



Texas Trail Challenge Club Newsletter

March/April 2025

DO YOU RIDE LIKE A JUDGE IS WATCHING?

Have you gotten a little complacent when you ride? It can be a big mistake when you are working with an animal that usually weighs over a thousand pounds and has much quicker responses than a human.

I try to ride the same way every time, whether it is a 30-minute ride in the pasture, or a five-hour judged trail ride. The skills we have learned and the tools that are required for competitive trail are important. During competition we are required to have a halter, lead rope, knife, hoof pick, and trail map. I have found EVERY one of these items to be useful and now I carry them EVERY time I ride. I add a charged phone, water, and a saddle bag packed with a few extras.

In addition to these tools, there are many skills that my horse and I have learned. I remember when I first started as a Tenderfoot and I approached a side pass obstacle. I would tell the judge that we would try but neither I, nor my horse, had ever side passed. Well, we learned, took some lessons, attended clinics, and practiced. The relationship between myself and my horse grew, and we improved!

Finally, we have ridden a lot of miles. We have practiced in many different circumstances, varied terrain, by ourselves or in a group, in the arena, on the trail, down the street, at night, and in all kinds of weather. The point is not to win a blue ribbon, although that is fun, but to become a confident horse and rider team. And to develop the trust between horse and rider that comes from lots of riding in many situations.

Happy Trails,

Jean Wilson

UPCOMING EVENTS

March 1 - Youth Clinic at PHR

March 2 - Adult Clinic at PHR

March 8-9 - High Tail It
Lazy F, Smiley

April 12-13 - The Great Train Robbery
Six O Ranch, Cleburne
SPRING GENERAL MEETING
Friday after Ride Meeting

April 26-27 - Cat Spring Fling
7IL Ranch, Cat Spring

Texas Trail Challenge Club Celebration January 2025

Volunteers

- Barney Cash – 4 Day
- Kim Gehring – 4 Days
- Emily Gehring – 4 Days
- Ginny Mayfield – 4 Days
- Annaliese Scoggins – 4 Days
- Susie Jernigan – 6 Days
- Bill Thurlow – 8 Days
- Scott Cowey – 8 Days
- John Standridge – 9 Days
- Carla Chandler – 10 Days

10 Day Pins

- Carla Chandler
- James Corgill
- Barney Cash
- Scott Butcher
- Susie Jernigan
- Nancy Kilgore
- John Standridge

Volunteer of the Year – Bill Phillips



Sponsors

- David & Carol Warren – Mobile Equine Sports Medicine and Dental Services
- Tom & Leah Lynch – Our Friends Campground
- Greg Dial – The Gentle Rein

- Jamie Zoch – Compass Conversions
- Donnie Eaton & Carin Bauer – Bugs Unlimited Pest Control
- Mark & LeeAnn Boore – Slice of Heaven Farms
- Jim Miller & Kim Gehring
- Mark & MaryAnn Brandon – Iron Rock Ranch
- Scott Butcher – Scott Butcher Photography
- Barbara Knight – Knight Arabians
- Robert & Susie Jernigan – Crazy 8 Ranch
- Cheryl May – Pulse-May-Tion LLC
- Shirley Tarillion – T² Financial Solutions
- Barney & Becky Cash – Cash Corral Pet Care & Handyman Services
- Kate Love Hollar – On Trail Clinics
- Candace Smith – Preferred Painting

Committee Members

- Kit Shadrock – Webmaster
- Rhonda Fryer – Photographer
- Scott Butcher – Photographer
- Mary Ann Brandon & Katherine Mason – Directory
- Shirley Tarrillion – Celebration Decorations
- James Corgill – Patch Design
- Becky Cash & Jaxson Monroe – Raffle
- Lee Ann Boore– Year End Awards
- Shelley Hilton – Ribbons
- Jean Wilson & Ginny Mayfield – Newsletter
- Jean Brandau – Ride Tribe
- Alex McStay – Youth Involvement/Clinics

TTCC Secretaries 2024

- Tiffany Janke
- Kit Shadrock
- Rhonda Fryer
- Nancy Fenimore
- Leah Lynch
- Marcy Stellfox
- Sharon Price
- Cathy Schulze
- Becky Cash
- Pat Baring
- Kim Gehring
- Shelley Hilton

Ride Managers & Judges

- Kate Love Hollar - RM & J
- Nancy Williams- RM & J
- Shelley Hilton - RM
- Teresa Corgill - RM & J
- Karen Pantel - RM & J
- Devin Pantel - RM
- Suzy Tielke - RM
- Nancy Fenimore - RM & J
- Kelly Beard - RM & J
- Ginny Mayfield - RM
- LeeAnn Boore - RM
- Jim Miller - RM
- Leah Lynch - RM
- Greg Dial - RM & J
- Ilene Cooper - RM
- Tiffany Janke - RM & J
- Laurie Oehlerking – J
- Annette Thurlow - RM & J
- Bill Thurlow - RM
- Ann Stacy - RM & J
- Kris Maley - RM
- Tracee Casarez – J
- Mary Ann Brandon – RM & J
- Connie Standridge - RM
- Lissa Rabon - J
- Mellissa Neal - J
- Sybil Eagan - J
- Carol Warren - J
- Jerilyn Stanka - J
- Jean Wilson - J
- Cheryl May - J
- Doanna Daniel - J

Buckle Series

- Tenderfoot – James Corgill & Journey
- Maverick – Katherine Mason & Delilah
- Horseman – Mary Ann Brandon & Nikon
- Wild Card – Laura McLean & Vanna



Ride Tribe

Debra Sannwaldt

- Winter Wonderland – Silver
- Spring Fling – Bronze
- Summer Swelter – Bronze
- Fall Frolic – Bronze

Carin Bauer

- Winter Wonderland – Silver
- Summer Swelter – Gold
- Fall Frolic – Bronze

Cheryl Sofaly

- Winter Wonderland – Gold
- Spring Fling – Silver
- Summer Swelter – Gold
- Fall Frolic – Silver

Kris Ritter

- Winter Wonderland – Silver
- Winter Wonderland – Gold

Mary Marczak

- Spring Fling – Silver
- Summer Swelter – Gold
- Fall Frolic – Silver

Alex McStay

- Winter Wonderland – Bronze

Marta Covington

- Winter Wonderland – Silver

Pricilla Butcher

- Spring Fling – Bronze
- Summer Swelter – Bronze

Marilyn Dardenne

- Fall Frolic – Bronze

Jean Wilson

- Fall Frolic – Bronze

Debra Salmon

- Fall Frolic - Bronze

Century Award

Rider & Horse ages equal 100 years combined:

Nancy Fenimore & Dulce

Tom Walker & Peaches

Connie Meredith & Negro Veneziano



Mileage Awards

100 Miles

- Teresa Moore
- Christina Martin
- Sara McMillan
- Connie Meredith
- Tashia Ellington
- Dennis Ellington
- Jaxson Monroe
- Debbie Sannwaldt
- Lisa Brand
- Keenia Cowey
- Megan Perry
- Denise Southerly
- Karla Gilbert
- Linda Ellis
- Kim Hudspeth
- Deborah Moody
- Mary Collins
- Halle Beard
- Mary Johnson
- James Corgill
- Bill Thurlow

250 Miles

- Kris Ritter
- Krystal Bunch
- Keenia Cowey
- Tom Blackmon
- Cheryl Sofaly
- James Corgill
- Vicki Van Steyn
- Carin Bauer
- Kerri April
- Marilyn Dardenne

500 Miles

- Vivian Johnson
- Connie Standridge
- Laura McLean
- Tooter Smith
- Teresa Ingram

- Priscilla Butcher
- Annette Thurlow
- Tiffany Janke
- Tom Walker

750 Miles

- Katherine Mason
- Lynanne Plumlee

1000 Miles

- Carolyn Mikeska
- Teresa Corgill
- Becky Cash



Iron Riders



First Time Iron Riders

- Kelly Beard
- Marilyn Darden
- James Corgill
- Keenia Cowey
- Vivian Johnson
- Carolyn Mikeska
- Vicky Van Steyn

Second Time Iron Riders

- Krystal Bunch
- Becky Cash
- Teresa Corgill
- Susie Jernigan
- Lynanne Plumlee

Third Time Iron Riders

- Connie Standridge
- Katherine Mason

Tenderfoot Awards

Junior –

1st- Jaxson Monroe & Blue Bell

Adult –

6th – Megan Smart & Dakota/Bandit

5th – Krystal Bunch & Sunny/Rooster

4th – Christina Martin & Champ

3rd – Keenia Cowey & MisTe

2nd – James Corgill & Journey

1st – Carin Bauer & Arti

Senior

5th – Kella Staller & Piper

4th – Sara McMillan & Dobie

3rd – Connie Meredith & Negro Veneziano

2nd – Teresa Ingram & Lady

1st – Linda Ellis & Rico/Mo



Maverick Awards

Adult –

- 4th – Lee Ann Boore & Scoobs
- 3rd – Kris Ritter & Tango/Creek
- 2nd – Annaliese Scoggin & Winchester
- 1st – Katherine Mason & Delilah



Senior –

- 6th – Leah Lynch & Stella
- 5th – Marilyn Dardenne & Ranger
- 4th – Susie Jernigan & Heaen
- 3rd – Barbara Knight & Shakar/Princess
- 2nd – Priscilla Butcher & Salem
- 1st – Tooter Smith & Fly



Horseman Awards

Adult –

- 4th – Cheryl Sofaly & Cass
- 3rd – Vicki Van Steyn & Pippa
- 2nd – Mary Marczak & Ellie
- 1st – Lynane Plumlee & Fritz/Cookie



Senior –

- 6th – Kerri April & Peppy/Nelly
- 5th – Tom Blackmon & Edd
- 4th – Kelly Beard & Little Joe
- 3rd – Vivian Johnson & Tobijah
- 2nd – Connie Standridge & Annie
- 1st – Becky Cash & Skipper



Wrangler Awards

Wranglers – Experienced riders & their Mounts
with under 18 months of ride time

2nd Place – Annette Thurlow & Paonia

1st Place – Mary Ann Brandon & Nikon



Champions & High Points

Tenderfoot:

Reserve High Point – Carin Bauer & Arti

High Point – Keenia Cowey & MissTe

Maverick:

Reserve High Point – Tooter Smith & Fly

High Point – Katherin Mason & Delilah

Horseman:

Reserve Champion – Mary Ann Brandon & Nikon

Champion – Becky Cash & Skipper



Horse Awards

Overall Green Partner (less than 18 months under saddle)

Nikon ridden by Mary Ann Brandon

Honorable Mention Green Partner

- Horseman – Paonia ridden by Annette Thurlow
- Maverick – Tango ridden by Kris Ritter





Photo by Scott Butcher

We would like to recognize "Cookie", ridden by Lynane Plumlee, as Honorable Mention Green Horse for the Horseman division for 2024! Cookie was mistakenly classified under the "Working" horse category when year-end scores were tabulated. Therefore, her scores were not reflected in the Green horse category. Our apologies to Cookie and Lynane for this oversight. We all know what a fantastic horse Cookie is and want to congratulate her on such an awesome accomplishment.

Overall High Point Working Partner (3-12 Years of Age)

Annie ridden by Connie Standridge

Honorable Mention Working Partner

- Horseman – Pippa ridden by Vicki Van Steyn
- Maverick – Fly ridden by Tooter Smith
- Tenderfoot – Arti ridden by Carin Bauer



Overall High Point Seasoned Partner (13+ Years of Age)

Skipper ridden by Becky Cash

Honorable Mention Working Partner

- Horseman – Tobijah ridden by Vivian Johnson
- Maverick – Delilah ridden by Katherine Mason
- Tenderfoot – Bluebell ridden by Jaxson Monroe



Most Improved Riders

- Sandra Ladd Tenderfoot Award – Linda Ellis
- Jennifer Severson Maverick Award– Barbara Knight



CELEBRATION SILENT AUCTION

The Silent Auction at Celebration was a huge success! Bidders were keeping their eye on their favorite pieces and trying to up the ante as other people signed the bid sheets. Artwork included a trio of vibrant horse paintings, Carolyn Mikeska's gorgeous, handcrafted pottery, a photo of a cowgirl relaxing in a water trough, a wall plaque with running mountain horses, and a



colorful cowgirl. Textile offerings included a dramatic framed horse cross stitched by Lynane Plumlee, a beautiful handmade horse quilt by Raylene Welch, two horse wall hangings, and a quilt made from TTCC T-shirts donated by Sybil Eagen. Western wearables included a leather and sterling silver bit bracelet, an equisafety vest, a handmade knife with leather sheath, and a beautiful Mary Frances beaded horse purse. There was a basket of Slice of Heaven Farm products including loofa, jellies, soaps, and body butter, a dog bed filled with treats and toys, a sunflower pail with Mary Kay products, and a set of serape print tack items. Mary Marczak offered a veterinary visit with exam and acupuncture. Scott Butcher donated several lovely photograph packages in the bidder's choice of black and white or color.

Silent Auction donors included Teresa Corgill, Rhonda Fryar, Lynane Plumlee, Scott Butcher, Sybil Eagen, Raylene Welch, Mary Marczak, Linda Ellis, Marilyn Blackmon, Evelyn O'Hara, Marta Covington, Tiffany Janke, Annette Thurlow, Lee Ann Boore, and Barney and Becky Cash. We are so very grateful to these donors and to the club members who bid on these items! Two thousand six hundred dollars was raised at Celebration from the Silent Auction and sale of the table decorations. Thank you all so very much!



TRAINING TIPS by Greg Dial

"The Power of Three" (No math involved)

Is this you at a lesson?

Coach: "What do you want to work on today?"

Rider: "Everything"

It's easy to get caught up in trying to train everything at once. But for many riders, "3" seems to be the sweet spot. For instance:

- Break down a maneuver into its three smallest parts and work those
- Find a three-beat rhythm to execute a movement
- Hold a cue for a count of three before adding pressure

- Determine what three skill sets need your greatest attention
- Look for three takeaways from a clinic session or a lesson
- Execute a newly-learned skill three times to cement the muscle memory
- Plan three areas to concentrate on when you practice
- Try to find three gears within any given gait
- Have three clear levels of pressure to escalate a cue

...and there are many more.

Examples:

- Break down a rollback--1) Stop; 2) Turnaround; 3) Lope departure. Then break each element down into threes again.
- Rhythm for a sidepass--Cue-step-step (waltz time)
- Cue escalation--Ask, Tell, Command
- Cue pressure timing--hold for a count of 3 at each level
- Gait gears--Working, Extended, Engaged
- Skill sets--As mentioned last time, evaluate your three lowest scoring obstacles from a given ride and concentrate your efforts on those

For some reason, three seems to make sense to most horses, and three is usually what we can remember later. It's also an easy "waltzing" rhythm that swings along and can help carry you through more complex maneuvers. And if you count out loud, it'll help you remember to breathe!

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We had a Senior Judge's meeting the day after Celebration, and distributed updated manuals. There's not really anything that came from that meeting of interest to the general membership, except that we're addressing safety concerns for our obstacle categories.

NEW COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

Lynane Plumlee has volunteered to plan decorations for Celebration next year. Bambi Cross Lang, Connie Standridge, and Keenia Cowey will be on the committee as well. Thank you Shirley Tarrillion for creating decorations the past two years. Juli Steele will be offering raffle tickets for donated items at our rides. Thank you Becky Cash and Jaxson Monroe for working the raffles for 2024.

James Corgill designed the beautiful patch for 2025 which you received when you paid your membership. He has already planned the patch for 2026.

NEW COMMITTEE TO REVIEW BY-LAWS

The Board of Directors chose Scott Butcher, Charles Maley, Melissa Neal, Connie Standridge, Lynane Plumlee, and Haley Altomare for the new committee to review the club By-Laws. President Carin Bauer-Eaton is chairman of the committee, and their first meeting was held Saturday, February 22, 2025 in Killeen. Some of the items that the committee will discuss include adding our 501 status to the by-laws, elections process, discipline, and grievances. Thank you everyone for your hard work in updating our by-laws!



BUCKLE SERIES

Rocky Road, February 15 & 16, Killeen
The Great Train Robbery, April 12 & 13, Cleburne
Buffalo Ramble, September 20 & 21, Abilene
Wyatt Wanderer, October 25 & 26, Glen Rose



GETTING TO KNOW YOU--- Jackie Bonner

Hello, I'm Jackie Jo Bonner from Fairfield, TX, I married Frank Bonner two years ago. We are now are a family with six children and ten grandchildren! We own Bonner Ranch in Bonnerville.

Growing up on a farm, I was immersed in horses and cattle until I was eight. My passion for horses only grew stronger as I participated in trail rides, parades, playdays, horse shows, 4-H, youth rodeos and open rodeos throughout high school. As an adult, I continued competing in open rodeos and became a



member of the Texas Pro Rodeo Association. I've had the privilege of owning several quarter horses, I was big in breeding, raising, and training my own horses. I raised colts, mares, geldings, and studs. My love for horses has been a cherished legacy to share with my three daughters and now my grandchildren.

This year, I've had the joy of riding with TTCC, thanks to Jean Wilson and Connie Standridge for introducing me to this club. I highly recommend joining this incredible club! Everyone feels like family, offering a supportive environment to learn and grow. My favorite memory this year in TTCC was overcoming the fear of riding my three-year-old horse at Hog Wild, after being bucked off just two days prior. I summoned my courage, cowgirl'd up and completed every obstacle, feeling empowered! Yep! I finished dead last. I did not care, it was a



weekend I will forever remember. My standout TTCC memory was pushing past fear to ride and finish strong!

Today, I cherish relaxing rides in the woods with friends, and challenging obstacles. Also riding with my grand kids and watching my grandkids ride.

My favorite horse riding quote comes from John Wayne, "Courage is being Scared to Death and Saddling up anyway."

Thank you,

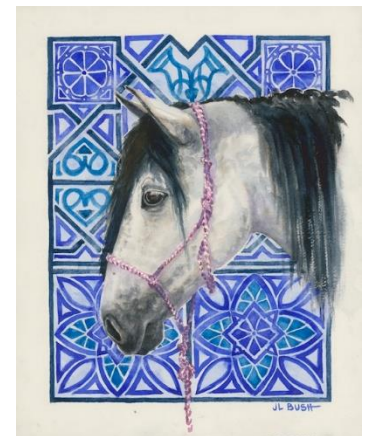
Jackie Bonner

GETTING TO KNOW YOU--- Jeanette Bush



Horses have been a part of my world in one form or another since I was a small child. Not only did I dream about horses, but I drew them constantly. From riding Shetland ponies in the summer with my elementary school friends in North Carolina to owning my first horse in 1963, Skipper Kee, an AQHA buttermilk buckskin mare to riding to win several PHBA world championships on Goldvested, an AQHA, PHBA palomino gelding to trail riding with TTCC in Texas on my current AQHA grullo gelding, Big, horses are a woven thread of my life. My professional art is centered on horse images.

Along with my daughter, Rebecca, we have thoroughly enjoyed our time and experience with TTCC. Having been members for two and a half years, we have learned to appreciate their support, guidance and mutual love of horses. TTCC created opportunities to spend time in the saddle while we negotiated challenging obstacles and winding trails. The judges' thorough, but considerate scores and comments at the end of the day helped relive the moment and reflect on improvement. Our favorite locations have been Parrie Haynes and 7IL Ranch, which is located next door. Even though we did not know many members when we first joined, everyone was outgoing and welcoming. There are always the added smiles when we do see our friends, such as Sybil Eagan and Jackie MacKenzie. Presently, we have four horses: Chunky, Big, Mac and Dust Bunny. We have a lovely place in Bellville, Texas where the horses roam open pastures during the day and sleep in their cozy barn at night. I am a founding director of the Ladies of Texas Tradition and active in the Ranchers Ride, Salt Grass Trail and the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo. I am a watercolor artist and a member of the Watercolor Society of Houston, Texas Watercolor Society, and Watercolor Society of South Texas. My family all ride and we enjoy summer riding trips to incredible places such as Montana, Canada, Europe and South America.



RIDE RECAP, Rocky Road

The 19th Rocky Road was held on February 15 & 16 at Parrie Haynes Equestrian Center. The trail was approximately 8.5 miles with over 60 riders! Saturday was mild but Sunday was pretty chilly so riders were bundled up. Sr. Judge Kate Love Hollar and Nancy Williams were Ride Managers, and they were assisted by judges Kelly Beard, Jerilyn Stanka, Tracee Casarez, Ann Stacy,



Trail down the creek

and Teresa Corgill. A fun new obstacle was a map check after several trail ribbons were removed to see if riders were truly following their maps. Turn on the hind and fore, side pass, backing, uphill, downhill, riding under a low hanging limb, one rein pattern with stop, an in-hand gate, mount, a drag, trot, long trot, and lope (for horsemen) were all judged. Ride Secretary Marcy Stellfox was assisted by Keenia Cowey. The WWW's organized a potluck for Friday before the ride meeting, Street Spuds food truck offered stuffed potatoes and nachos for sale Saturday afternoon,

and ride managers passed out ice cream on Sunday. Juli Steele organized the raffle, 2025 club T-shirts were sold, and Joel Stroup was available for freeze branding Sunday afternoon. A great start to TTCC 2025 ride season and first ride in the buckle series.



Photo by Scott Butcher



*Scott Butcher
photographing the
downhill*



*Marta Covington being judged by Kelly
Beard, turn on the forehand*

SPRING GENERAL MEETING



Texas Trail Challenge Club has a fall and a spring general membership meeting per the club by-laws. The Spring General Meeting will be held on Friday night, April 11, 2025, after the ride meeting, at The Great Train Robbery Ride, Six-0 Ranch, Cleburne, Texas. All BOD members will be present to answer questions. The board has requested that if you have specific questions or issues that you email them beforehand so they can answer your questions appropriately. The Board of Directors and their emails are as follows:

President, Carin Bauer Eaton, deatons4@outlook.com
Membership, Mary Ann Brandon, purpleone111@gmail.com
Treasurer, Tiffany Janke, tiffany.jankettcc@gmail.com
Judges Director, Greg Dial, gentlereiner@gmail.com
Ride Director, Karen Pantel dkpantel@gvec.net

It takes a lot of work to facilitate the rides and competitions that we enjoy so much. Please have the courtesy to submit your questions so they can answer completely at the meeting. See you at The Great Train Robbery!

December 2024 BOD Meeting Minutes (summary):

- Called to approve the November 2024 BOD Minutes. Approved by all.
- Changes to the 2025 Rules and By-Laws need to be discussed/changed in order for the new Rulebooks to be sent to the printer and have back before Celebration.
- The transition to Carin Bauer as the newly elected President will take effect 1/1/2025. Bill will still oversee and MC the Celebration event since it was his tenure in 2024.
- Greg discussed options for the caterer. Options were from Olive Garden & Little Italy out of Killeen. The main dish of chicken parmesan was the menu choice, but Little Italy gave a better price. Karen made a motion to accept the quote from Little Italy with a \$15/per person charge for the meal. Seconded by Bill and approved by all.
- The Judge's Meeting held on 12/1/2024 was attended by 15 judges and there was a lot of good discussion and clarification on issues. It will be mandatory for any judges who did not attend this meeting to get with Greg to discuss any changes to the judge's rules/expectations, etc.
- Senior Judge meeting was held on January 26, 2025 and was attended by 6 senior judges.
- Tiffany took an inventory of paper goods left over from last year's Celebration event, and determined that plates, etc. need to be ordered. Permission was given to go ahead and order needed supplies.
- Membership Director submitted two months of member highlights for the future Newsletters.
- Mary Ann received the invoice for 2025 patches and will send a mock up to the Board before final go ahead to produce the patches.
- Has been working with Katherine Mason on updating membership & sponsor information for the Rulebook. Just waiting on any updates to the rules.
- The 2025 Membership Applications and Liability Releases have been printed and ready for the 2025 rides.
- Ride Director – Ride Manager Manual will be sent out before 2/1/25 to all 2025 RM's
- Ride Managers - Instead of a \$175 cost for ribbons & liability insurance for 2025 rides, the cost has been decreased to \$150 since one more ride was added to the calendar.

January 2025 BOD Meeting Minutes (summary)

- Called to approve the December 2024 BOD Minutes. **Greg made the motion; 2nd by Tiffany and approved by all.**

Old Business:

- Discussion of upcoming Celebration event began with Bill Phillips since he was 2024 President. All BOD members mentioned his/her responsibilities.

New Business:

- Carin's new business: Discussion of the club's tax status 501(c)(7). Bill spoke up saying he thought that TTCC was a not for profit and Greg thought we were a 501 (c)(4) type. Much discussion was had and the consensus was to possibly have a CPA research our club's mission/purpose and determine which type according to IRS fits our club.
- Carin wants to form a By-law committee to review the current TTCC by-laws, specifically the language concerning the election cycle for President/Treasurer; donations received by Cadence Bank (parking fundraiser); grievance process; a process for handling money & property owned by TTCC in the event the club is dissolved. Carin suggested to form a committee now and have suggestions ready to present at the Spring General Meeting to be held in conjunction with the Great Train Robbery ride (April 12/13).

Discussion was had suggesting to form a committee and gather thoughts and ideas to be approved by the BOD and added to the Fall ballot for vote by the complete membership. **A motion was made by Carin to solicit volunteers for a by-law committee; 2nd by Greg and approved by all with the understanding that committee members must be discussed and approved by the BOD.** It was also understood that the newly formed by-law committee gather suggestions to present to the BOD for approval to be placed on the 2025 Fall ballot. Greg suggested that the by-law committee include at least 2 current BOD members and possibly three members that are in good standing with TTCC.

- Another subject presented by Carin is for the BOD become a role model for healing.
- Greg discussed the Spring youth and rider clinics. The schedule will mimic the past clinic schedules. He also mentioned that he has in place the number of judges and helpers needed to make the clinics very successful.
- In light of a member claiming they never received their mileage concho from a previous awards ceremony, Karen presented the idea to have all future recipients of mileage awards sign/initial for such.
- With another ride added to the 2025 calendar, Karen discussed having the amount reduced from \$175 (original amount approved by BOD) to \$150 for liability insurance and ribbon costs. **Motion made by Karen; 2nd by Greg; approved by all.**
- Tiffany will send out the projected budget for 2025 to the BOD by email.
- Mary Ann (Membership Director) mentioned that the 2025 Rulebook/Directory is at the printer and will be ready for distribution at Celebration. A total of 150 books were printed. Also, the 2025 patches are in and ready to be handed out to all members.
- Mary Ann plans to make packages for all Ride Secretaries that will include membership applications, liability releases, patches, rulebooks, etc.

DEADLINE FOR MAY/JUNE NEWSLETTER IS **APRIL 1!**