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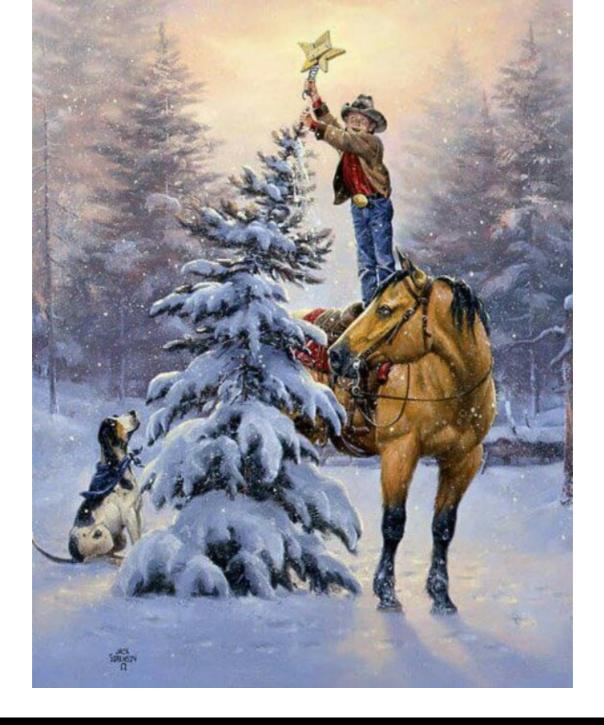
Welcome to the Extreme Cowboy Association

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
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Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from the Extreme Cowboy Association!



NOTICE - THE LINK TO THE BEST WESTERN, GLEN ROSE, TX IS NOW OPEN!

The host hotel for the EXCA World Finals is once again the Best Western in Glen Rose, Texas. Please use the link below to make your reservations! The hotel fills up quickly, so please make plans now! The event dates will be November 1st through 5th, 2023.

https://www.bestwestern.com/en_US/book/hotel-rooms.44486.html? groupId=N21YI1R0



Wyoming Wild Horse Inducted Into Extreme Cowboy Association Hall Of Fame

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By Wendy Corr, Cowboy State Daily

Angeline and Samson are best friends.

Both 16 years old, they've grown up together, first meeting at the age of 6. They are travel companions, too. From coast to coast, even internationally, wherever you find one, you'll find the other.

Plucked from the Green Mountain Herd Management Area southeast of Sweetwater Station, Samson is one of Wyoming's famous wild mustangs. And although he had a troubled beginning, the gelding has won numerous national and world titles in the Extreme Cowboy Association and was recently inducted into the EXCA Hall of Fame.

His handler and friend, Angeline Saliceti, told Cowboy State Daily that Samson is a shining ambassador for the Mustang Heritage Foundation, which helps find forever homes for thousands of wild horses and burros each year.

"Samson will always be my heart horse, my \$125 World Champion," Saliceti wrote in a Facebook post about the EXCA Hall of Fame selection. "I hope to continue to show the World what an amazing athlete and partner my little black mustang is."

'A Tough Nut to Crack'

Saliceti said that Samson's success as a show horse belies his feisty disposition as a youngling. After being cut from the Green Mountain herd, he spent time in holding pens in Wyoming before being shipped to the Hutchinson Correctional Facility in Kansas as part of a prison work program.

"He was a tough nut to crack," said Saliceti, whose family lives near Topeka. "He liked to be worked, and if he wasn't, he got grumpy and he just wasn't really a great horse."

He was so grumpy, in fact, that the first two people who adopted him landed in the hospital.

"The first lady that got him took him home and had him for a couple of weeks and didn't do anything with him, and then tried to ride him – and he sent her to the hospital," said Saliceti. "She broke her back and I believe her neck as well."

The training program took Samson back, adopting him out a second time.

"Same story, pretty much," said Saliceti. "He broke a couple of ribs and a couple other bones, and he sent him back."

After that, Samson was off the adoption list for good. The program determined that he would be relegated to a life as a training horse, pulling carriages and bucking off unsuspecting trainees.

That was, until the Salicetis came along.

He Was the One

When the Salicetis pulled up to the mustang holding area, Samson was not their choice.

But apparently, they were his.

"He was in one of the individual pens, and every time we walked past, he kept following me around the corner," said Saliceti, who was just 6 years old at the time. But when her mom inquired about adopting Samson, she was shut down quickly.

"The manager of the program said absolutely not, he is not up for adoption, he's trouble," said Saliceti. "Don't even think about it."

But a few months later, her mother returned to the facility and talked the manager into letting them adopt Samson – who quickly proved he had earned his reputation.

"The second time I rode him, I rode him outside, and he ran me into a cedar tree and completely wiped me out," said Saliceti.

But the 6-year-old girl wasn't deterred. Soon she and Samson had built up trust between them, and within six months they the competition circuit.

"I started extreme cowboy racing with him, which is what we still do, and then just local 4-H shows with my horse club," said Saliceti. "We did everything together."

Mustang Heritage Foundation Ambassador

In 2016 at age 11, Saliceti and Samson won the EXCA World Finals in their age class, and a year later were chosen to be ambassadors for the Mustang Heritage Foundation.

Ann Souders, program coordinator for the foundation, said she's never seen a pair quite like Saliceti and Samson, whom she first met seven years ago at

the EXCA world finals.

"And oh my gosh, I saw this whippersnapper young girl with long black hair, and this absolutely drop dead gorgeous black mustang," Souders told Cowboy State Daily. They had "such a presence and such authority when they were out there, they just made my heart skip a beat or two."

Souders said the Foundation's message centers on the kinds of life that mustangs can have once they're taken out of the range, which is more than evident in the relationship between Saliceti and Samson.

'Freedom Has Many Faces'

"I want there to always be wild horses," said Souders. "Oh my gosh, I do. But I want them to be safe and healthy, and that's not quite the case anymore."

She said she's witnessed the lack of vegetation and water on herd management areas that are out of balance with too many horses on not enough acres.

"When I'm out there and I get to see what they're like and I see the herds and their interaction, I see the good and the bad," she said. "It really helps inspire me to do what I do – to educate, to help inform people."

Souders said that the horses she works with all come from Wyoming's Salt Wells and Divide Basin herds. And although she began this journey as an advocate for "freedom" for America's wild horse herds, her idea of that freedom has changed.

"Freedom has many faces," Souders said. "I grew up as a young girl wanting them to be free but having no idea the cost that they live to be free out there. Because I can tell you right now, I got three mustangs at my house, and come 6 o'clock their freedom comes out of a bucket at my house."

Benefits of Adoption

Souders admits that when she first became enamored with wild horses, she was a vocal advocate against adoption. But a visit with Wyoming horse expert Ken McNabb set her on the path she now walks, raising awareness, providing education and increasing the placement of wild horses and burros into private care.

Souders said Saliceti and Samson have been shining examples of the benefits of adopting wild mustangs.

"They came down this year for Samson to meet everybody (at the foundation) and to kind of help show what mustangs are like, and show how they're capable of doing other things," she said.

In 2017, Saliceti and Samson were invited to compete at the international EXCA championships in France, which Saliceti said was, in part, to spread the word about wild mustangs.

"I was there not only to represent EXCA and everything that they do, but also the Mustangs," she said. "And everything that Samson has accomplished and everything that mustangs can accomplish."

Mustangs Preferred

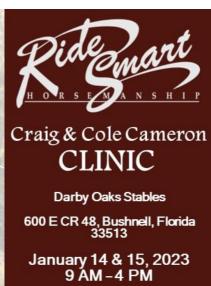
Saliceti said that when it comes to her own small herd of horses, she prefers her mustangs over any others.

"I would honestly trust my mustangs more than I would trust my quarter horses at this point," she said. "They have so much heart."

For Souders, the relationship between Saliceti and Samson, the scrappy black mustang from central Wyoming, hits her in the heart.

"This 60-year-old grammy right here is living her young life on a mustang to Angeline," she said. "Angeline and Samson are helping change the world, exactly in the way we want it to be changed."





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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, March 4, 2023 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, March 5, 2023 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.)

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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Attention EXCA Clubs!

Don't forget to renew your EXCA club affiliation for the 2023 competition year:

https://www.extremecowboyraces.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.

2023 National Point Standing Thru 12-18-22

Deborah McGhee on Spoonfulla Peaches N Cream - 1514.622

Tammy Kingsman on Lyric Music Man - 1444.117

Deborah McGhee on Seniors Dynasty - 1329.073

Amy Gordon on Sundance - 1010.182

Hayley Bowman on Sheza Hillbilly - 994.046

Hayley Bowman on Herero - 741.115

James Scott on Threemoon Lady - 650.226

James Scott on Herero - 566.791

Courtney Adams on Kalbarri Parkl Sheana Emira - 482.607

Natasha Webber on Jarrah - 471.498

2023 EXCA Calendar Of Events

1/8/2023 – Downunder Extreme Cowboys January Jackpot, Mt. Rown Equestrian Centre, Ballarat, VI

1/29/2023 - EXCA of Western Europe Winterchallenge 1, Domein Pahof Peer, BE

2/11/2023 – KenInTen Extreme Racing, Texas State Championship, Legends Equestrian Center, Kaufman, TX

2/12/2023 - EXCA of Western Europe Winterchallenge 2, Horse Expo, Gent, BE

2/25/2023 – High Country EXCA Gold Diggers Jackpot, GC Natural Horsemanship, Meredith, VI

3/3-5/2023 – EXCA El Rodeo Ranch Riders, El Rodeo Equestrian Centre, Brea, CA

3/4/2023 - SOCA Florida State Championships, Florida Horse Park, Ocala, FL

3/5/2023 - Downunder Extreme Cowboys March Jackpot, Mt. Rowan Equestrian Centre, Ballarat, VI 3/11-12/2023 - High Country EXCA Victoria State Championships, Benalla Equestrian Center, Brea, CA 3/11-12/2023 - Southern Cross Xtreme Cowboy Racing Queensland State Championship, Maryborough Showgrounds & Equestrian Park, Maryborough, QLD 3/18/2023 - KenInTen Racing KY State Championship, Rick Carey Farm, Cave City, KY 3/25-26/2023 - EXCA of Western Europe Winterchallenge 3, PCK Eersel, Ersel, NL 3/30 - 4/2/2023 - IEXCA League 2023 Race #1, Double K Ranch, Sharona, ISR 3/31-4/1/2023 - EXCA El Rodeo Ranch Riders, El Rodeo Equestrian Center, Brea, CA 4/8/2023 - High Country EXCA Gold Diggers Double Up 1, GC Natural Horsemanship, Meredith, VI 4/9/2023 - Southern Cross Xtreme Cowboy Racing Ace in the Hole Buckle Series Round 1, Maryborough Showgrounds & Equestrian Park, Maryborough, QLD 4/9/2023 - High Country EXCA Gold Diggers Double Up 2, GC Natural Horsemanship, Meredith, VI 4/22-23/2023 - Downunder Extreme Cowboys Australian Nationals, Tatura Park Equestrian Centre, Tatura, VI 4/22-23/2023 - Ken In Ten April Race, Rick Carey Farm, Cave City, KY 4/29-30/2023 - EXCA of Western Europe Summerchallenge, NevadA.N.Dream, Evrehailles, BE 4/30/2023 - Kansas Horse Mafia Buckle Series, R Bar R/Rafter 4B, Topeka, KS 5/4-6/2023 - IEXCA League 2023 Race #2, Double K Ranch, Sharona, ISR 5/5-7/2023 - El Rodeo Ranch Riders, El Rodeo Equestrian Center, Brea, CA 5/6/2023 - High Country EXCA Cruisers Run Cowboy Classic, Elmore Equestrian Centre, Elmore, VI 5/6/2023 - SOCA Alabama State Championships, The Canyon Lodge, Hodges, AL 5/27-28/2023 - KenInTen May Race, Rick Carey Farm, Cave City, KY 5/28-29/2023 - EXCA of Western Europe German Buckle, Horsemans Place, Ratingen, DE

6/1/2023 - IEXCA League 2023 Race #3, Double K Ranch, Sharona, ISR

6/2-4/2023 - El Rodeo Ranch Riders, El Rodeo Equestrian Center, Brea, CA 6/3-4/2023 - EXCA National Championships Hosted by SOCA, Champions Arena, Shelbyville, TN 6/17-18/2023 - EXCA of Western Europe Summerchallenge, Sunset Valley, Westerlo, BE 6/29-7/1/2023 - IEXCA League 2023 Race #4, Double K Ranch, Sharona, ISR 7/8-9/2023 - EXCA of Western Europe Summerchallenge, PCK Eersel, Ersel, NL 7/16/2023 - Flores Ranch Ultimate Summer Showdown, Flores Ranch, Acton, CA 7/22-23/2023 - KenInTen Southern Regional Championships, Legends Equestrian Center, Kaufman, TX 7/29-30/2023 - EXCA of Western Europe Summerchallenge, Ruitershoeve, Stekene, BE 8/5-6/2023 - KenInTen South Central Regional Championships, Rick Carey Farm, Cave City, KY 8/12/2023 - SOCA Southeastern Regional Championships, Chicopee Woods Agricultural Center, Gainesville, GA 8/12-13/2023 - EXCA of Western Europe German Buckle, Border Ranch, Kranenburg, DE 8/26-27/2023 - EXCA of Western Europe Cowboy Classic, EC Ranch, Vimmeren, BE 9/1-3/2023 - El Rodeo Ranch Riders State Championships, El Rodeo Equestrian Center, Brea, CA 9/7-9/2023 - IEXCA League 2023 Race #5, Double K Ranch, Sharona, ISR 9/9-10/2023 - KenInTen September Race, Rick Carey Farm, Cave City, KY 9/16/2023 - SOCA Regional Championships, TBD 9/23/2023 - Kansas Horse Mafia Buckle Series, R Bar B/Rafter 4B, Topeka, KS 9/24/2023 - Kansas Horse Mafia Kansas State Championship, 4 Bar B/Rafter 4B, Topeka, KS 10/3-5/2023 - IEXCA League 2023 Race #1, Double K Ranch, Sharona, ISR 10/6-8/2023 - El Rodeo Ranch Riders Regional Championship, El Rodeo Equestrian Center, Brea, CA 10/7-8/2023 - KenInTen October Race, Rick Carey Farm, Cave City, KY 11/1-5/2023 - EXCA World Championship, Somervell Expo Center, Glen Rose, TX

NOTICE ABOUT EVENT RESULTS

The below results are taken from the EXCA points on the website. Only members with CURRENT PAID DUES will be listed. If something is incorrectly listed, please make sure that the member is listed on the "Current Member" page on the EXCA website. If you would like to submit pictures or other information to be included with your clubs results, please send to TLPinson@aol.com. Thanks!

2022 OXC CHAMPIONS & RESERVE CHAMPIONS YEAR END HIGH POINT

LEADLINE

Champion - Kenny Durham & Lil Bit

Reserve - Sadie McLaren & Grand Tiger

YOUNG GUNS

Champion - Broderick Johnston & Grey

Reserve - Haley Hof & Monte Carlo

NOVICE YOUTH

Champion - Hannah Werger & Bent Over Backwards

Reserve - Broderick Johnston & Grey

YOUTH

Champion - Mackenzie Crowder & Dancin In Lightnin

Reserve - Hubert Grant & Willy

NOVICE

Champion - Amanda Engler & Just Curious

Reserve - Megan Barker & Panda

INTERMEDIATE

Champion - Chantelle Croteau & Foxy's Nifty Doc

Reserve - Erica Mohr & Jitterbug

NONPRO

Champion - Laikyn West & Bent Over Backwards

Reserve - Franny Galvin Hynes & Super Nova

GREEN

Champion - Franny Galvin Hynes & Aspen's Wild Grove

Reserve - Katie Heatlie & Beer Money **RIDESMART** Champion - Cheryl Hodgkin & Lil Miss Rowdi Reserve - Sheila Toll & CD Mac Daddy PRO **Champion - Laikyn West & Bent Over Backwards** Reserve - Cheryl Hodgkin & Lil Miss Rowdi **LEADLINE** Champion - Kenny Durham & Lil Bit **Reserve - Sadie McLaren & Grand Tiger YOUNG GUNS Champion - Broderick Johnston & Grey** Reserve - Haley Hof & Monte Carlo **NOVICE YOUTH Champion - Rowan Watts & Hunter Reserve - Kerrington Johnston & Lily** YOUTH Champion - Kaelan MacLaren & Leah **Reserve - Hubert Grant & Willy NOVICE Champion - Kyle Maidens & Titans Moon Reserve - Amanda Engler & Just Curious INTERMEDIATE** Champion - Robert LeBlanc & MB Maybe Lil Boon **Reserve - Emily Keown & Decker NONPRO** Champion - Robert LeBlanc & MB Maybe Lil Boon **Reserve - Franny Galvin Hynes & Super Nova RIDESMART**

2022 OXC Provincial Champions & Reserve

Champion - Sheila Toll & CD Mac Daddy

Reserve - Tracey Charleson & Breesee Avenue

PRO

Champion - Rosemarie Huxted & Freckles Jayne

Reserve - Julia Durham & Lena's Bad Peppy

FUTURITY

Champion - Katie Heatlie & Beer Money

Reserve - Franny Galvin Hynes & Aspens Wild Grove

MATURITY

Champion - Jamie Newton & Watta Shiner

Reserve - Josie Rowling & TJ Two Shots of Fireball

12/2/2022 - Southern Cross Bundy Cowboy Classic, Maryborough Showgrounds & Equestrian Park, Maryborough, QLD

Pro Champion – James Scott on Threemoon Lady

Pro Reserve Champion – James Scott on Herero

Non Pro Champion – Tammy Kingsman on Lyric Music Man

Non Pro Reserve Champion - Hayley Bowman on Sheza Hillbilly

Intermediate Champion - Deborah McGhee on Spoonfulla Peaches N Cream

Intermediate Reserve Champion - Hayley Bowman on Sheza Hillbilly

Ride Smart Champion - Deborah McGhee on Spoonfulla Peaches N Cream

Ride Smart Reserve Champion - Deborah McGhee on Seniors Dynasty

Novice Champion - Deborah McGhee on Seniors Dynasty

Novice Reserve Champion – Deborah McGhee on Spoonfulla Peaches N Cream

Youth Champion - Amy Gordon on Sundance

Youth Reserve Champion – Elani North on Dunstan

Young Guns Champion - Lilly Scott on Threemoon Lady

12/3/2022 - Southern Cross QLD EXCA Cowboy Classic, Maryborough Showgrounds & Equestrian Park, Maryborough, QLD

Pro Champion - James Scott on Threemoon Lady
Pro Reserve Champion - James Scott on Herero
Non Pro Champion - Amy Gordon on Sundance
Non Pro Reserve Champion - Hayley Bowman on Sheza Hillbilly
Intermediate Champion - Deborah McGhee on Spoonfulla Peaches N Cream
Intermediate Reserve Champion - Tammy Kingsman on Lyric Music Man
Ride Smart Champion - Deborah McGhee on Spoonfulla Peaches N Cream
Ride Smart Reserve Champion - Deborah McGhee on Seniors Dynasty
Novice Champion - Deborah McGhee on Spoonfulla Peaches N Cream
Novice Reserve Champion - Deborah McGhee on Seniors Dynasty
Youth Champion - Ruth North on Lee Rangi Like Diva
Youth Reserve Champion - Elani North on Dunstan

12/8/2022 - Hapisga Horse Club Championship, Megido, ISR

Pro Champion - Amit Weitz on Gutte

Pro Reserve Champion - Amit Weitz on Luna

Non Pro Champion – Shaley Tzdoke on Brown

Non Pro Reserve Champion – Tamar Ben-Zvi on Buckheak

Intermediate Champion – Tamar Ben-Zvi on Buckbeak

Novice Champion – Leona Hart on Flako

Novice Reserve Champion - Ariel Nakash on Show Me The Boogie

Youth Champion – Aviv Joffe on Jizel

Youth Reserve Champion - Or Shahar on Wonder

Young Guns Champion – Amit Tamakji on Katchina Smart Bars

Young Guns Reserve Champion – Asaf Levi on Sasson



















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