

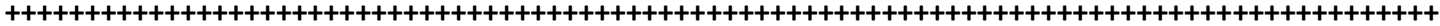


Florida Sport Horse Club Newsletter

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Calendar of Club Rides and Events:

NOTE: we'll have a smaller ride schedule until September, when the heat and bugs diminish. Email or message members for any pickup rides!

- **Saturday, September 22, 8:30am:** Club ride at Marshall Hampton. Trail boss Barbara Lassiter
- **Saturday, October 6, 8:30am:** Club ride at Tenoroc. Barbara Lassiter, trail boss
- **Saturday, October 13, 9:00am:** Club ride at Lake Louisa. Mike & Barbara Charron, trail bosses
- **Monday, October 15, 6:00pm:** Club dinner with monthly meeting, **Golden Corral**, 4532 S Florida Ave., Lakeland.

Please RSVP Barbara Lassiter (or designated trail boss) for club rides! If nobody responds by the Thursday night before the ride, it will be cancelled.

- email Barbara at barbgeiger123@comcast.net
- Call her at 863-534-3459
- Keep up with the club rides and "join" via our Facebook Page (Events section).

Those wanting to ride other days—please contact Barbara Lassiter and/or Karen Turbeville, or email club members directly.

For more information or directions for any of the rides, contact Barbara. You can also check the "**Upcoming Events**" section of our web page at <https://floridasporthorseclub.com/>, or the "**Events**" section of the Florida Sport Horse Club's Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/FloridaSportHorseClub>.

News

August started our new club year. We hope that you've found your club membership to be of value, and will continue to be a part of our group. If you haven't renewed yet, the membership form is attached to this newsletter.

WELCOME to our newest member, Danielle Bilbrey! Danielle works closely with Kathy Grinstead on the Special Olympics Equestrian program. She lives in Winter Haven, and boards her Quarter Horse at Kathy's.

We also had a guest, **Cara Simmonds**, who follows the club on Facebook and is looking for trail buddies. Cara has the ultimate husband—he bought her a quarter horse for her birthday, and a trailer for her birthday. Hopefully she will join us again soon.

All trails at **Marshall Hampton Reserve** (Thornhill Road) are now open.

We've found that the **Hampton Tract** off Rock Ridge Road is (big surprise) under water. The campground is closed, and the day parking is hazardous to anything but boats.

The recent work day at Green Swamp West was a big success—we had 11 club members come out on short notice to join with Triple B and Suncoast Trail Riders to clean up the 2 campgrounds. Thanks to Karen & Sammie Turbeville, Barbara & Steve Lassiter, Penny & Frank Pak, Mary Futch, Kathy Smehyl, Louise Short, Sandy Domanski, and Janet Schneider for their work.

If anybody knows the best color of lighting for barns, let us know! Donna Coquyt is rewiring her barn and wondering whether yellow or blue lights are better.

Save the date! Our Christmas party will be Sunday, December 9th. The place is yet to be determined.

There was a serious discussion about all the issues the extensive rains have caused our horses. Scratches, rain rot and other skin issues have abounded, as has hoof abscesses, thrush, cracks, and bruises. Ticks are also being driven out of the low grass and up into the taller grasses (that we can't cut because the tractor gets stuck), bushes and even trees. Some solutions advanced by members were:

- Fence off the saturated portions, if possible, to keep the horses as dry as possible (Mary Futch).
- For rain rot:
 - MTG is popular with a number of folks
 - Karen Turbeville tried "Itch No More," which worked well
- Susan Buchanon was told to use ichthammol—slather on and leave for 3 days, then wash off.
- For thrush: KopperTox (Karen T.) or a powder called "No Thrush".
- For scratches: furazone and DMSO, mixed, spread on affected area and wrapped in plastic—leave on for a day (Barbara C.). Desitin (Karen T.) works also.

When people start riding out more in cooler weather, how about hanging around after the club rides for **lunch** and socializing? It's a great way to keep up on our friends, as well as introducing ourselves to those guests who may join us. We may even try doing a potluck kind of thing once a quarter! Stay tuned.....

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Tips & Activities by Members:



Janet Schneider is headed out west, where (among other things) she will ride in Gila National Forest with an Apache guide.

Janet Del Castillo is back home with her horse "I have Hope." Hope pulled in a 2nd and 3rd place in his early racing, which is promising.

Kathy Grinstead is still looking for help with the Special Olympics program. If you can be a walker or some other job, please contact Kathy. They are also still in need of a bullet-proof, solid horse that can handle a 200-250 pound rider.

Join the club! Meet some great people who love their horses. What are YOU doing? Let us know, and send us pictures--we'd love some action shots of you and your horse! Send to jm_schneider@msn.com. Follow us on Facebook, and visit us online at Facebook <https://floridasporthorseclub.com/>. Happy Trails, where we hope to see you soon!



Florida Sport Horse Club, Inc
Membership New/Renewal Form
20__ to 20__



Please complete the form and return it with your check, payable to the Florida Sport Horse Club,
by September 30. Welcome to our club!

Name(s) _____ **Single** **\$15.00**
_____ **Family** **\$25.00**

Joining before September 30? Add a 1-year subscription to Horse & Pony for an extra \$10. Yes_____

Total paid: _____

Address: _____

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Signed (include legal guardian if under 19 years of age) **Date**

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Please submit this form and your membership fee to:

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