

# 2009 Annual Report



## Saddle Up! riders shine in 2009!

From breakthroughs in weekly lessons to standing in the spotlight at the national NARHA awards banquet, Saddle Up! riders definitely did shine throughout 2009.

Andrew W., 17, in top photo at left, won the 2009 NARHA Independent Youth Equestrian of the Year Award, marking the first time a Saddle Up! rider was selected for a national NARHA award. A 13-year participant, Andrew received his award November 21 during the national NARHA awards banquet in Fort Worth, TX.

Former rider and current Junior Volunteer Grace G. also brought home regional and national honors from the Regional Pony Club show in Lexington, KY, and the national Lendon Gray Youth Dressage Festival in Saugerties, NY. She won multiple competitions at both shows, with the highlight being the Grand Championship of ALL the 125 training level dressage riders at the Lendon Gray festival. "I always knew she could ride, but this is an extraordinary achievement," beamed Saddle Up! co-founder and Grace's riding instructor Lynne Evans.

Forty-six Saddle Up! riders competed in the show ring, along with riders from five other therapeutic riding programs, at the 2009 annual S.U.P.E.R. Show October 24 at the farm. All went home with ribbons and memories of many shining moments.



## 2009: A year of achievements amid challenges

We are happy to share the good news that despite challenges of 2009 — especially on the financial front — Saddle Up! continued to meet its mission through leadership, stewardship, commitment, and the ongoing support of our donors and volunteers. Highlights include:

**Serving more, spending less.** Though we reduced our budget, we served 187 participants in 2009 vs. 179 in 2008. One big savings came in an agreement with our neighbor to remove our unused cabin, resulting in savings on needed repairs, about \$3,000 in annual operating costs, and an estimated \$20,000-plus in costs to actually move the cabin. We provided a total of 4,529 lessons and ended 2009 in a positive financial position.

**Saying goodbye to three horses.** We paused to celebrate the lives of three equines - King Bee, Buddy and Maddie - who died in 2009. It is the power of these magnificent animals that makes this program work, and these three animals exemplify the service and love they all give.

**Initiating an Advisory Board.** An Advisory Board was created to provide additional expertise and talents to the work of Saddle Up!.

**Completing a new strategic plan.** The Board of Directors and planning team completed a new three-year strategic plan that provides a solid foundation for growth.

Thanks to each of you for all you do to make this special program possible.

Jill R. Bosse  
Board President

Cheryl L. Scutt  
Executive Director



*Our Mission — Provide children and youth with disabilities the opportunity to grow and develop through recreational activities with horses.*

## Volunteers gave \$244,455 value in services from Board to barn!

How valuable are volunteers to Saddle Up!? Well, like a certain credit card commercial says, they're priceless. Truly. Their skills, expertise, and passion all bring intangibles to Saddle Up!, whether it's providing leadership and governance while serving on the Board or making sure the barns are ready for our horses.

But, based on the 2008 \$17.88 per hour value from the Independent Sector, Saddle Up! volunteers' 13,672 hours given in 2009 total to a whopping \$244,455! Our sincere thanks to each volunteer who chose to make a difference as part of the Saddle Up! family.

### 2009 Saddle Up! Board of Directors

#### Officers:

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Jill R. Bosse

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**Executive Director**  
Cheryl Scutt



### Saddle Up! creates Advisory Board

The Saddle Up! Board of Directors created an Advisory Board in 2009 to provide expertise, advice, counsel and support to further the mission and work of the organization. Our thanks to the following individuals for their commitment to this new role.

#### 2009 Advisory Board

Jason Bach	Nancy Bass
Jeff Cunningham	Mark Dietze
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Howard Gentry	Allen W. Gracey, Jr.
Debi Granite	Suzy Heer
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### A salute to event chairs & supporters

The Music Country Grand Prix, Chukkers for Charity, and the Country Ride 'N Roll again provided major funds for Saddle Up!. Thanks to all those who worked on the events and/or supported the events. A special thanks to the event chairs:

**Tractor Supply Company's Music Country Grand Prix:** Co-Chairs Sarah Ingram, Jennifer Pennington.

**Chukkers for Charity:** Honorary Chair Cathy Brown, Co-Chairs DeeDee Wade, Falon Veit, Cam West. Hosts: Lee Ann and Orrin Ingram, Riverview Farm.

**Avenue Bank's Country Ride 'N Roll:** Chair Teri Edmonson. Hosts Sarah and David Ingram, Duke It Out Farm.





## Thanks to 2009 Hoofing Society members

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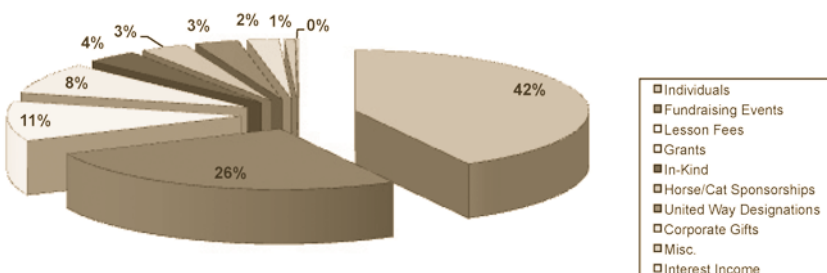
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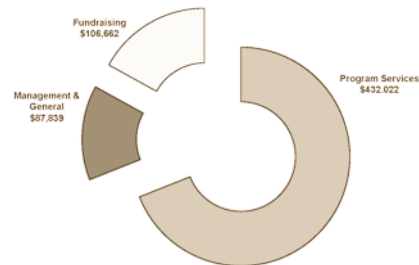
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*The Hoofing Society recognizes individuals and businesses that have given \$1,000 or more to the annual fund or events. This list is for 2009 donors.*

### Where the money comes from



### Where the money goes



### 2009 Financial Information

*Please note that this information is based on year-end financials that have not yet been audited due to deadlines of the annual report.*



4,529 lessons bring together the:

**P**ower of the horse paired with the  
**P**assion of the people to bring out the  
**P**otential of the participants !

Saddle Up! operates year-round to achieve our mission to provide children and youth with disabilities the opportunity to grow and develop through recreational activities with horses.

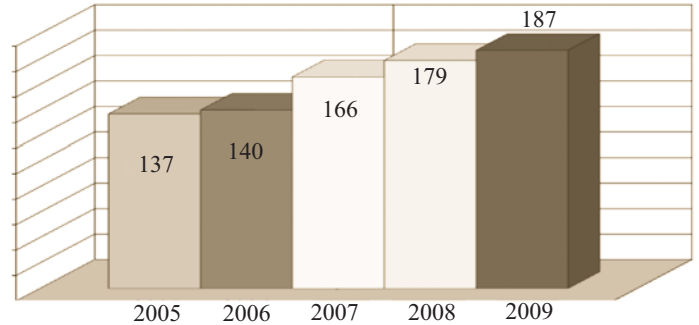
In 2009, we served 187 participants, ages 4 through 18, who daily deal with more than 50 types of disabilities. Forty-two percent of the disabilities are developmental in nature, 36% physical, 11% cognitive/learning, 6.5% speech/language, and 4% psychological/emotional. But at Saddle Up!, our focus is not on the disabilities but on the ABILITIES of each child, each week in each lesson.

Though our waiting list continued to grow and passed the 300 mark, our innovative Waitlist Provisional Riders Program made it possible for 77 children/youth on the list to experience the benefits of the program in 2009.

This work would not be possible without the generosity of individuals, businesses and other organizations who support Saddle Up! with their gifts of time, talents and donations. Thank you for choosing to make a difference through Saddle Up!.



Unduplicated Participants 2005-2009



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“Where All Children Are Equal in the Saddle.”



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 from Saddle Up!