

Meet your 2025 KWAH President Jared Scheck

Jared Scheck has been participating in KWAH for six years, starting out as a watchful parent/stepparent while the girls (Jensen Miner and Joslyn Scheck) participated in the KWAH events. He was a volunteer working in the arena or wherever else he might have been needed. As they traveled around to shows he soon decided that sitting around watching was not his cup of tea, so he decided to start riding.



Being a first-generation family, Jared and his family joined the Walker Wranglers saddle club out of convenience, it was close by, and he needed riding lessons if he was going to compete in KWAH. He knew Renee Nichols from being an area resident, local riding instructor, and at the time the President of the Walker Wranglers Saddle Club. Jared states that he started taking lessons at age 38 with his stepdaughter Jensen and still takes them every Monday to this date.

The family attends KWAH shows based on the busy life schedule that they have. Some years he makes shows every weekend while others may be only a few a year. As a rider he wants to make new friends, learn as much as possible, help others be the best that they can be, and the ultimate goal is to win his age group at the KWAH State Show.

Jared's favorite event to watch is Western Relay and Pair Sack Race, he says it is an adrenaline rush and the fact that you must work together as a team. You can watch those that have been doing it for years together and doing it well, and then watch the young kids learning to ride it and the smiles on their face when accomplishing it. His favorite event to ride is Pair Sack because it is amazing how 2 riders and their horses can run at full speed tethered together just a few feet apart around the arena. It is a rush that is exhilarating.

He ran for the Board of Directors in 2023 for the first time. He thought that he could offer his calm demeanor and knowledge of negotiation along with having a strong work ethic to the KWAH

BOD. His first term as a board member was being a committee chair for State Show. He states that it was a big learning curve because he didn't know how much work there was to host a show. Now that he is President it has brought light to his eyes as to the many different moving parts that the KWAH BOD



has. He also commented on how tough the awards committee is because you must maintain a certain budget but work together to get awards that the members of the association like. His favorite committee to serve on is the State Show Committee because he gets to help plan the events for the year, and he feels that he has the most to offer that committee since he now has knowledge of what it takes to host that show. Jared stated that his primary goal as a board member and now President is to leave the association better than when he started.

According to Jared, no one likes to raise funds, but it is necessary to keep a working account balance. His favorite fundraiser hands down has been the KWHHA Calcutta four event human rodeo which was held at the 2024 KWHHA Benefit Show in Bentley. It got adults and kids involved and kids that didn't ride for KWHHA. It was a great event with a lot of laughter and fun.



If you have an interest in being on the KWHHA BOD, come to a meeting, Jared urges, listen as to what goes on, reach and help, no amount of help is too little, so start slow and volunteer for a committee. Every person has unique talents, and each one can bring something to the table that will help move KWHHA in the right direction and help it run smoothly.

Jared stated that he is always looking forward to talking about KWHHA to others at local Rodeos, Jr Rodeos, High School Rodeos and other association events that they attend. He describes KWHHA as a good point to start competing that keeps expenses low but improves horsemanship. Describing KWHHA to someone who doesn't know anything about it is easy as it is my favorite part about the association.

Getting to spend time with your friends, family and horses all at the same time and having fun doing it. What better way to enjoy a weekend than doing something you love with the people you like being with.

Until Next Time,
Renee Nichols
KWHHA Historian