



Stone Ledge Farm Newsletter

JULY SHOW NEWS

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Show Season! This issue of the SLF Newsletter is dedicated to our 2019 Show Season news and highlights thus far! If you are interested in learning more about competitive riding and want to see Team Stone Ledge live in action, take a look at our upcoming schedule and please let Christie or Becky know if you would like more information on where to catch all the fun!

Summer Horse Camp Off to a Great Start! Our first leg of Horse Camp took place June 24-26th with great success! Many thanks to Taylor and Kendra on all their hard work and preparation. We had a LOT of happy campers (pun intended)! Our next Summer Camp session will be held July 8-10th!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Morgan Masterpiece Charity Horse Show: *July 18-20, Oshkosh, WI.* A staple in the SLF calendar, "Oshkosh" is a Morgan horse and Academy show that also features a costume class, balloon fight, and lots of summer fun!



Mid-America Signature Show: *July 26-28, Roscoe, IL.* This Saddlebred, Open and Academy show is a great excuse to come out and cheer for team SLF as we take our Academy riders and several show horses out for a weekend of summer showing right down the street from the barn!

Buckeye Morgan Show: *August 7-10, Springfield, OH.* This Morgan horse show hosted by the Ohio Morgan Horse Association brings our show team closer to some of the Big East barns that we often compete against at Oklahoma each year!



Jubilee Regional: *August 28-31, Shipshewana, IN.* Jubilee used to be held in Springfield, IL for many years and has recently moved to one of our favorite new venues in Amish country, IN!



F.A.S.H. Spring Show Recap (May 10-12, St Paul, MN)

Bonnie and Murphy drove into 3rd place in both of their Classic Pleasure Driving classes and came into a strong finish of Reserve Champion in the Classic Pleasure Stake. Holly and Tori put in a strong season debut in the Hunter Pleasure Amateur and Hunter Pleasure Ladies, earning 5th and 3rd place ribbons respectively. Sierra and Rocky also started out their season strong in the Western Pleasure Amateur and Ladies divisions, earning 4th and 5th places ribbons in their division. Match Box and Cindy also had their season debut at FASH, earning two 3rd place ribbons in the Classic Pleasure and Classic Pleasure Ladies divisions.



Prairie State Classic Recap (May 31-June 2, Woodstock, IL):



Classic/English & Driving Recap: Cameron and Dave did it again, with a full sweep of their classes in the Classic Pleasure division and AMHA medal class, while Kit's new mare Hannah made a stunning debut with SLF

winning both her classes in the English Pleasure division. Nate was brought in to take on the "Battle of the Breeds" Pro-Am Calcutta class with Jess and Becky and gave a breath-taking performance. Al and Angel had a lovely turnout in the Carriage division as well!



Hunt/Western Recap:

Sharp once again proved that Morgans truly are a family horse, taking Alex into a 4th place ribbon in the Hunter Pleasure Amateur class, Kelly into a 4th place in the Western Pleasure Open, and giving Nicole two lovely rides in the Western Pleasure Ladies and Open Championship. Abigail had a wonderful show with Mateo, winning the Hunter Pleasure Jr. Exh championship, while her new mare Freya won the Hunter Pleasure Novice Horse championship with Becky. Whisper made her debut appearance with SLF and earned a 3rd and 6th placing in the Open and Ladies Western divisions. Meanwhile, Natalie tried Western pleasure for the first time, winning a 3rd place in the Jr/Amateur Western Pleasure Championship. Becky rode Mila in a series of beautiful rides, earning a 2nd in the Open and Ladies classes, and 3rd in the Western Championship. Becky rode Gator for a 5th and 2nd place finish in the Hunter division, and Grace won her Hunt Seat Equitation class with Corey!



Academy Recap:

Academy riders Gretchen, Maddie and Aisy represented SLF stunningly, with multiple wins, championships and victory passes among all three riders. Fluffy and Lita carried the Academy team for a wonderful turnout!



Gold Cup Recap (June 12-15, Columbus, OH):

This year's Gold Cup was a phenomenal show! The competition was fierce! Jess and Roxie brought home a 6th place ribbon in the Hunter Pleasure Youth division, while Nate landed 3rd and 6th in the English Pleasure Amateur

qualifier and championship and a 2nd place in the English Pleasure Youth. Abigail and Mateo had two wonderful rides, earning a 2nd place in the Hunter Pleasure Youth qualifier, and 6th place in the championship. Dave and Abby had their season start, earning two 4th place finishes in the Classic Pleasure Jr Exhibitor division. Grace and Corey made their mark on the Hunter Pleasure division, landing 3rd in the Amateur qualifier and 4th in the Amateur championship. Bonnie and Murphy took home a 6th place finish in the Classic Pleasure Ladies division at this highly competitive show!



Summer Solstice Recap (June 22, Hampshire, IL)

This brand new show was a blast! Bailey and Rillo had their debut performance together and won the Open Hunter qualifier and came back to win the Open Championship. Alex took Sharp into the Open Hunter Open division as well, earning a 4th place in the qualifier and the championship in a field of 10 hunters. Christie took Whisper into

the Open Western classes, earning a 1st place and a Reserve Champion ribbon. Academy riders Kayla and Maddie took Fluffy into a series of stunning classes, with Fluffy sweeping the WTC Pleasure division in a series of victories. Ellie and Ava brought Lita into the ribbons as well, with Ellie earning a Reserve champion ribbon in the Equitation Championship, and Ava landing 6th and 8th in a field of 11 WT riders in only her second time off the farm!



LEARNING CORNER: How to Beat the Heat!

With hot summer temperatures upon us, it's important to be prepared! Make sure to come to lessons equipped with: Water, hair pulled back away from your face & light-weight and breathable clothing. Long pants and boots are still necessary during summer riding lessons to help protect your legs and feet while working around the horses (and biting flies)! Riding tights and lighter-weight breeches/jods can be found on the shopping sites listed on our Lesson Page of the SLF website! Please check your email regularly for updates on the lesson schedule and any closures due to high/extreme temperatures!

