



# RIDING POINT



Dear Waddies:



I regretfully need to announce the retirement of the 2WF Club. We have been on the trail for 15 years and the painful decision was made to retire the club. Over the past few years, due to economic strains we have seen loyal members having to drop memberships; we have had huge increases in postage and printing and ads are no longer supporting the publications.



As I reflect on our progress, we started out small and grew to over 200 members a few years back; our publications grew from 12 pages to upwards of 70 pages for some issues. We have managed to meet deadlines on publications, we have pulled off some great rides and have met many of our members in person in various venues.



Shery, Merideth, Beth and I feel that we all need to devote more time to our own horses--running this outfit has worn us out! We almost retired last year but rallied for another year but it is time. So what does this mean? We are retiring the club, not turning it over. We all have a huge sense of ownership of what we have built and prefer to let it remain intact.



For anyone that has paid dues in advance, I will be sending a refund in June; for those that have sent checks recently, they have been shredded so please note this in your check-books. We still have books and t-shirts for sale so call if you want anything or write!



This is not the end of the friendships we have built, rather a beginning of another phase. Club funds will be reconciled and held for a reasonable period of time to make sure we have all bills paid; we will retain an amount for the next year or so in case we all decide to resurrect the club in another form--anything else will go to the AMHA Legal Defense Fund ( unless any of you have huge objections).



I wish to thank all of you for your support over the years and hope to meet you on the trail.



*Linnea*

