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Saddlebred Activity in Northern California

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Ribbon Idea

Page 4 - Sue Valley is coming up with ways to re-invent old unused Ribbons.

High Point

High Point award standings - so far including the Springfest and SVHS results. Pending Santa Rosa spring show. Members can send in placings from 2 other shows. Also need hours for Pleasure Riding, Placings for Open Competition. send to Sue Valley: susanvalley@mac.com

Santa Rosa Shows

Sadly the Fall Edition Show has been cancelled. Dates for 2024:

Spring: April 6-7

Fall: October 5-6 or 12-13

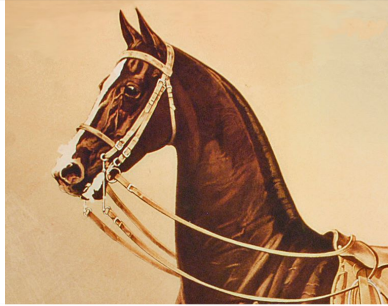


Fall is coming!

We are closing in on the Grand Finales of the show season. Louisville is in the books but the Futurities and American Royal are on the horizon. Time to look ahead a bit and start planning for our annual meeting. Members need to look over their show record for the year and submit hours and placings for year end awards. Don't show? Not to worry! We have divisions for you too! See page ***

Anyone with ideas for end of year activities, let any of the officers know. A year end social activity would be wonderful!





Including 1/2 Saddlebreds

In order to continue growing the American Saddlebred breed and membership in our club, leadership at ASHBA has asked us to consider expanding membership to include the 1/2 Saddlebred. Recognizing the 1/2 Saddlebred is a fairly new initiative at ASHBA, and this includes recognition by the ASHBA Registry, recognition in award programs, ability to earn the CH title, and more. ASHBA is following the lead long established in the Arabian breed of similarly recognizing the 1/2 Arabian horse.

You may already be aware that many of the top Arabian horses are bred with American Saddlebreds. Our Association recognizes that it's a missed opportunity to not include those offspring in our Registry as well as their owners as members. Currently, any horse bred with a registered American Saddlebred can register as a 1/2 Saddlebred at no charge with ASHBA.

President Notes:

"Competition happens at the bottom, collaboration happens at the top" - Stephen Covey

This is a classic business quote, but it also happens to apply to our local Club in the American Saddlebred industry. We are all on the same team working to grow, promote, protect and evolve the horse that America made. Collaboration consolidates everyone behind one common goal. In our case, that goal is to keep our breed thriving whether it's through showing, breeding, lessons, trail, parade or at-home riding. I was honored to be selected to join the ASHBA Strategic Planning Committee in 2023, and I have been working hard all year with the Association's leadership, and my team members, to help formulate a plan and vision for our breed's future. The collaboration, enthusiasm and knowledge of each committee member gave me valuable insight into what a strong and cohesive community we are. Collaboration means winning as a team. Collaboration also means growing together as an organization that is bigger than any individual, whether at the national or at the local level. I look forward to sharing everything I learn, and how we can all play a collaborative role in strengthening the American Saddlebred industry!



Minutes from 2023 Annual Meeting of NCASHA

February 5, 2023 at the Café Bellini, Petaluma California

Meeting called to order at 11:45 AM

President Helen Roy opened the meeting with a Welcome to new members.

Minutes from the 2022 meeting were read and approved

Election of officers:

President: Helen Roy ; Vice President: Tara Good-Young

Treasurer: Lexie Saine; Secretary: Susan Valley

Treasurer' Report:

Income: Total: \$2,250 (\$1,500 donation from SVHS, remainder in dues/donations)

Expenses: Total: \$739.10 (Show sponsorships, insurance/ awards)

Bank Balances as of 2/1/23: \$21, 386 - we now have one account in Bank of America

President's Report:

The club is again planning to support our regional shows. Our Year-End award and meeting had to be cancelled in January 2022 as COVID raised its head again. Awards were presented during the Silicon Valley Show. As an added bonus, David Mount from ASHA was in attendance. We are trying to have a bigger on line presence on FaceBook and Instagram – tag NCASHA when you post things about your horses.

Rated Horse Shows: There will again be two shows in Northern California this year: California Springfest Show will be May 4 - 7 at Rancho Murieta and Silicon Valley Show will be in Pleasanton, May 12 - 14 NCASHA will again be a beneficiary of the Silicon Valley Show and will be supplying the insurance for the show. Any members who are interested in helping at either show should contact Manager Kevin Michael or Committee heads Gen Hess and Sue Valley for the California Springfest or Helen Roy for the Silicon Valley Show. NCASHA will make a donation of \$500 to each show and specify that it be used for the Academy division.

Santa Rosa Shows: There will again be an all-breed show series run by Marie Boyd. Members felt it was important to support these shows as they are a good entry level show for many new riders. The club voted to make a donation of \$500 to the show series. Marie is planning a show for April and October.

Newsletter: Membership continues to support having the newsletter digital. It will be posted on our web site. Members have to opt in to receive a printed copy.

Website/Facebook: The website has been updated. President Helen Roy will continue to post activities on Facebook and Instagram as well as the web site. Members are encouraged to send her information to post.

Membership/Meetings: Dues remain: Family: \$50, Sr: \$35, Jr: \$20, members are encouraged to renew their membership on pay pal

Breed Promotion: There was a discussion about possible ways to promote the breed. The Horse Expo has moved its venue to Rancho Murieta and dates are in June, they do conflict with the Charity Fair Horse show making participation a problem. The club will set up our breed booth at the Fall Santa Rosa Show as that falls at the same time as the Harvest Festival in Sonoma and there is the opportunity to attract outside crowds, as well at the SVHS as many outside people attended that venue as well. There was also a discussion about having the club partially sponsor an all breed/academy show in Walnut Creek and have a Saddlebred presence there too.

Activities/ Fund Raising: Several ideas were raised about possible club activities

- Clinics with outside trainers to be held off season
- Christmas Cards and General Cards featuring member horses – we could create electronic and paper versions – Tara Good-Young will head up this project
- Club Calendar as a possible Fund Raiser

Year End Awards: 2022: California Futurity, Silicon Valley, Santa Rosa Shows. Points would be doubled for the California Futurity and Silicon Valley. In addition, members can contribute points from 2 outside shows – points have to be sent to Sue Valley by November 30th. Show year begins December 1. Discussion was held about expanding and promoting our non-show categories: Pleasure Riding, Open Competition, Parade and maybe adding Trail Riding.

ASHA Breed Ambassador Program and Breed Promotion: Congratulations to: Juanita and Rick Ellington: representing Saddlebreds in the Rose Parade as part of the Merced Sheriff's Posse. ASHA Breed Promotion Awards have yet to be announced. Many members were winners of the ASHA Region 1 High Point Awards

The meeting was adjourned and followed by a lovely lunch, a slide show of members arranged by Helen Roy and a raffle with the top prize of a Saddle Bred Brick won by Brigitte Scholl who presented the prize to the Belek family for their beloved CH Hubris. High point Awards were presented



New life for old ribbons:

Never wanting to dispose of items that are perfectly good, I have boxes of unused horse show ribbons from past NCASHA shows and Monterey Springfest. Some of them have found new homes. Using craft ribbon and accessories, I “dolled up” a set of ribbons and donated them to Xenophon Therapeutic Riding Center for their Camp Awards. Another set found it’s way to Summit Ranch for their Pattern Competition. If any members would like some ribbons to repurpose Please Let Me Know. We would be happy to donate them to a good cause I’m planning a set for the Summit Ranch Halloween Horse Costume Contest!



The **Silicon Valley Horse Show**, Co-Chaired by Helen Roy and Lexie Saine, continues to grow and improve every year, and this year was no exception! In only our 5th year, the show offers some of the biggest prize money in the country, incredible and friendly hospitality, deep and competitive classes, and a schedule that allows for plenty of fun and socializing all in a convenient location. Located at the Pleasanton Equestrian Center, the show hosted American Saddlebreds, Morgans, Hackney Ponies, Open and Academy classes. As always, we had four \$5,000 Championships, thousands of dollars in other prizes, daily drawings, and much more. The first evening's cocktail party hosted at Pairings Wine Bar in historic downtown Pleasanton was a huge success and we're planning on doing it again! The \$5,000 championships were followed by a hosted beverage Bar and Taco Bar, followed by the always popular Trainer and Assistant Relay. Sunday, which happened to be Mother's Day this year, included a hosted Mimosa and Omelette station, and that, by popular demand, will also be back! We can't wait to welcome everyone back in May 2024. Susi Rambler Day will judge all divisions.

Check out siliconvalleyhorseshow.com for all updates, as well as our Facebook and Instagram.

The SVHS was once again proud to partner with our beneficiary charity, We Ride Too. This equestrian program aims to provide support and opportunity to Oakland inner-city youth by giving them a chance to be with and around horses. Helen Roy, along with We Ride Too's Executive Director, Patricia Jackson had the pleasure of appearing on the KPIX CBS Morning Show with Justin Andrews to promote the show and the riding program! Once again, the magnificent horse Lola, represented We Ride Too perfectly. This sweet mare guided four children from the program to wins and top ribbons in the Academy division including walk and trot, leadline walk and trot and leadline. The kids spent an amazing day at the show and are already practicing for next year. We were honored to have National Horseman write a beautiful story about We Ride Too and their partnership with the SVHS.



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BUILDING BRIDGES

BY HALEY EVANS

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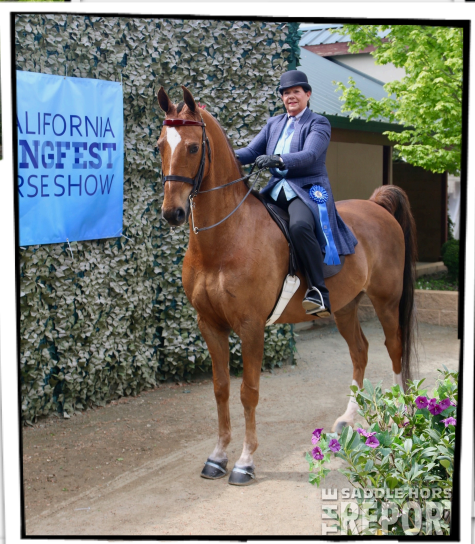


The **California Springfest Show** dates for 2023 were pushed into early May due to the addition of a Hunter/Jumper show at our venue that resulted in a scramble of dates in April. Despite being the week before SVHS, classes were competitive and those who attended had a good time. Grand Finale Stables hosted a welcome party on Wednesday evening, The JL Dixon Stable hosted Mexican night on Thursday after the show - the line was out the door for the fresh off the grill tacos! Golden Ridge Stable hosted breakfast burritos every morning of the show. Rainwater Stables/Todd Hickerson Arabians hosted the Saturday evening table fare and the show hosted the return of the Cocktail Party at the Murietta Country Club on Friday night - so the social schedule was full! Several of the special Saddlebred Bronzes donated by Sally Spalding were presented in select Championship classes and the popular “pick your own trophy” room had a full selection for the winners.

2024 will see some changes. We will move our dates back in April, but to do so we will need to share the facility with the Arabian Horse Club. Our arenas will change, but we will be at the same facility. We are just starting to plan - tentative dates will be April 18 - 21. Kevin Michael will again be manager. The committee will keep you posted as plans develop.



- Nancy Bernhart & Teddi Estes
- Officials: Casey McBride, Margaret Olney, Terry Brannon, judge Kent Swalla



- Paddington's Fly Sky High with Stephanie Henricks & Brigitte School
- Gen Hess & Magic City
- Karen Lachman & Tim Accuri with Hollywood BoyToy
- Karen Lachman, Sue Valley, Brenden Heitz, Jennifer Dixon
- Michael Craghead & Brooke Deardorff
- Janey Belek, her mom and CH Hubris
- Tina Sutter
- thanks to Natl. Horseman & SHR (Katie Sinclair) for photos

Helen Roy & Allison Freeman

The 2023 show year was busy, hectic, and fun-filled as always. Cherry Stables' Nor Cal clients, Helen Roy and Alison Freeman were busy showing horses starting with Carousel in March, Diamond Jubilee in April, Silicon Valley in May, Charity Fair in June, Morgan Medallion in July and then off to Kentucky for the WCHS in Louisville. Alison partnered with her Walk/Trot mount Wilkinson to top ribbons throughout the show season and came out with a hard fought 3rd place ribbon in Kentucky! During the year, Alison and her mom, Melissa purchased Dreamacre's Mr. Heisman, also for the Walk/Trot division. Watch out for Alison and her Walk/Trot mounts in 2024!



Helen and Heir to the Empire were undefeated in the West Coast Show Pleasure Driving division this year! They came out of a very tough split in Louisville finishing 3rd! Helen also showed Prince Valiant in Adult Show Pleasure where they were consistently the top finishing horse in our region's shows, coming in reserve only in Scottsdale. Helen also acquired the young Fine Harness gelding, What? during the Spring, and this team was undefeated in the West Coast Open, Junior and 3 year old Fine Harness division. Helen guided What? in Louisville in the ASHBA 3 Year Old Sweepstakes, and was the only woman and amateur in her split!



The Roy girls are ready to get back into the showing, so keep an eye out for these former junior exhibitors as they prepare to get back in the ring as adult amateurs!

Helen, Anna and Maya also worked with ASHBA Executive Director David Mount, and Program Coordinator, Malissa Welke, to run a Learn To Ride for Free program at Cherry Stables in July. The program brought in over 30 young children to get exposed to the American Saddlebred, learn about life at a show barn, and receive a free riding lesson. The day was a huge success and a significant number of participants bought lesson packages!



- Scenes from Learn to Ride Day at Cherry Stables



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The JL Dixon Stable started off the year with the addition of 2 lovely geldings. Gen Hess selected Monningtgon's Remarkable (Milo) for the 5-Gaited Pleasure Division and SH Play the Numbers (Gambler) to take CH Nutta You Business's (Towes) place in the Country Pleasure Division. Towes and Stevie (CH Your Lucky Stars), Gen's retired Western Pleasure star) have become fast friends and are enjoying relaxing in the pasture together at Gen's lovely ranch. The two new boys made a wonderful addition to Gen's show string. CH Magic City (Show Pleasure), Our Perfect Day (Western), Palisades Country Colonol (Hackney Harness) and Soquili's Sweet Obsession (Ladies 5-Gaited) completed the string.

The show season started at Carousel in Arizona in March, continued on the Rancho Murieta in May, then Del Mar in June and on the east coast for The Blue Ridge Classic in Asheville, NC, Shelbyville and the Kentucky State Fair. Gen's boys (and one girl) have done themselves proud with multiple blue and tri-color ribbons won coast to coast. Next on the list is The American Royal in November to cap off the year.

Sue Valley's gaited pleasure horse CH Here We Are has been in re-hab for an injured suspensory ligament since 2022, He was coming close to heading back to the show ring when he re-injured it again. Sadly his show career is over, but Sue is able to take him for mounted walks around the ranch. "Big" Al was pretty upset when the horse van pulled out to the shows without him, but he is slowly getting used to retirement. Sue was able to keep in the show ring on Jennifer Dixon's Peter Parker in the Hunter Division. Petey spent time on the road last year and it paid off, he has been collecting good ribbons in this competitive division all year. Sue may lease Southern Money Man from Britte Frome, so she will be back in Saddleseat competition next year.

Katrina Smith and Nochi have held down the fort while the show string is away. Katrina (and her 80 year old mother Betty) ride Nochi around the ranch and drive him – he is a true family horse. Amanda Vincent comes up to ride her Morgan Vegas weekly – hopefully one of her young boys may show interest soon – Vegas would be the perfect walk and trot mount.

Katie Sinclair started her sophomore year at college in September. She manages a visit when she is home and hasn't forgotten how to ride!

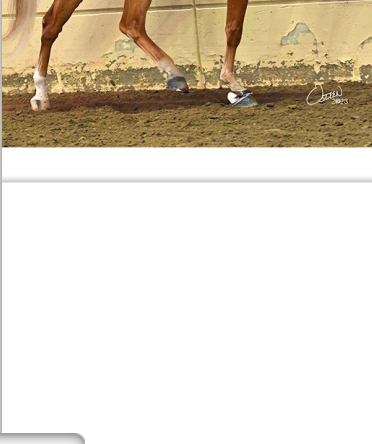
As people probably know, Sandra Surber passed away this August. She put up a good fight with her chronic lung issues and will certainly be missed in the Hackney World as well as locally as she was a good friend. One of her ponies Palisades Margarita is now for sale – contact Jennifer if you are interested. She has been shown in the pleasure division.

The group is looking forward to a winter break after the Royal, then back at it in 2024!



- Katrina Smith & Sue Valley
- Gen & Our Perfect Day
- Our Perfect Day on Canvas with Gen & Mary Cockriel

- Jen Dixon & Soquile's Sweet Obsession
- Gen & Monnington's Remarkable
- Gen & Magic City
- Gen & Play the Numbers
- Sue Valley & Peter Parker



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The Becker Stables has had a busy show season. After the excellent trip to Arizona for the Carousel Show, the group hit Silicon Valley, then headed to Del Mar for Charity Fair; next was Morgan Medallion in Las Vegas.

I am so proud of Linda Kane and her fine harness horse, Into the Cosmo, who had a great show year starting in Arizona. At Silicon Valley, she picked up the Championship. At Del Mar, she took the blue and reserve championship in an excellent class with great drivers and horses.

Changing gears, Linda and her road pony, Heartland Tuscany, took the Tri-Color in one of the best shows on the West Coast, produced by Helen and Lexie at the Silicon Valley Horse Show. There is excellent food, fun games, and exciting prizes. Everyone always has a great time.

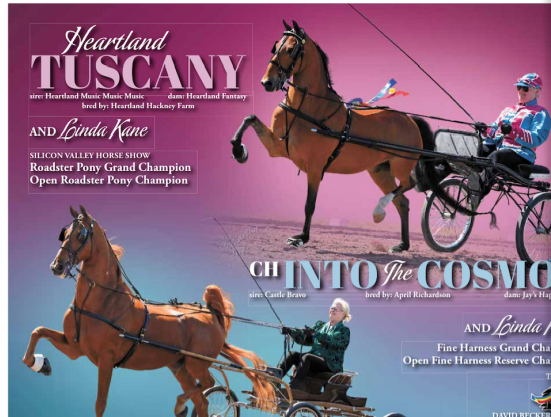
I'm so proud of Shari Rainwater and Sir Aaron, her pleasure-driving horse, who always puts on a great show in one of the strongest divisions on the West Coast. Shari had an outstanding season.

Janet Overstreet and Ginny Bergstrom had a wonderful time with their horses at all horse shows. In addition, making her debut is Adrienne Young in the walk-trot division and is looking forward to the 2024 show season. Stacy always puts on a fantastic show, and all the competitors have a great time.

Just a few of the new members of the DBS team are Sarah Hecker, Abbi, Brooke Powell, and Zandra Steinhauser. I am so excited to see what the future holds for these new beginning equestrians—I am also happy to see Linda picking back up her riding and where that takes her.

One of our many talented team members is Paul Savage. We are so lucky to have him helping us make it possible to have success with his guidance.





Hickerson Show Horses has had a busy show season. We started the year off at Carousel Charity in Arizona where we participated in the Saddlebred and Arabian show rings. We think it's wonderful to have a show combining Saddlebreds and Arabians and we wanted to show our support. Shari Rainwater had a beautiful show in the Country Pleasure driving class with the handsome Peri's Charm SS (aka Tony) and Todd showed Linda Kane's young pleasure driving horse, Sunrise's Four Roses (aka Whiskey), for the first time. Todd also showed a half-Arabian, Psee Uinthe Game (aka Sheldon) in hunter and Sarah showed him in a few halter classes for the first time in the Arabian/Half-Arabian ring.

In April, we attended the California Springfest where Sarah showed There's No App For This (aka Robbie) and took victory passes in the Park Pleasure classes. Todd showed Whiskey once again for Linda and had a few practice drives before the next show. Linda did a wonderful job and they make a great team!

The following week we were happy to support the Silicon Valley horse show where we also brought an Arabian and Half-Arabian for the fun jackpot classes. Linda Kane had her show ring debut with Whiskey and Shari did a beautiful job showing Tony in Country Pleasure driving. Sarah rode Robbie to the winner's circle in Park Pleasure. Things got busy during the jackpot classes as Sarah showed in three of the four jackpot classes. First up was Peri's Charm SS who hasn't shown or been ridden western in a couple years. He went right to work and earned reserve in a competitive class. Next was the open English class where Sarah rode an Arabian in a great class and she came out fourth still earning some of the Jackpot money. Last was the open hunter class where she rode Sheldon for the first time and was reserve.

Our last show was Santa Barbara National which was also a success.. Linda had her best show yet with Whiskey. Todd showed Robbie in the Park Pleasure and was second. Robbie has been showing the past couple of years in Park Pleasure and has been successful, but more recently we are working him hunter and he is taking to it nicely.

Our young 3-year-old Saddlebred stud colt, Common's One More Round, is developing nicely and will make his show ring debut next year. We also have a beautiful yearling mare by Glamorous Nuts and out of Mahvalous in Black that will be coming into the barn this winter.

Other fun news: Todd and Sarah got married! The two had a small ceremony at the ranch in mid-September and couldn't be happier!





INTRODUCING
Sunrise's
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steele Gomez bred by Paula Cline and Sunrise Stables dam: Double O' Rose

AND *Linda Kane*
 Open Pleasure Driving Championship - Top Three
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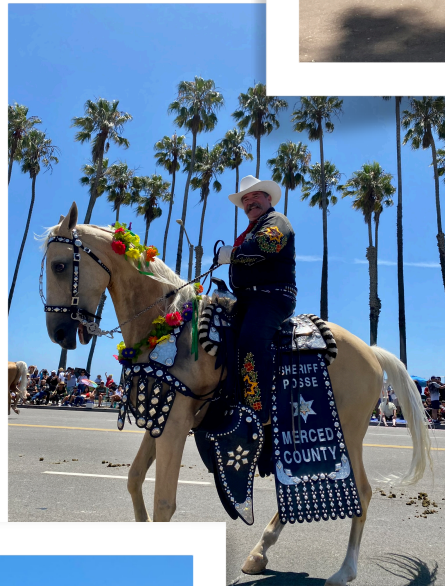
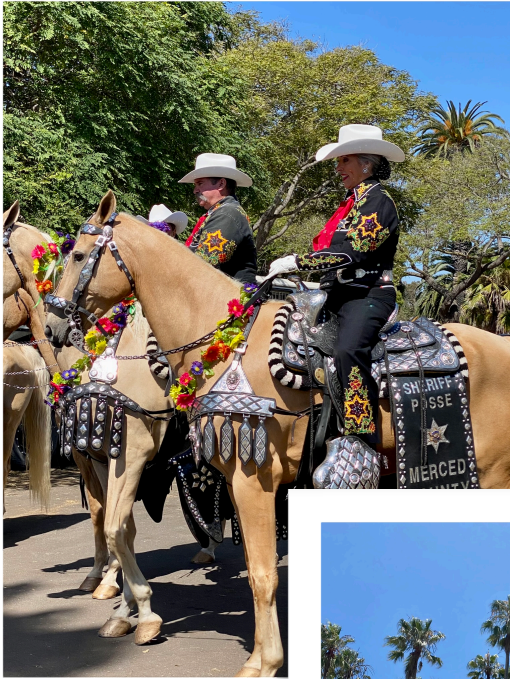
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Santa Barbara Fiesta Days Parade & Hilmar Homecoming Parade 2023 with Juanita and Rick Ellington and their beautiful Palomino Saddlebreds.

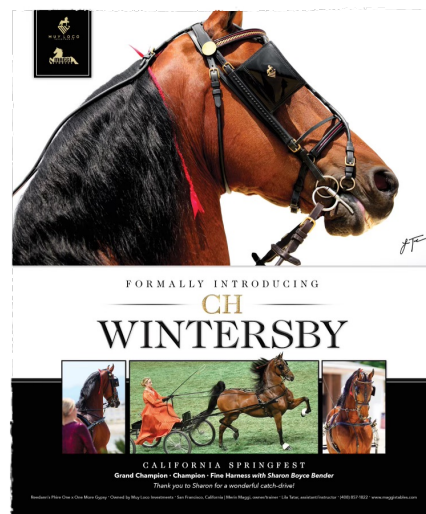


Special Retirement:

This year, we also made the heartfelt decision to retire CH Wintersby and return him to his previous owner, Gary Dickherber, who will provide him with a loving home at High Spirits Farm for the rest of his days. This choice was not easy, but we firmly believe it's where he truly belongs, as Gary's affection for Wintersby is unwavering, and Wintersby reciprocates that love.

We will forever hold a special place in our hearts for Wintersby, as he played an integral role in our achievements during a relatively short span of time. He was the horse that fulfilled Lexie's long-standing dream of competing on the green shavings. Wintersby consistently delivered outstanding performances, but he demanded your best effort in return. With an impressive show record of 122 appearances, and at the age of 17, he has earned the retirement that all horses deserve after a long and illustrious show career. It's a well-deserved rest for a remarkable companion.

Lexie and Judy



Summit Saddlebreds is alive and well. Golden Ridge Stables has moved to Summit, so everyone has been enjoying having a collection of Saddlebreds in the barn. Summit Ranch is planning their annual Halloween Party and Costume contest on 10/29 - Sue Valley is preparing more fun-seasonal ribbons for the event!



For Sale

Edy Compton (pictured on her beloved Santa Fe Spirit at the Horse Expo in 2009, has been horseless for many years. She would like to sell her tack and equipment. All has been kept clean, covered and in her house so it is good condition. **Saddles:** western, saddle seat, hunt seat with cover bags) **Show bridles** additional bits. **Showing outfits** western, saddle seat, hunt-seat about size 10. Tack trunk, roll along tack caddy, manure cart, mounting step, sheets, and more..."

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Cathy & Art Sauer

We are going to take advantage of The Ca Futurity classes that will be held at the Jingle Bells show this year. Nov 30- Dec 3 at Horseman's Horse Park in Del Mar! The Park has done major renovations including new stabling, multiple rings and is a world class destination for the Hunter Jumper HITS series. Hope to see many NCASHA happy faces! Our fancy yearling: Pure Mountain Heir (Mountainview's Heir to Fortune x Pure Charm) (AKA Oreo) will be making an appearance.



Dean McCracken has a new boy in the barn! Point of Delirium made his appearance about a month ago and Dean has already hit the trail with this striking gelding. Willie (HS Sense of Style) Dean's prior horse, hit the jackpot and found a forever home sharing a pasture with another saddlebred in the hills of Santa Ynez. It took Dean awhile and a lot of searching, but he settled on this handsome guy. We can't wait to meet him.



Sherman Ranch Arabians, located in Pleasanton, CA, continues to grow its Half Saddlebred breeding program through crosses with Arrowhead's Bateleur, Thundergun and WC A Rare Temper. These babies are expected in 2024. Sherman Ranch bred Half Saddlebreds continue to have great success on the local and national level. They are excited to be a part of the growing ASHBA Registry for the Half Saddlebred and look forward to working with the Saddlebred industry and NCASHA!

Twinkle Toes S x WC A Rare Temper



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Monarch Stables

Welcome to **Doubletrees Call Me Phirst** for Julie Barrow. We are excited about this big, good-looking guy! What a presence he and Julie are going to be!!!!

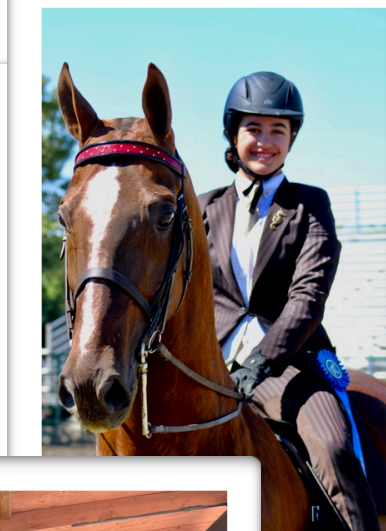
Very excited for Tara and her beautiful, **Our Lady Valentine**. Lady is in foal to **Gothic Revival** and we are holding our breath for this special baby!!!!

Following a grand time at Santa Barbara National, we did something a bit different and took the young riders to show at the Sonoma County Fair Horse Show. It was fun and different not without some interesting challenges! The show was a good culmination for the second camp of summer which focused on trailering and safety. The kids all spent the night at the ranch before the show so they were there early to help load their horses. We also had to show out of the trailer which was a unique experience for many! Grace Ramos and **At Last** and Mia Otellini and **Moonlight Jasmine** both won large, multi-breed classes.

Our plans to attend the Northwest Fall Classic were met with difficulty on transportation, so we decide for the Autumn Edition show at the Sonoma County Fairgrounds instead, and that has now been cancelled. We regrouped and are substituting with a professional photo shoot day and another fun local schooling show put on by the area Arabian club.

Welcome to our newest saddle seat equestrienne, Kinley Soila

Looking forward to see everyone at Jingle Bells!
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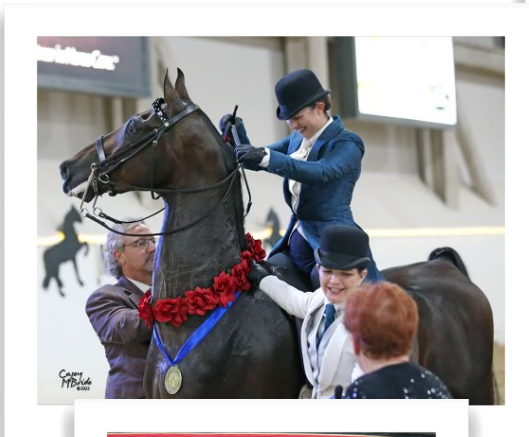
- Doubletree's Call Me First (left)
- Tara and Our Lady Valentine (top)
- Grace Ramos and At Last at the Sonoma County Fair
- Kiley on Moonlight Jasmine

Muy Loco Investments, represented by Lexie Saine and Judy Castailac, is elated to announce the return of Taco to their show string. Taco was sold almost two years ago in 2021, and it's serendipitous that he returned exactly two years later. He made his way back to California from Kentucky in June and then journeyed to Las Vegas for the Morgan Medallion show in July.

At the Morgan Medallion, Taco, alongside trainer Merin Maggi, dominated a highly competitive Open Opportunity class. Later, in the PRO/AM, Kelly Armijo stepped in at the last minute, as Lexie couldn't attend, and together with Taco, they clinched the tri-color ribbon. Notably, Kelly had never ridden Taco before that class.

Looking ahead to the 2024 show season, Taco and Lexie have exciting plans to make a comeback in the 3-gaited show pleasure division. Taco is undeniably an exceptional horse with a heart of gold. Lexie and Judy are immensely grateful to have him back in their lives.

Lexie and Judy



"The show season is rapidly drawing to a close, but there's still much more to come. **Maggi Stables** is currently in Oklahoma City for the Morgan Grand National and World Championship Horse Show, accompanied by a remarkable group of Morgans. Our journey through this season began in April at Carousel, and throughout the season, both our Saddlebreds and Morgans performed exceptionally well.

In Arizona, our Saddlebred string, courtesy of Muy Loco Investments and Isabella Sheridan, delivered impressive performances. The young talent, Fight Like a Girl, at just four years old, only joined us to gain experience but came to work like she was putting on a show. In the Open Fine Harness Division, the stunning Evangeline and Lexie Saine made their debut, securing Championship and Grand Championship titles. Kalarama's Night Light and Merin Maggi lit up in the Five Gaited Junior/Limit division, earning themselves a Champion title and admiration from all corners. Post-show, Kalarama's Night Light, the horse who was not for sale, found a new home with Barbara Manilow and Skyline Stables, a bittersweet moment for all of us.

Isabella Sheridan and Nuttin But Fancy SS showcased their skills in the Saddleseat Equitation division 14-17, earning well-deserved praise. May brought us to Silicon Valley, where we brought only two Saddlebreds, Evangeline and Nuttin But Fancy SS, along with our Morgan string. Evangeline and Merin secured the Champion title in the Open Fine Harness division, while Lexie Saine claimed a Reserve Grand Championship. Isabella and Nuttin But Fancy SS showcased their hard work, winning both Champion and Grand Champion Saddle Seat Equitation 17 and Under.

In June, we arrived in Del Mar, where we witnessed Fight Like a Girl and Merin making their West Coast debut, winning the Junior/Limit Park Saddle in a single appearance. Merin's infectious smile brightened the arena as she rode her beloved Loba. Additionally, Evangeline and Lexie made a solo appearance and secured another victory in the Open Fine Harness division.

During our time in Del Mar, Muy Loco Investments had the chance to repurchase their cherished Taco, sold two years earlier. Fresh from Kentucky, Taco headed to Las Vegas in July for the Morgan Medallion show. All the Saddlebreds from Maggi Stables were ready to compete. The team consisted of Taco, Evangeline, Fight Like a Girl, Nuttin But Fancy SS, and Tick Tock, all of whom left their mark with notable achievements, including titles in Open Park Grand Champion, Open Park Champion, Open Fine Harness Reserve Champion, and Open English Pleasure Champion. The highlight was the Pro/Am Championship, featuring none other than Taco who carried home the tri-colors.

Next came the monumental trip to Louisville for the World's Championship Horse Show, where Muy Loco Investments was represented by Fight Like a Girl. Despite not feeling her best, she and Merin put up a valiant fight, earning 4th and 7th places in the Junior Three Gaited Park Division. We couldn't be prouder of their performance.

While we started with just one horse in Louisville, we returned with three. Merin discovered promising Kalarama prospects to train and develop, sparking excitement among all of us. Lexie and Judy already have their eyes on one of them. Currently, we're in OKC with our beloved Morgans, eagerly anticipating the week ahead and hoping to bring back more good news.

Although we're uncertain about any potential shows after OKC, one thing's for sure—the show season is far from over for us this year."

- The newly retired Wintersby and Lexie at Louisville in 2022
- Fight Like A Girl & Marin Maggi
- Evangeline & Lexie
- Kalarama's Night Light



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Sue Valley Well I had a busy spring. Gen Hess sent her home bred fancy Tom Thumb down to Summit Ranch for me to work with. Thomas settled in, made great progress and even took in his first show ring experience at the California Springfest.

Since I am surrounded by western horses at Summit I dove in and showed Debbie Bartman's Quarter Horse Franklin in the Open Western Class at the SVHS. The usually mild mannered Franklin decided that was the day he would have a come-apart, so we were not in the top ribbons, but we had fun and were certainly a little different.

The biggest change though is the forced retirement of the grand Here We Are. After a year of rehab, "Big" Al- just couldn't recover from a torn suspensory and had to be retired from the show ring. This was a major blow, but we are now pleasure riding at a walk around Sunny Hills - who knows, with time, Al may follow in Spud's footsteps at Summit Ranch. He still has a lot of snort and blow, so his path into retirement may take some time.

2023 NCASHA High Point Results — results include California Springfest and SVHS – both double point shows. Santa Rosa – Spring Edition results pending. (first – 12 pt, 2nd 10 pt etc)

- Members can submit results from 2 outside shows to add to these totals – e-mail to Sue Valley at susanvalley@mac.com
- * indicates horse showed at only 1 of these shows – you need to show in the same division in at least 2 shows for an award – the outside shows will count for this
- If you have any corrections, let Sue Valley know

3-Gaited:

Dreamacres Mr. Heisman	Freeman	48*
Wilkinson	Freeman	48*

Fine Harness:

SH A Shot of Don Julio	Silva	48*
Into the Cosmos	Kane	44*
Evangeline	Muy Loco	44*
What?	Roy	24*

Park:

Carl's Sweet Caroline	Overstreet	24*
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5-Gaited Show Pleasure

Monnington's Remarkable	Hess	44*
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3-Gaited Show Pleasure:

CH Magic City	Hess	48*
Prince Valient	Roy	48*

Jr. Ex Show Pleasure:

At Last	Ramos	20*
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Show PI Driving

Heir to the Empire	Roy	48*
Sir Aaron	Rainwater	40*

Park Pleasure:

There's No App for That	Rainwater	92
Titlesist Macho Man	Silva	92

3-Gaited Country PI

At School	Barrow	76
HS Play the Numbers	Hess	48*
Mean Mr. Mustard	Bernhard	28*

Hunter Country PI

Paddyington's Sky High	Barrow	64
Peter Parker	Dixon	48*

Western Country PI

Our Perfect Day	Hess	48*
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Country PI Driving:

Peri's Charm	Rainwater	40*
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Saddle Seat Equitation

Grace Ramos	72
Lote Veilande	48*
Isabella Sheridan	48*

Walk/Trot Equitation 12 and under

Janey Belek	46
Charlotte Thomas	4*

Walk/Trot Pleasure 12 and under

Ch Hubris	Belek	20*
Cloverleaf Red Cloud	Thomas	4*

Open Saddleseat PI

At Last	Ramos	16
At School	Barrow	16*

Open Driving

Sunrises Four Roses	Kane	72
Nordavano	Bergstrom	12*

Academy Lead Line

Presley Ferl	24*
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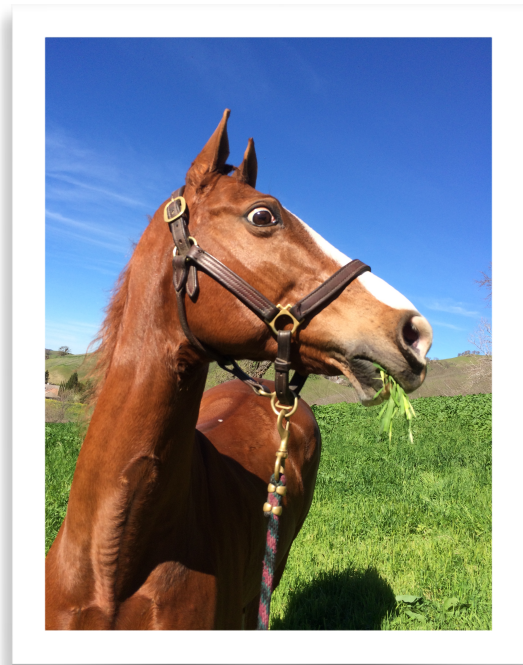
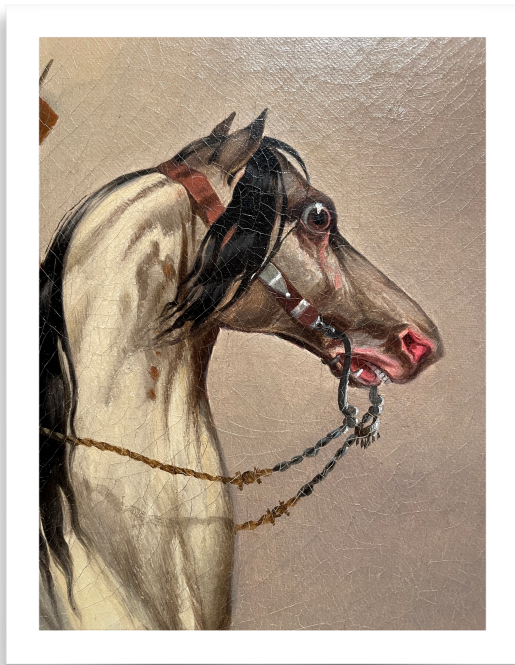
We also need members to submit points/hours for:

Open Competition - all disciplines

Pleasure Riding

Please get your points/hours in to Sue Valley by November 30 for a final tally!!!

While wandering through the Portrait Gallery in Washington DC, I spotted this photo - Perhaps a distant relative of Spud????



Gen Hess does more than ride horses!!! She does Dog Agility in a Big Way!

Home from my first [UKI West Coast Open](#)! What a fun, well run, friendly and exhausting 4 days! Huge super challenging courses were so fun to take on with my teammates! We knew going in these courses would be above our comfort zone but Remi and Tazzie both stepped up, I'm beyond proud of them both! Both made it to finals, and Tazzie and I were privileged to stand on a box!! We have a lot of homework but can't wait until next year!

Best of Luck to everyone at the Fall Shows!