



### Important Deadlines –

As our first 3 shows were so close together, we have made the decision to extend the deadline to 5/21 for sponsors to be included on the t-shirts and for sponsors to be provided without losing your points. **DO NOT LOSE YOUR POINTS!!!** Get your sponsor information in no later than 5/21 by email, fax or mail. You can get sponsor form on the website. There will be **NO** additional extensions of time for this.

This newsletter covers the last 2 shows information. Our second show was awesome. A large amount of new folks and new horses. Our third show went great and had wonderful weather. We are so fortunate to have great judges! I am sorry for the very late newsletter; problem with my air card and email that is still ongoing but getting repaired as we speak.

**Good news** – Hobby Horse is Back!!! Hobby Horse will be offered at all remaining SSRC shows.

West Cal has agreed to extend the time that lights be on in the barn/stall area. West Cal has also agreed that the arena will be dragged prior to Sat morning; allowing for longer warm up time for English riders. West Cal has also agreed to have our tables for registration set up on Friday night allowing us to get to work earlier in the morning. Hopefully this will help our show in getting started at 8:00 in the morning.

**Bad news** – I was very disappointed and ashamed of SSRC as a whole at the last show. I think it is very sad that a Judge has to open and close gates while judging because we cannot get volunteers to do this. The announcer made numerous calls asking for help with the gates. It speeds the show up by using two gates to enter and exit the arena. This requires 2 people to open/close the

gates. We are generally able to get breed show judges with years of experience at great rates. For example – both judges thus far were \$500 flat rate plus a room sometimes. That is an excellent deal for us. PLEASE – volunteer to help with the gates or trail, patterns, etc....Make us proud when a judge sees our members, friends and family moving to help the show. There are a few (very few) good guys that help all the time. This job should not be left to just them. You always see Steve Jenkins, Jerry Landry and Jimmy Seaman working. Sorry if I left someone out, but you know if you volunteer a lot or not. Officers do more work behind the scenes that most members will ever be aware of; so, I do not think it fair that officers should have to open/close gates all date. Again, PLEASE step up and make us proud!!!

**IT'S A SECRET - This will be Jamie's last SSRC show for many months possibly years to come. He will be leaving us on 5/24 for the Air Force. Please help me to give him a big send off as this will be his last show! I'm sure many of you will remember his first few shows with Lacy as a 2 yr old and making 10 laps around the arena to everyone else's one! He has definitely come a long way and that is due in part to many of you helping along the way. Know that you will never be forgotten. We will have cake during the lunch break and you all are welcome to remind him of how far he has come!!! Remember the red/white picnic shirt? Or the pleasure saddle with the added silver? I hope everyone enjoyed the cookie cakes. Thanks for those that made a point to say Good bye to Jamie.**

**T-SHIRT ORDERS – Order your SSRC t-shirt today for the June, July & August T-shirt shows. These are the hottest months and only the 2010 SSRC Club T-shirt can be worn! Be Cool & get yours ordered today. We will only order so many so unless you place an order – we cannot guarantee your size. There will be order forms at the registration table & on the website. Shirts will be available at the June show for pick up. This is a great fundraiser for the club that builds up your year end awards. Please support SSRC and keep cool!**

**Youth – (med to x large) to Adult (small to x large) \$10 each  
2X – 3X \$12 each**

**Show Pics – have been loaded on to Picasa Web Album. Follow this link to see -**

**<http://picasaweb.google.com/103764118066090702852/SSRCApril32010?feat=directlink>**

**Picasa is a great tool for different things – you can download for free if you do not have it already!**

### **Fillable Forms –**

This has been a true learning experience. All is well now and this does work if instructions are followed! Fillable forms are available!! New this year! Class cards & show bill are fillable for your convenience. Forms shown on the website are to be used by printing as in prior years. Instructions are on the website to get the fillable forms. Send an email to [rntwade1@hughes.net](mailto:rntwade1@hughes.net) requesting to be included in the distribution of the fillable forms. You will get an email giving you a link to complete the forms. There are some restrictions! Only one horse/one rider per showbill; each horse will have its own showbill. Please take care in completing your forms; proofread & complete all blanks. I will print your forms upon receipt & have them for you at the show. You will only need to visit the table to pay, add or drop classes & provide your coggins or just to visit of course! You must email me your forms no later than Thursday midnight prior to show date. If not received by this time each month, I will not have them for you. I will follow up by sending you a confirmation once I get your forms.

### **Items of Interest**

#### **Youth Fundraiser – Laminated Back Numbers With SSRC Logo!!!**

\$5.00 a pair – all proceeds go to SSRC Youth for 2010 Awards! We will be set up at the 4/24 show to make laminated back numbers at the show. If you want to order back numbers in advance – email me at [rntwade1@hughes.net](mailto:rntwade1@hughes.net). These look great and folks are really supporting our youth!

SSRC ended up giving in excess of \$500 to the Cooley family with the help of all SSRC members. I would like to let everyone know that Heike is at home and on the road to recovery. I know she would love to hear from you all. SSRC appreciates all that have participated in the raffle and the silent auction.

## **Credits on your showbills –**

You might want to keep an open tab and pay at the end of the show! It is very time consuming to keep up with each members credits from each show. That is additional work that slows down the show. If you have a credit from a prior show – it is the members responsibility to request that credit be applied toward the current dates showbill. Credits WILL NOT be carried over for more than 1 show; if not used by the very next show – they will be lost. NO MONETARY REFUNDS – THIS IS IN THE RULEBOOK!!!

**Purina Raffle -** 1 TON (40 bags) of your choice of Purina Lifetime feed. \$2 for 1 ticket or \$5 for 3. Drawing to be held 8/7/10 at SSRC show.

To help make this raffle grow in hopes of the proceeds being able to purchase the saddles voted on for the saddle series, raffle tickets will be available to members to take home and sell to local stores, family, friends, etc.... We will have raffle tickets available to take home and sell to friends, family, local businesses, etc...Get in touch with me to get those if you are interested.

## **West Cal Arena -**

PH 337-528-9378 Stalls \$15 RV \$20 Shavings \$7.50 Make your reservations early!!!  
Stalls are limited.

## **REMEMBER SSRC DATES/DEADLINES -**

Sponsors due no later than 5/21 to be included on the t-shirts for 2010. If you did not Get your sponsor in – we are extending the deadline to 5/21. You can locate form on the website and email, fax or mail as needed. If received by 5/21 – your sponsor will be included on the t-shirts.

Sponsors due no later than 4/24 show or 3 shows from membership for points to count. T Deadline extended to 5/21 to cover points earned at first 3 shows. No additional extensions will be given. Again, form is on the website. Can be emailed, faxed or mailed as needed. LAST CHANCE TO AVOID LOSING YOUR POINTS!!!

All Around Fee of \$25 must be paid for points to count for AAR! If your first show was in March 2010 – you have until the 4/24 show to pay your All Around Fee of \$25 to get credit for those points. Failure to pay this fee at the 4/24 show will forfeit all points for All Around for the 3/21, 4/3 and 4/24 shows. No negotiation!

## **COGGINS -**

Coggins to be checked at each show. Must provide coggins on each horse to show at SSRC. Some options -

Scan & email to [rntwade1@hughes.net](mailto:rntwade1@hughes.net) with your fillable show bill/cards. Make 9 copies & stick in your truck/trailer.

Plan ahead; don't get caught without your coggins. NO EXCUSES!!!

**Congrats -** Let us know your good news for the club. Any breed shows, new babies, etc. Email me [rntwade1@hughes.net](mailto:rntwade1@hughes.net) to be included in the newsletter.

Congrats to Dani Ward for winning the Hi Point Buckle at the Crosby 4H Show 4/17.

\*\*\*If you have good news or items that need to be congratulated – let me know. We would love to acknowledge it in the newsletter. This includes new baby horses for this year, good news, special events, etc; would love some pics!

## **Coming Events –**

Dennis Reis is coming to West Cal Arena May 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup>. He is a professional horse trainer seen a lot on RFDTV. You can go to [www.reisranch.com](http://www.reisranch.com) for more information.

[www.deepsouthpintoclub.com](http://www.deepsouthpintoclub.com). If not already a member, please check out our first Louisiana Pinto Club.

Coming April 17 & 18 – Pat Parelli will be at Ford Arena – Beaumont, TX. You can go on his web site and get a 1 day free pass value of \$50 per person. Check it out!

Gulf Coast Quarter Horse Association – open horse show in Winnie Tx. Check out their web site – [www.gcqha.com](http://www.gcqha.com).

3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Open Horse Show – May 15 Backwoods Arena in Silsbee Tx.

Sponsored by Hardin Co 4-H Horse & Rider Club.

Contact Yvonne Duren at 409-225-7764 or [Yvonne.duren@hlavinka.com](mailto:Yvonne.duren@hlavinka.com).

Cajun Comfort Competitive Trail Challenge – April 10. Ride located at the beautiful Country Lane Bed & Breakfast located in Amite, LA. ACTHA (American Competitive Trail Horse Association) has quickly become a national phenomenon with rides all across the USA. ACTHA donates up to 50% of its proceeds directly to horse charities. You are not only riding for great prizes at this ride but also for \$25,000 in year end rider awards. This is a casual competition on 8-10 miles of trails with 6 judged obstacles. For more

information & registration – [www.actha.us](http://www.actha.us).

Classifieds –

**For Sale** – 2008 Stud Red Hot Zippn Impulse APHA Sabino/Red Roan son of Red Hot Impulse. Ready to start finishing; going well under saddle. Breeders Trust. \$4500 Call 884-8167 or talk to Terry & Jamie Wade.



## Bottle Cap Necklaces

**\$2.00**

**LSU\*Saints\*MSU\*SSRC Logo**

If you have a special request email us the artwork..

We can even include a photo of your horse.

**Handmade by Houston J. for his Boy Scout Summer Camp fees.**

**These will be at the April 24<sup>th</sup> Show.**

[renee9235@bellsouth.net](mailto:renee9235@bellsouth.net)

**HORSES FOR SALE @ SOMERS EQUESTRIAN CENTER**

**262 BOYS VILLAGE ROAD**

**LAKE CHARLES, LOUISIANA 70615**

**(337) 497-1186 FARM (337) 497-0174 FAX (337) 526-5057 CELL**

**[djLou@bellsouth.net](mailto:djLou@bellsouth.net) e-mail [www.somersfarm.com](http://www.somersfarm.com) Web site**

**A O Coming Up Roses**-21 year old, ½ Arabian & National Show Horse, double registered, Country English Pleasure Mare. Extremely gentle, Willing, and in excellent condition! Trots extremely well!!!! Would make wonderful Lesson Horse or a 13 & under or 10 & under prospect. Asking \$2500.00

**Pick-A-Pocket or Two**-14 year old Gelding whom is extremely gentle and is a Registered Quarter Horse. He has passed his first level dressage, rides Hunter, Jumps, and also rides Western. Govnor is loving and very well trained. Owner is asking \$3000.00

**Cheyenne**- Black and white 12-year-old Registered Gelding, 16 plus Hands who is extremely well trained. He has done Grand entries at many as well as been used for a pick-up Horse at Rodeo's. He Trail Rides anywhere! Cheyenne is very gentle, loving and an easy keeper. Owner is asking \$5000.00 Firm

**Patriots Utopia**-Half-Arabian Half Dutch Harness Horse Registered 2-year-old Mare. She is a Beautiful Trotter with lots of potential. Asking \$3000.00

**Shangri La**- Half-Arabian Half Dutch Harness Horse Registered 3-Year-old Mare. Very Beautiful well behaved and ready to be started on a hopefully long Show career. She is Green Broken. A must see!!! Asking \$3500.00

**\*\*\*LOU SOMERS ALSO HAS A WIDE VARIETY OF MINIATURE HORSES FOR SALE THAT RIDE AND CART. BOTH GELDING AND MARES ARE AVAILABLE AS WELL AS MINIATURE BABIES.**

**WE ALSO HAVE MINIATURE HAND MADE CARTS FOR SALE.**

**\*\*\*If you have some items/anything – horse, tack, trailers or anything for sale – let me know. It can be included in the next newsletter. Email me at [rntwade1@gmail.com](mailto:rntwade1@gmail.com) with a description, pic, contact info and price.**

## JUDGES BIO -

Name? **Michael Ochetto**

Where do you live? **Henderson, TX**

Where were you born? **Vineland, New Jersey**

What is your favorite food? **Italian**

What is your favorite drink while judging a show? **water**

What is your favorite movie? **Any type of Thriller**

How long have you ridden horses? **35 years**

How did you get started judging horse shows? **judging local shows**

What is your favorite horse show event? **no one event. I like them all**

How long have you judged horse shows? **20 plus years**

What association judging cards do you hold? **APHA, PHBA, ApHC, PtHA, NSBA, WCHA**

What show has been the most fun for you to judge in your career? **Riechert Celebration, APHA World Show, Pinto World Show**

What is your most favorite thing to see in the show ring? **Good Horses**

What is your least favorite thing to see in the show ring? **Poor Sportsmanship**

Do you have a favorite quote? **"The best thing for the inside of a man, is the outside of a horse." Winston Churchill**

If you had one suggestion for the horse show parent, what would it be? **"Enjoy this time with your children and make memories. And remember that judges opinions are subjective."**

If you had one suggestion for the horse show kid, what would it be? **If you do not enjoy showing horses and you are showing to make you parents or someone else happy stop, and tell them. The judges can tell and by all means your horse knows.**

### Financial Report –

	Income	Expenses
Balance Forward	\$5,985.93	
04/02/10 Walmart (refund returned supplies)		\$ 11.12
04/02/10 Reimburse Janet Landry (Walmart/safety pins)		\$ 8.10
04/03/10 West Cal Arena		\$427.50
04/03/10 Judge Pat Burton		\$500.00
04/03/10 Food for Judge Burton		\$ 16.75
04/03/10 Reimburse Janet Landry(Hotel/Judge Burton)		\$ 96.26
04/03/10 Show Help(Landry,Jenkins,Hadley,Brannon)		\$400.00
04/03/10 Stalls for Officers (Terry Wade, Tara Best, Steve Jenkins & Gwen Canty \$15 3/21 & 4/3)		\$120.00
04/03/10 Reimburse Michelle Seaman (leadline awards)		\$ 32.48
04/03/10 Reimburse Charlotte Martin (award ribbons)		\$605.14
04/10/10 Deposit	\$4,347.00	
04/18/10 Reimburse Janet Landry (Hancock Fabric/safety pins)		\$ 10.78
04/19/10 Heiki Cooley		\$534.00

	\$10,332.93	\$2,762.13
Balance	<u>\$ 7,570.80</u>	

\*\*\*This does not include 4/24 show deposits or expenses.....