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## UPCOMING EVENTS

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**Saturday, Feb 11th** Trailer Backing Clinic. **POSTPONED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**

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**Sunday, Feb 12th** 4-H Consignment Tack Sale at the Reno Livestock Events Center. 9 am.- 3 pm. If you would like 4-H to sell your tack for 20% commission, contact Linda at 775-972-7241, 775-560-0612 or Email [zephyrarabians@yahoo.com](mailto:zephyrarabians@yahoo.com)

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**Saturday, Feb 18th** Stephanie Loop Ride, 10 am. Open to guests. HTAP Ride. Bring a brown bag lunch and a canned good for the Food Pantry. Details and directions are posted on our website. Contact: Linda Mulkey 629-0817 or Bonnie Replogle 882-6604

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**Thursday, Mar 8th** HDH Board and General Membership meeting 6:30 pm at Round Table Pizza in Carson City. Contact: Anne Martins 629-9368

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**Saturday, Mar 24th** Trailer Loading Clinic. Scout Camp 10:30 a.m. HTAP ride afterwards. \$5 Parking Fee. Brown bag lunch. Open to non-members. \$15 for members / \$25 for non-members. Clinic Fee must be paid one week in advance. Contact: Amy Casey 775-530-3748.

Vince recently resigned as President and Nancie Cuccato as Director. Anne Martins is taking the place of President and Deb Denkler is now Vice President.

We have two Director positions open so if you would like to either nominate yourself or someone you believe would like to be a Director, please let Cerena know by February 15th.



Please check the website regularly for time and date changes. Sometimes things change and we have to reschedule or cancel. [www.hdhorsemen.org](http://www.hdhorsemen.org) or call the contact number listed for the event

## Classified Ads



Call Trish 775-315-5799 or email:lv2horsebak@aol.com. \$1,000.00 obo.

### FOR SALE

"Misty" - 15 year old spotted saddle horse. Not for a novice rider. She trailers great, trail rides and camps well. Misty is up to date on her shots and feet. Trish and Misty placed 4th at the HDH Trail Trial.

**FOR SALE:** Black Tennessee Walker gelding. His name is "Friday." He is 8 years old. We got him at 5. He is a really nice guy—like walkers are. Friday has no bad habits. He needs riding, and more care. He was used at dog trials by judges. He loads easily and hauls well. Crosses water with no problem. Has very nice gaits. Asking \$2,000. negotiable to a good home. "FRIDAY" is in Moundhouse. I can be contacted at 775 287-1096. Sunny Woods



Spring cleaning; our clutter can be your treasure... :-)

For sale:

Abetta 15" western saddle, square skirts, hunter green & black - \$100

Good condition (used only once since my big self didn't fit into it!) Similar saddles sell on Horse.com for \$400 up

Other tack for sale:

- Woolback endurance pad, white - \$25
- Little S hackamore, new/never used - \$35 (sells on Horse.com for \$66)
- Black sidepull noseband - \$10
- Black fleece bareback pad & cinch - \$10
- Leather breastcollar, English or Western - \$10
- Leather w/hunter green breastcollar, Western - \$10

- Brown & white mecate rope rein for bosal, etc. - \$5
- English jumping hackamore, black - used once - \$15
- Short-shanked fleece-lined hackamore (mild) - \$15
- boat bumpers for
- Western square saddle pads - various colors & \$\$
- and more stuff ..... cinches, headstalls, etc.....

Diana Miller 884-8456 or 629-0789  
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## February Birthdays



## Member of the Month—Jack Gerrard

I was born in Ohio in 1936 and came to Nevada in 1957 with the Air Force. I fell in love with the open countryside and decided to stay. After serving time in the Air Guard, I started my own business of industrial sand blasting and coatings in 1975 when I was 39 years. I closed the business in 2005 and retired.

I started riding in 2000 at the age of 63, and have really enjoyed it ever since. The part I like the most is it is a continuing learning experience, to see what makes the horse tick and of course, my own learning never ends. It is a joy and I thank God for giving me this opportunity in my life. I definitely made a good decision when I joined HDH, it is a super club with wonderful people.

Looking forward to the next ride!!!!



## New Year's Day ride— Lahonton

Twenty-three riders embraced the cold on New Year's Day for a ride at Lahonton followed by a Potluck lunch. Apologies if your name was missed, these were taken from the sign-up sheet before the ride.



Tony  
and  
Aimee  
Sumner

Participants:  
Jennifer Kersten  
Trish Clark  
Brenda Rogers  
Marsha Arthur  
Nancie Cuccato  
Ingrid White  
Kelly Knapp  
Charles Knapp  
Linda Mulkey  
Leah Singleton  
Sonia Scott  
Shelley McDonald  
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April Dziabo  
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Sue Saunders  
Bonnie Replogle  
Deb Denkler  
Tony Sumner  
Aimee Sumner  
Bonnie Burr  
Sandy Sergott



Linda Mulkey  
Sandy Sergott  
Nancie Cuccato



Charles Knapp



Charles and Kelly Knapp

## New Year's Day ride—Lahontan



Bonnie Replogle



Sandy Sergott, Bonnie Burr



Sandy Sergott, Bonnie Burr, Trish Clark, Brenda Rogers



Nancie Cuccato



Linda Mulkey

## TRIVIA & TIPS

by Cerena Cooper

I recently read an article with a bit of trivia that I found interesting. The article was about a study done in Germany that looked at how the rider's ability influenced the reactivity of the horse when it was faced with "fear-inducing stimuli". They used 75 horses ridden by either professional or experienced amateur riders. Each horse had to face 3 different situations and were judged in several different ways. I don't think the results that horses ridden by more experienced riders were less reactive will be a surprise to any of us and DUH! was my first reaction. What I did find interesting had to do with the horses heart rates during the tests. In some cases, the horses that were less reactive and being ridden by more experienced riders still had elevated heart rates.

This says to me that the horses were still fearful but chose (consciously or unconsciously) to suppress their fear reaction and trust the rider. I have believed for quite awhile that if you want a trustworthy horse you need to be a rider that the horse trusts. The good news is that I think a horse is pretty much looking for the same "trustworthy" qualities that a person does when they are looking for a leader:

Fairness - Do not ask the horse for something until they are prepared physically and mentally for it.

Consistent rules - All mammals work better when they know what is expected.

Someone who is skilled - Key for communicating in a way your horse can understand.

Someone who is calm and confident - This may be the hardest of all and you may have to fake it for awhile until you believe it too.

Tip for the month - Adding 2 tablespoons of salt (coarse or rock type) to your horses daily grain bucket will encourage them to drink more water during cold weather. This will help to avoid a winter colic caused by dry, impacted manure. If your horse is less than thrilled by the addition, start by adding a small amount of salt and then gradually increase the amount.



Cerena and Ed—New Year's Day at Lahontan



## BUCK by Harold Roy Miller

I saw a classified ad that read "Horse for sale, real cheap.  
This is the kind of horse that any cowboy would want to keep."  
So I called up the owner who said, " You, sir, are in luck.  
I still have the tan colored beauty and his name is Buck."

I have a love for buckskins so I bought him sight unseen.  
But unbeknownst to me, my new gelding was a wee bit green.  
It turned out to be a constant battle of our wit and wills  
and he would toss me quite consistently, head right over heels.

This horse was smart and very quick and he'd catch me unprepared,  
and I would hit the rock hard ground, fuming mad and scared.  
A lot of the time my mind was somewhere else when I was ejected.  
He seemed to wait until I was relaxed and then do the unexpected.

I would saddle him up and take a ride nearly every morning.  
He'd act completely normal and give no hint or warning;  
then before I could react he'd lower his head and tighten his haunches.  
It was then that I would feel the force of his powerful rocket launches.

My nerves were getting frazzled because of his humping fits  
and walking back home for miles on end was getting to be the pits.  
I really wasn't enjoying those rodeo rides of splendor,  
because my poor body had sore spots that were now bruised and tender.

It stuck in my craw that perhaps I'd made not too bright a move,  
but I kept on trying to ride him right, hoping he'd improve.  
But the more I tried to fix him the worse he would behave,  
and I'd breathe a sigh of relief after surviving each close shave.

I was starting to get aggravated and actually quite perturbed  
as I gradually came to accept this horse was mentally disturbed.  
I was starting to feel more than my share of buyer's remorse  
since I had jumped in with both feet to buy this temperamental horse.

I knew I couldn't sell him to anyone because he was too dangerous to ride,  
and I couldn't admit I'd made a mistake, because of my copious cowboy pride  
There was no way to get my money back since the owner had lit a shuck,  
so the truth of the matter was I was saddled with this horse called Buck.

So I put the horse out to pasture. Now he is just a big old pet.  
When I think of how he turned out, I feel a tinge of regret.  
I am reminded of words of wisdom, and I got a little sampling taste  
of what it's like to repent at leisure when you buy in haste.

The wool was pulled over my eyes by a slick horse trading cheater  
and when I get a chance for revenge, life will be much sweeter.  
I know I'm slow, but it dawned on me and it was like I'd been lightning struck -  
the true reason that this "tan colored beauty" was given the name Buck!



## New Year's Day ride—Lahontan



Deb Denkler, Cerena Cooper, Linda Mulkey, Nancie Cuccato, Sue Saunders, Ingrid White, Sheila Aerick

**HDH now has a Show Committee lead by new member, Teresa Erhardt. Members of the group are: Deb Denkler, Anne Martins, Kelly Knapp, Amy Casey, Bonnie Replogle and April Dziabo.**

We are selling raffle tickets for a Kindle Fire to benefit our 8th Annual April Hairy Horse Show and hopefully one more show in October.

If you'd like to buy tickets, please contact any of the above or Anne 775-629-9368  
[anne@hdhorsemen.org](mailto:anne@hdhorsemen.org)

Tickets are  
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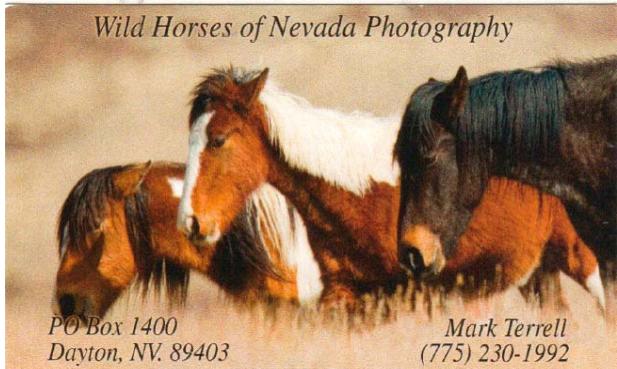
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