

## REGION 12 YOUTH JAMBOREE 2015

The 27th Annual Region 12 Youth Jamboree was celebrated at the T. Ed Garrison Arena, Clemson SC for the 8th year in a row. Over 100 young riders attended this year. This was another year of record setting attendance. The young riders, parents, clinicians/instructors did an outstanding job.

The structure of Youth Jamboree lends itself to anyone. Fees for the clinics and show are kept to a minimum to allow everyone to participate. Arabians and part bred Arabians as well as other breeds were well represented. Our clinicians are well respected horsemen and horsewomen from various breeds and disciplines who give of their time and talents to prepare our young riders of tomorrow.

This year we combined our unrated and rated classes into the same show which allowed all our exhibitors to watch and learn from each other. This proved to be a greater success as we had almost all riders exhibit. The young riders gave it their all and cheered each other on.

This year we brought back several topics which included, drill team, trail, dressage and hunter over fences. We added endurance riding this year with great success. We have had a request to add reining for next year. Almost every discipline continues to grow. Hunter over fences, dressage, sport horse and trail lead the way. We again did the Parade of Barns. This year we had 89 horses & youth handlers in the main ring at one time. What a great way to get to know each other. Truly a sight to see!

On Wednesday and Thursday nights are games and costume contest classes! Games for everyone including parents and staff. The youth presented their creative costumes. The creativity and imagination is amazing. This has become a long standing tradition at Jamboree. This year they did not disappoint. Little Boo Beep & her Sheep, Minions,

candies and Edisto Beach Bums. These young riders are so creative.

Of course, I can not say enough about our outstanding clinicians! They all worked tirelessly without complaint. All of them indicated how pleased they were with the desire and dedication of the youth. Thanks to Mark Jamieson, Tish Kondis, Norma Karst, Carolyn Duncan, Karen Miller, Teresa Underwood, Angie Chandler, Faith Connelly, Lynn Kenelly, Robin Ginn and Elaine Sweet.

A big shout out to our sponsors. Jamboree can not and will not exist without their assistance. Christine Johnston Enterprises awarded 3 scholarships to cover Jamboree expenses and Coca-Cola awarded a higher education \$500 scholarship. AgSouth sponsored our t-shirts again this year. AHAF, WCAHA, DGAHA & All Things Equine all stepped up to help with meals. Many individuals and farms also helped to cover meal expenses. We served over 900 meals and had an ice cream social sponsored by Markel Insurance. Jamboree can not exist without the generosity of the sponsors.

We need your support each and every year. I would like to challenge every club in Region 12 to make a donation to the 2016 Youth Jamboree. It will be special in every way but we will need all Region 12 clubs to step up and make a contribution. Please make it a priority in your club. Our equestrian youth are the future of the industry and Region 12 is a primary player in that!

Robert Obermiller  
27th Anniversary Youth Jamboree 2015  
"LEADERSHIP THROUGH HORSEMANSHIP"



# SCENES FROM THE 2015 REGION 12 YOUTH JAMBOREE

