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Calendar

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 Awards 2013 Scholarships

Did you know the Kansas Horse Council Foundation awards thousands of dollars in scholarships annually? In fact since it was founded in 2003, over \$62,000 have been awarded to Kansas students involved in the equine industry!

A reception was held June 5th in Wamego to recognize this years' recipients. We were honored to have Rep. Sydney Carlin make the presentation of \$700 scholarships to each of the recipients.

This years' winners are: Kristen Humbach, a junior at the College of Veterinary Medicine at Kansas State University; Savanna Isely, from Bird City attending KSU working on her undergraduate degree in Animal Sciences; Charles Armour, III from Fontana who has returned to school to pursue a degree as a Doctor of Chiropractic at Cleveland University which includes a Bachelor of Science degree in Human Biology; Brittanie Stalder is attending Cloud County Community College working on her Associate Degree in Criminal Justice and Rebecca Biswell of Wamego will begin her freshman year at Kansas State University where she will major in Animal Sciences: Biosciences/Biotechnology.

Scholarships are funded entirely by proceeds from the Silent Auction held each year at EquiFest of Kansas. Donations to the KHCF are greatly appreciated and will assist in the goal of supporting higher education for Kansans. Donations are tax deductible and can be in the form of monetary contributions or merchandise. Please call the KHC office, 785-776-0662, if you have an item to donate to the next Silent Auction.

Application information is on the Kansas Horse Council website, www.kansashorsecouncil.com.

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KansasEquineDirectory.com

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

Farriers, vets, trainers, western stores, breeders, feed stores, equine photographers, artists, horse haulers, saddle clubs, insurance companies, etc. -- the Kansas Horse Council created this site Just For You!

Or, if you want to know about the horsey stuff in your area, search by city or county to find it all.

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L to R: Rep. Sydney Carlin, Brittanie Stalder, Charlie Armour & Rebecca Biswell

Veterinary Health Center, KSU

Sign up to subscribe to Trail Talk! The Veterinary Health Center Equine Service will be sharing important news and advice through this newsletter on a quarterly basis. Also watch for monthly alerts that will provide you with current news and updates specifically for horse owners.

These articles are researched and written by board certified specialists, equine clinicians, residents and interns. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us through the VHC Large Animal desk at 785.532.5700 or via email, thepethealthdoctors@vet.k-state.edu

Here's the link for the June Issue -
VHC TRAIL TALK-- June Issue

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KHC Region IV Update (So. Central KS)
By Susan Rush, Region IV Director, Winfield

Sadie's story began in April of 2009 when she came to Hope in the Valley Equine Rescue very malnourished. As you can see from the picture she's now a happy, healthy horse looking for her forever home.

Visit the Hope in the Valley website to see before and after pics.

The July 2013 featured rescue comes from the: **Hope in the Valley Equine Rescue.**

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

Be Actively Involved --

If your club/organization isn't affiliated with KHC, why not? Club memberships are only \$35.

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Diversity, fun, and service best describe the equine activities of the last months in my south central Kansas region. I am amazed at how many different ways people come together to enjoy their horses, serve others and promote the horses they love and cherish. In every county and most towns there is a thriving saddle club. Evenings and weekends are filled with fun shows, ropings, obstacle competitions and clinics. Many participants are 4H youth but many are adults that are parents and grandparents bringing another generation into the horse culture of Kansas. Locally there are fun shows or schooling shows for dressage and eventing, as well as barrel racing, pole bending and all the variations of speed events. Horsemanship, western pleasure, showmanship and all the English classes are available at both breed and open shows. Mounted shooting, sorting and penning, are growing. Then there are the trail riders out enjoying Kansas countryside from a horseback viewpoint.



Recently the ACTHA (American Competitive Trail Horse Association) had an even at Winfield City Lake to raise funds for the Rainbow Meadows horse rescue. Riders competed over natural terrain and worked obstacles all to raise money to provide resources for horse in need. The plan is to repeat this ride in the fall or next spring.

Following the devastating events at Moore Oklahoma horse people are organizing with local veterinarians to create response teams for animal emergencies. Bill McKinley DVM is working in Cowley County to train and organize local livestock owners to respond to the needs of horses and other animals in emergency situations. I do urge horse owners to consider joining a local team and getting this training. Certainly the Moore tornado is a wakeup call for all of us to make preparations for the animals we are responsible for in disaster situations. Contact your local vet to see what is being done and how you can participate. This is one team we all need to be on.

The Kansas Quarter Horse and Region 8 show was a huge success. Classes in many events were packed. There were 160 entries in horsemanship, 78 in ranch pleasure, and 80 in reining. The numbers at this show are as amazing as the performances. This represents the resurgence of equine sports participation in our area. As does the numbers of horses showing up at local saddle clubs and trail events. Each entry at any level is made possible by an investment of time and resources and the economic impact of all of that is huge.

Hay crops continue to be effected by the drought although that is easing up a bit. Locally good horse hay is running 6 to 10 dollars a bale. The brome hay crop was good again this year as are early cuttings of alfalfa. The prairie hay crop is just beginning to be cut and baled and is much better than the last two years but still effected by the drought with more weeds in some fields.

Hats off to all the people who are in the roundpens, arenas and fields getting miles and wet saddle blankets on horses. It is the 1% gain in each ride that makes a horse 100% a partner and solid ride or drive.

Legislative Update

Kansas Liability Law Sign - Where's Yours?

Remember, if you don't have a Kansas Liability Law sign posted on your property, **YOU ARE NOT COVERED** by the law. This statute not only protects you from frivolous law suits regarding your horses, but also cattle, swine, sheep, goats, domesticated deer, llamas, poultry, rabbits, ponies, mules, jennys, donkeys or hinnys.

Does your county fair facility or horse show arena have a **WARNING** sign posted? Why take a chance - take advantage of this protection today.

If you're a Kansas Horse Council member you receive a \$10 discount on the cost. Liability signs are only \$30 for KHC members. Signs are \$40 for non-members. The price includes taxes and shipping. You can order them on the [KHC Website](#) via PayPal or call the KHC office, 785-776-0662.

[CLICK HERE](#) to read the full definition and explanation of the protection this law provides.



Are You a KHC Member?

You may be receiving this monthly newsletter because you belong to a Club that's joined KHC. If so, why not become a member yourself so you receive 100% of the benefits provided by membership, especially the -

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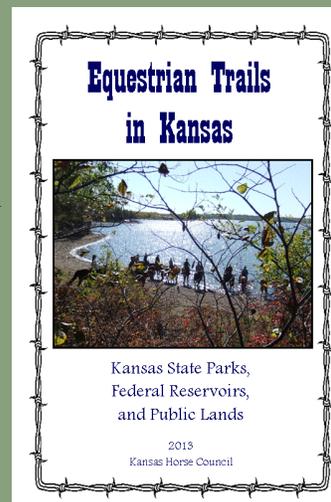
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