The Woodside A Team has won every class in which it competed this season – so far! (Garrod’s, Woodside, CVI*, ** Saratoga and Region II Championships).
DOES YOUR HORSE SCORE COUNT YOU IN OR COUNT YOU OUT?
Naomi Takemoto

Have you ever considered how much the horse’s score affects the vaulters’ overall scores and placings? How would placings change if all horse scores below 8 were raised to 8? With the exception of the canter team freestyle event, horse performance expectations for a score of 8 are not a difficult challenge for most vaulting horses. If the horse is already performing at a “sufficient” (5) or “satisfactory” (6) level, a “good” (8) performance is not athletically a difficult reach for the horse. The challenge is for the longeur to recognize when the horse is performing only sufficiently to have the training techniques and tools to teach the horse that “sufficient” is unacceptable and that “good” is the require performance expectation.

To this end, J. Ashton Moore, AVA Technical Advisor, nationally renowned horse training expert and master longeur, has developed and adapted a step-by-step 20 Minute vaulting horse training warm-up that develops the “8” level performance as the horse’s and the longeur’s everyday, working performance patterns. Less is simply not allowed. This is important because once this performance level becomes the norm, it becomes the horse’s comfort zone – a way of going that gives the horse confidence during the most stressful times. The “8” performance becomes something to fall back on during competition, not something to be achieved.

This 20 minute training warm-up teaches the longeur how to overcome the disadvantages of distance and the small physical size of the human relative to the horse in order to create the illusion of superiority. This is done with body language, body position and actions. Actions are implemented with the longeur line and whip and voice commands become verbal directives. Initially, not all steps may be completed in 20 minutes. Some steps may take several 20 minute sessions to achieve understanding and correctness. But horses are actually quite fast learners.

If a step is taking more than a few sessions to get right, then the longeur knows that there is a problem with the training technique that is causing confusion for the horse. Conversely, if understanding and correct responses occur quickly, the longeur knows that he and the horse are on the same page in the learning process. When the 20 minute warm-up becomes a less than a 10 minute warm-up, the longeur knows the horse is ready to deliver a “good” performance. Further, the corrections become more and more subtle until just a raised finger, the opening of the chest or movement of a foot towards the horse receives the same response as a more dramatic action.

On September 8-9, 2007 The AVA Circle of Friends is hosting a schooling event for vaulting horses that will teach and train longeurs how to successfully use the 20 minute training warm-up to achieve a “good” horse performance on a consistent and regular basis. The event will be held at Osierlea in San Juan Bautista, California. Mark this date on your calendar now.

Spaces for this event are limited to eight canter level horses each of the two days. Participants in the last horse training event at Osierlea will have priority. Horses may be registered for one or two days. Each horse and longeur will demonstrate the four parts of the warm-up during a 50 minute session. Jeff will work with each longeur on problems with recognizing performance shortcomings, corrections, and training methodologies that may be interfering with horse’s learning curve.

A description of the four parts of the 20 minute warm-up will put on the AVA website (Longeurs page) or may be obtained upon request from Carol Beutler at cbeutler@sbcglobal.net no earlier than August 25.

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NEWS FLASH!
Nationals Results Available Now
Go to the AVA’s members-only home page: www.americanvaulting.org. Click on “Nationals Results in Real Time!” at the bottom of the page and follow the simple directions. This system gives you the scores many different ways, and you can even see (for compulsories) scores by compulsory and by judge and (for freestyle) by category and by judge. The results are also available on the “competitive” page of the members section in the standard format.

NEWS FLASH!
Emergency Election of V.P. Competitions
Due to the resignation of V.P. Competitions, there will be a special election by the Board. Nominations for this position (see page 18 AVA Standing Rules) must be received by Kate Dalby (katedalby@earthlink.net, 703/203-5796, 3609 Sanders Lane, Catharpin, VA 20143) no later than September 15, 2007. Any current member of the AVA may submit nominations. The slate of nominees will be sent to the AVA Board members by October 10th and the ballots will be counted by the AVA National Office Manager by October 22, 2007. The elected V.P. Competitions will take office at the AVA Annual meeting February 29th 2008.
President’s Message
Nancy Stevens-Brown

Vault On! That could mean to “keep on keeping on” with our chosen sport, or literally mean to “leap on board”. During our recent June jaunt to the fantastic vaulting camp at Fort Robinson, Nebraska, Bill and I passed through Cold Springs, Nevada, one of the key stations along the legendary Pony Express Route. Outside the rough-hewn tavern was a life-size cutout of an Express rider at full gallop. Needless to say I just had to swing up to re-enact the famous flying mounts of those daredevil postmen of the Western frontier. Action shots like handstands on landmarks and vaulting on statues is de rigueur for any vaulting outing. Better than graffiti, it seems to be our way of saying we are not your average tourists!

The Cold Springs clerk questioned why I was swinging on board her swinging board sign, and when I explained about vaulting she shared some Pony Express history. Any young man willing to sign up for this dangerous job, carried the mail ten to fifteen miles at a full gallop and then changed horses by vaulting onto the next horse that waited, pre-saddled, at each station. Like our surcingle, the express rider’s equipment was especially crafted. The saddles were lighter than average frontier gear and the mail sack, or mochila, was specifically designed to slip over the saddle horn, making it possible like a great transition, for a rider to switch efficiently from one horse to the next. In this dashing fashion the mail could be delivered 2000 miles in ten days!

After existing only eighteen months, the Pony Express became obsolete when the railway and telegraph lines transformed transcontinental communication, leaving the Pony Express to vanish like desert rain into the Nevada sands.

Not unlike the history of communication, vaulting has also evolved to become ever more sophisticated and efficient. From the once formal military moves during our formative years to today’s fluid artistry, this unique equestrian art is constantly transforming for today’s increasingly more sophisticated audiences.

Even though I look back with nostalgia on the exciting chapters of American vaulting history, my mind leaps forward to the next stage of the AVA’s pursuit for enduring excellence in the equestrian world. So I say again…Vault On!

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CVI*, ** Saratoga

The opening ceremonies featured local riding groups and drill teams, and demonstrations by challenged vaulters.

Sheri Benjamin

CVI Saratoga, the only FEI recognized vaulting competition held in the United States took place June 30 - July 1 and showcased individual vaulters and teams from more than a half a dozen countries. The event was sponsored by Cooper-Garrod Estate Vineyards at historic Garrod Farms in Saratoga, California.

In the two-star (most advanced) competition, Woodside Vaulters’ A Team (Anne Lewis, Megan Lanfri, Ali Divita, Elizabeth Osborn, Katharine Wick, Yvonne Greenen and Marina Olivieri) won first place honors, while “Columbia I,” one of two Columbian teams competing, won first place in the one-star competition.

In the women’s division, Woodside Vaulters’ Elizabeth Osborn took top honors in the two-star competition, with Mt. Eden’s Mary McCormick taking second and Woodside’s Ali Divita placing third. In the men’s two-star competition, FACE’s Blake Dahlgren won top honors, with second and third place going to Denmark’s Mikkel Vandrup and Canada’s Colin Schmidt, respectively.

In the one-star competition, USA took the top three women’s spots, with Mt. Eden’s Laura Yelavich garnering top honors, and Showtime’s Roxanne Noland and FACE’s Julia Bowman taking second and third, respectively. In the men’s competition Tambourine’s Eric Garcia placed second and Columbian men placed first and third.

Reigning Women’s World Vaulting Champion Megan Benjamin, who has recently retired from competitive vaulting in favor of evangelizing the sport and teaching clinics worldwide, acted as the USA’s Chef d’Equipe for the competition and presented awards to the winners.
CVI*, ** Saratoga - Our Foreign Guests

All photos of CVI*, ** Saratoga are by Primo Ponies

CANADA - top left: Alisa Porter, top center: Hanah Marland, top right: Colin Schmidt, Middle left: Jeanine van der Sluijs, Middle upper center: Jennifer Sedler

DENMARK - bottom left: Mikkel Vandrup

ITALY - lower middle center: Sara Stopazzini, bottom center: Laura Loonstein, bottom right: Clarissa Masciullo
Vaulting in Colombia
Angelika Koppel

Vaulting was introduced to Colombia by my father Thilo Köppel. In 1967 my two sisters and I performed in the first vaulting exhibition ever in Colombia. Back then vaulting was only used to introduce kids to horse sports and as a very good first step in developing future riders.

In the 1990’s a friend, Maria del Carmen García, who lived in Quito Ecuador, and myself started to plan a small international vaulting competition that we called “America’s New Stars.” When she and her family moved to the USA, they organized an “America’s New Stars” Competition in Wellington, Florida where Stephanie Siemens was our judge. This was our unofficial start in vaulting. We did not yet have other trainers, horses, rules, nor was the sport recognized officially by our National Federation.

In 1997 I contacted Fernanda Shaw, national trainer from Argentina and Björn Ahsbahs from Germany and the sport was officially recognized by our NF.

It took some more years to have a rule book and to start regular, national competitions. Our first national vaulting championship was held in 2006. Around 100 vaulters competed in teams, doubles and individual classes. In 2006 Colombia also entered a Junior Team at the European Championships in Munich and a Senior Team at the WEG in Aachen. This year over 120 vaulters from eight clubs competed at our national championships.
The closing ceremonies honored the horses (top right). Host and sponsor, Jan Garrod of Cooper Garrod Estate Vineyards, introduced the horses (top center).

### CVI**, Saratoga

**FEI/USEF/AVA Recognized**  
**June 30-July 1, 2007**

**Saratoga, California**

**Judges:**  
Adrienne Stang (FEI O), Erich Breiter (FEI O), Suzanne Detol (FEI O)

**Team Events**

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<td>Elizabeth Osborn, Woodside USA</td>
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<td>Mary McCormick, Mt. Eden USA</td>
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For extra excitement, Erik Martonovich brought his horses, Comet and Oliver in “roman riding” style (left). The Colombians decorated their borrowed horse, Pepper Jack, with Colombian flags for their entry (bottom right) as the judges, Suzanne Detol, Erich Breiter and Adrienne Stang looked on (bottom center).
### Two Star Compulsories RI - Men

1. Blake Dahlgen, F.A.C.E. - USA ....... 7.470
   - Marshall, Carolyn Bland
2. Colin Schmidt, Cheam - Canada ....... 6.648
   - Comet, Erik Martonovich
3. Mikkel Vandrup, Denmark ............. 6.307
   - Badge, Erik Martonovich
4. Devon Maltozo, F.A.C.E. - USA ....... 5.811
   - Diego, Becky Marland
5. Jonny McLellister, NuBal-USA ......... 4.121
   - Knight, Erik Martonovich

### Two Star Freestyle Test RI - Men

1. Blake Dahlgen, F.A.C.E. - USA ....... 7.460
2. Mikkel Vandrup, Denmark ............. 6.980
3. Jonny McLellister, NuBal-USA ......... 6.860
5. Devon Maltozo, F.A.C.E. - USA ....... 5.909

### Two Star Overall - Men

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### Two Star Overall II - Men

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### One Star Compulsories RI - Women

1. Roxanne Noland, Showtime - USA ...... 6.524
   - Combe, Erik Martonovich
2. Blake Dahlgen, F.A.C.E. - USA ....... 5.981
   - Amadeus, Emma Seely
3. Sara Hinestroza, Club Equus - Canada ...... 5.893
   - Diego, Becky Marland
4. Jeanine van der Slik, Meadow Creek - Canada ...... 5.867
   - Tank, Kelly Holly
5. Laura Yelavich, Mt. Eden - USA ....... 5.859
   - Amadeus, Emma Seely
6. Briana Olsen, F.A.C.E. - USA ....... 5.830
   - Mozart, Carolynn Bland
7. Shannon Hoke, Tambourine - USA ....... 5.652
   - Tank, Kelly Holly
8. Kyras McCarthy, Pacific Coast - USA ...... 5.622
   - Donatello, Mike Sisul
9. Mary Garrett, Valley View - USA ....... 5.589
   - Waldmeister, Sylvia Son
10. Laura Loosenstein, Pioppi - Italy ...... 5.459
    - Bronson, Miki Calligari
11. Clarissa Masciullo, Pioppi - Italy ...... 5.407
    - Bronson, Miki Calligari
12. Brittany O’Leary, Pac. Cat - USA ...... 5.300
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Noel Martonovich

Two established riding stables are looking at finding vaulting instructors to start vaulting programs at their facilities. Vered HaGali is located in the lower Galilee just north of the Sea of Galilee. Red Mountain Therapeutic Riding Center is located in the Southern Negev, 30 minutes north of the Gulf of Aqaba and the Red Sea.
At the CVI in Krumke, Germany, US women took the top three podium slots in this important international competition. Woodside’s Ali Divita took top honors in the women’s division, with Mt. Eden’s Mary McCormick placing second and Woodside’s Elizabeth Osborn taking third place. In the men’s division, FACE’s Devon Maitozo placed third, behind Germany and Austria. A total of eight American vaulters competed at CVI** Krumke.

### CVI** Krumke, Germany

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The “Get Ready for Regionals” Clinic, organized by Brookside’s Mona Hogye, was held on June 23, 2007 in Santa Cruz, California. Hear what the participants had to say.

The clinic was a fantastic experience. We learned almost everything about compulsories. Blake worked on the first three compulsories and then we got to fly with him! The first thing Blake focused on in the riding seat was to sit back on your tail bone and try to touch your spine to your ribs. In flag, he taught the correct the position of the box and how to position our arm and leg. He reminded us to keep our stomachs pulled up.

Blake taught that the essence of the mill was to keep your posture! Posture is the key to getting a high score rather than having a high leg and sacrificing posture. He worked with us on many exercises to help build strong compulsories. One of them was to sit flat against the wall and hold your leg up for 10 seconds. There were many others – all were really helpful.

Kenny worked with us on our scissors first. He worked with us on drills, like the “flying squirrels.” You do a click while keeping your body straight while pushing with your arms. Then he taught us to turn our heads to look at a certain point so our scissors would follow quickly. In the second half of scissors he used a stick that we aimed for with our feet. To keep our legs straight, Kenny threatened to use toothpicks behind our knees - it worked!

Kenny also used his good friend, the stick, to remind us to keep our back straight, again using good posture for the stand. One exercise for full flank is to put the barrel on its side, roll across the barrel on your stomach using only momentum and a quick arch in your stomach to push up into handstand. All of his exercises were very detailed and helpful. What an experience it was to work with two Gold Medalists!  

Mackenzie Jassowski (age 13)

I learned to always keep my chin up. I also learned how important the riding seat is to every compulsory move. For example, riding seat – flag – riding seat - mill (all throughout) etc. In the riding seat it is important to always wrap your ankles and have your head, shoulders, knees and ankles in a line. In flag, the line should always be level when starting with a correct box. For mill, whenever you get a chance it is important to wrap. It is not as important how high your leg goes in mill; you will get the same score if you keep your posture. In front scissors, you need to try and push yourself up. In back scissors, try to get your bottom high off the ground and do a quick turn. In stand it is really important to keep your posture and bring your arms into and out of the move slow and controlled. For full flank, the goal is to end up almost behind the horse in the second half. I learned different exercises that will make you a better vaulter like the “plank!” “Flying on Blake was awesome! In the end, I learned how to be a better vaulter and I have been sharing everything I learned with my team.

Kimberly Jassowski (age 11)

The clinic was so incredibly beneficial! We went through stretches first, and they showed us how to stretch every muscle from the toes up. I have never felt so stretched in my life! We then split up and I first worked on the second three compulsories with Kenny. He really challenged us to really reach in our back scissors, and taught us to “crank” our heads around so we end up as centered as possible on the horse. He used the fence and “The Stick” to show us the proper way to stand with your ankles, back and head all on the same line. We also learned the proper position to sit in on the second half of full flank and where we should be landing. With Blake we learned that posture is the most important element of all compulsories, whether you are in seat, mill, or between compulsories. In flag he concentrated on the accurate position of the box, the arm, and the leg. Then Blake did a bit of flying with us, and since we had more bases in our group than the last, we worked on basing the flyers in our group with tips and pointers from Blake. Blake and Kenny effectively taught us with a
Have a Ball!
Nancy Stevens-Brown

Exercise balls are great for stretching and learning control. One fun drill is to practice swinging into handstands and then returning to a basic seat on the ball. Since these balls now come in many sizes almost every vaulter can benefit from this simple and fun exercise to improve their form. This can be done indoors or out, rain or shine, without a horse!

Talented Mt. Eden vaulter Tasha Thorner has a ball practicing her flank. She starts seated on the ball. Then she stretches and dives down fast. She snaps up off the ball. Her belly is on the ball and her hands are on the pad. Next she extends up into a handstand. Returning back to the ball she quickly raises her upper body, finishing right where she started.

To me, this event was enjoyable primarily because I do not get much contact with the upper-level male vaulters - of which there are unfortunately few. It was highly rewarding to be able to work with men who knew what it was like to be a boy just beginning vaulting, and namely to be as flexible as a piece of lead pipe (at room temperature, Kenny). Working on my compulsories was highly rewarding and could feel tremendous progress by the time we finished. I felt I made the most improvement in that area working on my first half of scissors with Kenny.

Slightly less enjoyable, but perhaps more productive was the time Blake spent working on my flexibility at the beginning of the clinic. For over half an hour he moved me through a series of agonizing stretches. As my Dad jokingly noted, if I was a prisoner of war, Blake would be in violation of the Geneva convention. Nevertheless, flexibility is not my forte and I plan on continuing to expand upon the progress Blake made with me.

The agonizing – but ultimately immensely rewarding – work made this a highly enjoyable day. The effort was immense. The coaches were brilliant. The clinic was a success.

Kyle Marchini (age 16)
Toto, We’re Not in Texas Anymore!
Rosie Brown

That soon became my catch phrase for our 10 day training camp in the Bay Area early this July. Whether I was explaining why the high of the day was only 78, or why there weren’t man eating snakes or bugs, and too why fireworks weren’t for sale on every corner, those six words said it all.

Coming off of hosting the A V A Annual Meeting in March, my team was on a mission to expand their vaulting horizons. Kitchy Burdette (AVA r) visited in April to coach and judge a medal exam, and it just came to me. With CVI Saratoga happening this year, why not show the kids vaulting at its highest level and work with as many local teams and coaches at the same time?

At first I think the gang was a bit overwhelmed at the idea of going so far and had sticker shock. Going to the beaches of California was a lot more expensive than going to the beaches of Texas. So I put together a budget and an itinerary, to see how (or if) this would be feasible. The schedule was so jam packed that I knew parents would not consider this a frivolous expense, but was valuable to their child’s vaulting education. It was a vaulting camp road show!

I lined up clinics with Nancy Stevens-Brown and Kenny Geisler. Carolyn Conner at Morning Star Vaulters and the Hogye family at Brookside Vaulters invited us to practice with them a few days. Others were on the list but, unforeseeable circumstances didn’t allow us to visit them, and we just plain didn’t have time. The kids also took riding lessons at Briarcliff Farms, spent a day at the Santa Cruz Beach Boardwalk, watched a horse show, watched CVI and toured San Francisco.

Each day started out with an hour-long work out and, aside from the days we flew and the day at the boardwalk, every day was spent vaulting for about four hours. We spent the Fourth of July vaulting too and watched the fireworks show over the Aptos beaches that night. It was the perfect end to a perfect trip.

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Nashville, Tennessee’s Cate Thomas is the 2006 AVA Bronze Women’s National Vaulting Champion. The 14-year-old tells us a little bit about her vaulting world, and her life outside of vaulting!

How did you get into vaulting?
When I was in Pony Club, my mom and some of the other moms wanted to find someone to teach us vaulting. One of the moms found Mary McCormick’s website. Soon after that I was taking lessons as much as three times a week.

What’s your ultimate vaulting goal?
My ultimate vaulting goal is to make it to the World Equestrian Games in 2010.

How did becoming a National Champion change you?
Becoming a National Champion gave me more drive and confidence to become an even better vaulter.

What did it feel like getting your National Championship Trophy?
Really cool... I also thought it was kind of funny because I thought the trophy looked like a cheese plate.

What do you love about vaulting?
Since I was little, I have always loved to dance and ride horses. For me, putting those two passions together made for a perfect sport. Another thing I love about vaulting is the opportunity to travel and meet new people who have the same interest as I do.

What do you dislike about vaulting?
I dislike waiting around in the heat of the day to compete.

What’s your favorite vaulting highlight to date?
My favorite highlight to date would be going to our first Nationals in 2003 and winning the C- Team National Championship.

What’s your favorite vaulting event? Why?
My favorite vaulting event would have to be CVI. I love competing against and getting to know people from different countries.

What are some of your favorite vaulting moves?
I love doing an arabesque in the handle because it relates to dancing. Another favorite move is what we call the “gumby” move. It is where I have my left leg in the outside cossack and I lay across the horse and pull my right leg behind my back and head. It always gets a reaction from people who haven’t seen it before.

What do you worry about most when you’re in the arena in the middle of competing?
Whether or not my horse is going to get dinged out of the ring – even though I know he is sound – or if he is going to decide to have a happy moment during my freestyle or compulsories.

What do you like most and least about competing?
The thing that I like most is performing and doing my best. The thing I like the least would have to be when my go is late in the afternoon or the hottest part of the day.

What’s the silliest thing you and your vaulting friends have ever done?
One of the funniest things we ever did was eat ice cream underneath a table in the lobby of our hotel and hide in the men’s bathroom from the “hobo” in the ballroom.

What do your non-vaulting friends think of your sport?
All of my friends think it is a really cool and amazing sport. They are all very supportive and love to hear about my competitions.

Tell me about your club.
The club I vault with is the Silver Star Vaulters. It was started by Mary McCormick in 2002. We started with six vaulters in our first year. After learning more about the sport, we started doing demos and going to competitions. At our first nationals we won the C- Team Championship. This was pretty cool considering we were the only team in Tennessee and we were a brand new club. Now, we are a bit smaller and more spread out. Mary is training in California and Dusti Hausman, my teammate, is in North Carolina. She and I both have young vaulters in training.

Who are your coaches?
Since I started vaulting, I have been coached by Mary McCormick. Since 2005, she has lived in California and continues to be an amazing coach and vaulter. She is a very loving person who inspires me to do my best. She believes in me and I appreciate her very much and I am glad to have her as my coach.

Tell us about your longeur.
At almost every competition I have a different longeur because I borrow horses. When I am at home, my mom is my longeur. I have been really fortunate to work with some really great longeurs over all the years.

Which of your club’s horses do you vault on? Which ones do you like the most and why?
Our three club horses are Captain, Remi, and Grace. Captain is a 15.2 Belgian cross that is our wonderful walk and trot horse. He has carried our team at the trot at demos and has taught many little kids how to vault. He is also my personal riding horse and we have lots of fun together. Remi is a 17.1 European Warmblood that is in training. In January he carried Mary and me in a local demo. He is coming along nicely. Our third team horse is Grace. She is a 17.2 Percheron that has been with the team since the beginning. She has done many competitions and demos. I’ll never forget the first time I ever vaulted on her when I could barely reach the bottom of the handle. The second time I ever vaulted...
on her at the canter was at a demo in front of 500 people and I was scared to death. Not to mention it was Grace’s first demo! We were supposed to be performing on Star, our 15.1 Quarter Horse, but he was a little too excited to go into the ring. The crowd cheered when I finally made it up onto her back. Grace now lives in North Carolina with my teammate Dusti.

Cate enjoys a ride on the beach
Photo courtesy Thomas Family

Who was the first horse you vaulted on?
The first horse I ever vaulted on was Star. He was owned by Mary McCormick and always took care of us. He gave me the confidence and strength to be the vaulters that I am today. He was an amazing horse that I will never stop loving.

Tell us about your first vaulting lesson.
My very first vaulting lesson was given to me by my mom. When she was young she took a couple of lessons from a riding instructor. She vaguely remembered the compulsories, but she did the best she could. We had a bareback pad on Captain and I tried the different moves while my mom held him. Thank goodness we found Mary just a few weeks later, otherwise I wouldn’t have gotten anywhere.

Tell us about your hometown.
Nashville is a beautiful, lush green city with lots of trees and open spaces. It is the home of country music, which is pretty cool because I get to see country music stars occasionally. I love the countryside and beautiful farms in the area. I guess the thing I like the least would have to be the extreme humidity in the summer.

Tell us about your school.
I go to Brentwood Academy. It is a private Christian school that focuses on academics, spirituality and athletics. I love it because they recognize how serious I am about vaulting. Instead of doing PE at school, I am allowed to leave early and go to the barn and practice or go to dance lessons. It is a great school, and I love my friends there.

What’s your favorite school subject?
I think I would have to say history. But if art is considered a subject, then art it is!

Any other pets in your house?
We have four horses, including Ace, a 29-inch mini; two dogs: Taffy, a yellow lab and Chester, a Schitz/Tsu; two fish, one chinchilla named Gizmo, and one cat named Miko.

What bugs you most?
The sound of people smacking their gum or food.

What do you want to be when you grow up?
When I grow up I want to work, train, and perform with the killer whales at Orlando, Florida’s Seaworld.

Tell us about your family.
My dad owns three restaurants. He always makes me laugh! Vaulting makes him nervous, so he doesn’t usually come to competitions, but that is ok. It makes me nervous when he is there. He is very supportive of my vaulting and always encourages me to keep doing my best. My mom is very supportive. She loves watching me vault and she is the best “peanut gallery” and cheering section out there. My sister, Mary is 21 and lives and works on a private yacht in the Caribbean. Not fair (except that there are no horses there)! We all love doing things together, especially going to our cabin on the lake.

What subject do you dislike the most in school?
Why?
Math... It’s so confusing!

What’s your favorite book?
Twilight and its sequels.

TV show or movie?
Spongebob and Step Up.

To win a national championship, you have to be a really good vaulter. What are you really, really bad at?
Anything that includes a ball, puck, disk, bat, racket, etc.

What’s your conditioning and vaulting schedule each week?
Monday: dressage and dance, Tuesday: strength and gymnastics, Wednesday: dance, Thursday: vaulting, Friday: dressage, Saturday and Sunday: could be vaulting, riding or going to the lake and tubing and water skiing.

What would you do if you weren’t vaulting?
I would go to the Nashville Ballet for more intense training in pointe ballet so I could become a professional ballet dancer.

What’s your favorite food?
Macaroni and cheese.

What’s your worst habit?
My worst habit is biting my lip when I am nervous.

Who, or what, inspires you?
My coach, Mary, has always inspired me. She is an amazing vaulter and coach. She has always encouraged me to do my best and knows how to get the best out of me. I cherish every time I get to be with her.

Any words of wisdom for up-and-coming national vaulting champions out there?
Never give up- no matter what the circumstances are! If you are passionate about something, stick with it! Your hard work and dedication will pay off.

Facts-at-Glance

Name: Cate Thomas
Home Town: Nashville, Tennessee
Most Recent Title: 2006 Bronze Women’s National Champion
Born: November 11, 1992
Nickname: Caycay, Catybug, and many more
Started vaulting: September 2002
Club: Silver Star
Other family members:
My mom Trish, my dad Al, and my sister Mary
Pets: Four horses, two dogs, two fish, a cat and a chinchilla

Vaulting Titles/Awards
2003 C- Team National Champion
2005 Pairs National Champion with Mary McCormick
2006 Bronze Regional Champion - Region II
2006 C-Team National Champion
2006 Bronze National Women’s Champion
Fouteen-year-old 2006 AVA Copper Women’s National Vaulting Champion
Merina Rainville takes a moment to tell us about herself.

How did you get into vaulting?
I had done it for a few weeks at horse camp in third grade but didn’t think much of it until I went to a horse birthday party three years ago and tried it once again. A few days later I went up to Garrod Farms and did a drop-in class in 2005, then was asked to join the trot team. I’ve been vaulting every since. Tell us about your first vaulting lesson.

My very first vaulting lesson was in the summer of 2002 at horse camp with Marianne Rose. I remember that when we performed I did flag on the wrong leg.

What do you like best about vaulting?
My friends and the horses. I love the friends I’ve made, and I love being with the horses and learning about them. I love being outside.

What do your non-vaulting friends think of our sport?
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I love Garrod Farms’ annual Mayfest. It’s the first competition of the year; I think it’s the most fun. What are some of your favorite vaulting moves?
My favorite moves are stretch moves like needle and taylor. What do you like most and least about competing?
I don’t like the yucky feeling that it gives your tummy before you go on. But then other that I don’t mind competing.

I used to want to be a vet but now I’m not sure. Tell me about your family.
My sister is an Irish dancer, my dad loves boats and loves to build things. My mom is a teacher at the school I used to go to. What’s your conditioning and vaulting schedule each week?
I have vaulting three times a week – one 2-phase, two C team and one individual class. Other than that I run and do workout tapes. What do you do in your free time?
Read, paint, draw, watch movies, run, bake, hang out with my friends, swim, sing, play music, anything. What would you do if you weren’t vaulting?
Nothing is as exciting and fun as vaulting. Any words of wisdom for up-and-coming national vaulting champions out there?
Just keep working at it.

Merina at Woodside’s 2006 Spring Fest on Amadeus. Photo courtesy of the Rainville Family

Tell us about your coaches.
My coaches are Emma Seeley, Mary McCormick, and Kim Dunham. Emma is my individual coach. Kim is my C team coach and Mary coaches our 2-phase team.

Tell us about your longeur.
Mike Yelavich is great with Aspen and knows how to get him perfect for us.

Tell us about your club’s horses. Which ones do you vault on?
I vault on Aspen and Amadeus or whoever they want me to go on.

Do you have any pets at your house?
Yes, one goat, four cats, one dog, six doves, one rat, one chinchilla, one parakeet and four chickens.

Describe your home town.
I live in Saratoga, California, and have for most of my life. Until I started vaulting I didn’t know anyone who lived here too because I never went to a local school. Since I’ve been vaulting I’ve meet tons of people who live near me. I live right next to the center of Saratoga and it’s a little boring sometimes.

Tell us about your school.
For the last seven years I went to a private school in Los Altos called the Waldorf School of the Peninsula. It’s a school that teaches through arts.

What do you want to be when you grow up?
I used to want to be a vet but now I’m not sure.

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Merina Rainville - 2006 AVA Copper Women’s Champion

Facts-at-Glance
Name: Merina Joy Rainville
Home Town: Saratoga, California
Most Recent Title: 2006 Copper Women’s National Vaulting Champion
Born: November 28, 1992
Started Vaulting: 2005
Club: Mt Eden

“Nothing is as exciting and fun as vaulting. “

Merina at Woodside’s 2006 Spring Fest on Amadeus. Photo courtesy of the Rainville Family

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Josh Hall - 2006 AVA Copper Men’s Champion

Soon-to-be 16-year-old Joshua Hall is the 2006 AVA Copper Men’s National Vaulting Champion and a championship humorist as well! Below he discusses his vaulting life, spandex, and everything in between.

How did you get into vaulting?
I took riding lessons from Connie [Geisler] and came to a vaulting practice.

What do you like best about vaulting?
Getting on the horse and trying new moves.

What’s your ultimate vaulting goal?
To do a triple back flip to handstand on the horse.

What’s your favorite vaulting highlight to date?
The first time that I got on Goliath at the trot by myself.

What’s your favorite vaulting event? Why?
Compulsories on the horse because I feel very accomplished.

What are some of your favorite vaulting moves? Why?
The basic seat…I love the thrill of danger.

Josh Hall
Playing poker for dares.

What do your non-vaulting friends think of our sport?
They think it is girly and they tease me everyday. I try to avoid the subject as much as possible.

Tell us about your club.
It is Diamond Bar Country Vaulters and has been around forever. Its size fluctuates. It is famous because of Pam and Kenny [Geisler] and Lindsey [Anderson].

Tell me about your coach.
My coach and longeur is Connie Geisler. She is nice and a disciplinarian.

Tell us about your club’s horses. Which ones do you vault on? Which ones do you like the most and why?
We can’t use half of them. We vault on Goliath. Goliath is the only one we can use. He is very obedient.

Who was the first horse you vaulted on? Goliath.

Tell us about your home town. What do you like most and least about it?
What I like most and least about Diamond Bar is that it is full of Asians – I’m one of them.

Tell us about your school.
My school is Diamond Bar High School and it is also full of Asians.

What do you worry about most when you’re in the arena in the middle of competing?
I don’t want to fall on my face when bowing.

What do you like most and least about competing?
I most like getting my hair done. I least like wearing spandex.

What’s the silliest thing you and your vaulting friends have ever done?
Josh performs a triple with his teammates on Aristotle.

What’s your favorite color?
Fushcia green blue orange chartreuse black brown grey purple

What subject do you dislike the most in school and why?
English, it’s muy mal.

What’s your favorite book?
I love coloring books.

TV show or movie?
Movie: Hello Kitty Adventures

To win a national championship, you have to be a really good vaulter. What are you really, really bad at?
Stretching!

What’s your conditioning and vaulting schedule each week?
Walking up my stairs.

What do you do in your free time?
Skateboard.

What would you do if you weren’t vaulting?
Sumo wrestling.

What’s your favorite food?
Fried chicken with watermelon.

Who, or what, inspires you?
Lindsey, Michael and the spotted egg, Master and Ricky

Any words of wisdom for up-and-coming national vaulting champions out there?
Practice makes perfect…that’s what I live by.

Josh performs a triple with his teammates on Aristotle.

Photo: Judy Trainor

Facts-at-Glance
Name: Joshua Hall
Home town: Diamond Bar, California
Most recent title: Copper Men’s National Champion
Born: August 28, 1991
Nickname: Joshy Washy, Boo Boo Bear
Started vaulting: Summer of 2004
Club: Diamond Bar
Other family members:
Mom-Martha Lee, Dad-Yuan Liu
Pets: I have a sister. I call her Margaret

Vaulting Titles/Awards
2005 Trot Men’s National Champion
2006 Copper Men’s Region I Champion
2006 AVA Copper Men’s National Champion
Longeining 101 - The Keys to Success

Nancy Stevens-Brown

There are so many wonderful ways to enjoy vaulting but the bottom line is that we are first and foremost an equestrian activity. And not just any equestrian sport, but one of only eight that are recognized by the FEI. The easiest way to upgrade any vaulting program is to invest more time and energy in basic horsemanship.

Details

Start by practicing the well-known details of good horsemanship: careful grooming, proper nutrition, hoof care, conditioning, schooling and handling. This includes mastering correct and controlled leading of the horse, as you would for a halter class. When leading any horse it must be schooled to calmly maintain a straight and steady walk or trot at your shoulder, be able to halt squarely and quietly at your request, and go forward quietly.

Party Of Two!

To establish the bond and obedience necessary with your vaulting horse, the basic ground manners must be practiced regularly without vaulters. The extra time taken one-on-one with the horse helps the trainer and horse to interact more closely in partnership.

Whipsmanship

Vaulting whips are an essential tool and aid for our sport. Much like a conductor’s baton, the whip is a visual aid for both the horse and vaulter.

The whip is meant to guide the horse, not to make up for lack of training or conditioning. Skillful handling of the whip not only helps the horse to remain steady and responsive, but also signals the vaulters when it is time to approach.

Practicing whip handling both with and without your horse is essential. Control of the specialized vaulting whip is an acquired skill akin to handling a fly fishing rod. The whip should always be held above the ground, never dragging, and ideally at an angle toward the horses’ haunches. That way, while the longe line communicates to the horse how far forward it may proceed and at what tempo, the whip indicates where and at what gait it must achieve and maintain.

A steady whip, properly used, cues and directs the horse onto the perfect 13 to 15 meter (42.5 to 50 foot radius) vaulting circle. Wildly waving the whip, letting it drag or flashy whip snapping are not acceptable form. In the end a whip that is used with finesse will, without fuss or fanfare, help to keep your horse on the exact circle at the gait that you desire, thus giving your vaulters the best chance for safety and success.

Show Time!

They say that you never get a second chance to make a first impression! Think of your presentation in the vaulting arena as “Showmanship in Hand.” You are an exhibitor in an equine sport and should make sure that your first impression is a polished one. Many things in vaulting are beyond our control (weather, sprained ankles, flu, etc.) but the care we take in the groundwork is not. It pays to take extra time and pride in the preparation, schooling and grooming of your horse, and in the neat and professional attire that you wear whenever you exhibit your vaulters. Showtime Vaulters trainer Ingrid Hamar says she wraps her horse’s legs every practice, both to help support their legs and also to check them daily for early signs of strain or injury.

Clothes To Perfection

As an equestrian trainer you are responsible for not only longeining, but also for presenting yourself and your horse “in hand” before the judge and the audience. To look your best, select and wear attire that is most suitable for equestrian sport (think halter classes in either English or Western shows).

The trainer is presenting the horse before the crowd and judge. Photo: Primo Ponies

Standard apparel includes leather boots for your safety, long pants, (khakis, pressed jeans or chinos) and neatly fitted (read that “not flapping”) polo shirts, cowboy shirts or English riding shirts or blouses. Vests are attractive and can add a touch of color and style to any wardrobe. Despite hot weather, sleeveless attire is too casual for any serious equestrian exhibitor. Likewise, team sweat jackets are less desirable. The few minutes that you are in an arena should be a time of formality, from the clothes you wear to the precision of your entry and bow.

You’re Number One!

Wearing your competitor number at competitions is a requirement, not a surprise! Indeed most major sports require clearly visible participant numbers worn in competition. Since these member numbers are permanently assigned, it is only logical to invest in a quality armband or shirt embroidered with your own number. Avoid tape and marker pens on your bare arm, as these are both unprofessional and sloppy alternatives. Competitor numbers must be clearly visible on all entries: longeur, vaulter and horse, so make sure that your assigned AVA competitor’s number is
large enough to be seen from a distance. These numbers allow the show manager, gate steward, clerk and office to keep track of each day’s actual entries, help with horse use tabulations, and are used for year end awards. So, if you want to be number one, neatly display your number and your horse’s bridle number.

**Shady Character**

When showing before a judge, consider not wearing sunglasses, as they hide your eyes, and can be considered evasive or even rude. How often have you ever seen any judge wearing sunglasses? They do so out of respect for you, not because they like sun-strained eyes. If you wear a hat, select one that is suitable for an exhibitor in a horse show. Riding and tack stores have many fine choices for both men and woman. Make sure it is not floppy, free to fly off, or too flamboyant! We all want to be cool, but slick shades and fancy fedoras are best left outside the show arena. The few minutes that you are out there being less than cool, still can’t compare to what the vaulters endure in their sticky spandex.

**The Longe and Short Of It**

The art of longeing is a book in itself. Yet the safety and success of your vaulters depends on how well you and your horse team up to master this essential vaulting discipline. Thankfully there are many fine books, articles and DVD’s available on longeing. But for the specific purpose of vaulting, some hints are in order.

First read the rulebook and learn the exact equipment that you may and may not use (bits, side reins, attachment of the line, use of stud chains etc.) You alone are responsible to know the rules. If you enter with improper tack, the gate manager or judge may dismiss you!

When entering the arena, the longeur should carry the line neatly coiled in one hand and lead the horse in with the other hand as you would in a halter class. The horse should trot willingly by your side and halt and stand quietly at your shoulder facing the chief judge (or audience if it is an exhibit/demonstration.) Having vaulters tapping the horse with the whip to urge it into the arena displays not only poor horsemanship skills on the handler’s part, but is very dangerous for the vaulter as often the reluctant and undisciplined horse will then kick out behind!

After the salute, the horse should be lead out to the track at a walk and halted facing the correct way. The longeur should then return to the center of the circle (which in competition will be marked with white chalk or flour). The trainer should stand tall with elbows close to the body, like when riding. Once the horse is in place on the circle, it must respond quickly and quietly to your cue to move forward and maintain a regular and consistent gait at the level of the class and the discretion of the judge.

After halting the horse on the circle the trainer should step out to the horse, coiling the line as they go. This enforces in the vaulting horse the habit of staying on the track, not falling in, or quitting by turning in to finish. After taking your place beside the horse’s shoulder you then lead the horse back to the center of the circle for the conclusion of the class, presenting yourself and your horse one last time. Once there, the horse should stand squarely and quietly by your side until you lead it out for the exit. The calmness and obedience of any horse is critical to all aspects of safe handling: from grooming to tacking up, to mounting for riding, so this is one area where every horse should get a great deal of disciplined consistent practice, both in and outside of the arena. The salute is one last chance to display your quality horsemanship before leading the horse out at a brisk trot. So stand tall and look proud of the wonderful team you and the horse are presenting!
Rosie Brown

Just north of Houston, Texas, nestled among the Pine Trees (yes there are trees in Texas!) is Camp Misty Meadows, a haven for horses and Girl Scouts alike. This facility is home to the San Jacinto County Girls Scouts and their S.P.U.R.S. program. What makes them special is that they are the only Council to have an equestrian program of this size in the US. Each summer, and on weekends all year, the facility welcomes Girl Scouts and Brownies from that Council to earn their horsemanship badges, and just plain horse around. The members of SPURS are in a way student workers at the facility. They are over age 13 and have to meet certain Girl Scouts and riding criteria to be accepted into the program. They help the younger members tack up and clean up their horses, as well as teach proper barn manners.

Every member of SPURS volunteers their time in exchange for riding lessons. Their hours are tracked, and anyone who accumulates over 100 hours for the year, is invited to an all-expenses-paid weekend at Camp Misty Meadows to ride and, in May of this year for the first time, to vault!

A SPURS member contacted me back in 2006 and asked if there were any clubs in Houston. I let her know that unfortunately there were not (yet), but she was more than welcome to make the trek to Austin for a weekend to vault. I never heard back from her. But in March of this year, I got to meet her. Not knowing the connection at the time, I received an email from one of the SPURS directors in March asking if my club and I would like to come to their camp on Mother’s Day weekend to teach 35 kids to vault.

At first I was in shock. So many kids, and so little time. But as we worked through a schedule and figured a way to make it work, the whole team became excited to share their time and knowledge for the sport they loved. We packed up my most experienced vaulters, our horse, drove seven hours and taught 35 kids the basics of vaulting and what it takes to keep improving.

The facility boasts full summer camp amenities which include indoor and climate controlled housing, eating and classroom areas, pool, sport court, and an equestrian center with two covered arenas, round pen, large barn with over 40 stalls, second story bunk house, tack rooms and meeting rooms.

The directors had a barrel made for the kids and presented it to them when we were done teaching. And they were ecstatic! They also have two Halfingers and a Belgian mare, which they hope will take a liking to vaulting for both an all year program and to work into their summer camp activity line up next year. They have opened up their hearts and their facility to vaulting, so look for information coming soon on a vaulting camp there in March 2008!

Test Your Vaulting Knowledge

Anna de la Motte

From compulsory mechanics to scoring, see how much you really know about the compulsories!

1. True or False: Along with height and position of the vaulter’s center of gravity, having harmony with the horse is an essential element in performing the Mount.

2. In the Mount, a vaulter should aim to have his __________ and __________ squared and centered over the horse’s back.

3. In the Mount, a vaulter should aim to form a straight-body axis with his head, shoulders, hips and outside leg. Describe how that axis differs, relative to its position above the horse, between the two mounts pictured. How would the scores of each of those mounts compare?

Anna de la Motte is a former gold and international level vaulter and coach. She is the creator of the “Vaulting Training Kit,” an interactive set of 50 teaching cards for all levels of vaulting. Filled with colorful vaulting graphics and photos, the Kit is designed to enliven vaulting lessons and stimulate students to better vaulting. The Vaulting Training Kit is available thru the AVA or by emailing Anna at annacamellia@hotmail.com.
Virginia Hawthorne

On November 12, 2006 the vaulting world lost one of its brightest up-and-coming men’s stars when Antal Balogh died in a tragic freak accident. At his passing, just 11 days short of his 12th birthday on Thanksgiving Day, Antal was already the Men’s Copper National High-Point Champion for 2005 and was just deemed the AVA Men’s Bronze National High-Point Champion for 2006.

In competition, his high spirits and infectious charisma reached out to the audience and he was always a favorite of judges and other vaulters alike. Sporting a winning smile and an “aw shucks” demeanor, Antal charmed everyone who knew him. He was particularly beloved by his teammates. It was his dream to someday become a Navy Seal. Home schooled, he was also an accomplished musician, playing both violin and piano with equal skill. All three of his sisters, Csilla, Katalin, and Eva are – or have been – vaulters and his two younger sisters have both won the Tiny Tots division at Nationals.

“Antal was not only one of the brightest talents I’ve had the pleasure to work with, he was really my left arm. He was an unbelievable spotter, whether he was on the horse helping others or beside the horse, helping them up. He would spot vaulters onto the horse, better than I could, in such an easy way that one wondered how he did it. Everything he did was with grace and ease. He was a true friend to me.”  

Rick Hawthorne

Well over 500 people attended his funeral, a testament to all the people he touched in his short life. Rick Hawthorne, his vaulting mentor from the start, was one of the pallbearers and many from the Los Angeles area vaulting community came to pay their respects.

A Memorial Fund has been set up in Antal’s memory. Contributions may be sent to the Valley View Vaulters, 11295 Orcas Ave., Lake View Terrace, CA 91342. Contributions will be used to help vaulters who love the sport but are financially unable to compete. A big Thank You to each and every one of you who have helped carry on Antal’s memory and his love for vaulting.

Test Your Vaulting Knowledge - Answers

1. True! Harmony with the horse’s canter is an essential element of every compulsory exercise. To be in harmony with the horse while performing the Mount, a vaulter must make the jump phase of the Mount as the horse’s inside front leg hits the ground, and continue with the swinging phase as the canter suspends upward. In this way, the vaulter is able to absorb, move with and use the horse’s canter to her advantage, making the Mount easier for herself and the horse.

2. In the Mount, a vaulter’s hips and shoulders should be squared with the horse’s hips and shoulders. A vaulter should aim to have her hips and shoulders centered over the horse’s spine as she enters over the horse’s spine at the moment the vaulter makes a 1. True Harmony with the horse’s canter

3. In Mount 1 the vaulter makes a perfectly straight axis from her head, shoulders, hips and foot down her outside leg and foot. This axis is nearly vertical, or at a right angle to the horse’s back. A mount like this, with harmony and perfect mechanics would definitely score a 10.0. In Mount 2 the vaulter still has an excellent straight-axis, but doesn’t elevate it as close to the vertical. In fact, it’s nearer to the horizontal, which would give it a score closer to a 6.0.
Region I June Challenge

Photo courtesy Connie Geisler

Silver Compulsories RI
1. Tina Dobin, FACE ....... 6.588
2. Aramis, Carolyn Bland ... 6.463
3. Mary Garrett, VlyVw ... 6.375
4. Debby Snavely, Santa Barbara ... 6.325
5. Kathleen Trainer, DiaBr ... 6.312

Silver Freestyle RI
1. Tisa Dobin, FACE ........ 7.240
2. Aramis, Carolyn Bland ... 6.900
3. Briana Olsen, FACE ...... 6.400
4. Kelsey Trainer, DiaBr ... 6.338
5. Goliath, Connie Geisler ... 6.318

Silver Round I
1. Tisa Dobin, FACE ......... 6.889
2. Kelsey Trainer, DiaBr ... 6.733
3. Briana Olsen, FACE ...... 6.368
4. Lindsay Anderson, DiaBr ... 6.320

Silver Compulsories RI
1. Mary Garrett, VlyVw ... 6.650
2. Ted Dobin, FACE ... 6.363
3. Aramis, Carolyn Bland ... 6.013
4. Marshall, Carolyn Bland ... 6.003
5. Goliath, Connie Geisler ... 5.990

Silver Freestyle RI
1. Briana Olsen, FACE ...... 7.480
2. Tisa Dobin, FACE ...... 7.060
3. Aramis, Carolyn Bland ... 6.853
4. Tisa Dobin, FACE ...... 6.712
5. Lindsay Anderson, DiaBr ... 6.187

Silver Overall
1. Briana Olsen, FACE ...... 6.800
2. Haile Klein, MnSp ....... 5.280
3. Beautiful Belle, Debi Pakizer
4. Mackenzie Jassowski, Penny Oak ...
5. Goliath, Connie Geisler

Gold Compulsories RI - Men
1. Blake Dalhgren, FACE ... 6.894
2. Callao, Carolyn Bland ... 6.828
3. Blake Dalhgren, FACE ... 6.808
4. Callao, Carolyn Bland ... 6.790
5. Blake Dalhgren, FACE ... 6.764

Gold Tech. Test RI - Men
1. Blake Dalhgren, FACE ... 6.905
2. Callao, Carolyn Bland ... 6.810
3. Blake Dalhgren, FACE ... 6.790
4. Callao, Carolyn Bland ... 6.780
5. Blake Dalhgren, FACE ... 6.780

Gold Freestyle RI - Men
1. Blake Dalhgren, FACE ... 7.000
2. Callao, Carolyn Bland ... 6.990
3. Blake Dalhgren, FACE ... 6.980
4. Callao, Carolyn Bland ... 6.970
5. Blake Dalhgren, FACE ... 6.960

Gold Overall - Men
1. Blake Dalhgren, FACE ... 7.000
2. Callao, Carolyn Bland ... 6.990
3. Blake Dalhgren, FACE ... 6.980
4. Callao, Carolyn Bland ... 6.970
5. Blake Dalhgren, FACE ... 6.960

Gold Compulsories RI - Women
1. Blake Dalhgren, FACE ... 6.610
2. Lindsay Anderson, DiaBr ... 6.198
3. Blake Dalhgren, FACE ... 6.080
4. Callao, Carolyn Bland ... 6.080
5. Blake Dalhgren, FACE ... 6.015

Gold Tech. Test RI - Women
1. Blake Dalhgren, FACE ... 5.640
2. Callao, Carolyn Bland ... 5.640
3. Blake Dalhgren, FACE ... 5.640
4. Callao, Carolyn Bland ... 5.640
5. Blake Dalhgren, FACE ... 5.640

Gold Freestyle RI - Women
1. Blake Dalhgren, FACE ... 5.620
2. Aramis, Carolyn Bland ... 5.260
3. Blake Dalhgren, FACE ... 5.260
4. Aramis, Carolyn Bland ... 5.260
5. Blake Dalhgren, FACE ... 5.260

Gold Round II - Women
1. Shannyn Poer, FACE ..... 2.990
2. Blake Dalhgren, FACE ... 2.990
3. Shannyn Poer, FACE ..... 2.990
4. Blake Dalhgren, FACE ... 2.990
5. Shannyn Poer, FACE ..... 2.990

Gold Overall - Women
1. Shannyn Poer, FACE ..... 7.351
2. Blake Dalhgren, FACE ... 7.351
3. Shannyn Poer, FACE ..... 7.351
4. Blake Dalhgren, FACE ... 7.351
5. Shannyn Poer, FACE ..... 7.351

Shannyn Poer is a prominent figure in the vaulting world, having won numerous awards and titles. Her dedication and skill have made her a role model for aspiring vaulters. Her achievements reflect the quality and rigor of the sport, with competitions held in various locations and categories. The success of Shannyn Poer serves as an inspiration to all those who aspire to reach the highest levels of competition. The results of the Region I June Challenge highlight the exceptional performance of athletes like Shannyn Poer, showcasing the depth and diversity of the vaulting community.
Regional IV Championships

AVCA Recognized

June 9-10, 2007
Albuquerque, New Mexico

Judge:
Toni Amoroso (AVA R)
Participating Clubs: Albuquerque, Equestar, Golden Gate, Lazy R, Los Gate, Mike High, Vaulter Del Sol, Western Slope

Pas de Deux/Pairs Events

Preliminary Pas de Deux

1. David McIntyre, Hayley Hanson, Albq, 7.113

Preliminary Pairs

1. Kelly Moore/Mikalah Bowman, GldnGt, 8.317
2. Greta Shryock, Del Sol, 7.920
3. Nicole Czyzewski/GldnGt, 7.580

Individual Events

Gold Compulsories RI

1. Maggie Muhonen, GldnGt, 7.588
2. Bailey, Susan Caskey
3. Marisa Rodriguez, LnsGt

Gold Freestyle RI

1. Nicole Czyzewski/GldnGt, 8.540
2. Maggie Muhonen, GldnGt, 8.426
3. Greta Shryock, Del Sol, 7.754
4. Nicole Czyzewski/GldnGt, 8.040
5. Greta Shryock, Del Sol, 7.570

Gold Technical Test RI

1. Nicole Czyzewski/GldnGt, 8.040
2. Doc, Yossi Martonovich
3. Greta Shryock, Del Sol, 7.570
4. Oliver, Yossi Martonovich

Gold Freestyle RI

1. Greta Shryock, Del Sol, 8.220
2. Doc, Yossi Martonovich
3. Nicole Czyzewski/GldnGt, 8.080
4. Doc, Yossi Martonovich

Gold Round II

1. Nicole Czyzewski/GldnGt, 8.080
2. Greta Shryock, Del Sol, 6.995

Gold Overall

1. Nicole Czyzewski/GldnGt, 7.997
2. Greta Shryock, Del Sol, 7.375

Silver Comp. RI - Women

1. Ray Sutton, Albq, 6.810
2. Jacy, Lee Thomas
3. Marisa Rodriguez, LnsGt
4. Marisa Rodriguez, LnsGt
5. Rachel Bublitz, GldnGt

Silver Freestyle RI - Women

1. Rachel Bublitz, GldnGt, 6.886
2. Maggie Muhonen, GldnGt
3. Hayley Hanson, Albq, 6.875
4. Codi McIntyre, Albq
5. John Boy Joe, Rodney Dunn

Silver Comp. RI - Men

1. David McIntyre, Albq, 6.538
2. John Boy Joe, Rodney Dunn
3. David McIntyre, Albq, 6.360
4. David McIntyre, Albq
5. David McIntyre, Albq

Bronze Comp. RI - Women

1. Kelly Moore, GldnGt
2. Codi McIntyre, Albq, 7.720
3. Codi McIntyre, Albq
4. John Boy Joe, Rodney Dunn
5. John Boy Joe, Rodney Dunn

Bronze Freestyle RI - Men

1. Michael Thomas, Lazy Rvr, 7.000
2. Jaco, Lee Thomas
3. Mike Thomas, Lazy Rvr, 6.850
4. Jaco, Lee Thomas
5. Michael Thomas, Lazy Rvr

Bronze Round I - Men

1. David McIntyre, Albq
2. Codi McIntyre, Albq
3. John Boy Joe, Rodney Dunn
4. David McIntyre, Albq
5. David McIntyre, Albq

Bronze Comp. RI - Men

1. Kelly Moore, GldnGt
2. John Boy Joe, Rodney Dunn
3. John Boy Joe, Rodney Dunn
4. Codi McIntyre, Albq
5. John Boy Joe, Rodney Dunn

Bronze Overalls - Men

1. Kelly Gavin, GldnGt
2. Maggie Muhonen, GldnGt
3. Maggie Muhonen, GldnGt
4. Mike Thomas, Lazy Rvr
5. Maya Thomas, Lazy Rvr

Silver Overall - Women

1. Rachel Bublitz, GldnGt
2. Maggie Muhonen, GldnGt
3. Marisa Rodriguez, LnsGt
4. Mike Thomas, Lazy Rvr
5. Michael Thomas, Lazy Rvr

Silver Overall - Men

1. John Boy Joe, Rodney Dunn
2. David McIntyre, Albq
3. John Boy Joe, Rodney Dunn
4. Codi McIntyre, Albq
5. David McIntyre, Albq

Silver Overall - Women

1. John Boy Joe, Rodney Dunn
2. David McIntyre, Albq
3. John Boy Joe, Rodney Dunn
4. Codi McIntyre, Albq
5. David McIntyre, Albq

Bronze Overall - Women

1. Austin Torres, LnsGt
2. Bailey, Susan Caskey
3. Marisa Rodriguez, LnsGt
4. Michael Thomas, Lazy Rvr
5. Michael Thomas, Lazy Rvr

Bronze Overall - Men

1. Austin Torres, LnsGt
2. Bailey, Susan Caskey
3. Michael Thomas, Lazy Rvr
4. Michael Thomas, Lazy Rvr
5. Michael Thomas, Lazy Rvr

Open 2-Phase Team Comp.

1. Albuquerque
2. Santa Fe
3. Golden Gate

Open 2-Phase Team FS

1. Albuquerque
2. Santa Fe
3. Golden Gate

Novice Trot Freestyle

1. Nicole Stefan, Albq
2. Alyssa Boeh, GldnGt
3. Mikalah Bowman, GldnGt

Novice Trot Overall

1. Nicola Stefan, Albq
2. Alyssa Boeh, GldnGt
3. Mikalah Bowman, GldnGt

Barrel Events

Preliminary Barrel FS (5)
1. Clarity Engel, EqueStarz
2. Shannon Burt, Del Sol
3.John Williams, Albq

Novice Barrel Freestyle (7)
1. Cindy, EqueStarz
2. Stella, EqueStarz
3. Shannon Burt, Del Sol
4. Shannon Burt, Del Sol
5. John Williams, Albq

Novice Walk Freestyle (8)
1. Roseann Arney Schulz, GldnGt
2. Leah Coe, GldnGt
3. Blythe Klemme, Albq
4. Blythe Klemme, Albq
5. Shannon Burt, Del Sol
Woodside A Team

Woodside Spring Fest
USEF/AVA Recognized
June 10, 2007
Portola Valley, California
Judges:
Adrienne Stang (FEI O),
J. Ashton Moore (FEI O),
Suzanne Detoll (FEI O),
Craig Coburn (AVA I),
Kitchy Burdette (AVA r)
Participating Clubs: Bxsd, Half Moon Bay, Morning Star, Mt.
Eden, N Balance, Pacific Coast,
Showtime, Silver Star, Starlit,
Woodside

Team Events
A Team Freestyle
1. Woodside C…………………7.443
2. Pacific Coast Snow Qns. 6.915
3. Pacific Coast Equi-Cirque 6.015

A Team Overall
1. Woodside ……………………7.838
2. Pacific Coast Snow Qns. 7.247
3. Mt. Eden ……………………6.993
4. Pacific Coast Equi-Cirque 6.520

B Team Freestyle
1. Pacific Coast Pirates …… 4.581

B Team Overall
1. Pacific Coast Pirates …… 5.600

C Team Freestyle
1. Woodside C…………………6.080
2. PacCst Bahama Mama’s 4.460
3. Mt. Eden C Team …………3.920

C Team Overall
1. Woodside C…………………5.774
2. PacCst Bahama Mama’s 4.335
3. Mt. Eden C Team …………4.931

Trot Team Compulsories
1. Mt. Eden Wild Things … 5.052
2. Mt. Eden Wild Things … 5.900

Trot Team Overall
1. Mt. Eden Wild Things … 5.476

Prel. Trot Team Comp.
1. Woodside ……………………4.510
2. Mt. Eden ……………………4.478

Prel. Trot Team Barrel FS
1. Woodside, ……………………6.333

Individual Classes
Gold Comp. RI - Women
1. Elizabeth Osborn, Wdsd 8.142
2. Mary McCormick, MtEdn 8.042
3. Katharine Wick, Wdsd … 7.825
4. Rosey Ross, MtEdn ……… 7.721
5. Shannyn Poer, F.A.C.E. … 7.567
6. Kimberly Palmer, MilBy 7.513
7. Megan Lanfr, Wdsd ……… 7.400
8. Florence Rubinger, Pcst 7.300
9. Cassidy Palmer, MilBy 7.213
10. Marisca Hamar, Showtime …7.196
11. Heide Rothweiler, MtEdn 7.175
12. Leticia Solorzano, PacCst 7.071
13. Michele Stevens, MtEdn 6.775
14. Ashley Fenbury, PacCst 6.750
15. Emily Reed, PacCst 5.725

Gold Freestyle RI - Women
1. Elizabeth Osborn, Wdsd 8.580
2. Leticia Solorzano, PacCst 8.347
3. Mary McCormick, MtEdn 8.300
4. Megan Lanfr, Wdsd ……… 8.040
5. Cassidy Palmer, MilBy 7.967
6. Katharine Wick, Wdsd ……… 7.887
7. Kimberly Palmer, MilBy 7.800
8. Florence Rubinger, Pcst 7.587
10. Michele Stevens, MtEdn 7.353
11. Heide Rothweiler, MtEdn 7.267
12. Marisa Hamar, Showtime …7.253
13. Rosey Ross, MtEdn ……… 7.120
14. Ashley Fenbury, PacCst 6.280
15. Emily Reed, PacCst ……… 5.687

Gold Round I - Women
1. Elizabeth Osborn, Wdsd 8.961
2. Mary McCormick, MtEdn 8.171
3. Katharine Wick, Wdsd ……… 7.856
4. Megan Lanfr, Wdsd ……… 7.720
5. Leticia Solorzano, PacCst 7.709
6. Kimberly Palmer, MilBy 7.657
7. Cassidy Palmer, MilBy 7.560
8. Shannyn Poer, F.A.C.E. … 7.480
9. Florence Rubinger, Pcst 7.444
10. Rosey Ross, MtEdn ……… 7.431
11. Marisa Hamar, Showtime …7.225
12. Heide Rothweiler, MtEdn 7.221
13. Michele Stevens, MtEdn 7.064
14. Ashley Fenbury, PacCst 6.515
15. Emily Reed, PacCst ……… 5.706

Gold Tech. Test RI - Women
1. Elizabeth Osborn, Wdsd 8.810
2. Mary McCormick, MtEdn 7.763
4. Megan Lanfr, Wdsd ……… 7.433
5. Florence Rubinger, Pcst 7.387
6. Marisa Hamar, Showtime …7.163
7. Cassidy Palmer, MilBy 7.110
8. Leticia Solorzano, PacCst 7.023
9. Kimberly Palmer, MilBy 6.637
10. Rosey Ross, MtEdn ……… 6.420
12. Ashley Fenbury, PacCst 6.423
13. Michele Stevens, MtEdn 6.377
14. Emily Reed, PacCst ……… 5.993

Gold Freestyle RI - Women
1. Woodside, 8.667
2. Mary McCormick, MtEdn 8.293
3. Katharine Wick, Wdsd ……… 8.280
4. Megan Lanfr, Wdsd ……… 8.180
5. Kimberly Palmer, MilBy 8.067
6. Cassidy Palmer, MilBy 8.040
7. Leticia Solorzano, PacCst 8.000
8. Florence Rubinger, Pcst 7.720
9. Marisa Hamar, Showtime …7.653
10. Shannyn Poer, F.A.C.E. … 7.647
11. Michele Stevens, MtEdn 7.560
12. Rosey Ross, MtEdn ……… 7.300
13. Ashley Fenbury, PacCst 6.100
14. Emily Reed, PacCst ……… 5.893

Gold Round II - Women
1. Elizabeth Osborn, Wdsd 8.409
2. Mary McCormick, MtEdn 8.028
3. Katharine Wick, Wdsd ……… 7.957
4. Megan Lanfr, Wdsd ……… 7.807
5. Cassidy Palmer, MilBy 7.575
6. Florence Rubinger, Pcst 7.554
7. Leticia Solorzano, PacCst 7.512
8. Marisa Hamar, Showtime …7.408
9. Kimberly Palmer, MilBy 7.352
10. Shannyn Poer, F.A.C.E. … 7.014
11. Rosey Ross, MtEdn ……… 6.850
12. Michele Stevens, MtEdn 5.969
13. Ashley Fenbury, PacCst 5.792
14. Emily Reed, PacCst ……… 4.743

Gold Overall - Women
1. Elizabeth Osborn, Wdsd 8.385
2. Mary McCormick, MtEdn 8.100
3. Katharine Wick, Wdsd ……… 7.907
4. Megan Lanfr, Wdsd ……… 7.764
5. Leticia Solorzano, PacCst 7.611
6. Cassidy Palmer, MilBy 7.583
7. Kimberly Palmer, MilBy 7.505
8. Florence Rubinger, Pcst 7.499
9. Marisa Hamar, Showtime …7.317
10. Shannyn Poer, F.A.C.E. … 7.247
11. Rosey Ross, MtEdn ……… 7.136
12. Michele Stevens, MtEdn 6.517
13. Ashley Fenbury, PacCst 6.139
14. Emily Reed, PacCst ……… 5.225

Gold Compulsories RI - Men
1. Jonathan McCollister,
Pacific Coast ……………………7.621

Gold Freestyle RI - Men
1. Jonathan McCollister,
Pacific Coast ……………………7.627

Gold Round I - Men
1. Jonathan McCollister,
Pacific Coast ……………………7.174

Gold Tech. Test RI - Men
1. Jonathan McCollister,
Pacific Coast ……………………7.167

Gold Freestyle RI - Women
1. Jonathan McCollister,
Pacific Coast ……………………7.621

Gold Compulsories RI - Men
1. Jonathan McCollister,
Pacific Coast ……………………7.627

Gold Round I - Men
1. Jonathan McCollister,
Pacific Coast ……………………7.174

Gold Tech. Test RI - Men
1. Jonathan McCollister,
Pacific Coast ……………………7.167
Gold Freestyle Ril - Men
1. Jonathan McColister, Pacific Coast... 6.464
2. Briano Olsen, F.A.C.E. ......... 6.492
3. Alexandra Thrasher, PCst ...... 6.463
5. Kyra McCarty, PacCst ................. 6.383
7. Stephanie O'Neill, Ckxst .... 6.366
8. Brittny O'Leary, PacCst ......... 6.342
9. Mike Zierden, Silver Comp. RI - Women
1. Roxanne Noland, Shw .... 7.121
2. Cate Thomas, Silver Star 7.099
3. Alexandra Thrasher, PCst 6.617
4. Elizabeth Ioannou, MeEdn 6.609
5. Brittany Grissom, Shw ....... 6.549
7. Laura Yelavich, MeEdn .... 6.396
8. Kyra McCarty, PacCst ............... 6.363
10. Stephanie O'Neill, Ckxst .... 5.742

Silver Freestyle Ril - Women
1. Elizabeth Ioannou, MeEdn 7.667
2. Roxanne Noland, Shw .... 7.667
3. Cate Thomas, Silver Star 7.327
4. Laura Yelavich, MeEdn .... 7.273
5. Alexandra Thrasher, PCst 7.087
6. Brittany Grissom, Shw ....... 7.067
8. Stephanie O'Neill, Ckxst .... 6.473

Silver Overall - Women
1. Elizabeth Ioannou, MeEdn 7.933
2. Roxanne Noland, Shw .... 7.013
3. Cate Thomas, Silver Star 6.858
4. Laura Yelavich, MeEdn .... 6.842
5. Brittany Grissom, Shw ....... 6.756
6. Kyra McCarty, PacCst ............... 6.531
8. Karly Frankel-Newman, Pacific Coast .. 6.515
9. Brittany O'Leary, PacCst ......... 6.500
10. Stephanie O'Neill, Ckxst .... 6.027

Silver Freestyle Ril - Men
1. Patrick Stevens, Cksd ...... 6.433
2. Eric Garcia, Creekside ...... 6.491
3. Patricia Stevens, Cksd ...... 5.706
4. Silver Comp. Ril - Men
1. Erica Garcia, Creekside ...... 5.638
2. Patrick Stevens, Cksd ...... 5.463
3. Silver Freestyle Ril - Men
1. Erica Garcia, Creekside ...... 5.440
2. Patrick Stevens, Cksd ...... 5.433
3. Silver Freestyle Ril - Men
1. gan Garcia, Creekside ...... 5.440
2. Patrick Stevens, Cksd ...... 5.433
3. Silver Overall - Men
1. Silver Ril - Men
1. Eric Garcia, Creekside ...... 6.562
2. Roxanne Noland, Shw .... 6.525
3. Alexandra Thrasher, PCst ...... 6.417
4. Kyra McCarty, PacCst ......... 6.363
5. Karly Frankel-Newman, Pacific Coast .. 6.346
7. Brittny O'Leary, PacCst ......... 6.342
8. Mike Zierden, Silver Comp. RI - Women
1. Elizabeth Ioannou, MeEdn 7.933
2. Roxanne Noland, Shw .... 7.013
3. Cate Thomas, Silver Star 6.858
4. Laura Yelavich, MeEdn .... 6.842
5. Brittany Grissom, Shw ....... 6.756
6. Kyra McCarty, PacCst ............... 6.531
8. Karly Frankel-Newman, Pacific Coast .. 6.515
9. Brittany O'Leary, PacCst ......... 6.500
10. Stephanie O'Neill, Ckxst .... 6.027

Silver Overall - Women
1. Elizabeth Ioannou, MeEdn 7.216
2. Roxanne Noland, Shw .... 7.204
3. Cate Thomas, Silver Star 6.998
4. Laura Yelavich, MeEdn .... 6.839
5. Brittany Grissom, Shw ....... 6.776
6. Kyra McCarty, PacCst ............... 6.307
8. Karly Frankel-Newman, Pacific Coast .. 6.021
9. Brittany O'Leary, PacCst ......... 5.901
10. Stephanie O'Neill, Ckxst .... 5.603

Bronze Comp. - Women
1. Elizabeth Ioannou, MeEdn 6.125
2. Roxanne Noland, Shw .... 6.100
3. Alexandra Thrasher, PCst ...... 6.080
4. Kelly Grissom, Shw ....... 6.079
5. Rebecca Habmbly, Mmgs ... 6.040
6. Leslie Burger, Mmgsst .......... 5.700
7. Karly Frankel-Newman, Pacific Coast .. 5.738
8. Meriina Rainville, MeEdn .... 5.688
9. Leslie Burger, Mmgsst .......... 5.518
10. Rebecca Habmbly, Mmgsst ... 5.414

Bronze Comp. - Men
1. Karly Frankel-Newman, Pacific Coast .. 6.715
2. Meriina Rainville, MeEdn .... 6.880
3. Kathryn Jagggers, Wdst ... 6.292
4. Laura Yelavich, MeEdn .... 6.100
5. Kathryn Jagggers, Wdst ... 6.080
6. Kelly Grissom, Shw ....... 5.915
8. Rebecca Habmbly, Mmgsst .......... 5.518
9. Lauren Hyver, Wdst .......... 5.350
10. Karly Frankel-Newman, Pacific Coast .. 5.414

Copper Comp. - Women
1. Karly Frankel-Newman, Pacific Coast .. 5.692
2. Kathryn Jagggers, Wdst ... 5.640
3. Brittany Grissom, Shw ....... 5.620
4. Kathryn Jagggers, Wdst ... 5.592
6. Rebecca Habmbly, Mmgsst .......... 5.550
7. Lauren Hyver, Wdst .......... 5.350
8. Leslie Burger, Mmgsst .......... 5.416
9. Kathryn Jagggers, Wdst ... 5.460
10. Karly Frankel-Newman, Pacific Coast .. 5.414

Copper Overall - Women
1. Karly Frankel-Newman, Pacific Coast .. 6.080
2. Meriina Rainville, MeEdn .... 6.080
3. Kathryn Jagggers, Wdst ... 6.080
4. Kathryn Jagggers, Wdst ... 6.080
6. Rebecca Habmbly, Mmgsst .......... 5.518
7. Lauren Hyver, Wdst .......... 5.350
8. Leslie Burger, Mmgsst .......... 5.416
9. Kathryn Jagggers, Wdst ... 5.460
10. Kathryn Jagggers, Wdst ... 5.460

Bronze Freestyle - Men
1. Karly Frankel-Newman, Pacific Coast .. 5.230
3. Kyra McCarty, PCst ............... 5.167
5. Kyle Mcrhan, PCst ............... 5.163

Trot Freestyle (13)
1. Kyle Mcrhan, PCst ............... 6.000
2. Sarah Dunn, Wdst ........... 5.750
3. Shidharta Kreaden, Woodside .... 5.600
4. Kammy Ward, Woodside ... 5.600
5. Karly Frankel-Newman, Pacific Coast .. 5.488

Copper Freestyle - Women
1. Elizabeth Ioannou, MeEdn 5.488
2. MacKenzie Thurman, Mt. Eden ...... 5.438
3. Sarah Dunn, Wdst ........... 5.188
4. Karly Frankel-Newman, Pacific Coast .. 5.167
5. Kyle Mcrhan, PCst ............... 5.163

Trot Freestyle (13)
1. Karly Frankel-Newman, Pacific Coast .. 6.000
2. Sarah Dunn, Wdst ........... 5.750
3. Shidharta Kreaden, Woodside .... 5.600
4. Kammy Ward, Woodside ... 5.600
5. Karly Frankel-Newman, Pacific Coast .. 5.488

Copper Barrel Freestyle (12)
1. Tasha Thorner, Silver Comp. RI - Women
2. Rosanne Noland, Shw .... 5.833
3. Christine Herrmann, Wdst 6.300
4. Janie Salisbury, Wdst .... 5.900
5. Kyle Mcrhan, PCst ............... 5.833

Pre. Trot Comp. - Men
1. Jessie Traskin, Starlite 3.813
2. Johnnny Kale, Shw ........ 3.863
3. Caroline Morse, MeEdn 4.188
4. Kristin Kuhn, Wdst ........ 3.375

Trot Barrel Freestyle (12)
1. Tasha Thorner, Silver Comp. RI - Women
2. Rosanne Noland, Shw .... 5.833
3. Christine Herrmann, Wdst 6.300
4. Janie Salisbury, Wdst .... 5.900
5. Kyle Mcrhan, PCst ............... 5.833

A little horse with a big heart.
We will miss you.
Mary McCormick and all the vaulters who benefited from his generous and kind spirit.

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Region X Celebration II

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Melinda Hammond on Lance

Nathan Vandyken on Gwyn

Kaitlyn Kyte on Gwyn

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Region I Championships
USEF/AVA Recognized
July 6-9, 2007
Grass Valley, California
Judges:
Adrienne Stam (FEI O),
Craig Coburn (AVA I),
Emma Seely (AVA r),
Kitchy Burdette (AVA r)
Participating Clubs: Diamond Bar,
Oak Hills, Showtime,
Silver Star Valley, Voila

Team Events
A Team Compulsories
1. Diamond Bar/Half Mn By J. 7.240
   Hudson, Jill Palmer
2. Angel Noah
3. Cassidy Palmer
4. Niki Stote
5. Kenny Geisler
6. Kimberly Palmer

A Team Freestyle
1. Diamond Bar/Half Mn By J. 6.923
   Paradox, Ingrid Hamar
2. Silver Star Valley, Voila
   Waldmeister, Sylvia Son
3. Brittny Grissom, Shwtm
   Waldmeister, Sylvia Son
4. Kelsey Trainor, Diam Bar
   Goliath, Connie Geisler
5. Mary Garrett, Valley View
   Goliath, Connie Geisler
6. Mary Garrett, Valley View
   Goliath, Connie Geisler
7. Lindsey Anderson, DiaBr
   Waldmeister, Rick Hawthorne
8. Hannah Crompton, Orihl
   David, Venece Reed

Silver Round I - Women
1. Cate Thomas, Silver Star 6.999
2. Roxanne Noland, Shwtm 6.994
3. Brittny Grissom, Shwtm 6.603
4. Kelsly Trainor, Diam Bar 6.337
5. Mary Garrett, Valley View 6.145
6. Kylynn James, Oak Hills 6.061
7. Lindsey Anderson, DiaBr 5.928
8. Hannah Crompton, Orihl 6.079

Silver Comp. RI - Women
1. Roxanne Noland, Shwtm 6.438
2. Cate Thomas, Silver Star 6.413
3. Paradox, Ingrid Hamar
4. Kelsly Trainor, Diam Bar 5.969
5. Brittny Grissom, Shwtm 5.925
6. Lindsey Anderson, DiaBr 5.657
7. Goliath, Connie Geisler
8. Brittny Grissom, Shwtm 5.607
9. Goliath, Connie Geisler
10. Kelsly Trainor, Diam Bar 5.607

Silver Overall - Women
1. Roxanne Noland, Shwtm 7.099
2. Cate Thomas, Silver Star 6.832
3. Brittny Grissom, Shwtm 6.528
4. Kelsly Trainor, Diam Bar 6.435
5. Kylynn James, Oak Hills 6.384
6. Mary Garrett, Valley View 6.312
7. Lindsey Anderson, DiaBr 5.759
8. Hannah Crompton, Orihl 5.996

Silver Comp. RI - Men
1. Alor Alfred, Oak Hills 5.563
2. Marisa Hamar of Showtime
3. Brittny Grissom, Shwtm
4. Paradox, Ingrid Hamar
5. Kelsly Trainor, Diam Bar 5.657
6. Goliath, Connie Geisler
7. Brittny Grissom, Shwtm 5.482
8. Goliath, Connie Geisler

Silver Overall - Men
1. Alor Alfred, Oak Hills 5.338
2. Marisa Hamar of Showtime
3. Brittny Grissom, Shwtm
4. Paradox, Ingrid Hamar
5. Kelsly Trainor, Diam Bar 5.657
6. Goliath, Connie Geisler
7. Brittny Grissom, Shwtm 5.482
8. Goliath, Connie Geisler

Bronze Comp. RI - Women
1. Zina Allred, Oak Hills 6.528
2. Camille Swan, Oak Hills 6.194
4. Hannah Crompton, Orihl 6.079

Bronze Overall - Women
1. Zina Allred, Oak Hills 6.528
2. Camille Swan, Oak Hills 6.194
3. Jessica Berman, VlyVw 6.079
4. Hannah Crompton, Orihl 6.079

Bronze Comp. RI - Men
1. Jake Fluekiger, Oak Hills 6.528
2. Camille Swan, Oak Hills 6.194
3. Jessica Berman, VlyVw 6.079
4. Hannah Crompton, Orihl 6.079

Bronze Overall - Men
1. Jake Fluekiger, Oak Hills 6.528
2. Camille Swan, Oak Hills 6.194
3. Jessica Berman, VlyVw 6.079
4. Hannah Crompton, Orihl 6.079

Silver Freestyle RI - Women
1. Roxanne Noland, Shwtm 7.760
2. Brittny Grissom, Shwtm 7.300
3. Cameron Swan, Oak Hills 7.660
4. Brittny Grissom, Shwtm 7.600
5. Kelsly Trainor, Diam Bar 7.099
6. Goliath, Connie Geisler
7. Marisa Hamar of Showtime
8. Brittny Grissom, Shwtm 7.099

Silver Overall - Women
1. Alor Alfred, Oak Hills 7.099
2. Brittny Grissom, Shwtm 6.994
3. Kelsly Trainor, Diam Bar 6.832
4. Hannah Crompton, Orihl 6.528
5. Alor Alfred, Oak Hills 6.435
6. Brittny Grissom, Shwtm 6.384
7. Kelsly Trainor, Diam Bar 6.337
8. Hannah Crompton, Orihl 6.229

Silver Comp. RI - Men
1. Alor Alfred, Oak Hills 6.999
2. Marisa Hamar of Showtime
3. Brittny Grissom, Shwtm
4. Paradox, Ingrid Hamar
5. Kelsly Trainor, Diam Bar 6.750
6. Goliath, Connie Geisler
7. Brittny Grissom, Shwtm 6.603
8. Goliath, Connie Geisler

Silver Overall - Men
1. Alor Alfred, Oak Hills 6.435
2. Marisa Hamar of Showtime
3. Brittny Grissom, Shwtm
4. Paradox, Ingrid Hamar
5. Kelsly Trainor, Diam Bar 6.750
6. Goliath, Connie Geisler
7. Brittny Grissom, Shwtm 6.603
8. Goliath, Connie Geisler

Bronze Comp. RI - Women
1. Zina Allred, Oak Hills 6.384
2. Camille Swan, Oak Hills 6.229
3. Jessica Berman, VlyVw 6.079
4. Hannah Crompton, Orihl 6.079

Bronze Overall - Women
1. Zina Allred, Oak Hills 6.384
2. Camille Swan, Oak Hills 6.229
3. Jessica Berman, VlyVw 6.079
4. Hannah Crompton, Orihl 6.079

Bronze Comp. RI - Men
1. Jake Fluekiger, Oak Hills 6.384
2. Camille Swan, Oak Hills 6.229
3. Jessica Berman, VlyVw 6.079
4. Hannah Crompton, Orihl 6.079

Bronze Overall - Men
1. Jake Fluekiger, Oak Hills 6.384
2. Camille Swan, Oak Hills 6.229
3. Jessica Berman, VlyVw 6.079
4. Hannah Crompton, Orihl 6.079

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Bronze Overall - Men
1. Jake Fluekiger, Oak Hills 5.264
2. Cori Holk, Shwitm 5.123
3. Paradox, Ingrid Harmar

Copper Compulsories
1. Alyssa Hudson, Shwitm 5.072
2. Cori Holk, Shwitm 4.928
3. Jacqueline Lobdell, Volta 4.151
4. Goliath, Connie Geisler
5. Victoria Hennon, VlyVw 4.083

Copper Overall
1. Alyssa Hudson, Shwitm 6.171
2. Jackie Lobdell, Volta 5.693
3. Rebecca H., VlyVw 5.742
4. Goliath, Connie Geisler
5. Lindsay Harris, Oak Hills 5.600

Trot Compulsories
1. Peter Matsumoto, VlyVw 4.913
2. Geoffry Woolson, VlyVw 4.500
3. Victoria Hennon, VlyVw 4.975

Preliminary Trot Comp.
1. Alexis Trojanowski, DiaBr 4.663
2. Holly Crompton, Oak Hills 5.000
3. Brooke Watkins, Oak Hills 4.963

Preliminary Trot Freestyle
1. Brooke Watkins, Oak Hills 5.400
2. Kelsey Trainor, Lindsey Anderson 5.375
3. Victoria Hennon, VlyVw 5.342

Preliminary Trot Overall
1. Holly Crompton, Oak Hills 5.438
2. Brooke Watkins, Oak Hills 5.132
3. Alexis Trojanowski, DiaBr 4.957

Novice Trot Compulsories
1. Chelsea Nix, Dam Bar 5.200
2. Yasmina Martinez, VlyVw 5.563
3. Victoria Hennon, VlyVw 5.500

Novice Trot Freestyle
1. Chelsea Nix, Dam Bar 5.900

Novice Trot Overall
1. Chelsea Nix, Dam Bar 5.550

Try Tts/Nov. Adv. Wk Comp.(4)
1. Callie Basssett, Shwitm 5.075
2. Maddie Jimenez, Shwitm 4.875
3. Ammasie Allred, Oak Hills 4.500

Tiny Tots/Nov. Adv. Wk FS(4)
1. Maddie Jimenez, Shwitm 5.875
2. Maddy Leger, Valley View 5.400
3. Callie Basssett, Shwitm 5.375

Try Tts/Nov. Adv. Wk Overall(4)
1. Maddie Jimenez, Shwitm 5.275
2. Callie Basssett, Shwitm 5.225
3. Maddy Leger, Valley View 4.888

Novice Walk Comp. - Women
1. Amber Auber, Valley View 2.563
2. Brooke Schottenhammer, Valley View 2.150

Novice Walk Comp. - Men
1. Sammy Lieberman, VlyVw 1.188

Prel. 2-Phase Team Comp.
1. Diamond Bar/Gold Rush 6.000
2. Kelsey Trainor 2.925
3. Laura Jassowski 3.850

2-Phase Events
1. Diamond Bar/Gold Rush Comp.
2. Kelsey Trainor Comp.
3. Laura Jassowski Comp.
4. Valley View/Emerald Comp.

Prel. 2-Phase Team Bret
1. Diamond Bar 7.500
2. Valley View 7.087

Diamond Bar/Gold Rush Preliminary 2-Phase Team

Alor Allred of Oak Hills

Lindsey Anderson and Kelsey Trainor of Diamond Bar

Jake Fluekiger of Oak Hills

Mary Garrett of Valley View

Vaulting World 28
August 2007
Region II Championships

Grass Valley, California
July 6-9, 2007

Judges:
Adrienne Stang (FEI O), Craig Coburn (AVA I), Emma Seely (AVA R), Kitchy Burdette (AVA R)

Participating Clubs: Agape, Brookside, Creekside, Elkhorn, Half Moon Bay, Gold Rush, Lone Oak, Morning Star, Mt. Eden, Nu Balance, Pacific Coast, Phoenix, Silver Star, Starlite, Tambourine, Woodside

Team Events
A Team Compulsories
1. Woodside ........................................ 7.050
   Giovanni, Krista Poppenberg
   1 Katharine Wick
   2 Elizabeth Osborn
   3 Yvonne Greenen
   4 Megan Lanfr
   5 Anne Lewis
   6 Ali Divita
2. Mt. Eden Sun Team ......................... 6.477
   Nobel, Jessica Ballenger
   1 Mary McCormick
   2 Laura Welsh
   3 Stephanie Schade
   4 Heide Rothweiler
   5 Elizabeth Ioannou
   6 Makayla Clyne
3. Nu Balance Equi Cirque ................. 5.398
   Rapier 9, Michelle Solorzano
   1 Jonathan McCollister
   2 Christina Carroll
   3 Jami Pressley
   4 Helen Ewing
   5 Ashley Fentervy-Fajada
   6 Tiffany McCollister
   7 Emmy Weiner

A Team Freestyle
1. Woodside ........................................ 7.680
   Giovanni, Krista Poppenberg
2. Nu Balance Equi Cirque ................. 5.080
   Colonel Mustard, M. Solorzano

A Team Overall
1. Woodside ........................................ 7.365
2. Nu Balance Equi Cirque ................. 5.239

B Team Compulsories
1. Pacific Coast .................................. 5.983
   Wyeth, Mike Sisul
   1 Brittany O'Leary
   2 Florence Rubeniger
   3 Kyra McCarty
   4 Alexandra Thrasher
   5 Karly Franklin Newman
   6 Grace Robinson
   7 Sara Flax
2. Nu Balance Equi Cirque ................. 5.239

B Team Freestyle
1. Pacific Coast .................................. 6.760
   Cheval, Mike Sisul

B Team Overall
1. Pacific Coast .................................. 6.372

C Team Compulsories
1. Creekside ...................................... 5.944
   Debonaire, Sue Smith
   1 Grace Koz
   2 Karey Mrkham
   3 Stephanie O'Neil
   4 Nicole Selves
   5 Tammy Smith
   6 Patrick Stevens
2. Tambourine .................................... 5.610
   Diamond Rio, Kelley Holly
   1 Shannon Hoke
   2 Julia Bell
   3 Sandra Rogers
   4 Michelle Steidle
   5 Olivia Merino
   6 Lystra Hobby
   7 Cate Steidle
3. Woodside ...................................... 5.492
   Sovira, Ingrid Hamar
   1 Julia Plungy
   2 Alyssa Bonora
   3 Anke Knauth
   4 Katrina Nibbi
   5 Tessa Divita
   6 Theda Knauth
   7 Ellie Gifford

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Region II Championships

Preliminary Trot Team FS
1. Woodside ............................ 5.180
2. Prel. Trot Team Overall
1. Woodside ............................ 4.747

Pas de Deux/Pairs Events
Open Pas de Deux
1. Stephanie O’Neill/Patrick Stevens, Creekside ............................ 6.250
Cambria, Sue Smith
2. Jonny McCollister/Ashley Fenbury-Fajada, Pacific Coast ............................ 6.017
Colonel Mustard, M. Solorzano

Preliminary Pas de Deux
1. Joey Gadd/Emily H oyee, Mt. Eden/ Brookside ............................ 5.267
Picasso, Anne Gadd

Preliminary Pairs
1. Grace Robinson/Minda Newhouse, Pacific Coast ............................ 5.733

Trot Pairs
1. Chase Jones/Charisse Gillis, Elkhorn ............................ 5.817

Individual Events
Gold Comp. RI - Women
1. Elizabeth Osborn, Wdsd ............................ 7.707
Giovanni, Krista Poppenberg
2. Mary McCormick, Mt.Edn ............................ 7.625
Nobel, Jessica Ballenger
3. Ali Divita, Woodside ............................ 7.613
Giovanni, Krista Poppenberg
4. Katharine Wick, Wdsd ............................ 7.300
Giovanni, Krista Poppenberg
5. Florence Rubinger, PCst ............................ 7.257
Wyeth, Mike Sisul
6. Megan Lanfri, Woodside ............................ 7.238
Giovanni, Krista Poppenberg
7. Kimberly Palmer, H&M/B ............................ 7.201
Hudson, Jill Palmer
8. Hannah Horson, Apge ............................ 6.801
Gryffindor, Jodi Howard
9. Michele Stevens, Mt.Edn ............................ 6.400
Aspen, Emma Seely
10. Leticia Solorzano, PacCst ............................ 6.182
Rapier 9, Michelle Solorzano
11. Ashley Fenbury-Fajada, Pacific Coast ............................ 5.794
Rapier 9, Michelle Solorzano

Gold Freestyle RI - Women
1. Mary McCormick, Mt.Edn ............................ 8.490
Nobel, Jessica Ballenger
2. Ali Divita, Woodside ............................ 8.430
Moonlight, Krista Poppenberg
3. Elizabeth Osborn, Wdsd ............................ 8.300
Moonlight, Krista Poppenberg
4. Kimberly Palmer, H&M/B ............................ 7.660
Pixie, Jill Palmer
5. Hannah Horson, Apge ............................ 7.650
Wyeth, Mike Sisul
6. Katharine Wick, Wdsd ............................ 7.510
Moonlight, Krista Poppenberg
7. Florence Rubinger, PCst ............................ 7.190
Donatello, Mike Sisul
8. Leticia Solorzano, PCst ............................ 7.170
Colonel Mustard, M. Solorzano
9. Megan Lanfri, Woodside ............................ 7.140
Moonlight, Krista Poppenberg
10. Michele Stevens, Mt.Edn ............................ 6.650
Amadeus, Emma Seely
11. Ashley Fenbury-Fajada, Pacific Coast ............................ 6.410
Colonel Mustard, M. Solorzano

Gold Round I - Women
1. Mary McCormick, Mt.Edn ............................ 8.058
2. Ali Divita, Woodside ............................ 8.022
3. Elizabeth Osborn, Wdsd ............................ 8.004
4. Kimberly Palmer, H&M/B ............................ 7.431
5. Katharine Wick, Wdsd ............................ 7.405
6. Hannah Horson, Apge ............................ 7.226
7. Florence Rubinger, PCst ............................ 7.224
8. Megan Lanfri, Woodside ............................ 7.189
9. Leticia Solorzano, PCst ............................ 6.676
10. Michele Stevens, Mt.Edn ............................ 6.500
11. Ashley Fenbury-Fajada, Pacific Coast ............................ 6.102

Gold Technical Test RI
1. Elizabeth Osborn, Wdsd ............................ 8.280
Moonlight, Krista Poppenberg
2. Mary McCormick, Mt.Edn ............................ 8.245
Nobel, Jessica Ballenger
3. Ali Divita, Woodside ............................ 7.990
Moonlight, Krista Poppenberg
4. Florence Rubinger, PCst ............................ 7.935
Donatello, Mike Sisul
5. Kimberly Palmer, H&M/B ............................ 7.070
Hudson, Jill Palmer
Moonlight, Krista Poppenberg
Moonlight, Krista Poppenberg
8. Leticia Solorzano, PCst ............................ 6.575
Colonel Mustard, M. Solorzano
9. Hannah Horson, Apge ............................ 6.405
Colonel Mustard, L. Solorzano
10. Michele Stevens, Mt.Edn ............................ 6.220
Amadeus, Emma Seely
11. Ashley Fenbury-Fajada, Pacific Coast ............................ 6.475
Colonel Mustard, M. Solorzano

Gold Freestyle RII
1. Mary McCormick, Mt.Edn ............................ 8.560
Nobel, Jessica Ballenger
2. Elizabeth Osborn, Wdsd ............................ 8.440
Moonlight, Krista Poppenberg
3. Ali Divita, Woodside ............................ 8.430
Moonlight, Krista Poppenberg
4. Kimberly Palmer, H&M/B ............................ 7.870
Pixie, Jill Palmer
5. Megan Lanfri, Woodside ............................ 7.710
Moonlight, Krista Poppenberg
6. Katharine Wick, Wdsd ............................ 7.710
Moonlight, Krista Poppenberg

Mt. Eden Trot Team

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Moonlight, Krista Poppenberg

Nu Balance Triples

Patrick Stevens and Stephanie O’Neill of Creekside

Elizabeth Ioannou of Mt. Eden
Region II Championships

Golden Freestyle RI - Men
1. Johnathan McCollister, Nu Balance - 7.540
2. Hitchcock, Navy Blue - 7.460
3. Pelican, Navy Blue - 7.400

Golden Freestyle RI - Women
1. Johnathan McCollister, Nu Balance - 7.400
2. Hitchcock, Navy Blue - 7.320
3. Pelican, Navy Blue - 7.280

Gold Compulsory RI - Men
1. Johnathan McCollister, Nu Balance - 6.810
2. Hitchcock, Navy Blue - 6.690
3. Pelican, Navy Blue - 6.650

Gold Compulsory RI - Women
1. Johnathan McCollister, Nu Balance - 6.860
2. Hitchcock, Navy Blue - 6.690
3. Pelican, Navy Blue - 6.650

Gold Overall - Men
1. Johnathan McCollister, Nu Balance - 6.940
2. Hitchcock, Navy Blue - 6.710
3. Pelican, Navy Blue - 6.490

Gold Overall - Women
1. Johnathan McCollister, Nu Balance - 5.976
2. Hitchcock, Navy Blue - 5.266
3. Pelican, Navy Blue - 5.210

Silver Compulsory RI - Men
1. Elizabeth Ioannou, MEdn - 5.980
2. Karly Frankel-Newman, Pacific Coast - 5.980
3. Atlant, Navy Blue - 5.920

Silver Compulsory RI - Women
1. Elizabeth Ioannou, MEdn - 6.070
2. Karly Frankel-Newman, Pacific Coast - 6.070
3. Atlant, Navy Blue - 6.020

Silver Freestyle RI - Men
1. Johnathan McCollister, Nu Balance - 6.278
2. Hitchcock, Navy Blue - 6.180
3. Pelican, Navy Blue - 6.160

Silver Freestyle RI - Women
1. Johnathan McCollister, Nu Balance - 6.200
2. Hitchcock, Navy Blue - 6.100
3. Pelican, Navy Blue - 6.070

Silver Round I - Men
1. Johnathan McCollister, Nu Balance - 6.278
2. Hitchcock, Navy Blue - 6.180
3. Pelican, Navy Blue - 6.160

Silver Round I - Women
1. Johnathan McCollister, Nu Balance - 6.200
2. Hitchcock, Navy Blue - 6.100
3. Pelican, Navy Blue - 6.070

Several vaulters entered their own horses in the daily California Gold Class for experience and training. Top L: Makayla Clyne on Jacey. Top R: Joey Gadd on Cowboy. Bottom L: Laura Yelavich on Chief. Bottom R: Laura Jassowsk on Galileo.
Region II Championships

Silver Comp. Rl - Men
1. Eric Garcia, Tambourine 6.413
  Dillenger, Sue Smith
2. Patrick Stevens, Crksd 5.913
  Dillenger, Sue Smith
3. Kristian Roberts, HmBnly 5.506
  Hudson, Jill Palmer

Silver Freestyle Ri - Men
1. Eric Garcia, Tambourine 6.340
  Tank, Kelly Holly
2. Patrick Stevens, Crksd 6.460
  Cambria, Sue Smith
3. Kristian Roberts, HmBnly 4.100
  Hudson, Jill Palmer

Silver Round I - Men
1. Eric Garcia, Tambourine 6.377
2. Patrick Stevens, Crksd 5.569
3. Kristian Roberts, HmBnly 4.832

Silver Comp. Rl - Men
1. Eric Garcia, Tambourine 6.940
  Cambria, Sue Smith
2. Eric Garcia, Tambourine 6.800
  Tank, Kelly Holly
3. Kristian Roberts, HmBnly 5.440
  Hudson, Jill Palmer

Silver Round I - Men
1. Eric Garcia, Tambourine 6.361
2. Patrick Stevens, Crksd 6.255
3. Kristian Roberts, HmBnly 5.688

Bronze Compulsories Rl
1. Carey Markham, Crksd 6.863
  Dillinger, Sue Smith
2. Yvonne Greenen, Wdgd 6.738
  Giovannis, Krista Poppenberg
3. Kylen Dix, Morning Star 6.625
  Kelly, Carolyn Conner
4. Kathryn Jaggers, Wdgd 6.550
  Giovannis, Krista Poppenberg
5. Merina Rainville, Mtd 6.488
  Amadeus, Jessica Ballenger
6. Grace Robinson, PacCst 5.820
  Bronson, Mike Sisul
7. Tiffany McCollister, PcsCst 5.790
  Colonel Mustard, L. Solorzano
8. Molly Gould, Woodside 5.700
  Pepper Jack, Krista Poppenberg
9. Miranda Prints, Nu Bal 5.640
  Rapier 9, Emmy Reed
10. Shellie Scales, Creekside 5.630
    Pepper Jack, Lisa Plungy
11. Laura Jassowski, GldRsh 5.940
    Julia Plungy, Woodside 5.919
12. Laura Jassowski, GldRsh 5.820
    Pepper Jack, Lisa Plungy
13. Michelle Steidle, Tamb 5.663
    Pepper Jack, Krista Poppenberg
14. Ellie Gifford, Woodside 5.490
    Jacey, Mary McCormick
15. Kayln Markham, Crksd 5.488
    Pepper Jack, Lisa Plungy
16. Grace Koz, Crksd 5.488
    Darth Vader, Mike Yelavich
17. Kylen Dix, Morning Star 5.488
    Kelly, Carolyn Conner
18. Eliesa Gifford, Woodside 5.484
    Pepper Jack, Lisa Plungy
19. Jami Pressley, PCst 5.484
    Goliath, Connie Geisler
20. Miranda Prints, Nu Bal 5.484
    Sarah Robertson, Nu Balance
21. Emmy Reed, PCst 5.484
    Pepper Jack, Lisa Plungy
22. Miranda Prints, Nu Bal 5.484
    Pepper Jack, Lisa Plungy
23. Kelly Sattler, Nu Balance 5.484
    Pepper Jack, Lisa Plungy
24. Megan Grove, Phoenix 5.484
    Pepper Jack, Lisa Plungy

Silver Round I - Men
1. Carey Markham, Crksd 6.902
2. Kathryn Jaggers, Wdgd 6.845
3. Yvonne Greenen, Wdgd 6.689
4. Kylen Dix, Morning Star 6.593
5. Rebecca Hamby, Mtd 6.479
6. Merina Rainville, Mtd 6.444
7. Leah Sache, Morning Star 6.338
8. Jacey, Mary McCormick 6.279
9. Julia Bell, Tambourine 6.174
10. Grace Robinson, PccCst 6.129
11. Lindsay Newhouse, PcsCst 6.043
12. Laura Jassowski, GldRsh 5.940
13. Julia Plungy, Woodside 5.919
14. Lauren Hyver, Woodside 5.834
15. Sandra Rogers, Tamb 5.808
17. Emily Gooss-Kelly, Phnx 5.689
18. Emmy Weier, Nu Bal 5.663
19. Robin Todd, Morning Star 5.653
20. Molly Gould, Woodside 5.625
21. Tiffany McCollister, PcsCst 5.365
22. Miranda Prints, Nu Bal 5.358
23. Sarah Smick, Pacific Coast 4.688
24. Megan Grove, Phoenix 4.622

Bronze Compulsories Rl
1. Yvonne Greenen, Wdgd 6.638
2. Merina Rainville, Mtd 6.525
4. Pepper Jack, Lisa Plungy
5. Merina Rainville, Mtd 6.488
6. Amadeus, Jessica Ballenger
7. Laura Jassowski, GldRsh 5.313
8. Rebecca Hamby, MsdG 5.175
10. Sandra Rogers, Tamb 4.975
11. Julia Bell, Tambourine 4.875
12. Lauren Hyver, Woodside 4.875
13. Grace Robinson, PccCst 4.725
14. Leah Sache, Morning Str 4.700
15. Kelly, Carolyn Conner 4.571
16. Minda Newhouse, PcsCst 4.313
17. Goliath, Connie Geisler

Bronze Overall - Women
1. Carey Markham, Crksd 6.409
2. Kathryn Jaggers, Wdgd 6.343
3. Yvonne Greenen, Wdgd 6.329
4. Kylen Dix, Morning Star 6.153
5. Merina Rainville, Mtd 6.071
6. Rebecca Hamby, MsdG 5.644
7. Jacey, Mary McCormick 5.919
8. Leah Sache, Morning Str 5.792
9. Kelly, Carolyn Conner 5.741
10. Laura Jassowski, GldRsh 5.731
11. Grace Robinson, PcsCst 5.661
12. Julia Plungy, Woodside 5.634
13. Sandra Rogers, Tamb 5.530
14. Lauren Hyver, Woodside 5.514
15. Minda Newhouse, PcsCst 5.466

Copper Comp. - Women
1. Grace Koz, Creekside 5.475
2. Cambria, Sue Smith
3. Zoe Pearl, Tambourine 5.475
4. Diamond Rio, Kelly Holly
5. Olivia Merino, Tamb 5.475
6. Hope Krause, MngStr 5.250
7. Kelly, Carolyn Conner
8. Lystra Hobby, Tamb 5.255
9. Diamond Rio, Kelly Holly
10. Makayla Crney, Mt. Ed 4.925
11. Aspen, Mike Velach
12. Krista Viltzie, Mt. Ed 4.800
13. Kelly, Carolyn Conner
14. Ellie Gifford, Woodside 4.738
15. Pepper Jack, Krista Poppenberg
16. Michelle Steidle, Tamb 4.663
17. Diamond Rio, Kelly Holly
18. Nicole Soltes, Creekside 4.538
19. Cambria, Sue Smith
20. Ruby Robinson, PccCst 4.538
21. Bronson, Mike Sisul
22. Kayln Markham, Crksd 4.513
23. Aspen, Mike Velach
24. Delany Altman, Mt. Ed 4.425
25. Rapier 9, Emmy Reed
26. Kelly Sattler, Nu Balance 4.350
27. Colonel Mustard, M. Solorzano
28. Emily Hogy, Brookside 4.275
29. Picaso, Danielle Grove
30. Emma Kohlshbaker NaBal 4.213
31. Colonel Mustard, M. Solorzano
32. Kimberley Jassowski, GldRsh 3.788
33. Goliath, Connie Geisler
34. Hannah Mattingly, Nu Bal 3.788
35. Rapier 9, Emmy Reed

Morning Round Preliminary 2-Phase Team

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Laura Jassowski of Gold Rush

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Region II Championships

Preliminary Trot FS - Men (4)
1. Nick Fuji, Tambourine .... 5.213
2. Robert Dykstra, Elkhorn .... 4.475
3. Zachary Mederos, Tamb .... 4.375

Preliminary Trot FS - Women (4)
1. Nick Fuji, Tambourine .... 5.500
2. Zachary Mederos, Tamb .... 3.875
3. Tristin Martin, Tam .... 3.625

Prel. Trot Overall - Men (4)
1. Nick Fuji, Tambourine .... 5.357
2. Zachary Mederos, Tamb .... 4.125
3. Robert Dykstra, Elkhorn .... 3.863

Prel. Trot Overall - Women (4)
1. Kim Saut, Nu Bal .... 5.817
2. Zachary Mederos, Tamb .... 5.357
3. Kateryne Salisbury, Wds .... 5.444

Nov. Trot Comp. - Women (6)
1. Katherine Salisbury, Wds .... 5.038
2. Carmen Saut, Nu Bal .... 4.813
3. Emma Hewitt, Nu Bal .... 4.775
4. Novice Trot FS - Women
1. Carmen Saut, Nu Bal .... 6.500
2. Emma Hewitt, Nu Bal .... 6.200
3. Katherine Salisbury, Wds .... 5.850

Nov. Trot Overall - Women
1. Carmen Saut, Nu Bal .... 5.657
2. Emma Hewitt, Nu Bal .... 5.488
3. Katherine Salisbury, Wds .... 5.444

Novice Trot Comp. - Men
1. Chase Jones, Elkhorn .... 5.400
2. Novice Trot Freestyle - Men
1. Chase Jones, Elkhorn .... 5.900
2. Novice Trot Overall - Men
1. Chase Jones, Elkhorn .... 4.650

Tiny Tots/Novice Advanced Walk Comp. - Women (6)
1. Bali Solorzano, Nu Bal .... 4.750
2. Caroline Morse, Mt. Eden .... 4.438
3. Natalia Myers, Elkhorn .... 4.225

Tiny Tots/Novice Advanced Walk Freestyle - Women (7)
1. Ivana Garcia, Elkhorn .... 5.175
2. Caroline Morse, Mt. Eden .... 5.125
3. Natalia Myers, Elkhorn .... 4.775

Tiny Tots/Novice Advanced Walk Overall - Women (6)
1. Carolin Morse, Mt. Eden .... 4.762
2. Natalia Myers, Elkhorn .... 4.500
3. Bali Solorzano, Nu Bal .... 4.188

Tiny Tots/Novice Advanced Walk Compulsories - Men
1. P.J. Solorzano, Nu Bal .... 3.850
2. Nathan Milas, Nu Bal .... 3.250
3. Cruz Solorzano, Nu Bal .... 3.125

Tiny Tots/Novice Advanced Walk Freestyle - Men
1. Nathan Milas, Nu Bal .... 3.875
2. Novice Tots/Novice Advanced Walk Overall - Men
1. Nathan Milas, Nu Bal .... 3.563

Novice Walk Compulsories - Men
1. Hallie Beale, Gold Rush .... 4.125
2. Ivana Garcia, Elkhorn .... 3.813
3. Novice Walk Comp. - Women (6)
1. Galina Griffin, Mt. Eden .... 3.375

2-Phase Events

Open 2-Phase Comp. - Men
1. Pacific Coast/HMnBay .... 6.091
2. Hudson, Jill Palmer
3. Jordan, O'Leary
4. Cassidy Palmer
5. Kimberly Palmer
6. April Frankel-Neiman
7. Pacific Coast ......... 6.069

Open 2-Phase Team Brl FS
1. Pacific Coast/HMnBay .... 7.933
2. Mt. Eden Pink Panthers .... 7.733
3. Mt. Eden/Silver Star ..... 7.333
4. Pacific Coast .... 6.833

Ammasie Allred of Oak Hills

Chase Jones and Charisse Gillis of Elkhorn

Megan McInnes and Amanda Thomas of Mt. Eden Photo by Scott Thomas

Salute to the Future

Grace Robinson and Minda Newhouse of Pacific Coast

Nick Fuji of Tambourine

Continued
Beisecker Wedding

Kim Beisecker

One lesson well learned by the Mt. Tabor Vaulter is to always be flexible and willing to change at the first raindrops. On May 26 the weather was sunny and warm as Kaitlyn Beisecker prepared to marry Matthew Levin in the gardens overlooking the vaulting ring at the home of her parents, Kim and Wayne Beisecker.

A clap of thunder brought raindrops — but vaulters always work as a team. The guests moved to the reception tents where Mt. Tabor vaulters served drinks, popcorn and snowcones. Vaulting photographer, Caisy Ho, kept Kaitlyn occupied as the weather channel played in the background.

The storm was short and Kaitlyn soon was driven in a carriage to the garden by Del Dyer, her first vaulting coach, Jen Williams, Stephanie Siemens, and many longeur. Among those celebrating were: Kaitlyn’s first carriage to the garden by Del Dyer, her first vaulting coach, Jen Williams, Stephanie Siemens, and many longeur. The guests moved to the reception tents where Mt. Tabor vaulters served drinks, popcorn and snowcones. Vaulting photographer, Caisy Ho, kept Kaitlyn occupied as the weather channel played in the background.

The raindrops. There was no need to fear for a medical emergency — the bride, newly graduated, Dr. Kaitlyn Beisecker MD, was joined by many of her medical school friends to enjoy grilled ribs and chicken, a great band, dancing, and marshmallows toasted over a bonfire in the vaulting ring.

The hoofbeats announced the arrival of the bride… The music signaled the guests to assemble… The music signaled the guests to assemble…

The raindrops brought a pause…

Photo courtesy Beisecker family

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<td>Region II Clinic/Awards/Dinner/Annual Meeting</td>
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Isabelle (Bibbler) Parker’s little girl, Hanna had her first pony ride in Germany on a pony owned by Marion Schulze (the woman who runs the Krumke, Germany CVI).

Photo courtesy Isabelle Parker

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