

# HOOF IN MOUTH GAZETTE

Saddle & Harness Association, Inc., Norco, CA

## Editor's Message

The September show had a good turn out and participation remains high. Everyone seemed to have a good time. A great year continues for Saddle & Harness.

Thanks again to our fantastic team of volunteers for their continued excellence in putting on our shows. Please help them out by being at the gate on time for your classes. *To all members our staff are volunteers, so please be kind!*

Put on a smile (and may be a costume) and join us for our always enjoyable and entertaining annual **Halloween costume class**. This is a regular class that will be held during the lunch break. There will be no penalty for wearing of costumes in other classes for either you or your equine. Do keep in mind that safety is the number one priority. Only safe and sane costumes are allowed. There will be 3 divisions – walking, riding and driving. A first place prize will be awarded and ribbons will be awarded for 1<sup>st</sup> -5<sup>th</sup> in each division.

This is an update for those of you who witnessed the incident with the young child in the lead line class at the last show. Everyone one and everything is fine. The child is okay. There were no sustained injuries, except for the judge who required a band aide. As usual many S&H members were very quick to respond. I and the club would like to thank all those who helped in this situation.

## Please Pre-enter

Pre-registering for a show by mail saves you and the committee time on show day and **saves you money!** Pre-registration is only \$6 per class, show day is \$7 per class.

If you pre-register and for any reason you can not make the show your check will not be cashed and will be returned or credited to the next show, your option.

Pre-registration will be accepted by mail up to three days prior to the show. Just send your show premium or a listing of the classes you want to participate in to:

Saddle & Harness Association, Inc.  
P.O. Box 7862  
Norco, CA 92860



*Don't miss the great costumes in our always fantastic costume class.*

**October 25th**

Judge: **Nancy Harvey**

**Please Pre-enter by mail**

Class fees are \$7 per class on show day.  
Class fees are \$6 per class if you pre-enter

**See you there!**

Support our food vendor;

*Great food at reasonable prices*

**Saul's Kitchen**

Membership, Sponsorship forms, Show premiums and 2009 Rules are available at the show or on line

<http://www.saddlenharness.org/>



The monthly board/member meetings is  
November 12th, 7 to 9 pm.  
Norco Fire Department  
(Corner of Sixth Street and Hillside)  
Please plan to attend (no food or drink).

## *Everyone at S&H Loves a Parade..*

We had a Great turnout of S&H members for the **NORCO LABOR DAY PARADE!** We had it all, big and small and equines of all types! The fun that we were having must have shown because the judges awarded us **FIRST PLACE** in the carriage division again this year.

This year's theme was "*BLUE JEANS AND COUNTRY DREAMS*" and S&H members fit the bill. All the kid's (young and old) in the parade and watching had a blast. The club and I would like to thank everyone who participated in this always enjoyable annual event.

This year's participants included, (I am sure that I have forgotten someone and I apologize in advance) Sharon Peek and Elvis upfront with Les Ritch and his party wagon filled full of parade happy participants pulling up the rear.



Tegan and Katherine Thomason and family joined us showing off their family of mules.



Marylou Williams also joined us with her grandson and Treasure.

Roland and Jennifer Schmitz accompanied by a member of the Rose Parade committee were there giving us a

preview of their haflingers, destined for this years Rose Parade.

Kim Nolan represented the larger breeds with her beautiful carriage and draft horse Sky.

Barbara McCarthy-Kimbell and her BLM donkey Chloe paraded in her Meadowbrook cart.

Janella Denny and her mini donkey Rusty were in their usual spectacular costume, wowing the crowd.



Wendy Pregler contributed with Chase at her side and Molly and a little one upfront.



Three of my grandsons helped me and the donkeys entertain the crowd.



We were also joined by one of our newer members with her very nice buckboard and mini.

## *In the Presence of Greatness*

Pick up a Morgan breed publication or go to a Morgan web site and you will see the name **LCS Ice Princess** and Pat Gesler again and again. LCS Ice Princess, a beautiful 26 year old Morgan, and Pat Gesler, her proud owner, have won numerous AMHA National and World driving championships over the last couple years. This includes several champion and reserve champion regional year end high point awards. Princess and Pat are always in the winners circle at the county fairs and open shows. Princess and Pat have achieved high honors in the show ring for both Pleasure and performance driving at the very top level of competition.

Most recently in honor of their continuing success LCS Ice Princess and Pat were inducted into the Morgan Horse Breeders and Exhibitors, **Morgan Medallion Hall of Fame**.

In a recent publication of the "International Morgan Connection" magazine, Arthur Perry wrote; "*LCS Ice Princess is what every Morgan can be*".



In addition to the many awards mentioned above, in a ceremony conducted in October Princess and Pat were inducted as "Champion Horse" in the Horsetown USA, Norco Hall of Fame.

Saddle and Harness

*Congratulates Princess and Pat*

## *Update on Dana Cole*

It has been reported that S&H member Dana Cole has been awakened from her long coma! She can talk a little, but with difficulty. But you should see her smile! She is so happy to be back in our world. Lots of rehab ahead for her, but she's a miracle! More news as we get it.

## *S&H at NMDA*

Saddle & Harness was once again well represented at the Northern California 2009 NMDA (National Miniature Donkey Assoc.) competitions in Red Bluff, CA (September). The experience gained at the S&H shows driving our diminutive alternative equine in monthly competitions with horses of all sizes really paid off this year.

Janella Denny had one of the best shows of her and Rusty's life at the three day event. In her sweep of the ribbons in the halter and green classes, Rusty won **Grand Champion Halter Gelding**. Rusty also did very well in the in-hand and jumping performance classes. Janella added her driving talents to this early success to come away with **High Point Gelding Green, Reserve Champion**. Congratulations Janella, way to go girl!



Carnival and I (Ken Shaw) also had a very good run at the Red Bluff show. Carnival was his usual bundle energy and I was able to maintain enough control to exhibit his talents to the Judge. After a great series of performance classes, the ribbons were counted and Carnival and I were presented with a beautiful buckle for **High Point Gelding, Grand Champion**.



## Who went to the Fair?

The early reports claim that there were many S&H members who competed at the 2009 LA County Fair in Pomona. Were you there? How did you do? You work all year for the big show and then keep it a secret.

Jim Kirkpatrick was at the fair and said that “*over half the drivers there were Saddle and Harness members and they took more than their share of ribbons*”.

Various S&H members have told me that the following members were seen at the fair and in the winners circle; (in no particular order) Grace Halpin, Nick and Audry Popoff, Malanie Brooker, Janella Denny, Sharon Peek, Trish Demers, Pat Gesler, Terri Griffin, Melinda Wright, Ted Lang, Molly Rush, Bill Johnson, Jennifer Tani, Souix Munyon, Corri Chase, Carli Crissy, Karen Poly, Julie Picot, Bob Wise, Tom Sofra, Cinny Wood, LaDonne Hatley and several others that I am sure I have forgot.

Please send me an email or write me a note so our members can share in your success and be inspired or you can just brag about your friends.

## Congratulations to all the Winners

at the fair even if I don't know who you are.

I did get one report from Janella Denny (who likes to win and see her friends winning).



Janella wrote; A lot of Saddle and Harness people were at the Pomona Show.

Souix Munyon and Willie did real well and so did Jennifer and Rowland Schmitz. I know Willie placed second in Pleasure driving donkey and I think he won Champion in the Halter class. My Rusty placed second in the in-hand trail and my Scout placed fifth. Rusty won

Reserve Champion in the miniature donkey class and Scout placed fourth with handler Sharon Peek. May be Jennifer will let us know how her and Roland did. Also Pat Gesler did very well with Ice Princess as usual.

## Saddle and Harness Members Caught HorseNAround Again

Reported by Leslie Smith

Saddle and Harness was once again invited by the Trail Seekers club to attend and present at their annual Horse'n Around event on October 3, 2009...and the weather was wonderful! Past years have seen extreme winds and pouring rain, but this year was sunny and pleasantly warm.

While we were lightly represented, we were able to demonstrate with a variety of equines and vehicles. Barbara McCarthy-Kimball and her BLM mule, Chloe looked quite elegant (as usual) in a Meadowbrook cart. Ken Shaw drove Carnival, (a Miniature Mediterranean Donkey) put to a sulky. Bryan Smith was driving a Morgan mare, Rosie, pulling a marathon vehicle, while I (Leslie Smith) was riding in an EZ-Ryder cart pulled by Pippin (a Section A Welsh pony). Members showed the maneuverability of their vehicles and the grace of their equines by driving serpentine and clover-leaf patterns at an exciting pace. Okay, so Pippin *did* break into a canter but we weren't being judged...and it really was fun! After the driving demonstration, Ken explained the parts of the harness and their purpose to the viewers.

The Trail Seekers club also provided us with a booth on Vendor's Row. We got a prime location (quite possibly due to our *in* with Trail Seeker president Barbara). The highlight of our booth was, without question, Ken's miniature donkeys. It is practically impossible to walk past these little guys without stopping to pet and talk. Of course, while we had them as a captivated audience, we would invite them to come and show with us at Saddle and Harness. One of the best parts of this event is the variety of nice people you meet. I strongly encourage all of you to come out and join us next year.

Several other S&H members were also at the event either helping out or performing with other clubs or organizations. Kathleen Clark, Trish Nelson, and Carol Pedersen put on a great demonstration with their beautiful carts and miniature horses.

Saddle & Harness would like to thank Leslie for coordinating the demonstration and managing the booth. Saddle and Harness would also like to thank everyone that participated as a representative of the club.

## S&H Board Members

Jim Kirkpatrick	President <a href="mailto:fifthdirection@yahoo.com">fifthdirection@yahoo.com</a>
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**Let's be safe out there!**

## S&H Points

The list below is the current point leaders as of the September show. For a complete tally contact Evon Owens at [rspot@dslextreme.com](mailto:rspot@dslextreme.com) or call 951-685-6362. Point spreadsheet will also be available at the next show. Remember both exhibitor and owner must be members prior to being awarded year end points. Now let's get out there, **time has run out!** The high point leaders are:

- 1-Halter Mini: Kelly Bransfield,  
Superstar Toby Keith
- 2-Halter Pony: Jennifer Tani, TNT's Poetry in Motion
- 3-Halter L. Horse: Dawn Bransfield,  
I Rock Your Socks
- 4-Draft: Sharon Peek, Dick
- 5-Mule/Donkey: Roland Schmitz, Spice girl
- 6-Color: Dawn Bransfield,  
I Rock Your Socks
- 7-Non-color: Lori Lee Cornia, Quechol

- 8-Gaited: Danell Adams, TMR Rhea
- 9-Eng. Pleasure: Mea Aparicio, Phantom
- 10-Eng. Equitation: Mea Aparicio, Phantom
- 11-Eng. Country: Chelsea Kurtz, Gemmy King
- 12-Walk Trot: Emily Hayes, Jetz Cute N Sweet
- 13-Lead Line: Kate Aparicio, Twinkling Star
- 14-Wst Pleasure: Mea Aparicio, J'idy
- 15-Wst Equitation: Alexa Tolano,  
Impressive Trooper
- 16-Wst Country: Danell Adams, TMR Rhea
- 17-Driving Grn: Roland Schmitz, Wyatt
- 18-Driving Bkyd: Roland Schmitz, Wyatt
- 19-Driving Mini: Doug Russell, Maximus
- 20-Driving Pony: Chuck Turley, Tucker
- 21-Driving L. Horse: Pat Gesler, Ice Princess
- 22-Driving Draft: Sharon Peek, Dick
- 23-Driving H. Horse: Les Ritch, Jane&Rhodie
- 24-Driving Mule/Donkey: Kathy Butler, Maggie
- 25-Junior to Drive: Chelsea Kurtz, Gemmy King
- 26-Driving Multiples: Les Ritch, Jane&Rhodie
- 27-Driving Stock: Roland Schmitz, Wyatt
- 28-Driving Pleasure: Pat Gesler, Ice Princess
- 29-ReinsManship Jr.: Chelsea Kurtz, Gemmy King
- 30-ReinsManship At: Pat Gesler, Ice Princess
- 31-Gamblers Mini: Charli Crissy, Sultan
- 32-Gamblers Pony: Kathy Butler, Maggie
- 33-Gamblers Horse: Jennifer Schmitz, Malachi My
- 34-Cones Mini: Charli Crissy, Sultan
- 35-Cones Pony: Kathy Butler, Maggie
- 36-Cones Horse: Jennifer Schmitz, Malachi My

**Best of Luck too all of you!!**

## **We Need Sponsors Now!**

The end of year is here and the following classes and divisions **DO NOT** have sponsors. Only sponsored classes will receive year end prizes.  
**Please Help! Now!**

**Halter-Light Horse**  
**Halter-Non Color**  
**Halter-Color**  
**English Country Pleasure**  
**Walk-Trot**  
**Western Pleasure**  
**Western Equitation**

Contact: any member of the show staff  
Forms available <http://saddlenharness.org/forms/>

***Hear Yee! Hear Yee!***  
***Saddle and Harness Association***  
***2009 Year End Awards Banquet***

**Saturday January 16th, 2010, 10:00 a.m.**

Held at:  
**The Norconian Club Lake Norconian Conference Center**  
2300 Fifth Street, Norco CA

Ticket Prices:  
**\$16.00 each adult**  
**\$14.00 each child (12 and Under)**

**\*\* Tickets must be PRE-PAID by 1/2/10\*\***

Send your ticket money and information to:  
**Jennifer Wells-Schmitz, 160 Rawhide Court, Norco, CA 92860**

**Make checks out to: Saddle and Harness Association**

For questions or information contact: Jennifer Wells-Schmitz at [DrJWellsDC@aol.com](mailto:DrJWellsDC@aol.com)

Please bring a wrapped auction gift to the Banquet to raise funds for the following year.  
For donations of goods or services for the silent auction, please contact Jennifer.

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**2009 Saddle and Harness Year End Awards Banquet**  
Saturday, January 16th 2010

**Tickets:** \$16.00 for each adult No. of adults \_\_\_\_\_ x \$16.00 = \_\_\_\_\_  
\$14.00 for each child No. of children \_\_\_\_\_ x \$14.00 = \_\_\_\_\_  
TOTAL = \$

**\*\*\* Please fill in this form and send your ticket money to:  
Jennifer Wells-Schmitz 160 Rawhide Ct., Norco, CA 92860**

**The Norconian must have an event attendance list in advance for all guests in order to have entry onto the grounds!**

**Required Information:**

**Number of and full name(s) of each guest and child, your address and phone number**  
Name(s) of each quest: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*\* Please make your checks to Saddle and Harness Association. THANKS! \*\*\*\***

**Important:** the banquet is at a military installation and all tickets must be purchased in advance and all names must be on a list in advance. They will check ID at the gate. **If you are NOT on the list you will not be allowed entry into the facility!!** There will be NO LAST MINUTE name additions or changes! When you send in the form you **MUST** include ALL names on the form and note whether they are an adult or a child next to their name(s). Everyone (children excluded) **MUST** have a picture ID at the gate to be allowed entry onto the grounds. You will not be allowed to enter without it.

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### **EVENTS OF INTEREST**

#### **Horsetown Parade of Lights**

Saturday, December 6<sup>th</sup>, 5 p.m.

Come Join us at usual place.

Contact Ken Shaw at [kenjshaw@roadrunner.com](mailto:kenjshaw@roadrunner.com)

Remember the Awards Banquet January 16<sup>TH</sup>  
**Buy your tickets now!**

#### **Classifieds:**

*If you need something or have something to sell or trade email [kenjshaw@roadrunner.com](mailto:kenjshaw@roadrunner.com) for a free newsletter ad*

**Photos from the Sept show** are available at [www.printroom.com/pro/photographybyterrie](http://www.printroom.com/pro/photographybyterrie)  
Terrie Medeiros, 714-693-0423

Thank You to our new sponsor;

***Doctor Jennifer Wells, D.C.***

Now offering Chiropractor services in Norco

**Nominations for all board positions officers and directors** must be submitted at the next board/member meeting. If you cannot attend contact any board member who can submit your nomination. The club has many positions to fill and very few people to fill them.

Please help, our club depends on it!

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Norco Fire Department (Corner of Sixth Street and Hillside)

*Mark your calendars!*

## *2010 Saddle and Harness Show Dates:*

### **Feb 21, Mar 28, May 23,**

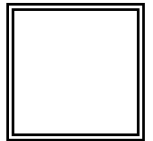
### **June 27, July 25, Sept 12, Oct 24**

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