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NEWS FROM CHERI BARBER STABLES

Cheri Barber Stables, Reddick, is thrilled to announce the arrival of WC Stonecroft Trilogy. Stonecroft Trilogy will be standing to approved mares for the remainder of the 2018 breeding season and beyond. Trilogy has been a life long resident along with his owners of Stonecroft Farms in Shelbyville, Kentucky, but has now retired exclusively to the breeding business here in Florida. As a show horse Stonecroft Trilogy's record is beyond impressive. He was the 2009 World Park Saddle Champion as well as Grand National Park Saddle Stallion Champion. This culminated his previous illustrious career which included World Championships in Park Harness as both a three year old and a two year old.

As a sire his presence is undisputed. Stonecroft Trilogy is the sire of the Four Year Old World Park Harness Champion Bazinga, as well as, Ladies World Park Harness Champion Stonecroft Triumphant. Other World title winners sired by Stonecroft Trilogy include Stonecroft Noelle, Stonecroft Epiphany, Stonecroft Trillium, Stonecroft Flamable, Stonecroft Tribute, and Robert Mondavi. Other champions he has sired include LPS True Believer, Grand Cru Margaux, HyLee's Tripoly, Stonecroft Trinket, Stonecroft Cherished, Trillion, Stonecroft Intrigue and Stonecroft Daydream. Stonecroft Trilogy is sired by WC Stonecroft Masquerade (recently deceased) and out of the great mare Ladybird Command, the only full sister to Wham Bam Command and I Will Command. Stonecroft Trilogy is bred to breed on.

COMING NEXT ISSUE!!!!

Fabulous Florida Foals

Email photos and info from this year's babies to Sally Ann Lyle
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NOMINATIONS FOR AMHA REGIONAL DIRECTORS

Members shall be entitled to nominate candidates for the position of Regional Director by delivering to the Executive Director on or before October 1st one or more nominating petitions signed collectively by at least fifteen (15) of the members entitled to vote for a director from the Region at the upcoming annual meeting and signed by the nominee named therein to demonstrate acceptance of his nomination. Electronic signatures on nominating petitions and on a nominee's acceptance shall be deemed acceptable."

Accordingly, the following positions will be included on 2019 election ballot distributed to AMHA members in good standing as of December 31, 2018.

One regional director for each Eastern, Central, and Western Regions. At the 2019 Annual Meeting, one director from each of the Regions shall be elected to a three-year term.

For a person's name to be placed on the official ballot, that person must go through a nomination process, which consists of:

- Candidate must be an AMHA member in good standing possessing an individual or life membership;
- Residency within the region for which they are running;
- Obtaining official nomination petitions from AMHA's headquarters and securing a minimum of 15 qualified voting members signatures of the region;
- Filing the nomination petitions, with appropriate number of qualified signatures, with AMHA office by October 1, 2018;
- Valid signatures on nomination petitions are AMHA members in good standing and 18 years of age or older;
- Each candidate must sign each nomination petition to show acceptance of nomination.

2017 AMHA REGISTRY STATISTICS

The 2017 year-end statistics for AMHA's Registry Department are posted to the "Members Only" section of the website. You can see the statistics for all registered Morgans by color and by sex, the registered Morgan foal crop for last year, as well as a year by year comparison of completed horse registrations.

JUDGING STANDARDS UPDATE

The 2018 update for AMHA judging standards is also available on the AMHA website under the "News" tab. Must reading for anyone who is showing their Morgans.

CITRUS CUP 2018

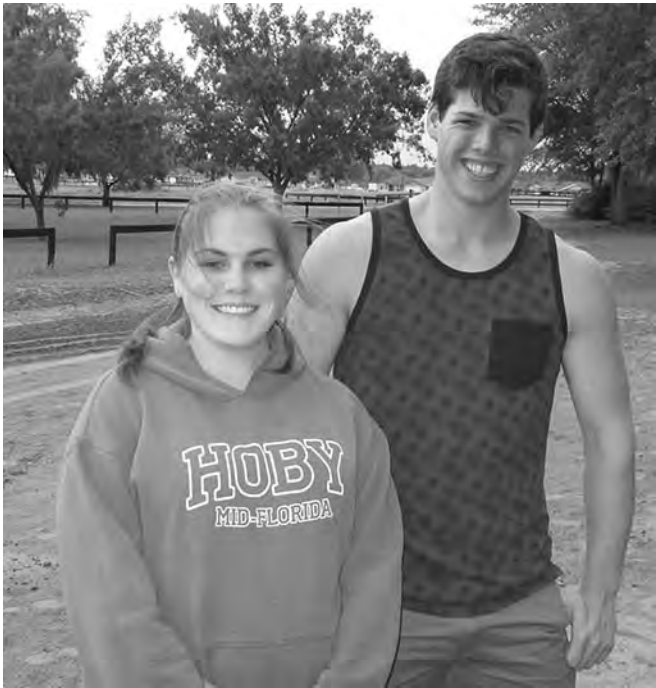
Another Citrus Cup is in the books, and another fun show it was. Huge thanks go to Alicia Davis and her team for all their hard work in making it a success, all the exhibitors who joined us this year, and of course, our generous sponsors.

While the English and Park classes were a little light in numbers, they were high in quality. It was nice to see renewed interest in the In Hand division this year. The Hunt and Western classes were well filled, especially the Junior Exhibitor hunter and equitation.

It looks like our future is in good hands!

It is always a treat to see the strong carriage competitions, both in the ring and the field. Congratulations to all the competitors for a job well done!





IN MEMORY OF DR. STEVE GILMAN



Dr Gilman was a friend to all and a fierce competitor in the show ring and in Combined Driving events. He and his family, breeders of champion Morgans under the Shadyhill prefix, were instrumental in the development of Florida Morgan Horse Association. He was president of FMHA when "Citrus Cup" became the official name of our regional championship show.

ORAL MEDS FOR HORSES

At one time or another, almost every horse owner has had to give oral meds to a less than cooperative patient. Here are some ideas to make the chore easier

Soft, slightly squishy horse treats are available at local feeds stores and online, and they're often very palatable and easy to press a pill in to.

With apples and carrots, you can hollow out a small hole and press a pill into a piece of carrot or apple and successfully feed it this way.

Several brands of pill pockets and pouches are on the market designed specifically for horses. Most are quite palatable; however, they might be more expensive than other options.

While plum pits are poisonous to horses, pitted prunes are safe to feed and make fabulous pill pockets. They are sweet and sticky and do the job nicely.

Most pills and tablets dissolve in water. If you place the necessary medication in a syringe, add water, and let it sit it should dissolve and then you can dose the horse orally. You might need to crush very hard pills first.

Administering this way takes some skill to ensure the liquid with the pill goes down their throat and not out the side of their mouth. Adding baby food (applesauce or carrots), molasses or Karo makes it harder to drool it back out and more palatable.

Some horses will eat powder or crushed/dissolved pills with their grain if the medication is mixed well with syrup or pureed carrots or apples. It might be best to feed only a portion of the grain with meds added first, while the horse is very hungry, then give the rest of the grain after the first part is cleaned up.

Dietary Considerations

A good number of horses needing daily medication also need low-starch, low-sugar diets. This adds a level of complexity to medication administration as many of the above options are not necessarily low in sugar.

It is important to know your horse's sensitivity and to keep in mind the actual amount of sugar you're providing in one treat. For example, the USDA's food products database indicates that a mini bite-sized prune contains 2 grams of sugar, a single baby carrot contains about 1.33 grams of sugar, and a 7-inch-long carrot has about 5 grams of sugar. Compare those figures to a half-cup of applesauce (administered with a syringe), which can range from about 10 grams to 20 grams of sugar, and you'll see a single prune or carrot is probably a better option.

Sometimes the risk of feeding one slightly higher-sugar treat to get the needed medication dose required to control the condition vs. the horse refusing to take the pill, a small amount of sugar is the lesser of two evils.

If you have concerns about whether a method of dosing is appropriate for your horse check with your veterinarian.

One last consideration for success is how you approach your horse when you present the treat. Medicating horses can be stressful, especially if they've refused other methods you've tried. However, approaching your horse holding your breath and nervously trying to anticipate the outcome is a recipe for disaster. Your horse will read your body language and know something is up. Try to stay upbeat and positive. If the horse will be getting medicated over a long period of time, it might be useful to occasionally give the treat or syringe of molasses without any meds to keep them from getting sour on the whole process.

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CBMF SHE'S GOT THE BEAT 2007

Morgan Mare, by WC And The Beat Goes On and out of a Noble Fleire daughter, this beautiful mare is a winner in Classic and English Pleasure, or take her home to make beautiful babies!

SMS GALAHAD 2013 Morgan Gelding, outrageously talented and will be ready to show this year, make a splash with a fresh face in the saddle or harness division with this incredibly gifted and pretty performance horse!

RCV HIGH CALIBER 2012 Morgan Gelding, this very elegant son of WC SYP High Definition GCH is coming along well and could be a competitive English Pleasure or Park horse. A world caliber prospect!

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January 19, 2019 FMHA Banquet and Annual Meeting in Ocala (stay tuned for details)