

# PEKIN RIDING CLUB NEWSLETTER

January 2011

## UPCOMING EVENTS

February 7 at 6pm

- Regular Meeting - Firehouse Pizza, Pekin

## NOTES FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

2011 is really going to be an exciting year!

The new board has already had one regular meeting and is in the middle of several subcommittee meetings to update the showbill, the show rules, and even set things in motion for the spring banquet.

It sounds like our spring banquet is going to be a "Fuzzy Pony" show where you can bring your horse, have a chance to play some fun games on horseback (or off - we are still working on the details) and catch up with all of your PRC friends before the show season really gets going. I am excited about the banquet already and can't wait for spring to get here! We don't have any details just yet, but keep checking back with us for a date, time and showbill.

We are also starting the wheels in motion to have a PRC calendar for 2012. YOU get to submit your photos, the club membership gets to vote and the 12 photos with the highest number of votes will be featured in the PRC 2012 calendar. We will be unveiling all the final details at the spring banquet. You may want to update your membership soon so you don't miss any of the details on either of these exciting opportunities!

I was also excited to receive one of the first press releases for the IL Horse Fair this week, and if you don't already have the first weekend in March booked, you may want to consider spending your time at the horse fair. The clinicians look good and the "extreme cowboy race" on Friday and Saturday nights looks to be a lot of fun to watch!

Happy New Year to all of you and we can't wait to see all of you as members again in 2011!

Nicole

## NEWS & NOTES

Your Membership has expired...

Just a reminder, everyone's membership expired on December 31<sup>st</sup>. We don't want you to miss a minute of the action with some exciting plans for a fun fun show and spring banquet coming out soon. This is the last newsletter you will receive as part of your 2010 membership. The 2011 membership form is included and we encourage you to submit it soon.

### Scrapbooking Anyone?

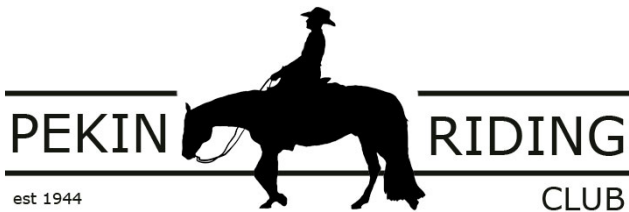
The memories of our club are being lost and forgotten as members move, retire or decide to "hang up their spurs" so to speak and we will not have any records of the reason behind or why some things are the way they are. I would like to challenge each member to send in a memory they have about PRC. Carol Smith told me the story of our banner, but I don't remember who made it, only that she refused to die before she completed it! Its memories like this that need to be part of our written history. Why was the name of the club changed? Anyone know? I would like to get tons of memories and pictures together and put them together in a scrapbook for future members. If you have information you would like to share please contact Sherri Wright or any of the PRC board members.

### PRC Financial Report

Last year it took \$14,500 to run PRC. That includes the utilities, show expenses, banquet expenses, grounds maintenance and all of the property taxes and everything else it takes to run PRC. There are lots of things we can do to continue to make PRC a better place (how many of you want new sand for the arenas? How about finishing the new lights? Or even fixing the PA system in the speed arena?) Please help us find sponsors (if you find a Gold Sponsor you have the opportunity to have your family membership for free) and consider making a donation as part of your membership. The more funds we have available the more things we can do to make PRC an even nicer place ☺

## TREASURER'S REPORT

Checking Account Balance - \$10,193.49  
Concession Stand Balance - \$350  
Savings Balance - \$2019.63  
Total Balance - \$12,563.12



**MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION 2011**

**CIRCLE MEMBERSHIP SELECTIONS**

**FAMILY / \$40**

**SINGLE / \$20**

**RETURNING MEMBER**

**NEW MEMBER**

**PLEASE PRINT**

**TODAY'S DATE** \_\_\_\_\_

**NAME** \_\_\_\_\_ **BIRTH DATE (REQUIRED)** \_\_\_\_\_  
                   **LAST**                                   **FIRST**                                   **MI**

**ADDRESS** \_\_\_\_\_

**CITY, STATE, ZIP** \_\_\_\_\_

**PHONE (        )** \_\_\_\_\_

**EMERGENCY CONTACT** \_\_\_\_\_ **PHONE (        )** \_\_\_\_\_

**EMAIL ADDRESS** \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*IF YOU PROVIDE AN EMAIL ADDRESS WE WILL USE THAT FOR ALL NEWSLETTERS AND OTHER PRC UPDATES INCLUDING SHOW CANCELLATIONS. PLEASE HELP US SAVE MONEY AND BE MORE ENVIRONMENTALLY FRIENDLY BY PROVIDING YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS\*\***

**NAMES OF ALL IMMEDIATE FAMILY MEMBERS INCLUDING YOURSELF IN MEMBERSHIP**

<b>NAME</b>	<b>BIRTH DATE</b>	<b>NAME</b>	<b>BIRTH DATE</b>
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
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**PLEASE CONSIDER AN ADDITIONAL DONATION TO HELP SUPPORT PRC ACTIVITIES. \$** \_\_\_\_\_

**WHAT AREAS WOULD YOU CONSIDER VOLUNTEERING IN? (PLEASE CIRCLE)**

- MOWING      GATE HELP      ANNOUNCING      REGISTRATIONS**  
**FUNDRAISING      SHOW COMMITTEE      OTHER** \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE: THE INFORMATION ON THIS FORM WILL NOT BE SHARED WITH ANY THIRD PARTY ENTITIES**

**PLEASE SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR LIABILITY RELEASE**  
**RELEASE MUST BE READ AND SIGNED BEFORE YOU CAN**  
**PARTICIPATE IN PEKIN RIDING CLUB EVENTS**

**RELEASE, WAIVER, AND HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT**

The undersigned member of Pekin Riding Club, Inc., (on his/her own behalf and as the Parent(s)/Legal Guardian(s) of a member), or invitee, visitor, or other guest of a member or Pekin Riding Club, Inc. (collectively "Member"), agrees to the following terms and conditions:

1. **Assumption of Risk and Waiver:** Member understands and accepts the risks of engaging in equine activities and merely being near a horse, mule, or pony (collectively "equine"), including (i) the propensity of an equine to behave in dangerous ways that may result in injury to the participant (for example, jump, run, kick, buck, bolt, spin, rear up, strike, or bite), (ii) the inability to predict an equine's reaction to sound, movements, objects persons, or animals, (for example, kick, buck, bolt, spin, rear up, strike, or bite), and (iii) the hazards of surface or subsurface conditions. Member understands the resulting injuries, death, and property damage that may result from the accepted risks of engaging in equine activities or just being near an equine, that equines are powerful and have the potential to be dangerous, even without warning, and that the risks listed in this Agreement are just a sampling and Member is not relying on the Released Parties to this Agreement to list all possible equine-related risks. Member therefore agrees, on his/her own behalf and on behalf of his/her minor Member, to at all times to be responsible for his/her personal safety, remain financially responsible for his/her medical expenses, and waives his/her right to any claims arising from his/her participation in or observation of any equine activities, being near an equine, or mere presence on the property of Pekin Riding Club, Inc. ("Facility"). Member understands the risks and dangers inherent in equine activities and agrees to assume them on his/her own behalf and on behalf of the minor Member, and Member's guests, visitors, family members, heirs, agents, and assigns.

2. **Release, Hold Harmless, Indemnification:** Member agrees to release and hold the Facility, their respective relatives, directors, other members, partners, subsidiaries, affiliates, agents, assistants, managers, officers, representatives, assigns, volunteers, employees, independent contractors, and others acting on their behalf (collectively "Released Parties"), harmless for any illness, injury, death, damage, or other loss (collectively "Losses") incurred unless directly caused by their gross negligence or wanton and willful misconduct. Member agrees to indemnify Released Parties against all Losses sustained or suffered by any person or entity (including, but not limited to, anyone a party or not a party to this Agreement), whether caused by Released Parties directly or indirectly, and which shall include the reimbursement of Released Parties' costs, expenses, and attorneys' fees.

3. **Governing Law and Time Limitation:** This Agreement shall be construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of Illinois. All disputes relating to the interpretation and enforcement of the provisions of this Agreement shall be resolved exclusively by the federal court or state court located in Tazewell County, Illinois, and the parties hereto hereby submit to the jurisdiction and venue of the Court for such purpose. Member agrees that any and all claims and/or causes of action, for Losses by Member, on his/her own behalf and/or on behalf of a minor Member, against the Released Parties, must be brought within one (1) year of the date they accrue.

4. **Attorneys' Fees:** Member agrees to reimburse Facility for any and all expenses, costs, and attorneys' fees incurred by it in enforcing the terms of this Agreement and/or in defending or prosecuting any claims or causes of action involving, or in any way relating to, Member.

5. **Member Certification:** Member certifies that he/she has read this entire Agreement and understands, agrees, and intends on his/her own behalf, and on behalf of his/her heirs, agents, representatives, relatives, successors, and assigns, to be bound by all of the terms and conditions contained herein.

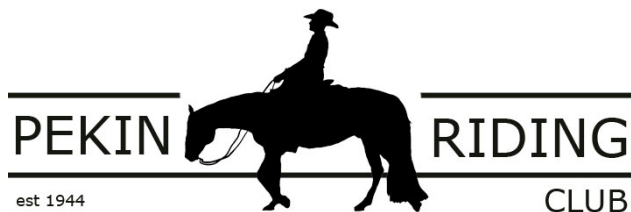
\_\_\_\_\_, Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
Dated ALL ADULT Members must sign on his/her own behalf **and** as Parent(s)/Legal Guardian(s) if Member(s) under 18 yrs old

**PLEASE PRINT**

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
Address(es): \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone No.: \_\_\_\_\_

**WARNING**

**UNDER THE EQUINE ACTIVITY LIABILITY ACT, EACH PARTICIPANT WHO ENGAGES IN AN EQUINE ACTIVITY EXPRESSLY ASSUMES THE RISKS OF ENGAGING IN AND LEGAL RESPONSIBILITY FOR INJURY, LOSS, OR DAMAGE TO PERSON OR PROPERTY RESULTING FROM THE RISK OF EQUINE ACTIVITIES**



**Dear Potential PRC 2011 Sponsor:**

Pekin Riding Club, Inc. is a non-profit organization that will be sixty-seven (67) years old in 2011. We provide the community with a safe place for family-oriented, horse-related activities, educational opportunities, functions, and shows from April to October each year. We are a Pekin Chamber of Commerce member and host over twenty events per year that appeal to a wide variety of equestrians. We will be expanding our “host” opportunities this year to bring more shows and opportunities to our central Illinois arenas.

We would like to ask your support to continue to provide horse-related activities for our members, families and our community. We offer different sponsorship packages that will fit most budgets.

**GOLD SPONSORSHIP: \$200.00 for one year includes:**

- A “thank you” announcement to our sponsors at ALL of our shows
  - A written “thank you” to our sponsors in ALL of our newsletters
  - A full page ad posted in our meeting room/club house
  - A small ad on our website
  - A written “thank you” in the publications “The Hackamore” and “From The Horse’s Mouth”
  - \*One free 2011 FAMILY membership AND the option to become a “Sponsor of the Month” with a full page ad in the newsletter and special announcements or presentations at all shows that month**
  - \*Option to hang a 4’x 8’ sign with your business info/logo (sign must be approved by board)**
- The signs are hung on the warm-up arena fence facing Route 29

**SILVER SPONSORSHIP: \$100.00 for one year includes:**

- A “thank you” announcement to our sponsors at ALL of our shows
  - A written “thank you” to our sponsors in ALL of our newsletters
  - A full page ad posted in our meeting room/club house
  - A small ad on our website
  - A written “thank you” in the publications “The Hackamore” and “From The Horse’s Mouth”
  - \*One free 2011 SINGLE membership AND the option to include a half page ad in one month’s newsletter**
  - \*Option to hang a 4’x 4’ sign with your business info/logo (sign must be approved by board)**
- The signs are hung on the warm-up arena fence facing Route 29

**BRONZE SPONSORSHIP: \$50.00 for one year includes:**

- A “thank you” announcement to our sponsors at ALL of our shows
- A written “thank you” to our sponsors in ALL of our newsletters
- A half page ad posted in our meeting room/club house
- A written “thank you” in the publications “The Hackamore” and “From The Horse’s Mouth”

**FRIENDS of the PRC: \$25.00 for one year includes:**

- A “thank you” announcement to our sponsors at ALL of our shows
- A written “thank you” to our sponsors in ALL of our newsletters
- A half page ad posted in our meeting room/club house

If you have any further questions, please call one of our 2011 board members or email the PRC. We look forward to hearing from you soon.

Pekin Riding Club, Inc.  
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Business Sponsorship Form

Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Owner: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsorship Amount: \_\_\_\_\_

GOLD \$200.00

SILVER \$100.00

BRONZE \$ 50.00

FRIENDS \$ 25.00

**\*\*Please make checks payable to: Pekin Riding Club, Inc. and indicate "2011 sponsor" in memo\*\***

**GOLD & SILVER SPONSORS:**

**If you are donating your membership please print their name on the line below and have the member complete a 2011 PRC Membership Form and return it with this form.**

**Recipient of Family/Single Membership if donated** \_\_\_\_\_

The Board of Directors of the Pekin Riding Club, Inc. would like to thank you for becoming a sponsor and supporting our community, our families, our members, and our horse-related activities in 2011. We invite you to attend any/all of our activities to be listed in our newsletters and on our website.

**2011 Board of Directors**

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Laurie Miller, Board, 217-306-0628

Secretary \_\_\_\_\_

Treasurer \_\_\_\_\_

President \_\_\_\_\_

## A BIG THANK YOU TO OUR 2010 PRC SPONSORS

### Gold

### Silver

Life Balance 4 Women, LLC

### Bronze

### Friends of PRC

Audry Richardson

### PRC 2011 Board & Officers

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