



Upcoming Events:

- October 19: Halloween Carnival and Horse Costume Contest - 3:00 to 5:00 pm

Staff Spotlight:

We'd like to take a moment to introduce our Monday and Wednesday night instructor, Andrea! Andrea has grown up around horses and always loved them. She has been riding since she was 7 years old, hunter/jumper for 8 years and competed in IEA for two years. She is now continuing her equine education by taking an Equine Massage Course. Her favorite disciplines are jumping and reining, but she loves them all! Her favorite lesson horses are Sam and Shanti. Outside of riding she loves to hike and mountain bike with her dog, friends, and family. Welcome, Andrea!!



This month we celebrate our amazing cat, Luna!



Luna joined our menagerie of Barn Cats in September of 2020, alongside our late barn cat, Ralphie. They came to the ranch through Meow Village, a Clackamas based feral cat rescue. Not much is known about Luna's history other than she was extremely skittish and did not adjust well when rescuers attempted to acclimate her to life as a house cat.

When we reached out about adopting Ralphie, they asked us if we would be a last chance home for Ms. Luna, and of course we said yes! We expected Luna to disappear into the wilderness when we opened her cage, but to our surprise she had bonded with Ralphie and decided to stick around. Over the years, she has also made friends with the other barn cats as we have added to the colony. While once she spent her days in the arena, avoiding humans at all costs, she now spends much of her time in the hay barn with the other cats and close to humans. She is not a cat that you can simply reach down and pet, but she has now come to the point that she will let some people pet her if they sit down and stay very quiet and still. Don't let Luna's blind eye fool you, she is the best huntress in the barn and loves leaving "gifts" for humans and the other cats.

Submitted by Kassandra Bullcreek



Rein & Shine 4-H Club Activities

STATE FAIR

A few of our members placed well at the Clark County Fair and qualified for the State Fair. So exciting!! Congratulations to Eleanor Barttelt, who qualified for state and then helped the Junior team place 2nd!! Congratulations to Elise Overbagh, who placed 9th overall at the county level and placed in the 20's at state (there were 60+ in her age group)! Congratulations to Eva Overbagh, who placed 4th overall at the county level and placed in the 20's at state (there were 60+ in her age group)!

Our clover buds did well, too! Asher Voyles and Dottie DelDuco both received horse judging certificates. There is no state competition for clover buds. Well done, team!

Horse judging is a competition in which kids get to experience what it is like to judge riding and halter classes alike. A REAL judge also judges the classes and the kids who are the closest to the judge's placings get the highest points. The older kids do something called "oral reasons," in which they verbally explain the reason they placed a class the way they did to a judge. There a LOTS of materials kids study before they do this, so that they can be as proficient in conformation, equitation and pleasure classes as possible. It is a wonderful learning experience, and a great opportunity for kids to participate in showing, even if they aren't showing a horse.

Jessica Overbagh
Rein & Shine 4-h Club Leader

(Ella bending over horse judging)



TRAIL RIDE

Rein & Shine's epic trail ride!!

Five trailers, 13 horses, and a whole lot of fun!

This ride kicks off our annual Trail-A-Thon fundraiser. Club members are challenged to log as many trail miles as possible and get sponsored per mile or flat donation. Ponies, horses, kids, moms, GRANDMAS and dads did great! Here's to a new 4-H year!!

Submitted by Jessica Overbagh



Fundraiser Fun!



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MORE TRAIL RIDE PICS!





GOODBYE TO SUMMER!

