

JUNIOR RIDER DIVISION

Junior Club Kickoff

By Colleen Blackwelder

The first Junior Club information meeting was enthusiastically attended by more than 40 parents and youth on Saturday, August 20.

Kris Daniel and Ruth Babcock hosted the event at Briar Creek Stables in Louisburg. Parents and prospective club advisors sat in the shade, on this warm day, while details about NCDCTA Junior Club were discussed. Youth were entertained with activities spaced out around the arena in a festival type atmosphere with treats and prizes. Stick horse races over jumps, lassoing hay bale horses, and a braiding station where youth could braid a bracelet to keep, were just a few of the fun activities enjoyed by over 20 children ranging in age from 5-17.

The reason for organizing a Junior Club is to support youth that have an interest in the equestrian world. The motivations for youth to join are numerous. An excellent example comes from one mother of a teenager to another saying, "my daughter has had a hard time finding friends that share her interest in horses, this club could be just what she needs".

The potential for this club to be a great organization for our youth is there. It just needs your help. Please go to www.ncdcta.com and check out the Junior Club. Another information meeting is scheduled for October 22 at Briar Creek Stables. Contact Kris Daniel at kris_daniel@briarcreekstables.net or NCDCTAJuniorClub@yahoo.com with any questions.



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It is Time to Start!!!!!!



It is time to start our junior chapters. Please take a look at the list below to see where there is a chapter in your area. Juniors if there is not a chapter in your area find a willing adult to start a chapter. Remember to participate in a chapter just become a member of NCDCTA. A big thank you goes out to these wonderful adults who will be donating their time to helping our juniors.

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