

## Anna & Mary Memorial Youth Fund: 2021 Yearend Report

Mary Nunn and Anna Sampson would be proud of how so many of us have come together to support the next generation of endurance riders.

In 2021 more than 50 different children were helped by the generosity of ride managers, individuals, and organizations. Of the 180 youth ride entries that were subsidized, 110 were helped through the Anna & Mary Memorial Youth Fund (The Fund). The remaining 70 benefited solely from the generosity of a ride manager. Given a number of rides were cancelled due to fire or Covid restrictions, I expect 2022 to have an even stronger demand.



As the administrator of The Fund, I am privileged to provide this report to all of you who have been so valued throughout the years.

The Fund supports ride managers, youth participants and their families, and it also ensures Anna's and Mary's legacy is alive and well – which means the world to those of us who were mentored by these women.

The list of those donating grew broad and deep during 2021 and there are a wide variety of contributors:



- Ride managers who provide a "Kids Ride Free" ride entry pricing policy. This policy has been adopted by many rides within the Pacific Northwest and is a huge benefit to any family with a child who rides endurance. When ride managers offer this level of discount, they can choose to be reimbursed from The Fund for half the amount they charge for an adult entry. If they do not request reimbursement, they are making an in-kind donation, ensuring monies will be available to other ride managers.
- Then there are ride managers who donate proceeds from their ride directly to The Fund. In 2021, EDRA's Trout Lake 100 and Darlene & Max Merlich's Anna & Mary Memorial Ride made these donations – a combined total donation of over \$5,000.
- There have also been 15 individual donations, totaling over \$2,300.

Additionally, PNER leadership has been in contact about a fundraising effort with their Convention Raffle in January 2022. The Raffle is typically supported through the strong involvement of kids and is being organized by Kristen Grace, PNER President, and Cassee Terry, DVM and frequent ride veterinarian. Those wishing to help with the fundraiser are encouraged to contact Kristen or Cassee.

***On behalf of every child who has benefited from the generosity of the endurance community, thank you!***



<b>2021 DONATIONS YTD thru 12/05/2021</b>	
<b><i>In-kind donations</i></b> – Darlene & Max Merlich (Grizzly Mountain), Sue & Dennis Summers (Don't Fence Me In), Regina Rose (City of Rocks), EDRA (Trout Lake 100), Kathleen & Tim Pillo (Renegade Rendezvous), Jessica Cobbley (Top of the World), Darlene & Max Merlich (Mary & Anna Memorial), Regina Rose (Old Selam), Jessica Huber (Autumn Sun), ERABC (Dove Creek Derby) and Regina Rose (Owyhee Halloween). <sup>1</sup>	\$3,828.07
<b><i>Individual donations</i></b> – Elayne Barclay, Kathy Bray, Lisa Cohen, Rose Corey, Ardin Hoyt, Kendall Ingraham, Sue McLain, Max & Darlene Merlich, Frank & Rita Nunn, Celena & Woody Pentrack (The Sandwich Factory), Dick Root, Marina Stein, Sue & Dennis Summers, and Jo Weinstein.	\$2,315.00
<b><i>Ride proceeds donation</i></b> – Trout Lake 100 (EDRA)	\$2,595.57
<b><i>Ride proceeds donation</i></b> – Anna & Mary Memorial (Max & Darlene Merlich)	\$3,000.00
<b>TOTAL RAISED IN 2021</b>	<b>\$11,738.64</b>

<b>2021 PAYMENTS: Actual &amp; Eligible YTD thru 12/05/2021</b>	
YTD 2021 Payments - actual	\$5,708.01
YTD 2021 Payments – eligible, but not issued <sup>2</sup>	\$3,828.07
<b>TOTAL PAID &amp; ELIGIBLE IN 2021</b>	<b>\$9,536.08</b>

The historical information that follows, provides the number of ride events, eligible youth, and payouts. It also includes my observations for 2022 – all great news since the quantity of youth participating in our sport remains strong.

- More youth attended rides in 2021 than in 2019 or 2020. We had 180 youth ride entries, representing more than 50 different children and there were 3.9 kids for every day of competitive riding in the Pacific Northwest, a new record.
- 61% of all youth ride entries were supported by The Fund.

<sup>1</sup> In-kind donations reflect the amount that would have been issued, except that a ride manager chose not to access The Fund. This figure is required in order to balance with the corresponding eligible payout amount in the payment section.

<sup>2</sup> The eligible, but not issued amount reflects what would have been paid, except that a ride manager chose not to fully access The Fund. This figure balances to the in-kind donation, reported in the corresponding section.

- Given the generosity of ride managers, individuals and organizations, we are on solid footing to again support children in our sport for the upcoming ride season.
- And given the likelihood of additional rides returning to British Columbia in 2022, I am expecting we could see more than 200 ride entries tied to youth – wahoo!

DESCRIPTION	AERC <sup>3</sup> Events	EDRA <sup>4</sup> Events	ERABC <sup>5</sup> Events	TOTAL
<b>2018 Ride Events<sup>6</sup></b>	25	12	9	<b>46</b>

DESCRIPTION	AERC Events	EDRA Events	ERABC Events	TOTAL
<b>2019 Ride Events</b>	34	10	15	<b>59</b>
<b>No. of Youth</b>	76	33	32	<b>141</b>
<b>No. of Requests</b>	45	24	26	<b>95</b>
<b>Payout Amount</b>	\$2,340.00	\$1,210.00	\$1,004.67 <sup>7</sup>	<b>\$4,554.17</b>

DESCRIPTION	AERC Events	EDRA Events	ERABC Events	TOTAL
<b>2020 Ride Events<sup>8</sup></b>	21	2	6	<b>29</b>
<b>No. of Youth</b>	87	12	15	<b>114</b>
<b>No. of Requests</b>	47	3	0	<b>50</b>
<b>Payout Amount</b>	\$2,530.00	\$172.50	\$0.00 <sup>9</sup>	<b>\$2,702.50</b>

DESCRIPTION	AERC Events	EDRA Events	ERABC Events	TOTAL
<b>2021 Ride Events</b>	37	7	3	<b>47</b>
<b>No. of Youth</b>	145	27	8	<b>180</b> <i>(28% higher than 2019)</i>
<b>No. of Requests</b>	85	18	7	<b>110</b>
<b>Payout Amount</b>	\$4,520.00	\$1,0500.00	\$138.01 <sup>10</sup>	<b>\$5,708.01</b>

<sup>3</sup> American Endurance Ride Conference

<sup>4</sup> Equine Distance Riding Association

<sup>5</sup> Endurance Riders Association of British Columbia

<sup>6</sup> 2018 was prior to the establishment of the Anna & Mary Memorial Youth Fund.

<sup>7</sup> Payout is in US dollars. Requests from Canadian rides take into consideration the US/Canada exchange rate.

<sup>8</sup> The 2020 schedule was significantly impacted by restrictions put in place for public health purposes.

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