



Sooner ApHC Newsletter

Sooner Appaloosa
Horse Club

November-December 2002

West Nile Virus Update

Provided by Sharon Marshall, DVM

West Nile Virus is the most explosive health concern for horses in recent memory. This disease is here and now. It is not likely to go away. And it will continue to spread across the US.

So here are the facts:

- This is a viral disease. We can treat the symptoms, but not the disease itself (just like the common cold or the flu).
- It is spread by mosquitoes.
- Primarily, birds, horses and people are affected. In very rare instances are other animals clinically affected.
- A vaccine is available

from Fort Dodge Pharmaceuticals. This product is on a conditional licensure by the FDA pending efficacy trials. It has been proven to be safe to administer to horses.

West Nile Virus causes encephalitis (brain inflammation) in horses. These horses show widely varying signs of neurologic disease – twitching, trembling, muscle shaking, weakness in the hind limbs, circling, head pressing, sensitivity to light, sound and touch and changes in attitude/behaviour. Some horses only present with one of the above signs, others show a whole myriad of signs. The general rule of thumb is that if the horse is unable to get up (particularly if they are unable to raise their head), the chance of survival is slim.

Treatment is aimed at controlling the amount of swelling in the brain. Generally, IV fluids

and a variety of anti-inflammatory drugs are used. There are many different treatments being tried with varying results. In the previous 2 years, death occurred in approximately 40% of all affected horses. We are seeing the death rate dropping to approximately 25-30% due to more astute owners and more aggressive treatment. Treatment can be as little as 2-3 days and as long as 10-12 days depending on the particular horse. Complete recovery is generally expected, but may take quite a long time if there is significant neurologic problems.

The general rule of thumb in regards to vaccinating is two doses 21-45 days apart (per label on the Fort Dodge vaccine). Talk to the attending veterinarian about their recommendations. For foals, it depends on whether the mare was vaccinated and boosted prior to colostrum formation.

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Special points of interest:

- Sooner Web Site Adds "Sooner Shop" pages
- Christmas Party

2003 Officer and Board Member Elections

Officer and Board Member elections were held at the annual meeting November 10th, and the following individuals were elected:

Officers

Carol Johnson, President
Walter Walker, Vice President
Cathy Hazelwood, Secretary
Ric Banks, Treasurer

Board Members

Billy Walker
Wendy Banks
Sherri Basehoar
Angie Evans
Tiffany George



Trail Ride Photos



Donna Chronister and Angie Evans preparing the chili and potatoes



Now this is the way to do a trail ride! Snip and Shadow at trail ride.



More lunch preparation – Shane Smith, Paul Johnson, David Basehoar, Donna Chronister



Around the "campfire" – Donna Chronister, Samantha Evans, and Glenna Scott

Member News

Pam Armstrong was on her way to the annual meeting when her fuel pump out just as she reached Tulsa. Instead of having fun with us, she spent the time waiting on a tow truck. We missed her and hope she has better luck with the Christmas party.

Ashlie Dziewa, daughter of Leslie Chapman, is the vice-president of her Mayes County 4H group this year.

Randy Hazelwood finished 1st place in his age group, 13-17, in the Bixby Round-up Club playday series and will receive a trophy buckle in early December. He rode Chocolate Chip Cookie and Two Bars, both Appaloosas. Way to go, Randy!

Cathey Hazelwood also rode in the Bixby Round-up Club playday series, moving from 3rd last year to 2nd place this year in her age group. This was her 2nd year to ride Daddy's Chief Domino, her husband's Paint horse. "I know he doesn't have the "right" (Appy) spots, but he has stolen my heart and I melt when he looks at me with his beautiful blue eyes."

Cathey Hazelwood and Chief (Daddy's Chief Domino) competed in A&M Equine Promotions' (Mingo Stables) Open Horse Show series this summer at Bixby. This team was awarded the overall High Point award for Speed Events for the horse show series, which included flags, barrels and poles.

Spotty (AKA Tiny's Shinin Star) Owner Emily Coleman of Pryor, OK, wins the Local Super Senior Horse Award, 1/2 Ton of Equine Senior. Now he goes on to the National Competition in which he could win a ton of Equine Senior, \$2000.00 in Gift Certificates and his picture featured in a National Ad Campaign. CONGRATULATIONS Spotty and Emily!

Emily Coleman and her Appaloosa Tiny's Shinin Star AKA Spotty were the big Junior winners at the Tulsa State Fair in the 4H/FFA show on October 6th. Emily received a second in HUS and 3 belt buckles for first place in Hunt Seat Equitation, Western Pleasure and Western Horsemanship. This team is also still 4th in the Nation in ACAAP in Dressage points for the Nation.

President's Corner

It's hard to believe we're nearing the end of 2002. The year has gone quickly. Thanks to all of you, it's been a busy and exciting year. My thanks to the 2002 officers and directors for their efforts for and commitment to the Club. I hope next year will see more development in the Club. Please lend

a hand to the newly elected 2003 officers and directors.

mas party in this newsletter. Plan to join us to celebrate the season.

This year, we've worked hard and seen the Club make progress on several fronts. As the year ends, we decided it was time for a PARTY. Check out the details on our Christ

Carol

Trail Ride

No rain for months and then we have our trail ride. If we'd known it would get us this much rain, we would have scheduled additional trail rides sooner! It got colder and wetter as the day wore on, but the hardy (or crazy) Sooner folks weren't going to let that keep them from getting together and at least having lunch. Angie and Shane's chili was a BIG hit. Chicken, potatoes, beans were devoured. Paul's brownies were polished off.

schedule another trail ride in the Spring, since weather and hunting will make it challenge for a couple of months. Will let folks know if we get a New Year's day ride together.

Jim and Carol worked on the list of ApHC members in the Green Country area in preparation for a mailing about the annual meeting. We'll



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If the mare was not vaccinated, the foal should be vaccinated at 3 months of age and boosted. If the mare was vaccinated, the foal should be vaccinated at 5-6 months of age and boosted. We have seen this disease in vaccinated horses. At this point, we do not have enough information to say whether the vaccinated-infected horses have any different prognosis.

Presently, mosquito control is taking the lead in preventing infection. Now, more than ever, dumping water tanks, emptying old tires and maintaining good pasture drainage is at the top of the honey-do list. In addition, use of a long-lasting mosquito/fly repellent is essential. Certainly an indoor fly spray misting system is advantageous. Keeping horses in barns at the height of mosquito activity (dusk) can also help.

The take home message: Be aware of your horse. Most vets would prefer to look at a perfectly normal horse than the "well he looked a mite off the past few days and now he can't get up" situation. This is a very scary disease that few people have experienced. It can be treated, but for best results, start treatment early. And above all else, talk to your vet about your concerns

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Upcoming Local Events

December 14 Mounds Xmas Parade 10:00 am. For more info, contact Cathey Hazelwood, 291-5910.

December 14-15 Natural Horsemanship Clinic with Gena Warrington, the only Parelli endorsed instructor in Arkansas and Oklahoma. Chase Meadow Farm in Bartlesville, OK. For more information, contact

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Therese Schwartz, 405-624-3283,
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Gena Warrington, 479-243-0062 or 479-394-

6044 (mobile),
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Note: I have a few flyers for this clinic. Carol

December 21st: Sooner ApHC Christmas Party at 2:00 p.m. Location: Microtel on 21st by the Tulsa Expo.

Contact Cathey Hazelwood, 918-291-5910,

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Sooner ApHC Youth Club in History

As our youth club prepares to move forward into the new year, I thought it would be interesting to take a look in the past.

In 1968, the Sooner Appaloosa Queen, Marlene Baker, was named Miss Appaloosa.

In 1972, the Youth Club was formed. The first President was Kathy Henderson, later Richardson and now Miller.

In 1975, the President was Rhonda Kite. She is now Rhonda Fields, mother of OSU's Quarterback Josh Fields. Some of our current members

"grew up" in the youth club, among them Tiffany George.

It's amazing to realize the Youth Club has been around for thirty years. Do you remember other things about the Sooner ApHC Youth Club over the years? If so, please share this information with us.

Membership

Membership in the Sooner Appaloosa Horse Club is for the calendar year. As we near the end of 2002, we approach membership renewal time. Notice that with the election of Cathey as secretary, the address for returning memberships forms has changed. There is a revised membership form attached to this newsletter. Make copies and share! Invite a friend to join.

Interesting Web Sites

www.geocities.com/SoonerApp

The Sooner ApHC web site. *Check out our new "Sooner Shop". We are now an Amazon Associate. Items bought from Amazon.com via these pages will result in some additional income the Club.*

www.appaloosa.com

Appaloosa Horse Club web site

oklahomahorseindustry-council.com

Oklahoma Horse Industry Council site

www.ansi.okstate.edu/extend/horses

OSU's horse web site

<http://www.horseandmuletrails.com/Ok.htm>

Oklahoma Trails, Campgrounds, Trail Rides



• Sooner Board Meeting Synopsis

- * Sooner Appaloosa Youth Club
- * Awards
- * Cash Disbursements

Board Meeting Minutes

Location: Goldies at 21st & Garnett
 Time: 5:00 p.m.
 Present: Sherri Basehoar, Billy Walker, Tiffany George, Angie Evans, Rodger Scott, Walter Walker, Carol Johnson

Purpose of meeting was to address issues relating to the Sooner Appaloosa Youth Club and disbursement of funds.

- Sooner Appaloosa Youth Club
 - * 2002 Youth Directors are Leslie Chapman and Cathey Hazelwood.
 - * Youth Club – SApHC Board of Directors always governs youth club
 - * Carol has requested that Jim Chronister do history report on Youth Club.
 - * Every new person on Board of Directors is to get direction on how youth club works in parent club.
- Awards
 - * Newsletter come after November's meeting so we need to call and get things arranged for youth awards.
 - * Awards are for the 2002 year, to be given at the annual meeting in November.
 - * Adam Chronister Award to be given at the March 1st show.
 - * Awards for 2003 will be derived from points accrued from October 1, 2002 through September 30, 2003, to allow time for awards to be determined and presented at the annual meeting.
 - * Going forward, points for awards will be accrued from October 1 of the preceding year through September 30 of the award year.
 - * Angie and Carol working on awards for 2002 – November 10th meeting. For 2002, since no point system was in place for awards, youth received awards based on either competition or service to the Club.

- Emily Randy
- Cody Ashley
- Tanner Samantha
- Anastacia

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- * For 2003, youth director and board will need to establish award criteria and point system
 - Competition recognition based on points earned at SApHC shows
 - Service recognition with points allotted for helping with Club activities
 - Involve youth in determining what awards should be
 - In addition to high point awards, maybe an auction where points earned could be bid on auction items
- Cash disbursements
 - * Require 2 People sign checks for Club to keep any problems from arising, but have 3 signatures in case of emergency.
 1. Treasurer
 2. President
 3. Board Member
 - * Motion made by Tiffany George and Second by Billy Walker, motion carried unanimously.
 - * Money spent is back in our checking account. \$ 431.00 for youth group, leaving club with \$153.
 - * Audit books for 2002 in preparation for new treasurer will be performed by designated board members
 - * Certificates of appreciation were discussed for membership participation.

Motion was made to adjourn by Walter Walker, seconded by Tiffany George. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by Sherri Basehoar for Pam Armstrong

Club Sponsors

Please support our Club sponsors whenever you get a chance. We really appreciate their support and want to let them know it.



Annual Meeting Minutes

Location: Goldies at 21st & Garnett
 Time: 4:00 p.m.
 Present: Carol & Paul Johnson, Cathey & Randy Hazelwood, Billy M. Walker, Ashley Dewhirst, Wendy & Rick Banks, Cora Crabtree, C. J. Lee, Tiffany George, Sherri Basehoar, Jim & Donna Chronister, Rodger Scott, Sherri & Anastacia Basehoar, Walter Walker, Shane Smith, Angie & Samantha Evans, Leslie & David Chapman, David Marshall and Ashlie and Nicholas Dziejawa

The meeting was called to order at 4:15 p.m.

October 13, 2002 Board Meeting Overview

Minutes from the October 13, 2002 Board Meeting were distributed and discussed. Youth awards were discussed and signature authority on future expenditures by the club. In the future, there will be 2 signatures required on a check and we will have 3 people with signature authority on the checking account. Carol suggested that the financial books be audited each time we change to a different Treasurer. Carol has reviewed the books and everything appears to be in order.

Youth & Adult Awards/ Recognition

A plaque and \$25 gift certificate to the Horse of Course will be given to Emily Coleman for her accomplishments in the ACAAP Program.

Carol distributed certificates to those youth who either showed or helped with club activities in 2002. Carol also purchased a club embosser for which she would like reimbursement if the club will approve it. Carol also made personalized book-marks as well as Christmas ornaments for each youth member. Adult certificates were also distributed and Carol thanked everyone for their hard work to make the club successful. The club also recognized Carol and Paul for their dedication to the club.

Financial Report

We have \$470.42 in the bank and part of this is

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youth money. The expenses related to the youth awards mentioned above have not yet been expensed. Carol has checked with the bank and we can establish a separate bank account for the youth funds with no additional cost to the club.

Horse Shows

Carol has paid \$50 to the parent club in order to get approval for our show in March. We have committed to 2 shows and 4 judges this year. Our goal is raise money and discussion took place with some ideas on how to do this. It was suggested that we have a \$25 class sponsorship fee and create a poster with the sponsors' names on it for display at the horse shows.

Action: Ric Banks suggested that we honor those sponsors who had banners purchased last year. Sherri Basehoar made the motion and Ric Banks seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Discussion occurred about co-sponsoring at the Fair next year in Tulsa with the Oklahoma City area Appaloosa Horse Club. Apparently, they have not yet finalized their classes and therefore, don't have anything finalized with the fairgrounds. They are looking at having a 1 day, 2 judge show.

Carol said there is a potential problem with getting the arena at the fairgrounds for the March 1st show based on a message she got from someone at the fairgrounds. She is following-up tomorrow. It was agreed to check on some other indoor arenas in case the fairgrounds falls through for March 1st. Tiffany will check with Landmark Farms and Cathey will check with the Kellyville Fairgrounds.

Cathey & Kenny Hazelwood are checking with the Pinto Club to see if we can co-sponsor some of the open, fun shows with them.

We have not heard anything back from the Rogers County 4H. The question was asked if it had to be Rogers County or could it be another county. Leslie's daughter is a member of the Mayes County 4H. She will discuss with them at their meeting this week.

Other

Additional discussion took place about making money, including a white elephant sale such as that done by MOARK Club where they had a traveling mailbox and sold chances on it. They made between \$1500 - \$1700. Randy suggested having a bake sale auction and he volunteered to be the auctioneer.

It was discussed that there be a process for the youth to earn points for both riding and working in

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Christmas Party

December 21st
 2:00 p.m.
 Microtel Hotel
 on 21st by Tulsa Expo

Potluck

"Dirty" Santa Gift Exchange
 \$10 max / adults
 • \$5 max / child

Contact
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 for more information



Friesians: "Big, buff, and always in black"

Newsletter Info

The newsletter is a way for our members to share news and information.

Please get info for the January newsletter to Carol by **December 20th**.

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2003 Officers & Directors

- Carol Johnson, President
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- Cathey Hazelwood, Secretary
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- Ric Banks, Treasurer
918-402-0818
- Bill Walker
- Rodger Scott
- Tiffany George
- Angela Evans
- Sherri Basehoar
- Wendy Banks

If Horses Were In High School: *Horse humor provided by Cathey Hazelwood*

Quarter Horses: Definitely jocks. Strutting around flexing those muscles, showing off their butts. Not real bright. But get passed on since they are responsible for all the trophies in the glass cases.

Thoroughbreds: Prep-pies. They are athletes, never 'jocks'. Monogrammed blankets, leather halters, Nike eventer shoes, the latest custom trailer and tack.

Connemaras: Gorgeous chicks with sultry eyelashes, sexy curves, devil-may-care attitudes. NOT into studying or anything to do with geometry. Great fun to be around, delightful senses of humor, and the world's best pranksters. Can usually be found in the nearest pub, entertaining the masses. Fast and easy.

Appaloosas: Could only be the stoners. They like to drop acid so they can watch their spots
move.**Arabians:** RAH!

RAH! SIS BOOM BAH!
GOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOO
OOO TEAM!! (need I say more?)

Shetland Ponies: Frightening, spiky hairdos, snotty attitude and any color of the rainbow. Gotta be PUNKS. Some even sport tattoos.

Friesians: Big, buff, and always in black, they are the biker clique. Cigs hanging out of the corner of their mouths, dangerous glint in the eyes, daring anyone to cross their path.

Morgans: They're the nerdy teacher's pets, running around doing everything from yearbook to decorating the gym and ridding out the bikers, stoners and jocks. They have perpetual wedgies.

Drafts (all breeds): No real clique, they're just the big guys who sit in the back of the room and fart a lot (and then laugh). Who's going to STOP

them?

Icelandics and Paso Finos: They're the little squirrelly geeks who flit around a dance trying to fit in and fail miserably. The kind who wear Toughskins jeans from Sears (or would that be ripoff WeathaBeetas??).

Ahkle Tekl (Akle Takl? Ackle Tackle....!! Akhal Teke!!): Foreign exchange student(s). And no one can spell their names either.

Hackney Ponies: A breed this manic would have to be a band geek. Marching along with their knees and heads held high.....even going to the bathroom.

Warmbloods: The school staff and faculty. Looking down their noses with righteous indignation and disgust. Secretly wishing they were having half as much fun

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order to earn year end awards. It was also discussed that the youth have their own organization with officers and adult advisors.

We would like to schedule a trail ride in the Spring.

Send Carol any parade dates and times and she will get them in the next newsletter.

Christmas Party

Discussion took place about having a potluck Christmas Party on December 21st, approximately 2:00 p.m. It was agreed that we would bring dirty Santa gifts. \$10 limit for adult gifts and \$5 limit for kids gifts. Maximum 3 swaps on

the dirty Santa gifts.

ACTION: Cathey will check with Creek County Fairgrounds and the Circle C Round-up Clubhouse. Others with ideas of a place to have the party will contact Carol.

Officer and Board Member Elections

Officer and Board Member elections were held and the following individuals were elected:

Officers

- Carol Johnson, President
- Walter Walker, Vice President
- Cathey Hazelwood, Secretary

Ric Banks, Treasurer

Board Members

- Billy Walker
- Wendy Banks
- Sherri Basehoar
- Angie Evans
- Tiffany George
- Rodger Scott

On motion made by David Marshall and seconded by Randy Hazelwood, the meeting was adjourned at 5:45 p.m.



Sooner Appaloosa Horse Club, Inc. Membership Application

NAME _____ ApHC# _____
 SPOUSE _____ ApHC# _____
 ADDRESS _____

 CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____
 HOME PHONE _____ () _____ WORK PHONE _____ () _____
 EMAIL ADDRESS _____

Type of Membership

Individual - \$10 Family - \$20

Youth Members

Name	Age	Date of Birth	ApHC#

Areas of Interest, Expertise

Filling in this section is optional, but will allow us to focus on our membership's interests.

I	E		I	E	
		Barrel Racing			Trail Rides
		Roping			Team Penning
		Endurance Events			Horse Shows
		Dressage			Drill Team
		Three Day Events			Cross Country
		Fox Hunts			Hunter Pace
		Pony Club			Play Days
		<i>Other Please fill in:</i>			

Comments



Sooner Appaloosa Horse Club

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What is the Sooner Appaloosa Horse Club?

The Sooner Appaloosa Horse Club, Inc., associated with the Appaloosa Horse Club, Inc., is a regional club whose purpose is **“To promote interest in the breed in the area of membership”**. We are a group of people from different backgrounds, in different professions, brought together by our love of the Appaloosa horse. If you share our love of the breed, please join us in our goal to promote the Appaloosa (and have fun in the process!).