

# **SHARP NOTES**

## **Fall 2009**

Well, it's the end of summer (\*sigh\*) and school is about to start or has started for lucky people like me (was the sarcasm too much??). This means lots of changes in schedules. See this issue for changes and updates. Also, here is a friendly reminder for all lesson clients and lease clients...

### If you use it...clean it!!

There has been a lot of damage done to equipment this summer and care has not been taken to make sure that equipment (bridles, brushes, girths, fly spray, etc.) is replaced properly. I know that I am lecturing all the time about equipment maintenance but...this is for your safety! Poorly maintained tack and equipment is a danger to you when you ride.

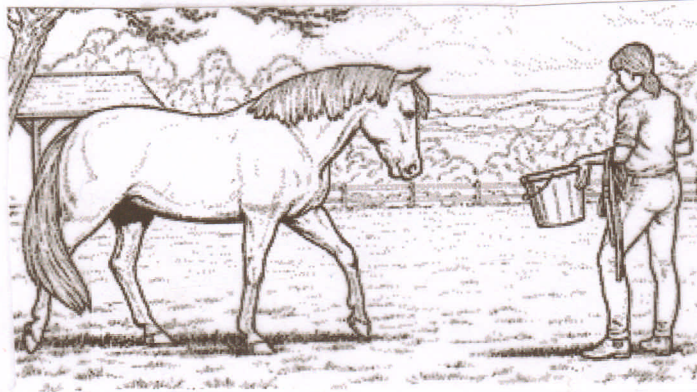
### If you use it...put it away. If you use it up...replace it!!

- Make sure that fly spray bottles are turned to the closed position when not in use. They tip over and fly spray leaks out onto the floor. At \$25.00 a bottle, this is a costly oversight.
- Make sure that all girths, bits and saddle pads are wiped off before putting them away. This keeps the sweat from accumulating and causing sores on your horse.

I am beginning to replace all the leather lesson equipment with nylon or synthetic equipment. Synthetic tack requires less maintenance and is lighter. Because of this change, all the leather lesson equipment will be for sale. This includes saddles, girths, cinches, saddlepads and bridles. See partial list in this issue.

After a July lull in shows, they are picking back up again! See this issue for a schedule of shows. Good news!! The new show bill for the Not Summer Series horse shows is attached as well. People are beginning to enter now, so if you are interested in showing a lesson horse, please see Mary. Leases are available as well this fall on all lesson horses.

Thank you all for a great summer! We were lucky to have many nice days to ride and enjoy time at the barn!





## FALL SCHEDULE

In August, lessons will be held on Sundays 9-noon,

Mondays 5-8pm

Tuesdays 5-8pm

Wednesdays 6-8pm

Some Fridays

In September the schedule will change : Sundays 9-noon

Wednesdays 6-8pm

Some Thursdays

Fridays 5-8pm

In October and November lessons will be primarily be on Thursdays, Friday nights, Saturdays and Sundays.

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## UPCOMING SHOWS

### **August:**

15<sup>th</sup>-Lone Star Show- KC,MO-9am

22<sup>nd</sup>-Longview Benefit Show-Raytown,MO-6:30pm

29<sup>th</sup>-Lone Star Show-KC,MO-10am

### **September:**

5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup>-Buckskin Assn. Show-Lawrence, KS- 9am

12<sup>th</sup>-EKAHA Show-Raytown,MO-4pm

12<sup>th</sup>/13<sup>th</sup>-American Royal Youth Show-KC,MO -8am

19<sup>th</sup>-Plattsburg Saddle Club Show-Plattsburg,MO-1pm

18<sup>th</sup>/19<sup>th</sup>/20<sup>th</sup>-American Royal QH Show-KC,MO-8am

24<sup>th</sup>/25<sup>th</sup>/26<sup>th</sup>-American Royal Arab show-KC,MO-8am

### **October:**

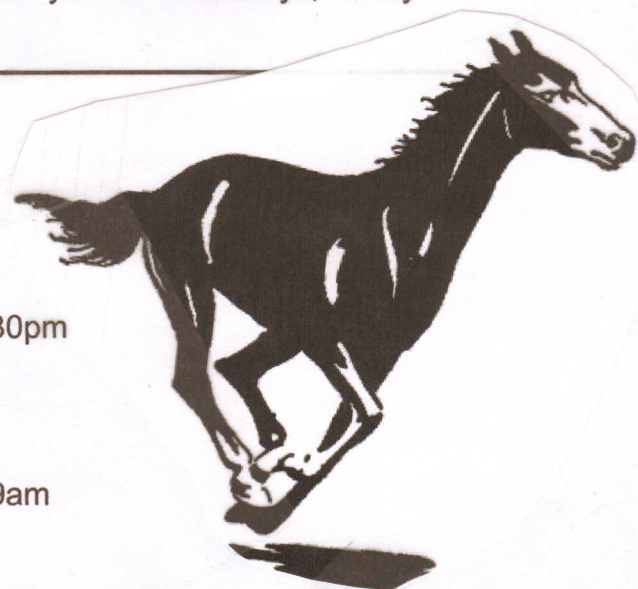
3<sup>rd</sup>-Love Fund Charity Show-KC,MO- 2pm

9<sup>th</sup>/10<sup>th</sup>/11<sup>th</sup>-Salina Charity Show-Salina,KS-8am

9<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup>-American Royal Hunter/Jumper Show-KC,MO -8am

### **November:**

17<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup>- American Royal Saddlebred Show-KC,MO- 8am





Congratulations to our show team so far this summer!

\* At the Family Services Benefit horse show:

Lilly and "Winnie" won-4<sup>th</sup> /9 in Showmanship at Halter  
4<sup>th</sup>/10 in Western Pleasure 17 & Under

Andy and "Winnie" won 4<sup>th</sup>/4 in Leadline 6 & Under

Katherine and "Tender" won 3<sup>rd</sup>/7 in Walk/Opt.Gait 11 & Over  
2<sup>nd</sup>/4 in Walk/Trot 17 & Under

Lexi and "Smokey" won 4<sup>th</sup>/7 in Walk/Opt. Gait 11 & Over  
4<sup>th</sup>/4 in Walk/Trot 17 & Under

\*At the Jackson County Sheriff Posse benefit Show:

Henry and "Winnie" won 5<sup>th</sup>/8 in Walk Only 12 & Under

Andy and "Winnie" won 2<sup>nd</sup>/10 in Leadline 6 & Under

Lilly and "Winnie" won 5<sup>th</sup>/10 in Showmanship at Halter 17 & Under  
5<sup>th</sup>/9 in Quarter Horse Halter

Chelsea and "Gator" won 4<sup>th</sup>/9 in Junior Exhibitor Western Pleasure

\*At the Driving Society Horse Show:

Andy and "Winnie" won 5<sup>th</sup>/9 in Leadline 6 & Under

Lexi and "Smokey" won 5<sup>th</sup>/6 in Showmanship 17 & Under  
1<sup>st</sup>/11 in Walk/Opt. Gait 11 & Over

Lilly and "Winnie" won 4<sup>th</sup>/9 in Quarter Horse Halter  
4<sup>th</sup>/6 in Showmanship at Halter 17 & under  
4<sup>th</sup>/20!!! in Huntseat Pleasure Open  
3<sup>rd</sup>/12 in Huntseat Equitation 17 & Under  
4<sup>th</sup>/7 in Jr. Exhibitor Western Pleasure  
6<sup>th</sup>/11 in Western Pleasure Open  
4<sup>th</sup>/4 in Huntseat Equitation 17 & Under







### HORSE LEASES:

Full lease: 5-6 days per week, tack included, 4 lessons...\$380.00

Half lease: 2-3 days per week, tack included, 4 lessons...\$280.00

Additional people can be added to the lease for \$45.00 per person.

People leasing a horse can use that horse in lessons, shows and recreational riding. Leases are month to month and are available to start any time of the month.

### OPEN RIDES:

Open ride times are whenever I have regular scheduled lessons. Please call Mary for times and dates.

Open rides.: 2 hours...\$30.00

Please note that this is not instructional time. This is extra time to practice your skills or enjoy a little bit of extra time with your favorite horse. Riders do not have to be in the lesson program to participate, but all riders need to have a signed waiver, boot w/ heel, approved helmet, long pants and shirts with sleeves. Riders MUST reserve spots prior to Open Ride days.

### SHARP PERFORMANCE HORSES SHIRTS

Three different designs- halter, jumping and western

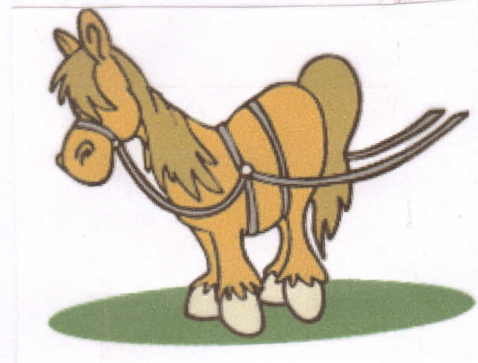
Red shirt with black design

All sizes-3T-XXL

T shirts- \$7.00

Long sleeved T shirts-\$12.00

Sweatshirts-\$20.00



### LESSONS

Private: \$50.00/lesson

Group: \$160.00/4 lesson package

\$200.00/5 lesson package

**\$45.00 per lesson when fewer than 4 are purchased!**

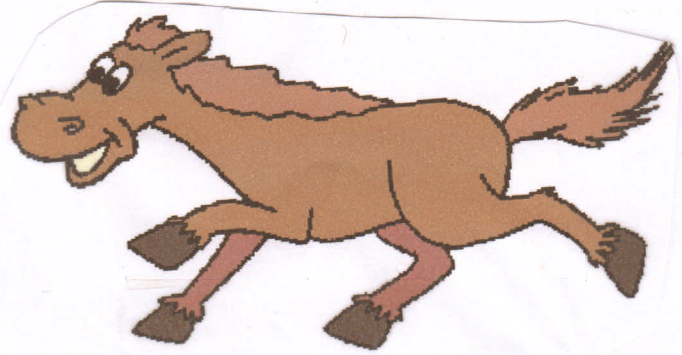
Sessions last 45-90 minutes as determined by the instructor.

Group lessons are minimum 2 riders/maximum 4 riders.

**All lessons must be prepaid!**

No penalty for missing prepaid lessons. We will do our best to reschedule any missed lessons due to illness and weather. Lessons purchased outside of a package will be charged if missed.





## MINI CAMPS

Mini camp dates: October 24<sup>th</sup>/25<sup>th</sup>  
November 21<sup>st</sup>/22<sup>nd</sup>

9am-1pm

\$125.00 per rider/\$40.00 non-refundable deposit to hold spot

Minimum 4 riders required to hold camp session/maximum 10 riders

Mini-camps will include t-shirt, 2+ hours of riding instruction per day, special activities and guest speakers.

## BIRTHDAY PARTIES

Birthday parties include a present for the birthday child, a mini lesson on grooming and safety and rides for all of the birthday guests. (assisted)

1-5 riders (guests) \$120.00/90 minutes

6-10 riders (guests) \$180.00/120 minutes

\$10.00 per each additional rider

Waivers must be signed prior to the party date. (Packets are available from Mary)

Non-refundable deposit of \$50.00 is required to reserve the date.

Parties are available evenings and weekends.

## FOR SALE

### **Western Saddles:**

12" seat-brown leather w/white stitching-\$50.00

16" seat-black adult Wintec-\$250.00

### **Huntseat Saddles: (all youth)**

Blue Ridge Saddlery, missing right billet, knee rolls-\$200.00

Lighter leather, no knee rolls-\$200.00

Crosby Prix des Nations-no knee rolls, squared cantle-\$450.00

Regent-black, no knee rolls-\$200.00

Darker leather, high cantle, w/knee rolls-\$290.00

Blue Ridge, light knee rolls-\$200.00

### **Huntseat Saddlepads**

White Fleece-\$15.00 each

### **Western Saddlepads**

Best quality Cutter pads, assorted colors-\$25.00

### **Huntseat Girths**

Leather-best quality-assorted lengths-\$40.00 each

### **Western Cinches**

White and brown string girths-assorted lengths-\$15.00 each

**Bridles and other equipment will be available for purchase later this winter**

### **Leadropes and Halters**

Assorted colors-\$5.00 each

### **English Saddle Covers**

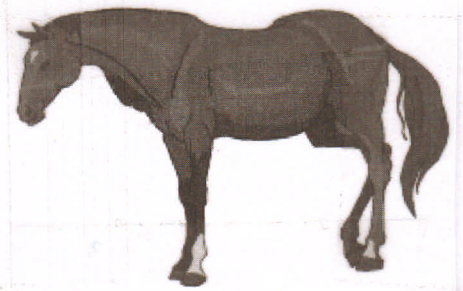
Assorted colors-\$10.00 each





Welcome to our new riders!!  
Debbie Dickerson  
Natalie Pool  
Emma Cahill

Welcome back to..  
Lauren Thompson  
Ciena Brown  
Grace Kelley



Save \$45.00 a year! Take the magazines that are available from the lounge! These are a great (free) resource!

Thank you to Luanna Fleming for her work and furniture in the lounge!  
It looks great!!!!

Congratulations to Chelsea Zillner and "Chocolate Masterpiece" ...  
3<sup>rd</sup> in the State of Kansas in Showmanship at Halter 14-18  
5<sup>th</sup> in Green Western Riding  
Good luck at the Youth World Show!!  
Also with new horse "Shiekarama" ...  
3<sup>rd</sup> in the State in Western Pleasure  
3<sup>rd</sup> in the State in Western Horsemanship  
Placed in the Semi-finals at the Youth World in Western Horsemanship out  
of 187 entries!!  
Congratulations Chelsea!



QUOTE:

"Always, Always keep showing. Don't give up if you make a mistake. The judges will respect you for it. If you make several mistakes, laugh it up and chalk it up to experience. This is after all, an opportunity to learn, not just a chance for you and your horse to get dressed up." -Carol Metcalf, AQHA horseman of the Year

"When you become scared or tense on your horse's back, you'll grip with your legs and clench with your reins and your entire body becomes rigid. Your horse is going to sense this. As a prey animal, once he recognizes fear in you, his own fear is going to heighten. Your horse looks to you for leadership and confidence. Fear only leads to more fear." -Karen Scholl