



Florida Sport Horse Club Newsletter

February 2026

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Calendar of Club Rides and Events

Dedicated to trail riding and the preservation of the many riding areas in Central Florida.

**Rides begin promptly at the specified time.
Please be mounted and ready!**

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- **Saturday, February 21:** Colt Creek Poker Ride
- **Saturday, February 28, 9:00am:** Club ride at the Hampton Tract, Rock Ridge Rd. Trail bosses Cheryl & Jeff Kreitman
- **Saturday, March 7, 9:00am:** Club ride at Hilochee Main Unit. MUST RSVP trail bosses Cheryl & Jeff Kreitman.
- **Tuesday, March 10, 11:15am:** Club Dine-Around. Lucille's American Café, Winter Haven
- **Saturday, March 14, 9:00am:** Club ride at Gator Creek. Trail boss Janet Schneider
- **Monday, March 16, 6:00pm:** Club dinner & business meeting at the north Lakeland Golden Corral
- **Saturday, March 21, 9:00am:** Club ride at Alafia River Corridor South Preserve. Trail boss Janet Schneider
- **Saturday, March 28, 9:00am:** Club ride at Lower Green Swamp. Trail bosses Cheryl & Jeff Kreitman
- **Friday, November 6-Friday, November 13:** Club campout at Tillis Hill.

Check the **"Upcoming Events"** section of our web page at <https://floridasporthorseclub.com/> or the **"Events"** section of the Club's Facebook page (depending on your device, click on "About" and scroll down to events OR click on "More," then on "Events" from the drop-down menu).

News



Drew's Eagle Project

I'm Drew Gross from troop 786, and I am working with Lake Louisa State Park to rebuild all 6 horse paddocks at their equestrian campsites. This will make a safe place for equestrian camping available to for the community. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Zelle **GoFundMe**

Construction Dates: March 13-15 and 20-22

Contact Info: Phone: 407-414-3049 Email: drew78993@gmail.com

Club members voted to support Drew's project to rebuild the **Lake Louisa State Park's equestrian campground paddocks** by donating \$100. Our treasury is low enough we have no more to give BUT Susan will happily accept donations from members to add to the club's offering. If YOU would like to help, you can either send the money directly to Drew's accounts or get a check made out to the club to Susan Buchanon, 9210 Evans Rd., Polk City 33868, by February 28. Earmark the check to the Lake Louisa project.

The club received a very nice thank you note from **Hope Equine Rescue** for the continued sponsorship of a staff. Janet Schneider actually got a call from Water, Wings & Wild Things Coordinator Eric to thank members for their participation.

All is prepared for the February 21st **Colt Creek poker ride**, and it looks like the weather will be excellent. We thank all who have volunteered.

February's Dine-Around was at Catfish Country, Bartow, with 15 people. The next will be **Tuesday, March 10 at Lucille's American Café, Winter Haven**. RSVPs to Barbara Lassiter by Friday, March 6, please. **And if you know of a good restaurant for our group, please let Barbara know!**

Are you interested in a field trip to Tampa Bay Downs when the racing season starts ramping up? If so, please let Mike Charron know!

Susan Buchanon recently camped at Shangri-La with the Altoona Trail Riders; they had such a good time that they are thinking about renting the entire campground for a weekend next February if other clubs might be interested in joining them. Susan will get more information as to intentions, costs, etc. so we can make an informed decision.

Rockin' W Ranch/A Heart for HEROs is looking for volunteers for Special Olympics—the season has started, and they have a record number of enrolled participants.

Save the Dates! Cheryl Kreitman has reserved our **Tillis Hill** sites in November 2026. She has blocked out campsites 1 - 15 and stalls 1 - 30 for 7 nights in November of 2026, with an arrival date of Nov. 6th, departure date Nov 13th.

If you're interested in a **club shirt**, please contact Barbara Charron. They are available in a variety of colors and styles, and are sold at cost.



Remember the club's web page if you need the club's calendar, find a trail map or read the most recent newsletter.

<https://floridasporthorseclub.com/>.

Do you have an idea for a topic or guest speaker at one of our business meetings? If so, please let Mike Charron know.

Lori Shank is reminding members of a free online magazine from the Equine Collaborative International. Click on the below link to find it.
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The **weekday pickup rides** aren't always advertised, so if YOU want to ride during the week please email Janet. She can pass the message along to the club with your desired ride place, day and time.



If you see unfamiliar faces at our rides and events, please introduce yourself and invite them to club activities. People are welcome to join us a few times before they decide to become a member. **And remember—guests must sign a hold harmless that the trail bosses will provide. Please escort the guests to the trail boss of the day!**

Follow our Facebook page or web page to all our events, news, and tips are listed. You can even review our club!



Tips & Activities by Members:



Cathy Botts has a friend with an older mini who needs a good home. The original owner has passed, and the current holder knows little about equines.

Please keep **Melody and Ben Cazort** in mind as they battle Covid and flu (again).

Judy Clonger and some family members have planned to attend the Calgary Stampede, followed by a rail trip through Alaska this summer.

Donna Fellers reminded members that Polk County is celebrating its 168th birthday and gave us a bit of its history.



Classifieds:

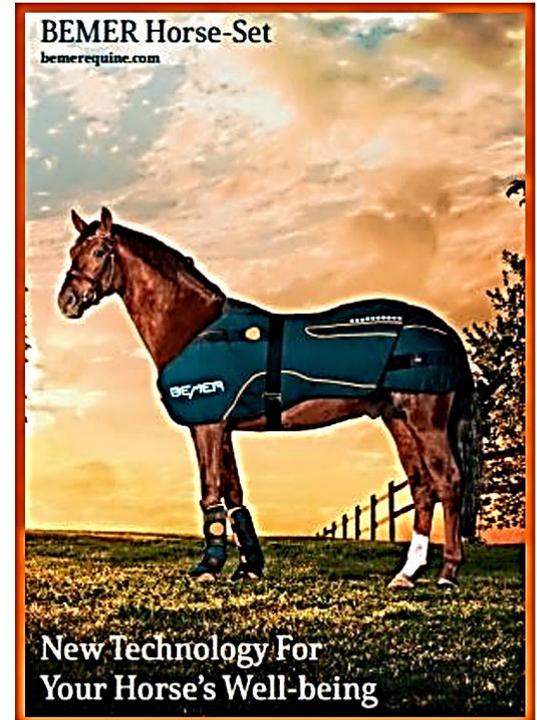


Ray and Sunny Cagle raise quality hay in Groveland from the “Hay Hay Ray” company. Several of our members swear by their Tifton, and they also have alfalfa and Coastal. Call Sunny at 407-467-7000 for more information.

Safe Horses for Parties, Weddings, Community outreach, pictures and/or therapy. Reasonable rates; call Marianne Mozelle, 863-255-7300.

Marianne Mozelle now has a coloring workbook based on her horses, and a movie coming out this spring called “Reins of Life.” It would make a great Christmas gift for youngsters, and proceeds will go to future family movies

Join the club! Meet some great people who love their horses. Follow us on Facebook and visit us online at <https://floridasporthorseclub.com/>. Happy Trails, where we hope to see you soon!



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Florida Sport Horse Club, Inc
Membership New/Renewal Form
August through July, 20__ to 20__



Please complete the form and return it with your check, **payable to the Florida Sport Horse Club**,
 Welcome to our club!

Name(s) _____ Single \$15.00
 _____ Family \$25.00

Joining before September 30? Add a 1-year subscription to Horse & Pony for an extra \$10. Yes _____

Total paid: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____ Birthday: _____

Home phone: _____ Cell: _____

Emergency contact name & phone: _____

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 Signed (include legal guardian if under 19 years of age)

 Date

 Other Family Member(s)

 Date

Please submit this form and your membership fee to:

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