

# NOVATO HORSEMEN NEWS



November  
2008

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General Meeting  
Tuesday, November 4<sup>th</sup>  
Dinner 6:30pm - Meeting 7:30pm

Dinner (\$10.00)

Monte & Curt Kruger, Greg Yates, Jill Peterson and  
Gary Sello are serving beef stew, a fall favorite

RSVP to Monte (415) 897-8212

## Monthly Event Calendar

### ★ CLUBEVENTS ★

11/1 Work Party - 9:00 Club Grounds  
11/4 Senior General Mtg - 7:30 Club House  
11/5 Junior General Mtg - 7:00 Club House  
11/8 Arena CLOSED - CGA Gymkhana  
11/10 Open Jumping - 6:00 Club Arena  
11/16 Wine Tasting Party - See Pg. 5 for details  
11/18 Senior Board Mtg - 7:00 Club House  
11/19 Junior Board Mtg - 7:00 Club House  
12/6 NHI Party & Installation Dinner - Club House  
12/6 Arena CLOSED- CGA Gymkhana

### ★ OTHEREVENTS ★

11/12-15 CSHA State Convention  
11/14-16 Trail Blazer Festival - [www.trailblazerfestival.us](http://www.trailblazerfestival.us)  
11/29 Petaluma Santa Horse & Carriage Parade

## Welcome New Members

Paul and Lisa Leveroni, Scott Douglas and Carolyn Jackson



## President's Message

From Gary Sello

Please don't forget to vote on November 4<sup>th</sup>, and then please come to dinner at the club and vote for the candidates of your choice for the 2009 Board of Directors. Nominations will be taken from the floor preceding the election process. New nominees must be present to accept their nomination. A large turnout for voting is indicative of an active membership, invested in the future direction of our membership. This is a true democracy, no electoral college, one vote one member. Enough said! Dinner will be provided by the "no one signed up to cook" gang, Greg, Monte, Jill and Gary. After 22 months in a row of someone stepping up to cook, I feel like I have "besmirched" our safety record, or something like that.

Anyway, speaking of Dinner, our annual Officer Installation and Awards Dinner will be held at the club on Saturday December 6<sup>th</sup>. This year dinner will be provided by Lombardi's Catering of Petaluma, and the club will charge a nominal fee of \$10 per person. A complete meal is guaranteed to all who RSVP by email to [gary@indianvalleycarriage.com](mailto:gary@indianvalleycarriage.com) or by phone to 415.309.8618 prior to November 22<sup>nd</sup>. Non responders will be limited to what's left, if you want to participate in our installation/awards dinner, please respond.

As I approach the end of my two year term as president, I want to thank everyone who has helped the club accomplish so much. Our membership has proven that in the big picture, we can dig in and come together with great success. Last night decades of past junior advisors came to the board meeting to discuss the program. Their discussion was full of passion and commitment. It will be hard handing over the gavel, but I am motivated by all that is left to do, and the great people with whom I will work to accomplish good things for the club, well into the future. Don't forget to vote on November 4<sup>th</sup> for everything you believe to be important, including our club. Thank You.

## Club News



### NOVEMBER 4<sup>TH</sup> NOVATO HORSEMEN BOARD ELECTION

Come to the November meeting and vote for your choice of candidates for your Club's Board of Directors. Listed here are the current candidates and nominations will be taken from the floor during the meeting. If you're interested or know someone who is, please contact Alyssa [alyssa@horsesenseforteens.com](mailto:alyssa@horsesenseforteens.com) or Chris [chrismaitthonis@comcast.net](mailto:chrismaitthonis@comcast.net).

President:	Ken Frank
Vice President:	Amy Hutchinson
Treasurer:	Alyssa Aubrey
Recording Secretary:	-- Open --
Corresponding Secretary:	Beth Roens
Board Members:	Sean McCarthy, Gary Sello (past President), Kim Fix Monte Kruger, Karen Kilian, Kristina Albright



November 1<sup>st</sup> is our next work party. We'll start at 9:00am and try to finish around 12:00. Weather permitting it is a winterization party so mostly finish painting the snack shack, get a another coat on the entry fencing and general cleanup. Contact Steve Grandon at (415) 895-1262 if you have any questions or special talents you'd like to let him know about.



With Nancy (Olson) Cuff's impending move to Oregon, Brad Beedle has stepped up and is going to be our master mixologist. So, the next time you belly up to the bar, raise your glass in thanks to Brad!



The 2008 NHI cattle program has come to an end. The dollar figures aren't complete at this time, but judging by the large number of participants and the good times shared, I think it was a very successful season. Many thanks are in order to the people who helped make it so. My cattle committee that arranged for the transportation, feed and medical care of the cattle as required: Gary Sello, Jim Williams, Stan Mossi, and Scott Colvin. The event chairpeople who contributed their time on a weekly basis to entertain and educate: Ken Frank, Chris Maitthonis, Jill Peterson, Monte Kruger, and Scott Colvin. The cattle haulers without whom nothing would have occurred: Ken Frank and Stan Mossi, Terry Clancy, Gary Sello, Jason Gooch, Lloyd Loftus, Rich Ridges, and Aj Gigliotti. Our tractor guy, Dan Ritter, for keeping the pens scraped and clean on a timely basis. And Karen Killian for feeding and looking after the cattle. Thank you all for your efforts. You are much appreciated. The Cattle Guy



With the New Year quickly approaching, it's time to think about advertising your business card in our newsletter. As of January 2009, business card listings will increase to \$10.00 per month (members price). Run your card for one year and receive a discounted rate of \$100.00 for the year. Consider that you get an audience of 400+ members and our newsletter goes out to PRDC, CSHA, MHC and others. In 2009 we may consolidate our newsletter with the Juniors opening up a larger audience of Junior parents who are not Seniors. Please support the newsletter and our club by advertising here. Contact Beth Roens at [b\\_roens@hotmail.com](mailto:b_roens@hotmail.com) or (415) 613-9955 for information or help designing a card sized ad. Space is limited.

# NHI WINE TASTING PARTY

**Date: 11/16/08**

**Time: 2-5 pm**

Novato Horsemen  
Clubhouse  
600 Bugeia Lane  
Novato

Taste wonderful wines from around the world, enjoy great company and buy wine and accessories for the holidays, presents or corporate gifts.

Vaulting lessons in the arena provided for day-care!



**SAVE THE DATE  
& Invite Your Friends**

**Contact Kim Fix for more  
info: 608-2984**

Wine Tasting provided by **Alan's Wine Cellar**  
Dedicated to making the world of wine more accessible to everyone.

## Reviving Soaked or Moldy Leather

Gleaned from [www.todayshorse.com](http://www.todayshorse.com)

So, what do you do in the event of an accidental drenching or mold growing? The very first thing, is to bring the leather indoors and into an area that is dry and non-humid. Then, use a damp cloth to wipe away any mold or excess water from the leather. When wiping away mold, be sure to rinse the cloth often so you do not spread any bacteria from one area of the leather to another.

Then, use an extra amount of saddle soap while you scrub the leather with a sponge. There should be enough saddle soap that it gets all sudsed-up or "frothy". Rub the saddle soap into the leather very well. Then, use a clean, damp cloth to remove excess saddle soap from the leather. Finally, apply a good coat of quality leather oil to preserve the natural oils in the leather.

## You Know You Are A Horseperson When:

By: Cheryl McNamee-Sutor

- You cluck to your car when you go up a hill.
- Your horse's hair is in better condition than your own.
- You refer to your car as "my portable tack room".
- You are excited when your friend tells you that there is a huge sale at the bridle shop, then you are disappointed when you realize they mean the bridal shop.
- You have the vet's number but not your kid's pediatrician on your speed dial.
- Your spouse can track dirt into the house all they want, but God help them if they muddy up the tack room.
- Your house is a mess, but the barn is as neat as a pin.
- Your nice clothes are the ones without horse hair all over them.
- You have to go to your friend's wedding in riding clothes because you took too long at the barn.
- You spend hundreds of dollars on a show for a .95¢ ribbon.

## Should I Blanket My Horse?

Gleaned from [www.myhorse.com](http://www.myhorse.com)

**Equine Thermal Energy:** Let's begin by looking at the horse himself. Horses stay warm much better than people do, and they are quite comfortable even when you and I might be reaching for a jacket. In short, you can't determine a horse's need for a blanket by how chilly you feel.

The primary way a horse gets or stays warm is by digesting hay. Digestion is really a fermentation process, and one of the by-products is heat. When your horse is facing a cold night, the first consideration is to provide him

### Cozy and Warm

- *Provide plenty of hay and water.*
- *Keep the horse dry. No wet blankets.*
- *Provide shelter from wind and wet, but don't close up the barn.*
- *Keep blankets clean.*
- *Think layers.*
- *Watch chest, withers, shoulders, and hips for rubs.*

with plenty of hay to keep that furnace burning. And in order for that digestion process to work well, he needs water. Ideally it won't be ice cold.

The horse's bulk is a great help in keeping warmth in. Think of how thick a horse's body is, relative to the slender frame of a human. Just as a large block of ice takes longer to thaw than a smaller chunk, a large, warm body stays warmer longer than a thin one.

A horse's winter coat has the ability to fluff up, the hair literally standing on end, thereby creating a warm layer of air around the horse. Long "guard" hairs create an additional layer and fend off light rain or snow.

Even though it's cold out, an average horse in good condition, eating plenty of roughage, and wearing his own hair coat is probably going to stay warm—as long as he can stay dry and isn't in direct wind.

When you blanket, you're taking responsibility for climate control of your horse. You'll need to be in a position to take the blanket off, or add layers, as weather conditions dictate

**Blanket Commitments:** Once you've decided that your horse might benefit from blanketing, you still have plenty of smaller decisions to make. Does he need a light blanket or sheet for daytime and a heavier blanket for night? Will he be turned out, necessitating a waterproof blanket, or does he just need a stable blanket for time indoors? Will he be turned out with other horses who will run and play? If so, he needs a blanket that will survive that. Or will you turn him out blanketless, but then groom him before re-blanketing? If he rolls in the mud with his blanket, what will he wear while you're washing the muddy one?

And aside from the cost of buying a blanket or two, there's the time commitment that goes with blanketing and unblanketing, day after day. Who is going to do that work? If your horse is cold, blanketing may be your best option. But if you have choices, such as whether to body clip him or not, other time and nuisance factors come into play.

There's the matter of keeping the blanket clean. Depending on the blanket materials, that may mean brushing the underside of it daily—or at least checking it—to remove any hay, hair, or stickers that could potentially rub against your horse's coat. It may mean washing the blanket, which also means drying it thoroughly before putting it back on your horse. This likely means you're going to need a second blanket. Don't forget that it's inevitable that you'll have to do some repairs—even if it's only to reattach a buckle.

Even with a blanket, which will help keep your horse clean, you should groom your horse every day. He'll get itchy wearing a blanket, just as you would if you wore the same sweater day in and day out.

If the horse is turned out with his blanket, you have to make sure that the fabric doesn't absorb and hold water when it gets soaked. A wet blanket will get a horse cold very quickly. Read the labels carefully. "Water-resistant" may be fine in a light mist, but you need "waterproof" if your horse is to stay out in the weather. And that means you'll have to re-weatherproof it after cleaning.

Of course, you'll have to be sure that the blanket fits well and doesn't rub your horse's coat. Even if it seems to fit, keep an eye out for the telltale hairs that seem as though they've been shortened, as if newly clipped or roughed up. This often happens over the hips, on the shoulders, or around the neck opening or withers after the horse has been wearing the blanket for a while. When the hair gets rubbed, the skin will become tender also. For some horses, even a good-fitting blanket will eventually rub, so he may need an undergarment that will allow the blanket to slip along his shoulders more easily. And even when everything works perfectly, you can still come home to find your horse naked and your blanket investment shredded by a naughty pasture mate.

### Factors That May Mean a Blanket Is a Good Idea

- *Horse's hair coat is very thin*
- *Horse is older or skinny*
- *Horse has difficulty chewing, so doesn't eat enough hay to stay warm*
- *Horse has been ill or stressed, such as with trailering or moving to new home*
- *Weather conditions include extreme cold, wind, or prolonged damp cold*
- *Horse has been clipped*
- *Horse is young or small*
- *Horse seems chilled (shivering)*

As in most things, getting by as nature intended is generally your best option. But when blanketing is the right choice, you get to enjoy the warm feeling of knowing you've done your best for your buddy.



**NOVATO HORSEMEN, INC.  
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<i>To Be Completed By NHI Board Member</i> Ck# _____ \$ _____ Date Voted In _____ Date Card Mailed _____
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**★ SENIOR MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION – 2009 ★**

Name of Member \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse \_\_\_\_\_

New Member       Renewal - No Change       Renewal - w/ New Info.   
 (go to Annual Dues Section)

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Street \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ St. \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Day Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Evening Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Profession \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse \_\_\_\_\_

Birthday \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse \_\_\_\_\_

**★ ANNUAL DUES ★**

Individual Membership	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$50.00	Couples Membership	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$75.00
Initiation Fee	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$30.00	Couples Initiation Fee	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$60.00

***New members (and existing members renewing after the March General Meeting) are subject to initiation fees***

May we publish your address/phone number in a member's directory?  Yes  No

Would you prefer to receive your newsletter by email?  Yes  No      Email \_\_\_\_\_

**★ VOLUNTEER EVENTS ★**

*As a NHI member, your participation in club events is essential and will be greatly appreciated. Please check the events for which you will be volunteering*

- |   |  |   |  |
|---|--|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lead Club Ride       | <input type="checkbox"/> Cook Dinner for Gen. Mtg. | <input type="checkbox"/> Marin County Fair              | <input type="checkbox"/> Bartending    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Valentines Crab Feed | <input type="checkbox"/> Halleck Creek BBQ Ride    | <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <sup>th</sup> of July Parade | <input type="checkbox"/> Snack Shack   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Clubhouse Cleaning   | <input type="checkbox"/> Horse Shows               | <input type="checkbox"/> Fundraising Parties            | <input type="checkbox"/> Cattle Events |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Work Parties         | <input type="checkbox"/> Gymkhanas / Play Days     | <input type="checkbox"/> Serve on a committee           |  |

**★ MEMBERSHIP AGREEMENT ★**

As a member, I hereby agree to abide by the Rules and By-Laws of Novato Horsemen, Inc. I understand that, if I am a new member, I must attend a General Membership Meeting within 90 days of submitting the application to complete the requirements for membership. If I do not attend a meeting, the dues and initiation fee are retained by Novato Horsemen's, Inc., and membership is cancelled

✓ Member Signature \_\_\_\_\_ ✓ Member Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor's Name \_\_\_\_\_

**★ WAIVER & RELEASE OF LIABILITY FORM ★**

I (We) have read the contract on the back (or attached hereto) of this Senior Membership Application and I (we) am (are) aware that the contract is legally binding and that I (we) am (are) giving up legal rights and/or remedies to assert a claim for negligence.

✓ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature – Contracting party      Date

✓ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature – Contracting party      Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Printed Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Printed Name

## WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY, ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT

I (we) am (are) voluntarily entering into the following agreement with NOVATO HORSEMEN, INC. and/or NOVATO JUNIOR HORSEMEN ("NJH's") together with their sponsors, property owners, officials, and affiliates and their respective directors, officers, employees, agents, volunteers, representatives, and affiliated persons or entities (all of these persons and entities will collectively be referred to in this agreement as "NHI").

In addition to myself (ourselves), I (we) also make this agreement on behalf of the following persons who are my (our) children or legal wards (under 18 years of age). These persons may attend or participate in open events sponsored or organized by NHI or closed events of members of NHI, and I (we) agree to bind them to this agreement. :

Child's Name. \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Child's Name. \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

All parts of this agreement shall apply to me (us) and the children/legal wards listed above. [We will collectively call ourselves "I", "me", "my", "we", "us" or "our" throughout this agreement.] This agreement shall be binding at all times, now and in the future, when NHI permits me (us) (directly or indirectly) to attend or participate in events sponsored or organized by NHI at any location.

In consideration of NHI allowing me (us) and/or my (our) minor children or legal wards to attend or participate in events sponsored or organized, in whole or in part, by NHI, I (we) agree as follows:

**1. EXPRESS ASSUMPTION OF RISKS.** When preparing for, entering, attending, participating in, or leaving events sponsored or organized in whole or in part by NHI. Horses, mules and ponies are unpredictable by nature. For example, when frightened, angry, or under stress, the natural instincts of a horse, mule or pony are to jump forward or sideways, or run away from danger by trotting or galloping. Horses, mules and ponies are also known to kick, buck, rear up, spin around, strike, or bite. I (we) know that horses, mules or ponies can do these things without warning. I (we) also understand that all horses, mules and ponies are powerful and could have the potential to be dangerous to people who ride, handle, or are around them.

Further, I (we) understand that riding, handling, or being near a horse, mule or pony can expose me (us) to numerous hazards, which could include, for example: the propensity of a horse, mule or pony to behave in ways that may result in injury, harm, or death to persons around them; the unpredictability of a horse, mule or pony's reaction to sounds, sudden movements, and unfamiliar objects, persons, or other animals; certain hazards such as surface or subsurface conditions on the land; and/or collisions with other horses, mules, cattle, ponies, or objects. I (we) understand that these risks and dangers can occur with or without negligence on part of NHI, and I (we) expressly agree to assume all of these risks. I (we) also understand that these are just some risks, and I (we) agree to assume others; I (we) am (are) not relying on NHI to list all possible risks for me (us).

**2. WAIVER AND LIABILITY RELEASE.** As lawful consideration for being permitted to attend or participate in events sponsored or organized, in whole or in part, by NHI at any location, now and in the future, I (we) agree to assume full responsibility for any and all bodily injuries or damages which I (we) may sustain when engaging in these and other activities caused by the ordinary negligence of NHI. The term "damages" means, for example, medical expenses; losses incurred because of bodily injuries or property damages, and/or personal property damages. I (we), for my (our) heirs, administrators, personal representatives, agents, and assigns, waive, release, discharge, and covenant not to sue Novato Horsemen, Inc. and/or Novato Junior Horsemen, together with their sponsors, property owners, officials, and affiliates and their respective directors, officers, employees, agents, volunteers, representatives, affiliated persons or entities, and others acting on their behalf of and from any and all claims, damages, actions, omissions, suits, or causes of action (present and future), whether or not the claims are known or unknown, arising out of the ordinary negligence of any of these parties.

**3. INDEMNITY AGREEMENT.** I (we) also agree to indemnify and hold harmless Novato Horsemen, Inc. and/or Novato Junior Horsemen, together with their sponsors, property owners, officials, and affiliates and their respective directors, officers, employees, agents, volunteers, representatives, affiliated persons or entities, and other acting on their behalf against all damages which are sustained or suffered by any third person(s) [people who are not parties to this Agreement, including, *but not limited to*, participants, spectators, visitors, guests, or others], including any and all injuries or damages whatsoever that I (we) [or my (our) horse(s), mule(s) or pony(ies)] may cause, directly or indirectly, while attending or participating in events sponsored or organized in whole or in part by NHI. The indemnity shall include reimbursement of NHI's attorney fees and court costs.

**4. PROTECTIVE HEADGEAR.** For my protection, NHI advises me (us) to consider purchasing and wearing properly fitted and secured ASTM-standard/SEI-certified protective equestrian headgear when riding or when near horses or ponies I (we) am (are) not relying on NHI to monitor my (our) compliance with this suggestion, and I (we) understand that NHI will not check my (our) helmet (if I (we) wear one) or provide one for me (us) (if I (we) do not).

**5. MISCELLANEOUS.** This agreement is governed by California law and is intended to be as broad and inclusive as is permitted under the law. Should any clause conflict with California law, only that clause will be null and void and the remainder shall stay in effect. This agreement can only be modified or terminated by a written agreement that is signed by the President of NHI and me. If I (we) breach this agreement, I (we) agree to pay attorney's fees and court costs incurred by NHI related to such breach.

**6. HEALTH AND DISABILITIES.** Many disabilities have conditions that pose special physical risks to participants during exercise. Horseback riding is exercise. I (we) understand that NHI recommends that I (we) seek the advice of a physician before participating in activities that involve riding or being near horses, mules or ponies.

### 7. ALSO, I (WE) REPRESENT THAT:

- **AT THE TIME I (WE) AM (ARE) SIGNING THIS, I (WE) AM (ARE) OF SOUND MIND AND NOT SUFFERING FROM SHOCK OR UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF ALCOHOL, DRUGS, OR INTOXICANTS;**
- **I (WE) HAVE CAREFULLY READ THIS WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY, ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT (BOTH PAGES), AND I (WE) FULLY UNDERSTAND IT; AND**
- **I (WE) AM (ARE) AWARE THAT THIS CONTRACT IS LEGALLY BINDING AND THAT I (WE) AM (ARE) GIVING UP LEGAL RIGHTS AND/OR REMEDIES TO ASSERT A CLAIM FOR NEGLIGENCE.**

## Classified Ads

**CUTTING SADDLE:** 16 1/2" seat, \$1,200 call Terry (916) 607-0095

**ROPING SADDLE:** Custom made, 17" seat. \$2,200 call Terry (916) 607-0095

**12x12 BOX STALL:** w/12x30 attached quarry fined paddock, 1 bale shavings per week, Lighted/sprinkled fair weather Round Pen, Small quarry fined turnout area, Secure Tack Room, Feed Rye Grass Hay 3x daily, Cleaning daily, Organic Fly Control, Will Blanket & feed your grain/supplements, 1/2 block from Indian Springs (trail) Riding Club (annual membership), \$385.00 per month -- **20x20 Quarantine Pen** w/ small protective overhang, no shavings, & all the rest of the above, \$225.00 per month -- Depending on availability, **indoor horse trailer storage** @\$125.00 per month. Contact kim@kimvogee.com

**NICE HORSE TRAILER OR BOAT PARKING:** \$50.00 a month. Stall and paddock Boarding for one well behaved pony or mini pony in Indian Valley, includes daily feeding and cleaning \$320.00 a month. Toni 892-3662

**HORSE BOARDING -PENNGROVE:** \$250/month, 12x12 stalls, 60' round pen, 80x120 sand arena, tack room, wash rack, stalls cleaned daily, 2x a day feeding, to schedule a visit, call Larry at 707-753-1848 or 707-795-5283

**WOODYS SILVER LEGACY, 2002 GRAY GELDING:** AQHA 4301386 by Woody Be A Colonel (Colonels Reflection X Reba Lynx) out of Docs Blu Annie Pine (Docs Blue Boy X Pine Bivins Shadow) Big, stout gelding. He will make someone a great ranch, roping, trail riding, team penning or playday horse. Started and trained by Dale Tingle. \$5,000/obo Other horses for sale at [www.lbardranch.com](http://www.lbardranch.com), Ask for Larry at 707-753-1848 or 707-795-5283

**CLEAN GRASS HAY:** \$14.00 per bale. Your horse will love this hay. Can deliver. Call Jana at (415) 897-3955

**HOUSING NEEDED:** NHI member and housemate looking for 2bed/2bath in Novato area. Ideally near stables but good kitchen/living space is a higher priority. One cat (indoor & declawed) who's never caused damage moving with us. Both people have full-time employment in the area. I would be happy to help with barn-related duties if on horse property. Any leads greatly appreciated as we're month-to-month right now and anxious to find a more suitable place. Lydia - [lydiajenner@yahoo.com](mailto:lydiajenner@yahoo.com) / 415-507-7572

**SORREL ARAB/CROSS:** 15.2 hands Unbroke 5yr old. Halters and Leads, Has had a Saddle on but it has been awhile. Willing attitude. Wants to learn. \$500 firm for Horse and tack is available. Call Jackie or Chief 415-898-0448

**APHA OVERO MARE:** 11yr old, ranch horse, incredible on trails, very reliable, safe, trailers, clips, ties, very friendly. \$7000 or b/o. 707-338-2613

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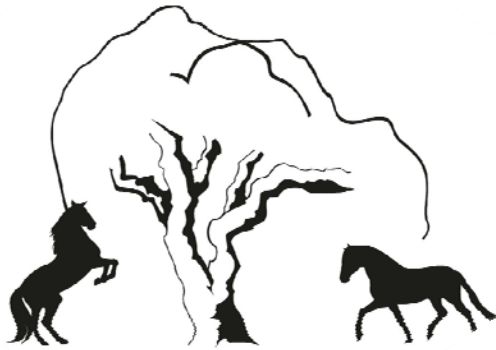
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## USRider Offers Tips for Trailer Storage Preparation

Gleaned from [www.usrider.org/news](http://www.usrider.org/news)

When putting trailers up for the season, it's important for horse owners to take time to do some preventive maintenance. Your trailer has safely transported your four-legged friends all season, don't just unhook from the trailer and neglect it during the off-season, or when it is not going to be used for a significant time. Trailers represent a significant investment and carry precious cargo and should be well maintained – even when not in use – to ensure performance and longevity.

A recent research project co-sponsored by USRider illustrated the importance of maintaining horse trailers. The data showed that a leading cause of trailer wrecks is lack of proper maintenance.

1. Remove the emergency breakaway battery and store inside, out of the weather. Charge the battery at least every 90 days.
2. Jack up the trailer and place jack stands under the trailer frame so that the weight will be off the tires. Follow trailer manufacturer's guidelines to lift and support the unit. Never jack up or place jack stands on the axle tube or on the equalizers.
3. Lubricate mechanical moving parts, such as the hitch and suspension parts that are exposed to the weather. *Note:* On oil-lubricated hubs, the upper part on each roller bearing is not immersed in oil and is subjected to potential corrosion. For maximum bearing life it is recommended that you revolve the wheels periodically (every 2 to 3 weeks) during periods of prolonged storage.
4. Remove rubber floor mats, particularly if you have a wood floor, to prevent pooling of water and allow air to circulate.

Consider purchasing a cover for your trailer. Also, cover its tires. Tire covers are available through trailer dealers and RV dealers. (Be sure to note the size of your tires when purchasing covers.)

It is also important to wash and clean your trailer's interior and exterior thoroughly, and wax its painted surfaces before storing it. This will help maintain the exterior surfaces. Prior to cleaning interior, remove any floor mats.

When preparing a horse trailer for off-season storage, it's a good time to take stock of the trailer –evaluate the tires, breakaway battery, and overall condition. Then make a list of equipment and any repairs that are needed. Moreover, go ahead and schedule those repairs and other upgrades to be performed to beat the rush and be ready for next season.

This is also a good time to check the contents of their equine and human first aid kits. Any depleted and out-of-date items should be replaced. A list of recommended items for first aid kits is posted on the USRider website. [www.usrider.org](http://www.usrider.org).



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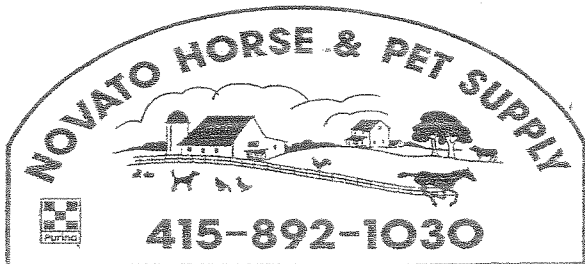
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