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KHC announces two new Purchasing Partners

BIG NEWS - two new Purchasing Partners for our members!

BLUE RIVER TRADERS

Shop at **Blue River Traders** in Manhattan and receive 10% off your entire purchase, just in time for Christmas.



Blue River Traders is located at 2620 Tuttle Creek Blvd on the west side of Manhattan near Marlatt. 785-539-5479

Their huge store is packed full of the finest western decor, rustic furniture, art, metal sculptures, garden art and tons more.

Plan to take some time when you go because there's lots to see -- and bring your truck because you're going to want to load up!

Just show your KHC member card to receive your 10% discount.

Equine Savings

We are thrilled to partner with **Equine Savings**, a company offering incredible savings on farm equipment and paint.

Today's economic conditions, especially in the horse world, are tough; adding the **Equine Savings** program to our list of member benefits made sense. People are shopping and **Equine Savings** offers great equipment below dealer cost, making it easy for us to offer their products to our membership.

Equine Savings delivers the greatest value in equipment with Massey Ferguson and Challenger tractors and implements at up to 34% off of the MSRP. In addition, they deliver Toro and Exmark commercial equipment at up to 26% of MSRP with all equipment being sold and serviced at your local dealer.

They also offer Farm Paint which delivers extraordinary value with the industry's best agricultural coating products at special pricing to Kansas Horse Council members through the **Equine**

The KHC website contains a full listing of events including saddle club meetings, trail work days, parades, clinics, etc.

For a complete listing CLICK HERE.

[Click Here](#) for Kansas barrel racing dates/events

Kansas Horse Council Foundation Silent Auction

The annual Silent Auction, held at EquiFest to raise funds for educational scholarships is just around the corner.

Please consider making a donation of new or used tack, home decor, art, jewelry, etc. All items are very much appreciated and go for a great cause.

The KHC Foundation has awarded over \$64,000 in educational scholarships from funds raised solely at the annual Silent Auction.

To donate please call Theresa Peddicord, 785-456-5996 or tmpedd@wamego.net.

EquiFest of Kansas 2014

February 14, 15 & 16th.

Back in 2014 - GUY MCLEAN!!
KANSAS' OWN - KERRY KUHN!!
Cowboy Dressage -
EITAN BETH - HALACHMY!!

Make your hotel reservations today.



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Back Country Horsemen seeks to create new chapter in Kansas

Kansas equestrians are proud

Savings program.

All it takes is to call **Equine Savings** - they answer the phone 7 days a week and rest assured making that call will be a very worthy investment of your time. **Equine Savings** staff is available to help make your purchasing process simple and fruitful. Call them at 877-905-0004 or visit their website:

www.equinesavings.com to learn more.

Look for their booth at EquiFest in February!



KHC Region I Update

By Shanda Mattix, Colby

Outdoor horse activities are winding down for the season and horse owners are preparing for winter. I'll share with you a few highlights of horse activities in Northwest Kansas.

It's a busy time of year for the Colby Community College (CCC) Equestrian Team. As I write this article, we are just finishing our fall semester of competitions. The CCC Equestrian Team is a member school of the Intercollegiate Horse Show Association (IHSA) and the only active member school in the state of Kansas. We are a part of Zone 8 Region 5 which includes two-year colleges and universities in Oklahoma, Kansas, Colorado, Nebraska, and Wyoming.



IHSA is unique in the sense that it is competitive horse showing in a team environment. It is a true test of horsemanship ability as riders are placed in divisions according to their experience and riding ability, and riders draw for the horse they will compete on. This means that riders who have no experience can ride in the beginner division and riders who have years of show experience can compete in higher levels. The hosting school provides all the horses. The riders then draw for the horse they will compete on from a pool of horses appropriate for the student's riding level. We compete in both hunt seat and western disciplines with riders competing in equitation on the flat, equitation over fences, horsemanship, and reining. Riders are awarded points based on their placing at each horse show. After accumulating the required number of points, riders qualify for the regional horse show. The ultimate goal is to advance to compete at the IHSA National Horse Show in May. For more information on the IHSA, visit www.ihisainc.com. For more information on the Colby Community College Equestrian Team, visit www.colbycc.edu or find us on

to announce the new chapter of Back Country Horsemen of Kansas! The parent organization, Back Country Horsemen of America (BCHA), has been dedicated to keeping public trails open to equestrians for 40 years. There are 13,000 members across the US with chapters in 26 states (27 counting Kansas!). The mission of the organization is:

- * To perpetuate the common sense use and enjoyment of horses in America's back country and wilderness areas*
- * To work to insure that public lands remain open to recreational use*
- * To assist the various government and private agencies in their maintenance and management of said resource*
- * To educate, encourage and solicit active participation in the wise and sustaining use of the back country resource by horsemen and the general public commensurate with our heritage*
- * To foster and encourage the formation of new state Back Country Horsemen organizations*

Through service and education, Back Country Horsemen are interested in perpetuating recreational stock use on virtually all public lands and developing partnerships that will continue to work toward keeping trails open for equestrian use. For more information about BCHA, [click here to visit Back Country website.](#)

Kansas needs a minimum of 40 members to proceed with the new charter. Your dues of \$40/individual and \$45/family include membership in the

Facebook at Colby Community College Equestrian Team. You can also contact Coach Shanda Mattix at shanda.mattix@colbycc.edu or call (785)460-5464.

The Kansas Horse Council sponsored awards for the Hoxie Buckle Series. Barrel racers competed at six races to earn year-end points and awards for the series.



For more information on the Hoxie Buckle Series, contact Jessica Milliman at MillimanQuarterHorses@hotmail.com or 618-534-5709. You can also learn more at <http://www.millimanquarterhorses.com/hoxie-buckle-series.html>.



KS State Animal Response Team

Have you heard of the Kansas Animal Response Team? If you're ever in a disaster emergency situation you'll wish you had.

The Kansas State Animal Response Team (KS SART) is a non-profit, public-private partnership developed to provide for the development of County Animal Response Teams across the State of Kansas. KS SART follows a well-described model designed by North Carolina following Hurricane Floyd. The State Animal Response Team model has now been adopted by over 20 states across the country and has been well-tested in numerous disasters across the United States.

KS SART facilitates the development of Regional (RART) and County (CART) Animal Response Teams through

national organization.
For a 2014 membership application, contact:
Steve Lindsey, [Send Steve a Message](#)
or KHC Trails Director, Jim Thomas: [Send Jim a Message](#).

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This site is FREE, EASY TO USE and available to everyone involved with horses in and near Kansas.

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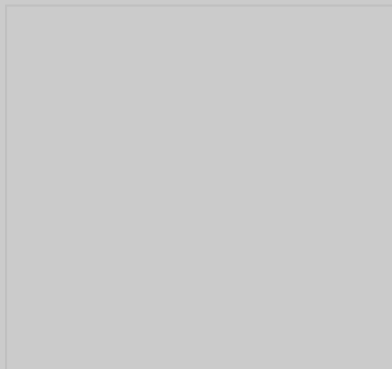
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Dixie is a Pony of America (POA)

financial assistance, document preparation, Standard Operating Procedures development, resource procurement, public education material development, and many other much needed resources. The regional and county teams are the response arm of a disaster team, as all disasters are handled at a local level. If the CART resources become overwhelmed following a disaster, the KS SART director will facilitate mutual aid from the affiliated regional team or other surrounding county teams.

The Kansas State Animal Response Team is dedicated to insuring that all counties or regions in Kansas have the resources available to effectively include all animals into a disaster plan.

For more information about the Kansas State Animal Response Teams please contact Kelly Benton, Unit Coordinator, at 316-200-5347 or administrator@kssart.org or Dr Christen Skaer, President, at 316-619-1723.

If you would like to provide housing, feed, transportation, or other assistance for horses in the event of a disaster - PLEASE contact KSART and sign up as a valuable resource.

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Equestrian Trails in Kansas - 2nd Edition

who came to us on March 1, 2010. She is around 16-years-old [2010] and broke to ride.

We have learned that she is adamant about keeping other horses on her vision side when being ridden.

She needs a firm hand and some remedial training. She has bucked on occasion when asked to ride out on her own with no companion horse.

[Hope in the Valley](#)

This monthly feature provides contact details for a horse adoption in Kansas. Please contact the rescue or adoption service directly. Thanks!



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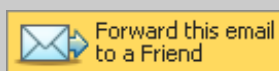
[Visit the Ride Alert Website](#)

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*If your club/organization isn't affiliated with KHC, why not?
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We are here for you. Since 1992 KHC has worked for the horses and horse owners of Kansas. Call us at 785-776-0662 or director@kansashorsecouncil.com



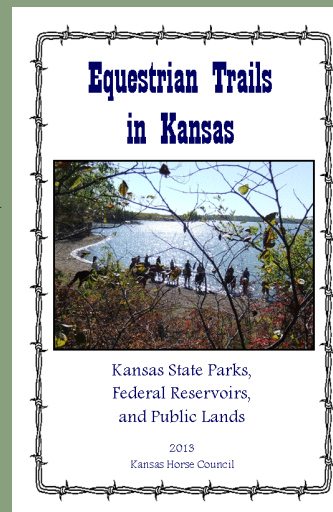
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Our *Equestrian Trails in Kansas 2nd Edition*

contains updated and uniform maps for trails in all Kansas State Parks, federal reservoirs and public lands, plus lots of other valuable information.



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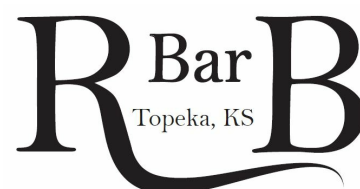
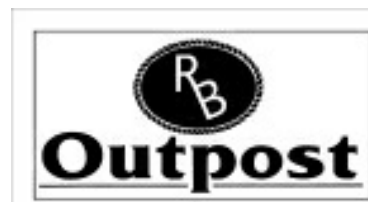
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