

# Stoner Ridge Farm News

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## Life Lately



I am always glad to put February behind me. It is a month filled with erratic weather - snow then ice, then rain, then mud. In Kentucky this year, both January and February have been much colder than usual. There were 30+ days straight with snow on the ground. This past week, however, the weather has set records for warm temperatures with a couple of 60 + degree days that were very welcome. It would seem that March is coming in like a lamb rather than the proverbial lion. Hopefully, record-setting cold won't be with us later in March.



Charlie has been working right on through the weather. There's been lots of ground work as well as riding. He was able to get Johnny Rose along with Tim and Marcia Spencer to certify Maverick, Aladdin, Sun-

shine, Bonnie, and Gen a few weeks ago. They all have excellent gaits and will do a good job regardless of their venue.

A couple of weeks ago, Charlie sold his mare, CGF's Diamond Star, (aka Princess) to Jessica who used to work for Mike Hartong. He was Princess' breeder. We met her years ago when we went trail riding in Vermont. It was a full circle kind of moment. Jessica is very excited about the upcoming foal. Charlie also had the opportunity to purchase a coming three year old mare, In a Blaze of Glory. He will get her certified and breed her when he can. Julie T.'s mare, Angel, was bred to Silver last year and is due in May. Charlie and Julie worked out a deal and the foal will belong to Charlie. We can't wait.

Most of the SRF team took a field trip to Cox Creek (near Bardstown) to join up with Melisse, James and their friend, Deb, at the Legends Equestrian Center. It is a lovely Saddlebred facility. Ruby, Leah, Olivia, and Charlie all took turns riding. Melisse did some coaching. It was cool! Then we went over to Deb's for supper. Fun times!

Charlie brought WOF in for training March 1st. AJ (Julie B.'s 4 year old) is also back in training. Olivia and Ruby will be

coming back to ride soon. Their responsibilities with FFA will decrease toward the end of the school year. Ruby will have her State Indoor Track competition in Louisville on Tuesday. She has her one-mile is the 5 minute range! It won't be long before the final archery shoot and banquet. Charlie has been a coach this year and has enjoyed the kids.

Mary Kelley has been very busy at Claiborne. As a vet tech, she has so much work to do with the new foals. They are expecting about 150 babies and are only about a third of the way there! We know Mary Kelley, Olivia and Ruby are working hard, but we are looking forward to having a full staff here soon.

We don't have it scheduled yet but it will soon be time for vaccinations. If you would like anything done besides strangles and a 6-way (Eastern, Western, Rhino, Flu, tetanus, and West Nile) let Charlie know. He will be in touch with you once a date is scheduled for Dr. McVey to come out. We really appreciate Doc for being able to come on short notice when the horses need veterinary care. Phil Flynn is also a great help to the horses here. He usually comes twice a month. In so many ways, we are blessed!





## Magazine Update

The RMHA Fall/Winter magazine should be arriving in your mailboxes soon. It was shipped out from the publisher last Wednesday. Cheri Pril with Stunning Steeds, is the new designer and she's done a great job. Thank you all for your support of the magazine. The ads look great! Cheri will be in KY in May (see below)

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## Prayers Please

Lyngle lost another aunt on Feb. 9. Lora Kaye Alexander, 76, was her mom's baby sister. Her Aunt Kaye had written over 1,000 songs. She is survived by three children as well as several grand children and great grand children. She will be greatly missed.



SaRita was Karen's favorite trail horse. It is so hard to lose those who are especially close to your heart.

About a month ago, Jeff and Karen Royer lost a lovely mare due to colic.

Larry and Brenda Watson also lost a wonderful horse on Saturday, Silver Heels Jake. He was with them for 27 of his 28 years. They loved him dearly. Jake was the first horse Bob took in training when he started training for the public. He was a show horse as well as a wonderful trail horse and loved by all.



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## SPRING FORWARD

SUNDAY, MARCH 9



## Important Dates

**March 28** Spring it On RMHA OGB "B" Show, Baker, FL

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**April 26** RMHA Youth Show, West Liberty, KY

**May 3** RMHA Lee County Saddle Club

**May 10** Open Mountain Horse Fun Show, KEC Grounds, Winchester, KY

**May 10 - 11** RMHA Peruvian Horse Show (with some RMH Classes), World Equestrian Center, Ocala, FL

**May 24** RMHA Morgan Co. Basket Ball Boosters, West Liberty Equestrian Center

**June 6 - 7** Carter County Shrine Show, Olive Hill, KY (tentative date)

**June 7** Ruby's 17th Birthday

**June 14** Get Your Pink On RMHA A Horse Show

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

