



High Plains PFHA

Equine Open House

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The Equine Open House that was held on July 18th and sponsored by Rainbow Rider Ranch of Marshfield and Finca del Padre of Lebanon was a successful event. We featured the Paso Fino Horse but the clinics were for the horse world in general. We had approximately 13 spectators from paso owners and riders to people curious on the breed.

The weather was perfect, especially for July and all events were held outside on the grass, arena and round pen. We started the day with a Paso Fino demo, with 4 participants, demonstrating the gaits and impressing the crowd with the horses going over the sounding board. Dale Mylar, from Mylar Bit Company, gave a presentation on the correct way to bit a horse and different bits for different issues. He

touched on general problems riders have and the best way to overcome them to relax your horse and have a better ride. After lunch, Bernal Jenkins gave a very informative clinic on certain hoof and leg conditions and the major cause for them. He took many questions from the crowd on treatments, preventions and correct way to shoe certain problems. After a short break, Patti Blichmann combined two clinics on how to desensitize a horse and starting and handling a young foal. It was very rewarding to see how the correct way and patience paid off in her demo.

The last event of the day was to ride and feel a Paso and how they move. There were horses for sale and they sparked some interest from some of the spectators. All "tryouts" were held in the round pen and small arena. It was a full day but very informative and I believe, generated a lot of interest in the local area.



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Dear Fellow Members,

It is hard to believe that the summer has passed so quickly and I am on my way to Nationals.

Our national organization has been quite active and the events planned in Perry, Georgia for the next ten days offer fun and the opportunity for fellowship with our members from throughout the United States. Gwyn Wright has done a great job coordinating the many fun events and for the first time in a long time, outside food vendors will be on the fairgrounds. This was one of those items the members have requested and it is great that she was able to find a coffee vendor, Cuban food, and funnel cake concessions to keep us all fed.

Thanks to all our members who have hosted special events over the past few months. You each have taken the initiative to put your neighborhood events together and I have heard only accolades. From the trail class and clinic at Wine, Woman and Horse Clinic, to trail rides and open houses. The fall has other events planned. Please be sure to see the calendar at the back of this newsletter. Contact the individuals listed and come ride with your fellow members.

What son the horizon? Well, this is an election year and the Nominating Chair has been working to complete a slate of officers. Watch for your ballot to be in your mail in mid October. The final slate should be complete within the next few days. Instructions on the process and when to vote will be included in the mailing. Our General Membership meeting is tentatively scheduled for 14 November in McPherson, Kansas. Time and location will be confirmed in our next newsletter.

Show season. Preliminary information is being gathered on doing our spring regional show at the Lazy E Arena in Guthrie, Oklahoma on June 4 –6. We are looking for ideas on how we can include our trail riders. If you have participated in an event that was fun and well attended by other trail enthusiasts please let us know what you liked best and how we might tailor it for inclusion during a 3 day show. This venue has acres for riding and a well stocked pond as well. I think it would be a fun place and a change from our other locations.

Don't forget that with the close of show season, it is time to renew your memberships in High Plains, Paso Fino Horse Association and USEF. Make a note to get those renewals in.

Until, the next letter, please ride safe and enjoy the upcoming fall with your equine athlete and fellow human riders.

Peggy



Wine, Women and Horses Clinic

The Wine, women, and horses clinic was excellent. You all might want to put that on your calendar for next year. I gained so much more confidence on my horse, Linda Pequena. Eventually, we were able to complete all of the obstacles on the trail course, with the exception of the jump. We walked over the jumps, did a serpentine through orange cones with plastic bags whipping in the wind on them, walked over and between boards on the ground, walked backwards through another set of cones, crossed over the wooden bridge, crossed the scary blue tarp (after some one on one) and through the gate with strips of cloth flying down over us. After we put our horses up Saturday after-

noon, we indeed did have wine along with fruit, crackers and cheese while viewing a great style show, having a massage, a facial, etc. Harley helped barbeque chicken, roasting ears, and potatoes. For our meal, we also had cole slaw, brownies, and fruit pizza. Then we were entertained by a local band. Quite a day! On Sunday, we went for a pleasant trail ride. Linda P. still wants to go a little fast, but I had good coaching from Patti Blichman who trained Cinzano.

Lexington, MO is a very interesting town. It has many antique stores, nice eating establishments and a variety of them, and bed

and breakfasts. There is a lot of history there. Anyway, I thought this would be good for next year OR for a road trip sometime. The Big River Ranch where the clinic was held has a number of trails for riding, from easy to more difficult.

Do I sound like I am working for the Lexington Chamber of Commerce? As you can tell, I really enjoyed my weekend. My friend, Charlene Mc Fadden, did a terrific job and setting up and organizing this clinic.

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Patti Blichman has graciously agreed to head up our breed presentation at the upcoming Women and Horses being held at the Lazy E Arena, Guthrie, Oklahoma on **November 6 –8**.

The three day event offers fun, education, friendly competition and entertainment:

The Women and Horse Versatility Challenge - This is a three phase/three day competition with overall high point winner that demonstrates the special bond between a woman and her horse. Each horse/Rider team competes for points in Horsemanship (English or Western); Teamwork/Obstacles; and a Creative Freestyle phase in which she is encouraged to show off her creativity.

The Hands On Horse Experience

This year's expo is all about being "Hands On". The audience is able to try out a product or see a product in action at the "Hands On Arena.

Meet the Breeds Venue

By popular demand the organizers are bringing back the breed demonstrations and stallion parade. New this year is the Meet the Breeds Avenue to allow a limited number of horses to be displayed on the arena floor throughout the expo.

Rare Breeds/All Breeds Horse Show

Owners of any and all breeds of horses (including rare breeds) to participate in a three day horse show for ribbons and fun and to help out a worthy cause, as well. Silver and fancy show attire is optional.

The Women and Horse Mind, Spirit and Baby Seminars

Cheryl Childs of Spirit Horse Training will offer ground training seminars and/or one of her "Balanced and Correct Horsemanship" seminars to enhance your bond with your horse.

And there is more: **Clinics** featuring qualified trainers in multiple disciplines, vendor booths, PLUS **"Dancing in the Dark"**. Friday evening performance of Dancing Horses in a staged production number that will knock your socks off.

Patti needs well gaited, well mannered horses for this demo. Men can also participate in the fun show which is new this year. Contact Patti at patti@blichmantraining.com. Go to www.womenandhorsesexpo.com for more information.

Join in the fun and share the spirit of your horse.



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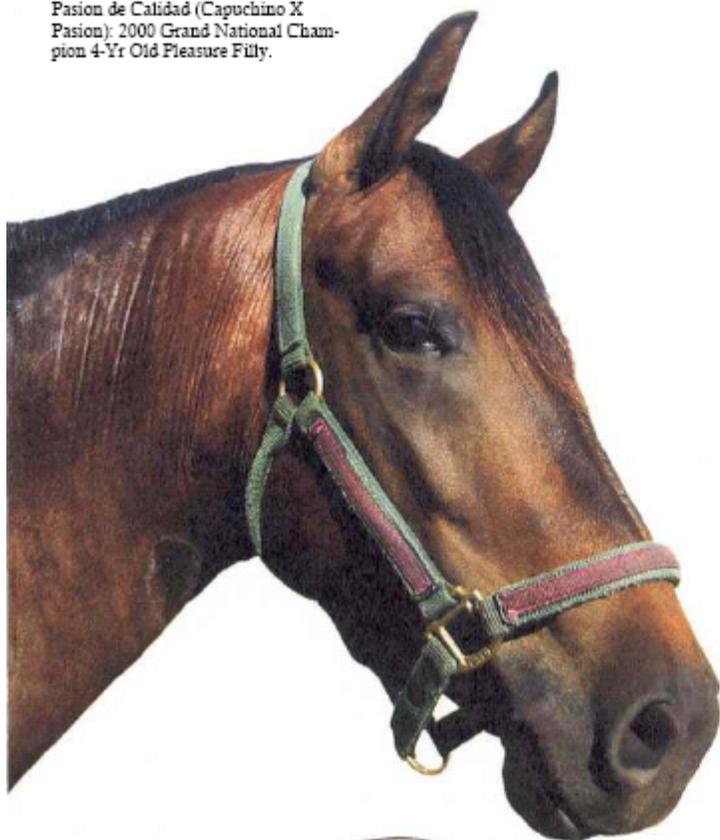
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- *Charlene and Gene McFadden, Apply Valley Farm*
- *John and Cindy Weaver, Heartland Paso Finos*
- *Peggy Tanner, Paradise Farm*

Membership Renewal Time

Don't forget to renew your membership in High Plains and the Paso Fino Horse Association as well. Our region form is attached and can be mailed in. You can renew your national registration on line. USEF memberships can also be renewed on line.

Equifest in Wichita

Contact Patti Blichman if you wish to participate in the Equifest event in Wichita, Kansas. The event is scheduled for February 12—14, 2010. It was a great event last year and sure to be another winner. Contact her at patti@blichmantraining.com

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| <p>Eric and Esther Oppliger</p> |  |
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Women's Horse Industry Reaches 500 Member Mark!

The Women's Horse Industry Association, which was formally opened on June 25, 2009 has reached the 500 member mark. Founder and Executive Director, Catherine Masters says she is "astounded but not surprised" by the number of women wanting to do business and make contact with each other.

"I knew there was a need for an association like this and man, have the women responded. And, not only have they responded, they are doing a lot of business with one another and getting a lot of great information from each other,"she states.

Members in the association come from all disciplines in the horse industry. "From hunters and jumpers to racing thoroughbreds to dressage and even mules, we've got them all. We have farms, vets, equine massage therapists, artists, writers, agents, manufacture res, racetracks, transportation companies, bloodstock agents, attorneys, publications and just about everything you can think of in the horse industry as members," add VP Debby Lening..

Both Masters and Lening feel that by reaching this mark in such a short time, it just says that the women working in the horse industry are alive and well and wanting to do business with one another.

They will get that chance in November in a big way at the first Women's Horse Industry Conference November 3rd and 4th in Louisville.

Information about the Women's Horse Industry and the upcoming conference can be found at www.womenshorseindustry.com or by calling (615) 730-7833.

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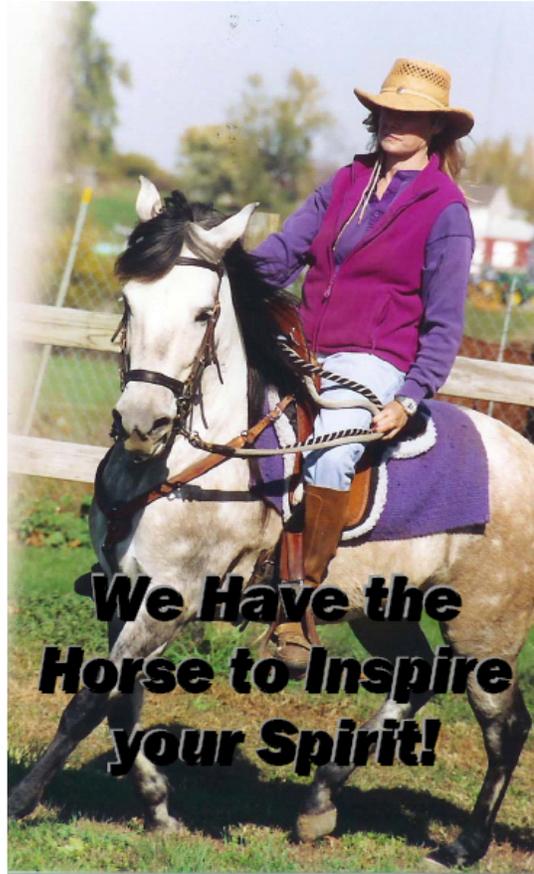
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The High Plains region was formed in 1998 by a handful of individuals that felt they could be better represented by a region that encompassed an area more convenient and complimentary to the members' locations and interest. We started with approximately 30 members. Members are located in several states including Missouri, Kansas, Oklahoma, Minnesota, Colorado and Arkansas. Our membership includes a wide range of backgrounds and interests.

Our mission statement is: "In all matters, the Association will endeavor, to the best of its ability, to promote and market the Paso Fino Horse and provide for the needs of its members in a positive, enthusiastic and harmonious manner."

UPCOMING EVENTS—Come Ride with High Plains

- Sept 20-27** Grand Nationals Perry Georgia
Sept 25 – 27 Whitesell Gaited Horsemanship Clinic, Las Vegas, NV
Sept 30 Renew High Plains Membership and Paso Fino Horse Association Membership
Oct 5 – 9 Whitesell Gaited Horsemanship Clinic, Cookeville, TN
Oct 31 Trail Ride Horse Heaven Ranch. Contact Barbara Graham at 918-852-3650 or bsgpaso@sbcglobal.net. For site information go to www.horseheavenranchresort.com
Nov 6-8 Women and Horses. Lazy E Arena. Guthrie, OK. Contact Patti Blichmann
Nov Wellsville KS Parade – Contact Janet and Harley Broers 9130477-4379
Nov 14 General Meeting and Election of Officers. PENDING DATE.
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Dec 30 Renew USEF Membership
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