

La Riviere Park open house was fun for all



La Riviere Park Riders pose with special guest Elaine Kramer at the open house held on Saturday, May 22. To see more photos, visit pdccourier.com.



Prairie du Chien Mayor Dave Hemmer attended the open house and enjoyed riding a horse on the trails.

La Riviere Park Riders hosted a very successful Open House at La Riviere Park, May 22. Volunteers and board members work very hard to maintain the equine facility and trails for the enjoyment of horsemen and families

from our area and many surrounding states. The open house was planned for a variety of enjoyable activities and sessions for people of all ages.

Events included wagon rides, roping lessons, petting pens and the absolute highlight was the presentation and attendance of Elaine Kramer, a nationally known Roman rider from Prairie du Chien. Elaine was nominated and inducted into the National Cowgirls Hall of Fame in 2005. This is a very prestigious honor and Elaine has many articles of memorabilia to commemorate this event.

She has been honored at the Midwest Horse Fair with a special presentation just for her. She brought a video, pictures, photographs, magazines and newspaper articles with her to this event to share.

Many folks, both young and old, were very pleased with signed souvenirs and stories that she told. With Elaine's act she stood on two very impressive Saddledreds and drove four horses in front of the two that she stood on. The act was thrilling an very spectacular to watch and was seen by audiences all over the United

States such as Denver, Fort Worth, Seattle and the Calgary Stampede in Canada. Elaine traveled from 1954-1974 and thrilled many, maybe even you the reader have seen her in the 1970's at the RCA Rodeo here in Prairie du Chien. The La Riviere Riders presented her with a bouquet of flowers and then she presented the group a check for \$500 for maintenance of the Park. All donations received by any campers of La Riviere Park go directly back into for the maintenance and improvements for the equine facility. Elaine also publicly thanked Carolyn Peckham for helping her to assimilate all of the materials and memorabilia.

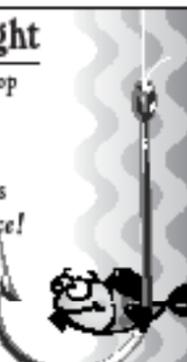
Refreshments were also served. In attendance was the mayor of Prairie du Chien, Dave Hemmer and parks director Mike Ulrich and especially wonderful were all of the young children. Dave Hemmer even proved to be very interested mayor and rode a horse and tried his had at roping. Boy Scout groups were camped at the barn so they all came over to the event. It was a very busy and entertaining time. The next big event planned for the La Riviere Horse Park will be June 25, 26, and 27, for the 23rd Annual EMS Ride.

Again Prairie du Chien citizens are invited to come out and experience the equine park.

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