



Florida Cracker Trail Association

Minutes and Newsletter

March 7, 2014

Hello to all of you!

This year we had wonderful weather for our 2014 Annual Cross State Ride! A special thank you is extended to all those that helped make this Ride a success! Thank you to each one of you who volunteer your time and talents all year to make this ride happen and "Keep History Alive". Please see a list of these devoted individuals in the attachment and please thank them when you can. I would also like to thank Linda Hoke who prepared the ride certificates and to Beth Scrimger who keeps the website going.

Condolences extend to those who unfortunately could not make the ride this year, including Paso Fino Kristi James (due to a shoulder injury) and to Tim Durden (due to a foot injury). Hopefully, we will see you at our next event.

I am pleased to announce the lucky winner of the 2014 Saddle Raffle as: David Egbert! And the 2014 Beef Raffle winners are: Dorothy White (one of our special Logo Wagon girls) and Nannette Carter (from Best Choice Meats)! The girls chose to take the \$400 instead of the beef!

Please plan to attend the After Ride Meeting that is scheduled to be held at Hickory Hammock on Saturday, April 26th. The FCTA will provide the meat and we will have a pot-luck lunch at Noon at the Pavilion. A General Meeting will follow at 1:00 p.m. and a Board Meeting will follow at 3:00 p.m. This meeting is to review this year's ride and make suggestions and improvements for next year's ride, so please bring your positive thoughts and ideas. If you cannot attend the meeting, but would like to volunteer your time or have something to share, please send an e-mail or notify any member that will be attending the meeting.

The Heartland Horses & Handicapped (HHH) organization will be holding their Annual Sandy Kuhn Memorial Ride-A-Thon on May 2-4, 2014 at Hickory Hammock (see attached email from HHH). Your membership supports the HHH (the late Sandy Kuhn was an important member of the FCTA), along with the FCTA's Annual Scholarships. Your membership also supports the Florida Cracker Trail Museum, the Florida Agricultural Museum, the Florida Cracker Horse Association, the Florida Cracker Cattle Association, and the A.E. Backus Museum.

Also attached is information on the Osceola County Wagon Train and Trail Ride scheduled for March 24-30, 2014 in Kenansville, FL. The Junior Cypress Cattle Drive & Rodeo is set for Saturday, March 22, 2014. View their website for updates and ride information: jrcarena.com.

This Newsletter, along with the 2014 Commemorative Program Book, will be added to the FCTA website (CrackerTrail.org) in the next few days. We encourage you to view the website throughout the year to keep up-to-date on FCTA activities. In addition, Beth Scrimger is working on a way to share your photos on the web to view all year.

Happy trails!

Susie Randolph
FCTA Treasurer & Ride Secretary
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RE: list of devoted individuals

<http://crackertrail.org/contact.html>

EMAIL RE: Annual Sandy Kuhn Memorial Ride-A-Thon

From: "Heartland Horses & Handicapped" <heartlandhorses@embarqmail.com>

Subject: HHH May Ride

Date: Tue, 4 Mar 2014

Heartland Horses & Handicapped will be holding their Annual Sandy Kuhn Memorial Ride-A-Thon May 2-4, 2014 at Hickory Hammock. Gates will open at noon on Friday and close at noon Sunday. The guided trail ride will take place Saturday Morning at 10:30 am and a smoked chicken and Rib dinner Saturday evening will be included with PRE-REGISTERED participants only. I have attached the flyer and Ride Registration forms for your convenience. Please RSVP to heartlandhorses@embarqmail.com or call Kelly at 863-991-1184 before April 16 to secure your dinner Reservation! There is a limit of 160 Participants so hurry and get registered before its too late!!

Please check our website for updates and additional information for events.

Kelly Panchenko
Program Director

[ATTACHMENT can be found on the HHH website - <http://www.heartlandhorses.org/events.htm>]

EMAIL RE: Osceola County Wagon Train and Trail Ride

From: "Osceola County Trail Ride" <ocwttr@yahoo.com>

Subject: 2014 OCWTTR Registration Package

Date: Thu, 17 Oct 2013

Attached please find the 2014 registration package for the trail ride.

Please note the deadline dates listed in the package. Thanks.

Thank you,
Cyndi Conklin

The OCWTTR Registration committee

[ATTACHMENT can be found on the OCWTTR website - http://ocwttr.org/?page_id=25]

RE: Junior Cypress Cattle Drive & Rodeo

<http://floridaseminoletourism.com/cattledrive/>

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