



Alkali Creek Road, PO BOX 385 Billings, Montana 59103

April 2008

HERE WE GO, TAKE A DEEP BREATH!!!!

2008 BOARD MEMBERS

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

The next **Board meeting** is May 12, 2008 6pm @ BSC Clubhouse, 6 pm. Members are always welcome. Visit the **BSC blog** at www.billingsaddleclub.org

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Many thanks to everybody to turned out to help with the 1st BSC cleanup day. I for one have found muscles in my back that haven't been used in awhile! Thanks to Steve Cole for bringing the Positrac in and leveling the dirt pile at the end of the arena and scooping up the piles in front of the stalls (Fuel alone to haul it probably broke the bank!). Another task completed was the information board by the arena entrance. It was secured and painted a neutral brown to reduce glare. Fences were fixed and weeds were pulled and signs were taken down from the arena wall and with weather permitting, the wall will be repainted this Wednesday for round 2 of our scheduled cleanup! When it warms up after this weeks storm we can turn on the water at the hose station as well. It was a very productive day and I would like to send special thanks to all who participated! At the risk of forgetting somebody, I won't try to mention all the names but you know who you are. You are very much appreciated!!!

During the cleanup efforts, our first event of the season was occurring. Shirlee Parini's Beginning Barrel Racing Clinic was taking place. Saturday was a beautiful day for the clinic and everyone seemed to be having fun as well as learning. Sunday however was a bit chilly but didn't seem to dampen the spirits of those on horseback! With snow flying, the girls finished the day with a video taped run and watched themselves with a cup of hot cocoa in the timer shack! I know that Jamie and "Twister" learned some very valuable skills from the clinic as did the other horse and rider teams! Shirlee is planning a "Tune Up Clinic" on May 16-17 and I believe there are still spots available if you are interested.

Its exciting to see the season starting up! Again, I would like to reiterate that this is your club and you will get out of it what you put into it. We need participation by all members. Please, be active in planning, participating, sharing ideas, etc. Our board members are feeling a bit of burnout and its not fair for the burden of the club to fall on a select few members. Being on the board and now the President of the club as given me new insight into the amount of work it takes to keep the place running. If you have expertise in carpentry, plumbing, electrical or the likes, please let us know if you can assist with some of the issues we currently need help with. Contact a board member if you would like to help, better yet, come to a board meeting or nominate yourself for a board position!!! Nuff said.

I would like to welcome all new members to the club and welcome back to all members and lets kick off a successful 2008 summer season! Have fun and ride safe!

*Life is Short...so go ahead and Ride yur best Horse!



Effective Immediately: At the March Board Meeting it was decided that not cattle shall be on the saddle club grounds unless during a rental for that specific purpose or a scheduled BSC activity. Any objections to this should be brought to the April Board Meeting on April 14, 2008 at the Clubhouse.

MEETING MINUTES – March Board Meeting

The Billings Saddle Club Board Meeting was called to order on by Nancy Bjelland on March 10, 2008.

Present: Sue Malmstrom, Doris Gillespie, Nancy Bjelland, Jimmie Jimison, Jim Sorlie, Sandy Green, Pat Cole, Sue Schwend, and Teri Bakken.

Minutes: The February 11, 2008 board meeting minutes were read. Pat motioned to accept the minutes; Sue Schwend seconded. The board approved.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's report was reviewed. Pat motioned to accept the report and Teri seconded. The board approved.

Correspondence: The club received a invitation to participate in the Montana Pride Parade in June.

Stirrup: A writer/editor is still needed for the Stirrup. Please contact a board member if you are interested.

Horse Activities: Sign ups are going on for the two Parini barrel clinics.

Some awards have been purchased for 2008.

Still working on lining up judges for the horse shows.

The board members are working the Scholarship O-Mok-See in June, but anyone is encouraged to volunteer. Doris is going to check with the Boothill for rates..

Membership: Membership dues reminder notices were mailed to 112 members. Forty members have not paid to date. It was suggested that mailings include a self addressed return envelope.

Members not renewing will be removed from the email list.

New membership applications: Jesse Turner, Pam Madtson, Doug Newmiller, and Don & Amanda Purdon.

Social Activities: The board discussed moving the dance to another date. No firm decision was made.

Rentals: There have been several inquiries for an April 12 rental. Teri recommended opening up the clubhouse ahead of the scheduled April 14 date to take advantage of an extra rental. Sue Schwend motioned to approve and Sandie seconded. The board approved.

The rental manager submitted an activity report for February 2008.

Unfinished Business: Nancy will do the walk thru for the Tryan rental.

Repairs:

Clubhouse floor – the 4 foot foundation around the clubhouse is in good shape. In order to fix the sagging corner, a hole needs to be cut in the floor to determine which support needs to be jacked up.

Clubhouse roof – must fix rotten wood logs before replacing roof.

Light poles – Northwestern Energy identified 3 bad roles and another 3 that should be replaced as well. The cost is \$300 per pole (includes pole and labor). Doris motioned to approve the purchase of 6 poles, Pat seconded, and the board approved.

Arena – work has been completed on the arena and a final bill in the amount of \$1,758.56 will be submitted. The club incurred additional expenses for QuickCrete, backhoe rental, and lunches. A big THANK YOU to Deb, Sue Malmstrom, Nancy, Sandie and Brad for assisting the contractor with this project. The board discussed enhancements to the far end of the arena as a project for next year.

Water Line – discussion tabled until next meeting.

April Work Days:

A list of duties will be decided upon at the next meeting. Nancy will get burn permit. An effort needs to be made to pull the puncture vines when in bloom.

New Business: The board discussed whether or not to allow members to use the arena for team roping practice. The board agreed that no cattle or steer should be brought on the premises unless it's a rental or club function. The board discussed the use of a mechanical steer in the lower arena; equipment must be removed when not in use. Motion made by Pat to approve, seconded by Sue Malmstrom; the board approved.

Pat, Nancy, and Sue Malmstrom are going to develop a list of acceptable uses to be discussed at the next board meeting. Acceptable uses will be published in the Stirrup; exceptions to the list must be approved by the board in advance.

Sandie has lined up 30 students to assist with clean up/maintenance projects on April 23 for 2 hours in the afternoon. She is in need of more adult supervision and a list of projects the students can work on.

Sue is going to check on the pricing of coded entry to the facility.

Director Reports:

3-Year Director – No report.

2-Year Director – (see above).

1-Year Director – (see above).

Announcements: The next monthly board meeting will be at the clubhouse on April 14, 2008.

Teri Bakken

NEW MEMBER APPROVALS

Don & Amanda Purdon
1010 Strawberry
Billings, MT 59105
Broc 1/12/02, Cash 7/24/06

Jesse Turner
4515 Hogan Road
Billings, MT 59101
Occupation: Horse Shoer – 672-8051

Pam Madtson
168 Erickson Court S
Billings, MT 59105

Doug Newmiller
168 Erickson Court S
Billings, MT 59105

Alex & Lucy Adamski
5435 Yellowstone Trail
Huntley MT 59037
Sally Taylor 4-25-92

NEW MEMBER APPLICATIONS

Teresa A. & Cory Bruce
4240 Lupine Road
Billings, MT 59101
Marleigh Punt (10-9-00)
Tatianna Punt (7-26-02)

Aimee E. Blankenship
4410 Lone Eagle Drive
Billings, MT 59106

Tom Madsen
406 1st SE Apt. A
Park City, MT 59063
Kate (4-12-97)
Ben (12/12/94)

MEMBER RENEWALS

Greg & Cindy Bergum
651 Republic Avenue
Billings, MT 59105
248-4868
Candice 8/29/86, Garrett 7/13/90

Quincy Zahn
215 Lewis Ave.
Billings, MT 59101

HORSE ACTIVITIES REPORT

NOTE SCHEDULE CHANGE: HORSE SHOW #2 SCHEDULED FOR JULY 20TH HAS BEEN MOVED TO JULY 13TH.

Remember the **Shirlee Parini Advanced/Tune-Up Clinic on May 16-17**. There are still a few spots available. This is a great opportunity to learn from one of the best. Are you starting a new barrel or game horse? This is a great way to start them. Maybe you need to learn the basics.

THANK YOU

Lockwood Auto & Truck for donating a new battery for the tractor. Everyone who showed up for the Work Days.

APRIL-MAY EVENTS

April

- 23 6 pm **Work Day – ALL MEMBERS**
- 30 6 pm **Jackpot Barrels** – Diane Bomar, Elaine & Daryl Guffey, Heidi Pfosch, Alyce Hager, Kristie Spring, Troy & Kate Renner

May

- 4 2 pm **O-Mok-See** - Curt & Sue Schwend, Michelle Henderson, Misti Robertson, Ron & Sue King
- 7 6 pm **Jackpot Barrels** – Rod & Phyllis Brosz, Kerry & Eva Schaff, Jodi Klind, Shawn & Nicki Shelhamer
- 9-11 WTRC Team Roping
- 16-17 **Shirlee Parini Tune-Up Barrel Clinic**
- 18 2 pm **O-Mok-See** – Debbie Magilke, Kathey Adams, Don & Amanda Purdon, Tonia & Nathan Moore
- 21 6 pm **Jackpot Barrels** – Gary & Linda Crowder, Gail Shoen, Pat Loge, Linda Hegle, Terri Malia
- 25 9 am **Horse Show #1** – Tim & Lori Trafford, Sarita & Shane Stolt, Lane Carano, Linda Risdon, Rema & Bill Schelm
- 26 2 pm **Open O-Mok-See** – Larry & Katie Schwend, George & Stacey Nelson, Alex & Lucy Adamski
- 28 BBRS Barrel Series
- 31-6/1 11 am **BSC Barrel Race** – Doris Gillespie, Sue Malmstrom, Shirlee Parini, Carol Brumfield, Teri Davis, Polly Namen, Charlene Murphy

CONGRATULATIONS

Our own Debbie Magilke who ran and finished the Boston Marathon. What an accomplishment!

To our many members placing in the NBHA Winter Series Final Standings: Alex Cole (4th-1D, 2nd-1D Youth); Alyce Hager (1st-2D, 2nd-1D Sr); Shirlee Parini (2nd-2D); Charlene Murphy (3rd-3D, 1st-4D, 1st-2D Sr, 3rd-3D Sr); Elaine Guffey (2nd-4D, 2nd-2D Sr, 2nd-3D Sr); Nicole Renner (3rd-2d Youth); Candy Christoferson (3rd-2D Sr.)

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: 6 year old barrel, pole, or Omoksee mare. This horse is very versatile. Great horse for any level of rider. 406-690-1076

WANTED: Several of our members are looking for good kids horses. Please call Polly at 633-9400 if you know of any that are available.



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BILLINGS SADDLE CLUB

OPEN HORSE SHOWS - 2008

May 25, June 22, July 13, August 3

1	Halter: Yearling Fillies	27	Bareback Equitation: 10 & under
2	Halter: Mares 2-3 years old	28	Bareback Equitation: 11-13
3	Halter: Mares 4 & older	29	Bareback Equitation: 14-18
4	<i>Halter Mares: Grand & Reserve</i>	30	Bareback Equitation: Open
5	Halter: Yearling Colts/Geldings	31	Western Pleasure: Green Horse
6	Halter: Stallions/Geldings 2-3 years old	32	Western Pleasure: 10 & under
7	Halter: Stallions/Geldings 4 & older	33	Western Pleasure: 11-13
8	<i>Halter Stallions/Geldings: Grand & Reserve</i>	34	Western Pleasure: 14-18
9	Showmanship: 10 & under	35	Western Pleasure - Pairs: Open
10	Showmanship: 11-13	36	Western Pleasure: Jr Horse
11	Showmanship: 14-18	37	Western Pleasure: Sr Horse
12	Showmanship: Open	38	Western Equitation: 10 & under
13	Yearling Lunge Line	39	Western Equitation: 11-13
14	Lead Line: 6 & under	40	Western Equitation: 14-18
15	Walk Trot: 10 & under	41	Western Equitation: Open
	~~~~~ Break ~~~~~		~ Trail Classes to be completed by 1:00 p.m. ~
16	Hunter Under Saddle: Green Horse	42	Trail: 10 & under
17	Hunter Under Saddle: 10 & under	43	Trail: 11-13
18	Hunter Under Saddle: 11-13	44	Trail: 14-18
19	Hunter Under Saddle: 14-18	45	Trail: Open
20	Hunter Under Saddle - Pairs: Open		
21	Hunter Under Saddle: Jr Horse		
22	Hunter Under Saddle: Sr Horse		
23	English Equitation: 10 & under		
24	English Equitation: 11-13		
25	English Equitation: 14-18		
26	English Equitation: Open		
	~~~~~ Tentative Lunch Break ~~~~~		

Rules, Fees, Awards & Housekeeping

Show office opens at **7:30 a.m.** Classes start promptly at **9:00 a.m.** Trail classes are to be completed by **1:00 p.m.** Classes will be judged according to AQHA rules.

Class fee: \$4 per class.

Office fee: \$10 per non-BSC member/horse combination; i.e. \$10 for each horse shown by a non-BSC member.

High Point and Lucky Draw awards will be awarded for each show.

High Point Awards, per show, will be awarded to the following divisions: 10 & Under, 11-13, 14-18, Open.

Points are awarded to each horse/rider combination based on the number showing in each class, with a maximum of 6 points awarded for 1st place; i.e. 6+ horses in class: 1st place receives 6 points, 2nd place 5 points, etc.; 3 horses in class: 1st place receives 3 points, 2nd place receives 2 points, 3rd place receives 1 point.

Classes 4 & 8: the Grand Champion halter horse shall be awarded 2 points, the Reserve Champion halter horse shall be awarded 1 point.

Classes 19 & 33: points awarded in "Pair" classes shall be split between the participants; i.e. in a class of 8 pairs, the 1st place pair would split the 6 points, with each horse/rider combination receiving 3 points.

Qualifying Classes for High Point Awards:	10 & Under:	9, 17, 23, 27, 32, 38, 42
	11-13:	10, 18, 24, 28, 33, 39, 43
	14-18:	11, 19, 25, 29, 34, 40, 44
	Open:	12, 20, 21, 22, 26, 30, 35, 36, 37, 41, 45

Halter Classes 1-8: Points earned will be allocated to the rider's respective age division; i.e. halter points awarded to individual 14 years of age would be added to that horse/rider's cumulative points in the 14-18 division.

Class 13: Lunge line performance is limited to 4 minutes.

Class 14: The lead is to be attached to a cavesson or halter; attachment to the bit is not permitted.

Class 15: Horse/rider combinations entered in a walk/trot class may not enter a canter/lope class.

Classes 42-45: Trail Class riders may show these classes in either English or Western attire, to facilitate class entries and the show schedule.

The coat rule will be waived if the outside temperature is 90+ degrees; may also be waived at judge's discretion.

Stallions are not to be shown or handled in any manner by anyone 19 years of age or younger.

We encourage you to leave your dog(s) at home. Any dog that is on the grounds must be on a leash or in your vehicle.

Reminder: BSC members will qualify for BSC Year-end Awards by showing in 60% of the shows; i.e. 3 of the 4 shows.

Show cancellation is at discretion of the Committee Chairperson. Unless due to weather, show will not be cancelled before 10:00 a.m. If in question, call BSC 252-8272. Decisions of judges & Committee Chairperson shall be final. The Billings Saddle Club reserves the right to change (add, delete, combine) classes.

For more information contact: Sue Malmstrom @ 373-6736 or Doris Gillespie @ 861-9977

We look forward to seeing you at the show; 756 East Alkali Creek Road, Billings!

WEDNESDAY NIGHT JACKPOTS

BILLINGS SADDLE CLUB

756 E ALKALI CREEK ROAD
BILLINGS, MONTANA



April 30, 2008
MAY 7, 2008
MAY 21, 2008

Time Only Barrel Runs - \$5.00 (2008 BSC Member \$3.00)

Open 3D Poles (\$10.00 to Jackpot) \$15 Entry Fee

Open 3D Barrels (\$15.00 to Jackpot) \$20 Entry Fee

Splits: 3D: Fast Time, FT+1, FT+2 (17.5; 18.5; 19.5)

Enter @ 6:00 pm, Poles at 6:30 p.m. Followed by Time Only Runs & Barrels

Gate Opens at 5:30 p.m.
Grounds close 9:30 p.m.



More Info: Sue @ 373-6736