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2023 Upcoming Events and Calendar

This month there are shows, rodeos, trail rides, and more!

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<u>Calendar of Submitted Events</u>

Any questions regarding events, please call us at

If interested in more information or to register for an event, please email us at director@kansashorsecouncil.com

Policy Engagement webinar May 19

KFB

Link: Webinar Registration - Zoom

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Now Is The Time To Develop A Relationship With A Veterinarian

News from KLA

Beginning June 11, livestock owners will be required to obtain a prescription from a veterinarian to purchase certain medications. This requirement is based on Guidance #263 from the Food and Drug Administration, which calls for medically important antibiotics for cattle that currently are available over the counter to transition to prescription-only.

Examples of some commonly used, medically important antibiotics that now fall under this guidance include oxytetracyclines in injectable and bolus forms; injectable penicillin; intramammary tubes like those used to treat mastitis; sulfur drugs in injectable and bolus forms; and injectable tylosin. These medications will require a prescription from a licensed veterinarian for legal use and livestock producers will need an established veterinarian-client-patient relationship before purchasing them.

For more information on Guidance #263 and how to be prepared for its implementation next month, go to www.ncba.org and click on Producers, then Updated Antibiotic Guidelines.



Giving a shoutout to these participants and the hours they've logged enjoying time with their equine friends!

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500 Hours - Delana Dee Crist 500 Hours - Emily Neises

Jordan: What Leaders Learn From What They Don't See Margaret Reynolds



Many of you know that Jordan is a middle eastern mostly Muslim country located just to the east of Israel. Perhaps best known for the ancient historic site of Petra, developed in approximately the 1st century B.C. by the Nabataean Empire, it was also the home and domain of the infamous King Hussein and Queen Noora Al-Hussein (born in the United States) until the King's death in 1999. It is hard to imagine all that has shaped this country over those many years, as much has never been seen by visitors today or even archeological experts who claim much more is to be discovered.

My friend and I recently traveled there for a horseback sojourn through the Wadi Rum, or the Valley of the Moon. This 280 square-mile valley in southern Jordan is rumored to have been created by a great flood, cutting through the granite and sandstone rock. The wind has shaped each facing of stone with different patterns, and the main residents, the Bedouin, have made it their home for many centuries. Today part of the Wadi Rum is a UNESCO World Heritage site visited by many tourists for hiking and rock-climbing. My traveling partner said, "It is one of the countries I never knew I had to visit until I did."

What makes Jordan so special? As we spent hours riding through the desert and taking in all the unique formations, it was clear that what I saw and observed took years to become. And what shaped it, I couldn't see. But it created what exists now. I began to wonder, as leaders who are responsible for shaping the future, do we pay attention to that which we cannot see but clearly has a transformational impact on our businesses and the people in them?

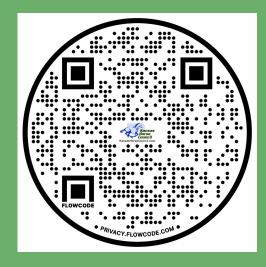
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THE COWBOY SPIRITDel Shields

Hush! Listen to the whispering breeze, that across the bluestem blows. Within that wind his wondering spirit, forever rides and flows.

A man that few could understand, designed of silk and leather.
He kept his word, and lived a code through every kind of weather.

A simple man, a simple job, to steward prairie cattle. He lived his life not in a house, but mostly in a saddle.

How many calves did he pull from a bog, that bore another's brand.
He never asked for a word of thanks, but accepted the shake of a hand.

His caring hand carried meds and food, to neighbors who were down or ill. Then chopped some wood for their old iron stove, and never left a bill.

He stood up straight to strangers, who crossed the line of his brand. Some lived, some died, to uphold the right. But, the true ones never ran.

Some say that, he's a dying breed. Others, declare him a thing of of the past. But, these sayings come from the fool's breath. For, his spirit will forever last.

As long as the breeze pushes the tumbleweed on, you'll this rare breed living.
As long as a heart longs for the wide open space. As long as our God keeps on giving.

As the wind whistles through the rusted barbed wire, that's stapled to aged hedge post, You'll find him out there with the stars shinning down, silhouetted without glamour or boast.

He was here at the first, he'll be here at the last. His heart is as stern as the wind. So be glad this is true, for me and for you, because we'll trust him right up to the end.

He is set on his course as he strides on his horse. To his maker and brand he is true. Hush! Hear what I say, and don't waste him away. His spirit may rest within you.



The new <u>EquiFest Website</u> is out! Check back on it daily as new information is added.



Update on Kentucky Strangles Outbreak

Seven horses under the care of a single trainer in Kentucky are positive for strangles, and the epidemiological investigation is ongoing.

Seven confirmed strangles cases among Thoroughbreds at training facilities in Kentucky have initiated an epidemiological investigation. The positive cases have so far only been linked to horses under the care of a single trainer and potentially a second trainer.

At Premises 1 (The Thoroughbred Center), the horses were resampled on April 24 with negative results returned. The horses under the care of the single trainer will be resampled a

third time, with the test including examination and flushing of the guttural pouches. The horses under care of a second trainer will also be sampled a third time.

At Premises 2 (Keeneland Race Course), the 15 horses under the care of the two individual trainers were sampled on April 24 and found to be negative. The horses in this barn have now tested negative twice, and investigation has identified no direct exposure to positive horses. The quarantine of Barn 7 at Keeneland has therefore been released, and horses will resume training activity. Their health will still be monitored daily. At Premises 3 (Triple Diamonds Training Center), the horses residing in the affected barn were sampled, and results are pending.

The seven positive horses moved from the three premises remain under quarantine at a private facility. Prior to releasing these horses, they will be sampled on three separate occasions, which will include endoscopic examination and flushing of the guttural pouches.



About Strangles

Strangles in horses is an infection caused by Streptococcus equi subspecies equi and spread through direct contact with other equids or contaminated surfaces. Horses that aren't showing clinical signs can harbor and spread the bacteria, and recovered horses remain contagious for at least six weeks, with the potential to cause outbreaks long-term. Infected horses can exhibit a variety of clinical signs:

- Fever
- Swollen and/or abscessed lymph nodes
- Nasal discharge
- Coughing or wheezing
- Muscle swelling
- Difficulty swallowing

Veterinarians diagnose horses using polymerase chain reaction (PCR) testing with either a nasal swab, wash, or an abscess sample, and they treat most cases based on clinical signs, implementing antibiotics for severe cases. Overuse of antibiotics can prevent an infected horse from developing immunity. Most horses make a full recovery in three to four weeks. A vaccine is available but not always effective. Biosecurity measures of quarantining new horses at a facility and maintaining high standards of hygiene and disinfecting surfaces can help lower the risk of outbreak or contain one when it occurs.

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Kansas Horse Council Honors Veterinary For Service To Horse Industry

By Frank J. Buchman

Dr. Justin Janssen was presented the 2022 Bud Newell Award by the Kansas Horse Council (KHC) during the EquiFest of Kansas in Salina.

Honoring KHC founder Bud Newell, the award recognizes an individual who "has gone above and beyond for the equine industry of Kansas." KHC Board President Kallie Emig made the presentation.

Dr. Janssen grew up in central Kansas and graduated from Kansas State University with his Bachelors in 1970 and finished his doctorate of veterinary medicine in 1972.

He opened Janssen Veterinary Clinic in Sheridan, Indiana, in 1977 with his wife Mary Janssen. He sold his clinic and moved his family back to Kansas in 2007. Throughout his career, Dr. Janssen has remained involved in several national and regional equine organizations.

He's been chairman of the Hoosier Horse Fair, the Indiana High School Rodeo Association, and the Indiana Veterinary Medical Association. Dr. Janssen been an active member and contributing leader of the American Association of Equine Practitioners and the American Quarter Horse Association to just name a few.

"I could list a great number of other organizations and committees in which Dr. Janssen has dedicated his time and years of wisdom to, but we are here today to recognize his efforts within our very own Kansas equine industry," Emig said. First and foremost, Dr. Janssen served six years on the Board of Directors for the

Kansas Horse Council including two years as president.

"He served as chairman for EquiFest of Kansas for five years and under his direction guided the KHC to bring the entire planning and execution of the event in house, as well as, guided the move of EquiFest to Salina. "The impact and the changes Dr. Janssen made to the KHC are still present as we continue to pursue the direction and goals he selflessly guided us towards for several years, including the Legendary Horseman," Emig said. In addition to his time with the KHC and EquiFest, Dr. Janssen has served on the Livestock and Meat Industry Council, or the LMIC, for the last 13 years and is currently serving as the Vice President. The LMIC is a Kansas organization working primarily with Kansas State University in which they are dedicated to promoting the development and growth of all segments of the livestock industry. Through the LMIC, Dr. Janssen is heavily involved with the production of hosting the Stockmen's Dinner the night before Cattlemen's Day as well the Family and Friends Reunion in the fall, both events promoting involvement with the Animal Science Department at K-State. Most recently, Dr. Janssen has spearheaded the campaign to build a new multipurpose Equine Facility at K-State. Not only has he been a key part in formatting the building plans, Dr. Janssen has spent time enlisting significant donations for this project, as well as, presenting the campaign on behalf of the LMIC at the Annual Governor's Ag Summit meeting hosted by the Kansas Department of Agriculture in 2022. Among his heavy involvement with the KHC and the LMIC, Dr. Janssen also helped establish the Kansas Equine Practitioners Group, to share in continuing education within equine veterinary medicine. In addition, he is a veterinary mentor for the Future Equine Veterinarians at Kansas State. "You may be thinking that Dr. Janssen must spend most of his time volunteering on these committees and working towards the betterment of the equine industry of Kansas.... and he does," Emig said. "But I will now convince you that in fact serving the equine industry of Kansas seems to be the only thing Dr. Janssen does." In his spare time, he would tell you that he works on his hobbies, but even his hobbies are targeted at serving, volunteering, and donating to the equine industry. Dr. Janssen has designed and continues to fabricate multiple portable equine stocks for veterinary medicine practice and sells them to veterinarians locally and across the United States. The KSU Veterinary Health Center Equine Field Service Team has benefited from Dr. Janssen's portable stocks for several years as they're individually made by Dr. Janssen in his shop right outside his home. In addition, he uses his skills in metal work and woodwork by donating items every year to the Kansas Horse Council Foundation such as hat racks, jewelry racks, bridle hangers, and saddle stands. He also has built the rocking horses, teeter totters, and other toys used in the Kiddie Korral and generously donates the use of them each year for EquiFest. "I could keep going about all the great things Dr. Janssen does, but I believe it is already undisputed the amount of time, effort and ultimately the effect Dr. Janssen has had on the equine industry of Kansas and that it is quite substantial," Emig "Thank you, Dr., Janssen for your commitment to the betterment of the Kansas equine industry with the Kansas Horse Council, as recipient of the 2022 Bud Newell Outstanding Service Award."



Dr. Justin Janssen was presented the 2022 Bud Newell Outstanding Service by Kallie Emig, president of the Kansas Horse Council, during the EquiFest of Kansas in Salina.



Working together makes a greater impact than when done alone. Join Horses for Mental Health as they convene the equine and mental health sector for the Seen Through Horses campaign during Mental Health Awareness Month, May 1-31, to benefit 55+ nonprofit organizations incorporating horses for mental health and personal growth programs. Visit https://horsesformentalhealth.org/stories/ to hear stories from Randy Travis, Tanya Tucker, and many others about horses in their lives. Visit horsesformentalhealth.org/campaign to choose a nonprofit and make a donation today!

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KHC License Plate Info





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MONEY ARE WE AWARDING AT THE 2023 IEA NATIONAL FINALS?

\$1,153,550

Monday, May 8, 2023 (Columbus, OH) - The **Interscholastic Equestrian Association (IEA)** has nearly completed their 21 st season with the first two of three National Finals on April 27 – 30, 2023 in a combined 4-day Hunt Seat and Dressage competition at the Tryon International Equestrian Center (TIEC) in Mill Spring, North Carolina. Over 600 of the nation's leading middle and high school equestrian athletes (in grades 4-12) representing 206 different teams from across

the United States and Canada gathered to compete as individuals and teams for top honors in Hunt Seat and Dressage classes, championship titles, cash and collegiate scholarships and more. IEA had a total of 1,467 teams this season with 60 teams qualifying for these National Finals team competitions.

Following the resounding success of IEA's 20th Anniversary season last year, IEA focused their 21st season on maintaining the energy, growth, development of new programs, and strengthening of relationships and procedures going into this second year of a two-discipline Finals. Many hands make light work and indeed many hands were needed on-deck for a competition of this size and scope. The backdrop of the beautiful Tryon facility (home to the 2018 World Equestrian Games) made it a fantastic location for IEA members to compete and reside. A multitude of comfortable cabins, restaurants and camping sites set in the lush green hills of western North Carolina made it seem more like a resort than a horse show. A complete list of officials and show staff for the 2023 IEA Hunt Seat & Dressage National Finals can be found in the show program here. IEA will host their third National Finals for the Western discipline on June 24-25, 2023 in Fort Worth, Texas during the American Paint Horse Association (APHA) World Championship Show.

Similar to the collegiate riding format, IEA utilizes a unique draw-based competition format whereby riders compete on unfamiliar horses in the following classes: Hunt Seat Equitation over fences and on the flat, Dressage Test and Dressage Seat Equitation (and Western Horsemanship, Reining and Ranch Riding). IEA riders must develop their catch-riding skills as very little to no warm-up practice is allowed before each class. All tack and horses for National Finals (and every other IEA show) were provided by IEA member teams, colleges, and outside horse providers – allowing for a more level playing field of competition.



Chef Alli's
Stuffed
Mushrooms

Here is what you will need:



- Mini food processor or mini blender
- Baby Bella mushrooms
- Jimmy Dean turkey sausage crumbles
- Light laughing cow wedges
- Cooked broccoli
- Garlic powder
- Onion powder
- Wasa light rye crispbread
- Italian seasoning
- Grated parmesan cheese
- Fresh parsley
- 1. Preheat oven to 425 degrees
- 2. Place the Wasa crackers into a mini food processor or blender with the Italian seasoning until they resemble breadcrumbs
- 3. Wash, dry and remove the stems from the mushrooms, set
- 4. In a bowl, combine all of the filling ingredients and set aside.
- 5. Take the filling and place in even amount into each mushroom
- 6. Once filled, take the tops and place into the breadcrumbs
- 7. Once all tops are coated, place the mushrooms onto a sheet pan
- 8. Bake for 15-20 minutes or until golden brown
- 9. Garnish with parmesan cheese and fresh chopped parsley



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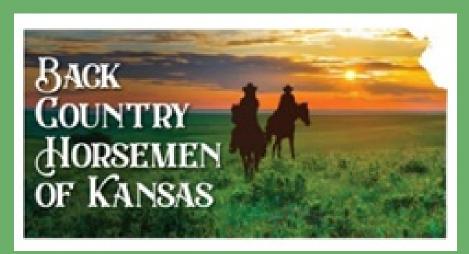
There are several Facebook pages set up to keep BCHKansas members and all equestrians up-to-date on activities on several of our public trails. Here's a list:

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Tuttle Creek Chapter of Back Country Horsemen of Kansas
Saddle Ridge Chapter
Big Hill Lake Riders
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Friends of Rockhaven Park
Let's Ride—Perry Lake
Kanza Rail Trails Conservancy

Receive notifications of workdays or see reports on trails-maintenance or campground improvements. Join in on workdays whenever possible!

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Use Me, Would You?

BY KELLI NEUBERT MARCH 13, 2023

Have you ever hit the end of a day when you feel musclesore, mentally fatigued and ultra-productive? (And, if you are a little sick and twisted like me, isn't that just the best?)

I do believe that we are best when we feel like we can be used. Utilizing our abilities, training and knowledge to be productive is just one of the wonderful things about being on this planet. It's good to be used. Useful. Usable. It gives us a reason and creates drive to practice and get better at certain skills.

So, why don't we apply this more with our horses? We ride them around in circles, arcing and counter-arcing. Pushing, pulling, driving, softening. We pick their papers, work on maneuvers, work the flag, we brush their manes and we constantly want to "make them better." But sometimes, we go a whole lifetime practicing all of this stuff, trying to make it important, when really, it never gets used.

And even worse, when we do get the, "Can you help sort?" phone call from the neighbor, or our payroll actually does depend on being useful in the saddle, our horses totally tell on us. We've spent all this time trying to fine-tune all that collection and foot placement, and they may come unglued. There's nothing more exposing about our "horsemanship holes" than getting hollered at in a crucial moment, "Kel! Run out there and turn that heifer back... NOW! GO!" only for your horse to just mush out or fall apart in your hands.

All that pushing, all that pulling, all those good bloodlines, all that collection and drive... You stop thinking about it for 30 seconds and try to be useful, and the gelding's head wallers upside down and the heifer gets out the gate.

(Not to mention, the guy with no hat on the unregistered pinto just makes it happen cleanly and efficiently in his faded nylon reins, fluffy saddle pad and \$10 grazing bit.) Talk about humbling!



The bad news is that when this happens, it's a little embarrassing. But the good news is that it creates a reason for us to get our horses better. We crave life in their feet, brokeness in our hands and a good mind between their ears, so that we can perform tasks well. We can make better horses by giving them jobs. Go check fences. Take them to help

friends brand and gather. Rope the dummy on them. Rope live cattle on them. Having a real thing to go do helps us to avoid nitpicking and gives our horses a chance to either shine or expose more of what we need to work on. And if you're in a permanent set-up where there is just no real job to be had, make some fun out of the situation you're in. Set up a pattern with barrels, work on riding one handed while you pack a flag around, or play tag horseback with a friend. Stop thinking so much about all the perfection and put your horse and yourself into a "just have to get this done" sort of state of mind. Horses will get more broke. They mentally and physically mature and learn how to appreciate a rest like they never would solely performing maneuvers and loping circles. Don't sacrifice your timing, feel, knowledge or technique but do realize the value in having a horse with the right buttons to do a usin' horse job well. Because when they can, they do and they will — well, isn't that just the best?!



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Kansas equestrians deserve a big pat on the back for another impressive year of volunteer work on public trails! Our public land managers and other trail organizations continue to be impressed by the dedication of equestrians to taking care of the trails we love to ride.

BCHKS volunteers reported the following for 2021 - 3,783 hours, with a value of \$259,326 in labor and supplies.

Since BCHKS started keeping track in 2014, equestrian volunteers in Kansas have contributed - 23,000 hours, with a value of \$1,250,943 in labor and supplies!

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