

Alexander City Horse Riding Club

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NEWSLETTER

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Hi Folks,

Hope you and your family had a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. It is that time once again to **renew your membership**. If you are reading this letter on the website, please go to www.achrc.com/membership.pdf and print the membership form and send it to the address provided on the form. If you have children showing, **please add their names and ages** so we can enter them in the correct age groups for awards. Family membership \$25.00 – Individual membership \$10.00. Senior citizen (62 and Older) Free – fill in form and indicate that you are a senior citizen. **Please add you email address to the membership card if you have access to email - email is our primary source of keeping you informed of upcoming events or cancellations.**

Happenings in 2011:

April 23—Miss Lindsey Johnson was crowned the 2011 ACHRC Queen; Miss Ashley Watts crowned 1st Alternate; Miss Samantha Robbins Crowned 2nd Alternate; Miss Samantha Robbins - Horsemanship; Miss Lindsey Johnson - Miss Congeniality. We would like to thank our Judges (Carrie Jones Spivey, Chris Boone and Lacy Bailey) for the great job in selecting our Queen and her court.

August 6 – ACHRC James Abney Memorial Scholarship awarded to Miss Kalee Moncrief.

Sept 2-4 – Several of our club members participated in the Alabama Open Horse Association Championship Horse Show. We would like to congratulate Sarah Slay the 2011 Youth Western Pleasure AOHA Champion and Hannah Grace Johnson Third High Point Trophy winner in the Pony Pleasure Division. We had several class champions as well as reserve champions. Congratulations to all that placed and good luck next year at the AOHA Championship Show. [Winners are on the website: www.achrc.com.](http://www.achrc.com)

October 1 – We held our seventh (7) Allen Ingle Memorial Walking Horse Event. The first Saturday in October of each year is designated to be our walking horse show. We appreciate all the members who helped work the show. Without your support, it would not have been as successful. Please add this to your schedule for October 6, 2012.

November 10— The club officers were elected at the regular meeting.
Officers for 2012: President - JimmyAvery; Vice President - Sidney Yates; Secretary - Dereider Crew; Treasurer - Nan Ingle Barnes
Board of Directors: Pat Avery, Harry Crew, Jessica Hodnett, Andy Housch, Nan Ingle Barnes, Johnny Marable, Wanda Robbins, and Sidney Yates.
The board members will serve as committee members for shows.

November 12 – The East Alabama Horseman Association held their awards supper with several of our club members receiving High Point awards – see our [website](http://www.achrc.com) for winners.

December 3 – The club held our annual Awards and Christmas supper. The 2011 Awards were presented to our Champions and Reserve Champions. See the [website](http://www.achrc.com) for a list of winners.

2012 ACHRC Events:

2012 Show Dates at Alex City Arena: Please view the show dates on the website, and check there for any changes or cancellations throughout the season.

Show time is 2:00 P.M. We will be sending out emails for you to volunteer your time to help work the shows and help get the grounds ready for the shows. It takes all our club members to make the shows successful.

Entry fees will remain at \$8 per class. \$1 of each entry is paid to EAHA to purchase year end awards. The gate fee remains at \$3.

April 21 – ACHRC Queen Contest –young ladies between ages of 12 and 17 that was a member of East Alabama Horseman's Association in 2011 is eligible to participate in the contest. Jessica Hodnett will be sending out applications.

August 4 – the Alex City Horse Riding Club / James Abney Memorial Scholarship will be awarded to a graduating senior or college student that qualifies for the scholarship. Applications will be available later this summer.

Club meetings are held each month, **second Thursday night at 6:30 p.m., at the Arena.** All club members are welcome and encouraged to attend the meetings. Practice days at the arena have not changed... **You may use the arena to ride your horse if you are a member.** Please be considerate of other members who may show up to practice at the same time.

The committee members will be making plans for the events that will be held this year. If called on to work, please do so. Your help would be greatly appreciated. Hope to see you at all of the events!

Happy Trails!

EAHA RULE CHANGES:

AOHA HAS ADDED A PONY SHOWMANSHIP CLASS TO THE 2012 AOHA PROGRAM, THEREFORE, EAHA WILL BE ADDING THIS CLASS TO ALL CLUB SHOW PROGRAMS.

DOUBLE JUDGE SHOW CHANGES: THE TIMED EVENT CLASSES WILL RUN ONE TIME USING TWO CLOCKS.