

WTPC UPDATES

AUGUST 2025



Show Stats:

282 Teams for the weekend
\$14,799 in winnings
\$32,000 pledged Sponsorships

Thank you to all our volunteers
and thank you Jesse Maier for taking all the action pictures!!! Please
support Mustang Blaze Media if you appreciate your pictures!

Congratulations are in order!

Open Sorting Winners: Karen Veltman and Melissa Auman
Am Sorting Winners: Kent Dinelt and Madison Niemi
Nov Sorting Winners: Reece Kramer and Taylor Nichols
Pro/Am Sorting Winners: Kent Dinelt and Kip Veltman
Green Novice Winners: Ryan Kramer and Tim Anderson
Open Penning Winners: Fred Young, Karen Veltman and Melissa Auman
Am Penning Winners: John and Dee Heggenberger and Kaidence Yancey
Nov Penning Winners: Vanessa Nygren, Veronica East and Wayne Cotton
PAN Penning Winners: Kris Johnson, Madison Niemi and Rob Bouffard
Green Nov Winners: Kevin Wagner, Brianna McCloskey and Sarah Mealy



Board Member Spotlight: Director Chris Gildner

Hi y'all, my name is Chris Gildner. I was born and raised in Olympia and am still here. My love for horses started at a young age and my parents got me my first horse, a big Appaloosa, when I was in the Fifth or Sixth grade. She was a wonderful horse to learn how to ride on, except for the fact that she liked to buck at a run. For the first couple of years, I just rode around the pasture, in the woods, and on the road. After that, I joined Twilight Riders 4H Club. That was super cool because I got to learn all the games. One time on the home stretch of a barrel race, my horse bucked me off (everyone in the stands thought this was hilarious) but I just got back on and finished. Because my parents saw that I really liked going fast, they surprised me with a PRCA barrel horse reject named Docs Dawn Delight. She was a very fun horse. Due to circumstances, my parents sold off the horses when I was in high school, and I would spend twenty-some-odd years trying to get to a place in my life that I could have horses again.



A couple of years ago, my wife, Sarah Mealy, and I were finally ready to get some horses. We contacted an old friend of mine, Stefanee Hale, who invited us to Stick Horse Ranch to meet Brett Hale and to watch the cow sorting practice. Let me tell you we were hooked! We went and watched every practice for the next two or three months and started taking lessons with Cheryl Hayward. Long story short, we now have five horses, go to every practice we can and compete in all the Westside Team Penning shows. The horse community we have joined means the world to us, especially all the good people and members, both past and present of WTPC.

September 27-28, 2025

Show Entries

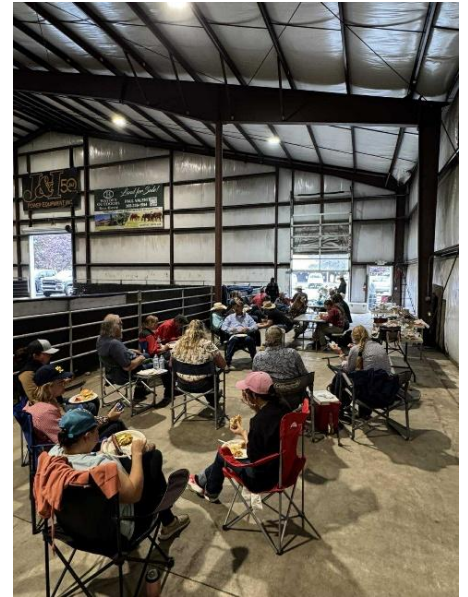
Please email in your September Entries
to: wtpcentries@gmail.com.

September Show Directors: Rob Bouffard
and Vicki Gray

For camping and stalls: text Jake Yancey
at (360) 561-4083

Thoughts and Considerations from Show #5

- **Silent Auction....** We are planning for the silent auction at our Banquet. We are accepting items during the shows if you would like to contribute! Thank you, Dee Heggenberger, for leading this effort. If you have questions, Dee can be reached by email at....diamond_d_ranch@hotmail.com or 206-795-5377. We will also offer some great live auction items!
- **The potluck was a great success!** Thanks to all who came and enjoyed dinner together and lots of great conversation!
- **We are still finalizing 2026 dates with T90 and are planning one RSNC show and some possible USTPA classes!**
- **Just a reminder, board vacancies in 2026:** as per the bylaws, board members holding odd number positions will come off the board in odd years and board members with even number positions will come off in even years. It has been a fun year, and the current board has been 100% committed to the club's success. For those of us staying on the board; we will welcome other members to jump in and be a part! Voting will take place at the November meeting.
- **Great News! Our sponsors have been many and gracious. We will have a year-end surprise for everyone who attends five shows!**
- **Another great perk...if you are saddle pad shopping with Team Equine...use our discount code, WTPC20, for a 20% Discount! The 20% discount also helps us toward our club awards.**
- **This show, we had a cow get injured and the club had to purchase it. It is unknown what caused the injury as no one saw it happen. But we would like to remind all our members to be good stewards of our cattle and please be mindful of any roughing.**
- **During our next general meeting (prior to our Awards Banquet in November), we will provide a poll on the memberships' thoughts regarding fees and payouts. We expect higher cattle costs in 2026, and the club has enjoyed buckles at all shows. So, please plan on taking a moment to provide your feedback so your voice is heard.**



Don't forget, we are raffling a new Jeff Smith 16" cutter with a Buster Welch tree that will be awarded at the November Banquet...get your tickets...we can even add them on when you come in to settle up!



SPONSORS!

WE CANNOT THANK EVERYONE ENOUGH FOR MAKING THIS YEAR AMAZING!



- Art and Penny Aske
- Black Lake Plumbing
- Barb Somers
- Tracking Y Ranch
- Wayne Cotton
- Simpson Door Company
- Kyle Cheney Livestock
- Fennel Creek Creations
- Peltram Plumbing
- Veronica Stephens-East
- NYCO Construction
- Shumaker Family
- Robin Gorman – Mare Magic
- Barry Yoseph
- Jeff and Sara Tobin
- JB Ranch & Stables
- Jared Lesh Cowhorses
- Pacific Powershifts
- Matt Hogan
- White River Corral
- Linda Reed
- Cascade West Vet
- Hidden Ranch Outfitters
- Jim Adderson
- Bouffard Family

- Hill of Beans Coffee (Niemi family)
- Chiropractic Care Center
- Double J Trailers
- Jason and Janelle Robinson
- South Sound Honda Polaris, Suzuki
- Twisted B Bar Ranch
- Northwest Diesel Specialties
- Stick Horse Cattle Company
- Dave Buckner
- Diamond D Ranch
- Debra King
- Milky Way Ranch
- The Farm Store
- Kelly Frett
- Kaufman Real Estate
- Billy Grimmatt/Heather Anderson
- Mike and Tamara Kulp
- Fungi Perfecti
- Straight Line Erectors
- Jim Schak
- Ken Hicks
- Stacy Elwess
- Kirk Williams
- Pathway Vet Alliance
- Electric Motor Service & Controls
- Country Square
- West Coast Wire Rope & Rigging

