Alberta Donkey and Mule Club News, April, 2016

Plan to visit our club booth at the Mane Event in Red Deer, April 21-24. Comments and questions are always welcome and we have lots of printed material to hand out to answer any of your questions regarding mules and donkeys and their care and training. In addition several of our members will also be taking part in the demos with their longears and of course the mules will once again carry Hugh McClellan and cowboy preacher Byrne Thiessen during Cowboy Church, Sunday Morning.

Our very enjoyable mule ride at the Hauer Ranch at Moab, Utah. Riding in country where lots of John Wayne plus many other movies were and still are made. Long time mule lover, owner John Hauer is the publisher of the hard cover, coffee table book ''The Natural Superiority of Mules.'' I am riding John's mule Rawhide and my husband Roy is on Johnny Reb. Beautiful, scenic country that I definitely would like to visit and ride in again!

In early May, [check with me for exact location and dates] we are hosting a FREE[open to the public] Equine Osteopathic Demonstration with Dr. Laura Taylor, DVM, EDO in central AB. Dr. Taylor's approach addresses the inter-relationship between organ function and structural and/or tissue weakness. She uses techniques that address the core of the problem to correct unresolved issues and lameness's. The tools in her ''tool belt'' are varied and not often used in most traditional practices. Hear about her specialized de-worming protocol that has far reaching benefits in spine alignment and bending ability. She will be available for some private sessions [approx. 1.5 - 2 hrs. each] with your equine. If you would like to

book a session please contact me at 403 783 1723. Her website is www.taylorholisticvet.ca.

Then in June and July we have horse, mule and donkey owners that will be participating in our series of Jerry Tindell's Horse and Mule School Clinics right across Alberta. **Look for our ad in this issue of Saddle Up** for all the Clinic listings and further information on registering. Don't miss this opportunity to work with one of the best trainers and teachers in the western States and Canada.

Soon many of our mule and donkey Breeders will be expecting new foals. Check out our newly updated Breeders, Trainers and other Services Brochure, now up on our website www.albertadonkeyandmule.com. Several new Breeders added to our list are Swan Creek Farms and Black Jack Ranch. Be sure to check them and our other Breeders and Services out!

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