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Stoner Ridge Farm News

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September was a busy month for us here at Stoner Ridge Farm with the World Show, the Rocky Mountain International, and the Mountain Pleasure World Championships all during the same month. Our people worked hard and so did the horses. Everyone did a great job. Sometimes we agreed with the way the judges cast their votes and sometimes we didn't but we were pleased with the ALL the horses and

what they have accomplished this year. We want to congratulate Steve Heuslein's horses, SRF Silver Sundown on his **UMH Open Western World Grand Championship** win at the World Show and RRF Gold Nugget on his **Sam Tuttle Memorial Award** at the RMH International. Branson Blue rose to the occasion at the RMH show as won the **Open Yearling Championship**. He is out of One Chance Fancy by Merry Go Blue and is a beautiful colt. We congratulate Steve on his purchase of this fine animal. We also congratulate Merry Go Blue on his **Mountain Pleasure World Championship Conformation** title. They were awesome!!!

UMH World Show

The first week of September turned out to be a great week to show horses! The weather was mild and there was no rain during the show itself. The show manager, Mark Farrar, did a super job keeping everyone informed and recognizing the special award winners - and there were many. Special events added an extra spark to the show. The stall decoration contest was a lot of



RRF Gold Nugget
 Owned by Steve Heuslein
 Sam Tuttle Winner

fun. Marcia Spencer hand painted the brick for our castle, Billie Hickey created our beautiful horses for the gates, and Regina Jones made our Cinderella horse shoe. The Winchester Chamber of Commerce voted our display runner-up. We looked goooooood! Thanks ladies! We all really enjoyed the church service on Sunday. There was a great feeling of



Branson Blue
 International Champion
 Owned by Steve Heuslein

unity and appreciation of God's blessings. The pot luck was great too. Lots of folks really enjoyed the dog show this year. It was a hoot! Nancy Copland organized the Ladies Auxiliary dinner at Kathy's in Clay City. If you aren't a member, join soon and get your secret sister. It's so much fun to give surprises throughout the year. The box seat baskets were great. Regina did an outstanding job on their region's basket. Thanks everyone!



Merry Go Blue
 Owned by
 Don & Nancy Copland
 Robert & Lyngle Lawson

An outstanding event for SRF was the Trail Obstacle competition this year. The horses were so well trained they just sailed through the course - 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th with Silver, Nugget, Little Ann, and Jazzy in the Sr. Horse Division. Squirrel was awarded 1st in the Jr. Horse Division, and Lauren tied first in the Juvenile category. Our congratulations go out to Randy Jones who placed

UMH WORLD SHOW (CON'T)

third Amateur Versatility and to Lauren for her placement of third in the Juvenile Versatility Award. JT had a great ride on Jazzy placing third in his class. Tim Spencer won in his qualifying class and placed fifth in the WCG Amateur class. Steve placed 3rd in the CTP Amateur WGC and I placed 4th with Nugget. We also enjoyed the KY Bourbon class and the groom's class immensely.

The air was full of excite-



ment for the Grand Championships on Monday evening. We began with lead line. Ella and

Ruby rode Barb's Stormy Knight together. What cuties. Billie brought some cute 'props' - fairy wings, wands, shirts, and boots. It was a riot. The kids (and Nancy) had a great time. Ruby let it be known to all that she wasn't happy when she had to dismount. They are sooooo much fun!

We moved on into the championships. There were some excellent horses this

year. Congratulations to all the winners.

It was a great week. We really enjoyed folks who were able to come: Steve & Sydney, Marty & Bob Morris, the Honn's, the Potts family, Don & Nancy, Billie, Tim & Marcia, Randy & Regina, Dana and lots of other folks. Thanks to everyone who brought food, ice, drinks, or anything else you did to help out. Way to go SRF! Our team is simply the best!

RMH INTERNATIONAL SHOW

On Monday, Sept. 7th, the SRF crew rallied around and moved what we could to the Kentucky Horse Park in preparation for the start of the RMH show on Tuesday. We got everything set up and the entries made before the UMH championships. Randy, Tim, Marcia, Nancy, Steve, and Sydney all came to help our crew. They did everything from hauling horses to cleaning boots!

We were all ready to go on Tuesday. I had to return to school and some of our other people had to go back to work. Many returned throughout the week though. We enjoyed getting to visit with Brenda Watson and Laurie Quincey. We hadn't got to see them for awhile. Susan Abner also got to come and visit one day. The show seemed to build as the week progressed. Nug-

get was doing well in his classes. He won his 5 year old conformation and his under saddle classes. Folks were beginning to predict that he would win the Sam Tuttle. Silver was also doing very well. He won his western class and the stallions trail class. Of course we were beginning to think about the Rea Swan versatility award. He placed 4th in his conformation class but with the optional classes we were hoping we could replace that class with another one. Nugget kept winning. He won the 3 - 5 year old Open Conformation Championship and the Geldings Championship. How exciting! Silver won Trail Obstacle and Pole Bending so we had our fingers crossed. Nugget got second in Trail Obstacle and Jazzy got third. Woo Hoo! Silver had four firsts and a fourth but it wasn't quite enough to win the Rea Swan . . . he came in second (even though it was an-

nounced that he had won). Nugget, however, went on to place reserve in the Conformation Grand Championship which was more than enough to help him win the Sam Tuttle - the most prestigious award offered by the RMH. Way to go Nugget! Congratulations to Steve and to Charlie for all their hard work throughout the year.



4H HORSE CAMP

In the fall of every year, the District Four 4 H group has a horse camp for their young riders. It is a great opportunity for young people to learn and enjoy their horses. They ride, camp out, do crafts and spend all weekend together. It is quite a challenge for organizers because of the different horse disciplines. There are contest horses (western competition, reining, poles, and barrels), showmanship, hunter/jumper, and a general group

called Walking/Racking/Mountain. Robert was invited to Harrodsburg this year as one of the instructors. I joined him just to tag along and enjoy the kids. They were great! Kathy Robertson, USDF Education Programs Senior Coordinator had everything under control. The kids were divided into groups by discipline. All attendees had the opportunity to participate in at least one of Robert's sessions. He worked with the young

folks helping them understand the importance of respect, softness, and flexibility. He showed them some exercises to help calm their horses when they didn't want to walk. The kids were so into it!. They immediately incorporated what they learned into their routines. Everyone had a great attitude even though there was an awfully lot of rain and mud at the fairgrounds. Kathy invited Robert back next year.

Hopefully, we can get the details worked out. It reminded me of when our daughters went to Girl Scout camp. . . . Seems like it was always rainy then too <G>. I'm sure these kids made some great memories of Horse Camp 2009!



ALLTECH FEI WORLD EQUESTRIAN GAMES

The Alltech FEI World Equestrian Games are the world championships of eight equestrian disciplines recognized by the Fédération Equestre Internationale (vaulting, dressage, para dressage, reining, driving, eventing, endurance, and jumping). The Games are held every four years, and this will be the first occurrence in the United States. It is also the first time that the games can be held at one physical location. In the past, the events have been spread over several locations.

The Games run for 16 days in

2010, Saturday, September 25 – Sunday, October 10. These dates will most likely require changes to the RMH International Show. The new date and venue has not yet been determined.

The 2010 Games are expected to have a statewide economic impact of \$150 million, and other current sponsors include Alltech, Rolex, John Deere, Ariat International, Inc. and Rood and Riddle Equine Hospital. For more info go to www.alltechfeigames.com.

We are really excited to have the Alltech World Equestrian Games so

close to home next year. Even though there is not a specific venue for our Mountain Horses, we are hopeful that they will be included in demonstrations and other ceremonies during the games.

Tickets went on sale on Sept. 25th - one year exactly before the games begin. We are still looking at which events we would like to see. Tickets are pricy and we understand that they will sell out quickly. Ticket Master will be handling all ticket sales. Check out the web site and let us know if you plan to attend. Everything is more fun when we can go together.

IMPORTANT DATES

October 2 - 3 United Mountain Horse Youth Fun Show at Lazy K Ranch, California, KY

October 8 - 10 KMSHA International at the Kentucky Horse Park, Lexington, KY

October 15 - 18 UMH Regional - Calvary Episcopal Charity Horse Show, Columbia, MO

October 23 - 25 Robert and I will be going to Big South Fork trail riding

October 31 Halloween

November 1 - 6 Clinic - Waterloo, IA

November 26 Thanksgiving



THUNDER

Bob and Marty Morris were able to come back to SRF on the 21st. It was time for Thunder to return home so that his owners could enjoy riding him over the hills of PA. We'll miss having him here at SRF.

HEALTH CONCERNS

Steve Heuslein called last week. He had been to the emergency room. After some tests doctors determined that he had a kidney stone. He came home hoping to pass it. Unfortunately, that didn't happen so he had to return to the hospital and have some additional procedures. When we talked to him last Thursday, he was feeling quite a bit better. Please keep Steve in your thoughts and prayers that he will have a quick recovery and that all will soon be well.

WELCOME

We'd like to welcome Jim Sereal and his palomino mare to Stoner Ridge Farm. She's here for a tune up. Mike has been working with her.

We'd also like to welcome Janeene Jennings and her horse, Walker, to SRF. He's also here to be tuned up for trail riding under Robert's direction. Both Janeene and Jim are from Lexington, Kentucky - not far from here.

We appreciate these folks and are glad to have their horses here at the farm.

Welcome guys!

KMSHA INTERNATIONAL

The KMSHA International will be held this year at the Kentucky Horse Park on October 8 - 10. The days will be full! They have added a Trainer's Challenge to their line-up. Trainers will have three different sessions in the round pen on Friday and the finale will be on Saturday. It looks like we'll be taking ten horses. Our stalls are supposed to be in barn 10 and 11 which is near our traditional spot

across from the bathrooms. We are planning to have a great show and to enjoy the fellowship of friends and clients. Unfortunately, I will be at school most of the week since our fall break does not coincide with the show this year.

The horses are all in peak condition. Their muscles are strong and they are up to the challenge mentally. Our guys do a great job with all their horses.

Come and join us if you can!



World Champion

Little Ann

Owned by:

Don & Nancy Copland

CONGRATULATIONS!

SRF Show Results

Pepper's Capital Venture

UMH World Show

- 3 yo Classic S/G - 4th

RMH International

3 YO Amateur Trail Pleas-
ure - 3rd - Steve Heuslein

3 YO Amateur Show
Pleasure - 3rd - Steve
Heuslein

3 YO Gelding Trail Pleas-
ure - 1st - Michael Butler

3 YO Geldings Show
Pleasure - 1st
Geldings Championship
Trail - 7th Michael Butler

SRF's Silver Sundown

UMH World Show

Water Glass - 5th

Western Pleasure Sr. Horse
- 2nd

Trail Pleasure Stallions -
3rd

Trail Obstacle - 1st

Trail Pleasure World

Grand Championship - 5th

Western Pleasure World
Grand Championship - 1st

RMH International

Amateur Trail Pleasure -
10th - Steve Heuslein

6-9 YO Stallions

Conformation - 4th

6-9 YO Stallions Trail

Pleasure - 1st

6-9 YO Western

Pleasure - 1st

Stallion Championship

Trail - 6th

Western Pleasure Grand
Championship - 3rd

Adult Trail Obstacle - 1st

Pole Bending - 1st

Water Glass - 4th

RRF Gold Nugget

UMH World Show

4 + Classic Pleasure
Geldings. - 1st

Amateur Men's Classic -
2nd - Steve Heuslein

Non-Pro Classic - 2nd -

Lyngle Lawson

4+ Geldings In Hand - 5th

Men's Classic Pleasure - 4th

Trail Obstacle Sr. Horse - 4th

Pro Am Classic - 5th

Charlie & Steve

Open Driving - 1st

Non-Pro Classic World Grand

Championship - 4th - Lyngle
Lawson

Groom's Class - 5th -

Lisa Sidwell

RMH International

Men's Amateur Show Pleasure

- 2nd - Steve Heuslein

4-5 YO Amateur Show

Pleasure - 7th Steve Heuslein

3-5 YO Geldings

Conformation - 1st

5 YO Geldings Show

Pleasure - 1st

Geldings Championship Show

Pleasure - 1st

Pleasure Driving - 1st

Show Pleasure Grand

Championship - 7th

Adult Trail Obstacle - 2nd

3-5 YO Open Conformation

Championship - 1st

Conformation Grand

Championship - 2nd

Sam Tuttle Memorial Award

RPM's Squirrel's Blackfoot

UMH World Show

Water Glass Class - 2nd -

Randy Jones

Am/Non Pro 2+ In-Hand - 3rd

- Randy Jones

Western Pleasure Jr.

Horse - 5th

Novice Gentleman Rider - 3rd

- Randy Jones

Trail Obstacle Jr. Horse - 1st

Trail Obstacle Open Am/Non

Pro - 5th - Randy Jones

Open 4 Gait - 2nd

Regional Amateur Trail - 2nd

- Randy Jones

Novice Ladies Trail - 2nd -

Regina Jones

Mountain Pleasure World
Show

2 & 3 year old Stallions Coun-

try Trail - 2nd

2 & 3 year old Stallions

Conformation - 2nd

Country Trail Grand

Championship - 5th

Gaitway's Jasmine Joy

UMH World Show

4 + Country Trail Pleasure

Mares - 6th

4 + Mares In-Hand - 6th

Western Pleasure Sr.

Horse - 5th

Trail Obstacle Sr.

Horse - 2nd

Amateur Country Trail

Pleasure - 5th

Youth 11 & Under - 3rd -

J.T. Hickey

Youth Western Pleasure -

3rd - Lauren Hickey

Youth Trail Obstacle - J.T.

Hickey - 4th

Am. Country Trail World

Grand Championship - 3rd -

Steve Heuslein

Youth Showmanship - 3rd -

Lauren Hickey

RMH International

6-9 YO Mares

Conformation - 2nd

6-9 YO Mares Trail

Pleasure - 4th

14.2 - 14.3 Trail

Pleasure - 7th

Western Pleasure - 5th

6-9 YO Western

Pleasure - 4th

Adult Trail Obstacle - 3rd

6 and Over Championship

Conformation - 5th

C.D.'s Girl's Got Rhythm

UMH World Show

Open Four Gait - 4th

Merry Go Blue

UMH World Show

UMH/AGMH Classic

Pleasure - 2nd

Mountain Pleasure World Championship

4 + Stallion Conf. - 1st

Conformation Grand

Championship - 1st

Little Ann

UMH World Show

Water Glass Class - 4th

Trail Obstacle Sr.

Horse - 3rd

Open Four Gait - 1st

HBF Hidden Agenda

UMH World Show

Weanling Fillies - 3rd

UMH World Show -

Breeder's Cup - 10th

RMH International

Weanling Fillies "A" - 2nd

Weanling Championship -
3rd

Barb's Stormy Knight

UMH World Show

Non-Pro Trail Pleasure - 4th

- Nancy Copland

Novice Gentleman Rider -

1st - Tim Spencer

Trail Obstacle Open Amateur

- 4th - Tim Spencer

Youth Trail Obstacle - 1st -

Lauren Hickey

Youth Equitation - 4th -

Lauren Hickey

Amateur World Grand Cham-

pionship - Tim Spencer

Lead Line - 1st - Ella

Tillery & Ruby DeAtley

Branson Blue

UMH World Show

Yearling Colts In-Hand - 2nd

Yearling Conformation

World Grand Champ. - 3rd

Breeder's Cup - 2nd

RMH International

Yearling Colts "A" - 2nd

Yearling Championship - 1st

Blue's Magical Charm

UMH World Show

Open Spotted Mtn. - 3rd

Mountain Vista Thunder

RMH International

5 YO Stallions Trail - 7th