



## Patterned Speed Horse Association Newsletter

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Howdy, ya'll.

I was stupid, again. Hopefully my mistake will save you from making the same: were it not for the GFI, or ground-fault circuit interrupter outlet, my haphazardness could have resulted in my horse receiving a deadly electrical shock. During the summer I made some changes to the property, including the location of water troughs. Unfortunately, I didn't get around to completing my winter watering setup. When freezing weather arrived and I plugged in my stock-tank de-icers part of the electric extension cord running through the pasture was left exposed to the horses.

Indy, my big bay who likes to play with, and put his mouth on, anything he can find, decided to amuse himself with the cord. He bit down on it. The weather at the time was alternating rain and snow. It took little effort for Indy's teeth to touch and expose the wire. Thankfully, since I plugged into a GFI outlet he only received a brief, minor shock. It could have been worse; like I said I was stupid. An easy fix was to run the extension cord inside PVC pipe, keep the pipe as hidden as possible, and squirt it with bitter "No Chew" doggie spray.

Always the character, Indy's given me much joy for most of his seven years. Last summer he threw a couple of quick tantrums, the power of such left me lying flat on the ground. Since then I've been telling him I was upset with him for hurting me, and it was his job to keep me safe — plus he got more professional training from my neighbor.

Well, I'm not sure if it was my firm words, or the training, or both. But for the first time last week Indy didn't react by springing up, down and sideways when I put my foot in the stirrup in an attempt to climb in the saddle with a loose cinch. As the saddle slipped to his side I saw him plant his feet firmly on the ground, and with a resolved look which seem to say, "I'm standing still so she won't fall." Either that or he was too shocked to move after taking a bite out of the electrical cord.

Karen

## President's Message

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**Happy New Year**, holly cow (Elaine Weinz favorite expression) it is hard to believe that it is 2010. Just writing it doesn't seem right.

I am very excited to let you in on some news that I just received today, **Ady Crosby** has declared that she is running for **2010 Interstate Princess** this year. She has a great support crew and we need to help her out as much as we can. Her e-mail address is [crosbya3@students.wvu.edu](mailto:crosbya3@students.wvu.edu), contact her and pledge your sponsorship now. More information in the newsletter from Ady, so keep reading.

Thank you to the **Rules Committee and Dave Fosnaugh** for taking their **free** time to make sure the rule book is as correct as possible. We have gone through it with a fine tooth comb and are feeling pretty smug about printing the 2010 rule book. They should be ready the beginning of February. If you are in need of a **timers/judges clinic**, contact **Kirk Weinz**, chairman. [kweinz@modsewer.com](mailto:kweinz@modsewer.com). All **current PSHA judges** will receive a **free** rulebook insert. To receive one you need to show your current judges card to a rules committee person or an officer to receive your free insert.

**Appleatchee Riders** have approved **show dates** in. Where are yours? Members are asking me about our show calendar, help me out with information and get your dates in.

2010 officers added; **Laura Plagerman** is our West Side Vice President and I have asked **Jackie Little** to be our Interstate Princess coordinator, not to be confused with chaperone. Obviously she has done a great job already, because we now have a candidate.

**New Forms on the Web.** If you go to our website and find the forms section you will see that I have changed the **Rider Registration Form**. Remember you need to only fill this out if you add a horse or make any change to your address and send to Terri Forslof, Timeskeeper. **Sue Johnson** has created a great **Sponsorship Introduction letter** to be taken to businesses for State Finals Sponsorship. Often times the person you need to speak to is not in and you can leave the information for their viewing so that you can get back to them later. Now is the time to start knocking on those businesses that you frequent often. What can they say? The **2010 Rule book** is posted as well. The **WHO Time Sheet** has been created and posted on the web for those riders who may attend an Oregon show.

Well Vince and I haven't been able to ride much with the ice that has accumulated, but hopefully we can get more snow to cover it up or more sun to melt it all away. We are celebrating the fact that our daughter, Erica, has finished college with a degree in Criminal Justice and we no longer have anyone in college. Yeah..... Take care,

Lesa Bland, [lbland@televar.com](mailto:lbland@televar.com) or 509-782-1461

## Rules Committee

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The rules committee met on December 19th to process the rule changes. All changes that were voted on and passed during the annual meeting have been incorporated into the rule book. Dave Fosnaugh is the gentleman responsible for providing these changes to the printer. Please take the time to thank Dave for his time and hard work.

One special note: The Southwest Region proposed a rule change that did pass. This rule states (Times from W.H.O. approved games shows are included in averages for P.S.H.A.. Times must be submitted by the rider on the approved form to the P.S.H.A. timeskeeper. Times must be postmarked within 72 hours except for the last weekend of the riding season when times must be postmarked within 24 hours. To be accepted 60 cents per ride must be included and either the show steward or show chairman must initial the form. Forms will be available on the website or upon request from the State office. Times will not count for Washington State records). There does exist between the two states some differences in rules. As a result the rules committee found it necessary to add the following statement: THE RULES COMMITTEE HAS DETERMINED THAT A BATON MUST BE USED IN TEAM POLES.

Thank you,

Kirk Weinz  
Rules Committee

## Junior News

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Jr's! I have big plans for you this year!! We have already started the year off with 3 very successful Gift wrapping Fundraisers. Four kids have already raised enough money for their sweatshirts/coats and two more are half way there. I am still open to any ideas that anyone may have for money raising ideas. I still need to get an official date but sometime in February at the Country Store in Lynden we are going to run the concession at their Anniversary sale. I need to get a couple kids to run the stand. Volunteers please!! I will be sending out an email as soon as I know the official date.

### **Summer plans:**

- *Silent Auctions*- I'd really like to set up a few auctions at multiple shows this summer. Kids please get things donated for this.
- *Bake Sales and BBQ*- I'd like to coordinate a Bake sale with a BBQ at some shows. We can get a parent to volunteer to "man the BBQ". This would happen at shows that don't already have a concession stand. Larry's, Sumas, Wenatchee (if the stand isn't open) and North Bend, just to name a few.
- *Spaghetti Feed*- I have been approached by some parents that are wanting to do this. Let's get it together!! I think this would be a great way to get everyone "sitting around the table"
- *Buy a Junior*- This is something that I came up with originally as a joke, but then I kinda liked the idea...so here goes: Any Junior that wants to be involved can be. Basically you will put yourself up for auction and whoever buys you gets "ownership" of you for a day at a show. They can do whatever they want with you. Make you wear silly outfits, make you brush and saddle their horse, make you feed for them. I

- was thinking we'd sell Juniors Friday night at State Finals and then they have Saturday or Sunday to "serve" whoever bought them. This could be extremely funny!!
- *Barrel Race*- I thought that we might be able to co-sanction a 4D barrel race with NBHA or BRND at one of the Sedro Woolley Shows this summer and have the Juniors help run the race and in return be able to get part of the proceeds. We would have to run it after the regular PSHA show, so it would be a night race.

I would love to hear from anyone with ideas, comments, questions. I want everyone to be involved and enjoy what we are doing this year!! You can find me on Facebook, Myspace, or email me at [barrel\\_racer101@hotmail.com](mailto:barrel_racer101@hotmail.com). I am super excited about this year!! Also, if anyone is interested in being a Peninsula rep. please get a hold of myself or Kortney Todd.

I don't know about you guys but I am ready for Summer!!!  
Kelsey

## Interstate Princess

Hello All! As some of you may have heard, I am going to be running for the 2010 Interstate Queen title this year. Since I have just recently decided on this decision, I am a little behind. However, I have full faith and trust in my ability and all of your support to fundraise enough money to support the competition we all love so much. I would like to take this opportunity to give out some thanks to my chaperones that so graciously agreed to support me with my impulsive decision, Tanya Hull, Terri Forslaf, and Kammi Short. Also I would like to thank my mom, Pam Crosby, and my grandparents, Ted and Shirley Crosby. Without them I would not even be involved in this lovely sport! Also, a big thanks to everyone that has already pledged their support to me, I really do appreciate it. I will not let you guys down. I am ready to go out and be my bubbly happy self and take on this challenge! Let's make 2010 a year to remember!  
All my love,  
Ady Shea Crosby.

## INTERSTATE PRINCESS/QUEEN JANUARY 2010

Well there is not a lot to report this month except that we still have no princess representing us from

Washington. WE NEED A PRINCESS PLEASE! I know that many of you young people are hesitant on running this year, but please think about this.

So far this year, our princess has only collected \$1,700.00. This is not to say that this amount is anything to snuff at, as she has gotten many promises from many members to donate in the future so the amount should go up. I am hoping our Washington members are holding back so they can make a donation to a Washington princess representative.

\$1,700.00 is not enough to run Interstate and we are cutting it close this year anyway. Interstate needs your help young people! I know that many of you have plans to run in the future because of school but I would like to encourage you to run sooner. Some times it is easier to run before college or before you graduate high school or college. Don't be hesitant as other commitments can get in the way and you may never run. We have had many young people run while they are still in high school and while they are still in college or after they

graduated from any of the above and sometimes before they were married. This means you can run when you are 15 years of age and above, but we need some one to run and help raise money.

Remember that you can get Corporate sponsors easier now early in the year and Interstate has it's own web site, ([www.interstategames.com](http://www.interstategames.com)), where these sponsors will be listed and/or their ad put on our web site with links to the sponsors web sites. The Interstate Committee is in hopes that a bigger sponsor will be more likely to give a sponsorship with this kind of exposure.

Official Sponsorships are \$5,000.00

Name/logo on program cover, Inside back cover of the Interstate program, Name/logo on the next available embroider able/stamp able award, Name/logo on Flag cans , (set of six), 8 pages of ads in program, Corporate banners (provided by sponsors) in arena, Sponsor Buckle.

\$1,500.00 Championship Awards Sponsor

Name on fender of 2 Hi-point saddles or

Name on Fenders of Queen saddle or

Name placed on 32 Reserve Championship awards or

Name placed on 32 Third place awards

Two full pages of advertising in Official Program (both sides), One 2'x3' Championship Banner (provided by Interstate), Corporate banner (provided by sponsor), in arena, Vendor Space.

\$750.00 Bronze Sponsorship

Judge/Timer Vests or Reader Boards or magnetic trailer sign, Two full pages in program, Announcement during the show, One 2'x3' Bronze Sponsorship banner (provided by Interstate), One 2' x 3' banner in the arena (provided by sponsor), Vendor Space.

These are just a few examples of Sponsorships and what that sponsor will receive. There are smaller money increments available. Also, remember that sponsor will be on the Interstate web site

for these larger amounts with a link to their own web site.

Remember there are many of us that will be happy to help you if you need it. It is not just your parents responsibility to help you it is all the riders too.

WE WILL BACK YOU. WE JUST NEED YOU AND YOUR HELP.

Jackie

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## State Finals

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Hi all, I don't have much to update as this time of year is pretty low key. I had planned on attending the show at the Trails but Ruby lost a shoe and was pretty sore so I had to opt out. Kind of lost interest in riding for a few weeks so, am trying to get motivated to start up again. I keep saying, no hurry it is only January. Next thing you know it will be March and pedal to medal to get ready for the season. I would like to mention of couple of things close to my heart.

First the tragic loss of Jags Super Jet "Soupy" will leave a huge void for me in our "Super Senior B" age group. Over the past few years it has been such a pleasure and honor to compete with Nancy and Dan on such a great horse. A great champion will be surely missed.

On a more positive note M.J. Franks is having surgery on her knee the 17<sup>th</sup> of March in hopes of getting her back in the saddle. When I had this news my first thoughts were of course very happy for M.J., but my second thought was what saddle she would be back into. She has assured me Ruby Red is in good hands and there is no problem with me continuing to compete on her. Thanks M.J. and we wish you good luck with your surgery.

I believe I have the two Hi Point saddles sponsored but not officially confirmed so will update you in February. I have spoken with Amber Moore and she will once again be providing the Individual Event age group Championship Awards. Please refer to the sponsorship forms included in this edition of the newsletter as we do need everyone's help to solicit support for our show. I am sure Barb Short has baked many a cookie in her endeavors. Thanks in advance for those who attempt and or are successful in acquiring this funding.

As I stated in our last news letter State Finals will be a jack pot show. To further clarify, this means a portion of the rider fees we pay all year will be allotted to each event once we have the budget which can now be figured after the last show of the season. I don't see assigning a specific point value to each placing but rather having a designated dollar amount for each event with a percentage going to each placing. If 6 places are not awarded the money will be divided by the actual number of placings. I am hopeful this will give the riders the best opportunity to compete for the money raised in our 2010 season. Any money received from the riders \$10.00 per event sponsorships will be considered "added money" above and beyond the ride fee monies. As of today there is an extra \$70 added money in the Super Senior B classes. I will update each month as money is received.

Again if you have any input please drop me an email. [suem.johnson@comcast.net](mailto:suem.johnson@comcast.net)  
Sue

## Nooksack Valley Riders

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Happy New Year to All!! I hope you all had lots of fun over the holidays. Let's see what has our club been up to lately? We have been "laying pretty low" as the saying is, but looking at the calendar it seems it is time to start riding those horses again. We have a few fun shows coming up at the Lynden Indoor Arena on Sat. Feb. 6; Sun. Mar. 7; and Sun. Apr. 11. I am not sure of the start times, but you can check the website to see the details. The Nooksackers are sponsoring a Pat Wyse Clinic on March 17-21, and we ride at the Lynden Indoor Arena almost

every Friday night from now through the middle of April. We are working on getting our summer show dates all set. As far as I know, the following dates have been confirmed with the arena owners and will more than likely take place: April 24&25 at Doug and Karen Crabtree; May 15&16 at Sumas; June 5&6 at Sumas; June 26&27 at Larry and Laura Plagerman; July 10&11 at Plagerman's; and July 31& Aug 1 at Plagerman's. Don't take these dates as "written in stone" just keep watching the website. Other than that I really can't think of much to say—I'm not Larry you know, and with everybody on facebook everyone knows everything before me, so I think I will just sign off for now and see if next month is more exciting.

Laura Plagerman  
Nooksack Valley Riders

## Classified

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Horse Trailer: 86' Kittleson 3 horse slant load LQ. A very neat and clean oldie but a goodie! 7 wide x 7 tall, 24 ft. deck. LQ has 10ft. short wall with professional conversion, 6 cu.ft. frig. w/ separate freezer, double sink, microwave, TV, radio with Realistic speakers, 4 burner stove w/ large oven. Queen size bed, 4 person dinette that easily converts into 3rd person bed, new laminate oak flooring, tons of storage in LQ and gooseneck area, toilet and AC. Electric jack, twin propane tanks, battery w/solar charger, 10 gallon holding tanks, new brakes, drums, bearings and low mileage radial tires. Drop down head windows, mid and back tack. The trailer has been kept undercover every Winter and has very little rust.

Location is Ellensburg. \$12,500 obo. E-mail for pictures [drlien@fairpoint.net](mailto:drlien@fairpoint.net) or call (509) 9624250

## Calendar

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- Feb. 6, 7 Grays Harbor Fairgrounds
- Feb. 6 - NVR - NWWA Fairgrounds
- March 7 - NVR - NWWA Fairgrounds
- April 11 - NVR - NWWA Fairgrounds
- April 24-25th - Top Arena - Wenatchee
- May 8-9th - Roping Arena - Wenatchee
- May 22-23rd - Top Arena - Wenatchee
- June 5-6th - Roping Arena - Wenatchee
- June 19-20th - Top Arena - Wenatchee
- July 10-11th - Roping Arena - Wenatchee
- July 24-25th - Top Arena - Wenatchee
- Aug 7th - Top Arena - Night Show 6:00 pm - Wenatchee
- Sept 18-19th - Top Arena - Wenatchee