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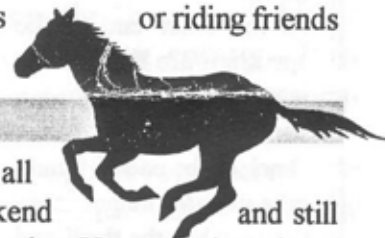
Laura Christofk, Editor

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with seminars, demonstrations, calcutta auction via video and god knows what else. Roger Ford, the race director, says, "There are more pre-race activities being added all the time. This is not an event to be missed. We have promised in our entry forms to make this event interesting and memorable and we plan to deliver." Wait... there's more. \$500 cash gets divided among the top 3 pro-am teams and there will be a live band after the awards banquet Saturday night for those who can still walk. WOW! Can this guy throw a gig or what?

This is going to be a blast. Most of us ride & tiers have running friends or riding friends or some of both. On



PUEBLO NUEVO

A WEEKEND OF SPORTS

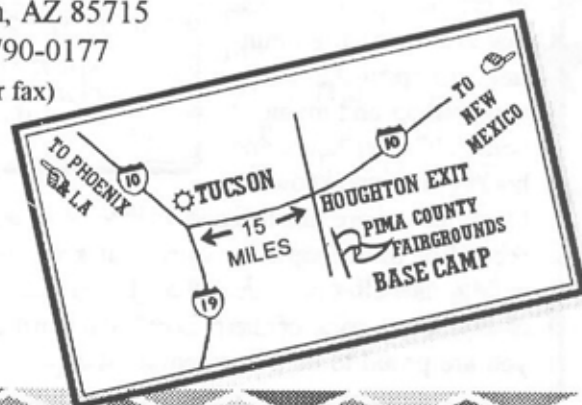
1996 is already promising to be a terrific year for ride & tie. The Nuevo Pueblo Endurance Event (originally an old time favorite endurance ride called the Old Pueblo Ride) has an incredible agenda planned for riders, runners and ride & tiers alike. I call it a smorgasbord or buffet ride. Six simultaneous endurance events including:

- 30 MILE RIDE & TIE
- 100 MILE ENDURANCE RIDE
- 50 MILE ENDURANCE RIDE
- 25 MILE ENDURANCE RIDE
- 100 MILE RUN
- 50 MILE RUN

Perfect for an early season competition, the course is relatively easy and the weather conditions for Tuscon in February are usually wonderful. The race camp facilities (at the Pima County Fairgrounds) include stalls and wash racks for our equine competitors and showers and even a cafe for the rest of us. What a rare luxury! But that's not all. This "weekend" actually starts on Thursday and Friday

February 24th we can all get together for the weekend and still do our own things on race day. Ya gotta love it. If the eight page, color brochure (entry application) is any indication as to the quality of this event, this is sure to be a first class event in every way. OK. I probably won't be in great shape in February, but hey! So what. This ain't just a race ... it's a social event! See ya there. For more information contact:

Pueblo Nuevo Endurance Event
1670 North Kolb Suite 244
Tuscon, AZ 85715
(520) 790-0177
(voice or fax)



To Wayne & Robin Hinrichs



If ever there were two couples whose unbelievable amount of time and hard work have been taken for granted it would have

Robin Hinrichs. Every year, like little children at Christmas time, we wait for the World Championships. We count the days as it nears. We wring our hands with

THE MOST BELATED

to be Mr. & Mrs. Santa Claus and Mr. & Mrs. Ride & Tie, Wayne and

anticipation at the thought of that most sacred and holy day. Like the Grinch that stole Christmas we grin greedy smiles at the thought of all the freebies. We do not know where the presents come from, we just know ... they come. The finish line is trimmed with

David & Arleene Foster

One of the many great things about ride & tie is the wide range of athletic backgrounds and abilities of our competitors. We are fortunate to include world class and nationally ranked runners and riders amongst our devotees. They provide the sport with excitement and top caliber competition.

At the other end of the spectrum are those of us who are competing at a very different level. In the "back of the pack," it may take us a *lot* longer to do the race but the thrill and satisfaction is just as great.

Each year, at the world championship race, the Aileen Johnson Memorial "BACK OF THE PACK" Award is given to the team that finishes in the back half of the race who best exemplifies the spirit of ride & tie. The spirit that keeps you from quitting; the spirit that keeps you smiling and giving it your "all" after hours and hours (when you know the front runners are finished and your team is only on the second or third loop); the spirit that keeps you competing, race after race, even though you know you will always be a "back of the packer"; the spirit that says you are proud to be a competitor, at any level, in the

sport that is truly "grueling, galvanizing and gratifying, the spirit that knows that special bond with your partner and horse. The "spirit" is the demonstration of a true love for the sport of ride & tie.

This year's winner of the "BACK OF THE PACK" award was husband and wife team David and Arleene Foster. Though always tough competitors, they have displayed a wonderful combination of determination, friendliness and support to nearby competitors for

the past six years that they have teamed together.

This year David and Arleene took that "spirit of ride & tie" to places other than race sites. In addition to being the ride managers for both the Cuyamaca and Cahuilla Heights Ride & Ties, they began actively recruiting new people into the sport. Weekly, they have ride & tie practice get-togethers for people in their area, encouraging newcomers to the sport by providing horses and riding lessons. So far they have coached and nurtured eight new teams into the sport. Why does

"BACK OF THE PACK" AWARD

Based on observations and feedback from fellow competitors, it is given in memory of Aileen Johnson, a person whose smile and enthusiasm added a lot to many peoples' ride & tie experience.

If you have noticed someone in the back half of the race that adds something special to your race and/or the sport itself, please share your thoughts with award executives:

this dynamic couple do all of this? "Because we love this sport so much we wanted to share it with others."

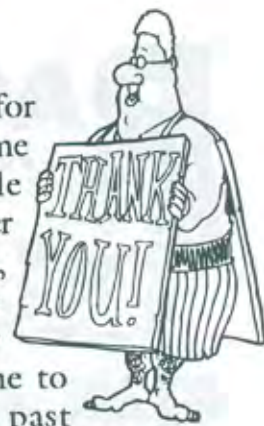
Thanks and congratulations to David and Arleene Foster-keep it up! *Written by Leah Mirsch*

THANK YOU IN THE WORLD!

festive banners and the trail decorated with colorful ribbons. Like stockings hanging on the hearth our riders packets are always stuffed with goodies, a prelude to what's coming. The gift exchange, sometimes called

the awards banquet, has mountains of stuff that we have had days to peek, poke, shake and wonder, "who will be the lucky duck to get this?" Secretly hoping, "Me, me, let it be me!" And the feast afterwards is not just for

the belly, but for the soul. A time for the whole family to gather together, eat, drink and be merry. A very



special time to relive the past and gain hope for the future. Without malice, never considering whose efforts had made this wonderful event, with all it's magic, happen. At the news of Wayne and Robins' retirement from the Ride and Tie Association it became instantly clear that "WE" have been kicked out of the nest. It is time for us to fly. They have held our hands long enough. It is time for "US" to make them proud. We have grown enough to appreciate the selflessness and generosity of these two remarkable people. Hopefully we have matured enough to realize it is time to give back to this sport that has given so much to us. Even Santa has elves. Now "WE" must be elves. Please join me in continuing the work of those that came before us who have made this sport the wonderful madness that we enjoy today. Attitudes are contagious so lets infect as many newcomers as we can. Happy holidays and a very merry Christmas. *Laura C.*



THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU

For nearly seven years (yes seven!!!) you have been the heart and soul of Ride & Tie. The membership appreciates and salutes your accomplishments and sacrifices:

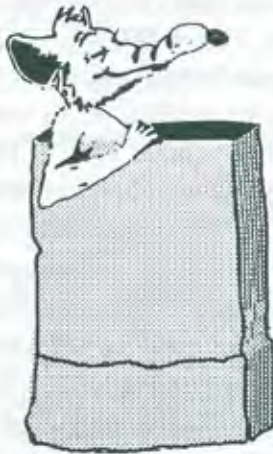
- ❖ The leadership, direction, assistance, cooperation and the camaraderie you have provided us all.
- ❖ Your creation and nurturing of the Pro-Am events.
- ❖ Your ability to, somehow, make financial ends meet during times when revenues did not equal expenditures in the Association.
- ❖ Your rescue of the Quicksilver Ride & Tie.
- ❖ The truckload of awards and prizes you brought to the World Championship events.
- ❖ The sacrifices of your personal time at places as diverse Trinidad and Taylorsville to ensure the success of the event while the rest of us where riding the coarse (or drinking beer.)
- ❖ The hundreds (probably thousands) of inquiries you have answered on the association telephone lines from prospective participants or members needing assistance.
- ❖ Absorbing complaints that inevitably came from an individual who has not paid his dues in over two years or has never lifted a finger to assist the sport.
- ❖ Regular communication with each member through the publication of The Ride & Tie Journal.
- ❖ Providing critical exposure to potential members and sponsors alike by maintaining the Ride & Tie booth at the AERC Convention each year.
- ❖ Organizing the Ride & Tie Annual Awards Banquet that has culminated this past February with over 55 attendees.

For the above and soooooo much more, we very belatedly acknowledge your talent, time, physical labor and sweat, a few tears and the realization that for all of your efforts, there was no reward other than, hopefully, the satisfaction that you have preserved a sport that deserves to exist and prosper.

A member, on behalf of the Ride & Tie family, our most sincere gratitude.

RACE RESULTS

CHAMPAGNE 30 MILES



B.A.G. RATS BAY AREA GANG RIDE & TIERS

Practicing in the surrounding areas of San Francisco. Newcomers always welcome. Contact Baggy RAT Curt Riffle (415) 949-0620

1	Tom Johnson	Lon Clearwaters	Miami Spice	1st M/M
2	Jon Root	Michele Roush	Balou	1st M/W
3	Suzanne Andreotti	Steve Becker	Scooter	2nd M/W
4	Dennis Tracy	Jeff Townsend	Star	2nd M/M
5	Dennis Rinde	Pat Browning	Willey	3rd M/M
6	Laurie Reibling	Kathy Appleby	Z Mac	1st W/W
7	Dave Andreotti	Russ Kiemann	Smidgen	4th M/M
8	Paul Rink	Chris Turney	Bezane	5th M/M
9	Gary Webb	Eric Rook	Ggaffon	6th M/M
10	Curt Riffle	Skip Lightfoot	Court Decision	7th M/M
11	Linda Momelli	Davis Tarpinian	Macho	3rd M/W
12	Cindy Foster	Linnea Hearst	Allegra	2nd W/W
13	Mary Tiscornia	Jennifer Tiscornia	Albe	3rd W/W
14	Tony Brickel	Jeff Windeshausen	Bo	8th M/M
15	Warren Hellman	Gabrielle Mann	Joe	4th M/W
16	Tracy Young	Anne Morgan	Alcobar	4th W/W
17	David Foster	Arlene Foster	La Farra	5th M/W
18	Jeff Bergstrom	Bruce McLean	Amber Bar	9th M/M
19	Ellen Drucker	Mike Bastillos	Mickey	6th M/W
20	Anita Parra	Carl Hill	Wickett	7th M/W
21	Marcia Jepson	Terry Reilly	Raudi	5th W/W
22	Jon Jordan	Diane danitz	Tony	8th M/W
23	Ellen McCrary	Denise Walker	Scots Bilexijo	6th W/W
24	Paul Robinson	Susan Simmons	Strike Out	9th M/W
SHORT COARSE		17 MILES		
1	Kathy Kelly	Paulette Lloyd		

CAHUILLA HEIGHTS 25 MILES

1	Jon Root	Michele Roush	Cowboy	1st M/W
2	Kathy Appleby	Rufus Schneider	Finally	1st W/W
3	Laura Johnston	Chris Turney	Wicket	2nd M/W
4	Greg Chester	Cindy Foster	Allegra	3rd M/W
5	Linnea Hearst	Michael Hearst	La Farra	4th M/W
6	Lisa Gladstone	Fred Beahm	Outrageous	5th M/W
7	Anita Parra	Carl Hill	Z-Mac	6th M/W
8	Nita Browning	Pat Browning	Linda	7th M/W
SHORT COARSE		10 Miles		
1	Merilee Mills	Scott Mills	Sergent	1st M/W
2	Ellen Drucker	Mike Bustillos	Mickey	2nd M/W

OPERATION DESERT RAT



Looking for a few good RATS. Practices in the Lake Elsinore, Temecula area. Contact Commandant David Foster (909) 767-1237. New recruits welcome.

BLOOMFIELD BOOGIE 26 MILES

1	Mark Richtman	Michelle Andreotti	ELI	1st M/W
2	Dave Andreotti	Jon Gailson	Scooter (BC)	1st M/M
3	Pat Browning	Dennis Rinde	Smidgen	2nd M/M
4	Dan Barger	Laurie Rager	Struttin	2nd M/W
5	Steve Shaw	Lon Clearwaters	Miami Spice	3rd M/M
6	Curt Riffle	Skip Lightfoot	Court Decision	4th M/M
7	Tom Christofk	Chris Turney	Zephyr	5th M/M
8	Linda Momell	David Tarpinian	Macho	3rd M/W
9	Michelle Roush	Dale Roush	Molly	4th M/W
10	Tim Hinrichs	Paul Robinson	Tikki	6th M/M
11	Gayle Snow	Shellie Hatfield	Shebas	1st W/W
12	John Osterweis	Warren Hellman	Joe	7th M/M
13	Summer Tompkins	Dawn Damas	Sotez	2nd W/W
14	David Foster	Michele Hearst	Smoker	8th M/W
15	Ariene Foster	Mickey McGovern	Linda	3rd W/W
16	Chet Relyea	Judy Teithman	Balou	5th M/W
SHORT COURSE				
1	Jeff Windeshousen	Jenine Windeshousen	El Cid	
2	Linda Albion	Marty Albion	Sundance	

BIG CREEK 31 MILES

1	Jon Root	Michele Roush	Bafou	1st M/W
2	Pat Browning	Dennis Rinde	Witley	1st M/M
3	Dave Andriotti	Chris Turney	Scooter	2nd M/M
4	Jim Arquilla	Lon Clearwaters	Miami Spice	3rd M/M
5	Kathy Appleby	Rufus Schneider	Finally	1st W/W
6	Fran Burkell	Robert Eichstaedt	Silver Fox	2nd M/W
7	Cindy Foster	Laura Johnston	Grab	2nd W/W
8	Les Nightingill	Paul Robinson	Abe	4th M/M
9	Audry Bostian	Paul Rink	Country Cousin	3rd M/W
10	Tim Hinrichs	Martin Lopez	April	5th M/M
11	Linda Momell	Dave Tarpinian	Macho	4th M/W
12	Gerry Appleby	Audry Scott	Justin	5th M/W
13	Jim Brown	Jim Keegan	Rocky	6th M/M
14	Ellen McCrary	Gary Web	Scots Bilexijo	6th M/W
15	Godfrey Sullivan	Suzanne Sullivan	Bit o' Class	7th M/W
16	Mike Ferketich	Cathy McKee	Fury	8th M/W
17	Bob Edwards	Byron Grant	Riel Boss	7th M/M
18	Susan Huff	Jeanine McCrary	Finally a Filly	3rd W/W
19	Gabrielle Mann	Jeanne Sherfey	Saber	4th W/W
20	Chet Relyea	Judy Teichman	Dusty	9th M/W
	Marcia Jeppson	Terry Reilly	Raudi	OFF COURSE
	Warren Hellman	John Osterweis	Joe	OFF COURSE
	Jennifer Tiscornia	Mary Tiscornia	Albee	OFF COURSE
	Gary Ceragioli	Kathy Ceragioli	Cody	DNF

VERY



COOL RATS

Ride, run and have some fun. Call the Big Daddy-O-RAT; Jon Root (916) 292-1902 and get in on the action. Practicing in Cool, Auburn, Grass Valley area. First timers are definitely cool.



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**San Luis Obispo
Ride & Tie Society**

Ride & Tie Practice Group
Newcomers welcome
Contact the Big Cheese
Jeff Herten (805) 595-2063

CUYAMACA 33 MILES

1	Mark Richtman	John Osterweis	Cowboy	1st MM
2	Warren Hellman	Tom Johnson	Joe	2nd MM
3	Jon Root	Michelle Rousch	Grab	1st WW
4	Dave Andreotti	Steve Becker	Scooter	3rd MM
5	Pat Browning	Dennis Rinde	Zeb	4th MM
6	Steve Shaw	Laurie Riebling	Newt	2nd WW
7	Tom Christofk	Gary Glazer	Kashmir	5th MM 1st Pro/Am
8	Barry Grant	Merill Grant	Finnally	3rd WW
9	Tom Gey	Elaine Ruprecht	Majafar	4th WW
10	Arleene Foster	Cindy Foster	Blue	1st WW
11	Garret Ford	Lisa Ford	Nolan	5th WW 2nd Pro/Am
12	Gerry Appleby	Craig Chandler		6th MM
13	Audrey Scott	Kim Fuess	Freebie	2nd WW 3rd Pro/Am
14	Byron Grant	Kellie Mecham	Zac	6th WW 4th Pro/Am
15	Diane Johnson	Bill Johnson	Juan	7th WW
16	Jeff Herton	Debby Lyon	Sheka	8th WW
17	Rufus Schneider	Bob Edwards	Norman	9th WW
18	Jennifer Oltmann	Julie Reed	Osh	3rd WW 5th Pro/Am
19	Leslie Yates	Tom Highland	Smoker	7th MM
20	Annette Fessler	Ellen McCrary	Dillion	4th WW
21	Darlene Johnson	Viv Johnson	Quickdra	5th WW 6th Pro/Am
22	Chris Turney	Nickie Biall	Shawnee	16th WW
23	Mike Bustillos	Ellen Drucker	Mickey	11th WW 7th Pro/Am
24	Bill McGovern	Mickie McGovern	Scotch Tape	12th WW 8th Pro/Am
	George Hall	Don Betts	Hauliten	DNF
	Lon Clearwaters	Jm Arquilla	Miami Spice	DNF
	Kathy Appleby	Dana Polhill	Rail Boss	DNF
	Dale Borney	Lennea Hearst	LaFara	DNF
	Jonathan Jordan	Diane Danitz	Tony	DNF
	John Barnes	Barbara Barnes	Traver	DNF

SHORT COARSE 15 MILES

1	John Cavanaugh	Elizabeth Cavanaugh	Sara	1st WW
2	Stoney Vale	Joellen Barnett	Kid	1st WW
3	Patricia Hawes	Ed Butrovich	Temara	2nd WW
4	Ed Strong	Kim Strong	Jody	3rd WW

CUYAMACA 95 THE BATTLE OF THE TITANS

By Lon Clearwaters

The line was drawn in the sand - long time ride & tie partners, Warren Hellman and John Osterweis, the financial barons from San Francisco and benefactors to the Sport of Ride & Tie, were splitting up and teaming with Tom Johnson and Mark Richtman, the pre-



RATs: Acronym for Ride and Tiers and now the mascot for the newly forming ride & tie practice groups and regional teams. 1996 will definitely be the year of the RAT. Besides creating a new way to compete on a "team" level, these RAT packs are helping to bring newcomers to the sport by way of accessing other veteran RATs from their area. Don't miss the January issue of Ride & Tie News for ideas on how to start a Rat pack and find out about upcoming regional team challenges fondly called RAT Races.

mier competitors in the sport of Ride & Tie.

Warren and Tom were using "Joe", the outstanding eight year old Arab gelding owned jointly by Warren and John. Mark and John used the up-and-coming "Cowboy", also an eight year old gelding owned by Lon Clearwaters.

The race started at approximately 8:08 a.m. in the morning with twenty nine teams. Mark and Tom rode first, both utilizing a hand tie about half mile up the

trail. By the time the two teams completed their first full exchanges, they had already jumped into the lead and at five miles they had separated themselves from the Root-Rousch and Andreotti-Becker teams in third and fourth place.

At the first vet check (fifteen miles) Tom and Mark rode in together with their runners close behind. Although John and "Cowboy" left first, Warren and "Joe" caught them about a mile out of the vet check and they rode another one and a half miles to catch their runners.

RESPIRATION CUT IN HALF

To encourage a horse to breathe more deeply and slowly, hold one nostril closed. The vet cannot watch your hand and the flank at the same time. This is very effective in panting horses. It requires them to take longer, deeper breathes to exchange the same amount of air. The horse has only two ways to cool himself, by radiating heat from his body, and by moving large quantities of air through his lungs. Not only does he gain oxygen from each breath, but he loses inside heat from the inside tissue.

Excerpt from Lou Hollander's new book

Endurance Riding from Beginning to Winning

Available from Green Mansion, Inc. P.O. Box 100, Redmond, Or 97756

\$13.95, plus \$1.50 shipping, Visa ok.

THE PENDULUM

Accelerate on the downside of a dip in order to let the inertia of the stored energy in the muscle system propel you up the other side. Most horses and every small child already know this.

THE SHORT COURSE

Don't cut corners, but don't ride wide turns, either. Ride the shortest possible legal distance while following the trail markers. On a 50-mile trail with 1/5th of the trail, 10 miles, composed of turns 100 feet in radius, if your competitor always took the outside track on the turn six feet away while you kept to the inside, he would cover an extra one half mile in the 50 mile race.

As on loop #1, the teams were within eyesight of one another on the entire loop into vet check #2. Tom and Warren made their last exchange within sight of the vet check and as Tom rode towards the bridge, Mark came into view on his horse closely followed by John on the ground.

Within seconds of reaching the vet check, Tom was off down the trail with Mark twenty to thirty seconds behind. "Cowboy" recovered first and John cantered out of the vet check. Warren was delayed by four minutes waiting for "Joe's" respiration to meet criteria and then off he cantered in hot pursuit.

The two teams had now opened up a commanding lead on the rest of the field and Jon Root, in third place, was the only runner out of vet check #2 to see the two horses go by. He says they were flying. John caught Mark about three miles from the vet check, which was a notable accomplishment, considering the pace that Tom and Mark were running. Warren, not to be outdone, cantered along the road and caught Tom three and a half miles from the vet check. After Warren and Tom exchanged, Tom rode a short distance and as he dismounted and tied, John was untying and mounting "Cowboy" - the race was still on.

John caught Mark at the left turn that heads up Soapstone Grade and from there Mark and John kept their ties short and did not see Tom or Warren again. Mark ran most of the last stretch on Soapstone as the torrid pace was finally slowing "Cowboy's" trot. John gave Mark the horse about fifty yards from the top and Mark then immediately tied at the top of Soapstone next to the water.

Tom, on foot, and Warren on "Joe" reached the top of Soapstone virtually together two minutes behind Mark on foot and one minute behind John on the horse with just two miles to go.

Mark and John maintained their pace and as Tom and Warren descended past the starting line, Mark and John could be seen across the road disappearing into the trees heading towards the finish line. The slim margin of victory was one and a half minutes. Jon Root and Michelle Rousch in third place were thirteen minutes behind the winners.

Twenty four out of twenty nine starting teams finished the long course while five teams completed the short course. All in all a very successful event, a great day and a very satisfying win for John and Mark.

EDITORIAL HIGHLIGHTS

As the new editor of The Ride & Tie News I am making a real effort to make these newsletters informative as well as entertaining. I want the articles to be as timely and applicable as possible. Following is a list of topics we plan to include in upcoming issues. I would really appreciate your input and involvement to make this publication more effective. Articles, short stories, observations, ideas, pictures, quotes, you name it, if it is something you want to share...please send it to me. I am giving a lot of my time for you and I want a little of yours in return. Together we can do great things. Thanks, Laura C.



JANUARY

WINTER HORSE CARE Cold weather conditioning.

SOMETHING DIFFERENT Cross-training for fun and fitness. Ideas, upcoming events to try.

PLAN-PREPARE-PERFORM New Years resolutions and goal setting.

PRACTICE MAKES PERFECT Practice groups. They're popping up everywhere. How to start one, how to find one.

CONVENTION TIME! Who, what, when, and where.

MARCH

The Ride & Tie Journal

NATIONAL AWARD WINNERS

CROSSING OVER The accomplishments of Ride & Tie's in endurance riding. Featuring Marcia Smith (North American champion and Tevis Cup winner), Chris Knoch (two time Tevis Cup winner), and others.

FROM ENDURANCE TO RIDE & TIE Written by a prominent endurance rider, dispelling the myths that endurance riders have about Ride & Tie.

STARTING OUT Pro/Am Events & Mentor programs for new competitors.

1996 RACE SCHEDULE

MAY

World Championship Race Premier

TWO PEOPLE, A HORSE AND... A CREW!!!

Do's & don'ts, procedure tips and check lists from the experts (crews.)

PRO/AM EVENTS

Preparing (for) the unknown - your partner.

PEAKING FOR A RACE

The signs of not enough training and too much training.

NATIONAL POINT STANDINGS

JULY

GET READY FOR "THE WORLD"

Preparation for the World Championships.

PROFILES

Interviews and statistics of a few of the top ranked teams.

2-4-6-8 WHO DO WE APPRECIATE?

World Championship sponsor recognition

UPDATED 1996 RACE SCHEDULE

SEPTEMBER

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP HIGHLIGHTS BEYOND RIDE & TIE

Accomplishments of our competitors in other events.

THE LEARNING CURVE

Some of life's greatest lessons are learned the "hard way." Recent amateurs turned "Pro" share their experiences.

NATIONAL POINT STANDINGS

NOVEMBER

SANTAS HELPER

Just in time for Christmas shopping. Santas Helper is a gift catalogue packed with stuff for both horses, runners and crew.

THE MIRACLE OF REST

As important for the mind as for the body, for people as well as horses.

REFLECTIONS OF 1996

So what really went on out there? The stories behind the stories.

1994 Annual Report

of the Ride and Tie Association

Introduction This first annual report of The Ride and Tie Association attempts to do two things. First, it is yet another way The Association's Board of Directors is increasing communications with our members. Second, it's required by The Association's by-laws! While 1994 seems like a distant memory, it is important to understand what we accomplished and what we learned. In the future, we will try to move the Annual Report closer to our Annual Membership Meeting which takes place at the World Championship each year. I look forward to hearing your comments about the 1994 Annual Report, the 1995 season and how we are doing as your Board of Directors! *Curt Riffle, president*

Purpose Per our by-laws, the purpose of The Ride and Tie Association (Association) "is to encourage the development of [the sport of ride & tie], to research and refine human and equine physiology in [the sport] and to disseminate information about the [sport and this research] to the participants of the sport and to the general public."

Events During the 1994 season, 16 Association sanctioned events in the United States with 546 human and 273 horse participants. 55 people attended the annual awards banquet held on January 21 in conjunction with the AERC convention in Reno, NV. The World Championship event was held in Taylorsville, CA on July 16 with 74 teams entering and 65 teams completing the race. A tape of the event was shown on ABC-TV in November to a national audience. Two pro-am events had a total of 15 pro-am teams finishing.

Membership The Association finished the year with 212 members. A 10 person volunteer mentor program was established to encourage new people to try the sport of ride & tie.

Board of Directors The Board consisted of the following officers and directors with last year of term:

Wayne and Robin Hinrichs, Executive Directors	Jim Steere DVM (1995)
Curt Riffle, President (1997)	Mary Tiscornia (1995)
Chris & Cheryl Knoch, Vice President (1996)	Pat & Nita Browning (1995)
Ellen McCrary, Secretary (1996)	Jon Osterweise (1997)
Lon Clearwaters & Leah Mirsch, Treasurer (1997)	Steve Shaw (1996)

A summary of the Board's actions included the following:

- The Association's by-laws were approved
- Sun Valley was selected as the 1995 Championship site
- Officers and terms of the Directors was established (3 new Board members elected per year)
- Membership requirements at sanctioned events were established
- A bookkeeping service was contracted to track income/expenses and publish financial reports
- Dr. Steere published a position paper on equine care during sanctioned events

DETAILED EXPENSES	ADMINISTRATIVE	WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP
	Printing	Awards
	Computer Equipment	Catering
	Postage	Miscellaneous
	Supplies	Office
	Telephone	Personnel
	Miscellaneous	Printing
	TOTAL	Publicity
		Site
		Drug Fees
		Petty Cash
		TOTAL

INCOME STATEMENT

INCOME	AMOUNT	%TOTAL
Donations	\$25,483	43%
Entry Fees	\$15,571	27%
Membership Dues	\$8,089	14%
Merchandise Sales	\$6,840	12%
Annual Awards Banquet	\$987	2%
Insurance	\$729	1%
Championship Banquet	\$495	<1%
Advertising	\$270	<1%
Sanctioning Fees	\$130	<1%
Interest	\$92	<1%
TOTAL INCOME	\$58,686	100%
EXPENSES		
1994 World Championship*		
Insurance	\$1,397	3%
Awards (Pro/Am, Annual)	\$1,346	2%
Annual Awards Banquet	\$1,228	2%
Advertising/Publicity	\$1,165	2%
AERC Convention Booth	\$773	1%
Administrative*	\$8,471	14%
1995 World Championship		
	\$18,750	32%
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$59,415	100%
NET INCOME(LOSS)	(\$729)	

BALANCE SHEET

(December 31, 1994)

CURRENT ASSETS	
Petty cash fund	\$300
Cash in bank	\$31,359
Deposits	\$200
TOTAL	
CURRENT ASSETS	\$31,859
FIXED ASSETS	
Office equipment	\$4,555
less accumulated depreciation	(\$4,142)
Computer equipment	\$7,884
less accumulated depreciation	(\$6,919)
TOTAL	
FIXED ASSETS	\$1,378
TOTAL ASSETS	\$33,237
CURRENT LIABILITIES	
Accounts payable	\$18,750
Race fund payable	\$14,487
TOTAL	
CURRENT LIABILITIES	\$33,237
CAPITAL	\$0
TOTAL	
LIABILITIES/CAPITAL	\$33,237

Santa's Helper

**Gift Ideas & where
to get them**

These businesses are just a handful that have supported Ride & Tie events this year by donations items for completion & division awards. Lets return their generosity by shopping them first whenever possible.



PATAGONIA
P.O.Box 8900
1609 W. Babcock
Bozeman, MT 59715
(406)587-7771

COOL-OFF
324 Old Adobe Rd.
Watsonville, CA 95076
(408) 761-3363

GU
SPORT STREET MARKETING
1221 8th St.
Berkley, CA 94710
(510) 527-4664

Jim O'Briens'
TRAILGATORS
303 Mayflower Ave.
Monrovia, CA 91016
(818) 303-6080

JAN'S SADDLE COVERS
Box #8
North San Juan, CA 95960
(916) 292-3339



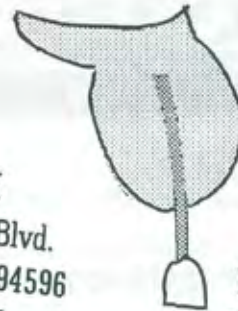
Legs a little raw?
Look like someone
needs a saddle cover.

Easy Care, Inc. makers of
EASY BOOT
EASYRATE

Cordless heart rate monitors
EZ Ride Stirrups
previously made by Bob Walz
1600 E. Hanley Blvd. Ste. 136
Oro Valley, AZ 85737
(800) 447-8836

SKYHORSE
SADDLE CO.
101 Skyhorse Ln.
Trinidad, CA 95570
(707)677-3222

STONEBROKE INTERNATIONAL
Rt. 6, Box 678 Stidham Rd.
Conroe, TX 77302-9405
(800) 826-9456



REDFIELD HALTERS
17890 Via Serena
Sonora, CA 95370
(209) 532-1320

PROFESSIONAL CHOICE
2709 Via Orange Wy Suite B
Spring Valley, CA 91978
(800)331-9421

ORTHO-FLEX
Rt 2 Box 132TBM
Nevada, MO 64772
(417) 667-7834

NATURAL-GLO
Available at most feed stores.

CASHEL COMPANY
SADDLE COVERS
446 Gore Rd.
Onalaska, WA 98570
(360) 978-4330

ADVANCED BIOLOGICAL
CONCEPTS
Equine Nutrition Supplements
P.O.Box 27
Osco, IL 61274
(800) 779-3959



GRIFFINS
P.O.Box 248
Darby, MT 59829
(406) 761-3363





WE'RE SAVING YOU A PLACE

O.K.
Your life is too busy to squeeze in Ride & Tie.
For now.

But you don't have to miss out completely. Keep up on the latest with a "non-competitive" membership. Not only will you receive the Ride & Tie Newsletter every other month and the annual Ride & Tie Journal, you will be helping to ensure the continuance of our wild & crazy sport.

For later.

Don't wait. Do it now.

IT'S TIME TO RE-MEMBER

It's that time again. Membership renewal time. It ain't fun but it's gotta be done. Please don't make me ask twice and please don't make me beg, cuz you know I will. Excuses aren't going to cut this time. There is a membership type for everyone, active or not.

THE RIDE & TIE ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP FORM

Name(s) Don Betts _____

 Address 58 Echo Valley Road _____
Prunedale, CA 93907 _____

 Phone _____

- I am a Rider
- I am a Runner
- I need a teammate and a horse
- I have a horse, but need a teammate
- I have a horse to loan or lease

All categories of membership will receive The Journal of the Ride & Tie Association, information and applications for the annual World Championship Ride & Tie, advocacy for growth and competition in all aspects of the sport, inclusion and eligibility for the national point system and assurance of the continuance of the sport of Ride & Tie.

As a 501(c)(3) non profit organization, these membership contributions are tax deductible.

TYPE OF MEMBERSHIP

(check your choice of membership)

- Lifetime member** (\$500)
Receive lifetime memberships for themselves and family as well as anual recognition for their contribution.
- Competitor Member** (\$50)
Provides access to the membership database which can link up teammates with horse, riders and runners.
- Competitor Family Membership** (\$75)
- New Member-1st Year** (\$20)
Offered at a reduced rate for those checking the sport out.
- Non-competitive Membership** (\$20)
Recieves newsletters to keep you current on the latest.
- Supporter** (\$100-\$400)
Recieves a one year mebership and special recognition for their donation to further the sport of ride & tie.
- Friend of the Ride & Tie** (\$20)
Not an actual competitor but would like to show their support for ride & tie.

ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED

Don Betts
58 Echo Valley Road
Prunedale, CA 93907

BULK RATE
POSTAGE PAID
PERMIT # 32
AUBURN, CA

1865 Indian Valley Road
Novato, CA 94947
(415) 897-1829

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I'm reading the
Ride & Tie News.
What are you
reading?

Annual Awards Banquet & Dance

Once again the Ride & Tie Association Annual Awards Banquet and Dance will be held in conjunction with the AERC(American Endurance Riding Conference) Convention at the Reno Convention Center. March 1 & 2, 1996. There will be seminars, educational guest speakers, live demonstrations, a trade show, cocktail parties, banquet, dance and presentations of annual national awards. This years host hotel is The Clarion Hotel:and is located directly across from the Convention Center. For reservations call:

Clarion Hotel
(800) 723-6800

Extra savings if booked by December 1, 1995

MORE DETAILS IN NEXT NEWSLETTER

RIDE & TIE SUPER SALE

Just in time for Christmas!

The newest Ride & Tie Video filmed in Sun Valley, Idaho \$13.00 Includes postage & handling

1995 World Championship Two people a horse and a tough race.

Long sleeve T-Shirts

\$10 includes shipping

Sweatshirts

\$15 includes shipping

Contact

Curt Riffle (415) 949-0620



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RESERVATIONS
NOW AND SAVE**