

# Stoner Ridge Farm News

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## Happy Easter



## Farm Updates

We are so glad that it is officially spring even though Mother Nature can't fully leave winter alone just yet. We are thankful for the warm days we've had so far.

Once the clocks were changed to Daylight Saving Time, riding later in the day became easier. Even though Mary Kelley is busy with foaling at Claibourne, she has been coming to ride when her day is done there. Olivia is here full time riding and working. Shelby is cleaning stalls around her softball schedule. Ruby is here most days about 1:30 and then she has to go run for cross country Monday through Thursday. Charlie, of course, oversees it all and rides continually. He has moved the horses out of the big field



and they have been taking more excursions down through the creek and back in the woods. It's been great to get the horses out more.

Lots of great things have been happening on the farm and in our horse community. More folks are coming to visit and check in with their horses' progress since the weather has improved.

Since they are moving, Julie brought AJ over for Charlie to ride and market last month. He just needed some riding to get legged up due to the winter lay off. It didn't take much to get him ready. AJ moved quickly and went to Texas. Axel went to LaTasha Johnson, and Ally was purchased by Leah. We are excited for these new owners. The horses are just great. Gary and Julie will leave April 13th. I know they will be glad to be with family soon - especially their grand daughter Ava. We are having a little going away party at the house on Friday, April 3rd to give Gary and Julie a happy send off. We'll have supper and enjoy some time reminiscing. Hope everyone can make it.

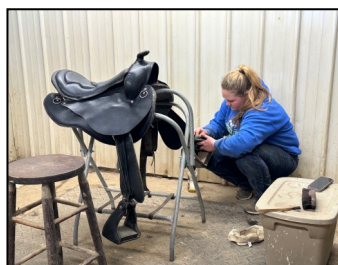
Dr. McVey was here on the 13th for spring vaccinations. He did a 6-way plus strangles for most horses in addition to Coggins and health certs. Invoices haven't been sent yet. Clients will receive an invoice directly from Dr. McVey. We are really glad he is able to get out to SRF to take care of the horses here. Another great help is Phil Flynn. He has been here



every couple of weeks to do any teeth and farrier work that is needed. He is so dependable. We are thankful for these two professionals and all they do for the horses at SRF.

The youngsters Charlie started back in the fall have all done so well! I'm sure their owners will be really pleased. Most of them have gone home for their owners to enjoy. We'll miss them.

We are looking forward to Sydney's (bred to Silver) and Marietta's (bred to Jim) foals that are due soon. It will be great to have a couple of babies again.



Olivia and Charlie had a busy time getting ready for the clinic for the last couple of weeks. See page 2 for more about the clinic. Olivia cleaned lots of saddles, blankets, and tack in general! She did a great job. In addition to training, Charlie took some time to work on the arena. He also refurbished the floors in 4 stalls. There's always much to be done when spring arrives.

## Important Dates

**May 2-3** RMHA classes included - Peruvian Horse Sunshine Show and All Gaited Breeds Show, World Equestrian Center, Ocala, FL  
**May 9** RMHA B Youth Show (kids show free), Morehead, KY

**May 22** Bourbon County High School Graduation 7:00 p.m. for Ruby and Shelby

**June 6** RMHA A Get Your Pink on Show (kids show free), Owingsville, KY

**June 7** Ruby's 18th Birthday  
**July 18** RMHA B Show, Harrison County Fair, Cynthia, KY

**Aug. 1** RMHA B Show, Mountain Horse Celebration, West Liberty, KY

**Sept. 3 - 6** RMHA International Grand Championship Horse Show, Covered Arena, Kentucky Horse Park

**Note: See [rmhorse.com](http://rmhorse.com) for additional shows in AL and TX**



## Beyond the Farm

While Ruby is here in the afternoons, her focus is on riding. WOF who came back into

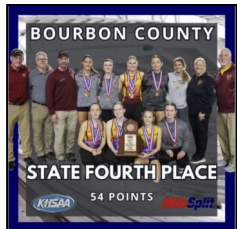
the barn for training in March and Larry brought Mack a few weeks ago. They are doing great! Ruby has also been busy with school functions. FFA officers

made a trip to Frankfort recently to learn about the legislative process. The team has also helped distribute hundreds of free trees and make visits to Bourbon County elementary classrooms to help kids learn the value of agriculture for National FFA Day. Ruby also competed in the Parliamentary Procedure contest at UK where they did well. She ran

with the Track team at State with the team placing 4th and 5th in her relay race! Congratulations to all. The Archery team did a

great job all year. Charlie coached the Bourbon County Middle School team.

It is hard to believe a high school is drawing to a close for Ruby very soon. We are thankful for all the opportu-



nities she has had and appreciate all those who have supported her along the way. As one door closes, another one opens. Lindsey Wilson isn't so very far in the future.

## Showtime!

The first shows have begun in TX and AL. Julie T., Mary Kelley, Leah, and Olivia will be going to the Florida Peruvian Sunshine Show again this year. Ann will be joining them. She said it is on her Bucket List to be able to ride at the WEC. The World Equestrian Center looks fabulous! What a great opportunity.

Charlie will be taking horses to the RMHA Youth Show in Morehead on May 9th for our first 2026 show. The showbill has been on Facebook and it is on the website. It looks like it will be an awesome show. Thanks to kind sponsors, the youth will show free and be given a voucher for a stall at the International! The next sanctioned show for SRF will probably be the Pink Show on June 6th. This, too, is a special show. Jennifer Adams donates all proceeds to cancer research.

If you haven't renewed your membership, please get that done before the first show. It is easy to do online. We can't wait for the fun and fellowship!

We hope you have a happy and blessed Easter holiday. Whatever your church plans for Easter services, we pray that you will have a wonderful day to praise the Lord. We are so thankful for the farm, the horses, family, and friends.



## Charlie DeAtley Holds Another Successful Clinic!

Charlie had an absolutely wonderful three day gait clinic! Everyone who participated improved their riding skills and horsemanship. Besides that,



everyone had a great time and learned lots. Charlie began with the basics such as leg pressure and rein management. Riders mounted up just as they would when they ride at home. From there each participant received individualized instruction helping them make better connections with their horse. They broke for a BBQ lunch with homemade cookies and brownies for dessert provided by Mary K. Following lunch, the next item on the agenda was trail obstacle. All the horses were willing but there were a few that needed to be introduced to the pool noodles and pin wheel. The horses did great with the new challenges when properly intro-



refining techniques there. On the final day of the clinic, Charlie hauled



horses to Big Creek Livestock for a cattle working session. Talk about learning confidence! It was



a great time for both horse and rider! Congratulations to all who participated!



horses to Big Creek Livestock



## RMHA News

The RMHA has been allocated over \$96,000 (our highest to date) through the KHBIF program! Vouchers will go out soon. Congrats to our Trail Obstacle winners:

Triple R's Rae of Sunshine - Gold  
WOF's Wind Commander - Gold  
HBF Furious Revenge - Silver  
She's Unlawful (Bonnie) - Silver  
Black Market Diamond - Silver  
Pacific Sundown - Silver  
Pepper's Just Plain Pretty - Silver  
DMH's Bella Angel - Silver

## Prayers Please



There is so much for which to be thankful but there are many reasons we need prayer. Many folks are having health issues. The tendon in my finger is healing, but it is a minor struggle. We have lost several friends this month. Doug Barlow, who was a DQP steward. We saw him at many United Mountain Horse shows, has passed away. Loyd St. John from Terrell, TX passed away March 14th. He was an avid horse lover with strong opinions. His obituary stated he did "exactly what he wanted, when he wanted, and argued with anyone who suggested otherwise." John and I served on the International Show Committee for a couple of years. He was 65. Sadly we learned on Tuesday that Jamie Derickson has passed away. He has had health issues for some time. Jamie was the son of H.T. and Wilda Derickson. He showed Rocky Mountain Horse (among others) for many years. We will sure miss these friends and will be praying for their family and friends.

## Looking for a New Partner?



**Emdee's Hello Darlin'** will be 15 in June and she is a "been there, done that" kind of girl. She has been in the show ring and she has been on the trails in Kentucky and at Big South Fork in Tennessee. She is currently giving lessons to a 7 year old little girl. Darlin' has a great temperament and gaits every step. She is out of Misty

May and by Venture's Black Fury making her a great brood mare prospect. This is one you won't want to miss. If you any need additional information on this sweet mare, contact Charlie.

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**Sundown Sierra** will sound familiar to you all. She is by SRF's Silver Sundown and was born right here! As an 8 year old, she has had many wonderful experiences. She was started by Charlie and was shown for a few years. At the International in 2023, she won both adult and youth trail obstacle, the High Money Horse, Rea Swan Award, and Youth Equitation.



Her current owners have concentrated on Western Dressage where several top awards were attained and trail riding. She has clocked over 200 miles this winter alone! She is another horse that has just about done it all. She is in great shape and ready to hit the trails, versatility events or the show ring. She is another one that is well bred. That Silver x My Sweet Sydney cross is awesome. Please contact Charlie if you need any additional information about Sundown Sierra. Both of these mares are highly desirable for many venues. It is seldom that such talented horses are offered for sale.

## Congratulations!



**PBF's Simon Barjonah**, owned by Steve and Susan Heulslein, has been purchased by Larry Watson!

We are so happy that he is going to such a good home. Larry and Brenda have several mares that could be bred to this sweet boy.



Simon is in great shape. He's easy to handle and has so much talent. The babies he

has sired have had great conformation, gait, and a whole lot of sense! We will sure miss him here at the farm, but we can't wait to see those Simon foals next spring!

# RMHA Youth Spring Fling

May 9th | 3PM | Morehead, Kentucky  
Richardson Arena @ MSU Derrickson Agricultural Complex

ALL YOUTH CLASSES  
ARE FREE!

Limited stalls available!  
\$50 for the night of May 9th

1. Leadline (no stallions)
  2. Youth Conformation (No Stallions)
  3. RMHA Mares & Geldings Country Trail Pleasure
  4. Trail Pleasure Racking
  5. RMHA Stallions Show Pleasure
  6. RMHA Amateur Trail Pleasure
  7. Open Park Pleasure
  8. RMHA AOT Country Trail Pleasure
  9. RMHA Mares & Geldings Show Pleasure
  10. 11 & Under Youth Pleasure
  11. RMHA Stallions Country Trail Pleasure
  12. Country Pleasure Racking
  13. RMHA Stallions Trail Pleasure
  14. RMHA Youth 17 & Under Country Trail Pleasure
  15. Youth Beginner (walk Only- handlers in center ring or walk along beside-no stallions)
- 10 MINUTE BREAK**
16. RMHA Mares & Geldings Trail Pleasure
  17. 12-17yo Youth Pleasure
  18. RMHA AOT Show Pleasure
  19. Men's Open Pleasure
  20. RMHA Amateur Country Trail Pleasure
  21. Open 3& 4-Year-Old
  22. RMHA Youth 17 & Under Trail Pleasure
  23. RMHA Amateur Show Pleasure
  24. RMHA Youth 17 & Under Show Pleasure
  25. Open Ladies Pleasure
  26. RMHA AOT Trail Pleasure
- DINNER BREAK**
27. RMHA Trail Pleasure Championship
  28. Amateur Mountain Horse Championship
  29. RMHA Country Trail Pleasure Championship
  30. Open Pleasure Horse Championship
  31. Youth Mountain Horse Championship
  32. RMHA Show Pleasure Championship

Classes 1-26 - Entry: \$15  
Paybacks \$30, 20, 10

Classes 28 & 30 - Entry: \$30  
Paybacks \$200, 100, \$50

Classes 27, 29, & 32- Entry: \$40  
Paybacks \$300, \$200, \$100

Class 31 will receive prizes!

All horses must qualify in a preliminary class to show in a championship

RMHA Rules will apply to RMHA sanctioned classes



## 11th Annual "Get Your Pink On!" Show In Honor of Wanda Adams, Diamond "A" Tack/ All Proceeds to Benefit Kentucky CancerLink

June 6th @ 1pm/ Admission \$5 per carload

Owingsville Lions Club, 100 Kendall Springs Rd, Owingsville, KY / RMHA Sanctioned "A" Show and Open Gaited Breed Show

Entry Fees: \$20 per class (Juvenile Classes FREE) Paybacks: \$30/\$20/\$10 Championships: \$35 Paybacks: \$60/\$40/\$20 Paybacks for class 26 & 27: \$50 plus \$50 Diamond "A" Tack gift certificate, \$25 plus \$25 Diamond "A" Tack gift certificate, \$10 plus \$10 Diamond "A" Tack gift certificate.  
\*To be judged this year on costume/not gait DQP Fee: \$15.00 required for ALL horses participating / RMHA rules apply for all RMHA designated classes. \*Open Pleasure classes are open to any gaited breed; Casual Neat Attire, no pads, chains, bands or other action devices allowed. Horses must show in one regular class to qualify for Championships, with the exception of youth.

1:00pm

1. LEAD LINE—Ribbons and \$2 for Riders
2. Juvenile Pleasure (No Stallions)\*
3. RMHA Show Pleasure Mares & Geldings
4. RMHA Amateur Trail Pleasure
5. RMHA Youth 12-17 Show Pleasure
6. RMHA Ladies Country Trail Pleasure
7. RMHA 3 Year Old Show Pleasure
8. RMHA Trail Pleasure Mares & Geldings
9. Jack Benny (55 & Over) walk, favorite gait\*
10. Open Show/Classic Pleasure
11. RMHA 11 and Under Trail Pleasure
12. RMHA Show Pleasure Stallions
13. RMHA Country Trail Pleasure Mares & Geldings
14. Open Trail Pleasure
15. RMHA Novice Show Pleasure
16. RMHA AOT Country Trail Pleasure
17. RMHA Ladies Trail Pleasure
18. RMHA 3 Year Old Trail Pleasure
19. RMHA 11 and Under Show Pleasure
20. Open Country Trail Pleasure
21. RMHA Youth 12-17 Trail Pleasure
22. RMHA Novice Country Trail Pleasure
23. RMHA Amateur Show Pleasure

24. RMHA 11 and Under Country Trail Pleasure
25. RMHA Country Trail Pleasure Stallions

### 15 Minute Break

26. Pink Class (17 & Under- No Stallions)\*\*\$10 Donation—walk only
  27. Pink Class (Adult 18 & Over)\*\*\$10 Donation—walk only
  28. RMHA AOT Trail Pleasure
  29. RMHA Ladies Show Pleasure
  30. RMHA Youth 12-17 Country Trail
  31. RMHA Novice Trail Pleasure
  32. RMHA 3 Year Old Country Trail Pleasure
  33. RMHA Trail Pleasure Stallions
  34. RMHA Amateur Country Trail Pleasure
  35. RMHA AOT Show Pleasure
- Championship Classes**
36. RMHA Youth Trail Pleasure Championship
  37. RMHA Open Country Trail Pleasure Championship
  38. RMHA Youth Show Pleasure Championship
  39. RMHA Open Trail Pleasure Championship
  40. Open Pleasure Championship\*
  41. RMHA Youth Country Trail Pleasure Championship
  42. RMHA Open Show Pleasure Championship

