

MOTHER LODE TAILINGS

Mother Lode Arabian Horse Association
P O Box 7158 – Auburn, CA 95604-7158

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We finally got some of the bugs worked out on our upcoming Trail Trials. There were some issues that came up concerning the Olmstead Loop area in Cool. Since it is part of the Auburn State Recreation Area, there are new rules and fees that took effect last year which were waived for the 2009 Trail Trials. Two that were of concern were the per vehicle fee and the day use fee. After looking into several other locations and alternate dates, it was voted on by the board to keep the original date and location. We hope to defer some of the costs with sponsorships. SO, all you members out there, support your club and either be a sponsor or collect a sponsorship. **FLASH!!** Our event will be considered a “special event” so the park fee will only be \$5 per vehicle.

TRAIL TRIALS IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER **SEPTEMBER 26, 2010**

(Entry, Liability and Sponsorship Forms are located farther into the newsletter)

We're not going to have a lot of time to get it together! So, let's get organized and make the 2010 Trail Trials a success! Please volunteer, collect a sponsorship or be a sponsor yourself!

HELP WANTED ~ ~ ~ ~ ~

- We are looking for Judges (15 – 20) and other helpers (unlimited).
- **No experience necessary.**
- Each position comes with detailed instructions on how the obstacle works and suggestions for how to score the riders.
- Bring your llama, chicken, dog, folding chair, or bike & become an obstacle.
- You do not need to ride a horse to be a judge.
- Meet fellow horse owners and club members.
- Help support your club.
- If you want to donate an award, let us know.
- Let's make this event a success and keep it running!

Please contact Margo for more info. at (530) 888-9141 or email MLAHA at:
mlaha@vfr.net

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Please note the new email address for board member and youth leader, Mike Moore!



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Calendar of Events

- AUG. 17 **Mother Lode Board & General Meeting – 6pm**
Carrow’s Restaurant – Roseville
100 N. Sunrise Blvd (near corner of Douglas Blvd)
- 18 WSS Evening English/Western Schooling Show – Woodland
- SEPT. 3-5 34th Annual Mother Lode Morgan Horse Show – Rancho Murieta
- 19 Loomis Basin Equestrian Center Trail Clinic – 916-652-6842
- 21 **Mother Lode Board & General Meeting – 6pm**
Carrow’s Restaurant – Roseville
100 N. Sunrise Blvd (near corner of Douglas Blvd)
- 26 **18th Annual Trail Trials** – Olmstead Loop, Cool
- OCT. 1-3 Diablo AHA Fall Fling Arabian Horse Show – Elk Grove
- 9-10 Loomis Basin Horsemen’s Assoc. Open Eng/West Show - Loomis



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½ Page	\$23	\$57	\$103.50
Full Page	\$40.25	\$97.75	\$172.50

Classified Ads – 30 words/\$5.00 (add. words .25 each)

Mother Lode Arabian Horse Association

Presents the 18th Annual

Trail Trials

Sunday, September 26, 2010

Olmstead Loop in Cool, CA

Behind the Fire Station

Check in at 9am, Ride at 10am

Open - 15 obstacles \$40 entry

Open Juniors - \$20 entry

Novice – 10 obstacles \$40 entry

Novice Juniors - \$20 entry

(entry includes \$5. drug fee)

*Add \$10 late fee if postmarked
after 9/18/10*

*(Entries accepted on the day of the
event)*

For more info contact:

Margo Seabourn 530-888-9141

Checks to MLAHA
P.O. Box 7158
Auburn, CA 95604
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Novice and Open Divisions!

*Open to all breeds of horses, ponies
and mules!*

Lots of horse and rider awards –

Prizes to 8th in all divisions

**Karen Lowry Memorial Trophy to
the highest scoring Registered
Arabian or Half Arabian!**

Plus other High Point Awards!

*Ride to compete, to gain experience,
or just to have fun!!*

**Bring your lunch and eat with
friends!**

New Park Fees:

\$5 per vehicle

This fee is in ADDITION to the entry fees & will be collected by park personnel.

MLAHA Board Meeting Minutes – May 2010

Attendees: Cheryl Black, Marilyn Hunter, Margo Seabourn, Missi Throne, Mike Moore, & Mary Jones.
Absent: Charleene Naughton. Guest: Linda Walsh.

Cheryl Black conducted meeting in President Charleene Naughton's absence and called the meeting to order at 6:23pm. Minutes from the previous meeting were presented. Board accepted the minutes with the following addition. Dorothee Moss brought up the proposal of having a cutoff date and time for the horse show in the future and this was discussed. Mary and Marilyn seconded the approval of the minutes.

Marilyn reported that she contacted Sharon, club Treasurer, regarding the monthly financial report. She would email it to Marilyn to bring to the meeting. Marilyn forgot the report at home. A brief financial update was given regarding the Fuzzy and bills are still coming in. Cheryl reported an approximate net of \$1,500 - \$2,000. Pam Bingham donated her bill for transportation. Special thanks ensued to Joe and Ron for stepping up at the last minute to handle the food booth.

Membership presented by Missi Throne – 76 members, including life with 7 youth. Two new members – Max Gerdes of Browns Valley and Diane Yancey of Cameron Park. Missi is going to do an ad in Craigslist to help generate new members. Missi designed a questionnaire for the upcoming newsletter to help gather information regarding members' interest. Also, Missi reported that the Tammen poster raffle didn't earn much money and that she is offering tickets purchased thru the newsletter offering up until September 1st, 2010. Missi and Mike were the lucky drawing winners at the show and graciously donated it back to the club for resale. Newsletter is still pending and will try to get it out by first of the month. The free subscription offer has not returned any responses as yet.

Hi-Point Report – Margo reported that we have 3 Hi-Point participants: Jean Zabriskie, Mary Jones and Margo Seabourn.

Brief Report of the Fuzzy Show was presented by Cheryl Black. She will resend results to Board of Directors regarding high point, sponsors and volunteers as members did not receive reports emailed on May 13th.

Linda Walsh from Silver Spurs, a guest, came to present a proposal for a Trail Trials at Auburn Lake Trails in October, 2010. General consensus was favorable for going forward. Margo will check with status of state application by Charleene.

Miss presented a letter of resignation from Dorothee Moss from the board of directors, citing personal reasons for her resignation. Dorothee says she will continue to work on the website as a volunteer. She sent a note to use the MLAHAClub.com as our domain. Motion by Missi, seconded by Mike to accept MLAHAClub.com. Motion carried. Discussion followed regarding filling the vacancy of vice president and procedures outlined according to the Bylaws.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00pm.



Letter from the Editor

Well, here we are in August already. Mother Lode is getting into the “busy” months – Trail Trials next month, nominations and elections coming soon, sending our delegates to convention and at the end of the year, our Christmas party.

Preparations for Trail Trials is in full swing. We will need volunteers to judge the obstacles. This is actually lots of fun. I judged two years in a row and it isn't hard at all. Last year Margo did a GREAT job with her judge's training clinic at Auburn Lake Trails. Types of obstacles were discussed also the 0 thru 10 judging system and what to look for in correctly judging an obstacle were thoroughly explained. Everyone left confident they would do a great job judging their obstacle. If you would like to volunteer as a judge (or in some other capacity) let Margo know. Also if you would like to help out with awards and prizes, contact Charleene Naughton.

Elections – that dreaded word! It's getting close and everyone needs to start thinking about nominations. Written nominations, accompanied by a resume', must be mailed in before the October meeting. I know, I know, that's still months away, BUT you need to start thinking about it now. The officers and board members are the voice of the club – we are there to serve you. We need input from the members and what better way than to run for a position as an officer, board member or delegate.

Now a word about member participation. As you know, we have a new feature in Tailings called, Bits and Pieces. Here is a place where you can brag all you want and get away with it. We have already had braggers Shirley Koch and Margo Seabourn featured and I managed to dig something up on Dean Lacey and Katrina Moss. How about the rest of you members? Show info, trail experiences, fun trips, anything that seems of interest. Let's hear from you.

I am repeating my request about the member questionnaire, because some of you ignored my last request. If you haven't printed out, filled in and mailed back your questionnaire featured in the May/June issue of Tailings, I am reminding you AGAIN. This is important, folks. How else are we going to know what you would like to see going on with Mother Lode?

Well, enough said. Until next issue –

Missi Throne – editor
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Bits and Pieces

I had the opportunity to attend with fellow MLAHA member, Carolyn Hammerstad, a free BBQ dinner and client education seminar hosted by Loomis Basin Equine Medical Center, held at The Blue Goose in downtown Loomis. The food was absolutely great and the seminar was very informative. The seminar was presented as two separate topics, the first being, *A New Approach To Strategic Deworming* and the second, *Equine Dentistry: Beyond The Basic Float*. Both were presented with a slide show and a question/answer portion after.

Margo mentioned participating in a Fourth of July parade with her horse decked out in red, white and blue ribbons and flags. She promised to write a story about it and I have a photo of them, so, maybe we will see that in the next issue.



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Mother Lode Arabian Horse Association
18th Annual TRAIL TRIALS – September 26th, 2010
Olmstead (Knickerbocker) Loop Cool, CA (behind Fire Station)
Sign-in 9AM Ride time 10AM

ENTRY FORM

Please Print

Rider Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____ e-mail _____

Horse Name _____ sex _____

Age of Horse/Date of Birth _____

Breed _____ Proof of Registration (Arabian Only) _____

Open (15 obstacles) fee \$40. _____

Open Junior (15 obstacles) fee \$20. _____

Novice (10 obstacles) fee \$40. _____

Novice Junior (10 obstacles) fee \$20. _____

(Entry includes \$5. drug testing fee)

Add \$10 late fee for entries postmarked after Sept 18th _____

Total fees \$ _____

Open to all breeds of horses, ponies and mules with lots of horse and rider-oriented awards.

If you are riding a registered Arabian or Half-Arabian, please include a copy of the registration papers in order to be eligible for the Karen Lowry Memorial Trophy.

PLEASE READ AND SIGN ONE “VOLUNTARY RELEASE OF LIABILITY, ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND INDEMNITY” FORM FOR EACH RIDER YOU ARE SIGNING UP and return it/them with your completed entry form.

Please send completed forms and check payable to MLAHA and entry postmarked by 9/18/10 to:

MLAHA TRAIL TRIALS
PO Box 7158
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COME JOIN THE FUN!!!

For additional info. or entry forms contact

Margo Seabourn – (530) 888-9141 or e-mail MLAHA at mlaha@vfr.net

VOLUNTARY RELEASE OF LIABILITY,

ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND INDEMNITY

I, as a participant in the Mother Lode Arabian Horse Association Trail Trials, acknowledge that horseback riding is a dangerous sport which carries inherent risks of injury, death and damage to myself, my horse, other people and their horses and property. I also acknowledge that horses themselves have unpredictable temperaments that can sometimes cause injury and damage. I acknowledge that even the most experienced horse activity sponsor cannot guarantee my safety as a participant. THEREFORE, BY SIGNING BELOW, I KNOWINGLY ASSUME THE UNAVOIDABLE RISKS INHERENT IN ALL HORSE-RELATED ACTIVITIES, WHETHER KNOWN OR UNKNOWN, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO BODILY INJURY AND PHYSICAL HARM TO HORSE, RIDER AND SPECTATOR, AND AGREE TO THE FOLLOWING ON BEHALF OF MYSELF AND MY SPOUSE, IF ANY:

1. I HEREBY RELEASE AND DISCHARGE THE MOTHER LODGE ARABIAN HORSE ASSOCIATION (MLAHA), ITS AGENTS, EMPLOYEES, MEMBERS, VOLUNTEERS, SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, AND CALIFORNIA STATE PARKS, (HEREINAFTER COLLECTIVELY REFERRED TO AS "RELEASEES") FROM ALL ACTIONS CLAIMS OR DEMANDS I MAY NOW OR HEREAFTER HAVE FROM INJURY DEATH OR DAMAGE RESULTING FROM MY PARTICIPATION IN THIS ACTIVITY.
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3. In consideration of my participation in events organized or sponsored by MLAHA, I waive, release and discharge Releases' from any and all claim or liability for injury or damage to myself, my animals or my property arising out of my participation.
4. I also expressly waive any rights I may have under California Civil Code 1542, which states: "A general release does not extend to claims which the creditor does not know or suspect to exist in his favor at the time of executing the release, which if known by him must have materially affected his settlement with the debtor."
5. I agree that I will defend, indemnify and hold harmless Releases' against all claims, demands, and causes of action, including court costs and actual attorney's fees, arising from any proceeding or lawsuit brought against them due to any act done by me, or brought by me or for my benefit.
6. I understand that it is the sole responsibility of the participant to carry full and complete insurance coverage of his/her horse, personal property and him/herself. I acknowledge that I have been advised to wear protective headgear and hard soled boots with a heel.
7. I represent and acknowledge that I currently have no ailments, physical or mental conditions or previously known physical or mental conditions that would or could be adversely affected by my participation in this activity. I further represent that my horse is free from contagious or transmissible disease or infection.
8. This agreement is binding on my executors, heirs and assigns. It contains the entire agreement between the parties.
9. This agreement shall be constructed and enforced with, and governed by, the laws of the State of California.
10. **I HAVE READ THIS RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT CAREFULLY AND COMPLETELY, AND FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS CONTENTS. I AM AWARE THAT THIS IS A RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND A CONTRACT BETWEEN MYSELF AND RELEASEES, AND I SIGN IT OF MY OWN FREE WILL. I FURTHER AGREE THAT NO ORAL REPRESENTATION, STATEMENTS OR INDUCEMENTS APART FROM THE FOREGOING WRITTEN AGREEMENT HAVE BEEN MADE, AND THAT I RELY ON NONE. I UNDERSTAND THAT MY SIGNATURE BELOW AFFECTS MY LEGAL RIGHTS. I VOLUNTARILY SIGN MY NAME FOR MYSELF AND/OR FOR ANY MINOR FOR WHOM I AM LEGALLY RESPONSIBLE, EVIDENCING MY COMPLETE UNDERSTANDING AND ACCEPTANCE OF ALL OF THE ABOVE PROVISIONS.**

DATE

SIGNATURE OF PARTICIPANT OR GUARDIAN

TELEPHONE

PRINTED NAME OF PARTICIPANT OR GUARDIAN

**18th Annual TRAIL
TRIALS
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Mother Lode Arabian Horse Association
Sept. 26th, 2010



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