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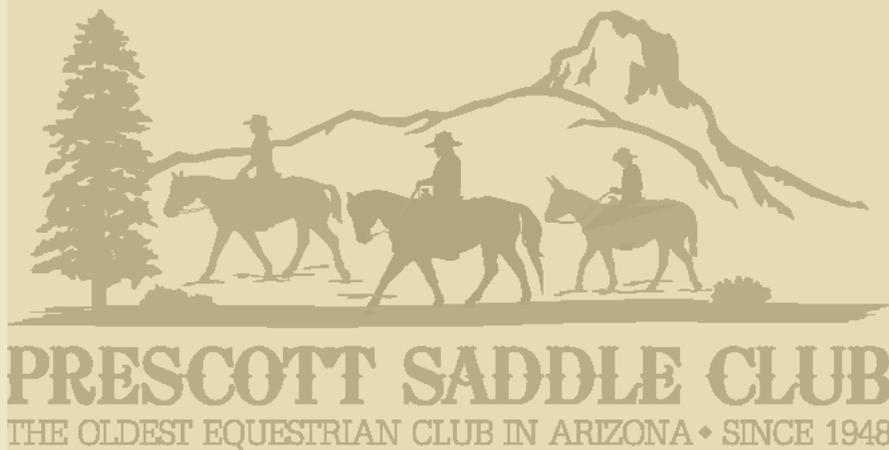
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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Hi everyone,

As your new president I'm very excited about this coming year. Welcome new and returning board members, we should have a diverse amount of ideas and rides for everyone to enjoy!

You will see some new changes in the newsletter coming your way including the names, phone numbers and e- mail addresses of the board members and our new Trails Committee. Please feel free to call anyone of the committee or board members with any rides or ideas you would like them to consider.

As one of our new activities we will be having a booth at Equifest. We will have a speaker from the Prescott Equine Hospital on a very important subject. Don't forget bar tending at the Prescott Rodeo is one of our biggest fundraiser's of the year so mark your calendars and volunteer ! It really is fun and the money helps pay for other social events. We will also be entering the parade this year to represent the oldest riding club in Prescott. We could have a parade class to get our horses ready? Those with no horses can still participate by doing the parade wave from a horse drawn wagon. Will have more info later.

Look on your "SAVE THE DATES" to put on your calendar for camp outs and other functions. Enough for now!!

Tom

FOR THE SAFETY AND ENJOYMENT OF ALL RIDERS WE FOLLOW THESE RULES

1. Never pass the trail leader without permission.
2. A parent or guardian must accompany riders under 18.
3. Non-members are welcome but must be the guest of a member.
4. No stallions on rides.
5. No alcohol on the trails.
6. No smoking on the trail while in the saddle.
7. No firearms carried on the trail, other than by law enforcement personnel, except by people authorized by the trail boss.
8. No dogs on the trail. Dogs are allowed in camp but must be on a leash at all times.
9. Do not lope or run your horse. Do not pass another horse on the trail without permission and then only when it is safe to pass.
10. Maintain your position - about one horse length behind the horse in front. Do not lag back and lope to catch up. On very steep climbs or descents, it is proper to wait for a clear distance for safety.
11. If you need to stop anywhere on the trail, tell the trail boss - the whole group will wait.
12. No littering on trails. Pack it in, pack it out!
13. Horses that kick should have a red ribbon on their tail.

TRAIL CONDITION GUIDE

Call trail leader for more information and to make your reservation.



Level 1 – An easy, shorter ride with mostly level terrain, low grades and good footing. Trail mostly follows roads or wide, well defined trails.

Level 2 – Some grades but not steep or hard. Can go across country on mostly level ground.

Level 3 – Footing may be rocky and difficult in places. May have steep grades and be narrow. Could be long in length.

Level 4 – Steep grades, rocky and there may be some steps, negotiating ledges and large boulders. Could be long in length.

Always call the ride leader **2 days** in advance of the ride. If you plan on bringing a guest, your guest **must** sign a waiver. Unless otherwise noted, please bring your own lunch/ refreshments.

Ride Speeds: Slow, Medium and Fast are **WALK** speeds. If gaited indicated call ride leader to determine speed.



TRAIL NEWS !!

The Prescott Saddle Club now has a **Trails and Activities Committee!** The members are **Spike and Carol Hicks** and **Billie Wederski**. Please contact them if you have any ideas about ride ideas or activities for the club. This is your club and we encourage your participation in making this a club that has something for everyone!

If you are interested in leading a ride, please contact a member of the committee. Ride leaders furnish snacks and are reimbursed up to \$20 with a receipt and self-addressed envelope to our treasurer, Jeff Parker c/o PSC, P.O. Box 11052, Prescott, AZ 86304

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DATE	RATING	HOURS	RIDE DESCRIPTION/DIRECTIONS	RIDE LEADER	
Thur. 2/26	4	5-5.5	Wickenburg Ride -Departs <u>10:30am</u> . Thru Skull Valley to 89-93 (leave extra time for construction and 89 & 93). Left onto 93 to route 60 East. Pass MacDonalds, turn left onto El Rectro (1st left after Subway), continue onto Constellation Road When you pass main entrance to rodeo grounds you will continue on Constellation road, 4.5 miles to staging area. When road turns to dirt go straight (do NOT follow signs to Sophie's Flats) . Mel will be in front of staging area. If you plan to attend, call Mel by Tue. 2/24.	Mel Lerner C: 928-925-7293 H: 623-388-0151	
SAT. 2/28	3	5	Blair Pass to Clark Springs -Arrive Cayuse Trailhead <u>9:30am</u> , Ride <u>10:00am</u> . After lunch there will be a long steep climb to Clark Springs Pass and a long, but gradual down hill back to Cayuse Trailhead. Some of the first and last parts of the ride will be through the Doce Fire burn area but will have spectacular views with the first and last parts of the ride through dense unburned forest.	Spike Hicks 928-778-1833	
SAT. 3/7	2	4	South Side of Fair Oaks -Meet at the mailboxes at the corner of Williamson Valley Rd. and Fair Oaks at <u>9:30am</u> to caravan to the windmill.	JoAnne Rudolph	
SAT. 3/14	2	4	Spider Ranch -Meet at the mailboxes at the corner of Williamson Valley Rd. and Fair Oaks at <u>9:00am</u> to caravan to the parking spot 11 miles out Fair Oaks.	JoAnne Rudolph 928-308-3803	
SAT. 3/21	3	4	Meet at Mike & Mindy Weisman's house at <u>10:00</u> , ride at <u>10:30</u> . We will ride up to the plateau where "the boobs" are located, have lunch up there, then come back down and through Sand Canyon on the way back, before crossing the gullies and hills of the state land before returning to the trailers. This ride will be done in reverse of what has been done in the past and will look very different from what the club is used to, becoming essentially a new ride.	Mike Weisman 928-636-4094	
SAT. 3/28			NO RIDE		
SAT. 4/4	3 GAITED	5	Panoramic Perkinsville Powerline - Meet at the Peavine Trailhead on Perkinsville Rd. in Chino Valley at <u>9:00am</u> . Caravan to FR164 (Powerline Rd.) at mile marker 14.5 on Perkinsville Rd.	JoAnne Rudolph 928-308-3803	
SAT. 4/11	3	4.5	Contreras Rd. to Granite Basin Lake -Iron Springs Rd. west to Skull Valley. Near the bottom of the hill turn right on Contreras Rd. Go approx 1/4 mi. to the parking area on right. Meet at <u>9:30 am</u> , ride at	Billie Wederski 928-778-5067	
SAT. 4/18			Groom Creek Cleanup. 9:00 - 12N. Meet at horse camp. Pizza Lunch. Movie Night at Mike Weisman's. 6:30. Call 636-4094		
FRI -SUN 4/24 - 26	3		Campout at Pitat Ranch -Arrive on Friday morning. There will be a short ride after lunch. Saturday's ride leaves at 9:30am, 5 hours including lunch. Saturday night cocktails at 5:30pm, potluck dinner at 6:00pm. There will be a regular size gas grill available for meats to be BBQ'd. Sunday morning there will be a 3 hour ride. Water will be provided. Must be self-contained for camping. Day riders welcome!	Billie Wederski 928-778-5067	
NOTE: All rides will be ridden at a WALK unless noted as GAITED. Questions? Call the Ride Leader. Unless otherwise noted, Bring your Own Lunch. All ride times include time for lunch.					

SAVE THE DATE!

May 9: Animal Disaster Relief Fundraising Ride. Ride Leader Spike Hicks

June 12-14: Hutch Mountain Campout. Ride Leaders, Tom Norris & Denise Stevens

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Feb. 27-28: IMBA (International Mountain Biking Association) Trail Crew will be here on Feb. 27 and 28. On Friday night they will have a presentation on how trails improve the quality of life. Saturday morning they will have a trail building class, then lunch, then out to the trail to start building. This is open to everyone. BCH found this to be very informative when they attended one year. The meeting will be held upstairs at the Boys and Girls Club at Aubrey & Pleasant, Prescott. RSVP to www.PrescottMTB.com and click on the IMBA Trail Crew Link.

March 6-8: 14th Annual Fox Trotter Gaited Ride (See flyer on following page).

April 18: Movie Night at Mike Weisman's. Showing: *The Magnificent Seven* 6:30 pm. Popcorn and soft-drinks served. Please RSVP: 928-636-4094 or traviatablues@yahoo.com



May 15-16-17: OVERNITER AT GROOM CREEK HORSE CAMP! You can start booking your sites at any time. We have reserved the Group Picnic Area in Loop C. Make your reservations by contacting Recreation.Gov or call 1-800-444-6777

May 11: Prescott Trails Committee meeting at the Armory, 6-8 p.m.

June 29-July 5: World's Oldest Rodeo. Bartending dates to be announced in the next newsletter.

July 4: Parade. We will once again be participating in the parade. Riders and non-riders welcome! More info to come!

September: (Date not yet determined). Equifest. We will have a booth this year at the Equifest and will be seeking volunteers to man in on Saturday. Contact the Trails & Activities committee to volunteer.

Dec. 13 (Sunday): Christmas Party at St. Michaels in Prescott.

2015 ARIZONA FOX TROTTER 14th ANNUAL GAITED TRAIL RIDE

We're going to do it again Arizona style, March 6, 7 & 8, 2015 at the historic Bumble Bee Ranch, one of the original Arizona stage stops from the 1800s. The ranch is nestled at the base of the Bradshaw Mountains in the beautiful Sonoran Desert. We will ride scenic trails through stands of majestic Saguaros and visit historic sites from the 1800s. Some new trails have been added this year for a new adventure in the old west.

Enjoy riding some of Arizona's most beautiful trails This ranch offers campers great amenities including nice level camping spots, horse water, restrooms with hot showers and a covered heated pavilion for eating and dancing. So sign up early and don't miss out."

For those who want campsites with electric (limited number) and pens for horses make reservations early with Kelly. They also have one large guest house with Jacuzzi that will accommodate several people. **Please call Kelly at Bumble Bee Ranch and make your reservations soon. Ranch Phone: 623-374-0002.**

Ride includes: 2 dinners, Friday (BBQ ribs or BBQ chicken), Saturday (ribeye steak, chicken or salmon). Evening meals include salad, the main meal, dessert, coffee and water. A full breakfast will be served buffet style on Saturday and Sunday morning. There is an optional hamburger/hotdog meal on Thursday night for \$12 and an optional breakfast on Friday morning for \$12. Recommended arrival date: Thursday, March 5, 2015. **Bring your own lunch fixins for lunch on the trail or bag lunches available on Friday and Saturday for \$6 each day.**

Two gaited trail rides daily. Optional cattle drive for \$25 (12 riders only).

Saturday night will include great raffle items and a silent auction. Some horse stalls and power are available on first come basis for an additional charge. Reservations required.

Cost for the 3 days is \$132 per person and includes most activities, 2 dinners, 2 breakfasts and dry camping for you and your horse. Full showers and bathrooms are included. Call Kelly at Bumble Bee Ranch and make your reservations soon. Ranch Phone: 623-374-0002.

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DON'T FORGET!

It's time to renew your membership! In order to continue receiving the newsletter, dues must be received by MARCH 25. On the following page you will find a Membership Application and Renewal. Please fill out and return with your check to:

**Prescott Saddle Club
P.O. Box 11052, Prescott, AZ 86304**

PRESCOTT SADDLE CLUB

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**Membership Application Renewal
And Liability Release**

(Revised 2/2007)

In consideration of acceptance of my membership by the Prescott Saddle Club and my being permitted to participate in any club sponsored event or activity, I, for myself, my heirs, executors, administrators, successors, and assignors, do waive, release and discharge all claims for damages resulting from death, personal injury or property damage which I may have, or which may hereafter accrue to me as a result of my participation in such events or activities. I understand this release is intended to discharge and release, in advance, the Prescott Saddle Club, its members and their respective agents, officers, servants, employees, and representatives from and against any and all liability arising out of, or connected in any way, with my participation in any club-sponsored event or activity, even that liability may arise out of negligence or carelessness on the part of the persons or entities mentioned above. All family members please sign (parent or guardian if under 18 years of age). I agree to abide by all club and trail ride rules. I understand that I will receive and read the club rules and regulations/bylaws after my acceptance into the club. I also understand that my/our application may be rejected. I have read and understand the release agreement as a condition of membership into the club with my signature.

Note: Stallions or dogs are not allowed on club rides.

(CHECK ONE)

() NEW MEMBER APPLICATION () RENEWAL

APPLICANT NAME (Print) _____

Applicant's Signature _____

SPOUSE NAME (Print) _____

Spouse Signature _____

PLEASE PRINT BELOW; THE NAMES AND AGES OF ALL MINOR CHILDREN COVERED BY THIS APPLICATION AND RELEASE.

CHILDREN'S NAME(S) AND AGE(S) _____

MAILING ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE & ZIP CODE _____

HOME TELEPHONE # _____ WORK TELEPHONE # _____

FAX # _____ E-MAIL ADDRESS _____

Family Membership () \$35.00 Single Membership () \$25.00

Please make check or money order payable to Prescott Saddle Club and send with

Signed application /release to: P.O. Box 11052, Prescott, AZ 86304

Application Approved by: _____ Date: _____

P.S.C. Board Member

(Optional) Please include information about yourself (to be included in the newsletter) on the reverse side of this application

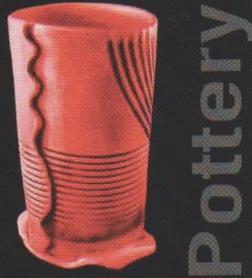
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Clean out that barn or advertise a service! Ads are FREE to members, \$25 for non-members. Email your free ad to randim1948@gmail.com, or your paid ad with check to: Prescott Saddle Club, PO Box 11062, Prescott, Az 86304

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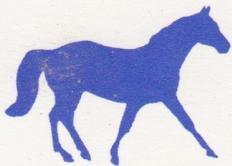
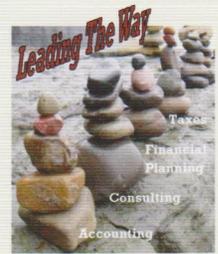
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