

Mark Your Calendar

- **Virtual Nationals Vaulting Fest**
August 15th - 20th
- **End of 2019-2020 Season**
August 31st
- **Beginning of 2020-2021 Season**
September 1st
- **Halloween Fest**
October 24th

COVID-19 Response Update

As you know and appreciate COVID-19 continues to make planning anything a moving target. We continue to align with Garrod's operational practices and guidelines. The requirements do change, so plan on adjustments continuing to occur periodically. We will also be updating the club soon about the August monthly dues. Similar to July as practice time remains steady dues will likely stay at the normal rate.

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Virtual Vaulting Competitions

Many of the MEVC vaulters participated in the club's first Virtual Vaulting Competition. Videos have been submitted and we are waiting for the results. It was very exciting for the vaulters to participate in a competition. They had to prepare just like for any other competition but the travel time was much more forgiving. The club is looking forward to participating in Virtual Nationals in August. Here is the link to Virtual Nationals for more detailed information. Your coach will be providing entry information and video schedules.

<https://www.avavirtual.com/home>

Virtual Vaulting Competition in action below



A New Season is Coming!

It is hard to believe that the 2019-2020 season is coming to an end August 31st. This season ended much differently than expected. Next season, starting September 1st will look different. Fabian is working hard on a new format for individual coaching. More news to come soon!

SODA POP is RETIRED!

We're happy to announce that we have found another perfect retirement opportunity for one of our beloved vaulting horses. Soda Pop has recently been retired down to Emma's pasture, and leased out by MEVC alumna Megan Benjamin Guimarian for her daughters. In the next few months he will travel to Idaho to officially retire with our beloved Merina Baldwin (née Rainville). We are excited both for Soda's retirement and Merina's recent marriage! Can't wait to see all the fluffy fun fairy unicorn pictures!

Please feel free to stop by and shower attention on Soda before he leaves for Idaho.

Enjoy this month's Maroon Toons! Thank you Laura Yelavich Abbott for sharing your artistic skills in honoring Soda's retirement.



End of Season Celebration

August will be the end of the 2019-2020 vaulting season. I am looking for a few parent volunteers to help plan a celebration. This will be an opportunity for creativity in the COVID-19 environment. Please contact Pamela Burke peanut_burke@yahoo.com if you are interested in helping.

Halloween Fest: October 24th

Our annual Garrod "Spring" Classic, September 12th - 13th has been cancelled. Instead we will be hosting an event Saturday October 24th. This event will need to be highly modified to accommodate social distancing requirements. We will make a decision in September on what this competition will look like; in person, virtual or as a club-only event. We will also be in need of volunteers to make this event successful. Contact Pamela Burke if you have any questions. peanut_burke@yahoo.com

Merina and Danny!

By Emma Seely

Daniel Baldwin and Merina Rainville were married on May 28, 2020 in Moscow, Idaho.

Merina was a longtime vaulter and then became the Tiny Tots coach for Mt Eden. She completed her Masters in Education and is now pursuing her accreditation as a Waldorf teacher. Daniel Baldwin is Christina Cagliostro's son, Gianna's brother.

The couple is now living in Moscow, Idaho where Danny just graduated from the University of Idaho with a BS in Soil Science and is a US Marine reservist. We wish them a happy life!

Photo below of Merina and Danny celebrating their happy day!



Riding Warehouse Discount

Mt. Eden Vaulting Club is partnered with Riding Warehouse. All orders can receive a 15% discount if you use our club coupon code: **MT EDEN** at checkout. They are located in San Luis Obispo so most items can be received within 1-2 days. <https://www.ridingwarehouse.com/>

