



# OFQHA NEWSLETTER

**June 2008**

**NEW!**

## **RANCH CUTTING CLINIC ON SUNDAY, JUNE 22, 2008**

Pam Smith will be the clinician for this event. Pam has indicated that she will provide individual instruction and let you know what you are doing wrong, as well as provide instructions to improve your performance.

- **All skill levels are welcome!**
- **Very Reasonable cost: \$50 Per Person!**
- **Not many of us have the opportunity to practice on live cattle. Don't pass up this chance!**
- **At least 10 participants are needed for this clinic**
- **Sign-Up is easy! Please mail your check for the clinic to Joy Sims, 7745 Wheeling Rd., Zanesville, Oh. 43071.**

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### **Dare To Wear Pink for Blue! Jane Belew That Is!**

OFQHA will be holding a special "Dare To Wear Pink" day in honor of member Jane Belew at the OFQHA open show on July 20th, 2008. Round up your pink shirts (this includes guys too!), hats, saddle blankets, bridles, etc. and wear them proudly in support of Jane and her family! Further details will be published in the July newsletter.

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### **Make Your Gas Go Further!**

All of us feel pressured these days to s-t-r-e-t-c-h those precious fuel dollars, especially when we have horses to haul. Here's some insider at-the-pump advice on that very subject, gleaned from folks who work in the petroleum-products industry.

What to do: Fill up early, in the coolest part of the day.

Why: Fuel is stored underground, where the cooler the temperature, the denser the fuel-adding up to more energy per gallon.

What to do: Dispense fuel using the slowest of the nozzle's three settings.

Why: The faster you dispense fuel, the more it vaporizes before it reaches your tank.

What to do: Refill your vehicle before the fuel gauge reaches the half-full point.

Why: Fuel evaporates quickly-so the less air you allow to sit atop you tank's fuel supply, the less fuel you'll lose to evaporation before it reaches your engine.

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## OFQHA Sponsor Spotlight

### Deer Creek Express Motel

The Deer Creek Express Motel has been an OFQHA sponsor for several years. The motel is located off I-70 at exit # 178 (SR 209) in Cambridge (just behind the Cracker Barrel Restaurant) at 2321 Southgate Pkwy. They can be reached at 800-637-2917 or [www.deercreekmotel.net](http://www.deercreekmotel.net). Susan Bates, motel manager, states the motel has been owned by the same family since 1976 and has 91 rooms, all ground floor. Susan related the following list of amenities offered by the motel :

- Indoor pool, open year round
- All rooms have apartment sized refrigerators
- Microwaves are available upon request
- Rooms with King size beds come furnished with a love seat and coffee table
- Plenty of accessible parking for trucks and trailers
- Continental breakfast from 6 am to 10 am
- Pets are allowed with a \$5 charge per room
- High speed wireless internet is available in all rooms
- Adjoining rooms are also available.

If at all possible, please think about patronizing our sponsors! They are the businesses and people that help make the OFQHA show season possible.

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### The Color of Your Horses Gums

Below is a chart indicating what the color of your horse's gums may indicate.

Color	Indication
Pink	Normal
Pale	Compromised circulation, which Could mean shock
Deep Red	Possible toxicity in system
Purple, blue	Low oxygen levels or serious internal toxins
Yellow	Very yellow gums may indicate a liver problem

## 2008 OFQHA Schedule—All Events and Meetings

- June 21:** OFQHA Open Ranch Horse Show and June meeting. Guernsey Co. Fairgrounds
- June 22:** **Ranch Cutting Clinic with Pam Smith.** Guernsey Co. Fairgrounds
- July 19:** OFQHA Open Ranch Horse Show and July meeting. "Dare to Wear Pink" day. Guernsey Co. Fairgrounds
- July 20:** Undecided. Guernsey Co. Fairgrounds
- August 23:** OFQHA Open Ranch Horse Show and August meeting. Guernsey Co. Fairgrounds
- August 24:** **AQHA Versatility Ranch Horse Show.** Guernsey Co. Fairgrounds
- September 8:** OFQHA meeting, 4:00, Perry Twp. Firehouse
- September 20:** Fall Horse Sale. Guernsey Co. Fairgrounds
- October 5:** Fall Trail Ride, Potluck and October meeting, 10:00 at Barkcamp.
- November 2:** OFQHA meeting, 4:00, Perry Twp. Firehouse
- December 7:** OFQHA meeting, 4:00, Perry Twp. Firehouse