



Region 6 Report – Marsha Anderson July 15

Equul Access, Inc. (Hutchinson, MN) had a busy Spring Session and is in the middle of its second session already. We have welcomed new participants and new volunteers, always a blessing. We have also enjoyed having two instructors available this session. What a difference that makes. Have a great summer everyone!



Free SPIRIT Riders, Inc. (Fond du Lac, WI) is holding their 16th Annual Ride-a-Thon, now renamed "Ride/Walk-A-Thon" on Saturday, August 19, 2006. Starting in 2005 this event is being held at our program owned property on Hwy 23, east of Fond du Lac rather than at the Northern Kettle Moraine State Horse Camp Grounds near new Prospect leading to many changes in the annual event. We are in the process of developing bridal trails and those trails were introduced to the public with the hope of providing the community another way to raise pledges.

Six year old Haley Anne Plate, one of our program participants, served as Honorary Co-chair for the event (photo). Our 8th Annual Raffle winners were announced and a Silent Auction contributed to the success of the event. Cowboys For Christ led the prayer before the Roast Pork lunch and brought their horses to "show off."

River Valley Riders (Bayport, MN) 2006 Ride-A-Thon was a great fundraising event. It began with Monday and Wednesday evenings Mini-Ride-A-Thons. Then the main event at Wild River State park hosted 73 horse riders and 5 walkers.

Three volunteers have demonstrated an interest in becoming NARHA instructors.

Thanks to the great ideas from the Region 6 workshop we are making note cards and book marks to sell or give as rewards. Thank you Aggie!