



### April Obstacle Challenge

Thank you to Lesa and Tim Roe for April 5<sup>th</sup> hosting the Obstacle Challenge at their Southern Roes Ranch in Groveland, FL. We had perfect weather, a beautiful location and Lesa's team did a great job We creating new obstacles! appreciate all the work put in by the Roe's and their crew of helpers!

Thanks to all of the competitors, judges, volunteers and sponsors that made this event happen. Full results are in this newsletter and on the website. Thanks again everyone!

# The Hodges, AL Race was a Weekend to Remember!!

The Alabama State Championship Extreme Cowboy Race was held at The Canyon Lodge in Hodges, AL on May 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>. Thanks to our judge Chris Redden, our announcers Shannon Washam and Jason Guin, as well as all of the volunteers. Our amazing hosts (Vaudry & Romona Edge, The David Archie Family, Danny Emerson and James & Karen Huey) – Thank you so much for the awesome facility, obstacles and all the fun!!

### 2025 Tentative Events

- 1/11-1/12/2025 Craig & Cole Cameron Clinic – Darby Oaks Stables, Bushnell, FL POSTPONED
- **3/1-3/2/2025** Florida Horse Park Extreme Cowboy Race (double points) on Saturday & Obstacle Challenge on Sunday..
- **4/5/2025–** Obstacle Challenge, Southern Roe's Farm, Groveland, FL
- **5/3/2025** Extreme Cowboy Race (double points) The Canyon Hodges, AL
- **5/30 6/1/2025** Extreme Cowboy Race EXCA National Championships, Champions Arena, Celebration Grounds, Shelbyville, TN (5X Points)
- 7/12/2025 Obstacle Schooling Day Darby Oaks Stables, Bushnell, FL
- 9/12/2025 -Clinic Lee Hart
- 9/13/2025 Extreme Cowboy Race –SE Regional Championships - (Triple Points) Chicopee Agricultural Center, Gainesville, GA
- 11/15/2025 Obstacle Challenge, Darby Oaks Stables, Bushnell, FL

#### THANK YOU TO ALL THE VOLUNTEERS THAT MAKE THESE EVENTS HAPPEN!!!!

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### RESULTS FROM THE MAY 3, 2025 ALABAMA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP EXTREME COWBOY RACE IN HODGES, AL

		Round 1	Round 2	Total				Round 1	Round 2	Total
Young Guns Divison Results						Intermediate Divison Results	Neut	210 5 62	225 507	426.460
		400.070				Michael Garman Shannon Washam	Newt True	210.563 199.134	225.597 230.448	436.160 429.582
1 Trace Archie	Тоby	133.879	115.24	249.119	<u> </u>	Kim Washam	Strawberry Pep	209.652	218.545	429.382
Novice Divison Results						Josh Ingle	Bullett	192.433	201.273	393.706
1 Chase LaMontagne	Indigo	172.665	169.767	342.432		Danielle Sandvick	Drifting Pick	197.906	195.195	393.101
-						Lisa Steinbach	Tuff Struck Gold	204.163	186.534	390.697
2 Jessie Baldwin	Redden's Whip Stitch	168.823	167.794	336.617		Angela Graham Callie Mayhew	Macs Gentleman Jack Eugene	191.340 173.710	195.085 187.418	386.425 361.128
3 Pat Keck	J-Lo	168.452	160.634	329.086	<u> </u>	Rhonda Harder	Reddens Sonny Hombre	173.710	176.079	353.482
4 Rhonda Harder	Reddens Sonny Hombre	157.183	168.535	325.718		Tammy Mayhew	Maddie Rose	163.713	159.484	323.197
	-				11	Case Martin	Gus	0.000	147.513	147.513
5 Callie Mayhew	Eugene	157.457	148.276	305.733		Ride Smart Results				
6 Dustin Archie	Toby	141.162	147.876	289.038		Tracy Pinson	2X T-Buck	232.386	235.757	468.143
7 Cullen Green	Buster	126.809	141.503	268.312		Vaudry Edge Michael Garman	Rojo Willy John 2 Newt	228.738 233.057	229.891 222.493	458.629 455.550
						James Huey	Tickle	233.037	215.043	442.901
8 Taylor Galbreath	Twix	124.314	119.673	243.987		Laura Green Hart	ShesaOsaLenaCat	218.055	215.232	433.287
9 Annabellle Upton	Karma	107.280	114.725	222.005	6	Angela Graham	Macs Gentleman Jack	199.591	204.551	404.142
Green Horse Results						Lisa Steinbach	Tuff Struck Gold	208.621	192.950	401.571
		100.070	477 507		-	Tammy Mayhew	Maddie Rose	159.173	180.576	339.749
1 Lee Hart	Hustle Wilson	180.656	177.587	358.243	<u> </u>	Pro Divison Results Lee Hart	Lummu	240.423	221.234	461.657
2 Jesse Mayhew	Sheila	167.638	174.271	341.909		Jesse Mayhew	Lumpy Rango	229.410	221.234	461.057
3 Angie Jones	Barbie	170.943	170.963	341.906		Jesse Mayhew	Redman	209.532	214.953	424.485
						Youth Divison Results				
4 Jen Peterson	Diamond	164.890	164.276	329.166	<u> </u>	Meredyth Crews	Dixie	178.990	210.402	389.392
5 Leanne Hale	Raven	166.894	160.741	327.635	<u> </u>	Brooke Baldwin	Redden's Photo Finish	201.634	181.130	382.764
6 Tammy Mayhew	Tank	143.170	147.425	290.595		Meredyth Crews Gina Gatto	Enzo So Charming	154.505 188.971	119.974 0.000	274.479 188.971
					-	Open Division Results	50 charming	100.571	0.000	100.571
7 Kat Wiegand	WHR Tiny Dancer	142.079	0.000	142.079	1	Lee Hart	Lumpy	232.811	224.607	457.418
Non Pro Divison Results						James Huey	Tickle	221.925	232.286	454.211
1 Tracy Pinson	2X T-Buck	222.510	227.543	450.053	<u> </u>	Lee Chapman	Corona	222.823	222.906	445.729
		-				Jesse Mayhew Jesse Mayhew	Redman Rango	221.095 215.653	224.159 223.420	445.254 439.073
2 Tracy Pinson	Tuff Struck Gold	227.059	211.194	438.253		Shannon Washam	True	212.176	226.047	438.223
3 James Huey	Tickle	220.725	212.612	433.337	<u> </u>	Jesse Mayhew	Eugene	216.457	221.340	437.797
4 Vaudry Edge	Rojo Willy John 2	212.586	216.232	428.818		Kim Washam	Strawberry Pep	218.314	215.782	434.096
					<u> </u>	Lee Chapman	Pistol Pete	211.293	210.055	421.348
5 Lee Chapman	Pistol Pete	208.485	213.565	422.050		Chase LaMontagne Gina Gatto	Indigo	191.774 189.895	206.591 0.000	398.365 189.895
6 Laura Green Hart	ShesaOsaLenaCat	208.297	210.084	418.381	<u> </u>	Gina Gatto Mule Results	So Charming	189.895	0.000	189.895
7 Lee Chapman	Corona	207.425	210.341	417.766	1	Jen Peterson	J-Lo	217.245	226.595	443.840
8 Michael Garman	Newt	216.967		413.479		James Huey	Nancy	217.113	225.934	443.047
			196.512		<u> </u>	Grant Kirksey	Colonel	206.308	222.697	429.005
9 Gina Gatto	So Charming	194.544	190.919	385.463	<u> </u>	Lee Hart	Chocolatte	191.504	192.807	384.311
10 Meredyth Crews	Dixie	180.976	169.501	350.477		Jason Quin Angie Jones	Billie Jean River	180.955 180.757	196.163 179.643	377.118 360.400
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### RESULTS FROM THE APRIL 5, 2025 OBSTACLE CHALLENGE IN GROVELAND, FL

Place	Rider	Horse	Div	TOTAL
1	Alexa Jackson	BiBI	Y	132.50
2	Jackson White	Sunny	Y	124.00
3	Sophia Johnson	Uno	Y	119.50
4	Maddie Jones	Drifting Thru Poco	Y	113.50
5	Brayden Martinez	Crevo	Y	99.00
6	Kailey Hetherman	One Tuff Cowboy	Y	82.00
1	Lesa Roe	Cat	Р	142.50
2	Margo Cook	Luna	Р	131.50
3	Lisa Cusimano	Sierra	Р	129.50
4	Connie Lloyd	Larks Grey Twist	Р	128.50
5	Briana Tribett	Jasper	Р	126.00
6	Terri Glonek	Tuff Lil Texan	Р	43.00
1	Laura Sirak	Chief	N	131.50
2	Julie Testa	Boone	N	120.00
3	Joni Nathanson	Prime Time Spook (Blue)	N	113.50
4	Frances Hamlett	Fate	N	110.00
5	Mary Baujan-McLeod	Talk About Prince	N	108.50
6	Reese McLeod	Ranger	N	106.00
7	Daisy Jones	Dutton	N	104.50
8	Laurie Ramsey	Romeo	N	100.00
9	Kimberly Whitmore	River	N	100.00
10	Nichole Dalton	Chip	N	94.00
11	Nancy Biddinger	Blondie	N	68.00
12	Mindy Ewing	Symphony	N	66.00
13	Becky Haupt	Tucker	N	17.00
1	Jenna Bishop	J-Low	<u> </u>	139.00
2	Denise McMeekin	Macky	<u> </u>	136.50
3	Anne Hanley	Spirit	<u> </u>	128.00
4	Kimberly Paquette	Absoluteontherocks	1	128.00
5	Barbara Van Winkle	Pepper	1	128.00
6	Tim Haupt	Mercy Reigns	I	108.00
7	Diane McMurtrey	I'm Gonna Rip It Up	I	106.50
8	Karen Ketchum	Bindi		96.00
1	Carly Renault	Tuco	GH	121.00
2	Alexa Jackson	Pepperoni	GH	116.50
3	Emma Taylor	Rio	GH	111.50
4	Will Heldt	Blue Shakerag	GH	105.50
5	Breanna Rozar	Dixie	GH	96.50
6	Trudee Mason	Shadow	GH	84.00
7	James Floyd	The Bushka	GH	82.00
8	Alyssa Redding	Jax	GH	81.50
9	Christy Baker	Raven	GH	69.00
10	Kristen Maslak	Journey	GH	69.00
11	Janine Sadki	Peppy Tunes	GH	65.00
12	Tiffany Williams	Phoenix	GH	39.50

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**Green Horse** 



Youth



Novice



Intermediate



**Open Elite** 

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# April-May 2025 Newsletter 2025 HIGH POINT STANDINGS

### Through 5/7/25

SOCA RA	CE HIGH POINT - 2025	
NO BUCKLE	Suns Divison Results	
1 Maddie Jones	Drifting Thru Poco	250.173
2 Sadie Reilly	LEO's Pride	220.706
3 June Trommsdorff	Patch	207.412
	ce Divison Results	017 100
1 Chase LaMontagne 2 Cullen Green	Indigo Buster	617.132 539.830
3 Dustin Archie	Toby	389.038
4 Jessie Baldwin	Redden's Whip Stitch	336.617
5 Pat Keck	J-Lo	329.086
6 Rhonda Harder	Redden's Sonny Hombre	325.718 321.375
7 Terri Glonek 8 Stephanie Suarez	One Tuff Cowgirl Docs Straight Silver	308.330
9 Callie Mayhew	Eugene	305.733
10 Talisa Knight	Myschief	305.407
	en Horse Results	111.000
1 Kat Wiegand 2 Lee Hart	WHR Tiny Dancer Hustle Wilson	414.822 358.243
3 Jessie Mayhew	Sheila	341.909
4 Angie Jones	Barbie	341.906
5 Hannah Howe	Peppy Jac Kingwood	339.316
6 Jen Peterson	Diamond	329.166
7 Leanne Hale 8 Hannah Howe	Raven Sugar Pep Kingwood	327.635 327.296
9 Carly Renault	Tuco	308.865
10 Tim Yoho	Gentry	308.234
	Pro Divison Results	000.000
1 Tracy Pinson 2 Tracy Pinson	2X T-Buck	866.902 860.524
2 Tracy Pinson 3 Vaudry Edge	Tuff Struck Gold Rojo Willy John 2	849.751
4 Lee Chapman	Pistol Pete	818.963
5 Michael Garman	Newt	809.340
6 Meredyth Crews	Dixie	656.390
7 Gina Gatto 8 James Huey	So Charming Tickle	542.486
9 Karen Huey	Pepite	433.337 426.378
10 Tim Yoho	Surely A Pepto Jewel	421.559
Interme	diate Divison Results	
1 Michael Garman	Newt	861.627
2 Angela Graham 3 Lisa Steinbach	Jack Tuff Struck Gold	732.002 588.864
4 Shannon Washam	TRUE	429.582
5 Kim Washam	Strawberry Pep	428.197
6 Jenna Bishop	Hurst Fire Woman	423.650
7 Jenna Bishop 8 Josh Ingle	J-Low Bullett	416.767 393.706
9 Danielle Sandvick	Drifting Pick	393.101
10 Lesa Roe	Cat	391.586
Yout	h Divison Results	
1 Meredyth Crews	Dixie	729.025
2 Meredyth Crews 3 Gina Gatto	Enzo So Charming	589.702 526.725
4 Brooke Baldwin	Redden's Photo Finish	382.764
5 Kailey Hetherman	One Tuff Cowboy	199.387
6 Brooke Bremer	Diesel	150.960
	mart Divison Results	011 551
1 Tracy Pinson 2 Vaudry Edge	2X T-Buck Rojo Willy John 2	911.581 879.377
3 Michael Garman	Newt	839.076
4 Angela Graham	Jack	781.825
5 Lisa Steinbach	Tuff Struck Gold	775.551
6 James Huey	Tickle	442.901
7 Tim Yoho 8 Rick Peniston	Surely A Pepto Jewel Savvy Gun Play	438.686 438.522
9 Laura Green Hart	ShesaOsaLenaCat	433.287
10 Karen Huey	Pepite	424.947
	Divison Results	000.055
1 Lee Hart 2 Jesse Mayhew	Lumpy Rango	902.022 445.861
3 Jesse Maynew	Redman	424.485
4 Jazzy Durgin	BulletProof	396.938
5 Carly Renault	Zek	375.253
6 Bret Lambdin	LEO's Pride	331.862
1 Lee Hart	n Divison Results Lumpy	904.134
2 Lee Chapman	Pistol Pete	840.519
3 Chase LaMontagne	Indigo	582.356
4 Gina Gatto	So Charming	538.546
5 James Huey	Tickle	454.211
6 Lee Chapman	Corona	445.729 445.254
7 Jesse Mayhew 8 Rick Peniston	Redman Savvy Gun Play	440.209
9 Jesse Mayhew	Rango	439.073
10 Shannon Washam	True	438.223

	SOCA OBSTACLE CHALLENGE HIGH POINT - 2025				
	Rider	Horse	Total		
		Novice Division			
1	Julie Testa	Boone	236.00		
2	Frances Hamlett	Fate	227.00		
3	Laura Sirak	Chief	221.50		
4	Daisy Jones	Dutton	215.00		
	Kimberly Whitmore	River	212.00		
6	Nicole Dalton	Chip	196.50		
7	Rebecca Hurm	Lovealottajack	131.50		
8	David Chambers	Sparkes	127.00		
9	Richard Blaudow	Monte	117.50		
10	Joni Nathanson	Prime Time Spook (Blue)	113.50		
	Youth Divison				
1	Alexa Jackson	BiBi	268.00		
2	Maddie Jones	Drifting Thru Poco	205.50		
3	Kailey Hetherman	One Tuff Cowboy	171.00		
4	Jackson White	Sunny	124.00		
5	Gina Gatto	So Charming	122.50		
6	Sophia Johnson	Uno	119.50		
-	Meredyth Crews	Dixie	119.00		
8	Brooke Bremer	Shades	113.50		
	Meredyth Crews	Enzo	104.50		
-	Khloe Murray	KitKat	102.00		
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10		termediate Division	102.00		
	Ir	ntermediate Division			
10	Ir Jenna Bishop	termediate Division	277.00		
1	Ir Jenna Bishop Denise McMeekin	termediate Division J-Low Macky	277.00 262.00		
1	Ir Jenna Bishop Denise McMeekin Kimberly Paquette	termediate Division J-Low Macky Absoluteontherocks	277.00 262.00 245.50		
1 2 3	Ir Jenna Bishop Denise McMeekin Kimberly Paquette Anne Hanley	termediate Division J-Low Macky Absoluteontherocks Spirit	277.00 262.00 245.50 241.50		
1 2 3 4	Ir Jenna Bishop Denise McMeekin Kimberly Paquette Anne Hanley Tim Haupt	termediate Division J-Low Macky Absoluteontherocks Spirit Mercy Reigns	277.00 262.00 245.50 241.50 226.00		
1 2 3 4 5	Ir Jenna Bishop Denise McMeekin Kimberly Paquette Anne Hanley	termediate Division J-Low Macky Absoluteontherocks Spirit	277.00 262.00 245.50 241.50		
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1 2 3 4 5 6 7	Ir Jenna Bishop Denise McMeekin Kimberly Paquette Anne Hanley Tim Haupt Diane McMurtrey Karen Ketchum Elizabeth Yorke	termediate Division J-Low Macky Absoluteontherocks Spirit Mercy Reigns I'm Gonna Rip It Up Bindi Harry Potter	277.00 262.00 245.50 241.50 226.00 207.50 201.00 133.00		
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9	Ir Jenna Bishop Denise McMeekin Kimberly Paquette Anne Hanley Tim Haupt Diane McMurtrey Karen Ketchum Elizabeth Yorke Stephanie Suarez	termediate Division J-Low Macky Absoluteontherocks Spirit Mercy Reigns I'm Gonna Rip It Up Bindi Harry Potter Doc's Straight Silver (Bogey)	277.00 262.00 245.50 241.50 226.00 207.50 201.00 133.00 128.00		
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9	Ir Jenna Bishop Denise McMeekin Kimberly Paquette Anne Hanley Tim Haupt Diane McMurtrey Karen Ketchum Elizabeth Yorke Stephanie Suarez Barbara Van Winkle	termediate Division J-Low Macky Absoluteontherocks Spirit Mercy Reigns I'm Gonna Rip It Up Bindi Harry Potter Doc's Straight Silver (Bogey) Pepper	277.00 262.00 245.50 241.50 226.00 207.50 201.00 133.00		
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1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 9 10 10 1 2	Ir Jenna Bishop Denise McMeekin Kimberly Paquette Anne Hanley Tim Haupt Diane McMurtrey Karen Ketchum Elizabeth Yorke Stephanie Suarez Barbara Van Winkle Lesa Roe Lisa Cusimano Connie Lloyd	termediate Division J-Low Macky Absoluteontherocks Spirit Mercy Reigns I'm Gonna Rip It Up Bindi Harry Potter Doc's Straight Silver (Bogey) Pepper Open Elite Division Cat Sierra Lark's Grey Twist	277.00 262.00 245.50 241.50 226.00 207.50 201.00 133.00 128.00 128.00 280.00		
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 9 10 10 1 2 3 4	Ir Jenna Bishop Denise McMeekin Kimberly Paquette Anne Hanley Tim Haupt Diane McMurtrey Karen Ketchum Elizabeth Yorke Stephanie Suarez Barbara Van Winkle Lesa Roe Lisa Cusimano Connie Lloyd Margo Cook	termediate Division J-Low Macky Absoluteontherocks Spirit Mercy Reigns I'm Gonna Rip It Up Bindi Harry Potter Doc's Straight Silver (Bogey) Pepper Open Elite Division Cat Sierra Lark's Grey Twist Luna	277.00 262.00 245.50 241.50 226.00 207.50 201.00 133.00 128.00 128.00 128.00 280.00 265.50 264.00 263.50		
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1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 1 2 3 4 5	Ir Jenna Bishop Denise McMeekin Kimberly Paquette Anne Hanley Tim Haupt Diane McMurtrey Karen Ketchum Elizabeth Yorke Stephanie Suarez Barbara Van Winkle Lesa Roe Lisa Cusimano Connie Lloyd Margo Cook Terri Glonek Briana Tribett	termediate Division J-Low Macky Absoluteontherocks Spirit Mercy Reigns I'm Gonna Rip It Up Bindi Harry Potter Doc's Straight Silver (Bogey) Pepper Open Elite Division Cat Sierra Lark's Grey Twist Luna	277.00 262.00 245.50 241.50 226.00 207.50 201.00 133.00 128.00 128.00 128.00 280.00 265.50 264.00 263.50		
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### **Checklist for Spring Riding**

Now that spring is in full force, it's time to handle some barn business. You need to ensure everything is in working order from your tack to your trailer. It can be helpful to follow a checklist. This will prepare you for any challenges that come along this spring and summer. Get this season started on the right foot!

1.Order fly repellents.

2.Have your vet out for spring vaccines and a Coggins test (if you plan on traveling).

3.Your farrier should be coming out every 4 to 6 weeks in the spring and summer. Discuss a good schedule with them!

4.Ensure your horse has access to salt and other electrolytes. Keep them hydrated!

5.Write a list of all the shows and clinics you want to attend.

6. Have your truck and trailer inspected.

7.Go through your tack and give it all a deep clean.

8.Evaluate your horse's fitness. If they're out of shape, create a slow and steady program for them.

9.Consider having an equine chiropractor out for any needed adjustments.

10.Regularly drag your arena to keep weeds away.

This checklist will help to make your spring go a little more smoothly. Before you know it, summer will be here!

### Why Do Horses Roll?

From needing to cool off to feeling under the weather, here are 7 reasons why horses roll in the dirt.

**1. To Cool Off** - Ever seen a sweaty or wet horse roll around? They do this simply to cool themselves off. "While it is hard to determine exactly how [rolling] helps with cooling off, it is more likely to help with drying off," says Bob Coleman, PhD, an associate professor and equine extension specialist for the University of Kentucky. "When [horses] dry off, the evaporation of the water next to the skin can help with cooling."

**2. To Help Shed Their Coat** - Springtime triggers horses to shed their heavy winter coats. That loose, dead hair can be itchy. Rolling relieves the scratchiness, and the friction from rubbing their back on the ground speeds up the shedding process.

**3. To Ward Off Pesky Flies** - A good roll in the dirt coats your horse with dust or mud to create a barrier, making it harder for pesky flies to bother them. It can also help get pests off their back, at least temporarily.

**4. Because It Feels Good!** - Animals are far better at practicing self-care than humans. Rolling is one way horses relax. "Having a good roll and shake afterward can help activate the parasympathetic nervous system, which takes the body from being stuck in '[fight-or-]flight' to a state of 'rest and digest," says Summer Terry, an equine rehab therapy specialist. "It's a natural way of discharging bound-up energy and grounding the body," adds Terry. Sometimes, there's still excess energy, so you see horses jump up, run, buck, and kick to discharge the remaining energy.

**5.** Because They're Sick - In some situations, rolling can indicate pain or illness. Watching your horse roll and getting to know their behavior helps you identify when something is wrong. "It is really important to observe your horse's normal behavior, because every horse is going to have a little bit of a different quirk," says Carey A. Williams, PhD, the equine extension specialist and director of the endocrinology and animal biosciences graduate program at Rutgers University. "What might be not normal for my horse might be normal for somebody else's horse," Williams says. "So it's really important for them to just observe their normal behavior so that they can more easily pick out what's not right." Generally, pain-related rolling is more frantic and urgent, Williams explains. A horse rolling in pain will appear distressed and may thrash too. These symptoms may indicate your horse is suffering from colic. In cases of colic, knowing how to respond is critical to reducing the potential for additional injury or to help reduce the risk of damaging the intestines. If your horse is frantically rolling, get them up and walking and call your veterinarian immediately.

**6. To Stretch and Realign Their Spine** - For humans, yoga positions such as the Happy Baby Pose help create healthy spine motion and correct pelvis alignment, says Terry. Horses can achieve similar effects through rolling.

**7. To Communicate With Other Horses** - Some suggest rolling can help a group of horses communicate, as a scent of the horse will be left on the area that the horse rolled," says Coleman. Leaving scent behind is important for horses to mark their territory, similar to how dogs urinate on and around different areas.



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- Open to all breeds
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