



BHC Newsletter

April 2010

President's Message

Hopefully this newsletter finds you well and looking forward to spring. If you were like us, Katie didn't have many opportunities to ride her horse this winter. She is definitely getting excited about riding again.

There has been some changes to the horse arena since our last playday. There were 5 truck loads of sand brought into the south end of the arena. Levi and Amy Lanning brought in their tractor to help level the sand before the snow decided to fly. Please thank them when you see them. There are also plans to bring in more sand this fall.

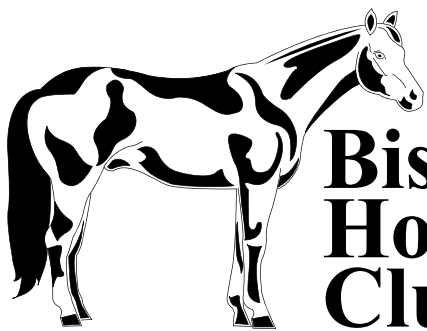
The crows nest is up and just about completed. We need to add the electrical and the announcer door (large opening that faces the arena) this spring. I must say that the building and the construction are outstanding. I doubt it if there is a nicer one in the State. Please review the list of the contributors in this newsletter. When you see or visit them be sure to thank them. One person in particular you need to thank is Bill Miller. He not only lined up a lot of help and equipment, he convinced several contractors to donate their time and materials. The crows nest really shows the commitment Bill had towards this project.

One final note I would like to leave you with. The Bismarck Horse Club is an all volunteer organization. The club is only as good as the people behind it. Next time when you are down at the horse park, please take a look around. We have one of the nicest horse facilities around and it is all done with volunteers. There will be a sign up sheet on the BHC Website for areas where the club needs help. Please take the time and sign up for at least one slot by contacting Natalie Miller.

Sincerely,
Brian

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Bismarck Horse Club

2010 Schedule

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| May 11 | Arena Clean Up Day |
| May 15..... | Playday |
| June 12..... | 4-H Open Show |
| June 19..... | Playday |
| June 26-27 | BER Clinic |
| July 3 | Playday |
| July 10-11 | Prairie Rose State Games |
| July 17-18..... | BER Show |
| August 8 | 4-H Achievement Days |
| August 15 | Playday |
| September 3-6..... | Barrel Futurity |
| September 11 | Oahe Cup |
| September 12..... | Rain Date |
| October 30..... | Year End Awards |

Rule Changes for 2010

The board of the Bismarck Horse Club has adopted the following rule changes for 2010:

1. The cutoff for online registration was modified to Thursday at 5 pm. The rule now reads: ***On-line registration is available through the BHC website and is open until 5 p.m. of the Thursday preceding a show. All members are strongly encouraged to utilize the on-line registration.***
2. The rule for lead-line was reworded for clarification purposes: ***An exhibitor entered in lead-line cannot enter into any other events.***
3. The Super Senior age group was eliminated.
4. The rule for paying membership dues now reads: ***Bismarck Horse Club membership dues must be paid in full prior to the start of the show. Failure to do so will result in disqualifications of any event until membership is paid.***
5. A new rule on payment of entry fees was adopted: ***Entry fees must be paid in full prior to riding in your first event, or 10 a.m.,***

whichever is first. Failure to do so will result in disqualification of any event until fees are paid.

6. A new rule regarding year-end award qualification was adopted: ***To qualify for year-end all-around awards, an exhibitor must attend two playdays and they must compete in 2 English/Western events and 2 speed events at each show they attend.***

All members are encouraged to review the entire Bismarck Horse Club 2010 Playday Rules and Regulations available on the website.

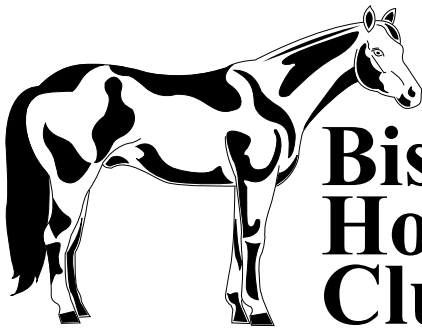
The Board also voted to offer an incentive for BHC members to participate in the Prairie Rose State games: For participation in the Prairie Rose State games, an exhibitor will receive 1 point per class (up to 6 points total) to be applied towards year-end awards.

Playday Info

Playday dates for 2010 have been set. Make sure and join in the fun on May 15, June 19, July 3 and August 15. Should we need a rain date, September 12 has been reserved.

A popular question is :Why July 3rd? A different date had originally been reserved. The park board then notified us that July 9-11 was reserved for Prairie Rose State Games. By the time we received this information, the following weekend had been reserved by another club and the last weekend in July is State Fair. We do realize July 3rd is not the best choice, but under the circumstances it is the best we can do.

The Oahe Cup is scheduled for Saturday, September 11 at Walt Neun's Arena. We had good participation last year, and are hoping to increase the number of riders this year. The Oahe Cup is a trail ride at its best! You follow a path marked by ribbons through the tall grass and fallen branches, meeting challenging obstacles along the way. It is a great experience for you and your horse, something very different than the trail event at the Playdays. Plan on joining us in 2010!



Bismarck Horse Club

Crows Nest Contributors

Cash Contributions

Flag & Banner Source (Flagman) - \$1500
Great River Energy - \$500
Bismarck English Riders - \$400
Carbontec Inc (John Simmons) - \$300
Brian Bieber Family - \$200
Gail Lengenfelder Family - \$200 (Stall Plaques)
Pam Hoggart - \$200 (Stall Plaques)
Scott Flach - \$100 (Stall Plaques)
Kathy Erickson - \$100 (Stall Plaque)

Labor, Equipment and Material

Buffalo Concrete (Greg Kosbab & Tom Bauer) –
Labor for forming and pouring concrete
Metro Concrete – concrete for slab
Dallmann Construction & Great Northern Homes
(Jason & Josh Dallmann) – use of telehandler,
compressor, air nailers and labor
Bob Melhoff – tractor and labor
Kevin Brown – labor

Club Members

Bill Miller
Bob Melhoff
Brad Tokach
Lane Tokach
Dwight Mulske
Steve Krenz
Marc Kress
Gail Lengenfelder
Kim Reipl
And anyone else that we may have forgotten

Arena-Vator

Last winter Brad Tokach took the wounded Arena-Vator to his shop and completely rebuilt the frame. The new frame is much heavier than the original and, of course, straight. Brad and Nita donated all the materials and labor for this rebuild.

Please check it out and tell them thank you when you see them.

Prize Pen

The Bismarck Horse Club is continuing the prize pen this year. If you have new or nearly new horse related items that you would like to donate please either contact Natalie Miller or bring it to a playday event. This would be a good way to clean out your trailer of unused items and help out the club!

Trail Rides

The Bismarck Horse Club still does not have a permanent trail boss. We would like to try a different approach this year. We are looking for individuals to host an evening trail ride at their ranch, farm, or ditch near their house. Please contact Brian if you willing to host a ride. He will put your contact information and date on the web site. It sure would be nice to have at least one trail ride per month this summer.

May 29 & 30th Trail Ride at the Tescher Ranch in Medora

Saturday afternoon will be a trail ride followed by a catered supper and music around the campfire. Sunday will be breakfast catered and then riding with a brown bag lunch available. Anyone can feel free to stay longer or shorter.

There are campsites and horse stalls available along with shower houses and there may be a cabin or two left to rent.

Campsites are with electricity \$14.00 and without electricity \$10.00

\$8.00 per horse per day for the trail ride

Meals are
Supper \$8.00
Breakfast \$6.00
Sack lunch \$5.00

Anyone interested can email Amy Lanning at pupsnponies4u@hotmail.com or call 701-391-3340 and we will add them to the reservations, Reservations **MUST** be made before May 1, 2010.

Bismarck Horse Club membership form

Annual dues are:

\$25 for a family membership

\$20 for a single adult membership (18 years and older)

\$15 for a single youth membership (17 years and younger)

\$15 for a Jack Benny membership (55 years and older)

Please check one:

Family

Single
Adult

Single
Youth

Jack
Benny

List each name of who is to be considered a member:

Mailing address:

E-mail address

check box to receive
newsletter via email

Phone number

Please return membership form by May 31 or your name will be taken off of the mailing list.

Please return form and payment to: Bismarck Horse Club

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