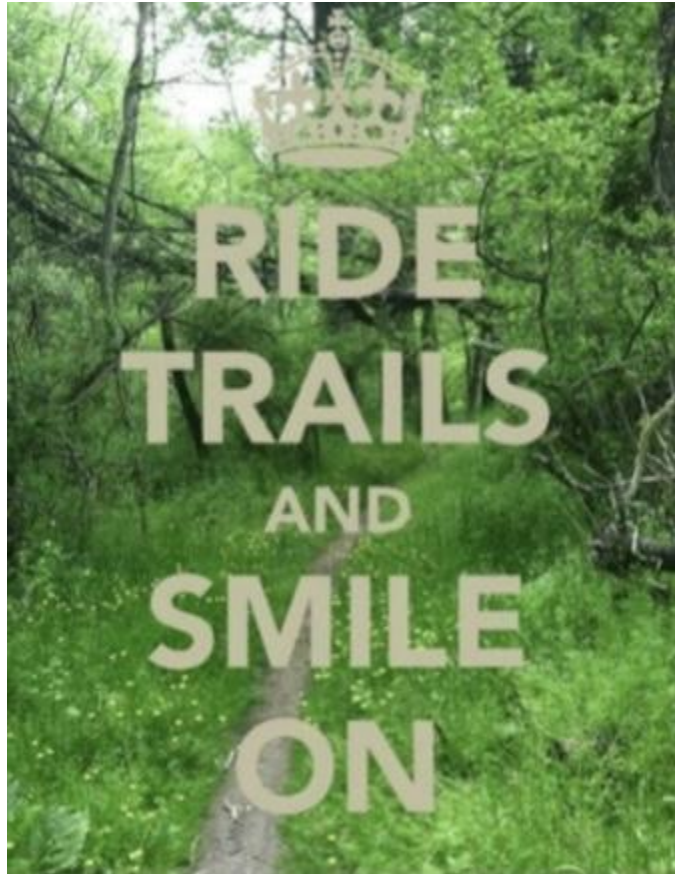


ACTRA Newsletter: August 2022



“Sometimes it is the most difficult horse that has the most to give you” -Anonymous

So far this year's competition season has been very successful, and of course fun. We are looking forward to the rides that are to come. Thank you to everyone for participating and making this year one to remember!

-Leia King

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Spring into Stanley:

Spring into Stanley 2022 was held on May 22nd 2022 in Stanley, NS and was a huge success! All of the horses finished in good health and well within the time allowed. The trails were well marked by Lucy and Ellwood and were dry and loads of fun. The official results from this ride were: 1st- Christie Riddell with an impressive 100%, Tied for 2nd- Sandra DeVarennes and Jacqui Tupper, 4th- Christie Cox, 5th- Leia King, 6th- Jamie Lawless. Trail horse awards were given to Kodak(Jacqui Tupper) in first, Kindred Spirit(Lynn Beazley) in second, and Rocco(Leia King) in third. Huge thanks to all of the incredible volunteers that made this ride happen, along with the Judge Dr. Kayte Armstrong DVM, M.OMSc. Here's to another successful ride on September 24-25 in Stanley.



St. Stephan CTR:

This was a great day and loads of fun for the riders! The official results from this ride were: 1st- Garnet Gallant, 2nd- Susan Hovey, 3rd- Kaaren Lebert, 4th- Karen Jonah-Brown, 5th- Donna Munn. Trail Horse awards were given to Absolute (Garnet Gallant) in first place and Odin (Kaaren Lebert) in second place.



McDonalds Run:

This was a great day and we thank the volunteers for making this a success and to the riders who came. Also it happened to be Sara Jean Jones and Kora McDonald's first LD. The unofficial results from this ride were: 1st- Lynn Beazely, 2nd- Sara Jean Jones, 3rd- Christie Cox, 4th- April Haliburton, 5th- Kaaren Lebert, and 6th- Kara McDonald. Also, the unofficial results from the JP ride trail horse are: 1st- Denny(Jennifer McDonald), 2nd- Eссор(Sylvia Gillies), 4th-Rylee(Karen Jonah Brown), 5th-Magnifyque(Kaaren Lebert), and 6th-Zara(Kora McDonald). The unofficial results for horsemanship were: 1st- Karen Jonah Brown, 2nd- Donna Munn, 3rd- Miranda Kaser, 4th- Kaaren Lebert, 5th- Evan Lebert, and 6th- Kora McDonald.



Upcoming Rides:

MILK RUN RIDES 2022 (25/14/14 JP)
M.Gillies and Son Ltd. Dairy farm, Belleisle Creek NB, Canada

The organizing committee for the Milk Run Rides would like to invite you to participate in our ACTRA sanctioned competitions on Saturday September 17th and Sunday September 18th 2022. We will be offering a twenty- five mile limited distance and a thirteen mile introductory to endurance on Saturday as well as a 13 mile JP on Sunday. (note:** All miles are approximate and subject to changes.) Below is a brief overview of what you can expect. As time moves closer (and my memory kicks in) I will add to the list so keep checking back. I also encourage you to like the event on Facebook if you are into social media and haven't already done so. ALL Riders MUST be a current member of respective Provincial Sport Organization (PSO) NBEA, NSEF etc. to enter. A COPY of your membership card MUST be sent with entry. Our HEAD VETERINARIAN will be Dr. Murray Gillies. If all goes according to Plan A, I will also have some recent graduates from the Atlantic Veterinary College here to give him a hand. This will be a learning experience for them so please be patient. Ride management and veterinary decisions will be final! and that is final....RIDE CAMP will be in a large unfenced field bordering the road. There will be lots of room to pen your horse next to your trailer. WARNING! There will be COWS in an adjacent field so please make sure your fencing is secure! An outhouse/hand wash station will be provided for your toiletry convenience. Another warning! Ride Camp is a working dairy farm with moving equipment, attack cats and grumpy mama cows. Please (for their safety and our peace of mind) keep dogs confined or on leash at all times! Hand grazing will be permitted but smoking anywhere around the FARM or on the TRAIL will not! If you puff please do so in your trailer or your vehicle and leave your butts in those places. Pack in/pack out- Please bring your trash home and dispose of it there. TRAILS will consist of dirt and woods roads, four wheeler track, railway bed and some paved roads. We live in the beautiful Belleisle Valley so there will be moderate hills and small shallow (we hope) river crossings (pray for no

torrential rains between now and then). We may have on-trail crewing locations. This will be determined at a later date. Currently working on ride food. Stay tuned. I am hoping the ACW will cater the meals again this year if the numbers warrant. There will be coffee and light stuff in the AM, Bag lunch for the JP only. All others are responsible for their own food. If you have special dietary considerations please bring your own food. We will be happy to warm it up/cook it for you if needed. Our Local store has closed down. Boo! There is an Irving convenience store 8.5 Km away in Norton. It has gas, diesel, ice, grocery items, produce, pizza, and some fried foods such as chicken and potato wedges. Valley View Sales and Service is a smaller convenience store 7.5 km away with ice, fuel and some grocery items. It is located close to our local restaurant Up to Par which serves a variety of Canadian cuisine (plus it is licensed). ENTRY FEES for the ride will be as follows:

Sunday JP \$35.00

25 Mile Limited Distance \$85.00

Intro endurance \$50.00

If you are signing up for BOTH days and send in a COMPLETE Entry form with FULL payment (including extra meals if any,) received by me IN HAND by Friday September 9th deduct ten dollars. If you are doing one day and do the thing above, deduct five dollars. Emailed entries with an e-transfer for the full amount are accepted. In order to encourage early entering we will give canceled entries a refund of entry fees paid less ten dollars. This includes all horses not passing the pre-ride check. No-shows who fail to cancel will not be refunded. Mailed entries can be sent to:

Milk Run Rides c/o Sylvia Gillies
344 Route 875, Belleisle Creek, NB, E5P 1C8

Entry forms will be posted shortly.
e-mailed entries and e-transferred fees: (plus any questions)
milkrunrides@gmail.com

**** Helmets must be worn at all times when mounted****

We look forward to seeing you at the ride!

KISS MY AXE RIDE

Coming up next is , The Kiss My Axe Rides - Sept 3 & 4th are located in the beautiful Nackawic area of NB. Home of the World's Largest Axe ! Keep an eye out for it when you drive through Nackawic to ride camp!

Our day 1 of the ride weekend is vetted by Dr Michael Rennick and consists of a 50 mile endurance ride as well as a Limited Distance Ride. Join us on the 50 and get to ride though covered bridges and cross streams , canter along beautiful footing railway and lots of grassy trails. Very little mud to be found and very little paved road (just a few crossings!) On all loops, Make this a fast paced beautiful trail! But beware.. being on beautiful Maple Ridge there is that 1 long hill to come up and down each loop! A lovely BBQ and Spaghetti Suppers planned for the meals . A bagged lunch for the JP on day 2 Sunday, Sept 4th. Judged by Kaaren Lebert , long time local endurance rider . Thanks to our vet, judge , and volunteers who this would not be possible without them ! Please give them all a thanks when you have a chance over the weekend! And of course to our lovely ride manager Chris- who makes sure the trails are trimmed, safe, well marked and has lots of water and a clean outhouse available for our ride weekend ! Looking forward to seeing you all and having a lovely weekend ! Bring some Camp chairs and marshmallows for a camp fire Saturday night weather permitting!

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LET'S DO IT AGAIN IN STANLEY

Do It Again! in Stanley, NS. We had so much fun with Spring Into Stanley that we decided to Do It Again! Parking and overnight camping at the Stanley Mosherville Community Hall. 346 Highway 236. We will be hosting a 25 mile LD on Sat Sep 24 and a 15 mile IDR on Sep 25. The trails consist mostly of gravel road/logging road and some old railbed - nothing complicated. Hoof protection recommended. Supper provided each day. Contact Jacqui Tupper for details
arenarodent@hotmail.com

Awards:

2021 Equine Awards

The following is a list of breed award winners for the 2021 ACTRA competitive season. The champion trophies have been updated and either at, or on their way to the award recipients for them to enjoy. The keeper plates for all 2021 awards will be given out at the year ends this year (2022). Hopefully we will be able to get some pictures of the presentations to put in another newsletter. In the meantime I would like to extend congratulations to all these winners for their achievements during the 2021 year.

****** In order for an equine to be eligible for these awards they must be registered as a lifetime Mount with ACTRA and have a copy of breed papers (if registered) on file AND must have competed in at least two eligible rides during the current season (For 2021 Judged Pleasures were excluded.)

Champion Arabian: KHARIO'S TRUE COLORS owner/rider, Bernadette Scott

Reserve champion Arabian : ESSOR owner/ rider, Sylvia Gillies

Champion Part- bred Arabian: MI KARIZMA owner/rider, Jacqui Tupper

Reserve Part- bred Arabian: MI VANILLA TWIST owner, Jacqui Tupper
rider Leia King

Champion Grade/other: ABSOLUTE owner/ rider: Garnet Gallant

Reserve champion Grade: NELLIE owner/rider Dianne Storey



2021 Rider Awards

Our top ACTRA Junior for 2021 goes to **Leia King**. This is Leia's first year competing in ACTRA and by the looks of things she is going to be one to watch as she moves into senior competition. Leia has been mentored by ACTRA member Jacqui Trim-Tupper and has been competing on Jacqui's horse Rocco. In her first year Leia posted 90 miles by competing in three LDs placing 4th, 3rd and 1st; and one IDR. Congratulations Leia! We are all looking forward to watching you grow in this sport.

High Point limited distance finisher for 2021 goes to **Jacqui Trim-Tupper** and her mount **Kodak** they completed in the top five in all three LD rides offered this season.

Once again the Senior Champion and Best Condition award for the endurance category goes to **Absolute** and his rider **Garnet Gallant**. This pair were very impressive in all three 50 milers that were offered this year and it was a pleasure to watch Absolute trot out for BC. Well, well done to this duo.

Best Condition award for limited distance rides is awarded to **Bernadette Scott** and her mount **Kharior's True Colours**. This pair was first across the line (by a rather large spread I might add) and first in BC in two 25 mile LDs to win the 2021 Senior Limited Distance awards. Kharior is a powerhouse and Bernie is a tough and forward rider. No doubt this pair will be a force to be reckoned with as they move on to more challenges in the future.

-Sylvia Gillies (ACTRA Statistician)

Articles:

20 Ways Horse Riding Becomes Life Itself

<https://www.horselisting.com/2013/05/22/20-ways-horse-riding-becomes-life-itself/>

Laugh A Little:



getting involved in the horse world

