

Stoner Ridge Farm

Foundation First Mountain Horse Training™

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After the International



Now that the 2023 RMHA International is in the books, it is awesome to look back at all that our horses accomplished:

Open Western Grand Champ.
12-17 CTP Grand Champ.
12-17 Show Pl. Grand Champ.
17 & Under Western Gr. Champ.
Rea Swan Versatility Award
Black Hawk Reo Memorial
Sara Gwisdalla Versatility
Eddie Moreno Memorial Award
High Money Horse
Gelding Show Pl. Championship
Youth & Adult Trail Obstacle
4-5 YO Stallions Trail Pl.
3-5 YO Open Western
6+ Open Western
Youth Showmanship
Youth Equitation
Youth Water Glass
6-9 YO CTP
Costume Class (3rd Year!)
Open Yearling Conformation
3 YO Fillies/Geldings Trail

Wow! The horses were busy and so were the humans! We look back and see all that worked well during this show. At the farm, Charlie and company rode for months to get everybody ready. The horses were in great physical

and mental shape. They were strong and they performed well! They seemed to have shown just the right amount to keep their head in the game. They had stamina and, at times, brilliance! Now it is time to begin looking forward to 2024.

There are a few new horses in the barn. Brenda and Larry Watson brought She's All Mine for Charlie to ride for them. Robin Woith sent Elite's Santana for a tune up. Shelly Simpson sent Louie. Susan Graham sent Hurt's Final Warning to also be turned up and offered for sale. Charlie started this gelding a few years ago. Unfortunately, Susan has had some health problems and needs to find "Dusty" a new home. Charlie has started two young horses so far this fall: Journey for Melissa Walters and Silver's Diamond Dealer ("Dilly") for Julie Tucker. Next week, he will start AJ (who is by Axel) next week. We love watching the horses



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come along!

Charlie did sell a horse this month - cute little Mindy Marcum sold to Brenda Watson. You should have seen Brenda's face when she was riding Mindy. It was love at first ride. I'm sure Barbara won't remain horseless long.

The other horses here that have been showing this season, have been turned out for some relaxation: Marietta, Chicago, Ember, Angel... Simon and Duncan are out too. Jim, Reo, Broker, and WOF will be turned in and out during the course of the winter. Axel has gone home. Sierra is for sale. She will continue to be ridden. There is also Blue Mountain Girl, Charlie's mare Princess and Mary Kelly's

gelding "Festus" who are for sale.

We had several visitors to the farm in October. Nancy came down for a visit bearing gifts. She brought Charlie a couple of saddles and bridles she no longer needs along with some other items. Martha Gilley came to ride with her friend Sue, daughter in law and her farm manager. They brought Jessie, Clover, and Hannah. It was a fun time. Donnie and Mary K. have been around. Leah and McKayla were here. In addition we had a farm get together. We had planned to roast hot dogs and make s'mores but the rain drove us inside. We had about 20 friends who came by. It was a great



time. Thanks to everyone who helped contribute a dish or a pot of soup. Not everyone could make it so we



hope to get together again before the end of the year.

We were excited to receive the saddle that was given by The Saddle Guy for the top Money Horse at the International. Totals

were tabulated prior to championships. Sundown Sierra owned by Steve and Susan, was the winner. She had multiple riders who made this award possible. The saddle is excellent quality. Steve asked that Charlie keep it here. He is going to reserve its use for the shows when a trooper-type saddle is needed. The quality is excellent. It will look good in the ring. Thank you notes are going out tomorrow! We sure appreciate the Saddle Guy's generosity.

Here at the farm, there have been some maintenance issues to take care of. We had the sky lights replaced on the barn, replaced loose screws, and power



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washed the roof. My of my, does it look better.



There is so much sunshine in the barn that it looks like the lights are on all the time. Charlie and Bryan also took a day and redid several stalls. Horses paw and with repeated cleaning, the base of the stalls get holes and divots. There was also a little fence work that needed to be done and Charlie worked on that. Seems like it is a chore that never actually ends.

LOL. In addition, we had a huge pine tree removed that was too close to the house. Since it was leaning, we were concerned that it would come down on the house. We are also working to get the sign down by the road replaced. It has faded over the years so we want to upgrade soon.

There has been a lot of activity since the International. The weekend of the get together, Ann and Melissa came to trail ride with Julie B., Leah, Julie T., Mary Kelley, McKayla, Olivia and a few other friends up at Cave Run. It



sure looked like a great time. There was also a ride to Logan Hubble and to Gladie/Leather Wood Loop. The horses were really great.



Julie B. was really pleased with Axel who hadn't been trail riding for years. Both Leah and Olivia had the opportunity



to ride him. Ally did great with Julie B. as well. Mary Kelley

couldn't say enough about her Mom's young stallion, Reo. Even with mares, he was great. Ann was so happy with WOF's ride out! I understand Broker was a blast but had lots of energy with Melisse. Angel was a dream on the trail with Olivia and Julie T.'s mount, River, is always the best. In addition to trail rides, Ruby completed her second and third Virtual Trail Ob-



stacle competition. Julie Tucker helped out at the Kentucky Horse Park's Hallow - Whinny event where riders and horses dressed in costumes to celebrate the holiday. There was trick-or-treat,



Cemetery Chats, and drill team. It all looked pretty cool!

Julie B. and Barbara went to Cowtown's Halloween Obstacle competition. Julie B. had some excitement in her Liberty class with



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Ally but hey... It may have sparked

a new venue for this team. Barbara borrowed a friend's horse. They did great and earned several blues for their efforts!



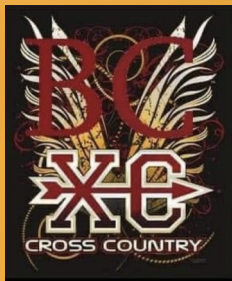
Ruby was a busy gal just before and after the International as well. There was



Homecoming at Bourbon County High School. How did she grow up so fast? In addition, there



was lots of riding Sierra and Broker at the barn. She squeezed in some Virtual Trail Obstacle competitions with Pepper and she did lots of running. As a member of the Cross Country Team, some weeks she ran over 30 miles.



On Tuesday and Thursday she would be at practice at six in the morning. She also had evening practices and frequently ran at home. It all paid off, though, in a first runner up win at the Regional level. They kept up the intensity and



ran at the state level last weekend at the very familiar Kentucky Horse Park. There were over 200 runners in Ruby's class alone. The girls and the boys were fifth in the state! We were so proud of their efforts! Now it is time for archery and track will begin in December.

After the International, we continue to give thanks for friends, family and horses! Thanks to all!!!



Changes to the Magazine

The RMHA has resumed responsibilities for management of publishing and sale of ads for the magazine. Luka will pay a major role in the design. There are plans to increase exposure on social media as well. Advertising rates will include design by Luka:

Full page - \$400

Half page - \$300

Quarter page - \$200

Business card - \$125

Ads are due January 1, 2024. Bonus Packages: Add \$150 to your full page ad and receive multiple platforms.



Option for the additional \$150 would be to add a website listing for the Breeders, Equine Services, Trainers, Sales (BESTS) Directory will also include a presence on the RMHA FB page.

Premier Pages Auction pages—all include design and RMHA FB posts

*Front cover includes 1/4 page description of the cover on the table of contents page \$1,000 starting bid

*Inside Front Cover

\$500 starting bid

*Center Spread

\$800 starting bid

*Inside Back Cover

\$500 starting bid

*Back Cover

\$600 starting bid

I'm excited for the upcoming changes. It should be more convenient to get ads designed and placed. The better exposure on social media will also be a benefit to those who want to advertise accomplishments. The auction date has not yet been announced but should be soon.

Horses for Sale

Blue Mountain Girl

This sweet 3 year old filly is out of Blueberry Wine by Merry Go Blue.

She is under saddle and is doing well. She has some size to her. See the video at Stonerridgefarm.com



Sundown Sierra is out of My Sweet Sydney by SRF's Silver Sundown. She was a big winner at the RMHA International. She won the Rea Swan Versatility Award, both trail obstacle classes, Equitation, and 3-5 yo Western. See the video at Stonerridgefarm.com

Hurt's Final Warning is a 9 year old gelding out of Red Bud's Blue Holiday by Rock's Choco Warning. He is being sold due to his owner's health. Contact Charlie for more information.



Elite's Santana is a beautiful silver bay 11 year old gelding. He loves the trails. Contact Charlie for more information.



CGF Diamond Star is a 10 year old 14.3 H mare with no red gene. She is a proven producer of outstanding foals. Contact Charlie for more information.



Prayers Please

On November 2nd is Julie Tucker's surgery for a torn rotator cuff. It was an injury from last winter. I'm sure she will be glad to have this operation behind her.

Bob will also have surgery on his rotator cuff on November 27th. He will have a reverse replacement. We had hoped to have it done earlier but a cortisone shot in August caused the need to wait three months! He will be glad to have this behind him as well.

Annamarie Bryce passed away on August 11th at the age of 85. She was born in Germany but we knew her when she lived in Smiths Grove, KY. She and her partner, Bill, owned and operated Stoney Point Farm where raised several Rocky Mountain horses. She will be greatly missed.