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Members are encouraged to send notices of SHOBA related activities, upcoming trail rides, fundraisers, and pictures that they would like to be included in the Scoop. Let us know what you are doing! If you are interested in contributing a story, trail ride info, picture, poem, letter to the editor, or campfire recipe, send your information to 943 Skitts Mountain Road Cleveland, GA 30528, [info@SHOBAonline.com](mailto:info@SHOBAonline.com) or pm to the SHOBA Facebook page.

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# Words from the Editors

Happy Spring Everybody!

I hope the weather in your part of the world is fresh, green, warmer and dryer because riding season is here and the babies are showing up all over the place. The Spring is such a wonderful time of year!

SHOBA has been working hard this past Winter, getting ready for the trail riding and show seasons. We have added a couple of new events and have dropped a few. (Be sure to check out the upcoming events in the **Remember These** section on the back page.) We are still on a learning curve here! If you have an event you would like to share, give us a call or drop us a line so the activities in your area can be listed, too.

Thanks to SHOBA member Lelwani Acquaviva, we now have SHOBA registered Single-Footing horses in the United Arab Emirates. Rocket's Hollywood arrived there March 23. World wide indeed!

If you had a great time on a recent trail ride, send us a story and pictures and you can have your own byline in an upcoming edition. We love to hear from our members and really enjoy sharing those good times on the trail.

*Ben and Beth Cantrell*

## WHAT'S GOING ON IN SHOBA?

December 15 thru March 15

Horses registered 22

Horses Transferred 6

New or Renewed Members 34



SHOBA's number one priority is to preserve and promote the naturally gaited single-footing horse. SHOBA will do this by providing, to the best of our ability, a strict gait performance horse registry that is backed up with equine DNA, which provides an accurate, scientific ancestry for each registered horse.

SHOBA recognizes that the single-footing horse is as unique as its uncompromised four beat lateral gait. We are very proud of the single-footing horse and hope to see them excel on the trails and in the show rings. Our intention is to do nothing to jeopardize the integrity of the single-footing horse in anything we do or support.

SHOBA believes that we are blessed with the unique single-footing horse to preserve, promote, enjoy, and provide a means of fellowship with other horse riders. We will promote family oriented trail rides full of fellowship, good times, and horse riding with these wonderfully fast, smooth, single-footing horses to support this belief.

*Front page photo by staff photographer Sherry Hilton*



# Campfire Recipe

## French Bread Dip



### Ingredients

- French Bread Loaf
- 6 oz Cream Cheese
- 2 cup Sour Cream
- 2 cups Shredded Cheddar Cheese
- 1/2 cup Diced Ham
- 2 Chopped Green Onions
- 1 tsp Worcestershire Sauce
- 1/4 tsp Hot Sauce
- Salt & Pepper

### Directions

Cut the top off the French bread loaf; remove the center to leave a 1/2' thick shell.

Cube removed bread and trim crust to make a lid.


Mix softened cream cheese, cheddar cheese, diced ham, green onions, Worcestershire Sauce, and hot sauce. Season with salt and pepper.

Fill shell with dip and top with lid. Wrap in parchment paper lined foil.

Place foil on warm coals surrounded by more heat or on a grill grate over indirect heat. Cook for one hour, turning occasionally.



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### The George Forman Spring Ride

by Craig Stripling

Once again for maybe the 30th time, the Stripling Gravel Pine Stables at Mount Vernon Farm in western Nacogdoches County hosted the semi annual George Forman Family and Friends Trail Ride.

One Quarter Horse and one Morgan Horse accompanied the much faster and smoother gaited mounts along the freshly groomed and rain dampened trails. Those good going racking and Single-Footing horses were developed by the breeding efforts of folks such as Fleetwood Johnson, Johnny Demetris, Steve Wright, Lawrence Mobley, George Foreman, Huey Conn and others who combined the framework bloodlines of SHOBA and various other racking horse associations.

A wonderful meal ending with a birthday cake and ice cream to celebrate the birthdays of George Foreman (70) and Lawrence Mosely (63) was enjoyed by the approximately 80 riders and friends present at the event.



## VET'S CORNER

It's foaling time again! Here are few tips from several different sources on what to look for when that due date is looming!

In one study, 65.5% of mares foaled at night between 8 p.m. and 1 a.m.

Udder distension begins 2-6 weeks prior to foaling, but changes appear most frequently during the last month of pregnancy. In the weeks before foaling, the udder may appear fuller in the morning and less full as the mare exercises during the day. When the udder stays distended all day, and especially when the teats enlarge and begin to point slightly to the side rather than straight downward, foaling is getting close.

Relaxation of the muscles of the croup occur 7-19 days prior to foaling and can include relaxation around the tail head, buttocks, and lips of the vulva.

Waxing of the teats usually occurs 2-4 days before foaling. Dripping of colostrum may begin 24-48 hours before foaling.

Toward the end of pregnancy, mares may show the same signs of discomfort that are seen in horses with colic. These include restlessness, kicking at the belly, looking at the flanks, and generally seeming irritable or anxious. An increase in these signs may indicate that the first stage of labor has begun, especially if the mare also shows patches of sweat on her neck and flanks. However, the actual delivery may still be hours away.

Prior to foaling, the mare's body temperature will be equal to or drop lower than her normal morning temperature.

In the preparation phase, the mare becomes nervous and uneasy and will lie down and get up frequently. The tail will twitch. Sweating, urination and signs of mild colic are common.

In the active parturition stage, the mare's cervix dilates and uterine contractions increase. The feet and nose of the foal are forced into the pelvis and eventually the amniotic sac and encased feet are seen protruding from the vulva. The contractions normally expel the foal in 15 minutes or less.

Some mares will show all the classic textbook signs of foaling, some will show some of the signs, other mares will show none at all. So it is true that the only guaranteed sign of knowing a foal is definitely coming is when you see a pair of feet sticking out the back of a mare.

## Editor's Choice Horse Book

AJ Carter lives in a recurring nightmare at her father's heavy hand. She has worked hard to keep this shameful secret hidden from everyone, except from her best friend. Even though AJ has been a Christian all her life God seems very distant, an uninterested third party. When Mac Cooper presents her with an offer to work with his horses, she can't refuse, and she is given a glimpse at God. But it's certainly not the way she's pictured Him, nor is He anything like she learned in Sunday school. Meanwhile, Mac Cooper has his own battles to fight. He's learned that he can't fight them without Christ's help. He has done everything by the book, and yet life has taken sucker-punches at him numerous times. Mac knows that even though things may look bleak, God is at work. When he is given an opportunity to help AJ, he finds himself very intrigued by her struggles to rely on God. But will God help him earn her trust? And perhaps her love?



## SHOBA FLASHBACK!



**Dino Swafford and Mack Attack at the 2008 Big Guns in Beaverton, AL accepting the *Big Gun 2 Year Old* award**

*(Photo by Kathy Swafford)*

# Eastern Equine Encephalitis Detected Throughout US in 2019



Horses in extreme south Georgia, Washington state, Michigan, Florida, Vermont, and Wisconsin as well as several of her states, have tested positive for Eastern Equine Encephalitis, one of the most contagious among all mosquito-borne, encephalitis-causing viruses.

The disease has a 90 to 95 percent fatality rate in horses, but they

may recover from EEE if it's caught early enough, said Janemarie Hennebelle, DVM, MPVM, assistant state veterinarian for the Georgia Department of Agriculture.

"The biggest keys are to vaccinate at the appropriate time of the year, which is now before we get into peak vector season," Hennebelle said, "and do your best to keep down mosquito sources. It's an uphill battle but do the best you can to keep biting insects at bay."

There is no specific treatment for EEE, according to the New York State Department of Health. Treatment focuses on supportive therapy, including hospitalization, respiratory support, intravenous fluids, and prevention of other infections. Early intervention is crucial.

The disease is caused by a virus transmitted by mosquitoes that typically develop in the swamps and woodlands and can be transmitted to humans from the same mosquito, though the fatality rate is somewhat smaller at 50%.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reports a yearly average of seven human cases of EEE in the U.S. Most cases of EEE have been reported from Florida, Massachusetts, New York and North Carolina. Last year's rains, coupled with rainfall to date this year, will keep the swamps and low-lying areas wet for the foreseeable future.

There are still aspects of the EEE disease cycle that are unclear. The current understanding is that the virus cycles among birds and bird-feeding mosquitoes in swampy areas. Bridge vectors (other mosquitoes that feed on both infected birds and horses or people) move the virus out of the bird/mosquito cycle.

Precautions against the mosquito borne disease from the UGA Extension Office include:

- \* Eliminate all containers with standing water.
- Wear light-colored, loose-fitting clothing'
- Wear pants and long sleeves to reduce the amount of exposed skin.
- \* Use EPA-approved repellents with active ingredients DEET, picaridin, IR3535, and lemon eucalyptus oil, which are proven to be safe and effective.

*Excerpts from article by Elmer Gray in the GDOA's Farmers and Consumers Bulletin*



### Weak or lax flexor tendons in foals

In the horse, the two digital flexor tendons run down the back of each leg, with the deep digital flexor tendon lying beneath the outer or superficial tendon. These two tendons work together to flex the knee and all the joints below the knee when the horse moves. Weakness involving the flexor tendons is usually quite apparent, since any problems with the tendons affects the foal or horse's stability and gait

In newborn foals, weak flexor tendons are fairly common, and are usually seen on the hind limbs. This results in the fetlocks sagging, and the pasterns coming close to parallel to the ground. In many cases, the toe of the hoof lifts off the ground, though in more severe cases, the entire hoof is raised off the ground and the foal appears to be "walking on their pasterns." Most often, as the foal gains strength, the problem self-corrects within the first week of life. In more severe cases, however, some therapeutic treatment may be needed.

In the hind limbs, the flexors also straighten the hock. The main function of tendons is to transmit muscle power to the lower leg, and healthy tendons are able to bear extreme stretching forces.

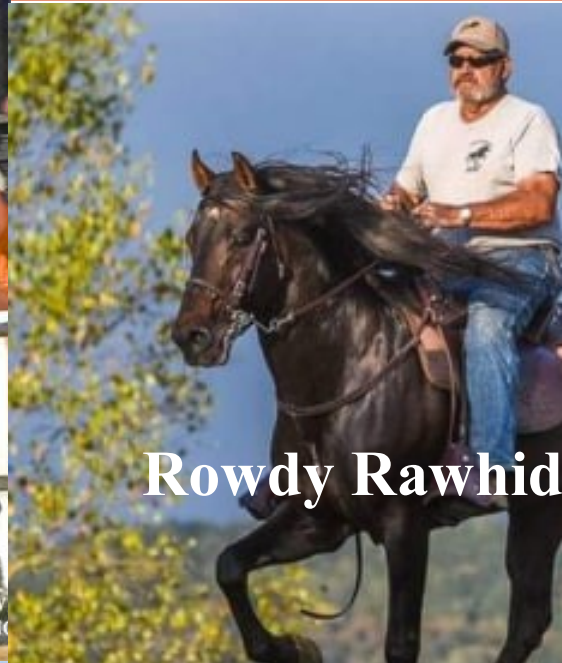
Treatment of weak flexor tendons in foals is necessary when the foal has difficulty standing or when the weakness does not improve or self-correct within a few days of delivery. Examination by a competent farrier often results in heel extensions being applied to tip the foal forward onto the toes, while making sure to protect the heel bulbs. Exercise is usually restricted to give the tendons time to gradually gain strength and elasticity.

Tendon fibers take some time to gain strength and elasticity, and in all cases, tendon overloading should be avoided. Some veterinarians believe that specific nutrients help improve the strength and elasticity of tendons.

Daily supplementation with Vitamin A, Vitamin D, selenium, copper, zinc, and manganese is often recommended. In addition, a supplement of good quality protein, such as soybean, canola, or lupin bean meal may be recommended to supply amino acid building blocks for tendon repair and strength.

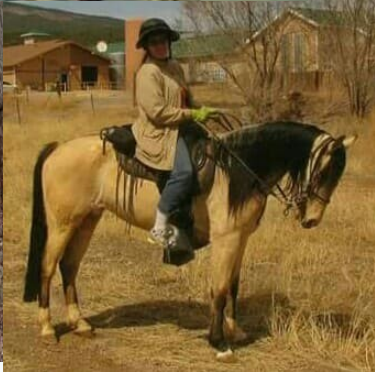
# SHOBA Genera

*This will be a recurring feature in the SHOBA Scoop. One SHOBA registered stallion will be picked and his offspring first SHOBA Generations stallion is the sta*



# ations Spotlight

will be featured in a collage like this one. Because of the lack of space, only the direct offspring will be pictured. The  
million around which SHOBA was created:





# SHOBA BABY BRAGGIN'



**Crazy Socks**

**DOB: March 22, 2019**

**Sire: Appaloosa Stallion  
Dam: Rowdy Bred Mare**

**Owner: Emily Compton**



**Bay Colt**

**DOB: April 3, 2019**

**Sire: Doubledown's Touchdown  
Dam: Joy Black**

**Owner: Netanel Faumi**



**Black Colt**

**DOB: May, 2019**

**Sire: Doubledown's Touchdown  
Dam: BM Kiara**

**Owner: Zio Damti**



**Spotted Buckskin Colt**

**DOB: May 5, 2019**

**Sire: Foldar fra Sydra-  
kolugil**

**Dam: Cool Hand Luke's Gold  
Strike**

**Owner: Emily Compton**



**Bay Colt**

**DOB: February 28, 2019**

**Sire: Tracy 's Rich Kid  
Dam: Miss Coal Town**

**Owner: Vandaris Tracy**



**Tequila Makes A Rowdy  
Lady**

**DOB: March 3, 2019**

**Sire: Rowdy Rawhide  
Dam: Potter's Tequila**

**Owners: Nick and <sup>8</sup> Robin  
Potter**





***CONGRADULATIONS to Emily Compton and Rocket's Foxy Roxy taking 7th place out of 57 competitors in the 25 mile Leatherwood Mountain Challenge in Ferguson, NC last month. First endurance event for both! Well done!***

### **To Float Or Not To Float, That Is The Question**

If you speak to your vet or a certified equine dentist, they will tell you to have your horse's teeth checked every six months and have them floated once a year, but is that really necessary?

Well, that depends on who you are listening to or what you are reading. Most animal health professionals insist that floating your horse's teeth is essential to their overall health by maintaining a correct chewing machine which allows for easier digestion and easier weight gain. For many horses that is true, but not for most, according to Davis Ramey, DVM.

In fact, floating an older horse's teeth could be detrimental because as a horse ages his teeth do not grow as they did when he was younger. Aggressive dental work would, therefore, make it harder for some older horses to chew, said Rick Hinton DVM.

So, use your "horse sense" and "if it ain't broke, don't fix it"..



# SHOBA Stallions



**Rowdy Rawhide**

Rawhide, 28 years old, is a direct son of EZD's Falcon Rowdy. Rawhide is well known for his smooth, fast gait and his mountain savvy. He is 15.1 hh with a beautiful dark buckskin color and heavy mane, tail and forelock. Rawhide has 338 foals to his credit. He consistently produces beautiful, fast gaited babies.

Stud fee: \$600

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**Coal Miner by Rowdy Rawhide KD**

Coal Miner is a direct son of Rowdy Rawhide and out of a Standardbred mare. He stands at 15.3 hands with an incredible body. He has proven to pass his color, confirmation, talent, style and speed to his offspring. He is a full trotter that can square up pacing mares to get quality racking babies. We ship both frozen and cooled semen. Our shipping is lower because we do it all, collect and ship.

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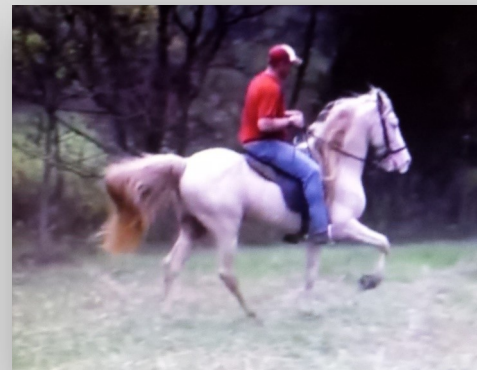
**Rowdy Rawhide's Rocket**

Rocket is owned by Ben & Beth Cantrell and is standing at stud at Southern Pride Farm in Cleveland, GA. He is the perfect specimen of the single-footing horse: excellent conformation, extreme speed, and a good nature.

Stud fee \$600 (Within the US)

Call Ben Cantrell at 706-892-7435

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**EZD's Danger's Ace**

Dam: Dec. Sunshine by EZD's Falcon Rowdy  
Sire: EZD's Dangerous High Voltage by Rowdy Rawhide's Rocket  
Ace is a Smokey Cream that produces foals with those sought after colors. Standing at stud at Southern Pride Farm in northeast Georgia.

Stud fee \$400.

Ben Cantrell 706-892-7435

# The Pros and Cons of Straight vs Slant Load Trailers

## *Straight Load vs Slant Load Trailers: The Debate Continues*



*However, the one factor that everyone will agree on, horse safety comes first. It is a given that when a horse enters a closed, dark space it is counter to his survival instinct, a throw-back to living in the wild.*



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That said, what we think of as a simple walk up a short ramp might well be viewed as a dangerous, “No way am I going in there!” exercise for the horse. But, walking into a light, airy trailer that accounts for your horse’s size and has adequate ventilation can reduce the most common causes of stress and stress-related accidents.

Tom Scheve, owner of Equispirit Trailers and co-author of [The Complete Guide to Buying, Maintaining, and Servicing a Horse Trailer](#), underscores the importance of considering your horse first when choosing a trailer.

“How tall is your tallest horse? Does the trailer give that horse enough headroom? Can he stand comfortably and not bump his head when loading?” he asks for starters.

“He also should have enough room to use his head and neck for balance and to lower his head to cough out dust and debris he may have inhaled in the trailer,” added Scheve. “And he should be able to spread his legs both forward and backward to stand easily without having to lean or scramble to find his balance.”

“Since horses are prone to feelings of claustrophobia, particularly young or green horses that are unused to entering into small spaces, they will likely need to develop a sense of self-assurance as they learn the ropes,” he said. “And while it’s ultimately up to you, your handler or your trainer to instill confidence and trust in an untrained horse, having a trailer that is open and welcoming can help make the process easier than trying to encourage an unwilling youngster to walk into a close, dark, place, reminiscent of a lion’s den.”

Scheve also said that your horse’s temperament plays a role in your finding the right trailer. He then noted a few other points to consider, namely age, prior training and temperament.

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*Excerpt from an article in US Rider Back in the Road Newsletter 11/11/18 by Equisearch. Reprinted with permission of US Rider*

## REMEMBER THESE!

Foggy Mountain Breakdown, SCRHA Horse Park, Dungannon, VA  
April 19-20

Big Guns, East Fork Stables Jamestown, TN April 25-28

SHOBA Spring Fling Trail Ride, East Fork Stables Jamestown, TN  
May 16-18, 2019 featuring the 2nd Annual Silent Auction. Call East  
Fork for reservations at 800-978-7245

Shake, Rattle, and Stroll, Seven Springs Lodge and Campground in  
Tuscumbia, AL May 24-25, 2019

SHOBA Fall Celebration Trail Ride, Circle E Quest Ranch, Belvidere,  
TN. Once again we will have the Straight-away Exhibitions so call  
Circle E for reservations at 330-763-3301

High Country Horseman's Association Show, West Jefferson, NC,  
Camping Available, Contact Jake Testerman 336-977-1519 or Alan  
Lynch 336-977-9190

National Racking Horse Association Youth Show, Chatsworth, GA, 5  
SHOBA classes on the show bill seen on their Facebook page  
(National Racking Horse Chat Group), June 22, 2019, 6:00 pm

CPM Memorial Show, Clintwood Showgrounds on the Pound River,  
Clintwood, VA, July 13, 2019 6:00 pm

National Racking Horse Association Tennessee State Show, Cleveland,  
TN, August 19, 2019 6:00 pm SHOBA Classes on the show bill

SHOBA Fall Celebration Trail Ride, Circle E Guest Ranch, Belvidere,  
TN September 26-29, 2019 For reservations call 931-962-1790

## SHOBA New & Renewed Members

Lelwani Acquaviva  
Billy & Terrie Bissette  
Mike Cantrell  
Hen Cohen  
Emily Compton  
Michael Dobison  
John Eggleston  
Michael England  
Netanel Josef Faumi  
Daniel Fuller  
Hugh Gugel  
Deborah Foster  
Ieshayaha Gross  
Garett Zane Hale  
James L. Hunt  
Caduri Jackov  
Marc Jones  
Bengmin Mushlam  
Ed O'Neill  
Eric Osbourne  
Orieh Pahima  
Robert W. Parks  
Eric Plank  
Teddy Powers  
Doug Ripley  
Chad Roy  
Chris Rynes  
Richard & Joy Shenk  
Elwin Smith  
Carlos & Stephanie  
Stanley  
Jackie & Lisa Stanley  
Phillip Thomas  
Vandaris & Chy Tracy  
Steve & Suzi Wright  
Yair Zaguri



*Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection,  
and the life: he that believeth in me, though  
he were dead, yet shall he live: And whoso-  
ever liveth and believeth in me shall never  
die.*

*John 11: 25-26*

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**May your Easter celebrations be blessed beyond words!!**