



June 2012 Newsletter

Southern Obstacle Challenge Association

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Yahoo!!



SOCA was all about Extreme Cowboy Racing in May!

We could not have ordered better weather for the May 5th race at Circle E Guest Ranch in Winchester, TN. After the morning storm passed over, a nice breeze was present for most of the event and we had a great turnout of competitive horse and rider teams. The sanctioned races had 28 entries, with an additional 10 trying the practice race. Having two runs for all contestants made for a long day, but everyone seemed to enjoy themselves and the TWHBEA staff did an outstanding job with the event. We can't thank everyone enough for their help and support.

The May 19th Extreme Cowboy Race was held at R.O. Ranch in Mayo, FL and what a beautiful facility! The folks at R.O. built a fun, fast course with challenging obstacles and their hospitality was second to none. In addition to the race, SOCA members had a great pot luck dinner, trail riding and participated in cow sorting – What a great weekend! Thanks to everyone who supported the event!

Complete results from all the rounds can be found on the SOCA website and the overall winners for both races are on the next page.

Get your entries in early!!

The order of go for the June 9th Obstacle Challenge in Dade City will be determined by the receipt of entries – **First to enter is first to get through the course!** Also, if you want to ride with somebody, please make sure you mark that on your entry form. We will have several judges this time, so we expect that it will go much faster. This is an evening event and we hope to get everyone through before dark. There are lights at the facility, but those going last will definitely have a different dynamic with shadows and lighting. Another incentive to get those entries in early.

For the June 23rd Extreme Cowboy Race, those first to enter get to run last! For those of you new to Extreme Cowboy Racing, the competitors that go last have the benefit of watching the strategy of the other riders. The course in Gaffney is one of the best in the country – If you haven't tried an EXCA race yet, this is the one to do! **We are already at 50% capacity on entries, so send yours soon!**

The flyers and entry forms for both June events are attached, please make sure you read through the rules as a few have changed since the last challenge.

**SOCA events are now approved for the Paint Horse PAC program!
If your breed has a program that you would like SOCA to join, please let us know!**

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5/5/12 SOCA –TWHBEA Extreme Cowboy Race – Winchester, TN

OVERALL RESULTS

Young Guns:

1. Cullen Green on Tater
2. Bennett Green on Dash

Youth:

1. Cullen Green on Tater
2. Eliza Green on Lightnin'
3. Elizabeth Roten on Belle
4. Elizabeth Roten on Millie

Novice:

1. Joe Holloway on Annie
2. Dennis Tipton on Good Bars Sonny
3. Michael Linsdey on Ace
4. Lisa Steinbach on Texan At The Ritz
5. Rebecca Adams on Paulie
6. Dennis Robinson on Cole

Non-Pro:

1. Tracy Pinson on Skyjacker's Mountain High
2. Tracy Pinson on Texan At The Ritz
3. Kelsey Graham on Flower
4. LeAnn Hale on Slick
5. Elizabeth Roten on Belle
6. Vaudry Edge on Thru

Ride Smart:

1. Vaudry Edge on Thru
2. Dennis Tipton on Good Bars Sunny
3. Rick Penniston on Jake
4. Vaudry Edge on Pick
5. Dennis Robinson on Cole
6. Joe Holloway on Annie

Pro:

1. Laura Green on Chloe

5/19/12 SOCA Extreme Cowboy Race – RO Ranch, Mayo, FL - Results

OVERALL RESULTS

Novice:

1. Tim Haupt on Dealer
2. Lisa Steinbach on Texan At The Ritz
3. Rebecca Adams on Paulie
4. Arnie Kiil on Priceless Paid in Cash (Scout)
5. Allison Steinbach on Skywatch Stopwatch
6. Tim Haupt on Chi

Non-Pro:

1. Tracy Pinson on Skyjacker's Mountain High
2. Tracy Pinson on Texan At The Ritz
3. Bernie Duncan on Peyton

Ride Smart:

1. Bernie Duncan on Destiny
2. Bernie Duncan on Peyton
3. Joyce Tyson on La Roan Scooter
4. Arnie Kiil on Tootsies Buck (Chief)

Pro:

1. Audra Tyson on Phat Daddie

Practice Race:

1. David Kibbey on Chipper
2. Kerry Young on Cholo
3. Nancy Lawrence on Peponitas Smokin Gun
4. David Kibbey on Shorty
5. Brian McDonald on Skip N Renegade
6. Traci Woodard on Rusty Executive

Thanks to everyone who has
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we have grown to over 135 members
in just four months!!

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What's Going On!

WEBSITE

- The SOCA website is up and running! Please spread the word and send everyone to www.southernobstaclechallenges.com
- The website will have all event flyers and information, as well as membership and sponsorship forms.

EVENTS ARE BEING FINALIZED

- Check the revised calendar of events as some of the dates and locations have changed. SOCA is working hard to get the schedule set for the year so everyone can get the dates on the calendar. Event flyers and entry forms will be posted to the website as they are available.
- Don't forget there will be prizes and payback at all events!

FACEBOOK

- Southern Obstacle Challenge Association has a group page where members discuss events, ideas and post questions. Please join us and give us your ideas!
- Got an idea for a different obstacle? Please post it on Facebook!

Check out Winner's Circle Horse Supply at www.wcircle.com

Quote of the Month

You are never better than anyone. Every rider has skills they need to improve. The only one you must compare yourself to, is you!

2012 Tentative Calendar of Events

- **March 24 – Obstacle Challenge** at Darby Oaks Stables in Bushnell, FL.
- **March 31 – Obstacle Schooling** at Walker Pond Farm – Contact Diane at DMcmurt349@aol.com.
- **April 28 – Obstacle Schooling Day & Judging Clinic** at Darby Oaks Stables in Bushnell, FL.
- **May 5 – Extreme Cowboy Race** at Circle E Guest Ranch in Winchester, TN.
- **May 19 – Extreme Cowboy Race** at R.O. Ranch Equestrian Park in Mayo, FL.
- **June 9 – Obstacle Challenge Evening Challenge** at Diamond B Ranch in Dade City, FL. Flyer attached.
- **June 23 – Extreme Cowboy Race** at Green River Farm in Gaffney, SC. Flyer attached.
- **September 8 – Obstacle Challenge – Xtreme Horsemanship** in Webster, FL. Flyer attached.
- **September 29 - Extreme Cowboy Race (Regional Championship)** at Green River Farm in Gaffney, SC. Flyer on website.
- **October TBD – Obstacle Clinic and Schooling Day** – Learn from World Champion EXCA and Versatility competitors and judges!
- **November 17 – Obstacle Challenge Championship** – Rocking Horse Stables, Altoona, FL. Flyer coming soon!

We Need Your Help!!!

Corporate, Division, and Ribbon sponsorships are available – Please help support our events so we can give away great prizes and payback!

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Thanks to our sponsors!

SOCA would like to thank our corporate sponsors

- Stellar Marine
- Walker Pond Farm
- Darby Oaks Stables
- Kathy Zeis & Texas Joe Black
- Trailhead Ranch – Jerry & Linda Harrington
- The Snowbunnies!

SOCA would like to thank our division and ribbon sponsors:

- Mary Palmer & Starry Night Farms
- Tina & Billy Miller
- Bernie Duncan
- Marc & Denise Hall – Ocoee Animal Clinic
- Watson Dental Care
- Florida Walking & Racking Horse Association
- Janie & Wayne Van De Walker

.....can we add you to the list!?!? Check the SOCA website for details on sponsorships packages.

Volunteers or Event Hosts

We need your help!!!

If you would like to help at any of our events or if you would be interested in hosting an event, please email us at southernobstaclechallenges@gmail.com

Purpose of SOCA

OBSTACLE CHALLENGES

- Divisions for all levels of horses and riders
- Open to all breeds
- Payback in all classes, prizes, and ribbons
- Ten to fifteen obstacles
- Some events will be in arenas – others will be on the trail

EXTREME COWBOY RACES

- Sanctioned Extreme Cowboy Races with divisions for: Pro, Non-Pro, Novice, Ride Smart (55 & Over), Youth, Young Guns, & Green Horse
- Open to all breeds
- Practice races for anyone that wants to try a cowboy race for the first time
- Payback, prizes, and ribbons

CLINICS/SCHOOLING DAYS

- Learn to negotiate various types of obstacles
- Schooling days will allow you to practice obstacles with the help of others, and without the pressure of competition.

We want your input!

Check out the SOCA group page on Facebook and give us your ideas!

Club Membership - Affiliate Program

Interested in hosting your own event?
Check out the SOCA Club Membership - Affiliate Program on the website – We will help get you started and promote your event.

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