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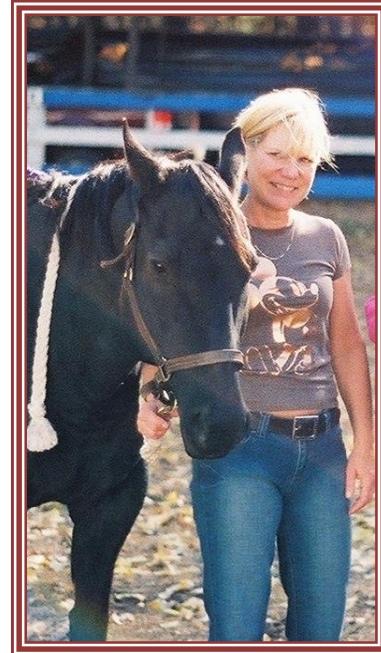
“Where Rehab Reins”

December 2008



It is hard to believe how quick the summer goes. The joyous Christmas season will be here before we know it. I want to take the time to say thank you to all of our riders, volunteers and their families for a wonderful riding season. It is such a joy to look back upon this past riding season and see all that was accomplished, the new friends we made and the friendships that continue to grow. Although we got a late start due to a very wet and cold spring, we were blessed with a beautiful season. We had our share of cancellations as is normal, some due to weather and some to illness, yet at the end everyone had a great time and we are left with memories to cherish. Thank you all for your continued support of Health Directed Riding as well as your support of me. I want you to know how blessed I am to be doing what I'm doing with this wonderful group of people and that each of you has a very special place in my heart. God bless you during the wonderful change of seasons and I look forward to us all getting together again for the 2009 riding season.

Rhonda



Dear J an J enner
All our thoughts are
with you in the loss of
your good
friend 'Mur dock'
We will miss him so much!!

HIGH TECH NEWSLETTER

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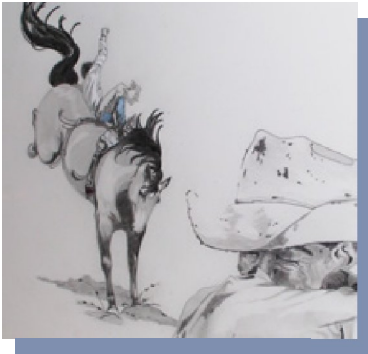
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~FALL FEST REVIEW~

When outdoor events are planned you pray for good weather, good friends and of course good food – we were blessed with all of the above this year. Pinesong Farm was once again cloaked in its natural beauty and 8 riders were able to participate and show us their riding skills. The kids were able to create tie-dyed shirts, we had a potluck meal at noon and a raffle was held in the afternoon.

The raffle drawing winners were as follows: Framed Art Work – Russ J., Ogilvie; ½ Hog – Mike F., Cambridge; ½ Hog – Ron J., Braham; Digital Picture Frame – Nicole T., Rush City.



Congratulations to our prize winners and thank you all for supporting Health Directed Riding by buying raffle tickets. A special thank you goes out to The Oak Gallery of Cambridge for contributing toward the cost of framing the art work and to the Braham Food Locker Service for donating the processing of the hog.



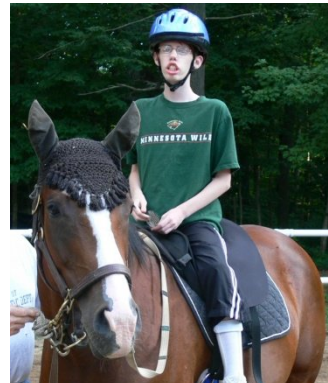
Matt Price, the 14-year-old phenom, who placed a wish with the Make-A-Wish foundation requested to sing on stage with the Go Fish Guys at Sioux Falls, South Dakota on February 17th.

Make-A-Wish contacted the Go Fish Guys (Jamie, Andy & Jason) and they graciously agreed to meet Matt. They did more than just meet him, they allowed Matt and his family to attend their sound check before the concert in Sioux Falls. Make-A-Wish

rented 2 vans for them, one accessible van for Vicki, Matt's sister, and another mini van as they would not all fit into one. The family was picked up in a limo bus with a wheelchair lift and whisked off to the Sioux Falls Convention Center. They took time to sign each of the kid's Snazzy shirts, then took a group photo. They talked about Matt's wish to be on stage with them and that Victoria's favorite Go Fish song is 'You're My Little Girl.' (They don't usually do that song on this tour, but decided that would be a good one for Matt to join them on.) Then it was Matt's cue, he and the director went backstage. Jamie talked about how this was a special night, he told how Make-A-Wish had contacted their manager about a 14 year old boy, Matthew, who could wish for anything in the world, and his wish was to be on stage with the Go Fish Guys. It showed in their actions that it meant a lot to them too. Jamie invited Matt to join them in singing Victoria's favorite song since 3 part harmony is good, but 4 part is better. Matt was a little tentative as he walked on stage and stood between Jamie and Andy. Jason made a comment that he likes Matthew because he has hair. (Andy and Jamie have both shaved their heads). Matt used his glow stick to sing with "the guys." Andy waved to Victoria as they sang and Matt mainly stared in awe at Jamie during the verse but then did join in for the chorus. When the song was finished, the audience gave Matt a standing ovation. Matt waved to the crowd, and Mom and Dad cried.

The family is very thankful to Make-A-Wish and the Go Fish Guys for making Matt's wish come true

Also, Josh Price (Matt's brother) was granted a wish, which was to meet Tony Hawk, the extreme skateboarder. The family was flown to Chicago to meet Tony Hawk.





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Babies Corner

Ride-A-Thon Report

The weather cooperated for the Ride-A-Thon this year; it was a wonderful day with approximately 17 participants attending. Over \$3,100.00 was raised to support our program. A special thank you to everyone who supported us through pledges. Thank you to the riders/walkers for coming and making this a very successful year. After the ride/walk lunch was served and door prize drawings were held. It's never too early to start collecting pledges for the 2009 Ride-A-Thon. Hope to see everyone again - bring a friend or two!



Health Directed Riding is listed as a United Way Agency. You can contribute to Health Directed Riding through United Way. This can be done through the work place campaign, check with your employer to see if they are participating. Funds can be directed as you choose. Check out the United Way website at www.unitedway.org

Please keep the following dates in mind for next year....

Ride-A-Thon - September 9, 2009

You can start collecting pledges early and challenge friend, family members, co-workers, clubs, etc. to see who can collect the most pledges. There will be a drawing for a wonderful prize. You will be entered for the drawing based on the amount of your pledges.

Fall Fest - October 3, 2009



Kyle Mosher welcomed baby sister Rachel this spring before riding began and brought her with every week to watch him ride and keep mom company.



Remington Lee-Eichenwald, who has a big sister Bailey, became a big brother late summer of this year to baby sister Inga.

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