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- Find out what is going on this Fall with OU Polo.
- See who all has been involved in turning this badly beaten horse around.
- Revival of the "Sport of Kings".

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## OKLAHOMA POLO INVITATIONAL

This upcoming November 3rd & November 4th are dates that you should all have scheduled on your calendar to be present at Broad Acres Polo Club. This tournament is the beginning of an annual event that the Oklahoma Polo Club will be hosting to promote the sport of polo nationwide. This year's competition includes Texas Christian University, Oklahoma State University, the University of Louisville, New Mexico State, Colorado State, and your very own Oklahoma Sooners.



From left to right: Michael Scott, Richard Varner, Robert Hefner IV, David Ragland, Robert Hefner V, and Steve Cox,

## OU TRUMPS OSU

On October 20th, 2007 the OU men's team mounted up in a pitted rivalry against the Oklahoma State team. The site of all the mayhem was Tatanka Ranch who were also hosting their 1st Annual Wine, Cheese, & Polo Festival.

Representing the OU men's team were Robert Hefner V (club President), Jeff Flick (Director of Operations), Michael Scott (dedicated alumni), and Josh Shelton. Through the awesome effort of all the men's team members, the Oklahoma Polo team ended up winning the match 9-4.



The homecoming parade crowd cheers on the OU polo team

## OUPOLO.COM

Thanks to some very special people, Stafford Marquardt included, the OU Polo team has successfully launched the 2007-2008 OU Polo website. The website now features the Fall 2007 schedule, upcoming news, a brief history of the club, horse biographies, membership, a sponsorship page, and a contact page. We hope that you enjoy the website and refer to it periodically for up to date club news.

# ABOUT US



The University of Oklahoma Polo and Equestrian Club is a nonprofit student organization, whose purpose is to get students interested and knowledgeable in the sport of polo by promoting intercollegiate polo and the United States Polo Association. This organization's main learning objective is that each student will walk away educated in an intermediate level of equine health care and possess the knowledge necessary to further increase not only their playing skills but also their life skills, such as work-ethic, leadership, and teamwork coupled with a desired to educate others in this wonderful sport.

## November Schedule

1. November 3 & 4 Oklahoma Polo Invitational @ Broad Acres Polo Club
2. November 17th, OU Polo @ Texas Tech
3. November 24, 2007 OU vs. OSU @ Broad Acres Polo Club
4. December 1, 2007 OU team and alumni dinner

## THE BENEFITS OF A WOODEN HORSE



From left to right: Robert Hefner V, Michael Scott, Jeff Flick, Josh Shelton, Bryce Gill, & Garrett Hull

Many of you veterans to the sport of polo understand how important a tool the wooden horse truly is to the development of a technically sound, strong polo swing.

Assisting in the process of building the new wooden horse are alumni Bill Taylor and donor Dan Flick whom have teamed up to front the money and build the horse under the roof of our current barn. Four old stalls have been converted into more than an adequate amount of space to swing away. "This couldn't have come at a better time" said Hefner, "with people wanting to start stick and balling, it is essential that they learn the fundamental swing before they develop bad habits".

"In many ways, polo is like the sport of golf" said Flick, team

Operations Director "the only difference is you are going 40 miles an hour on a 1,500 pound animal. So, learning the fundamentals on something stationary would really help."

Thus, the Oklahoma Polo Club is enthusiastic of this new addition to the club that should be completed late-November. Further, we would like to specially thank Jeff Flick, Dan Flick, and Bill Taylor for all their work in making this possible.

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