

ACTRA E-News

February 2015

TALES 'N TRAILS

SPECIAL INTEREST: 2014 Ride Results January Thaw 2014 Meet Some 2014 Juniors Early ACTRA

Notes from the Manure pile – Winter 2014/2015

Once again we have completed another year of rides with some firsts and some milestones. Congratulations to the members and mounts that acquired new mileage plateaus, as one accumulates the mileage awards one tends to much more appreciate the work, time, effort and expense that go into it.

For the members that have achieved firsts, from their first ride or their first away ride or their first time at a given distance or ride type, all are noteworthy milestones. Here is to hoping you all look back on them with warm regards.

We had a quite productive AGM with some clarification of rules. Work is underway to rewrite the rulebook into a clearer more structured format and get it ready for the spring meeting. We are also working on updates to the website, with plans for a much interactive presence that will allow members to comment on content and in some case add items. Also working to include history of riders and rides into the site. I look forward to comments & suggestions on the site, bear in mind some of the info on it is not real, it is just people playing around seeing how information might look.

After reflection on the discussions during the meeting and also considering comments from members over the last year or so, I have decided to visit the suggestion of ACTRA creating its own Endurance & LD rules, based on the AERC with our changes. This would freeze the rules and they would only change as we approve changes, not as AERC makes a change. Also it would remove all the parts of the AERC rules that are not applicable to our association, like points and grievances, which are covered in other sections of our rules. More on this will be presented at the spring meeting.

I hope the New Year finds everyone happy and enthusiastic about the year to come, as always I look forward to hearing from anyone that has a concern or suggestion.

I can be reached through a new email address chair@atlanticriders.ca or any other contact for me already published.

Happy trails

Roy

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ATLANTIC CANADA TRAIL RIDING ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP FORM

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

JUNIOR OR OTHER RIDERS IN THE FAMILY

NAME: _____ BIRTHDATE: _____

NAME: _____ BIRTHDATE: _____

I WISH TO REGISTER THE FOLLOWING MOUNT WITH ACTRA (LIFETIME MOUNT REGISTRATION FEE \$25)

REG NAME: _____ **BARN NAME:** _____

BREED _____ **AGE:** _____ **MARE GELDING STALLION (PLEASE CIRCLE)**

BREED REGISTRY INFORMATION:

MEMBERSHIP DUES: INDIVIDUAL \$20.00 - FAMILY \$30.00 - MOUNT REGISTRATION \$25.00

PLEASE SEND MEMBERSHIP FORM OR FACSIMILE TO: GWENN DEXTER, RR #5 CANNING, NS, B0P 1H0

WOULD YOU PREFER YOUR NEWSLETTER BY EMAIL ____ OR BY MAIL ____?

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP DUES: _____ @\$20.00 OR _____ @\$30.00 OR/AND _____ @\$25.00

TOTAL FEES SUBMITTED = _____

2014 ACTRA Fall AGM Coastal Inn, Sackville NB

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| Rene Mersereau | Roy Drinnan | Donna Lee Cole | Donna Munn |
| Jen McDonald | Kaaren Lebert | Ann Bridges | Jean Bridges |
| Afiena Kamminga | Terry Hale | Jim Burns | Pat Rideout |
| Kathleen Schaefer | Shelley Schaefer | Susan Hovey | Sylvia Gillies |
| Betty Dwyer | Eric Dwyer | Elliott Bridges | Lucy Rudge |
| Elwood Munroe | Pam Thornton | Todd Schaefer | Pam Rustige |
| Lynn Beazley | Tammy Beazley | Troy Beazley | Bev Elliott |
| Gwenn Dexter | Sherry Brooks | April Haliburton | Carrilee Eddy |

Meeting called to order at 10:03 by Roy Drinnan

Minutes from 2014 Spring meeting read by DL Cole

Amendment to Pat Rideout's motion "If a horse is over/under (early/Late) by 30 minutes **in a CTR/IDR**, after the optimum time window, then the horse and rider are disqualified"

- minutes accepted as read with amendment by Sylvia, seconded by Lynn

REPORTS:

- Statistician Report offered by Jennifer McDonald

- Please fill out forms clearly. Recopy the Master Score Sheet if necessary.

- Illegible sheets will be returned.

- ER/LD: please submit order of finish

- Monies are to go to Treasurer

- Ride Results are to be sent to Newsletter Editor

- Ride Entry Forms are not to be sent to Statistician

RM's are to enter correct Mount numbers on Master Score Sheet

- People who are to receive Mileage jackets/Coolers are responsible to get their own jackets and coolers and give them to Jennifer for embroidering, or she will provide you with appropriate direction.

Sanctioning Report Offered by Donna Munn

- Elevator Rides need to be announced ASAP so that membership can be notified

- There should be a 30 day notice in advance of sanctioning a ride

- Sanctioning packs will include addresses and names of individuals where results/monies are to go.

- There are two rides Sanctioned for 2015. July 18/19: 2 JP's approx. 20 miles, Jody Wiggins, Kingston Peninsula, NB. Aug 1, ER/LD Jennifer McDonald, McDonald Point, NB

- 608 available miles for 2014

Endurance Canada Report offered by Donna Munn

- Discussion of need to have ACTRA representation

- Donna Munn can no longer be the ACTRA rep for EC as her max term is up.

- Sylvia will accept the Endurance Canada Rep position

Treasurer Report offered by Gwenn

- Balance as of Nov 10/14 is \$9626.68
- Expenses for 2014 were \$1175
- Income for 2014 was \$3364.95
- ACTRA allocated \$1000 towards CTR/IDR, ER/LD Incentive Fund in 2014

Public Relations Report offered by Afiena Kamminga

- Rides have been advertised in Horse and Pony, however this will now become a quarterly magazine
- RMs have been prompt in submitting their ride blurbs for promotion
- has developed an information sheet that can be posted in barns, tack stores etc to promote ACTRA

Rules Report not offered by Susan Hovey

Newsletter Report offered by Bev Elliott

- E Newsletter had been well received
- There continues to be a few members who request a hard copy of the Newsletter
- The E Bulletin frequency which will include the Ride Schedule, will be increased during ride season to monthly
- Suggested that ACTRA needs a up to date Ride Schedule on the Website.

All Reports were seconded and approved as presented

Old Business

- Jean Bridges and Donna Munn will continue to be ACTRA Reps at 2015 January Thaw
 - Jean has requested new photos be provided for the display
 - JEBridges@yoho.lake.com
 - or can be mailed to Jean Bridges
1172 Route 105
Douglas, NB
E3G 7J8

- Jennifer McDonald will not be offering a 100 mile CRT for 2015

- \$200 CTR/IDR, ER/LD Incentive Fund

- Motion made by Donna Lee "That for the 2015 season, ACTRA will continue to offer the \$200 Incentive for CTR/IDR, ER/LD. Competitions must be offered on the same day." Seconded by Lynn. Carried

- RM can request the funds at a time of their choosing after the competition.

Pat Rideout made a motion: "To continue the 5 min CTR/IDR time window" Seconded by Betty Dwyer. 8 in favour, Motion Defeated.

- Insurance: Information offered by Sylvia Gillies.

- Sylvia spoke with current insurance provider
- Lengthy discussion

- Sylvia is to clarify some questions with Inner City and bring back answers to Spring meeting.

Lunch Break until 13:30

New Business

- Marking System: Motion made by Troy "That ACTRA change the wording for "adopted" to "recommends" a two color marking system." Seconded by Lynn. Carried

- 5 point deduction to be removed from the score sheet for the use of hoof boots.

- Leg Protection Motion made by Pat Rideout " If a competitor wants to wear leg protection on their mount, during a CTR/IDR, they will receive a 5 pt deduction on the Conditioning score sheet. They will NOT be considered for Trail Horse. " Seconded by Todd. Carried.

- Ride Evaluation Survey

- Bev developed an internet Ride Evaluation Survey. RM can have these available post rides

-Pulse times: Rule book states pulses are to be taken over 30 seconds at the end of a competition, score sheets say 60 seconds. Score Sheet to be amended to read 30 seconds and multiple x 2.

- Pat suggested that the JP Score Sheet be amended to reflect a default P&R of 60/40

- Marking of loops: Betty requested that RM use different colors of ribbons for different loops. Discussion: At this time it will be up to individual RM to follow this suggestion.

- ER/LD: Eric D - Pulse gates need to be clearly defined. Riders are to be made aware during ride briefings.

- General discussion of pro/con of sanctioning ER with AERC or Endurance Canada. No action.

- Rulebook: Eric D has produced a pocket sized Rule Book. Cost \$1.00 Suggests that ACTRA members have one.

- Motion made by Sylvia: "Eric will have 100 of the pocket Rule Books available for the 2015 Spring Meeting and ACTRA will reimburse the costs:"

Seconded by Susan. Carried.

AERC Rulebook: Roy will contact AERC to see if ACTRA can have copies of their pocket sized Rulebook.

AERC now has Introductory Rides. No halfway is needed if they are 15 miles or less. Can be up to 22.4 miles. ACTRA will revisit this at the Spring meeting.

_New Members: Betty would like new members to receive a copy of the rule book, a welcome letter, a membership card, a copy of the ride schedule and a Mount Certificate if applied for.

-Pam R and Roy will develop a PDF Sanction Form

- IDR Motion made by Pat " that the IDR set speed be increased from its current 4MPH to 5 MPH for the 2015 season." Seconded by DL. Carried

- Elevator Rides – Motion made by DL Cole " A RM may offer ER/LD elevator rides at their discretion. Seconded by Troy. AERC rules for following sequential loops must be followed. Riders should be notified ASAP, either through sanctioning or notification at ride briefings. Carried

- Eric d has revised the Time Sheet for 2015

- Gwenn made a motion that: The managers of a sanctioned ride be current ACTRA members" Seconded by Carrilee. Carried

- Gwenn will add ACTRA Member and Mount #'s to the newsletter

BOD positions

- Afiena and Sherry have not reoffered
- Susan Hovey will re-offer and remain in Rules.
- Rene was nominated by Bev, seconded by DL
- Carrilee was nominated by Bev, seconded by Betty.

New positions: Bev will be VP, Rene will be PR, Carrilee will be Newsletter.

Meeting called at 16:46

Minutes submitted Nov 26/14 by DL Cole

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| Mud Run 30 mile LD | | May 17, 2014 | Glooscap JP | June 14, 2014 |
| Senior | | Evening in Paris | Senior | |
| BC Lynn Beazley | | | 1 Jean Bridges | Jalna Saffire |
| 1 Shelley Schaefer | | Kindred Spirit | 2 Deanna Johnston | JDA Azrael the Canadian |
| 2 Lynn Beazley | | Evening in Paris | 3 Ann Bridges | Guysborough Grey |
| 3 Betty Dwyer | | PD Cat A Hoolah | 4 Troy Beazley | Windlord |
| 4 Russlyn Patriquin-Dyke | | Ice Capades RF | 5 Donna Munn | MDA Billy Four |
| 5 April Haliburton | | Elastic | 6 Lucy Rudge | Grand Marnier |
| 5 Sylvia Gillies | | Precisement | Junior | |
| 6 Bev Elliott | | MDA High Five | 1 Kathleen Schaefer | Ali Faataah Na |
| 6 Pat Rideout | | Ballahamish Glen | 2 Marie Eddy | Aziim El Ibriz |
| 7 Jim Burns | | Tango | 3 Krista MacGillivary | Jessie |
| 8 Heidi Whalen | | Major Marshall | Trail Horse Senior | |
| 9 Deanna Johnston | | JDA Azrael the Canadian | 1 Guysborough Grey | Anne Bridges |
| 10 Delle Fairclough | | MDA Zetex | 2 Windlord | Troy Beazley |
| 11 Donna Lee Cole | | Solara | 3 Jalna Saffire | Jean Bridges |
| 12 Jessica Sheffield | | Dala | 4 Kindred Spirit | Shelley Schaefer |
| 13 Tasha Vaughan-Biggs | | Amber | 5 Mister Pete | Denise Lemay |
| 14 Troy Beazley | | Windlord | 6 Prairie Shadowfax | Chester Gillan |
| 15 Lucy Rudge | | Grand Marnier | | |
| 16 Jacqui Trim-Tupper | | Kodak | Trail Horse Junior | |
| Junior | | | 1 Aziim El Ibriz | Marie Eddy |
| 1 Marie Eddy | | Aziim El Ibriz | 2 Ali Faataah Na | Kathleen Schaefer |
| | | | 3 Jessie | Krista MacGillivary |
| Mud Run 15 mile IDR | | May 18, 2014 | Glooscap II JP | June 15, 2014 |
| Senior | | | Senior | |
| 1 Bev Elliott | | Aazzaan | 1 Pearl Skjonsberg | Doc Holliday |
| 2 Pat Rideout | | Ballahamish Glen | 2 Jean Bridges | Jalna Saffire |
| 3 Betty Dwyer | | PD Cat A Hoolah | 3 Donna Munn | MDA Billy Four |
| 4 Sylvia Gillies | | Deuces Wild | 4 Betty Dwyer | PD Cat A Hoolah |
| 5 Joanne Solway | | Spice | 5 Anne Bridges | Guysborough Grey |
| 6 Irmgard Lipp | | Hoofprint | 6 Sylvia Gillies | Precisement |
| Junior | | | Trail Horse Senior | |
| 1 Kathleen Schaefer | | Kindred Spirit | 1 Guysborough Grey | Anne Bridges |
| 2 Mary Solway-Ferguson | | Cookie | 2 Doc Holliday | Pearl Skjonsberg |
| Trail Horse Senior | | | 3 PD Cat A Hoolah | Betty Dwyer |
| 1 Elastic | | April Haliburton | 4 Jalna Saffire | Jean Bridges |
| 2 Adios Tiki | | Pam Rustige | 5 Prairie Zac Intosh | Sherry Brooks |
| 3 Spice | | Joanne Solway | 6 MDA Billy Four | Donna Munn |
| Trail Horse Junior | | | | |
| 1 Cookie | | Mary Solway-Ferguson | | |
| 2 Kindred Spirit | | Kathleen Schaefer | | |

Morning Sun 25 mile CTR July 5, 2014**Senior**

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|---|------------------|---------------------|
| 1 | Jim Burns | Tango |
| 2 | Chester Gillan | Prairie Shadowfax |
| 3 | Donna Lee Cole | Solara |
| 4 | Pat Rideout | Ballahamish Glen |
| 5 | Christine Boulay | Chinook |
| 6 | Susan Hovey | Pretty Much Trouble |

Trail Horse Senior

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| 1 | Prairie Shadowfax | Chester Gillan |
| 2 | Ballahamish Glen | Pat Rideout |
| 3 | Tango | Jim Burns |

Morning Sun II 25 mile CTR July 6, 2014**Senior**

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| 1 | Chester Gillan | Prairie Shadowfax |
| 2 | Jim Burns | Tango |
| 3 | Donna Lee Cole | Solara |

Trail Horse Senior

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| 1 | Prairie Shadowfax | Chester Gillan |
| 2 | Solara | Donna Lee Cole |
| 3 | Tango | Jim Burns |

Red Solo 18 mile JP**Senior**

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| 1 | Pearl Skjonsberg | Doc Holliday |
| 2 | Jean Bridges | Guysborough Grey |
| 3 | Christine Boulay | Chinook |
| 3 | Barb Thompson | Molly |

Junior

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| 1 | Raven Story | Mischieft |
| 2 | Jessica | Butterfly |

Trail Horse Senior

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| 1 | Doc Holliday | Pearl Skjonsberg |
| 1 | Guysborough Grey | Jean Bridges |
| 2 | Sweet Smokin Fritz | Christine Boulay |
| 3 | Molly | Barb Thompson |

Trail Horse Junior

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| 1 | Mischieft | Raven Story |
| 2 | Butterfly | Jessica |

Horsemanship Junior

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| 1 | Raven Story | Mischieft |
| 2 | Jessica | Butterfly |

North Mountain 17 mile JP July 27, 2014**Senior**

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| 1 | Betty Dwyer | PD Cat A Hoolah |
| 2 | Deanna Johnston | JDA Azrael the Canadian |
| 3 | Troy Beazley | Windlord |
| 4 | Elaine Mahaney | Salena |
| 5 | Jacqui Trim-Tupper | Kodak |
| 5 | Niki Pietrie | Jewel |
| 5 | Donna Davidson | Chessie |
| 6 | Karen Jennex | Bailey |

Trail Horse Senior

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| 1 | Windlord | Troy Beazley |
| 2 | Christine Boulay | Chinook |
| 3 | Bailey | Karen Jennex |
| 4 | Julie Forget | Nova |
| 5 | PD Cat A Hoolah | Betty Dwyer |
| 6 | Chessie | Donna Davidson |

Junior

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| 1 | Kathleen Schaefer | Adios Tiki |
| 2 | Marie Eddy | Aziim El Ibriz |

Trail Horse Junior

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| 1 | Adios Tiki | Kathleen Schaefer |
| 2 | Aziim El Ibriz | Marie Eddy |

Maple Ridge 25 mile LD**BC JDA Azrael the Canadian Senior**

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| 1 | Christine Boulay | Chinook |
| 2 | Donna Lee Cole | Solara |
| 3 | Russlyn Patriquin-Dyke | Ice Capades RF |
| 4 | Deanna Johnston | JDA Azrael the Canadian |
| 5 | Irmgard Lipp | Hoofprint |
| 6 | Pam Rustige | Adios Tiki |
| 7 | Tammy Beazley | Windlord |
| 7 | Troy Beazley | Aziim El Ibriz |
| 8 | MaryLyn Andrews | Rockie |
| 8 | Laurel Barkhouse | Jaylia |
| 9 | Glen Murphy | Sunni |

Junior

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| 1 | Kathleen Schaefer | Ali Faataah Na |
| 2 | Victoria Laba | Tequila |
| 2 | Krista MacGillivray | Jessie |

Aug 3, 2014**Deanna Johnston**

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| Maple Ridge 50 mile END Aug 3, 2014 | |
| BC Kindred Spirit | Shelley Schaefer |
| 1 Shelley Schaefer | Kindred Spirit |
| 2 Jean Bridges | Guysborough Grey |
| 3 Betty Dwyer | PD Cat A Hoolah |
| 4 Lynn Beazley | Evening in Paris |
| 5 Pearl Skjonsberg | Doc Holliday |

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| Maple Ridge 15 mile JP Aug 3, 2014 | |
| Horsemanship Senior | |
| 1 David Dyke | Call Me Lauren |
| 2 Rene Mersereau | Black Sunrise |
| 3 Suzanne Horne | Rum Tuff Customer |
| 4 Jillian Horne | Chief |
| 5 Gerald Mezzo | Skeeter |

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| Horsemanship Junior | |
| 1 Madison McCormick | Flicks & Chicks |
| 2 Gracie Yorke | Lucky Dakota Rain |
| 3 Beth Kenny | Nighthawk Miria |

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| Trail Horse Senior | |
| 1 Black Sunrise | Rene Mersereau |
| 2 Chief | Jillian Horne |
| 3 Skeeter | Gerald Mezzo |

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| Trail Horse Junior | |
| 1 Lucky Dakota Rain | Gracie Yorke |
| 2 Nighthawk Miria | Beth Kenny |
| 3 Flicks & Chicks | Madison McCormick |

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| Balla Hamish 30 mile CTR Aug 16, 2014 | |
| Senior | |
| 1 Russlyn Patriquin-Dyke | Ice Capades RF |
| 2 Betty Dwyer | PD Cat A Hoolah |
| 3 Susan Hovey | Jazera |
| 4 Jean Bridges | Guysborough Grey |
| 5 Lynn Beazley | Evening in Paris |
| 6 Shelley Schaefer | Kindred Spirit |

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| Junior | |
| 1 Claire Winchester | Zahara |
| 2 Kathleen Schaefer | Adios Tiki |

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| Trail Horse Senior | |
| 1 Kindred Spirit | Shelley Schaefer |
| 2 Chinook | Christine Boulay |
| 3 MDA Billy Four | Donna Munn |

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| Trail Horse Junior | |
| 1 Adios Tiki | Kathleen Schaefer |
| 2 Zahara | Claire Winchester |

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| Balla Hamish 17 mile IDR August 16, 2014 | |
| Senior | |
| 1 Jim Burns | Ballahamish Glen |
| 2 Karen Gallagher | Aziza |
| 3 Meaghan Gerrish | Tie |
| 4 Denise Lemay | Mister Pete |
| 5 Stephane Fournier | Morgan |
| 6 David Dyke | Call Me Lauren |

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| Trail Horse Senior | |
| 1 Tie | Meaghan Gerrish |
| 2 Call Me Lauren | David Dyke |
| 3 Mister Pete | Denise Lemay |

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| Balla Hamish 30 mile CTR August 17, 2014 | |
| Senior | |
| 1 Jean Bridges | Guysborough Grey |
| 2 Betty Dwyer | PD Cat A Hoolah |
| 3 Susan Hovey | Jazera |
| 4 Donna Lee Cole | Solara |

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| Trail Horse Senior | |
| 1 PD Cat A Hoolah | Betty Dwyer |
| 2 Guysborough Grey | Jean Bridges |
| 3 Jazera | Susan Hovey |

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| Balla Hamish 17 mile IDR August 17, 2014 | |
| Senior | |
| 1 Karen Jonah-Brown | Rylee Ashtar Redford |
| 2 Jim Burns | Ballahamish Glen |
| 3 Debbie Carter | Spirit |
| 4 Christine Boulay | Chinook |
| 5 Donna Munn | MDA Billy Four |
| 6 Jennifer Vail-McDonald | Denny |

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| Junior | |
| 1 Claire Winchester | Zahara |

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| Trail Horse Senior | |
| 1 Rylee Ashtar Redford | Karen Jonah-Brown |
| 3 Mister Pete | Denise Lemay |

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| Junior Trail Horse | |
| 1 Zahara | Claire Winchester |

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| Amigos Do 50 mile END August 30, 2014 | |
| Seniors | |
| 1 Russlyn Patriquin-Dyke | Ice Capades RF |
| 2 Shelley Schaefer | Kindred Spirit |
| 3 Lynn Beazley | Evening in Paris |
| 4 Donna Lee Cole | Solara |
| Junior | |
| 1 Marie Eddy | Aziim El Ibriz |

**Amigos Do 25 mile LD
Senior**

- 1 Susan Hovey
- 2 Anne Bridges
- 3 Jean Bridges
- 4 Pearl Skjonsberg
- 5 Debbie Daley
- 6 Glen Murphy
- 7 Karen Jonah-Brown
- 8 Donna Munn
- 9 Rene Mersereau
- 10 Pam Rustige
- 11 Jim Burns

Junior

- 1 Kathleen Schaefer

**Amigos Do 14 mile JP
Senior**

- 1 Jean Bridges
- 2 Anne Bridges
- 3 Ashley Baskin
- 3 Debbie Daley
- 5 Karen Jonah-Brown
- 6 Pearl Skjonsberg

Junior

- 1 Claire Winchester
- 2 Taleah Logue
- 3 Julia Gilbert
- 4 Erin Martin

Trail Horse Senior

- 1 Guysborough Grey
- 2 Flashy Ritz
- 3 Mia
- 4 Jalna Saffire
- 5 Doc Holliday
- 6 Sunni

Trail Horse Junior

- 1 Gage
- 2 Jazera Shadow
- 3 Freddy
- 4 Taleah Logue

August 30, 2014

- Jazera Shadow
- Guysborough Grey
- Jalna Saffire
- Doc Holliday
- Sheitana
- Sunni
- Rylee Ashtar Redford
- MDA Billy Four
- Black Sunrise
- Adios Tiki
- Ballahamish Geordie

August 31, 2014

- Jalna Saffire
- Guysborough Grey
- Quincey
- Sheitana
- Rylee Ashtar Redford
- Doc Holliday

- Jazera Shadow
- Do You Believe
- Gage
- Freddy

- Anne Bridges
- Cody
- Melissa
- Jean Bridges
- Pearl Skjonsberg
- Glen Murphy

- Julia Gilbert
- Claire Winchester
- Erin Martin
- Do You Believe

**Kiss My Axe 30 mile LD
/50 mile Elevator END***

Senior

- 1 Pearl Skjonsberg
- 2 Donna Munn
- 3 Robyn Hanson
- 4 Breah Lebert
- 5 Pat Rideout
- 6 Jim Burns
- 7 Sylvia Gillies
- 8 Donna Lee Cole
- 9 Nicole Mattatall
- 10 Anne Bridges
- 11 Susan Hovey
- 12 Kaaren Lebert*

Junior

- 1 Claire Winchester

**Kiss My Axe 12 mile JP
Trail Horse Senior**

- 1 Linda Haueisen
- 2 Sylvia Gillies
- 2 Jean Bridges
- 2 Stephane Fournier
- 5 Heather Button
- 5 Donna Munn
- 8 Jody Wiggins
- 8 Pam Allen LeBlanc

Trail Horse Junior

- 1 Caroline LeBlanc
- 2 Sophia Linke
- 3 Kathleen LeBlanc

Senior Horsemanship

- 1 Jean Bridges
- 2 Denise Lemay
- 2 Sylvia Gillies
- 4 Stephane Fournier
- 5 Donna Munn
- 6 Heather Button
- 7 Jody Wiggins
- 8 Linda Haveisen
- 8 Carol Egers
- 10 Samantha
- 11 Pam Allen LeBlanc

Junior Horsemanship

- 1 Kathleen LeBlanc
- 2 Sophia Linke
- 3 Caroline LeBlanc

September 13, 2014

- Doc Holliday
- MDA Billy Four
- Bank on It
- Virginian Magic
- Ballahamish Glen
- Ballahamish Geordie
- Deuces Wild
- Solara
- Pizzaz FSI
- Guysborough Grey
- Jazera Shadow
- Magnifyque*

Amir

September 13, 2014

- Ima Steal Your Thunder
- Deuces Wild
- Guysborough Grey
- Morgan
- Copper N Gold
- MDA Billy Four
- Mischieft
- Ebony

- Hidden Brook Sage
- Hidden Brook Cloud
- Justa Jasper

- Guysborough Grey
- Mister Pete
- Deuces Wild
- Morgan
- MDA Billy Four
- Copper N Gold
- Mischieft
- Ima Steal Your Thunder
- Birchlane Sunday
- Kansas Bluestem
- Ebony

- Justa Jasper
- Hidden Brook Cloud
- Hidden Brook Sage

Halfway Crazy 30 mile LD September 28, 2014 Kwagmyre Farm 14 mile IDR**September 28, 2014****Best Condition/High Vet****Deanna Johnston****Senior**

- 1 Deanna Johnston
- 2 Betty Dwyer
- 3 Shelley Schaefer
- 4 Lynn Beazley
- 5 Irmgard Lipp
- 6 Leslie Wade
- 7 Glen Murphy

Junior

- 1 Kathleen Schaefer

JDA Azrael the Canadian

- JDA Azrael the Canadian
- PD Cat A Hoolah
- Kindred Spirit
- Evening in Paris
- Hoofprint
- Jestycat
- Sunni

- Aziim El Ibriz

Senior

- 1 Sylvia Gillies
- 2 Anne Bridges
- 3 Jean Bridges
- 4 Emily Sutherland
- 5 Maureen Johnson
- 6 Pam Allen LeBlanc

Junior

- 1 Sophia Linke
- 2 Kathleen LeBlanc
- 3 Claire Winchester
- 4 Lisa Haueisen
- 5 Caroline LeBlanc

- Deuces Wild
- Guysborough Grey
- Jalna Saffire
- Willow
- Tara
- Hidden Brook Ebony

- Hidden Brook Cloud
- Hidden Brook Starlight
- Amir
- Thunder
- Hidden Brook Sage

Kwagmyre Farm 28 mile CTR**September 27, 2014****Senior**

- 1 Jean Bridges
- 2 Anne Bridges
- 3 Pat Rideout
- 4 Susan Hovey
- 5 Jim Burns
- 6 Sylvia Gillies
- 7 Donna Lee Cole

Junior

- 1 Claire Winchester

Trail Horse Senior

- 1 Jalna Saffire
- 2 Guysborough Grey

Trail Horse Junior

- 1 Amir

- Jalna Saffire
- Guysborough Grey
- Ballahamish Glen
- Jazera Shadow
- Ballahamish Geordie
- Deuces Wild
- Solara

- Amir

- Jean Bridges
- Anne Bridges

- Claire Winchester

Trail Horse Senior

- 1 Guysborough Grey
- 2 Jalna Saffire
- 3 Willow
- 4 Deuces Wild
- 5 Tuck
- 6 Hidden Brook Ebony

Trail Horse Junior

- 1 Thunder
- 2 Hidden Brook Starlight
- 3 Hidden Brook Sage
- 4 Hidden Brook Cloud
- 5 Amir

- Anne Bridges
- Jean Bridges
- Emily Sutherland
- Sylvia Gillies
- Katie Orr
- Pam Allen LeBlanc

- Lisa Haueisen
- Kathleen LeBlanc
- Caroline LeBlanc
- Sophia Linke
- Claire Winchester

Jan Thaw Equine Expo 2015 saw ACTRA members well-represented by Donna Munn, Jean Bridges and Berth MacAloney Harrison. This event is a fundraiser for the Children's Wish Foundation and raised over \$6200.00 this year. Other members were spotted answering questions as well; thanks to all who helped promote our sport there!



Donna, Jean and Bertha

A clinic was held on June seventh at Hidden Brook Farm in Durham, NB. Pam Allen LeBlanc, owner of the farm asked me to give a clinic to introduce her group to distance riding.

Some of the topics covered were types of rides, conditioning horse and rider for a ride, care of the horse and what to expect at a ride. There were many questions and discussions. The youngest in the group was six and when it came time to bring a horse in it had to be hers. What a nice pair! The group has plans to do some rides this summer. I had an email on Monday night that they had gone out and measured a trail. I really enjoyed my time with the group.

I would like to thank Pam for organizing the clinic at her farm. It turned out that Pam's mother used to show with my sister and me. – Jean Bridges

Distance 101 Clinic on Saturday April 18th 9-4pm

Hosted at Top Gun Stables at 2835 West River East Side Rd in Saltsprings, Pictou County, NS.

Costs: \$20 (non-ACTRA mbr) \$15 (ACTRA mbr) \$10 (Youth)

Includes lunch, presentation materials and hand-outs

Betty Dwyer at bettyd63@gmail.com or on Facebook OR

Margaret Shand at 902-755-3066

Tentative 2015 Ride Schedule



April 19 Let's Get Started IDR <15 miles
Stanley, Hants Co, NS. No frills ride.

May 2 Just For Fun IDR <15 miles
Stanley, Hants Co, NS. No frills ride.

May 16 Mud Run LD 30 miles
Stanley, Hants Co, NS.

May 30 Do It Again IDR <15 miles
Stanley, Hants Co, NS. No frills ride.

June 13 & 14 Glooscap JP
Bertha and Gary Harrison
Parrsboro, NS

June 27 Maple Ridge 15 mi JP/25 mi LD/50 END
Vet Dr. Megan Baird / Judge Julie Fulton
1 Centreville Rd, Pictou Co., NS
Betty and Eric Dwyer 902-923-1921

July 11 Morning Sun 35mi LD/50mi END
July 12 Morning Sun 20mi IDR
Donna Lee Cole & Terry Hale, Coburg, NB

July 18 & 19 Red Solo Cup I & II 20 mile JP
Jody Wiggins, Kingston Peninsula, NB

Aug 1 McDonalds Run 50 mi END/ 25 mi LD
Aug 2 McDonalds Run 15-20 mi JP
Jennifer and Adam McDonald, Wickham, NB

Aug 15 Ballahamish Rides I 17mi IDR/30mi CTR
Aug 16 Ballahamish Rides II 17mile IDR
Pat Rideout & Jim Burns, Hillgrove, NB

Oct 3 Kwagmyre Farm CTR/IDR
Oct 4 Kwagmyre Farm JP
Susan Hovey St. Stephen, NB

Please check website for more details!



All Ride Managers love to have volunteers! There are jobs for all levels of experience, ability, confidence and time commitment. There are always opportunities to learn!

SPRING MEETING

Due to its central location and thriving bustling nightlife, we will once again be hosting the ACTRA Spring meeting in downtown Collingwood Corner, NS.

Put April 12th on your calendars, meet at 1:00 pm. Pot luck if you all want to eat. Expecting to use the community hall, location is on the calendar on the web site.

Items for agenda, comments, questions, Roy - chair@atlanticriders.ca

I was reading a description about Endurance riding and this little clip was so true! – Donna Munn

Take responsibility! Use your brain! If you lack one of those, I hope you have a great horse that will help you make good decisions.

Endurance is not western pleasure around a show ring! It's technical, it's challenging, it's worth doing. At the very least it will teach humility...

So be careful ok? A good mentor is worth more than any website. Learn all you can, do the best you can by your horse, and remember – if you are having a tough time, there's probably someone else out there who's gone through the same thing and has come out the other side more or less intact.

A December post on ACTRA Facebook group from our Chair:

For anyone interested, we are testing a new website for ATCRA at www.atlanticriders.ca. We are looking for feedback on the new site, not all the content of the old site has been moved. There is a link to the old site on the new site. We are still testing and developing some parts, some areas are "samples" like the rider miles, which are from year end, but do not have many riders that did not ride last year.

I welcome comments, either here (on Facebook) or to me directly, chair@atlanticriders.ca or rdrinnan@crsoftinc.com.

I want to thank all those that have helped so far on this project, including Karen Murray, Bev Elliot, Rene Mersereau and Pam Rustige and anyone else I have left out.

MEET SOME 2014 JUNIORS

Sophia Linke with Hidden Brook Cloud

A bit about yourself: I have always loved horses and grew up with horses during the summers from the time I could walk. I only got into real riding lessons a few years ago where I found the horse of my dreams who has taught me a lot about becoming a better rider.

How long have you been an ACTRA member: I only signed up to be an ACTRA member this month, but I have gone on two judged pleasure rides last year, which were a lot of fun!

How did you find out about distance riding? My Riding instructor told us about distance riding and Jean came out to teach us about it a little bit more; we instantly fell in love with the idea.

Who was your sponsor? My mom and my riding instructor make these experiences possible.

What do you find challenging about this sport? This sport is the most relaxing, fun sport that I have ever done and it is not at all like stressful horse shows. For that reason, I do not find it challenging. Granted, I have only done judged pleasure rides which must be more relaxing than the competitive ones. I'm sure once I do one of those, it will be plenty challenging.

Did you learn anything new? I had no idea this sport even existed, so everything was new to me: trotting the horses out, vet checks, and many more. I learned that these people all love their horses and want what's best for them. I also learned that even in the competitive trail rides, everyone has fun and can joke about their losses and challenges.

What do you find most fun about this sport? The most fun in this sport is that everyone gets along and nobody is competitive to the extent that they won't help you if you need it. I also especially love the one on one time you get to spend with your horse. I really am living the dream when you can gallop over the gorgeous countryside and that you can share it with your horse. I always appreciate the chance to go out for a trail ride in unknown terrain since it lets you connect more with your horse. But the most fun is the end when you can chat with your fellow riders and where the best prizes are handed out. This feeling at the end of an endurance ride is what riding should be about. Always.

Marie Eddy with Mister, Kindred Spirit, Whispering Willow and Aziim El Ibriz

A bit about yourself: I am in Grade 7 and love school.

How long have you been an ACTRA member: since 2012

How did you find out about distance riding? My mother read Lynn Beazley's name in an ad in horse magazine and asked her about it. She is our neighbour who let me ride and help take care of her pony.

Who was your sponsor? Troy Beazley for my IDR, CTR, LD & JPs and Lynn Beazley for my 50.

What do you find challenging about this sport? The rules because they change.

Did you learn anything new? Yes, how to condition my horse for this.

What do you find most fun about this sport? Being with my horse ☺

Ava lee Mattatall on Coby an APHA & Dream an AMHR

A bit about yourself- I am 6 years old I love my horses

(she has been on horses since she was born but only really riding since Nov 2013. She always loved horses and riding but wasn't until her father had her out in the truck and she seen me at a stream on trail that she decided she wanted to ride as long & as hard & as often as it took to get to ride with me out to a stream! After a lot of hard work she finally started doing trails last fall and loves it!! She hopes to do her first JP this fall -2015)

How long have you been an ACTRA member? Since 2014

How did you find out about distance riding? From mommy

Who was your sponsor? My mom

What do you find challenging about this sport? The length of time trotting (she's still learning to post)

Did you learn anything new? She's learning about what to do for vetting and very excited about that part. And she loves trotting her horse on lead!

What do you find most fun about this sport? Being out in the woods on her horse with mommy



Caroline LeBlanc with bg buddy (buddy), dundeers rain charm (rain) and hidden brook sage (sage)

A bit about yourself- 12 year old, loves horses, middle school Ecole Sainte Anne, Fredericton

How long have you been an ACTRA member? Just joined about 2 weeks ago but have been doing judged pleasure rides for about a year.

How did you find out about distance riding? Through friends

Who was your sponsor? Jean Bridges

What do you find challenging about this sport? Mostly getting my horses ready for the distance as they are not use to riding that far.

Did you learn anything new? I learned some info about this really fun sport as I had not heard of it before but I'm glad I did as it is a very fun sport!

What do you find most fun about this sport? The time to spend with my horse seeing different views, talking with my friends that are always there with me also meeting new people and although it's a competition its fun and everyone's nice! ;)

Kathleen LeBlanc with Star and Jasper

A bit about yourself- High School student at Ecole Saint Anne, Fredericton

How long have you been an ACTRA member? A few weeks, although I participated in JP rides last summer.

How did you find out about distance riding? Through friends

Who was your sponsor? Jean Bridges.

What do you find challenging about this sport? The variation of the obstacles: Anything could turn up.

Did you learn anything new? I learned a lot about teamwork between my horse and I

What do you find most fun about this sport? I like the fact that anything is accepted, and love how open-minded the other riders are. Also, all the rides are just very enjoyable

Kathleen Schaefer

A special note here about a rider who finds 2014 to be her last as a junior. Kathleen has competed since 2012 with Cadillac, Kindred Spirit, Adios Tiki, Khol, Aziim El Ibriz and Ali Faataah Na. She has ridden ACTRA IDRs, JPs, CTRs, and LDs in all types of weather, has ridden both experienced and green horses in competition and competed in an AERC multi-day ride in Maine this year. She is a rider that is happy when her horse is happy. You will find her competing with the adults in 2015, smiling as she goes!

For those of us who love to hear and read and see pictures of the early days of ACTRA, here is a newsletter from 1980. Our VP, Bev Elliott, has been going through the old papers and I thought it would be fun to share them here as well as on Facebook. You will notice some similarities (the smiles) and some differences (not many helmets). It seems more men were riding and there were boy juniors! Our Glooscap Ride managers, the Harrisons, had two boys riding in 1987 who volunteer now. Helmets are required at rides now and wouldn't it be nice to see more men riding! Enjoy!!

FROM THE EDITOR.....

April , 1980

It seems like almost no time has passed, and here we go already with another newsletter. We (Vicki and I) enjoy doing this, because neither of us is a competitive trail rider, and this is one way we can really feel involved. It is our son, Michael, who does the riding in our family. However, we are most anxious to see this association succeed in reaching its goals, and so we get involved from the organizational point of view. We believe that the more there are with direct involvement in the association, the better will be the chances for complete success. There are a number of others who find themselves in the same boat, and they play very active roles as well.

In a new column we are starting, you will meet some of these people who play an active role. It will be called "FACE TO FACE", and will bring you face to face with these people. You will learn about their horse experience, their special interests, something of their family, job, other hobbies, etc. Mainly, we will be introducing the directors and committee people. Also as we get a list of recommended judges, we'll bring you face to face with them. We hope you will enjoy this feature, and we look for any suggestions you may have regarding it.

Another feature you will find regularly in the newsletter will be "IN ANSWER TO YOUR QUESTION..." This feature will be featuring answers to your CTR questions, as researched by Garnet Gallant. It will be a fine source of information for all members, and each question will be identified by the person who asks it. No question is too trivial, nor will any be too complicated. So send your questions to Garnet, and look for your answers in this special feature.

General comments, praises and complaints will be published in "THE MAIL BOX", and we encourage your letters. Whatever your comment or suggestion, your praise or complaint, we would like to share it with all other members.

Because of the expense involved in publishing the newsletter, we would like to try to offset this by using the news to generate a little income. We can do this through a "BARTER BOX" page, whereby members and supporters can advertise items such as tack, horses, trailers, etc. for sale. We don't intend to get fancy with our advertising, but it will be a way for you to spread the word on items you may have for sale. This can also be a good way for you to let people know what you are looking for, in the event you are in a buying frame of mind. See the ad inside for rates.

Along with all these regular features, we will be presenting regional news as it comes to us, hints and suggestions about CTR, reports from active committees, ride results, upcoming events, etc. However, we can only do this with your help. SEND US YOUR NEWS. TELL US WHAT IS HAPPENING IN YOUR AREA WITH YOUR MEMBERS.

You will find in this edition, on the back pages, a full listing of all our members, complete with addresses. We suggest you be sure to keep this list, should you ever have a need to reach a member. We will continue to add to this list in each edition as new members join. Membership growth has been steady, but it is important that it continue. You can do your part now, by getting one new member signed up by April 26th. This is the date of our next general meeting, and it would be wonderful to double our membership between now and then. We are setting a goal of 150 members + by season's end. Only you can make it happen. There is a membership form on the very back page.

1987 TEAM CHALLENGE COMPETITIVE TRAIL RIDE

Frolic-'n-Acres on the MacDonald Road in Amherst was the site of the Team Challenge Competitive Trail Ride. Seventeen horses and riders completed the 26-mile ride over trails and roads near the Amherst Agricultural Farm in 4½ hours. Saturday was an ideal day for riding, lots of sunshine and a light breeze. A perfect day for admiring the fall foliage.

The Team Challenge consisted of combining the Horsemanship and Conditioning scores of two horses and riders. The teams competed for a beautiful silver Champion cooler trophy, and gold, silver and bronze medals.

The winning team was Pam Thornton of Rawdon and Lucy Rudge of Mt. Uniacke. Silver medalists were Karen Campbell from Stanhope, P.E.I., and Danny Connors of Amherst. Bronze medalists were Lynn Melvin of Rothesay, N.B., and Susan McDowell of St. Stephens, N.B.

The Amherst Co-op generously had donated halters, feed supplements, bags of feed and buckets to winners of individual awards.



Pictured are Pam Thornton (left) and Lucy Rudge, Team Challenge Cup Winners at the Amherst Fall Ride.

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Garnet Gallant, host of the Ride would like to say THANKS to all the people who helped make the day such a success, and to the AMHERST CO-OP for the donations of horse-related prizes!

In the Senior Division, Best Conditioned Horse was Nerzan ridden by Garnet Gallant.

- 2nd - Cody, ridden by Danny Connors
- 3rd - Mark Tabella, ridden by Lucy Rudge
- 4th - Wendy, ridden by Pam Thornton
- 5th - Liath Echo, ridden by Karen Campbell
- 6th - a tie between Nasha, ridden by Lynn Melvin and Mahabba, ridden by Pat Rideout.

Senior Horsemanship was won by Garnet Gallant of Amherst.

- 2nd - Lynn Melvin of Rothesay
- 3rd - Karen Campbell of Stanhope, P.E.I.
- 4th - Pam Thornton of Rawdon.
- 5th - a tie between Pat Rideout of Sussex, and Marg Byers of Saint John.
- 6th - Lucy Rudge of Mt. Uniacke.

Senior Trail Horse

- (1) Cody, owned by Danny Connors
- (2) Chrissy, owned by Diane Skidmore
- (3) Won-Ton Reprieve, owned by Bertha Harrison

Junior Division Best Conditioned Horse was Joker's Kitten, ridden by David Harrison.

- 2nd - Pal-O-Mine, ridden by Tammy Connors
- 3rd - Balthasar, ridden by Tabatha Harvey
- 4th - Ruark, ridden by Cathy Brown
- 5th - Blaze, ridden by Craig Harrison
- 6th - Colorful Mir, ridden by Wendy Oulton.

Junior Horsemanship

- 1st - David Harrison of Parrsboro
- 2nd - Craig Harrison of Parrsboro
- 3rd - Cathy Brown of Newport
- 4th - Tabatha Harvey of Mt. Uniacke
- 5th - Tammy Connors of Amherst
- 6th - Wendy Oulton

Junior Trail Horse

- 1st - Pal-O-Mine, 2nd - Joker's Kitten, and 3rd was Balthasar.

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