

# Sooner ApHC Newsletter

Sooner Appaloosa Horse Club

March, 2004

### February 22nd Clinic Fun, Informative

by Angie McGee

Our first clinic of the year was held on Sunday, February 22nd. The weather was amazingly cooperative with sunshine and pleasant temperatures. We had a nice turn out, both members and guests attending. I think everyone that came learned something!

We had a short meeting before the clinic started and updated the members on a few things the club has been working on.

When Dr. White and Dr. Grady arrived, everyone took their seats while Dr. Grady took center stage. He spoke on the 3 stages of parturition and discussed the various necessities of broodmare management such as vaccination and deworming. Dr. White then finished the presentation by going into more depth issues such as twinning, preparing the broodmare for early breeding, and uterine problems. He also shared with the group that the vet clinic has a website and anyone can access it and email them with their questions. The address is www.sapulpavet.com.

Dr. Grady and Dr. White shared a wealth of information. A few points that staved with me were:

Get the mare current on her vaccina-

tions, including rabies, about 30 days before her due date.

- Fescue is an issue in any pasture in Oklahoma. Recommended keeping the mare in a paddock or other controlled environment the last 90 days. Also, mentioned there is now a medicine that can be administered to the mare to counteract may of the fescue-related problems.
- Be sure the foal nurses. Emphasized that you need to see it, that hearing "slurping" may not indicate true nursing.

We took a break before Steve Rousey. Master Farrier, took his turn to speak to our group about foot care. Steve's main point to everyone was to "clean your horse's feet". He spoke of the importance of keeping your horses on a routine schedule and being prepared. We had a lot of good questions from the group and Steve demonstrated proper techniques of picking up and releasing a horse's foot using Chance, our equine model. He also showed the group how to prevent and protect yourself from a horse who kicks and stressed the importance of training those types of horses NOT to kick. Steve finished up with me-

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## March 14th Clinic to be Held at Windsong Arena **Directions to Windsong Arena in Adair**

From Tulsa, take I44-East from Tulsa

- By toll road, stay on I44-East after you go through Catoosa. Take Adair exit. Go east on HW28 into Adair. Go through the signal light at the HW69 intersection, staying on HW28. Approximately 4 miles east of signal light on HW28, turn right on to NS439. The arena is the first right after you turn on to NS439. You can see the arena from HW28.
- By HW412, travel east and take HW69-North at Chouteau. Go North on HW69 through Pryor to Adair. At HW28 in Adair, turn right (east). Approximately 4 miles east of signal light on HW28, turn right on to NS439. The arena is the first right after you turn on to NS439. You can see the arena from HW28.

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#### **Sooner Pics**



Leslie Chapman, Angie Smith, and Samantha Evans visit during the January meeting.



Nadia Loden and Dedra Tiger with youngest Sooner member Cheyanna Potter at January meeting.



Charlie Bottger has a new youngster at his place. This colt is by his stud Magic.



Dan McGee models his brace at the February clinic. He was set free from this device the next week.

### **Member News**

Matt Chronister, son of Jim and Donna, was married on Friday, February 20th. Donna promises we'll have a picture for the next newsletter. Our best wishes to this young couple as they begin one of life's great adventures.

Dan McGee reports that he is now brace-free. He's had a successful recuperation from the injuries he suffered in November. Congratulations, Dan.

Charlie Bottger has started his show season early. He and Vi had just returned from San Antonio when they attended our February clinic.

Hilda Coleman reports that Curly Bill has recovered sufficiently to start working on the lounge line soon. She reports that he's actually running again. Wonderful news on this fella!

Dedra Tiger, our web master and vice president, has had an article published in Peak to Peak,, a directory/magazine in Colorado. Way to go, Dedra!

### President's Corner

What a busy and informative start to our year. Our 1st clinic on February 22nd was a wonderful first event. Good weather, good location, informative programs and good attendance. Thanks to everyone who helped to pull this event together. Many compliments from the attendees and the presenters!

Our 2nd clinic is just around the corner on March 14th. This one will have members sharing some of their knowledge on halter and showmanship, rail classes and equitation classes. Bring your horses and join in.

It's going to be a busy, and I hope, fun year for all of us. Plan to join us whenever pos-

sible. If you can contribute knowledge or expertise at one of these events, please contact an officer or board member. This is our Club—let's enjoy it!

Carol



Steve Rousey answers one of Dedra's questions about hoof care. Steve emphasized being horse-friendly when handling your horse's feet. As with people, being considerate of the horse's feelings makes for more cooperation. One tip: place the horse's hoof down when finished—don't just drop it!



### **Upcoming Local Events**

March 14—Clinic and Mini Show (showmanship, pleasure, equitation). Windsong Arena, Adair, OK. Contact Angie McGee, 918-865-3734 or Carol Johnson, 918-543-2574, for more info.

March 20-21—OAHC March Madness Show, Purcell, OK For more info, contact Joe Hall, 405-787-9870.

March 27-28—Household Pollution Collection. Tulsa Expo, Lot 7. Tulsa, OK.

April 3-MO-ARK Show, Civil War Arena, Carthage, MO. For more info. contact Leslie D. Witt, 417-627-9141.

April 17-18—OAHC Spring Fling Show, Oklahoma City, OK. For more info, contact Joe Hall, 405-787-9870.

April 18—Braiding/Grooming Clinic, 4 Way Arena (tentative)

May 15 or 16-Clinic and

Trail Ride (Beggs Arena (tentative)

May 29-30— OAHC Run for the Roses Show. Oklahoma City, OK. For more info, contact Joe Hall, 405-787-9870.

June 19—Sooner ApHC Summer Show, Payne County Arena, Stillwater, OK. For more info, contact Dedra Tiger, 918-366-4818, or Carol Johnson, 918-543-2574.



Dr. Grady of Sapulpa Veterinary Hospital discusses the stages of parturition and preparing for delivery at our February clinic.

### T-Shirt Logo Contest—Entries Due April 30th

Artists, doodlers, cartoonists extraordinaire—take note! We plan to have Sooner t-shirts at the June show. We're asking that members and friends design a logo for the t-shirt. Get your entry in to Angie McGee (P.O. Box 545, Mannford, OK 74044, FaithQH@aol.com) by April 30th. Board members will judge the designs. The winning design will be on the Sooner t-shirts at the June show. Prize for the winning design still under discussion.



### **Board Meeting Minutes January 25, 2004**

Location: Goldie's Patio Grill, 21st & Garnett,

Tulsa, Oklahoma

3:00 Time:

Present: Carol Johnson, Paul Johnson, Jim

> Chronister, Angie Evans Smith, Dedra Tiger, Nadia Loden, Angelia McGee, Dan McGee, Leslie Chapman, Sophia Sokolowski, Billy Walker, and Rodger Scott. Youth: David Marshall, Samantha Evans, Nicholas Dziewa,

Ashlie Dziewa

The meeting was called to order at 3:15 p.m.

#### Minutes of November 16, 2003 Meeting

Minutes from the November 16, 2003 meeting were reviewed. Angle Evans noted a mistake in the Nominations section, Leslie Johnson should read Leslie Chapman. Leslie Chapman noted spelling errors in her children's names. Minutes should read Ashlie Dziewa and David Chapman should read David Marshall.

Upon motion made by Dedra Tiger and seconded by Billy Walker, minutes of the November 16, 2003 meeting were approved with the corrections shown above.

The financial report was distributed for review.

Carol asked that the savings account be noted in the report that is specifically for the Stallion Service Auction so that there was no confusion when the club opens a 2<sup>nd</sup> savings account for youth activities.

Upon motion made by Leslie Chapman and seconded by Dedra Tiger, the Financial Report was approved as presented.

#### **Club Insurance Renewal**

Angie McGee reported that the club's insurance policy will expire February 22, 2004. For the 2003 season the club paid \$520.00. Angle McGee offered to call current agent to see about renewing the policy. She will also call around for comparison rates.

Leslie Chapman made a motion to allow Angie McGee to renew the policy if the rate is fair, seconded by Nadia Loden, and it was agreed upon unanimously.

#### **Show Committee Update**

During the show committee meeting last week,

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Dr. White of Sapulpa Veterinary Hospital discusses the importance of being sure the foal nurses in the first few hours after birth.

### **Interesting Web** Sites

www.sooner-aphc.com

The Sooner ApHC web

#### www.appaloosa.com

Appaloosa Horse Club web site

oklahomahorseindustrycouncil.com

> Oklahoma Horse Industry Council site

www.ansi.okstate.edu/exten/ho

OSU's horse web site

#### www.theHorse.com

Published by The Horse magazine. Good source of equine health information.

#### **Financial Report**





### **Club Sponsors**

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



#### Billy Walker or Tiffany George

Sapulpa, OK 918-299-2746 or 918-636-2094 Email: <u>TAGAppys@yahoo.com</u> Site: <u>Walker's Appaloosas</u>



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918-543-2574
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Site: <u>G&S Appaloosa Sporthorse</u> <u>Standing at Gentlewood Farms</u>

### **General Meeting Minutes**

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Carol and Dedra double checked our show bill. Carol will check the bill against what ApHC has approved for us. We currently have a total of 162 classes this year. Carol removed Green Hunter Under Saddle, as well as the Working Hunter classes from the list. Carol will print the final draft of the show bill and mail or email it out to members.

Leslie Chapman inquired about cattle classes and it was discussed that the club had several requests to have cattle classes, but it was agreed that the club did not want to add them to the one day show format. A lady from the OKC Club offered working the cattle classes, and Carol indicated that she did not mind having the cattle classes if the other club was willing to take care of that portion of the show.

Carol asked that Rodger Scott continue to take stalling calls but Angie McGee suggested that Nadia Loden take over this responsibility due to the networking that Nadia has done to the public about our shows.

A Foundation Pedigree Designation (FPD) group contacted Carol about offering the FPD Halter class at our shows. They offered to publish our show bill in their publication if we did offer the FPD Class.

Nadia has been networking with several trainers and showmen about our shows. She reported that we have an extremely high interest from people, however many of them are concerned about hauling many miles for our show, going home, then returning a week later for Nationals. Nadia requested that we try to find those who were interested a place to board for the week between our show and Nationals. Nadia will call Payne County to see about cost and liability. The board agreed that the people wanting to stay would need to pay an upfront deposit and there could not be any liability for the club.

Hi-point awards were discussed and it was mutually agreed that the Show Committee needs to meet again and decide the format of the awards system.

#### **Future Events**

Currently we have a clinic scheduled for February 22<sup>nd</sup>. Carol found that the Will Rogers Indoor is booked for that date already. She also suggested that due to the season that we try to have the clinic indoors. Angle McGee offered the club the use of the barn located on her

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lease property in Mannford.

The club discussed topics and format. It was decided that the format would be a 2 hr clinic, spending an hour on each topic, with a question/answer period after each. Angie Evans Smith said that a breeding clinic would be interesting since foaling season was upon us. Angie McGee has talked to her farrier and he has agreed to clinic on hoof care. It was determined that we needed to locate a vet for the clinic, and Leslie Chapman said that she would call OSU for suggestions. Carol also has a friend who could demonstrate photonic therapy as well. Equine massage was also suggested.

The clinic was scheduled for 3-5pm with a short meeting at 2pm to discuss future planned activities.

Other events scheduled:

March 14: Clinic + Mini show – Carol will find out about Will Rogers Arena for location

April 18: Braiding/Grooming clinic – Leslie Chapman will find out about 4 Way Arena in Pryor

May 15/16: Clinic/Trailride – Nadia/Dedra to find out about Beggs Arena

July: Combo Clinic – Angie M. suggested that we see how the Feb 22<sup>nd</sup> clinic goes before we decide on a location

October: Trailride

#### <u>Fundraising</u>

Dedra contacted the Stillwater Chamber of Commerce and received a visitor's guide from them with names of vendors that we should consider contacting for sponsorship to our shows.

Angie Evans Smith suggested that we sell "Sooner Gear", mostly consisting of T-shirts/sweatshirts. Angie McGee will check for wholesale dealers. Jim will find out if Michelle Denney still has her embroidering business, if not Angie McGee has a friend in Oologah that does.

Carol suggested doing a calendar using pictures from club members. She will check with The UPS Store to find out if they offer this type of service.

Leslie Chapman offered to donate one of her sketches for a raffle and also suggested having a silent auction at the show.

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#### **Stallion Service Auction Update**

Nadia handed out a proposal for the SSA. Currently we have 38 stallions and no bids on any of them. Nadia's proposal suggested that we offer the stallion owner's free eligibility and allow them to nominate the foal of their choice. Jim suggested that we should NOT allow this and that we should just re-open the auction up for bids until May 31, 2004.

Angie McGee said that she would check out the option to advertise in the Journal, while Carol is going to check about getting it published in the OKC and Mo-Ark clubs' newsletters.

#### **FYI NEWS**

Carol received a call from Victoria Ennis about

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having our club provide horses and costumed riders to lead a post parade on race day similar to what Haza Chance did last year at the Americana. The club agreed that this was a great opportunity to advertise our club and build good PR with the Appaloosa Racing Association. Carol will keep us posted.

#### **Website Update**

Dedra reported that due to technical difficulties that there were no current site statistics.

#### **Adjournment**

Upon motion made by Angie Evans Smith and seconded by Leslie Chapman, the meeting was adjourned at 5:05 p.m.

Minutes recorded by Angie McGee, Secretary/Treasurer

Angie and Dan McGee's barn near Mannford, site of our February 22nd clinic.

## When I am an old Horsewoman

I shall wear turquoise and diamonds,

And a straw hat that doesn't suit me

And I shall spend my social security on white wine and carrots.

And sit in my alley-way of my barn

And listen to my horses breathe

I will sneak out in the middle of a summer night

And ride the old bay gelding,

Across the moonstruck meadow

If my old bones will allow

And when people come to call, I will smile and nod

As I walk past the gardens to the barn

and show instead the flowers growing inside stalls freshlined with straw

I will shovel and sweat and wear hay in my hair

if it were a jewel

And I will be an embarrassment to all

Who will not yet have found the peace in being free to have a horse as a best friend

A friend who waits at midnight hour

With muzzle and nicker and patient eyes

For the kind of woman I will be When I am old

~Author Unknown~

### **Board Meeting Minutes**

Location: Goldie's Patio Grill, 21st & Garnett, Tulsa, Oklahoma

Time: 2:00

Present: Carol Johnson, Charley & Vi Bottger,

Dedra Tiger, Nadia Loden, Angelia McGee, Dan McGee, Leslie Chapman, Tiffany George, Billy Walker. **Youth:** Ashlie Dziewa, Katelyn Sokolowski

**Visitors:** Ramona Peters, Anita Peters, Lou Graham, Lauren Graham, and Kaley Graham.

**Guest Speakers:** Steve Rousey, Farrier, Jason Grady, DVM, Deroy White, DVM, and Lisa White

The meeting was called to order at 2:30 p.m.

#### Minutes of January 25, 2004 Meeting

Minutes from the January 25, 2004 meeting were reviewed. Leslie Chapman noted that her son, David, was at the meeting and should be listed under "Youth present".

Upon motion made by Tiffany George and seconded by Dedra Tiger, minutes of the January 25, 2004 meeting were approved with the correction shown above.

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#### Website Update

Dedra reported that the website has been moved to a new server, which honored Sooner's Free site on their T-3 Server. Hits are averaging 100-150 a day, approx 8-10 megs a day. SSA page having the most hits, and some of the stallions are in the top ten site list. The show page is #10 of the top sites list.

#### **Stallion Service Auction Update**

Angie has been checking with other regional clubs about advertising the stallion auction with them. The club members agreed to advertise in those clubs which offered a trade on advertisement and those that were free.

#### **Future Events**

Currently we have a clinic scheduled for March 14<sup>th</sup>. Carol and Leslie are still checking out options for location. The topics of discussion have been decided on. We will have a showmanship clinic and Tiffany is going to see if she will be available to do an English equitation seminar.

The club has yet to stipulate a time format and plans are in the works.

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#### Pony of War

Donated to the Club by Carol and Paul Johnson This sculpture is of a black and white leopard Appaloosa in battle gear. It is the small size. A drawing will be held at the June 19th show. Tickets for the drawing can be purchased from any Sooner member for \$1.00 a ticket or \$5.00 for 6 tickets. The money raised will go into the Sooner ApHC General Fund.

"We have no right to distress any of God's creatures without a very good reason; we call them dumb animals, and so they are for they cannot tell us how they feel; but they do not suffer less because they have no words."

Anna Sewell from Black Beauty



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**April 18:** Braiding/Grooming clinic – Leslie Chapman will find out about 4 Way Arena in Prvor

**May 15/16:** Clinic/Trailride – Nadia/Dedra to find out about Beggs Arena

June 19: Sooner Show @ Stillwater

**July: Combo Clinic** – Angie M. suggested that we see how the Feb 22<sup>nd</sup> clinic goes before we decide on a location

October: Trailride

#### **Sooner Shop**

Angie McGee has found a wholesale dealer that will sell "Hanes Beefy-T's" for approx \$3 a shirt, any color. Sophia Sokolowski had emailed Angie telling her also of another company selling neutral colored t-shirts for approx \$2.30 each. Angie McGee is also checking out screen printing costs.

Club Insurance Renewal

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Angie McGee has been trying to get in contact with the insurance company and has been playing phone tag. Will have more to update at the next meeting.

#### **FYI NEWS**

Carol has been in contact with Victoria Ennis about having our club provide horses and costumed riders to lead a post parade on race day similar to what Haza Chance did last year at the Americana. There is a conflict of dates as the Post Parade at Fair Meadows is scheduled for June 19<sup>th</sup>, which is also the date of our show. Tiffany George expressed interest in doing the post parade regardless because she may not be able to make the show. There will also be another Post Parade scheduled in May at Remington Park in OKC.

#### <u>Adjournment</u>

Upon motion made by Dedra Tiger and seconded by Billy Walker, the meeting was adjourned at 3:05 p.m.

Minutes recorded by Angie McGee, Secretary/Treasurer

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chanics of the foot and proper angles.

I do hope those who attended our clinic learned a lot and refreshed their memories on things they did know.

As a club, we are grateful and thankful to Sapulpa Vet and Steve Rousey for donating their time to speak with us. I do hope to see them again in the future! I also want to send out a personal thank you to Tiffany George, Billy Walker, Carol Johnson, and her friend Julie for coming on the Saturday before and helping to ready the barn for the clinic. THANKS!

Thanks everyone who came! Remember our next clinic is March 14th. Details will be coming soon!

### 1992 Tallasi Poster donated to Club

A friend of Dedra Tiger's has donated this beautiful framed poster by artist Jack McCarter to the Club. Dedra has researched the history of the poster and the artist. The Lochapokas (Turtle Clan) of the Creek Nation settled in their new home "Tallasi" in the early 1800's. On January 17, 1897, Tallasi was incorporated as the City of Tulsa. Jack McCarter is a contemporary Cherokee artist from Tahlequah, OK. **Watch** the web site for more details. We plan to auction this poster as part of a silent auction. More info will be in the May newsletter.

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#### 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!).

#### **Newsletter Info**

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

Please get info for the May newsletter to Carol by **April** 

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