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June 2015 Newsletter

Yahoo!!



June is all about Extreme Cowboy Racing!

EXCA Nationals

Wow, what an event!!! SOCA hosted the Extreme Cowboy Race National Championships at Circle E Guest Ranch in Belvidere, TN on June 5th and 6th. Diane McMurtrey and Peter Fraser judged the 120 entries from all over the US. With a number of World and Reserve World Champions in attendance, the event was second to none! Not only was there great racing, but Circle E provided awesome trail riding, good food and concerts headlining Michael Martin Murphrey.....All benefiting the Fiona Rose Murphrey Foundation for children with Brittle Bone Disease.

We can't thank our judges, volunteers, competitors and spectators who made this a world class event. Talk has already started about the event being even bigger and better next year.

The top 10 can be found in this newsletter and complete results are on the website.

Don't miss the Mississippi State Championship Extreme Cowboy Race to be held at Pontotoc Agri Center. Information and entry form are attached.
BUCKLES FOR ALL DIVISIONS!

THANKS TO ALL OUR JUDGES, VOLUNTEERS & SPONSORS!!!!!!

2015 Events

- 1/10/15 – EXCA Clinic, Bushnell, FL
- 1/17-18/15 – Florida Horse Park – Extreme Cowboy Race (double points) on Saturday & Obstacle Challenge on Sunday
- 3/7/15 – Obstacle Challenge – Greene Acres Stables, Plant City, FL
- 3/21/15 – Extreme Cowboy Race – Darby Oaks Stables, Bushnell, FL (Not a buckle race!)
- 4/18/15 – Extreme Cowboy Race (double points) - Green River Farm, Gaffney, SC
- 4/25/15 – Obstacle Challenge – Rocking K Ranch, Hernando, FL
- 5/9/15 – Schooling Day – Darby Oaks Stables, Bushnell, FL
- 6/5-6/15 – Extreme Cowboy Race – EXCA Nationals (Triple Points) Winchester, TN
- 6/27/15 – Extreme Cowboy Race (double points) – Pontotoc, MS (flyer attached)
- 7/11/15 – Schooling Day & Judging Clinic- Darby Oaks Stables, Bushnell, FL (flyer attached)
- 9/12/15 – Obstacle Challenge – Darby Oaks Stables, Bushnell, FL (flyer attached)
- 9/26-27/15-- Extreme Cowboy Race SE Regional Championships (Triple Points)- Green River Farm, Gaffney, SC
- 11/14/15 – Obstacle Challenge Championships (double points) – Florida Horse Park, Ocala, FL
- 11/28/15 – Extreme Cowboy Race - TBD (Not a buckle race)





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EXCA Nationals Hosted by SOCA – Results 6/5-6/15

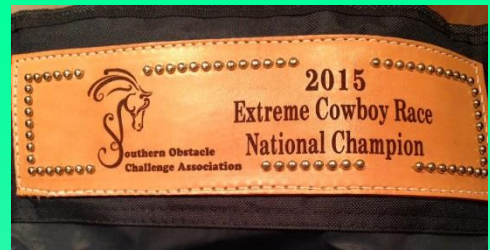
Young Guns Divison Results		Total	
1	Bennett Green	Tater	457.977
2	Clay Keeker	TTR Boon Dozer CD	430.414
3	Shelby Keeker	Zanna Rose	391.628
4	Braxton Keeker	TTR Boon Dozer CD	362.948
5	Lillian Miller	Frankie	346.711
Novice Divison Results			
1	Phala Wriston	Winn Blue Pardner	528.462
2	Babs Steele	Rebel	514.752
3	Pat Keck	Dunny	502.526
4	Jane Peniston	Smoochie	485.800
5	Lucas Carey	Dollar	485.598
6	Holly Bacola	Yoshi	484.810
7	Terri Glonek	One Tuff Cowgirl	478.806
8	Babs Steele	Bo	470.642
9	Daphne Martin	Del Rio Clip	451.067
10	Sherry Garman	Stormy	451.017
Green Horse Divison Results			
1	Johnie Clem	High Plains Cowgirl	568.090
2	Chris Redden	Joes Baron Colonel (Drover)	563.871
3	Tracy Pinson	Tuff Night At The Ritz	548.955
4	Runt Rageth	TR Mystic Storm (Blue)	516.789
5	CC Metzler	Abby	508.471
6	Tammy Burgard	Shania Twain	494.384
7	Jason Keeker	Sandys Fine Scarlet	479.051
8	Kelsie Graham	Jack	475.393
9	Kimberly Anne Brown	Rooster with Jewels	455.279
10	Jonathan Archie	Cruz	430.610
Non Pro Divison Results			
1	Jim Ochs	Dusty	676.533
2	Kelsie Graham	Whiskey	675.146
3	Cullen Green	Tater	671.653
4	Dennis Tipton	Goodbar's Sonny (Zippy)	660.554
5	Jason Keeker	TTR Boon Dozer CD	633.065
6	Leanne Hale	Brandy	630.965
7	Jennie Wentworth	Luke	625.153
8	Rick Peniston	Jake	624.347
9	Leanne Hale	Jigsaw	618.905
10	Jim Ochs	Buster	617.219

Intermediate Divison Results			
1	Dennis Tipton	Goodbar's Sonny (Zippy)	674.119
2	Tammy Burgard	Annie	659.841
3	Jennifer Forge	Riggs	628.115
4	Lisa Steinbach	Texan At The Ritz	621.432
5	Courtney Pearre	Hawks Thunder	615.541
6	Gloria Jan Neeley	Toby McGuire	585.043
7	Kimberly Anne Brown	NCIS In Dixie	584.837
8	Phala Wriston	Winn Blue Pardner	578.747
9	Joe Holloway	Bailey's Irish Crème	577.220
10	Tammy Burgard	Top Notch Lark	576.688
Youth Divison Results			
1	Cullen Green	Tater	700.115
2	Eliza Green	Lightnin	687.198
3	Jade Walker	Lady	579.600
4	Kaesha Keeker	TTR Boon Dozer CD	554.435
5	Jade Walker	Diamond	551.115
6	Rhiannon Cain	Teddy	518.214
7	Stephanie Walters	Mister Kandelite & Roses	516.901
8	Jade Walker	Lena	507.262
9	Eliza Green	Briggan	419.204
10	Taylor Harer	Nicole's Destiny	404.338
Ride Smart Divison Results			
1	Rick Peniston	Jake	667.190
2	Dennis Tipton	Goodbar's Sonny (Zippy)	666.167
3	Cindy Mitchell	Smartypants Joker	610.897
4	CC Metzler	Shelby The Mustang	605.676
5	Tammy Burgard	Annie	593.551
6	Joe Holloway	Bailey's Irish Crème	588.197
7	Dennis Robinson	Threat's Dark Reflection	580.076
8	Jane Peniston	Smoochie	516.010
9	Patsy Jo Miles	Dyes Sooner King (Charlie)	514.417
10	John Hodges	Bud	272.969
Pro Divison Results			
1	Chris Redden	Cisco	735.534
2	Runt Rageth	Burdock	721.571
3	John Roberts	Lacey	699.350
4	Leanne Hale	Brandy	675.021
5	Jim Ochs	Dusty	667.250
6	CC Metzler	Shelby The Mustang	666.379
7	Rick Peniston	Jake	646.802
8	Jason Keeker	TTR Dry River CD	645.321
9	Leanne Hale	Jigsaw	644.245
10	Laura Green	Chloe	642.079





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EXCA Nationals Hosted by SOCA – Winners & Such



Young Guns



Novice



Green Horse



Non Pro



Intermediate



Youth



Ride Smart



Pro



Calgary Stampede



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Highpoint Standings Through 6/8/15

SOCA OBSTACLE CHALLENGE - 2015 HIGH POINT

Youth Division Results

1	Shawn Charles	Splash	420.0
2	Quianna Krabec	Puck	390.5
3	Emily Cook	Scarlet	319.0
4	Mikayla Moore	Miss Face It (Mocha)	319.0
5	Stephanie Walters	Mister Candelite & Rose	263.0
6	Mackensie Brown	Cricket	231.5
7	Jaylin Motes	Boston	180.0
8	Abbie Shane	Fancy	123.0
9	Rachel McCormick	Saleen	117.0
10	Stephanie Walters	Autumn	113.0

Novice Division Results

1	Terri Glonek	One Tuff Cowgirl	393.5
2	Briana Tribett	Imheirristible Too	386.0
3	Lori Lee Graham	Lucky Lil Impulse (Tan)	381.5
4	Lisa Hutchinson	Dolly	380.0
5	Lesla Roe	Cat	366.0
6	Leslie Kingree	Scamp's First Hit	335.5
7	Joyce Elledge	Back In Dixie	332.5
8	Mo Earle	Cabo	323.0
9	Margo Cook	Magic	318.5
10	Tandi Tribett	Meyer Heirresistable	311.0

Posse Division Results

1	Barbara Jasewicz	Durango	418.5
2	Cathy Rotola	Derringer	414.5
3	Connie Lloyd	Chance	410.0
4	Ann Simonsen	Indi	374.5
5	Karen Ketchum	Executive Gold Pride (Mi)	348.5
6	Anne Hanley	Conrad's Debonaire Ge	323.0
7	Carrie Legg	Dixie	255.5
8	Cathy Ulm	Spirit	236.0
9	Vicki Anderson	Peps Wittle Wrangler	235.5
10	Julia Marshall	Tai	198.0

Non Pro Division Results

1	Pam Bacon	Peyton	432.0
2	Suzan Hunt	Windswept Silver Spec	420.0
3	Tirina Miller	Wrangler	407.0
4	Beverly Hartley	Maverick	395.5
5	Wayne Van De Walker	Boomer	381.0
6	Joyce Tyson	Scooter	348.0
7	Karen Wilson	Ace	345.0
8	Jan Garvin	Peponita's Top Gun	143.0
9	Jan Garvin	Peponita's Shot Gun	142.5
10	Shelly Cowart	Crystal	142.0

Open Elite Division Results

1	Jimmy Risley	Star	425.0
2	Renee Stafford	Coot	423.5
3	Traci Woodard	Montana Nicajack (Sp)	421.0
4	Phala Wriston	Winn Blue Pardner	402.0
5	Bret Lambdin	Tug	343.5
6	Peggy Litt	Dancing Dude (Bucky)	226.0
7	Vicky DeCaro	Truly Tru Titan	218.0
8	Sean Patrick	Joker	144.0
9	Jim Anderson	Dun It Chic	144.0
10	Kim Westervelt	Dakota	134.0

SOCA EXTREME COWBOY RACE HIGH POINTS - 2015

	Rider	Horse	TOTAL
Young Guns Division			
1	Bennett Green	Tater	457.977
2	Casey Hiser	Pancake	200.960
Novice Division			
1	Phala Wriston	Winn Blue Pardner	837.068
2	Holly Bacola	Yoshi	805.882
3	Jane Peniston	Smoochie	790.977
4	Terri Glonek	One Tuff Cowgirl	788.551
5	Karen Ketchum	Executive Gold Pride (Mi)	752.497
6	Daphne Martin	Del Rio Clip	451.067
7	Kelly Gifford	Boo Man Choo	308.008
8	Carol Hiser	Popcorn	290.388
9	Lisa Hutchinson	Dolly	285.910
10	Shelly Cowart	Crystal	132.048
Green Horse Division			
1	Tracy Pinson	Tuff Night At The Ritz	903.349
2	Kelsie Graham	Jack	475.393
3	Jonathan Archie	Blue Colt	430.610
4	Eliza Green	Captain	336.710
5	Pam Bacon	CJ	288.901
Non Pro Division			
1	Dennis Tipton	Goodbars Sonny (Zippy)	1075.333
2	Rick Peniston	Jake	1045.338
3	Kelsie Graham	Whiskey	675.146
4	Cullen Green	Tater	671.653
5	Leanne Hale	Brandy	630.965
6	Leanne Hale	Jigsaw	618.905
7	Courtney Pearre	Hawk's Thunder	580.753
8	Eliza Green	Lightnin	554.190
9	Tim Haupt	KBS Prime Oak (Dealer)	522.265
10	Jason Hiser	Delgado	411.051
Intermediate Division			
1	Dennis Tipton	Goodbars Sonny (Zippy)	1091.372
2	Lisa Steinbach	Texan At The Ritz	988.001
3	Phala Wriston	Winn Blue Pardner	959.130
4	Holly Bacola	Yoshi	915.441
5	Bret Lambdin	Tug	667.503
6	Courtney Pearre	Hawk's Thunder	615.541
7	Karen Ketchum	Executive Gold Pride (Mi)	608.063
8	Joe Holloway	Bailey's Irish Crème	572.220
9	Tim Haupt	KBS Prime Oak (Dealer)	564.316
10	Shelby Ratliff	Fine Art's Mona Lisa	541.355
Youth Division			
1	Stephanie Walters	Mister Candelite & Rose	801.098
2	Cullen Green	Tater	700.115
3	Eliza Green	Lightnin	687.198
4	Eliza Green	Briggan	419.204
5	Quiana Krabec	Puck	323.544
6	Lily Hite	Misty	296.958
7	Casey Hiser	Pancake	232.000
Ride Smart Division			
1	Dennis Tipton	Goodbars Sonny (Zippy)	1085.695
2	Rick Peniston	Jake	1047.590
3	Jane Peniston	Smoochie	772.010
4	Joe Holloway	Bailey's Irish Crème	588.197
5	Dennis Robinson	Threat's Dark Reflection	580.076
6	Pam Greene	Peyton	366.275
7	Joe Holloway	Solanos Moonlite Run (A)	348.237
8	John Hodges	Bud	272.969
Pro Division			
1	John Roberts	Lacey	699.350
2	Leanne Hale	Brandy	675.021
3	Rick Peniston	Jake	646.802
4	Leanne Hale	Jigsaw	644.245
5	Laura Green	Chloe	642.079
6	Kelsie Graham	Whiskey	588.531
7	Bryce Burnett	Joseph	411.640
8	Jason Hiser	Delgado	365.558
9	Mark Updike	Echo	232.000





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NOVICE GAITED SPORT HORSE HIGH POINT			
1	Terri Glonek	One Tuff Cowgril	393.5
2	Lisa Hutchinson	Dolly	380.0
3	Joyce Elledge	Back In Dixie	332.5
4	Harold Moore	Rooster Cogburn	257.5
5	Bill Jasewicz	Dollar	201.0
6	Mike Elledge	Dancing In Dixie	199.5
7	Denise March	Libby	159.0
8	Karen Holgate	Blessing	114.5
9	Alison Griffiths	Argus	111.5
10	Katreena Haley	Suprema	95.5

Novice Gaited Sport Horse Award Program

- Open to all gaited breeds entered in the Novice Horse & Rider Division at the five SOCA Obstacle Challenges in 2015. Gaited breeds include (but not limited to) Paso Finos, Peruvians, Tennessee Walking Horses, Racking Horses, Spotted Saddle Horses, Rocky Mountain Horses, Kentucky Mountain Saddle Horses, Icelandic Horses, etc.
- To be eligible, the horse and rider must not have won any obstacle challenges. You must indicate on the entry form the gaited breed you are entering. This is for the Novice Horse & Rider division only
- \$175 Prize purse for every SOCA obstacle event for 2015 – Ties will be broken by obstacle time.
 - \$100 to the highest scoring gaited horse in the Novice Division
 - \$50 to the second highest scoring gaited horse in the Novice Division
 - \$25 to the third highest scoring gaited horse in the Novice Division
- Ribbons for 1st through 3rd to accompany checks
- High Point Year end award of:
 - 1st place \$500
 - 2nd place \$250
- The objective of this program is to bring new gaited horse riders into SOCA Obstacle Challenges. This program was developed by and is being sponsored by gaited horse enthusiasts who want to encourage other gaited horse owners to participate in trail obstacle competitions.
- **Sponsored by Rancho PasoLuna of Dunnellon, Florida**



Heartland Farm, Traci and Mike Woodard, are sponsoring the OVERALL HIGHPOINT award for the Horse & Rider team with the most Obstacle Challenge points at the end of the year!

Here are the standings after the first three events.

OVERALL HIGHPOINT HORSE & RIDER			
1	Pam Bacon	Peyton	432.0
2	Jimmy Risley	Star	425.0
3	Renee Stafford	Coot	423.5
4	Traci Woodard	Montana Nicajack (Sprite)	421.0
5	Shawn Charles	Splash	420.0
6	Suzan Hunt	Windswept Silver Spector (Jasper)	420.0
7	Barbara Jasewicz	Durango	418.5
8	Cathy Rotola	Derringer	414.5
9	Connie Lloyd	Chance	410.0
10	Tirina Miller	Wrangler	407.0



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SOCA Member Spotlights

Meet your fellow SOCA Members



The Voice for SOCA – Mike Woodard

Most SOCA members know Mike as the announcer for our obstacle challenge events. He loves interacting with the public, especially the horsey public, and enjoys providing smiles via good music and his fun personality. In addition to announcing, Mike is not afraid to get up in front of a crowd and perform his favorite karaoke hits. He has his own unique style that combines George Strait and Tim McGraw with a little bit of the Eagles.

When he's not charming the SOCA family, Mike is a stay-at-home horse trainer, specializing in foundation and fundamentals training at Heartland Farms in Middleburg. Mike's first "start to finish" horse was Rusty Executive, who came to Heartland at 7 months of age. Mike halter broke Rusty and showed him to many Grand Champion awards in halter classes. After being broke to ride, Rusty continued his winning ways, with the highlight being his Top 10 finish in America's Favorite Trail Horse. Rusty has been a steady mount for numerous youth riders and Mike has won his fair share of obstacle challenges with trusty Rusty!

Something some of you do not know about Mike is that he is a cancer survivor. In 2010 Mike was diagnosed with Acute Myeloid Leukemia. He was admitted to the hospital via the emergency room and endured an ER bone marrow biopsy and immediate blood transfusions. His initial hospital stay was a full month, and more than once his doctor reminded him that the outlook was very bleak for survival. Mike's doctor released him during treatment for the trip to Texas for America's Favorite Trail Horse. He had a pick line in his arm and had to wear a mask, but he was not going to miss that once in a lifetime opportunity. A very committed oncologist, a ton of prayers, and the love of friends and family all played a part in restoring Mike's health. It was a very rough road, and an experience that is hard to fathom. This life-changing event has given Mike a new outlook on life, so if you spend any time with him, you are guaranteed to smile!



PLEASE SEND US YOUR INFORMATION!!!

We need more Member Spotlight Bios.....Please email your information and pictures to southernobstaclechallenges@gmail.com

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- Minimum of 5 to schedule weekdays or evenings. Also offer night obstacles and host clinics.
- Prices: One on one \$50; Groups of 5 plus \$40; Play days \$25
Clinics are \$40 with lots of hands on help and we serve lunch for \$5
Current SOCA members \$5 off clinics if signed up in advance
- <https://www.facebook.com/KnBFarmObstacles> (check for scheduled events)



Greene Acres Stables - Owners Pam and Ronnie Bacon 813-727-0502
Email twhcasper2@gmail.com 5041 Reece Road, Plant City, FL 33567
Cost for schooling your horse \$20.00 Per horse - Negative coggins required.
Plenty of obstacles and still adding – Schooling and lessons available.



Time to Shine Equestrian Center - Located in Lakeland, Florida. Right now practice days will only be a couple days a month, but no set schedule due to the summer rains. We will also be having scheduled obstacle challenges and will be updating our Facebook page. Phone is 863-559-4589



TROT Ranch - 25 Acres of Fun, located in Geneva, Florida. All ages and disciplines of riding are welcome. Shaded trails, open fields, over 50 obstacles providing the perfect place to, have fun, enhance confidence and build trust. We provide creative obstacles from low to high challenges that build and test your skills in a safe and controlled environment. You control the pace and intensity with expert guidance when you need it. Whether your goal is to win obstacle challenges or simply have fun with your horse TROT Ranch is here. Bring a friend or book a group. **For more information go to our webpage: www.trottranch.com. To schedule a session or lesson email jane@trottranch.com or call 407-349-9351.** Follow us on Facebook: www.facebook.com/trot.ranch



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2015 High Points

In 2015 SOCA will award high point obstacle challenge winners in the following divisions: Novice, Youth, Non Pro, Open Elite and Posse. Points from each of the 2015 SOCA Obstacle Challenges will be totaled, with double points at the obstacle challenge championship in November. The horse/rider team with the most points will be the high point champion. Based on the feedback from members, the high point award will be custom SOCA buckles.

Regional Championship buckles for the Extreme Cowboy Races will be determined by points accumulated at SOCA events only. The horse/rider teams accumulating the most points at each designated SOCA EXCA race, with the triple points at the Nationals in June and Regional Championship races in September and double points for State Championships in January, April and June, will be awarded the high point buckle in the following divisions: Pro, Non-Pro, Ride Smart, Novice, Intermediate, Youth, and Non-Pro.

Purpose of SOCA

OBSTACLE CHALLENGES

- Divisions for all levels of horses and riders
- Open to all breeds
- Payback in all classes, prizes, and ribbons
- Ten to fifteen obstacles
- Events will be in arenas and on the trail

EXTREME COWBOY RACES

- Sanctioned Extreme Cowboy Races with divisions for: Pro, Non-Pro, Novice, Intermediate, Ride Smart, Youth, Young Guns, & Green Horse
- Open to all breeds
- Payback, prizes, and ribbons

CLINICS/SCHOOLING DAYS

- Learn to negotiate obstacles
- Schooling days will allow you to practice obstacles with the help of others, and without the pressure of competition.

Dates, details and previous months newsletters can be found on the SOCA website at

www.southernobstaclechallenges.com

SOCA dues (\$10) are due January 1st!

Please renew at your first event of the year.

Dues help fund the highpoint awards and administrative costs of the club.

Extreme Cowboy Racers

Reminder to pay your dues to the EXCA so your points will count! If you aren't sure if you are current, check the EXCA website under the club page.

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Don't forget to check for your photos:

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