



October-November 2025 Newsletter

SE Regional Championship Race!

Thanks to everyone that came to the Southeastern Regional Championship Extreme Cowboy Race at the Chicopee Woods Agri Center in Gainesville, GA. The turnout was awesome! We had a great clinic with Lee Hart on Friday, then he and Diane McMurtrey, Hannah Howe and Mike Jeffers judged the race on Saturday. Thanks to John Glonek for announcing the race and keeping everything running smoothly. The courses were fast, technical and fun! Complete results are in the newsletter and on the website.

Thank you so much to all the volunteers that make our events happen – We absolutely cannot do it without all of you! **Special thanks to Joe Holloway, Dennis and Mariette Tipton, and Jamie Caldwell for all your work in hosting this event!**

High Point Buckles will be awarded at the 11/15/25 Challenge. Make sure you check the standings!

2025 Remaining Events

11/15/2025 – Obstacle Challenge, Darby Oaks Stables, Bushnell, FL

2026 Tentative Events

2/28-3/1/2026 – Florida Horse Park – Extreme Cowboy Race (double points) on Saturday & Obstacle Challenge on Sunday..

4/4/2026 – Obstacle Challenge, TBD

5/2/2026 – Extreme Cowboy Race (double points) The Canyon – Hodges, AL

5/29 – 5/31/2026 – Extreme Cowboy Race – EXCA National Championships, Champions Arena, Celebration Grounds, Shelbyville, TN (5X Points)

9/11/2026 –Clinic – TBD

9/12/2026 – Extreme Cowboy Race –SE Regional Championships - (Triple Points) Chicopee Agricultural Ctr, Gainesville, GA

10/10/2026 - Obstacle Schooling Day – Darby Oaks Stables, Bushnell, FL

11/14/2026 – Obstacle Challenge, Darby Oaks Stables, Bushnell, FL

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

SE Regional Championship Extreme Cowboy Race in Gainesville, GA

Thank you Shelby Ratliff Photography!



Southeastern Regional Championship Extreme Cowboy Race Winners



Novice



Green Horse



Non Pro



Intermediate



Ride Smart



Pro



Youth



Open



Judges Lee Hart,
Diane McMurtrey,
Hannah Howe and
Mike Jeffers.
Announcer John
Glonek



Extreme Cowboy Race High Point Champions



Novice



Green Horse



Non Pro



Intermediate



Ride Smart



Pro



Youth



Open

SE Regional Championship Extreme Cowboy Race Results

			Round 1	Round 2	Total
	Novice Divison Results				
1	Terri Glonek	One Tuff Cowgirl	292.873	279.832	572.705
2	Charles King Sr.	Gus	286.779	278.573	565.352
3	Sandra Baird	Electric Lil Code	277.000	283.086	560.086
4	Charlie King Jr.	Champ	277.176	281.335	558.511
5	Chase LaMontagne	Indigo	266.553	291.705	558.258
6	Alecia Grissett	Pepper	245.044	265.639	510.683
7	Cullen Green	Buster	254.668	253.335	508.003
8	Michaela Hampl	Ike	240.406	252.871	493.277
9	Terri Glonek	Tuff Lil Texan	244.125	150.949	395.074
10	Denise Funk	Pinky	156.274	170.381	326.655
	Green Horse Results				
1	Hannah Howe	Peppy Jac Kingwood	278.325	281.088	559.413
2	Mike Jeffers	Bucky	257.466	256.213	513.679
3	Carly Renault	Tueco	236.511	246.821	483.332
4	Dennis Tipton	Trendy's Classic Jac	248.308	228.403	476.711
5	Jazzy Durgin	It's Only 2X The Money	240.533	220.746	461.279
6	Carly Renault	High Brow Sally	216.569	233.148	449.717
7	Jazzy Durgin	Blue Shakerag	220.417	208.407	428.824
8	Edward Brown	Boons Royal Gypsy	164.006	174.906	338.912
9	Jenna Bishop	Inola	154.180	167.269	321.449
10	Jenna Bishop	Peaches	162.310	155.002	317.312
	Non Pro Divison Results				
1	Tyler Howe	Indiana Cowgirl	354.641	367.372	722.013
2	Tracy Pinson	Tuff Struck Gold	332.725	355.631	688.356
3	Tracy Pinson	Tuff Night At The Ritz	340.870	328.286	669.156
4	Laura Green Hart	ShesaOsaLenaCat	318.729	344.944	663.673
5	Rick Peniston	Savvy Gun Play	330.800	332.165	662.965
6	Tracy Pinson	2X T-Buck	322.321	339.375	661.696
7	Tyler Howe	AR Bourbon N Branch	305.653	338.605	644.258
8	Lesa Roe	Cat	300.458	315.251	615.709
9	Gina Gatto	So Charming	294.428	307.385	601.813
10	Sean Owen	Jake	296.211	293.962	590.173
11	Michael Garman	Newt	281.566	306.233	587.799
12	Meredyth Crews	Dixie	276.009	256.634	532.643
13	Meredyth Crews	Clark	240.013	268.572	508.585

			Round 1	Round 2	Total
	Intermediate Divison Results				
1	Michael Garman	Newt	315.229	304.159	619.388
2	Jamie Caldwell	Crimson Contender	306.455	310.474	616.929
3	Lesa Roe	Cat	286.989	316.420	603.409
4	Angela Graham	Macs Gentleman Jack	295.426	304.252	599.678
5	Lisa Steinbach	Tuff Struck Gold	281.041	315.315	596.356
6	Chase LaMontagne	Indigo	291.089	301.433	592.522
7	Jen Casey	Leanne Peppy	288.334	277.478	565.812
8	Terri Glonek	One Tuff Cowgirl	262.059	296.100	558.159
9	Edward Brown	Spook	243.307	293.136	536.443
10	Jen Casey	PR Driftin Doc	246.516	260.308	506.824
11	Lauren Whitaker	Reyce	231.087	271.189	502.276
12	Alecia Grissett	Pepper	239.024	255.375	494.399
13	Michael Garman	Lumpy	193.887	278.445	472.332
14	Diane McMurtrey	I'm Gonna Rip It Up	213.400	245.148	458.548
	Youth Divison Results				
1	Braylie Sturgeon	Roger Diablo	292.757	314.089	606.846
2	Josie Wilson	Kash	285.548	303.975	589.523
3	Braylie Sturgeon	Dollar	280.179	306.419	586.598
4	Jordan Jeffers	Champ	281.713	303.960	585.673
5	Sean Owen	Jake	289.993	292.647	582.640
6	Gina Gatto	So Charming	276.773	289.334	566.107
7	Meredyth Crews	Clark	257.610	246.393	504.003
8	Meredyth Crews	Dixie	281.339	0.000	281.339
	Ride Smart Results				
1	Rick Peniston	Savvy Gun Play	332.948	314.598	647.546
2	Tracy Pinson	Tuff Night At The Ritz	303.607	334.505	638.112
3	Tracy Pinson	2X T-Buck	323.724	301.308	625.032
4	Lisa Steinbach	Tuff Struck Gold	295.995	310.400	606.395
5	Ricky Carey	Roger Diablo	291.401	305.395	596.796
6	Angela Graham	Macs Gentleman Jack	312.864	282.822	595.686
	Pro Divison Results				
1	Hannah Howe	High Flying X Tex	340.533	345.518	686.051
2	Jazzy Durgin	Bullet Proof	330.681	338.534	669.215
3	Lee Hart	Lumpy	313.235	351.783	665.018
	Open Divison Results				
1	Kelsie Yates	Rosebuds Little Fox	349.417	334.751	684.168
2	Tyler Howe	Indiana Cowgirl	334.361	341.889	676.250
3	Laura Green Hart	ShesaOsaLenaCat	333.279	339.550	672.829
4	Lee Hart	Lumpy	339.176	326.085	665.261
5	Jazzy Durgin	Bullet Proof	333.625	320.611	654.236
6	Tyler Howe	AR Bourbon N Branch	307.845	332.149	639.994
7	Gina Gatto	So Charming	287.130	318.251	605.381
8	Josie Wilson	Kash	285.234	312.697	597.931

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2025 HIGH POINT STANDINGS

Through 11/1/25

SOCA RACE HIGH POINT - 2025

Young Guns Division Results			
NO BUCKLE			
1	Maddie Jones	Drifting Thru Poco	250.173
2	Sadie Reilly	LEO's Pride	220.706
3	June Trommsdorff	Patch	207.412
Novice Division Results			
1	Chase LaMontagne	Indigo	1969.060
2	Cullen Green	Buster	1759.727
3	Terri Glonek	One Tuff Cowgirl	1703.654
4	Charles King Sr.	Gus	1358.461
5	Terri Glonek	Tuff Lil Texan	1352.403
6	Charles King Jr.	Champ	1331.285
Green Horse Results			
NO BUCKLE			
1	Hannah Howe	Peppy Jac Kingwood	1813.786
2	Dennis Tipton	Trendys Classic Jac	1457.718
3	Mike Jeffers	Bucky	1277.263
4	Tim Yoho	Gentry	1140.625
5	Jazzy Durgin	Only 2X The Money	1124.985
6	Angie Jones	Barbie	1110.511
Non Pro Division Results			
1	Tracy Pinson	Tuff Struck Gold	2655.671
2	Tracy Pinson	2X T-Buck	2617.671
3	Laura Green Hart	ShesaOsaLenaCat	2200.737
4	Rick Peniston	Savvy Gun Play	2135.259
5	Gina Gatto	So Charming	2054.967
6	Tyler Howe	Indiana Cowgirl	2044.194
Intermediate Division Results			
1	Angela Graham	Jack	2272.195
2	Lisa Steinbach	Tuff Struck Gold	2268.944
3	Edward Brown	Spook	1904.984
4	Michael Garman	Newt	1481.015
5	Alecia Grissett	Pepper	1403.436
6	Diane McMurtrey	I'm Gonna Rip It Up	1196.378
Youth Division Results			
1	Gina Gatto	So Charming	2071.301
2	Meredyth Crews	Dixie	1962.787
3	Braylie Sturgeon	Roger Diablo	1640.887
4	Braylie Sturgeon	Dollar	1523.033
5	Jordan Jeffers	Champ	1454.611
6	Brooke Baldwin	Redden's Photo Finish	1271.058
Ride Smart Division Results			
1	Tracy Pinson	2X T-Buck	2682.402
2	Lisa Steinbach	Tuff Struck Gold	2426.955
3	Angela Graham	Jack	2403.043
4	Rick Peniston	Savvy Gun Play	2201.466
5	Vaudry Edge	Rojo Willy John 2	1960.722
6	Tracy Pinson	Tuff Night At The Ritz	1748.370
Pro Division Results			
NO BUCKLE			
1	Jazzy Durgin	BulletProof	2117.083
2	Hannah Howe	High Flying X Tex	1842.108
3	Lee Hart	Lumpy	1567.040
4	Lee Hart	MOSU Freckle Lena	1154.453
5	Angeline Saliceti	Samson	1150.555
6	Lee Hart	Crimson Contender	1092.342
Open Division Results			
1	Gina Gatto	So Charming	2122.944
2	Tyler Howe	Indiana Cowgirl	2281.171
3	Jazzy Durgin	BulletProof	2114.447
4	Lee Chapman	Pistol Pete	1877.888
5	Lee Hart	Lumpy	1569.395
6	Chase LaMontagne	Indigo	1536.694

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
5	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 Division			
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
7	Meredyth Crews	Dixie	119.00
8	Brooke Bremer	Shades	113.50
9	Meredyth Crews	Enzo	104.50
10	Khloe Murray	KitKat	102.00
Intermediate Division			
1	Jenna Bishop	J-Low	277.00
2	Denise McMeekin	Macky	262.00
3	Kimberly Paquette	Absoluteontherocks	245.50
4	Anne Hanley	Spirit	241.50
5	Tim Haupt	Mercy Reigns	226.00
6	Diane McMurtrey	I'm Gonna Rip It Up	207.50
7	Karen Ketchum	Bindi	201.00
8	Elizabeth Yorke	Harry Potter	133.00
9	Stephanie Suarez	Doc's Straight Silver (Bogey)	128.00
10	Barbara Van Winkle	Pepper	128.00
Open Elite Division			
1	Lesa Roe	Cat	280.00
2	Lisa Cusimano	Sierra	265.50
3	Connie Lloyd	Lark's Grey Twist	264.00
4	Margo Cook	Luna	263.50
5	Terri Glonek	Tuff Lil' Texan	166.50
6	Briana Tribett	Jasper	126.00
7	Marilyn Loaces	Manolo	124.50
8	Kat Wiegand	WHR Tiny Dancer	122.50
9	Cindy Hahn	Jager	121.00
10	Sarah Bremer	Doc	106.50

How To Balance Horses and A Full Time Job



It's a real balancing act- working full-time and owning horses. Add a spouse and kids to the mix, and you must really be good at managing your time. It's no surprise that horses are a big-time commitment. They can also be hard on your finances, which means most have to work to afford them. Creating a good schedule and having a solid support system are necessary if you want this to work.

There's no reason you can't enjoy horses and work a busy job. It does require some creative planning. Let these tips help you balance the two of them!

- Keep your horse close to you. Choose a boarding facility that's either close to your house or work location. You don't want to waste time driving long distances. If you have space at home for horses, that can be a good option!
- If you want to spend more time riding and less time feeding/mucking, then full care board is likely the way to go. Some facilities even groom and exercise your horse.
- You don't have to own a horse to enjoy them; consider leasing or taking lessons on school horses. This requires much less time commitment.
- Make riding a priority. You can even treat it like an appointment. Set reminders on your calendar and block off multiple times a week for your horse.
- Get creative with your riding time. If your schedule allows, ride in the morning before work.
- Set realistic goals. Don't plan to ride every day if you know that your schedule is jam-packed. Aim for a realistic amount, like three days a week.
- Pack your riding clothes in your car, so you can go directly after work.
- Choose a job with flexible hours or a remote possibility.
- Use the weekends to catch up on extras like tack cleaning and house chores.
- Make dinners ahead by freezing large batches.
- Have a good support system! Ask your spouse for help around the house or with the kids so can ride a night or two each week.
- Give yourself grace. Your horse will be just fine if you can't ride that week or even that month. They'll eat and hang out with their herd just like they always do.

Ask any working cowgirl... "Where there's a will, there's a way". You got this!

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THANK YOU!!!

SOCA NEWS

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.

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

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.



**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.

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

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