

ALEXANDER CITY HORSE RIDING CLUB



Promoting Horsemanship and Sportsmanship since 1989

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We 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 or from an email, please go to <http://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 group 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 your email address to the membership form, as email is our primary source of keeping you informed of upcoming events or cancellations.**

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. Clean up and close arena gate(s) after use.

2018 ACHRC Events: April 14th –Three (3) young ladies participated in the 2018 ACHRC Queen contest with Miss Tulsa Cabaniss being crowned 2018 ACHRC Queen; Miss Brooke Slay crowned 1st Alternate, Horsemanship, and Miss Congeniality; 2nd Alternate Miss Kyndal Bowling. Congratulations to the Queen and her Court. We would like to thank our Judges for the great job in selecting Our Queen and her court.

July 28th– The Alex City Horse Riding Club Scholarship was presented to Miss Allie Blackmon.

Aug. 31st - Sept. 2nd – Several of our club members participated in the Alabama Open Horse Association. Championship Horse Show in Montgomery, AL. We would like to congratulate Anna Baker winning 3rd place winner over all in the Adult Pleasure Championship Division; Timed Event Adult Division Champion Samantha Robbins, and Pony Timed Event Champion Ellie Butler; 2nd place winner Pyper McConnell; and 3rd place winner Jack Cockerham. 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.](#)

November 8th– the following 2019 club officers were elected at the regular meeting.

President – Jimmy Avery; Vice President - Sidney Yates; Secretary Jamie Ennis; Treasurer Pat Avery. **Board of Directors:** Pat Avery, Bobby Bohannon, Harry Crew, Jessica Hodnett, Andy Housch, Nan Barnes, Johnny Marable, Wanda Robbins, and Sidney Yates. The board members will serve as committee members for shows.

2019 ACHRC Events:

We will be sending out emails for you to volunteer your time to help work the ACHRC shows and help get grounds ready for shows. It takes all our club members to make the club and shows successful. A lot of people assume that since the arena is in the City's Sportplex, that the City takes care of the grounds and maintenance, but that is not the case, it is the ACHRC Club's responsibility. Please volunteer your time.

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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.

ARENA HORSE SHOW DATES (All show start times are: 1:00 PM CST):

- ACHRC shows: **APRIL 6; MAY 4; JUNE 1; JULY 27**
- DUKE RANCH RIDING CLUB shows at the Alex City Arena: **APRIL 20; MAY 18; JUNE 29**
(Contact Robbin Nail for Duke Ranch show info)
- EAHA YOUTH shows at the Alex City Arena: **MARCH 23; JUNE 15**
(Contact Laura Kreisler for Youth Club show info)
- EAHA FUNDRAISER show at the Alex City Arena: **AUGUST 10**
(Contact Andy Housch for EAHA show info)

Please keep check on the <http://achrc.com> website for updates to the show schedule. The website is the best source of info, as emails may fail.

Horse show entry fees are \$8 per class (\$1 of each entry is paid to EAHA to help purchase EAHA year end awards).

The gate fee is \$3 EACH PERSON.

To qualify for Alexander City Horse Riding Club (ACHRC) year-end awards, you must be a member of ACHRC and show the same horse, in the same class/category, in half of all the shows held at the arena during the season, two (2) of which must be an ACHRC show. (In 2019 you will need to show in at least 5 shows at the arena, of which at least 2 of those shows must include: 4/6/19, 5/04/19, 6/01/19 or 7/27/19.)

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 30TH RANDY PLAISANCE, DVM , WILL BE AT THE ARENA FOR COGGINS TEST BETWEEN 5:00 AND 6:00 PM. Members, as well as non-members, are welcome to bring their horses for testing.

May 4th – ACHRC Queen Contest – Qualification: young ladies between ages of 13 and 17 who were a member of East Alabama Horseman's Association in 2018 are eligible to participate in the contest. Jessica Hodnett will be sending out applications.

The club is discussing adding a Princess Contest along with the Queen Contest. We will be announcing the plans for this later. We would like to know how many are interested in participating in the Princess contest (please email achrcmail@yahoo.com).

JULY 5 & 6 – BOYS & GIRLS CLUB RODEO will be held at the ACHRC Arena.

July 27 – the Alex City Horse Riding Club Scholarship will be awarded to a Graduating senior or college student that qualifies for the scholarship. To apply for scholarship, you must be a member of ACHRC for 2 years prior to applying for the scholarship. Contact Pat Avery for scholarship application.

Club meetings are held at the arena each month, second Thursday night at 6:30 p.m.

Hope to see you at all the events! HAPPY TRAILS!