

April 2010

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# NENHA



## Meeting Minutes for April 7, 2010

Lee Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:44pm.

Dr. Blair Lybbert gave a great presentation on Equine Nutrition and Supplements. If anyone wants a copy of the Powerpoint, please contact Jenny Marlar. This presentation lasted 2 hours.



The regular Membership meeting started at 8:45pm.

A summary of the March meeting minutes was approved as read.

**Treasurer's Report:  
March**  
Beginning—\$12527.47  
Ending—\$??????  
Treasurer's Report was not available at meeting time.

There weren't any motions made other than meeting minutes and meeting adjournment.

**Congratulations  
Marlene Turk  
for winning the Free class  
drawing.**

Meeting was adjourned at 9:02pm.

## Horse Surfing—New Equine Sport?

People are always thinking of new, fun things to do with their horse. Although I must admit that this had never occurred to me: wake boarding while being towed by a horse!

Actually, it's called horse surfing. Early in 2005 the Independent horse, working with The Company of Horsemen and Matt Smith from Air Jam of Newquay, were the first in the world to tow a kite board behind a horse.

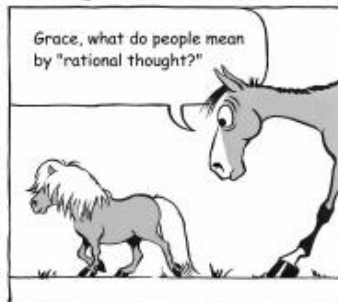
The Independent Horse was formed in 2003 by Daniel Fowler-Prime, a professional stunt man. His goal was to bring horse riding in to the field of extreme sports and to supply horses, riders and special action extras to the live show and film industries.

In addition to introducing the new sport of horse surfing, they continue to push the boundaries of their show by adding stunt riding to the mix.

According to Fowler-Prime, this is a sport that attracts people who are bored (or should we say board) of traditional riding!

What I can't figure out is if the horses are running so fast because they are being chased by the surfer? or because they think it's cool! Looking at the video, it seems like the horses are having fun too.

**Fergus** BY JEAN ABERNETHY



www.FergusTheHorse.com



The minutes for April's Monthly Meeting are available for viewing at [www.nenha.org](http://www.nenha.org)

### AGENDA

May 5, 2010

Membership Meeting

Committee Reports

Committee Actions

Membership

New Business

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## Veterinary Corner with Dr. Blair Lybbert, DVM

Dear Northeastern Nevadans,

This month we are going to switch from discussing a single topic in detail to briefly discussing several different topics. These topics were chosen because they may be poorly understood, get confused with other conditions, are serious if not recognized, or are topics of recent interest in horse-related media. Comments will range from little more than definitions, to how to prevent and/or treat a particular condition. Please consider this information introductory in nature and realize that further education is warranted.

*Tying-up, Monday Morning Disease, and rhabdomyolysis* are all the same thing. Signs may include stiffness, gait changes, severe muscle cramping, profuse sweating, reluctance to move, and elevated breathing rate. Sometimes tying-up may look like colic. If this happens DO NOT force the horse to walk. Cool the horse down and call your veterinarian for instructions. Treatment options and prevention measures should be discussed. Dark-colored urine is a sign of serious complications. Severe cases can be life-threatening.

*Laminitis* and *founder* are terms often used interchangeably. Laminitis is inflammation of sensitive tissue in the foot. This tissue is what attaches the hoof wall to the bone in the hoof (the coffin bone). Horses almost always go lame in both front feet, though all four feet or a single foot can be affected. To relieve pressure, they will typically stand with front feet stretched out in front of them. Laminitis can be very expensive to treat and often warrants euthanasia for severe cases. The vast majority of the time it is preventable. If your horse eats a lot of grain or rich green grass in a short amount of time, get veterinary attention immediately. Do not wait for lameness! Horses which are very sick and those that are overweight are at increased risk.

*Navicular Syndrome* is a more accurate term than *Navicular Disease*. When a horse is "navicular" it simply means there is pain in the heel region; primarily on the front feet. This pain can be due to abnormalities in several different structures. Typically the navicular bone is the prime suspect, although surrounding ligaments and other structures may also be the source of pain. The development of Navicular Syndrome may possibly be prevented, but most of the time the onset of lameness is unexpected and can only be managed.

*Club Foot* refers to an abnormal conformation for one or both front feet. Profound congenital cases may look as if a foal is standing on cylinders, where the front of the hoof is very upright. Other cases may be very mild, where the horse just appears a little upright on one foot, or possibly one foot is smaller than the other. Foals born with this conformation and those horses which acquire this condition will need to be treated before permanent secondary damage occurs. The condition may arise as a result of a lameness and disuse of a particular limb. Many try to use farriery to make both front feet look the same. Doing so is often not in the best interest of the horse. This condition is often manageable.

*Hoof Wall Separation, White Line Disease* and *Seedy Toe* are considered the same thing for many people. Others may consider Seedy Toe to be a result of untreated White Line Disease or Hoof Wall Separation. Whether related to prior disease, trauma, housing environment, or structural weakness, the structures in the hoof become compromised. The "white line" is seen on the bottom of a clean hoof. It marks the demarcation between sensitive inner structures and the hard hoof wall. The inner part of the white line has contact with the sensitive laminae. The damaged structures along the white line allow dirt, fungi, yeast, and bacteria to pack into the space, which creates pressure on sensitive tissues, resulting in lameness. The condition will often become progressively worse if not addressed. Though it may take time, the condition can typically be effectively treated.

## Veterinary Corner with *Dr. Blair Lybbert, DVM* *continued*

*Thrush* is a bacterial infection found typically in the grooves around the frog. It is characterized by the accumulation of black, foul-smelling, rotting material. Often no lameness is present, but is a possibility if not addressed. Hoof conformation can play a roll, but typically it is associated with prolonged unsanitary, moist housing conditions with inadequate hoof cleaning. It may also occur in well-kept, clean horses for no apparent reason. There are many topical drying agents used to treat thrush.

The term "spavin" refers to diseases of the hock. *Bog Spavin* is chronic inflammation of one of the hock joints, which results in distension of the joint. The distension tends to be obvious and feels like a fluid-filled bag. Lameness may or may not be present. *Bone Spavin* is bony changes associated with hock joints, with resulting lameness. These osteoarthritic changes can be managed in many instances, but will always be something that has to be dealt with.

Hopefully these very brief overviews will be helpful to you. Understanding the basics, and realizing that many terms are used differently by different people will help us all take better care of our horses.

Dr. Blair Lybbert  
Elko Veterinary Clinic



Club foot before surgery!



Distended hock joint  
"bog spavin"



White Line Disease



Hoof being treated  
for navicular

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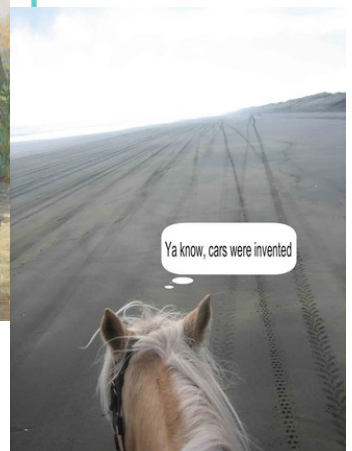
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Monthly Membership Meeting  
May 5, 2010  
Upstairs at the Stockman's Hotel & Casino  
6:30pm

**Chance to win a free class (of your choice) at the next horse show!**



"Spring Morning Horses"  
By Persis Clayton Weirs





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## NOTICE

**2010 NENHA MEMBERS**

**We are looking for volunteers for the following committees:**

- Show**—Amanda Johnson—934-3719
- Awards**—Jacey Molyneux—934-4317
- Public Relations/Special Events/Membership**—Debbie Armuth—738-5780

If you see a committee that you would like to help out, please contact the Chairperson and let them know. Thank you in advance!!!!

~~ NOTICE ~~

If anyone is interested in seeing something different in the newsletter, please contact Jenny Marlar. Poems, horse stories, clean jokes, etc are welcome. Please submit them to [marlar05@frontiernet.net](mailto:marlar05@frontiernet.net) and type "newsletter info" in the subject line of the e-mail. If you don't have access to e-mail, please call Jenny at 775-934-1140 to give the information. Let's make this a member's newsletter. Ideas need to be submitted before the 20th of each month.

## ATTENTION MEMBERS

Submit pictures of your horses at work, play or just relaxing. Send them to [jmarlar@barrick.com](mailto:jmarlar@barrick.com) or [marlar05@frontiernet.net](mailto:marlar05@frontiernet.net).

I'll put them in the newsletter when I have extra room.

Jenny Marlar



Pepped forthe Misses (Pepper) at his first branding!



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This association is a non-profit organization whose purpose is to promote horse related activities in a healthy, family and community-oriented atmosphere. We seek to model good sportsmanship through friendly competition. We strive to educate ourselves, our families and our community in the proper care of horses and the art of preparing and showing horses through educational seminars, clinics, four yearly horse shows and other horse related functions.

### 2010 NENHA Committee Chairmen

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### ~~ATTENTION~~

If anyone has any good show/members/horse pictures they would like to see on the website, please send them to Sherry Scott at [diamonddoxies@citlink.net](mailto:diamonddoxies@citlink.net).

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Type in "Please Post" on the subject line.

Get your membership in now. The fees have been increased by \$5 since they go up after April 1, 2010. The Membership forms will be available on the website. To request a membership form, please contact Jenny Marlar at 934-1140 or e-mail at [marlar05@frontiernet.net](mailto:marlar05@frontiernet.net).



## 2010 HORSE SHOW DATES

**Judges & Times To Be Announced later**

**June 12—Gymkhana Events**

**June 13—Halter & Performance**  
At the Spring Creek Horse Palace

**July 10—Gymkhana Events**  
**July 11—Halter & Performance**  
At the Elko County Fairgrounds

**August 14—Gymkhana Events**  
**August 15—Halter & Performance**  
At the Spring Creek Horse Palace

**September 18—Gymkhana Events**  
**Sept. 19—Halter & Performance**  
At the Elko County Fairgrounds



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## **2010 DATES TO REMEMBER**

May 1—*Vet Talk with Dr. Blair Lybbert—6:30pm Elko Vet Clinic*  
May 5—*Monthly Meeting at Stockmen's Hotel & Casino—6:30pm*  
May 15—*Play Day—Time/Location TBA*  
June 2—*Monthly Meeting at Stockmen's Hotel & Casino—6:30pm*