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President's Neigh...

Your Board faces a major challenge in planning for the 2009 season and we look forward to receiving input and assistance from each of you. We are fortunate to have Connie continuing on the Board for another year, and the support of our sustainability funds to help us weather a tough year.

Our rebuilt website is now up, but will be a work in progress for some time yet. Please consult it often and be patient. Please provide your comments for continued improvements to the site.

We have some important fundraising events coming soon and look forward to your support... please participate and also encourage others. First up are our fundraising clinics: March 14 & 15 and March 21 & 22. Our clinic poster is enclosed with this mailing; updates and further details will be on the website. Special thanks to our clinicians: Doug Reinhardt and Gerry Hansma at the March 14 & 15 clinic @ Thorlaksons and Brad Pedersen and Loren Christensen at the March 21 & 22 clinic @ Vic Almond's. These clinics are a great opportunity to get the rust off & get ready for the beginning of the ACHA season April 4 & 5 and the CCHA Finals show April 10 - 12. Our fundraiser show will be April 4 @ Thorlaksons.

The 2009 show schedule although still tentative, is pretty much as firm as it can be at this point in time. Note too that there is a new class order for 2009.

The silent auction at the banquet was a success...thanks to donors and purchasers. Your Board is hard at work thinking of more new and creative ways to separate you from your hard earned money!

Also enclosed with this mailing is our 2009 Sponsorship brochure.

From our success in Ogden, the huge purse money at our 2008 shows to one of our members winning her class in the World, 2008 was an amazing year.

The current economic uncertainties will likely impact us in ways that cannot now be foreseen and we will have to be nimble.

I am confident that our 2009 season will be a success. Please feel free to call or email me with your comments and suggestions.

Gord Roper
 President ACHA



**In Riding a Horse we borrow
 Freedom.**



www.cuttingnews.com
**This site will have current ACHA show info and stand-
 ings data.**

Kick Off and Fundraiser

Thorlakson

April 4 & 5th, 2009

This is not the order of go!

Class	Purse	Entry	Cattle	ACHA	Misc	Total
	Sat/Sun					
Open	500/300	85	55	10	23	173
3,000 NH	300/200	75	55	10	23	163
10,000 NH	300/200	75	55	10	23	163
Youth-Jr/Sr	JP	25	25	0	7	57
2,000 LR	JP	75	55	10	23	163
Non-Pro	500/300	85	55	10	23	173
50,000 AM	300/200	75	55	10	23	163
5,000 NH/NP	300/200	75	55	10	23	163
20,000 N P	JP	75	55	10	23	163
15,000 NH/NP	300/200	75	55	10	23	163
10,000 Am	JP	75	55	10	23	163
Never won A Buckle	JP	60	55	0	23	138

Location: Thorlakson Feedlot- Airdrie

Directions: Airdrie East 8kms-north 1 km

Horses on Grounds: 7 am /Show starts 8 am

ACHA Official Rep: Doug Reinhardt

Judge: Sat-Teri Paradis / Sun -Henry Reichert

Entries to: Shauna Reinhardt

Ph 403-935-2353 Fx 403-935-4119

Email: reinhardt@efirehose.net

Entries close: TUES March 31- 9 pm Sharp!!

Cheques payable: ACHA

Approvals: ACHA, NCHA

Additional Info: Sat is Fundraiser show with winnings donated back to the ACHA

Prizes for aggregate class winners

Stabling -Becker Ranch on Hwy 567

Phone - 948-7644/Welland 850-5996

Miscellaneous charges: Judge \$10, Arena \$6, Video \$5, World Fee \$2

Hotels: Airdrie/Crossfield

GST on cattle, arena, judge, video, ACHA.

2009 Show Class Order of Go

A regular 2 day show order of go:

Open, 10 Am, 20 NP, 10 NH, 2 LR, 15 NH/NP, 3 NH, Youth, NP, 5 NH/NP, 50 Am

2 day show over 3 days:

Friday: Open, 3 NH, 10 NH, NP
 Saturday: 10 NH, 10 Am, 20 NP, 5 NH/NP, NP, 15 NH/NP, Open, Youth, 2LR, 50 AM
 Sunday: 20 NP, 10 Am, 3 NH, 2 LR, Youth, 5 NH/NP, 15 NH/NP, 50 AM

ACHA Sponsorship by
 Pekisko Ranch/Kevin Baumann

Offering

Stallion breeding Service ...

Lil Pepto Pisto

\$1600 +\$400 chute fee

No Guns in the Bar

\$2000+ \$400 chute fee

Contact Kevin Baumann 403-342-0850

2008
Most Improved Riders

Adult

Ken MacKenzie

Junior

Matt Couillard

Congratulations!!

Start your cutting season tuned up
with aClinic

March 14/15 -**FULL**

Thorlakson Feedyards

Gerry Hansma/Doug Reinhardt

Cost \$420.00

15 Registrants max for each clinic.

March 21/22

Vic Almond's -Ponoka

Brad Pedersen/Loren Christianson

Cost \$420.00

ACHA Membership included in the clinic fee if new
to cutting.

Register at 403-935-2353

Never Won A Buckle Class (NWB)

A class offered for those riders who have been in the crying hole.

April 4 & 5 Thorlakson

May 23 & 24 Claresholm

June 12, 13 Ponoka

Aug 19-23 Olds

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

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

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

The same NCHA amateur and non pro horse ownership

Claresholm May Madness

May 23-24, 2009

This is not the order of go!

Location: Claresholm Agriplex

Directions: Calgary south Hwy 2 for 90 min.

Horses on Grounds: 7 am /Show starts 8 am

ACHA Official Rep: Rob Leman

Judge: TBA

Entries to: Shauna Reinhardt

Ph 403-935-2353 Fx 403-935-4119

Entries close: TUES May 19- 9 pm Sharp!!

Cheques payable: WCAS

Approvals: ACHA, NCHA, CCHA

Additional Info: Social

Stabling –On grounds 403-625-2410

Miscellaneous charges: Judge \$10, Arena \$12, Video \$5, World Fee \$2, Cattle \$20, CCHA \$13

Hotels: Bluebird 625-3395 Motel 6 –625-4646

GST on arena, judge, cattle, ACHA, video.

Class	Purse	Entry	Cattle	ACHA	Misc	Total
Open	400	80	70	10	67	227
3,000 NH	340	70	70	10	67	217
10,000 NH	340	70	70	10	67	217
Youth-Jr/Sr	JP	25	25	0	17	67
2,000 LR	JP	70	70	10	67	217
Non-Pro	400	80	70	10	67	227
50,000 AM	340	70	70	10	67	217
5,000 NH/NP	340	70	70	10	67	217
20,000 N P	JP	70	70	10	67	217
15,000 NH/NP	340	70	70	10	67	217
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Saturday April 4th is the ACHA's annual fundraiser show and is the single biggest money raiser for the year.

It is appreciated that winnings are donated back to the association for the Saturday show. Those earnings are still NCHA applied to both horse and rider. Thank you in advance for your participation and contribution back to the ACHA.

New for 2009

Copies of the 2009 NCHA membership cards must be on file in the ACHA office prior to show entry deadline.

A copy of horse registration papers must be submitted to the ACHA office prior to show dates. Copies of horse transfers must be submitted to show office if purchase made during the show season.

Entry fees must be paid prior by the end of the first show day. NO EXCEPTIONS. No payouts will be completed if entry fees are not in by the end of first day.



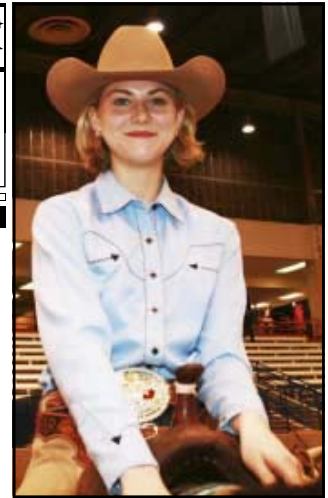
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\$2,000 Limited Rider- World Champ

It was one show at a time for Andrea Rudkin, 15, Alberta, Canada, who won the \$2,000 Limited Rider championship title by \$80 over Devin Clinton, who won the final go-round with 218 points.

"We started out just wanting to be in the Top Five in Canada," said Rudkin. "Then we started coming down south more and more and thought we'd try for the Top 30 in the World, and it just progressed from there."

Rudkin rides Isle Be Steady, a 9-year-old sired by Smart Peppy Date.

"His barn name is Steady Eddie," she said. "He tries his best and he loves Cookies. NCHA Chatter