes in a novice ride in that year while still eligible for novice horse awards, may continue to compete in Novice Horse Division for the remainder of that ride year.
- (3) Any adult rider having ~~won five firsts earned 250 points, lifetime accumulation,~~ in horsemanship (regardless of horse, ~~division,~~ or class in ~~Open, Competitive Pleasure, and Novice~~) shall not compete for awards in Novice Horsemanship Division. A rider that attains ~~five firsts 250 points~~ in horsemanship during a ride year, and competes in a novice ride in that year while still eligible for novice horsemanship awards, may continue to compete in Novice Horsemanship Division for the remainder of that ride year.
- (4) Any junior rider having ~~won five firsts and 225 points earned 250 points,~~ lifetime accumulation, in horsemanship (regardless of horse, ~~division,~~ or class in ~~Open, Competitive Pleasure, and Novice~~) and having reached the age of 14 shall not compete for awards in Novice Horsemanship Division. A rider that reaches age 14, attains ~~five firsts and 225 250~~ points in horsemanship during a ride year, and competes in a novice ride in that year while still eligible for novice horsemanship awards, may continue to compete in Novice Horsemanship Division for the remainder of that ride year.
- (5) ~~A rider or horse and rider combination with five firsts may compete for awards in the Competitive Pleasure Division.~~

##### **Rationale:**

*With low ridership, it's possible for first-time competitors to place 1<sup>st</sup> in horsemanship when they are the only competitor in their class. Thus riders are ribboning out of Novice too soon. Limitations based on point accumulation would be a better solution.*

### ADD EXPERIENCED CLASS TO LEISURE DIVISION

#### SECTION 4 – DIVISIONS, CLASSES AND ELIGIBILITY

##### A. Divisions

##### 4. Leisure

##### e. Classes

- (1) This division will offer **Experienced**, Adult and Junior Classes as defined in Section 4 B, **with the exception that Experienced teams are defined as:**
  - (a) Any NATRC judge (Veterinary, Horsemanship, Leisure).
  - (b) Any NATRC rider with more than 250 points of any combination of Leisure Division Team and Open, Competitive Pleasure, Novice Horsemanship at the beginning of the ride year.
  - (c) Any NATRC rider who has won a National Award in a Competitive Pleasure or Open Division.
- (2) Horse and rider will compete as a team, with their combined scores used to determine placing recognition.
- (3) A Junior may compete in the Adult or Experienced Class.
- (4) Any adult may compete in the Experienced Class.

##### **Rationale:**

*Leisure is meant to be a home for riders new to NATRC and experienced NATRC riders who for whatever reason do not want to compete in a Novice, CP, or Open Division ride. The skill levels here are generally very different. We want to welcome both groups, but they shouldn't necessarily be competing against each other.*

## CHANGE TWO MILE POINT TO FORWARD MOTION POINT

### SECTION 5 – THE RIDE

#### I. Trail Conduct

##### 5. ~~Two Mile Forward Motion~~ Point

- a. From a properly identified forward motion point (posted sign) ~~approximately 2 miles from the finish each day~~, riders must maintain forward motion and not stop or dismount from this point to the finish line except in extenuating circumstances dictated by good horsemanship and/or sportsmanship. Forward motion must be via the most direct route, without stopping, following the marked trail. Any deviation may result in penalty assessment or disqualification unless dictated by good horsemanship and/or sportsmanship.
- b. No one shall interfere with the rider's forward progress and/or pacing except when necessary for the safety of the horse/rider.
- c. ~~For Novice, Competitive Pleasure, and Open Divisions, the forward motion point should be approximately two (2) miles from the finish each day.~~
- d. ~~For the Leisure Division, the forward motion point should be approximately one (1) mile from the finish.~~

#### **Rationale:**

*Because the Leisure Division can be as short as 8 miles, requiring that one quarter of the ride be forward motion does not seem reasonable. This limits judging opportunities, trail access, and P&R location to a very limited portion of the trail. Shortening the Leisure Division point of forward motion keeps the ratio to total ride distance similar to other divisions.*

## ALLOW LENIENCE IN LEISURE DIVISION TIME PENALTIES AT COMPLETION OF RIDE

### SECTION 5 – THE RIDE

#### J. Timing and Time Penalty Points

##### 3. Early Arrivals

- a. A horse completing the day's ride in less than the minimum time and within 30 minutes prior to the minimum time shall be penalized one point per minute for each minute before the minimum time. Rider will also be faulted. ~~The number of penalty points for rider and Leisure Division team will be at the judge's discretion.~~
- b. A horse arriving more than 30 minutes early shall be disqualified.

##### 4. Late Arrivals

- a. A horse completing the day's ride exceeding the maximum time and within 30 minutes subsequent to the maximum time shall be penalized one point per minute for each minute exceeding the maximum time. Rider will also be faulted. ~~The number of penalty points for rider and Leisure Division team will be at the judge's discretion.~~

#### **Rationale:**

*To allow some judgement is assigning time penalties to the Leisure Division.*

## ALLOW EVALUATION OF OVERNIGHT LEISURE DIVISION STABLING

### SECTION 6 – JUDGING

D. Leisure Division. Horses will be evaluated on trail ability and manners. Riders will be evaluated on equitation and partnership with the horse. Safety may be scored.

1. A veterinary judge is not required.
2. There will be a minimum of one P&R recovery reading taken during the day's ride.
3. Judges may be sourced from the approved Leisure Division Judges List or the standard list. An NATRC-approved veterinary judge may serve as the full judge for this division.
4. ~~This division is exempt from stabling evaluation.~~ Overnight stabling will be evaluated for safety and must comply with NATRC stabling rules. This will not be scored.
5. Horses in the Leisure Division may compete with or without boots (e.g. splint boots, bell boots) and/or the use of any temporary types of hoof or leg protection.
6. There will be a maximum of five observations per ride.

#### **Rationale:**

*Equisure requires overnight stabling evaluation.*

## CLARIFY EXPECTATIONS OF LEISURE DIVISION PLACINGS VERSUS RIDE ANNOUNCEMENTS

### SECTION 9 – AWARDS

#### A. Ride Awards

3. Horse and horsemanship scores for Leisure Division will be added together to determine placing teams for Experienced, Adult and Junior Classes. First through tenth place teams in ~~both~~ all classes ~~will be recognized~~ must be calculated for awarding of points. First through sixth place awards must be presented publicly at the immediate conclusion of the ride.

#### **Rationale:**

Announcing six placings at awards is consistent with the other divisions. Some feel it is demeaning to not make the top ten, so it is easier to only announce the top six and not draw attention to those placing well below.

## ADD OUT-OF-REGION QUALIFICATION TO PRESIDENT'S CUP CRITERIA

### SECTION 9 - AWARDS

#### B. Annual Awards

##### 2. National Awards

- a. PRESIDENT'S CUP (National Sweepstakes Champion): This award will be presented annually to the overall high point horse in the Open Division.
  - (1) Only the first 16 rides officially started will count. Type AA ride counts as 1½ rides; Type A ride counts as 1 ride; Type B ride counts as ½ ride. The horse and rider team shall be considered officially started when timed out on the first day of the ride.
  - (2) The horse must be officially started in at least ~~four~~ ~~one ride of any ride type made up of any combination of~~ out-of-region ~~and~~ ~~or~~ three out-of-state rides of any ride type.
  - (3) A rider must be a current NATRC competing member prior to the start of a ride for the ride to be credited.
  - (4) In the event of a tie in points at the end of the year, the winner shall be the horse which has won first place on the most number of rides. If the tie persists then the most number of seconds will be used. Each placing shall then be used in turn until the tie is broken.

#### **Rationale:**

The President's Cup is truly a national award. It should be expected that the winner competes against horses other than those in its own region to win this prestigious award.

## RECOGNIZE OVERALL HIGH POINT NOVICE ON NATIONAL LEVEL

### SECTION 4 – DIVISIONS, CLASSES, AND ELIGIBILITY

#### A. Divisions

##### 2. Novice

- a. Age of Horses: Horses entered in this division must be at least 48 months of age. (60 months for national awards)
3. Competitive Pleasure
  - a. Age of horses: Horses entered in this division must be at least 48 months of age. (60 months for national awards)

### SECTION 9 - AWARDS

#### B. Annual Awards

##### 2. National Awards

- q. HIGH POINT NOVICE HORSE: Points shall be credited to horses for the purpose of determining annual high point awards in each Novice Class (i.e., Heavyweight, Lightweight, Junior), first through sixth place. Only the first 12 rides officially started will count. Type A ride counts as 1 ride; Type B ride counts as ½ ride. The horse and rider team shall be considered officially started when timed out on the first day of the ride.  
Age of Horses
  - (1) Horses competing for High Point Novice Horse awards must be at least 60 months of age.
    - (a) Registered horses are considered 60 months of age as of actual foaling date on the registration papers.
    - (b) Unregistered horses are considered to be of eligible age if they have a "full mouth" (all permanent incisors having erupted and in wear) as determined by the veterinary judge.
- r. HIGH POINT NOVICE HORSEMANSHIP: Points shall be credited to riders for the purpose of determining annual high point awards in each Novice Class (i.e., Heavyweight, Lightweight, Junior), first through sixth place. Only the first 12 rides officially started will count. Type A ride counts as 1 ride; Type B ride counts as ½ ride. The horse and rider team shall be considered officially started when timed out on the first day of the ride.

- s. **HIGH POINT NOVICE TEAM:** This award is presented to the Novice Division horse and rider combination having the highest number of total points for horse and horsemanship. Only the first 12 rides officially started will count. Type A ride counts as 1 ride; Type B ride counts as ½ ride. The horse and rider team shall be considered officially started when timed out on the first day of the ride.

**Age of Horses**

- (1) Horses competing for High Point Novice Team award must be at least 60 months of age.
  - (a) Registered horses are considered 60 months of age as of actual foaling date on the registration papers.
  - (b) Unregistered horses are considered to be of eligible age if they have a "full mouth" (all permanent incisors having erupted and in wear) as determined by the veterinary judge.

**Rationale:**

*We want to encourage Novice Division riders. We want Novice Division riders to attend the national conventions. Particularly on this last point, we need to give them some reason to come. Items "q" and "r" are 1st – 6<sup>th</sup> national placings. Item "s" would be the single best combined Novice Division horse and rider.*

*Costs: For "q" and "r", 3 classes (junior, lightweight, heavyweight) per horse and rider x 6 ribbons (36 ribbons). For "s", one award per year.*

### **RECOGNIZE OVERALL HIGH POINT COMPETITIVE PLEASURE TEAM**

#### **SECTION 9 - AWARDS**

##### **B. Annual Awards**

##### **2. National Awards**

- p. **HIGH POINT COMPETITIVE PLEASURE TEAM:** This award is presented to the Competitive Pleasure Division horse and rider combination having the highest number of total points for horse and horsemanship. Only the first 12 rides officially started will count. Type A ride counts as 1 ride; Type B ride counts as ½ ride. The horse and rider team shall be considered officially started when timed out on the first day of the ride.

**Age of Horses**

- (1) Horses competing for High Point Competitive Pleasure Team award must be at least 60 months of age.
  - (a) Registered horses are considered 60 months of age as of actual foaling date on the registration papers.
  - (b) Unregistered horses are considered to be of eligible age if they have a "full mouth" (all permanent incisors having erupted and in wear) as determined by the veterinary judge.

**Rationale:**

*We already have an overall high point Open team with the Jim Menefee Memorial award. If we add a High Point Novice Team, Competitive Pleasure would be the only standard division without this award. For consistency and fairness, if the Novice passes, we should also include Competitive Pleasure. We are encouraging the team aspect and should do so across the board.*

| <b>Rule Change Standing Schedule</b> |  |
|--------------------------------------|--|
| <b>NBOD Meeting</b>                  | <b>Activity</b>  |
| Prior to November                    | Accept submitted rule changes  |
| November                             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Decide changes to carry forward</li> <li>• Publish for comment - <i>Hoof Print</i> and website</li> </ul> |
| February/March                       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Finalize wording</li> <li>• Publish for comment - <i>Hoof Print</i> and website</li> </ul>                |
| July                                 | Vote on changes  |
| After July                           | Have Rule Book updated   |



# Region 6 Needs Your Help! By John Zeliff

We really need to add some more rides to our 2020 ride schedule and we are asking for your help. It would be very appreciated by everyone if we could get some folks to step up and manage a ride. If you haven't managed a ride before, you could always team up with someone. Perhaps you are not riding competitively anymore, what better way to give back to our wonderful sport than to manage a ride just as others previously did for you!

At this time, we have the following rides lined up:

April 25-26 Branching Out Clinic and LeD ride in Nebraska

May 16-17 Honey Creek Clinic and LeD ride in Missouri

June 20-21 Pony Xpress in Nebraska

September 12-13 Jesse James Rideout in Missouri

September 26-27 Indian Cave in Nebraska

There are a couple more rides in the works, but those plans are not finalized yet.

Region 6 could sponsor your ride if need be so that is not a barrier for anyone. The region can always use a benefit ride(s) each year to help with finances.

Or your ride might be eligible for a NATRC grant through The Ride

Management Support Fund. Ride managers, who are NATRC members and need assistance in covering initial ride expenses, can apply for a grant of up to \$1,000. I would be happy to further explain the grant details once you know where and when you plan to manage a ride.

We will be setting aside a block of time during our Region 6 Convention for all ride managers to meet. That way if you are new to managing a ride, those of us who have been managing can answer any questions you might have as well as offer any assistance we can.

Robin Nore maintains the Region 6 ride calendar and is the person you will need to contact to secure a date for your ride. The NATRC national webpage maintains the ride calendar for all regions. That page is not up-to-date at the moment, but it is suppose to be updated in a few days.

There are some great ride venues in just our four-state region. It would be a blast to have some rides at either new locations or at places we haven't been to recently. There

are locations we have been using in recent years that are not on our schedule yet as well. I have a list of possible locations however I am confident our membership knows about all of them as well as many other possible sites.

The more rides we have the more fun! I don't think it is unreasonable to have a goal of ten "A" rides in 2020. That would be so much fun! Just think, the more rides we can add, the more time we can all spend sitting around those campfires together. Just yesterday I ordered my Kansas and Nebraska season park passes. I am so ready for our ride season!

OK . . . we need your help! The sooner we can get some rides added the better. Don't wait and hope for someone else to do this. We each need to do our part in order to get this

done. So team up with someone and say hey . . . we can do a ride and lets do this!

If you have any questions, thoughts, and or ideas please contact me as soon as possible at [John@springvalleycarriages.com](mailto:John@springvalleycarriages.com) or 660-562-8878. Thanks in advance! #Region6rocks!



## Managing a NATRC Ride

Thinking of managing a ride? The NATRC website has good information on doing just that, including a Management Manual. You won't have to go it alone. This manual and other forms will walk you through the process—from Sanctioning Guidelines to Entry Forms!

Managing a ride is more fun with friends or maybe your spouse! Good management skills come from all sorts of backgrounds. Talk among your friends or riding group. It is truly a bonding experience. As you plan the ride and mark

the trails, memories are made! Good things don't always come easy but managing a ride can be very rewarding. Visit our website at <https://natrc.org/natrc-ride-management-documents> for more information.

# Your Story Could Be Here By Tammy Vasa

Years ago, I used to blog. While I didn't write everyday, I tried to update the blog at least once a week. When my son went to boot camp for the Marines, I wrote him a letter every day. Sometimes it was just a paragraph or two with a picture that I took on my drive into town. Other days, I had stories to tell him which turned into long letters. I pictured him at mail call, so excited to get mail *every single day*. I found out later, the Marine Corp mail call didn't work that way, but it was such an easy thing for me to do. When he came home after leave, I was thrilled to see my letters saved, all wrapped up in a rubber band.

Because I love to write, I love horses and I love to compete, I thought taking on this newsletter would be so easy. I even thought I could be an over achiever and send them out more frequently. In reality, that didn't happen. I didn't compete as often the last couple of years and it



is harder to write about the sport when away from it. The timeliness of Facebook and other social media takes the urgency out of a newsletter. But I still appreciate the longer versions and personal touches offered by those who enjoy sharing their story.

Piggy-backing on John's call for more rides, I would also like to make a plea for more story contributions or pictures for the newsletter. It is really easy. Just start typing. I can edit and I have editors edit my writing. We just want to share your good stories.

Please submit your story ideas via email to [jvasa@gmail.com](mailto:jvasa@gmail.com). It's that easy. This space is about 300 words. It doesn't take much to fill. I hope to hear from you soon. #Region6shares!



## Calendar of Events

|             |                                   |   |
|-------------|-----------------------------------|---|
| Febr. 14/15 | NATRC 2020 National Convention    | Hotel Valencia, San Antonio, Texas                |
| Febr. 28/29 | Region 6 convention—Save the Date | Kansas City Area to be announced                  |
| March 6-8   | EquiFest of Kansas                | Tony's Pizza Event Center, Salina, Kansas         |
| March 21/22 | The Horse Trail Riding Expo       | Chance Ridge Event Center, Elkhorn, Nebraska      |
| April 18/19 | Sand Hills A & B                  | Hutchinson, Kansas                                |
| April 25/26 | Branching Out Clinic & LeD Ride   | Branched Oak Lake, Raymond, Nebraska              |
| May 2/3     | El Dorado A & B (tentative)       | El Dorado, Kansas                                 |
| May 16/17   | Honey Creek Clinic and LeD Ride   | Honey Creek Conservation Area, Amazonia, Missouri |
| June 20/21  | PonyXpress at Rock Creek Station  | Rock Creek Station, Fairbury, Nebraska            |
| Sept. 12/13 | Jesse James Rideout               | Smithville Lake, Smithville, Missouri             |
| Sept. 26/27 | Indian Cave                       | Indian Cave State Park, Shubert, Nebraska         |

# Welcome Region 6 Members

## New or Rejoining

Blake Harrold, Ulysses, KS  
Stephanie Koehler, Iowa City, IA  
Julie Landuyt, Trimble, MO  
Shannon Reeves, Story City, IA  
Tessa Burger, Gilbert, IA  
Andrea Wintz, Florissant, MO  
Julie Carlson, O'Fallon, IL  
Bonnie Barnett, Yes, IA  
Martha Elmore, Wahoo, NE  
Emily Stalzer, Haverhill, IA  
Jon Hannagan, Indianola, IA  
Amanda Davis, Vestaburg, MI

## Returning

Carol Retzer, Lyndon, KS  
Katy Vernon, West Plains, MO  
Kenneth Dunmire, Upland, NE  
Nancy & Stuart Schulze, Fair Play, MO

### **Change of Address?**

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# Ride Results

| Ride Name               | Date                     |
|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| <b>Kanopolis Canyon</b> | <b>April 13-14, 2019</b> |
| Chairperson             | Ruth Mesimer             |
| Vet Judge(s)            | Kay Gunkel               |
| Horsemanship Judge (s)  | Kathy Shanor             |

| SWEEPSTAKES:  | OPEN         | C/P              | NOVICE           |
|---------------|--------------|------------------|------------------|
| <b>A RIDE</b> |              |                  |                  |
| <b>HORSE</b>  | Focus Jessie | Cito Mocha Raton | Allumination MCS |
| <b>SCORE</b>  | 99           | 98               | 97               |
| <b>RIDER</b>  | Helen Smith  | Trish Cleveland  | Lori McCutchen   |

| RIDER                | HORSE                    | DIVISION             | CLASS       | HORSE PLACE | RIDER PLACE |
|----------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Glassman, Erin       | PS Trakara River         | Open                 | Heavyweight | 1           | 2           |
| Zeliff, John         | Roho Honoy Mocha WH      | Open                 | Heavyweight | 2           | 1           |
| Smith, Helen         | Focus Jessie             | Open                 | Lightweight | 1           | 6           |
| Clark, Hannah        | Rushcreek Darline        | Open                 | Lightweight | 2           | 5           |
| Stucky, Marla        | EZ Rocket WH             | Open                 | Lightweight | 3           | 2           |
| Reynolds, Margaret   | VA Caradelle             | Open                 | Lightweight | 4           | 1           |
| Messick, Brenda      | Rushcreek Allie          | Open                 | Lightweight | 5           | 3           |
| Brinck, Travis       | SC Akil Gassur           | Open                 | Lightweight | 6           | 4           |
| Rush, Barbara        | Katniss                  | Competitive Pleasure | Heavyweight | 1           | 1           |
| Chaffin, Verona      | KS Franks Banjet         | Competitive Pleasure | Heavyweight | 2           | 2           |
| Cleveland, Trish     | Cito Mocha Raton         | Competitive Pleasure | Lightweight | 1           | 1           |
| Childs, Maggie       | Goodness Gracious        | Competitive Pleasure | Lightweight | 2           | 2           |
| Shively, Joyce       | Nakita Rose              | Competitive Pleasure | Lightweight | 3           | 3           |
| Dollarhide, Patti    | King's Mountain Hale Bop | Competitive Pleasure | Lightweight | Pull        |             |
| Wech, Kris           | King's Charley R.E.      | Novice               | Heavyweight | 1           | 1           |
| Droge, Donna         | Knight of Thunder        | Novice               | Heavyweight | 2           | 2           |
| Schoenecker, Kevin   | Moonshine Blues          | Novice               | Heavyweight | DO          | DO          |
| Wassenberg, Kent     | Pistol Annie             | Novice               | Heavyweight | Pull        |             |
| McCutchen, Lori      | Allumination MCS         | Novice               | Lightweight | 1           | 1           |
| Johansen, Kristen    | PVA Light Nthe Storm     | Novice               | Lightweight | 2           | 4           |
| Dillinger, Kellie    | Lhd Stuart's Legacy      | Novice               | Lightweight | 3           | 5           |
| Lutzkanin, Robyn     | Starbuck KVA             | Novice               | Lightweight | 4           | 3           |
| Stanton, Stacey      | Peeps                    | Novice               | Lightweight | 5           | 6           |
| Schmalzried, Kristen | CGR Ladygodiva           | Novice               | Lightweight | 6           | 2           |

| Ride Name                | Date             |
|--------------------------|------------------|
| <b>Branching Out CTR</b> | <b>4/28/2019</b> |
| Chairperson              | Helen Smith      |
| Leisure Judge(s)         | Brenda Messick   |

| RIDER             | HORSE                     | DIVISION | CLASS  | TEAM PLACE |
|-------------------|---------------------------|----------|--------|------------|
| Kollars, Gina     | Invest Ina Three Bar      | Leisure  | Adult  | 1          |
| Vasa, Tammy       | Decks Tru Grit            | Leisure  | Adult  | 2          |
| Frederick, Cheryl | CC's Rex's Golden Rawhide | Leisure  | Adult  | 3          |
| Elmore, Martha    | Josey                     | Leisure  | Adult  | 4          |
| Hardesty, Laura   | Justin's Bey Trey         | Leisure  | Adult  | 5          |
| Lewis, Rhonda     | RC JAC Dun It Again       | Leisure  | Adult  | 6          |
| Gautier, Vickie   | Fiddler 2                 | Leisure  | Adult  | 7          |
| Frederick, Kathy  | Ransom                    | Leisure  | Adult  | 8          |
| Sheets, Brenda    | Carmel Spin Kid           | Leisure  | Adult  | 9          |
| Tejjink, Trudie   | Lucille                   | Leisure  | Adult  | 10         |
| Barnes, Paige     | Bella 12                  | Leisure  | Adult  |            |
| Carroll, Sheila   | Gypsy 12                  | Leisure  | Adult  |            |
| Norton, Moni      | Derby                     | Leisure  | Adult  |            |
| Smart, Debra      | Cowboy 6                  | Leisure  | Adult  |            |
| Tolliver, Sarah   | Stymie                    | Leisure  | Adult  |            |
| Vasa, John        | Windy V                   | Leisure  | Adult  |            |
| McCall, Louise    | Rio Bravo                 | Leisure  | Adult  | CO         |
| Steinmetz, Sarah  | Jewel 2                   | Leisure  | Junior | 1          |

# Ride Results

| Ride Name                                   | Date                    |
|---|-------------------------|
| <b>PonyXpress at Rock Creek Station - A</b> | <b>July 13-14, 2019</b> |
| Chairperson                                 | Helen Smith             |
| Vet Judge                                   | Stephanie Ostrowski     |
| Horsemanship Judge                          | Esther Diaguila         |
| <b>SWEEPSTAKES:</b>                         | <b>OPEN</b>             |
|   | <b>C/P</b>              |
|   | <b>NOVICE</b>           |

**A RIDE**

|              |                      |                           |                    |
|--------------|----------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|
| <b>HORSE</b> | Rushcreek Allie      | TA Kaiser                 | Starbuck KVA       |
| <b>SCORE</b> | 92                   | 95                        | 84.5               |
| <b>RIDER</b> | Brenda Messick       | Deanne Prusak             | Robyn Lutzkanin    |
|              | <b>RIDER</b>         | <b>HORSE</b>              | <b>DIVISION</b>    |
|              | <b>CLASS</b>         | <b>HORSE PLACE</b>        | <b>RIDER PLACE</b> |
|              | Marston, Marilyn     | L.L.Remington             | Open               |
|              |                      |                           | Heavyweight        |
|              |                      |                           | 1                  |
|              |                      |                           | 1                  |
|              | Zeliff, John         | Roho Honoy Mocha WH       | Open               |
|              |                      |                           | Heavyweight        |
|              |                      |                           | 2                  |
|              |                      |                           | 2                  |
|              | Messick, Brenda      | Rushcreek Allie           | Open               |
|              |                      |                           | Lightweight        |
|              |                      |                           | 1                  |
|              |                      |                           | 1                  |
|              | Stucky, Marla        | EZ Rocket WH              | Open               |
|              |                      |                           | Lightweight        |
|              |                      |                           | 2                  |
|              |                      |                           | 2                  |
|              | Wood, Mary Anna      | Focus Jessie              | Open               |
|              |                      |                           | Lightweight        |
|              |                      |                           | 3                  |
|              |                      |                           | 3                  |
|              | Fettes, Mary         | RW Braveheart             | CP                 |
|              |                      |                           | Heavyweight        |
|              |                      |                           | 1                  |
|              |                      |                           | 1                  |
|              | Frederick, Cheryl    | CC's Rex's Golden Rawhide | CP                 |
|              |                      |                           | Heavyweight        |
|              |                      |                           | Pull               |
|              |                      |                           | Pull               |
|              | Hanson, Dwight       | Silver Valley Tate        | CP                 |
|              |                      |                           | Heavyweight        |
|              |                      |                           | 1                  |
|              |                      |                           | 3                  |
|              | Prusak, Deanne       | TA Kaiser                 | CP                 |
|              |                      |                           | Lightweight        |
|              |                      |                           | 2                  |
|              |                      |                           | 1                  |
|              | Roberts, Beverly     | Wyntez Buddy              | CP                 |
|              |                      |                           | Lightweight        |
|              |                      |                           | 2                  |
|              |                      |                           | 1                  |
|              | Cleveland, Trish     | Cito Mocha Raton          | CP                 |
|              |                      |                           | Lightweight        |
|              |                      |                           | 3                  |
|              |                      |                           | 2                  |
|              | Shively, Joyce       | Nakita Rose               | CP                 |
|              |                      |                           | Lightweight        |
|              |                      |                           | 4                  |
|              |                      |                           | 4                  |
|              | Kollars, Gina        | Invest Ina Three Bar      | Novice             |
|              |                      |                           | Heavyweight        |
|              |                      |                           | 1                  |
|              |                      |                           | 1                  |
|              | Lutzkanin, Robyn     | Starbuck KVA              | Novice             |
|              |                      |                           | Lightweight        |
|              |                      |                           | 1                  |
|              |                      |                           | 1                  |
|              | Schmalzried, Kristen | CGR Ladygodiva            | Novice             |
|              |                      |                           | Lightweight        |
|              |                      |                           | 2                  |
|              |                      |                           | 2                  |

| PonyXpress at Rock Creek Station - B2 | 7/14/2019 |
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| <b>SWEEPSTAKES:</b> | <b>OPEN</b>       | <b>NOVICE</b>        |
| <b>B2 RIDE</b>      |                   |                      |
| <b>HORSE</b>        | VA Caradelle      | PVA Light Nthe Storm |
| <b>SCORE</b>        | 97                | 87                   |
| <b>RIDER</b>        | Margaret Reynolds | Kristen Johansen     |

| RIDER              | HORSE                | DIVISION             | CLASS       | HORSE PLACE | RIDER PLACE |
|--------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Chaffin, Verona    | KS Franks Banjet     | Competitive Pleasure | Heavyweight | Pull        |             |
| Landuyt, Julie     | Just Sienna          | Novice               | Heavyweight | 1           | 1           |
| Johansen, Kristen  | PVA Light Nthe Storm | Novice               | Lightweight | 1           | 1           |
| Reynolds, Margaret | VA Caradelle         | Open                 | Lightweight | 1           | 1           |

| PonyXpress at Rock Creek Station - LeD | 7/13/2019 |
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|---------------|-----------------|
| Chairperson   | Helen Smith     |
| Leisure Judge | Esther Diaguila |

| RIDER                | HORSE                          | DIVISION | CLASS | TEAM PLACE |
|----------------------|--------------------------------|----------|-------|------------|
| Bartholomew, Phyllis | Little Bit of Champagne Please | Leisure  | Adult | 1          |
| Vasa, Tammy          | Decks Tru Grit                 | Leisure  | Adult | 2          |
| Landuyt, Julie       | Kitty                          | Leisure  | Adult | 3          |
| Carroll, Sheila      | Jewel 2                        | Leisure  | Adult | 4          |
| Chaffin, Verona      | KS Franks Banjet               | Leisure  | Adult | 5          |
| Houghton, Melvin     | Annie Oakley                   | Leisure  | Adult | 6          |
| Frederick, Kathy     | Ransom                         | Leisure  | Adult | 7          |
| Evans, Michelle      | Thunder 15                     | Leisure  | Adult | 8          |
| Evans, Camryn        | Casper 2                       | Leisure  | Adult | 9          |
| Reynolds, Margaret   | VA Caradelle                   | Leisure  | Adult | DO         |



# Ride Results

| Ride Name              | Date                     |
|------------------------|--------------------------|
| Jesse James Rideout    | August 24-25, 2019       |
| Chairperson            | David Nore & John Zeliff |
| Vet Judge(s)           | Carter Hounsel           |
| Horsemanship Judge (s) | Sarah Rinne              |

| SWEEPSTAKES: |            | OPEN          | C/P                  | NOVICE |
|--------------|------------|---------------|----------------------|--------|
| A RIDE       |            |               |                      |        |
| HORSE        | Sea Dragon | RW Braveheart | PVA Light Nthe Storm |        |
| SCORE        | 97         | 91            | 94                   |        |
| RIDER        | Lory Walls | Mary Fettes   | Kristen Johansen     |        |

| RIDER              | HORSE                   | DIVISION             | CLASS       | HORSE PLACE | RIDER PLACE |
|--------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Marston, Marilyn   | L.L.Remington           | Open                 | Heavyweight | 1           | 1           |
| Walls, Lory        | Sea Dragon              | Open                 | Lightweight | 1           | 1           |
| Wood, Mary Anna    | Hungarian Jade          | Open                 | Lightweight | 2           | 2           |
| Reynolds, Margaret | VA Caradelle            | Open                 | Lightweight | 3           | 3           |
| McCutchen, Lori    | Allumination MCS        | Open                 | Lightweight | 4           | 4           |
| Fettes, Mary       | RW Braveheart           | Competitive Pleasure | Heavyweight | 1           | 1           |
| Vasa, Tammy        | Decks Tru Grit          | Competitive Pleasure | Heavyweight | DO          | DO          |
| Altwegg, Noreen    | D.M.'S Eye of The Tiger | Competitive Pleasure | Heavyweight | Pull        |             |
| Blue, Erica        | Country Diamond Rio     | Competitive Pleasure | Heavyweight | Pull        |             |
| Bouska, Alan       | Fives Bert Harlan       | Competitive Pleasure | Heavyweight | Pull        |             |
| Chaffin, Verona    | KS Franks Banjet        | Competitive Pleasure | Heavyweight | Pull        |             |
| Cleveland, Trish   | Cito Mocha Raton        | Competitive Pleasure | Lightweight | 1           | 1           |
| Parys, Shari       | Rushcreek Concho        | Competitive Pleasure | Lightweight | Pull        |             |
| Shively, Joyce     | Nakita Rose             | Competitive Pleasure | Lightweight | Pull        |             |
| Kollars, Gina      | Invest Ina Three Bar    | Novice               | Heavyweight | 1           | 1           |
| Wech, Kris         | King's Charley R.E.     | Novice               | Heavyweight | 2           | 2           |
| Hatch, Janet       | Sharp Sensation         | Novice               | Heavyweight | 3           | 3           |
| Gautier, Vickie    | Fiddler 2               | Novice               | Heavyweight | DO          | DO          |
| Johansen, Kristen  | PVA Light Nthe Storm    | Novice               | Lightweight | 1           | 1           |

| Jesse James Rideout    | 8/25/2019                |
|------------------------|--------------------------|
| Chairperson            | David Nore & John Zeliff |
| Vet Judge(s)           | Carter Hounsel           |
| Horsemanship Judge (s) | Sarah Rinne              |

| SWEEPSTAKES: |  | OPEN | C/P                 | NOVICE |
|--------------|--|------|---------------------|--------|
| B Ride       |  |      |                     |        |
| HORSE        |  |      | CGR Ladygodiva      |        |
| SCORE        |  |      | 100                 |        |
| RIDER        |  |      | Kristen Schmalzried |        |

| RIDER                | HORSE                    | DIVISION | CLASS       | HORSE PLACE | DER/TEAM PLACE |
|----------------------|--------------------------|----------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| Dunmire, Kenneth     | Rocky 11                 | Novice   | Heavyweight | 1           | 1              |
| Blue, Donald         | Cochise Country Warpaint | Novice   | Heavyweight | Pull        |                |
| Schmalzried, Kristen | CGR Ladygodiva           | Novice   | Lightweight | 1           | 1              |

| Horsemanship Judge (s) |  | Priscilla Lindsey |                |          |       |             |                |
|------------------------|--|-------------------|----------------|----------|-------|-------------|----------------|
| LeD Ride               |  | RIDER             | HORSE          | DIVISION | CLASS | HORSE PLACE | DER/TEAM PLACE |
|                        |  | Vasa, Tammy       | Decks Tru Grit | Leisure  | Adult |             | 1              |
|                        |  | Gautier, Vickie   | Fiddler 2      | Leisure  | Adult |             | 2              |
|                        |  | Landuyt, Julie    | Just Sienna    | Leisure  | Adult |             | 3              |
|                        |  | Allen, Ashley     | Blue 7         | Leisure  | Adult |             | 4              |
|                        |  | McNiff, Sandra    | Kaluha         | Leisure  | Adult |             | 5              |
|                        |  | Deselich, Rianna  | Dolly 3        | Leisure  | Adult |             | 6              |
|                        |  | Houghton, Melvin  | Annie Oakley   | Leisure  | Adult |             | 7              |
|                        |  | McNew, Pennilyn   | Dutchess 2     | Leisure  | Adult |             | 8              |
|                        |  | Hindsley, Krista  | HS SF Remel    | Leisure  | Adult |             | Pull           |

# Ride Results

| Ride Name         | Date              |
|-------------------|-------------------|
| <b>Salt Creek</b> | <b>9/7/2019</b>   |
| Chairperson       | Carol Retzer      |
| Leisure Judge(s)  | Priscilla Lindsey |

| LeD Ride | RIDER            | HORSE            | DIVISION | CLASS | TEAM PLACE |
|----------|------------------|------------------|----------|-------|------------|
|          | Coover, Traci    | Journey 5        | Leisure  | Adult | 1          |
|          | Parker, Marleen  | Rushcreek Ella   | Leisure  | Adult | 2          |
|          | Smart, Debra     | Cowboy 6         | Leisure  | Adult | 3          |
|          | Dunmire, Kenneth | Rocky 11         | Leisure  | Adult | 4          |
|          | Plumer, Joni     | SVR Firestorm    | Leisure  | Adult | 5          |
|          | Frank, Julie     | Niner            | Leisure  | Adult | 6          |
|          | Allen, Ashley    | Blue 7           | Leisure  | Adult | 7          |
|          | Chaffin, Verona  | KS Franks Banjet | Leisure  | Adult | 8          |

| Ride Name                   | Date                         |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------|
| <b>Brushy Creek Returns</b> | <b>September 14-15, 2019</b> |
| Chairperson                 | David Nore                   |
| Vet Judge(s)                | Tamara Gull                  |
| Horsemanship Judge (s)      | Priscilla Lindsey            |

| SWEEPSTAKES: |       | OPEN            | C/P           | NOVICE               |
|--------------|-------|-----------------|---------------|----------------------|
| A RIDE       |       |                 |               |                      |
|              | HORSE | Rushcreek Allie | RW Braveheart | PVA Light Nthe Storm |
|              | SCORE | 95              | 96            | 89                   |
|              | RIDER | Brenda Messick  | Mary Fettes   | Kristen Johansen     |

| RIDER                | HORSE                | DIVISION             | CLASS       | HORSE PLACE | RIDER PLACE |
|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Zeliff, John         | Roho Honoy Mocha WH  | Open                 | Heavyweight | 1           | 1           |
| Messick, Brenda      | Rushcreek Allie      | Open                 | Lightweight | 1           | 1           |
| Reynolds, Margaret   | VA Caradelle         | Open                 | Lightweight | 2           | 2           |
| Fettes, Mary         | RW Braveheart        | Competitive Pleasure | Heavyweight | 1           | 1           |
| Chaffin, Verona      | KS Franks Banjet     | Competitive Pleasure | Heavyweight | 2           | 2           |
| Cleveland, Trish     | Cito Mocha Raton     | Competitive Pleasure | Lightweight | 1           | 1           |
| Shively, Joyce       | Nakita Rose          | Competitive Pleasure | Lightweight | Pull        |             |
| Gautier, Vickie      | Fiddler 2            | Novice               | Heavyweight | 1           | 2           |
| Kollars, Gina        | Invest Ina Three Bar | Novice               | Heavyweight | 2           | 1           |
| Hannagan, Jon        | Weezer's Little Acre | Novice               | Heavyweight | 3           | 3           |
| Fields, Christy      | Booker               | Novice               | Heavyweight | DO          | DO          |
| Johansen, Kristen    | PVA Light Nthe Storm | Novice               | Lightweight | 1           | 2           |
| Schmalzried, Kristen | CGR Ladygodiva       | Novice               | Lightweight | 2           | 1           |
| Hoepfner, Laurie     | Gai Caravel          | Novice               | Lightweight | 3           | 5           |
| Norton, Moni         | River Rose           | Novice               | Lightweight | 4           | 4           |
| Koehler, Stephanie   | Birdie               | Novice               | Lightweight | 5           | 3           |
| Krause, Abigail      | Jack 7               | Novice               | Lightweight | DO          | DO          |

| Brushy Creek Returns   | 9/15/2019         |
|------------------------|-------------------|
| Chairperson            | David Nore        |
| Vet Judge(s)           | Tamara Gull       |
| Horsemanship Judge (s) | Priscilla Lindsey |

| SWEEPSTAKES: |       | OPEN | C/P | NOVICE        |
|--------------|-------|------|-----|---------------|
| B2 RIDE      |       |      |     |               |
|              | HORSE |      |     | Rio Bravo     |
|              | SCORE |      |     | 99            |
|              | RIDER |      |     | Louise McCall |

| RIDER          | HORSE     | DIVISION | CLASS       | HORSE PLACE | RIDER PLACE |
|----------------|-----------|----------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| McCall, Louise | Rio Bravo | Novice   | Heavyweight | 1           | 1           |
| Elmore, Martha | Josey     | Novice   | Lightweight | 1           | 1           |

# Ride Results

| Ride Name              | Date           |
|------------------------|----------------|
| Indian Cave            | Sept. 28, 2019 |
| Chairperson            | Cheryl Bohling |
| Vet Judge(s)           | Carter Hounsel |
| Horsemanship Judge (s) | Lori Allen     |

| SWEEPSTAKES: | OPEN         | C/P              |  |
|--------------|--------------|------------------|--|
| B RIDE       |              |                  |  |
| HORSE        | Focus Jessie | Cito Mocha Raton |  |
| SCORE        | 99           | 97               |  |
| RIDER        | Helen Smith  | Trish Cleveland  |  |

| RIDER                | HORSE                | DIVISION             | CLASS       | HORSE PLACE | RIDER PLACE |
|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Marston, Marilyn     | LL Remington         | Open                 | Heavyweight | 1           | 1           |
| Smith, Helen         | Focus Jessie         | Open                 | Lightweight | 1           | 2           |
| Messick, Brenda      | Rushcreek Allie      | Open                 | Lightweight | 2           | 3           |
| Stucky, Marla        | EZ Rocket WH         | Open                 | Lightweight | 3           | 1           |
| Wood, Mary Anna      | Hungarian Jade       | Open                 | Lightweight | 4           | 4           |
| Fettes, Mary         | RW Braveheart        | Competitive Pleasure | Heavyweight | 1           | 1           |
| Cleveland, Trish     | Cito Mocha Raton     | Competitive Pleasure | Lightweight | 1           | 1           |
| Childs, Maggie       | Goodness Gracious    | Competitive Pleasure | Lightweight | 2           | 2           |
| Kollars, Gina        | Invest Ina Three Bar | Novice               | Heavyweight | DQ          | DQ          |
| Johansen, Kristen    | PVA Light Nthe Storm | Novice               | Lightweight | 1           | 1           |
| Schmalzried, Kristen | CGR Ladygodiva       | Novice               | Lightweight | 2           | 3           |
| McNiff, Sandra       | Kahlua               | Novice               | Lightweight | 3           | 2           |

| Indian Cave LeD | 9/28/2019      |
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| Chairperson     | Cheryl Bohling |
| Leisure Judge   | Sarah Rinne    |

| RIDER            | HORSE          | DIVISION | CLASS  | TEAM PLACE |
|------------------|----------------|----------|--------|------------|
| Landuyt, Julie   | Just Sienna    | Leisure  | Adult  | 1          |
| Gautier, Vickie  | Fiddler 2      | Leisure  | Adult  | 2          |
| Norton, Moni     | River Rose     | Leisure  | Adult  | 3          |
| Boden, Ron       | Chay           | Leisure  | Adult  | 4          |
| Vasa, Tammy      | Decks Tru Grit | Leisure  | Adult  | 5          |
| Boden, Katie     | Soldier 3      | Leisure  | Adult  | 6          |
| Carroll, Sheila  | Gypsy 12       | Leisure  | Adult  | 7          |
| Houghton, Melvin | Annie Oakley   | Leisure  | Adult  | 8          |
| Patsch, Lauren   | Red 11         | Leisure  | Adult  | 9          |
| Shook, Brianna   | High Rise Cat  | Leisure  | Junior | 1          |

| Ride Name              | Date              |
|------------------------|-------------------|
| Big Hill               | 10/26-27/19       |
| Chairperson            | Ruth Mesimer      |
| Vet Judge(s)           | Tamara Gull       |
| Horsemanship Judge (s) | Priscilla Lindsey |

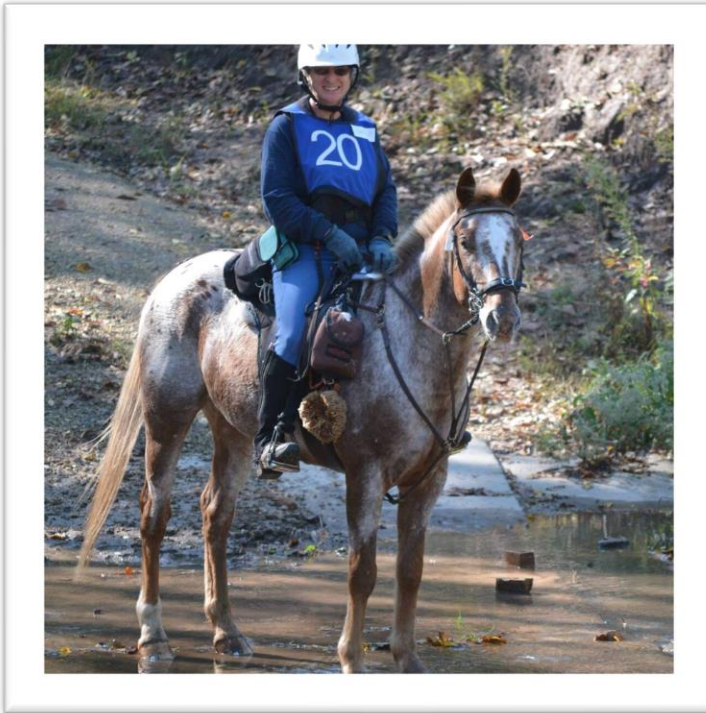
| SWEEPSTAKES: | OPEN              | C/P          | NOVICE              |
|--------------|-------------------|--------------|---------------------|
| HORSE        | VA Caradelle      | Wyntez Buddy | King's Charley R.E. |
| SCORE        | 93                | 93           | 88                  |
| RIDER        | Margaret Reynolds | Bev Roberts  | Kris Wech           |

| RIDER                | HORSE               | DIVISION             | CLASS       | HORSE PLACE | RIDER PLACE |
|----------------------|---------------------|----------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Zeliff, John         | Roho Honoy Mocha WH | Open                 | Heavyweight | 1           | 1           |
| Reynolds, Margaret   | VA Caradelle        | Open                 | Lightweight | 1           | 2           |
| Messick, Brenda      | Rushcreek Allie     | Open                 | Lightweight | 2           | 1           |
| Smith, Helen         | Focus Jessie        | Open                 | Lightweight | 3           | 4           |
| Clark, Hannah        | Rushcreek Darline   | Open                 | Lightweight | 4           | 3           |
| Fettes, Mary         | RW Braveheart       | Competitive Pleasure | Heavyweight | 1           | 1           |
| Chaffin, Verona      | KS Franks Banjet    | Competitive Pleasure | Heavyweight | 2           | 2           |
| Roberts, Beverly     | Wyntez Buddy        | Competitive Pleasure | Lightweight | 1           | 1           |
| Brodersen, Shirley   | WH Picos Cozmic     | Competitive Pleasure | Lightweight | 2           | 2           |
| Childs, Maggie       | Goodness Gracious   | Competitive Pleasure | Lightweight | 3           | 3           |
| Wech, Kris           | King's Charley R.E. | Novice               | Heavyweight | 1           | 1           |
| Schmalzried, Kristen | CGR Ladygodiva      | Novice               | Lightweight | 1           | 1           |

## Region Appreciation Award

### Region 6

### **Helen Smith**



Not many people jump in and get as involved on such a level as Helen Smith! We were blessed when she got hooked on our sport in 2014.

Soon after, she began managing our annual Nebraska clinic and continues to add to her long list of NATRC responsibilities. She not only chaired the 2019 Region 6 Convention but also was a presenter. As a first-time ride manager and trail master this year of both Branching Out and PonyXpress at Rock Creek Station, she took the reins and kept her

sunny attitude despite any setbacks. Helen sits on our Region 6 Board, recently took over as president of the Nebraska Endurance & Competitive Trail Ride Association (NECTRA) and has volunteered to chair the 2021 National Convention! As another step in supporting NATRC in a larger role, she serves on the national Judges Committee.

We not only look forward to Helen's smile and English accent at every Region 6 event her busy work and travel schedule allow, but also appreciate her supporting rides in neighboring regions. She loves to champion our sport and encourage her friends to come give us a try.

Thank you for giving so much to NATRC and Region 6, Helen!

## Region Appreciation Award

### Region 6

### **Marla Stucky and Marilyn Marston**



Marla Stucky and Marilyn Marston have consistently contributed to most every ride that is held in Region 6, through both their competition entries and behind the scenes contributions to ride management.

They have managed the Kanopolis ride in the past and also provided food for ride volunteers and competitors. They consistently contribute to the morale of ride volunteers by making and providing snack mix and monster cookies for P&R crews. Their efforts and smiling faces are an asset to every ride and help motivate volunteers.

These sisters also contribute beyond the rides. Marilyn has served on our Region 6 Board of Directors since 2017. Marla has been our Region 6 Alternate on the NATRC National Board since 2016 and began serving as a Director this year. They have also chaired our NATRC booth at Equifest in the past and Marla has managed our 100% Club since 2012.

Marla and Marilyn are highly deserving of this award for their many years of support and contributions to Region 6. Much of what they do is not widely known but their consistent support is a great asset to NATRC.





## Region 6 Worker Awards

Volunteers who turned in ride positions worked during the 2017 ride season and mile stones reached.

|                          | <b>2019</b> | <b>Prior</b> | <b>Total</b> | <b>Earned bar</b>   |
|--------------------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|---|
| Alex Braun .....         | 125         | 0            | 125          |   |
| Mary Alice Braun.....    | 125         | 0            | 125          |   |
| Chuck Edwards.....       | 1,180       | 24,365       | 25,545       | .... 20 <sup>th</sup> Blue bar  |
| Kathryn Gaherty .....    | 50          | 0            | 50           |   |
| Hirsch, Lucy.....        | 50          | 2,450        | 2,500        | .... 2 <sup>nd</sup> Red bar + cap                                      |
| Liz Klamm.....           | 25          | 2,720        | 2,745        |   |
| Marilyn Marston.....     | 475         | 250          | 725          | .... 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Gold bars                        |
| Deb McCullough.....      | 275         | 450          | 725          | .... 3 <sup>rd</sup> Gold bar   |
| Ty McCullough.....       | 300         | 450          | 750          | .... 3 <sup>rd</sup> Gold bar   |
| Ruth Mesimer .....       | 1,115       | 9,385        | 10,500       | .... 5 <sup>th</sup> Blue bar   |
| Brenda Messick.....      | 405         | 1,355        | 1,760        | .... 7 <sup>th</sup> Gold bar   |
| David Nore .....         | 1,755       | 2,190        | 3,945        | .... 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 4 <sup>th</sup> Red bars + cap |
| Robin Nore .....         | 1,785       | 2,495        | 4,280        | .... 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 4 <sup>th</sup> Red bars + cap |
| Shari Parys .....        | 470         | 3,550        | 4,020        | .... 5 <sup>th</sup> Red bar  |
| Kristen Schmalzried .... | 25          | 25           | 50           |   |
| Debbie Smart .....       | 25          | 0            | 25           |   |
| Violet Stich.....        | 150         | 0            | 150          |   |
| John Zeliff .....        | 500         | 425          | 925          | .... 3 <sup>rd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Gold bars                        |

## 2019 Region 6 Trail Masters

Big Hill Nov 2018 – Violet Stich  
 Kanopolis Canyons – Priscilla Lindsey  
 Branching Out – Helen Smith  
 PonyXpress – Helen Smith  
 Salt Creek – Carol Retzer  
 Jesse James Roundup – David Nore  
 Brushy Creek – Beth Aswegan  
 Indian Cave – Chuck Edwards  
 Big Hill Oct 2019 – Priscilla Lindsey



## 2019 100% Club

### Jacket

David Nore  
 Robin Nore  
 Kristen Schmalzrie

### Second Year Patch

Chuck Edwards  
 Brenda Messick

## 2019 Region 6 Horsemanship Awards

### Novice Lightweight Horsemanship

1. Kristen Schmalzried (MO)52
2. Kristen Johansen (IA).....36

### Novice Heavyweight Horsemanship

1. Kris Wech (KS).....28
2. Gina Kollars (NE) .....26

### CP Lightweight Horsemanship

1. Trish Cleveland (KS) .....44
2. Maggie Childs (KS) .....25

### CP Heavyweight Horsemanship

1. Mary Fettes (IA) .....43
2. Verona Chaffin (KS) .....18

### Open Lightweight Horsemanship

1. Brenda Messick (NE).....54
2. Margaret Reynolds (MO) .43
3. Helen Smith (NE) .....29
4. Marla Stucky (KS) .....28
5. Mary Anna Wood (MO)....19

### Open Heavyweight Horsemanship

1. John Zeliff (MO) .....26
2. Marilyn Marston (KS).....17



**Some horses will test you & some will teach you.  
Some horses will bring out the best in you.  
*Congratulations!***

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**2019 Region 6 Horse Awards**

Novice Lightweight Horse

- 1. PVA Light Nthe Storm / ar.... Kristen Johansen (IA) .....52
- 2. CGR Ladygodiva / har ..... Kristen Schmalzried (MO) .....51

Novice Heavyweight Horse

- 1. King’s Charley R.E. / mft..... Kris Wech (KS) .....30
- 2. Invest Ina Three Bar / qtr .... Gina Kollars (NE).....24
- 3. Fiddler 2 / mft ..... Vickie Gautier (NE).....14

Competitive Pleasure Lightweight Horse

- 1. Cito Mocha Raton / hoa..... Trish Cleveland (KS) .....45
- 2. Goodness Gracious / gr har.... Maggie Childs (KS).....25

Competitive Pleasure Heavyweight Horse

- 1. RW Braveheart / ar..... Mary Fettes (IA) .....47
- 2. KS Franks Banjet / paint..... Verona Chaffin (KS) .....18

Open Lightweight Horse

- 1. Rushcreek Allie / ar ..... Brenda Messick (NE).....53
- 2. Focus Jessie / apt ..... Helen Smith (NE)/Mary Anna Wood (MO)51
- 3. VA Caradelle / ar ..... Margaret Reynolds (MO).....42
- 4. EZ Rocket WH / mft ..... Marla Stucky (KS).....24

Open Heavyweight Horse

- 1. Roho Honoy Mocha WH / mft John Zeliff (MO).....24
- 2. L.L. Remington / har..... Marilyn Marston (KS) .....17

**2019 Region Leisure Team Awards**

Leisure Adult

- 1. Tammy Vasa (NE).....Decks Tru Grit / qtr.....31
- 2. Vickie Gautier (NE).....Fiddler 2 / mft.....20
- 3. Melvin Houghton (MO).Annie Oakley / gr mft.....9



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## National Awards

### 2019 Region Team Awards: Ribbons sponsored by Region 6 NATRC, Inc.

#### Novice Lightweight:

1. Kristen Schmalzried (MO)...CGR Ladygodiva / har..... 103
2. Kristen Johansen (IA).....PVA Light Nthe Storm / ar ..... 88

#### Novice Heavyweight:

1. Kris Wech (KS).....King’s Charley R.E. / mft ..... 58
2. Gina Kollars (NE) .....Invest Ina Three Bar / qtr..... 50
3. Vickie Gautier (NE) .....Fiddler 2 / mft..... 25

#### Competitive Pleasure Lightweight:

1. Trish Cleveland (KS) .....Cito Mocha Raton..... 89
2. Maggie Childs (KS) .....Goodness Gracious / gr har ..... 50

#### Competitive Pleasure Heavyweight:

1. Mary Fettes (IA) .....RW Braveheart / ar ..... 90
2. Verona Chaffin (KS) .....KS Franks Banjet / paint..... 36

#### Open Lightweight:

1. Brenda Messick (NE).....Rushcreek Allie / ar..... 107
2. Margaret Reynolds (MO) ....VA Caradelle / ar..... 85
3. Helen Smith (NE) .....Focus Jessie / ap..... 74
4. Marla Stucky (KS) .....EZ Rocket WH / mft ..... 52

#### Open Heavyweight:

1. John Zeliff (MO) .....Roho Honoy Mocha WH / mft ..... 50
2. Marilyn Marston (KS) .....L.L. Remington / har ..... 34

### 2019 Overall Open Horse

#### Open Lightweight: Ribbon sponsored by Region 6 NATRC, Inc.

3. Focus Jessie / ap.....Helen Smith (NE)..... 101
6. Rushcreek Allie / ar .....Brenda Messick (NE) ..... 87

### 2019 Overall Open Horsemanship

#### Open Lightweight: Ribbons sponsored by Region 6 NATRC, Inc.

4. Brenda Messick (NE)..... 78
6. Helen Smith (NE) ..... 73

#### Open Heavyweight:

6. John Zeliff (MO) .....26



**2019 Open National Champions**

Focus Jessie.....Appaloosa.....Helen Smith  
Rushcreek Allie .....Arabian ..... Brenda Messick

**2019 Competitive Pleasure National Champion**

No recipients

**Region Awards**

**2019 Region 6 Traveling Trophies**

Nebraska – points from all NATRC rides included  
Open High Point Team – Focus Jessie / Helen Smith / 168  
Novice High Point Team – Invest Ina Three Bar / Gina Kollars / 50  
Competitive Pleasure High Point Team – none qualified  
Leisure High Point Team – Decks Tru Grit / Tammy Vasa / 31

Missouri Novice High Point Horse and Rider Combo  
Kristen Schmalzried / CGR Ladygodiva / 103

Kansas Novice High Point Horse and Rider Combo  
Kris Wech / King’s Charley R.E. / 58

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**2019 Region 6 Appreciation Awards**

Helen Smith  
Marilyn Marston and Marla Stucky

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**2019 Top 3 Linda Tellington Jones Award Finalists**

Mary Fettes                      Brenda Messick                      Margaret Reynolds



# Who's Who of Region 6

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