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## August 2020

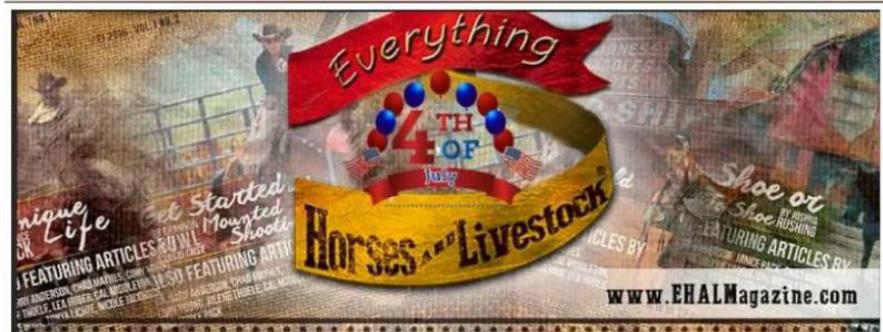
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# Equine Sector Session Recap:

Thank you to those who joined the session live on July 22nd and those who have reviewed the recording thereafter. We can proudly confirm we were the 2nd best attended session, following only the beef sector session!

To summarize, marketing and business tips were provided for equine businesses or event planning managers to consider, encouragement to remain positive in these challenging times and press on was the theme. We were encouraged to think innovatively at additional ways to supplement income in lean times.

New opportunities might be realized during times of challenge. Agritourism was an example of new opportunities worthy of consideration. We heard some basic information on how to become an agritourism business and also some encouragement from an outside perspective of the making Kansas a destination for tourism, using what we already have, history of the real west. Anyone ready to open a dude ranch?

Venue updates were provided from several equine event centers. Economic setbacks have been felt by mid to large scale arenas due to Covid and VSV cancellations. The shortfall is felt not just by the venues but also the communities they reside in.

VSV update and further education was provided. We look forward to seeing a map in the future that graphically demonstrates the relationship of positive premises to waterways where fly larvae travels.

The executive director of North Carolina Horse Council shared with us many uses and successes of their equine economic impact data, emphasizing the relevance to accomplishing goals and demonstrating the importance of maintaining current information to effectively meet needs and to advocate for legislation supporting equine endeavors.

Attendees were given a poll to rank issues to focus on for the next 12 months. Coming in first was need to create and/or support arena venue improvements creating a destination to bring outside participants to Kansas. Moving into second priority was the need for obtaining current equine industry information through a survey or census to create an equine economic impact report in KS for everyone to use.

One of the greatest outcomes of this year's sector was recognizing a new (write in) issue to be addressed now and in the future. How do we encourage more youth participation in equine activities? From 4H/FFA to breed and discipline groups, participant numbers have not seen growth. Youth often focus more time and attention on sports over horses and there are fewer youth growing up with horses. Volunteer organizations such as Back Country Horsemen of KS have an average membership age of 65+ who are physically maintaining trails and hosting fundraising events. Many of the breed & discipline organizations have a larger adult class of entries than teens. Your input is invited to obtain ideas on how to grow youth involvement with horses as we look at addressing this concern.

## August 20, 2020- Join a Summary Review of All Ag Sector Updates in Kansas and find out who is named the Kansas Ag Hero 2020.

*[Click Here](#) for Aug. 20th **Conference Sign Up** link  
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## Kansas BCH Shares Trail Etiquette Signs

Cheryl Thomas, BCH-Kansas Secretary

As opportunities for sharing trails are increasing in Kansas, many trails users are asking how to appropriately interact with equines on the trail. Most equestrians

are finding that hikers and cyclists are genuinely interested in how to safely interact and share the Kansas trail experience. In response, the Kansas chapter of Back Country Horsemen of Kansas applied for and received a BCHA grant to purchase trail sharing signs. Because of the grant, BCHKs is able to provide these signs free of charge to public land managers throughout the state. Over the past three years, almost 100 of these signs have been posted at trailheads at county, state, and federal parks. Managers of public lands continue to struggle with budget constraints and are grateful to be provided with these signs at no cost. And, the signs promote awareness of the Kansas BCHA chapter to other trail users.

Several rail-trail projects are nearing completion in Kansas, and one of these is the Flint Hills Trail. The FHT will stretch 117 miles across Kansas crossing the beautiful Flint Hills, which represent one of the last remaining tallgrass prairie ecosystems in the world. This trail is open to non-motorized use and was recently named a Kansas State Park. The Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks, & Tourism State Parks Director is enthusiastic about posting the BCHKs trail sharing signs and educating trail users on proper trail-sharing etiquette. KDWP&T has offered BCHKs a matching grant for purchase of additional trail sharing signage for this trail. Also nearing completion is the Landon Trail, a 40-mile stretch of trail on former Missouri Pacific Railroad that will link up with the Flint Hills Trail. The BCHKs trail sharing signs have also been requested for this trail.

BCHKs volunteers have been actively involved in work days that continue to prepare these trails for completion. Providing trail sharing signs and cooperatively working together with other trail users strengthens relationships and partnerships among those enjoying Kansas public trails.



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- . Respect All Trail Users
- . Use Caution and Speak Up Around Horses



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## **Kansas Teenager Best High School Saddle Bronc Rider In the Nation**

By Frank J. Buchman

"I got bucked off a lot; landing upside down makes a head hard, costly too, with all the crushed hats." Still, the school-of-hard-knocks has paid off, according to Cable Wareham, who turned 19-years-old this week.

"Every time I'd hit the ground I got back on more determined I could ride broncs," the Whiting cowboy declared. Mindset and dedication have paid big dividends as Wareham is officially the best high school saddle bronc rider in the country.

He rated that championship title winning the saddle bronc riding average at the recent National High School Finals Rodeo in Guthrie, Oklahoma. Placing in every go-round, Wareham scored 216.5 points on three rides, while the runner-up had 197 points. "I was happy to make qualified rides and really pleased to win the championship," he said. "It was a big improvement over a year ago at the finals when I kept getting bucked off."

Route to the title is especially significant to the cowboy, too. "I marked a '63' on my first horse and was offered a re-ride," he remembered. "It was hard deciding

whether I should keep my low score or try another bronc. Last year when I took a re-ride I got bucked off at 7.8-seconds and lost all my points," Wareham continued. "But I knew the score on my first horse this year wouldn't stand up in the average so I took the re-ride."

This time it paid off moving him up to first in the go-round with 76.5 points. Marking 66-points, Wareham was eighth in the second go-round, and came back placing third in the short-go with 74-points. All totaled it made Wareham the highest scoring saddle bronc rider at the rodeo.

Wareham earned the opportunity to represent Kansas at the national competition by being the state champion saddle bronc rider. Riding at eight Kansas High School Rodeos in the 2019-2020 rodeo season, Wareham was the yearend highpoint saddle bronc rider. That was boosted by being his event winner at the Kansas High School Rodeo Finals in Lakin.

Actually Kansas high school saddle bronc riders all did well at the national rodeo. Ty Pope of Garnett was third overall with 196.5 points, and Weston Patterson of Waverly, came in 12th with 130 points. "I travel to rodeos with Ty and Weston so that was really great for us all to compete together and place at the Nationals," Wareham said.

Colton Potter of Grenola was 15th with 108-points. "You'd almost have to say Kansas cowboys dominated the National High School Finals in saddle bronc riding," Wareham smiled. "Actually, Kansas' rough stock riders all did well at Nationals."

Pope was sixth in bareback bronc riding with 222-points. Colt Eck, Redfield, marked 212.5-points on three bareback broncs to place 13th. His brother Bryce Eck totaled 142.5 points to rank 18th. Quintonn Lundsford, McCune, placed 20th in the Nationals bareback average with 137-points. Lane Berkenmeier, Maple, Hill was sixth in bull riding with 77.5-points, and Tate Pollmeier, Fort Scott, ranked 14th, with 62-points.

"Those six Kansas bronc riders making it to the short-go are top ranch hands too," inserted Rob Wareham, the champion's dad. "They do ranch work on a regular basis; Colton Potter is a fulltime rancher. "I mean these teenagers are the kind of cowboys who can catch a cantankerous cow in the middle of a section by themselves on a three-year-old colt and get her on a trailer if need be. Cable and I have been to the pasture with all of them," Rob Wareham continued.

"I'm really proud of how well Kansas cowboys did at the National High School Rodeo Finals," Cable Wareham credited. "With the top performance of the timed events cowboys, Kansas ended up second in the boys' team standings."

Combined with cowgirls, Kansas' high school contestants were fifth in the overall team standings.

Ever since he got his first pony in kindergarten, the Jackson County teenager has known he wanted to be a cowboy. "I started breaking ponies to ride and didn't even have a big horse of my own until I was in the fifth grade," he

said. Demanded to train young horses while still in elementary school, Wareham preferred the real cowboy life. "I did day work on horseback for cattle owners in the area," he said. "Between my dad and grandpa we have about 300 momma cows that I help look after."

Urge to riding bucking horses came naturally for the cowboy who started riding saddled steers in junior high school. "It was just in my blood," Wareham contended. "I always liked colts that had a little buck in them. My uncle Marty Hebb was a champion saddle bronc rider and that rubbed off some too.

"I've done calf roping and team roping which are essential for a rancher. But I prefer the rough stock at rodeos," he said. An all-around athlete Wareham played football and basketball and ran some track at Jackson Heights High School, Holton. "We had a great football team making the Class 1A state semifinals," said the starting quarterback, leader in several school groups.

"Leaving the football field late at night to be at a rodeo the next day made for some tough weekends," he added. No dedicated exercise or calisthenics program required. "I stay in shape being a cowboy," he contended. "We have an arena with a bucking chute on the ranch and keep a few of our own practice broncs."

A team effort the traveling partners take turns helping each other out of the chute and working as pickup men.

No slowdown after the high school accomplishments, Wareham has purchased his Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association permit. "I usually compete in three or four rodeos a week, top amateur competitions as well as professional rodeos," he said.

His arena skills have earned him a rodeo scholarship to attend Fort Scott Community College. "The coaches there are great for saddle bronc riding with top practice horses from Don Reno, Nowata, Oklahoma," Wareham said.

College classes start this week as Wareham is majoring in ranch management. "We'll be in the classroom not computer lessons, and I'll be busy working out for the rodeo team, too," he said.

Looking toward National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association Finals qualifications two years, Wareham is uncertain the follow-up direction. "Where I move forward in my college education depends on my rodeo successes and what's offered to me," he said. "I intend to continue competing in rodeos throughout my lifetime hopefully qualify for the National Finals Rodeo in Las Vegas."

Youngest child of Rob and Heidi Wareham, Cable's two brothers and sister aren't active in the sport of rodeo.

Despite his saddle bronc championships and qualifying on most of his mounts, Wareham remains humble. "I try my best every time out, but it's always possible to get bucked off. I'm still figuring it out," Wareham insisted. "If you're not pushing yourself to get better, there's no reason to keep doing it."

He's already collected several rodeo checks since completing his high school career. "I just love it. There's no better feeling in the world," the best high school saddle bronc rider insisted.



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Jamie Nelson serves as chairman of the Eureka Pro Rodeo attracting record entries this weekend featuring world champion contestants.



Eight times Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association Clown of the Year Justin Rumford, Abbyville native, will entertain at the Eureka Pro Rodeo.

## World Champion Contestants Entered In Record Numbers For Eureka Pro Rodeo

By Frank J. Buchman

The best professional rodeo contestants in the world are anxious to get back in the arena to compete. Proof comes with the highest caliber of cowboys and cowgirls entered in record numbers for the Eureka Pro Rodeo this weekend, August 14 & 15.

Serious health concerns during early part of the season caused cancelation of many of the largest rodeos in the country. "Committees are now moving forward with events attracting large numbers of outstanding rodeo contestants," according to Jamie Nelson.

"Record entries are set for the ninth annual Eureka Pro Rodeo Friday and Saturday evenings, Aug. 14-15," said Nelson, rodeo chairman.

"Our Eureka Pro Rodeo Committee was beyond excited when we received the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association (PRCA) contestant list," Nelson admitted. "Several former world champions will be among the outstanding competitors at the saddle club arena east of Eureka."

There are a total of 302 entries including PRCA cowboys as well as Women's Professional Rodeo Association (WPRA) contestants. This compares to 179 entries in 2018, and 143 last year.

"Cowboys and cowgirls from 24 states plus two Canadians are coming to compete in seven rodeo events," Nelson tallied. "The numbers are great in every event. We have 40 bull riders, so each performance with start and end with bull riding, 20 contestants each night".

Additional entries include saddle bronc riding, 34; bareback bronc riding, 14; bulldogging, 54; tie down roping, 56; team roping, 40; and cowgirls barrel racing, 48.

Highlighted by National Finals Rodeo (NFR) caliber livestock, United Pro Rodeo, Palestine, Texas, is the rodeo stock contractor. Eight times PRCA Clown of the Year Justin Rumford, native of Abbyville now from Ponca City, Oklahoma, will entertain.

"Where do we start when talking about the 'big name' contestants entered?" asked Scott Grover, rodeo announcer from Weston, Missouri. "There are at least seven world champions plus multiple past NFR qualifiers in every event," Grover said. "Many of the currently top ranked contestants vying for qualification to the 2020 NFR will be at Eureka."

Among former world champions entered at the Eureka Pro Rodeo feature:

- Cowgirls barrel racing: Sherry Cervi, Marana, Arizona, four time world champion with lifetime winnings of \$3.3 million.
- Tie down roping: Shane Hanchey, Carmine, Texas, 2013 world champion, and Caleb Schmidt, Belleville, Texas, 2015 and 2018 world champion.
- Team roping: Kollin VonAhn, Blanchard, Oklahoma, 2009 world champion heeler, and Cory Petska, Marana, Arizona, 2017 world champion heeler.
- Saddle bronc riding: Taos Muncy, Corona, New Mexico, 2011 world champion, and Jacobs Crawley, Boerne, Texas, 2015 world champion.
- Also showing saddle bronc riding skills at Eureka is Cody DeMoss, Heflin, Louisiana, 13-times NFR qualifier with \$3 million earnings.

Three outstanding Kansas cowboys are entered at Eureka:

- Cooper Martin, Alma, a three time NFR qualifier is currently 24th in the world tie down roping standings.
- A two time NFR qualifier, Tanner Brunner of Ramona, is currently ninth in

steer wrestling.

- Buddy Hawkins, Columbus, is 13th in the world team roping heeler standings.
- Wyatt Casper, Pampa, Texas, currently ranked first in the world saddle bronc riding standings will also compete at Eureka.
- BryAnn Haluptzok, 20-year-old cowgirl from Tenstrike, Minnesota, won \$16,500 at recent Kansas rodeos in Dodge City and Phillipsburg. She moved from 100th to 24th in the WPRC barrel racing standings with intentions to maintain that momentum at Eureka.

Information can be found on Facebook at [Eureka Pro Rodeo](#) and [Greenwood County Rodeo Association](#).

# Eureka Pro Rodeo



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8:00PM – Performance #1

\*Calf Scramble for ages 8 & Under during performance

Saturday, August 15th - Armed Forces Night

8:00AM – Slack (Free to the Public)

6:00PM – Gates open for 2nd Performance

7:00PM – Mutton Bustin' - Ages 6 & Under (20 Entries)

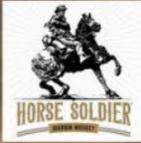
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- **Bar K Bar Arena**, Lyons, KS is hosting the Bar K Bar Blast Horse Show Aug. 28-20
- **Kingman Expo Center Arena**, Kingman, KS is hosting the Beef Empire Cutting Horse Aug. 27-31
- **Stormont Vail Events Center**, Topeka, KS is hosting a KS09 Barrel Race Aug. 19, and the Great Plains Hunter Jumper Association show Aug. 28-30
- **Western State Bank Expo Center**, Dodge City, KS is hosting World Series of Team Roping Aug. 22-23
- **American Royal**, Kansas City, MO is hosting the NCHA Cutting Horse Show Aug. 21-23

The United Horse Coalition (UHC) and Equine Welfare Data Collective (EWDC) announce the July 2020 Request for Data Drive.

The inaugural Data Drive results/report was first available Sept. 2018 and the 2019 data has just been published in the 2nd annual report! To review the annual reports from data collection click [here](#).

UHC nonprofit members enjoy benefits such as membership to A Home for Every Horse and a listing on Equine.com, access to the A Home for Every Horse training portal, UHC educational materials for responsible ownership, an invitation to participate in the UHC Annual Meeting, and more!

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## **NEW HORSE INCORPORATION**

by Delbert Shields, the Singin' Cowboy

Howdy from the High Trail Ranch here in Kansas, to you wherever you are. I pray you are well.

I am encouraged during these times, knowing so many friends care about me as do I about you. It's a wonderful blessing to be in the Best of America by Horseback family. I'm thankful for you.

I would like to share a few thoughts about "New Horse Incorporation." That is what I call it when a new equine comes to the ranch.

Folks who deal with and own horses and mules know, there are many variables in the scenarios we see with each new animal we bring home. Like people, each animal has its own personality. Getting to know that

personality is what I want to focus on today.

We've all seen the animal that lays its ears back when you get in the pen with it, but once you get the halter on and the saddle on the ears are never an issue again, until the next time you go in the pen to catch it. This horse never makes an advance toward you, but just has that grumpy way of not wanting to be caught.

We've also seen the animal that is at the gate waiting for you. However, once you're in the saddle it may be a little friskier than you were comfortable with.

And yet there's the horse that is always even keel no matter what is going on around it or what you are doing with it.

The point is, there is much to learn about the personality of each animal we deal with.

This is true not only for safety which is very important, but also for understanding what the animal likes and dislikes and what will make our relationship compatible.

It is no fun to be at odds with an equine we are riding and working with in the stall or out on the trail.

Recently we have taken on three new horses of our own, and are boarding three broodmares for my son and his wife. We are in the process of "new horse incorporation" up to our ears. However, this is not a bad thing as it allows us to interact with each animal and appreciate them for the good qualities they have.

This being said, we cannot deal with all of them the same. Two of the new horses came from an old rancher who's health has failed him. Though these two horses are 14 and 10 years old, they have not been ridden for nearly 5 years.

While I have no fear of their disposition, I am being quite cautious about learning their traits. After that long without being handled or ridden, they have issues that I must learn about and work through, from their perspective as well as mine. I am speaking of both disposition and soundness as both aspects are important for the proper elements of moving forward in our relationship.

For example, I learned that the gelding had foot problems soon after bringing him home, causing soreness and inability to walk out as needed. I have been able to help those health issues and bring correctness, thereby helping his disposition and his willingness to work under the saddle, because he now has no pain.

New horse incorporation does not have to be a painstaking journey. From the right perspective, it can be enjoyable, educational, and rewarding in the end. It gives us the opportunity to spend time with our animals, building a mutually desirable relationship.

Your horse wants your companionship and wants to please you. Sometimes we miss the cues and signs they give us to relate with them on agreeable terms.

Learn what feeds affect them differently. Study their travel functions. Winchester, my big black paint gelding is the easiest horse I have to haul. He will eat, drink and stall anywhere. He trailer travels well and is basically no extra work at all.

Other horses I own stress in the trailer. They go off feed and water when I get to where we are going, so then I have to make adjustments, to encourage them to eat and drink and then watch to see if they are going to colic. This is time I'd rather be sitting at the campfire with family and friends, roasting hotdogs and

marshmallows.

Anything you can do to identify your horse's natural behavior will be a plus, if you work with him or her within those parameters.

Ask friends or family members who stop by to look at your new animal. They may pick up on something you overlooked. The more effort given to learn your animal in the beginning, will result in a smoother transition and relationship through time. Both partners benefit. You have your comfort and confidence, as they have theirs.

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*Reduced Performance?* Inability to do their job, refusing jumps, barrels, leads, turns, gait (& gate!!) problems, loss of condition or muscle tone, difficulty in collection, rhythm or engagement

*Unbalance or Restricted Movements?* Abnormal shoe/hoof wear patterns, loss of suppleness on the rein, cross-firing/disunited canter, unexplained or subtle lameness

A full overview of services offered in Performance and Regenerative Medicine, is available on our [website](#).

For more information or to schedule an appointment,  
please call 785-532-5700.



*back row L to R:*

*Caroline Gatschet, Marcus Hetherington, Anna Hixon, Alan Hinds, Megan Miller, Reagan Dailey*

*front row L to R:*

*Brook Staten, Morgan Clinesmith, Megan Newlon, Kinsey Griffith*

## ***Congratulations 2020 Scholarship Recipients!***



### **Collegiate:**

***Morgan Clinesmith, Cimarron  
Caroline Gatschet, Topeka  
Kinsey Griffith, Wakeeney  
Alan Hinds, Tonganoxie  
Anna Hixon, Belle Plaine  
Megan Miller, Oskaloosa  
Megan Newlon, Hugoton***

**High School:**  
**Reagan Dailey, Topeka**  
**Marcus Hetherington, Valley Falls**  
**Brook Staten, Olsburg**

***Would you like to contribute to the future of the equine industry in Kansas?  
Consider donating to the Kansas Horse Council Foundation.  
Contributions provide scholarships to students involved in the equine  
industry.***

*For Review of the 2019 Award Recipients, refer to June 2019 Newsletter or go [HERE](#).*



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KANSAS HORSE COUNCIL FOUNDATION**

**To learn more about the KHC Foundation click below:  
[Kansas Horse Council Foundation](#)**

***FEATURED TRAILS IN KANSAS RETURNS!***

**FROM OUR 2020  
EQUESTRIAN TRAILS IN KANSAS GUIDE  
FROM KANSAS HORSE COUNCIL**

# Equestrian Trails in Kansas

2020  
Kansas State Parks,  
Federal Reservoirs,  
and Other Public Lands



This month's featured Kansas Trail is Clinton Lake, near Lawrence, KS in Douglas County.

A US Army Corps of Engineers Federal park, there are 50 miles of horse trails along the south shore. Three levels of

trails are available, Blue/top, Yellow/middle, and Orange/lower trails, with a nice variety of terrain. You'll find woods, and some open riding on top. Plus, there is "Equestrians Only" camping at Rockhaven Park. Camp in designated areas with pens or use convenient hitching rails.

There is a 4 unit shower/toilet building, some electric sites, and water hydrants in camp.

Call Clinton Lake manager's office, 785-843-7665 for more info.

Trails are maintained by the Friends of Rockhaven Park volunteer group

Refer to page 17 of our 2020 Equestrian Trails in Kansas guide for additional information.

Or visit our website

**HERE.**

Guides are complimentary at all Kansas Horse Council events, or available for \$3 s/h on our website **HERE.**

## KANSAS HORSE COUNCIL DESIGNATED REGIONS

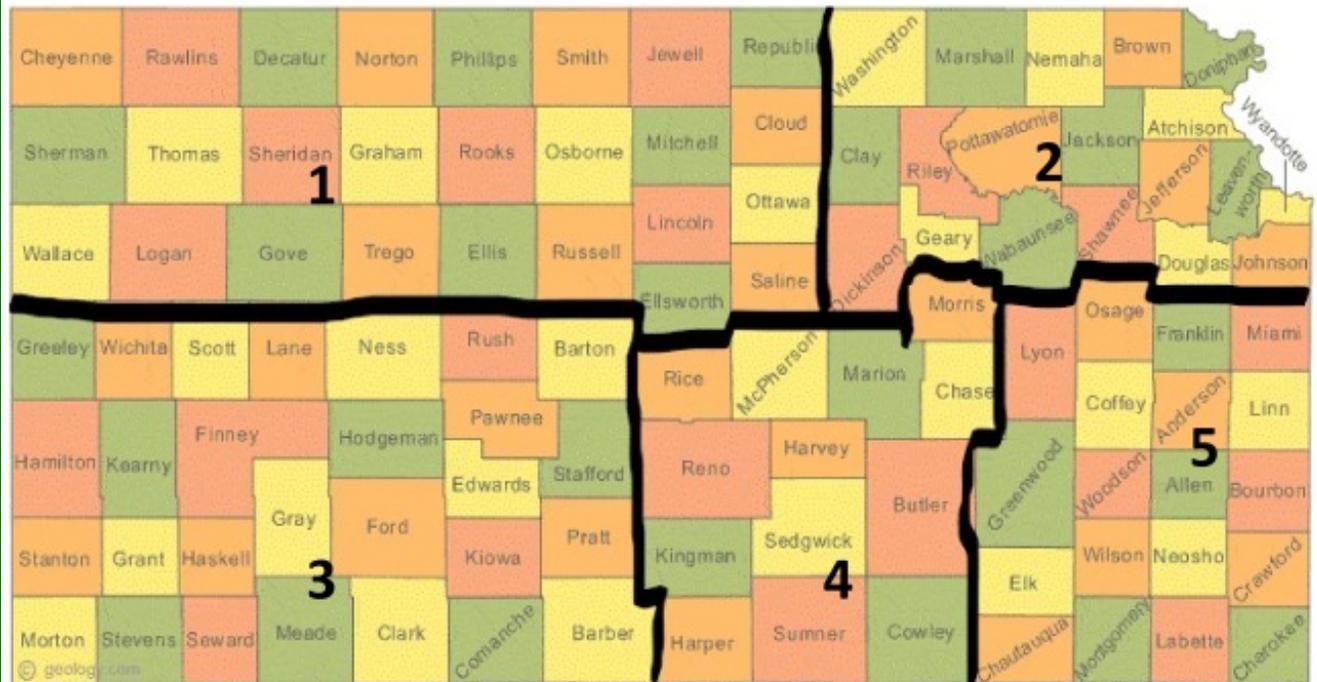


**The Regional Directors and Representatives help organize events and actively promote Kansas Horse Council throughout our State!**

**Please refer to our region map below to see what region you reside in and get to know your Regional Director(s) and Representative(s).**

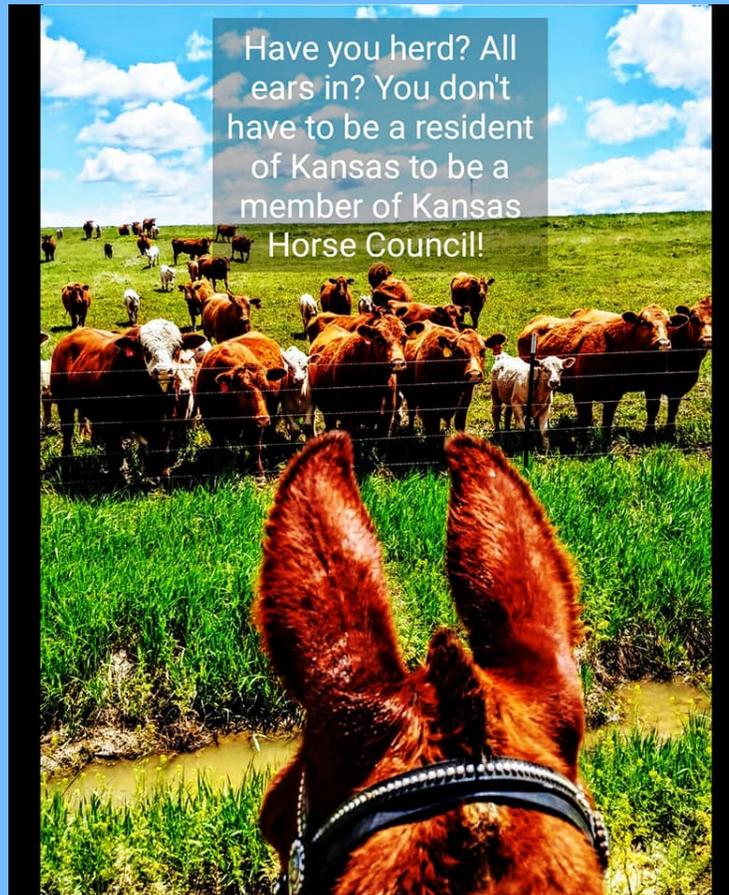
**For a current listing of all our Regional Directors and Representatives in your area, click HERE**

## Kansas Horse Council Regions



### **JOIN OUR HERD!**

**Ready to camp, ride & share stories with friends, old & new?  
Consider joining the Kansas Horse Council!  
Not only do we have great membership benefits but it's a great way to enjoy the outdoors with friends too!  
Memberships run from January 1st to December 31st; calendar year.  
You don't have to be a current Kansas resident to be a member and enjoy the benefits!  
Wherever you go with your horse, the \$1,000,000.00 Personal Excess Liability Policy has you covered!**



Have you herd? All ears in? You don't have to be a resident of Kansas to be a member of Kansas Horse Council!

**Are You a KHC Member?**

**Be part of the largest equine network in Kansas!**

**Membership supports:**

- fun and educational opportunities
- trail rides
- growth for the equine industry
- legislation and health concerns impacting the equine industry within KS
- helps secure the future of our equine-related jobs, recreation, and lifestyle.

**\$1,000,000 personal liability policy that covers all of your horses any time, any place; scholarship opportunities; discounts on liability signs, KHC trail rides and more!**

## **Membership Benefits**

**Go to Purchasing Package link below to see discounts you receive with KHC membership at Kansas-owned and national businesses!**

**CLICK ON ANY HYPER LINK BELOW FOR MORE INFORMATION!**

**[\\$1M Personal Excess Liability Insurance FAQ](#)**

**[KHC Member Purchasing Package Discounts](#)**

**[New for 2019! Horsemanship Rewards Program!](#)**

**What are you waiting for? [CLICK HERE AND JOIN TODAY!](#)**

**Want to know about equine events in Kansas? [KHC Calendar of Events](#)**

"LIKE" KANSAS HORSE COUNCIL ON FACEBOOK & FOLLOW US ON INSTAGRAM  
TOO!

NEWS and EVENTS throughout KANSAS



For additional submitted equine events throughout Kansas, visit our Kansas Horse Council website and calendar of events, here:

[Calendar of Events](#)

**DILLONS REWARDS PROGRAM BENEFITS  
KANSAS HORSE COUNCIL.**

**AMAZON SMILE PROGRAM BENEFITS  
THE KANSAS HORSE COUNCIL FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS  
PROGRAM.**



## **DILLONS REWARDS PROGRAM**

We are now renrolled in the Dillons Community Rewards program! Now, when you shop at Dillons and use your Rewards card, KHC will earn a percentage rebate based on your Dillon's purchases!

To link & register your rewards card click here: [Dillons Rewards Link](#) and log into your existing account. Search for Kansas Horse Council or enter our NPO number, KS920 and click Enroll. New users will need to create an account which requires some basic information, a valid email address and a \*Rewards Card.

\*You must have a registered Dillons Food Stores rewards card account to link the Community Rewards program to Kansas Horse Council. (Cards are available for FREE at any Dillon's customer service desk.)

Purchases will not count towards rebates for KHC until you register your rewards card and link to Kansas Horse Council here:

[DILLONS REWARDS LINK](#)

Registered Rewards Cards must be swiped at checkout or use your phone number registered with your Rewards Card when shopping for purchases to count.

This program does not affect your Fuel Points balance. They will still accumulate for your personal use. Rebate program is based on purchases at Dillon's stores payable to Kansas Horse Council as a Non Profit Organization. Thank you for your continued support to the voice of equine enthusiasts in Kansas!

Learn about Kansas Horse Council

[HERE](#)

## **AMAZON SMILE PROGRAM**

Kansas Horse Council Foundation (Scholarship Fund) is also now enrolled in the Amazon.com Smile Program! When you shop

[Amazon.com](#)

you may select Kansas Horse Council Foundation as your Non-Profit charity upon Checkout! KHCF will receive .05% of your total purchase, of Amazon SMILE program eligible products! To learn more about this program and how it works go here:

[smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com)

[SHOP](#)

**Do you have an equine business in Kansas you want to promote for **FREE**?**

**[KANSAS EQUINE DIRECTORY](#) is your source!**



**Brought to you by Kansas Horse Council**



**[FREE](#) Advertising for your equine business!**

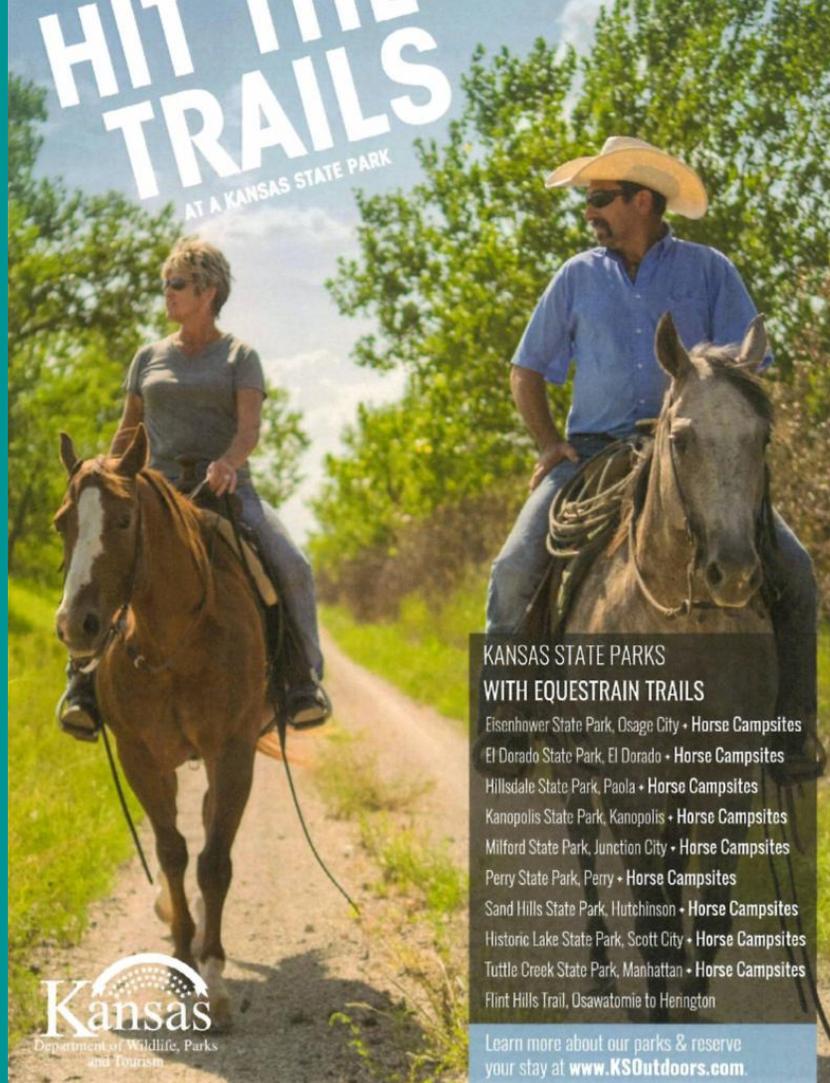
***Do you have an equine business, service or monthly event in Kansas or close surrounding states?***

***Equine services, businesses, events, venues and more can advertise for **FREE** in our Kansas Equine Directory!***

***We want to be the source of your equine business for Kansas!***

**Create your **FREE** ad today  
**[HERE!](#)****

***Over 50 categories to choose from! Get listing today!***



**We ask you please call any park before hauling to ensure accessibility of trails and overnight camping facilities. When visiting our parks, please clean up after yourselves, and respect the trails. Refrain from riding during especially muddy conditions.**

**VISIT this link for current Kansas State Park Alerts and Conditions:**

**CURRENT STATE PARK ALERTS**



**FREE EQUESTRIAN TRAIL GUIDES ARE AVAILABLE AT ALL OUR STATE PARKS or request a copy of the full color 2020 edition Equestrian Trails in Kansas guide HERE**

THANKS TO ALL OUR VOLUNTEERS & BACK COUNTRY HORSEMAN OF AMERICA, KANSAS CHAPTER, FOR YOUR HARD WORK IN MAINTAINING ALL OUR KANSAS TRAILS!

**AND REMEMBER...**

**RIDE KANSAS**  
**USE IT OR LOSE IT**  
**IF YOU PACK IT IN, PACK IT OUT.**  
**LEAVE ONLY HOOFPRIENTS BEHIND**  
**LET TRAILS DRY BEFORE YOU RIDE**

**OUR EXCLUSIVE MEMBERS ONLY**  
**HORSEMANSHIP REWARDS PROGRAM!**



IT'S TIME  
TO JOIN UP



EARN  
REWARDS

# WANTED



# ALL EQUINE LOVERS

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# HORSEMANSHIP REWARDS PROGRAM

Earn rewards while working with your favorite equine friends!

This program is open to anyone who enjoys working with horses, minis, donkeys, ponies, or mules, including "grade" equines.



This program recognizes participation in Equine Activities such as riding, schooling, competing, showing, training, ground work, driving, exercising, and assisting in a Therapy Program or Rescue. The program does not include feeding, stall cleaning and maintenance.

Awards are given at 25, 50, 100, 250, 500, 1000, 1500 & 2000 hour milestones.  
Upon 2000 hours completed, members are welcome to re-enroll and start again!

#### PROGRAM RULES & REQUIREMENTS:

- Must be a current KHC Member.
- Must pay a \$35.00 initial program enrollment fee the first year and then a \$15.00 annual program fee thereafter.
- May ride or handle more than one horse and it is not necessary to be the owner of the horse.
- Hourly log sheets may be submitted monthly, quarterly or annually. Annual submissions must be postmarked no later than December 31st.
- The KHC Member participant will need an Individual membership to track member rewards by name.
- Rewards points are not retroactive. Date of log begins on enrollment date.
- Rewards are subject to change based on availability.



#### FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

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www.kansashorsecouncil.com | 785-776-0662 | Fax 785-539-2928 | director@kansashorsecouncil.com

Want to earn GREAT rewards for spending time with a horse? We have that covered!! You don't have to be a horse owner to participate, just a current member of Kansas Horse Council!

Learn more about this new and unique member benefit (additional fees to join the Horsemanship Rewards Program do apply).

[VISIT OUR WEBSITE HERE](#)

TO ROLL OVER 2019 HOURS TO 2020, YOU MUST RENEW THE PROGRAM FOR THE \$15 FEE IF YOU WERE ENROLLED FOR 2019 AND A RENEWED KHC MEMBER FOR 2020.

1ST TIME ENROLLEE FEE IS \$35 WITH CURRENT MEMBERSHIP

**YOU MUST BE A CURRENT KHC MEMBER AND A MEMBER OF THE REWARDS PROGRAM TO START LOGGING TODAY!**

**\*ENROLLED PARTICIPANTS ARE ASKED TO SUBMIT ALL LOGGED HOURS ON A QUARTERLY BASIS IN 2020.**

**\*ALL HOURS MUST BE ADDED BY PARTICIPANT BEFORE SUBMITTING LOGS**

**\*EACH PARTICIPANT WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR KEEPING TRACK OF THEIR HOURS LOGGED (COPIES OF) AS WELL.**

**AS A MEMBER OF KHC AND THE REWARDS PROGRAM, YOU CAN EARN DOUBLE HOURS RIDING AT A KHC SPONSORED TRAIL RIDE, OR VOLUNTEERING FOR A KHC EVENT THAT INVOLVES HORSES!**

**ANY ACTIVITY WITH EQUINES COUNTS! GROOMING, CAMPING, VOLUNTEERING AT A SHOW, BUT SORRY...CHORES DON'T COUNT!**

**2020 Current Enrollee's:**

**Marty Bloomquist, \*Bella Bova\*, Olivia Bova, \*Jennifer Carnahan\*, \*Karen Carr\*, Julie DeYoung, Donna Droge, \*Jackie Fry\*, Gab Hamler, \*Kaidence Mai\*, Jean McCormick, \*Debbie Mercer\*, Jan Moore, \*Alicia Owens\*, Nancy Owens, \*Dee Ramonda\*, Pattie Stalder, \*Rosie Sweeten\*, Cheryl Thomas, \*Betty Thompson\*, \*Patrice Thomsen\*, Joyce Troyer.  
\*Denotes NEW participant for 2020\***

**Just a reminder to please submit all logs, quarterly. Thank you.**

**Let's log some hours! Stay well and stay positive! Stay outside horseback if you can!**



**Tell Us What You Thought of EquiFest 2020**  
**Take the Survey**  
**[Here](#)**



***PROUDLY PRESENTS***  
***OUR PREMIER EVENT:***

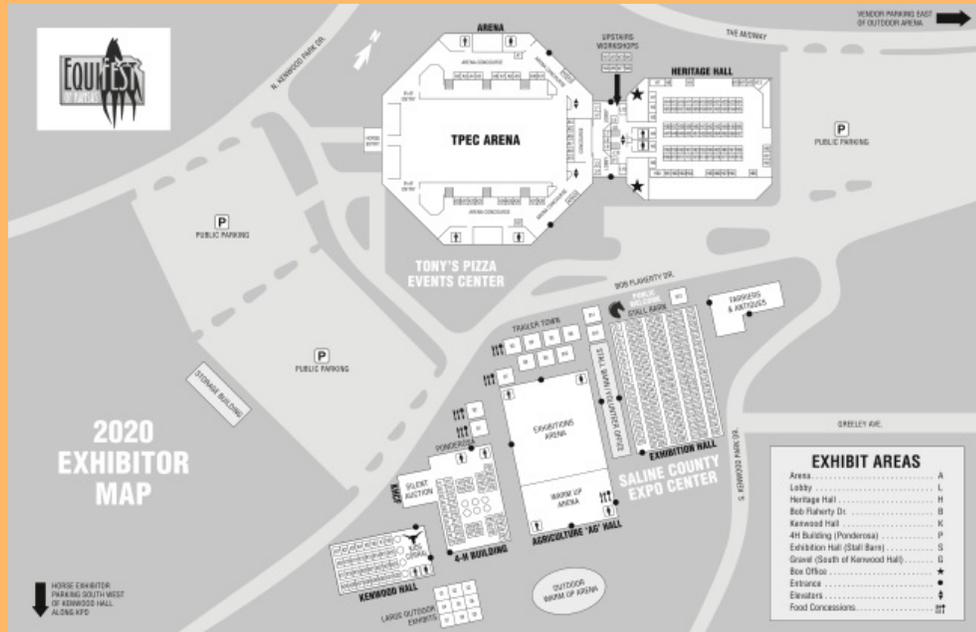


**EquiFest of KS 2021**

**Save the Date for the 24th Annual EquiFest of KS**  
**March 5th, 6th & 7th, 2021**

**Tony's Pizza Events Center and Saline County Expo**  
**Center, Salina, KS!**





**Hold your horses! We've got some work to do!  
Details for EquiFest of KS in 2021 is a work in progress!**

***We DO want to say Thank You to our  
2020 sponsors***

***We greatly appreciate their support!***

***Shop local. Support small business.***

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And thank you again to our 2020 Ranch Rodeo Sponsor Friday & Saturday nights,



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**Want more things to do while you're in Salina, KS for the weekend?**

[VisitSalinaKS.org](http://VisitSalinaKS.org)

[VISIT HERE](#)

**Visit our official EquiFest of Kansas website for all event information as it develops for 2021**

**Visit our website at: [www.equifestofks.com](http://www.equifestofks.com)**

**WE HAVE LOTS TO DO!  
STAY UP TO DATE!**

**[Like](#) and follow us on**



**and  for updates and announcements!  
See you In Salina, KS! March 5th-7th, 2021!**

**SUPPORT OUR EQUINE PARKS! WE WANT TO  
KEEP THEM!**



*DUE TO RECORD AMOUNTS OF RAINFALL THROUGHOUT THE  
MIDWEST in 2019, OUR STATE PARKS CAN USE YOUR SUPPORT  
IN 2020. REMEMBER TO CALL BEFORE YOU HAUL OR VISIT,  
[KSOUTDOORS.COM](http://KSOUTDOORS.COM)*

**TWO PARKS IN KANSAS DESIGNATED  
FOR EQUESTRIAN USE ONLY!**

**WILD HORSE AT PERRY  
SADDLE RIDGE AT HILLSDALE**

For the horse campers out there, two Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks, State Parks are now designated for equestrian use, only. Meaning, non-equestrians may not reserve spots in Wild Horse Camp, Perry State Park (Lake Perry) or Saddle Ridge Campground, Hillsdale State Park (Hillsdale Lake). You must have a horse to camp in these areas as designated equestrian campground use only.

**For reservations, please contact the respective park offices, Wild Horse Equestrian Camp is still listed on Reserve America.com.**

**[PERRY STATE PARK INFORMATION HERE](#)**

**You must contact the Hillsdale Park Office to reserve a campsite in the Saddle Ridge Equestrian Campground at Hillsdale State Park.**

**[HILLSDALE STATE PARK INFORMATION HERE](#)**

**Allowing only equestrians in these parks, is safer for everyone. Equestrians have limited, designated areas, and this helps to preserve them.  
While visiting our State Parks, please don't litter on the trails. If you pack it in, pack it**

out. And clean your pens prior to departing.  
Thank you for respecting while visiting our State Parks and natural resources, and the efforts to preserve them for equestrian use.



**ENJOY RIDING THE TRAILS IN KANSAS?  
JOIN  
BACK COUNTRY HORSEMEN OF KANSAS TODAY!  
BCHA-Kansas**

*Dues of \$45/individual, \$50/family include both Kansas and national memberships. Find out more about BCHA and read their Mission Statement at [BCHA of Kansas Chapter Info](#)*

*BCHA-Kansas is committed to keeping track of hours spent by volunteers across the state maintaining trails and keeping our public trails open. In 2014, trail volunteers have accumulated well over 2,000 hours and have raised several thousand dollars for Kansas public trails and camps that are open to equestrians! This information continues to have an impact and improves equestrians' relationships with land managers.*

*Across the US, there are 13,000 BCHA members and chapters in 29 states! For a membership form or information, contact Steve Lindsey, [steve.lindsey@lia-ks.com](mailto:steve.lindsey@lia-ks.com).*

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**Our 2020 Membership Purchasing Partners offering Kansas Horse Council Member Discounts with your current KHC Membership card.**

SHOW YOUR MEMBERSHIP CARD AND GET 10% OFF AT THESE PARTICIPATING KANSAS & OKLAHOMA BUSINESSES



**Rittel's Western Abilene**



For Equine Equipment Savings, discounts off Exmark, Farmpaint, Tenda and Toro, call or email to set up your Member account.

Email: [sales@equineequipment.com](mailto:sales@equineequipment.com)

Phone: 877-905-0004



Information on accessing these USEF Fan Club Member Perks

Can be found on insert in your KHC member packet.



To enjoy the benefits of one stop shopping with discounts, call NTRA Advantage to set up your account. 866-678-4289. See National Brands below:



We are pleased to offer these 2020 Kansas Horse Council Membership Discounts. Visit [Kansas Horse Council](#) to learn more about our organization. You don't have to be a Kansas resident to become a member.

**JOIN OUR HERD!**

**Quick Links**

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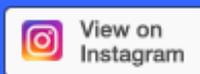
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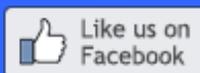


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