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FREE LIVE WEBCAST ANNOUNCED FOR 2011 GN

The Grand National & World Championship Morgan Horse Show® has joined forces with Markel, RaDon, Marsha de Arriaga, and Hawk Multimedia to bring all the fun and excitement of this year's show to you LIVE and FREE! All three performance arenas will be offered to you live throughout the week beginning October 8 and continuing through the last class on the evening of October 15. For more information, stay tuned to www.MGNLive.com. Competition begins Saturday, October 8 with three shows daily through Saturday, October 15. Show times will be at 9:00 a.m., 1:00 p.m., and 7:00 p.m. each day. Markel Insurance Company is known for years of quality to service to the Morgan world. RaDon Incorporated has a tradition of quality when it comes to fine horse apparel. And Marsha de Arriaga is without a doubt the tailor of the stars when it comes to riding apparel with classic lines and elegance. In addition to the free live broadcasts, Hawk Multimedia will also offer paid subscriptions for access to replays of all the shows activities at www.morganhorsevideos.com.

HELP NEEDED FOR UNWANTED MORGAN HORSES

Thank you for your response to our recent news about adopting/fostering unwanted Morgan horses. The American Morgan Horse Registry seeks to help save abandoned, unwanted, or neglected Morgan horses by educating the public and connecting people and agencies that can provide care and/or homes. AMHA has created a new webpage under the Marketplace tab of the website, "Unwanted Morgans," to capture those who have contacted us thus far. To date, we have received several emails from organizations offering to serve as rescue facilities and we are pleased to also receive inquiries for adoption and foster care. These are all listed at the bottom of the webpage. If you are open to serving as a foster home, adopting a horse, or have rescue facilities, please contact AMHA Executive Director Julie Broadway at execdir@morganhorse.com so that we can list you on our website as possible alternative care, rescue, or retirement.

MORGANS IN TRAIL HORSE FINALS

The American Competitive Trail Horse Association (ACTHA) held auditions across the country looking for finalists for the reality television show, "America's Favorite Trail Horse." 100 horse and rider teams were selected to attend the finals in Austin, Texas. Show your support by voting for the three Morgans that made it to the finals! The show airs on HRTV (cable and Dish Network) and can be seen on the Internet on the ACTHA TV website, www.actha.tv. The series begins on Tuesday, September 13 (8 p.m. Eastern, 5 p.m. Pacific), and voting will take place on the ACTHA website, www.actha.us. Viewers will have the ability to vote for their favorite trail horse after each episode and \$5,000 will be awarded to each episode winner. The finale will feature all of the episode winners and will award \$50,000 to the top three horses of the entire series.

Morgans competing include:

Episode 7 (October 25) Pure Country Majestic with Lisa Rohner Schafer

Episode 10 (November 15) Royal Rhiannon with Derrick Dupler

Episode 11 (November 22) Finally's Miss Bay Bee with Bonnie Curless

WINDEN HILL MORGANS

Congratulations to Jennifer Thomas of Nova Scotia on her purchase of Winden Kai (Shanghai x Code Red), 2009 mare. And to Meagan Ferance of Shelbyville, KY on her purchase of Winden Taipan (Shanghai x Beadazzling) *Tami Johnson*

WEST COAST MORGANS

Sunday October 30th WCM will proudly host the 2nd annual Fall Festival! This is a benefit for the Lora Dunlap Morgan Horse Rescue & Scholarship Foundation, Inc. and we hope to see all of our friends there! We also need volunteers and students looking for community service hours. Check out the details on www.LDMorganHorse.org.

AMHA CONVENTION UPDATE

The Convention committee is hard at work making plans for AMHA's annual convention, which is scheduled to take place February 29-March 3 in Orlando, Florida, and the first set of speakers has been announced! Join Bill Woods, David Saunders, and Wendy Ying, DVM as they discuss "The Sport Horse Connection." Woods has been recognized by the United States Dressage Federation (USDF) as one of the 20 most influential members in the organization's history. He is a former member of United States Dressage Federation's (USDF) Test Writing Committee and was the first American invited to conduct USDF Instructor workshops across the country. Saunders is the former head coachman for the Duke of Edinburgh, Royal Mews, Windsor Castle, and was with The Duke from the inception of combined driving. Driving Alan Aulson's team of black Morgans in 2010, he qualified fifth in the United States to be one of the ten four-in-hand entries to represent the United States at the World Equestrian Games. He is the recipient of many awards and medals including several medals of honor. Ying is a champion combined driving competitor and qualified a four-in-hand team for the World Equestrian Games in 2010. She is a Carriage American Association (CAA) Level I instructor and is the co-host of the "Driving Radio Show" on the Horse Radio Network. This is just the first of what is expected to be a wonderful gathering of Morgan people for fun in the sun at the Hilton Walt Disney World® Resort! AMHA attendees will be able to take advantage of reduced rates plus extended hours at the Walt Disney World® Resort! This is expected to be a popular convention, so don't miss out! Learn more by going to www.morganhorse.com/association/annual_convention

REDUCED REGISTRATION FEES

Time is Running Out on Reduced Registration Fees!

AMHA members have until December 31 to take advantage of a \$200 savings in registering older Morgans. Regularly priced at \$410, AMHA members pay just \$210 through December 31 to register Morgans that are over 24 months of age at the time of registration. Earlier this year, the AMHA Registry Committee approved the reduced fee, recognizing that a number of older Morgans that were being rescued were not registered. This fee is available to all 2011 AMHA members.

Smiling faces at Summer's End.....



U.S. SADDLE SEAT EQUITATION TEAM

Last March, the United States Equestrian Federation (USEF) announced it will assume responsibility for fielding and supporting future U.S. Saddle Seat Equitation Teams who will represent the United States at the Saddle Seat Equitation World Cup. The 2012 U.S. Saddle Seat Equitation Team Selection Trials will be held at William Woods University in Fulton, MO, on March 31, 2012. A riders' meeting/draw will be held the evening of Friday, March 30, 2012, and the Selection Trials will take place on Saturday, March 31, with team member announcements that evening. The shortened schedule allows athletes to travel earlier on Sunday. While the USEF World Cup Committee kept much of the selection process and Team requirements the same for 2012, a few changes to previous years' procedures have been mandated. The first change affects the application process. Athletes are encouraged to use an online application portal they can access through their My USEF Account. This is an effort to save on shipping costs and shorten the paper trail. Hard copy applications will still be accepted.

To support team preparation, two mandatory practices will be conducted in 2012. This is a change from previous years when only one mandatory practice took place. These and other details may be found at the "How to Participate" tab on the USEF website through the following link: <http://saddleseatworldcup.usef.org>. Applications for consideration to participate in the Trials are due to USEF by December 15, 2011.

The World Cup is a bi-annual competition that originated in the early 1980s with an informal exchange of Saddle Seat riders in the United States and South Africa, and was named the Saddle Seat Equitation World Cup in 1992. Originally a three-gaited Saddle Seat Equitation showcase, it has expanded to include a five-gaited component as well. Teams from as many as five nations now compete for the coveted World Cup titles.

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October 30 *Fall Festival*-West Coast Morgans, Odessa, FL

November 25 - 27th *FMHA Trail Ride* at West Gate River Ranch near Lake Wales FL

February 29-Mar 3, 2012 *AMHA Convention*, Orlando, FL

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