

Extreme Cowboy Association Brave Horse



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As the global situation with COVID-19 continues to evolve, we at the Extreme Cowboy Association offer continued prayers for our members to stay safe. We wish you and your family all the best.

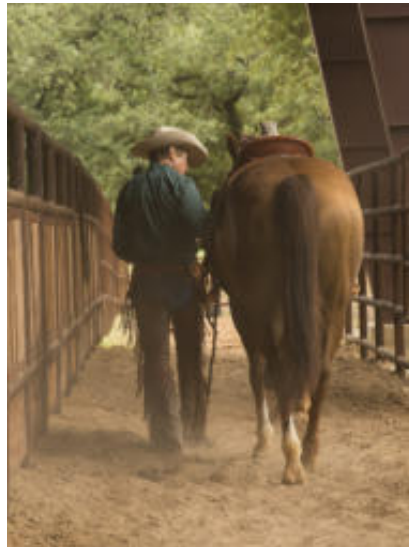
Please continue to check the EXCA website for events that have been postponed or cancelled. We will also publish new dates for events as they are established.

Welcome to the Extreme Cowboy Association

This is the latest issue of your monthly newsletter, ***The Brave Horse***.

You will receive it each month electronically around the middle of the month. The Brave Horse will be full of interesting stories, EXCA event results, point standings, human interest stories about EXCA members and Tips and Tales from our founder, Craig Cameron. We encourage you to communicate your suggestions for stories and ideas that will make The Brave Horse fun, better and more informative. The Brave Horse: the best newsletter in the equine world.

Please forward your ideas and suggestions to Tracy Pinson at TLPinson@aol.com



The Best Teacher

As a working clinician traveling over 80,000 miles per year, starting 300 to 500 colts each one of those years, many people ask me, “Who taught you this, and who taught you that? Who was the best teacher or horseman you have ever met?” I have met and worked with many horsemen, some good and some bad. I have learned from each one of them. I learned what to do and what not to do. This is what horsemanship is, learning what to do and what not to do. As a matter of fact, if all you knew about horses was what not to do, you would be a darn good horseman because good horsemanship is what not to do.

However, the best teacher in the world of horses and horsemanship would have to be the horse. Who knows more about the horse than the horse? We must learn to listen and learn from the horse and never go into a training session thinking that we are better or smarter than the horse. Every horse would tell me what to do. He would tell me where he is good and where he is bad. He will tell me where he needs the help. Stop, look, listen; be more like the horse.

The horse is rarely in a rush or hurry mentally unless threatened or pushed. Learn to speak the horses’ language—watch his eyes, ears, tilt of the head, his expression, and body position, notice if he is licking his lips, or blinking his eyes for example. The gesturing, expressions, and the actions of the horse will tell you where he is at physically, mentally, and emotionally. I like to relate to the horse much of the time in the same manor as another horse would. I do not take the attitude that I never put myself above the horse (mentally); I am just another creature sharing time and space here on mother earth. I am asking something of the horse, he is really not asking

anything of me but a good deal. I stepped into his world; he did not step into mine.

To be a great teacher, first you must be a great student. If you are into horses, never stop being a student of the horse. Our job is to learn to be effective in the way we relate to or train the horse. This should be a prerequisite and a responsibility. We must present things to a horse in a way he can understand them, give him the time it takes to understand. I will always give Tom Dorrance and Ray Hunt credit for teaching me the power of working through understanding with horses. But every good horseman, whether it be Al Dunning, Bobby Ingersol, Bob Loomis, Monty Foreman, Buster Welch, Mark Chestnut of Texas, or many others, all would agree that the horse and old fashioned hard work and experience are the great teachers.

Its kind of like fishing, you have to put your bait in the water. Experience is the best teacher and the most valuable resource you can have. Nobody can give it to you and you can not buy it; experience only comes from doing. Be willing to try and be willing to fail. Heck, it's by your failures that you will find success. So, through your commonsense and your horse-sense, you knew the answer all along. Who is the best teacher when it comes to horse and horsemanship? The horse, of course!

-Craig Cameron

REMINDER!!!!

Mustangs head back to Glen Rose, Texas in Extreme Mustang Race at Extreme Cowboy Association World Championship

GEORGETOWN, TEXAS - The Mustang Heritage Foundation (MHF) and the Extreme Cowboy Association (EXCA) have come together again to offer a unique mustang only division at the EXCA 2020 World Championship in Glen Rose, Texas, November 3-8, called the Extreme Mustang Race.

The Extreme Mustang Race will challenge mustang competitors and their horses to maneuver through a series of obstacles against the clock, demonstrating both horsemanship and speed. The Top 10 competitors will take home a purse of \$10,000.

Interested competitors must send in completed entry forms and can then adopt or purchase a 3 to 6-year-old mustang mare or gelding from the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) corrals or adoption/purchase events

between March 1 and June 15, 2020.

Upon successful entry, contestants will gentle and train their mustangs for approximately 140 days in preparation for competition in November for the chance to win \$10,000. The Extreme Mustang Race is limited to 25 entries on a first come first served basis. From the selection deadline on June 15th, competitors will have approximately 45 days to work with their horses before submitting their final entries for the world show with an entry deadline of August 1, 2020.

“We’re thrilled to yet again partner with the Extreme Cowboy Association to offer this unique opportunity to showcase the trainability and usability of mustangs while highlighting the exciting sport of Extreme Cowboy racing!” said Alex Kappert, Executive Director of the Mustang Heritage Foundation. “The Mustang Heritage Foundation is thrilled that many mustang owners have plugged in to competing in the EXCA after getting horses from our Extreme Mustang Makeovers or through the Trainer Incentive Program. Having this outlet for owners to compete has been very beneficial to the mustang community.”

Currently, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) estimates over 88,000 wild horses roam on BLM-managed rangelands in 10 western states, mostly in Nevada, Wyoming and California. As their populations grow, events like the Extreme Mustang Race encourage public education and adoption of these remarkable animals.

“The contestants will compete in 9 different Divisions; Young Guns, ages 7-11; Youth, ages 12-17; Novice; Intermediate, International, Mustang, Non-Pro, Pro and Ride Smart, ages 55 and over,” said Frank Turben of the Extreme Cowboy Association. “The contestants will take on the challenging Extreme Cowboy course consisting of obstacles that will challenge their riding skills and test the partnership with their horses. This contest is the Super Bowl of speed combined with great horsemanship skill to crown the World Champion of Extreme Cowboy Racing.”

For more information about the Extreme Mustang Race visit <https://mustangheritagefoundation.org/extreme-mustang-race/>. The full schedule of the EXCA World Championship, including hotel information and event tickets, can be found online at <https://extremecowboyassociation.com/world-program-2020.htm>.

About the Mustang Heritage Foundation: The primary mission of the Mustang Heritage Foundation is to create and promote programs and activities that provide information and education about wild horses and burros, elevate their image and desirability, provide opportunities to become involved in the wild horse and burro experience and secure

adequate numbers of caring homes for excess horses. Working in partnership with the Bureau of Land Management the Mustang Heritage Foundation works to ensure healthy wild herds and rangelands through the placement of excess animals removed from public lands so future generations can enjoy this distinctive part of our American heritage. As a 501 (C)(3), public, charitable, nonprofit organization, the Mustang Heritage Foundation works to identify and develop sources of private financial funding to further support the mission of the Foundation. For more information visit mustangheritagefoundation.org.

About the Extreme Cowboy Association: The Extreme Cowboy Association (EXCA) is the original and only recognized association for the sport of Extreme Cowboy Racing. The Extreme Cowboy Race was originated by the first “Original Cowboy,” Craig Cameron. Craig has achieved national recognition and prominence as a true cowboy and is known as the “Cowboy’s Clinician,” being one of the finest horsemen in the United States.

The EXCA has been specifically designed to invite riders of all levels to participate and enjoy the Extreme Cowboy Challenge. The EXCA has developed the official competitive structure for all EXCA members in regions across the United States, Canada and Europe. Each region will offer local and Regional Championship competitions that lead to the EXCA World Championship competition.

About the Bureau of Land Management:

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) removes wild horses and burros from public lands to ensure a healthy balance of land and animals. Since 1971, the BLM has placed more than 255,000 wild horses and burros into good homes nationwide. Partnerships, like the Mustang Heritage Foundation, provide the BLM with additional opportunities to place animals into good

homes. Interested applicants can attend BLM offsite adoption/sales event, visit a BLM Off-Range Corral, or participate in an Internet adoption/sales event to apply to take a wild horse or burro home! To learn more about the Wild Horse and Burro Program, please call 866-468-7826 or visit BLM.GOV/whb.

The BLM manages more than 245 million acres of public land located primarily in 12 Western states, including Alaska. The BLM also administers 700 million acres of sub-surface mineral estate throughout the nation. Diverse activities authorized on these lands generated \$96 billion in sales of goods and services throughout the American economy in fiscal year 2017. These activities supported more than 468,000 jobs.

Craig Cameron Ride Smart Horsemanship You Tube Channel

Through the media of You Tube, Craig Cameron and the Ride Smart Horsemanship Series features all aspects of horsemanship, the cowboy tradition, and the American way. We put a lot of thought, work and effort to bring you originality, entertainment and education in each and every show. We are working hard to give you the type of instruction that you can use on a daily basis, whether you're a beginner, intermediate, advanced or professional horseman.

We have more fun and more horsemanship coming to you down the line on our YouTube channel. Be sure to subscribe and never miss a show!

<https://m.youtube.com/c/CraigCameronRideSmartHorsemanship>

We thank you for your input, emails, and continued support.

Ride like a champion!

Craig Cameron

Important!!! Club Organizers, Please Note!

Club organizers, please make sure you submit your 2020 events on the EXCA

website! https://extremecowboyassociation.com/event_application.htm

Also, make sure your 2020 club membership is paid before you enter events for the new year! The link

is: <https://www.extremecowboyaces.com/product5.html>



EXCA Clubs: Please submit news from your region!

We are asking that all clubs submit results, pictures and any news from your region so we can share with the EXCA membership. Please send them to Tracy Pinson at TLPinson@aol.com.

EXCA Dues

Make sure your dues are paid so that all points earned at the races count toward qualifying for the World Finals! Please check your membership card for the expiration date.

National High Point Standings

Rachael Saunders on Caohmin Hank - 2983.616

Charlotte Maywald on Mr Excitabelle - 2727.327

Zoe Mullens on Billy Ray - 2004.427

Diane Solomon on RL Special Magic - 1996.228

Sharon Crafter on Radar - 1873.741

Brett Stanley on Ima Hollywood Cowboy - 1366.994

Jodie Piva on Docs Sweet Pickins - 1262.275

Bob Hill on RJ Freckles Jewel (Shango) - 1243.205

Elisa Grobe on Lagoona Rockafella - 1241.955

Michelle Stanley on Packin Heat - 1172.128

2020 EXCA Events

For details, contact information and event flyers, please check the EXCA website at www.extremecowboyassociation.com.

4/18-19/20 – Free Rein Foundation Extreme Cowboy Race, Ellis Street, Huntington Beach, CA

4/18/20 – SMS Ranch Xtreme Cowboy Spring Fling, SMS Ranch, Beaver County, AB

4/18/20 – WGQHA Extreme Cowboys Jackpot, Cannibal Creek Reserve,

Garfield, VI

4/19/20 - Belgian Extreme Cowboy Assoc., Cannibal Creek Reserve,
Garfield, VI

4/19/20 - EXCA of Western Europe Summerchallenge, The Golden Quarter,
Varsenare, BE

4/19/20 - Extreme Cowboy Alberta, Cochrane AG, Cochrane, AB

4/24/20 - Israel Equestrian Federation ILEXCA Leage 2020 Race #1, Double
K Ranch, Sharona, ISR

4/26/20 - O.H.I.O EXCA, Riverland Arena, Navarre, OH

5/2/20 - Arizona Desert Racers, Miller Ranch, Scottsdale, AZ

5/9/20 - SOCA Alabama State Championship Race, The Canyon, Hodges, AL

5/10/20 - Extreme Cowboy Alberta, Cochrane AG, Cochrane, AB

5/10/20 - FREXCA, Horse Trail Association, Normandie, FR

5/15/20 - Israel Equestrian Federation ILEXCA Leage 2020 Race #2, Double
K Ranch, Sharona, ISR

5/16/20 - KenInTen May Race, Rick Carey Farm, Cave City, KY

5/17/20 - Belgian Extreme Cowboy Association, Equi'Royal, Erezee, BE

5/17/20 - EXCA of Western Europe Summerchallenge, Blue Eyed Stables,
Clinge, BE

5/22/20 - Xtreme Wild Rose, Leduc Rodeo Grounds, Leduc, AB

5/30-31/20 - EXCA National Championships Hosted by SOCA (5X Point Race),
Celebration Arena, Decatur, AL

5/30-31/20 - EXCA of Western Europe Summerchallenge, Stonehill Ranch,
Balen, BE

5/31/20 - El Rodeo Ranch Riders, El Rodeo Equestrian Center, Brea, CA

5/31/20 - SMS Ranch Xtreme Cowboy, SMS Ranch, Tofield, AB

6/12-13/20 - Israel Equestrian Federation ILEXCA Leage 2020 Race #3,
Green Fields Ranch, Rishon LeTsiyon, ISR

6/13/20 - SMS Ranch Xtreme Cowboy, Vegreville Agricultural Society,
Vegreville, AB

6/13/20 - Shades of Gold Ranch Cowboy Challenge, Shades of Gold Ranch,
Leona Valley, CA

6/13/20 - Ultimate Horseman's Challenge, R Bar B, Topeka, KS

6/14/20 - Belgian Extreme Cowboy Assoc., B & B Quarter House, Moerkerke, BE

6/14/20 - Extreme Cowboy Alberta, Cochrane AG, Cochrane, AB

6/20/20 - KenInTen Kentucky State Championships, Rick Carey Farm, Cave City, KY

6/21/20 - EXCA of Western Europe Summerchallenge, Ter Duinen, Koksijde, BE

6/27/20 - O.H.I.O EXCA, Creek Side Horse Park, Waynesburg, OH

6/28/20 - El Rodeo Ranch Riders, El Rodeo Equestrian Center, Brea, CA

7/4/20 - FREXCA, Extreme Cowboy Race, Ranch de la Foucaudiere, Basse, Normandie, FR

7/4-5/20 - EXCA of Western Europe Cowboy Classic, EC Ranch, Antwerpen, BE

7/5/20 - SMS Ranch Xtreme Cowboy, SMS Ranch, Tofield, AB

7/6-9/20 - Calgary Stampede Cowboy Up Challenge, Nutrien Western Event Centre, Calgary, AB

7/12/20 - Belgian Extreme Cowboy Assoc., The Valley Ranch, Floree, BE

7/18/20 - Ultimate Horseman's Challenge, Bates County Fairgrounds, Butler, MO

7/19/20 - EXCA of Western Europe Cowboy Classic, Flaming Star Ranch, Hamont-Achel, BE

7/19/20 - FREXCA, Extreme Cowboy Race, Tequila Ranch, Pays de la Loire, FR

7/25-26/20 - EXCA of Western Europe Summerchallenge Gipsy Horses Rodeo, Westerlo, BE

7/25-26/20 - FREXCA, Extreme Cowboy Race, West Race Association, Pays de la Loire, FR

7/25/20 - Extreme Cowboy Alberta, Cochrane AG, Cochrane, AB

7/26/20 - Extreme Cowboy Alberta, Cochrane AG, Cochrane, AB

7/26/20 - El Rodeo Ranch Riders, El Rodeo Equestrian Center, Brea, CA

8/8/20 - SOCA Georgia State Championship Race , Chicopee Woods Agriculture Center, Gainesville, GA

8/8-9/20 - Belgian Extreme Cowboy Assoc., l'écurie du cheval de Coeur a

reves, Reves, BE

8/15/20 - O.H.I.O EXCA, S bar L Arena, Sugarcreek, OH

8/16/20 - EXCA of Western Europe Summerchallenge Stapelheyde, Brecht, BE

8/22/20 - Extreme Cowboy Alberta Cowboy Classic, Cochrane AG, Cochrane, AB

8/22/20 - KenInTen August Race, Rick Carey Farm, Cave City, KY

8/23/20 - Belgian Extreme Cowboy Assoc., Dave City Ranch, Gendron-Celles, BE

8/29-30/20 - EXCA of Western Europe, Summerchallenge Pony Express, Limburg, BE

8/29-30/20 - Free Rein Foundation Extreme Cowboy Race, Ellis Street, Huntington Beach, CA

8/29-30/20 - SMS Ranch Xtreme Cowboy, SMS Ranch, Beaver County, AB

9/5-6/20 - Dixie Outlaws Cowboy Classic, Foothills Arena, Clarksville, AR

9/5/20 - Shades of Gold Ranch Cowboy Challenge, Shades of Gold Ranch, Leona Valley, CA

9/5-6/20 - Extreme Cowboy Alberta Provincial Championship, Cochrane AG, Cochrane, AB

9/12-13/20 - Australian Extreme Cowgirls True Grit Cowboy Classic, Elmore Equestrian Centre, Elmore, VI

9/12-13/20 - FREXCA French Championship, West Race Association, Pays de la Loire, FR

9/12/20 - Ultimate Horseman's Challenge, Saddle and Sirloin, Kansas City, MO

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9/19/20 - KenInTen South Central Regional Championship, Rick Carey Farm, Cave City, KY

9/19-20/20 - EXCA of Western Europe Summerchallenge Finals, Ecurie du Chesnois, Henegouwen, BE

9/20/20 - Belgian Extreme Cowboy Assoc., Llyda Stables, Destelbergen, BE

9/20/20 - SMS Ranch Xtreme Cowboy, SMS Ranch, Beaver County, AB

9/25/20 - Extreme Cowboy Alberta 2020 Finals, Cochrane AG, Cochrane, AB

9/25-26/20 - Israel Equestrian Federation ILEXCA Leage 2020 Race #4,
Green Fields Ranch, Rishon LeTsiyon, ISR

9/26-27/20 - Oklahoma EXCA Mid Central Championships, Rolling Stone
Stables, Shawnee, OK

9/26-27/20 - SOCA Southeastern Regional Championships, Green River
Farms, Gaffney, SC

10/3/20 - Shades of Gold EXCA Regional Championship, Shades of Gold
Ranch, Leona Valley, CA

10/3/20 - Ultimate Horseman's Challenge, Irvin Ranch, Cleveland, MO

10/4/20 - SMS Ranch Xtreme Cowboy 2020 Finals, SMS Ranch, Beaver
County, AB

10/10/20 - SOCA Florida Extreme Cowboy Race, Darby Oaks Stables,
Bushnell, FL

10-16-18/20 - Israel Equestrian Federation ILEXCA Leage 2020 Race #5,
Green Fields Ranch, Rishon LeTsiyon, ISR

10/17/20 - Ultimate Horsemans Challenge, Eagle Ranch, Collins, MO

11/3-8/20 - EXCA World Championship, Somervell Expo Center, Glen Rose,
TX





3/22/20 - Southern Cross Xtreme Cowboy

Racing Queensland Regional Championships

Southern Cross Xtreme Cowboy Racing, the newest Club in Hervey Bay, Queensland, Australia, were very lucky to have been able to run their Queensland Regional Championship on Sunday 22nd March.

Due to Covid-19, gatherings of groups of people was slashed from 100 all the way down to 10 and now is a stay at home order.

Magen Warlick judged the Championship and on the Tuesday started her trip home to Stephenville, Texas. 2 weeks earlier than planned. She thankfully made it home!

EXCA Membership numbers increased massively in Queensland! We started with 3 EXCA Members and we saw another 17 people join.

EXCA Rounds saw 31 runs. At this time all riders and horses were warmed up to compete after the 'Open Rounds' Our Announcer was getting pumped and the music volume went up and we started to party!

Music matched up to each rider, with smiling and laughter, everyone gave it their all! We eventually had to turn the lights on and finished our day around 7pm, followed by presentations.

Buckles were given to each Champion in their division. Ribbons, rosettes and prizes.

A special shout out and thank you, to our incredible Judge and Clinician, Magen Warlick and our Show Sponsor, local horseman, Guy McLean.

We are already planning next years regional's. This time will be done over 2 days as it has grown massively!

Submitted by Natasha Webber (Tash)

Results:

Non Pro Champion - James Scott on Three Moon Chester

Non Pro Reserve Champion - Priscilla Leeson on Crystal Poco Docs

Intermediate Champion - Tammy Kingsman on Chester

Intermediate Reserve Champion - Andy Riley on Dusty

Novice Champion - Andy Riley on Dusty

Novice Reserve Champion - Bianca Hampson on Holly

Youth Champion - Phoebe Whitaker on Hillsend Steel Mist

Youth Reserve Champion - Makayla Loveridge on Rosie

Young Guns Champion - Makayla Loveridge on Rosie

Young Guns Reserve Champion - Elani North on D-Bar Little Seraquiel



Southern Cross Xtreme Cowboy Racing Club Happenings!

Southern Cross Xtreme Cowboy Racing was invited by Naomi Lee to assist her with the 'Lunchtime Entertainment' at Queensland State Equestrian Centre (QSEC) Horse Home Show in February.

We jumped on the opportunity and made contact with QSEC to secure an Information Stall for the club.

SCXCR supplied the obstacles and new EXCA Level 1 Judge, Natasha Webber.

This was a huge opportunity to promote our club and the sport of Extreme Cowboy Racing in Queensland.

Lunchtime Entertainment was a Cowboy Race with 5 pretty incredible riders and a few of them had never done anything like this before.

Judged by Natasha Webber, her scribe, Tammy Kingsman. Announcer Dan Steers of Double Dan Horsemanship.

Riders were, Dan James of Double Dan Horsemanship, Dave Manchon or Rooftop Express Show, Naomi Lee of Sundance Horsemanship, Hollie Sheils of HLS Trick Riding and Jess Mann.

They all put on a great show, good music, antics and all flew the Southern Cross Xtreme Cowboy Racing flag on the last freeride.

We had crowd of the day with close to 1000 people watching.

Dan James took out the title!

The response from the race was amazing. A lot of people came to our stall to ask their questions about the club and sport.

Here's hoping we'll have a few more Queensland EXCA Clubs in the future!

Submitted by Natasha Webber



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