

Hags On Nags Newsletter

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Happy 2012!

January is soon coming to an end, and spring will be here before we know it! This winter has been kind to us, enabling many to continue to enjoy riding the trails, well into the new year. Soon we will all be back out there camping and riding in our tanks and T's! (Hey, ya gotta envision it to make it happen!)

The Newsletter is up for someone else to take it on, but until then I will continue to put it together. I ask that everyone please try to contribute to it, in order to make it interesting and fun to read. I need to receive all submissions by the 15th of the month, in order to get it in the newsletter in time for publishing it to the website. The newsletter is only as good as it's detail, so please start sending articles, info, items for sale, etc. All things sent in MUST be written up and ready to publish. I do not have the time to edit things or guess what something should say.

Also, if you have not already done so, please join the HON Facebook page. It's easy to do, and it's safe. We do a lot of event posting there as well as discussions on various horse related topics. The last page of this newsletter has info on how to find that page.

Enjoy the rest of the winter, and here's hoping for clouds on Ground Hog day!

Fawn~

2012 Annual Meeting

Our Annual planning and pot luck meeting was January 14. We had a great turn out, lot of fantastic food (as usual) and a lot planned for the coming year! The calendar of events is still being finalized, but continue to send Sandy your event and ride suggestions. There is plenty of room on the calendar for day rides and more camping trips. Scheduling multiple events on the same dates, opens up more options for everyone to find things to participate in.

Sandy R gave a great presentation, and reminded us all that winter is a good time to write YOUR story explaining how you came to have horses, etc. so PLEASE take some time to reflect on the importance of horses in your life. You can send your story/photo to Sandy R and she will see that it is uploaded to our website. (No last names if you prefer)

Also, If you haven't taken care of your 2012 dues, you can mail a check for \$10 to:
Sherri Torrison 8235 County Road KK Milton, WI 53563



Size *IS* Everything

By: Deana Zentner

We have all heard the adage: Size doesn't matter. Agreeing with this nonsense is utterly impossible. Either a male or a being from another planet came up with this fallacy. My major life experiences have repeatedly confirmed my long-held belief: The bigger, the better!

My first lesson in "size matters" was at age 16. I can vividly remember the tire size on my first car (you are right... this could be symptomatic of early onset Alzheimer's). Well, anyway, the tires were big, wide Mickey Thompson Super 60's.

Equipped with a 4 barrel carburetor that fed the excessive horsepower under the hood, my 1965 Chevelle SS was fast. Black ribbons of steaming tread could be left behind at any given stop sign... that is, if the roads weren't gravel. (Some of you younger members may be surprised to learn that most country roads around here were gravel "back then"). I experienced newfound freedoms (when I didn't jam the shifter between gears), unlimited exploration (at 50 cents per gallon) and exciting social functions in numerous gravel quarries.

No, I'm not mourning the loss of my youth or the vanishing of the muscle car era. My horse, like yours, now carries me tirelessly (pun intended) beyond the boundaries of vehicle travel. Unlimited destinations still abound, and adventures along the way are a certainty. I still love speed, still avoid gravel roads, and am still attempting to control the power.

It is the H.O.N. Saddle Club that I must thank for my unlimited adventures. We have grown into a BIG club where fresh ideas spawn new opportunities. Take a look at our upcoming schedule of events, and you will understand. Choices abound.

More importantly, there is one person who, **for 10 solid years**, has made all of this possible. Her dedication and enthusiasm has never waned. She has never failed to pick up the loose ends. She always solves the problems. She is our one and only Herd Mare. Sandy, we love you!



January Birthdays

New Members!

Abby I - Burlington, WI
Nikki I - Burlington, WI
Rosemarie F - Byron, IL
Julie C - East Troy, WI

Welcome to you all, and we look forward to meeting and riding with you this year!!

I encourage other HON members to introduce yourself to the new members via email or Facebook. Especially if you live in their area!



Michelle B - 1/5
Joanna D - 1/13
Pat G - 1/23
Laura K - 1/31
Michelle L - 1/12
Debbie M - 1/12
Trudie M - 1/20
Ann P - 1/16
Lee R - 1/26
Karyl S - 1/5
Kacy S - 1/14
Monica T - 1/27
Jean W - -1/28

My apologies if someone was missed. The 2012 members list has not yet been published.



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2012 Up-Coming Events

January

28th Road to the Horse video night (Kathy Shelton)

February

11th Columbus Sleigh Ride Rally

11th Mammoth Cave Planning Breakfast – Fawn

12th Waukesha Tack Sale & Breakfast at
The Machine Shed (Fawn)

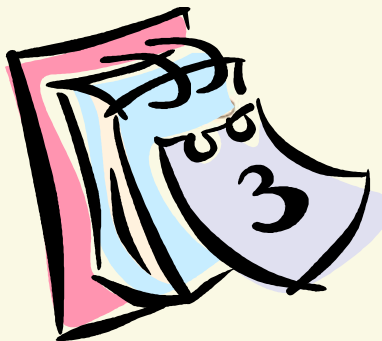
18th Horse Conformation Seminar UW Madison
Crystal K

19th Rock Co Tack Sale

19th Lalo Govea Clinic - Elkhorn

March

24th Coggins Clinic (Cindy A)



News Around The Water Trough



Transportation Offer

HORSE TRANSPORTATION - ARIZONA TO WISCONSIN - LATE FEBRUARY

Room to haul one horse in our slant load trailer leaving end of February from Phoenix East Valley to Southern Wisconsin. For information call: Dan 608-774-2954 or Linda - 608-449-4585.

These are the DVDs that our club owns and will lend out to members. (Two weeks only, you pay postage) Contact Kim Jaye: stevenkim@centurytel.net

Improving Your Balance and Feel Using a Bareback Pad * Scott Hansen

Making Your Horse Road Safe * Scott Hansen

Dealing with Dogs On the Trail * Scott Hansen

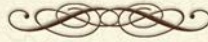
Self Defense for Trail Riders * Scott Hansen

Correcting Problems on the Trail - Clinton Anderson

*And a dose of
curious - you say come
keep back, size your own
even you say - It's fun
And a dose of your partner*



Thank You For Your Continued Service!



HON Herd Mare: Sandy Rg
HON Ambassador: Deana Z
HON Filly Forum:

HON Treasurer: Sherri T
HON 2012 Pink Ribbon Chair-mare: DeDe N

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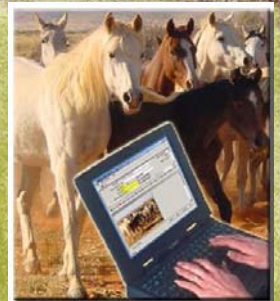
Be sure to join the Hags on Nag's Page on Facebook! (Click on link below or copy / paste this URL into your browser address bar)

<http://www.facebook.com/#!/group.php?gid=105891386098569>

This group is for Members only, who can post last minute happenings, organize impromptu rides that may not have gotten listed on the calendar, and just share what's going on!



Also, "Friend" other members to stay in touch!



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