

**NORTHERN MICHIGAN ASSOCIATION
OF WESTERN HORSE CLUBS**



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**NMAWHC
Club Briefs**

2006 Spring Clinic

To be held **April 29, 2006** at Windsonnet Stables in Interlochen, MI. See enclosed Flier for more details.

Anna Bays Show Series

Dates for the shows will be:
June 3rd - Double Judged
June 4th - Single Judged
July 15th - Single Judged
July 16th - Double Judged

NMAWHC Online

The club will be publishing an electronic version of the newsletter. If you would like to receive the newsletter electronically, please send an email to slmurphy@charter.net to be added to the mailing list. The club is also working on a website to provide information and forms to our members more efficiently.



Dear Membership,

Another awards banquet has come and gone. Anyone who was not there missed a good time and great food. The board is working on finalizing the showbill for the Anna Bay's Series scheduled for June 3rd & 4th, and July 15th & 16th.

We are looking forward to a great 2006.

Sincerely,

Jada Leek

Jackpot Class Sponsors

NMAWHC is seeking sponsors for the 2006 Anna Bays Series Jackpot classes. Sponsorships are available in amounts of \$25. Sponsorship funds will be added to the jackpot class payback. Jackpot classes will now have a \$50 per judge, with a 60% payback. Sponsors will be recognized during the show and can provide banners to display at the show. In addition, sponsors will be listed on the clubs website, www.nmawhc.com.

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Enclosures:

2006 Membership form
By-Laws update

Jackpot Classes Available for Sponsors:

Showmanship	English Pleasure
Halter	Western Pleasure

Saddle Blanket Care

Prolong the life of your blankets

The importance of using quality saddle blankets is a "given" among knowledgeable horsemen. Today there are many good blankets and pads made of different materials available at varying cost. But the wool blanket is far and away still the favorite of most professionals and recreationists. As with anything worth using, a good wool blanket is seldom inexpensive, and should be considered an investment. With proper care (requiring only a little attention), a wool blanket will last for many years, even if used for many hours every day.

Here are a few tips to help you prolong the use of a wool blanket:

Beat and brush the blanket: Every few days, simply slap the blanket against a door, pipe, fence, etc. Then use a soft to medium stiff horse brush (not a metal curry comb), and brush the hair and dander from the blanket. This won't take more than 5 minutes of your time.

Wash the blanket: Every 60 to 90 days, wash the blanket in a tub of cold water. For best results, put

your blanket in a tub of water and let it soak for a least an hour. Then, as best you can "wring" the blanket in the water, then "wring" it out of the water.

Hang the blanket over a rail: (like the top rail of a fence), and with a soft to medium brush, lightly brush the blanket on both sides. Let the blanket air dry completely, then slap it against a door or fence until it feels as soft as a brand new one.

NOTE: It is best not to use soap when washing wool blankets. The blanket will retain much of the soap (even soaps made specifically for wool). When the blanket becomes wet with sweat, the residual soap may seep throughout the very porous wool, and irritate a horse's back.

After a few washings, the color will of course begin to fade. This has no bearing on the usefulness of the blanket in serving it's true purpose. You might find that you prefer an older, faded, soft blanket next to your horse's back. After all, the concept is to protect your horse's back and keep them comfortable.

— 2006 Scooter Fundraiser —



It is time for our 2006 Fundraising campaign. This year the club will be raffling off a brand new scooter. Tickets will be available at the spring clinic. Ticket prices are \$5.00 per ticket, or 5 tickets for \$20.00.

The proceeds from the ticket sales will be used for the NMAWHC general fund. The drawing will be held Saturday, September 2, 2006 during the lunch break at the Windsonnet Show.

— 2006 Points Standings —

Our 2006 Points Secretary, Tallie Terlaan, has requested that any questions about point standings be emailed to her at surly42@hotmail.com. The subject line should read: NMAWHC Points. If you do not receive a response within five (5) days, please contact the NMAWHC president, Jada Leek at (231) 258-5424.

Treasures Report

November 29, 2005 - December 31, 2005

Beginning Balance	\$ 8,305.21
Income	\$
65.00	
Expenses	
Checks	\$ 3,444.08
Card	<u>\$ 1,608.61</u>
	\$ 5,052.69
Ending Balance	\$ 8,305.21
Savings Account	\$ 517.42
Interest	\$.72
W/D for Queen Scholarship	<u>\$ 80.00</u>
	\$ 438.14

Respectfully Submitted,

Nicole Hough



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Kick off the 2006 Show Season!

~ Annual Spring Clinic ~

Be an exhibitor

Bring your horse!



When: April 29th, 2006
Time: 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Where: Windsonnet Stables
2526 Lake Ann Road
Interlochen, Michigan

**Truckload Tack and
Horse Sale**

New Tack and horses being
auctioned *immediately*
following the Clinic!!
Contact **Bob Gilbert** for
information on horses
@ 231-275-3849

Admission: \$5
Exhibitor's Fee: \$25

**Bring your used Tack and Show
Clothing to sell! Table Fee: \$10**
Sponsored by the Windsonnet Wranglers 4-H Club

All NMAWHC members, friends and the public are welcome to participate in this annual clinic each spring. Bring your horse! Professional Trainers, **JR & Val Covell**, will help you in a relaxed, positive, atmosphere covering the basics of technique in:

Showmanship, English, Western and More!!

This clinic is great for novice and advanced riders alike! You'll be surprised at what tips you could pick up in this collaborative event! No pressure! Have fun while you learn!

**For additional
information call:**
Jada Leek
NMAWHC President
@ 231-258-5424

**Refreshments and Food
available on the grounds!**
Concessions by
Windsonnet Wranglers

Send exhibitor fees to:
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2006 Board Officers

Jada Leek	231-258-5424	President
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Tallie Terlaan	surly42@hotmail.com	Point Secretary

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Don't forget to send in your
2006 Membership Renewal!

This will be your LAST newsletter!



NMAWHC

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Interlochen, MI 49643

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OUR SIMPLE SAGE

2001 APHA Solid Chesnut Gelding

Sire: prestidigitator (APHA)

Dam: sheza precious pri (AQHA)

"Sage" was started and shown in halter as a yearling and received reserve grand champion at several shows throughout the Midwest. Since February 2003 he has been shown halter, showmanship, western pleasure, hunt seat and trail. "Sage" is a beautiful mover and is proven in the show ring. Contact: Jenny Neihardt
Cell: 231-409-5878 Home: 231-947-1511

