





October 2019

BENT TREE SADDLE CLUB NEWSLETTER

Upcoming Events

Fun Horse Show Saturday, October 12th

This event is a NO SPEED EVENT and gives points towards most versatile horse! We have 9 classes planned as off right now. The classes will be Halter, Showmanship, Walk/Trot or Gait, Walk/Trot or Gait/Canter, Obstacle class, Costume contest, Jumping class, Egg & Spoon, and Musical Feed Sack Cones.

The back gate will open at 9:30 and the 1st class will start at 10:15. The cost is \$10 and this price includes all the classes. You can pick and choose the ones you want to do!

We will have a lunch break before the Obstacle class. Hotdog lunch will be provided by Marc Ducharme for \$1 for each item.

Our last show like this we had 20 participants. Let's beat it this year!

Please email Besty Robbe the following info so we can begin making plans: Participate name, Horse name, horse breed at

betsyrobbe@yahoo.com.

Questions or comments:

Claire Eubanks (770)265-9425

- or -

Besty Robbe (email above)

Claire

East Fork Stables Camping Trip October 17 – 20

The October East Fork Stables trip is off with a bang! We will be having a spaghetti Dinner in Lisa and Jim's campsite Thursday evening. Everyone will chip in on the costs and Lisa is providing everything for the dinner, including the cooking! Friday evening will be a potluck dinner, everyone please bring a side dish. This will be held in the Pavilion in the very back behind Campsite A.

Saturday night we will all go to Simply Fresh restaurant in Jamestown just a short drive away! There will be no guided rides. The trails are well marked! Everyone can divide up into your preferred group and ride at the pace they choose. It will be great Camaraderie!

If you haven't made your reservations, don't miss out, call immediately before the last of the cabins are gone! If you can't make 3-days, come for two. Whatever works! As we get closer to that time, I will be sending out more details to individuals who have signed up.

Please let me know if you are coming if your name is not below.

<u>LisaSylvia3@Gmail.Com</u>. The following link will get you to East Fork Stables to make your reservations: https://eastforkstables.com.

The following people have made reservations/Committed to attend:

Kathy Hardin, Gigi Hunter, DJ Suberk, Janice Butt, Julie Heinsman, Janet/Rich Vigue, Randy/Rhonda Erway, Bobby/Joyce Delay, Lisa/Jim Sylvia, Claire Eubanks, Chuck/Carol Ewing, Marc Ducharme, Kathleen Dunn and Ed West.

Lisa

BTSC Horsemanship Saturday, October 26th

Our last BTSC Horsemanship event for the year will take place at 11am on Saturday, October 26th in the Saddle Club Horse Park arena.

This event will include two tests. First up will be the Basic Level Test 1 (some loping) followed by Introductory Level Test 4 (no loping).

These Patterns were distributed in a recent email to the club. If you didn't receive it or can't find it go to:

www.westerndressageassociation.org

Please confirm your participation and back gate access to Georgiana Hunter at 678-449-6214 or via email at ghunter@etcmail.com.

We are working hard to make this a fun event for the club and want all level of riders to participate. Come have some fun on your horse while you improve your horsemanship.

Entry fee is \$10/Test. Don't forget your horses' coggins.

Georgianna



BTSC Omoksee Saturday, November 9th

Our final Omoksee of the year is scheduled for Saturday, November 9th. The back gate will open at noon and the Omoksee will start at 1pm.

Please let me know if you plan on participating and whether you will be coming through the gate at noon.

Don't forget your horse's coggins and the \$10 entry fee.

Rich



Thanksgiving Dinner Saturday, November 16th

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We are returning to our roots for this year's Thanksgiving Dinner only we're going to jazz it up little bit. The event will be held at Bent Tree's Tavern at the 19th Hole at 6:00pm. Chef Tulio will prepare Cucumber Rondelles with Cream Cheese and Smoked Salmon, Wonton Steak Crackers, and Tomato Basil Bruschetta for appetizers during our cocktail hour. The buffet dinner will follow and will offer a Mixed Green Salad, Rolls, Roasted Turkey and Gravy, Brown Sugar Sliced Ham, Mashed Potatoes, Sweet Potato Souffle, Stuffing, and Killer Creamed Corn. And yes, for DES-SERT you will have a choice of cobbler or cake!

Bill Pound, who was so well received at our Kick-Off party at the beginning of the year, will be on hand providing background music during the cocktail hour and entertainment after dinner. Drinks will be available from the Tavern's cash bar. The cost is \$30/person and seating is limited to 40 people. **Prepaid reservations are due by November** 7th. Remit your checks to BTSC, c/o Vigue, 1150 Old Talking Rock Highway, Talking Rock, GA 30175.

This is going to be memorable!

Rich

BTSC Horsemanship Forum Recap September 7th

Our western dressage forum that was held in early September went very well.

There were many clarifications of elements for both tests that will be used in the October event. Aside from clarifying, there was welcoming input from many attendees which added a great deal more information.

We will see now helpful this forum was at the October event. Or if I need to keep my day job.

Georgianna and I enjoyed presenting this forum and I want to thank everyone who came.

Jan



President's Corner

Other than the Horsemanship Forum we had at the beginning of September, this month has been a bust thanks largely to the high temperatures. My horses' muzzles have gone from white to pink to red. So we moved the planned September 28th Horsemanship Event to late October with the hope that we'll have beautiful, balmy Autumn weather for the event.

The 2020 Executive Committee officer positions seem to be in good shape. However, the search for a 2020 president continues. Our fourth quarter General Meeting is scheduled to be held at the Thanksgiving Dinner on November 16th. Unless someone comes forward in the next couple weeks we'll have a vote at that meeting to suspend Article VI of our By-laws which details election procedures. BTW, the By-Laws are available at our website: www.BentTreeSaddleClub.com. I've identified a couple club members who really should step up to the plate and take over the Presidency. So far they've ignored all my sales pitches. So now I'm resorting to some elementary subliminal messaging. tHe club needs A pResidential canDIdate to come forward sooN. it'd be good iF this pOsition weRe taken by the thanksgiving dinner. we need a 2020 PRESIDENT!





The Bent Tree Activities Committee

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HALLOWEEN

Truck'n Treat and Shindig



Candy
Costume Contest
\$5 Arena Rides
\$5 Hot Dog, Chips + Drink
\$5 Haunted Hayride



WHEN

Thursday, October 31st

Truck'n Treat 5:00 - 6:00 pm and Shindig 5:00 - 9:00 pm

WHERE

Bent Tree Stables

RSVP

Bent Tree Stables 706-692-6322



Photos from Around the Stables



Above: Randy Taylor builds a new stall door for the Bent Tree Stables

Right: Rachel patiently waits with "Thumper" for a trail ride to start





Above: Rebuilding of the Bent Tree Stables Hay Wagon, just in time for Halloween Shindig, October 31st

Executive Committee Meeting Summary August 29, 2019

Rich Vigue began the meeting with a summary of the Summer Party. The food and entertainment were both well received. Feedback about the party was very positive. We spent \$92 over what had been budgeted for the event.

Jim Sylvia presented the banking summary year-to-date. The current balance is \$2337.93 which is only \$10.45 less than the beginning of the year balance.

In order to provide entertainment, the club plans to contribute \$500 from the treasury to enhance the Thanksgiving dinner, which will be held on Saturday, November 16.

Bob Crowl presented an application for membership for Kathie Dunn who was sponsored by Georgianna Hunter and Jan Lorenzen. Kathleen is a former member of the club. The committee approved the membership effective October 1, 2019.

The Christmas Party cost approximately \$700 last year. This year we are hoping to use the 19th Hole to fully cater the event. We will budget \$1,000 for expenses if yearend expenses allow for it.

D.J. Suberk and Marc Ducharme are donating latticework to provide cover for the Horse Park bathrooms. Two of the posts have carpenter bee damage and need to be replaced or repaired. We also need to build a shelter for the horse jumps. The committee approved \$500 for this expense.

Many people feel the Grandview Adopt-A-Road program is becoming, or always has been, dangerous for our volunteers. Margaret Lonsdale will be asked to contact Keep Pickens Beautiful to ask for ideas that would make it safer for the volunteers.

Cathy

2019 Membership Report

Please join me in welcoming Kathie Dunn to the Saddle Club. This brings our 2019 membership to 108 members as of October 1. We also welcome Mark Atkins as an honorary member. He recently replaced Phil Bracken as Bent Tree Board of Director's liaison to the Stables Committee after Phil resigned from the Board. We look forward to seeing Kathie and Mark at future Saddle Club events. If you know someone interested in joining our club invite them as a guest to one of our events. Call me at 770-757-8596 if you have any questions.

Bob

Treasurer's Report 09/25/19			
Balance 08/25/19	\$2,336.93		
Deposits: Mem / Misc Deposits	\$ 31.00		
Expenses: Summer Bash Vigue Expenses	\$ 34.78		
Balance 09/25/19	\$2,333.15		
	Jim		

November Newsletter

Deadline for updated event info, articles and photos is **Sunday October 27th**

Newsletter will go out on November 1st

Send to Email address: <u>btstables@etcmail.com</u>

Articles must be a WORD .doc.

and font must be Times new Roman, size 10

Photos must be in jpeg format.

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Most Versatile Horse Points

Horse	Owner	Points
Dance	Claire Eubanks	377
Lexi	Lisa Sylvia	324
Rusty	DJ Suberk	275
Dude	Bob Crowl	262
Socks	Janet Vigue	156
Precious	Roberta Sarchet	145
Hotshot	Chuck Ewing	144
Jazz	Rich Vigue	120
Sorcha	Ronda Erway	114
Peekaboo	Kathy Hardin	105
Knight	Kim Brown	101
Timber	Tami Steinbrecher	73
Ranger	John Wilder	72
Lido	Barbara Tiernan	66
Donovan	Susan Hannah	62
Starlite	Claire Eubanks	60
Charm	Julie Heinsman	56
Lily	Elise Eubanks	55
Apache	Dawn Lathem	54
Duncan	Ronda Erway	52

News from Bent Tree Stables

Halloween **Shindig Bent Tree Stables** Thursday, October 31st 5 - 9 pm needs Volunteers and other scary creatures

Call: 706-692-6322

Email: k1@earthlink.net

Fall is a great time to trail ride. Please share with your friends that we are open for business.

Happy Trails.

Keeve



2019 Executive Committee

President: Rich Vigue Vice-President: Sharon Eikenberry

Treasurer: Jim Sylvia
Secretary: Cathy Jones
BT Liaison: Bob Crowl
Past President: Keith Hunter
Past Past Pres. Kathy Hardin
Appointee: Marianne Torchia

2019 Positions

Membership: Bob Crowl Newsletter Ed.: Keeve Krasner Email Distribution: Rich Vigue Website Admin: Jim Sylvia

Visit our website

at

www.BentTreeSaddleClub.com



Join our Group Page on Facebook

October 2019

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	Fun Horse Show
13	14	15	16		18 EAST FORK Trailer-	
20	21	22	23	24	25	26 BTSC Horsemanship
27	28	29	30	31 Halloween Shindig		

October Birthdays: Kim Rinaldi 10/2, Skyler Denton 10/4, Keeve Krasner 10/6, Noranna Sissom 10/8, Jan Lorenzen 10/10, Katherine Davis 10/16, Mariellen Shultz 10/20, Jan Behrorst 10/24

BTSC 2019 Calendar of Events

To add event or volunteer contact Rich Vigue at richvigue@ellijay.com or 770-289-7272

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	Location	<u>Leader(s)</u>
October 12 Saturday	Fun Horse Show	Horse Park	Betsy & Claire
October 17-20 Thurs-Sun	Trailering Trip	East Fork	Jim & Lisa
October 26 Saturday	BTSC Horsemanship	Horse Park	Jan & Georgianna
November 9 Saturday	O-Mok-See	Horse Park	Rich
November 16 Saturday	Thanksgiving Dinner (Gen'l Mtg)	The Tavern at the 19th Hole	Rich & Janet
November 17 Sunday	Trailering Ride	Fausett Farm	John
December 7 Saturday	Christmas Party	Pendley Creek	Rich & Janet



Saddle Club member Mark Krasner riding his pretty mare Annie on a Bent Tree Trail



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Julie Heinsman

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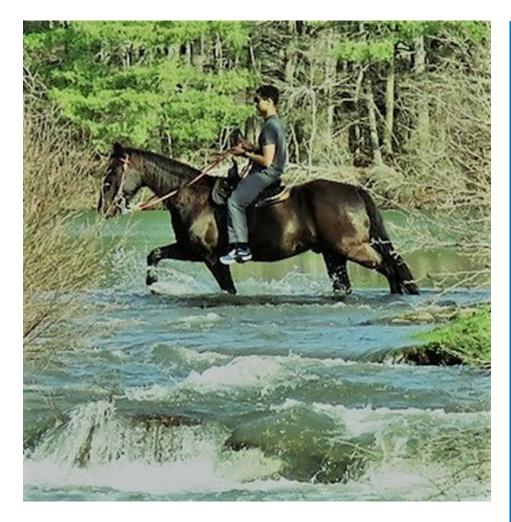


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Trail Rides

Arena Rides

Riding Lessons

Group Events

Summer Camps

June 3 - 7 June 17 - 21 July 8 - 12 July 22 - 26

Reservations by appointment only 706-692-6322

stables.bent-tree.com

Wed – Sun same day reservations

Mon – Tues 24 hour advance resv.