Ontario Reining Horse Association

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Welcome to 2012 – I hope you all had a wonderful Christmas and wish you the very best for the coming year.

We have a great slate of shows lined up again for this year and are delighted to advise that Powassan will be amongst those hosting a show in 2012. It is terrific to have them invite us back and I sincerely hope you will all consider attending this year – the folks at Knowlton Ridge are wonderful hosts and those who went to their show last year can attest to that.

Regrettably, Kemptville College will not be holding a show this year – their new mandate dictates that events must be linked to their educational programs, plus they have research animals that cannot be put at risk. Maureen Venables has always done such a wonderful job with this show, and it has been one of our season highlights, so this is certainly a disappointment.

You will notice that the ORHA website continues to be kept fresh and updated, and that the OBBO Futurity now has its own website at www.obbofuturity.ca.

Sadly, two of our members lost horses in December – one of them was Lesley Martin's talented mare, Rondalena Chex. Our deepest sympathies go out to both of these members on their tragic loss.

The ORHA Board is looking for a couple more Directors, and in particular someone to take the Board minutes and type them. If you can make a Monday evening meeting once a month and feel this would be of interest, please email me at president@orha.on.ca.

In just a little over a month, on February 12th, we will be holding our Annual General Meeting at the Holiday Inn, Scottsdale Drive in Guelph, which starts at 1 p.m. Prior to that, Reining Canada will be holding its Annual General Meeting at 11 a.m. at the same location. I hope to see you there.

In the meantime, keep on slidin'.

Carol

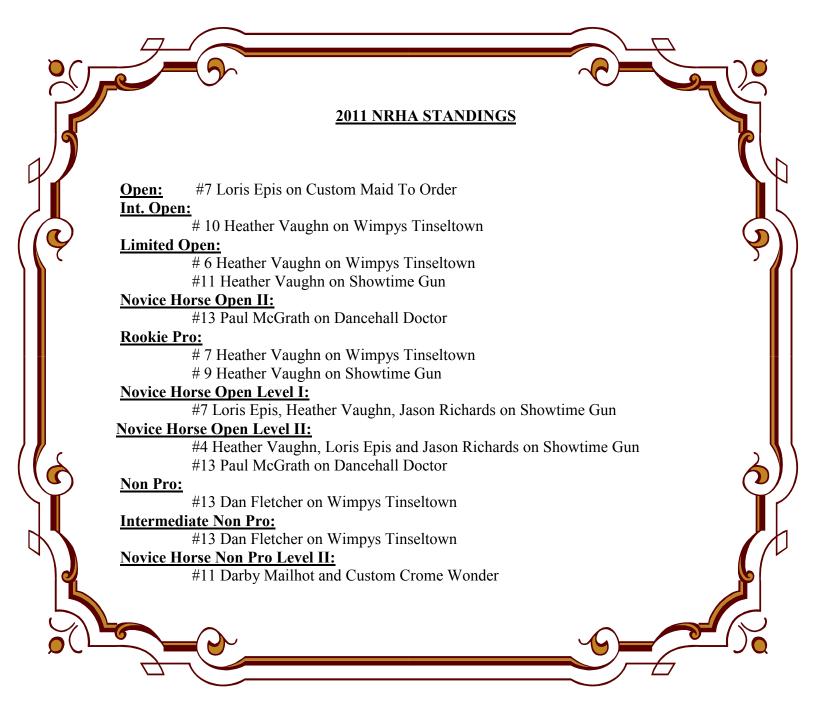
"People may forget what you said; People may forget what you did.

But people will never forget how you made them feel."

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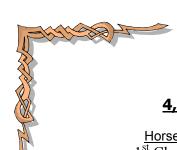
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LORIS RULES AT THE OKC FUTURITY

Loris Epis and Resting Whiz earned Reserve Champion in Level 1 and 2 at the OKC Futurity with a score of 220!! And Gotta Magnum Dream, also owned by John and Sharon Fletcher, was 4th in Level 1 and 5th in Level 2, with an equally impressive 217.5. The Loris Epis name just hit the world stage. Congratulations Loris and Team Fletcher.





Sired Stakes Derby 2011

4, 5 & 6 Year Old Open Reining - NRHA Category 6

<u>Horse</u>	<u>Rider</u>	<u>Owner</u>
1 st Chex To Bee Cashed	Tim Stanton	Tim Stanton
2 nd WB Whiz Kid	Dana Van Alstine	Ken Van Alstine
3 rd WB Whiz N Kid	Ken Van Alstine	Ken Van Alstine
4 th Custom Skirt	Harvey Stevens	Wilburn Archer

4, 5 & 6 Year Old Non Pro Reining - NRHA Category 6

<u>Horse</u>	<u>Rider</u>	<u>Owner</u>
1 st Nics Brownburn	Dave Dorland	Dave Dorland
2 nd Undercover Gun	Leona McAtee	Leona McAtee
3 rd Smokin On A Star	Debbie Bateman	Debbie Bateman

4, 5 & 6 Year Old Ltd Non Pro Reining - NRHA Category 6

<u>Horse</u>	<u>Rider</u>	<u>Owner</u>
1 st Nics Brownburn	Dave Dorland	Dave Dorland
2 nd Undercover Gun	Leona McAtee	Leona McAtee
3 rd WB Hickory Girl	Rebecca Dayboll	Rebecca Dayboll

4, 5 & 6 Year Old Ltd Non Pro Reining

<u>Horse</u>	<u>Rider</u>	<u>Owner</u>
1 st Nics Brownburn	Dave Dorland	Dave Dorland
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Country Girls: Reiners

Submitted by Darby Mailhot

This is for the girls with the square toed boots, and 20X hats. For the girls who skip the malls in favour of tack stores. For the girls who can smile like a beauty queen after 3 hours of sleep. The ones who will bleed, sweat, and cry for just one more point for a Top 20 Day. This is for the girls who fall for pickup trucks over pickup lines. This is for the girls that communicate with eyes, body and spirit when words just aren't enough. This is for the girls that could write a book on the many uses of bailing twine and duct tape. For the girls that put their makeup on over dirt and sweat, and smile like a million bucks in a show shirt and chaps, no matter how tight their hat is. This is for the headaches we get when someone asks us automatically "do you jump over things?" or "do you run real fast?" when they hear we ride. This is for the countless number of fake smiles we try to give when we receive dangling horse earrings and unicorn t-shirts from family and friends. For those that sit in the bleachers eating their lunch, while intensely watching other people ride. And this is for the girls that can name exactly what they wore, when they showed, to what judge, in what pen, on what day, to what score, and exactly how they placed. This is for the girls that base their dreams on the biggest gamble on earth. This is for the passion that they hold, and the drive we all share. We know about love and loss in a way that most will never understand. This is for the girls that close their eyes at night and still feel like they are loping.



FUNNY

When my doctor asked me about what I did yesterday, I told him about my day:

"Well, yesterday afternoon, I waded across the edge of a deep lake, barely escaped from a coyote in the heavy brush, marched along a treacherous trail up and down a mountain, stood in a patch of poison ivy, crawled out of quicksand, and narrowly avoided an aggressive rattlesnake by leaping away at the last second."

Inspired by my story, the doctor said, "You must be an awesome outdoorsman!"

"No, I'm just a shitty golfer."

REINING CANADA CHAMPIONS FOR 2011

OPEN

Custom Maid To Order, owned by John Fletcher and ridden by Loris Epis and Jason Richards

INTERMEDIATE OPEN

Wimpys Tinseltown, owned by John Fletcher and ridden by Heather Vaughn

LIMITED OPEN

Wimpys Tinseltown, owned by John Fletcher and ridden by Heather Vaughn

NOVICE HORSE L1

Showtime Gun, owned by John Fletcher and ridden by Jason Richards, Loris Epis and Heather Vaughn

NOVICE HORSE L2

Showtime Gun, owned by John Fletcher and ridden by Jason Richards, Loris Epis and Heather Vaughn

INTERMEDIATE NON PRO

Wimpys Tinseltown, owned by John Fletcher and ridden by Dan Fletcher



ORHA Futurity - Sired Stakes 2011 CHAMPIONS

2 Year Old Western Pleasure - Open

<u>Horse</u>	<u>Rider</u>	<u>Owner</u>
1 st Tinseltowns Wimp	J. Newnham	John Fletcher
2 nd Miss Pepto Footworks	Loris Epis	E. Laros

2 Year Old Western Pleasure - Non Pro

<u>Horse</u>	<u>Rider</u>	<u>Owner</u>
1 st Guns Don't Spook Me	Carrie Patterson	L & L McDougall
2 nd Rustic Strika Twist	Ann Pavlic	Ann Pavlic

3 Year Old Open Reining - Level 4

<u>Horse</u>	Rider	<u>Owner</u>
1 st Cutie Gun	Tim Stanton	T. & L. Stanton
2/3 Spooks Dragtime	Loris Epis	John Fletcher
2/3 Guns Sparkle Plenty	Tim Stanton	C. Farnsworth
4 th Brennas Catt	Jess Cofell	Don Pletch

3 Year Old Ltd Open Reining - Level 2

<u>Horse</u>	Rider	<u>Owner</u>
1 st Spooks Dragtime	Loris Epis	John Fletcher
2 nd Brennas Catt	Jess Cofell	Don Pletch
3 rd Shiners Hangover	Randy Wilson	Mark Lipfield

3 Year Old Non Pro Reining - Level 4

<u>Horse</u>	<u>Rider</u>	<u>Owner</u>
1 st Docs Smart Pine	Larry McDougall	L. & L. McDougall
2 nd Spooks Dealin Aces	Lacey Siemonsen	Lorrie Larock

3 Year Old Ltd Non Pro Reining - Level 2

<u>Horse</u>	<u>Rider</u>	<u>Owner</u>
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ORHA 2012 Calendar of Events

(all shows tentative until shown as Confirmed on the ORHA website)

Feb. 12	Annual General Meeting, Holiday Inn, Guelph
Mar. 8-11	ORHA Booth at Can-Am, Western Fair Agriplex, London
May 5-6	Prepare for the Reiny Season Clinic, Rustic Meadows, Hillsburgh, Ont. Contact Joanne Milton 519-855-6865 info@rusticmeadows.com
May 12-13	Spring Thaw, Waterford, Ont. Contact Fletchers' Horseworld 519-443-7333 johnfletcher@kwic.com **Affiliate Qualifier BOTH DAYS
June 2-3	Knowlton Ridge Annual Reining Show, Knowlton Ridge, Powassan, Ont. Contact Lana Bowman 705-472-5346 ccprop@efni.com **Affiliate Qualifier BOTH DAYS
July 14	Spirit Of Excellence, Meaford, Ont. Contact Ron Lubinski 519-538-0510 ynotfarms@ynotfarms.ca **Affiliate Qualifier Saturday July 14
Aug 4-5	Canadian Reining Classic, Waterford, Ont. Contact Fletchers' Horseworld 519-443-7333 johnfletcher@kwic.com **Affiliate Qualifier BOTH DAYS
Aug 10-12?	Quarterama Presents & Sired Stakes Derby, TBA, Contact Dana Van Alstine 905-384-2008 www.vanalstinereininghorses.com **Affiliate Qualifier BOTH DAYS
Sept 11-13	OBBO, Western Fair Agriplex, London, Ont. Contact Harvey Sevens 705-639-5767 reinersrus@sympatico.ca
Sept 28-30	Grand Finale & Sired Stakes Futurity & Affiliate Finals, Western Fair Agriplex, London, Ont. Contact Mike Munroe 519-938-0620 mmunroe@rjburnside.com
October	American Quarter Horse Congress, Columbus, Ohio

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Idle Thoughts

I planted some bird seed. A bird came up. Now I don't know what to feed it.

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I had amnesia once - or twice.

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I went to San Francisco. I found someone's heart. Now what?

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If the world were a logical place, men would be the ones who ride horses sidesaddle.

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What is a "free gift? Aren't all gifts free?

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They told me I was gullible and I believed them.

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I used to be indecisive. Now I'm not sure.

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How can there be self-help "groups"?

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If swimming is so good for your figure, how do you explain whales?

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Is it me – or do buffalo wings taste like chicken?

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Winter Horse Care

BLANKETING

If you put a blanket on your horse, make sure you take it off regularly and brush him, to avoid skin problems.

A blanket that is not warm enough is worse than none at all – in cold weather, the hair stands up and traps warm air close to the body. A blanket keeps the coat flat.

FEEDING

A good supply of hay is the first step in keeping a horse warm.

And having your horse with a little extra weight over the Winter months is probably a good idea.

FOOTCARE

Frozen ground is like cement, so keep that in mind when riding outdoors in the Winter months.

Spraying a nonstick cooking product (like Pam), or coating Vaseline, on the soles of your horse's feet will help prevent snow balling up on them.

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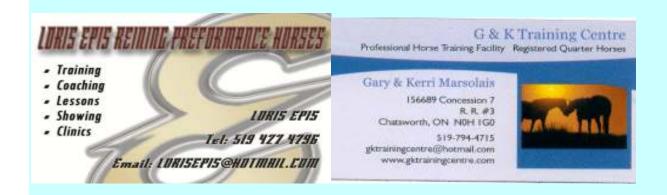




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