



Summer is here!

The trilliums have come and gone. We've had summer rains and summer heatwaves. And the Lake Washington Saddle Club has hosted several fun events, with more still to come. Read on to get all of the latest news and information.

LWSC Scholarship Available Apply Now for 2022 Award

One \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded in 2022 to a student pursuing education in equine studies, forestry or environmental studies.

The Scholarship must be used at a two or four-year accredited college or university within the academic year following receipt of the scholarship. It may be used for tuition and/or fees. Applications are due September 30, 2022.

For more information, visit:

<https://www.lakewashingtonsaddleclub.org/college-scholarship.html>

Help Wanted!

The LWSC is looking for a new board member. If you are interested, email president@lakewashingtonsaddleclub.org

The LWSC is looking for a new treasurer. If you are interested, email president@lakewashingtonsaddleclub.org

We are always looking for articles and news! If you would like to submit news, stories, or classifieds to the Saddler, send a text document and/or JPG images to saddler@lakewashingtonsaddleclub.org

Equine & Vines Prize Ride – July 17th

By Jennifer Duncan

A great time was had by all. We had over 30 riders, 20 of whom received gift cards from our raffle. Gift card prizes distributed had a value of over \$850.00.

I received compliments on the route which took riders on both the wider and narrower trails for about a 2 hour ride at a walk. We had a number of people who had never been to Bridle Trails and I like to think they had a good time and learned what a wonderful place our Park is. These prize rides are a great way to experience the park if you aren't familiar with the trail system.

After the ride, people parked their horses at the hitching posts and enjoyed some wine, snacks and great conversation.

This prize ride would not be possible without the generous donations from our sponsors; Bridle Trails Park Foundation, The Grange, Dayville Hay & Grain, and The Gift Horse Saddlery. LWSC sincerely appreciates their support.

Thanks also to Candice Boyd for helping with the wine tasting. Couldn't do this without you Candice! Many thanks also to Ranger Matt and park volunteer Gene Mitchell who helped Mike with the parking lot.



LWSC English/Western Horse Show, July 23, 2022

By Suzanne Hitz, English/Western Show Manager

The July 23rd, 2022 English/Western Horse Show had an amazing turnout on a day with stellar weather. We had over 60 entries and ran over 52 classes ranging from Halter and Showmanship to Saddle Seat to Western and English rail classes. A wide variety of breeds were well represented, and our judge, Sherri Spoltman, worked hard all day placing the classes.

Elevate Coffee was on hand to provide coffee, lattes, Italian sodas, and other tasty beverages – both hot and cold.



Gymkhana games were offered during the break between Western and English, and were free to show participants. Aply run by LWSC President Kate Sharkey and her crew, the games, such as ribbon partner ride (a strip of toiler paper as the ribbon), riding with a cup of water seeing who could keep the most in the cup, and a version of Ride A Buck with a square of toilet paper as the ‘buck’ were enjoyed by all

The show was exactly what we were hoping for. A beautiful setting providing the backdrop on a sunny Saturday for exhibitors to enjoy their horses and meet new friends. We hope to provide a series of three shows for the 2023 season – one in May, our regular show at the end of July, and another in early September. These would be a series culminating in high point awards at our annual banquet. Look for a survey in your email in the next couple of months regarding this in order to help us determine how to do this. As always, these are your shows, and we want to provide a pleasant, low-key event to come and have fun!

And, as always, thank you to all the volunteers who turned out to make this such a fun day. We can’t do this without you!



Congratulations to our English/Western Show High Point winners!

English

16 & under	Grand Champion	188	Taylor Graham	Before Boys
16 & under	Reserve Champion	179	Katie Johnson	One Fancy Gift
17 & over	Grand Champion	180	Mattie	Burly
17 & over	Reserve Champion	170	Teya Thompson	She Took The Goods

Saddle Seat

Tie	Grand Champion	157	CH Merrywoods Music Man	Savannah Hage
Tie	Grand Champion	155	Mr. McQueen	Savannah Livingston

Western

16 & under	Grand Champion	165	Fallon Mickle	Juniper
16 & under	Reserve Champion	179	One Fancy Gift	Katie Johnson
17 & over	Grand Champion	186	Allena Goroskji	DLL Double Shot
17 & over	Reserve Champion	184	Stephanie Castner	

TIP English

All ages	Grand Champion	143	Finn McMissle	Mandy Schoen
All ages	Reserve Champion	181	Sharp Clark	Daisa Gifford

TIP Western

All ages	Grand Champion	189	Ellie Gierck	Radio Flyer
All ages	Reserve Champion	194	Alexis Novak	Radio Flyer



SAVE THE DATE
LWSC Awards Banquet and Annual Meeting
Saturday, November 5, 2022
Meydenbauer Center
11100 NE 6th St, Bellevue, WA 98004

We are just starting the planning for the year end banquet. It is very exciting to actually be holding an honest to goodness banquet with dinner, a silent auction and lots of awards. We hope you will join us. Pricing and ticket sales are still in-work.

If you know of a LWSC member deserving of one of our annual awards, you can nominate them online via our website at: <https://www.lakewashingtonsaddleclub.org/annual-awards-ballot.html> .

Here are the categories for our Annual Awards:

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| Service Award | Do you know an individual who has worked hard for the Club this year. They could have helped at shows, been on a committee, etc. They have shown a true dedication and enthusiasm for the Club, the Park, Club activities, etc. |
| Mother of the Year | Do you know a Mom who goes that extra mile to support her children's equestrian efforts? |
| Father of the Year | How about a Dad who always volunteers to roll up his sleeves and help or is always there for moral support? |
| Senior Sportsmanship | Do you know an adult who has shown great sportsmanship this year? Maybe they have taken on a new challenge, improved immensely, or hung in there during tough times? |
| Junior Sportsmanship | How about a junior rider who has displayed special dedication or enthusiasm? |
| Trainer Of The Year | How about a trainer who has provided exceptional guidance and support? Maybe they helped you overcome specific challenges, or inspired you to achieve a specific goal? |
| Horse Of The Year | We have changed this award and no longer require that only horses written up in the Saddler as Horse Of The Month are eligible. So, has your horse really improved or come through for you this year? Maybe you lost a much loved friend and would like to honor him or her. |
| Purple Horse Award | Do you know of someone who had a difficult "equine accident" type of injury? We would like to recognize them with a Purple Horse Award. This award is for injured people, not injured horses. |

Auction Items Needed for the Silent Auction

It is our members and their creative donations that make the silent auction so much fun. Please plan on donating something to the silent auction. Let us know what you plan to bring by submitting the information online at; <https://www.lakewashingtonsaddleclub.org/auction-item-donation-form.html>

Here is some information and ideas:

1. Auction items do not necessarily need to be horse related. In fact, do not worry about approaching the local equestrian and feed businesses, you can be sure we will have already approached them. (Olson's, Gift Horse, First Fruits, Dayville, Snohomish/Monroe Co-Op, The Grange, Town Center Hardware are all businesses we will have contacted.)
2. Think about what might be useful or interesting to our members. Services like; riding lessons, equine and people massages, spa days, manicures, etc., for example. or merchandise ranging from lumber, gravel, to jewelry. Then think about the businesses that provide those items.
3. Or it could be places or people that could provide an experience or activity, like tickets to a game, use of a cabin, maybe you know a great cook who would enjoy cooking dinner for someone or baking that terrific dessert.
4. Maybe you know someone who is an artist of some kind. It could be a painter, quilter, jewelry maker, potter, sculptor you get the idea. Auction item donation is a great way to spread the word about a talented friend.
5. Or think about putting together a basket based on a theme, like movie night, sporting event, pets, cooking, spa day, etc. and then ask business for donations to help create the basket.

Dessert Dash – Sign Up to Donate Baked Goods

The Dessert Dash has become a fun part of the banquet and helps to raise funds for the Club and Bridle Trails State Park. Please consider signing up to bring a cake or dessert to the banquet, we need to have a dessert for each table of banquet attendees to ensure that everyone gets their dessert. You can sign up online at: <https://www.lakewashingtonsaddleclub.org/dessert-dash-form.html>

Don't forget to get your volunteer hours!

The Lake Washington Saddle Club is run by volunteers and we need everyone to pitch in to keep things running smoothly. Volunteering is a great way to meet people and learn more about the Club. And to be eligible for LWSC annual awards, members must volunteer for at least 8 hours in club activities.

Upcoming LWSC Events

August

- 19 LWSC Members only jumper schooling (5pm)
- 20-21 LWSC Hunter/Jumper Schooling Show
- 27 LWSC Dressage Schooling Show
- 28 LWSC Academy Hunter Jumper Schooling Show

September

- 1-3 LWSC Horsemanship Clinic with Julie Carpenter
- 23 LWSC Members only jumper schooling (5pm)
- 24-25 LWSC Hunter/Jumper Schooling Show
- 30 LWSC Scholarship deadline

October

November

- 5 LWSC Year End Awards Banquet

Powerline Arena Work Party

We will be organizing a work party for the powerline arena very soon. We'll be working mainly on the edges of the arena, clearing weeds and hand-raking the track. Hope to see you there!