# Extreme Cowboy Association Brave Horse



## **June 2020**

#### **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 <a href="mailto:TLPinson@aol.com">TLPinson@aol.com</a>

## 2020 Extreme Mustang Race - IMPORTANT NOTICE



The EXCA World Championships will once again offer the Extreme Mustang Race, a unique mustang-only division.

Extreme Mustang Race Amendment to the Rules: ANY BLM branded mustang adopted or purchased prior to June 15, 2020 is eligible to compete in this year's Extreme Mustang Race. The previously stated age restriction is also lifted, allowing mustangs of 3 years or older to enter.

For complete rules and regulations go

to: <a href="https://extremecowboyassociation.com/index\_htm\_files/Extreme%20Mustang%20Race%20Rules%20%20Regs%20-%202020.pdf">https://extremecowboyassociation.com/index\_htm\_files/Extreme%20Mustang%20Race%20Rules%20%20Regs%20-%202020.pdf</a>

# 2020 EXCA World Champions are November 3 - 8, 2020

The EXCA World Championships will once again be held at the Somervell Expo Center in Glen Rose, Texas.



Stalls and RV sites are reserved by contacting Somervell Expos Center directly at 254-897-4509. They are accepting reservations now!

Details for the event can be found on the EXCA webiste at: <u>EXCA World</u> Championship Program.

More information will be posted as we get closer, but make your plans now!

### **EXCA Futurity Reminder**

Futurity horses may be ridden by any competitor age 12 and over.

The Futurity Division is a sanctioned competition at the EXCA World Championship only.



All horses must be either 3 or 4 years old during the competition year of the World Championship in which they plan to participate.

A futurity horse must be nominated by August 1 to be accepted for the EXCA World Championship competition.

Any late nominations will require a \$100 late fee at time of nomination.

Any horse that is nominated may compete in the sanctioned EXCA Green Horse Division (can only compete in the Green Horse class to remain eligible for the EXCA Futurity at the World Championship.) Futurity nominated horses may not have shown in any EXCA (or similar organization's) competition.

Horses of any breed are accepted. Horses do not have to be registered.

The Futurity fee will be paid in installments as follows::

- \$250.00 with the nomination form and registration papers by August
   1;
- \$100.00 by September 1
- \$100.00 by October 1.

Note: there is a 10 day grace period provided the postmark is no later than August 10, September 10 and October 10. Any installment received after the grace period will have a \$25.00 late fee added.

Should a futurity horse be scratched from nomination, any fees that have been paid are non-refundable but are transferable.

All exhibitors and/or owners must be current members of EXCA.

The nomination form can be found on the EXCA website and can be submitted electronically or mailed to the EXCA office.



## **Good Beginnings**

A few days back, a neighbor came and asked me to come over because he was having trouble with a two year old filly. The filly was scared of the flag, and had started pawing at the flag and charging our neighbor on the ground.

When I arrived my approach was to not go in there with the flag and make

an issue out of the already existing problem. Instead, I entered the round pen quietly and moved the filly around the perimeter from my own horse. When I entered the round pen on my horse, I felt the two year old immediately become more comfortable in the herd environment of two horses. As always, I started slow, and moved the horse around, letting her use her own instinct of survival. In other words, I allowed her to become scared to eventually realize she didn't need to be. When the filly finally began to relax, I quietly built a loop and roped her around the neck with my 50 foot horse handling rope.

When she was caught, I did not snatch or jerk her, I simply guided her and allowed her to give to pressure where she found a resting spot next to my horse and I. At this point I rubbed her with my hands, working on both sides of the horse. My most important job here, as with all horses is to take the fear away from the horse. I want to let her know whatever happens, I am not going to hurt her. I am developing a learning for an important component... trust. From there, I slowly re-introduced the flag, still working from my horse. I rubbed her, both sides and both directions until she became more sure that there was no element of danger or getting hurt.

My final step was to dismount my horse and work the filly from the ground. I wanted her where she was perfectly relaxed with everything I did, including the flag. I ended on a very positive note, rubbing her all over with her head down, ears wiggling, eyes blinking, licking her lips and turning loose physically, mentally, and emotionally.

Our job with these horses and our job with all horses is to make them feel safe, sure, certain and secure. From here, they are capable of learning anything we ask.

Until next time, keep riding smart and we'll see you down the trail.

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!

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

Ride like a champion!

Craig Cameron



**Hosted by Rolling Stone Stables** 

NEW DATE!! JUNE 27-28

#### **INFORMATION**

Limited RV Sites - \$25/night

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\$20/night

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## Alabama State Championship Extreme Cowboy Race

Hodges, AL at the Canyon

WHEN: Saturday, July 4, 2020
TIME: Registration Opens at 7:30 a.m.
First Walk Thru at 8:30 a.m.
Competition Starts at 9:00 a.m.

WHERE: The Canyon in Hodges, AL 2604 Canyon Road, Hodges, AL 35571



Double Points!

Craig Cameron's Extreme Cowboy Race consists of obstacles such as water crossings, moguls, side-pass, three-steps, bridges, back-thrus, jumps and other interesting 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. Order of go to be determined by receipt of entries - Last to enter is first to run! Please pre-enter!

Join us at the Canyon in Hodges, Alabama for this exciting race.

Natural and man made obstacles! This is NOT at the Equestrian Center!!!!

<u>Complete rules</u> can be found on the EXCA website at www.extremecowboyassociation.com

For More Information contact www.southernobstaclechallenges.com 352-217-2448 or email southernobstaclechallenges@gmail.com

For camper or stall info contact Tracy Pinson at 352-217-2448 For directions contact Vaudry Edge at 662-790-3699





# Extreme Cowboy Race RESERVE! National Championships

<u>EVENTIIII</u>

GREAT PRIZES & PAYBACK!

INDOOR ARENA!!! WHEN: August 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>, 2020 TIME: Registration Opens at 7:30 a.m. Young Guns Walk Thru at 8:30 a.m. Competition Starts at 9:00 a.m. WHERE:

Morgan County Celebration Arena 67 Horse Center Road Decatur, AL 35603 ENTRIES CLOSE AUG 24<sup>TH</sup>!

COVERED & OUTDOOR WARM UP!

Craig Cameron's Extreme Cowboy Race consists of obstacles such as water, moguls, side-pass, bridges, back-thrus, jumps, roping, etc. Horsemanship with speed provides an exciting event for competitors and spectators.

#### Two runs for all divisions

(One round on Saturday and one on Sunday - Scores are combined to determine winners)
Pro, Non-Pro, Novice, Intermediate, Ride Smart, Green Horse, Youth, & Young Guns
Buckles, payback and prizes in all divisions

Order of go to be determined by receipt of entries - Last to enter is first to run!

\*\*To qualify, you must have raced in at least one sanctioned EXCA race!\*\*

Complete rules can be found at www.extremecowboyassociation.com



For More Information: www.southernobstaclechallenges.com 352-217-2448 or email southernobstaclechallenges@gmail.com



Directions: Take I-65 North to Exit 334 – Decatur-Priceville-Somerville. Turn right onto Hwy 67 South. Take Hwy 67 South 3.2 miles to Shoal Creek Rd. Turn right onto Shoal Creek and go 0.2 mile and turn left onto Horse Center Rd. Celebration Arena will be located on the right.

Host Hotel: Comfort Inn, 3239 Point Mallard Parkway, Decatur, AL 35603
Phone: 256-355-1037 Mention the Extreme Cowboy Race rate!

#### 2020 EXCA Events

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

6/19-20/20 – Israel Equestrian Federation ILEXCA Leage 2020 Race #1, Double K Ranch, Sharona, ISR

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

- 6/27/20 O.H.I.O EXCA, Creek Side Horse Park, Waynesburg, OH
- 6/27-28/20 Oklahoma State Championships, Rolling Stone Stables, Shawnee, OK
- 6/28/20 El Rodeo Ranch Riders, El Rodeo Equestrian Center, Brea, CA
- 7/4/20 SOCA Alabama State Championship Race, The Canyon, Hodges, AL
- 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
- 7/12/20 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
- 7/24/20 KenInTen Southern Regional Championships, Legends Horse Ranch, Kaufman, TX
- 7/25-26/20 EXCA of Western Europe Summerchallenge Gipsy Horses Rodeo, Westerlo, BE
- 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'ecurie 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
- 8/21-22/20 Israel Equestrian Federation ILEXCA Leage 2020 Race #2, Green Fields Ranch, Rishon LeTsiyon, ISR
- 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 National Championships Hosted by SOCA (5X Point Race), Celebration Arena, Decatur, AL
- 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
- 9/11-12/20 Israel Equestrian Federation ILEXCA Leage 2020 Race #3, Green Fields Ranch, Rishon LeTsiyon, ISR
- 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
- 9/13/20 Ultimate Horseman's Challenge, Saddle and Sirloin, Kansas City, MO
- 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
- 9/26-27/20 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

10/5-6/20 – Israel Equestrian Federation ILEXCA Leage 2020 Race #4, Double K Ranch, Sharona, ISR

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

10/10/20 - The GRIT Inaugural Fall Race, CM Equine Center, Statesville, NC

10/23-24/20 – Israel Equestrian Federation ILEXCA Leage 2020 Race #5 Championship, Green Fields Ranch, Rishon LeTsiyon, ISR

10/17-18/20 - Ultimate Horsemans Challenge, Eagle Ranch, Collins, MO

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

### 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: <a href="https://www.extremecowboyraces.com/product5.html">https://www.extremecowboyraces.com/product5.html</a>





# 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

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

#### Round 1

Pro Champion - Mary Rose Anderson on Sparky's Wizard

Pro Reserve Champion - Sherry Panttaja on Rue

Non Pro Champion - Holly Caswell on Molly

Intermediate Champion - Julia Wibbens on Boot Scootin Spats

Intermediate Reserve Champion - Dalton Mullins on You Go Prettygirl

Ride Smart Champion – Tina Louise Icorn on Lil Buckwheat Sugar
Ride Smart Reserve Champion – Catherine Schwartz on Nacho
Novice Champion – Wendy Schaefer on Durango
Novice Reserve Champion – Darlene Becica on Max
Youth Champion – Julia Wibbens on Boot Scootin Spats
Youth Reserve Champion – Johnny Flores on Calibers Revenge
Young Guns Champion – Alyssa Wickoff on Squirt

#### Round 2

Pro Champion - Mary Rose Anderson on Sparky's Wizard
Pro Reserve Champion - Roberto Floes on Itzels Midnight Fury
Non Pro Champion - Holly Caswell on Molly
Intermediate Champion - Julia Wibbens on Boot Scootin Spats
Intermediate Reserve Champion - Dalton Mullins on You Go Prettygirl
Ride Smart Champion - Tina Louise Icorn on Lil Buckwheat Sugar
Ride Smart Reserve Champion - Bobby Torrez on Diva
Novice Champion - Wendy Schaefer on Durango
Novice Reserve Champion - Darlene Becica on Max
Youth Champion - Johnny Flores on Calibers Revenge
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