

Rambling Rose

MAY 2009

Sponsor News:

- Cavender's - provides special discount coupons for exhibitors
- Equiderma - offers special TRHP discount for on-line orders
- Guardian Horse Bedding signs on
- Lona's Equine - on site for therapeutic massage and homeopathic products
- It' All About the Horse - check website for specials



Spring into Summer with the Rose

Starting in January, weekly **Barrel Racing** and **Team Roping** competitions have been the latest additions to the 2009 line-up of events at TRHP. Sprinkle in a couple of **Agility Dog Shows**, the one and only **Texas Dressage Classic** with its \$10,000 Freestyle, several "**AA**" **Hunter/Jumper shows**, a **USEF Emerging Athletes Program**, the **Lindale Music Festival**, and last but not least, the **USED National Drill Team Championship** and you've got just a taste of what has been going on at TRHP and what more is yet to come, just around the corner in June.

We hope you will join us, with or without a horse in tow, to participate, observe, learn or just enjoy the sights and events at Texas Rose Horse Park.

The **Texas Dressage Classic** held in April set the stage for 2nd 2009 Texas Dressage Classic to be held Sept. 24-27th. Warmbloods, Coldbloods,

Thoroughbreds, all were well represented at the April show with some of the top riders and trainers from across Texas and beyond.

Barbie Piccinni on Royal Tango took top honors in the \$7000 FEI Freestyle with a score of 75.250%. In the \$3000 USDF Freestyle the top contenders were: Adult Amateur Elizabeth Fletcher 68.229%; Melanie Appel JR/YR 62.604% and Carsten Meyer -Open 72.604%.

June 6 & 7 promise to be very exciting days at TRHP, something for everyone – **Southwest Miniature Horse Club** show, **North Texas Hunter Jumper Club** show, and the **Emerging Athletes Program**.

The **Texas Dressage Classic I & II** scheduled for Sept. 24-27 will be another first for TRHP and the Texas dressage community. Part of the competition will be benefiting Azleway, a non profit organization working with the



Texas Rose Horse Park's Kathy Brunson with 2009 Lindale Rodeo Queen Sara Cannon & Sweetheart Mackenzie Vernon. TRHP sponsored the Queen's contest this year and has plans to work with the community to promote this event in 2010.

youth of Texas. A silent auction, gourmet food and local celebs are just a few of the attractions to look forward to at this event. We'll keep you posted in the coming months as the auction items come in – the better to pre-plan your bidding strategy!



New to the Rose

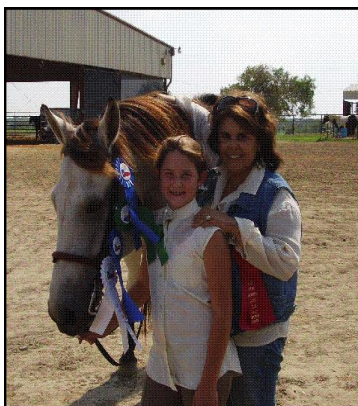
July 11 marks the return of the **American Competitive Trail Horse Association (ACTHA)** for their second Trail Ride competition at the Rose. **Cavender's** of Texas graciously sponsored their March event at TRHP, providing cash prizes and Montana Siversmith buckles for the winners.

Another first will be a **Texas Match Roping Series** which will be comprised of 5 ropings over the summer starting June 10 and concluding July 15, 2009.

If ropes are not your thing, you might want to try the **Carriage Association Arena Driving Trial**. TRHP is looking forward to having its own Carriage Driving

Course, (talk about exciting to watch....), but that is still in the planning stages. We will have to make do with our beautiful all - weather arenas for now.

Keep an eye on our events schedule as it changes weekly – with new additions!



Brunson Equestrian Center - Summer Camp

Summer Camp is almost here! If you are looking for a wonderful experience for your young experienced, or would be equestrian, this is the place to be.

We will be working with all the basic riding styles - Western, English and Bareback . There will be lots of riding but all around horsemanship will be a major part of the program. Safety awareness, preventative medicine, grooming and caring for the everyday needs of your horse are stressed in the cur-

riculum. Each student will be given a Brunson Equestrian Center shirt which they will be required to wear when attending camp. (Additional shirts will be available for purchase at the office).

Click on the **Brunson Equestrian Center tab** for more information and exact dates. Camp sessions start June 16th. The number of students per session will be limited to ensure quality instruction so get your application in well in advance.

Camp riders may also have the opportunity to observe the other horse events going on at the TRHP during their camp sessions. Barrel Racing, Roping, National Drill Team Championship, American Competitive Trail Horse Association competition, and a Dressage Clinic are just a few of the events that students will get to experience first hand during their camp days.

To get an application print one from the Brunson Equestrian Center tab on the Home Page or call 903-882-8696



Texas Rose Horse Park - Staff Feature - Amanda Harp

In 2007 The Brunson Equestrian Center, at Texas Rose Horse Park, welcomed Ms. Amanda Harp from Virginia as the new resident instructor for the Center.

Ms. Harp is an accomplished equestrian with a broad range of experience in the horse world. At age 11 she was showing in hunter/jumpers, western pleasure, barrels and compet-

ing in endurance riding. At age 14 she was an active member of the US Pony Club/Royal Oaks chapter. By 2003 she was hired as a trainer at Hunter Oaks Farm teaching ages 5 through adults, beginners through intermediate.

In 2004 Ms. Harp moved to Purcellville, Virginia to become a working student for former 3-Day Eventing Rider and Olympic

medalist Phyllis Dawson.

2006 found Ms. Harp as barn manger and instructor to over 30 students at Windy Meadows Farm.

As riding instructor/trainer and Summer Camp Director at Brunson Equestrian Center, Ms. Harp continues to advance her students that are already competing in NTHJC and USEF Hunter/Jumper shows and to bring along her less experienced students to meet their riding goals..



Ms. Harp's junior students are currently competing in NTHJC & USEF Hunter/Jumper shows

Sponsor Spotlight - It's All About the Horse

Texas Rose Horse Park is fortunate to have the sponsorship of "It's All About the Horse". Owner Cindy Murray is an accomplished and experienced rider that lets her in-depth knowledge of horses and riders guide her in-store retailing decisions.

Customers can be assured that Cindy know what works and what doesn't for horse and rider.

Her store in Plano, Texas, offers a complete selection of fine English tack, apparel for horse & rider, and a great selection of equestrian themed gifts and other accessories. Summer is a good time to take advantage of the blanket cleaning and repair service that they offer to be ready for the upcoming winter. Visit their website to view their extensive list of quality manufacturers, like Passier, Stubben, Ariat, Kiefer and others.

Don't neglect to sign up to receive news about monthly specials plus exciting in-store events.

Look for Cindy and her mobile unit at upcoming shows. www.itsallaboutthehorse.com

