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From the Saddle

Horses always live in the moment. It is precisely why there are times that we as humans get into trouble as riders. Humans have a hard time living in the moment. We try; for example we really try hard to live in the moment around this special time of year. We want to embrace every aspect of the joy the season brings. However, this isn't always easy to do with the ever increasing laundry list of tasks we must complete to be able to sit back and enjoy the moment! The irony! So as we make time in this very busy time for our horses remember to try to be in the moment. However, when you do step off and head back to the hustle and bustle keep in mind, with all the other details you are juggling, that spring is coming and along with it, the promise of another great tradition.

The Marin Horse Council's Horse Course! Yes, the ever popular Marin Horse Council Horse Course is scheduled for April 6th, 2013 in a new location. We will be holding our Equine Educational "Day of the Horse" at the Marin Center. We are very excited about our new venue as our guest speakers will be presenting in the Showcase Theater where there is seating for 300 attendees. We will be offering demonstrations in the Manzanita Room as well as booths for vendors to show wares and non-profits to hand out information. We have included plans for an extensive equine art show and wine tasting for the late afternoon. The arena has also been booked and we are inviting all of our local barns to come out and demo what they do best, a showcase of local talent if you will!

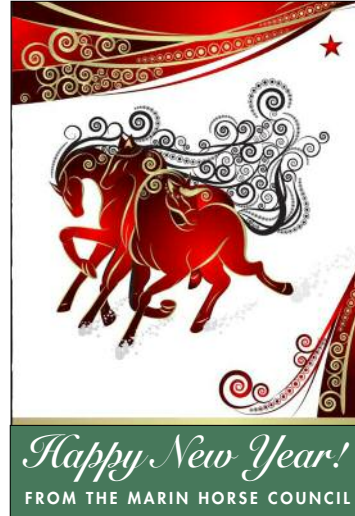
In addition, the Marin Horse Council will proudly be introducing "Ride to the Rescue." Everyone loves an inspiring story of overcoming adversity to reach one's full potential.

A new competitive event with a deeply innovative and expansive approach to the "Horse Makeover," Ride to the Rescue will benefit the entire equestrian community and all eleven local equine rescues, and bring a unique promotional opportunity to the Marin Horse Council's "Day of the Horse" and beyond. I look forward to introducing this exciting event to our community at large and inviting the public to follow the redevelopment of at least 10 rescued horses and ultimately their reintroduction to a purposeful life. So as you wind down from this busy time of year and look forward to being in the moment with your horse or just for the moment, please mark your calendar for the Marin Horse Council's Horse Course on April 6th.

We are working hard to bring you a very special "Day of the Horse." Join us and get a leg up on the New Year.

Hurray for the passage of Measure A and with it we will be looking forward to working with Marin County Parks to help direct the Road and Trails Maintenance Plan and see our trails well managed for the future. We also hope to put forth a plan, with the support of the Back Country Horsemen, to help rebuild the upper trail at Olompali State Park to provide safer riding access for equestrians. We also hope to reconstitute the water trough in the park. There is a lot of planning in the works. If you are looking for ways to get involved, please join us. We are currently looking for active board members who can find some time to give back to the community we covet.

Happy Trails - Monte Kruger | *President, MHC*



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OUT ON THE TRAIL

Improvements on Bear Valley Trail

On the lower section of Bear Valley Trail in Point Reyes National Seashore, a section of the trail had washed out from the storms of 2005. To prevent losing the trail from another storm event NPS staff armored the scarp with layers of trees that still had root balls at their base. Those trees were pinned in place by other trees and backfilled. The new bank was graded, sloped back and then covered with jute nets and a mattress of willows to prevent erosion and promote revegetation.



The upper section of trail was failing due to a rotted culvert that was in collapse. This caused soil around the culvert to erode and the trail was increasingly compromised. The perched culvert was removed, realigned, and replaced with a new 90 foot culvert that is twice the width of the old one. The trail was backfilled, compacted, and the banks on either end are armored with stone.

- John A. Dell'Osso, Chief of Interpretation and Resource Education. PRNS

Fall Ride at the Presidio Riding Club

The Marin Horse Council held the Fall Ride on October 14th at the Presidio stables in the Marin headlands. It was a beautiful drizzly morning, typical of the Marin headlands weather. It was nice and cool for the horses to haul their companions up and down the hilly terrain. All the horses and riders came back safe, sound and happy smiling ear to ear. The vistas on the top of the hills are amazing. While the horses ate hay and nickered at each other, the riders were treated to Monte's fajitas. Everyone filled their bellies and enjoyed the atmosphere as the sun came out to warm their faces. Thank you to all the volunteers who help make this such a successful day. Thank you to the GGNRA for the use of the magnificent trails. And a huge thank you to Rosella Blanding and all the members of the Presidio Riding Club for allowing us the use of their facilities and great hospitality. It was a good day to ride! - Michael Willin, Ride Honcho



Giving Thanks

Early each morning, I step out of my house with my dog, Grace, and we take a walk up the same trail on the Ignacio Valley Open Space Preserve in Novato. I am always grateful for this quiet time, and for the open space that is quite literally in my backyard. After living in Marin for nearly three years, it is clear to me that our open space, parks, and farmland are what define Marin's quality of life and why so many of us choose to call its communities home.

On Tuesday, November 6, nearly 74% of Marin County voters approved Measure A, a nine year, quarter-cent sales tax to protect Marin's parks, open space, and farmland. Over the last decade serious funding shortfalls and dwindling resources had placed our legacy of parks and open space at risk. With the passage of Measure A, the future is brighter for our natural lands, which are visited more than six million times each year. The citizens of Marin have renewed their investment in the lands that make our county extraordinary, for this and future generations.

Measure A would not have been a success if it were not for the tireless efforts of members of our community. Thousands of individuals, elected officials, and community organizations such as the Marin Agricultural Land Trust, Marin Audubon Society, Access4Bikes, Sierra Club, Last Chance Committee, Marin Conservation League, Marin County Farm Bureau, Marin Horse Council, Marin Open Space Trust, Marin County Bicycle Coalition, Conservation Corps North Bay, San Geronimo Valley Planning Group, Tamalpais Conservation Club, The Nature Conservancy, The Trust for Public Land, and many more stepped up to get the word out about the critical importance of Measure A. There are no words to express how grateful we are for the work of these incredible organizations.

At Marin County Parks, we are busy laying the groundwork for the next nine years. Starting this summer, you will begin to see the tangible effects of Measure A on the lands we call our backyard. Marin County Parks will begin to:

- Reverse the unrelenting deterioration of facilities and infrastructure in county parks, many of which are over 40 years old
- Address critical natural resource and management needs in open space preserves
- Reduce fire danger and work towards the elimination of non-native invasive species
- Improve public access and recreational opportunities through the maintenance and enhancement of more than 200 miles of hiking, biking, and equestrian trails
- Permanently preserve vital natural lands that represent gaps in protected open space
- Reduce or remove fees at our regional parks and create new connections between communities and our parks through educational opportunities and events

City parks and farmland will also receive tremendous benefits from Measure A. Local communities from Sausalito to Novato will be able to repair or improve park facilities. Farmland at risk of subdivision or development will be protected, keeping family farms in business, and increasing access to locally grown food. In the coming months, a seven member Citizens' Oversight Committee will be appointed to review and report on how Measure A funds are spent at meetings that are open to the public. Funds from Measure A will start to be available in June of 2013.

Today, as I walk with Grace and look over a landscape magnificent for its natural beauty, I give thanks to the citizens of Marin and look forward to the hard work that lies ahead.

For more information about Measure A, please visit marincountyparks.org
- Linda Dahl, Director and General Manager, Marin County Parks



Don't forget to clean-up after your horse!

Trail Closures in Marin County

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Contact Marian Nelson 707.766.9066

1/5-6 2013: Joe Fargis Clinic- Open to auditors and riders. Joe Fargis is an American show jumping champion. He won the gold for team USA in 1984. In 1988 he was on the USA team that won the silver.

SANTA ROSA EQUESTRIAN CENTER
3/18 2013: CHANGE is co-hosting a low-cost castration clinic with NERN (the National Equine Resource Network) at the Santa Rosa Equestrian Center. It is open to the public, first come-first serve. Attendees must register in advance, more information will be available at www.sonomachange-program.com or at <http://www.nationalequine.org/>



Dear Murray

Dear Murray,
I'm an Arabian, and I love to annoy my mom when she lunges me. I have so much fun, but that's not how she sees it. She makes me stop, scolds me, and backs me up. Then we start all over. What is going on?!

- Going in Circles

Dear Going in Circles,
I wish I knew. This is another example of how humans confuse us. We are only trying to understand what you want, people. If we are not supposed to actually lunge at you, you need to name it something else..

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www.cafepress.com/JLWdesigns/8499502
- Jody Werner

Diagnosing and Treating Gastric Ulcers in Horses

A common case of heartburn can bring intense discomfort, even pain to a person. Imagine your horse trying to perform with a stomach ulcer! Did you know that the clinic signs of ulcers in horses are subtle and nonspecific and might be reflected in a slight attitude change, a decrease in performance, or a reluctance to train.

Gastric ulcers are common in horses and can affect any horse at any age. Their prevalence has been estimated to be from 50% to 90% depending on the type of athletic activity horses are engaged in. Foals are particularly susceptible because they secrete gastric acid as early as two days of age, and the acidity is high. In adult horses gastric ulcers occur more frequently in horses that perform athletic activities, with the highest frequency found in Thoroughbred racehorses (80-90%), followed by endurance horses (70%) and showhorses (60%). Researchers have found that exercise increases gastric acid and production and decreases blood flow to the GI tract.

Why are gastric ulcers so common in horses? First, the stomach of the horse is smaller compared with the stomach of other species. Because of this, horses cannot handle large amounts of food and are built to graze and eat frequent, small portions of feed for periods of time.

DIAGNOSING ULCERS

The only way to definitively diagnose ulcers is through gastric endoscopy, or gastroscopy, which involves placing an endoscope into the stomach and looking at its surface. This procedure is easy to perform and allows us to evaluate the esophagus, squamous and glandular regions of the stomach and proximal segment of the small intestine in horses.

PREVENTION AND TREATMENT

Prevention is preferable to treatment. I have described some common risk factors that can contribute to the formation of gastric ulcers in horses. The following management techniques may assist in preventing ulcers:

- Feed horses frequently or on a free-choice basis (pasture). This helps to buffer the acid in the stomach and stimulate saliva products, nature's best antacid!
- Reduce the amount of grain and concentrates, and/or add alfalfa hay to the diet. Discuss any feed changes with your veterinarian.
- Avoid or decrease the use of anti-inflammatory drugs. If these drugs must be given, use newer safer ones such as firocoxib, if appropriate.
- Limit stressful situations as intense training and frequent transporting.
- If horses must be stalled, allow them to see and socialize with other horses (like people!) as well as have access to forage. - Jorge Nieto, DVM, PhD, DACVS

Colic in Horses

Colic is a very general term for an all too often frightening event. As with human infants, the term "colic" in the horse simply refers to generalized gastrointestinal pain. However, it is the general and diverse nature of colic pain that is often most frustrating for owners and veterinarians alike. As with people, every horse can demonstrate his own individual set of signs to illustrate the pain he is experiencing. Most often we see a lack of interest in feed, pawing, rolling, {continued on page 5}

dull attitude, and getting up and down repeatedly. However, knowing your horse's normal daily behavior during meal times and otherwise gives an owner a great advantage in early detection of a colic episode. Colic signs can range from a mild or modest change in normal behavior to dramatic displays of pain. Equally, the causes of colic pain can range from mild transient gas cramping through a wide spectrum of very painful small intestinal, colonic, or small colonic obstructions and abnormalities. Colic still remains the most common emergency call an equine veterinarian receives, and the leading cause of fatality in horses.

WHAT YOU CAN DO BEFORE THE VET ARRIVES:

Waiting for the veterinarian to arrive is the hardest part. The type of signs your horse is displaying will dictate what you can safely do before your vet arrives. Explaining clearly to your vet what your horse is doing will allow your vet to direct what will aid your horse.

Often walking the horse in 10-minute intervals can be helpful; however, walking and allowing your horse to rest is important. Your horse may be lying down, and if he is quiet and not rolling or thrashing, allowing him to lie quietly is ok and possibly helpful to your horse's comfort. But most of all, your safety is of utmost importance. Do not approach a down horse if he is thrashing, as limbs and hooves move quickly and often unpredictably, reflective of severe and unpredictable pain your horse is trying to manage.

Consistency in feeding and exercise routines is key. Any changes in feed types or volume or any change in his exercise program should always be done gradually over days to weeks.

Feed a good quality hay, avoiding an alfalfa-only diet due to the risk of enterolith formation in California. Your horse's dental health will dictate the type of hay he can eat or if balanced complete feed pellets are needed. But remember hay is for horses, so high-quality roughage is ideal.

Horses are made to eat off the ground. Having the head down allows their upper respiratory track to clear. But they are NOT meant to eat off sandy substrate. Feeding off rubber mats or in a large feeder is often very important.

Regular routine dental care is critical. Annual teeth floating by a veterinarian is typical, however your horse may need dental care more or less frequently.

Fresh and clean water is key! The average horse drinks between 8-12 gallons/day. Be aware of your horse's typical drinking patterns and volume. Early recognition of a reduced water intake may reduce the risk for impaction colic.

To encourage drinking in hot and cold weather, supplementation with oral electrolytes can be useful. There are commercial formulations available or you can create your own electrolyte recipe easily at home.

Create a parasite control program appropriate for your area and stabling. Doing interval fecal evaluations will best determine the type and frequency of deworming best for your horse.

A probiotic to support your horse's colonic health may be appropriate. Discuss with your veterinarian the best option to complement your horse's diet.

Remember, all medications should be given under direction of your vet; call and ask before you dose! - *Dr. Vanessa Bradley*

The Call

I got the telephone call no horse owner wants.....A person who lives at Dickson Ranch called and said "Your horse is rolling back and forth and seems to be in pain. He might have a colic" I called the vet and drive down to check him out. Sadly Black Onyx was still rolling and his eyes looked dull. I walked him until the vet ,Dr. Bradley, from Artaurus arrived. She examined him and confirmed he was in some pain and gave him medication and fluids. We gave him bran mash and electrolytes and took him off alfalfa. After two more colics, feed changes and electrolytes it was time to change course. Next stop UC Davis.

After two hours trailering a hungry unhappy horse in the rain we arrived and were quickly impressed with the staff and equipment. The xrays showed nothing to worry about, but the gastroscopy test showed everything to worry about. Dr Nieto prescribed Gastrogard for a month and a probiotic. He recommended adding alfalfa back and limiting oat hay. Grass hay was added as it would be easier for him to digest, and help resolve his ulcerations. It has been two weeks and he is relaxed and more energetic. I do not have to worry when I show up that he is rolling in pain.....or worse.

- *Marina Eisenzimmer*



Growing Herbs for Horses

Have you ever thought about growing herbs for your horse?

Two herbs that are incredibly safe and extremely healthy for horses (except pregnant mares) to nibble on and can be grown around the border of paddocks as a hedge are Hawthorn and the Dog Rose, which grows successfully in a clay or partial-clay soil. Horses particularly like eating the Rose's red fruits, called hips.

It may take some effort to establish and maintain a herb garden for your horses, but should be very well worthwhile in the end! It is important that horses get trace nutrients via a varied diet to help their immune systems and overall health.

Once or twice a year, when it comes time to neaten up the garden with a bit of trimming, spread the cut herbs thinly over the grass in the paddock so that they dry out in the sun, as horses often prefer the taste of dried herbs to fresh. - *Angela Reid*

SAVE THE DATE
Horse Course: April 6th at Civic Center



FIGURE 1



FIGURE 2

Tips for Winter Hoof Care

SAM DURHAM, CJF, DWCF

The owner is always the horse's best defense when protecting hooves against the winter elements. There are two important ways to care for hooves in the wet and cold months.

First is to maintain a regular program of careful hoof trimming. There is a tendency to think that trimming and shoeing are less important in the winter because the horse may be ridden less often and hoof growth slows. This is a mistake! Hooves still continue to grow in the winter and they should be regularly and carefully trimmed.

Winter hooves are vulnerable to moisture which weakens the hoof wall, frog and sole and makes them more susceptible to wear by particles of sand in muddy footing. The mud and sand act like liquid coarse sandpaper to abrade the hoof. Soft soles are easily bruised by stepping on rocks and other uneven surfaces, thus increasing hoof damage and potentially leading to thrush and abscesses. The hoof can absorb so much water that it begins to lose its structural stability and the wall can begin to separate from the underlying structures, thus allowing the hoof to further weaken and spread or flare. (Figure 1). Farriers must be extra careful in the winter to leave plenty of sole, to round off any uneven edges of the hoof and keep the hoof balanced. (Figure 2).

Second is to keep your horse as warm and dry as possible. Cold temperatures can inhibit healthy blood flow to a horse's hooves, thus weakening the tissues of the hoof wall and sole. To reduce the effects of

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Buck Brannaman showing the crowd fancy rope tricks.

Halleck Creek Ranch Annual Fundraiser a Rousing Success

Halleck Creek Ranch Therapeutic Riding Program celebrated its 35th anniversary this year with a fundraising dinner, honoring special guest **Buck Brannaman** with its Silver Buckle Award. For more than 30 years, Buck has been "helping horses with people problems." For some he's a true American cowboy; for others a mythical figure who overcame an abusive upbringing to promote respect, trust and understanding in the training of horses. Mentored by Ray Hunt, himself a legendary trainer, Buck's philosophy not only helps people with the training of their horses, it is a blueprint for overcoming obstacles in all areas of our lives. In 2011, Brannaman was the subject of a highly successful documentary film, aptly named "Buck."

More than 170 guests packed Rancho Nicasio for the event. Guests sampled champagne and hors d'oeuvre at the VIP reception hosted and emceed by former MHC President Joel Bartlet. A full dinner followed with a live auction. Guests bid on trips to Costa Rica and Maine, and delectable wines donated by Cakebread and Heitz Cellars.

Ramblin' Jack Elliot joined Doug Adamz and Bravo on stage to perform some of his signature songs. After receiving his Silver Buckle Award from Halleck board member Dan Steadman, Buck brought his wife Mary up to the stage and credited her with all of his success in life. Next came fancy rope tricks. "We are so grateful to Buck, his wife Mary and our wonderful sponsors and donors who helped us raise more than \$90,000 for our riding program through this event," said Halleck Creek Executive Director Barbara Hill.

Sponsors included the Overlook International Foundation, the VKR Foundation, Hennessy Funds, Dan & Kristi Steadman, Roger Peters & Stephanie Moulton, Deni Wetsel and Joy & David West.

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AT THE BARN

For 35 years Halleck Creek Ranch has helped people with disabilities live a life without barriers through therapeutic horseback riding. 70 riders each week participate in its lesson program, which provides more than 3,500 hours of riding lessons each year. As one of the largest and oldest weekly therapeutic riding programs in the Bay Area, Halleck Creek Ranch is a pioneer in the field. Halleck Creek Ranch partners with the Marin 4H Council to provide this valuable program. Volunteers are always needed. For more information go to HCR website. www.halleckcreekranch.org or call 415-662-2488.

- Barbara Hill, Executive Director of Halleck

Tamalpais Trail Riders Trials Test

On Sunday, Sept. 23, 2012 the Tamalpais Trail Riders conducted a Trail Trials Test at Novato Horsemen. There were many participants, young and old, and only one rider was 'royally' bucked off while attempting an obstacle (opening a very narrow flimsy gate). Wouldn't you know it, he was one of the 'old timers.' But, he almost stayed on!!!

The many obstacles varied, one of which was walking our horses into a square area full of empty plastic 1/2 gallon milk cartons and making a 360-degree turn. That one sent horses flying in all directions as did the obstacle where we had to hold onto a garbage bag full of empty cans and back up in the shape of an L. Another challenge was to save an injured person (dummy) by carrying him over the back of our horses in a figure eight and then setting him down again safely. We all figured he must have been drunk since he kept falling off our horses. One obstacle had us assisting a lost hiker who kept shaking his map at our horses.

Some of the Marin Parks and Open Space Equestrian Volunteers participated. Ranger Rich Gibson was there to urge us on and help us stay positive and seated securely on our horses. Pictured below is: Ann Barath, Hilary Jones (prospective volunteer), Linda Novy and Vicki Englert. A grand time was had by all. We all completed every obstacle, learned more than we ever wanted to know (milk cartons on the trail??), and laughed and cried our way through the event.

- Vicki Englert



cold and damp, the owner should provide shelter from wind and precipitation. A warm horse will have good blood circulation throughout the body and thus ensure that a healthy blood supply will bring oxygen and nutrients to the hooves. A cold horse will have poor circulation to the extremities and result in blood supply being shunted away from the extremities (hooves and legs) toward the core of the body. This leaves the hooves with inadequate blood supply, poor oxygenation, and reduced nutrients...all of which contribute to further hoof weakness. So, with increased moisture and limited nutrients the hoof wall loses its ability to support the horse's body weight and resist normal wear.

In addition to providing shelter, the owner must provide high and dry footing. In a stable, this can be accomplished by keeping the stall well bedded with shavings. Dry shavings can reduce the moisture content of hooves in 8 to 10 hours. Even wet shavings are better than standing in mud. And it will put a smile on your farrier's face when he or she doesn't have to handle a muddy foot! If your horse is normally on pasture, it may be best to keep your horse off the wet grass and on a well drained paddock during wet weather.

A word about hoof treatments and supplements. Hoof products are generally ineffective when trying to protect hooves from moisture. They wash away or are abraded off by rain and mud. Supplements may not circulate to the feet in a reliable way, especially if the horse is cold, as described earlier. It would be better to save your money and spend it on shelter and shavings!

Sam Durham has been a professional farrier for over 21 years, the most recent 9 years spent in Marin and Sonoma counties in California. He has obtained his Certified Journeyman Farrier (CJF) through the American Farriers' Association and his Diploma of Farriery from the Worshipful Company of Farriers in England (DWCF). He is licensed to perform farriery in the United States as well as England, a unique honor.

Sam participates in competitions, seminars and clinics. He promotes ongoing education of farriers in California. He furthers his professional goal of a broad-based education about proper hoof care, to benefit the horses and clients he serves.

- Anne Sands

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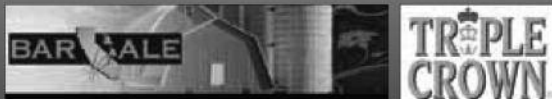
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