



# SAHA NEWSLETTER

## January 2010

**Next Meeting:** February 4<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm Ardrossan Memorial Hall

**Activity:** Guest Speaker; Rachele Reichert, owner of Little Arf'n Annie Dog Grooming and Training will be discussing ... equipment needed to clean and groom the different kinds of dog coats, how to clean ears and teeth, how to trim nails and excessive hair coats and answer your questions on Canine Grooming!

**New Executive:** The SAHA executive for 2010 was finalized at the January meeting.. They are:

Phil Coatta – President  
 Wendy Zelt – Vice President and Secretary  
 Natalie Ince – Treasurer  
 Judy Spence  
 Lori Brenholen

Remember:

- Enter T.R.I.P. for 2010 for some great gifts. \$10.00 entry fee
- Enter Versatility/Milestone for 2010, also great gifts. \$15.00 entry fee
  - You must enter T.R.I.P. and Versatility/Milestone by the February meeting to be eligible for 2010.
- Newsletter deadline for submitting ads, or other information is the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month.
- After March the newsletter will be on line and snail mailed only to those who are paid up members and have asked to have a paper copy mailed to them.

Ads in the news letter: (Send print ready to Phil Coatta pcoatta@wildroseinternet.ca)

The rates for advertising in the news letter are:

Front cover \$25.00 consisting of a Photo and ¼ page Write-up

Full Page \$20.00, Half Page \$10.00,

Classified ad - Two Lines free for members.

Versatility/Milestone Program of 2009

Below is a list of entries for the V/M program of 2009. If your name is NOT on the list Please call Linda at 780 449-5600 to have your name included if you had joined the program. The number in parenthesis after your name indicated the number of horses entered.

Linda Vongrad (3)	Hedi Klassan (2)	Judy Spence
Dennis Davis (3)	Jeanne DesRochers	Letitia Gregoire
Lorry Paisley (2)	Mary King	

### STRATHCONA ARABIAN HORSE ASSOCIATION 2010 – TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

The success of our Club and the events that we offer depend on the assistance of our wonderful volunteers. If everyone gives even 3-4 hours this year, our Club will continue to grow and thrive. Please review our draft plan and think about where you might be able to assist the Club. Contact Phil or Wendy if you can volunteer.

Day & Date	Activity	Volunteer Requirements	Location
Thursday, Feb. 4	Grooming your dog-with	Donna-Rae to make	Ardrossan Memorial

	Rachelle Reichert	arrangements	Hall 7:30PM
Tuesday, Feb. 9	Directors & Show Committee Meetings	All directors to attend.	Smiley's in Sherwood Park at 6PM
Thursday, March 4	General Meeting: Dessert Night, Awards, Directory Picture, Slogan	Prize for best dessert. Directors to co-ordinate.	Ardrossan Memorial Hall 7:30PM
Saturday, March 13	Mall Display	2 persons to set-up and attend booth	9:30-5:30PM
Thursday, April 1	What to do before the Vet. Arrives? Emergency Kits	Natalie and Greg to co-ordinate	Westwind Veterinary Clinic, 7:30PM, Address?
Saturday, May 1  Sunday, May 2 (Weather permitting)	Beginner Trail Riding Clinic with Ken Zelt	Maximum 6 riders. Call Ken at 922-3222 to pre-register. \$15/day donation to AEF Trail Support Program. Bring a lunch.	Saturday, 10AM-3PM at Zelt's,  Sunday, 10AM-3PM (optional) at Blackfoot Waskahegan
Thursday, May 6	NO MEETING	Come and help with the Show or Showcase	Thanks for you help!!!
Sunday, May 9	Mothers Day Show	Committee: Natalie, Wendy, Phil, Lori, Judy 4-5 volunteers to work at the Show	Fultonvale Arena 9AM
Sunday, May 30	Horse Showcase	3-4 volunteers to man a booth	Fultonvale Arena and Ring 9AM-5PM
Thursday, June 3	Diamond Willow Walking Canes-demonstration by Bill Ince	Natalie to co-ordinate	Ardrossan Memorial Hall, 7:30PM
Saturday, June 12	Breakfast in the Blackfoot-bring your horse to go for a trail ride or go for a hike or bike ride	Lori to co-ordinate. Need 1-2 volunteers to cook breakfast	Blackfoot Waskahegan Picnic Shelter, Time:TBA
Thursday, July 1	Dog Jog and Wiener Roast  Agility Obstacles	Lori/Greg to co-ordinate. 1-2 volunteers to provide hot dogs, etc. Potluck salads and desserts	Blackfoot Waskahegan Picnic Shelter, Time: TBA. Bring your dogs, family, kids (activities)!
Friday, August 6	Night at the Races	Lori to co-ordinate & book the seating with Northlands	Northlands Race Track Time: TBA
Thursday, Sept. 2	Meeting & Pizza Night	Topic: Farrier Clinic tent. Need person to book the activity or speaker?	Ardrossan Memorial Hall or alternate, 7:30PM
Saturday, Sept. 18	Volunteer Party	Greg/Wendy to book location and purchase food, etc.	All 2010 volunteers are invited to attend. Time: TBA

Thursday, Oct. 7	Activity Night- Western Shooters?	1 person to book the activity	Ardrossan Memorial Hall or alternate, 7:30PM  Other ideas?
Thursday, Nov. 4	Charity Dessert Auction	1 person to record bid  1 person as auctioneer	Ardrossan Memorial Hall 7:30PM
Saturday, Nov. ?	Horseshoe Xmas Wreath workshop	Lori to co-ordinate	Time and location TBA
Saturday, Dec. 4	SAHA Christmas Party	Lori and 2-3 volunteers to organize tickets & entertainment	O.L.P.H Church downstairs-small room  Time: TBA
April to November	Book arena weekly for drop-in member use or group lesson	One volunteer to contact local arena owners and arrange a booking	Tentative: call Phil if you are interested
Western Riding Clinic(s?)	TBA	Judy and Lorry Paisley to co-ordinate	Date and location: TBA

### **MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY - 25<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY EDITION**

For a number of years SAHA had produced a Membership Directory for its members. From 2002 to 2004 these were small books that could fit into a pocket or purse easily. We would like to take advantage of the hard work that was done contacting our past members for the Anniversary party that was held last November and celebrate the 25 years of SAHA.

The 2010 Board of Directors has approved the assembly and printing of a Membership Directory containing the names and hopefully contact information of our SAHA members for the last 25 years.

2010 members will have all of their information listed and past members will have their phone numbers if they are valid.

This booklet will measure 5 ½ inches by 8 ½ inches in size and will be funded by the advertising that will be sold.

Cost and Availability are as follows:

Back Cover -	\$70.00
Inside Front and Inside Back Covers -	\$60.00
Center Fold	\$70.00
Full Page Ads	\$40.00
½ Page Ads	\$30.00

As a special benefit to Current members who wish to buy advertising, they will receive a **15% discount** and **get first choice of the key locations.**

Please contact Donna-Rae Coatta – 780-922-5207 or [drcoatta@wildroseinternet.ca](mailto:drcoatta@wildroseinternet.ca) to book your space.

Memberships must be in and paid for by March 4, 2010 to be in the directory. Only current members and advertisers will receive a copy of this special edition.

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#### **Please take note! At the March Meeting the following activities will be held:**

Cover Photo Contest...bring your pictures that depict an event that SAHA held during its 25 years. The Winning photo will be on the front cover of the SAHA 25<sup>th</sup> Membership Directory

Slogan Contest...what rhymes with 20-10 and SAHA???

Dessert Contest...winner will be "published" in the SAHA Membership Directory. Bring your Best Dessert to share with other Members....

Charity Contest...We will choose the Charity of the year

Awards for Versatility/Milestone....and TRIP to be handed out...

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### **TRIP – Trail Riders Incentive Program**

Just a reminder to send your entry in NOW, so that your miles can start to accumulate for 2010.

#### **What is TRIP?**

This program is for all RECREATIONAL Trail Riders/Drivers. The mandate of this program is to get out and ride or drive your horse(s) and obtain knowledge as to distance, mapping skills and locations.

This is a NON-COMPETITIVE SAHA event. You set YOUR goals on a yearly basis. Every time you go on a trail or around your "block" you can add up the miles. The 5 major awards that are handed out in March have 3 of them chosen on a draw system. Everyone that is eligible goes into a draw barrel.

Safety is foremost therefore you must either ride with someone OR contact someone as to where you are riding and when you will return and then obtain a signature for verification.

For further information please contact Donna-Rae – 780-922-5207 or go onto our website to download your TRIP forms. [www.saha.ab.ca](http://www.saha.ab.ca)

### **Minutes of General Meeting Thursday, January 7, 2010**

President Phil Coatta called the general meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

Attendees: 17

Respects paid to the passing of past member Dale Boettger

#### **1.0 OLD BUSINESS**

1.1 Treasurer- Hedi was not present. Phil reported the November month end bank statement had a balance of \$14,367.40. Some Christmas party bills are still to be paid

1.2 Membership- 2010 membership is now due. Also AEF membership is due. One must have AEF to be a member of SAHA. AEF membership can be found on line at [www.albertaequestrian.com](http://www.albertaequestrian.com)  
Hedi is paying the 2010 Capri insurance.

1.3 Christmas Party Wrap up Report – Donna-Rae reported the Christmas Party had a net loss of \$20.00. This was due in large part to the great effort, as recognized by Ken Komm, by the committee in making a yeoman effort to contact all past members. There were 71 attendees, and thanks to OLPH we were only charged for the 71 and not their minimum of 125. They considered us long term clients and agreed to provide the break in cost we so desperately needed.

1.4 Trip & Milestone – Linda was absent. She will run the versatility but Jeannie DesRochers will help collect the applications. The new applications must be in by the March general meeting The 2009 results must be in by the February meeting.

Donna-Rae commented she is looking for help and suggestions on what to provide for prizes for the TRIP program. The 2009 books MUST be in by the February meeting, so awards can be made in the March meeting.

#### **2.0 NEW BUSINESS**

2.1 General Meetings - Phil reviewed the schedule for the General Meetings. They will be moved back to monthly meetings for 2010. The first Thursday of every month at the Ardrossan Memorial Hall. This hall only costs \$20.00 per month, whereas Fultonvale was about \$85.00 a month. Because of this a motion was made to join the Ardrossan Agricultural Society for a cost of \$10.00 per year. Moved by Linda Carter, seconded by Ken Komm. **FOR 2010 THERE WILL NOT BE A MONTHLY MEETING ON the first Thursdays of July and August. The April meeting MAY be at Westwind.**

2.2 Proposed 2010 Activities – A list of suggested activities completed by the Steering Committee for 2010 was presented by Wendy Zelt. The new executive will review all suggestions and plan the new year. A number of other suggestions were made by those present at the meeting which will need to be reviewed by the executive and planned for. They were:

- Westwind tour and talk. Greg and Natallie volunteered to set up
- Dog Jog – Greg volunteered to set up
- Volunteer Party - Greg volunteered to set up
- Western Clinic – Lori Paisley volunteered to set up
- Ferrier Clinic from either Jeff Stapleton or Dennis at Alberta Ferrier – Natalie to set up
- Trailer Safety
- Trick Riding demonstration by Katelyn Carter.
- Diamond Willow Walking Canes

Picture Gift – A picture has been received from Canadian Arabian. It was discussed as to what to do with the picture. It was suggested SAHA have a raffle. If a raffle is held a license will have to be obtained

Horse Breeders and owners – A reminder of the conference in Red Deer on January 15 – 17.

2.3 Executive volunteers – A request was made for persons to help on the executive. There were no elections and it was stated for year 2010 SAHA will forego the clause in the Bylaws stating they have elections with nine directors. It has been difficult to get nine people, so the executive have decided to carry the club on if they can get at least five and continue with the directions provided by the Steering Committees of 2009 and 2010. As of the January 7, 2010 meeting we currently have four confirmed and a fifth will probably come aboard soon. The four confirmed are: Lori Brenholm, Phil Coatta, Natalie Ince, and Wendy Zelt.

2.4 Other: Linda Carter Comments – Linda indicated Steve Rother will be doing a clinic at Rocking Bar Ranch May 1 – May 4. You may apply for the clinic on the web site [www.horseteacher.com](http://www.horseteacher.com)

Linda also indicated she is going to Africa in support of an African area stricken with aids. She is looking for support. A fund raiser is being held at Average Joes in Sherwood Park on Jan 9 at 7:00 pm.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:15 PM followed by our guest speaker,

The speaker was Morris Airey, Director of the Animal Protection Services of the Alberta SPCA.

Morris gave a very interesting talk on the Alberta SPCA processes, and followed that by answering a number of questions. A cheque was then presented to Morris and the Alberta SPCA from SAHA for \$721.00; the proceeds of the November dessert auction.

**Next Meeting will be held at the Ardrossan Memorial Hall, Thursday February 4th at 7:30PM.**

SAHA Applications: For Membership, Versatility and T.R.I.P, print the form from the Web site.

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