



Cutter's Connection

MISSION STATEMENT

HONORING THE TRADITION OF THE CUTTING HORSE IN ALBERTA WE WILL PROMOTE EXCELLENCE IN THE SPORT OF CUTTING; IN AN ENVIRONMENT OF EDUCATION, CAMARADERIE, AND FAIR PLAY!

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President's Neigh...

Another cutting season is just around the corner and no better way to get going for the year than at a March tune up clinic. Mark your calendars for March 17 and 18th at Welland Muri's by Madden.

Then get your feet wet at the first show which is our main fundraiser for the ACHA, April 7 & 8th. I hope most members will be able to support the association by coming out that weekend. Funds for the Association are raised by donating back your winnings on the Saturday. The judge and videographer donate their fees back, all in the spirit of promoting cutting in Alberta.

A reminder to have all your memberships renewed by our first show. Proof of NCHA memberships and horse papers are mandatory for the start of the year.

The show schedule is set with a new vendor; Ponoka Ag Event Centre, hosting a show May 24-27. May is jam packed with 3 awesome shows in a row, so set your budget to get to them all.

Silver Slate Arena, Claresholm Agriplex are hosting some exciting events along with Thorlakson Feedyards and Olds AG Society. Olds has the main event for August. A great deal of work and money goes into producing a show. Purse money for most of the ACHA shows is provided by the show producer or our sponsorship committee hitting the pavement to find horse event sponsors. Please acknowledge and thank these people who help us enjoy the sport of cutting.

Thank you to our out going directors for their time and dedication and a big welcome to the new ACHA directors. Your comments or concerns are welcome which can be directed to any ACHA Board member.

See you in the cutting pen April 7th,
Scott Wardley- President ACHA



**Round Up your Horse-Get ready to cut
Cutting Horse Clinic
March 17, 18 by Madden
Clinicians: Gerry Hansma, Dustin Gonnet**

\$420 max 12 participants
new ACHA cutters –membership included
9 am Start
Lunch provided at a nominal fee
Register at the ACHA office,
Your spot is reserved when payment is received.

2012 Show Schedule

March 17,18	Clinic—Gerry Hansma/Dustin Gonnet at Welland Muri
April 7/8	Fundraiser Thorlakson
April 20-22	Silver Slate WE/ 4 yr
May 18-21	Silver Slate WE /LAE
May 24-27	Black Elk -Ponoka WE/4yr
June 1-3	NCHA Days Claresholm
June 16,17	Claresholm WE
July 6,7	Pre Stampede Silver Slate WE
July 20-22	Claresholm WE/LAE 4yr
August 21-26	Olds Cutter's Classic WE/LAE
Sept 1,2	Thorlakson WE
September 11-16	Silver Slate WE /LAE



All shows are NCHA and CCHA approved unless otherwise marked.

**Silver Slate 8 show mini series—
top money earners from 8 shows win a Silver Slate Class Buckle**

2012 ACHA DIRECTORS



President -Scott Wardley	403-651-0234		
VP -Kevin Baumann	403-505-7784		
SEC/Tres Welland Muri	403-850-5996		
Directors:		Rob Leman	403-818-3050
Cody Smith	403-995-4660	Kaila Stewart	403-990-9932
Dean Ness	403-888-2228	Marilyn Anderson	403-249-8215
Matt Anderson	780-717-2362	Kathy Mageno	403-604-4818
Dustin Gonnet	403-901-5981	Danny Jones	403-256-8698

Welcome to the 2012 ACHA Board:

Danny Jones, Marilyn Anderson, Kathy Mageno, Kaila Stewart

Thanks to Sandy Reid, Brad Pedersen, and James Couillard

for their contribution to the ACHA last year:

Show Info

ACHA Fundraiser and Kick Off

Thorlakson April 7 & 8

Class	Purset	Entry	Cattle	Office	Total
<i>This is not the order</i>					
Open	500	100	55	48	203
3,000 NH	300	80	55	48	183
Non-Pro	500	100	55	48	203
Youth-Jr/Sr	JP	50	25	25	100
2,000 LR	JP	75	55	48	178
10,000 NH	300	80	55	48	183
50,000 AM	300	80	55	48	183
5,000 NH/NP	300	80	55	48	183
35,000 NP	JP	75	55	48	178
15,000 NH/NP	300	80	55	48	183
15,000 Am	JP	75	55	48	178
1,000 Am	JP	50	55	33	138
Never Won A Buckle (NWB)	JP	50	55	33	138

K & K Sponsored Fleece Coolers for the aggregate winner of each class.

Location: Thorlakson Feedyards, Airdrie

Directions: From Airdrie, west on Hwy 567 about 6 kms and turn north at sign –west side 1/2 km

Horses on Grounds: 8 am /Show starts 9 am

ACHA Official Rep: Marilyn Anderson

Judge: Gary Hughes

Entries to: Shauna Reinhardt

Ph 403-935-2353 Fax 403-935-4119

Email: reinhardt@efirehose.net

Entries close: Monday April 2 @ 9 pm

Cheques payable: ACHA

Approvals: ACHA, CCHA, NCHA

Stabling – 40 stalls contact Michelle 403-948-5434

Or Becker arena/ Welland Muri

Social– Saturday night

Other: Fundraising Show winnings are generously donated back to ACHA on the Saturday

Fleece coolers donated by K & K Livestock Aggregate winner from 2 days

Miscellaneous charges: Judge 10, Arena \$6, ACHA \$12, Video \$5, WF \$2, CCHA \$13

Hotels: Airdrie– Holiday Inn, Ramada, Super 8, Days Inn

GST to be added on cattle, arena, ACHA fees.

2012 Show Class Order of Go

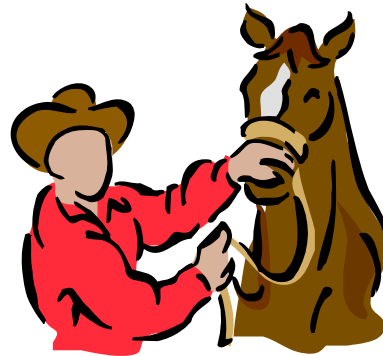
(Except for shows with an aged event)

2 day show over 3 days:

Friday: Open, NP, 3 NH, 50 AM, 10 NH, 4 Yr NP

Saturday: Open, NP, 10 NH, Youth, NWB, 4 YR Open, 50 Am, 2 LR, 1000 am, 5NH/NP, 15 NH/NP, 15 AM, 35 NP 4 yr NP

Sunday: 3 NH, Youth, NWB, 5 NH/NP, 2 LR, 1000 Am, 15 NH/NP, 35 NP, 15 AM, 4 Open



You've got to get the job done,
whatever it takes–

That's the cowboy way

Cody Lambert

2011

Most Improved Riders

Adult

Darlene Wardley

Junior

Carly Christianson



NCHA Bronzes were awarded
to the these riders at the ACHA Wind
Up Banquet.

2011

Never Won A Buckle Finalist

Cutters riding off for the 2011
NWB Championship in Red
Deer were:

Brandy Scott

Tick Tick Boon

Brad Tkacik

Justa Indian Maiden

Dylan Oswald

Dillons Highbrow

John Demoissac

Puttin on the Pink

2011 NWB Champion

Dylan Oswald

Congratulations!!

***Class sponsored by
Wayne and Linda Sharpe***

Thank You !!

**Northern Cutters
Clinic**

Tune up -March 24,25

Pekisko Ranch—Red Deer

Cost \$420.00

Maximum 12 Registrants

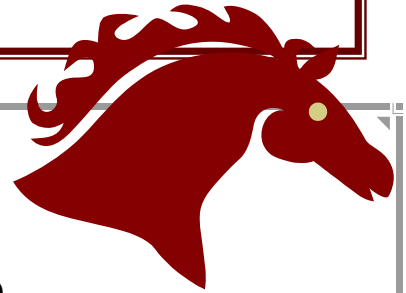
Clinicians:

Jason Hanson/Brad Pedersen

New cutters receive a free ACHA membership with
the clinic.

Register at 403-935-2353

*Payment received se-
cures a clinic spot.*



2012

***Never Won A
Buckle Class (NWB)***

April 7/8 Thorlakson

May 24-27 Ponoka

June 15-16 Claresholm

Sept 21-26 Olds

The aggregate winner for each weekend earns a spot to
compete in the NWB Finals at the Supreme held in Red
Deer.

A buckle is awarded at each of these shows
and a bronze for Red Deer finals.

Rules: Cannot have **won** any buckle in any cutting horse
event.

You must ride the same horse for the duration of the
event.

NCHA rules for amateur and non pro horse ownership ap-
ply.

Silver Slate Arena

April 20-22, 2012

Location: Silver Slate Arena

Directions: Calgary south Hwy 2 to Little Bow Prov. Pk sign turn west

Horses on Grounds: 9am start at 10am

ACHA Official Rep: Cody Smith

Judge: Brian Kelly

Entries to: Shauna Reinhardt

Ph 403-935-2353 / Fx 403-935-4119 reinhardt@efirehose.net

Entries close: Monday April 16 @ 9 pm

Cheques payable: Silver Slate Arena

Approvals: ACHA, NCHA, CCHA

Additional Info: Sat night steak dinner \$15

Stabling –\$85 plus gst

Miscellaneous charges: Judge \$10, Arena \$8, Video \$5, World Fee \$2, Cattle surcharge \$25, ACHA 12, CCHA 13

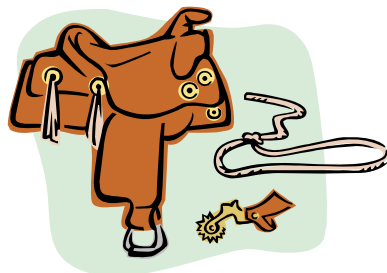
Hotels: Motel 6 403-625-4646, Bluebird, Lazy J

GST on arena, judge, cattle, ACHA,

Cattle surcharge on

New 50,000 Am Select for 50 yrs and older (not eligible for NCHA awards)

Class	Purse	Entry	Cattle	Office/Mis.	Total
Open	500	120	100	50	270
3,000 NH	300	100	100	50	250
10,000 NH	300	100	100	50	250
Youth-Jr/Sr	JP	50	50	25	125
2,000 LR	JP	75	100	50	225
Non-Pro	500	120	100	50	270
50,000 AM	300	100	100	50	250
5,000 NH/NP	300	100	100	50	250
35,000 N P	JP	75	100	50	225
15,000 NH/NP	300	100	100	50	250
15,000 Am	JP	75	100	50	225
4 Yr Old Open/NP	500	100	100	40	240
1000 Am	JP	75	75	35	185
50,000 Am Select	JP	100	0	25	125



**“Cowards never lasted long enough
to become real cowboys.”**

Charles Goodnight

www.cuttingnews.com

This site will have current ACHA show info and standings data.

Office Notes Mandatory

- Copy of 2012 NCHA membership with NP and Amateur status current
- A copy of Horse registration papers are required/ transfers during the show season are mandatory
- Entry fees are payable before showing
- Please report spelling, ownership, etc errors on show results to the office so NCHA filing is correct.



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Your cutting connection.

New classes

Novice cutters, strut your stuff in the \$1000 amateur class

And for the older crew \$50,000 Amateur Select class for 50 years and older (a class within the 50,000 Amateur)

Both of these NCHA classes have no points or earnings counted toward NCHA awards.

**Wanted
Sponsors for
2012**

Calling all
Cutters.....

“Everything
in the west
is life.”

Frederic Remington



Thank You 2011 ACHA Sponsors

Jenlin Holdings Ltd. 2004– Pauli Smith

Waytec Industries– Wayne and Linda Meakin

NOram Oil Services– Bill Jani

Dr. Gary Tressider

K & K Livestock– Ken and Karen Mix

Sterling Trucks– Ken Zender

Zender Ford– Ken Zender

Pekisko Ranch– Kevin Baumann

Welland Muri

Wilderness Stables– Archer Webb

Wayne and Linda Sharpe– Never won a Buckle class

Gord Roper

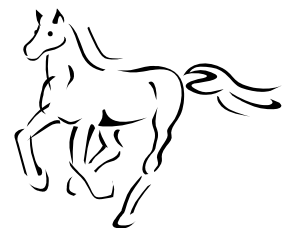
John and Debbie Thomas

Ron Patton and Gonnet Performance Horses

Did you know...

High School Rodeo competitors receive a free ACHA membership.

Register with the office.



**Great cowboys
are the ones
with the biggest
hearts.**

Ty Murray