



Florida Sport Horse Club Newsletter

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Dedicated to trail riding and the preservation of the many riding areas in Central Florida.

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Calendar of Club Rides and Events:

NOTE: Email or message members for any pickup rides

- **Saturday, May 22, 8:30am:** Club ride at Gator Creek. Trail boss Del Jones
- **Saturday, May 29, 8:30am:** Club ride at Lower Green Swamp. Trail boss Del Jones
- **Saturday, June 5, 8:30am:** Club ride at Hampton Tract, Rock Ridge Road. Trail boss Del Jones
- **Saturday, June 12, 8:30am:** Club ride at Tenoroc. Trail boss Del Jones
- **Saturday, June 19, 8:30am:** Club ride at Colt Creek; park at Middle Lakes. Trail boss Del Jones
- **Monday, June 21, 6:00pm-7:45pm:** Club dinner & meeting at Golden Corral, 4532 S. Florida Ave., Lakeland. Dinner at 6pm with meeting to follow at 7pm
- **Saturday, June 26, 8:30am:** Club ride at Marshall Hampton Reserve, Thornhill Road. Trail boss Del Jones
- **Saturday, August 7, 5pm:** Annual club BBQ & membership party at the Lassiters'
- **Saturday, November 6, 9am:** Veterans Day mounted scavenger hunt at Colt Creek

Take time after each ride to relax—bring your lunch or snacks, and share some quality time with club members.

Keep up with the club rides and “join” via our Facebook Page (Events section).

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

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.

News

Are you happy with the South Lakeland Golden Corral for our face-to-face meetings every third Monday of the month? While it seems to have worked well for most members, we are always open to suggestions for other venues. Please let Mike know what you think.

We have a new club shirt coordinator! Thank you, AnnMarie Connor, for volunteering. Ann Marie has all the info you need, so if you're interested in getting a club shirt please email her at nascaramc@yahoo.com.

How about becoming an officer??? Elections will be held August 7 at our annual barbeque. You can submit your own name OR (with permission from your chosen "victim") another club member now to current President Mike Charron.

Save the date of Saturday, August 7 at 5pm for our annual BBQ and membership gathering at the Lassiters'! As usual the club will provide the meats; members are asked to bring a dish to share.

We now have several members who can't make the monthly meetings because of distance (St. Pete, St. Cloud, Brandon, etc.). We're investigating how we might be able to link up **via teleconference**, so some of our more far-flung members might be able to at least call in to hear the meeting. It's going to be a learning curve, so please bear with us.

Remember our Dine-Arounds? We used to have once-a-month lunches at local restaurants. COVID ended that last year, but we'd like to start up again (probably in July). The suggested day is the first Tuesday of each month, but we'd like to hear from you. Are you interested? Is Tuesday a good day for you (many restaurants are closed on Monday)? Do you have suggestions for where we can go? Please let Janet know.

We're on TV! Channel 13's Good Day Tampa Bay program has a "Great Rides" segment every Wednesday morning which has featured cars, bikes, motorcycles and other forms of transportation. WE know we have the best rides of all, and so submitted a few pictures of our members out on the trails. The segment was aired on April 21 ([Great Rides: Horses of Florida Sport Horse Club \(fox13news.com\)](http://fox13news.com)).

Our camping coordinators want your input— Barbara Lassiter and Karen Turbeville are already planning for cooler weather and club campouts. Black Horse Ranch has been suggested for October, as the facilities have been upgraded and trails are well marked. A special group rate is also available. Where would YOU like to camp? Please let Barbara and Karen know.

Molly Jones is officially graduated, employed, AND in her own apartment! She got her 4-year degree in only 3 years, showing what hard work and perseverance can achieve. Several club members attended Molly's party, and had fun with the baby goats, company, and (of course) food.

The club-run **Veterans Day Scavenger Hunt at Colt Creek on Saturday, November 6** is on.... we're looking for committee members to take charge of registration, parking, food prep, photos, etc. Since this will be the 4th time we've done this, we have procedures in place for you to follow. Will you help? Please contact Janet.

If you see unfamiliar faces at our rides and events, please introduce yourself and invite them to club activities. People are welcome to join us a few times before they decide whether to become a member. Of course, anyone showing up regularly should be encouraged to officially join the club. **And remember—guests riding with us must sign a hold harmless that the trail bosses will provide. Please escort the guests to the trail boss of the day!**



Tips & Activities by Members:



Cheryl Kreitman is still healing after her exceedingly hard landing off her horse and may require surgery. Please keep her in your thoughts and prayers.

Our sympathies go out to **Sarah Miklavcic**, who lost her long-time companion Kenny a couple of weeks ago. Sarah is a lovely lady and was a dedicated caregiver to Kenny.

Sheree Still is starting work again after a badly broken arm. We are happy!

Harold Williams had to have one of his beloved Tennessee Walkers downs last week.

Barbara Charron took her horse to Brandon for a suspected colic. While there, the vet detected an anomaly in the horse's eye and recommended Barbara take him up to Gainesville. The Gainesville vet did laser surgery on one eye and then found that the other eye had the same issue. A second laser procedure later, the horse is fine.

Linda Allison's home was badly damaged when a tree fell on it last month. It will come as no surprise that insurance doesn't cover the entire cost; we hope that the club donation of \$150 will help.

Mike and Barbara Charron are getting a new 2-horse trailer that's big enough for Flame and (monster) Ali—they'll be picking it up in Atlanta soon.

Astrid Evans has a new Halflinger and hopes to be riding with the club soon.

Janet DelCastillo talked about her 3 promising thoroughbreds and the difficulties of operating her racing program during the COVID pandemic.

Janet Schneider is slowly recovering from surgery. She is very grateful for the outpouring of cards, messages, club flowers and prayers from members.



Classifieds:



Hand-crafted soaps from advanced certified soap maker Jane Gavin: essential oil soaps, and others. She now makes a Farriers' soap, inspired by Wayne Elkins and Dani Horton. She also has an all-natural citronella soap that is excellent for horses. Check out her web site at <https://www.soapforthesoul.com/>.

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 <https://floridasporthorseclub.com/>. Happy Trails, where we hope to see you soon!



Florida Sport Horse Club, Inc



Membership New/Renewal Form
August through July, 20__ to 20__

Please complete the form and return it with your check, payable to the Florida Sport Horse Club, 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:_____

Email:_____ Birthday:_____

Home phone:_____ Cell:_____

Emergency contact name & phone: _____

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

Other Family Member(s) _____ Date _____

Please submit this form and your membership fee to:

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