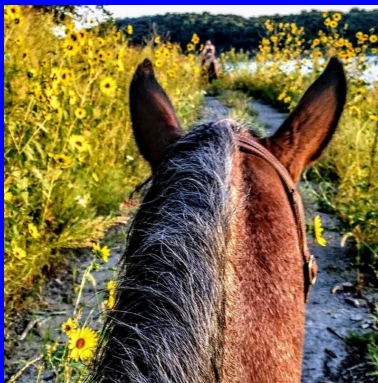
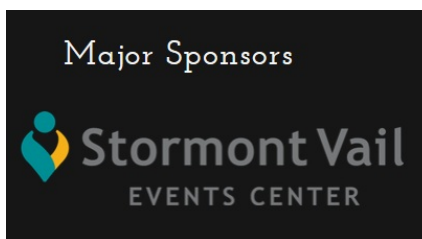


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From the Desk of the Director

Kansas Horse Council is working hard to keep updated on the impacts to the equine sector and to provide answers to questions that come up. The office is operating, and you can still update your membership, ask questions, purchase liability signs or anything else that you need assistance with from Kansas Horse Council. We are here to help you address all your equine needs.

To our current members, thank you for your 2020 membership and for being part of the Kansas Horse Council. To those who have not yet renewed, we welcome you back as we always continue working for you as a Kansas horse owner advocating and educating.

We hope all our members and their families remain healthy and safe during this time. We look forward to the days ahead when we can happily share upcoming events as they start back up!

Below are some pieces of information which are intended to be helpful as we navigate through the

fog of this unprecedented era.

[Here is a Critical Infrastructure template](#) document that can be provided to employees traveling to and from barns, just as a layer of protection should they be stopped and questioned about their travels. While it references the food and agriculture sectors essential to infrastructure, care and feeding of equines, which are livestock, falls under the agriculture sector and care and feeding for animal welfare and animal health is considered essential.

Equine boarding facilities are defined to be agriculture under Kansas Department of Agriculture and caring for horses is essential business. With this determination, equine boarding facilities are currently permitted to remain operational so long as the facility can implement and follow the directions given by State and Local representatives that includes maintaining/practicing social distancing as well as limiting individuals in the facility at any given time to a minimum and only to those that have a defined need/purpose/benefit. Additionally, all tools and equipment handled by individuals is to be adequately cleaned and disinfected and frequent hand washing must occur. Each facility owner/manager maintains discretion of who is essential staff and in self care facilities, should take control of developing a schedule in which clients are assigned times to visit to care for their horses to minimize the number of individuals at a facility at any one time.

Below is a very informative Ag article printed in the **Kansas Livestock Association** Newsletter for the week of March 21-27,2020, Volume 45, Number 38. You can find more information at www.kla.org.

Agriculture Deemed Critical Infrastructure

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security has issued guidance confirming food and agriculture as a critical infrastructure industry in the wake of the coronavirus pandemic. This designation ensures that agricultural operations and those that support them can continue operating as normal under orders that restrict movement of people. While it should not be necessary, it may be helpful to provide a document employees can use to explain why they are driving to work. KLA recommends only using this if the area in which the operation is located is placed under a stay-at-home order. Both the employee document and the critical infrastructure guidance can be found under "frequently asked questions and resources" on the Coronavirus Response page of www.kla.org.

Additionally, the Kansas Department of Agriculture (KDA) clarified last week that livestock auction markets are considered essential and can remain operational during a local stay-at-home or similar order. According to Gov. Laura Kelly's Executive Order No. 20-15, "Local issuing authorities must grant - and do not have the discretion to deny - exemptions from restrictions of any local 'stay home' or similar order to requesting companies or other organizations for the performance of essential functions." These functions include maintaining essential supply chains for critical infrastructure and producing and providing agricultural products and services. Livestock auction markets meet these criteria. However, KDA is encouraging markets to host virtual sales when possible. If that is not an option, sale attendees should be limited to buyers only and social distancing protocol should be followed. Additional KDA recommendations can be found in the above-mentioned section of the KLA website. ■

Click Here for a link to a helpful document from the Equine Disease Communications Center which provides best practices in this time of ramped up bio security. More information is available at www.edcc.org.

Here is the link for the **American Horse Council** COVID 19 Resources:
<https://www.horsecouncil.org/covid-19-resouces/>

During this time of change and possibly increased needs if you or a loved one is experiencing increased stress and need some help and support, please look at **Kansas Ag Stress**, <https://www.kansasagstress.org/> as a resource for handling issues.

For unemployment information in Kansas, go to <https://www.dol.ks.gov/covid19response> or simply getkansasbenefits.gov. Per most recent update from Governor Kelly, unemployment claims went up from 1,800/week to 60,000/week. She has introduced Executive Order 20-17 which temporarily waived the one-week waiting period requirement for unemployment and removed the requirement for the recipient of the benefits to actively be searching for work, since very few businesses are hiring right now.

There are SOME businesses hiring still. Here is a list for NE KS from [WIBW](#).

For general updates on COVID 19 in Kansas, go to <https://govstatus.egov.com/coronavirus>.

Good news is just ahead. From our very own Former Kansas Governor, Dr. Jeff Collyer, who is actively working to care for Kansans during COVID 19, here is a great article in the [Wall Street Journal](#).

Further information: The **American Paint Horse Association** has done a great job of putting legislative updates and resources available into easy to understand language in their March 27, 2020 newsletter.

House Passes Coronavirus Aid Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act, Addresses Many Horse Industry Concerns

Early Friday afternoon, House lawmakers passed the CARES Act, teeing up approximately \$2 trillion in emergency aid to American taxpayers, small businesses, and non-profits and charities. Because most equine enterprises characterize themselves as small businesses and include many non-profits such as state association and equine rescue operations, the package addresses many challenges facing the horse industry. the following are highlights with more details to follow after President Trump signs the bill into law.

Small Business and Non-Profits

The bill bolsters the Small Business Administration's (SBA) Paycheck Protection Program, establishing a maximum loan amount to \$10 million through December 31, 2020. The bill defines eligibility for loans as small business or 501(c)(3) nonprofit with not more than 500 employees or "the applicable size standard for the industry as provided by SBA." The bill further extends eligibility to sole proprietors, independent contractors and other self-employed individuals. This should provide assistance to trainers, farriers and veterinarians among other solo practitioners.

The bill also expands the Economic Injury Disaster Loan (EIDL) program currently available to small business to include "any individual operating as a sole proprietor or an independent contractor during the covered period" from January 31, 2020 to December 31, 2020.

Luckily for many breed-specific associations and state groups, for example, the bill extends the program to private non-profits. The American Horse Council (AHC) COVID-19 Resources web page includes links related to EIDL program and will post updated information as details unfold.

We want to hear from you. Please keep in touch. Send an email, or pick up the phone and call or send a message through Facebook, or put a letter in the mail. Tell us how things are going for you, tell us if you have concerns, complaints, or even if things are going well and you are having a great time with more free time to enjoy your horses.

Soon we will be posting, emailing and/or mailing some surveys to make sure we are aware of how things are going for our KS equine enthusiasts amidst this era of many changes. I hope you will take time to respond. That is how we can make sure we are meeting needs of the equine industry and communities. That is how we will know what services or help might be needed or if we are already meeting those needs.

Respectfully,

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College Rodeos End Season Early After Eureka Cowgirl Posts Uplifting Roping Run At Fort Scott

By Frank J. Buchman

College rodeo has come to a temporary close. While certain rodeo committees have insisted "the show will go on," threats of the worldwide Coronavirus have stopped college competitions.

The National Inter-college Rodeo Association (NIRA) announced cancellation of the remaining events this season. Final rodeo in the NIRA Central Plains Region was the Fort Scott Community College competition March 13-15. Four circuit events have been eliminated. Home of the Western Lifestyle, The College National Finals Rodeo is still scheduled in Casper, Wyoming, June 14-20, although it "is pending."

Because the Coronavirus is a global pandemic, the best way to attack it from a general standpoint is to adhere to "social distancing," NIRA officials said. College rodeo is just one of many sports that have been put on hold. The National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA)

canceled its postseason tournaments in the winter sports, then canceled all spring sports in total. None of the major professional associations are competing as of now. Those that intend to return are waiting on word as to when that is to happen.

Hannah Zimmers of Eureka was excited at Fort Scott. She is on the rodeo team representing Northwestern Oklahoma State University (NWOSU), Alva. She qualified for the championship round at the CPR rodeo, just the second time in her three-year college rodeo career. But because of Coronavirus, the short round at Fort Scott was canceled. Still, Zimmers' breakaway roping run of 2.7-seconds moved her from ninth to second in the regional standings.

"When I found out I finished second, I was happy," Zimmers exclaimed. A junior now, Zimmers transferred to NWOSU after her freshman year at Northeastern Oklahoma A&M (NEO) in Miami.

"Knowing I was second behind Kaycee Hollingback who just won 'The American,' was a big deal," Zimmers admitted. "It makes me feel really good to know that hard work pays off." Hollingback is a rodeo team member at Southeast Oklahoma State University (SOSU) in Durant.

It's been a four years' work in progress for Zimmers. She began competing in breakaway roping as a high school junior and decided to rodeo at college in Miami with a top horse.

"I wasn't near the caliber of my horse, but I knew Northwestern Coach, Stockton Graves, had a good breakaway system. That's why I transferred," Zimmers said. However that summer after her freshman year, Zimmers' good horse had liver failure.

"We had to put him down, and I've been in and out borrowing horses," she said. "My sophomore year of college rodeos, I didn't catch anything. My confidence was super low."

A year ago, Zimmers acquired another horse, Jet, a 16-year-old bay gelding. "The day I tried Jet was just the second time he'd been out of the pasture in months," Zimmers said. "We ran 24 calves, and he took it like a champ. It's been a year that I've had Jet, and it's finally come full circle. Coach Graves has really been helpful in the mind game, especially in my case," Zimmers said. "I'm the definition of a head case. Stockton is always so calm, cool and collected. He's been around, and it shows. Stockton has broken it down for me, but so have other ropers. Assistant coach, Taylor Munsell, Melissa Couture and Brandi Hollenbeck are so good at what they do too. I used to be intimidated by them because they were so talented, but they're great and really helpful. Now, I'm helping others using the tips that have been given me."

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Kansas Horse Council Venue Liaison Monthly Report Region 4 Michelle White - Bar K Bar Arena - Lyons, KS April 2020

The world has come to a stop for horse related programmed events. The Celebration Centre/Bar K Bar Arena has cancelled many events to include: the Kansas High School Rodeo, a Cutting Horse Show, Kansas Pinto Horse Shows, Ranch Versatility Horse Shows, Rienhardt Barrel Clinic and 5 evenings of Barrel Racing.

With zero income for the past 13 days and no income for the next 30 days at minimum, the recovery process from COVID 19 will be long and hard. While the economy of many communities are struggling as a whole, the cancellation of events at this facility alone will have an economic impact loss of over \$150,000 to this small community of Lyons, KS.

Event facilities are deemed non-essential and this venue, a non-profit, and not a municipal (City/County) entity, the struggle to determine if anything is available for support from the government is huge. Resolutions and requirements for programs put into effect change daily.

Fortunately, the horse show community is resilient. Several online virtual horse show competitions have popped up on the internet allowing contestants to compete from videos taken at their home arenas. This is great for keeping the equestrians active and working/training for a goal.

The Kansas Buckskin Horse Association and Kansas Paint Horse Association via American Paint Horse Association are hosting Virtual Shows. Find out more by visiting their Facebook pages. I would guess there will be more of these popping up soon!

On a personal note, my daughter is an ER doctor in Oklahoma and I fear for her imminent risk of exposure, and am saddened about not being able to see her in person, as we strive to protect further community transmission. Prayers for all who are impacted by this terrible virus.

Sincerely,

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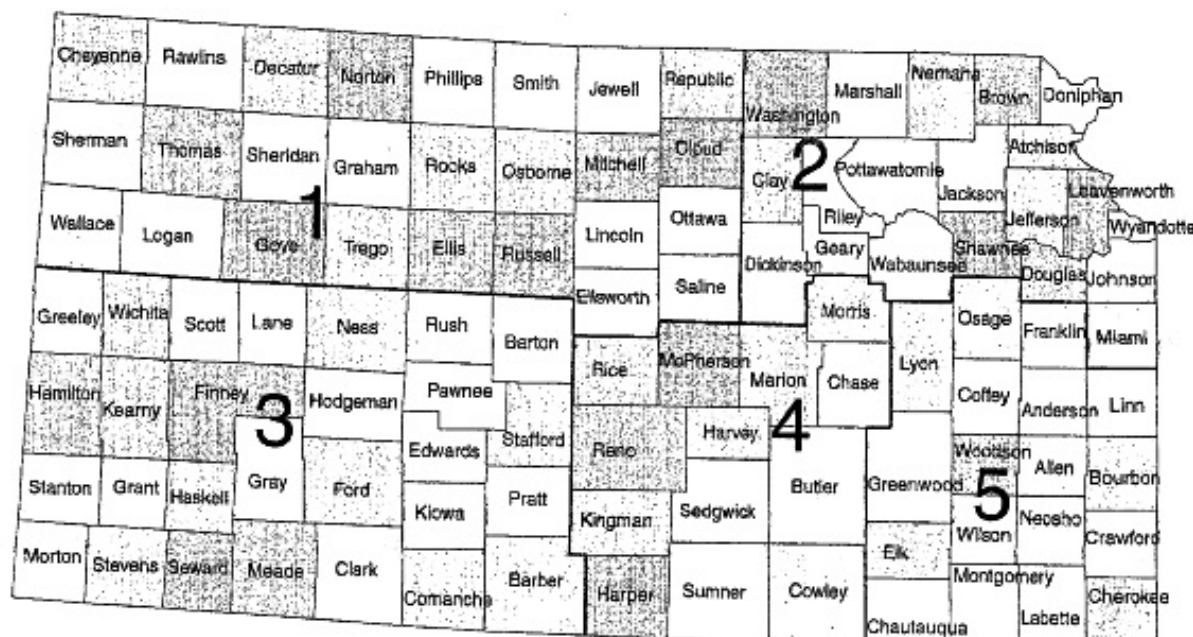
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Upcoming Events

2020 Event Changes & Cancellations Policy

With the current restrictions due to COVID 19, please call before you haul to any event, trail ride or activity.

Event managers will be the best source for status of an organized ride, show or other event prior to attending.

As of now, most everything is canceled or postponed through June or July.

Some activities may still appear active that are 30+ days out, but are subject to be cancelled or postponed.

Check social media, websites, or make a phone call to inquire.

KHC will do our best to make sure we convey updated cancellations for any KHC sponsored events.

Stay well. Stay positive.



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A message from Jay Winborn, Executive Director for the National Cutting Horse Association:

The cutters are a small community. We interact with each other almost exclusively. This is good and bad. In some ways, we sort of social distance naturally. On the other side is the fact that if this virus ever enters our family, it could wreak havoc on our community. The spread could be rapid and potentially devastating. I am not trying to scare you, nor am I here to tell any of you how to live your lives, but much as to my own family I would like to give you something to think about...

Coronavirus explained easy:

- John Doe got infected yesterday but won't know it till 14 days later.
- John thinks he's healthy and is infecting 10 people a day.
- These 10 people think they are healthy and rope, train, cut and continue to mingle and infect 100 people daily.
- These 100 people infect 1000 people. Do you see where this is going?
- No one knows who is healthy or who is infected.

Do you understand why we should keep to ourselves? Be responsible; take care of your family. Both your immediate and extended NCHA family. The sooner the spread stops the sooner we are back cutting.

Now that my PSA is over, let's talk about cutting. It broke my heart to cancel the Super Stakes. I was excited to have the opportunity to personally meet some of you and get to know you. I was looking forward to seeing all of the great horses compete. There were many factors surrounding the decision and the Executive Committee and staff labored over the decision. We did not have much choice, once the city of Fort Worth declared the shutdown. Will Rogers has become stacked with date changes and putting the Stakes on top of the Summer Spectacular was not really an option due to the length of time.

With so much uncertainty ahead, I do want to assure you plans are moving forward for our summer events. The NCHA Convention, Western Nationals, and Summer Spectacular are in the works, and as of now, we are full steam ahead. There may be adjustments needed and we will address those as they arise

Stay home, ride your horses, get ready, because cutting will come back strong. We just need to all be safe and healthy for when it does.

*Message was reprinted from the NCHA Weekly Membership Update Newsletter, week of March 30, 2020.
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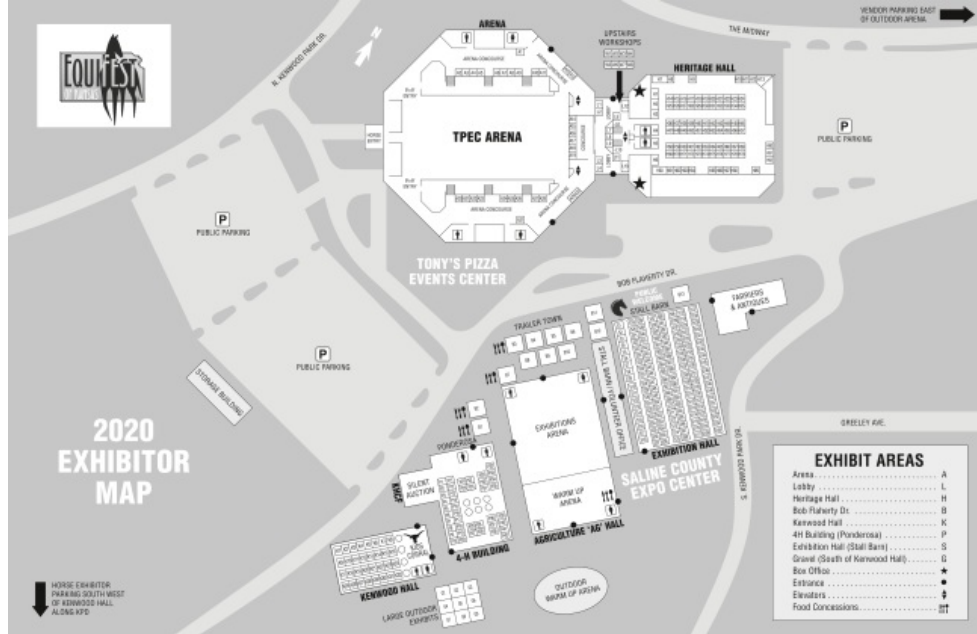


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Note about EquiFest 2020:

Kansas Horse Council would like to thank Visit Salina, Saline County and the City of Salina for extending such a warm welcome and for our first year event. EquiFest was held March 6, 7 & 8, 2020 at the Tony's Pizza Events Center and Saline County Expo Center. We had an excellent turnout, warmer windy weather and plenty to keep everyone excited!

Tony's Pizza Events Center was a beautiful venue for displaying art in the lobby, providing clean accommodations for hosting vendors in Great Plains Manufacturing Convention Hall and along the arena concourse, it allowed flexible setup for the educational workshops upstairs and had great

lighting and seating for the equine clinics & competitions in the arena.

On the Saline County Expo grounds, the multiple buildings allowed us to do additional programming. Kenwood Hall was the location for our KS Farm Bureau Kids Corral and Kenwood Hall Workshops amidst more vendors for shopping and the Old Abilene Town's Old Time Photo Booth.

In the 4H building folks could enjoy stage entertainment of cowboy poetry and music throughout the day along with live broadcast interviews on stage. Along with that was MORE shopping and a Silent Auction fundraiser for the Kansas Horse Council Foundation which provides academic scholarships for students who will be in college next fall.

Moving over to the Ag Hall Arena, one could enjoy lots of horse demonstrations throughout the day including the Fort Riley Commanding General's Mounted Color Guard. We did discover that the Ag Hall building makes their guns sound like cannons!

All the stall barns had horses at EquiFest. Folks could stroll through and see displays and horses throughout the event. On Sunday, there was also an old fashioned sorghum press pulled by a big Percheron to make molasses on display by Barn 2.

Over in Barn 2 was a farrier competition where spectators could watch master craftsmen heat and bend steel to make horse shoes, then square off in a live horse shoeing competition. Other competitions included the State 4H and Open Horse Judging on Friday, Mounted Shooting two days, a Battle of the Breeds all three days and a highlight event- two nights of Ranch Rodeo with 13 teams each night.

It takes a lot of people working together to make this event happen. It is a complex mix of a large scale trade show, educational symposium, & multiple different livestock events with Arts & Entertainment mixed in. Moving from our previous venue was not an easy thing to do as it involves "reinventing the wheel" to figure out the layout and flow and programming for all the different pieces. We relied on input and suggestions from locals on the Saline County Fairboard, Visit Salina, Saline County Expo facilities, and the Tony's Pizza Events Center staff for planning and implementation of this large scale event. We became acquainted with the Saline County Commissioners, and the Salina City Commissioners as we navigated planning for this event and enjoyed seeing some of them at EquiFest. Great and personable folks!

We can't overlook the help we received from ALL our volunteers, to include the Saline County Mounted Patrol & Rescue Squad who were very visible amidst our event to facilitate needs, such as parking congestion. The city's General Services and Police Department also deserve thanks for helping to make sure safety was a priority with traffic flow on the city streets. Salina Downtown was

engaged too, helping to bring an awareness of EquiFest by hosting a movie in the Salina Art Center Cinema and inviting our Cowboy Poets and Musicians to stroll along the street and entertain on Friday during our event.

Martinelli's and other Downtown restaurants welcomed many EquiFest goers to dine in. The Flower Nook downtown donated to our Foundation Auction showing their warm regards. Thanks goes out to Bennington State Bank for providing bottled water for the many volunteers. Also, big thanks our many sponsors at all levels who helped to bring the clinicians and educators to Salina and helped with the physical needs of a multifaceted event; TravAlum Trailers, Prairieland Partners John Deere, Visit Salina, Saline County, Morton Buildings of Salina, Moundridge Tractor, K4 Trailer Sales, Marshall Motors and many more. You can see the list on our website, www.equifestofks.com.

The EquiFest Committee extends a heartfelt THANK YOU to Salina for making our first year a warmly welcomed new venue experience.

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Top 25 Reasons to Be a Cowboy | #24 "Essential Personnel"

**Written by Bob Welch, March 25, 2020,
<https://wrca.org/blog/>**

Originally, the 24th best reason to be a cowboy was slated as: a short commute. In light of the COVID-19 health scare, I feel it's only appropriate to spin it a bit to this new (temporary?) reality.

For 15 years, I endured a two-hour-each-way commute. In full disclosure, it was just one day per week, so I had six days to recuperate. For me, a short commute had both monetary and mental-health value.

Cowboys, in many instances, enjoy that small commute. For most, they can literally walk out of their house across the yard to the barn to start their day. Day workers and independent ranchers with far-flung leases might have longer commutes on occasion, but in general, they still have plenty of work right at home.

Despite not having long commutes, country folks don't have a problem driving long distances. School, church, groceries, hardware, the feed store, the sale barn, and any other good or service is probably a ways off.

Even though trips to town can be an inconvenience, in times like these, social distancing isn't hard for cowboys.

In fact, for most cowboys, daily life isn't really even interrupted. The cows still need fed. Ice needs broken, calves need pulled, and that colt needs to be ridden if he's going to be any good come branding time.

And from a bigger picture, the world still needs us. A recent visit to the grocery store revealed the meat counter was completely bought out. (By the way, there was plenty of Beyond Beef left!) We need to continue providing our nation and our world affordable, nutritious protein. Cowboys, in this day and age, are essential personnel.

So, yeah, there is a nice benefit to living life in a socially-distant way, but we know that our lives can't stop. Even when the futures market tells us our work has lost a third of value, we keep going. We continue to fulfill our purpose of feeding the world and caring for creation.



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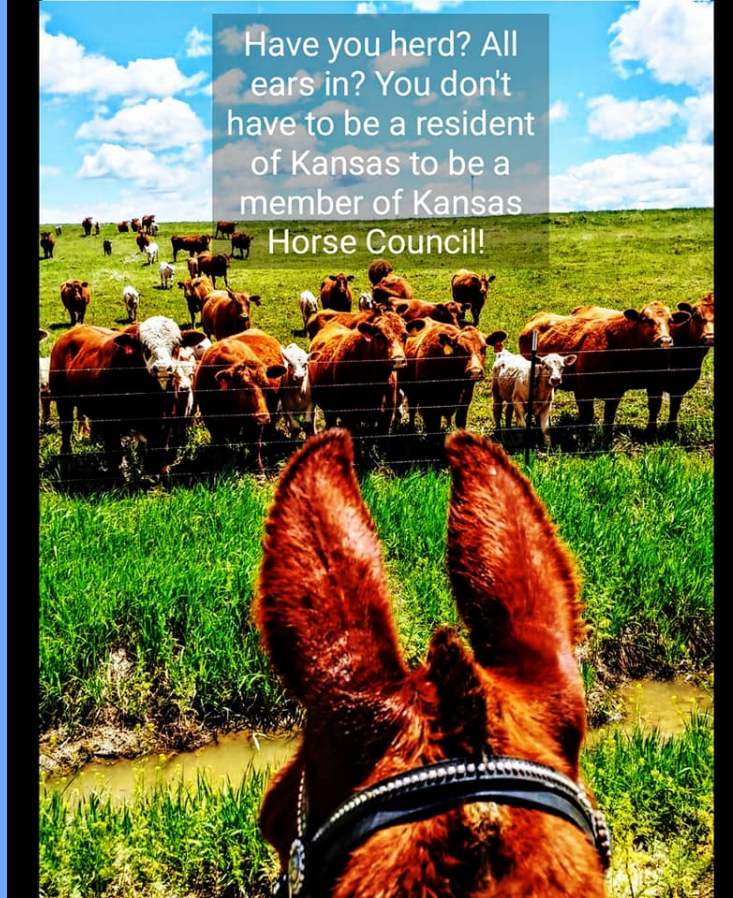
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2020 Kansas Horse Council Membership

Discounts. Visit [Kansas Horse Council](http://KansasHorseCouncil.com) to learn more about our organization. You don't have to be a Kansas resident to become a member.
JOIN OUR HERD!

OUR EXCLUSIVE MEMBERS ONLY HORSEMANSHIP REWARDS PROGRAM!



IT'S TIME TO JOIN UP  **EARN REWARDS**

WANTED

ALL EQUINE LOVERS

THE  **PRESENTS** **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.

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.

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!

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
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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:

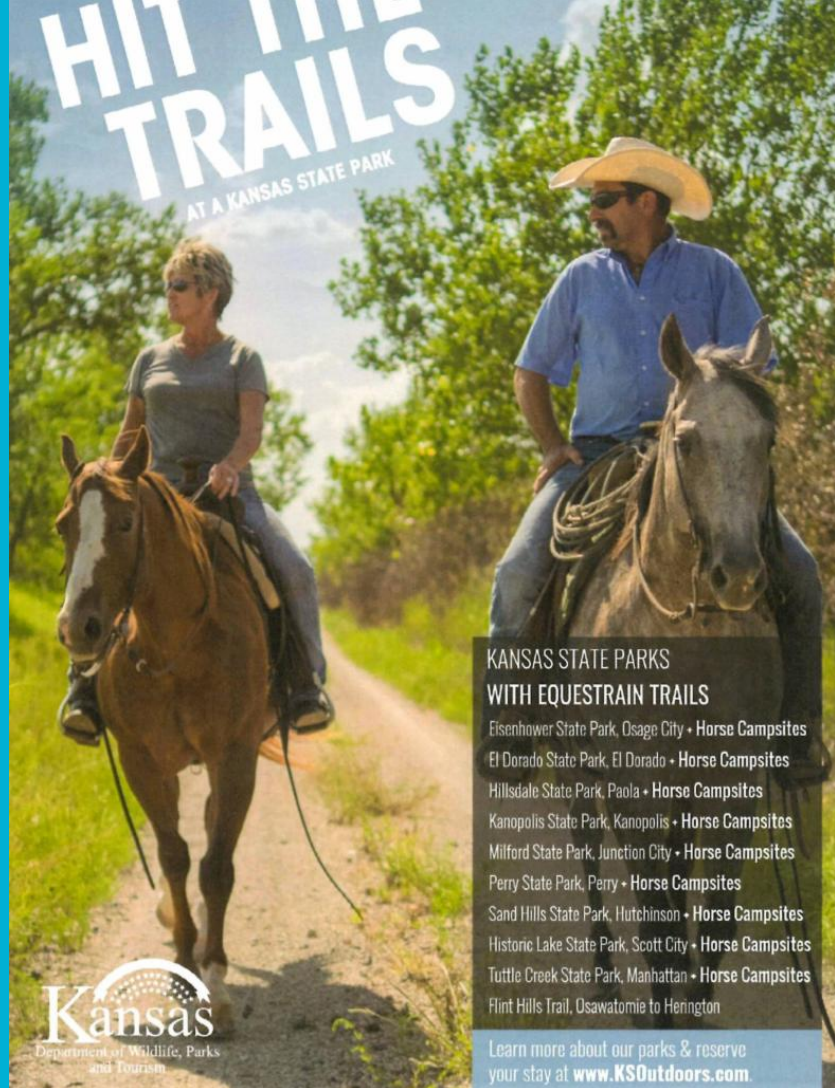
Marty Bloomquist, *Bella Bova*, Olivia Bova, *Jennifer Carnahan*, *Karen Carr*, Julie DeYoung, Donna Droge, *Jackie Fry*, Gab Hamler, *Kaidence Mai*, Jean McCormick, *Debbie Mercer*, Jan Moore, Nancy Owens, *Dee Ramonda*, Pattie Stalder, *Rosie Sweeten*, Cheryl Thomas, *Betty Thompson*, *Patrice Thomsen*,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

List includes new and renewed enrollees, as of this newsletter.

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



RIDE KANSAS



**KANSAS STATE PARKS
WITH EQUESTRIAN TRAILS**

- Eisenhower State Park, Osage City • Horse Campsites
- El Dorado State Park, El Dorado • Horse Campsites
- Hillsdale State Park, Paola • Horse Campsites
- Kanopolis State Park, Kanopolis • Horse Campsites
- Milford State Park, Junction City • Horse Campsites
- Perry State Park, Perry • Horse Campsites
- Sand Hills State Park, Hutchinson • Horse Campsites
- Historic Lake State Park, Scott City • Horse Campsites
- Tuttle Creek State Park, Manhattan • Horse Campsites
- Flint Hills Trail, Osawatomie to Henington

Learn more about our parks & reserve your stay at www.KSOutdoors.com

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**

**TWO PARKS IN KANSAS DESIGNATED FOR EQUESTRIAN
USE ONLY! WILD HORSE AT PERRY AND 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.

Quick Links

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OUR EMAILS**

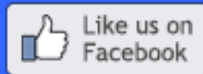


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