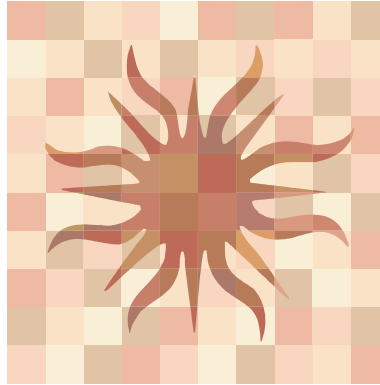


Alabama Morgan Horse Club Newsletter

Summer 2011



Welcome!

It is summer in Alabama! We all know that means high temperatures and high humidity here in the Heart of Dixie, but the Alabama Morgan Horse Club is still very active this season, planning Fall events and discussing ways to further promote our Morgans throughout the state. Enjoy reading our Farm News section to learn what we have been doing lately. There are also names and email addresses listed as points of contact for sending newsletter information, for forwarding information about your horses for sale or lease or at stud, and for further information concerning upcoming events.

President's Letter:

On Saturday, July 17th, we held our Annual Meeting. Due to circumstances beyond our control, this was our December Annual Meeting. Notice was sent out to everyone but I didn't receive any acknowledgement of who might appear. We are wondering if you received the notice and I'd like to hear from you.

We had 6 people in attendance and some very good food.

Since we had a quorum, the meeting continued and elections were held. The Board is:

Carol Potts, President
Margie Singleton, Vice President
Val Jones, Secretary
Pat Cargile, Treasurer
Patsey Pennington, Director and Liaison with members
Sara Jablonowski, Director and Newsletter Editor
Anne Canavan, Director and AMHA Liaison

We are going to try to get a newsletter out on a regular basis and Sara will post the due dates. Please get your Farm News and horses for sale, at stud, or for lease, sent to her at morgansavvy@gmail.com. Also, Patsey Pennington keeps the Horses For Sale and At Stud List so send the information to her at clrwtrfarm@aol.com.

We are planning several events -- a trail ride when it gets cooler -- and elsewhere in this newsletter, information on the River Region Horse Clinic in Autauga County, Alabama.

We want to plan fun events and let the people of Alabama and Tennessee know that we exist.

Enclosed is a membership application. Membership dues for new or returning members has been reduced to half the usual cost for the remainder of 2011. Please consider joining us.

Hug a Morgan today!

Carol Potts

Farm News and Updates:

Valamar Morgans

Waverly, AL

Hello from Valamar Morgans. Hope everyone's summer is going well. The heat is unbearable at times, it sure makes it hard to work with your horses. As they say, and this too shall pass. Looking forward to Fall and maybe even Winter! We have several horses for sale at this time. Two pretty fillies, a nice gelding that rides and drives and a black yearling full Lippitt colt. All are handled every day. March of this year I took Primrose Imagine aka Peachie to Montgomery to have a carriage lesson from Joanna Wilburn. And then later that month I took Peachie to the Dothan Plowing. We also took part in a ride and drive in Shorter, AL with the Montgomery Carriage Club folks. We have been invited in September to the River Region mini horse fair in Autauga county, AL. Hoping some of our members can join me in promoting the Morgan Horse. Happy Summer to all.

Val and Tony Jones

Bold Venture Morgan Horse Farm

Eva, Alabama

This year has been the year for fillies. On May 21, Venturous Amanda presented us with a bay filly, Venturous Wind Chime (Winnie) by Venturous Colonel. On May 24, LVF Misty foaled a bay filly, Venturous Anniversary Too (Annie) by Venturous Donald and on July 18, Venturous Kristen foaled a bay filly (unnamed) by Venturous Legacy.

Kristen's filly is owned by Julie Heise and she will be for sale. We cannot keep 16 horses so Winnie is also for sale. We also have Venturous Heritage, a yearling bay colt, for sale.

Primrose Treasures Untold did a bad thing and bred with a Morgan stallion in Ethridge where we had taken her for training. Last year, she also foaled a bay colt. At this point, we will never get our money out of him and we will sell him for \$450. I am still trying to contact the original

stallion owner to see if I can register him.

Venturous Elan is now 27 and Spring House Baron is 26. Their age is showing and it's difficult to keep weight on Elan.

We've bred two mares for next year and will have to breed Kristen and Amanda because of their age.

I hope everyone is keeping cool during this heat wave that doesn't seem to quit.

Carol Potts

Scattered Oaks Morgans *Killen, Alabama*

It's been a year of changes here at Scattered Oaks Morgans. We moved my sister and brother-in-law in on the corner of our property to help care for Mike. He had an ATV accident in 2004 and is somewhat like a child. It's nice to have Betty so close, and with the horse changes we are having, it looks like we will be back to riding this fall!

Our "new" four year old farm is developing nicely. We are now down to one shed roof to complete and finishing touches on the chicken coop before winter. The Nigerian Dwarf goat herd should increase with new kids in September. And the Delaware pullets are about old enough to start laying. These are both rare breed animals, much like the Lippitt Morgan in limited numbers. And also easy keepers!

On the horse front, we had a very hard spring. We lost our first foal, Bucky, at age 24. He colicked and as hard as we tried, we simply couldn't save him. At the same time we had been discussing the health of my 31 year old trail buddy, Mt Man. We finally decided it was time to say goodbye to him, also. I will miss them until I see them again in Heaven:-)

Our filly Amy is growing into a lovely young lady. She is a dark golden buckskin with frosting around her mane. Amy is now registered as Scatoaks Amazing Grace. She is such a blessing and she certainly livens things up around here.

We enjoy having company and want to invite everyone to come and visit. Our farm is located in the NW corner of the state, only 30 minutes from I-65. Give us a call and come see us!

John and Margie Singleton
Scattered Oaks Morgans
Killen, AL
256-757-9340

Clearwater Stables

Russellville, Alabama

My biggest farm news is that Clearwater Stardust - aka Dusty - is bred to Sand Mtn. Sam Twilight for a spring baby, 2012! Sam and Dusty look so much alike it's hard to tell them apart in the paddock, so we KNOW what this foal will look like!

Patsey Pennington

Sara Jablonowski

Somerville, Alabama

2011 has been a very active year for me and my horses. In April, my family acquired a very gentle black Morgan pony from Elysium Farm in Kentucky, where she was in use as a lesson horse for beginner riders and children. Formerly named Tahoe and now known as April, she has been the perfect acquisition to our family of horses. I am excited about teaching my mother to ride on April, and I also anticipate using her to introduce others to the Morgan breed!

Within days of bringing April home, my half-Lippitt Morab mare Arianna gave me a beautiful buckskin filly, whom I named Bella Linda. She is half Quarter Horse and half Morab, so it will be interesting over time to watch her mature!

Lastly, I am pleased to say that I have advanced to Level Three Horsemanship in Parelli Natural Horsemanship with my Lippitt Morgan mare, Clearwater Baybe Luv. Baybe possesses the most personality of all my horses, and she never fails to make me laugh at her antics!

Upcoming Events and Announcements:

We are excited to be participating in the River Region Horse Clinic in Autaugaville in September. (See flyer below.) Our current plans are to perform a demonstration at the clinic with our horses to represent the Morgan breed. We also plan to stall a horse at the "Breed Barn", also to represent the Morgan. For more information about our demonstration and participation, contact Val Jones at valamarfarms@gmail.com. Also, Pat Cargile, our Treasurer, has generously offered to house people and horses at her home for the event.

We also have plans for a group trail ride this Fall. A suggested site has been Leslie Hope's farm in Clanton, Alabama. We will be sending out more information on this as our plans develop.

Membership Application:

The Alabama Morgan Horse Club
Membership Application
2011

\$10.00 individual membership or **\$5.00 for the remainder of 2011 to new or returning members**

\$15.00 family membership; includes children 18 years of age and under or **\$7.50 for the remainder of 2011 to new or returning members**

Name(s) _____

Children age 18 and under _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____

Phone number _____

E mail address _____

This is a one year membership with the annual renewal in December.

Please send your completed application and fees to:

Pat Cargile
Attn: Membership dues
1824 Hwy 82 E
Mathews, AL. 36052