

# S.A.H.A.

Strathcona All-Breed Horse Association

# Spring- 2020- E-News

April 2- Horse Show 101 At Clover leaf Stables Cancelled May 7 General Meeting At Memorial Hall



Our slogan: "May the Horse be With You"

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With the Covid-19 virus outbreak hopefully everyone is staying in and only going out when necessary.

Well despite the outbreak we hope everyone had a good winter. At least there was only the one week in January where the temperatures were cold and miserable, the one day in February and the weekend in March. Let's all hope that the virus is contained so we can get out to ride more in the spring & summer. Due to the outbreak we will try to keep everyone informed as to whether or not any of our events will be cancelled. Check our website as it will be updated on any changes, we have concerning events

Please let us know of your event for promotion! <u>sahaalberta@gmail.com</u>

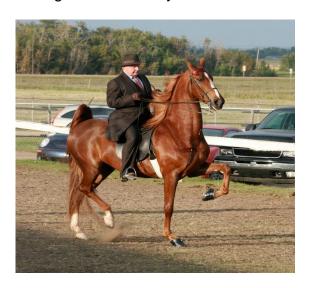
# **Upcoming Meetings, Events and Workshops**

April Club Meeting Horse Show 101

Thursday April 2/2020

At Clover Leaf Stables Equestrian Centre With Archie Hurst Has been Cancelled

Unfortunately, due to the COVID-19 Virus we have decided to cancel this event. Hopefully we can look at having it later on this year.



**Archie Hurst** 

May Club Meeting Thursday May 7/2020 at 7:00 to 9:00pm At Ardrossan Memorial Hall Speaker TBA

June Club Meeting No meeting this month.

# **Recent Activities and Meeting**

January Club Meeting

Thursday, January 9, 2020 at 6:30PM at Ardrossan Memorial Hall

Topic: Liberty Training for Everyone?

Guest Speaker: Rachelle Reichert, Stride High Stables

A huge thank you to Rachelle for a very educational and entertaining discussion on how everyone: young or old, rider or not, professional or amateur, showing or not, can create an amazing relationship with their horse doing liberty on the ground or in the saddle. Also, we learned how liberty work can enhance your performances in the show ring or with any discipline. Rachelle is so enthusiastic about liberty and the advantages for our horses that her talk made everyone want

to give liberty a try!



### SAHA 35<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY PARTY & TRIP AWARDS

**Saturday, March 7 at 6PM at Sawmill Restaurant in Sherwood Park 35 YEARS AND COUNTING!! WOW!** We had a party! A huge thank you to all 45 members and past members who came out to help us celebrate 35 great years with our "great little Horse Club" in spite of the cold and snowy day! The meal was delicious, the liquid refreshment hit the spot, everyone socialized and chatted and shared their memories of the great times we have had together as a Club. We all had a chance to share the door prizes and our quiz was difficult but entertaining and interesting. A huge thank you to Wendy and Carol for organizing the evening and for helping to make the event a huge success! See you all at our 40<sup>th</sup>!!!!







Let's Party!!!

# **Other Programs and Activities**

#### **Trail Riding Incentive Program (T.R.I.P)**

Trail Riding Incentive Program (T.R.I.P.) Awards: 7 of 9 riders achieved or exceeded their 2019 goals and all received a \$15 G & E Gift Certificate and all entries received bags of horse treats. Those reaching goals included our youngest TRIP participant, Rylan Neave at age 8 yrs. who rode 11 miles, Joshua Neave-age 13 yrs. (18 miles), Karen Zelt (30 miles), Jeannie Desrochers (32.5 miles), Celina McElroy (221.5 miles),) and Allison (666 miles) and Pleman (856 miles) Downer rode an astonishing total of 1522 miles. Alison and Pleman both received their 3,000-mile goal pins. Ken Zelt (58 miles and Ken Komm received Honorable mention. Total miles ridden by participants this year was 1,893 for a program grand total of 25,732 miles. The overnight prize of \$25 G & E Gift card was won by Pleman Downer (with 24 overnights).

Congratulations to all our Club members and their horses who put in so much time and effort for this program. And a huge SAHA thank you to Celina McElroy for all her work and efforts to make these programs such a success.



2019 TRIP Participants & Award Winners

Why not join this year and see how many miles you can go riding on the trails weather permitting .Contact Celina McElroy at 922-6019 or <a href="mailto:celina.mcelroy@gmail.com">celina.mcelroy@gmail.com</a> for more information. The 2020 forms have been posted on the web-site and you can join at any of the meetings this year.

#### Trail Rides

Hopefully the weather is good this spring to get out on the trails. Contact Ken Zelt <a href="mailto:kawlzelt@gmail.com">kawlzelt@gmail.com</a> He will notify Trail riding members if a ride is happening. Please let Ken know when you are going out and if you want some company.

#### **Beginner Trail Riding Clinic with Ken Zelt**

# Saturday, April 18, 1:30-3:30PM at Zelt's, Blackfoot Ride dates to be determined by group

Geared specifically for those horses and riders who are new to trail riding and have not gone off the property or out of the stable and/or out on the trail with other riders. The first day will consist of unloading and saddling up your horses at the Zelt farm, walking then riding in the outdoor arena and trying some obstacles in the fenced field. Once the horses are comfortable, they will go out on the trails at the farm with Ken for a short 30-45-minute ride through the woods. The second session will consist of 1-2-hour ride at the Blackfoot Waskahegan with Ken and if all goes well the third session will be a longer ride and may include lunch. The maximum group size will be 4-5 riders. Youth are welcome! Contact kawlzelt@gmail.com for more information and to register.

COST: \$15 will be your donation or entry for the 2020 TRIP program



2019 Beginner Trail riders at the Blackfoot

#### 2020 SAHA Working Equitation Clinic

Saturday June 13/2020 Clinician: Angel Roberts

**Location: Big Island Stables** 

Bring your horse and join us for this introduction to Working Equitation. Working Equitation combines dressage with obstacles that may appear working around a farm or out on a trail. Minimum: 5 horses and riders. Everyone welcome but members have priority. Contact Delia at dkuzz@shaw.ca for more information and to register. Deadline for registration and payment is June 1.

COST: \$50 (Members) and \$60 (Non-members)

#### "BIRDING" on Horseback!

#### Sunday, June 7, 2020 at 10:00 AM at Blackfoot/ Waskehegan

If any SAHA members are interested in "Birding", I am proposing a trail ride with a focus on identifying birds that we might encounter as we traverse thru the various habitat types. Propose meeting at the Waskehegan Staging site at 10:00 AM. Will ride to Running Dog and anticipate returning to Waskehegan by 4:00 PM. Bring lunch, notepad, camera, spotting scopes, binoculars, birding reference books. Before the ride, each participant will be asked to prepare a list of the bird species that they expect to see. If interested, RSVP to me via email kawlzelt@gmail.com.

#### Beginner Mountain Trail Riding/Campout with Ken Zelt and family

Monday, July 27 to Friday, July 31, 2020

#### Location: Ya Ha Tinda-Eagle Creek Campground

Have you ever wanted to go to the mountains trail riding but were concerned that you and your horse might not be able to manage? Join the Zelt family to experience trail riding in the beautiful Ya Ha Tinda valley west of Sundre. Ken and Karen will take you out on short and easy rides that most trail riders who have ridden locally can manage. You will be required to bri ng your own horse, equipment, food, camping gear, etc. for you and your horse. Horses are high lined in the camp-site. Camping is on a first-serve basis and we recommend no dogs as they are difficult to manage and control in this campground. If you just want to come and camp and hike along with the riders, that's ok too. Numbers are limited and the group will probably meet prior to going to discuss the trip and maybe have a practice ride.

More information to follow but if you are interested contact Ken at <a href="mailto:kawlzelt@gmail.com">kawlzelt@gmail.com</a> to sign-up





Zelt/Neaves at Ya Ha Tinda-September 2019

Other Club Activities for 2020: With your volunteer help we hope to continue with our Horse Shows, Social Events, Love of Horses Event, clinics and maybe a Members Only Fun Show. So, get involved and help to make 2020 the most successful year ever for SAHA!!!!

# **Upcoming Events and Socials**

**Spring Classic Open Horse Show** 

Saturday, May 9, Has been Cancelled Due to the COVID-19 Outbreak Unfortunately Due to the virus out break and update from AEF that it is imperative that no large events be held with horses and riders. If the situation changes in the coming months we might be able to hold it in the summer.

#### For the Love of the Horse Special Event

Sunday, May 24, Has been Cancelled Due to the COVID-19 Outbreak Due to the regulations of no events over 50 people the event also has been cancelled



2019 Stick Horse Parade

#### Dog Jog and BBQ

#### Thursday, June 4 at 6:30PM at Waskahegan Site, Blackfoot

Bring your 4-legged friend and a lawn chair and join us for a campfire, wiener roast and potluck. Everyone should bring a salad or dessert and SAHA will provide drinks and hotdogs. After supper we will all go walking on the Lost Lake Trail. Dogs must be tied up during supper and on a leash for the walk. And if you don't have a dog to bring then just bring yourself. Contact Celina at <a href="mailto:celina.mcelroy@gmail.com">celina.mcelroy@gmail.com</a> to register. Again, we will let you know if event is cancelled by e-mail, web-site and Face-Book.

Must be minimum of 12 pre-registered by June 2 to go.

**Open Arena At Fultonvale** Dates to be announced. Check the website for times & dates

Open Youth Horse Show -Sunday August 30/2020

A huge Thank you to Barb Brinker and the Alberta Saddlebred Club for fabulous donation of show ribbons to SAHA

**Mane Event-Red Deer**-April 24-26, 2020 Has been Cancelledwww.maneeventexpo.com/Red Deer

Courier Park: <a href="mailto:courier@wildroseinternet.ca">courier@wildroseinternet.ca</a> for Jim Anderson and other clinics

# 2020 SAHA Memberships are now due!!

Current members are no longer required to fill out a new form each year unless there are changes. If you are riding in a SAHA activity in 2020 you will be required to sign a waiver. Just e-transfer your membership fee to <a href="mailto:sahaalberta@gmail.com">sahaalberta@gmail.com</a>. Or put your cheque in the mail to the address below:

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Monthly meetings- Ardrossan Memorial Hall, 60 First Avenue, Ardrossan: First Thursday except December, February, June, July, August

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# Strathcona All-Breed Horse Association Schedule of Events ~ 2020-Tentative

The success of your club and the events offered depend on the assistance of YOU, the volunteers. If everyone gives just 3-4 hours a year, your club will continue to thrive! Please review the following opportunities and contact <a href="mailto:sahaalberta@gmail.com">sahaalberta@gmail.com</a> to volunteer

\*no General Club meetings in February, June, July & August or December

Saturday, March 7	35 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Party and TRIP Awards	
Thursday April 2	Horse Show 101 with Archie Hurst Cancelled	
Thursday May 7	Club Meeting TBD	
Saturday May 9	Spring Classic Horse Show Cancelled	
Sunday May 24	For the Love of the Horse Cancelled	
_	Annual BBQ & Dog Jog at <i>Waskahegan</i> Site at the Blackfoot	
Saturday June 13	Working Equitation Clinic at Big Island Stables	
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