

## This Month We Love

### *The Sisterhood of Riding Pants*

**D**esigner Marianne Morrison found traditional jeans had a waist that was too high and seams that met in inconvenient places—not to mention the fact her knees got rubbed raw on long rides. So she asked herself, “Why are women riders still wearing the same



jeans designed for men over 100 years ago?” Morrison set out to create a better western riding pant, taking certain elements of English breeches to create Smooth Stride pants. Constructed of heavy-duty four-way equestrian fabric with cotton lining and no inside seams, the pants stretch and spring back easily. They're available in full or half-seat styles, with suede that grips, yet is flexible and washable. Slightly flared legs accommodate western or work boots, and the pants are available in black or brown, in five sizes.

For more information, call or visit (208) 263-2155; [www.smoothstride.com](http://www.smoothstride.com).

## Win Big With Calf Manna

**I**n celebration of 75 years in the feed-supplement business, Calf-Manna has launched a Diamond Anniversary Giveaway. Through Oct. 14, every 25- and 50-pound bag of Calf-Manna will contain a scratch-off game piece. Consumers have a one-in-two chance of winning. Prizes include \$2 off coupons, ball caps, travel chairs, and four grand prizes with a choice between a trip for two to Hawaii or a 1/2-carat diamond pendant.

For more information, call or visit (800) 690-9908; [www.mannapro.com](http://www.mannapro.com).



## *Standardbreds Drafted Into Duty*

**T**here are dozens of dedicated re-enactment groups across America that depict a variety of cavalry battles. As the nation's largest mounted artillery group, the California Historical Artillery Society travels the country participating in living history re-enactments and parades, with a unique twist: They use more than 30 rescued Standardbred ex-racehorses. The horses, currently ranging in age from 4 to 38, live on a 40-acre ranch in Salinas, Calif. After their racing careers have ended, around ages 5 to 9, the horses are retrained as “Army horses” and educators. Complete with a supply wagon and caissons, the group is able to portray Army artillery from the Mexican-American War, the Civil War, the Spanish-American War and World War I.

To help fund its rescue efforts, the nonprofit California Historical Artillery Society offers various levels of horse sponsorships to the public. For more information, visit [www.warhorse.org](http://www.warhorse.org).



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