

HIGH CALIBER STABLES

January 2011

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HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Every year I like to have a theme. Last year the theme was "Enjoy The Moment." This year, the quote that keeps coming to my mind this year is "**HARD WORK BEATS TALENT WHEN TALENT FAILS TO WORK HARD**".

Evan and I saw this quote on a door at William Woods in the Equestrian Department. We asked for a copy and put it up in our office. This is our third year in business and we are learning that if you plan ahead, communicate, and work hard you can step back and know you did your very best and then be satisfied. Each year, we try to improve our business and learn from the good and bad decisions we have made.

As we prepare for the 2011 Show Season we plan to work hard and have our horses and riders prepared. We will not rest on what we have won, or how good we think we are. We will do our best to represent High Caliber Stables to the best of our abilities.

So here we go! Let's Work Hard and Have Fun!!



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DON'T FORGET TO VOTE!

You don't have to be a member of anything to vote for your favorite horses, exhibitors, trainers and shows in the Annual People's Choice conducted by HORSE WORLD and The SADDLE HORSE REPORT. It's wide open...just your opinion of who were the 'Best of the Best' during this great season. This survey is your opportunity to "mark the cards" for the best of the 2010 season.

Voting for American Saddlebreds must be completed by Friday, January 7th, 2011 to be counted. Please reference the High Caliber list of favorites when voting. See Mickey if you need the list!

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Rider of the Month

Ellie Kangur

1) How long have you been riding and how did you get started?

I've been riding 8 years. I was in Kindergarten and wanted a hobby. My Mom suggested ballet or violin but I kept saying I wanted to ride a horse. Mom finally gave in!

2) What is your favorite thing about riding and/or showing? Your least favorite thing?

My favorite thing about riding is all the fun you can have and how it can take you all over the country making friends. My least favorite thing is how the pressure can get to your head.

3) What division will you be competing in 2011?

Junior Equitation and 13 & Under Show Pleasure

4) What are your goals for the 2011 show season?

NAIL MY DIAGONALS!... and be more consistent with my riding!

5) Who is your favorite school horse and why?

Lance; one day he'll be perfect (no bucking) but maybe the next time he'll take you for a "ride"!

6) What is the one thing Mary always seems to tell you when you ride?

DIAGONALS! DIAGONALS! DIAGONALS!

7) What is your biggest challenge or what excites you about riding horses?

The thing that excites me is working hard this winter and showing up to the first show of the season and surprising everyone.

8) What lessons have you learned from riding horses?

With horses, I've learned that if you don't try hard all of the time, things won't turn out the way you want.

9) Do you have any good luck charms or rituals when you show?

I have a pair of lucky underwear.

10) What do you like to do when you are not riding a horse?

Hang out with all of my friends!



HCS BIRTHDAYS

January 1	Jennifer Kim
January 13	Abigail Tabor
January 13	Tonu Kangur
January 18	Sarah Beth Longworth
January 23	Ray Morrison
January 25	Stewart Beason
January 27	Kalia Bell
January 31	Glen Robinson

Save the Date!!

January 11,13,14	Becker Brothers
January 21-22	ASAC Convention
February 4-6	Missy Hughes Clinic
February 12	Winter Tournament
February 18-19	ASHA Convention

IMPORTANT

NO LESSONS

No cancellations this month! All regularly scheduled lessons will be taught!

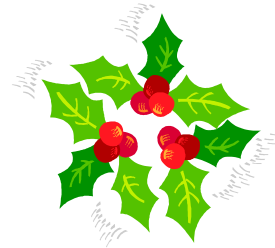
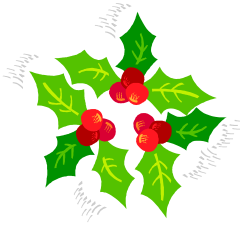
SHOW

Horses on:

Sat 1/15
Thurs 1/20
Sat 1/29

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The High Caliber Christmas Party was awesome! SIX Horses Presented!!!! Vickie Byrd adding to her breeding portfolio, Graham Troxell getting his First show horses, Debbie Marcum starting a new chapter in her life, Laura Plant also moving forward with a gaited horse, and Allie Poovey and McGee Bosworth in SHOCK with their new horses. (I think McGee is still trying to grasp all of the changes!) Needless to say we have a lot to look forward to in 2011. A new Golf Cart for Mary and Evan with the HCS Logo! Music, dancing, the Chocolate Fountain, family members from all over the country, what a great way to finish out the 2010 show season and year! Event Mix did a great job adding to the feel of the Christmas Party. Most importantly it is another reminder of how blessed we are to have such great people in our lives and each day we get to do what we love. Thank you for coming and we will see you at the 2011 Bash!



CH Much More Radiant
Vickie Byrd



Sunkissed Supreme
Graham Troxell



My Stiletto
Debbie Marcum



Warhart
Laura Plant



Pull the Trigger
Allie Poovey



Reedann's Heir to Glory
McGee Bosworth

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Welcome Morgan and Matt!

Yeah!! They are finally here and here to stay! Morgan and Matt joined the High Caliber staff full-time on January 3rd and we couldn't be more excited!

Congratulations to Morgan for graduating and earning her degree in Equine Science from William Woods University as well as becoming certified through the American Riding Instructors Association! We are so fortunate to have such a qualified riding instructor join our team.

Matt will make a wonderful addition to High Caliber as our Barn Manager. We know he will do a wonderful job ensuring that our facility is in tip top shape.

Please welcome both Morgan and Matt when you see them!



ASAC Convention

The ASAC Convention will be in Concord, NC January 21-22nd. Many of our riders will be receiving awards for their hard work throughout the year but we are so proud of everyone. We look forward to celebrating with those who will be able to attend.



Just so you know...

Mary and Evan will be attending the UPHA Convention in Boston, MA January 6-9th.

They will also be taking a very well deserved vacation January 23-28th. Hope they rest up - show season is upon us!



BECKER BROTHERS IS COMING!

Dale Becker of Becker Brothers will be here on January 11, 13, & 14th to get everyone ready for show season. Please call or email the barn to schedule an appointment to be fitted for new clothes and for any alterations that need to be made.

If you will be new to showing or have any questions concerning show clothes, please talk to Mary!

Missy Hughes Riding Clinic

February 5-6, 2011

Saturday 10:00 AM to 5:00 pm & Sunday 10:00 am to 1:00 PM

Cost \$ 175.00 due February 1st

Missy Hughes of Ever Glade Farm will be teaching a riding clinic at High Caliber and you don't want to miss it! Missy is a graduate of William Woods University and has been instructing riders for many years. She has worked for several leading trainers in the industry such as John and Renee Biggins and Lillian Shively of DeLovely Farm.

Each rider can expect to ride a minimum of 4 times with Missy in group, private and lunge lessons. Plan to bring a bag lunch on Saturday. Nutritious snacks and drinks will also be available.

Individual lessons will also be offered for those who are not able to attend the full clinic. Cost for individual lessons is \$40.

Please plan to talk to Mary to see if this clinic is for you!

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HCS Riders receive ASHA Awards

Several of our riders have been competing in the ASHA Saddletime Riding Program. After signing up, participants keep track of their riding and showing hours and submit them to ASHA. Awards and special patches are awarded based on the number of hours a rider has achieved.

Congratulations to the following Riders for completing the First level:

- 1) Allie Poovey
- 2) Macy Blake

Congratulations to the following riders for completing the Second level:

- 1) Ellie Kangur
- 2) Sydney Beason

The Saddletime Program is a great way to teach responsibility to riders as they learn how to track their time and a great way to reward their hard work. If you are not signed up for this fun program but would like to join, please see Mickey.



Logo Order to be placed on January 17th!

We will be placing another logo order on January 17th. If you would like to order something or need another copy of the catalog, please let Mickey know.

REMINDER: Those participating in Winter Tournaments will need a HCS fleece vest or sweatshirt! Order now for the February show

If you are interested in ordering items from Lands End, you may do so by contacting Jennifer Foster directly at jlaverne1@aol.com and she will be happy to help you.



YUCK! Paperwork for the New Year!

Everyone should have received a Barn Directory and paperwork for the New Year (ie Rider Waivers, etc.) Please make sure you return all requested forms to the barn by January 15th.

Should you have a change to your Directory entry, please let Mickey know so revisions can be sent to everyone.

Riders may also want to study the Barn Rules in the handbook. I think I heard Mary say something about pop tests during some of her lessons!

