The Mt. Eden Sun Team captured the 2009 USEF/AVA A Team Championship with compulsories on Sunny Boy and freestyle on Cheval (shown).

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**Kentucky Cup Winners**

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**TWO STAR EVENTS**

**Team** - Mt. Eden Sun Team  
**Pas de Deux** - Cassidy Palmer/Marissa Hamar of Half Moon Bay and Showtime  
**Individual Women** - Megan Benjamin of Mt. Eden  
**Individual Men** - Kenny Geisler of Mt. Eden

**ONE STAR EVENTS**

**Team** - Woodside  
**Individual Women** - Rachel Bublitz of Golden Gate  
**Individual Men** - Joey Gadd of Mt. Eden

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**2010 AVA Annual Meeting**

**Penny Maydak**

Plans for our AVA Annual Meeting/Convention to be held in the beautiful Pacific Northwest – Portland, Oregon on March 4-7 are underway. Meetings will be held at the Monarch Hotel and Conference Center (www.monarchhotel.cc). It is located on the light rail line to downtown Portland and has shuttle service from the airport. Room rates (plus tax) are: $95 for a single and double, $105 for a triple, $115 for a quad. Room rates include wi-fi. The Clackamas Town Center, one of the region’s largest malls (tax free shopping!) is across the street and there are approximately 20 restaurants close by.

**Educational events include:**

- Lectures and clinics on training the vaulting horse (ground work, longeing, riding bio-mechanics) by co-founder of the AVA, J. Ashton Moore (FEI O) Vaulting and Dressage Judge.
- Contemporary dance workshops by Rumpus Room Dance artistic Directors, Rachel Tess and Stephan Laks. Graduates of the Juilliard School in New York, they maintain dance companies in Portland and Europe.

**Preliminary plans are to add:**

- An acro-balance class which will teach vaulters how to use body mechanics to balance each other in double and triple exercises.
- Cross-training with balance boards and other equipment by Andrea Brown, certified instructor
- Clinics for individuals and small groups on barrels  
- Open Judges Forum

Put this on your calendar. It will be an exciting start to the most important year in american vaulting – ever!

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A Team Freestyle
1. Silver Bay Silver Moon Visions - Hudson, Teresa Keville ... 5.423
2. Mt. Eden Sun - Cheval, Poppy Cooter ..........................7.913

C Team Compulsories
1. Silver Bay Extreme Team - Skipton, Teresa Keville .......5.688
2. Mt. Eden Eclipse - Sir James, Olivia Swan ................6.207

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2. Mt. Eden Northern Lights - Badger, Erik Martinovich ..5.930
3. Silver Bay Extreme Team - Jarynck, Alison Gieschen ..5.450

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1. Woodside - Giovanni, Krista Mack ..........................5.909
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1. Mt. Rainier  .........5.423
2. Warm Beach ....................5.641
3. Mile-High Impossible Dream ......4.949

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Trot Team Overall
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2. Mt. High Duct Tape & Bubble Gum - Yellow Storm, Tamea ...4.877
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Woodside’s One Star Team competed on Giovanni. Photo: Primo Ponies

4. Colin Schmidt, Cheam - Comet, Erik Martonovich... 7.050
5. Gabe Aniello, Woodside - Caspar 128, Krista Mack ... 7.680

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The Open Pas de Deux pair of Elizabeth Brigham and Anna Thomas of Great Falls won their class on Pete. Photo: Primo Ponies

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Silver Freestyle RII - Women continued

25. Loretta Gallegos, Albuquerque - John Boy Joe, Erik Martonovich
27. Monica Elliott, Renaissance Farm - Avalon, P.Fleurant6.360
29. Laura Jassowski, Silver Bay - Navyfrost, Jill Marland6.313
31. Charlotte Rimaud, Timberlane - Oliver, Y.Martonovich9.00
32. Breanne Griffin, Renais. Farm - Avalon, P.Fleurant7.507
33. Angelique van der Stuijs, Meadow Creek - Flash, Noel Martonovich5.620
34. Jeanine van der Stuijs, Meadow Creek - Flash, Noel Martonovich5.533

Silver Freestyle RII - Women

1. Tasha Thomer, Mt. Eden ..............................7.226
2. Annie Young, Shea-Rose ..............................7.128
3. Anna Erickson, Warm Beach ..........................7.079
4. Lucie Jacobson, Image ..............................7.068
5. Stephanie Harris, Image ..............................7.007
6. Kelsey Trainor, Diamond Bar ..........................7.000
7. Makayla Clyne, Mt. Eden .............................6.947
8. Cleone Fritsch, Timberlane ..........................6.943
10. Kelly Moore, Golden Gate ..........................6.927
11. Yvonne Greenen, Woodside ..........................6.901
12. Rachel Bublitz, Golden Gate ..........................6.864
13. Kyra McCarty, Mt. Eden .............................6.624
14. Danielle Rynning, Warm Beach ..........................6.613
15. Jamie Wantland, Warm Beach ..........................6.574

Comet supported Eric Martonovich’s compulsories, technical test and freestyle.

Photo: Primo Ponies

Silver Compulsories RII - Women

1. Kelly Moore, Golden Gate - Oliver, Y.Martonovich6.854
2. Cleone Fritsch, Timberlane - Oliver, Y.Martonovich6.846
3. Tasha Thomer, Mt. Eden - Lanson 16, J.Ballenger6.604
6. Makayla Clyne, Mt. Eden - Lanson 16, J.Ballenger6.534
7. Stephanie Harris, Image - Pete, Jennifer Williams6.500
9. Anna Erickson, Warm Beach - Prophet, P.Skpton6.450
10. Rachel Bublitz, Golden Gate - Oliver, Y.Martonovich6.388
11. Lucie Jacobson, Image - Pete, Jennifer Williams6.383
12. Anna Erickson, Warm Beach - Patti Skpton6.380
15. Danielle Rynning, Warm Beach - Prophet, P.Skpton6.189
16. Jamie Wantland, Warm Beach - Prophet, P.Skpton5.575

Shawn Ricci of equiBalance demonstrated his winning skills on Rubin.

Photo: Primo Ponies

Silver Overall - Women

1. Tasha Thomer, Mt. Eden ................................7.259
2. Annie Young, Shea-Rose ................................7.092
3. Yvonne Greenen, Woodside ................................7.088
4. Kelsey Trainor, Diamond Bar ..........................7.022
5. Lucie Jacobson, Image .....................................6.996
6. Anna Erickson, Warm Beach ..............................6.975
7. Cleone Fritsch, Timberlane ..............................6.955
8. Kathryn Jaggers, Woodside ..............................6.929
9. Stephanie Harris, Image ..............................6.886
10. Makayla Clyne, Mt. Eden ..............................6.835
11. Kelly Moore, Golden Gate ..............................6.809
12. Rachel Bublitz, Golden Gate ..............................6.748
13. Jamie Wantland, Warm Beach ..........................6.715
15. Kyra McCarty, Mt. Eden ..............................6.686
16. Danielle Rynning, Warm Beach ..........................6.624

Silver Compulsories RII - Men

1. Shawn Ricci, EquiBalance - Rubin, R.Marland6.763
2. Clay Thomas, Balance - Presto, Nicole D’Auriol6.740
3. Gregory Helm, Great Falls - Pete, Jennifer Williams6.630
4. Joey Gadd, Mt. Eden - Sir James, Olivia Swan5.989
5. Colton Palmer, Half Moon Bay - Hudson, Jill Palmer5.809

Silver Freestyle RII - Men

1. Colton Palmer, Half Moon Bay - Hudson, Jill Palmer7.120
2. Shawn Ricci, EquiBalance - Rubin, R.Marland6.733
3. Clay Thomas, Balance - Janycik, Alson Geschen6.360
4. Gregory Helm, Great Falls - Pete, Jennifer Williams3.913
5. Joey Gadd, Mt. Eden - Sir James, Olivia Swan5.267

Silver Round II - Men

1. Shawn Ricci, EquiBalance ..............................6.705
2. Colton Palmer, Half Moon Bay ............................6.469
3. Clay Thomas, Balance .....................................6.411
4. Gregory Helm, Great Falls ..............................6.234
5. Joey Gadd, Mt. Eden ..............................6.140

Silver Compulsories RII - Men

1. Shawn Ricci, EquiBalance - Rebecca Marland6.509
2. Joey Gadd, Mt. Eden - Lanson 16, Jessica Ballenger6.059
3. Clay Thomas, Balance - Janycik, Alson Geschen6.034
4. Gregory Helm, Great Falls - Pete, Jennifer Williams5.967

Silver Freestyle RII - Men

2. Shawn Ricci, EquiBalance - Rubin, Rebecca Marland6.090
3. Clay Thomas, Balance - Pete, Jennifer Williams6.787
4. Gregory Helm, Great Falls - Pete, Jennifer Williams6.500
5. Joey Gadd, Mt. Eden - Sir James, Olivia Swan6.220

2006 World Champion, Megan Benjamin competed on Vermeer.

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Silver Overall - Men
1. Shawn Ricci, EquiBalance ........................................ 6.727
2. Colton Palmer, Half Moon Bay ................................ 6.467
3. Clay Thomas, Balance ............................................ 6.348
4. Gregory Helm, Great Falls ...................................... 6.111
5. Joey Gadd, Mt. Eden ............................................... 5.852

Bronze Compulsories RI - Women
1. Katrina Nibbi, Woodside - Lorino, Julie Divita ............ 6.313
2. Rebecca Herrera, Valley View - Odyssey, Sylvia Son 6.250
3. Alex Schaubhut, Lone Star - Sargent, N.Martonovich 6.221
4. Adria Revell, Mt. Eden - Vermeer, Jessica Ballenger .... 6.179
5. Leah Coe, Golden Gate - Sargent, Noel Martonovich 6.146
8. Danielle Kennedy, Mt. Wind - Lady Mae, T.Denault 6.079
9. Ryan Barbee, Warm Beach - Promise, Patti Skipton .... 6.025
10. Lauren Berger, Blue Sky - Ashlea, Wayne Beisecker 6.021
11. Stacey Burnett, Mt. Eden - Vermeer, J.Ballenger ........ 6.000
12. Jennifer Daniels, Mt. Eden - Vermeer, J. Ballenger ... 6.921
13. Ruby Robinson, Pacific Coast - Cheval, P. Coutier .... 6.854
14. Grace Robinson, Pacific Coast - Cheval, P. Coutier ... 5.850
15. Alexandria Jaynes, Warm Beach- Prophet, P. Skipton ... 5.846
16. Margaret McLain, Topaz - Caspian, Karin Schmidt ... 5.813
17. Merina Rainville, Mt. Eden - Vermeer, J. Ballenger .... 5.767
18. Mackenzie Jassowski, Gold Rush - Bolero, Alison Gieschen .... 5.742
19. Courtney Madden, Mile-High - Sampson, Jodi Rinard' s 7:38
20. Shayla Keating, Great Falls - Pete, Jennifer Williams 5.725
21. Audrey Wilkins, Balance - Sargent, Noel Martonovich' s 6:696
22. Ginger Dohmen, Mt. Rainier - Sampson, Jodi Rinard ... 5.688
23. Katelyn Berube, Renais. Farm - Olano, P. Pearsant ... 5.642
24. Julia Overton, Warm Beach - Prophet, P. Skipton .... 5.638
25. Molly Hakopian, Balance, Sargent - Noel Martonovich' s ... 5.625
26. Zoe Pearl, Silver Bay - Bolero, Alison Gieschen .... 5.625
27. Leonid Schmidt GER, A Connect.-Capistan, K. Schmidt ... 5.621
28. Kate Gavin, Golden Gate - Sargent, Noel Martonovich' s ... 5.583
29. Katelyn Berube, Renais. Farm - Olano, P. Pearsant ... 5.555
30. Hayley Hanson, Albirg. Irish Cream, E. Martonovich' s ... 5.534
31. Holly Carney, Balance - Sargent, Noel Martonovich' s ... 5.521
32. Ashley Ondaro, Silver Bay - Bolero, Alison Gieschen ... 5.505
33. Rhiannon ArneySchultz, Golden Gate - Sargent, Noel Martonovich' s ... 5.495
34. Caroline Shubert, Del Sol - Sampson, Jodi Rinard' s ... 5.442
35. Erin Pielie, Warm Beach - Prophet, P. Skipton .... 5.404
36. Rebecca Madden, Mile-High - Sampson, Jodi Rinard' s ... 5.355
37. Margaret McLain, Topaz - Caspian, Karin Schmidt ... 5.313
38. Chelsea Dodson, Mile-High - Amadila, Jodi Rinard' s ... 5.250
39. Shelby Jones, Balance - Prophet, P. Skipton .... 5.067
40. Ruth Overton, Warm Beach - Prophet, P. Skipton .... 4.938
41. Raven Schmidt, Cheam - Lady Mae, T. Denault .... 4.667
42. Kelley Keeler, Diamond Bar - Churchill, C. Geisler ... 4.521
43. Morgan Dabty, Topaz - Odyssey, Tessa Divita' s 4.263

Bronze Freestyle RI - Women
1. Tessa Divita, Woodside - Lorino, Julie Divita .......... 7.287
2. Alex Schaubhut, Lone Star - Sargent, N. Martonovich 7.247
3. Alexandria Jaynes, Warm Beach - Praise, P. Skipton ... 7.200
4. Hayley Hanson, Albirg. John Boy Joe, E. Martonovich' s .... 7:020
5. Grace Robinson, Pacific Coast - Cheval, P. Coutier .... 6.950
6. Ruth Overton, Warm Beach - Praise, P. Skipton .... 6.900
8. Ruby Robinson, Pacific Coast - Cheval, P. Coutier .... 6.713
10. Jacqueline Lobdell, Volia - Flah, Noel Martonovich' s ... 6.633
11. Leah Coe, Golden Gate - Sargent, Noel Martonovich' s ... 6.606
12. Stacey Burnett, Mt. Eden - Vermeer, J. Ballenger .... 6.533
13. Rebecca Herrera, Valley View - Odyssey, Sylvia Son 6.513
15. Erin Pielie, Warm Beach - Praise, P. Skipton .... 6.373
17. Jennifer Daniels, Mt. Eden - Vermeer, J. Ballenger .... 6.333
18. Holly Carney, Balance - Beau Monde, K. Flannagan' s ... 6.307
19. Ryan Barbee, Warm Beach - Praise, P. Skipton .... 6.287
20. Shelby Jones, Warm Beach - Praise, P. Skipton .... 6.280
21. Shayla Keating, Great Falls - Pete, Jennifer Williams ... 6.240
22. Ginger Dohmen, Mt. Rainier - Sampson, Jodi Rinard' s ... 6.180
23. Mckenzie Enge, Warm Beach - Praise, P. Skipton .... 6.173
24. Julia Overton, Warm Beach - Praise, P. Skipton .... 6.120
25. Rebecca Madden, Mile-High - Sampson, Jodi Rinard' s ... 6.053
26. Caroline Shubert, Del Sol - Almida, Jodi Rinard' s ... 6.027
27. Audrey Wilkins, Balance - Beau Monde, K. Flannagan' s ... 6.027
28. Chelsea Dodson, Mile-High - Amadila, Jodi Rinard' s ... 6.053
29. Katelyn Berube, Renais. Farm - Olano, P. Pearsant ... 5.840
30. Leonid Schmidt, A Connection - Moses, A. Gieschen .... 5.833
31. Margaret McLain, Topaz - Caspian, Karin Schmidt ... 5.780
32. Courtney Madden, Mile-High - Sampson, J. Rinard' s ... 5.767
33. Kelley Hecker, Diamond Bar - Churchill, C. Geisler ... 5.740
34. Rhiannon ArneySchultz, Golden Gate - Flash, Noel Martonovich' s ... 5.560
35. Emily Rasa, A Connection - Moses, A. Gieschen .... 5.533
36. Kate Gavin, Golden Gate - Flash, Noel Martonovich' s ... 5.576
37. Mackenzie Jassowski, Gold Rush - Janyck, Alison Gieschen .... 5.047
38. Morgan Dabty, Topaz - Odyssey, Sylvia Son .... 5.020
39. Raven Schmidt, Cheam - Lady Mae, T. Denault .... 4.693
40. Zoe Pearl, Silver Bay - Janyck, Alison Gieschen .... 4.547
41. Merina Rainville, Mt. Eden - Vermeer, J. Ballenger .... 4.544
42. Danielle Kennedy, Mtn Wind - Lady Mae, T. Denault' s 4.367

Tasha Thorner won the Silver Women's class on Vermeer. Photo: Primo Ponies

Bronze Freestyle.

Bronze Compulsories RI - Women
1. Katrina Nibbi, Woodside - Caspar 128, Krista Mack .... 6.200
2. Andrea Kane, Pacific Coast - Cheval, P. Coutier ........ 6.046
3. Grace Robinson, Pacific Coast - Cheval, P. Coutier .... 6.024
4. Stacey Burnett, Mt. Eden - Vermeer, J. Ballenger .... 6.024
5. Alex Schaubhut, Lone Star - Sargent, N. Martonovich' s ... 6.006
6. Lauren Berger, Blue Sky - Ashlea, Wayne Beisecker 5.735
7. Jackie Lobdell, Volia - Sargent, N. Martonovich' s ... 5.925
8. Rebecca Herrera, Valley View - Odyssey, Sylvia Son 5.856
9. Alex Schaubhut, Lone Star - Sargent, N. Martonovich' s ... 5.842
11. Mia Holmes, Beau Monde, K. Flannagan' s 5.646
12. Ryan Barbee, Warm Beach - Praise, P. Skipton .... 5.634
13. Lauren Berger, Blue Sky - Ashlea, Wayne Beisecker 5.617
14. Alexandria Jaynes, Warm Beach - Prophet, P. Skipton' s 5.413
15. Ruby Robinson, Pacific Coast - Cheval, P. Coutier .... 5.379

Lorino supported Tessa Divita's winning Bronze Freestyle. Photo: Primo Ponies

Bronze Compulsories Men
1. Shawn Ricci, EquiBalance ........................................ 6.705
2. Colton Palmer, Half Moon Bay ................................ 6.469
3. Clay Thomas, Balance ............................................ 6.411
4. Gregory Helm, Great Falls ...................................... 6.234
5. Joey Gadd, Mt. Eden ............................................... 6.140

Kaleb Patterson of Warm Beach won the Bronze Men's class on Praise. Photo: Primo Ponies

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Lady Mae provided support for the winning Trot Pas de deux pair, Korynn Weber and Camille Birch of Cascade. Photo: Primo Ponies

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31. Emily Arnold, Falconwood - Bronson, L.Zielenks.3.994
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### 2009 USEF/AVA National Championships

#### Copper Compulsories - Men

| 1 | Ian Fraim, Valley View - Odyssey, Sylvia Son | 5.863 |
| 2 | Matthew Shubert, Del Sol - Sampson, Jodi Rinard | 5.501 |
| 3 | Neal Iversen, Eco Ridge - Toby, Tamea Denault | 5.475 |
| 4 | Ian Fraim, Valley View | 5.474 |

#### 1 Star Canter Compulsories

| 1 | Sarah Dunn, Woodside - Pepper Jack, J.Arntsen | 5.656 |
| 2 | Janie Salisbury, Woodside - Promise, J.Patterson | 5.650 |
| 3 | Calla Stapleton, Shea-Rose | 5.595 |
| 4 | Katharyn Tupitza, Piedmont - Ashlea, W.Beisecker | 5.572 |
| 5 | Courtney Macker, Shea-Rose - Moses, A.Gieschen | 5.361 |
| 6 | Siddharta Kreaden, Weedside - Pepper Jack, J.Armisen | 5.328 |
| 7 | Jessica Welland, Visions - Bolero, Alison Gieschen | 5.294 |
| 8 | Christine Herrmann, Woodside - Pepper Jack | 5.211 |
| 9 | Amanda Tursi, Shea-Rose - Moses, Alison Gieschen | 5.200 |
| 10 | Kimberly Pritchett, Gold Star Pacemakers | 5.196 |
| 11 | Katrina Smith, Woodside | 5.191 |
| 12 | Sarah Dunn, Woodside | 5.184 |

#### 1 Star Canter Freestyle

| 1 | Jessica Welland, Visions - Janyak, Alison Gieschen | 6.258 |
| 2 | Christine Herrmann, Woodside - Pepper Jack | 6.167 |
| 3 | Katharyn Tupitza, Piedmont - Ashlea, W.Beisecker | 6.092 |
| 4 | Janie Salisbury, Woodside - Pepper Jack, J.Armisen | 6.033 |
| 5 | Siddharta Kreaden, Weedside - Pepper Jack, J.Armisen | 5.917 |
| 6 | Calla Stapleton, Shea-Rose - Moses, A.Gieschen | 5.790 |
| 7 | Kerry Noble, Better Late - Toby, T.Denault | 5.683 |
| 8 | Kimberly Pritchett, Gold Star-Sargent, N.Martonovich | 5.633 |
| 9 | Courtney Macker, Shea-Rose - Moses, A.Gieschen | 5.472 |
| 10 | Kate Shaffer, Mt. Tabor - Ashlea, Wayne Beisecker | 5.400 |
| 11 | Irena Shaffer, Mt. Tabor - Ashlea, Wayne Beisecker | 5.384 |
| 12 | Sarah Dunn, Woodside - Pepper Jack, J.Armisen | 5.109 |
| 13 | Amanda Tursi, Shea-Rose - Moses, Alison Gieschen | 5.092 |

#### 1 Star Canter Overall

| 1 | Janie Salisbury | 5.822 |
| 2 | Jessica Welland, Visions | 5.776 |
| 3 | Katharyn Tupitza, Piedmont | 5.732 |
| 4 | Christine Herrmann, Woodside | 5.689 |
| 5 | Calla Stapleton, Shea-Rose | 5.673 |

#### Trot Compulsories - Men

| 1 | Karen Taylor, Topaz - Ben, Michael S. Strauss | 6.157 |
| 2 | Sarah Whillock, Mei-O-Dee - Ben, M. Strauss | 6.189 |
| 3 | Camille Birch, Cascade - Yellow Storm, T.Denault | 6.265 |
| 4 | Katherine Salisbury, Woodside-Pepper Jack, J.Armisen | 5.613 |
| 5 | Korynn Weber, Mt. Wind - Yellow Storm, T.Denault | 5.588 |
| 6 | Kalli Roberts, Warm Beach - Promise, J.Patterson | 5.288 |
| 7 | Cecilia Rouvillois, Timberline - Ben, M. Strauss | 5.288 |
| 8 | Melissa Cox, The Riding Academy - Ted, Sarah Hill | 5.287 |
| 9 | Deni Maddon, Mile-High - Amanda, Jodi Rinard | 5.269 |
| 10 | Lauren Horton, The Riding Academy - Ted, S.Hill | 5.207 |
| 11 | Mara Coe, Golden Gate - Sargent, N.Martonovich | 5.082 |
| 12 | Allison Yeager, Southern Stars - Scotty, L.Zielenske | 5.157 |
| 13 | Melissa Peterson, Mt. Rainier - Amidala, Jodi Rinard | 5.204 |
| 14 | Elizabeth Paliga, G Gate - Sargent, N.Martonovich | 5.075 |
| 15 | Hailey Haugen, Mt. Rainier - Amidala, Jodi Rinard | 5.063 |
| 16 | Hadley de Brine, Woodside - Pepper Jack, J.Armisen | 5.020 |
| 17 | Anna Hamrick, Del Sol - Sargent, Jodi Rinard | 4.969 |
| 18 | Giulia Croci, Mt. Eden - Pepper Jack, J.Armisen | 4.938 |
| 19 | Alexis Massey, Mt. Rainier - Amidala, Jodi Rinard | 4.813 |
| 20 | Natalie Paliga, Gold Gate - Sargent, N.Martonovich | 4.632 |

#### Trot Freestyle - Women

| 1 | Cecilia Rouvillois, Timberline - Ben, M. Strauss | 6.333 |
| 2 | Karen Taylor, Topaz - Ben, Michael S. Strauss | 6.388 |
| 3 | Sarah Whillock, Mei-O-Dee - Ben, M. Strauss | 6.550 |
| 5 | Kalli Roberts, Warm Beach - Promise, J.Patterson | 6.417 |
| 6 | Hadley de Brine, Woodside - Pepper Jack, J.Armisen | 6.384 |
| 7 | Camille Birch, Cascade - Yellow Storm, T.Denault | 6.306 |
| 8 | Katherine Salisbury, Woodside-Pepper Jack, J.Armisen | 6.050 |
| 9 | Melissa Cox, The Riding Academy - Ted, Sarah Hill | 6.267 |
| 10 | Korynn Weber, Mt. Wind - Yellow Storm, T.Denault | 6.217 |
| 11 | Melissa Peterson, Mt. Rainier - Amidala, Jodi Rinard | 6.063 |
| 12 | Allison Yeager, Southern Stars - Scotty, L.Zielenske | 5.983 |
| 13 | Tammie Benoist, Warm Beach - Promise, J.Patterson | 5.900 |
| 14 | Melissa Peterson, Mt. Rainier - Amidala, Jodi Rinard | 5.893 |
| 15 | Hailey Haugen, Mt. Rainier - Amidala, Jodi Rinard | 5.708 |
| 16 | Giulia Croci, Mt. Eden - Pepper Jack, J.Armisen | 5.650 |
| 17 | Anna Hamrick, Del Sol - Sargent, Jodi Rinard | 5.425 |
| 18 | Dena Maddon, Mile-High - Amanda, Jodi Rinard | 5.334 |
| 19 | Mara Coe, Golden Gate - Sargent, Noel Martonovich | 5.297 |
| 20 | Natalie Paliga, G Gate - Sargent, N.Martonovich | 5.242 |

#### Trot Overall - Women

| 1 | Nicholas Cox, The Riding Academy - Ted, Sarah Hill | 6.055 |
| 2 | Erich Rohrer, Blue Star - Prince, Nicole D’Auriol | 5.613 |
| 3 | Quailley Godfrey, Blue Star - Prince, Nicole D’Auriol | 5.649 |
| 4 | Zachary Hatfield, Blue Star - Prince, Nicole D’Auriol | 5.600 |
| 5 | Luke Overton, Warm Beach - Promise, J.Patterson | 5.482 |

#### Trot Freestyle - Men

| 1 | Nicholas Cox, The Riding Academy - Ted, Sarah Hill | 6.392 |
| 2 | Quailley Godfrey, Blue Star | 6.334 |
| 3 | Luke Overton, Warm Beach - Promise, J.Patterson | 6.000 |
| 4 | Erich Rohrer, Blue Star - Prince, Nicole D’Auriol | 5.859 |
| 5 | Zachary Hatfield, Blue Star - Prince, Nicole D’Auriol | 5.634 |

#### Trot Overall - Men

| 1 | Nicholas Cox, The Riding Academy | 6.040 |
| 2 | Quailley Godfrey, Blue Star | 5.920 |
| 3 | Erich Rohrer, Blue Star | 5.736 |
| 4 | Luke Overton, Warm Beach | 5.413 |

#### Preliminary Trot Compulsories - Women

| 1 | Anne Green, Mel-O-Dee - Ben, Michael S. Strauss | 5.463 |
| 2 | Molly G.Thomton, Falconwood - Scotty, L.Zielenske | 5.388 |
| 3 | Rachel Olinick, Shea-Rose - Bella, Kathy Koch | 5.313 |
| 4 | Allison Justus, Cascade - Yellow Storm, T.Denault | 5.100 |
| 5 | Heather Haugen, Mt. Rainier - Amidala, Jodi Rinard | 5.094 |
| 6 | Alisha Reynolds, Visions - Bella, Kathy Koch | 4.869 |
| 7 | Rebekah Reece, Mt. Rainier - Amidala, Jodi Rinard | 4.769 |
| 8 | Sydney Morgan, Blue Star - Prince, Nicole D’Auriol | 4.751 |
| 9 | Hannah Appleby-Wineberg, Visions - Bella, K.Koch | 4.744 |

#### Preliminary Trot Compulsories - Men

| 1 | Nicholas Cox, The Riding Academy - Ted, Sarah Hill | 6.055 |
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#### Preliminary Trot Compulsories - Women

| 1 | Mr. Eden | 5.252 |

The Preliminary 2-Phase Team division was won by Mr. Eden. **Photo: Primo Ponies**
2-Phase Events

Open 2-Phase Team Comp.
1. Mt. Rainier ........................5.856
2. Pacific Coast, Renaissance Farm, Avalon, Calif .............................5.800
3. Renaissance Farm, Avalon, Calif .............................5.559

Open 2-Phase Team Overall
1. Silver Bay ..........................7.205
2. Pacific Coast ........................7.076
3. Renaissance Farm ........................7.055

Prel. 2-Phase Team Comp.
1. Mt. Eden JAMM - Larson ..........................6.500
2. Morgan Lambert, Great Falls ..........................6.667
3. Allison Morse, Cascade ..........................5.309

Prel. 2-Phase Team Overall
1. Woodside/Mt. Eden, Pepper Jack .......................6.900
2. Woodside/Mt. Eden ..........................6.667
3. Woodside/Mt. Eden ..........................6.667

Barrel Events
Open Barrel Freestyle
2. Kyle Gehring, Visions - Belle, Kathy Koch ..........................4.558

Preliminary Trot Freestyle - Women
1. Rebekah Reece, Mt. Rainier - Amidala, Jodi Rinard ...............5.767
2. Terah Hochhauser, Mile High - Amidala, Jodi Rinard ...............5.809
3. Lisa Zielenske .............................................................5.559

Preliminary Trot Freestyle - Men
1. A V. Connect. Team XIX ..........................6.494
2. Kyle Gehring, Visions - Belle, Kathy Koch ..........................4.726
3. Cole Stevens, The Riding Academy - Todd, Hill ..........................4.469

Preliminary Trot Compulsories - Men
1. Logan Arnold, Falconwood - Scotty, Lisa Zielenske ..................4.888
2. Kyle Gehring, Visions - Belle, Kathy Koch ..........................4.726
3. Cole Stevens, The Riding Academy - Todd, Hill ..........................4.469

Preliminary Trot Compulsories - Women
1. Logan Arnold, Falconwood - Scotty, Lisa Zielenske ..................4.667
2. Kyle Gehring, Visions - Belle, Kathy Koch ..........................4.542

1 Star Trot Compulsories
1. Morgan Lang, Blue Star - Prince, Nicole D’Auriol ..................6.192
2. Kyle Gehring, Visions - Belle, Kathy Koch ..........................4.642

2009 USEF/AVA National Championships
July 9 - September 10, Lexington, Kentucky
Judge: Emma Seely (AVA r) Participating Clubs: Great Falls, Mile High, The Riding Academy

Zoe Rinarid of Mile-High placed first in the Women's Novice Walk Barrel division. Photo: Primo Ponies

Novel Walk Brik Comp. - Women
1. Zoe Rinarid, Mile-High ..........................4.600
2. Cora Laub, Great Falls ..........................2.967
3. Catherine Hill, RdgAcad ..........................2.583

Novel Walk Brik Comp. - Men
1. Alexander Cebula, GrtFls ..........................4.895
2. Coleman, Visions - Belle, A. Gieschen ..........................6.033

There are always more chores to do. Photo: Primo Ponies

Alexander Cebula won the Men’s Novice Walk Barrel division. Photo: Primo Ponies
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The Osierlea Award for presentation at the vet check was won by Pacific Coast's Poppy Coulter and Cheval.

Photo: Alex Thomas

The 2008 Volunteer of the Year award was presented to Linda Bibbler.

2009 AVA Zone Awards

Silver Jamie Wantland, Warm Beach
Copper Kiernan Hull, Ecco Ridge

ZONE 2 – Calif., Nevada, Utah, Arizona
Silver Laura Jassowski, Silver Bay
Copper Matthew Schubert, Vaulters del Sol

ZONE 3 – Colorado, New Mexico, Texas, Kansas, Oklahoma
Silver Rachel Bublitz, Golden Gate
Copper Sydney Poole, Mile High

ZONE 4 – Minnesota, Wisconsin, Iowa, Illinois, Missouri, Arkansas, Louisiana, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio, Kentucky, Tennessee, Alabama, Mississippi
This Zone did not hold three AVA recognized competitions

ZONE 5 – Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Delaware, New Jersey
This Zone did not hold 3 AVA recognized competitions

ZONE 6 – West Virginia, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida
Silver Annie Young, Shea-Rose
Copper Anna Thomas, Balance

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...... Alyssa/Katharina Woodman
Gold Men........Joy & Craig Coburn
Gold Women........Benjamin Family
(for Faronia)
Silver Men........Scott Seely
Silver Women.......Gary Podolny/Nancy Thorner
Bronze Women Benjamin Family
Copper Men........Oakes Family
Copper Women Sydney/Kelley Holly
Copper 1* Women Penny Maydak
Trot Men........Julia Cox
Trot Women.........Julia Cox
Prelim. Trot Women Kerry Noble
Open 2-Phase Team Blue Grass Vitr
Preliminary 2-Phase Team Root Farm
Trot 2-Phase Team Falconwood
Novice Adv. Walk (ParaNationals)

......in honor of Kim Dunham
Novice Walk (ParaNationals)

......in honor of Jennifer Daniels
Horse Awards Falconwood
Judges Alyssa/Katharina Woodman
Judges.........Ruth Collins
Hospitality.........Ruth Collins
Medics..........Ruth Collins
Medics..........Springfield Ranch

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Mary McCormick

I left the US and, after some delays in Philadelphia, I finally arrived in Germany four hours later than expected. I successfully retrieved my bag and booked it to the train station. I took five different trains to get to my final destination: Krumke, Germany.

The small village of Krumke is home to 170 people and one gigantic equestrian facility. Every year vaulters from around the world travel to Krumke to compete at their international vaulting event. This year there were approximately 300 people in Krumke for the vaulting event and another 500 spectators were expected over the three day competition. All the local hotels were booked and there were tents and RV’s set up all over the village. I stayed with a local family. Their beautiful three-story home was just steps from the equestrian center – very convenient!

Tjekko, the Danish horse that I competed on, passed the vet inspection on Thursday with no problem and was already in his stall for the night when I arrived. I said my hello’s, got a bite to eat and headed off to sleep. The competition began on Friday with compulsories. I was really happy with my first go. It was a clean and solid round and a great way to start off. The following day, bright and early at 8am, was the first round of freestyle. Tjekko and I were both a little nervous for this one and it showed. We didn’t have any major mistakes but it was a bit rocky throughout the routine and I ended with a really hard landing from my dismount that bruised one of my feet. All things considered (no practice and a new environment), I thought we actually did quite well just to survive the whole ordeal. I also thought that it was a good opportunity to figure out what needed to be done to be better in the second round.

The second round on Sunday was indeed better. I had a few minor bobbles but felt much more confident and in tune with Tjekko. We finished the competition in 8th place overall against some very tough competition. Go to http://neu09.voltigierportal.de/ergebnisse/index.php?c=563/377 to see overall scores and placings.

After the prize ceremony on Sunday, I left Krumke with Tjekko to make the long drive back to Denmark. We arrived home safely at about 4:30am and I proceeded to sleep soundly for the next nine hours.
### Mary in Europe

#### CVII *Krumke, CVII Aachen*

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### Mary and TJekko in Denmark

In Denmark we have been catching up on sleep, riding some lovely horses and vaulting on a few potential new horses. There are baby rabbits, goats and kittens at the farm here. I will be training almost every day and am looking forward to having some more practice time on TJekko before the next competition. I plan to take a train up to Copenhagen to watch the finals at the Danish Vaulting Championships, do a little shopping and hang out with my friends here, so it's not all hard work.

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**Oak Hills Vaulter Summer Camp**

*KyLynn James Warren*

Oak Hills Vaulter’s first ever Summer Vaulting Camp on June 17-20 was attended by 30 vaulters of all ages and skill levels. Each morning camp began with various horse chores, preparing lunch for the day, taking special notes and instructions, stretching and, of course, a lot of fun and games. Three teams of campers rotated between barrel work, horse time and dance instruction. Compulsorries on the horse and barrel were broken down into technical sections. The creativity and choreography of our freestyles were improved, expanded and perfected. Special activities included swimming, volleyball games, playing in the park and fun night games.

Evenings were spent enjoying each other’s company, roasting s’mores around the campfire, snipe hunting and playing hide-’n-go-seek throughout the stables. Special non-vaulting clinicians were brought in to emphasize the importance of horse care and barn safety. Our last few hours of camp were filled with a “dance-off” performance by each team followed by awards for the winning team. Many friendships were made and strengthened during the days and nights we together.

Our summer vaulting camp was the highlight of the summer for many of our vaulters. We hope to make this into an annual event! A special thanks to all the parents, longeurs, clinicians, and horse owners who made this a week we will all remember.

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**Medal Testing Comes to Utah**

*KyLynn James Warren*

An AVA judge has not been brought out to Utah for an AVA event since 1996 when Oak Hills first registered as a club with the AVA and hosted a medal test. Judge Kendel Edmunds recently visited the Oak Hills and Technique Vaulter’s at the Oak Hills Stables owned by MaryAnn Ford in Salem, Utah.

There was a whirlwind of activity as the vaulters performed in a full day of medal testing and a much-appreciated Q & A session with the judge. Two clubs fielded 36 athletes for Silver, Bronze, Trot medals and Novice pins. Coaches, longeurs, parents and vaulters were all very happy with the pleasant and fun atmosphere Kendel created. All vaulters passed their medals including three Bronze with honors awards, three commended awards and one silver commended award.

Oak Hills hopes to host many more AVA and USEF recognized events in the near future. Putting on a medal test was a great learning experience and practice for the club members to understand how to run a full-scale competition. The Technique club can’t wait to bring Kendel out again for another testing or competition.

Without the AVA grant we received this opportunity would not have been possible. Many thanks to the AVA Grants Committee chaired by Jan Garrod. Special thanks to Kendel for the help and encouragement and to the AVA for helping clubs learn and grow!

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**Cami Swan-Bronze Medalist, age 17:**

I have been vaulting for over eight years and had never medal tested. When my club decided to host our own medal test, I knew that it was my time to catch up. I was excited to have Kendel Edmunds come to Utah to visit our club, the Oak Hills Vaulters.

I applied for my Bronze and Trot medals and practiced my compulsory and freestyle moves for one month straight. I was more excited than nervous. Even when our canter horse Ferrari’s hocks swelled up the week of the testing, I still felt confident performing on our backup horse, Pedro, who was more pony sized. But after a lot of Sore No More and conditioning, Ferrari’s swelling had gone down by the awaited day.

I believe that I performed as well as I could have and was awarded my Bronze medal with honors in the morning, followed by my Trot medal a couple of hours later. Kendel was a great judge who had a lot of insight and vaulting knowledge to offer us.

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**Brooke Watkins-Trot Medalist and pre-canter Vaulter, age 16:**

Dedicated to our vaulting horses Ferrari and Stewart. Thank you guys for always being there for us. We love you!

**EYES OF ONE**

As we run in, step in step together now
I look back on the week and how I want to make you proud
The tension is rising, as you mount.
But once you’re on, you’ll fill the part
As one we move, around and round
The music flows through us now
As you move, upon my back,
I feel a part of you
The music stops as you dismount and the crowd stand and cheers
You give me a hug, to let me know I did my job
And that you’re proud of whom I am today
Then as we run out step in step
I look back on the week, and how I made you proud

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**Teri Watkins (Vaulting Mother):**

This year, since Nationals is located so far away in Kentucky, our club decided to focus on Medal Testing. Our family is two years new to the world of vaulting so Medal Testing was yet another adventure awaiting our discovery.

**Wow!** What a positive experience this was for all participating vaulters who walked away with smiling faces clutching their medals and pins. Medal Testing is a great way for vaulters to measure their own skills against a national standard and to receive tangible recognition. It is also a great way for beginners to gain some performance experience in a competition-less environment. Self confidence was built, friendships enjoyed and team spirit increased.

An added bonus was the knowledge and insight we received from the Judge at
our Q & A clinic. What is the best way to hold when I mount? What moves are best to incorporate into a Bronze level freestyle? What are the judges looking for as vaulters move up to the different levels? How do I increase my stand score from a 9.0 to a 10.0? Many other questions were addressed and graciously answered by Kendel. Medal Testing added a new dimension to our wonderful world of vaulting!

Jentry Cole -Trot Medalist and pre-canter vaulter, age 10:
I really enjoyed testing for my trot medal and novice canter pin because it is a chance for me to be better. I’m so glad that our horses were good and that everyone performed well and passed. Vaulting is so much fun and I can’t wait to be able to test for my Bronze medal soon and I hope to one day have my gold medal.

Jessie Ahlborn -Trot Medalist and pre-canter vaulter, age 14:
This was my first time doing medal testing. I wasn’t really sure about what to do or how I would be judged but, in the end, medal testing was a wonderful experience. I learned more about my compulsories and how to do them properly. I had a great time and happy that all my hard work paid off. I wouldn’t be where I am today if it wasn’t for my coach KyLynn Warren, my longeur Venec Reed and Melissa Dunlevy and our wonderful horses Ferrari and Stewart. The judge was also amazing. She answered all of our questions without hesitation and even gave us tips on how to do better. I am so grateful for her and all the time she put into our medal testing.

Mary Allison (vaulting mother):
The day of AVA medal testing was a really interesting day for me, the parent of a newer vaulter. Up until June of last year I had heard nothing of the sport.

I’ve seen many displays of the sport since that time and every time it has been a somewhat boisterous event with lots of loud music and really entertaining environment. Medal Test day was indeed entertaining, but in a different sort of way. Every vaulter willing to test was there – all determined to reach their next level of achievement. There were vaulters aged from four all the way to experienced adult. All were completely quiet – reverent even, to allow the judge to assess and the vaulter to concentrate. That was notable, but the spirit of support was most prevalent.

Everyone there was into each performance. Parents and family were there, mostly cheering silently from the sides as with most of their events. Another club (Technique) was also in attendance. Even they seemed right at home and genuinely seemed to care about the vaulter as well as the quality of work they had so dedicated themselves to achieve. Our judge was unbiased and very focused on fairly giving each individual every chance to succeed. She even offered a short clinic Q & A session to help vaulters gain even more from their experience.

The spirit of sportsmanship and goodwill was prominent throughout the testing. From the beginning to the presentation of medals, an uplifting feeling was experienced by everyone I spoke to. Furthermore, the professionalism that was evident in the condition of the facilities and in the little details of the program was very inspiring. I was very proud of each of our club members, coaches, and all those that helped put together the event. I am sure this added to my daughter’s sense of purpose and pride having attended this medal testing. I know it did mine!

Correction
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Please note that Katrina Nibbi won the 2007 AVA Women’s Copper Championship in Denver. Tasha Thorner was third in that class. My apologies to all parties concerned. Marianne Rose, Editor
Root Farm Annual Adaptive Vaulting Symposium

Alysha Wilson

Root Farm in Verona, New York was host to vaulters and vaulting enthusiasts from Canada, California and across New York.

An interactive weekend of vaulting and teaching fun began on a beautiful Friday morning, May 16, in a local high school. Kristen Gilot-Dowd, a New York businesswoman, is first and foremost, a mother. In front of over 30 students, faculty and several participants of the symposium, Gilot-Dowd told the story of her son Trent who was diagnosed with autism. A slide-show of photos allowed the audience to put a face to the name and see Trent as her loving little boy – in both the good times and the bad.

Renowned in the vaulting community, Rick and Virginia Hawthorne of California’s Valley View Vaulters traveled from California for the fifth consecutive year as the main clinicians for the weekend. Rick filled most of Friday and Saturday with activities enjoyed by everyone. Although the weekend seemed to end too soon, Hawthorne fit many useful lessons into his time and answered questions from all participants.

Two vaulters from Root Farm volunteered as teaching examples. All symposium participants were given the opportunity to spot and learn various techniques for boosting, teaching and getting comfortable with the vaulters and their individual needs. Jumping, playing and laughing, young vaulters included one another in games and fun barrel routines.

Equestrian entertainer J.D. Winslow of Esperance, New York attended the weekend as a guest performer. With his two immense Brabants, Winslow performed on Saturday evening to close the clinic portion of the weekend. Demonstrating Roman Riding and circus riding, Winslow wowed the crowd and gave details of the history of the Brabants.

A weekend of vaulting, barbecues, games and interacting with other vaulters was well worth the eight-hour drive. From New York to California, adaptive vaulting is beginning to receive more and more recognition as a great asset to handicapped therapy.

Thank you AVA!

MacKenzie Waro

As a new club to the AVA, we are especially pleased to be recipients of an AVA Grant. Six Dream Weaver vaulters were given the opportunity to participate in the Root Farm Symposium with clinicians Rick and Virginia Hawthorne.

A jam-packed day started with team building on the ground, and moved to perfecting the compulsory exercises. Afternoon consisted of learning freestyles. Even though the day was filled with sweat and determination, much laughter was heard. Thank you for making this day possible!
Molly Pearson

Kenny Geisler has had quite a year! In between directing a vet hospital and planning an August wedding, he has had time to become the men’s National champion for the second time in his career (his first National championship was in 2001). 28-year-old Kenny vaults at Mt. Eden in Saratoga, and is engaged to Mt. Eden A-Team vaulter, Kalyn Noah. Their wedding will be right after CVI Kentucky, and right after that is a trip to go skydiving! Here’s a look into the mind of a champion.

What do you think separates the good vaulters from the great vaulters?

Your mind. I am a sharp athlete, but the ones out there winning the competitions all the time are the ones with the sharp mind. It’s hard for me to cultivate my mind. I love the athletic side, but one reason I’m not always on top is because I never took to the mental training. But I can see now that there’s a lot of value to it. Also, you must have a lot of heart to go from silver to gold.

Who/what inspires you? What pushes you to be a better vaulter? What drives you to keep competing?

In 2004 I realized I wasn’t born to win the world championships. I just accepted that I’m a good vaulter, but my learning curve had slowed down. Right now, I enjoy where I am, but I am striving to be more flexible, and shooting for consistency. I understand what a ten is in every compulsory, and can do it sometimes. Hopefully, I can make all those times happen in a single set of compulsories.

As far as team goes, team is such a different environment. If I end up on a team for 2010, it will change my outlook and training level. Your actions affect the team and their actions affect you. I look at it this way, as silly as it might sound. I want to be Optimus Prime: highly respected, core of the team. They can function without him, but he helps bring victory to every situation. (And if you haven’t seen it, I recommend it! One of the best movies made in the past 5 years.) The point is, I’m very strong by myself, but I can be much stronger with a team and I can bring strength to my team.

Has it gotten harder as you’ve gotten older? Both physically, and with time management?

This year (2009 season) I’m feeling it a lot. With wedding prep, and work, I’m having a hard time staying in good, fit, skinny condition. At 28, I hit a switch that just makes it hard to maintain my old physique. I’ve been doing more desk type work, which means I’m not as physical anymore, so I have to make a big time point to stay in shape. I feel like I’m the most flexible I’ve ever been though. So that’s a bonus!

What is your biggest strength as a vaulter?

My athleticism, my drive and my desire.

What are the biggest sacrifices you’ve made to get to the top?

I don’t think of life in terms of sacrifices. I love vaulting so much I don’t feel like I sacrificed anything.

What are your next vaulting goals?

I would like to compete at WEG either team or individual.

Is WEG being in the U.S. an inspiration for you to try even harder to qualify?

It’s going to be a really big deal for me. One of the reasons I have been so successful in the U.S. is that I can be very relaxed here. As soon as I’m surrounded by strange coaches, tack, horses and languages, I lose it. But that won’t happen here on American turf. I’m looking forward to a stadium full of Americans cheering for me, not just cheering.

Does vaulting hold a special place in your heart because it’s a family sport?

Surprisingly not so much. My sister and I have very different approaches to vaulting and different vaulting styles. We vaulted independently of each other, mostly for geographical reasons. But I couldn’t ask for a more supportive mom. She bought horses, and lunged for me whenever I asked. I remember nights when we’d be out there with under the full moon, Goliath cantering on trust alone at 1 am.

My dad has also been supportive. He’s been to every world championship, and has ridden his bike to every Nationals, no matter how far away it is. It has become sort of our Nationals tradition now.

What are your favorite vaulting moves?

My favorite that I do is mount to handstand. But my favorite to watch is the flag. I think it’s a very beautiful exercise. I especially love Kalyn’s flag. I think she has the right conformation to make it look extra pretty.

What do you do when you’re not vaulting?

These days I work 45+ hours per week. Kalyn and I try to go to the beach about once a month, go see movies when

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Kenny began vaulting a couple of decades ago. He is shown here with his longtime partner, Goliath.

Photo: courtesy Connie Geisler

Kenny performed on Lanson 16 at the Woodside Fest. Photo: Primo Ponies

Kenny Geisler - 2009 USEF/AVA Gold Men’s National Champion

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we have time and we love walking our dogs.

Where do you work?
I’m the hospital director of Banfield (vet hospitals). I have a good time, helping the team fill in holes when necessary. So I manage that one, and they’re talking about giving me a second one to manage. It’s very exciting that they’re putting a lot of faith in me to take two hospitals in of poor shape and pull them out of the straits and into a good place. And I take a lot of pride in it.

Any words of wisdom for people trying to balance a vaulting career, and, well, a career?
Be realistic with yourself. Don’t give up being world class, just understand what that means and what you might have to give up for that. It takes lots of planning and organization.

Do other daring sports appeal to you?
I’m a crazy snowboarder. I love it, it’s a rush, it feeds my adrenaline. It allows me to really explore my own athleticism in a whole new way. There’s an artistic component to it that I enjoy and I can use a lot of my strengths on the slopes that I grew in vaulting. I also promised Kalyn that we would go skydiving after we got married.

Worst habit?
I think I know what my body is doing too often, when in reality that’s not the case. I videotape all of my practices because I have such a strong feeling inside of me that what I know exactly what I’m doing. I need to see it to realize I’m wrong. When I can see what I’m doing wrong, I can accept coaching a lot better.

Guilty pleasure?
I love food! Not just any food, I love awful food. I love dessert. I’m an ice cream guy all the way: Rocky Road is my favorite, but Mint Chip comes in close second.

You’re getting married soon! Did you two meet through vaulting?
When my best friend and teammate Todd Griffiths told me he couldn’t be on my team next year (to concentrate on his senior year at vet school), he introduced me to a replacement he had lined up. I invited Kalyn to try out and I was impressed with her right out of the gate. She had an innate ability to really make the team come together.

Was it love at first sight?
The more commitment and energy she gave to team, the more attractive she became. She kept coming to practice and we kept a professional relationship for about a year. Then things changed, and we grew into a relationship. She helped me find a much more centered universe. We’re opposites in a lot of areas, but we complement each other very well.

Are your kids going to have to compete with Isabelle’s kids to be the best in town?
Oh no contest! Our kids will have 100% vaulting blood!

Your philosophy?
I just always try to be nice to everyone. I like to help people find the silver lining to their problems. I very much want to help people achieve what they want to achieve. I will match any vaulter’s effort level. If you come up to me and say you want to fight to the top and practice seven days a week to go for the gold, I will be in the ring 7 days a week, right there beside you.

What’s the biggest lesson you’ve learned vaulting?
Any parallels between vaulting and life lessons? Oh yes! A lesson I learned from (former coach) Isabelle Parker is knowing when to admit when I’m wrong and when I’ve made a mistake. I also like to live by a song lyric I heard about five years ago. And that’s, “if my children were to make the same decisions I’m making right now, would I be proud of them?” I like to lead my life and make all my decisions by that mantra.

Let’s hope that in the years to come, Kenny can keep living by his mantra, and inspiring any vaulter who comes his way. Congratulation, Kenny!

Molly (Jo) Pearson is a recent graduate of Chapman University in Orange, CA. She majored in public relations & advertising, with an emphasis on broadcast journalism. Unable to shake her love for the vaulting world, she came back to the sport this summer to work with theAVA on communications and marketing initiatives to try and spread the magical word of vaulting. She is a former Woodside and Mt. Eden vaulter.
Ali Divita of Woodsie won the 2009 USEF/AVA Gold Women's National Championship on Giovanni and Lorino.

Photo: Primo Ponie
Molly Pearson

Woodsider Alicen (Ali) Divita has been a vaulter since she could walk. But a different kind of vaulter. She got her start in gymnastics on the ground, not on a horse. But she has found a way to make a seamless transition from one vault to the other. And all of her hard work has paid off in a big way this year.

Ali believes most that it was her attitude that got her to where she is today. She says, “You have to be willing to push yourself. You have to practice every day the way you want to compete and hold yourself to very high standards. Don’t give up on a move just because it’s hard; practice it over and over again until you get it right.” It’s that kind of stick-to-itiveness that stuck her in first place at this year’s National championships.

It hasn’t always been an easy ride. Like any vaulter, she has had to overcome several disappointments over the years (broken arms, broken horses, broken planes). But again, it’s her attitude that has helped her overcome all her obstacles.

“The challenges inspire me to be a better vaulter,” she explains “Embrace the ‘down moments.’ You have to realize that no matter how bad of a moment you are in, that, too, is going to change. Just remember your mistakes and learn from them. That’s what makes this journey of life all the more worth living.”

Ali attributes her success to her natural flexibility, her love of performing, and her coach, Isabelle Parker. The marriage of the three, she says, makes for a fun and exciting combination.

Around July, she’ll begin picking her music for the next year. When she finds something that just clicks, she can feel it in her bones and knows that’s what she wants to use. She will listen to her music over and over again, to the point where she knows every single beat by memory. Then she and Isabelle begin the choreography process of giving her routine shape, form, soul.

Her favorite vaulting moves are the ones that she’s intrinsically excited about, the ones that make her say, “Isabelle! We have to try this one! This year, it was my back extension roll. I thought, if I can do it on the ground, why can’t I do it on the horse?”

Ali is inspired by her gymnastics background and recent addiction to yoga to invent creative moves that haven’t been seen in the vaulting ring before.

“Next year, it’s gonna be this one move… I start in a lunge, and… Wait! I don’t want to give away all my secrets! You’ll just have to come watch me next year,” she says with a laugh.

She claims her working relationship with coach Isabelle Parker is so good because Isabelle is so positive and caring. “She really devotes her life to making me a vaulter and a better person.” She pauses for a moment to think of the right words. “She’s not just a coach. What’s a more personal word than mentor? Second mom?” Ali has faith that Isabelle supports her even when she’s not vaulting, and in any endeavor she finds herself doing in the future.

At some point, Ali would like to take her yoga practice to the next level and get certified to teach. She even has dreams of going to India to study different types of yoga and Eastern medicine, and return to the U.S. to combine Eastern and Western medicine for optimal health for vaulters and athletes.

For the time being, she has enough on her plate. Her training regimen is a grueling one. She wakes up at 4:30 am every day for three-hour crew practices, trains with an Olympic decathlete hopeful, practices hot yoga, runs, lifts weights, dances and still has time to vault three days per week and design her own major at UC Berkeley.

Despite all the time she dedicates to her vaulting career, she doesn’t feel like she has had to make any sacrifices. “I found a way to have fun, but I know when it’s time to hunker down and concentrate,” she says. “I monitor myself more now than
Kenny Geisler of Mt. Eden won the 2009 USEF/AVA National Gold Men's Championship on Sir James.

Photo: Primo Ponies
Alicen Divita

Alicen and her partner Lorino performed an almost flawless routine at Nationals

Embrace the ‘down moments.’ You have to realize that no matter how bad a moment you are in, that, too, is going to change.

She is more focused on being her best than she is on being the best. It’s her personal milestones and accomplishments she’s the most proud of.

She knows she will have to push herself, though. She says the quality of vaulting has increased so much in the past few years, especially when competing against the Europeans. “You can’t just be good anymore,” she explains. “You have to have a performance that’s captivating and worth watching; you have to have something special [in order to win].”

Ali says she enjoys being around the international caliber vaulters, and the competition drives her to be a better vaulter herself. When asked if the star vaulters were her role models, she gave a thoughtful pause and replied that, no, it’s not the top vaulters, but her younger sister Tessa who is her real inspiration.

“I love watching her. She’s very coachable, has a great champion attitude and just loves vaulting with all her heart. Last Nationals, I was more excited for her to get her award than I was to receive my own. It’s so cool to have her as my little sister.”

Ali goes on to say how lucky she is to have the whole rest of her family, too. Her Dad has been her silent “Zen supporter,” while her brothers incite competitions over who can get bigger muscles.

Facts at a Glance:
Born: April 30, 1989
Started vaulting: 2001
Hometown: Redwood City
Current residence: Berkeley
Club: Woodside
Major awards:
2009 National Gold Women’s Champ.
2004 National Silver Women’s Champ.
2004 National Silver High Point
2003 National Bronze Women’s Champ.
2003 National Bronze High Point
Garrod’s Spring Classic

**Trot Compulsories**
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3. Mary McCormick, Mt. Eden - Sir Anthony Van Dyck, Poppy Couuter ... 4.902
4. Katharine Wick, Woodside - Caspar, K.Poppenberg ... 4.693
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6. Shannyn Poer, Woodside - Giovanni, K.Poppenberg ... 4.550

**Gold Freestyle Ril - Women**
1. Shannyn Poer, Woodside - Sir Anthony Van Dyck, Poppy Couuter ... 8.810
2. Katharine Wick, Woodside - Lorino, Julie Divita ... 8.430
3. Shannyn Poer, Woodside - Giovanni, K.Poppenberg ... 8.430
4. Ali Divita, Woodside - Lorino, Julie Divita ... 8.370
5. Megan Lanfr, Woodside - Lorino, Julie Divita ... 8.220
6. Mary McCormick, Mt. Eden - Sir Anthony Van Dyck, Poppy Couuter ... 6.100
7. Cassandra Palmer, Half Moon Bay - Hudson, J.Keville ... 6.090
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9. Cassandra Palmer, Half Moon Bay - Hudson, J.Keville ... 6.070
10. Cassandra Palmer, Half Moon Bay - Hudson, J.Keville ... 6.060

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1. Mary McCormick, Mt. Eden - Sir Anthony Van Dyck, Poppy Couuter ... 8.457
2. Ali Divita, Woodside - Lorino, Julie Divita ... 8.046
3. Megan Lanfr, Woodside - Lorino, Julie Divita ... 8.023
4. Shannyn Poer, Woodside ... 7.999
5. Katharine Wick, Woodside ... 7.999
6. Kalyn Noah, Mt. Eden ... 7.832
7. Elizabeth Ioannou, Mt. Eden ... 7.825
8. Cassandra Palmer, Half Moon Bay ... 7.760
9. Kimberly Palmer, Half Moon Bay ... 7.748
10. Marisa Hamar ... 7.589
11. Cassandra Palmer, Half Moon Bay ... 7.582

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1. Mary McCormick, Mt. Eden ... 8.533
2. Ali Divita, Woodside ... 8.142
3. Katharine Wick, Woodside ... 8.092
4. Shannyn Poer, Woodside ... 8.089
5. Megan Lanfr, Woodside ... 8.048
6. Kalyn Noah, Mt. Eden ... 7.963
7. Elizabeth Ioannou, Mt. Eden ... 7.901
8. Cassandra Palmer, Half Moon Bay ... 7.825
9. Kimberly Palmer, Half Moon Bay ... 7.643
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**Gold Technical Test Ril - Women**
1. Mary McCormick, Mt. Eden - Sir Anthony Van Dyck, Poppy Couuter ... 8.910
2. Elizabeth Ioannou, Mt. Eden - Lansan 16, J.Ballanger ... 8.905
3. Kalyn Noah, Mt. Eden - Lansan 16, J.Ballanger ... 8.905
4. Megan Lanfr, Woodside - Lorino, Julie Divita ... 7.775
5. Cassandra Palmer, Half Moon Bay - Hudson, J.Keville ... 7.635
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7. Ali Divita, Woodside - Lorino, Julie Divita ... 7.530
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9. Kalyn Noah, Mt. Eden - Lorino, Julie Divita ... 7.365
10. Marisa Hamar - Sovira, Ingrid Hamar ... 7.270
11. Cassandra Palmer, Woodside - Charmeur, J.Divita ... 6.885
12. Cassandra Palmer, Half Moon Bay - Charmeur, J.Divita ... 6.730
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**Pas de Deux Event**
1. Christine Hermann/Tessa Divita, Woodside - Pepper, Jennifer Arntsen ... 6.350
2. Molly Gould/Theda Knauth, Woodside - Caspar, K.Poppenberg ... 5.867
3. Rachel Herrera/Rebekah M. Herrera, Valley View - Odyssey, Rick Hawthorne ... 4.333

**B Team Compulsories**
1. Woodside - Giovanni, Krista Poppenberg ... 7.320
2. Mt. Eden Eclipse Team - Sunny Boy, J.Ballanger ... 7.060

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1. Mary McCormick, Mt. Eden - Sir Anthony Van Dyck, Poppy Couuter ... 8.380
2. Cassandra Palmer, Half Moon Bay ... 8.786
3. Shannyn Poer, Woodside ... 8.786
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10. Cassandra Palmer, Half Moon Bay ... 7.582

**C Team Compulsories**
1. Mt. Eden Northern Lights - Sir James, Olivia Swain ... 5.173
2. Mt. Eden Eclipse Team - Sunny Boy, J.Ballanger ... 7.107
3. Mary McCormick, Mt. Eden - Sir Anthony Van Dyck, Poppy Couuter ... 7.107
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**Gold Rush’s Ellie Corbett competed on Tanita in the Preliminary Trot division.**

**Vaulting World**

August 2009

**Rebecca Herrera of Valley View Competed in the Bronze Division on Waldmeister.**

Photo: Primo Ponies

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**Garrod’s Spring Classic**

Rebecca Herrera of Valley View competed in the Bronze division on Waldmeister.

Photo: Primo Ponies

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**Danny Boy supported Adrian Lee’s Trot Freestyle.**

Photo: Primo Ponies
Garrod’s Fest

Patti Reschar cuts the AVA cake offered by the Circle of Friends in celebration of the AVA’s 40th Anniversary.

Tractor driving is not just for the boys. Emma Seely takes her turn at arena grooming.

Jan Garrod keeps things cool in the arena.

Photos: Primo Ponies

Falconwood Spring Fest

AVA Recognized
May 23-24, 2009
Covington, Georgia
Judge: Jennifer Williams (AVA r)
Participating Clubs: Catr Farms, Falconwood, Shea Rose, Shooting Stars, Silver Star, Southern Star
Pas de Deux Event
Trot Pas de Deux
Logan Arnold/Molly Grace
Tambourine, Falconwood...5.300

Individual Events
Gold Compulsories RI
Annalise VanVranken, SSt 8.440
Gold Technical
Annalise VanVranken, SSt 7.620
Gold Overall
Annalise VanVranken, SSt 8.000
Annalise VanVranken, SSt 8.044

Silver Compulsories RI
Amie Young, Shea Rose 6.438
Silver Freestyle RI
Amie Young, Shea Rose 6.840
Silver Compulsories RI
Amie Young, Shea Rose 5.763
Silver Freestyle RI
Amie Young, Shea Rose 7.280
Bronze Compulsories RI
Amber Nebel, Shea Rose 5.375
Bronze Freestyle RI
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Bronze Overall
Amber Nebel, Shea Rose 5.080

D-Style Canter Comp.
Courtney Mackey, ShRrose 5.175
D-Style Canter Freestyle
Courtney Mackey, ShRrose 6.883
D-Style Canter Comp.
Courtney Mackey, ShRrose 5.517

Trot Compulsories - Women
Molly Thornton,Falconwood 4.683
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Logan Arnold, Falconwood 4.350
Trot Freestyle - Men
Logan Arnold, Falconwood...4.867
Preliminary Trot Comp. (7)
Rachel Olinsky, ShRrose 4.825
Alexandria Schneider, ShRrose 4.900
Allison Yeager, SouthStar 4.238
Copper Barrel Comp. (7)
Rachel Olinsky, ShRrose 5.350
Claudia Thompson, Falconwood 5.317
Taylor Thomas, Falconwood 5.317
D-Style Trot Comp. (9)
Juliette Cain, CatFarms 5.113
Rachel Bobbitt, ShRrose 5.255
Alyssa Nelson, ShRrose 4.938

3. Nicholas Fuji, Tamb...5.633
Trot Barrel FS - Women (15)
Olivia Foccelli, WtW Tree...6.667
Tuesday Niess, Tamb...6.433
Hadley de Brine, Wdside...6.433
Trot Barrel Freestyle - Men
Aiden Lee, Mt. Eden...5.833
Pre. Trot Brl FS-Women (17)
Desiree Clark, Lompoc...6.767
Josalyn Tonge, MngStar...6.567
Phoenix Jones, Lompoc...6.253
Pre. Trot Barrel FS - Men
Anton Pettry, PacCst...5.200
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Bronze Overall
Amber Nebel, Shea Rose 5.080
Copper Compulsories
Rachel Thompson, Silver Star...5.050
Elisha Jones, Falconwood 5.050
Emily Arnold, Falconwood 4.625
Copper Freestyle
Rachel Thompson, Silver Star...5.050
Elisha Jones, Falconwood 5.050
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D-Style Trot Freestyle (9)
Alyssa Nelson, ShRrose 5.883
Rachel Bobbitt, ShRrose 5.517
Juliette Cain, CatFarms 5.457
D-Style Canter Barrell Comp.
Elisha Jones, Falconwood 6.433
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VAULTING WORLD August 2009
**Preliminary Trot Comp.**
1. Ashley Bossa, Albuquerque - 5:225
2. Riley Baker, Albuquerque - 5:365

**Preliminary Trot FS (4)**
1. Ashley Bossa, Albuquerque - 5:533
2. Riley Baker, Albuquerque - 6:200
3. Hailey Flores, Albuquerque - 6:150

**Preliminary Trot Overall**
1. Ashley Bossa, Albuquerque - 5:879
3. Hailey Flores, Albuquerque - 5:357

**Tiny Tots Nov.Walk Comp.(5)**
1. Kate Cook, Albuquerque - 4:880

**Silver Freestyle RI**
1. Alex Schaubhut, Lone Star - 6.785
2. Leah Coe, Golden Gate - 6.686
3. Hayley Hanson, Albuquerque - 6.625

**Silver Round II**
1. Ethan Coyhis, Equestarz - 6.450
2. Leah Coe, Golden Gate - 6.433
3. Malu Foley, Vaulters del Sol - 6.425

**Silver Compulsories RI**
1. Kelly Moore, Golden Gate - 6.283
2. Kate Gavin, Golden Gate - 6.275
3. Pauline Oldenburg, Golden Gate - 6.260

**Bronze Freestyle RI**
1. Alex Schaubhut, Lone Star - 6.625
2. Leah Coe, Golden Gate - 6.550
3. Hayley Hanson, Albuquerque - 6.500

**Bronze Compulsories RI**
1. Alex Schaubhut, Lone Star - 6.438
2. Leah Coe, Golden Gate - 6.375
3. Hayley Hanson, Albuquerque - 6.362

**Open Barrel Freestyle**
1. algae Bossa, Vaulters del Sol - 6.982
2. Riley Baker, Albuquerque - 6.892
3. Hailey Flores, Albuquerque - 6.882

**Barrel Events**
**Open Barrel Freestyle**
1. Alex Schaubhut, Lone Star - 6.867
2. Ashley Bossa, Albuquerque - 6.709
3. Riley Baker, Albuquerque - 6.860

**Team Freestyle**
1. Millie - Haigh - Sampson, J.Rinard - 6.720
2. Rachel Bublitz, Golden Gate - 6.700
3. Charity Hirdman, Acorn - 6.615

**Team Overall**
1. Millie - Haigh - Sampson, J.Rinard - 6.720
2. Rachel Bublitz, Golden Gate - 6.700
3. Charity Hirdman, Acorn - 6.615
Vaulting World August 2009

Silver Bay (composite of Silver Bay/Half Moon Bay/ Vauliting Visions) won the A Team class with freestyle on Hudson.  Photo: Primo Ponies
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Vaulting is a FAMILY sport.

Jill Palmer longs her horse Hudson for her son Colton.

Mike Yelavich longs his horse Hay Boog for his daughter Laura.

Photos: Primo Ponies
The Riding Academy Fun in the Sun Fest

AVA Recognized

June 7, 2009

Menifee, California

Judge: Toni Amoroso (AVA R)

Participating Clubs: Diamond Bar, Lompoc, Rockin’ L & D Ranch, The Riding Academy, Valley View, Voila

Pas de Deux Events

Preliminary Pas de Deux

1. Rachel Herrera/Rebecca Herrera, Valley View - Odyssey, Rick Hawthorne......................... 6.600
2. Lauren Horton/Melissa Cox, The Riding Academy - Ted, Sarah Hill........................................ 5.833

Trot Pas de Deux

2. Lindsey Anderson, Diamond Bar - Churchill, C. Geisler ................................................. 6.508

Silver Compulsories R I

2. Lindsey Anderson, Diamond Bar - Churchill, C. Geisler ................................................. 6.175

Silver Overall

1. Kelsey Trainor, Diamond Bar .................................................. 6.417
2. Lindsey Anderson, Diamond Bar .................................................. 6.038
3. Kelley Hecker, Diamond Bar .................................................. 5.963

Silver Freestyle R I

2. Lindsey Anderson, Diamond Bar - Churchill, C. Geisler ................................................. 5.980

Bronze Compulsories R I

1. Rebecca Herrera, Valley View - Waldmeister, Rick Hawthorne................................. 6.363
2. Jacqueline Lobdell, Voila - Reine, Nellana Lobdell ................................................. 5.988

Bronze Freestyle R I

1. Rebecca Herrera, Valley View - Odyssey, Rick Hawthorne................................. 6.800
3. Jacqueline Lobdell, Voila - Reine, Nellana Lobdell ................................................. 5.640

Bronze Round I

1. Rebecca Herrera, Valley View .................................................. 6.582
2. Jacqueline Lobdell, Voila .................................................. 5.814
3. Kelley Hecker, Diamond Bar .................................................. 5.785

Silver Compulsories R II

2. Lindsey Anderson, Diamond Bar - Churchill, C. Geisler ................................................. 6.038

Silver Overall

1. Kelsey Trainor, Diamond Bar .................................................. 6.417
2. Lindsey Anderson, Diamond Bar .................................................. 5.972
3. Kelley Hecker, Diamond Bar .................................................. 5.980

Silver Freestyle R II

2. Lindsey Anderson, Diamond Bar - Churchill, C. Geisler ................................................. 5.980

Bronze Compulsories R II

1. Rebecca Herrera, Valley View - Waldmeister, Rick Hawthorne................................. 6.363
2. Jacqueline Lobdell, Voila - Reine, Nellana Lobdell ................................................. 5.988

Bronze Freestyle R II

1. Rebecca Herrera, Valley View - Odyssey, Rick Hawthorne................................. 6.800
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Bronze Round II

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Copper Compulsories - Women

1. Rachel Herrera, Valley View - Waldmeister, Rick Hawthorne................................. 6.125
2. Sarah Wenddee, Valley View - Waldmeister, Rick Hawthorne................................. 5.513
3. Kathryn Descombes, Diamond Bar - Churchill, Connie Geisler ........................................ 5.100
5. Alexis Trojanowski, Diamond Bar - Churchill, C. Geisler ................................................. 3.900

Copper Freestyle - Women

1. Rachel Herrera, Valley View - Odyssey, Rick Hawthorne................................. 6.517
2. Sarah Wenddee, Valley View - Odyssey, Rick Hawthorne................................. 6.017
4. Chelsea Nik, Diamond Bar - Churchill, C. Geisler ................................................. 5.000
5. Alexis Trojanowski, Diamond Bar - Churchill, C. Geisler ................................................. 4.717

Copper Overall - Women

1. Rachel Herrera, Valley View .................................................. 6.321
2. Sarah Wenddee, Valley View .................................................. 5.765
3. Kathryn Descombes, Diamond Bar .................................................. 5.542
4. Chelsea Nik, Diamond Bar .................................................. 4.913
5. Alexis Trojanowski, Diamond Bar .................................................. 4.309

Copper Compulsories - Men

1. Geoffrey Woolson, Valley View - Waldmeister, Rick Hawthorne................................. 5.863
2. Ian Fraim, Valley View - Waldmeister, Rick Hawthorne................................. 5.438
3. Peter Matsumoto, Valley View - Waldmeister, Rick Hawthorne................................. 5.175

Copper Freestyle - Men

1. Geoffrey Woolson, Valley View - Odyssey, Rick Hawthorne................................. 6.200
2. Ian Fraim, Valley View - Odyssey, Rick Hawthorne................................. 6.000
3. Peter Matsumoto, Valley View - Odyssey, Rick Hawthorne................................. 5.817

Copper Overall - Men

1. Geoffrey Woolson, Valley View .................................................. 6.032
2. Ian Fraim, Valley View .................................................. 5.719
3. Peter Matsumoto, Valley View .................................................. 5.496

Copper to Right Compulsories

2. Chelsea Nik, Diamond Bar - Churchil, C. Geisler ................................................. 4.600
3. Alexis Trojanowski, Diamond Bar - Churchill, C. Geisler ................................................. 4.038

Trot Compulsories - Women

1. Melissa Cox, The Riding Academy - Ted, Sarah Hill .................................................. 5.400
2. Lauren Horton, The Riding Academy - Ted, Sarah Hill .................................................. 5.275

Trot Freestyle - Women

1. Lauren Horton, The Riding Academy - Ted, Sarah Hill .................................................. 5.483

Trot Overall - Women

1. Melissa Cox, The Riding Academy .................................................. 5.817
2. Lauren Horton, The Riding Academy .................................................. 5.804

Trot Compulsories - Men

1. Nicholas Cox, The Riding Academy - Ted, Sarah Hill .................................................. 5.175

Trot Freestyle - Men

1. Nicholas Cox, The Riding Academy - Ted, Sarah Hill .................................................. 5.175

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Mt Rainier vaulter Sadie Gusler performed her freestyle on Smokey. Photo courtesy of Diane Demorest

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Copper Freestyle - Men
1. Neal Iversen, Eco Ridge 5.983
2. Luke Overton, Warm Beach 5.400

Copper Overall - Men
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3. Allison Justus, Cascade - 5.783
4. Austin Fehr, Cascade - 5.796
5. Samantha Fehr, Sky Mtn - 5.923

Preliminary Barrel FS (16)
1. Melissa Peterson, Mt. Rainier 6.433
2. Violett Murphy, Sky Mtn - 6.293
3. Samantha Fehr, Sky Mtn 6.200

Bag. Barrel FS - Women (13)
1. Allison Justus, Cascade 5.933
2. Rachel Cathro, Cascade 5.467
3. Kaitlyn McElderry, EcoRdg 6.400

Reginer Barrel FS - Men
1. Jordan Davy, Mt. Rainier 5.200
2. Shimain Bradley, Sky Mtn 5.133
3. Jordan Davy, Mt. Rainier 5.248

1st Year Barrel FS - Women (7)
1. Karissa Swain, WrmBch 6.233
2. Kaitlyn Barbee, Mt. Rainier 5.867
3. Samantha Fehr, Sky Mtn 6.200

1st Year Barrel FS - Men
1. Ryan Barbee, WrmBch 6.233
2. Rita Murphy, Sky Mtn 6.393
3. Rachel Norton, Mt. Rainier 6.933

Shannon Class FS - Men
1. Shaman Bradley, Sky Mtn 5.267

Musical Int. Barl FS - Men
1. Ryan Barbee, WrmBch 6.800
2. Rita Murphy, Sky Mtn 6.933
3. Rachel Norton, Mt. Rainier 6.933

Musical Int. Brl FS - Men
1. Kaitlyn Barbee, WrmBch 6.740
2. Ryan Barbee, WrmBch 6.393
3. Rita Murphy, Sky Mtn 6.933
4. Rachel Norton, Mt. Rainier 6.933

Preliminary Barrel FS - Men
1. Melissa Peterson, Mt. Rainier 6.433
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Barrel Events

Advanced Doubles
1. Kimberly Barnes/Jamie Wantland, Warm Beach - 7.333
2. Leandra Essman/Anna Fowler, Above and Beyond - 7.000
3. Maleah Gallagher/Samantha Fehr, Sky Mountain - 6.367

Intermediate Doubles (5)
1. Maleah Gallagher/Samantha Fehr, Sky Mountain - 6.200
2. Melissa Peterson/Autumn Freeborn, Mt. Rainier - 6.067
3. Kari Froleich/Rita Murphy, Sky Mountain - 6.000

Family/Friends Doubles (10)
1. Ryan Barbee/Kelsee Tays, Warm Beach - 8.233
2. Kalli Roberts/Tammin Benoit, Warm Beach - 6.367
3. Camille Birch/Susannah Birch, Cascade - 6.267

Open Barrel Freestyle (4)
1. Ryan Barbee, Wrm Bch - 7.600
2. Rita Murphy, Sky Mtn - 7.000
3. Rachel Norton, Mt. Rainier - 6.933

Another Birthday cake for the AVA's 40th Anniversary.

Photo courtesy Penny Maydak
## Region IX Championships

**USEF/AVA Recognitions**

### June 27-28, 2009

#### Logan Township, New Jersey

**Judges:** Adrienne Stang (AVA O), Craig Coburn (AVA O)

**Participants Club:** Balance, Blue Star, Blue Sky, Cedar Lodge, EquiBalance, Great Falls, Image, Mt. Tabor, New England Lodge, Country Style, Horse Haven, Valkyries, Piedmont, Renaissance Farm, Root Farm, Shea-Rose, Spirit Creek, Topaz, Vaulting Visikeys, Willi

### Team Events

**C Team Compulsories**

1. Balance the Illuminati - Beau Monde, K.Flannagan 5.190
2. Clay Thomas
3. Audrey Wikins
4. Courtney Hurt
5. Holly Carney
6. Molly Haskopan
7. Anna Thomas

**C Team Freestyle**

1. Balance the Illuminati - Beau Monde, K.Flannagan 5.840
2. Clay Thomas
3. Audrey Wikins
4. Courtney Hurt
5. Holly Carney
6. Molly Haskopan
7. Anna Thomas

**C Team Overall**

1. Balance the Illuminati 5.515
2. Clay Thomas
3. Audrey Wikins
4. Courtney Hurt
5. Holly Carney
6. Molly Haskopan
7. Anna Thomas

**Modified C Team Compulsories**

1. Vaulting Vision 5.323
2. Modified C Team Freestyle
3. Vaulting Vision 6.380
4. Modified C Team Overall 5.852
5. Topaz 5.497
6. Modified Trot Team Compulsories
7. Topaz 6.020
8. Modified Trot Team Freestyle
9. Topaz 7.569
10. Trot D-Style Team Compulsories
11. Great Falls 4.263

**Pas de Deux Events**

**Open Pas de Deux**

1. Elizabeth Brigham/Anna Thomas, Great Falls - Pets, Jennifer Williams 7.183
2. Open Canter Pas de Deux (Walk)
4. Trot Pas de Deux (Walk)
5. Lisa Cebula/Elizabeth Brigham, Silver Freestyle 5.517

**Individual Events**

**Gold Compulsories RI**

1. Elizabeth Brigham, Great Falls - Pets, Jennifer Williams 7.980
2. Alissa Feudo, Great Falls - Pets, Jennifer Williams 7.583
3. Ling Beisecker, Mt. Tabor - Ashlea, W.Beisecker 7.626
4. Katie Gieschen, Blue Sky - Grieschen, Denver 7.165
5. Silver Freestyle RI

1. Elizabeth Brigham, Great Falls 7.534
2. Alissa Feudo, Great Falls 7.217
3. Katie Gieschen, Vaulting Visions 7.203
4. Ling Beisecker, Mt. Tabor 7.023
5. Gold Technical Test RI

1. Katie Gieschen, Vaulting Visions - Janeyck, A.Gieschen 7.440
2. Ling Beisecker, Mt. Tabor - Ashlee, W.Beisecker 7.930
3. Alissa Feudo, Great Falls - Pets, Jennifer Williams 7.140
4. Elizabeth Brigham, Great Falls - Pets, Jennifer Williams 7.550
5. Gold Overall

1. Katie Gieschen, Vaulting Visions 7.685
2. Alissa Feudo, Great Falls 7.085
3. Ling Beisecker, Mt. Tabor 6.870
4. Elizabeth Brigham, Great Falls 6.295
5. Silver Compulsories RI - Women

1. Stephanie Harris, Image - Pete, Jennifer Williams 6.169
2. Annie Young, Shea-Rose - Moses, Alison Gieschen 6.588
3. Lucie Jacobson, Image - Pete, Jennifer Williams 6.538
5. Monica Elliott, Ren. Farm - Olano, P.Fleurant 5.913
6. Breanne Griffin, Ren. Farm - Olano, Pam Fleuran 5.762
7. Courtney Hurt, Balance - Janeyck, Alison Gieschen 5.457
8. Lucy Jacobson, Image - Pete, Jennifer Williams 5.231
9. Alissa Feudo, Great Falls - Pets, Jennifer Williams 5.170
10. Ling Beisecker, Mount Tabor - Ashlee, W. Beisecker 5.320
11. Silver Freestyle RI - Women

1. Stephanie Harris, Image - Pete, Jennifer Williams 7.980
2. Lucy Jacobson, Image - Pete, Jennifer Williams 7.740
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5. Silver Compulsories II - Women

1. Stephanie Harris, Image - Pete, Jennifer Williams 6.713
2. Lucy Jacobson, Image - Pete, Jennifer Williams 6.563
3. Annie Young, Shea-Rose - Moses, Alison Gieschen 6.551
5. Monica Elliott, Ren. Farm - Avonal, P.Fleurant 6.360
7. Courtney Hurt, Balance - Janeyck, Alison Gieschen 6.119
8. Breanne Griffin, Ren. Farm - Avonal, P.Fleuran 5.940
9. Silver Round I - Women

1. Annie Young, Shea-Rose 7.139
2. Stephanie Harris, Image 7.055
3. Lucie Jacobson, Image 6.984
4. Kristy Nicolli, Renaissance Farm 6.239
5. Monica Elliott, Renaissance Farm 6.137
6. Breanne Griffin, Renaissance Farm 6.536
7. Silver Compulsories II - Women

1. Stephanie Harris, Image - Pete, Jennifer Williams 6.713
2. Lucy Jacobson, Image - Pete, Jennifer Williams 5.903
3. Alissa Feudo, Great Falls - Pets, Jennifer Williams 6.140
4. Elizabeth Brigham, Great Falls - Pets, Jennifer Williams 6.550
5. Silver Freestyle II

1. Stephanie Harris, Image - Pete, Jennifer Williams 7.860
2. Lucy Jacobson, Image - Pete, Jennifer Williams 7.580
3. Alissa Feudo, Great Falls - Pets, Jennifer Williams 7.180
4. Elizabeth Brigham, Great Falls 6.980
5. Silver Round II - Women

1. Stephanie Harris, Image - Pete, Jennifer Williams 7.212
2. Annie Young, Shea-Rose 7.091
3. Lucy Jacobson, Image 6.807
4. Kristy Nicolli, Renaissance Farm 6.440
5. Courtney Hurt, Balance 6.299

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6. Monica Elliott, Renaissance Farm ................................. 6.103
7. Breanne Griffin, Renaissance Farm ................................. 5.935

#### Silver Overall - Women

1. Stephanie Harris, Image ........................................... 7.134
2. Annie Yoo, Shelly Farm ............................................ 7.115
3. Lucie Jacobison, Image ............................................ 6.896
4. Kristy Nico, Renaissance Farm .................................... 6.840
5. Monica Elliott, Renaissance Farm ................................. 6.120
6. Courtney Hurt, Balance ........................................... 5.989
7. Breanne Griffin, Renaissance Farm ................................. 5.786

#### Silver Compulsories Ri - Men

1. Shawn Rici, equiBalance - Olano, Pam Fleurant .............. 6.557
2. Clay Thomas, Balance - Bolero, Alison Gieschen ......... 6.307
3. Gregory Helm, Great Falls - Pete, Jennifer Williams ....... 6.260
4. Shawn Rici, equiBalance - Avalon, Pam Fleurant ......... 5.790

#### Silver Round I - Men

1. Clay Thomas, Balance ............................................ 6.713
2. Gregory Helm, Great Falls ....................................... 6.464

#### Silver Overall - Men

1. Clay Thomas, Balance ............................................ 6.646
2. Gregory Helm, Great Falls ....................................... 6.482
3. Shawn Rici, equiBalance .......................................... 6.280

### Vaulting in Vegas II

**Connie Geisler**

Yes, ladies, gentlemen and vaulters of all ages – vaulting in Las Vegas is back for a second year.

Our first competition in November of 2008 was a great success. It was held at Horseman’s Park, a fully equipped equestrian center that seems designed to hold great vaulting competitions. The fact that it is just minutes from the Las Vegas Strip doesn’t hurt either.

We had nine vaulting clubs from all over the West come together for this first competition. Needless to say there was no shortage of standing tall stands, flying high scissors or fantastic full flanks. There were also a lot of first time competition jitters from many of the newer vaulters who had never performed or competed in front of a judge.

One of the highlights of the two-day event was the Gambler’s Choice program. Vaulters were paired up with vaulters from other clubs to create a routine that will be performed and judged on the barrel later in the day.

Mark these dates for Vaulting in Vegas II on Saturday and Sunday, November 7 and 8. AVA competitions will be held on Saturday starting at 1:00 pm and USEF competitions will be held on Sunday starting at 9:00 am. On Saturday lunch and dinner will be available for purchase. Yes, dinner. We will be vaulting under the lights on Saturday. On Sunday lunch will be available for purchase.

We are working to make this a premier showcase of vaulting talent and would be very happy to have you and your club join us in November.
CALENDAR OF VAULTING EVENTS

2009

Sep 13-14 Great Falls/Topaz Fall Fest, Herndon, VA. Contact Jennifer Williams: williams@ontologyworks.com

Sep 13-14 Brookwood Autumn Fest, Hillsboro, OR. Contact Suzanne Detol: sdetol@aol.com

Oct 3-4 CVI**, Sao Paolo, Brazil. Contact Pam Lane: plane@usef.org

Oct 3-4 Harbor View Oktoberfest, Auburn, WA. Contact Lori Robison: elrobison@narrows.com

Oct 4 Morning Star/Willow Tree Harvest Fest, Novato, CA. Contact Carolyn Conner: carolyn.conner@verizon.net

Oct 7-11 CVI** Salzburg, Austria. Contact Pam Lane: plane@usef.org

Oct 8-11 CHA International Conference, Fort Collins, CO. Contact Christy Landwehr: clandwehr@cha-ahse.org

Oct 10-11 Region IV Oktoberfest, Castle Rock, CO. Contact Noel Martonovich: nmartonov@aol.com

Oct 15-18 CVI** Kiel, Germany. Contact Pam Lane: plane@usef.org

Oct 25 Mt. Eden’s Halloween Fest, Saratoga, CA. Contact Marianne Rose: marianne_rose@worldnet.att.net

Nov 7 (7-11am PST) AVA Board Conference Call Meeting. Contact Robin Bowman: thebowmans4@msn.com

Nov 7-8 Region I Championships - Vaulting in Vegas, Las Vegas, Nevada. Contact Connie Geisler: connie_geisler@hotmail.com

2010

Jan 21-24 CVI** Leipzig, Germany. Contact Pam Lane: plane@usef.org

March 4-7, 2010 AVA Annual Meeting, Portland, OR. Contact Penny Maydak: pajamas14@hotmail.com

Apr 2-4 CVI**, Saumur, France. Contact Pam Lane: plane@usef.org

Apr 2-4 CVI**, Pratoni del Vivaro, Italy. Contact Pam Lane: plane@usef.org

May 14-16 CVI**, Stadl Pura, Austria. Contact Pam Lane: plane@usef.org

May 15-16 Garrod’s Spring Classic, Saratoga, CA. Contact Marianne Rose: marianne_rose@worldnet.att.net

May 21-24 CVI**, Wiesbaden, Germany. Contact Pam Lane: plane@usef.org

Jun 25-27 CVI**, Krumke, Germany. Contact Pam Lane: plane@usef.org

Jul 9-11 CVI**, Aachen, Germany. Contact Pam Lane: plane@usef.org

Jul 29-Aug 1 USEF/AVA National Champs, Santa Barbara, CA. Contact Linda Bibbler: lbibbler@gmail.com

Sep 25-Aug 10 WEG Lexington, KY. Contact Pam Lane: plane@usef.org

Oct 14-17 CVI**, Salzburg, Austria. Contact Pam Lane: plane@usef.org

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