

Miniature Mouthpiece

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Next Meeting October 21, 2017



When: October 21, 2017

Where: The Sizzler
10204 South Tacoma Way
Tacoma, WA 98499
253-582-4001

Time: 1:00 PM

Directions:

From the North: Take the Puyallup/South Tacoma Way exit; get in the right lane; at the stoplight, go straight across South Tacoma Way to the drive way into the Sizzler.

From the South: Take the Exit for South Tacoma Way; go straight across South Tacoma Way to the drive way in back for the Sizzler.

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Presidents Message

A Note
from the
President

MEMBERSHIP DUES

Jan 1 - Dec 31

\$25 - Family

\$15 - Individual

*\$5 - Sponsored
Youth*

If you fail,
never give up
because F.A.I.L.
means "First
Attempt In
Learning". End
is not the end.
In fact E.N.D.
means "Effort
Never Dies". If
you say NO as
an answer,
remember N.O.
means "Next
Opportunity".
Positive
Thinking!!!!

Hello Everyone,
I want to personally thank everyone who attended the 12th Miniature Horse Evergreen Spectacular. As the last club show of the year on our side of the mountain, our attendance is always a question mark but this year we had a great party! In a fully decorated arena and grounds, we wore our blue and green with pride. Got the attention of the web blog Seattle Refined through KOMO news. The reporter spent the better part of the all morning with us and wrote a nice article and took many photos. His only regret was having to leave before the driving began. He took with him next years dates and promises more publicity from KOMO next year. YAHOO!! Thank you to all who shared with him what the miniature/pony world is all about. I have so many people to thank for the hours of work put in to make our show a success. All of the sponsors this year, Small group but so greatly appreciated. Your names will be posted on the web page.

Judy Oliver, Judy Cates, MaryAnn Fowler, Greg and Shyrle Swartz, Bill Oliver, Chris Erickson, Veronika Davis, D.J. Jeanie, Molly Vosburg, Scott Rinkel, Shelly Bennett, Kelly Clark, Marcia Chinnick and her crew, Trish Reiter, Rinda Pullen, Dorothy Whiteman, Tammy Osgood, Joann Anderson, and every Evergreen member out there. We are having a board meeting in the next couple weeks to go over financials and plan for the banquet on October 21st at 1:00 PM at the Sizzler on So Tacoma Way. We will be taking nominations soon for V.P. and Treasurer. Thank you Judy Oliver for stepping in this year to finish Brett Martin's term. I hope you run for real for next year.

From the feedback we have had so far, we will return next year again with the 12th miniature horse theme. We had fun and everyone now knows what to expect for next year.

To everyone traveling to the major shows, safe travels and bring home lots of happy memories and awards.
Until next month..

Your President,

Gwen Rinkel



For Safety's Sake, Learn How to Read the Tires on your Horse Trailer

When was the last time you took a really good look at the tires on your horse trailer? While air pressure is very important, it's not the only thing that counts when it comes to tire safety. Everything you need to know about your horse trailer tires is printed on the sidewall of the tires, and knowing what all those markings mean could prevent you from having a blowout.

Tire Size and Application

Among the largest listings on the side of the tire will be a number that starts with LT or ST, such as ST235/85R16F. The LT stands for Light Truck, such as an F-15 or Chevy 3500. The ST stands for Special Trailer. Either LT tires or ST tires can be used on horse trailers, but ST tires specifically made for towing and have some decided safety advantages.

Because LT tires are made for trucks, they are engineered to provide good mileage, proper traction and a good ride. It is the last part about the "good ride" that makes them decidedly less appropriate for use on a horse trailer. A towing vehicle (truck or car) has a sophisticated suspension with struts or shocks, torsion bars and springs. A horse trailer has a much less sophisticated suspension. As a result, trailer tires are forced to endure much more pounding when they go down the road.

ST tires have stronger sidewalls to handle this pounding. When a towing vehicle rounds a corner, the LT tire sidewall actually permits the tire on the road side to flex significantly. This isn't a problem, as the truck has a suspension that assists to compensate for this action. However, when an LT tire is on a horse trailer with a high center of gravity, this flexing action can contribute to trailer sway, a very dangerous situation, and one that will make your horses think twice about loading for the next trip.

ST tires, with their much stiffer sidewalls, will stand up straight when cornering, which is much safer for drivers and their horses. Therefore, ST tires are safer and superior to LT tires on a high-center of gravity vehicle, such as a horse trailer.

Load Range

This is the maximum weight a tire is engineered to carry when properly inflated. For example, for tires that are listed as load range F, each tire is designed to carry 3,858 pounds when properly inflated at 90 pounds per square inch of air pressure. The four tires will carry 15,432 pounds total, which is appropriate for the total weight of the trailer, four average horses, hay water, tack and incidentals.

Tire Date of Birth

All tires manufactured since 2000 are required to have a Born On Date. Here is how to find it: Simply look for a four-digit number that will be standing all alone, such as 0612. The

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first two numbers are the week of the year. So a tire with "06" was made about mid February, or the sixth week of the year.

The second two numbers are the year of manufacture. So "12" means 2012 was the year it was made.

Speed

One thing to consider is that the ST tires are speed rated to only 65 mph.

Tread

Yes, tread is important on a trailer tire, so if the tires are getting thin, it's time to replace them. But even if horse trailer tires have lots of tread left, it is the age of the tire that becomes more important. A general rule of thumb is that five years is the maximum amount of time for the service of a tire.

When a tire becomes aged, it can cause weakening of the tire structure, and that can cause the tire to fail - such as in the case of a blowout.

For safety's sake, inspect the tires on your horse trailer as well as your towing vehicle.

For additional safety tips, visit the Equine Travel Safety Area on the USRider website at www.usrider.org.

This article is from USRider - July 2, 2017

Randy Grimes Perpetual Trophy

I (Gwen Rinkel) would like to congratulate Judy Cates and September Surprise aka "Lady" for winning the Randy Grimes Driving Inspirational Trophy again this year.

This award is a perpetual trophy given by the Judges to a driver they feel has shown true sportsmanship, joy and is an inspiration, role model to the driving program. Randy Grimes was an excellent teacher and coach for our driving horses. He taught horses and drivers the joy of driving. Both judges looked at each other and at the same time said, the lady with gray Foundation mare. Unanimously.

Note from Judy Cates: Thank you Gwen and everyone. For those of you who may not know, this award really means a lot to me since Randy Grimes trained 'Lady' to drive. He had told me more than once that he was amazed at how quickly she learned and kept asking me if I had done some driving training with her before bringing her to him - I had not. He had said that she was a very talented driving pony. She has proved this from Country pleasure driving, driving on trails and doing CDE's. I do love this pony. She is an awesome girl.

MEMBERS CLASSIFIED ADS

Linda and Pat McGinnis, (360) 675-0876, Lunewalker@aol.com

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MARK BULLINGTON MEMORIAL

To those of us who knew and miss Mark:

Pat and I started a memorial for Mark right after his death. Each year we take items to the homeless, needy and the left behind by society. Items that are needed and often not provided at shelters are shampoo, tooth paste, tooth brushes, combs, lotions, etc. If you would like to donate even partial bottles, they would be appreciated. Please bring them to the next meeting. We also take donations all year long. They can be dropped off at any AMHA or AMHR show at our stalls or where we are camping. Thank you all.

> **Cart Guards** - These are a guard that can be placed on carts with open wheels making them a closed wheel cart. Go to lymrickfarms.com and click on 'Products' to find the cart guards.

> **Ramps** - The ramps are in a variety of sizes for putting your carts in the back of a pickup or longer for putting the carts on top of your trailers. We also make ramps for dogs to walk up into a van. Need a specialty ramp, give a call. Go to lymrickfarms.com and click on 'Ramps' for more information or contact by the above email.

CDE NEWS

Contact Diana Axness or Merridy Hance for information about CDE - Combined Driving Events or if you would like to find out more about getting into Combined Driving. This is a fun way for getting your horses or ponies doing something different.

August 11 - 13 El's CD and Advanced Driving Trial. Held at Ethel Events Center. ADS - recognized three day combined driving event.

September 9 - 10 El's Driving Trials Back to Back. Held at Ethel Events Center. Two one-day driving trials, one on Saturday, one on Sunday.

For more information contact:

Merridy Hance merridy@einw.org

Equestrian Institute NW website:

Einw.org/pageDriving



Classified Ads

Notice

To give all EMHC members access to post in the classified section of the newsletter and on the web pages we are going to limit the time an ad will be published.

Ads will be limited to 3 months (3 newsletter issues) if not updated in that time period.

But, if you keep me informed monthly of your sales and/or no sales an ad can run, space permitting, until all items are gone.

Thanks for your understanding

Judy Cates, (253) 906-0471, miniappys@gmail.com 7/17

> **Miss Tough and Ready: ASPC, Foundation Certified;** filly, Dob: May 14, 2014; Grey; VERY NICE filly, VERY nice conformation as she is better than both parents and both parents have their HOF in Halter. Sire: Cheg-Kims Golden Ranger (HOF); Dam: JC's Katydid (HOF). This could be your next halter winner. Asking \$1000 OBO for this gorgeous filly. She is a half sister to Lady Bug. This girl needs to be in the show arena. Do to my having some health issues, I have not been able to work these girls like they should be. Both need to be in the show arena. They do lead, stand tied for grooming and farrier work, and have been trailered.



> **Mtn Views Lady Bug: ASPC, Foundation Certified,** will be small - under 38" so could be registered AMHR when 3 yrs old. Filly, DOB: May 25, 2015. At her first show as a yearling, received Res Grand Champion with stiff competition. Sire: Cheg-Kim's Golden Ranger (HOF); Dam: JC's June Bug. This filly needs to be in the show ring. Asking \$1500 OBO for this beautiful filly.



> **Mtn View's Knight Hawk: ASPR, DOB: March 25, 2017;** Futurity nominated. 'Kid' took his Futurity class at the Area VIII National Area show as well as his weanling class. The Judge stated that he was the nicest colt that he has seen so far and that he should go to Pony Congress. I will not be able to take him. He is for sale. He already has very nice movement. In the picture, he is butt high as he is having a growth spurt again. His sire is: Rendition's Tommy Hawk, ASPC & ASPR; his dam is Millenium Barbie, Hackney registered and ASPR. He is bred to move and he does. He has had his feet trimmed regularly since he was 2 weeks old. He will be weaned the first part of August. Asking \$1000 - a steal for this quality colt. I could get a ride for him to Pony Congress or to Nationals.





EVERGREEN MINIATURE HORSE CLUB

Open to all Miniature Horses 38" and Under

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Membership application

Date: _____

Single

Renewal

Family

New

NAME(S): _____

Youth under 18: _____

FARM NAME: _____

E-MAIL: _____

WEBSITE: _____

HOME ADDRESS: _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP: _____

TELEPHONE: _____ CELL: _____

INTERESTS: (ie: Driving, Showing, Pleasure): _____

*This application must be signed by those over age 18
who are applying (or sponsoring youth) for membership.*

Signature(s)

Dues: \$15 Single, \$25 Family, \$5 Youth (sponsored) per year – Jan 1 – Dec 31
Membership must be received by April 1st to be eligible for Year End Awards

Please make check payable to Evergreen Miniature Horse Club - Thanks!

Mail to: Judy Cates, Secretary, 27717 114th Ave E, Graham, WA 98338



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Next Meeting
October 21, 2017