

EQUESTRIAN

SUMMER CLASSIC A WINNER

Our New Venue a Hit with Members and Exhibitors



left: Candy Dowdy & Sparkalicious
above: Leilani Ragsdale hugs her Lead Line prize

Thanks to a dedicated committee headed up by Dean MacCracken, the Northern California American Saddlebred Horse Association (NCASHA) launched their 1st Annual Summer Classic Horse Show on July 31 –

August 1 and it was a huge success.

The show was held at the Santa Cruz Fairgrounds in Watsonville, CA and will hopefully become the west coast’s answer to the east coast’s series of “Ville” shows.

Presidents’ Message

As 2010 comes to an end we look back on our year as co-presidents of NCASHA with real satisfaction. We continue to marvel at how Sue Valley came back to this position year after year! And while the commitment and loyalty to NCASHA by a few individuals has been incredible, part of our mission was to bring new leadership to the club this year and in the years ahead. We want to thank our 2010 executive team of Kasey Ashley (VP), Johanna Brandriff (Treasurer), and Sue Valley (Secretary) for their service.

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A FINAL GOOD BYE TO AN INSTITUTION:

As many of you know, Bob Lewis passed away on September 11 just shy of his 96th birthday. Many members rode with Bob when he operated the Bob Lewis Stable, others remember his wonderful

performances over the years. Bob certainly was an institution on the West Coast Circuit and a bit of him will remain with all who knew him and saw him show.



Bob Lewis judging the MCC Spring Show in 2008.

FUN AT "THE OTHER VILLE"

The show featured a Saddlebred division, Pleasure Walking horse division, Carriage driving division as well as a variety of open classes for everyone from beginner riders to trainers with young prospects. Participants included: Monarch Stables (who also functioned at the informal greeters), Dixon Stables, Silver Creek Stables, Golden Ridge, Saddle Star Stables, the Back Bay Co-op and Invictus Stables from San Diego who made the long trek with their Walking Horses. In addition to the big stables we had many single horse owners which made for a varied lineup of classes.

Terri Yount took on the judging duties and seemed to be enjoying her visit to Northern California. Earl Kelly was announcer and Doug Cason organized the back gate. Rhonda Azevedo as secretary brought us in the modern era with her computerized system. Many members pitched in to help and make the show a success: Suzan Foss-Pheley organized the silent auction, Dana Leavitt and Lynn Silva decorated center ring, Corrine Kahler was ring master. Susan Estes, Jenny Blackburn and Sue Valley took turns in center ring handing out ribbons.

Show highlights include:

Saddlebred: The show saw a return to the show ring for many who had been away for awhile.

Su Casa owned by Monarch Stables made his return to the show ring after a long hiatus and took the 3-Gaited Show Pleasure Championship with the approval of the crowd and rider Julia Barrow. Candy Dowdy also made a return to the show ring after an even longer hiatus.

Candy and her mare Sparkalicious really lit up the ring to take the 5-Gaited Show Pleasure title. Gen Hess brought Todaysmyluckyday out for his first show of the year and took home 3 blues in the Western Country Pleasure division while the Clevelands had Soundview's Once in a Blue Moon out for his first show this year taking reserve. Kendall Anderson and Wizard's Icon also out for their first show this year took home the 3-Gaited Show Pleasure qualifier.

Sami Streitfeld shared CH Shamrock's Jessica with her mom Julie and they took home a set of blues in the Country Pleasure division as well as the Lead Line Walk and Trot. Suzan Phely's Wits Worth put on a good show to win the open Hunter Pleasure blue.

The 10 and under Walk-Trot featured Marc Lambert on Elle Fire in his first show ever on his new mount – he did a wonderful job coming in second to Alison

Freeman and Attaches Chaminade.

Fresh from the Red Mile in Lexington, Ch Like Sunshine and Julia Chen lit up the ring to take the 3-Gaited prize and Ch Walterway's Remember Me and Katie Jarve had a heck of a ride to take the 5-Gaited Championship.

Many nice **Morgans** shared the ring with the Saddlebreds. Kathy Grimes had several of young horses looking marvelous. GLB Musical Legacy owned by Lorraine Bumb took the Junior Horse Western Championship. Susan Carlino on her striking palomino CFF Strictly Byness took the Amateur Western Ch. WWF Trademark and GLB Amazing Grace came in Champion and Reserve in the large Amateur Saddleseat Pleasure Class. Stephanie Davidson and Intrepid Prosperity took the Model Horse blue and reserve in the Amateur Western Pleasure.

The **Walking Horse** division was light, but the horses that came were top notch. Gary and Corie Narvaez brought many wonderful horses such as: Doubledowns Summer Sensation and ShutUp and Dance who both took home several blues. Megan Gates was busy, jumping from one horse to another for the whole weekend. Georgia Allen and Vigor's Ladybug Ree hit the



winner's circle more than once.

Everyone seemed to have such a good time, we hope they bring friends next year.



The array of open classes attracted a good range of horses. The 11 horse Walk and Favorite gait class had everything from Walkers to Quarter Horses. Eight answered the call for the Amateur Saddle seat Pleasure Championship won by Susan Carlino's WWF Trademark. Dana Leavitt brought his two lovely Friesians – Jelt ridden by Sale Visser was a stand out in the Open English Pleasure. Glor and Dana brought home the blues in the Open walk and Trot division. Sale brought the house down riding Glor bareback in the Sit a Buck class – he gave it a good go, but the blue in this and the water glass class belonged to Georgia Allen and her Walking Horse Vigor's Ladybug Ree.

The Carriage division had the most interesting range of horses from a miniature horse to a team of 3 Clydesdales. The team owned by Fred Silva was busy giving rides in their wagon between classes – it was a treat to watch Leah Parker guide the team through obstacles.

The show was very well received and we hope to make bigger and better next year – Many thanks to all



top left: Sami Streitfeld on Shamrock's Jessica with Aunt Brigitte
top right: Siri Hadland on Disorderly Conduct
above: Terri Yount, Jenny Blackburn & Susan Estes
right: Julie Barrow & Su Casa



-top left: Cooper Bartoszek & Gigi
 - above: Susan Carlino on CFF Strictly Byness, Sue Valley presenting
 - left: Dana Leavitt

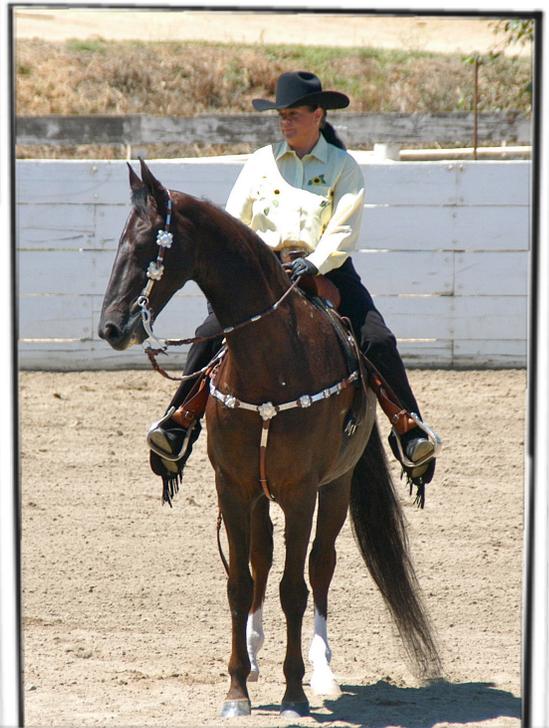


- above: Kendall Anderson & Wizard's Icon, Corrine Kahler presenting
 - right: Clydesdale team
 - above right: Allison Freeman on Attache's Chaminade, Susan Estes presenting



left: Royalee Cleveland & Once in A Blue Moon

right: Gen Hess & Todaysmyluckyday

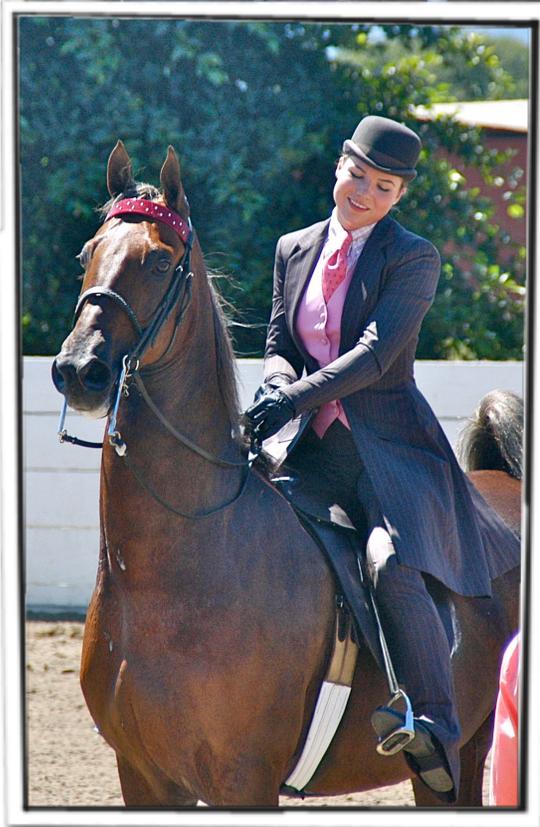


- *above:* Johanna Brandiff & Ike the 6th

- *right:* Earl Kelly

- *below:* Sale Visser & Glor in Sit a Buck

- *right:* Katie Jarve & Walterway's Remember Me



PRESIDENTS' MESSAGE CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

We changed the "business model" a little bit, replacing the board with activity committees. We had committee chairs and a team for each of NCASHA's major events. It was decided that our ever popular Fall Fun Show held annually in Livermore would move to a new venue and a new season. Dean MacCracken stepped up with terrific energy and moved forward creating the amazingly successful NCASHA-sponsored Summer Classic. Dean MacCracken and his volunteer team did an incredible job of putting together a great show at the Watsonville facility. We hope to see that show grow in popularity in the future—we are off to a great start. Congratulations Dean and team!

The Expo also had the greatest outing ever, adding Ann Judd to the team as expert Saddleseat clinician. Crowds filled the bleachers for every demonstration and a full lineup of NCASHA horses and riders presented the breed in the best light. Thanks to Teddi Estes and Jeannie Bartoszek for heading up the effort.

Promotions were chaired by Sue Foss Pheley and included our calendar and the silent auction. Proceeds were good in both categories. We thank Sue for her participation.

Edy Compton took over the January 2011

Awards



Banquet; we have a new date and a new venue. We look forward to a fun evening.

Sue Valley held on to the High Point administration, for which she has our thanks. Awards will be announced at the Banquet.

Kasey Ashley held a trail ride with included lunch. Those who participated had a great time—thanks Kasey.

We are very excited about our 2011 recently elected executive lineup as they are the results of our original mission and represent some of the most active NCASHA supporters:

President: Dean MacCracken

Vice: Julie Barrow

Treasurer: Beth Davis

Secretary: Sue Valley Chen

We wish this team the best of luck.

Please support our club in any way you can—become a member, show your horse, sponsor a class, volunteer for an event. It is your club and it needs you in order to succeed.

Best Regards,
Susan and Jenny

CONDOLENCES.....

Condolences to Corrine Kahler who lost her long loved Bebop. Bebop died 2 weeks ago from colic. We are so sorry to hear of this news, he was a grand performer and had been a wonderful companion to Corrine for many many years.

KEEP THE DATE - ANNUAL AWARDS NIGHT NOT TO BE MISSED!

Our annual awards shindig is scheduled for Saturday, January 29, 2011 at 5:30 P.M. at **Playland-Not-at-the Beach** 10979 San Pablo Ave, El Cerrito.

Playland, named after San Francisco's bygone amusement park, is chock-full of wonderful things to see and do - all indoors. Truly one of the most unique, totally fun places in Northern California and NCASHA will have all to ourselves.

Starting at 5:30, explore the sights and get competitive playing the free games while enjoying hors d'oeuvres, wine, beer or soft drinks. Catered dinner will follow. Price will be \$25-30 each and includes admission, prizes, face painter, appetizers and dinner. Bring the kids (all ages) and a camera! - More information to come!



Don't miss out! Fun, Games, Friends, Awards - a night not to be missed! Members enjoying the 2009 Awards dinner.

NEWS FROM GAR-MAR FARMS



Ringo's Fire Dancer

2010 has been a very interesting year for Me, A bad case of the shingles, Knee injuries but back to good health is on its way.

The following horses have been sold this year, THE SILK FLOWER (Brigitte Scholl agent) and "RINGOS FIRE DANCER .

A new Brood Mare has been purchased, "Spurwings with Love Courageous" , A full sister to "Desert Supreme Admiral" and she is in foal to Spot My Excitement due in

March, I have my first Grandson and his name is Bruno Alexander Gustafson born April 13,2010, and at 7 months he is already speaking four languages and training Saddlebreds for show ===A typical Gustafson

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KATHY DUNN & MISS P. ENTERTAIN AT THE WEG!

Kathy Dunn and Spurwings Superfine Lady were part of the Saddlebred Demonstrations at the World Equestrian Games in Lexington for 8 days of the games. The Saddlebreds were a bit hit with the crowd. Others from the west coast included Scripps Ranch with their circus and Kathryn Gallo and Toreador.

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The end of July found JL Dixon Stables at “**The Other Ville**” aka Watsonville. Alison Freeman turned in good performances aboard JL Dixon’s own Attache’s Chaminade. Look for Alison’s debut on CH X’s and O’s at the Jingle Bell horse show in Dec.

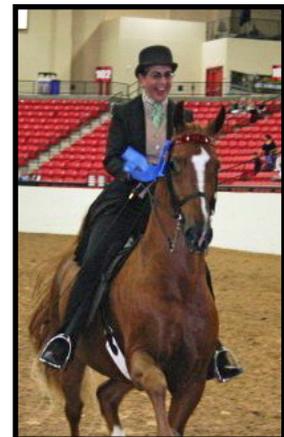
CH Walterway’s Remember Me and CH Like Sunshine both just back from the Junior League show in Lexington turned in winning performances in the Five and Three Gaited divisions. Katie Jarve and Julia Chen were in the irons at Watsonville. Kendall Anderson and Wizard’s Icon turned in performances in the Show Pleasure classes.

The Kentucky State Fair was next on the schedule. Ethan Feiber and CH X’s and O’s were Reserve Champion in the 10 year old Walk and Trot Equitation. The duo garnered a first place vote! Ethan and X’s ended up sixth in their championship. Quite impressive for his first trip to the State Fair! Katie Jarve and Walterway’s Remember Me were tied fourth in a very deep juvenile Five Gaited qualifying class.

Salem OR was the next stop on the 2010 tour. Ch Like Sunshine repeated her Championship win in the Amateur Three Gaited division. Sue Valley continually teams Sunshine and digs out flawless performances class after class. Jennifer Dixon had the honor of showing CH A Magic Spell in the Park Pleasure division to win both the qualifying and Championship class. Kendall Anderson also made the trip to Salem showing in the juvenile Show Pleasure division.

Vegas Baby! If you weren’t at the California Futurity in Las Vegas make sure you mark your calendar for 2010! Not only was it a wonderful horse show, but following our new tradition: We DO Stuff! We turned into Fanilow’s at the Barry Manilow concert and enjoyed Mystere a Cirque De Soleil production. The opening clown had much fun tricking Jennifer, and tipping pop corn off of both Lee Anderson and Jojo Roy’s head. And then the performance began! The Southpoint Hotel where the show was held is a fabulous venue! Where else can you ride the elevator down to the casino and walk to your stalls? Wonderful restaurants, a great spa and many more benefits of the hotel made it a great venue. Great food, fun and horse show was had by all!

Susan Valley once again won the Amateur Three Gaited in a deep class again on CH Like Sunshine. Ethan Feiber debuted in the Juvenile Show Pleasure division winning both the qualifier and the Championship aboard CH A Magic Spell. Ethan also debuted in the country Pleasure Driving division with the grand old CH Java Sea. Helen Roy aboard CH Tommy James won the Limit Rider Show Pleasure class and turned in a stellar performance to be the Reserve Adult Show Pleasure Grand Champion. Way to go Helen! Lexie Castaillac arrived in Vegas early to finish her thesis project for her architectural design degree. Lexie did her architectural studies and turned in performances on Timeline in the Junior/Limit Three Gaited and Open Three Gaited division. Wizard’s Icon and Kendall Anderson competed in the Juvenile Show Pleasure division gaining experience with each step.



Sue Valley & Sunshine



upper: Kendall Anderson & Wizard's Icon
lower: Cara Sivara at St. Louis on My One Night Stand

Congratulations to Cara Sivara and her performances aboard Irish Earth Wind and Fire at the Blue Ridge Classic in Asheville N.C. Cara was Reserve in the Pleasure Equitation 17 and under and moved on to win the Pleasure Equitation Medallion as well as the Pleasure Equitation Grand Championship! Cara then showed at the St. Louis Charity Horse Show in the Pleasure Equitation Medallion finals. Qualifying on the first two rounds with Irish Earth Wind and Fire, he unfortunately sustained an injury before the final round. Thankfully DeLovely Farm had an extra horse for Cara to ride in the finals. After a short warm up,

Cara performed brilliantly, garnering the third place ribbon in a very competitive class. Way to go Cara!



upper right: Helen Roy & Tommy James
far right: Allison Freeman
right: Java Sea with Martha Keck (catch driving) & Jennifer Dixon
below: Sheila Buhr, Ethan Fieber, Heather Buhr & Jennifer Dixon at Las Vegas
below right: JL Dixon Stables and friends DOING STUFF!!!!



BLACK STERLING FRIESIANS

Ron & Janna Goldman
Sonoma CA

News , from our Friesian Grand Nationals, that were held in Del Mar in October. It was our best show, EVER.

Approximately 130 Friesians vied for top honors, judged by a panel of three nationally recognized judges.

We had had a tough year thus far, with a young groom from Holland that ended up ending the show careers of two of our best show horses, before walking off the job. I broke my ankle in two places a few weeks prior to the nationals, when cantering Ron's horse, Majestic, in a circle-- he tripped, and fell on me. [Needless to say, i showed anyway, against doctors orders.

The cards were not stacked in our favor, it seemed.]. Ron said riding with a broken ankle was a bit like riding with a twitch on. haha.

The light at the end of a tunnel with all the bad fortune preceding the nationals, was a wonderful Prix St George rider, Barend Schuursma. It was AMAZING to see how our sale and show horses responded to a REAL trainer--

just UNBELIEVABLE. Ate learned to carry himself, Majestic learned to be the best in dressage AND huntseat, AND saddleseat, adjusting his frame according to his rider's needs, and Sterling got in the best shape of his 18 yr old life.

There are very few riders in this country as talented as Barend. I saw Totilas at the World Equestrian Games, and was awed by him. Barend RODE Totilas, when he was young stallion, in holland.

Barend worked for us years ago, and had followed our ups and downs with various dutch riders over the past few years, who come over for 3 months, on a tourist visa....some contributing more than others to BSF. Barend had two sale horses, Rihanna and Ritske, and our 3 remaining show horses, Sterling, Majestic, and Ate, finely tuned for the 5 day show in Del Mar.... read: they were at the top of their game.

In looking for a few TOP sale horses to take to the Nationals, Barend looked at literally hundreds of horses in holland, to find a "special" one that he wanted to show. He found just that in the 5 yr old ster mare, Rihanna, and boy, was she a HIT!! Rihanna won 4 national titles, and would have been five, as she

had the highest score in the Training Level test, however Barend was eliminated due to the fact that he was carrying a whip (he didn't realize that whips are not allowed in national championship dressage classes). What a special mare. Whoever ends up with her is VERY lucky... she is the nicest mare we have ever imported!

We had planned on taking the Sport and STER gelding, Jitze, to the show, but he was sold the week prior, so we loaded up Ritske, who had not even been in the U.S. one week, before going to the show. Boy, did this boy RISE to the occasion!!! Ritske won two national championships, including one of the largest classes of the show, the Friesian Dressage Hack Open, with 12 entries. When not showing, he was ridden by the amazingly talented singer, X Factor winner in the U.K., Leona Lewis, around the del mar fairgrounds.

Leona purchased this sweet gelding the week following the show, and has named him "Spirit", after her grammy nominated first album, Spirit.

Our BSF team was completed by Cyndi, who was groom and driverextraordinaire, and Ron Goldman, who loves his Majestic horse more than anything and i can't imagine a more supportive husband and

partner than Ron---he got his exercise running into the ring 16 times, for victory passes.

Sterling started the week off with a win in western pleasure-- as if to say to the others , "look, this is how you get it done, and if you do it right the first time, they won't show you so much". After Sterling won both the national and world championships in amateur western pleasure, we scratched him from the rest, to give him, and ourselves, a break. Plus it was lightly raining on sunday, and sterling did not want to get his tail, that drags the ground 3 feet behind his body, all wet. [read, we didn't want to have to wash it again!]

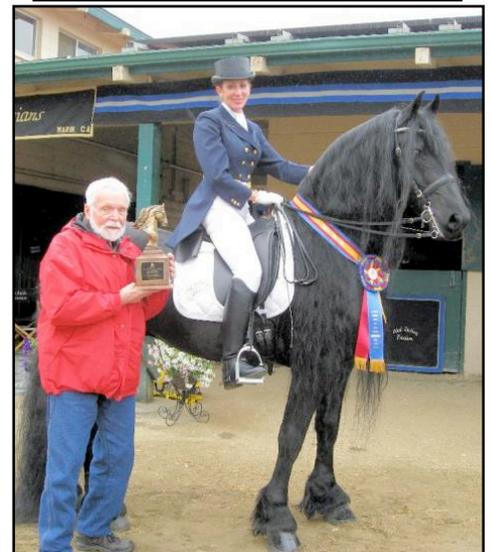
Majestic started the week with a reserve national championship in dressage suitability. I rode him saddleseat in two amateur country pleasure classes, and he won unanimously across all three judges cards both times. I usually show Ate in huntseat, but thought i would give Majestic a try in that division, and he was SPECTACULAR, again winning unanimously, both huntseat national championships. Majestic is kind, sensitive, and really WANTS to do his best. Very few horses have his

sensitivity. You can see it in his brown eyes.

Ate is my favorite. Precocious, temperamental, and spectacular-- usually. He exudes quality. Thank god my horses are trained off my voice, as i had no use of my right ankle when riding, so i could only cue the canter from my voice, and weight in the saddle. Ate was good in his first class, but he broke into the canter , when he was supposed to be trotting, in front of one judge, and then broke from the canter, into the trot, in front of that same judge the second way of the ring. Somehow he still ended up with two first place votes, and was reserve champion in the eng show hack qualifier. I was determined to make NO mistakes in the championship, and sure enough, Ate delivered, and he won the world championship unanimously. We were presented a special perpetual trophy as Amateur Show Hack World Champions. Ate also exuded his brilliance and quality to win the dressage hack amateur national and world titles.

We finished the week , taking home 5 horses with 15 national championships, ending our season on a definite HIGH note. Look for one of our Friesians (Ritske, who she renamed "Spirit",

after her 1st album) in Leona Lewis's next music video!



MEMBER NEWS



"**Laura Fleming and Rocky** (Perfect Adventure) enjoyed a perfectly wonderful summer exploring the trails on Mt. Diablo". Friends include Splash (above) and Tucker (right).



Violet and Rhonda Gowa enjoying some rainy weather quality time together. She is so sweet....and I am so blessed to have her..!! Also, my activities this year included driving other equines in competition...honing my skills, so to speak. Picture included is from Traditional Day of Driving Woodland, CA...the equine is Concho", a reg. Shetland Pony that I also drove at Dressage Extraordinaire this year.



MEMBER NEWS

KATHY LANZ & STEVE HAUPT

Clarksburg, CA.

At the Clay Station Horse Park Fall Classic Pleasure Show, Newt and Kathy Lanz-Haupt and Lombard Street won the Horse Pleasure Turnout Class put to a George The Fourth Phaeton. They were also first in the Antique Carriage Class winning the Henry E. Boyd Perpetual Challenge Trophy. Henry was a former president of the American Morgan Horse



MEMBER TRAIL RIDE in SONOMA

hosted by Kasey Ashley

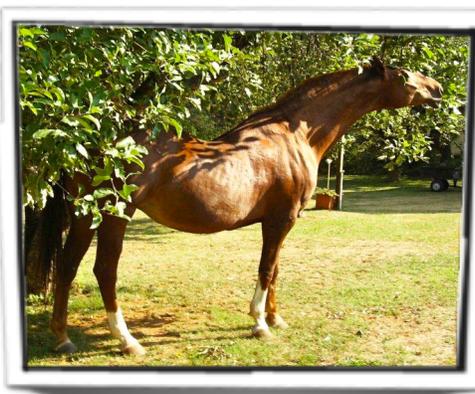
A beautiful fall day was the setting for a trail ride around a scenic lake in Sonoma. Kasey Ashley organize the ride and provided lunch to the participants. Those riding included: Dean MacCracken on Topper, Susan Nystrom on Trond and her daughter Rebecca Nystrom Brito on Bear (the two Fjords). The donkey is LL Bean. Dogs are Bridget, Jason, and Joey.

KA - who took the pictures and didn't have to be in them.



LORRIA ROEHM

I lost my Fancy Girl October 5th due to complications of colic. I rescued her 11 years ago from being starved. She became my great trail horse and buddy for these past 11 years. She was 21 years old. Gambler's Fancy Footwork Greystone Gambler x Such Status! She beat the odds 2 years ago from e.coli and strep infections; she was known at the Vet's office as the "miracle horse"; she just couldn't make it this time. She passed over the Rainbow Bridge (she was euthanized) at 8:34 AM PST and will be cremated. I miss my Fancy Girl...



GOLDEN RIDGE STABLES

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After a busy spring and first part of summer GRS headed over the hill to Watsonville for the NCASHA Summer Classic where we are reminded why we do what we do. For FUN! And when you have a combination of great kids, parents, grandparents and extended family and friends what could be more fun? Add HORSES! And that's the recipe for a remarkably fun and memorable experience.

Cooper Bartoszek is always ready to participate and when asked if he had his game face on for the Sit-A-Buck class the answer was yes. He put on quite a show with GiGi and competed better than ever. Although he lost his dollar he stayed on his horse. Great job Cooper, we all enjoyed cheering you on!

Priyanka Bharghavan headed back to the Academy/Beginner Walk Trot Equitation and Pleasure classes with the well known and much loved Barbie. Priyanka was a star and has made great strides since her debut at Monterey this year. Congratulations go to Priyanka for her accomplishments in the ring this year!

The Ragsdale girls were a delight as always. Angelina hit the ring with more confidence than ever and picked up two blue ribbons in the Academy/Beginner Walk and Trot Equitation and Pleasure classes. Not only did she compete well she went above and beyond and volunteered to help in center ring handing out ribbons and being a runner with the judges card. Younger sister Leilani was all smiles in the Lead Line and Lead Line Walk and Trot. She performed beautifully and when the Lead Line prizes were presented the smiles on all the kids was enormous thanks in large part to Brigitte Scholl's mom! The adults were envious of those awards.

The new and exciting team of Marc Lambert and Elle Fire competed in the Walk Trot Pleasure and were a sight! This team is stepping up and enjoying every one of those steps. The grin on Marc's face says it all. Marc had such a great time that after getting home he wanted to go back for more. So with the Arabian show the following week on the same fairgrounds they decided why not. Over the hill we'll go again. Entering the Saddleseat Walk Trot Pleasure class and bringing home the blue. And yes another fun day for Marc and Alfie and the entire Lambert family.

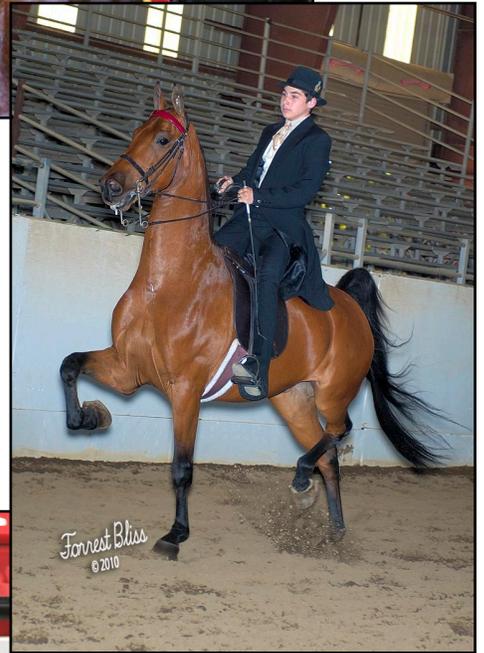
Next stop for GRS was the Mother Lode Morgan Show held on the wonderful grounds at Rancho Murieta. The show offered an Opportunity Park Horse class along with a championship and that was all it took for the Bartoszek's to head to Gold Country. Cooper brought home two blue ribbons competing with his wonderful gelding The Harlem Kid.

With the beginning of the school year and families overwhelmed with activities the CA Futurity Horse Show in Las Vegas, NV was not on the schedule. But Jeanie Bartoszek decided that although Cooper wouldn't be able to attend that there was no reason that The Harlem Kid couldn't go. After all what else did he have to do but go to a horse show? So Teddi along with Charles Kennedy decided to go to Vegas Baby! They raved about the show, the number of horses, the facility, the food, and best of all The Harlem Kid returned as the Reserve Grand Champion in the Park Pleasure Class. What a way to end the season.

Jenny and Paul Blackburn are preparing to head to Iowa next week to check on their babies and will report back for our next update. We wish them good weather for their November journey and look forward to seeing new pictures.

A new face in the barn came all the way from West Virginia and is getting settled in to his new digs. Callaway's Bet Your Boots has come to CA to be the practice horse for Susan Estes and will do double duty in the lesson program at Golden Ridge Stables. This big impressive gelding rides and drives and is a dream to be around. Boots will be ready to carry his students to the ring in 2011. He has already started his job by giving Paul Lambert his first riding lesson. Both were outstanding!

Golden Ridge Stables would like to sincerely thank each client for making 2010 a fun and enjoyable year. We wish everyone a very restful winter season. Namaste.



above: Susan Estes & Callaway's Bet Your Boots
top: Teddi & The Harlem Kid with their Reserve ribbon at Vegas
2nd right: Cooper & The Harlem Kid
3rd right: Charles Kennedy & Manhattan Valor at Vegas
right: Mark Lambert & family with Elle Fire at Watsonville

Monarch Stables

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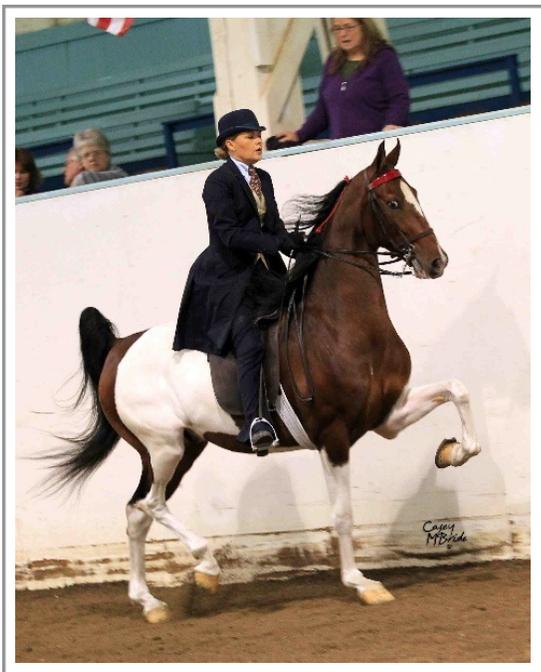
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It was a busy summer and fall for the Monarch Stables group. From Santa Barbara to a quick turn around and off to the Summer Classic at Watsonville. What a great time and great event!

Our group had a nice time working on the Summer Classic from decorating the center ring to making the fancy neck garlands, to donating the kids' class awards! It was great to have so many of the Monarch group out there working and supporting NCASHA! Also thanks so much to Dean McCracken for managing this event. We hope this show will become a regular on the calendar!

Fall saw our favorite show of the year, the Northwest Fall Classic. Always a great time to see our friends in the northwest and enjoy a midwest atmosphere on the west coast. This show marked the debut of Mindy Vanhellemont with her new Three-gaited horse, **Shooting Star of Silver Oaks**. They came home with Three-gaited Open Reserve Grand Champion honors and not a bad go for their first time out! Julie Barrow and **I'm A Kentuckian** returned to the Show Pleasure division with a stellar ride to finish Reserve Champions in the Limit Rider division. Julie Streitfeld and **Shamrock's Jessica** were on the top of their game to win both the Country Pleasure sections. Brigitte had a fun catch ride on the two year old star from Spring High Stables, **Apache Warsong** for a Reserve in the two year old three-gaited division.



above: Brigitte and Apache Warsong

right: Beth and Croupier

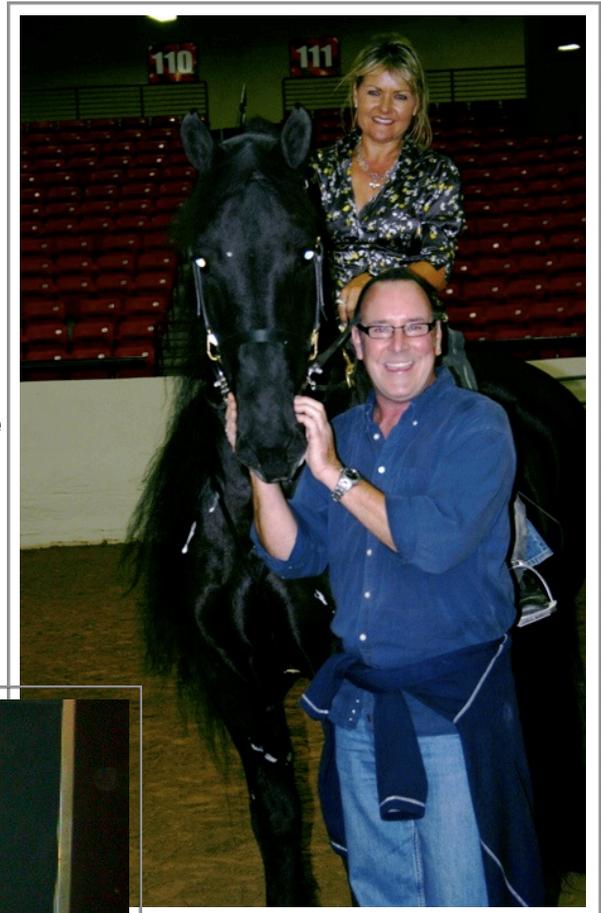


In addition to showing, we did lots of buying and selling. Beth Davis came home with a fancy new driving horse, **Croupier**. With only two weeks to go before the California Futurity in Vegas, Beth was determined to show her new boy. And she did it: she made their debut and was third in the Championship after only three practice drives! Congrats, Beth!



Lynn Silva tried several horses at the Fall Classic, but it seemed like there was not going to be the right match until she climbed up on the handsome spotted gelding **Look Closely**. As soon as we heard her squeal with delight, we knew he was the one!

A quick break and it was on to Las Vegas! We had a great show at the first California Futurity in Nevada! Mindy and Star were Reserve Champions in the exciting Three-gaited Amateur class. Julie and Jessica came home with the Championship in the Country Pleasure division and also the West Coast Championship. Dana Leavitt's magnificent Friesian gelding, affectionately known as **Nessy** made the trip in style. He found the bright lights of Vegas very exciting and posed like a star out in center ring on Saturday night.



Having a good time in Las Vegas at the California Futurity.

Wishing everyone a happy November! Next stop for Monarch Stables is the Jingle Bell show in December.



Far Field Farm Fall News

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Some of the fastest growing classes at American Saddlebred shows are for horses shown under Western tack. With people standing in line to qualify, the popularity of the class at the World Championship show, for example, is growing.

A new discipline is now being developed called **Western Dressage**, and the American Saddlebred is a natural for it, especially those already familiar with western performance. More freestyle than classical dressage, with lighter bit contact, it is exemplified by some of the riding done by Eitan Beth Halachmy when he has appeared at Dressage In The Wine Country and at the World Equestrian Games, both in Aachen, Germany in 2006 and in Lexington, Kentucky this year.

I just returned this week from the first in person board meeting of the Western Dressage Association. It was held in Dallas, Texas, and attracted such icons of the Western world as Jack Brainard, who started the National Reining Horse

Association many years ago, legendary bronc and bull rider Larry Mahan of the Professional Rodeo Hall of Fame, and Darrell Dodds, publisher of Western Horseman magazine. All three of these men are on the Advisory Board of the Western Dressage Association, contributing their many years of experience and business savvy to ensure the success of this new endeavor.

At dinner one night, I sat next to Jack and he and I started talking about the Saddlebreds he has just purchased. He asked me if I had ever seen the old video of Albert Ostermeier riding his American Saddlebred and performing higher level dressage movements. I said I had. Jack believes that the Saddlebred is perfect for this new discipline with its western twist. The breed's sensitivity, flexibility, uphill build, and intelligence give it the edge over many breeds in performing the intricate movements.

For those of you with Western Saddlebreds, Western Dressage may be just the new direction you have been looking for. As a rider, you

compete against yourself to improve your horsemanship, and the maneuvers and training create a tremendous partnership between you and your horse. I urge you to visit www.westerndressageassociation.com to learn more and to become a member. It's an exciting time and opportunity for our breed. Membership dues are just \$25.00 and offer so many new learning experiences for those of you who are amateur owner/trainers.



Eitan Beth-Halachmy riding Galahad's Golden Warrior an American Saddlebred

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ASHA CA STATE PLEASURE HORSE AWARDS FOR 2010



NCASHA sponsors the ASHA CA State Pleasure Horse Awards. Congratulations to the following members who are winners in 2010. Awards will be presented

at the Jingle Bell Show. Let Sue Valley know if you don't plan to attend the show.

3-Gaited Country Pleasure Adult
CH Shamrock's Jessica
Julie Streitfeld

5-Gaited Show Pleasure
CH Callaway's Capitol
Reporter Katie Jarve

Western Country Pleasure
CH Fiasco Carolyn Glick

Hunter Country Pleasure
Wit's Worth
Suzan Foss-Pheley

Show Pleasure Driving
Foxy Cleopatra
Virginia Bergstrom

Country Pleasure Driving
I'm Havin' A Party
Shari Rainwater



FREE !!!!!!!

Many of the glass pitchers we purchased for the Summer Show came with cracks in them - most are small cracks near the handles - we have been reimbursed for them- if anyone would like one or many of them, I would be happy to give them away!!!! Let Sue Valley know if you want some!!!!

SUNRISE HILL FARM - NEWS FROM THE NORTH

News from Sunrise Hill Farm, Cathy & Art Sauer Walla Walla, Washington

Summer has been busy, we were fortunate to hire a rodeo college student to help with chores and riding the young ones. Our 5 yr. old gelding, "Charmalot" by Santana's Charm was one on her projects. We thought he might be a good candidate for Western pleasure, but he has such a nice extended trot, we soon were looking for another direction. Dressage seemed to be to his liking. With help from local dressage gurus we were now working training level dressage. We were invited to the clinic that brings in a renowned trainer from California! and we were given a 45min. slot. Of course you are expected to trailer your horse in, tie them to the trailer, groom, saddle and get all ready, but we headed to the bull pen, then took advantage of the 15min. break to show him the dressage ring for the first time. Art walked him around. The herd of angus cattle had roamed right up to the arena. "Charmalot" gave them a good snort, and they scattered! Then what about the mirrors. Art didn't know what to do to get him by the mirrors, so like any sensible horse person, he

waived at the colt. Fortunately "Charmalot" didn't wave back. Time to get ready. I hadn't procured a dressage saddle for the clinic, so I used my regular cutback show saddle. With 5 min. to our slot, my neighbor comes racing up, and insists we use her saddle, it will give a better seat for dressage. So we start saddling again, it took 4 girths to find one that fit him, re-mount, and get back to the arena. The actual training clinic was uneventful compared to getting ready. He was actually respectable, we heard later from the farrier, vet, and everyone else who knows your business in a small town. Happy Trails!



Charmalot as
a baby 2005

NEWS FROM LOU ZLOKOVICH

With no horses at Summit ranch or in Livermore, all happily enjoying a real country/rural respite.

Mid-January though February and perhaps mid March, 2011, Lou will be making his annual trip through the

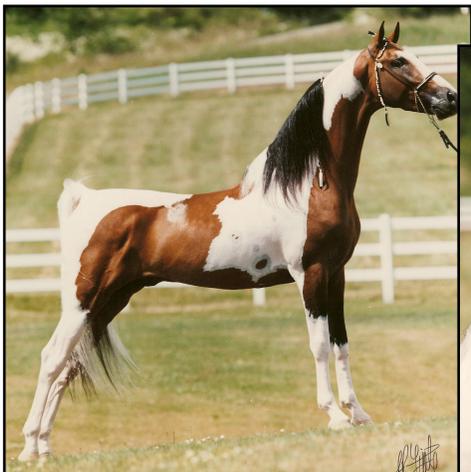


magnificent sculptures of mother Natures winter wonderlands. From the northern states of the USA, returning through the southern borders of Canada and up to a shot distance (of course) into Alaska and back into the wonders of the North/western neighboring states. The questions always arise; Do you fly (no, I love Nature and most of it what it has to offer).

Do you drive? (No, eschew driving and leave it to those with pressures of time and limitations of distance) How do you get to all of these places? There are a number of options, with the American Amtrak taking the top prize with its bedroom service and connections to VIA in Can DA.

Spotz Supreme (PF to THE MAX x The Chorus Girl) & his pics . Spotz Supreme is a homozygous pinto stallion ASB. He is a National Show Horse Nominated Sire, Canadian Reserve Halter Champion, Cascade Pinto Halter Champion & Sire of NWHSH Futurity Champion Filly. He produces all colors of pintos with beautiful long neck & extreme gaited action.

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Candy & Jim Amos



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who I have at stud. I have several lovely ASB mares for sale & can send pedigrees w/pics

Incident Commander (HHP Aire Command x Carnival QT), is the grandson of Air Command & Winter Carnival notable ASB Champions. He is also the great grandson of the legendary Champion producing Supreme Sultan.



The Incident Commander (CH Harvest Commander x Julietta by Chairman of the Board)

**MICHAEL CRAGHEAD STABLES &
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Fresh from judging The World's Championship Show at Louisville, the Michael Craghead Stable and Rainwater Farm made the trek to Las Vegas. Kevin Michael was instrumental in organizing the show and it was great! If you missed it put it on your schedule for next year! Shari and

her home bred I'm Having a Party took home the Country Pleasure Driving Championship, CH Fiasco and Doug Glick were Reserve in the Western Championship. Michael was elected as the new UPHA Chapter Chairman!

Michelle Ganci has a new 3-Gaited horse. Elderberry Wine was the Amateur 3-Gaited Champion at St. Louis - the pair will certainly be a good addition to the growing 3-Gaited division out here.

Two of Shari's young colts have been brought in to be started, a nice filly, Missy Hytone, (named after Kim Matoza) by Charmed and Bewitched and Don't Get Me Twisted a nice colt by Time out for Lovin. Getting ready for Jingle Bells, see you there!

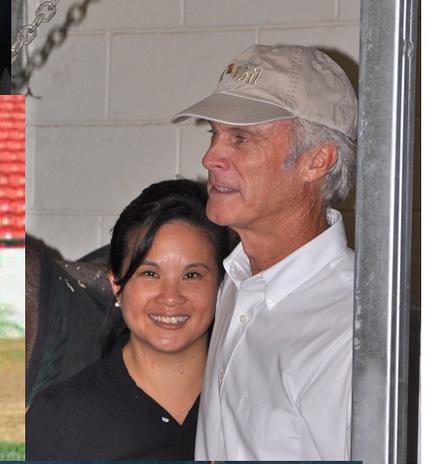
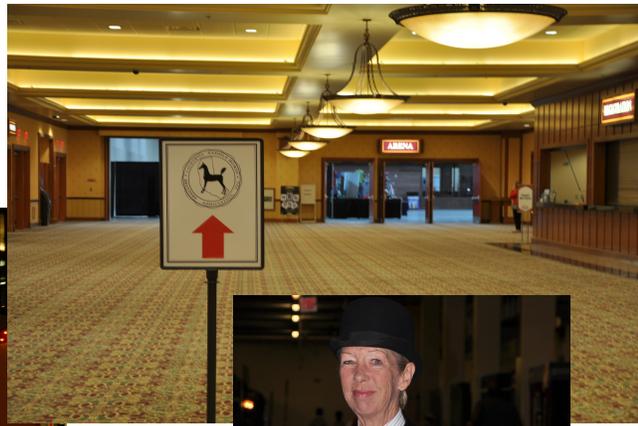


top left: Doug Glick

top: Kelly & Michelle Ganci, Doug Glick, Michael Craghead, Shari Rainwater, Alfreda Sebasto, Sara Rainwater

left: Shari and Kim Matoza above: Sara and Shari

VIVA LAS VEGAS !



DON'T MISS IT.....



IN 2011!!!

FOR SALE:

For sale: **"Charmalot"**
5 yr. old ASB by WGC Santana's Charm x Bobbies Gambling Streak. 16.3 H, Chesnut, white star and 4 white socks, great disposition, good hauler, no vices. Country pleasure, western pleasure, dressage or trail. Looking for a loving home \$5000. Please call Cathy Sauer
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For Sale: 21" Whitman adjustable bar saddle. In excellent condition. Havana brown bridle leather. \$1000/ Please call Jennifer: 650-740-4344

New Hilason side saddle, actually fairly comfortable. I only rode it about 4 times and now don't have a horse it will fit. If you know of anyone who might want it or somewhere to list it for sale, please let me know.

Thanks,
Shelly Ingram

2 ASB's to sell: One Champagne Palomino 7 yr. mare and one Champagne Palomino 18 month old gelding by Count The Gold. The mare is green broke and is 16 hands, dam of the gelding, \$3,000. The gelding is 15.2 1/2 hands and ground worked, \$2,500. See attached pictures. Thank you for your time.

Bunnie Horton
Rainbow Equine Farms
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Don't be scared, but it's time to buy your Christmas present. Lombard Street is ready to pull you into the New Year. He has seen Expositions, Parades, and Shows providing an accounting for the American Saddlebred second to none. This 5 year-old, 16.2 hand gelding is a beautiful chestnut highlighted with a blond mane and a long blond tail that drags the ground. The complete package with Lombard Street can include the Smucker's Deluxe Carriage Harness with patent and brass, the Bird-In-Hand Flyer and/or the George IV Phaeton. We will be happy to discuss him with you.

Cheers,
Steve Haupt
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The Velvet Tyger of Silver Oaks

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BLAST FROM THE PAST....



JAVA SEA at Gasparilla
MISTY HILLS new trainer, Sandra Currier, up

Misty Hills

While “cleaning” my office I got diverted leafing through old magazines (a common time sink). I found some old photos of some of the wonderful campaigners on our circuit.



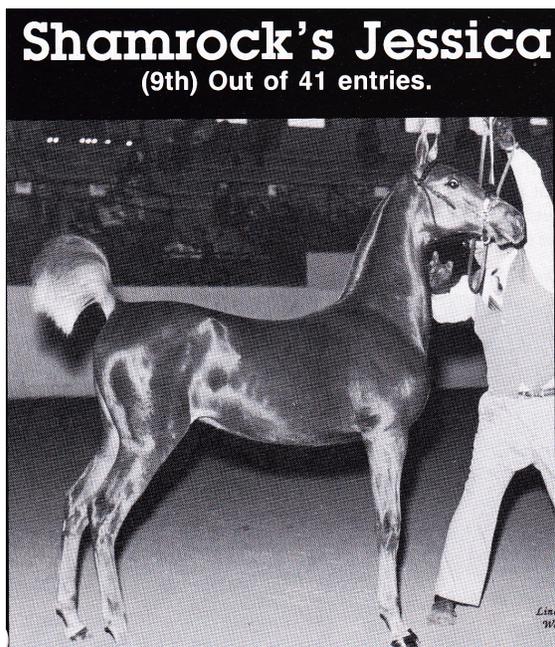
Trained by:

Misty Hills

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above: Java Sea in 1991 at the Gasparilla Show

below: Shamrock's Jessica at the ASHAV Futurity in 1994 & at Watsonville 2009



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Tabulations for **Year End Awards** are underway. Julie Streitfeld is picking out wonderful awards and we are looking forward to a fun evening in January to present them. The High Point Awards will include:

The Fall Fun Show from 2009

Spring MCC Show 2010

Monterey Springfest

UPHA Chapter One Show

Summer Classic Show

Keep January 29th open for the fun. Remember you have to be a member to win and have to show at 2 shows in the division to win. Check with Johanna if you have questions about your membership.

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Calendar

January 29, 2011

Year End Banquet 5:30pm
El Cerrito, CA - Edy Compton

January 30, 2011

very tentative date for Annual Meeting

March 5,6, 2011

tentative date for MCC Show

April 13 - 16

Monterey Springfest Show

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