

# Calendar Of Events

Calendar is a free listing for all equine events. Deadline is the 12th of the month. Fax to (928) 636-7602, or Email to [info@azhorseconnection.com](mailto:info@azhorseconnection.com) or mail to Arizona Horse Connection, 1130 Red Cinder Rd., Chino Valley, AZ 86323.

## HORSE SHOWS

Jan. 5 - 8

48TH ANNUAL ARIZONA NATIONAL HORSE SHOW, WestWorld, Scottsdale, AZ. AQHA (2 split combined show - 4 judges, 4 sets of points), AQHA Special Event Cutting, NRCHA classes, Saddlebred Show, 4-H/FFA Show, Youth Horse Judging Contest, Appaloosa Show. Entry deadline: 4-H/FFA - 12/10/11; AQHA, Appaloosa, Saddlebred - 12/15/11. For info, rules and entries, [www.anls.org](http://www.anls.org), or call (602) 258-8568.

Jan. 15

BLUE RIBBON HORSE SHOW. Sunday, 9:00 a.m., WestWorld, arenas 5A & 5, Scottsdale, AZ. Double Judged Show. Halter, Western, English, open to all breeds. PAC approved. For info, (602) 992-2145, or visit [www.blueribbonhorseshow.com](http://www.blueribbonhorseshow.com).

Jan. 15

SCOTTSDALE SADDLE CLUB OPEN WESTERN SHOW. Sunday, 9:00 a.m., Horse Lover's Park, Phoenix, AZ. Halter, Western, English, Ranch Horse, Trail, Jumping, Leadline, open to all breeds. PAC & OEIP approved. For info, email [chris@misker.us](mailto:chris@misker.us).

Jan. 28-Feb. 5

AzQHA SUN COUNTRY QUARTER HORSE CIRCUIT, WestWorld, Scottsdale, AZ. Open, Youth and Amateur Shows. Eight AQHA shows, Working Hunter, NSBA classes, Ranch Horse Versatility, Clinics, Shopping, and more! For info, call Doug Huls, (480) 390-6867 or [www.suncircuit.com](http://www.suncircuit.com). See ad this issue.

Feb. 2

SHOW CIRCUIT OPEN HORSE SHOW. WestWorld, Trailhead arena, Scottsdale, AZ. Halter, Western, Hunt Seat, Saddleseat. Leadline, 13 & Under, 14-18, 19 & Over, 39 & Over. 9 a.m. (480) 488-5711 or [sundustSDA@aol.com](mailto:sundustSDA@aol.com), [Sundustaz.com](http://Sundustaz.com).

Feb. 11-12

VALENTINE SPECTACULAR, PtHA, APHA and All Breed Show. Horseshoe Park, Queen Creek, AZ. 18 High Point Awards, Cash payouts in all classes, Pinto Registry available day of show. Solid Paint Bred and Walk/Trot Classes. Judges: Dr. Walter de la Brosse (PtHA/All Breed); Doug La Sota (PtHA/APHA/All Breed); Bill Englund (APHA/All Breed). Show manager, Jennifer Cignoni, (480) 772-1418; stall manager, Tammy or Tim, (480) 358-3710. [www.painteddesertpintoshows.com](http://www.painteddesertpintoshows.com) or [www.azpaints.org](http://www.azpaints.org) for more info. See ad this issue.

Feb. 12

SCOTTSDALE SADDLE CLUB OPEN ENGLISH WITH JUMPING SHOW. Sunday, 9:00 a.m., Horse Lover's Park, Phoenix, AZ. Halter, Western, English, Ranch Horse, Trail, Jumping, Leadline, open to all breeds. PAC & OEIP approved. For info, email [chris@misker.us](mailto:chris@misker.us).

Feb. 16-26

SCOTTSDALE ARABIAN HORSE SHOW, WestWorld, Scottsdale, AZ. Over 2,400 Arabian horses competing, shopping, and more! Charities to benefit Cox Charities, March of Dimes, Horseman's Distress Fund and Phoenix Crisis Nursery. Arabian Horse Association of Arizona, [www.scottsdalshow.com](http://www.scottsdalshow.com). See ad this issue.

Feb. 25

SOUTHWEST SPECIALTIES SADDLE SERIES, Horseshoe Park, Queen Creek, AZ. 8:00 a.m. Classes for every level. Division Awards at every show and at the conclusion of the series. PAC approved. email [southwestsp2000@yahoo.com](mailto:southwestsp2000@yahoo.com), [www.southwestspecialtiesonline.com](http://www.southwestspecialtiesonline.com), (480) 695-6283.

Feb. 26

BLUE RIBBON HORSE SHOW. Sunday, 9:00 a.m., Horse Lovers Park, main arena, Tatum Blvd. just east of the 101, Phoenix, AZ. Double Judged Show. Halter, Western, English, open to all breeds. PAC approved. For info, (602) 992-2145, or visit [www.blueribbonhorseshow.com](http://www.blueribbonhorseshow.com).

Mar. 1-4

2012 SHAMROCK QUARTER HORSE SHOW, sponsored by SAQHA. Pima County Fairgrounds, Tucson, AZ. 5 judges, Open, Amateur, Nov. Amateur Classes Thursday-Sunday; Youth classes Saturday and Sunday. Cutting, Cowhorse, Roping & NRCHA Cowhorse classes. Sat/Sun Split Combined Show with 3 judges. Visit [saqha.org](http://saqha.org) for details, entry forms and stall res. See ad this issue.

## BARREL RACING/POLES

Feb. 9-12

USHER BARREL RACING, 8 a.m. Horse Shoe Park, Queen Creek, AZ.

ROBERTSON RANCH WINTER BARREL RACING SERIES, every Wednesday, entries and TO's at 10:30, run at 12. 55619 W. Ivory Rd., Maricopa, AZ. Lesli, (406) 660-2403.

4D BARREL RACE SADDLE & BUCKLE SERIES, Lazy Dog Arena. Third Sunday of the month (Feb. 20 - Sept. 18). 9:00 a.m. 3775 N. Road 1 West, Chino Valley. (928) 710-5157, [lazydogarena@yahoo.com](mailto:lazydogarena@yahoo.com).

BARREL & POLE PRACTICE, every Tues from 6:30-8:30 p.m., poles first, then barrels. P & M Arena, Apache Junction. Bonnie at (602) 565-2094 or <http://pmarena.com>.

JACKPOT BARRELS & POLES, sponsored by Arizona Youth Rough Riders, Meridian & Brown Rds., Apache Junction, AZ. Nov-April, sign up 10 a.m., start 11 a.m., runs all day.

## COWBOY MOUNTED SHOOTING

Feb. 24-26

WILD WEST MERCANTILE'S WINTER RANGE SASS WESTERN NTL. CHAMPIONSHIP OF COWBOY MOUNTED SHOOTING, Ben Avery Shooting Facility, 4044 W. Black Canyon Blvd., Phoenix, AZ. 6 Stage Main Match, All Around Cowboy Match, Two Stage Rifle Match. (623) 582-8313, or Dave Nabbit, (520) 975-6954, [williamavery@msn.com](mailto:williamavery@msn.com).

## CUTTINGS

Jan. 4-8

ARIZONA CUTTING HORSE ASSN. COMPETITION, 8 a.m. Horse Shoe Park, Queen Creek, AZ.

Jan. 14-15

TWO DAY JACKPOT CUTTINGS, Yuma, AZ, EMCO Cattle Co. Open, Youth & Novice Rider classes. Practice pen open Fri-Sun. [www.emcocutting.com](http://www.emcocutting.com) or Julie, (928) 581-5369.

Feb. 1-5, Feb. 23-26

ARIZONA CUTTING HORSE ASSN. COMPETITION, 8 a.m. Horse Shoe Park, Queen Creek, AZ.

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## GYMKHANAS

Feb. 4

CHANDLER VAQUEROS GYMKHANA, 9 a.m., Horse Shoe Park, Queen Creek, AZ.

Jan. 7

QUEEN CREEK GYMKHANA, 9 a.m., Horse Shoe Park, Queen Creek, AZ.

PIMA COUNTY SHERIFFS POSSE GYMKHANA, 2nd Saturday or Sunday of the month. Vail, AZ, Vail Arena. September - books open 5pm, start 6pm. Oct-Apr books open 11am, start 12 noon. Call (520) 437-1486, (520) 647-7434, [www.pimacountysheriffsposse.org](http://www.pimacountysheriffsposse.org)

NORTH VALLEY SADDLE CLUB GYMKHANA, held the third Saturday of each month at Larkyn Memorial Arena in New River. All skill levels are encouraged to attend. For more information, visit our website at [www.northvalleysaddleclub.com](http://www.northvalleysaddleclub.com)

GYMKHANA, Benson, AZ. 1st Sat. Feb. - May and Sept. - Dec. Buckle Series, Goat Tying, Got Ribbon Pull. (520) 720-0344 or [www.azgymkhana.com](http://www.azgymkhana.com)

MISSION VIEW SADDLE CLUB GYMKHANA, Schulz Arena, Tucson. Also 4-D poles & barrels. 1st Sun of each month Nov-Apr. (520) 744-2779.

GYMKHANA & 4 D BARREL RACING SERIES, 2nd Saturday of each month, Graham County Fairgrounds in Safford. Debbie at (520) 903-8449.

OPEN GYMKHANA, 4th Saturday of each month, Thunderbird Community Arena, Maricopa, AZ. Reg. 9 a.m. Dawn Sanborn, (602) 478-5438.

GYMKHANA, 4th Sun., Jan - Apr and Oct - Dec, 4th Sat, May - Sep at Colossal Cave Mtn. Park, Tucson. (520) 647-3450.

SCOTTSDALE SADDLE CLUB GYMKHANA. Once a month at Phoenix Eques. Center/Reach 11. Kathy Libonati at (623) 566-8732.

PRACTICE GYMKHANA, Wittmann, Saturdays at 9 a.m. to dark. All day practice. Deena, (602) 809-4510 or (623) 388-2279.

## REININGS

Jan. 13-15

ARIZONA REINING HORSE ASSN. COMPETITION, 8 a.m. Horse Shoe Park, Queen Creek, AZ.

## ROPINGS

Jan. 1

RANCH ROPING PRACTICE & COMPETITION, Benson, AZ, Sunday, 1 p.m. 3-man doctoring, pick 1, draw 3. \$30 entries. \$50 cattle fee. Percentage of cattle fee towards series awards at finals. Top 4 teams at each roping go to finals. Minimum 50 ft rope and slick horns. All judged. For info, JJ at (520) 548-7921.

Jan. 4, Jan. 11, Jan. 25

EARNHARDT/SHERWOOD TIME EVENT TEAM ROPING, 6 p.m., Horse Shoe Park, Queen Creek, AZ.

Jan. 15, Feb. 12

RANCH ROPING PRACTICE & COMPETITION, Maricopa, AZ, near Ak-Chin Casino, 49735 W. Mockingbird Lane (Thunderbird Farms). Every Sunday, 1 p.m. through March 2012. 3-man doctoring, pick 1, draw 3. \$30 entries. \$50 cattle fee. Percentage of cattle fee towards series awards at finals. Top 4 teams at each roping go to finals. Minimum 50 ft rope and slick horns. All judged. For info, Dick at (406) 425-0744.

Jan. 28-29

LOAD 'EM IN THE DARK ROPING, 9 a.m., Horse Shoe Park, Queen Creek, AZ.

Feb. 1, Feb. 9, Feb. 22

EARNHARDT/SHERWOOD TIME EVENT TEAM ROPING, 6 p.m., Horse Shoe Park, Queen Creek, AZ.

ROPING PRACTICE, every Wednesday from 7-9 p.m., P & M Arena, Apache Junction. Bonnie at (602) 565-2094 or <http://pmarena.com>.

SOUTHWEST RANCH ROPING ASSOCIATION MONTHLY PRACTICES, (520) 548-7921 or email [jjkartchner@rsonline.net](mailto:jjkartchner@rsonline.net).

TEAM ROPING, every Monday & Wednesday night, 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Team roping jackpot every 2nd and 4th Sat. night. Rattlesnake Arena, Queen Creek. (480) 882-1142 or (602) 565-7365, log on [www.rattlesnakearena.com](http://www.rattlesnakearena.com).

TEAM ROPING, Dunn's Arena, Litchfield Park, every Friday, 7653 N. Sarival Rd., Litchfield Park, AZ. (623) 535-4846, [www.dunnarena.com](http://www.dunnarena.com).

## TEAM PENNING/SORTING RANCH HORSE COMPETITIONS

**Jan. 14**  
RANCH SORTING NTL. CHAMPIONSHIP, 8:00 a.m., Horse Shoe Park, Queen Creek, AZ.

**Feb. 18**  
RANCH SORTING NTL. CHAMPIONSHIP, 8:00 a.m., Horse Shoe Park, Queen Creek, AZ.

**RANCH SORTING PRACTICE, every Saturday, 10 a.m., three runs/\$20.00, Cuttinspur Ranch, Buckeye, AZ. For info, call (623) 640-2502.**

**SORTING/PENNING PRACTICE, Wild West Arena, Avra Valley, Marana, AZ. Every Friday evening at 6:30 p.m. (520) 247-4771 or email Roxanna at roxanna@wildwestarena.com, www.wildwestarena.com.**

**TEAM PENNING & TEAM SORTING, every Friday night, Dunn's Arena, Litchfield Park, AZ. For info, call Robin Flueshe, (623) 680-7399.**

**TEAM SORTING, alternating Fridays, P&M Arena, Apache Junction. Bonnie at (602) 565-2094 or http://pmarena.com.**

**TEAM SORTING PRACTICE, Tues and Thurs evening, Jackpot, Sun, 1 p.m. Arrowhead Equestrian Ctr, Glendale, Wayne, (602) 695-1463.**

**TEAM PENNING, every Sunday at 1 p.m., Triangle C Arena, 12805 W. Emigh Rd., Tucson, AZ. \$15 per person, Shotgun, \$10 per person. (520) 682-7767.**

**TEAM PENNING CLINICS and private practice. Beginners and up. TnT Quarter Horses and Paints (520) 876-0766 evenings.**

**TEAM PENNING, Prac./Shotgun, Wed., 7:30 p.m. Jackpot, Drawpot, Practice, Shotgun, Sat., 7:30, Broken Arrow Stables, 6600 S. Old Spanish Trail, Tucson, (520) 647-3685.**

**TEAM PENNING, Dunn's Arena, Litchfield Park, every Friday, 7653 N. Sarival Rd., Litchfield Park, AZ. (623) 535-4846, www.dunnarena.com.**

**RANCH SORTING PRACTICE, Every Tuesday, 7:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Friday Jackpot/Practice, 7:30 p.m. (480) 343-4610, sort10@yahoo.com.**

## TRAIL RIDES/TRAIL COMPETITION

**Feb. 23-27**  
**2012 ARIZONA FOX TROTTER 11TH ANNUAL GAITED TRAIL RIDE, Boyd Ranch, near Wickenburg, AZ. Ranch has water and tie lines for horses and showers and restrooms, covered pavilion for eating and dancing. Catered meals and entertainment. Raffle items on Saturday night. Clare Ross, (928) 925-6595, clareross@mindspring.com.**

**TRAIL RIDES. GEC Riders sponsors semi-monthly rides on the 2nd and 4th Saturday of each month. (602) 319-1208, (623) 536-2050 or www.gecriders.com.**

## WORKSHOPS & CLINICS

**Jan. 14**  
**STEVE SIKORA ULTIMATE GROUND MANAGERS CLINIC, Gilbert, AZ. Teach any horse college-level leading and respect for your space. (480) 232-3261, (602) 625-1961, ssikora15805@aol.com or visit www.stevesikora.com. See ad this issue.**

**Jan. 14-15**  
**B.L.E.S.S. YOUR GAITED HORSE CLINIC with Bucky Sparks, Gaited Horse Trainer. Rockaway Hills Ranch, 6206 E. Rockaway Hills Dr., Cave Creek, AZ. 9:00 a.m. both days. \$200/horse and rider team; audit \$15/day, \$20/two days. For info, Lynn Tompkins, (602) 531-5248. See ad this issue.**

**Feb. 11**  
**STEVE SIKORA SPEED CONTROL AND IMPROVING STOPS CLINIC, Gilbert, AZ. (480) 232-3261, (602) 625-1961, ssikora15805@aol.com or visit www.stevesikora.com. See ad this issue.**

**Feb. 17-18**  
**B.L.E.S.S. YOUR GAITED HORSE CLINIC with Bucky Sparks, Gaited Horse Trainer. Rockaway Hills Ranch, 6206 E. Rockaway Hills Dr., Cave Creek, AZ. 9:00 a.m. both days. \$200/horse and rider team; audit \$15/day, \$20/two days. For info, Lynn Tompkins, (602) 531-5248. See ad this issue.**

**Mar. 23-26**  
**BUCK BRANNAMAN CLINICS, with Paul Dietz, New River, AZ. Paul Dietz, (623) 742-7285. See ad this issue.**

**HOOF CARE CLINICS, given by David Landreville, every Saturday, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon. Tucson, AZ. For more info, visit Landrevillehoofcare.com or call (520) 850-2092.**

**ADVENTURES IN AWARENESS, Management Skills Training and Division & Department Manager Groups. For more info, call Barbara, (520) 247-3383, bkrector1@earthlink.net.**

**EQUINE HANDLER & CARE PROGRAM, monthly. Call (602) 404-1227 or beyulranch.com.**

**TWISTER HELLER PEOPLE TRAINING PROGRAM, every month. For info call (928) 427-6335. www.twisterheller.com.**

**FRIDAY SADDLE CLUB, every Friday at Green-wood Stables, Tucson, AZ for ages 7 - 17 from 3:00 - 5:00 p.m. Each session runs for 2 hours. Learn horsemanship knowledge as well as hands on experience. Suzanne Greenwood, (520) 237-8787.**

## SPECIAL EVENTS & MEETINGS

**Jan. 28-29, 2012**  
**22ND ANNUAL HIGH NOON WESTERN AMERICANA ANTIQUE SHOW AND AUCTION, Mesa Convention Center, Mesa, AZ. Shopping from over 150 nationally renowned dealers featuring the finest in Western Art, Native American artistry, furnishings, clothing, jewelry, etc. Auction held Saturday evening and will feature 300 lots of historic collections and individual pieces. Visit www.highnoon.com or call (310) 202-9010 for more info. See ad on Inside Front Cover of this issue.**

**ARIZONA FOUNDATION QUARTER HORSE CLUB, second Saturday of each month. (928) 632-4786 or wilbueno@msn.com. (928) 632-4786 or muzzystuff@msn.com.**

**ARIZONA STATE HORSEMAN'S ASSOCIATION. BOD monthly meeting, 2nd Monday, Deer Valley Airport Restaurant, dinner @ 6 pm, meeting @ 7 p.m.**

**CAMELBACK SADDLE CLUB. Trail riding group, two rides per mo. ranging from easy to advanced. Donna, (480) 473-0454 or Nelda, (480) 922-5303.**

**CAVE CREEK CUTTING HORSE ASSOC.. Board meeting 1st Monday of the month. (480) 538-2138. www.cavecreekcutting.com**

**COPPER CITIES CUTTING HORSE CLUB, meeting every 3rd Thursday, Country Kitchen, Globe, AZ, 6:30 p.m. (520) 473-9098 or (520) 402-0202.**

**EAST VALLEY MINIATURE HORSE CLUB meeting the first Saturday of each month at 10 a.m. at the P&M Rodeo Grounds. For info call (480) 982-1315.**

**EVAHA MEETING, third Wednesday, La Comida Ranchera Restaurant, Gilbert. Dinner at 6 p.m. and meeting at 7 p.m. Rowena King at (602) 545-8099.**

**GILBERT HORSE OWNERS ASSOCIATION, trail rides, educational lectures and demonstrations, pot lucks, meetings. Contact benbern404@earthlink.net or www.gilberthorse.org.**

**GLENDALE EQUESTRIAN CLUB. Last Tues of each month, Cracker Barrel, 16845 N. 84th Ave., Peoria, AZ, (623) 875-1136 Carol. (928) 632-7839 or cjgreenaz@peoplepc.com or www.gecriders.com.**

**GREATER QUEEN CREEK HORSE OWNERS ASSN. Mary (602) 987-1809, Terry at (602) 987-1732.**

**HIGH COUNTRY HORSE LOVERS, luncheon meeting every 1st Wednesday. Granny's Closet, Flagstaff, 12 noon. Free to join. Pam Baldwin, (928) 699-0293.**

**HORSE 4-H CLUB. Meet every Tues. 4:30 - 6 p.m. in Tempe area. Ages 9 yrs - 19 yrs welcome. For info call Deborah Wheat at (480) 821-5324.**

**MINIATURE HORSE ASSN. OF AZ. For info, call Bert Johnson at (623) 465-9673.**

**PAINTALOOSA HORSE CLUB, coming soon. AZ chapter, for info to register your Paintaloosa, call Deena, (602) 809-4510.**

**NATURAL HORSE-MAN-SHIP meetings & playdays. East Valley. Mary Sutherland, (480) 987-9798, or email marysutherland@msn.com.**

**SAGUARO STATE SHETLAND PONY & MINIATURE HORSE CLUB. Linda Smith, (928) 443-9321 or lrsmith@cableone.net.**

**SAHRA meetings, 2nd Thursday at the Arizona American-Italian Club, Phoenix, AZ. For info call Donna Koopman at (602) 465-9311.**

**SADDLE CLUB FOR GIRLS, JEm Ranch, Florence, AZ. Meets on different Saturday each month, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Bible study and horsemanship classes. (480) 235-4480 or www.azjemranch.com.**

**SAN TAN AREA RIDERS (S.T.A.R.) PONY CLUB MEETING on 1st Tuesday of every month at 4 p.m. Michele McLaughlin at (480) 814-0127.**

**SCOTTSDALE SADDLE CLUB has Gymkhanas, Horse Shows, Drill Team, Clinics, Parades, Trail Rides. scottsdalesaddleclub.com, (623) 566-8732.**

**SCOTTSDALE SADDLE CLUB DRILL TEAM practices on Thursday at 7 p.m. at AZ Horse Lovers Park. For info http://scottsdalesaddleclub.com or call (480) 515-5477.**

**SONORAN DESERT EQUESTRIANS, first Monday of month. For info call (602) 853-1341.**

**SE ARIZONA HORSEMAN'S ASSN. Monthly meetings (520) 762-0728 or (520) 762-9129.**

**SOUTHERN ARIZONA APPALOOSA PROMOTERS, INC. (SAAP), Tucson, AZ. Open Breed Mini Circuit Horse Shows. Meetings the 2nd Monday of each month. For info call Jodie Bagley, (520) 744-9477.**

**STAR PONY CLUB MEETINGS, 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m., (480) 201-8327 or jillr.jackson@gmail.com.**

**SUN CITIES SADDLE CLUB, monthly meeting, 4th Monday through March in Activities Room of Wooddale Village, 18616 N. 99th Ave., Sun City, AZ. (623) 544-9850, www.scwclubs.com/saddle, suncitysaddleclub@gmail.com.**

**THERAPEUTIC RIDING OF TUCSON (TROT). For info on events or volunteerism call (520) 749-2360.**

**TOMBSTONE GHOST RIDERS CLUB, Cowboy Mounted Shooting Assoc. & SASS Club. Mounted shooting practice, 3rd Sunday every month, 11 a.m. potluck dinner after practice Tombstone Livery Stable, Tombstone, AZ. For more info, (520) 456-0423, tombstoneghostriders.com.**

**TUCSON DRESSAGE CLUB. Shows, clinics & educational events every month. To join, call (520) 850-5117 or see www.tucsondressageclub.org for more info.**

**TUCSON SADDLE CLUB, Trail rides, BBQs, meetings. Very active horse club. (520) 749-0824, email ferdie4@yahoo.com. ☐**

