



SWF SUMMER HAPPENINGS

This summer seemed to fly by, so much so I didn't even get a summer newsletter out so this one will be the summer/fall newsletter. We have a very long Barn Up Dates & News section to fill you in on all the summer events.

Some happenings that weren't listed in that section were; the departure of Adri's horse Allegra to her non-jumping home at the end of May. Then the arrival of Adri's new filly Paprika also in May. Another SWF arrival was Maggie our new school pony just in time for summer fun.

And who could overlook our silly new kittens that arrive late spring Cloud (white) and Puma (bobtail tiger), they introduce themselves.



We also ran off on a few Wednesday nights to participate in the Apple Knoll Farm jumper show series. Kevin with Gryf and Adri with Tia. These shows don't start till five o'clock so we were there until after dark several times. *Lots of fun.*

Adri took Sarah MacKay with her horse Sampson and Rebecca Wood with her horse Finnegan to the Douglas State Forest for afternoon trailride in

June. She rode Sweet Pea who enjoyed a change from ring work very much.

Oh yes, Niha and I are driving again with a new cart.

Besides the usual activities you might have noticed we have been hard at work redoing our fencing. This job has been taken most of the summer and we aren't finished yet. It is shaping up well and we hope to be finishing up in the next month.

Sadly on July thirty-first we lost our dog Uma. Her kidneys gave out due to complications she developed from the bout of Lymes Disease she had last year. Uma was apart of our family for almost nine years so this was very hard for all of us, even Charmelita (the Chihuahua) is sad.

I wasn't going to get a new dog for a while but I found myself holding the barnyard gate open for her a few times before I remembered. This made me think about another dogso in the first week of October we are looking forward to the arrival of our new puppy. She is an Australian Sheppard and we have named her Savannah. We get to go meet her this weekend. Yeah!

Finally, we still have a few more activities planned for this fall so please check the barn bulletin board & the website for updates.

FALL LESSON SCHEDULING & EVENTS

Now that the summer has come to an end and everyone is back from vacation we hope to find a lesson time that will fit for you.

For a few weeks now we have been working at getting everyone scheduled into classes they are compatible with and work with their after school or work schedules. It hasn't been easy due to the limited space in the afternoon. We appreciate your patience and co-operation. If you haven't received a time slot yet please call the farm to confirm a time.

We realize how hard it is to coordinate everyone's schedules but once a lesson time has been set please stick to it. Make-ups will be extra difficult this fall. Also please check the website for reminders on our cancellation policies.

Our next farm event will be the Open Field Day Competition on October first. Check with your instructor to see if you are eligible to compete.

Then at the end of the month we are hosting our annual Halloween Party for all students/family on Saturday night October twenty-eighth.

In November on the fourth and fifth we will have our Fall Student horse show.

Volunteers are always needed to help run our activities and it is a great way to learn.



Leadline Corner



Congratulations to our 2 Taylor's on their success at the recent August Farm

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Barn Updates/News.

● **4/17-20 Sch. Vac. Horseplay Day's** –We only did a couple days but it went very smoothly with the students that attended.

● **4/23 Mix & Match 2-Phase & Tag Sale**– Very successful day of showing. Many riders from other farms came out and competed in the outdoor arena in dressage & jumping against several of our own students & horses. Results are posted on the website.

● **5/20 & 21 Student Horse Show**-This show flowed beautifully great weather and only one fall off. See website for more details & pictures.

● **6/25 1st Field Day competition**- Rained out 

● **6/25 Farm barbeque**– Everyone who came enjoyed an afternoon of food and fun in spite of the wet weather. Unmounted horse show, paper airplane contest, & Capture the Flag filled the afternoon. All in the indoor :)

● **7/17-20 1st Summer Horsemanship Program**—Five students took part in our first summer program. It was nice to work with a small group. The weather nice and steamy for July. Thank goodness for the water slide.

● **7/23 Kevin & Gryffindor Kingsbury Hill 2phase**– Good showing at this competition, just one glitch, missed a jump, oops!

● **7/28-30 AAPHne Open Schooling Horsemanship Meet**– A very hot but fun weekend. See more details on the website.

● **8/6 2nd Open Field Day Competition**– Sunny and dry we enjoyed an afternoon of jumping in the field with a small but enthusiastic crowd.

● **8/6 Apple knoll USEA recognized Horse Trials**– This was Kevins and Gryfs first recognized event . They finished out of the ribbons with a refusal and fall off but completed the event without elimination. Their stadium jumping round was Great !

● **8/14 -18 2nd Summer Horsemanship Program**– We had nine students participate in this second session of the SWF SHP which went well. Pictures are in the collage on next page.

● **8/27 CRDA Dressage Show**– Congratulations to Pam Swanson & Xander and Kevin Hadfield & Gryffindor who both competed in this show, doing First level 1&2 dressage tests. They brought home 3rd,4th & 5th place ribbons. Well done.

● **8/27 August Farm Horse Show**– Congratulations to Taylor Schissel & Jelly Bean for successfully competing at their first off farm show. Also to Taylor Nestor & her pony Chazzy who won the blue ribbon for Leadline Groundpoles Class. Also to Sarah MacKay & her horse Sampson for finishing a successful day as Reserve Champion in the Long Stirrup Division. Very Good!

● **9/3 Mix & Match 2-Phase & Tag Sale**– Another wet day for horse showing. The few, the brave, the very wet competed in dressage and jumping. Congratulations to our riders who competed well despite the weather.

Thanks to everyone that volunteered for these activities!

Open Competitions

Last Field Day Competition



Sunday 10/1/06

Several School horses available for show lease to SWF students
Ask your instructor about eligibility
Volunteers also needed

Barn Bulletin Board

- * 10/1 3rd Field Day competition
11 warm-up 12 to finish
- * 10/21 Turnout seminar 1 to 2:30
- * 10/28 SWF Halloween Party 7 to 9
- * 11/4-5 Fall Student Show
- * 12/16 Holiday Gathering 2 to 5
- * 12/21/06-1/4/07 closed for Holidays

Check boards in barn for more events



Apparel Order

Orders will be accepted until Saturday 10/1/06
payment must accompany all orders.

Order forms available in main barn aisle

Jackets	Warm-up pants
\$55.00	\$38.00

These jackets and warm-up pants are fleece lined with nylon shell made by Rennoc. Great for spring, fall & work well when layering in winter.

When ordering; the pants run on the small side



All are invited to our
Annual SWF
Halloween Party

Students, Family, Friends
Saturday night October 28, 2006
7:00 to 9:00pm
At the barn

Look for
Fall Student
Horse Show
Entry forms

Available the end
of September.

Pick one up at your lesson or check the
website for info & forms.



Assorted Pictures from Spring & Summer Events

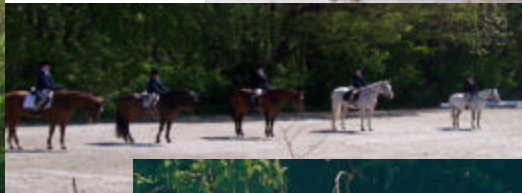
Unmounted Horse Show



Summer Horsemanship Programs
July & August



Student Show May 21st & 22nd



AAPHne Horsemanship Meet

Mix & Matches April & September



Nina w/new cart



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Website up date

www.springwillowhorsefarm.com

Some of the features:

- Info on our program policies
- Current rates & services
- Bios on instructors
- School horse pictures & info
- Links to other websites
- Forms to download
- Bulletin board
- Schedule up dates
- Pictures of SWF events

SWF HORSES FOR SALE:

Tia 17yr 16.2 h TB
Dk By mare \$2500.

Jet 4 yr 15.2 h
B&W Pinto mare
\$4800.



Xander 9 yr 16.1 h Dk By
Oldbg/TB gelding \$9000.

Serious inquires only please call
the farm for details.