

Silver Spur Riders Club

MARCH NEWSLETTER

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President: Sarah Seaman

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2008 Show Dates

March 15

April 26*

May 24

May 31-Jun 1 (4-H Youth Show SSRC Sponsored)

June 21

July 19

August 23*

September 20

October 18

November 22

Banquet TBA

*General Membership Meeting At Show

COGGINS TEST:

CURRENT NEGATIVE COGGINS CERTIFICATES MANDATORY AT ALL SILVER SPUR RIDERS CLUB SHOWS

...NO EXCEPTIONS ALLOWED...

TO ALL MEMBERS:

Every horse (whether being shown or not) brought to the Silver Spur Riders Club horse show MUST have a current negative Coggins Test. The current negative Coggins certificates for all horses entering the premises will be required and verified at the registration table prior to registration. Anyone having a horse without a current negative Coggins certificate must remove the horse(s) immediately from the premises.

President's Corral:

Howdy! I want to THANK YOU for coming out to support our February Practice/Fundraiser show! We had great attendance in spite of the weather! I appreciate the way we worked together as a club to make the decision on ending the show early. It is not something that SSRC does, but I think with the bad weather and tornado warnings, we made a very wise decision. Safety of us, our families and our horses comes first! Our March show, the first of the new season is just around the corner and I can't wait!

I want to encourage everyone once again to get your COOKBOOKS! We are extending the special. If you buy 5 cookbooks, you get a FREE one! These are great gifts. Be sure to check out some great recipes too, like Kaye Leon's "Pull Apart Veggie Bread" and Katrina Gatte's "Mexican Cornbread Casserole". OH, and be sure to try

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Charlotte Martin's "Better Than ???
Cake"!!!!

Plans are underway to offer a SPECIAL 25th Anniversary Belt Buckle to all members to purchase in 2008! Gist is working on a deal for us and we will announce details and ordering information soon. We don't have all the details yet, but we hope to have it all ironed out soon! They will be very nice with our own SSRC Logo!

As a reminder... for 2008, SSRC will not be reserving rooms in DeRidder for you. You MUST get your own room.

Our host hotel, Country Inn will be available, and there are a few other Hotels in town. Country Inn of DeRidder will offer a special group rate for SSRC. Rooms are \$49.95+tax per night. You will have to call to reserve your own room, but you MUST TELL THEM YOU ARE WITH SSRC to get the group rate. The phone number for the Country Inn is: 337-462-3450. For those of you that may not wish to stay at the Country Inn, there is also the Stagecoach Inn: 337-462-0022. You will have to call for their rates.

This year, everyone is responsible for getting your own stalls and RV hookups. The DeRidder arena staff is WONDERFUL and will take care of us.

Don't worry, they will not run out of stalls, but if you are going to be showing up very late that day, you may want to be sure to call ahead so they

can unlock stalls for you. Call Lilly at: 337-375-2724.

Last but not least, our first General Membership meeting of the year will be at the April 26th show. Please be thinking of any suggestions or issues that you would like to address for that meeting. Remember, Silver Spur Rider's Club would not exist without YOU, it's members!

That's about it for this one...I can't wait for our first show! Until then...

Happy Trails & God Bless...

Dan Morgan

2008 SSRC President

- **SSRC WEBSITE:**

www.silverspurridersclub.com

- **NEW CLASS:**
Hobby Horse Rookie Rewards

For more information on the new class sponsored by Hobby Horse Clothing, please note that the web site address is:

http://www.hobbyhorseinc.com/rookie_rewards/rules_pattern.shtml

The rules and pattern are available online as well as in a printable format.

- **FEBRUARY SHOW RESULTS:**

See the website for February results !

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DeRidder Arena Practice:

The arena will be open on Tuesdays.

They are working on having it open Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday with one of those days open until 9 p.m. for people who work.

\$10 for all day. One person and as many horses as you want to ride.

18 and under must have an adult with them.

The arena opens at 10 a.m. unless prior arrangements are made to open it earlier.

You must have a current Coggins test with you on each horse.

STALLIONS:

If you are showing a stallion this year, please note that according to the rules for 2008, stallions must be kept stalled during the show.

COOKBOOK IDEAS !

- SSRC cookbooks are a great way to thank each of your sponsors for their support in 2008 or even this last year. Michelle can email you a picture of class winners from the awards banquet to put in the front of the cookbook to personalize one for each of your sponsors.
- Easter is around the corner ! Treat your mother or grandmother by getting them a SSRC cookbook !
- If you would like to sign out some cookbooks to take to sell at your place of business, please see Kim Hailey or Michelle Seaman

DeRidder Information

Stalls and RV spots:

Lilly at: 337- 375-2724

Area Motels:

Country Inn:

337-462-3450

Say you are with SSRC for group rate

Stage Coach Inn

337-462-0022

HAPPY
EASTER !



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ATTENTION: PAC, OCAP & OEIP **(Arabian) participants**

PLEASE, have your paperwork filled out to INCLUDE the classes you've ridden in (even if you end up pulling from the class). It is not fair to ask me to flip through all the class cards (or try to rely on my feeble memory) to find which classes you've ridden in. ALSO, remember, to include a stamped envelope addressed to either yourself or the applicable association with your paperwork. I fill out 10 - 20 sets of papers for each show and should not be required to incur the added expense of providing postage & envelopes. If you've forgotten your envelope or stamp, please include \$1 with your paperwork. I apologize for having to "crack down" on this, but, remember, my position as Secretary for the club is voluntary and filling out PAC, OCAP & OEIP forms is an added service provided to the club.

Thanks for understanding,
Charlotte D. Martin
2008 SSRC Secretary

SSRC PROMOTION/PUBLICITY

Hi everyone! SSRC needs YOUR help! I am placing ads and SSRC fliers wherever I can, but if you can think of something, somewhere or if you have a contact for advertising please let me know! Fliers will be available to pick up at the show, as well as on the web site as PDFs. Please help me out in placing them at your local tack, feed, etc... stores. Please help me spread the word about our the BEST Horse club around! SPONSORS!!!! Sponsors will be getting a LOT MORE this year! Please send me your Sponsor information as soon as you get it. This year, they will get listed in our newsletters, linked to our web site, get a small ad on the arena fence AND they will get a :30 announcement before each class that they sponsor! I can build their ad for them, or you can email it to me at: kjanes@xspedius.net. Get them early so they can benefit more for their sponsorship! Feel free to ask me any questions. Thanks!

Kim Morgan
2008 SSRC Publicity

OCAP Participants

The February Practice show HAS been approved for OCAP points.....Get your paperwork to me as soon as possible for your points to be counted.

Youth Report:

By: Danae Best, Youth Secretary

Greetings all you Silver Spurs Riders Club friends. I hope you enjoyed the February show as much as I did despite our sudden weather concerns. I hope all of you made it home safe before those storms hit.

Congratulations to our Simon Says Western Pleasure Fundraiser class winner.

March fundraiser will be WT and WTL Hunter Hack classes. In order to participate you must pay the fee of \$8 before class begins. I hope you will all participate in the rest of our fundraisers throughout the year.

Thank you, and I wish you all good luck this month at our March show in DeRidder, Louisiana. Remember points start being counted in March. Hope to see everyone there. Thank you all for supporting our club. And remember to check out our website we have now....www.silverspurridersclub.com

In Christ,
Danae Best
SSRC Youth Secretary

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SSRC Open Horse Show Judges Bio

By: Michala Seaman, youth reporter

Judge: Michael Ochetto



Name: Michael Ochetto

Q. Where you were born?

A. Vineland, New Jersey

Q. Where do you live?

A. Henderson, Texas

Q. What college did you go to and what did you major in?

A. Salem College, Salem, West Virginia; Bachelor of Science Degree in Equine Science and Education

Q. What is your favorite food?

A. Just about anything

Q. What is your favorite movie?

A. Many.... like thrillers and dramas.

Q. How long have you ridden horses?

A. 30 years

Q. How long have you judged horse shows?

A. 20 years

Q. What is your favorite horse show event?

A. Halter, western pleasure and hunter under saddle

Q. What show has been the most fun for you to judge in your career?

A. I have enjoyed many horse shows and enjoy the people I get to meet

Q. Is there anything you really don't like to see in a show ring?

A. I do not like to see people over show there horses and poor sportsmanship.

Q. Is there anything you like to see in a show ring?

A. Someone who shows me that they really enjoy showing horses and good attitudes.

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YOUTH CLINIC AND HORSE SHOW

MAY 31 – JUNE 1

Hi everyone,

I am currently getting the clinics in order and Michelle and I are working on a tentative show bill for the upcoming Youth Clinic and Show, May 31st and June 1st. We are planning to have a variety of riding and hands-on clinics on Saturday that will interest all types of youth riders. Michelle made a contact with the Sam Houston State University Horse Judging Team and they will be presenting at the clinic on Saturday and helping with the show on Sunday. This team was invited through a grant with "AQHA" to present clinics to youth in Europe this summer. What an honor it is to have these under grad college students to help with our youth. We also have confirmation from Jerry Martin who will help with western pleasure, and Dan and Kathy Marcum and Annie Wiggins who will help with hunt seat, grooming and hoof care. We also invited Fran Hancock who works under clinician Dennis Reis to do a demonstration on round pen work and are waiting on a final conformation. SSRC TEAM "GO"...

In the works are western pleasure techniques, hunter under saddle, trail, showmanship, round pen work, grooming and hoof care. We would like to have a "Fellowship" on Saturday night around a fire pit with a simple dinner being offered to the participants and their parents. Parents please bring a "side-dish" that will go with the Hot Dogs and fixins' furnished by SSRC.

The show bill will be a combination of Texas and Louisiana 4H-type classes, designed to give our youth a chance to get some awesome practice before the upcoming summer 4H State and Regional Shows. The Texas and Louisiana county agents will get info to all of their clubs throughout both states which should make the event have a huge turn-out.

Keep checking on the website for the final show bill and information on the clinics. We will need to get a head count for the clinic day to determine how many can participate in the various sessions.

Some clinics may be on a first come first serve basis limiting the number of riders, so stay posted.

The final "show bill" and clinic flyer are attached. Please make copies to give to your friends.

It's a pleasure to work with this show and I hope that it will be of benefit to our youth.

Happy Riding,

Renee Jordan

CONGRATULATIONS **to our SSRC family !!!**

Congratulations to Dani Ward and My Painted Lena in their OCAP wins:

- ***Junior Youth Overall: 8th***
- ***Youth Western Showmanship: 3rd***

YOUTH FUNDRAISER MONIES:

Please support the youth of SSRC and ride in the monthly fundraisers. **If there is a fundraiser that you really enjoyed, or if you have an idea for one, please let Michelle know at the announcer's table.** Thanks again for your support in 2007!

Classifieds:

We will begin to offer a classified section in our newsletter.

Please click below to email your ad:

[SUBMIT CLASSIFIED AD](#)

- **Free to Good Home:**
1991 APHA Bay Breeding Stock Mare
Call for information:
409.382.0769
Michelle Seaman

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2008 SPONSORS

Thanks to each and every sponsor !

- **Classes in red are sponsored**
- **Classes in black are not sponsored at this time.**

Junior Horse Hunter Under Saddle WT-
Senior Horse Hunter Under Saddle
WTL-

Junior Horse Hunter Under Saddle
WTL-

**PeeWee Hunter Under Saddle WT -
Rip's Ranch & Rodeo Supply
PW Hunter Under Saddle WTL -
Branding Iron Western**

Junior Hunter Under Saddle WTL -
Senior Hunter Under Saddle WTL -
English Pleasure-PLeasure/Saddle
Types -

**Novice Hunter Under Saddle WT -
Triple E Feed LLC**

Junior English Disciplined Rail WTL -
Senior English Disciplined Rail WTL -
PeeWee Hunt Seat Equitation WT -
PeeWee Hunt Seat Equitation WTL -
Junior Hunt Seat Equitation WTL -
Senior Hunt Seat Equitation WTL -
Open Hunter/Hack -

All Age Stallions -
Halter-Pleasure/Saddle Type Stallions
& Geldings -

**Halter - Pleasure/Saddle Type Mares -
Howell's Campus Corner**

2008 Weanling Colts & Fillies -
Yearling Mares-

2 & 3 Year Old Mares-
4 & Over Mares -

Yearling Geldings-
2 & 3 Year Old Geldings-

**4 & Over Geldings - Morgan Insurance
Group**

**Color Class- Silsbee Farm & Ranch
Pee Wee Showmanship - Optomist**

Club

Junior Showmanship - Optomist Club

Senior Showmanship -Optomist Club

Yearling & 2 Year Old Lunge Line -

Judged Leadline -

**Junior Horse Western Pleasure WT-
Sherry Froemming**

Senior Horse Western Pleasure WTL-

**Junior Horse Western Pleasure WTL-
Sherry Froemming**

**Pee Wee Western Pleasure WT - Delta
Equine (1/2 Sponsored)**

**Pee Wee Western Pleasure WTL - The
Tack Rack**

Junior Western Pleasure WTL -

Senior Western Pleasure WTL -

**Novice Western Pleasure WTL- Neches
Hardwood Management**

**West Pleas-Pleasure/Saddle Type WTL
- Margaret Callesto**

Junior Disciplined Rail WTL -

Senior Disciplined Rail WTL -

Pee Wee Western Horsemanship WT -

Pee Wee Western Horsemanship WTL
-

Junior Western Horsemanship WTL -

Senior Western Horsemanship WTL -

Pee Wee Trail WT - Fabrication

Construction Services

Pee Wee Trail WTL -

Junior Trail WTL -

Senior Trail WTL -

Open Western Riding -

Reining-

**Pee Wee Barrels - O'Brien Flying
Service**

Junior Barrels-

Senior Barrels -

Pee Wee Poles-

Junior Poles -

Senior Poles -

Pee Wee Stakes -

Junior Stakes-

Senior Stakes