

Woodland Ridge 4-H - Reporter Shelley Naylor

AAMHA Woodland Ridge 4-H troop participated in the 2008 Women's Auxiliary Salvation Army doll and bear decorating contest. The troop decorated their bear as a Dutchman from Holland and named him Brian. Brian the Dutchman bear loves to play the French horn for his family and friends. The bear won 1<sup>st</sup> place in the Country/International category. It was auctioned along with other First place, Grand Award and Best of Show winners at the Salvation Army Luncheon in November. Congrats Woodland Ridge 4-H!

Haven 4-H - Reporter Jonathan Vorheis

The second meeting of the Haven 4-H was held at the Marvel's house on October 7, 2008. President, Jackie Binder called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. Jackie read the treasurer report of \$234.36. After the projects were discussed by Leah Marvel, Jackie moved on to officer installation. Jackie updates us on old and new business. We then watched a camping video to help us practice for outdoor camping adventure which took place on Oct. 17 - 18, 2008. Jackie discussed upcoming dates. Paula Marvel then motioned to adjourn the meeting and Amy Sanger seconded it.

Sam Houston 4-H - Reporter Stephanie Ketchum

In our November meeting, we had some very nice speakers from ADM Alliance Nutrition. They spoke to us about our horses diets and the best way to have them live. We gave each of them a gift card to thank them for coming all the way down here to talk to us about it. We liked it a lot and hope they can come back. After that we talked about our old minutes and about our upcoming Christmas party. We then talked about our meeting coming up in photography we will be going to meet with a photographer and discuss editing our pictures. That concluded our November meeting.

Texas Ryders 4-H - Reporter Jacklyn Tovar

Our monthly meeting combined with practice was held at the Cilla "C" Ranch home of the "Texas Ryders". The meeting was called to order by our President, Victoria at 1 p.m. Each member stood up and presented ourself to family, friends and guest present. We had approximately 15 guests attend this session. 11 members with parents and 5 parent arena volunteers. Charles our coach recognized Victoria Pescina for winning the National Barrell Horse Association Championship 4-D series included a handmade tooled saddle, button down shirt with embroidery from sponsors, horse equipment (grooming supplies) and Victoria also placed in the running for queen position. Our Miranda Morales was elected princess for the International Trailride Club "La Grande" out of Eagle Pass Mexico. She must rider over 300 miles in February to the San Antonio Rodeo. The members were taken to a 1000 acre ranch where they worked cutting out cattle into pens, a camp cook was brought in for lunch and supper. It was fun working with real cowboys. Our coach says its part of training. Our arena practice we were blind folded and per voice instructions we rode our horses. It was scary at first but fun and exciting. Part of training, the ending part of our practice was to jump over a 2 ½ foot wooden post and retain our balance. We were super girls and boys in the air. BBQ dinner was our prize. Next practice will be hills and barrells and who knows what coach "Charles" has planned for us. We love our club, we never know what to expect. Xmas ins coming, maybe coach "Charles" has gifts for us. Hint Hint.