



# ROLLING HILLS SADDLE CLUB

Newsletter

June 2015

## June 3 Meeting Highlights

### Financial Report

The club's available balance is \$54,418.53 (does not include Wills Park rentals for March and May [should be ~\$10,000 total]). The balance includes payments of ~\$9,000 for show ribbons.

May show income: \$23,143.60 total (\$1,675 in cash, \$21,468.60 in checks, and \$198.33 in credit-card payments).

Jay Verhoven has secured a \$200 donation for the Running Ring Buckle Series from Romancing the Range.

### Show Office News

Leah Lee has been busy closing the books on the May show so she can get ready for the June show.

Show income by rings, May double-judged show. The three rings that are double-judged almost doubled their income:

- Beginner Ring: \$4,558 (was \$2,091 for March show).
- Hunter Ring: \$3,751 (was \$2,365 for March show).
- Open Ring: \$4,432 (was \$2,367 for March show).
- Running Ring: \$1,389 (was \$2,002 for March show).

Leah needs help at the June show: Want to earn work credits? She's looking for help, especially from 6:00 to 10:00 am and again from 3:00 to 5:00 pm.

**Coggins do expire!** Check your Coggins and make sure the show office has a current Coggins date for your horse. Also please make sure the horse's registered name is on the Coggins. The Department of

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**All shows are held at Wills Park Equestrian Center, Alpharetta, GA**

**NOTICE:** The Georgia Department of Agriculture requires that a current negative Coggins test must be shown at show registration OR a copy must be on file with show office for all horses on the grounds.

Visit

[www.rollinghillssc.org](http://www.rollinghillssc.org)  
for

- show dates,
- classes and fees,
- point standings,
- membership forms,
- answers to frequently asked questions,
- contact information,
- preregistration information.

### 2015 Remaining Show Dates

**June 6**

**July 11**

**August 8**

**October 3**

**\*double-judged for Feb. show cancellation**

**November 14**

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**Year-End Award Requirements:**

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Agriculture requires us to have these on file. If we don't have yours, your horse can be impounded and you can be fined. Note the Coggins date is printed on your show registration form [see photo below]. Leah does not need a copy; she just needs to see the form so she can record the date.

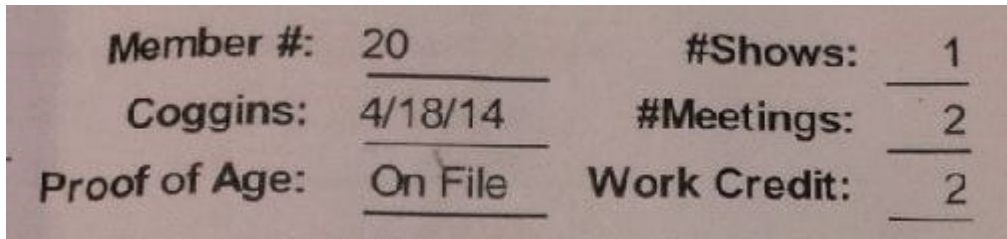


## Points, Work Credits, Proof of Age

The points list will be in the office. If there are problems with your points, write Leah a note about it. She will address problems after she closes the books on the show.

Please check your show registration form to see if we have your proof of age on file. Youth members must show proof of age to qualify for end-of-year awards.

Did you know that the show registration forms also show your number of shows, meetings, and work credits?



**Friday Night  
Lights Series  
Postponed to 2016**

## Your 2015 RHSC Board

President: Pam Almond  
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1st-Year Board: Sami Stackhouse

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## Summer Blue Jeans and Chaps Shows

The June, July, and August are blue jeans and chaps format. This means that polo shirts and jeans are acceptable at the three summer shows. Polo shirts and riding pants are also acceptable.

The summer shows are great for those new to showing!

## July Fun Show

We are assessing club interest in having a fun show on Friday, July 10, before the July show. If there's interest, we'll need volunteers to run the event.

## Parking at Wills Park

Please follow these RHSC rules for parking in the lot by Barn A at Wills Park:

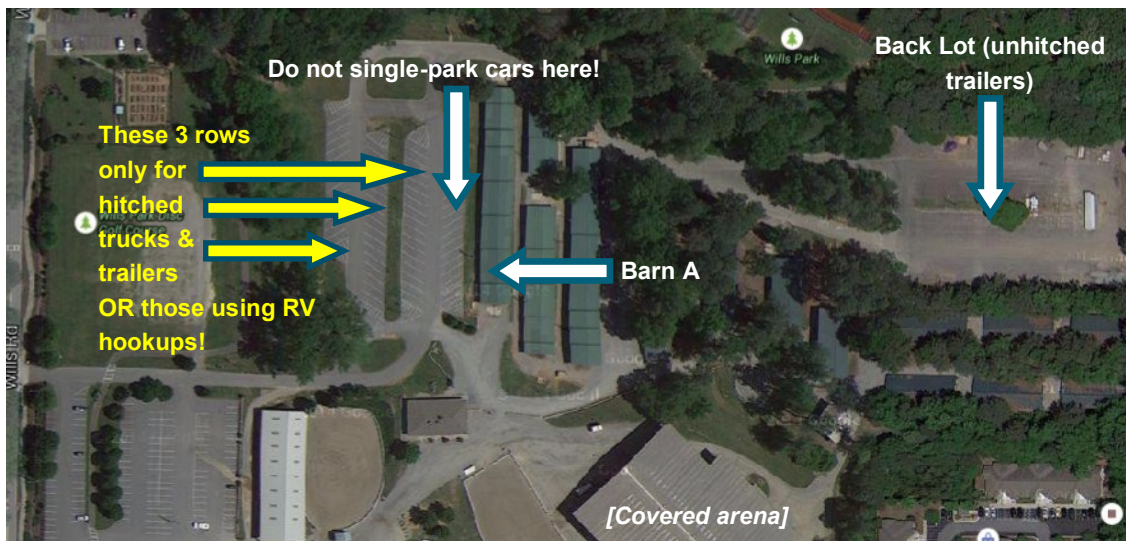
- Single cars: Do not single-park cars in the parking lot row along barn A. Double-parking with other cars from your barn is OK.
- Unhitched trailers: Do not unhitch and drop trailers in the lot by barn A; if you're dropping your trailer, take it to the back lot.
- Truck and trailer: You are welcome to park in the lot.

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**Preregister by  
6:00 p.m. on the  
Wednesday before  
a show to avoid the  
extra charge!**

**[www.rollinghillssc.org/  
preregistration.htm](http://www.rollinghillssc.org/preregistration.htm)  
for details**

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## Show T-Shirts

**Eagle Sportz** will be at August, October, and November shows. When their daily sales reach \$1,000, the club receives 10% (additional percentage at \$1,500 and \$2,000 in sales). The club made \$153 from t-shirt sales at the May show!

## Club Photographer

Jennifer Maki (**JLM Equine Photography**) is the club photographer again this year. She charges \$65 for 36 digital images. Check her link on the RHSC Facebook page.

## October Halloween Fun Show

It's not too early to be thinking about this! Let us know if you want to help. The Halloween fun show will be on Friday, October 2, before the October show. All money goes to charity.

## October: Double-Judged Show

The October 3 show will be double judged to make up for the cancellation in February.

A double-judged show means there are two judges, two class fees, and two awards for each class, and a day end award for each judge (in divisions that have day-end awards). This applies to the Beginner Ring, the hunters in the Hunter Ring, and the Open Ring.

Jumpers in the Hunter Ring will receive double points at the May and October shows but will not be charged double fees or receive double awards. This is so they will be competitive with the hunters for the Hunter Ring top 5 year-end award.

## Banquet Award Choices

Keep those ideas coming! Members have mentioned coolers, bridle bags, silver plates, belt buckles, leather show halters, and t-shirts for champion and reserve end-of-year winners listed on the back.

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## Summer Camps

Do you show at RHSC and offer summer horse camps?

Non-horse parents have asked us where to send their children for horse summer camps, and we'd like to list your camps on the RHSC Facebook page.

Send your details to [president@rollinghillssc.org](mailto:president@rollinghillssc.org).

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## Meeting Reminder!

There's a \$30 room charge for the club to use the meeting room at the Golden Corral.

Please tip at least \$1 per person if you are eating.

## Wills Park Equestrian Center

On June 1 the Alpharetta City Council voted not to fund study on repurposing the Wills Park Equestrian Center. Thanks to everyone who wrote to the council, attended meetings, etc.

We encourage all club members to keep up with discussions about any potential changes to the equestrian center. Visit the Alpharetta Equestrian Alliance Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/AlpharettaAlliance> to stay informed.

## Year-End Award Requirements

To qualify for year-end awards, you must

- Be a current member in good standing.
- Participate in a majority of shows for their division (per rider) during the current year.<sup>1</sup>
- Attend 3 meetings (per membership) during the current year.
- Work 2 volunteer hours (per rider) during the current year.
- Show proof of age (only for youth members in age divisions)

You must be a member before your show points will count! No exceptions.

<sup>1</sup>The board has decided to not enforce the *shows for their division* portion of the rule at this time. We will reassess this rule and the wording later this year for the 2016 season after we study the statistics from the new show computer program that was put in place this season.

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## Looking for Places to Get Volunteer Hours?

- **Brian needs help at the Open Ring in the afternoons at the entrance gate.**
  - **Leah needs help in the show office filing and running items from the rings to the office.**
  - **You can check with any ring chair to see if they need help.**
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