



BILLINGS SADDLE CLUB

Alkali Creek Road, PO BOX 385 Billings, Montana 59103

June 2007



HAPPY FATHER'S DAY !!!



2007 BOARD MEMBERS

President	Pat Cole	962-3002	
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1 Year Director	Sue Schwend	670-8028	
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Club Website www.billingsaddleclub.org (for access to member restricted area, enter "member" and "2222")

The July Board meeting will be held July 5th @ 6pm at the clubhouse. **All BSC members are always welcome.**

WOW – This is really shaping up to be an exciting year for competitors, already. It is so great to hear of all your successes. Congratulations to you all – and KEEP IT UP!!! Way to go Tom Malmstrom and Bannack at Mule Days – Reserve High Point Gaming; Polly Namen and Doris Gillespie at the

dressage show in Parker, CO; Phyllis Brosz and Shirlee Parini on the rodeo road; Kylee McDonald and Alex Cole at the State Wrangle Junior Rodeo Finals.

HORSE ACTIVITIES CALENDAR FOR 2007

THE FIRST PERSON ON THE LIST IS THE **EVENT CHAIRPERSON** – CALL THE CHAIRPERSON IF YOU CANNOT ATTEND TO PERFORM YOUR DUTIES AND CANNOT FIND AN ALTERNATE. Feel free to swap your date with another member if the date does not suit your schedule – just let your chairperson know of the swap.

June	29	7 pm	O-Mok-See <u>Cole, Hildebrand, Shelhamer, Muri, Klind</u>
July	1	9 am	Horse Show #3-entries open at 7am, Show at 8 am <u>Sundheim, Falstad, Magilke, Nistlers</u>
	5	6 pm	Board Meeting BSC
	8	2 pm	BIG SKY STATE GAMES O-Mok-See - Jim Sorlie
	13	7 pm	O-Mok-See <u>Sorlie, Malmstrom, Harris, Hoffman, Malia</u>
	22		BIG SKY STATE GAMES Horse Show
	22-28		National O-Mok-See @ Vernal, Utah www.omoksee.com Entries due by June 6th!!!! See Jim Sorlie
August	2	6 pm	Board Meeting BSC
	5	9 am	Horse Show #4-entries open at 7am, Show at 8 am <u>Trafford, Leafdale, Shoen, Foley, Hultgren</u>
	10	7 pm	O-Mok-See <u>Green, Olsen, Bakken, Loge, Zahn</u>
	26	2 pm	O-Mok-See <u>McDonnell, Allen, Davis, Kirkland, Clark</u>
September	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 <u>Kirkland, Schaff, Taylor, Stolt, Loose</u>
	16		Trail Ride TBA
	23	2 pm	Memorial O-Mok-See <u>2007 Board Members</u>
October	4	6 pm	Board Meeting BSC
November	1	6 pm	Board Meeting BSC
	18	5 pm	Annual Meeting – election of officers and year-end awards
December	6	6 pm	Board Meeting TBA

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS:

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
Teri Nistler 1211 Homestead Dr Worden, MT 59088 967-3193
Tina Nistler 1211 Homestead Dr Worden, MT 59088 967-3193
James D & Stephanie D Foley 5002 McIntyre Dr Billings, MT 59105 373-0214
Quincy Zahn 1405 Willow Creek Rd Roberts, MT 59070

NEW MEMBER APPLICATIONS:

Tonia & Nathan Moore 3836 Joe Dr Shepherd, MT 59079 373-0202 (Lindsey 4/29/93, Taylor 4/21/95, Andrew 7/11/97)
Michelle Henderson 336 Laurie Lane Billings, MT 59105 254-2814
Gina Loose 255 Hwy 312 Huntley, MT 59037 348-2315 (Tara 10/6/94, Devan 10/6/94, Tricia 4/11/88)
Hultgren Family 944 Avenue B Billings, MT 59102 (Stene 11/10/93, Kaari 4/17/95, Britta 5/22/97)

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.

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 . Past attendees will vouch for the caliber of this event.



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** with a foal at her side 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 at her side - 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



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.

MEETING MINUTES – May Board meeting

The Billings Saddle Club Board Meeting was called to order on May 4, 2007 by Pat Cole.

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

Minutes: The April 5, 2007 minutes were read. Sandie motioned to accept the minutes and Sue Malmstrom seconded the motion. The board approved.

Treasurer's Report: Doris presented the Treasurer's report. Sue Malmstrom motioned to accept the report and Sandie seconded the motion. The board approved.

Correspondence: Polly read incoming correspondence. The club received an invitation to participate in a Run-a-Muck on June 30 & July 1; will be published in Stirrup. The board recommended sending a Thank You to Shirlee Parini for the barrel clinic.

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: The first trail ride is scheduled for May 13. The ride will be hosted by Sue Schwend; interested parties are to meet in Bridger at 10 am.

Jim Sorlie announced there are no longer any hotel rooms in Vernal during the National O-Mok-See. June 6 is the entry deadline; entry forms will be published in the next Stirrup.

Big Sky State Games applications are due July 1. Contact Jim Sorlie for an application.

The board discussed a need to create/distribute posters for the Horse Shows.

Membership: Sue Schwend motioned to approve Teri Malias's membership application. Nancy Bjelland seconded and the board approved. New membership applications for Jodi Klind, Linda Risdon, Anna Marie Nistler, Teri Nistler, and Tina Nistler will be published in the Stirrup.

Social Activities: Nancy reported the planning for the Spring Fling paid for itself between the cover charge and the silent auction revenue.

Rentals: Rental manager submitted an activity report for April 2007. There is a lot of interest; however, no new bookings were made in April. Nancy motioned to approve the purchase of a new mop head; Jimmie Jimison seconded. The board approved.

Unfinished Business: The board discussed the need to replace the timer shed roof as soon as feasible.

New Business: The hot water heater is leaking, and has been for some time. Sandie motioned to purchase a new heater; Polly seconded. The board approved. Pat offered up Steve Cole to pick up and replace the water heater on May 5.

The freezer does not work. Sandie offered to haul it to Golden Recycling. The board discussed replacing the freezer; the decision was tabled. Teri will advise renters they need to bring coolers to store ice.

Director Reports: Sandie reported the outdoor clean up day went well. Sandie offered up volunteers from the Skyview High School sophomore class next year to assist with the club clean up dates (participants earn a required credit for a Social Studies class).

Announcements: The next Billings Saddle Club Board meeting will be Thursday, May 31, 2007 at the Billings Saddle Club.

Sue Schwend motioned to adjourn the meeting and Sue Malmstrom seconded the motion. The board approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Teri Bakken

A HUGE THANK YOU to Doris Gillespie for the new hoses hanging at the wash racks.

Do you throw trash around at your own home/barn/arena/barnyard???? **PICK UP YOUR GARBAGE** – and insist that your children and guests pick up after themselves. It is absolutely ridiculous that a few conscientious members must spend hours after our events to pick up after other inconsiderate members. This is a common courtesy and a reasonable expectation of our citizenry! There are garbage barrels everywhere – it is not hard to find one.

GATE SAFETY – If you find yourself on the working end of the gate at our O-MOK-SEE or Horse Show events, remember to keep yourself safe.....open the gate all the way, each time.....latch the gate every time you close it.....do NOT stand behind the gate (if a horse hits it, the horse and gate will TAKE YOU OUT, for sure) – instead, stand to the side of the gate.....insist that horses stay in their lane until the outgate is opened at all O-MOK-SEE events (violation of this rule will disqualify you at State and National competition

levels).....insist that all riders respectfully take their turn entering and exiting the gate – for their safety and YOURS. As for the riders, take your time to plan appropriately to protect yourself and your horse, and other riders. Don't forget to thank the gate person!

Many members have expressed an interest in **club trail rides** over the years, yet no one shows up for the scheduled events. If you would like to be on “the list” of elite few that want to see more of our incredible Montana landscape and wildlife, contact Sue Schwend at 446-1893 or 670-8028. If you're on “the list”, Sue will give you a call and tell you when/where/what is happening on the trail ride front. Sue has a terrific knowledge base and a lot of connections.....be prepared to ride some pretty country!!

GET WELL WISHES go out to your incredible Rental Chairman and Corresponding Secretary, Teri Bakken. We hope you're on the mend! Thanks for all you do for the Billings Saddle Club, Teri.

Date With The Dentist

excerpted from “America's Horse”

By the time the foal is weaned at 4-6 months, he should have a full set of baby teeth and should have an oral exam. Babies are notorious for putting their heads where they don't belong, so they could have been kicked in the mouth during a round of mischief. It's important to make sure no teeth are missing and they all are properly aligned.

Unless there is an obvious problem, such as holding the head to one side, loss of feed while eating, nasal discharge or swelling of the face, jaw or mouth, horses don't need to be examined again until they are ready to have a bit placed in their mouths.

At this point, you need to make sure they have good alignment, rasp points on their teeth and usually take their wolf teeth out, if any.

When horses are about 2 ½, they start to lose their baby teeth. Until age 4 ½, horses shed 24 baby teeth and get all their permanent teeth, including two permanent molars and canine teeth. Their mouths are changing dramatically. Exams during this timeframe are recommended about every 6 months.

Oftentimes, we are asking horses to perform while they are experiencing the pain and headaches that are similar to a human baby's when teething. We know from experience that our human babies can be cranky and unable to sleep at night when their teeth come in. A horse is going through the same thing; it just can't cry to let us know it is in pain.