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June 5th and 6th – EXCA Nationals at Circle E!

SOCA News

Unfortunately, the SOCA EXCA race that was supposed to be held on April 18th in Gaffney, SC had to be canceled due to the heavy rains experienced in that area the weeks before the event. SOCA has never had to cancel an event, but for the safety of the horses, riders, spectators and property owners, it had to be done. We apologize to everyone that we had to miss this great event.

SOCA did host an event at Rocking K Ranch in Hernando, FL on April 25th. Karen Wilson and Bob Knight had their ranch in great shape with some awesome new obstacles. The weather was perfect and everyone seemed to have a great time. We can't thank Karen, Bob, the judges, the volunteers and the spectators that made the event so successful.

Results and pictures are later in this newsletter and complete results are on the website.

Extreme Cowboy Race National Championships Hosted By SOCA

Mark your calendars!!! June 5th and 6th
.....Circle E Guest Ranch, Belvidere, TN.
Details are on the attached flyer. Extreme
Cowboy Racing, Trail Riding, Concerts,
Vendors, Great Food...All for a great cause!

**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 (flyer attached)
- 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
- 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) – TBD
- 11/28/15 – Extreme Cowboy Race - TBD (Not a buckle race)

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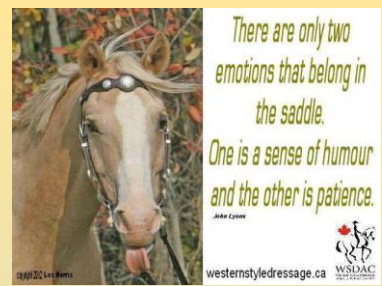
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Results from the April 25th Obstacle Challenge

RIDER	HORSE	OBSTACLE POINTS	TIME IN SECONDS
GREEN HORSE DIVISION			
1 Al Murphy	Neon	76.00	120
2 Shelby Ratliff	Fine Arts Mona Lisa	74.00	83
3 Randy Herby	Marley	68.00	73.53
4 John DeArmond	River	46.00	109
5 Jennifer Dillon	Zany Sweet Jackie	46.00	120
6 Jena Parnell	Zena	32.00	120
7 Christie Donald	B.R.	13.00	120
YOUTH DIVISION			
1 Shawn Charles	Splash	145.00	19.82
2 Quianna Krabec	Puck	132.00	11.88
3 Mackensie Brown	Cricket	122.50	32.91
4 Mikayla Moore	Miss Face It (Mocha)	115.00	79.03
5 Stephanie Walters	Autumn	113.00	81.59
6 Emily Cook	Scarlet	108.00	66.16
7 Wyatt Johns	Finally Thru Dreamin (Ruger)	94.00	26.13
8 Camryn Cyr	Mr. Dial's Lil Jet	73.00	101.35
NOVICE DIVISION			
1 Tricia Maeder	Peanut	138.50	12.09
2 Briana Tribett	Imheirrisistibletoo	137.00	13.56
3 Lisa Hutchinson	Dolly	136.00	9.97
4 Lori Lee Graham	Lucky Lil Impulse (Tango)	130.00	20.72
5 Terri Glonek	One Tuff Cowgirl	128.00	27.29
6 Lesa Roe	Cat	122.00	87.82
7 Joyce Elledge	Back In Dixie	117.00	15.81
8 Leslie Kingree	Scamps First Hit	117.00	23.27
9 Denise Brown	Gizmos Candy Two	115.00	44
10 Michele Farrar	Magic	102.00	17.05
11 Tandi Tribett	Meyer Heirresistable	101.00	71.44
12 Mo Earle	Cabo	99.00	66
13 Margo Cook	Magic	96.00	27.25
14 Mike Elledge	Dancing in Dixie	95.00	17.13
15 Jennifer Dillon	Moon Sunshine Blue	88.00	24.96
16 Denise March	Libby	83.00	20.17
17 Doris Salter	Lil Yellow Doll	80.00	120
18 Marti Spewock	Max	79.00	56.09
19 Harold Moore	Rooster Cogburn	79.00	68.57
20 Kelly Nelson	Flash	78.00	71.09
21 Jennifer Taylor	Sheza Smooth Dancer	73.50	120
22 Steve Scordato	Luie	56.00	57.66
23 Danny Hochadel	Tarzan	55.00	81
24 Tracy Townsend	Peppy Dunlena	24.00	120
25 Janet Bega	Honey	0.00	120

RIDER	HORSE	OBSTACLE POINTS	TIME IN SECONDS
POSSE DIVISION			
1 Cathy Rotola	Derringer	144.00	23.4
2 Barbara Jasewicz	Durango	144.00	26.72
3 Connie Lloyd	Chance	139.00	19.6
4 Ann Simonsen	Indy	129.00	27.26
5 Cathy Ulm	Spirit	119.00	71.6
6 Anne Hanley	Conrad's Debonaire Gentleman	113.00	47.44
7 Karen Ketchum	Executive Gold Pride (Millie)	105.00	48.77
8 Warren Cason	Kevin	102.00	61.62
9 Pat Cason	Sinforoso	88.00	75
NON PRO DIVISION			
1 Pam Greene Bacon	Peyton	146.00	30.88
2 Jan Garvin	Peponita's Top Gunner	143.00	20.69
3 Tirina Miller	Wrangler	142.00	24.37
4 Shelly Cownt	Crystal	142.00	25.05
5 Suzan Hunt	Windswept Silver Specter (Jasper)	141.00	22.4
6 Beverly Hartley	Maverick	135.00	26.02
7 Wayne Van De Walker	Boomer	124.00	23.32
8 Karen Wilson	Ace	121.00	23
9 Kelly Gifford	Boo Man Choo	115.00	75.59
10 Joyce Tyson	Scooter	113.00	25.34
11 Rosetta Johns	Love A Good Night (Lovie)	107.00	43.2
12 Karen Wilson	Mulligan	90.00	71.68
13 Al Murphy	Z Kid	85.00	75
14 Sharon Tosspoon	Tumbleweed	73.00	106
OPEN ELITE DIVISION			
1 Renee Stafford	Coot	147.00	17.15
2 Jimmy Risley	Star	142.00	18.3
3 Phala Wriston	Winn Blue Pardner	138.00	17.52
4 Traci Woodard	Monana Nicajack (Sprite)	138.00	30.37
5 Kim Westervelt	Dakota	134.00	23.19
6 Peggy Litt	Bucky	114.00	76.97
7 Bret Lambdin	Tug	110.00	28.82
8 Ross Harper	Coal	103.00	61.44
9 Vickie DeCaro	Titan	101.00	52.31

Novice Gaited Sport Horse Awards

- 1st – Lisa Hutchinson on Dolly (MFT)
- 2nd – Terri Glonek on One Tuff Cowgirl (TWH)
- 3rd – Joyce Elledge on Back in Dixie (TWH)

EXCA RACERS – PLEASE NOTE!!!!

According to the new rules, if you are registered as Ride Smart or Non Pro and compete in Novice or Intermediate, the points from the lower divisions will not count. Likewise, if you are registered as Intermediate and show in the Novice division, the Novice points won't count.

Here is the link to the website where it shows all of the members in the EXCA. Find your name and check the division you are registered in. If it is not the lowest division in which you compete, you must contact the EXCA directly. <http://www.extremecowboyassociation.com/members-filter.aspx>

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Pictures from the April 25th Obstacle Challenge



Green Horse

Novice

Youth

Non Pro



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Highpoint Standings Through 4/30/15

SOCA OBSTACLE CHALLENGE - 2015 HIGH POINT

Youth Divison 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 Divison Results			
1	Terri Glonek	One Tuff Cowgirl	393.5
2	Briana Tribett	Imheirrisistible Too	386.0
3	Lori Lee Graham	Lucky Lil Impulse (Tan)	381.5
4	Lisa Hutchinson	Dolly	380.0
5	Lesia 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 Divison 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 (C)	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 Divison 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 Gunr	143.0
9	Jan Garvin	Peponita's Shot Gun	142.5
10	Shelly Cowart	Crystal	142.0
Open Elite Divison 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	
Young Guns Divison		
1	Casey Hiser	Pancake 200.960
Novice Divison		
1	Holly Bacola	Yoshi 321.072
2	Karen Ketchum	Executive Gold Pride (Mi 311.664
3	Terri Glonek	One Tuff Cowgirl 309.745
4	Phala Wriston	Winn Blue Pardner 308.606
5	Kelly Gifford	Boo Man Choo 308.008
6	Jane Peniston	Smoochie 305.177
7	Carol Hiser	Popcorn 290.388
8	Lisa Hutchinson	Dolly 285.910
9	Shelly Cowart	Crystal 132.048
10	Alison Stewart	Doc 127.255
Green Horse Divison		
1	Tracy Pinson	Tuff Night At The Ritz 354.394
2	Pam Bacon	CJ 288.901
Non Pro Divison		
1	Rick Peniston	Jake 420.991
2	Dennis Tipton	Goodbars Sonny (Zippy) 414.779
3	Jason Hiser	Delgado 411.051
4	Jennifer Hall	Josie 362.799
5	Sarah Schlaich	Bindi 348.108
Intermediate Divison		
1	Jason Hiser	Delgado 434.489
2	Dennis Tipton	Goodbars Sonny (Zippy) 417.253
3	Phala Wriston	Winn Blue Pardner 380.383
4	Kelly Gifford	Boo Man Choo 374.937
5	Joe Holloway	Solanos Moonlite Run (A 373.547
6	Pam Greene	Peyton 371.399
7	Jennifer Hall	Josie 369.852
8	Lisa Steinbach	Texan At The Ritz 366.569
9	Holly Bacola	Yoshi 355.957
10	Traci Woodard	Montana Nickajack (Spr 161.839
Youth Divison		
1	Quiana Krabec	Puck 323.544
2	Lily Hite	Misty T 296.958
3	Stephanie Walters	Mister Candelite & Rose 284.197
4	Casey Hiser	Pancake 232.000
Ride Smart Divison		
1	Dennis Tipton	Goodbars Sonny (Zippy) 419.528
2	Rick Peniston	Jake 380.400
3	Pam Greene	Peyton 366.275
4	Joe Holloway	Solanos Moonlite Run (A 348.237
5	Jane Peniston	Smoochie 256.000
Pro Divison		
1	Bryce Burnett	Joseph 411.640
2	Jason Hiser	Delgado 365.558
3	Mark Updike	Echo 232.000





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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
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SOCA Member Spotlights

Meet your fellow SOCA Members



SOCA Judge - Keith Earl

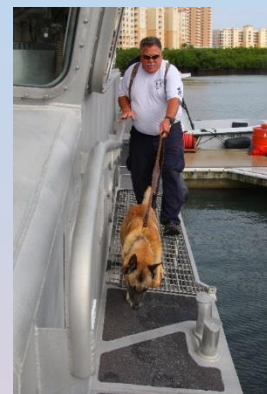
He is too busy to tell you his story, so let me tell you just a little about Keith- first I have to say, I am pretty lucky to have him as my husband. We have been married for over 20 years and met working as Paramedics in the city of Ft. Lauderdale. During his career, he worked as a Driver Engineer, Paramedic Firefighter and achieved the rank as FF Lieutenant, EMS Captain and at times filled in as Battalion Chief for the city of Ft. Lauderdale.

He has always kept busy, he was a member of the Fema's Urban Search and Rescue team Task force 2, covering many newsworthy events, such as the hurricanes, 911 disaster, the Olympics for a few examples. He was on the HazMat team and has also worked as a Paramedic in Off-Shore boat racing and for Nascar. He is very involved with dog rescue, especially of the German Shepherd and Belgian Malinois breed and currently works at a local kennel that trains police patrol and detection dogs. The pictures above are of Keith and his dog Tango, that he has trained and certified in Bomb Detection. After retiring from the Fire Dept., I thought he might slow down a bit, finding ourselves living in Pierson. He hasn't.

So how did we get to SOCA?

When Keith was younger, born and raised in Davie, Florida a true cowboy, he was involved in the local rodeos, they owned horses, he rode bulls and when I expressed an interest in learning how to ride horses, he was very supportive. He sold his tractor, to purchase my first horse, Cabo and to buy my horse trailer. I know he really misses that tractor, but he is too busy now judging SOCA events and building obstacles, to be riding around on that tractor. He doesn't want to ride a horse much anymore himself, but is so supportive of me, offering to help out when and where he could and became a judge with SOCA.

I know his goal while judging is that everyone first is safe, that riders work with their horse fairly and safely and lastly they have fun with their horses. I know he uses his leadership skills to achieve these goals when guiding riders through his assigned obstacles. He can be a tough judge at times, just look at my scores from him, he can also be opinionated, but he is fair. If you ever need help getting through one of his assigned obstacles, ask him for some tips on training your horse, of course, you will be scored before any pointers, but his tips could help you next challenge.



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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Obstacle Practice/Schooling Directory

Kick N Back Farm has got well over 50 obstacles spread out both on and off trails. Many are in the woods and closely mimic both SOCA, as well as other trail competitions. We also have arena style obstacles. We have everything from the "scary" horse killing objects to finesse style challenges to help people at whatever level they want to work. Located in Ocklawah, FL 352-895-2564.

- 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



Tyson Colt Company – Ft. McCoy, FL – Training, lessons, obstacle course on premises, come practice anytime \$25 per person.
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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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