

# Anna & Mary Memorial Youth Fund

## 2022-Year End Report



Mary Nunn and Anna Sampson would be thankful to everyone who has come together in so many different ways to support the next generation of endurance riders.

Thus far in 2022, 46 different kids were helped by the generosity of ride managers, individuals, and organizations, like PNER. Of the 129 youth/junior ride entries that were subsidized, 112 kids were helped through the Anna & Mary Memorial Youth Fund (The Fund). The remaining 17 benefited solely from the generosity of a ride manager.

As the administrator of The Fund, I am privileged to provide this report to you – most of whom have supported and/or donated to The Fund for 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.

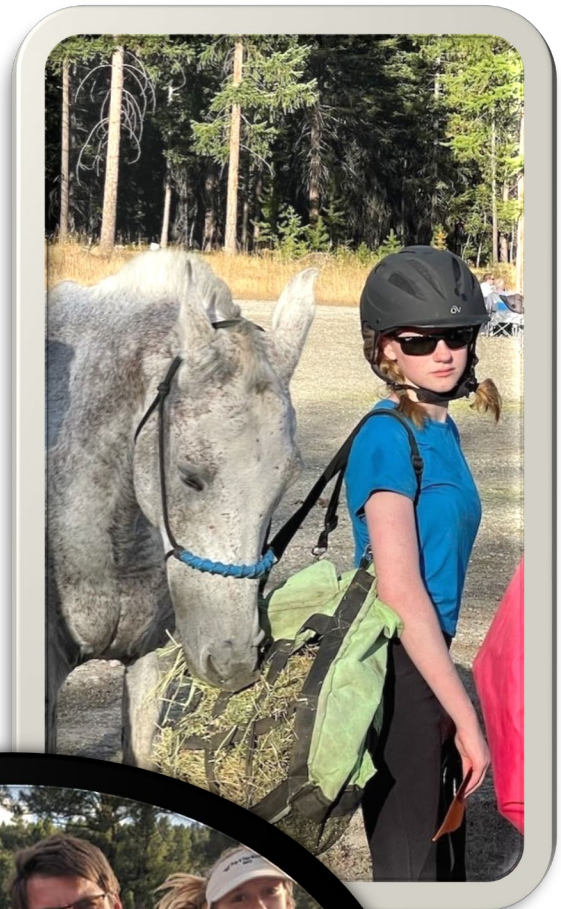
Although the year is not yet over and there are still outstanding payment and donation matters to address, the list of those donating continues to be broad and deep:

- Many ride managers 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 those special ride managers who donate proceeds from their ride directly to The Fund. This year, Darlene & Max Merlich's Mary & Anna Memorial Ride and Sue & Dennis Summers' & Trout Lake 100 pledged their continued support in this way.
- There have also been a variety of individual donors who have given both small and large amounts. Every penny is appreciated and goes to pay for a child's ride entry fee.
- Finally, the PNER Board took an incredible leadership role in fundraising and donated proceeds from the Convention Raffle in January 2022. The Raffle was supported through herculean efforts by PNER President,



Kristen Grace; Cassee Terry, DVM and PNER Vice President; and juniors who helped solicit raffle donations and sold raffle tickets. And, I would be remiss if I didn't thank everyone for their active and abundant ticket buying involvement! These efforts resulted in over \$6,500 going toward ride entry fees for kids under age 18.

***Thus far in 2022 we have raised almost \$9,000, so on behalf of every child who benefited from the generosity of this special endurance community, thank you!***



The historical information in the charts that follow, provide the number of ride events, eligible youth, and payout amounts. My observations of what transpired in 2022, are summarized below:

- PNER's leadership role in fundraising was instrumental in providing a solid base for 2022.
- Although there was a decline in the number of youth attending rides in 2022 when compared to 2021, 2022 was about average when compared to prior years. We had 129 youth ride entries, representing 46 different children. There were approximately two kids participating for every day of competitive endurance riding in the Pacific Northwest this ride season. The highest number of kids riding on a single day, was at Crazy Daze of Summer (with 8 kids); followed by Sand Canyon and Selkirk Distance Derby (both with 7 kids). The common dominator? Close proximity to Spokane, where Shelah Wetter is active coaching and encouraging youth of all ages and levels to try out our sport!
- 85% of all youth ride entries were supported by The Fund, an increase from past years, but not surprising given cost increases ride managers experienced.
- The current Fund balance is over \$13,000 and given the continued generosity of ride managers, individuals and organizations, we appear to be on solid footing to support children in our sport during the 2023 ride season.



DESCRIPTION	AERC <sup>1</sup> Rides	EDRA <sup>2</sup> Rides	ERABC <sup>3</sup> Rides	TOTAL
<b>2018 Rides<sup>4</sup></b>	25	12	9	<b>46</b>

DESCRIPTION	AERC	EDRA	ERABC	TOTAL
<b>2019 Rides</b>	34	10	15	<b>59</b>
<b>No. of Youth Ride Entries</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>5</sup>	<b>\$4,554.17</b>

DESCRIPTION	AERC	EDRA	ERABC	TOTAL
<b>2020 Rides<sup>6</sup></b>	21	2	6	<b>29</b>
<b>No. of Youth Ride Entries</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>7</sup>	<b>\$2,702.50</b>

DESCRIPTION	AERC	EDRA	ERABC	TOTAL
<b>2021 Rides</b>	37	7	3	<b>47</b>
<b>No. of Youth Ride Entries</b>	145	27	8	<b>180</b>
<b>No. of Requests</b>	85	18	7	<b>110</b>
<b>Payout Amount</b>	\$4,520.00	\$1,0500.00	\$138.01 <sup>8</sup>	<b>\$5,708.01</b>

DESCRIPTION	AERC	EDRA	ERABC	TOTAL
<b>2022 Rides</b>	43	7	8	<b>58</b>
<b>No. of Youth Ride Entries</b>	77	31	21	<b>129</b>
<b>No. of Requests</b>	68	23	21	<b>112</b>
<b>Payout Amount</b>	\$3,842.50	\$1,295.00	\$912.03 <sup>9</sup>	<b>\$6,049.53</b>

<sup>1</sup> American Endurance Ride Conference

<sup>2</sup> Equine Distance Riding Association

<sup>3</sup> Endurance Riders Association of British Columbia

<sup>4</sup> 2018 was prior to the establishment of the Mary & Anna Memorial Youth Fund

<sup>5</sup> Payout is in US dollars. Requests from Canadian rides take into consideration the US/Canada exchange rate.

<sup>6</sup> The 2020 schedule was significantly impacted by restrictions put in place for public health purposes.

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