

Florida Sport Horse Club Newsletter **April 2023**

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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

Rides begin promptly at the specified time. Please be mounted and ready!

- Saturday, April 22, 9:00am: Club ride at Gator Creek. Trail boss Del Jones
- Saturday, April 29, 9:00am: Club ride at Sidney Dover Conservation Park, Dover
- Saturday, May 6, 8:30am: Club ride at Alafia River Corridor South Nature Preserve. Trail boss Del Jones
- Tuesday, May 9, 11:30am: Club Dine-Around at Perkins, 150 E. Van Fleet Dr., Bartow
- Saturday, May 13, 8:30am: Club ride at Gator Creek. Trail boss Del Jones
- Saturday, May 20, 8:30am: Club ride, potluck and business meeting at Colt Creek equestrian campground. Trail boss Del Jones
- Saturday, May 27, 8:30am: Club ride at Tenoroc. Trail boss **Del Jones**
- Saturday, June 3, 8:30am to 3:00pm: Obstacle Day at M&M Show Horses, Webster
- Saturday, November 4: Poker Ride at Colt Creek. Del Jones, coordinator

Do you have suggestions for riding in other areas? Please contact Trail Boss Del Jones.

Take time after each ride to relax—bring your lunch or snacks and share some quality time with club members. Those wanting to ride other days—please contact Karen Turbeville, or email club members directly. Many riders have been joining in on the various weekday rides.

Check the "Upcoming Events" section of our web page at https://floridasporthorseclub.com/;

You can also use the "Events" section of the Club's Facebook page (depending on your device, click on "About" and scroll down to events OR click on "More," then on "Events" from the drop-down menu).



We had 16 people at the April dine-around at the Big Tom's Diner in Winter Haven. The next **club Dine-Around** will be at Perkins, 150 E. Van Fleet Dr., Bartow on Tuesday, May 9. **RSVP to Carla by Friday, May 5**th.

Thanks to Susan Buchanon, we have our **Obstacle**Challenge Day from 8:30 to 3:00pm on June 3. It
will be at M&M Show Horses, 3207 County Road
7721, Webster. This is about 20 minutes north of
Colt Creek, so those who don't want far to drive
that Saturday morning could camp there Friday
night. The individual cost will depend on how many
people sign up to ride. At the moment we have 13;
if we can get up to 20, it would cost each person
about \$12. People, that is CHEAP!!!! Please
reserve your spot by May 15 so Susan has time to
determine how much we'll each owe. Members
may invite guests.

There was a great crowd at the club's pony meet-and-greet at Tenoroc's Annual Kids' Fishing Derby on Saturday, April 1. We really appreciate Paolo inviting us back. Thanks go to Melody and Ben Cazort, and June & Scott Jansen for their horses, and Cathy, Dawn, Donna, Rae, Laura and Janet for backup.



We salute **Kathy Grinstead** for her continued support of Special Olympics and associated programs. She brought her horses out to the **Bunch Ranch Day**

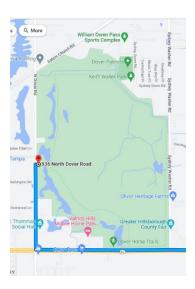
Without Disabilities on March 25 to give pony rides to those who very rarely have that opportunity. Mike Charron and Janet DelCastillo were also on hand to assist.

AnnMarie is working up a **shirt order** for us and will be placing it on May 1st. If you want a shirt, now is the time to order! **Get it in by April 30** or you'll have to wait until we get another 6 requests. Email AnnMarie Connor at nascaramc@yahoo.com.

Save the date! Del Jones has set the **club's Colt Creek** sponsored ride for Saturday, November 4, as a Poker Ride this year. Del's going to need our help, so put it on your calendars.

The **weekday pickup rides** are still ongoing. They aren't always advertised, so if YOU want to ride during the week please contact Karen Turbeville.

The club ride on April 29 will be at Sidney Dover Conservation Park, also called Dover Pits. It's located at 536 N. Dover Road, Dover, about .6 miles north of Hwy 60. PLEASE NOTE: there are multiple entrances, so be sure you use this one! It's got a very large parking area. There is a \$2 entry fee, payable by



credit card (not American Express) or dollars at a kiosk at the north end of the parking area. There is a water spigot and a porta-pottie.

We're thinking about copying an event the Friends of Little Manatee are hosting—an "All About Horses" party, with a parade of breeds, hands-on pony petting, and a couple of mini-talks on what it takes to care for our animals. Would you be interested doing this at Colt Creek in the Fall? Let your officers know.

Next month's meeting will still be at Colt Creek after the ride on May 15. We'll be voting on where to meet during the hot months at the May meeting.

The **Friends of Colt Creek** are hoping to extend the water line in the equestrian campground. The proposed water line extension will possibly change the existing well classification, which could be a real problem. The Park manager is looking into this with the different government agencies & will advise the Friends of the outcome. Stay tuned.

Do you follow our Facebook page or web page? All our events, news, and tips are listed. You can even review our club!

Volunteer Opportunities:

- **Hope Equine Rescue** 3 hours per week.
- **Grune Heidi Farm Rescue** primarily in the evenings from 5p-7p.
- Special Olympics Equestrian team at Rockin' W Ranch and Pine Creek Ranch.

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 to become a member.

And remember—guests must sign a hold harmless that the trail bosses will provide. Please escort the guests to the trail boss of the day!



Since Facebook changed to Meta, it's tougher to find the "events" portion of the page. Where you'll go to find events depends on your device, but here are the 2 ways we've found that work:

- Click on "About," then scroll down. The events will be below Bio, Details. Description, Page Transparency and Reviews.
- 2. Click on "More," then "events."







Ellie Crowder is scheduled for her bone marrow transplant on April 19. It's an incredibly challenging procedure; please keep the prayers coming.

We offer sympathy to **Cathy Botts** on the passing of her mother-in-law.

Condolences also go out to Jeff Kreitman on the loss of his stepfather.

Cogratulations to Carla Hart for participating in her first Ride-Run-Roll competition in Ocala!





Sammie Turbeville asks that we keep his horse Butterscotch in prayer. Since Karen's horse has been injured Karen's been riding Butterscotch and taking him into uncharted territory!



Classifieds:



Kay Losey is liquidating her horse supplies. Saddle blankets, bridles, halters, lead ropes, feed grain bags, girths, padded seats for saddles, girths, martingales, bits, clippers, stirrups and heavy pad for swimming, vet wraps and bandaging materials, brushes, hay bags, hay ties for trailer hauling, running martingales, lounging ropes, EZ shampooers to attach to hose (no scrubbing), stable sheets, stable blankets for next winter, wooden horses statues (2x1 1/2 feet) horse feet picks, fence feeders, hobbles, everything is clean, one TWH black gelding very respectful, paint gelding very sweet both are 15 yo, UTD on all vaccines. some items new, and some just plain used but still looks ok, kept conditioned. Come when you call their names or just say come horses, If you are a new horse owner come and see me. I f you need something else Kay may have missed it just call her or text at 863-602-0192. Reasonable priced to sell, all needs to go.

Erik Lundquist of Leaning Tree Ranch is available for **horse training** as well as **riding and driving lessons**. Your place or his. 6140 lke Smith Road, Plant City. 352-457-4110.

Safe Horses for Parties, Weddings, Community outreach, pictures and/or therapy. Reasonable rates; call Marianne Mozelle, 863-255-7300.

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. 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? A	Add a 1-year subscription to Horse & Pony	y for an extra \$10.	Yes
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Signed (include legal guardian if un	nder 19 years of age) Date		
Other Family Member(s)			

Please submit this form and your membership fee to:

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