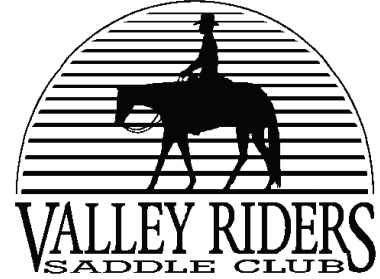


Valley Riders Saddle Club Newsletter

February 2017

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February Birthdays

Happy birthday to the following Valley members in February: Joey Dunn, David Wolfe, Alicia Geesey, Brock Mercer, Ryan Burnside, Suzanne Phillips, Billy Fleetwood, Barbara West, MacKenzie Martin, and Garry Lyons.

February Meeting

The next meeting will be Monday, February 13th, at 7pm. The meeting will be held at Honey Creek Church. Note the date change due to the 2nd Tuesday being Valentine's Day. There will be a card to sign for Kari Mercer at the meeting.

2017 Open Show Dates

Mark your calendars! The Valley Riders show dates have been set for 2017. They are as follows:
Fun Show—April 23 AQHA Tack Room Show—May 20/21 AQHA Introductory Show—August 5/6
Open Shows—May 7, June 4, July 9 (double judged), August 20, October 1
Anniversary Show—September 16 (double judged)/17 (single judged)

2017 Valley Membership Applications

The 2017 Membership Application is available on the website. Until your membership is paid, you are not allowed to vote at the meetings, or have show points count. Otherwise, membership applications are due **March 1** to avoid paying the \$5.00 late fee. A few other notes:

1. Lifetime members—please go ahead and fill out a membership application, even though you don't have to pay. ☺
2. Please make sure to fill out the membership form neatly and completely. The forms get copied several times for the officers, and it's important we have the info we need.
3. New for 2017--the stall reservation paper for open shows is new this year. You will no longer reserve your stall on your membership form. If you want stalls for every show, fill out this paper and send to Judy or Barb. If you will only come to a few shows, do not fill out this paper--just call Barb the week before that show. We are trying this for 2017 to cut down on the number of "reserved" but unused stalls at open shows. Remember--the Tack Room Show, Intro Show, and Anniversary show will still require separate stall reservations that must be paid in advance.

Johnson County 4-H Horse and Pony Tack Swap

Johnson County 4-H Horse and Pony is hosting a tack swap/chili supper/live auction at Scott Hall at the Johnson County fairgrounds on Sunday, February 19th, from 10-4pm. Please consider supporting this event either with shopping or coming to eat!

Other Valley Happenings

Do you have any news (weddings, special anniversaries, illnesses, passings, etc.) that you would like posted in "Other Valley Happenings"? If so, please email Stephanie Dunn at stephaniejane97@hotmail.com, or call 317-313-1445.