

April 2009

# Bits & Spurs Riding Club

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## Upcoming Events:

- April 04, 2009 –  
Arena Work  
Party – 10:00  
am
- April 18, 2009 –  
Games Show –  
9:30 am
- April 19, 2009 –  
Schooling  
Show – 9:00  
am
- April 20, 2009 –  
Board Meeting,  
Alfy's Pizza,  
Snohomish –  
7:00 pm

**There are only two  
emotions that belong  
in the saddle; one is a  
sense of humor and  
the other is patience.**

## Bits & Spurs Members:

Spring has sprung although it still feels like winter. I would like to say Thank You to the dedicated members who showed up for our Club work day Saturday March 21st, Jan and Ivan S., Justina Miller, Laurie McKittrick, Bobbi and Elizabeth Gibbs, Teila Blume, Randi Towne, Vickie and myself. Though the numbers were few we got a lot of work done. Still there is more to do before we start our Games and Show seasons.

**There will be another opportunity to help make our grounds safer and more presentable for those of you who were not able to make it. This coming Saturday April 4th at 10:00 AM.** There is more

painting and general clean up to do. For those of you who have not been by the grounds lately the trailer is now gone. We have a very nice piece of property, but unfortunately the over \$7000.00 in taxes a year leaves little or no money with which to keep up, let alone improve the grounds.

Remember that Bits and Spurs Riding Club is wholly owned and operated by its members. This club cannot operate without the membership cooperation and participation.

Good luck to you all for the upcoming season.

Joe Millhouse  
President 2009

## New Business

At the February Board meeting it was decided that we will no longer mail the Newsletter to every member. Members that have a valid email address will receive the Newsletter via email. Please supply your email address on your membership form. The Newsletter is also posted on the website at [www.bitsnspurs.org](http://www.bitsnspurs.org).

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for the Editor?

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## Games Division – First Show – April 18, 2009

Our first show is quick upon us. Come join us for our first show of the season **April 18th!** Bring your family and friends and come join in the fun.

I look forward to seeing new and familiar faces in April!

Thank You,  
Justina Miller  
Games Chair - 2009  
[justina.tinabeena@gmail.com](mailto:justina.tinabeena@gmail.com)

## Show Division – First Show – April 19, 2009

Our first show of the season is fast approaching. **April 19th Schooling Show!** The form is on the website.

Please come and bring some new friends with you. I will not be there as Joe and I will be on vacation in Mexico (sorry, but we need to rest up and get rejuvenated for the show season). We have been going for the past 12 years every April, yes you can be envious if you like.

I hope to have the regular show season form on the website by next week; some judges need to be hired. The year-end rules for 2009 will be also on the website.

Please notice there has been a change to post entry fees for the regular shows.

All entry's will need to be post marked by the Wednesday before each show for pre-entry prices (checks must accompany those entry's). Open checks are only allowed with a minimum of 4 paid classes!

I hope to have an awesome year in spite of the economy, please come and show your support.

I have a new "Defender" brand, heavyweight, navy, weather resistant, size 76" turnout blanket for sale. \$60.00 firm. Please send me an email if interested.

Keep warm and safe riding,  
Vickie Millhouse  
Show Division Chair - 2009