



UPCOMING EVENTS

February 13th

- Board Meeting 6PM Fiesta Ranchera
Pekin, IL

March 1st

- Scholarship Applications Due

March 2nd - 4th

- Illinois Horse Fair

April 22nd

- Fuzzy Pony Show

NOTES FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

I am so excited for all the things we have planned at PRC in 2012. One of the first things on the list is waiting for the results of the grants from the IL Horsemen's Council. We are attempting to get some funding to update the footing in both of our arenas - won't that be nice!

At our February meeting we will be discussing and voting on the 2012 showbill and will take into consideration all of the comments you provided at the awards banquet and via our facebook discussions. You all have some great ideas! If you have others please feel free to share with a board member or attend the meeting.

Please don't forget to send in your 2012 membership form as this is the last newsletter you will receive under your 2011 membership. Sending it in early will help ensure that you get all of the PRC updates between now and May and will save you time at that first show when all you really want to do is go ride and visit with all your friends.

I hope you are all finding time to enjoy your horses this winter and show season will be here before we know it!

Nicole

NEWS & NOTES

Your Membership has expired:

Just a friendly reminder your membership expired December 31st. You do not want to miss out on any of the fun for 2012 more details about the fuzzy pony show will be coming out soon. This is the last newsletter you will receive as part of your 2011 membership. The 2012 membership form is included and we encourage you to submit it soon.

To provide convenience and reduce cost, we ask that members provide email addresses so that newsletter can be send electric through email and posted to the website.

COOKBOOKS FOR SALE!

We still have the PRC Cookbooks. Get a new cookbook and fight off the winter winds by stirring up something new for dinner. Books are just \$10 .

ILLINOIS HORSE FAIR

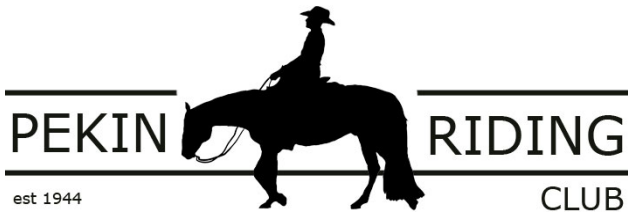
At the Board meeting a decision was made to pass on the demo at the Illinois Horse Fair this year and revisit the issue next year. A visit with the organizers of the horse fair determined that the cost would be higher than we expected and a need for the demo to focus on one specific breed or discipline. It's hard to focus on just one aspect of PRC, so we will be taking ideas for next year if you have some that meet the criteria. In the meantime, if you are interested in volunteering at the horse fair we may be able to get a group together to help with an event and get some reduced entry fees. If you are interested let us know.

PRC SCHOLARSHIP

A scholarship fund has been established for PRC members and has at least one \$1000 college scholarship to award for members who meet the scholarship criteria. The application form can be found on the Pekin Riding Club website. Applications are due by March 1st and an independent selection committee will make the selection. Funds available may allow for larger awards in a given year, or even multiple awards, so even if you aren't headed off to school in 2012 check out the requirements and start building your application for when you are ready ☺

TREASURER'S REPORT

Checking Account Balance - \$10,357.64
 Concession Stand Balance - \$1,607.23
 Savings Balance - \$2,025.23
 Total Balance - \$13,990.10



MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION 2012

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

NAME	BIRTH DATE	NAME	BIRTH DATE
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

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.

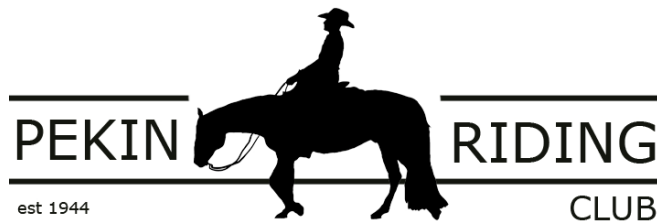
_____, Signature: _____
Dated ALL ADULT Members must sign on his/her own behalf **and** as Parent(s)/Legal Guardian(s) if Member(s) under 18 yrs old

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



Pekin Riding Club 2012 Scholarship Fund

This fund was created to assist Pekin Riding Club members who are pursuing continuing educational opportunities, whether traditional college studies or vocational training. The award is intended to defray tuition, fees, books, and other academic expenses. At least one \$1000 award per year can be provided with additional dollars and awards based on funds available. If no candidates meet the requirements the scholarship will not be awarded. Scholarships may be renewed pending reapplication and approval from the Scholarship Committee.

Scholarship Selection Criteria

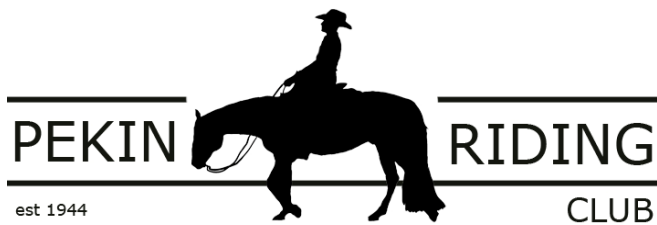
The applicant will be selected based on the following criteria:

- Must have been a member of the Pekin Riding Club for at least the most recent two seasons. A 2012 award can only go to applicants who were members in 2010, 2011 and have renewed for 2012 by the time this application is submitted.
- Applicant must have materially contributed to the running of the riding club by helping with shows, work days or other club operations.
- Applicant must have showed exemplary sportsmanship throughout their membership at PRC.
- Applicant must show reasonable academic achievement or job history.
- If all other requirements are equal the award will go to the member who shows overall equine safety at PRC including the use and promotion of riding helmets at shows.
- Award can be presented to members who will be graduating from High School in the 2012 year, to young adults currently enrolled in a college or vocational program or to adults pursuing a degree in a college or vocational program

To Apply

Please submit the following with your completed scholarship application

- High School or College transcript whichever is the most recent. If applicant has not been in school for 10 years or more employment information and letter of recommendation must be provided in lieu of transcripts.
- Written statement not to exceed 1 page using 1" margins and a 12 point font describing something the applicant has learned about sportsmanship while participating at PRC and how that concept will help them in their secondary education.
- List of ways the applicant has participated in PRC activities as a separate page.
- Applications must be postmarked no later than March 1, 2012
- Award will be presented at the Pekin Riding Club Spring Fundraiser or at the first show of 2012 if the fundraiser is not held because of weather.
- Recipient may be asked to allow information to be released to the media following the award.



Scholarship Application Form

(incomplete applications and those postmarked after March 1, 2012 will not be considered)

Application Year: 2012

Name: _____
(first) *(last)*

Address: _____
(street) *(city)* *(state)* *(zip)*

Phone: _____ Email: _____

High School Attended: _____

Graduation Date: _____ GPA: _____
(if graduation date is in the last 10 years)

Colleges Attended

Name: _____ Dates Attended : _____ GPA: _____
(example 3.0/4.0)

Name: _____ Dates Attended : _____ GPA: _____
(example 3.0/4.0)

Current Employment

Employer: _____
(business) *(city)* *(state)*

Current or Expected College for 2012: _____

Desired Field of Study: _____

Educational Goal: Associates _____ Bachelors _____ Other _____

Submit Application and Questions to:

***Pekin Riding Club Scholarship Fund
c/o Cory Storer & Nicole Mauser-Storer
201 S Cameron Ln
Bartonville, IL 61607
(h)309-697-5591 (c)309-258-9234
n.mauserstorer@huskers.unl.edu***

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