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MEMORANDUM

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DEDICATED IN MEMORY OF DR. BILL JACKSON

This September issue is dedicated to Dr. Bill, who passed away in early September. His involvement in TAEX and the national horse industry impacted many people, young and old in a positive fashion. His service as a 4-H & Youth Development Specialist helped a lot of people, whether it be in District 8, as a member of the State 4-H Horse Committee, or in helping conduct specialty horse schools for roping, reining, cowhorse and stock horse enthusiasts. Known and respected across the Nation, he was past-President of the American Paint Horse Association. Dr. Bill Jackson.... Youth Specialist, breed judge, association leader, horseman, husband and father.... he touched our lives and made a difference.

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TEXAS EQUINE INDUSTRY CONFERENCE

Attached please find 3 pages of information on the conference. One is a pre-registration form to all Extension faculty, adult and 4-H volunteers who have served on the planning/ conducting task forces to plan this conference. Please find the following at the conference website: <http://animalscience-extension.tamu.edu/horses/teic.html>

Flier with individual registration form
Group registration form
Motel list
Trade Show information
News releases
PR poster
Inside/Outside Horse Program (in progress)

Reasons to Attend and Bring County Horse Leaders

Extension Faculty - Professional subject matter improvement, view teaching resources at Teacher's Forum, network with goods/service providers in your area of Texas, explore alternative enterprise ranch trail riding opportunities, put county poster up at trade show, etc.

Adult Horse Committee Members - Attend as group; get topic, speaker, presentation ideas for county programs in 2000. If your committee attends, let us know so we can recognize them, etc.

4-H Adult Leaders and Club Members - Inside/Outside Horse Program (great biology, science, demonstration topics plus horse bowl study opportunity), horse clinics, careers in agriculture, visit with agr. college equine program coordinators from several colleges, visit with Miss Rodeo Texas (formerly Comal County 4-H member), etc.

County Publicity

Flier - Please copy flier and individual and group pre-registration form as needed. Let us know if you need hard copies of the flier for mailing.

News Releases - 6 news releases are located at the conference website. Please modify with your name and use as appropriate. Let us know if you need copies faxed or mailed.

November Texas Equine Industry Conference - Programs Speakers, Special Events and
Industry Activities Announced
November Texas Equine Industry Conference Features Race Horse Program
Trail Riding Highlighted at November Texas Equine Industry Conference
Breeding and Training Horses For The Ranch, Ring Or Road Focus of November Texas
Equine Industry Conference
World Champion Barrel Racers Featured at November Texas Equine Industry Conference

Pre-Registration Procedures for CEAs

Pre-Registration - Write "Texas Extension Faculty - Partial Comp." on individual pre-registration

form. Extension Faculty can pre-register for \$25 for a 2-day registration or \$15 for a 1-day. The conference registration fee is \$60 and \$30. Please include the full fee for parking and socials tickets if wanted. Send in pre-registration before October 25.

Hotel Information - Rooms at reduced rates for TEIC will be released October 15, so make motel reservations soon.

We hope this program will be of benefit to you and your county clientele. Call if questions or suggestions. Hope to see you in College Station in early November.

November Texas Equine Industry Conference
Targets Youth, Parents, 4-H Leaders and
College Equine Science Teachers

HORSE THEFT AWARENESS AND PREVENTION

Two years ago, legislation provided for TAEX to take a major role in education for horseowners on preventing theft of horses and equipment. In gearing up to meet this initiative, 4 publications, 12 displays and a videotape were developed to help inform and educate horseowners. These resources are available for counties to use in planning and conducting programs that focus on or address theft prevention.

Including Theft Prevention Info At Horse Activities

Horse shows, team ropings, reinings, trail rides, the county 4-H Horse Club meeting, County Extension Horse Committee meetings, are examples of activities where participants can be reached. Resources available:

- ◆ Display available from your District office
 - Very high quality, includes color photos and list of contacts.
 - Requires large Downing Board - also at District office (it comes in a 4' x 18" tall box and has 6 display panels that fold out).
- ◆ Publications - Listed hereafter. Available in large or small quantity from Publications and Supply Distribution at no charge.

Specialized Theft Awareness Programs

Quite a few CEAs have conducted meetings or clinics focused entirely on theft awareness. Resources available:

- ◆ Consider contacting **Texas & Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association** to secure a field inspector, or maybe even the Director of Brand Inspection, Jody Henderson at (817)332-7064. With the legislation, TSCRA was empowered to handle inspection at those Texas facilities where horses are processed and the meat exported for human consumption. Plus, some of the TSCRA field reps are knowledgeable freeze branders.

- ◆ Call Pete G. Gibbs at (409)845-1562 to get names and numbers for other potential speakers who give presentations or demonstration on:
 - ◆ Electronic ID (microchip implants)
 - ◆ Freeze Branding (traditional)
 - ◆ Alpha-angle code Freeze-Marking
- ◆ Learn about your local veterinarians. Some equine practitioners are current in one or more methods of permanent identification. Co-sponsoring an educational meeting with a reputable vet clinic can be a good way to reach more people.
- ◆ You may want to show the 18 minute videotape and provide handouts.

Permanent ID Clinic

Several counties have organized and held Freeze Branding Clinics, where horseowners bring their horses to be permanently id'ed. Counties that have done these clinics usually end up having different owners bring up to 30 head of horses for freeze branding.

- ◆ Involve your County Clerk's office. A horseowner needs to be sure their brand is not already registered for use by another person.
- ◆ Contact local law enforcement. In some counties, the Sheriff's Association will be willing to co-sponsor and help with the actual clinic.
- ◆ Utilize a reputable freeze branding technician with plenty of experience and a good track record in permanent ID. Again, call if you need names and numbers for resource persons.
- ◆ Consider setting up the display and making publications available.

Funding Availability for Theft Awareness & Prevention Education

Your county may be able to get funding in direct support of this educational initiative. Contact Pete Gibbs for details. Funding may be available to assist with:

- Facilities or equipment rental
- Speaker or clinician travel expenses, honoraria

Funds CANNOT be used for food or beverages of any kind.

As you can imagine, there is a little paperwork required. However, contact us here at least one month in advance of your program so that we can help expedite the process.

Theft Prevention Resources Available

Publications & Video

L-5084 - Freeze Branding Horses

L-5219 - 15 Steps to Minimize Theft of Horses, Facilities & Equipment

L-5211 - Permanent Identification of Horses

L-5244 - What To Do If Your Horse Is Stolen
 Video - Horse Theft Prevention - 18 minutes

County-Wide Programs on Theft Prevention

During the first 8 months of 1999, the following CEAs have either conducted meetings on theft or included theft prevention information at horse activities of some kind. A total of 1,818 people have been reached.

<u>CEA</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>CEA</u>	<u>County</u>
Scott Anderson	Brown	Danny Phillips	Hamilton
Logan Boswell	Brewster/Jeff Davis	Joe Pope	Erath
Isaac Cavazos	McMullen	Marilyn Prause	Hays
Vance Christi	Mitchell	Lance Rasch	Concho
Gary Clayton	Wise	Corky Redden	Throckmorton
James Davis	Bell	Weldon Riggs	Atascosa
Robert Devin	Randall	Robert Roark	Andrews
Jon Green	Parker	John South	Tarrant
Robert Harris	Moore	Gary Stanford	Ellis
Mike Heimer	Montgomery	Joe Taylor	Bexar
Jerry Jackson	Wood	Davey Vestal	Eastland
Reggie Lepley	Walker		
Marvin Lesikar	Jackson		
Rogelio Mercado	Jim Wells		

Some CEAs, such as John Ford, **Kleberg-Kenedy** Counties, have used the video in their weekly television programs, reaching several thousand viewers. CEAs such as Kenneth White, **Uvalde Co.** have utilized printed material in their daily/weekly radio shows. Others, like Dennis Smith, **Camp County**, have used printed material in county newsletters.

If your county has conducted theft awareness and you were not included above, please e-mail p-gibbs@tamu.edu to provide particulars about your efforts in this area.

Theft Prevention Display at Specialty Events

So far, in 1999, the display has been taken to several competitive horse activities, with actual contacts of 1,185 participants by Tonni Balas and Vanessa Mason.

February	HLS&R Quarter Horse Timed Events	Katy
February	USTRC Team Roping	Katy
February	U.S. Calf Roping	Giddings
April	Texas Reining Horse Association	Glen Rose
April	Aggie AQHA Mini-Circuit	TAMU
April	Zwernemann Team Roping	College Station
April	Bud Light Series Crawfish Open Team Roping	Llano
April	AQHA Youth and Amateur Show	TAMU
May	Josey World Barrel Classic	Karnack
July	37 th Texas State 4-H Horse Show	Abilene
August	AJRA Rodeo Finals	Sweetwater

The display and/or handouts have also been made available at several conventions, workshops and statewide activities with information reaching 2,135 people.

January	United Mounted Police Officers Training	TAMU
January	Texas Quarter Horse Assoc. Annual Convention	College Station
January	Texas Equestrian Trail Rider's Association Convention	Belton
February	Mare/Foal Program - Alvin Community College	Alvin
February	George Ranch HLSR International Horse Program	Richmond
March	TAMU Mare/Foal Workshop	TAMU
March	TSCRA Annual Convention	Ft. Worth
June-July	27 th TAEX Summer Horsemanship Schools	39 Counties
August	5-County Operation Horse ID Clinic	College Station

FEED COMPANY NUTRITION WORKSHOPS

In May and August, two feed companies brought their Territory Managers and Dealer Reps to TAMU for in-depth training in horse nutrition. **Cargill** sent 32 Territory Managers from 10 states and **Consolidated Nutrition L.C.** sent 20 from 15 states. This brings the total to 5 major feed companies that have come here for 11 workshops serving 410 Territory Managers. This is significant because not only are the major feed companies looking to TAEX for research-based information, but **many companies want to work directly with TAEX in co-sponsoring educational programs.**

Each year in Texas, several CEAs work closely with feed companies to co-sponsor and conduct evening meetings for horseowners in the county. This collaboration results in 1) expanded contacts prior to the meeting, 2) funded refreshments or even a meal at the meeting, and quite often 3) a fairly large attendance. While not every co-sponsor opportunity is a good one, many companies do take a very educational-minded approach to these meetings. Sure, the bottom line is to increase horse feed salesthat's understandable. However, many companies believe that having a presence is more effective than hard-sell tactics. More and more, reputable companies want people to get educational information so that they will have the knowledge to make sound, solid purchasing decisions.

FEED COMPANY SUPPORT APPRECIATED

Special thanks to:

Purina Mills, Inc. - Again this year, PMI served as a major supporter of State 4-H Roundup in Horse Judging and Method Demonstration. Their continuing grant makes a big difference in the quality of awards and in trip opportunities for the top judging team.

PMI also provided feed vouchers again this past summer for the Horse Program Assistants in the Summer Horsemanship School program. We appreciate their help.

ACCO Feeds, Inc. - Still sponsoring the State 4-H Horse Record Book program.

Each year, ACCO provides Exhibitor back numbers and stall cards for the Texas State 4-H Horse Show. Their interest in youth is making a significant difference.

THANK YOU COWBOY TRAILERS

TAEX appreciates the support provided by Cowboy Trailers of Tomball. They provided the use of a 3-horse slant load aluminum trailer by our program assistants during this 27th year of Horsemanship Schools in Texas.

TRAIL RIDING AS AN ALTERNATIVE ENTERPRISE FOR RANCHERS AND FARMERS

The May CEA Horse Newsletter discussed the formation of a task force (TAEX, TFB, TSCRA and TETRA) to explore this opportunity. Accomplishments to point are:

Rancher Awareness - 70 persons attended an alternative enterprise workshop at the August Beef Cattle Short Course.

Rancher Trail Ride Guide - A 15-page guide covering considerations, food, costs, ride management, marketing, insurance, release forms, etc. was produced. Copies are available, from this office, for CEAs.

Insurance - The TFB is exploring a unique insurance coverage policy to cover ranchers and farmers conducting rides.

Result Demonstration Rides - 4 rides are planned for the Fall of 1999. The TAEX Dept. of Recreation and Parks will conduct case studies at all rides to quantitate wants and needs of riders. Educational programs will be conducted at all rides. Results will be made available in early 2000. Professional brochures are available from this office or from TETRA.

Attached is more detailed information about all four of these rides.

October 15-17	Texas Horse and Cattle Traditions	Southland Land and Cattle Co.	Kaufman
October 1-3	Ride The Big Bend - Man The Fort	Miller Ranch	Marfa
November 26-28	Country Thanksgiving	Walnut Creek Ranch	San Angelo
December 10-12	The Real River Walk	33 Ranch	Kennedy

CEAS RECOGNIZED AT STATE SHOW

The 37th Texas State 4-H Horse Show attracted some 900 youth with 1100 horses making up just over 2500 entries. This show is a high-quality, well run competitive activity because of the role that so many CEAs play as members of the Horse Show Management Team. From Class Superintendents to announcers, CEAs and Livestock Specialists make a real

difference.

This year, the following people were recognized with Appreciation Belt Buckles for their many years of work and input on the Horse Show Management Team.

Congratulations to:

Gary Bomar	Taylor County
Kyle Miller	Taylor County
Dr. Bruce Carpenter	District 6

Two other CEAs were also recognized with sculpts. (They have agreed to stay on the Management Team!!)

Congratulations to:

Joe Don King	Wheeler County
C.W. Roberts	formerly in Reeves County

The State show has been held at the Taylor County Expo Center for the past 15 years. And, it will be held there again in 2000, 2001 and 2002.

SUMMER HORSEMANSHIP SCHOOLS 2000

The summer of 99 marked the 27th **consecutive year** for TAEX Summer Horsemanship Schools. Two-day or three-day long schools were held in 37 different counties, reaching 1,186 youth and adults. Evaluations turned in by counties ranked the schools very high in the majority of cases. Even though this program is not without its shortcomings, it appears that the utilization of college-aged students to teach these hands-on schools is still extremely effective and continues to meet a real need in most counties.

In 2000, we will begin riding with candidates for the Horse Program Assistant positions in mid-January. By mid-March, we will have identified those candidates that we feel are qualified to represent TAEX and work effectively with your county's horse youth and adult leaders.

Attachments 1 and 2 are forms to use in requesting either a two-day or three-day horsemanship school for your county. The costs are the same as 1999. If you plan to host a horsemanship school, please complete and return a form. If you have any questions about this program, call Vanessa Mason or Pete Gibbs at (409) 845-1562.

STATEWIDE FALL HORSE JUDGING WORKSHOP

October 9 will be the date for the Statewide Practice Horse Judging Workshop, held at Freeman Arena, Texas A&M. This workshop will be held as a judging practice. Participants will get to judge a variety of halter and performance classes. Critiques will follow. This activity will be the most useful to judges, only if they are accompanied by their county judging team coach or leader.

There will be no official contest tabulation but placings and cuts will be announced.

Coaches can conduct their own tabulation. Counties need to pre-register and pay \$5.00 per participant, by October 1. The fee is \$10.00 per person if you register after October 1. To pre-register, complete the attached form and send a check made payable to Judging Contests for \$5.00/person to Debbie King, Dept. of Ag. Ed., TAMU, College Station, TX 77843-2116. For registration info, call Debbie King at (409) 862-3003. For information on classes and format, contact Dr. Gary Potter at (409) 845-7731 or Vanessa Mason at (409) 845-1562.

5TH TEXAS STATE 4-H WORKING COW HORSE CLINIC

The 5th annual cow horse clinic is set for October 12, 13 and 14 in Abilene. Instructor will be Jim Simpson from Phoenix Arizona, a talented horseman with many years experience. To be eligible, adults must be interested or involved in working with 4-Hers at county and district levels. Youth who are 4-H members are also eligible to attend. Cost is only \$85 if your register by October 1 and includes the cattle charges and stalling. Late registration is \$100. Contact Vicki Hoggett, Somervell Co. at (254) 897-2809 by October 1 to pre-register.

STATEWIDE YOUTH REINING CLINIC

The annual Texas State Youth Reining Horse clinic for 4-H members will be held December 18-19 at the Taylor County Expo Center in Abilene, Texas. The cost of the clinic is \$60/4-H member, which includes a stall. Terry Thompson, noted horseman and reining horse trainer, will head up the instruction again this year.

Youth attending must be bonafide 4-H members and bring a horse they want to improve in executing all basic maneuvers. The horse does not have to be a reiner. If under 16, 4-H members must provide their own parental or volunteer supervision. Stalls will be available on Friday, December 17. The clinic will begin at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, December 18. Topics will be lateral and forward momentum, circles, spins, stops, rollbacks, and lead changes. All participants will receive "hands-on" practice and assistance throughout the clinic. This clinic is a project of the Texas State 4-H Horse Committee. For further information on this youth reining clinic or the 1999 Adult Reining Clinic, contact Vicki Hoggett, Somervell CEA's office, P.O. Box 895, Glen Rose, Texas 76043, (254) 897-2809.

A GUIDE TO RECREATIONAL RIDING

This 36 page booklet, written by Phil Livingston, is available from the **American Paint Horse Association** absolutely free. The primary purpose of the booklet, according to APHA Executive Secretary, Ed Roberts, is to emphasize safety and common sense around horses. You can order in quantity for groups such as your County 4-H horse club members. The booklet includes information on everything from catching your horse to riding, even trailering to horse activities. Contact the APHA at P.O. Box 961023, Ft. Worth 76161-0023 or call (817) 834-2742. APHA's fax is (817) 834-3152 or reach them at www.apha.com.

TAMU EQUESTRIAN TEAM GAINS NCAA STATUS

The Horsemen's Equestrian Team at Texas A&M is already well known across the country. They have won at both the regional and national level.

Now, the Department of Athletics will field a Women's Equestrian Team. It will start with financial support to the existing Equestrian Team which is sponsored by the Horsemen's Association in the Department of Animal Science. Eventually, a full-time coach and assistant will be hired. In September of 2000, the Women's Equestrian Team will be a complete component in the Dept. of Athletics with scholarships, NCAA sanction and NCAS rules. This team will be a collaborative program between the Departments of Animal Science and Athletics.

JUDGING TEAMS REPRESENTING TEXAS

Harris, Tom Green and Johnson Counties were 1st, 2nd and 3rd, respectively, at the Fort Worth Livestock Show and Rodeo Horse Judging Contest back in February.

Harris County won 1st at State 4-H Roundup and Randall County was 2nd. Johnson County was 3rd and Parker County was 4th.

After figuring out which teams were eligible for the various regional and national contests, teams began representing Texas at regional/national contests.

... at Southern Regional 4-H Finals - Montgomery Alabama

Harris County 4-Hers Ashley Garza, Desiree Rohrer, Mark Russell and Nicole Stebbins were 5th high team overall, and 1st place team in class placings. Ashley Garza was 9th high individual.

Parker County 4-Hers Ashley Johnson, Callie Rogers, David Windham and Reese Windham were 7th high team in the contest. Reese Windham was 7th high individual.

... at AQHYA World Show Contest - Ft. Worth

In the 4-H Division -

- ◆ **Johnson County** 4-Hers Shawna Crow, Jessica Hathcock, Karen Moroz and Caren Myers were Reserve Champion Team overall. They won the Performance Division. Shawna Crow was the high individual for the entire contest. Karen Moroz was 2nd high individual in Performance.
- ◆ **Randall County** 4-Hers McKenzie Brazile, Amanda Bryan, Anne Palitza and Sarah Skelton were the 4th high team overall, winning Reserve Champion status in the Performance category. Anne Palitza was 4th high in Performance. Sarah Skelton won top 10 honors in Performance and Reasons, making her 6th high individual in the entire contest.

In the Quarter Horse Division -

- ◆ **Harris County's** team of Desiree Rohrer, Ashley Garza, Nicole Stebbins and Catherine Hahn were named World Champions! Desiree Rohrer was high individual. Ashley Garza was 4th high overall in Performance and 7th high overall.

- ◆ **Tom Green County's** team of Meghan and Scarlet Blanek, Dara Wilde and Meredith McCullough won the Performance Division overall and was 9th high team overall. Scarlet Blanek was 8th high in Performance and Dara Wilde was 5th in that division.

... at **All-American Quarter Horse Congress** - Columbus, Ohio - October

Tom Green County will represent TQHYA at this contest. **Harris County** will judge under the 4-H banner at this same contest. Best of luck to both teams as they represent Texas at Quarter Horse Congress.

... at **National Western 4-H Classic** - Colorado

Johnson County will judge at this contest in January 2000. Best of luck!

4-H HORSE RECORD BOOK WINNERS

<u>District</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Winner</u>
1	Randall	McKenzie Brazile
2	Castro	Rusty McDaniel
3	Throckmorton	Matt Bellah
4	Kaufman	Rachel Johnson
5	Angelina	Chad Teer
6	Crockett	Trey Hale
7	Callahan	Teri Windham
8	Erath	Trey Pool
9	Montgomery	Janessa Myers
10	Comal	Sarah Vaught
11	Wharton	Casey English
12	Hidalgo	Thomas Moseley

Congratulations to the 1999 State 4-H Horse Record Book winner, Rusty McDaniel, from Castro County.

STATE METHOD DEMO WINNERS

Rachel Johnson of **Kaufman County** won 1st in Individual Method Demonstration for Horse at Roundup and went on to place 4th at the Southern Regional contest.

Anne Plitza and McKenzie Brazile of **Randall County** were the Champion Demonstration Team at Roundup and they will represent Texas and the Denver National Western next January.

QUIZ BOWL WINNERS

Panola County's team of Jonathan Bate, Stephen Bate, Kelli Taylor and Regina Warrington placed 1st at Roundup and are also representing Texas in Denver.

Second place team at Roundup was **Brazos County** team members Adam Brumbaugh, Matthew Martin, Katie Taylor and Katie Young. They will travel to Ohio for the All-American Quarter Horse Congress in Quiz Bowl Competition.

HORSEPOWER NEWSLETTER/CEA HORSE NEWSLETTER

As most of you know, the 4-H Horse Power Newsletter is no longer mailed directly to 4-H families. It is available only on the website which is <http://animalscience-extension.tamu.edu>. So, it is important that we let 4-H horse club s and families know about that website.

This CEA Horse Newsletter will usually be sent to CEA offices only by e-mail. From time to time, we will send you the newsletter in hard copy, especially if the issue contains pre-registrations forms. This September CEA issue is available in print and via electronic, plus it is on the above mentioned website.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS		
REMAINDER OF 1999		
DATE	PROGRAM/ACTIVITY	CONTACT
October 1	Pre-registration Deadline - Statewide Practice Judging Workshop	Debbie King 409-862-3003
October 9	Statewide Practice Horse Judging Workshop - TAMU	Vanessa Mason 409-845-1562
October 12	Henderson Co. Horse Extravaganza - Athens	Rick Hirsch 903-675-6130
October 12-13-14	5 th Texas 4-H Working Cow Horse Clinic - Abilene	Vicki Hoggett 254-897-2809
October 16	Heart of Texas Fair Horse Judging Contest - Waco	Donald Kelm 254-883-1410
October 16	Westside 4-H Open Horse Judging Contest - Ft. Worth	Greg Jackson 817-560-7175
October 26	San Augustine Co. Performance Horse Program - San Augustine	Jerry Nickerson 409-275-3644
October 27-30	United Mounted Peace Officers School - San Angelo	Nancy Robichaux 903-857-2403
November 4-7	Texas Equine Industry Conference	Doug Householder 409-845-1562
November 11	Lone Star Race Park Trainer Seminar - Grand Prairie	Doug Householder 409-845-1562
November 13	Austin Co. Open Horse Judging Contest - Bellville	Becky Graham 409-885-0825
November 20	Anderson Co. Open Horse Judging Contest - Palestine	Tammy Cantrell 903-723-3735
December 1	Entry Deadline - San Antonio Stock Show Horse Quiz Bowl	Stock Show 210-225-0575
December 1	Entry Deadline - San Antonio Stock Show Horse Judging Contest	Stock Show 210-225-0575
December 18	Ft. Bend Co. Open Horse Judging Contest	Barbara Sebring 409-478-6690
December 18-19	Texas State 4-H Youth Reining Clinic - Abilene	Vicki Hoggett 254-897-2809

LOOKING AHEAD TO 2000		
January 5	Entry Deadline - Ft. Worth Stock Show Senior Youth Horse Judging Contest	Stock Show 817-877-2400
January 11	B.I.G. Horse Short Course - Waco	Doug Andrews 254-757-5180
January 14-15-16	2 nd Texas Equestrian Trail Rider's Assoc. Convention - Belton	Sylvia Perry 254-848-4656
January 15	Entry Deadline - Houston Stock Show Youth Horse Judging Contest	Stock Show 713-791-9000
January 22	Montgomery Co. Open Horse Judging Contest - Conroe	Bruce Jones 281-703-5555
January 31	Request Deadline for a Summer Horsemanship School	Vanessa Mason 409-845-1562
February 5	Ft. Worth Stock Show Youth Horse Judging Contest	Stock Show 817-877-2400
February 11	San Antonio Stock Show Youth Horse Quiz Bowl	Stock Show 210-225-0575
February 12	San Antonio Stock Show Youth Horse Judging Contest - Rose Palace	Stock Show 210-225-0575
February 22	Houston Stock Show Youth Horse Judging Contest	Stock Show 713-791-9000
March 10	TAMU Mare/Foal Workshop	Pete G. Gibbs 409-845-1562
March 15	Deadline for 4-H Futurity Horse Nominations to CEA office (for 4-Hers Nominating Yearling Halter, Yearling Longe Line, 2-Year-Old Pleasure and 3-Year-Old Stock Horse Projects)	CEA Offices
March 20	Deadline for CEAs to mail Futurity Nominations to Horse Specialists' Office	Horse Specialists 409-845-1562
March 21-23	Stock Horse of Texas (S.H.O.T.) Clinic - Abilene	Vicki Hoggett 254-897-2809
March 24-26	Tarrant Co. Horse-O-Rama - Ft. Worth	John South 817-884-1946
March 25	Multi-District (5,9,11) Horse Judging Contest - TAMU	Kevin Chilek 409-845-6800
April 7-8	Greater Houston Horse Short Course	Doug Shores 281-855-5600
May 1	Deadline for Owning and Certifying 4-H Horse Projects (except Futurity Projects, see March 15)	CEA Offices
May 2-3-4	State 4-H Adult Leader Reining Clinic - Abilene	Vicki Hoggett 254-897-2809
May 25 - July 1	County-wide 28 th Annual TAEX Horsemanship Schools	See January 31 deadline
June 14	State 4-H Horse Judging Contest	State 4-H Office 409-845-1211
June 15	State 4-H Horse Bowl Contest	State 4-H Office 409-845-1211
June 15	State 4-H Horse Demonstration Contest	State 4-H Office 409-845-1211
June TBA	State 4-H Calf Roping School - Stephenville	Scott Anderson 915-646-0386
June TBA	State 4-H Team Roping School - Lleveland	Jett Major 806-746-6101
July 23-29	38 th Texas State 4-H Horse Show - Abilene	Horse Specialists 409-845-1562

**SUMMER OF 2000
TWO-DAY HORSEMANSHIP SCHOOL REQUEST FORM**

GROUP - _____ County would like to host a 2000 Summer Horsemanship/Horse Training School to be held in _____ (town).

DATES - Rank your choices below: (Note: **must** have at least three choices filled in to be considered)
 1 - 1st choice
 2 - 2nd choice
 3 - 3rd choice
 4 - 4th choice

<u>Choice</u>	<u>Fri/Sat</u>	<u>Choice</u>	<u>Mon/Tues</u>	<u>Choice</u>	<u>Wed/Thurs</u>
_____	May 26,27*	_____	May 29, 30*	_____	May 31 - June 1*
_____	June 2, 3	_____	June 5, 6	_____	June 7, 8
_____	June 9, 10	_____	June 12, 13	_____	June 14, 15
_____	June 16,17	_____	June 19, 20	_____	June 21, 22
_____	June 23,24	_____	June 26, 27	_____	June 28, 29
_____	June 30 - July 1				

*please check to make sure that area elementary, junior high and high schools are not in session before requesting these dates.

SCHEDULING FEE

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COUNTY CONTACT PERSON

Name: _____ Address: _____

Phone No: _____ County: _____

Return to: Pete G. Gibbs, Extension Horse Specialist, Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Kleberg Center - Room 249, Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas 77843-2471 Phone (409) 845-1562.

**SUMMER OF 2000
THREE-DAY HORSEMANSHIP SCHOOL REQUEST FORM**

GROUP - _____ County would like to host a 2000 Summer Horsemanship/Horse Training School to be held in _____ (town).

DATES - Rank your choices below: (Note: **must** have at least three choices filled in to be considered)

1 - 1st choice
 2 - 2nd choice
 3 - 3rd choice
 4 - 4th choice

<u>Choice</u>	<u>Mon-Wed. School</u>	<u>Choice</u>	<u>Thur.-Sat. School</u>
_____	May 22,23,24*	_____	May 25, 26, 27*
_____	May 29, 30, 31*	_____	June 1, 2, 3
_____	June 5, 6, 7	_____	June 8, 9, 10
_____	June 12, 13, 14	_____	June 15, 16, 17
_____	June 19, 20, 21	_____	June 22, 23, 24
_____	June 26, 27, 28	_____	June 29, 30 - July 1

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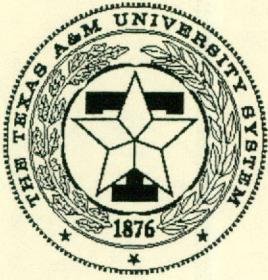
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County Extension Agent

Date form returned

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1999 HORSE JUDGING CLINIC OCTOBER 9, 1999

9:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Freeman Arena
Texas A&M University
College Station, Texas

REGISTRATION FORM

This form and your entry fees must be postmarked on or before Friday, October 1, 1999 to avoid late fees.

Mail to: Debbie King
Department of Agricultural Education
Texas A&M University
College Station, TX 77843-2116
Phone: (409) 862-3003

Make checks payable to : Judging Contests. No purchase orders can be accepted.

I plan to enter the horse judging clinic with the following number of students:

Total number of students _____ x \$5.00 (\$10.00 after October 1st) = _____
Total Enclosed

4-H Club/FFA Chapter Name: _____

FFA Chapter Number: _____

Coach/Teacher(s): _____

Address: _____
Street/P.O. Box

City State Zip

County Office/School Phone: _____
Area Code and Number

Texas Equine Industry Conference

November 4 (Thursday)

Texas Trail Riding Industry Leaders Circle the Wagons Gathering

MSC/Rudder Tower

- 5:30 Eat and Social Gathering
- 6:10 Welcome: Introduction of Stakeholder Groups
- 6:15 Overview of Texas Trail Riding Activities in 1998-99
- Industry Representatives
- 6:30 Trail Riding From a National Perspective and
Recommendations to Texas - Steve Ralls
- 7:00 Trail Riding From A Successful State's Perspective
- Dr. Greg Jones
- 7:40 Q/A Panel - Ralls, Jones, Goldbloom

November 5 (Friday)

Rudder Tower

- 7:00 Registration
- 7:30 Commercial Exhibits/Trade Show/Poster Show

State and National Industry Update

Rudder Auditorium

- 8:20 Welcome and Introductions - Dr. Doug Householder
- 8:30 The Texas Horse Industry - Dr. Pete Gibbs
- 9:00 A Futuristic Look at the Horse Industry with
Implications for Texas - Don Treadway
- 9:40 *Break*
- 10:10 Equine Liabilities - Horse Owners, Horse Operations,
Horse Organizations - Judon Fambrough
- 10:45 Equine Science...Fact vs. Fiction - Dr. David Ramey
- 11:45 *Lunch - MSC*

Equine Owners College

Rudder Tower/MSC/Koldus

Courses ongoing concurrently. Select the classes of your choice. Classes 45 minutes long.

The Equine Athlete - Dr. Gary Potter

- 1:30 Skeletal Adaptations to Training - Dr. Gary Potter
- 2:30 Thermoregulation and Acclimatization to Hot, Humid
Environments - Dr. Christian Rammerstorfer
- 3:30 Cardiorespiratory Adaptations to Training - Dr.
Martha Vogelsang
- 4:30 Feeding and Training for Power and Stamina - Dr. Gary
Potter

The Lame Horse - Dr. Bill Moyer

- 1:30 Common Lameness - Dr. Bill Moyer
- 2:30 Hoof Specific Lameness - Dr. Cliff Honnas
- 3:30 Diagnostic Aids for Obscure Lameness - Dr. Dave
Schmitz
- 4:30 The Prepurchase Exam - What to Expect - Dr. Bill Moyer
- The Colic Syndrome - Dr. Noah Cohen
- 1:30 Survey of Risk Factors Associated with Colics - Dr.
Noah Cohen
- 2:30 Feeding for Health and Longevity - Dr. Gary Potter
- 3:30 Deworming to Avoid Colic and Other Health
Problems - Dr. Tom Craig
- 4:30 The Economics of Operating the Surgical Colic - Dr.
Tex Taylor

Broodmares and Stallions - Dr. Dickson Varner

- 1:30 Using Body Condition, Extended Photoperiod and
Hormonal Manipulation to Enhance Reproductive
Efficiency - Dr. Martha Vogelsang
- 2:30 Advances in Technologies for Equine Reproduction -
Dr. Katrin Henrick
- 3:30 Advantages and Limitations to the Uses of Embryo
Transfer - Dr. Steve Brinsko
- 4:30 Advantages, Limitations, and Requirements for
Breeding with Transported Semen - Dr. Terry
Blanchard

The Growing Horse - Dr. Pete Gibbs

- 1:30 Grazing Management Systems for Yearlings - Dr.
Monty Rouquette
- 2:30 Feeding and Managing Young Horses for Sound
Growth and Development - Dr. Pete Gibbs
- 3:30 Health Programs for Foals, Weanlings and Yearlings -
Dr. Mike Martin
- 4:30 Diagnosis and Treatment of Developmental Orthope-
dic Diseases - Dr. Jeff Watkins

General Horse Health - Dr. Mike Martin

- 1:30 First Aid for Horse Owners - Dr. David Dutton
- 2:30 Upper Respiratory Infections - Dr. Keith Chaffin
- 3:30 Dental Care for Horses - Dr. Leon Scrutchfield
- 4:30 Equine Protozal Myelitis - Dr. Noah Cohen

Social and Entertainment

Shadow Canyon - Northgate District

Eat, visit, learn some fancy dance steps, let down and enjoy yourself! Alcohol served after 9:00 p.m.

- 7:00 Bar-B-Que Supper
- 7:45 God, Country, Flag, Freedom - John Wayne (Dr.
Gene Howard)
- 8:10 Aggie Wranglers Country Western Dance Group
- 8:30 Country and Western Dance (DJ)
- 9:00 Conference Activity Ends - Open Cash Bar

November 6 (Saturday)

Select from 5 different day-long and/or 1 half day-long specialty programs. Bus transportation provided to Outside/Inside Horse Program only. Travel OYO to/from Rudder and to/from arenas.

Western Performance Horse Program

Rudder Tower

- 7:00 Registration - Saturday attendees only
- 8:25 Welcome and Introductions -
- 8:30 Breeding and Selecting Horses For Performance, Looks,
Disposition and Soundness - Carol Rose
- 9:15 Horses at Work in the Ranch Industry - Rob Brown
- 10:00 *Break*
- 10:30 What I've Learned Sculpturing the Great Equine
Athletes - Jim Reno
- 11:10 Putting A Program Together That Works - TBA

- 11:55 Industry Leader Recognition of Jack Brainard
- 12:00 *Lunch - MSC*

Freeman Arena

- 1:55 Clinic Comments -
- 2:00 Getting A Horse Hooked On A Cow - Laney
Ashley
- The Broke Horse - Jack Brainard
- Is Your Horse Really Broke?
Initial Training - 1st 90 days
Intermediate Training - 2 year-old
Advanced Training - 3-4 year-old
Demonstration - Bob Moorhouse
- 5:00 Program Evaluation and Adjourn

Barrel Racing Horse Program

Freeman Arena

- 7:00 Registration - Saturday attendees only
- 8:20 Welcome and Introductions - Angela Ganter
- 8:30 Barrel Racing Clinic - Kay Blanford
- 12:00 *Lunch - MSC*
- Rudder Tower**
- 1:15 Clinic Comments -
- 1:20 Legendary Barrel Racing Runs - (video company)
- 1:30 So You Want To Be A Winning Barrel Racer - Jimmie
Munroe
- 2:15 Keeping Your Horse Running at His Best -
Dr. Richard Galley

- 3:00 *Break*
- 3:30 A Successful Youth Barrel Racing Program - (TBA)
- 4:10 50 years in the Barrel Racing Industry What I've
Learned - Wanda Bush
- 4:55 Industry Leader Recognition of Wanda Bush
- 5:00 Program Evaluation and Adjourn

Trail Horse Program

Rudder Tower

- 7:00 Registration - Saturday attendees only
- 8:20 Welcome and Introductions - Jo Yount
- 8:30 Pleasure/Recreation/Mounted Orienteering Trail Riding - TBA
- 9:00 Endurance/Competitive Trail Riding - Darolyn Butler
- 9:30 Trail Riding Into the Texas Stock Shows - (HLSR)
- 10:00 Industry Leader Recognition of Lynn McGuffy
- 10:05 *Break*

- 4:00 What Trail Riders Need to Know about Horse Psychology - B.F. Yeates and Tana Buckner
 5:00 Program Evaluation and Adjourn

Race Horse Program

Rudder Tower

- 7:00 Registration - Saturday attendees only
 8:20 Welcome and Introductions - Dr. Jeff Watkins
 8:30 Breeding Strategies to Produce Profit
 -Thoroughbred Industry - Ken Carson
 -Quarter Horse Industry - Jerry Windham
 9:30 What Incentive Programs Mean to the Owner/Breeder - Dave Hooper
 10:00 Break
 10:30 Using the Internet to Obtain Information - Dr. Nat Kieffer
 11:00 What We Know About Breakdown Injuries - Dr. Noah Cohen
 11:30 New Reproductive Technologies - Dr. Katrin Hendrick
 12:00 Lunch - MSC
 2:00 How Conditions of Sale Can Influence the Value of Your Yearling - Tim Boyce
 2:30 Managing Limb Deformities in Foals - In Search of Perfection - Dr. Jeff Watkins
 3:00 Break
 3:30 Fragility of the Modern Race Horse - Dr. Bill Moyer
 4:00 Program Evaluation and Adjourn

Donkey and Mule Program

Pearce Pavilion

- 7:00 Registration - Saturday attendees only
 8:20 Welcome and Introductions - Dr. Tex Taylor
 8:30 A Showcase of Donkeys and Mules and Their Uses -
 Glenda Fagg and Sue King
 -Mini Donkeys -Mini Mules -Saddle Mules
 -Standard Donkeys -Mammoth Donkeys
 -Large Standard Donkeys -Draft Mules
 Donkey and Mule Driving Demonstrations - Jimmy Sussums
 Pleasure, Single, Multiple, Obstacle, Snigging
 Training - Ground Discipline to Basic Manuevers - Carroll Wood
 11:45 Lunch - MSC
 Rudder Tower
 1:25 Program Comments - Dr. Tex Taylor
 1:30 Donkey and Mule 101 - Dr. Tex Taylor
 1:45 Past, Present and Future of the Donkey and Mule Industry - Betsy Hutchins
 2:15 A Conformation Comparison of Donkeys, Mules and Horses - Dr. Gary Potter
 2:55 Industry Leader Recognition - (Recipient TBA)
 3:00 Break
 3:30 A Physiological Comparison of Donkeys, Mules and Horses
 - Nutrition Panel
 - Reproduction Dr. Gary Potter
 - Musculoskeletal Dr. Tex Taylor
 - Pharmacological Dr. Nora Matthews
 - Behavioral Dr. Terry Blanchard
 4:30 Donkey and Mule Foot Care - Charlie Mekins
 5:00 Program Evaluation and Adjourn

Outside/Inside Horse - Youth Program

Targeted at chaperoned youth groups and senior or junior youth with a parent(s). Adults may attend also. Attendees must ride conference buses to the CVM. Youth will eat lunch at Rudder Tower after/before program. Same program offered in morning and afternoon.

- 7:00 Registration - Saturday attendees only
 8:20 am Buses leave Rudder Tower for College of Veterinary Medicine (1:20 pm)
 Welcome and Program Explanation - Dr. Larry Johnson
 Series of short, hands-on presentations/demonstrations (skeleton, feet, cardiovascu-lar, parasites, etc.) given by vet, graduate equine, and undergraduate students.
 11:30 am Buses leave College of Veterinary Medicine for Rudder Tower (4:30 pm)

November 7 (Sunday)

Optional OYO Activities

Vet School

- 8:20 Cowboy Church Service - TAMU Fellowship of Christian Cowboys

- 9:00 Hourly guided tours of the TAMU College of Veterinary Medicine
 10:00 - Large Animal Clinic - Dr. Buddy Faries
 11:00

Bush Library/Museum

- 12:00- Allow a minimum of 2 hours to tour. Cost is \$3.00/adults; \$2.50/
 5:00 senior citizens, college students, and large groups; youth (under 16) are free.

Texas College Equine Science

Teachers Forum

Targeted at equine science program coordinators, instructors, students, and other interested persons. Sharing of programming efforts, new teaching technology and tools, resources, networking, etc. TAEX Horse Program resources to be offered to all colleges. Friday noon session over box lunch.

Ask the Experts

Visit one-on-one with experts in booths in the Trade Show Area. Booths: Lameness, Shoeing, Musculoskeletal; Nutrition, Conditioning, Management, Behavior; Reproduction; Health; Donkeys and Mules; Agricultural Careers and Colleges. Friday & Saturday during refreshment and lunch breaks.

Commercial Exhibits/Trade/Poster Show

Texas Trails - Where to Ride in Texas Showcase
 50 Goods/Services Providers Exhibits
 20 Educational/Awareness Posters

Parent and Youth Ag College Session

"My Son/Daughter Wants to Go to an Agricultural College in TexasWhat Next?" A 1-hour discussion Saturday at noon. Targeted at parents, teachers, 4-H leaders, Agri-Science teachers helping youth make these decisions. Speaker: Dr. Joe Townsend and representatives from the Agricultural Consortium of Texas.

Important Conference Information

Parking

Thursday (evening) - No street or lot parking. Park in Koldus Garage. No conference parking pass offered. Get ticket when entering, pay when leaving garage.

Friday (all day) - No street or lot parking. Purchase all day come/go pass for Koldus Garage when pre-register.

Friday Night Social (Shadow Canyon) - (TBD)

Saturday (all/portion day) - Street and lot parking readily available or purchase Koldus Garage pass when pre-register.

N/C for parking at Pearce and Freeman Arenas.

Pre-registration/Registration

A large crowd is expected. Please pre-register before October 25 to assure parking pass, meal tickets, etc. Send in form and fees. Shortly after, will receive packet (confirmation, city map, campus map, lodging list, parking locations and passes.) Attendees WILL NEED pass to park on campus; don't forget it! Upon registration, attendees get program, nametag, function tickets, printed material, etc. Walk-up registration will be accepted Friday or Saturday; however, parking passes and meals aren't guaranteed.

Association Activities

SW Chpt. Missouri Fox Trotter Assn.	Saturday night	Isabell Beasley (972)644-8659
Texas Affiliate Foundation Quarter Horse Reg.	Saturday night	Bob & Melody Bruner (409)690-0605
United Mounted Peace Officers of Texas	Saturday noon	Nancy Robichaux (903)857-2403
Ranch Horse Assn. of America	Saturday noon	Bob Moorhouse (806)284-2223
Stock Horse of Texas Assn.	Saturday noon	Stan Smith (915)353-4510

Information

<http://animalscience-extension.tamu.edu/horses/teic.html>

Conference	Tonni Balas	(409)845-3360
Conference	Dr. Doug Householder	(409)845-1562
Registration	Jacque Hand	(409)845-7692
Trade Show	Dr. Pete Gibbs	(409)845-1562
Trail Gathering	Rosemary Foley	(281)252-8482
Teacher's Forum	Dr. Heidi Brady	(806)742-2550
Bush Museum Tours	Bush Visitor's Center	(409)260-9552
B/C/S CVB		(409)260-9898
TCLEOSE	Lt. Lynn Sechelski	(409)845-2345

November 4-7, 1999

Texas Equine Industry Conference

Individual Registration Form*



"Serving the Dynamic #1 Texas Industry"

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Fax _____

email _____

Fees

(Registration includes refreshments, meal(s), and handouts)

	<u>Pre-registration</u> (by October 25)	<u>Late Registration</u> (after October 25)
Adult <input type="checkbox"/> Friday and Saturday	\$60	\$75
<input type="checkbox"/> Saturday	\$30	\$45
Youth & <input type="checkbox"/> Friday and Saturday	\$50	\$65
College <input type="checkbox"/> Saturday	\$25	\$40
Students		

****Cancellations****
Prior to 10/25/99 - \$15 fee
After 10/25/99 - no refund

Parking Passes

(not included in registration)

- Friday all-day Koldus garage parking (mandatory for each vehicle) \$6
- Saturday all-day Koldus garage parking (optional - open lots available) \$6

Optional Activities

- Thursday night Trail Industry Social \$10
- Friday night Shadow Canyon Social \$10

Payment

Make payment to: Texas Equine Industry Conference [Acct. 250291]

- Check Enclosed
- Credit Card
- VISA MasterCard American Express Discover

Cardholder: _____

Card Number: _____ Expiration Date _____

Authorized Signature: _____

Specialty Program Preference

- Western Performance Race Horse
 - Barrel Racing Horse Donkey/Mule
 - Trail Horse Outside/Inside Horse
- Saturday only attendees for Barrel Race, Donkey/Mule, Outside/Inside pick up packets at arenas.

*For youth and college group registration form, contact Jacque Hand.

Send to:

Texas Equine Industry Conference
Drawer H-1
Aggieland Station
College Station, Texas 77844
ATTENTION: Jacque Hand

Total Fees	
Registration	\$
Parking Passes	\$
Optional Activities	\$
Overall Total	\$

For questions concerning registration, please call Jacque Hand at (409)845-7692. For other information about the conference, call Tonni Balas at (409)845-3360.

RIDE THE BIG BEND - MAN THE FORT

OCTOBER 1,2,3
MILLER RANCH
MARFA, TEXAS

This is truly a unique opportunity for riders to experience breathtaking views and scenery, ride mountain trails and canyons, and enjoy great hospitality. You will spend the night in a turn-of-the-century fort constructed to guard the region from attacks by the notorious bandit and revolutionary, Pacho Villa. You will ride through 30,000 acres of rolling grassland and foothills, across rugged mountains with views that reach over 100 miles into Mexico and visit a spring-fed canyon waterfall and stream.

Pleasant weather, mild days, cool nights.

Contact Merrie Hammond, 915-336-8585, 8am to 5pm.

LIMITED TO 25 RIDERS

TEXAS HORSE & CATTLE TRADITION

OCTOBER 15,16,17
SOUTHLAND LAND AND CATTLE COMPANY RANCH
KAUFMAN, TEXAS

The ranch is situated 25 miles from downtown Dallas in Kaufman County. The ride will follow trails cut through thousands of acres of timber, hills and flatlands along the Trinity River. On Saturday riders will have the opportunity to take part in a Stock Horse of Texas (SHOT) horsemanship clinic. Their clinics focus on maximizing your horse's trainability, performance and safety. If you have always wanted to spend some time on a traditional Texas cattle ranch, don't miss this ride. You'll leave more knowledgeable about yourself, your horse and the Texas cattle tradition.

TETRA contact, 254-945-3602, 8am to 7pm Monday - Friday

Ranch contact, 972-476-2740, 9pm to 10pm everyday

LIMITED TO 100 RIDERS

COUNTRY THANKSGIVING

NOVEMBER 26,27,28
WALNUT CREEK RANCH
WATERVALLEY, TEXAS

Walnut Creek Ranching Company is a unique 10,000 acre ranch on the divide just at the point where the Texas Hill Country converges with the rolling plains. Wild turkey and white tailed deer are abundant. On Saturday, riders will visit archeological digs conducted by the Texas Historical Commission. When was the last time you rode on Indian sites that were inhabited over 12,000 years ago? The weekend riding will take you up and down very steep hills, through creek bottoms and across the meadows of the Texas Hill Country.

Contact Craig & Kathi Johnson, 915-223-8582

LIMITED TO 100 RIDERS

THE REAL RIVER WALK

DECEMBER 10,11,12
33 RANCH
KENEDY, TEXAS

Riding the 33 Ranch is an experience incoperable to any other in South Texas. Over 25 miles of trails wind through river banks, 150-foot bluffs, and many hills, providing 180-degree vistas of miles of south Texas ranch land. Some trails are wide and grassy, while others are steep and narrow, providing a wide variety of riding experiences. On Saturday, TSCRA staff will provide all interested riders with training regarding their Horse Identification Program (H.I.P.), including freeze branding and safety demonstrations. Come ride the banks, bluffs and hills of the San Antonio River Valley.

Contact Matt & Stacia Jauer, 830-583-2889

LIMITED TO 100 RIDERS