

SNHSA's Vision: To bring the joy of horse sports to as many people as possible.



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## Message from the President

### The Sportsman's Charter

- ~ That sport is something done for the fun of doing it and that it ceases to be sport when it becomes a business only, something done for what there is in it;
- ~ That amateurism is something of the heart and spirit - not a matter of exact technical qualifications;
- ~ That good manners of sport are fundamentally important;
- ~ That the code must be strictly upheld;
- ~ That the whole structure of sport is not only preserved from the absurdity of undue importance, but is justified by a kind of romance which animates it, and by the positive virtues of courage, patience, good temper, and unselfishness which are demanded by the code;
- ~ That the exploitation of sport for profit alone kills the spirit and retains only the husk and semblance of the thing;
- ~ That the qualities of frankness, courage, and sincerity which mark the good sportsman in private life shall mark the discussions of his interests at a competition.

*Ours is a sport that always challenges us to grow. To not only get physically strong, but to work just as hard to become mentally strong. When I look at SNHSA as a group and all of the progress our sport here, in Northern Nevada, has made, I cannot help but feel proud of the hard work that each of our members have put into improving our horsemanship and knowledge. That is why I am very excited that we have adopted the US Equestrian Sportsman's Charter as our own - there is so much to love about our sport and the character that it gives us as riders, and how we carry that, both in and out of the arena. The Sportsman's Charter puts into words so much of what horses teach us with their amazing spirits when we are humble enough to learn from them.*

*I love the line that says, "That amateurism is something of the heart and spirit - not a matter of exact qualifications." We are all learning every day, if we allow ourselves to be "amateurs" every time we put our feet in the irons; if we are open to learning from our horses as much as we hope to teach them each time we get on. As we continue with our year of horse showing and working hard to reach our goals, let's all take a moment to appreciate what we have learned from the journey, and how far we have all come as amateurs of the sport!*  
**Sarah Mullins**

## 2017 Meadow View Farms Charity Horse Show

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2017 Meadow View Farms Charity Horse Show ribbons (Photo by Create Memories by Annett)

*The 6th Annual Meadow View Farms Charity Horse Show, benefiting Northern Nevada Children's Cancer Foundation, was held July 8-9 this year and what a spectacular weekend it was! We are always so grateful to be a part of the horse community, but there is something extra special about the Charity Show atmosphere that makes us feel even more blessed to be a part of such an amazing group! From the staff, to the trainers, exhibitors and volunteers, there were examples of friendship, camaraderie, charity and sportsmanship.*

- **Nancy Gannon**, our incredible horse show secretary, donates all of her time to us every year and is always so happy to see each and every person who comes to her table.
- **Peggy Fackrell** has been a great supporter of the show for years now, donating stalls and classes at all of her horse shows, her timers for the jumper derby excitement, and to add to it this year, she also signed on to judge our horse show and donated all of her time for that as well!
- **Susan Howe** donates countless hours, and goes above and beyond, to make sure that our prize list and program looks its best.
- **Robin Collins** was at the barn all day, every day, for weeks leading up to the show to help with the organization and beautification at the barn, and she is also a part of our Charity Show Committee throughout the year. As soon as school was out, **Olivia Collins** and **Emelia Espinoza** spent their days helping with whatever projects we gave them, and they always smiled and laughed their way through their daily lists, no matter how hot it was.
- **Lori and Alex Rush** were amazing volunteers and leaders for the National Charity League groups that came out and we are so grateful for all of their contributions - all of the Charity Show Committee meetings, organizing volunteers, painting, taking pictures and helping in the VIP tent; Lori and Alex are always happy to jump in and help.
- **Corinne and Jillian Shaw** came out in the days leading up to the show to build the courses and help in any way they could.
- **Julia Bjorkman** is usually riding in our horse show, but this year she came just to volunteer and stayed to the very last class on Sunday, happily doing whatever she could.
- **The Espinoza Family** all works together to make sure that every dollar raised on the food truck throughout the weekend goes back to NNCCF.
- **Leslie Biederman** has a special place in her heart for the Charity Horse Show, since it was her first show back as an amateur, and she puts so much effort into everything she contributes to make sure that the show is as memorable for all of the exhibitors as it is for her.
- Our **incredible staff** for the show work extra-long hours and always finish the weekend exhausted, saying, "sign me up for next year."
- **All of the trainers** come with trailers full of horses and smiles on their faces, ready to help wherever they can.
- **Every single MVF client** steps up the weekend of our horse show and gives 100% of their time, effort, and heart to the show. This year, they had to pull together a little more than usual, and to each and every one of you, we say thank you!

*During the MVF Charity Horse Show, everyone smiles a little bigger, cheers a little louder, and enjoys the sport a little extra, and for that, we could not be more grateful.*

*Photos courtesy of Create Memories by Anette, Sierra Elegance Photography and several attendees.*



Meadow View Farms Charity Horse Show volunteers and NNCCF Staff



Rudy Michaels from Ten Country, and Gavin during our Jumper Derby and dinner



Johnny, and his parents during our Hunter Derby and brunch



Liz Reader and California BF, winners of the Panattoni Development Jumper Derby



Leslie Biederman and Cartireno in the Panattoni Development Hunter Derby



Keighley Bader and Tilburg jumping off the bank in the Tahoe Luxury Properties Jumper Derby



Wendy Brownlee and Osolace, winner of the Tahoe Luxury Properties Jumper Derby

## QUICK LINKS

(Links also available on [www.SNHSA.org](http://www.SNHSA.org))

### **NEW this year!**

## **SNHSA JR/AM Challenge Cup Tournament**



The first annual SNHSA JR/AM Challenge Cup Tournament will take place Sunday, Oct. 22, at Brownlee Equestrian, the day after the SNHSA Benefit show for Jumpers.

SNHSA introduced the SNHSA JR/AM Challenge Cup Tournament this June. Now that the event is nearing, it's time to start planning your team! Riders must be SNHSA Junior or Amateur members in good standing.

The SNHSA JR/AM Challenge Cup Tournament will be conducted under a prix de nations format jumper competition. The jumper teams compete at two levels: 2'9" and 3'3". Teams must have one rider at each level. Teams consist of 3 riders and the final rider of the team may choose the level at which they compete. Horse/Rider combinations competing at 2'9" may not have competed in classes over 3'3" during the 2017 competition year. Each horse may only compete on one team. Teams of 2 will be permitted, but there will be no dropped score. Coordinating hunt coats, saddle pads, horse leg wear, etc. are encouraged for each team. Teams will ride the first round and be judged for time and penalties, with the top eight (8) teams returning for the second round.

Each team must declare a Chef D'Equipe. Full rules and scoring details can be found on [www.SNHSA.org](http://www.SNHSA.org).

*If you are a SNHSA member but don't have a team, sign up and you'll be placed with others who don't have a readily available team! Teams can consist of riders/horses from several barns.*

*The cost is \$100 per horse. Team prizes will be awarded to each member of the 1st place team and ribbons to 8th place.*

The prize list will be released in the near future, but click here to [Read the complete set of Rules](#)

or view it on the [snhsa.org](http://www.snhsa.org) website: <http://www.snhsa.org/points--rule-book.html>

### ~~~~~ **Upcoming Events!**

#### **[Super September at Maplewood](#)**

Click on the link to read about six training and clinic events slated at Maplewood!

#### **[9-9-17 Meadow View Farms Horse Show](#)**

**(NEW PRIZE LIST! 2 judges, 2 arenas!)**

**[9-30-17 SNHSA Benefit Show for Hunter & Equitation classes](#)**  
at Franktown Meadows

## 10-1-17 SNHSA Medal Finals Show

at Franktown Meadows

*See Points below for who already qualifies for the Finals*

## 2017 SNHSA Year-End Points

(as of 8-11-17)

[2017 SNHSA Show Calendar](#) (updated 8-12-17)

[2017 SNHSA Rule Book](#) (updated 8-12-17)

[2017 SNHSA Rule Book Changes and Amendments](#) (updated 8-12-17)

[2017 SNHSA Membership Form](#) (pg. 1)

[2017 SNHSA Membership Form](#) (pg. 2 for additional horses, emails)

[Biosecurity - The Key to Keeping Your Horses Healthy](#) brochure

[Strangles - fact sheet](#)

## ~ SNHSA MANE TALES ~

"The Mane Tales" section of our newsletter and website is dedicated to stories of our equestrian partners in ways that inspire and educate us. We hope these both educate and inspire you! We welcome reader contributions, too! To submit ideas and/or articles, contact one of the Membership Communications and Outreach Committee members. Their contact information is located at the end of the newsletter.

### Trailer Hanging Alongside Kjartan

by Allison Brunelli

On the morning of his second trailer loading lesson, my horse, Kjartan, arrived early, but his confidence arrived late. I can imagine many reasons he might have been so frightened to be closed into a small, two-stall trailer. He'd never done it; he was more fresh than usual; he was only two years old.

Ashlin, a hunter jumper trainer for Breakaway Farms, thought maybe he was claustrophobic. While our speculations warrant reflection for our next lesson, what matters now is how Ashlin and I supported him in that moment.

Despite having already taught him to walk through calmly, stand still before exiting and allowing him to eat inside, there were few other ways to prepare Kjartan for closing him in, except to close him in. I shut the back ramp and lowered the back hatch. Ashlin walked him in, shut the side ramp and lowered the side hatch. Kjartan was confined and his adrenaline spiked. He darted back and forth with no place for his adrenaline to go. "Bam, bam, bam," my trailer belted out as Kjartan drove his chest against its walls.

Click to [Read the entire article](#)



Kjartan and Allison

# Niko's Rehab Story: Introducing the Trot

By Tiffany Portia Coury



Niko and Tiffany

**N**iko returned home from the rehab facility in California three months ago and since his return, my heart has been longing to ask him to trot, though my mind has been diligent to not ask too soon. Over the past few weeks, there has been an energy building in Niko, an attitude a little too heavy to harness. As I watched his energy show itself from the ground, as well as under saddle, my first thought was that this is what everybody had warned me about. A rehabbing horse can be challenging and unpredictable. My second thought was, he's asking to trot!

As I began walking through a myriad of reasons supporting both sides of the argument, the most important voice to me was Niko's. And his voice was telling me that he needed to trot to support his mental well-being, as well as his physical health. There is only so much healing an injury can do at the walk and this "perfect gentleman" of a horse deserved to love his work.

Click to [Read the entire article](#)

## SNHSA Q&A 101

By Susan Howe

**A**re you new to the Sierra Nevada Horse Show Association (SNHSA) Hunter/Jumper show world? Many are, and whether you are a new or experienced rider, Show Mom or Dad, you probably don't understand the SNHSA point system for Year-End Awards as much as you would like to.



2016 Year-End prizes & ribbons

If you have questions, you aren't alone. Many years ago, in another state and lifetime, I began as Nicole's Show Mom and really didn't know what I was getting myself into. When she started showing, we were happy with the green ribbons, then the pink and the white. Fast forward a couple years later, we moved across country, to Reno, and Nicole started showing in the local SNHSA shows. It was so exciting to see Nicole ride and enjoy the sport, but it didn't take long to realize that accruing points could result in earning very nice year-end prizes within the association!...

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...I occasionally hear from parents, and even some trainers, who inquire about the points. I would like to answer some of the questions that I have received over the years. These rules pertain to our association, but points may be figured differently in other organizations.

### **How do we qualify for year-end awards?**

*Riders, and in most cases, their horses/ponies, must be members of SNHSA in order to accrue points for year-end awards. The exception is for horses/ponies ridden ONLY in Equitation Divisions 1-3, or the two SNHSA Medal classes. However, if the rider wishes to show the equitation mount in any other SNHSA division for which s/he would like to accrue points for year-end awards, the horse/pony MUST be registered with SNHSA....*

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# Sponsor Spotlight



Sponsor Spotlight is a feature in our newsletters where we ask SNHSA Sponsors questions to help us know who they are and what products/services they offer to know them better!

## How long has your company been in existence?

We opened the Summer of 2008

## Where is your company located?

2100 Old Hwy. 395, in Pleasant Valley

## What service/product(s) do you offer?

We offer hay, black angus beef and honey

## What is your contact information should someone want to call you or email you for questions or even orders/service?

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You can call Jason Murry at 775-848-9086 or Sandy Kellames at 775-313-3462.

Our hours are Tuesday through Friday, from 1 to 5 p.m. and Saturday, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.



## ~ Murry Ranch Hay Sales ~

Jason Murry - owner

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## What prompted you to start this business?

We put up a "Hay for Sale" sign and the phones never quit ringing!

## Can you tell me something interesting about your business?

We test all of our hay so customers know the nutritional content.



## ~ SNHSA Barn News ~

The news submission deadline for Barn News is the 15th of each month, with the newsletter publishing by the end of each month.

### Maplewood Stables

**Julie Winkel**

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Maplewood Show Stables returned from the Oregon High Desert Classics in Bend, Oregon, with an impressive collection of leading rider titles, victories and ribbons during the two-week premiere show, held July 18-30.



Chrysann Collatos and Cartridge

Maplewood shipped 20 horses from their home base in Reno.

"We had an awesome show, with top placings and performances from the Young and Green horse classes to the show's featured \$25,000 Grand Prix event," said Maplewood owner and head trainer **Julie Winkel**. "We are especially pleased that many of our top performers are bred right here in Nevada, and these show horses go on to national and regional titles throughout the country."

Highlights included **Ellie Ostroff** and **Valentina** earning the leading Amateur-Owner Jumper Rider Award and the show's Amateur-Owner Jumper championship. **Salita Armour** and her horse **Amarone** earned the Amateur-Owner Hunter, 36 and over, reserve championship during Week 2. Other blue-ribbon winners included the Thoroughbred **Sumiko** with Maplewood Assistant Trainer **Andrew Jayne** in the saddle. They won several classes, as did

**Hannelore and Dardam Q, Sabrina Fox and Linka and Julie Winkel** aboard  
**Good To Know.**

**Andrew Jayne** had a great showing on **Georgia Brown's Onyx** in the featured Grand Prix, with **Elena Sedlock** aboard **Amarone** proudly carrying the American flag during the national anthem beforehand.

Other highlights were **Tricia Booker and Peppermint** winning the Dog Trick Contest week 1, then returning to win the Dog Costume class week 2! Completing the clean sweep for Maplewood during Week 2, were **Ellie Ostroff's dogs, Holmes and Oliver**, in second place, and **Chrysann Collatos and Milo** in third.



Andrew Jayne and Georgia Brown's Onyx in the Grand Prix

We had a great turnout for our annual Bend Sale Horse Party at the [Oregon High Desert Classics](#), co-sponsored by Maplewood and Crystal Image Farm and Denize Borges. More than 30 horses were viewed by more than 80

spectators/potential buyers. For the full list of horses that were presented, please visit our website: [www.maplewoodstables.com](http://www.maplewoodstables.com) and click on Events.

We were also excited to learn that Maplewood's unique Horse Industry Training Program was featured in the August issue of *Practical Horseman* magazine, with a lengthy article about the program and even the coveted cover! Our program is expected to receive a permanent license from Nevada's Commission on Post-Secondary Education this fall. We look forward to

expanding on our educational mission and accepting even more students in the future.

Speaking of education, Maplewood is also gearing up for the **Super September Clinics** month, which features six different educational equine events, including

**Young Horse Trainer School, Sport Horse Conformation Seminar, Course Design School, Judge's School, USHJA Trainer Certification Program Clinic and the Westfalen NA/RPSI Inspection.** For more information on these clinics, which feature renowned clinicians, trainers and judges in the industry, please visit our website: [www.maplewoodstables.com](http://www.maplewoodstables.com).



Elena Sedlock and Amarone

## ~ Thank you SNHSA 2017 Sponsors ~

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