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# NWMHC NEWSLETTER Member Spotlight Ben Hansen

Have you met Ben? You have most likely seen him at the shows with his trusty Max in hand, they make the best team. Or you will see him out in roadster or liberty with Pickle showing off all that Pickle power. Ben was very involved in his high school drama club. He even had Max make a few appearances on the stage.



#### Some fun things about Ben

He loves blue raspberry Rebels from Dutch Bros He's horrified of any kind of bugs. So don't ask him to help you there.

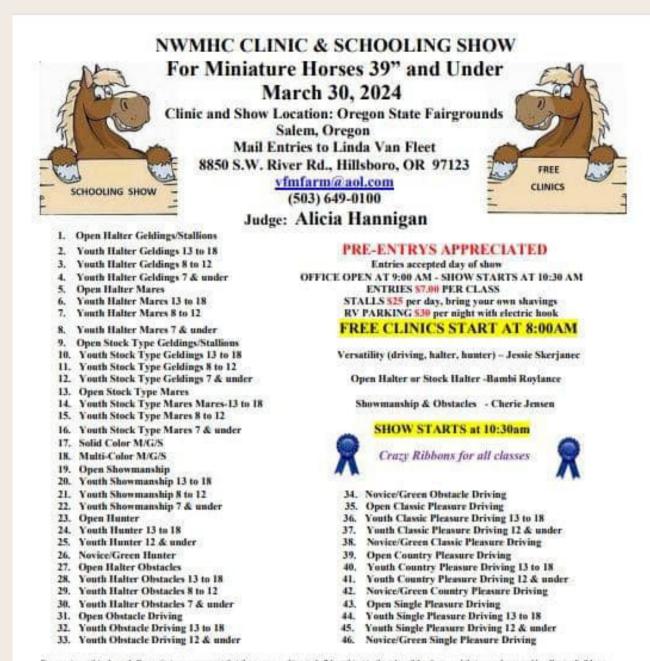
#### When asked about Ben People have said:



I think Ben is one of the kindest and most helpful youth. He is always around to help out or lend a hand to anybody, adult or other youth.- Bambi

He is very kind to everyone. Very helpful with many different things. He is funny in and out of the ring. Ben is creative as well. I have enjoyed showing with him. - Hunter

Ben is incredibly hardworking and dedicated, especially when it comes to his love for Max. He's a genuine and honest young man with a bright future. - Alicia



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### **Meet Our Clinic Coaches**

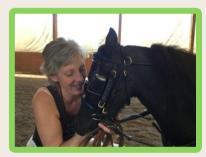






Jessie is doing driving/halter/hunter.- Jessie's work at Lavandin Equine has creative a remarkable track record of successful clients and horse in both the American Miniature Horse Association (AMHA) and the American Miniature Horse Registry (AMHR. Her approach not only fosters excellence in the horses she trains but also instills confidence and a sense of achievement in her clients. Jessie's commitment to encouraging both horses and their owners to excel and her ability to nurture a positive and productive environment have been pivotal to her success in the equine training industry.







Bambi is doing stock type halter. -A seasoned expert in the equine world with over 30 years of experience in showing miniature horses and several stock horses. Bambi will cover essential topics such as fitting your halter correctly, setting your horse, and the appropriate attire for the stock class. She will also delve into the latest rules and explain how Miniature Stock horses should ideally resemble a quarter horse, emphasizing the importance of presenting your horse squarely with a western halter. Don't miss the opportunity to learn from Bambi's extensive experience and elevate your showing skills at the clinic!







Cherie Jensen is doing showmanship/Obstacles.- Cherie Jensen is a remarkable figure in the arena of showmanship and obstacles, where she consistently demonstrates her exceptional skills and dedication. With a long-standing affiliation with the American Miniature Horse Association (AMHA). Her success is not just personal; when she's not competing herself, Cherie is a pillar of support for her family, contributing to their achievements in the equestrian world. Watching Cherie perform is always a thrilling experience, as she brings a blend of experience, skill, and passion to every event, making her performances memorable and inspiring.

### Miniature Horse Foaling Scott Creek Miniature Horse Farm

Over the years, our farm has witnessed hundreds of births, learning from each one. Despite unique occurrences, common behaviors form what's often referred to as "textbook delivery." However, it's crucial to remember that not all births follow this pattern, especially since emergency veterinary assistance is not always immediately available.

**\*\*Stage 1 – Preliminary Labor\*\*:** This stage involves significant changes as the foal positions itself and the mare shows behavioral signs like restlessness, pawing, frequent bowel movements, and varying lying down patterns. These signs indicate the approaching active phase of labor.

\*\*Stage 2 – Active Labor\*\*: After the water breaks, a foal should be born within ten minutes under normal conditions. The appearance of the amniotic sac and the foal's positioning are critical to monitor. Quick intervention is necessary if the foal doesn't exit the sac to prevent suffocation.

**\*\*Stage 3 – Post-Delivery\*\*:** The focus shifts to separating the mare and foal and ensuring the placenta is expelled completely. Proper care of the umbilical stump is vital to prevent infection. Mares may experience discomfort post-foaling, which can be alleviated with medication.

Being prepared and vigilant during foaling is essential. Understanding and recognizing the stages can make a significant difference in the outcome, emphasizing the importance of timely intervention in case of complications.

If you would like to read the full article as well as other great foaling information please check out the link below <u>https://www.scottcreek.com/miniature-horse-foaling</u>











# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

March 30th is the Schooling Show in Salem, OR - For more info contact Linda Van Fleet @ vfmfarm@aol.com April 13th is the Pear Blossom Parade in Medford, OR - For more info contact Lisa Brostad @ llborstad@gmail.com

# SOCIAL MEDIA UPDATE

We are starting TikTok and Instagram for the club.

Please watch Facebook and your email for content we might need from you. Please send any pictures or videos of you working with your horse at home or going to events you would like posted.

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