

January 2021 Newsletter



Bring in the New Year!

Tentative 2021 Events

UPCOMING EVENTS

Craig Cameron Clinic – January 16th and 17th, Darby Oaks Stables, Bushnell, FL.
This clinic is full for riders, but there are audit spots available.

February 13th – Obstacle Schooling Day, Darby Oaks Stables, Bushnell, FL

February 27th & 28th - Florida Horse Park – Extreme Cowboy Race on Saturday and Obstacle Challenge on Sunday.

Flyers and entry forms are attached.

1/16-17/21 – Craig Cameron Clinic – Darby Oaks Stables, Bushnell, FL

2/13/21 – Obstacle Schooling Day, Bushnell, FL (Flyer Attached)

2/27-28/21 – Florida Horse Park – Extreme Cowboy Race (double points) on Saturday & Obstacle Challenge on Sunday (Flyer Attached)

5/8/21 – Extreme Cowboy Race (double points) The Canyon – Hodges, AL

6/5–6/21 – Extreme Cowboy Race – EXCA National Championships, Celebration Arena, Decatur, AL (5X Points)

7/10/21– Obstacle Schooling Day – Bushnell, FL

8/13/21 –Lee Hart Clinic

8/14/21 – Extreme Cowboy Race – Chicopee Agricultural Center, Gainesville, GA

9/24/21 –Clinic TBD

9/25/21 -- Extreme Cowboy Race SE Regional Championships (Triple Points)- TBD

10/23/21 – Schooling Day– Bushnell, FL

11/13/21 – Obstacle Challenge TBD

2021 SPONSORS NEEDED!

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THANK YOU!!!

Flyers for all events are on the SOCA website. It's not too early to enter any 2021 events....we appreciate pre-entries!

THANKS TO ALL OUR SPONSORS, JUDGES & VOLUNTEERS THAT MAKE OUR EVENTS POSSIBLE!



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Each year, SOCA makes a donation to charities on behalf of our judges/volunteers that go above and beyond by judging at all of our obstacle challenges. Here are the recipients of this year's donations!



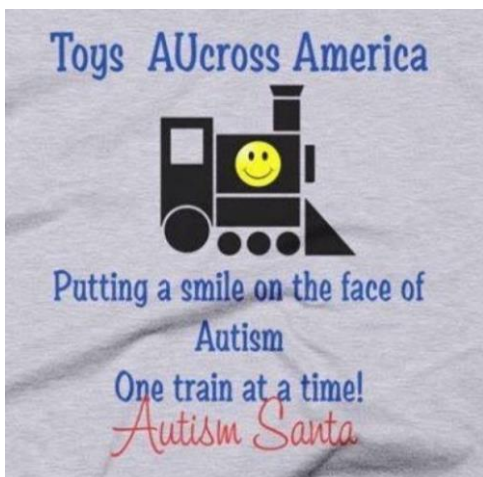
Special Olympics Florida on behalf of Kathy Beville & Danny Hochadel



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Putting HOPE back into the lives of horses one at a time.

Hope Equine Rescue on behalf of Denise Rizzo



Toys AUcross America on behalf of Lisa Ferro



Runway To Hope behalf of Janine Charles

Orange Park High School Outfitters on behalf Terri Glonek. This charity provides food and necessities to homeless teens.

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Vetericyn - White Line Disease

What is White Line Disease in Horses?

According to Life Data Labs, white line disease is a “hoof wall invasion of common organisms in the environment.” White line disease affects the medial, or middle, of the hoof wall and can be caused by invading or opportunistic fungus and bacteria (pathogens). While nearly any horse can get white line disease, it is often caused by mechanical, environmental, physiological or nutritional issues. It can also be caused by trauma to the hoof.

Tips to Prevent White Line Disease

- Keep your horse's hooves well-trimmed and balanced. Trimming their hooves regularly will help prevent tearing or cracking.
- Try to exercise your horse enough. White line disease is more common in stalled horses, or show horses who might not get enough pasture time.
- White line disease can often be a secondary complication to something else going on in the hoof. Make sure to examine your horse's hooves regularly to avoid old nail tracks, areas of hoof wall separation, and any other concerns.
- Practice proper hoof hygiene. This includes picking your horse's feet daily
- In overly wet conditions, take even more care of your horse and their hoof health by providing a clean, dry environment. Not only will this help prevent white line disease, but it will also help prevent other nasty conditions such as rain rot.

It's important that we take care of our equine friends by treating their skin and hooves with the care they deserve. Not only do horses need adequate exercise, a healthy diet, and regular grooming, but they also need hoof maintenance to take care of those pretty feet. By regularly monitoring your horse's hooves, spotting conditions early, and treating them with the right products, you can ensure that you keep your horse's hooves in tip-top shape.



If you have news that you would like to submit to the SOCA newsletter, please email it to southernobstaclechallenges@gmail.com

SOCA dues (\$10) are due January 1st!

Please renew at your first event of the year.

Dues help fund the highpoint awards and administrative costs of the club.

Thanks to Lightning Signs (The Charles Family) & Margo Cook for the awesome obstacle numbers!!!

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2021 High Points

In 2021 SOCA will award high point obstacle challenge winners in the following divisions: Novice, Youth, Intermediate and Open Elite. Points from both of the 2021 SOCA Obstacle Challenges will be totaled and the horse/rider team with the most points will be the high point champion. Please make sure you see the "moving up" rules on the event flyers.

Regional Championship buckles for the Extreme Cowboy Races will be determined by points accumulated at SOCA events only. The horse/rider teams accumulating the most points at each designated SOCA EXCA race (with 5 times points at the Nationals and triple points at the Regional Championship races, as well as double points for all State Championships) will be awarded the high point buckle in the following divisions: Pro, Non-Pro, Ride Smart, Novice, Green Horse, Intermediate, Youth and Young Guns.

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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
- Events will be in arenas and on the trail

EXTREME COWBOY RACES

- Sanctioned Extreme Cowboy Races with divisions for: Pro, Non-Pro, Novice, Intermediate, Ride Smart, Youth, Young Guns, & Green Horse
- Open to all breeds
- Payback, prizes, and ribbons

CLINICS/SCHOOLING DAYS

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



Extreme Cowboy Racers

Reminder to pay your dues to the EXCA so your points will count! If you aren't sure if you are current, check the EXCA website under the club page.

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