

Extreme Cowboy Association Brave Horse



December 2019

Welcome to the Extreme Cowboy Association

The 2020 show season has started! Events for the 2020 have planned all over the world and we are excited for the new year. The EXCA wishes you and your family a ***very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!***

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



IMPORTANT - 2020 Rule Changes for the EXCA

- A rider may not be tied or attached to their saddle in any manner.
- A rider may not use any device that allows communication to or from another individual while competing.
- A rider may be disqualified if they are unable to cross the start line within 30 seconds.
- Any current EXCA Affiliated Club can apply to host an EXCA Cowboy Classic event (limit one per club per year).
- Non EXCA members are not permitted on the EXCA spreadsheet. All entries on the spreadsheet must be a current EXCA member, a Green Horn, or a Temporary member joining at the event.

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>

Council Grove rider claims Young Gun honor (reprinted from the Emporia Gazette)



A young Council Grove cowboy has proven to be one of the outstanding young guns in the country.

Twelve-year-old Hadley Smith claimed that distinction at the recent Extreme Cowboys Association World Championship in Glen Rose, Texas.

Originated by the Cowboy Clinician Craig Cameron, the EXCA is the only recognized association for the sport of Extreme Cowboy Racing.

“It was specifically designed for riders of all levels to participate and enjoy the Extreme Cowboy Challenge,” Cameron said. “Extreme Cowboy Racing is a multi-faceted equestrian sport that requires the riders to demonstrate both speed and horsemanship.

“Official rules guideline the sport with safe, fun and consistent competition for everyone. We ride hard, live large and keep it extreme with horseback riding maneuvers in highly -developed speed courses.”

With regions throughout the United States, Canada and Europe sponsoring races each year, the annual climax is the EXCA World Championship.

Last year, Smith attended a clinic presented by his father Lee Hart, a Council Grove native now training in Kentucky.

Smith decided to pursue riding and participating in EXCA competition, qualifying for the 2018 EXCA World Championship.

“Claiming 10th there, Hadley was determined to come back stronger this year,” according to his parents, Elisha and Mike Bacon.

Starting in May, Smith competed at several races in Oklahoma, Arkansas, Kentucky and Alabama, earning a World Championship qualification.

There were 12 contestants in the Young Guns division, including a rider from Australia. After the first two rounds, Smith ranked second with his fifth-place final standings determined on “Super Sunday.”

To have such remarkable achievement requires a top horse, and Smith feels fortunate to ride the 13-year-old gelding called Buster.

The Quarter Horse ridden by Hart to previous world championships was inducted into the EXCA Hall of Fame.

“That was truly the highlight of the competition for me and all of us,” Smith said. “I’ll be moving up to the very tough youth division next year, but that’s no worry riding Buster.”

Cameron presented Smith a special rope in appreciation for his dedication to the EXCA.

“Hadley is an astonishing young man, with very polite manners, always willing to jump in and help,” Cameron said. “I call him Little Mr. Hustle because we’ve given Lee Hart the nickname Mr. Hustle.”

The young cowboy is the grandson of Sue and Terry Brant, Mary Washburn and Gloria and Sheldon Smith.





**WE NEED
YOU**



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.

2020 EXCA Events

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

12/21/19 - Australian Extreme Cowgirls Club End of Year Celebration Race, El Castillo Equestrian Centre, Springfield, VI

1/11/20 - Downunder Extreme Cowboys Summer Daze Jackpot, Mt Rowan Equestrian Centre, Ballarat, VI

1/11/20 - SOCA Florida State Championship Race , Florida Horse Park, Ocala, FL

1/12/20 - Downunder Extreme Cowboys Summer Daze Jackpot, Mt Rowan Equestrian Centre, Ballarat, VI

2/15/20 - Australian Extreme Cowgirls Club State Championships, Mansfield Showgrounds, Mansfield, VI

3/14/20 - SOCA Florida Extreme Cowboy Race , Darby Oaks Stables, Bushnell, FL

3/22/20 - Southern Cross Xtreme Cowboy Racing Queensland Regional Championships, Hervey Bay Equestrian Centre, Hervey Bay

3/28/20 - Downunder Extreme Cowboys Australian Nationals, Mt Rowan Equestrian Centre, Ballarat, VI

4/4/20 - Shades of Gold Ranch Cowboy Challenge, Shades of Gold Ranch, Leona Valley, CA

4/4/20 - SOCA South Carolina State Championship, Green River Farms, Gaffney, SC

4/4/20 - Dixie Outlaws Cowboy Classic, Foothills Arena, Clarksville, AR

5/2/20 - Shades of Gold Ranch Cowboy Challenge, Shades of Gold Ranch, Leona Valley, CA

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

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

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

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

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

9/26/20 - 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

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

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





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Extreme Cowboy Race & Obstacle Challenge



At The Florida Horse Park



11008 South Highway 475, Ocala, FL 34480

EXTREME COWBOY RACE

Saturday, January 11, 2020
Check In Opens at 7:30 a.m.
1st Walk Thru at 8:30 a.m.

First run immediately after Walk Thru

Craig Cameron's Extreme Cowboy Race consists of obstacles such as water crossings, side-pass, tarps, bridges, drags, jumps and other technical obstacles. Horsemanship with speed provides an exciting event for competitors and spectators.

At least top 50% in all divisions come back for final run (combined scores for two runs will determine winners): Pro*, Non-Pro*, Novice, Intermediate*, Ride Smart*, Green Horse, Youth, and Young Guns prizes and ribbons in all divisions. Payback in select* divisions only.

Want to try an Extreme Cowboy Race? The Novice division is the place to start! (Riders in all divisions must be an EXCA member or purchase a Green Horn membership)

Cowboy Race rules on
www.extremecowboyassociation.com

OBSTACLE CHALLENGE

Sunday, January 12, 2020
Registration Opens at 8:30 a.m.
Entry Office Closes at 10:00 a.m.
Competition Starts at 10:00 a.m.

The challenge consists of 15 obstacles such as water boxes, side-pass, tarps, noodles, bridges, back through and other interesting obstacles. Horses will be scored on how well they negotiate each one.

Divisions

Youth, Novice Horse & Rider, Intermediate Horse & Rider, Open Elite and Green Horse.

Multiple judges will allow several horses to be on course at one time.

Payback, prizes & ribbons in all divisions (except Green Horse - Prizes and ribbons - only, does not count toward high point.)

Obstacle challenge rules attached.

Helmets required on riders in the youth division.

Pre-entries REQUIRED for the EXCA Race - Order of go based on receipt of entries.

Join us at the beautiful Florida Horse Park in Ocala, FL for the race and obstacle challenge! There are a limited number of campsites, so make your reservations now! The Florida Horse Park sits on hundreds of acres for trails - Enjoy those while you are here!

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13600 SW 17th Court, Ocala, FL 34472
Hampton Inn & Suites Belleview - 352-347-1600
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IMPORTANT NOTICE ABOUT SHOW RESULTS!!!!

Please note that the results listed below are pulled from the EXCA website - If dues aren't current, your name WILL NOT show up in the results and thus will not be posted below!!! Show managers - You are welcome to submit results and pictures from your events and we will use those. Competitors - Make sure your dues are current so our results are correct. Thanks for your cooperation.

11/30/19 - Geelong & District Extreme Cowboys Cowboy

Round 1

Pro Champion – Beck Gurrie on Giddy

Non Pro Champion – Charlotte Maywald on Mr. Excitabelle

Non Pro Reserve Champion – Rachael Saunders on Caohmin Hank

Intermediate Champion – Cathy Ball on Pilgrim

Intermediate Reserve Champion – Rachael Saunders on Caohmin Hank

Ride Smart Champion – Diane Solomon on RL Special Magic

Novice Champion – Brett Stanely on Ima Hollywood Cowboy (Hudson)

Novice Reserve Champion – Kristee Loverdos on Eli

Youth Champion – Charlotte Maywald on Mr. Excitabelle

Youth Reserve Champion – Nicolas Kouwenoord on Eli

Round 2

Non Pro Champion – Charlotte Maywald on Mr. Excitabelle

Non Pro Reserve Champion – Rachael Saunders on Caohmin Hank

Intermediate Champion – Jodie Piva on Docs Sweet Pickins

Intermediate Reserve Champion – Rachael Saunders on Caohmin Hank

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