Texoma Horse News

Wichita Falls Horse Committee
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Well, I thought April was going to be great, but it rained and rained. The next **NBNB Ranch show** will be **May 16** at the **Western Heritage Cowboy Church** on Hwy. 79 just outside of Dean. Things have changed again. The show was to be a **double judged** show. Now one of the judges had to leave, so it was decided to make this a single judged show having a dual judged show on a future date. I hope that makes sense. The show times are the same, 8 am - 9 am open clinic and show starts at 9:30 am. The additional dates include June 20, July 18, August 8 and the finale is September 19. You can miss one show and still qualify for a buckle.
The next **WFHC meeting** is June 6, 10:30 at P3. The meetings are open to the public and any ideas or information are always welcome.
The new **NBNB Rule book** is out and on line. You can find it on 'mywfhc.org' under NBNB. Everyone needs to take a look and refer to it instead of any other. It's all in there even what you should be wearing. Don't forget to be kind to your horse and be kind to those around you.

All out of state horse show participants need a hard copy of their **HEALTH CERTIFICATE AND COGGINS**. Texas participants only need a hard copy of their Coggins before entering the horse show.

WFHC events are for everyone whether you are a beginning rider with absolutely no experience or someone with a new horse, there is a division for you. You can enter one class or all that are appropriate. Also, these events include the little ones. There is one little girl about 3 years old who can't wait to ride in the show. She is all cowgirl, loves her jeans and boots. There is a special division for her supported by her mom. That goes for anyone who wants to ride or wants to learn to ride whether you are 3 or 93; or whether you need help while riding or special classes. Just let them know about your needs and they will find a spot for you. Please call Peggy at 940-674-5363. The **WFHC** is here to support you. The show is open to all types of equines; Drafts, Mules, Minis, etc. none are excluded. These shows are not fancy; no expensive tack, no glitter and rhinestones. Just jeans and a long sleeve shirt, a hat or helmet and boots, but no tennis shoes. **Although** with the upcoming shows participants will be allowed to wear a short sleeve collared shirt (if the weather is hot) and a ballcap will be allowed if the wind is 20 knots or above or at the Judge's discretion. This activity could lead to sunburn, so please act accordingly.

Please remember that the ads for the **Ag & Horseman's Directory** are being showcased and advertised on the website (mywfhc.org) and on Facebook. So, everyone will be seeing your ad. We are now soliciting new ads for the Directory sponsored by the Wichita Falls Horse Committee. Please call - 888-707-9342 or text 940-631-3412 for more information.

Please inquire about the **Texas Stallion Service Auction. It's** a great program to get your stallion recognized and advertised. To donate a stallion service please email, stallion@mywfc.org or call 888-707-9342 for all the details. All registered stallions need to be standing in Texas.

The next **Red River Riding Association** Playday is June 6 at the arena on FM1177, register at 1 pm and ride at 2 pm. High Point Awards and Ribbons are given at each playday. Playdays include Barrels, Poles, and 3 rotating events. The cost is $5 per event or $20 for all 5 events. All ages are encouraged to participate. Get ready for the **Boomtown Rodeo** set for June 12 and 13. For more information call Becky King at 940-337-2633.

The **National Barrel Horse Association** (NBHA) have the 2nd Annual Terry O'Neal Memorial Scholarship Race May 23 at the Wilbarger County Event Center in Vernon. Books open at 9 am. For times and additional information call Kristen Morrison at 940-733-0082.



Texas Oklahoma Barrel Racing Association (TOBRA) events include one this weekend May 16 and 17 and the next one is June 6-7, all in Vernon. For more information, please call Tammy Lemond at 940-781-2414. Booth rentals are available, www.tobra.org.

A note from Jamie . . . .

Why Your Horse Gets Worse the Longer You Work

If your horse starts great… but falls apart 30 minutes later? That's information.
A lot of riders think: "If we keep working through it, eventually they'll settle."
Sometimes the opposite happens.
Because horses have mental fatigue too.
The longer pressure continues without enough release or understanding:

- Responses get slower
- Frustration builds
- Bracing increases
- Attention drops
- Emotions rise



And riders often accidentally answer that by:

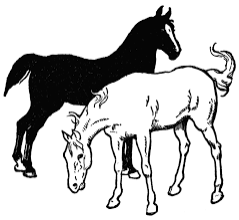
》 Micromanaging more
》 Pulling more
》 Repeating cues faster
》 Increasing intensity

Now BOTH sides are frustrated.
Sometimes the smartest thing you can do is:

☆Reset
☆Simplify
☆End earlier

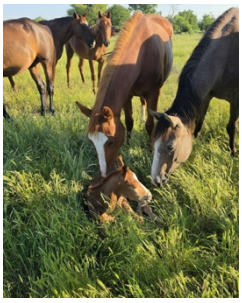
☆Change exercises
☆Reward sooner
Progress isn't measured by how exhausted your horse is afterward.
A lot of amazing rides happen in short sessions with GREAT timing.
Inside Foundations of Thoughtful Horsemanship, I teach how to recognize mental fatigue BEFORE it becomes a fight.
More training time does NOT automatically equal better training.

P.S. If you've ever felt like rides turn into "doing" instead of communicating, this is something we break down step-by-step inside Fundamentals of Thoughtful Horsemanship — how to use timing, release, and pauses intentionally so you're not just riding… you're teaching.



We have some baby pictures from Jamie Bennet. Please send me your baby photos and I will put them on the page. My email is janiceejones464@gmail.com







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