



BILLINGS SADDLE CLUB

Alkali Creek Road, PO BOX 385 Billings, Montana 59103 May 2007

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY !!!

2007 BOARD MEMBERS

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Club Website www.billingsaddleclub.org (for access to member restricted area, enter "member" and "2222")

Please do not share the gate combination this with non-members.

The June Board meeting will be held May 31 @ 6pm at the clubhouse. **All BSC members are always welcome.**

Spring is sprung!! Take a look at our activity calendar for the summer – it's FULL of fun stuff!! Here's wishing you all a terrific, fun, safe, successful year.

HORSE ACTIVITIES CALENDAR FOR 2007

May	27	9 am	Horse Show #1 entries open at 7am, Show at 8 am <i><u>Henry, Gellner, Anderson, Schelm</u></i>
	28	2 pm	O-Mok-See (open) <i><u>Harkins, Hegle, Schaff, Skibstad</u></i>
	31	6 pm	June Board Meeting
June	1	7 pm	O-Mok-See <i><u>Jimison, Brumfield, Christoferson, Gran, Hager</u></i>
	9, 10	8 am	Brandie Halls Barrel Clinic
	15	7 pm	O-Mok-See <i><u>Schwend, Tomlin, Adams, Auch</u></i>
	17	9 am	Horse Show #2 -entries open at 7am, Show at 8 am <i><u>Bergum, Beadley, Renner, Zweifel</u></i>
	24		Trail Ride TBA
July	29	7 pm	O-Mok-See <i><u>Cole, Hildebrand, Shelhamer, Muri</u></i>
	1	9 am	Horse Show #3-entries open at 7am, Show at 8 am <i><u>Sundheim, Falstad, Magilke</u></i>
	5	6 pm	Board Meeting BSC
	8	2 pm	BIG SK STATE GAMES O-Mok-See
	13	7 pm	O-Mok-See
	22		BIG SKY STATE GAMES Horse Show
	22-28		National O-Mok-See @ Vernal, Utah www.omoksee.com Entries due by June4th!!!! See Jim Sorlie
August	2	6 pm	Board Meeting BSC
	5	9 am	Horse Show #4-entries open at 7am, Show at 8 am <i><u>Trafford, Leafdale, Shoen</u></i>
	10	7 pm	O-Mok-See <i><u>Green, Olsen, Bakken, Loge</u></i>
September	26	2 pm	O-Mok-See <i><u>McDonnell, Allen, Davis, Kirkland</u></i>
	1-2		State O-Mok-See @Townsend www.omoksee.org
	6	6 pm	Board Meeting BSC
	9	9 am	Horse Show #5-entries open at 7am, Show at 8 am <i><u>Kirkland, Schaff, Taylor, Stolt</u></i>
	16		Trail Ride TBA
October	23	2 pm	Memorial O-Mok-See <i><u>2007 Board Members</u></i>
	4	6 pm	Board Meeting BSC
November	1	6 pm	Board Meeting BSC
	18	5 pm	Annual Meeting
December	6	6 pm	Board Meeting TBA

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS:

Terri Malia 2205 1st Ave N Billings 59101 672-4894 randhats@randhats.com

NEW MEMBER APPLICATIONS:

Jodi Klind 2560 N 10th Road Worden, MT 59088 967-3201 (Cassidy 7/91, Kylee 7/92)
 Linda Risdon 1018 Dorothy Ln Billings, MT 59105 245-1050 (Cheyenne 2/99, Lara 4/99)
 Anna Marie Nistler 1211 Homestead Dr Worden, MT 59088 967-3193
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 Tina Nistler 1211 Homestead Dr Worden, MT 59088 967-3193
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 Quincy Zahn, 1405 Willow Creek Road, Roberts, MT 59070 670-4482

CONCESSIONS - We need a concessionaire to provide burgers, etc... at our horse shows and other events this year. Rumor has it that this endeavor has been quite profitable in the past! Please refer any interested persons to a board member.

Congratulations to Nicole Grice for winning the 2007 *Miller's Horse Palace Winter Series* HIGH POINT ALL AROUND saddle. Wow, Nicole.

Shirlee Parini put on another terrific **Barrel Racing Clinic** for us in 2007! And clinic attendance really paid off for the participants in the Barrel Race that followed. If you've been wanting to be a **winner**, don't miss her next clinic – it could be just what you and your horse have needed!

For those of you that like to **get out and see pretty new country**, consider the **RUNAMUK BENEFIT TRAIL RIDE** coming up June 30th thru July 1st near Roundup. There will be terrific food, great live music by local talent, dancing, and beautiful country to see horseback. If a HORSEMANSHIP CLINIC is more your style, Reed Trexler of Corvallis will be offering his insights to a limited class. For more information call 406-323-3614 or email tjdahl@midrivers.com, or check them out on the web at www.runamukquestranch.com.



Classified Advertisements



If you have (or someone you know has) horses, tack, trucks, trailers or any other horse related equipment **for sale** (or **wanted** items) that would interest our membership, contact the STIRRUP editor (Polly Namen 633-9400) with your ad information.

FOR SALE: See Curt & Sue Schwend for **beautiful, handmade walking sticks and lamps** 670-8028

FOR SALE: Teens Brassy Chick - **1990 gray mare** in foal for 5/30/07 foal by Dun Dun It Easy. Brassy stands 16 hands, is approximately 1300#, good-minded, gentle and easy to catch, good with feet, hobble broke, cowy and very athletic. Headgear: sidepull, little S hackamore, very soft in the face and attentive to leg aids. Her resume includes general ranch work: sorting pairs, pushing cattle up during branding and shipping, used to yardback at the stockyards, and has been on trail rides. She has never been roped on. Barrel training started in 1995 - competed in barrel racing jackpots during 1996 and 1998. Brassy always made consistent runs, had a lot of rate and would not intentionally run by a barrel. She's from a fun, fast, athletic family of horses. Her best time on a regular pattern: 17.93. Life time average on a regular pattern: 18.29. Brassy is a fun barrel horse with a barrel-plus prospect on the way - A great opportunity for a double score! Contact Teri Davis at 373-6770; 670-0485 or email: td12tree@msn.com. See photos on website www.billingssaddleclub.org or www.bbrs.org. Additional photos available upon request.

FOR SALE: Marlene Eddleman McRae **BARREL SADDLE**, 14.5" seat, \$850, in GREAT condition! Call Pat Loge @ 322-5761

FOR SALE: **12 yr. old gelding for sale**, good using horse, gentle, 16 hands, "No Brakes Now" breeding. Has been barrel raced, worked cows, rode in hills, and pleasure riding. Granddaughter's horse. Call Diane Bomar at 259-8068 or email diane bomar@cs.com

MEETING MINUTES – April board meeting

The Billings Saddle Club Board Meeting was called to order on April 5, 2007 by Pat Cole.

Present: Sue Malmstrom, Doris Gillespie, Teri Bakken, Sue Schwend, Jim Sorlie, Nancy Bjelland, Pat Cole, Joey Henry, and Polly Namen.

Minutes: The March 1, 2007 minutes were read. Polly motioned to accept the minutes and Sue Malmstrom seconded the motion. The board approved.

Treasurer's Report: Doris presented the Treasurer's report. Teri motioned to accept the report and Nancy seconded the motion. The board approved.

Correspondence: Polly read incoming correspondence. The board recommended sending Nicole Grice a congratulatory note.

Stirrup: The board discussed if the Stirrup should be posted for non-member access on the website. Pros and cons were discussed as to whether all the information in the Stirrup is appropriate for the public at large, or if there is a better option to make the website a better tool for sharing information and encouraging new membership. Board members were tasked with doing some research and report next meeting with suggestions.

Horse Activities: Discussed Big Sky State Games; discussed in detail events for the Horse Show. When finalized, all the events will be published in Stirrup.

The Board agreed to increase the fees to \$6/class at Horse Shows. There will be a new \$10 non-member office fee, of which half the amount collected will be used for the newly established Circuit Awards (High Point & Reserve), open to members and non-members. The age groups for Horse shows are changing and will be published in the Stirrup. There was some discussion about the amount paid to judges; Joey was given flexibility as long as she stays within the total approved budget.

A concessionaire is needed for the Horse Shows.

Membership: Sue Schwend motioned to approve Hildebrand's membership application. Sue Malmstrom seconded and the board approved. There are no new membership applications.

Social Activities: Nancy reported the planning for the Spring Fling is on track. She is still seeking donations for auction items.

Rentals: Rental manager submitted an activity report for March 2007. There is a lot of interest; however, no new bookings were made in March.

Unfinished Business: The Youth Rodeo tentatively scheduled for June 23 has been cancelled and may be pursued again at a later date.

Placement of the trophy case has still not been determined. The board will discuss options during the April 15 clean-up date inside the club house.

The Board reviewed the dates for the BBRS. A motion was made by Teri to accept the BBRS deposit, carried forward from 2006, for their 2007 deposit. Sue Schwend seconded and the board approved.

The club house will be "opened" for the season on Tuesday, April 10.

New Business: A new gate combination will be in place after the April 15 clean-up date. The number 1515 was selected.

Director Reports: No reports.

Announcements: The next Billings Saddle Club Board meeting will be Thursday, May 31, 2007 at BSC. Sue Schwend motioned to adjourn the meeting and Teri seconded the motion. The board approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Teri Bakken

What's a "Wolf" tooth?

A Wolf tooth is a pointy little tooth located in the bit space of a horse's mouth. Some horses never get them. Like a human appendix, a horse's wolf teeth are evolutionary holdovers with no real function. The crown and root of the tooth are usually quite small.

A horse can get up to four wolf teeth, which are almost always recommended to be removed because they interfere with bit placement. The wolf teeth are often "blind", or unerupted, and can be felt as little bumps in the gums. They can occur from 5-6 months of age and upward. Your veterinarian can recommend a tooth doctor or technician if they don't do this type of procedure themselves.

Tooth Doctor or Tooth Tech?

The best way to feel confident about the equine dentistry being performed on your horse is to employ a professional. The American Association of Equine Practitioners can provide a list of qualified veterinarians and technicians – they can be contacted at www.myhorsematters.com or 800-438-2386. Trusted horsemen and women in your area are also always a great resource, as well as your veterinarian and farrier. Ask around for local information.

Within the last several decades, veterinarians have become more knowledgeable in equine dentistry, and floating teeth is more a part of the services they offer. With more involved procedures, your horse may need to be sedated, which is better left in the hands of a veterinarian than nonvets. But, we all know that someone doing a task all day every day for their livelihood is often the most skilled. Experienced tooth technicians are very skilled in performing most equine dentistry, and are usually capable horse handlers, as well.

It is your job to prepare your horse to be a civilized, respectful patient - for the farrier, the veterinarian, the tooth technician, or any professional that you expect to handle your horse. If your horse is not a well-behaved citizen, it is your responsibility to change that immediately. If you are not able to do the necessary training/preparation yourself, your first step is to obtain knowledgeable assistance and make your horse into a safe, respectful animal. This will make him a joy to be around for you, and for any professionals that you need to employ.



Check out the Creekside Ranch website to **see how well some of our BSC members are doing in their DRESSAGE tests**. Congratulations to all for their wins and the proof of their hard work paying off!!!!

[http://www.creeksideranch.homestead.com/Creekside Dressage 2007 Schooling Show Series Results.rtf](http://www.creeksideranch.homestead.com/Creekside_Dressage_2007_Schooling_Show_Series_Results.rtf)

Wish good luck to Polly and Doris as they head to Parker, Colorado in June to compete in the BIG time dressage world!



Our wonderful sponsors generously provide gifts for us to offer as prizes and awards at our barrel races and shows and O-Mok-Sees. We couldn't bring in the interest and money and competitors without their generosity. *Please remember to bring your business to these folks*. The complete, current sponsor listing is on our website.

3D: Anna Haaland 23.57; Phyllis Brosz 25.11

Stockman Bank Open 4D Barrels (May 5, 2007)

1D: Phyllis Brosz 17.74, Deena Moeykens 17.798, Pat Loge 17.84, Shelley Cain 17.99

2D: Jaime Perry 18.348, Linda Hegle 18.413, Shelly Cain 18.556, Deena Moeykens 18.616

3D: Candy Christoferson 18.751, Kristie Spring 18.77, Niki Obie 18.787

4D: Muri Cole 19.799, Patty Propp 19.853, Breanna Erdmann 19.868

Adult 3D Incentive

1D: Deena Moeykens 17.798, Shelley Cain 17.953, Shirlee Parini 18.03

2D: Pat Cole 19.277, Kristie Spring 19.282

3D: Terri Malia 20.496, Ellen Allemand 20.554

Senior 3D Incentive

1D: Phyllis Brosz 17.74, Pat Loge 17.84

2D: Candy Christoferson

3D: Patty Propp

Youth 3D Incentive

1D: Alex Cole 17.997

2D: Savanna Pehringer 19.478

3D: Muri Cole 20.376

Open 3D Poles:

1D: Niki Obie 22.845

3D: Pat Cole 25.752, Shantel Besel 27.002

Stockman Bank Open 4D Barrels (May 6, 2007)

1D: Jaime Perry 17.398, Mandy Bishop 17.788, Sue Malmstrom 17.893

2D: Phyllis Brosz 18.117, Shelley Wilson-Cain 18.134, Kacie Sankey 18.146, Galeen Malone 18.166, Dawn Carson 18.212

3D: Deena Moeykens 18.43, Milee Malone 18.529, Milee Malone 18.561, Mandy Bishop 18.608

4D: Kori Smith 19.546, Savanna Pehringer 19.548, Jessie Cameron 19.702

Adult 3D Incentive

1D: Mandy Bishop 17.788, Shelley Wilson-Cain 18.134, Kacie Sankey 18.146

2D: Kristie Spring 18.924, Kori Smith 18.946

3D: Kay Lynn Allen 19.833, Kay Lynn Allen 20.479

Senior 3D Incentive

1D: Sue Malmstrom 17.893, Phyllis Brosz 18.177

3D: Alyce Hager 19.992, Diane Bomar 23.777

Youth 3D Incentive

1D: Muri Cole 19.069, Muri Cole 19.147

3D: Jared Schwend 22.809

Open 3D Poles:

1D: Alex Cole 22.177, Niki Obie 22.348

3D: Haley Schwend 25.507, Kay Lynn Allen 28.252, Savanna Pehringer 37.529

Open 4D Barrels Average Winner: Jaime Perry

Open 3D Poles Average Winner: Niki Obie

Sunday, May 9, 2007

Open 3D Barrels

1D: Shirlee Parini (Newt) 17.40, Heather Knerr (Moolah) 17.46, Alex Cole 17.81, Anita Small (Barbie) 18.03, Shirlee parini (Elvis) 18.18

2D: Stormy Fink (Petey) 18.57, Anna Haaland 18.57, Stacey Baumann 18.63

3D: Kori Smith (Uno) 19.50, Muri Cole 19.54, Kay Lynn Allen 19.63

Open 3D Poles

1D: Heather Knerr 21.92

2D: Stormy Fink 22.94, Katie Allen 23.59

3D: Muri Cole 23.99

Billings Saddle Club – Wednesday, May 16, 2007

Open 3D Barrels

1D: Ashley Ouzts 17.266, Kylee McDonnell 17.709, Jerrian Franzen 17.709, Heather Knerr 17.873

2D: Nicki Knerr 18.594, Niki Obie 18.693

3D: Lindsey Carroll 19.623, Jackie Haaland 19.674, Linda Crowder 19.715

Open 3D Poles

1D: Ali MacCarty 21.403, Heather Knerr 22.058, Stormy Fink 22.317

2D: Heather Knerr 22.455, Kylee McDonnell 22.773

3D: Amy Vogel 24.083

A HUGE THANK YOU to those members that go above and beyond, offering their talents and time - those members that work diligently at our scheduled work days and beyond, whenever things need doing.

I'd specifically like to thank Tom Malmstrom for servicing our tractor again, we can always count on Tom to keep in running and reliable. Huge thanks to Steve Cole for replacing our antiquated hot water heater. And have you seen the gorgeous BSC sign that Jerry Gran for restored?? Wow - really neat.

And a huge thank you to all who helped at the two-day barrel race, especially Doris Gillespie for all she does--gathering the prizes, running the office, etc, and Susie Malmstrom, who is somehow EVERYwhere doing EVERYthing, yet still competes. This is a big money maker for the club every year, and we couldn't pull it off without all their help.

Please thank these folks when you see them, and pitch in where and when YOU can, too!

When I am Old...

*I shall wear diamonds
And a wide brimmed straw hat
With silver and leather on it
and I shall spend my social security
On white wine and carrots
And sit in the alley of my barn
And listen to my horses breathe.*

*I will sneak out
in the middle of a summer's night
And ride the chestnut mare
Across the moonstruck meadow.
If my old bones will allow.*

*When people come to call I will smile and nod
As I walk them past the gardens to the barn
And show, instead, the beauty growing there
In stalls fresh-lined with straw.*

*I will shovel and sweat and
Wear hay in my hair as if it were a jewel.
And I will be an embarrassment to all
Who look down on me.
They've not yet found the peace in being free
To love a horse as a friend,
A friend who waits at midnight hour
With nuzzle and nicker and patient eyes
For the kind of woman I will be
When I am Old.*

Author Unknown

Walt Fadness Memorial O-Mok-See

DATE: JUNE 2, 2007
TIME: Sign Up at 10:00 am and Run at 11:00 am
LOCATION: McGowan's Arena, Boulder, MT
AGE GROUPS: Under-8, 8-14, 15 & Over Women, and 15 & Over Men
(These age groups are a trial for the first year and if we get lots of interest then we will go with more age groups so it is more fair.)
AWARDS: Hi-Point -- Breast Collars
Reserve Hi-Point -- Embroidered Bags
AUCTION: There will be a Silent Auction with only a few items to raise some money for the Memorial.
ENTRY FEES: 14 & Under -- \$6.00
15 & Over -- \$8.00
EVENTS:
(Counts for points towards AWARDS)

Key Race
Half Eight
Two Barrel Flag
Flag Race

JACKPOT EVENTS:
(Does not count for points towards AWARDS)
(Entry is 1/2 money to Memorial & 1/2 money to Jackpot)

Barrels: \$25 Added Money -- Entry \$10 (Open)
No Added Money for Youth (Under 8 & 14 & Under) -- Entry \$5
Pole Bending: No Added Money -- Open & Youth -- Entry \$5 All
Cowhide: No Added Money -- \$5/Team (15 & Over Only)

ONLY RUNNING TWO LANES.

THERE WILL BE CONCESSIONS.

PLEASE BRING YOUR CHAIRS.

NO WARM-UP ARENA.

IF THERE ARE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT ROYANN WOLFE AT
225-3385 OR EMAIL AT RJKCBWOFE@JUNO.COM.

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Jackpot Team Arena

Open Events:
Under 8, 8-11, 12-15:
\$35 or \$20 (for 1 day)
16-30, 30-45, 46+:
\$55 or \$30 (for 1 day)

Jackpot Events: \$5
Classic Bucks: \$5

Training
\$15 or \$10 (for one day)

Age Groups:
Under 8
8-11
12-15
16-30
30-45
46+

Classic Bucks:
The contestant with the fastest overall times of the weekend added together will receive the CLASSIC Bucks money. If you DQ in an event, you will be eliminated from winning CLASSIC Bucks. There will be a CLASSIC Bucks winner at each of the 3 shows! 100% pay back!

ALL PROCEEDS GO TO THE SCHOLARSHIP FUND & AWARDS!

- Anyone who attends at least 2 shows can apply for a CLASSIC SCHOLARSHIP, regardless of where you plan on going to school!!! Scholarship must be used for 2007-2008 school year.
- Scholarship applications must be submitted by the 2nd show and recipients will be awarded at the State O-Mok-See show. Applicants MUST be present at 3rd show for an interview!
- You don't have to be present at State show to be a scholarship winner.

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