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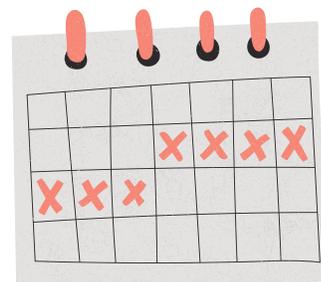
## OCTOBER 2025

FRC's Annual Meeting is coming up on November 19th. Join us as we reflect on our accomplishments in 2025 and share our vision for 2026.

We'll also take time to celebrate our **FABULOUS VOLUNTEERS** – the heart of this club and the reason it thrives!

🎉 Congratulations to Team Mutton Withers (pictured) for another impressive Trivia Night win! Flip to page 5 for a full recap of this fun-filled evening.

# UPCOMING EVENTS



## October

**10.25 Dressage & Combined Training Show at FENCE**

Don't miss out on a full day of fun, great riding, and our fan-favorite **Costume Class** 🐾🎭 (yes — you can wear your costume all day if you'd like!). Junior class & Adult class - walk-only

## November

**11.19 Annual Meeting at FENCE house**



**Calling All Volunteers!**

**We need 10 fence judges for FENCE on Nov 1<sup>st</sup> for the Cross Country Equine Association.**

**Contact Jan Bellows at 828-273-8303 to sign up.**

## COMING IN 2026: CAMP FRC!

**Fun, Friends and Horses, Of Course  
We're making plans and we want your input:  
Watch your email for a survey!**

**Renew your membership now for 2026,  
 Note that two opportunities have been added to earn club  
 bucks: pre-show set-up (jump ring) for \$30 and post-show  
 take down (office items) for \$15 in club bucks.**



**2026 FRC MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

Membership into the FRC is a great idea. Perks include an informative, emailed monthly newsletter, discounts on club-sponsored activities, educational programs, socials with fun people, scholarship opportunities and year end awards! Join now with any one of our three membership options below.

- Individual (\$25)
- Family (\$30)
- Business (\$35) – includes a free business card sized ad in our monthly newsletter!

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Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ YOUR PARAGRAPH TEXT \_\_\_\_\_

**Please write legibly!** The club is not responsible for members not receiving club communications due to illegible membership forms.

**Check ALL interests:**     Dressage     Eventing     Western Dressage     Working Equitation  
 Pleasure Riding     Endurance     Fox Hunting     Hunter/Jumper     Breeder     Driving  
 Hunter Pace     Trail Riding     Social member only    Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Ideas for clinics, horse events, educational seminars or social events for 2026:

\_\_\_\_ I am available to volunteer for club sponsored events (list volunteer job you would like)

\_\_\_\_ I am available to help set up (usually Thurs) before the show (30 club bucks for about 2 hours work)

\_\_\_\_ I am available to help pack up after the show (15 club bucks for about 1 hour work)

Make your check payable to FRC and mail to: FRC, P. O. Box 637, Landrum, SC 29356.  
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# TRIVIA NIGHT

The Foothills Trivia Night returned for its third and final night in 2025 on Oct. 7, with a raucous crew again attending at FENCE and nine teams competing. Is it the diabolical clue writing of Anne Bandes and Margaret Freeman that causes such boisterous behavior? Or could it possibly be the wine? Or is it just the spirited attitude of a friendly and lively club?

Unlike the previous two trivia nights, this one had a theme: Halloween Horses, of course. Here's a sample question: "Who wrote "The Legend of Sleepy Hollow," which featured the Headless Horseman?" (For the answer, turn to page 12.)

Team Mutton Withers, with a couple tweaks in personnel (ringers perhaps?), repeated their first place finish from the first trivia night back in March. All you other teams can start gathering your horsey trivia fans to challenge them w/ Trivia Night returns in 2026.

A special shoutout should go to super volunteer Jan Bellows who not only did the scoring but also hand chopped salad for 50 people.

The winners:

First Place – Mutton Withers

Cerice Berndsen

Knutur Berndsen

Bette Mann

Ariel White

Deborah Anderson

Second Place -- Horsey Hooligans

Selena Miller

Taryn Smedley

Lexi Wertheim

Logan Kader

Third Place – Sassy Mares

Erin Parker

Amy Gosnell

Kara Bridwell

Christie Moldovan

Jen Hill

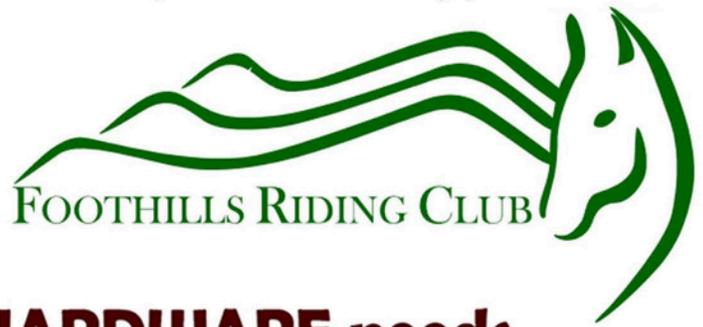
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# NANCY MASON

# of Years Membership:  
10 years

Discipline(s):  
Hunter Paces and Trail

Favorite Food:  
Southern comfort food

Favorite Music:  
Southern Rock

Favorite Horse Movie:  
Secretariat

Favorite non-horsey thing to do:  
Are there non-horsey things?

Favorite thing about FRC:  
Wonderful, dedicated volunteers

# FRC Scholarship Application

The Foothills Riding Club (FRC) offers up to 4 scholarships annually for current members, aimed at supporting specific educational or competitive opportunities (not for regular lessons or local shows, but for championship events).

Scholarships are announced in the newsletter and on social media. The Board will select the recipients and determine the scholarship amounts. To be eligible, applicants must have logged a minimum of 4.5 hours of volunteer time with FRC. Scholarship recipients are required to "payback" their award in some way, such as by writing an article for the newsletter, speaking at a monthly meeting, etc.

Each member is eligible for **one scholarship per year**.

Applications must be submitted at least **6 weeks before** the proposed event. T

The scholarship award amounts are based on the number of volunteer hours logged with FRC:

- **4.5 hours** = \$250
- **9 hours (full day)** = \$500

A total of **\$2,000** is available each year, with a **\$500 cap** per scholarship recipient.

If there are more than 4 applicants, volunteer service to the club in the current and preceding membership year will be taken into awarding scholarships.

Applicants will be notified of acceptance after review by the FRC Board.

*I wish to apply for an FRC Scholarship for:*

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ email: \_\_\_\_\_

Specific Purpose for Scholarship Request (include name, date, place)

How will you benefit from attending this event?

How will you "pay back" your scholarship to the club? Creative ideas welcomed!

**Please submit your application to:  
FRC President PO Box 637 Landrum, SC 29356**

**Note: In the event that you are unable to fulfill the scholarship requirements the scholarship money must be returned.**

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Thank you,  
Barbara Stephens

[barkingfoxfarm@gmail.com](mailto:barkingfoxfarm@gmail.com) or 864-680-3748.

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Who wrote "The Legend of Sleepy Hollow," which featured the Headless Horseman?

The answer is Washington Irving



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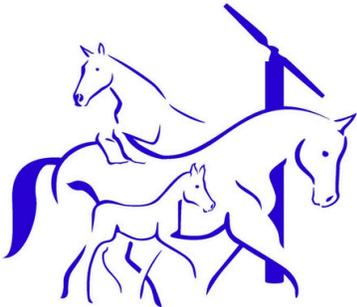
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