

Extreme Cowboy Association Brave Horse



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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.

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 importance of Trust for Good Horsemanship

In order to become a good horseman, it is imperative that you understand the nature of the horse. Being wary and cautious is part of the horse's nature as a prey animal. His fear is part of his instinct to survive. A healthy fear is what has kept his species alive for thousands of years. You will never be able to take this instinct out of the horse. It is too deeply rooted in him. This is a fundamental part of the horse that you need to understand to develop a good partnership.

Countless determined men have tried and failed to change the horse's nature. I have met many frustrated men and confused horses due to this misinterpretation. Discipline and firmness are good things, but make sure your horse first understands what you are asking of him. If he doesn't then he will see your discipline as aggression and use this to validate his fear. Correction is good, but encouragement is better. Developing feel and good communication takes time and practice, lucky for us, horses are very forgiving creatures. I have found that with patience many horses are able to forgive us for our poor horsemanship and misguided training techniques. Be sure to teach, train and discipline your horse, not punish him, in a way that creates respect and trust, not fear.

Instead of trying to change him, let him figure out that he doesn't need to use his survival instinct. Let him learn to relax. Sometimes a horse needs to use their survival instincts to realize that they don't need them. In other words, in order to show your horse not to fear something, you might need to let him spook at it first. Soon he will see that he was not harmed, and eventually he will figure out that the object or situation is not a threat. Be sure that you remain calm and relaxed when your horse is being spooky or exploring a new situation. As your horse begins to trust you more, he will view you as a leader and will turn to you in alarming situations; if you stay

calm it is likely that he will as well.

Don't forget that no matter how well trained your horse may be, his survival instinct is still there. Always be aware of this and remember to communicate with him as such. Never take his trust in you for granted; it is easy to lose and time consuming to rebuild. Strive to think like your horse and your partnership will grow immensely. Most of the time we barely scratch the surface of what our horses are capable of, but when you are able to take the fear out of your horse you will be amazed at what the two of you can achieve.

Your Friend,

Craig Cameron

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.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.

2020 EXCA Events

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

1/26/20 - Extreme Team Mavericks, Fair Dinkum Race, Chelbre, 53 McLeans Lane, Lnacefield, VI

2/2/20 - SMS Ranch Xtreme Cowboy, Winter Xtreme Cowboy Competition, SMS Ranch, Beaver County, AB

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

3/15/20 - Extreme Cowboy Alberta, Cochrane AG, Cochrane, AB

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

3/28/20 - KenInTen March Race, Rick Carey Farm, Cave City, KY

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

4/12/20 - High Country EXCA, Winter is Coming, Yarck Rec Reserve, Yarck, VI

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Leona Valley, CA

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

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

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

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

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

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

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, but only current EXCA members are listed. Competitors - Make sure your dues are current so our results are correct. Thanks for your cooperation.

12/8/19 - South West Extreme Cowboys Pool Party Cowboy Race

Pro Champion - Shane Woodall on Gunslider

Pro Reserve Champion - Barry Tomlin on Shania Jane

Non Pro Champion - Rachael Saunders on Caohmin Hank

Non Pro Reserve Champion - Sharon Crafter on Radar

Intermediate Champion – Sharon Crafter on Radar

Intermediate Reserve Champion – Rachael Saunders on Caohmin Hank

Ride Smart Champion – Diane Solomon on RL Special Magic

Novice Champion - Sharon Crafter on Radar

12/15/19 - High Country EXCA Horse Barn Christmas Run

Pro Champion – Elisa Grobe on Lagoona Rockafella

Pro Reserve Champion – Ellie Lorensini on Wally

Non Pro Champion – Elisa Grobe on Lagoona Rockafella

Non Pro Reserve Champion – Charlotte Maywald on Mr. Excitabelle

Intermediate Champion – Sharon Crafter on Radar

Intermediate Reserve Champion – Ellie Lorensini on Wally

Ride Smart Champion – Lyn Grech on Milo

Novice Champion – Kim Peterson on Hot Little Smarty

Novice Reserve Champion – Jodie Piva on Docs Sweet Pickins

Youth Champion – Charlotte Maywald on Mr. Excitabelle

Youth Reserve Champion – Charlotte Delosa on Mytee Intense

Young Guns Champion – Rylan Fox on Lagoona Rockafella

Young Guns Reserve Champion – Bridie Peterson on Hot Little Smarty

12/21/19 - Australian Extreme Cowgirls Club End of Year Celebration Race

Pro Champion – Elisa Grobe on Lagoona Rockafella

Pro Reserve Champion – Zoe Mullens on Billy Ray

Non Pro Champion – Elisa Grobe on Lagoona Rockafella

Non Pro Reserve Champion – Zoe Mullens on Billy Ray

Intermediate Champion – Zoe Mullens on Billy Ray

Intermediate Reserve Champion – Rachael Saunders on Caohmin Hank

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Novice Champion – Anne Smyth on Alias Premium Blonde

Novice Reserve Champion – Jason Smyth on Silverthorn Musical Sally

Youth Champion – Emmeline Evans on Jessies War Creek

Youth Reserve Champion – Bridie Peterson on Hot Little Smarty

Young Guns Champion – Bridie Peterson on Hot Little Smarty

Young Guns Reserve Champion – Emmeline Evans on Jessies War Creek

1/11/20 - Downunder Extreme Cowboys Summer Daze Jackpot

Pro Champion – Fiona Milverton on Roosters Lil Trona

Pro Reserve Champion – Fiona Milverton on Duntay Ya Smart

Non Pro Champion – Fiona Milverton on Duntay Ya Smart

Non Pro Reserve Champion – Ryan Nowell on Buster

Intermediate Champion – Ellie Lorensini on Wally

Intermediate Reserve Champion – Chloe Hayden on Princess

Ride Smart Champion – Graham Nowell on Buster

Ride Smart Reserve Champion – Diane Solomon on RL Special Magic

Novice Champion – Kim Peterson on Hot Little Smarty

Novice Reserve Champion – Sharon Crafter on Radar

Youth Champion – Jorja Milverton on Roosters Lil Trona

Youth Reserve Champion – Ryan Nowell on Buster

1/11/20 - SOCA Florida State Championship Race

Round 1

Pro Champion – Holly Roe on Boo Man Choo

Pro Reserve Champion – Bret Lambdin on LEO’s Pride

Non Pro Champion – Tracy Pinson on Tuff Night At The Ritz

Non Pro Reserve Champion – Bob Hill on RJ Freckles Jewel (Shango)

Intermediate Champion – Anna Gay on Catman

Intermediate Reserve Champion – Bob Hill on RJ Freckles Jewel (Shango)

Ride Smart Champion – Bob Hill on RJ Freckles Jewel (Shango)

Ride Smart Reserve Champion – Vaudry Edge on Drifting Thru Poco

Novice Champion – Traci Woodard on Montana Nicajack

Novice Reserve Champion – Anna Gay on Catman

Green Horse Champion – Stacy Chambers on Sparkles

Green Horse Reserve Champion – Jazzy Durgin on Shadow

Youth Champion – Breanna Bork on Diego

Youth Reserve Champion – Jazzy Durgin on Maverick

Young Guns Champion – Meredyth Crews on Misty

Young Guns Reserve Champion – Jenna Grijalva on LEO’s Pride

Round 2

Pro Champion – Holly Roe on Boo Man Choo

Pro Reserve Champion – Bret Lambdin on LEO’s Pride

Non Pro Champion – Tracy Pinson on Tuff Night At The Ritz

Non Pro Reserve Champion – Bob Hill on RJ Freckles Jewel (Shango)

Intermediate Champion – Bob Hill on RJ Freckles Jewel (Shango)

Intermediate Reserve Champion – John Hodges on SB Shaney Face Dunit

Ride Smart Champion – John Hodges on SB Shaney Face Dunit

Ride Smart Reserve Champion – Bob Hill on RJ Freckles Jewel (Shango)

Novice Champion – Traci Woodard on Montana Nicajack

Novice Reserve Champion – Anna Gay on Catman

Green Horse Champion – Tracy Pinson on 2X T-Buck

Green Horse Reserve Champion – Stacy Chambers on Sparkles

Youth Champion – Breanna Bork on Diego

Youth Reserve Champion – Jazzy Durgin on Maverick

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