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One more big event left for 2014!!

The SOCA Fall Finale

Believe it or not, the final event of the year is upon us! November 15th will be the double point Obstacle Challenge Championships at the beautiful Rocking Horse Stables in Altoona, FL. If you haven't been there, you are missing a real treat. The event is held out on the cross country course. If you get your entries in early, you are welcome to ride around the facility afterward and enjoy some time with your friends.

There will be an order of go, so make sure you get your entries in! We already have over 60 pre-entries for the event and there are only a hand full of paddocks left. Let us know if you need to reserve one.

Stalls, paddocks and campsites will be first come, first serve to those of you that reserve them. If you don't notify us in advance, please don't use them unless you check with the office first! Also, when you check in at Rocking Horse Stables, let them know you are with SOCA and are paying through us.

After the challenge, awards will be handed out for the event, as well as high point buckles and other awards.

Cookin' Country will be on hand with concessions. Bring your appetite!

**MAKE YOUR PLANS TO ATTEND NOW AND
DON'T FORGET TO SUBMIT YOUR
ENTRIES!!!**

2014 Events

11/15/14 – Obstacle Challenge Championships (double points) – Rocking Horse Stables, Altoona, FL (Flyer attached)

2015 Events

- 1/17-18/15 – Florida Horse Park – Extreme Cowboy Race (double points) on Saturday and Obstacle Challenge on Sunday.**
- 3/7/15 – Obstacle Challenge – Greene Acres Stables, Plant City, FL**
- 3/21/15 – Extreme Cowboy Race – Darby Oaks Stables, Bushnell, FL (Not a buckle race!)**
- 4/18/15 – Extreme Cowboy Race (double points) - Green River Farm, Gaffney, SC**
- 4/25/15 – Obstacle Challenge – TBD**
- 6/5-6/15 – Extreme Cowboy Race – EXCA Nationals (Triple Points) Winchester, TN**
- 6/27/15 – Extreme Cowboy Race (double points) – Pontotoc County Agri-Center, Pontotoc, MS**
- 7/11/15 – Schooling Day & Judging Clinic- TBD**
- 9/12/15 – Obstacle Challenge – TBD**
- 9/26-27/15 – Extreme Cowboy Race SE Regional Championships (Triple Points)- Green River Farm, Gaffney, SC**
- 11/15/14 – Obstacle Challenge Championships (double points) – TBD**
- 11/28/15 – Extreme Cowboy Race - TBD**





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**Congratulations
to everyone!**

Extreme Cowboy Race World Championships Hamilton, TX



SOCA Members ROCKED the Extreme Cowboy Race World Championship in Hamilton, Texas October 29th through November 2nd! SOCA members will be sporting new World Championship buckles! Congratulations to everyone that made it to World Championships!!

- Diana Wingfield Memorial Award - Joe Holloway
- EXCA Hall of Fame Horse - Texan At the Ritz (Owned by Darby Oaks Stables)
- EXCA Hall of Fame Horse - Flower (Owned by Kelsie Graham)
- Overall High Point World Champion - Rick Peniston & Jake
- Overall High Point Reserve World Champion - Dennis Tipton & Zippy
- Novice Division - 8th place - Joe Holloway & Annie, 9th place - John Hodges & Bud
- Non Pro Division - 1st Place Tracy Pinson & Texan At The Ritz, 4th place - Rick Peniston & Jake, 6th place - Leanne Hale & Brandy, 7th place - Steve Barrett & Mr. Genuine Doc, 8th place - Vaudry Edge & Thru, Go Round High Point - Steve Barrett & Mr. Genuine Doc
- Ride Smart Division - 2nd place - Rick Peniston & Jake, 3rd place - Steve Barrett & Mr. Genuine Doc, 4th place - Vaudry Edge & Thru, 7th place - Dennis Tipton & Zippy, Go Round High Point - Steve Barrett & Mr. Genuine Doc
- Intermediate Division - Dennis Tipton & Zippy Go Round High Point winners and 5th in the finals
- Futurity - 8th Place Josiah Hood, 9th place John Roberts
- Youth - 6th place - Cullen Green and Tater



Congratulations to SOCA's very own Diane McMurtrey who has judged the World Finals for the fourth time!

SOCA MERCHANDISE WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE NOVEMBER CHALLENGE

New SOCA Logo T-Shirts - \$15

SOCA Decals - \$5 (SOLD OUT!)

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****Please note: This directory is a service for our members, SOCA does not sanction or endorse these facilities. If you would like to add your facility to the list, please send information to:**

Obstacle Practice/Schooling Directory

Kick N Back Farm has got well over 50 obstacles spread out both on and off trails.

Many are in the woods and closely mimic both SOCA, as well as other trail competitions. We also have arena style obstacles. We have everything from the "scary" horse killing objects to finesse style challenges to help people at whatever level they want to work. Located in Ocklawah, FL 352-895-2564.

- Minimum of 5 to schedule weekdays or evenings. Also offer night obstacles and host clinics.
- Prices: One on one \$50; Groups of 5 plus \$40; Play days \$25 (check for scheduled events)
Clinics are \$40 with lots of hands on help and we serve lunch for \$5
Current SOCA members \$5 off clinics if signed up in advance
- <https://www.facebook.com/KnBFarmObstacles>



Steele Stables - 110 Highliner Road, Crescent city, FL 32112 (no email)
FaceBook-open to public under **Windy Steele** - Call or text [\(386\) 559-0687](tel:3865590687)
\$20 per horse for obstacle course on Sundays.

Located right next to Welaka State forest with Beautiful trails, bathrooms, stalls & camping for a \$2 per person forest donation.

Call for next available openings. No concessions available.



Greene Acres Stables - Owners Pam and Ronnie Bacon 813-727-0502
Email twhcasper2@gmail.com 5041 Reece Road, Plant City, FL 33567
Cost for schooling your horse \$20.00 Per horse - Negative coggins required.
Plenty of obstacles and still adding - Schooling and lessons available.



Time to Shine Equestrian Center - Located in Lakeland, Florida. Right now practice days will only be a couple days a month, but no set schedule due to the summer rains. We will also be having scheduled obstacle challenges and will be updating our Facebook page. Phone is 863-559-4589



TROT Ranch - 25 Acres of Fun, located in Geneva, Florida. All ages and disciplines of riding are welcome. Shaded trails, open fields, over 50 obstacles providing the perfect place to, have fun, enhance confidence and build trust. We provide creative obstacles from low to high challenges that build and test your skills in a safe and controlled environment. You control the pace and intensity with expert guidance when you need it. Whether your goal is to win obstacle challenges or simply have fun with your horse TROT Ranch is here. Bring a friend or book a group. For more information go to our webpage: www.trottranch.com. To schedule a session or lesson email jane@trottranch.com or call 407-349-9351. Follow us on Facebook: www.facebook.com/trot.ranch





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The Buckle Race

High Point Standings through October 31st

Obstacle Challenges

	Rider	Horse	TOTAL
Youth Divison Results			
1	Dana Fleming	Destiny	548.5
2	Rachel McCormick	Amber	538.5
3	Rachel McCormick	Kota	511.5
4	Mikayla Moore	Miss Face It (Mocha)	486.0
5	Quiana Krabec	Puck	449.0
6	Emily Cook	Scarlet	423.5
7	Stephanie Walters	Mr. Kandelite & Roses	351.0
8	Shawn Charles	Dancing Lil	348.0
9	Mackensie Brown	Cricket	211.0
10	Shawn Charles	Splash	141.0
Novice Divison Results			
1	Shelly Cowart	Crystal	508.5
2	Annette Tolbert	Fancy	465.5
3	Terri Glonek	One Tuff Cowgirl	465.0
4	Suzan Hunt	Windswept Silver Spector	392.5
5	Mo Earle	Cabo	370.5
6	Lisa Hutchinson	Dolly	360.0
7	Lori Lee Graham	Tango	350.0
8	Brianna Tribett	Im Heirristible Too	346.0
9	Missy Motes	Tari	330.5
10	Samantha Vitalone	A Cool Witness	262.5
Posse Divison Results			
1	Sharon Carty	Kitty's Fantasy	545.5
2	Connie Lloyd	Chance	535.5
3	Carrie Legg	Dixie	534.5
4	Lisa Wood	Caeser	531.0
5	Cathy Ulm	Spirit	531.0
6	Sharon Carty	Kate Spade	497.0
7	Rebecca Adams	Generator's Tall Paul	424.0
8	Cathy Rotola	Derringer	417.0
9	Barbara Jasewicz	Durango	416.0
10	Rebecca Adams	A Texas State of Mind	310.5
Non Pro Divison Results			
1	Robin Coleman	Harley	556.0
2	Tirina Miller	Wrangler	518.5
3	Bernie Duncan	Delta	510.0
4	Dorrie Krabec	Gunner	509.5
5	Pam Bacon	Peyton	415.5
6	Beverly Hartley	Maverick	401.5
7	Jami Robinson	Texas Genuine Jet	377.5
8	Wayne Van De Walke	Boomer	374.0
9	Joyce Tyson	Scooter	371.5
10	Kathy Richardson	Strider	306.5
Open Elite Divison Results			
1	Traci Woodard	Montana Nicajack (Sprite)	554.0
2	Renee Stafford	Coot	543.5
3	Jimmy Risley	Star	539.0
4	Traci Woodard	Rusty Executive	530.0
5	Vicky DeCaro	Roxie Rose	256.0
6	Sheryl Strasster	Wut The Sign Sez	138.0
7	Windy Steele	Tango	129.0
8	Johnny McKeehan	Incredible Wolf	124.0
9	Amy Barnett	Magic's Alley Cat	123.5
10	Sean Patrick	Joker	123.0

Extreme Cowboy Races

	Rider Name	Horse Identification	TOTAL
Young Guns Divison			
1	Bennett Green	Chloe	756.699
2	Dana Fleming	Destiny	454.935
3	Dustin Archie	Fred	329.913
4	Bennett Green	Briggan	269.245
5	Bennett Green	Tater	265.434
6	Lilly Hite	Misty T	105.480
Novice Divison			
1	John Hodges	Bud	1784.008
2	Joe Holloway	Solano's Moonlite Run	1755.813
3	Terri Glonek	One Tuff Cowgirl	1556.410
4	Jane Peniston	Seven	1294.331
5	Alison Stewart	Doc	1035.329
6	Courtney Pearre	Hawk	789.230
Green Horse Divison			
1	Tracy Pinson	Tuff Night At The Ritz	1890.107
2	Michael Lindsey	Justa Classy Native (Red)	885.375
3	David Archie	Badger	746.153
4	Justin Archie	Tigger	732.831
5	Bernie Duncan	Delta	636.512
6	Rick Peniston	Boon	625.102
Non Pro Divison			
1	Tracy Pinson	Texan At The Ritz	2481.411
2	Vaudry Edge	Drifting Thru POCO	2353.489
3	Dennis Tipton	Goodbar's Sonny	2256.636
4	Rick Peniston	Jake	2123.364
5	Steve Barret	Mr. Geniune Doc	1816.081
6	Michael Lindsey	Ace	1616.800
Intermediate Divison			
1	Dennis Tipton	Goodbar's Sonny	2385.117
2	Lisa Steinbach	Texan At The Ritz	2262.749
3	Shelby Ratliff	Dillon	2142.411
4	Joe Holloway	Solano's Moonlite Run	2061.502
5	Dennis Robinson	Threat's Dark Reflection	1979.830
6	Sarah Schlaich	Bindi	1789.163
Youth Divison			
1	Elizabeth Roten	Belle	1565.223
2	Elizabeth Roten	Allie	1460.309
3	Cullen Green	Tater	1091.151
4	Eliza Green	Lightnin'	1085.647
5	Dana Fleming	Destiny	776.279
6	Rhiannon Cain	Teddy	672.992
Ride Smart Divison			
1	Vaudry Edge	Drifting Thru POCO	2517.402
2	Dennis Tipton	Goodbar's Sonny	2432.285
3	Rick Peniston	Jake	2287.549
4	Dennis Robinson	Threat's Dark Reflection	2123.541
5	Joe Holloway	Solano's Moonlite Run	2064.540
6	Steve Barret	Mr. Geniune Doc	1955.410
Pro Divison			
1	Tim Edge	Drifting Pick	1837.087
2	Rick Peniston	Jake	1402.155
3	Leanne Hale	Brandy	1354.886
4	Laura Green	Chloe	1156.138
5	Kelsie Graham	Flower	1144.771
6	Tim Edge	Mr. Lil Blue Tom	1093.657





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SOCA Member Spotlights

Meet your fellow SOCA Members

Renee' Stafford

My name is Renee Stafford, married 16 years and have a 15 year old son. I used to train and run barrel racing horses and won the NBHA Texas State finals in 1996. I also used to team pen, team rope and break away calf rope. I've been riding my whole life and have owned many horses. I also love to horse camp, kayak, scuba dive, and draw. I have been a Veterinarian Technician for the SPCA and learned to groom dogs when I was 18 and have been grooming ever since. I've owned my own mobile grooming business for 14 years. I have 3 horses, 2 cats and 2 dogs.

My main obstacle horse is a 16 year old TWH named Coot. I have owned him since he was 3 years old. We mostly trail ride and camp but I have team penned and barrel raced him. The people I got him from did field trials and she entered the Altoona challenge on him when he was 3 and he won 3rd place. He was born for obstacles although I didn't get into it with him till a couple years ago. He's a very confident, secure non spooky horse naturally. I also have a 3 year old McCurdy Plantation Walker I'm training and a 15 year old APHA that was a pony horse on the track for 6 years and now mostly trail rides , camps and does obstacles.

It's been a pleasure being a member of the SOCA team!! Thanks to everyone who participates and works to make great events.



Pie



Coot



Jazzy



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Bernie Duncan

I was born on a farm in middle Tennessee in 1942. You could say I was born the son of a dirt farmer! It was there I fell in love with horses. In 1960, I joined the US Army and met my wife Linda, while stationed in France. After I was discharged from the army we started a family and our business, DuLando Screen & Awning, from which I have recently retired.

Our daughter, Tisa, started riding hunter jumpers in 1983 and that reunited me with horses. We did the jumpers until 1990 and I then started riding Tennessee Walking Horses. In 1992, I started showing with Darby Oaks Stables. There is way too much to tell from there, to SOCA, and Extreme Cowboy Racing....so we will skip to where I started racing and doing obstacles! My first horse was a TWH named Peyton, who is now owned by Pam Bacon. I bred a TWH mare to a Rocky Mountain stallion and the result of that cross was Destiny, who has won numerous obstacle challenges and extreme cowboy races with Dana Fleming and me.

Last year, I started Delta Dawn, a TWH filly that has surpassed all my expectations! This May, I started Duncan, a brother to Destiny. I think he may be the best one I've started! I also have their little brother, Doc's Showboat, which I will start in the spring. I have won my fair share of events in SOCA and Extreme Cowboy Racing. With the good Lord's help I hope to win a few more! SOCA is the best thing that has happen to me and my love for competition. SOCA is my second family and I just love the people!



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There are Horse Crazy people
and then there are
Crazy People with Horses,
know the difference!



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2014 High Points

In 2014 SOCA will award high point obstacle challenge winners in the following divisions: Novice, Youth, Non Pro, Open Elite and Posse. Points from each of the 2014 SOCA Obstacle Challenges will be totaled, with double points at the obstacle challenge championship in November. The horse/rider team with the most points will be the high point champion. Based on the feedback from members, the high point award will be custom SOCA buckles.

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 SOCA EXCA race, with the triple points at the Nationals in May and Regional Championship races in September and double points for State Championships in January, April and June, will be awarded the high point buckle in the following divisions: Pro, Non-Pro, Ride Smart, Novice, Intermediate, Youth, and Non-Pro.

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.

Dates, details and previous months newsletters can be found on the SOCA website at
www.southernobstaclechallenges.com

“When you are on a great horse, you have the best seat you will ever have.”
-Sir Winston Churchill

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.

Extreme Cowboy Racers

Reminder to pay your dues to the EXCA so your points will count!

Serenity Ranch Photography By Jr. Adams
Don't forget to check for your photos:
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