

Alexander City Horse Riding Club

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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 2012:

April 21—Miss Ashley Watts was crowned the 2012 ACHRC Queen; Miss Katie Newlin, 1st Alternate; Ansley Edmondson 2nd Alternate; Miss Ashley Watts - Horsemanship; Miss Ashley Watts - Miss Congeniality. We would like to thank our Judges Lacy Bailey, Gail Luker, Robbin Nail for the great job in selecting our Queen and her court.

August 4 – ACHRC James Abney Memorial Scholarship awarded to Miss Ansley Edmondson.

Aug 31-Sept 2 – Several of our club members participated in the Alabama Open Horse Association Division. We had several class champions as well as reserve champions. Congratulations to Donna Tucker, 2012 Adult Western Pleasure High Point Reserve Champion, and Tulsa Cabaniss, 2012 Third Place Pony Timed Event High Point. Congratulations to all that placed and good luck next year at the AOHA Championship Show.

October 6 – We held our eighth (8th) annual Allen Ingle Memorial Walking Horse 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 5, 2013.

November 8– The club officers were elected at the regular meeting.
Officers for 2013: President - Jimmy Avery; 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 17– The East Alabama Horseman Association held their awards supper with several of our club members receiving High Point awards – see our [website](#) for winners.

December 1– The club held our annual Awards and Christmas supper. The 2012 Awards were presented to our Champions and Reserve Champions. See the [website](#) for a list of winners. This year the ACHRC Officers & Board of Directors decided to do something different at the supper. They voted to give \$100.00 to a club member or guest of a club member. Names of all present were placed in a boot and a name was drawn out for the winner, Mr. David Johnstone. This was a onetime thing but you never know what the directors may come up with at the supper next year.

2013 ACHRC & Arena Events:

2013 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.

February 23 – HorsePlay Drill Team will be having a fund raiser horse show at the Arena. Games start at 11:00 – a flyer for the show is on the website.

March 15-16 – The 7th Annual Alexander City Rodeo will be held at the arena. Look for more information on the website soon, or call (256) 329-9736.

April 6 – The first horse show of the EAHA season held at the ACHRC arena will be a Youth Club show. Remember that any EAHA affiliated show held at the arena will also count toward ACHRC high point awards, so don't forget to join ACHRC before you show!

April 20 – ACHRC Queen Contest – young ladies between ages of 12 and 17 that was a member of East Alabama Horseman's Association in 2012 is eligible to participate in the contest. Jessica Hodnett will be sending out applications.

August 3 – 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: There are a few changes in the EAHA rules that will be posted at the shows.

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