

Important Dates

Nov. 14 - 20 RMHA Premier Magazine Page auction (see RMHA FB page for info)

Nov. 30 KHBIF Stallion and Mare nominations due as well as Award of Excellence (youth), KHBIF Competitive Trail scores, and RMHA Versatility events

Nov. 24 - Thanksgiving Day

Dec. 25 - Christmas Day

No new shows are currently listed on the RMHA web site.



Happy Thanksgiving

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October Updates

Kentucky has had a beautiful fall! The trees were vibrant and there was plenty of warm weather to get out and enjoy this beautiful season. However, this weekend has put an end to the warmth, and it has been replaced with snow flurries and temperatures in the 30's. Between that and the end of Daylight Saving Time we are all just a little off track. As always, we'll adjust, but it may take spring time to get us there!

With the end of the show season for us, many horses were turned out to just enjoy being a horse. Some of our clients did get together for a trail ride at Cave Run: Melisse on Broker, Ann on WOF, Mary Kelley on An-



gel, Leah Palmquist on Ember and Amanda Gouch (whose husband attended the RMHA Judging Clinic) joined these ladies.

Julie Tucker took several trips with her horse, River. They always find some beautiful spots to ride including Big South Fork (my favorite) and they have a great time!

Julie Brown has been trying her hand at hearing cattle and several obstacle competitions. Barbara Hopper tried out a

something new at the Masterson Station Park Equine Trust Hunter Pace benefit. Barbara, Julie B., Charlie, and Ruby went to the Cowtown Halloween Obstacle Challenge where Barbara placed 1st in Adult and Senior riding and Julie got 1st in Novice riding. Ruby also won her class with Shadow. Congratulations. These classes will count toward KHBIF Trail.

On Election Day, Charlie had a small clinic here at the farm. Jolene Holbrook and Karen Royer really wanted to come again like they did last year for some obstacle training. Ann and WOF participated and Mary K. Eades joined them as well. Bob and Mary K. have been working with Dandy for several weeks. Dandy did a great job! Karen's young buckskin



was great on the obstacles. She will be joining us in January for additional training. Ruby and her friend Shelby also

enjoyed learning at the clinic. We appreciate Mary K.'s brownies and Karen's cookies to finish off our lunch of chili and potato soup. It was great!



Prayers Please

We want to remember Julie Brown in our thoughts and prayers. She had surgery to remove the plate and screws from her wrist that was broken awhile back. Karen Royer who was here for the clinic fell in her barn and fractured her pelvis. She is getting around with the use of a crutch. We are hoping she has a quick recovery. Please continue to keep my sweet momma in your prayers. The nurse says she is in "fair" condition. She is sleeping a lot and still talks to us some. We are thankful she is experiencing no pain. Thank you all!!!!



RMHA Membership/Rider Card Changes for 2023

Effective 11/1/23 RMHA is eliminating Rider Cards in an effort to make it easier for members, competitions, and staff. Rider Cards and memberships with different effective dates and fees have been a cause of confusion over the years so the Board voted to offer membership levels (not the categories of memberships which are in the bylaws) to include the participation fee for members who participate in programs/year end awards. This will eliminate the need for members to fill out more than one form, to keep track of more than one effective date and to pay separate fees.

Two levels will be offered, either Supporting Member or Participating Member. Below are the details.

1. Supporting Member: This member has access to the member portal, voting rights (except youth), access to member benefits and can make transactions with the association at member rates.
 - a. Single: \$55
 - b. Single 3 year: \$110
 - c. Single Lifetime: \$415
 - d. Junior: \$30
 - e. Family: \$90
 - f. Family 3 year: \$215
 - g. Family Lifetime: \$765
 - h. International Single: \$100
 - i. International 3 year: \$245
2. Participating Member: This member has access to above AND may use their membership to participate in any and/or all of the programs such as : Show, Trail, and Versatility
 - a. Single: \$75
 - b. Single 3 year: \$170
 - c. Single Lifetime: \$515
 - d. Junior: \$50
 - e. Family: \$130
 - f. Family 3 year: \$305
 - g. Family Lifetime: \$965
 - h. International Single: \$120
 - i. International 3 year: \$305
3. Individuals who currently have lifetime memberships will pay the following to upgrade to include participation eligibility. Invoices will be sent from the office to these members to choose which option they prefer:
 - a. Single Lifetime \$100 (one time fee) OR \$20 a yr.
 - b. Family Lifetime \$00 (one time fee) OR \$30 a yr.
4. If a member has already renewed their yearly membership before 11/1/22, they will be able to upgrade the membership by paying the difference. If you have any questions, please contact the RMHA office at 859.644.544 or email officeclerk@rmhorse.com

SRF Visitors Schedule

Charlie has a special request for November. There is a lot going on for him the week of November 12 - 20 . . . so he won't be scheduling any lessons or farm visits. He will be here riding, but he may arrive a little later or leave a little earlier than is usual for him. Bob and Lyngle will also be around. If you have lessons with Bob, they will continue as scheduled. Visits with us are fine. Charlie will be focused on getting his horses ridden so he can free up a little time for this week. Thanks!

Thankful

In this season of Thanksgiving, we pause to say, "Thank you" to everyone for all you do for Stoner Ridge Farm. Life just wouldn't be the same without you and your friendship. You all are supportive and patient, kind and dedicated. You enrich our lives as do your horses.

We are so very blessed!

Gratitude

Gratitude unlocks the fullness of life. It turns what we have into enough, and more. It turns denial into acceptance, chaos to order, confusion to clarity. It can turn a meal into a feast, a house into a home, a stranger into a friend. Gratitude makes sense of our past, brings peace for today and creates a vision for tomorrow.

