

# The Western Saddle Club News



January 2009

Rickey Jones, President; Charles Duvall, Vice-President; Jody Jones, Treasurer; Ellen Kilgo, Secretary  
Board of Directors: Dee Allen, Tim Conway, Gary Cox, Shorty Gray, Ken Jones, Jimmy Plemons

## Meeting Highlights

The next meeting of the WSC will be held on Monday February 2nd, at 7:30 PM, at the club house. The January meeting was opened by President Rickey Jones. The Officers' reports were read and accepted by the membership.

### The old business addressed at the meeting:

- Remember that there is a drop box near the front door with the form, for paying for camping. The charge is \$10 per day per camp site with electricity.
- Work is continuing on the Berry Trails to improve them. If you have any questions about the trails or suggestions, call Alan Story, 706-290-2140.

### The new business addressed at the meeting:

- With the rain-out of the Thanksgiving ride, some ideas on raising money for the WSC are needed. Some suggestions ranged from restarting shows to renting our facilities for more community events. One suggestion would be to combine with other clubs to pool our resources. One important idea that came up was to have more two day events during the year like the Thanksgiving ride during holiday weekends throughout the year. These events could be limited to the 42 electrified campsites to provide for a very high quality ride and entertainment weekend. If you have any suggestions, the Officers and Board are in need of your suggestions. Decisions for activities will be made soon and all members are encouraged to provide their input as these plans for the year's activities are made.

- Remember during hunting days, no one may ride on the Berry property. Everyone who has a permit should have received this information. As a reminder, March 21-May 15, 2009, no Riding before 10 AM. This is 2009 Turkey Season. For more information, contact Alan Story, 706-290-2140.
- If you create a fire pit while camping, the WSC asks you to clean up your pit. Some damage to lawn equipment has occurred when chunks of unseen firewood are hit. Please be sure to clean your camping area.

### Board of Directors

There are no announcements from the Board.

## It's Time To Renew Your WSC 2009 Membership

Every year between January and March, all WSC memberships need to be renewed for the year. Cost for memberships is the same as last year.

The family membership is \$60. This is for adults and children under 18 years of age. Individual memberships this year are \$30. Student memberships are available for \$10. Anyone requesting student membership must be a full time student and will need to present proof of their status as a student.

## Call Competition Trail Riders

Melinda Gresham is interested in holding competition trail riding events at the WSC. Competition trail riding events are a set of obstacles and tests that are common to trail riding. These are timed events, and both the rider and the horse are judged during the event.

As this is a call to see how many people are interested in participating in the event, the dates have not been set yet. Also, there is a great need for WSC volunteers to help in the running of these events.

If you are interested in helping or participating in the competition trail riding event, please give Melinda a call. Her number is 706-291-0995.

## Activity Calendar For 2009

As many of the activities for 2009 are still being planned, members are asked to pay specific attention to the activities calendar this year. As new items are added each month, the calendar will be updated.

### 2009 Planned Club Activities

<b>Feb. 2:</b>	WSC Club Meeting	7:30 PM
<b>Mar. 2:</b>	WSC Club Meeting	7:30 PM
<b>Mar 28:</b>	Trail Ride	10 AM
<b>Apr. 6:</b>	WSC Club Meeting	7:30 PM
<b>Apr 25:</b>	Trail / Poker Ride	10 AM
<b>Apr 26:</b>	Trail Ride	10 AM
<b>May 4:</b>	WSC Club Meeting	7:30 PM
<b>May 24:</b>	Trail / Scavenger Ride	10 AM
<b>June 1:</b>	WSC Club Meeting	7:30 PM
<b>June 27:</b>	Fort Mountain Trail Ride	10 AM
<b>July 6:</b>	WSC Club Meeting	7:30 PM
<b>Aug 3:</b>	WSC Club Meeting	7:30 PM
<b>Sept 12:</b>	Pink Ride	TBA
<b>Sept 14:</b>	WSC Club Meeting	7:30 PM
<b>Sept 26:</b>	Trail Ride	10 AM
<b>Sept 27:</b>	Trail Ride	10 AM
<b>Oct 5:</b>	WSC Club Meeting	7:30 PM
<b>Oct 24:</b>	Trail Ride	10 AM
<b>Nov 2:</b>	WSC Club Meeting	7:30 PM
<b>Nov 27:</b>	Thanksgiving Ride	1 PM
<b>Nov 28:</b>	Thanksgiving Ride	10 AM
<b>Nov 29:</b>	Thanksgiving Ride	10 AM
<b>Dec:</b>	WSC Christmas Party	TBA

Show and ride dates are subject to change. Verify time and dates near the event.

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