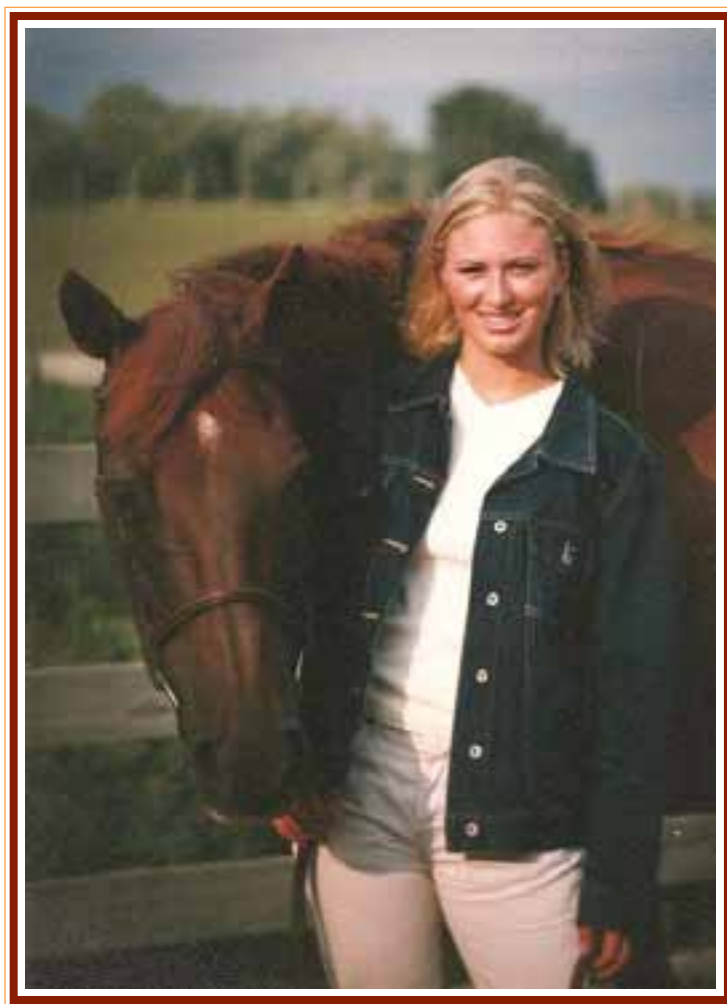


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# Cover Story ~ by Nicole Salazar

My life with horses started before I knew it. I was very lucky in that I have a horse Mom and was sitting on the backs of horses before I was even able to walk. I had great opportunities to try all kinds of riding as a kid. It started out with my first solo missions on a little black Shetland pony named Gizmo. Gizmo was your typical stubborn pony and he taught me perseverance at a young age! I can only imagine the great moments of laughter had by my Mom and her friends when my little friends and I would try to ride him double and he would launch us off into the dirt. In the early years, I also had a Welsh pony named April and a POA named Robbie that I would ride in western and English pleasure at WSCA shows. We also did a lot of trail riding and camping with the horses. I went to horse camps, drove cattle on our friends' ranch in Montana....any opportunity to ride, I was in.



When I was about 6, I started to take an interest in taking English lessons. My Mom was taking Dressage lessons at Skyrock with Maribeth Shuster at the time. I loved the whole atmosphere of a big barn. We had a sweet QH mare named Cricket that I would ride in lessons with Maribeth. When I started jumping lessons, I was able to ride a great teacher that some of you may remember, Palm Beach. From there I was hooked on jumping.

When I was 8, my parents decided to build a hobby farm. I was incredibly excited that my life would be further surrounded by horses. At the time, my Mom had a 3 year old Thoroughbred named Roger and Cricket. She decided to trade them both to Maribeth to get a big grouchy Quarter Horse named Zandy. Mr. Z took a liking to a more laid back lifestyle and became one of the most wonderful, kind, and gentle horses you could ask for. We've had so many great experiences with him over the years. He was very well trained in Dressage, but he also went on to do some jumping with me when I was a little older. My Mom still has him today and he is 30-something years old!

Over the next several years my riding evolved through different relationships with horses and riding both for fun and in different lesson programs. When my parents sold the hobby farm, another horse lover bought it (Alicia House). She had a Hunter that she'd ridden at Jonathon Stables, but it had been a while since she'd ridden regularly or taken lessons. We ended up becoming very good friends and I was able to keep going back and spending time at the farm. We even tried reining for a while with a cute leopard appaloosa youngster she had bought, but eventually she got back into the Hunter/Jumpers. She ended up working with Nick Novak and I was able to take lessons from him on her horse, Daryl. I always think of Nick when I catch myself without my wrists straight or thumbs up.

In the latter years of high school, I did stray away from riding for a while. I was distracted by all of my school activities, driving, and friends. Nearly as soon as I got out of school, I was ready to get back to the horses. This is when I bought my first horse on my own, an Appendix mare named Jazz. At the time I was riding at a farm in Albertville and worked with Joan Harmon. She came once a week to teach and I absolutely loved my Saturdays at the barn. After some time, I had decided that I wanted to get into a more regular training program and get back into showing and that in order to do that, I'd have to move Jazz to a different barn. This is when I moved to Riverbend. It would be my third time back! I had ridden there earlier on with Joan back when she was based there. Later, I had been back and leased a big mare named Dutchess that had once belonged to Mclain Ward and took lessons from Kim. This time, my plan was to ride with Allain who had recently moved to MN. I started taking lessons from him, but unfortunately, our schedules never matched up! This is when I was introduced to Johnny... and the rest is history! I started working with him and I really respected his way of working with the horses and riders. I was learning so much. We became great friends over time and I loved every moment we spent together. Johnny is an amazing person and I feel so lucky to have found both my best friend and the love of my life. We were married last January on a beautiful beach in Costa Rica, where Johnny is from. Going back to Jazz, he helped me to bring her along and by the time I sold her, she was a nice little hunter although she actually went on to a Dressage home. Last year at Otter Creek we saw her and she was back to jumping and looked great, which was fun to see. After selling Jazz, we spent a lot of time on the road looking for my next horse. We found her in Illinois. A Holsteiner mare named Favalla. She was a pretty and talented mare, but she was not the brightest personality. I received several battle wounds from her trying...and often succeeding in biting me. At our first show together we did the High Childrens/Adult and ended up Reserve Champion. She was going great, but unfortunately soon after she came up injured and I did everything I could, including surgery, before retiring her to be a brood mare at our friend Carol Morgan's farm. I was again on the hunt for a new partner. I bought Chanelle in January of 2007. Chanelle has been one



of the most wonderful horses I have known. She's fearless, bold, and honest. I could always trust her and never had to worry about her looking at anything! She never said no to anything I asked her and she taught me a great deal. This past spring, I had to say goodbye as she moved on to her new gig as a Dressage Diva. It turned out that she had an injury that we didn't know about and jumping was not helping matters. I was so happy to find her a wonderful and loving home where she could recover and move on to Dressage. I was also distraught to be horseless. Insert, everything happens for a reason! Siara Melius, who has been riding with Johnny for many years, started her new adventure this fall when she left for College in North Dakota. It was sad for everyone here to think that her horse, Gabe, would have to be sold outside of the barn. He after all, had been in the barn family since he was 3. He was one of the horses that Johnny had started. As fate would have it, we decided that just couldn't happen! We decided to buy him as my next horse. Our first show season together began this past spring soon after I got him. It was his first full season in the Jumper ring after spending his career up to this point as a Hunter and Equitation horse. He was great, we're learning a lot, and I am having a blast with him and look forward to a great future together.



It has been an exciting couple of years for me. In addition to getting married, almost two years ago I left the corporate world and traded in my stilettos for a pair of wellies. Now my job is to take care of horses! I am so thankful to Sara Hogan for being able to share in her dream of having her own farm by being a part of it.

Horses are a lifestyle and one for which I feel truly blessed to live. They have made such a huge impact on my life. Thank you to all of the wonderful people who have been a part of my horse journey thus far!



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## The 65<sup>th</sup> Annual Pennsylvania National Horse Show ~ by Nancy Reid

Kate Roach, her dad and I, plus Tracy and Corey Grandstrand recently had the privilege of going to the Pennsylvania National Horse Show in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania the week of October 11, 2010. It was an awesome and certainly once-in-a-lifetime experience for Kate.

Her journey to Harrisburg began last October at the 2009 MN State Tennis Tournament, when Tracy said to her, "You know Kate, you've been playing and winning in this tournament for 5 years. And every October you always run into the same conflict - should I play tennis or ride? You've always picked tennis. Next year is your last opportunity to qualify for Harrisburg and ride. What do you think?" And so the race for points to qualify began. In order to qualify, Kate had to send in her USEF National Horse of the Year points earned at her best 15 shows starting on or after August 23, 2009, through shows starting on or before August 23, 2010. On August 25, 2010 she sent in her points from 14 shows totaling 2860 and that number became the cut-off for the 34 that were accepted into the Larger Jr. Hunter 16-17 division. She had succeeded!!!

We left for Harrisburg after Kate finished school on Tuesday, October 12th. On Wednesday morning we went to the show grounds for the first time for schooling day and that was when we realized we weren't in Kansas any more. The Pennsylvania National Horse Show is a well oiled machine. Everything is on time, efficiently run, immaculately groomed, clean, huge, and the footing is from Europe, of course! I need to go back to the HUGE part for a minute, in case you really didn't get the meaning of HUGE - and I'm not joking, the "complex" that the show is held in consists of 25 acres of competition, stabling, schooling, entertainment, and vendor space all under one roof!!!! (At one point during the day on Friday we overheard a rider telling a friend that she hadn't seen day light for 24 hours.) The "barn" Beano was stabled in was so "huge" that Corey's semi could pull into it to unload!!! I could go on and on - but the bottom line is PNHS is huge. Now, maybe many of you have been to shows like this, so what I'm describing isn't very exciting or new, but I had never seen anything like it and I was totally blown away. Enough about huge.

Thursday morning was the first day of the show so Kate and Tracy were up at 4:30 so they could school Beano in the show ring at 5:45. Since Kate and Beano had just shown indoors at Harvest, they were pretty comfortable being inside and Kate was feeling very fortunate. Many of the horses at the competition had not shown indoors recently, so, according to me, Kate had a slight advantage! The first class of the day started precisely at 8:00 a.m. I'm not kidding about the word "precise" either. You know how a typical show schedule indicates the first class of the day begins at 8:00 with no other times shown and everything after that is based on guess work - right. Not at PHHS. As per the very tidy schedule, Kate's first over-fences class started at 3:10. Not 3:00 or 3:30 - 3:10. And all 34 riders in her class had to be done, the ring dragged (by two machines - not one!), and the army of ring cleaner-upper-guys, out of there, by 4:20. (By the way, these cleaner-upper-guys - I want them to come clean my house. They meticulously picked up every poop, fluffed every shrub/flower, rearranged the footing just so in front of each jump, dusted and polished.....!!) Anyway, all this fuss had to be finished by exactly 4:20 because that was the time scheduled for the Handy round. This was Kate's moment. It was her defining round of the 2010 PNHS. She and Beano were in their zone. Before entering the ring, Tracy and Kate had decided to really go for it and chose a harder, more aggressive course to take, and it paid off. Kate and Beano placed 15th out of 34 in the Handy and no one could have been happier about that than Kate!!! The U/S class was Kate's last of the day. At 6:05 she and 33 other Large Jr. 16-17 riders all went back into the ring and tried very hard to "standout" and strut their stuff. I don't know how the judges could pick just one. Unbelievable is the only word to describe so many beautiful movers in one ring. They all won in my eyes.

Friday - back at it. Up early schooling in the show ring between 5:30 - 6:00. At 11:00 Kate was back in the ring for her final class. An over-fences round which was scored - the top 25 of all Small and Large divisions going on to the Championship. Corey, Rob and I watched Kate go and gave her an average score of 76.5 [75(Corey), 80 (Nancy)], oops, not Rob - he was taking pictures. Of course, the judges saw it differently but we still think she should have been in that top 25. In our hearts and minds she was!

Kate had many goals at Harrisburg - let's see: 1. Don't fall off horse, 2. Don't knock off a pole, run into a standard, crash into an oxer or go off course, 3. Do not have a refusal - "I'm the boss" not my horse, (FYI, in case you were thinking that riders who qualify for PNHS would never do any of the above - think again. We saw it all), 4. Follow the plan. 5. Do my best, 6. Have fun, 7. Be a winner. Kate achieved all of her goals, and then some, especially # 7 - Be A Winner. Because she was. She might not have brought home a PNHS ribbon that said so, but she knows she was a winner and so much more. What a great experience PNHS was for all of us, especially Kate.



P.S. One of the most unexpected highlights of the show was the audience. I've been to so many shows where only the riders trainer, barn friends or family clap after a round is finished. This show was different. The crowd at PNHS (for the most part), applauded for each rider and showed respect and enthusiasm for all their hard work and efforts. It was great to hear and see.

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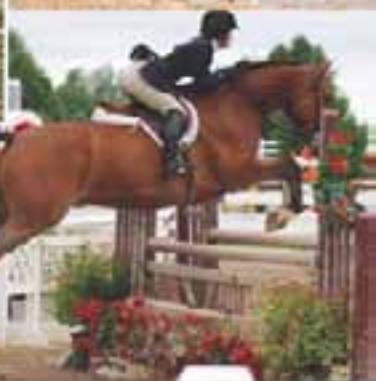
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- 6 – Louise Rosenbaum - 20

## Beginner Hunter

- C – Albany, ridden by Heather Leyh -34
- R – Amathyst, ridden by Kaitlyn Schaible, owner Kristen Dunlap -17
- 3 – Buddy, owned by Emily Phelps - 13
- 4t – Johnny Rocket, ridden by Wynne Heatherington and owned by Tracy Grandstrand - 12
- 4t – Full of Lace, Kendal Spence - 12
- 5t – Broadway Nights, Tracy Grandstrand - 10
- 5t- Jackson, Emily Short - 10
- 5t- Sigurd, Gretchen Erpelding - 10

## Intermediate Equitation, Junior

- C – Wynne Heatherington - 49
- R – Faye LeMire - 30
- 3 – Kendal Spence - 28
- 4 – Emily Short- 24
- 5 - Libby Berg - 20

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- CT – Hayley Thompson- 44
- R – Alyona Pumphrey- 27
- 3 – Susan Fleitman - 19
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## Intermediate Hunter

- C – Johnny Rocket, ridden by Wynne Heatherington, owned by Tracy Grandstrand - 58
- R – White Gold, Susan Fleitman - 41
- 3 – Xpressly Yours, Rose Thomas - 39
- 4 – Data’s Dandy, Hayley Thompson -37
- 5t- Hey Mikey, owner Chris Rothmeier - 24
- 5t – Fantazmagorical, Faye LeMire- 24
- 6 – Yukon Sam, S. Fleitman owner - 20

## Opportunity Jumper

- C – Minnesota Bound, Marcia O’Hagan - 28
- R – Stanley, I. Miller, owner Jon Martinson - 25
- 3 – Jameson Time, Julie Stenslie - 24
- 4t – Johnny Hott - 20
- 4t – Blue, Libby Berg - 20
- 4t – Clancy - 20

## Baby Green Hunter

- C – Fabiola, owner Anna Nordin, rider Tracy Grandstrand - 145
- R – Achilles, Norie Egan-Hennen, rider Mary Konu - 79
- 3 – Redneck, Mary Armstrong, ride Mary Konu - 53
- 4 – Keiren, Megan Mead, rider Lainie DeBoer - 52
- 5 – Top Hat , Stephanie Greeninger, rider Mary Konu - 37
- 6 - Denmark, Hannah Patterman, reider Seth Clayton - 34

## Circuit Hunter

- C – Full of Lace, Kendal Spence - 80
- R – Jackson, Emily Short - 50
- 3 – Hey Diddle Diddle, Lainie DeBoer - 40
- 4 – Lucky Me, Audrey Fermanich - 30
- 5 – Karlada Z, Susan Bagg - 27
- 6 – Yukon Sam, S. Fleitman - 24

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## **Includes horses not eligible for year end awards.**

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<u>Level 1</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Level 2</u>	<u>Total</u>
ShMuffin	56	All Day Long	51
Take a Chance	49	Aretha	45
Hannah B	41	Look Du Bois	40
Vuego	38	Vuego	34
Lassandra	37	Oliver	22
Johnny Hott	32	Giselle	22
Red Rum	24	La Gotee	21
Look Du Bois	21	Lassandra	21
Aristotle	21	Chasing Rainbows	19
Gajillion	20	Idol	17
All Day Long	20	Aristotle	17
Merediths Merry Merlot	19	Ghabon	16
Chasing Rainbows	17	Hannah B	15
Caroline	14	Gajillion	14
Harry Potter	13	Take A Chance	13
Little Miss Ruby	12	Maximum Headroom	11
Spring Loaded	12	Nairobi	10
Serafina	10	Johnny Hott	10
Protégé'	10	All That Glitters	9
Frederick the Great	10	Ambassador CWF	8
Indigo Farm Vital	10	Joplin	7
Get Shorty	10	Pavarotti	7
Major Rumble	10	Get Shorty	7
Rocky	9	Cicero	7
Etomino	8	Weston	7
Takeing Chances	7	Will O' Wisp	6
Edgewater Glen	7	Sea Captain	5
First Dance	6	Serafina	5
White Russian	5	Lindo	5
Raison D'etre	5	Danica	3
Smartini	3	Edgewater Glen	3
Idol	3	Mystique	3
Maximum Headroom	3	Takeing Chances	2
Ambassador CWF	3	Special Affair	1
Raichu	3	Quite Cool	1
Maverick	2		
Lady Godiva	2		
Danica	1		
La Gotee	1		

<u>Level 3</u>	<u>Total</u>
Aretha	98
Chasing Rainbows	46
Nairobi	44
Ghabon	37
Mystique	30
Will O'Wisp	29
Serafina	28
Giselle	27
Look Du Bois	22
Lassandra	20
Raichu	12
Danica	11
Smartini	10
Indigo Farms Vital	10
La Gotee	7
Takeing Chances	7
Tortuga	7
Quite Cool	7
Zaparina	7
Raison D'etre	6
Joplin	5
Oliver	5
Tuxedo	5
All That Glitters	4
Lavarro Z	3
Hannah B	3
Johnny Hott	3
Vuego	1
Deacon	1

<u>Level 4</u>	<u>Total</u>
La Rhetto	71
Joplin	66
Tuxedo	27
Rockabye	24
Raichu	24
Raison D'etre	23
Laurant	17
Lavarro Z	14
Oliver	12
Will O'Wisp	10
Aretha	8
Look Du Bois	8
Tank	7
Mystic Sign	7
Rio 55	7
Smartini	7
Danica	4
Indigo Farms Vital	3
La Gotee	3
Mason	2

<u>Level 5</u>	<u>Total</u>
Mystic Sign	69
La Rhetto	68
Raison D'etre	42
Rockabye	30
Danica	28
Romario	24
Regalo C	20
Greenwich Time	16
Rio 55	13
Smartini	20
Rebel's Run	12
Malone	11
Zaparina	10
Lavarro Z	10
Laurant	9
Tuxedo	8
Joplin	7
Oliver	7
Raichu	4
Indigo Farm Vital	2

<u>Level 6+</u>	<u>Total</u>
Kid Rock	50
Zaparina	39
Romario	36
Laurant	28
Regalo C	27
Malone	25
Rio 55	25
Rebel's Run	24
Rival	22
La Rhetto	20
Saloso Z	17
Mystic Sign	15
Rockabye	10
Tuxedo	5
Greenwich Time	5

<u>Pony</u>	<u>Total</u>
Rocky	80

<u>Low Ch AA</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Split</u>
Take a Chance	124	ch
Look Du Bois	105	Ch
Little Miss Ruby	91	ch
Lassandra	88	Ch
Carpe Diem	41	Ch
All Day Long	40	ch
Sea Captain	22	Ch
Zaparina	17	Ch
Pavarotti	13	Ch
Chanelle	0	Ch
All That Glitters	0	CH
Ghabon	46	Ad
Maximum Headroom	46	Ad
Get Shorty	44	Ad
Look Du Bois	30	Ad
Hannah B	20	Ad
Raichu	14	Ad
La Gotee	10	Ad
Vuego	6	Ad
Amsterdam	5	Ad
Edgewater Glen	3	Ad

<u>Mod Jr Am</u>	<u>Total</u>
Smartini	99
Joplin	82
Danica	70
Lavarro Z	57
Oliver	36
Tank	11
La Gotee	9
Mystique	8
Nairobi	3
Serafina	2
Mason	2

<u>Jr AO Combined</u>	<u>Total</u>
Romario	86
Danica	58
Tuxedo	57
Rockabye	50
Joplin	30
Lavarro Z	29
Indigo Farm Vital	20
Oliver	12

<u>High Ch AA</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Split</u>
Serafina	261	Ch
Lassandra	62	Ch
Champagne Du Rioux	29	CH
All That Glitters	22	Ch
HP Lambourgini	19	Ch
Little Miss Ruby	13	ch
Zaparina	10	Ch
Quite Cool	9	Ch
Pavarotti	7	Ch
Gipou Des Etisses	0	Ch
Nairobi	109	Ad
Will O' Wisp	72	Ad
Look Du Bois	52	Ad
Oliver	32	Ad
Joplin	30	Ad
Mystique	25	Ad
La Gotee	25	Ad
Rockabye	15	Ad
Ghabon	15	Ad
Amsterdam	10	Ad
Lavarro Z	7	Ad
Takeing Chances	6	Ad
Danica	3	Ad
Vuego	3	ad
Mystic Sign	3	Ad
Smartini	2	Ad

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# MHJA 2010 Year End Standings - Equitation

## Includes riders NOT eligible for awards.

For your points to count in an equitation division, the **rider MUST** be an MHJA Member by the date on which the class occurred. If you do not see your name listed below, your points are not being tabulated. The rider must have also shown at three MHJA approved shows to be eligible for year end awards. The number of shows is not taken into account for the results posted below. Please contact Tammy Johnson at [tljohnson1@mmm.com](mailto:tljohnson1@mmm.com).

<b><u>11 &amp; Under Flat</u></b>	<b><u>Total</u></b>	<b><u>15-17 Flat</u></b>	<b><u>Total</u></b>
Grace Leslie	42	Kate Roach	74
Olivia Adams	32	Hayleigh Adams	71
Rachel Johnson	30	Leah Brindley	45
Paige Junker	23	Katie Wifvat	36
Mimi Lyons	20	Katie Sweeney	24
Masen Thormodsgard	17	Jenna Golden	22
Julia Lavigne	17	Katharine Bentfield	22
Katherine Lenkart	13	Mackenzie Braun	8
Carter Puckett	7	Olivia Genereux	6
Claire Garduno	5	Mia Boo	2
Rachel Paradise	5		
Ava Schieffert	5	<b><u>15-17 OF</u></b>	<b><u>Total</u></b>
Brenna McSweeney	3	Kate Roach	112
Chapel Puckett	3	Hayleigh Adams	68
Amelia Sawalich	2	Katharine Bentfield	62
		Leah Brindley	51
<b><u>11- OF</u></b>	<b><u>Total</u></b>	Katie Sweeney	23
Olivia Adams	45	Jenna Golden	14
Grace Leslie	32	Olivia Genereux	7
Paige Junker	30	Alyssa Franz	3
Mimi Lyons	29		
Julia Lavigne	27	<b><u>Adult Eq 35-</u></b>	<b><u>Total</u></b>
Masen Thormodsgard	26	Analisa Elkjer	50
Rachel Johnson	25	Lisa Brustman	40
Chapel Puckett	13	Gabrielle Vlahos	10
Claire Garduno	7	Laura Critchet	10
		Rebecca Renier	10
<b><u>12-14 Flat</u></b>	<b><u>Total</u></b>	Summer Lutgen	7
Hannah Pattermann	80	Amanda Stock	7
Patrick Gage	51	Libby Collins	3
Emma Gage	25		
Madysen Offerman	24	<b><u>Adult Eq 36+</u></b>	<b><u>Total</u></b>
Christina Hayden	15	Tammy Johnson	66
Gretchen Draper	7	Becky Nay	43
Quinn Leslie	1	Cindy Bulwicz	17
Helen Lindsay	1	Sue Novak	12
		Susan Carlson	9
<b><u>12-14 OF</u></b>	<b><u>Total</u></b>	Kathryn Ott	7
Patrick Gage	77	Jan Olson	2
Hannah Pattermann	74	Marci Lillyblad	2
Emma Gage	37		
Christina Hayden	24		
Madysen Offerman	18		
Quinn Leslie	17		
Helen Lindsay	1		

<u>Long Stirrup Eq 17-</u>	<u>Total</u>
Anna Nordin	80
Rachel Johnson	76
Sophia Fellner	71
Gretchen Draper	70
Julia Lavigne	64
Ryan Heaney	57
Sian Siska	50
Nicole Zaun	27
Richelle Fermanich	26
Alex DeFoe	26
Helen Lindsay	26
Linnea Graham	19
Rebecca Prasch	14
Johanna Balas	13
Mimi Lyons	13
Erin Sielaff	12
Audrey Fermanich	12
Lauren Schrock	11
Jennie Lemire	3
Jacquelyn White	2

<u>Long Stirrup Eq 18+</u>	<u>Total</u>
Megan Mead	103
Jeanne Natrop	62
Norie Egan-Hennen	50
Nancy Giacchetti	21
Therese Faulconbridge	19
Jill Schmidt	18
Anne Donahoe	12
Libby Collins	8
Anita Kaldi	7

<u>Short Stirrup Eq</u>	<u>Total</u>
Rachel Paradise	191
Olivia Adams	106
Ava Schieffert	62
Olivia Bethke	54
Emma Tellor	25
Katie Lenkart	25
Chapel Puckett	24
Carter Puckett	14
Brenna McSweeney	5

<u>Shortest Stirrup</u>	<u>Total</u>
Amelia Sawalich	200
Heather Leyh	124
Carter Puckett	90
Zoe Lampert	75
Wynne Hetherington	57
Annabelle McCarthy	10
Lucy McCarthy	9
Bernadette Whitely	2

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# MHJA 2010 Year End Point Standing - Hunters

## List includes horses NOT eligible for year end awards

For your points to count in a hunter division, the **owner** of the horse **MUST** be an MHJA Member by the date on which the class occurred. If you do not see your horse's name listed below, his points are not being tabulated. The horse must have also shown at three MHJA approved shows to be eligible for year end awards. The number of shows is not taken into account for the results posted below. Please contact Tammy Johnson at [tljohnson1@mmm.com](mailto:tljohnson1@mmm.com).

<u>Low Pre-Green Hunters</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Junior Hunter</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Split</u>
Quite Cool	294	Art of Bronze	197	SM
Pfergus	194	Dark Chocolate	147	SM
Bourbon Street	126	Love Luca	58	SM
Denmark	121	Eastwood	479	LG
Matisse	79	Five Star	212	LG
The Real McCoy	72	Langley	211	LG
Felicity	57	Origine	190	LG
Starry Night	51	Showtime	132	LG
Dawson Creek	47	Weston	87	LG
P.S. I'm Deluxe	40	Isaura	5	LG
London Fog	39			
Dartagnon	25	<u>Low Amateur Owner Hunter</u>	<u>Total</u>	
Benelli	23	Benelli	184	
Francine	14	Bonjour	150	
Balthazar	12	Gold Option	91	
Lady Capulet	11	Armani	60	
Achilles	4	Vela De Luz	51	
Gajillion	1	Tahachapi	37	
		Hennessey	27	
		Protégé	25	
<u>High Pre-Green Hunters</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Amateur Owner Hunter</u>	<u>Total</u>	
Benelli	237	Rock Me Amadeus	375	
Bourbon	126	White Russian	121	
London Fog	115	Fajita	90	
Fritz	108	Tahachapi	84	
Matisse	64	Protégé	78	
Coco Cheval	12	Armani	33	
Gajillion	1	Phantom	27	
		Lavarro Z	27	
<u>Green Hunters</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Pony Hunter</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Split</u>
Showtime	239	Spring Loaded	136	Large
Rock Me Amadeus	162	Delilah M.F.	76	Large
Heart and Soul	83	Salt Water Taffy	76	Large
Fajita	78	Evans Crimson Fox	41	Small
Weston	67	Rocky	21	Large
Origine	31	Hidden Springs Perriwinkle	275	Med
Isaura	30	Stonehaven Ring Master	194	Med
Lyle Lovett	18	Topanga	161	Med
Dark Chocolate	243	Hillcrest's Blue Heather	134	Med
Acolades CWF	178	Helicon Bright N' Breezy	74	Med
Phantom	101			
Langley	71			
Philadelphia	58			
Tahachapi	40			

<u>Children's Hunter</u>	<u>Total</u>
Worth the Wait	276
Isaura	201
Unconditional	129
Shades of Grey	119
Matisse	107
Rock Me Amadeus	104
London Fog	93
Pavarotti	91
Dark Chocolate	88
Denmark	73
Heart and Soul	62
Socrates	57
Weston	44
Odin	37
Cedarberg	32
Simon Says	25
Blue Diamond	24
Granted Wish	24
Lady Capulet	21
Benvolio	10
Benelli	9

<u>Adult Amateur 18-35 Hunter</u>	<u>Total</u>
Calligraphy	187
Sea Captain	170
Pfergus	159
Benelli	103
Vindicated	53
Luciano	49
Dawson Creek	32
Odin	29
Love Luca	29
Wylie Coyote	19
Slightly Foxy	18
Origine	17
Maximum Capacity	8

<u>Adult Amateur 36-48 Hunter</u>	<u>Total</u>
Bentrovato	233
R. Alejandro	214
The Real McCoy	202
Dartagnon	130
Finders Keepers	111

<u>Adult Amateur 49+ Hunter</u>	<u>Total</u>
Bay Du Jour	339
Arcturus	202
Heart and Soul	144
Quite Cool	143
Guilder	141
Singleton	74
Philadelphia	41
Bada Bingo	39
Idol	29
Bourbon	29
Undercover	25
Hennessey	6

<u>Limit Adult Hunter</u>	<u>Total</u>
Heart and Soul	238
Singleton	104
Vindicated	84
St Patrick's Dream	63
Gold Option	54
Undercover	48
Origine	37
Slightly Foxy	11
General Attraction	10
Gajillion	7
Riggo	7

<u>Low Amateur Hunter</u>	<u>Total</u>
Bentrovato	145
R. Alejandro	122
Bay Du Jour	121
The Real McCoy	102
Dartagnon	73
Pfergus	67
Guilder	41
Vela De Luz	39
Quite Cool	38
Arcturus	32
Benelli	30
Sea Captain	27
Love Luca	27
Odin	26
Dawson Creek	26
Finders Keepers	22
Bonjour	19
Idol	13
Singleton	9
Bada Bingo	8
Hannah B	5

<u>Short Stirrup</u>	<u>Total</u>
For Keeps	160
Toy Story	104
Hercules	89
Cappacino	73
Casper	67
Secret Keeper	57
Hidden Springs Perwinkle	22
Tye Dye	21
Pippi Longstocking	14
Harrison	2

<u>Long Stirrup 17-</u>	<u>Total</u>
Maximum Capacity	108
Tiffany & Company	104
Kiss Me I'm Italian	100
Simon Says	88
P.S. I'm Deluxe	79
Something Special	57
Blue Diamond	57
Felicity	53
Coco Cheval	38
Balthazar	32
Hamel	31
Albany	27
Fabiola	20
Harrison	16
Greystoke	12
Rock Me Amadeus	10
Lucky Me	9
Granted Wish	8
First Dance	7
A Lucky Girl	3
Aranka	3
Stonehaven Ring Master	3
Aristotle	2
Secret Keeper	2
Duet	1

<u>Long Stirrup 18+</u>	<u>Total</u>
Kieran	94
Idol	68
Achilles	66
Diva	64
Sweet William	39
Brodie	32
Romeo	25
Solo	24
Wolf Gang	23
D' Sorrento	22
Alaya	20
Undercover	20
True Companion	18
Yukon Sam	18
Redneck	12
Riggo	3


<u>Children's Pony Hunter</u>	<u>Total</u>
Casper	191
Bedazzled	126
Hidden Springs Perriwinkle	124
Pippi Longstocking	103
Stonehaven's Ring Master	76
Bring It On	75
Aranka	71
Evan's Crimson Fox	8

<u>Rusty Stirrup</u>	<u>Total</u>
Penny for a Kiss	117
Spice of Life	111
Diva	51
P.S. I'm Deluxe	31
B Mine	30
True Companion	27
Finders Keepers	27
Fantazmagorical	24
Alaya	10

<u>Hunter Challenge</u>	<u>Total</u>
Isura	29
Guilder	27
Showtime	25
Five Star	24
Acolades CWF	21
Rock Me Amadeus	18
Langley	15
Fritz	12
Eastwood	11
White Russian	10
True Companion	10
Lady Capulet	10
Vindicated	9
Philadelphia	7
Finders Keepers	7
Calligraphy	6
Look Du Bois	3
R. Alejandro	3
Art of Bronze	3
Tahachapi	2
Bentorvato	2
Pavarotti	2
Starry Night	2
Phantom	1
Joplin	1
Granted Wish	1

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# MEET A JUNIOR

by Katherine Bentfield



I have always loved horses, starting from a very young age. Every time that my family would drive past a horse farm, I would beg my parents to let me ride horses. They finally took me on a trail ride in the Black Hills when I was five – I guess that you could say that's when my "equestrian career" started. Not long after that fateful ride, we began a search for a place to take lessons. I had just turned six when we met trainer Anna Dobos, who was training at the Minnesota Horse and Hunt Club. I began taking lessons from Anna on a horse named "Tiger", a 14.3 hand Quarter Horse, and fell even more in love with horses and riding. A little over a year later, Tiger became my horse and I began showing at schooling shows, as well as local MHJA shows. The next year, I began showing at the Minnesota "A" rated shows, as well as the Midstates Horse Shows. I showed Tiger in the 11/Under and the 17/Under divisions for several years before it was time to retire him.

When I was 12, another of Anna's students, Carol Greeman, asked me to show her horse "What About Me," an OTTB gelding. I showed him in the 17/Under division as well as several Children's Hunter classes, and had a blast. After that show season, it was finally time for me to find my own show horse again. After a few months, Anna contacted a friend of hers about bringing over some horses for me to try. Among them was a little Oldenburg gelding named "Art of Bronze." Although Bronze was green, he and I got along great and we had soon added a second horse to the Bentfield family. The following summer, Bronze and I began to compete in the 17/Under division. I was also offered an opportunity to try the jumpers on a wonderful horse named "Sam Sr.," who was boarded at Wyndem Rose Stables. I continued showing him, and another jumper named "Ballroom Blitz," the following summer along with competing on Bronze in the Children's Hunter division. I also moved my horses to Wyndem Rose during that time.

In the fall of 2008, I was given yet another fantastic opportunity when Dr. Kathy Ott offered my family a lease on a mare named "Serafina." I showed her in Low Children's in the 2009 season, acquiring enough points by the end of the season to place as reserve champion. During that season, I also began showing Bronze in the Junior Hunter Division. It was a very successful year; however, soon after the season ended we at Wyndem received the sad news that Anna would be moving to California with her husband, Jason. We were all extremely fortunate to find a new trainer, Seth Clayton. He has been so much fun to train with and we are all thrilled to have him at the barn.

In the 2010 season, I continued to show Bronze in the Junior Hunters. We even had the opportunity to compete in the East Coast Junior Hunter Finals in Lexington, KY, where we did quite well! It was an absolutely amazing and memorable experience. I also continued to ride Serafina, moving up to the High Children's Division and competing in a few Modified Junior/Amateur classes. It has been another wonderful year, and I can't wait for show season to start again!

I have been riding and showing horses for over a decade, and the sport has become so much more than a hobby to me – it is a passion. I am so overwhelmingly grateful that my parents indulged my horse-craziness and took me on that trail ride that started it all. I look forward to continuing to compete for many years to come and also to having horses be an integral part of my life.

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## MHSEA HUNTER/JUMPER TEAM CHALLENGE



This year the annual Minnesota High School Equestrian Association (MHSEA) Hunter/Jumper Team Challenge was held at the beautiful Carriage House Farms horse show held on August 5-8. Eight high school equestrians representing five different high schools participated this year. Even though it was a really hot and steamy weekend our riders managed to do their best. Each rider tallied their points from MHSEA eligible classes at the end of the show to determine their respective placements. This year Kate Roach from Mounds Park Academy took 1<sup>st</sup> place; Second to Ryan Heaney from Stillwater High School, 3<sup>rd</sup> to Amanda Bayer of Lakeville South High School, and 4<sup>th</sup> place went to Stephanie Aanenson of Mounds

Park Academy. The fifth place award went to Nicole Zaun of Lakeville South and 6<sup>th</sup> to Katie Wifvat From Edina High School. Chelsea Fleitman from Orono High School got the 7<sup>th</sup> place award, and Anna ten Bensel, also representing Mounds Park Academy picked up the 8<sup>th</sup>. The participants all got medals and gift bags, and the winner, Kate Roach, received a MHSEA saddle pad. Everyone had a great time competing in the challenge. A big thank you to the MHJA, to Barb and Patty for all of their help, and especially to Carriage House Farms for allowing the team challenge to occur at the show!

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# Equine Gastric Ulcers ~ by Kathryn Ott, DVM and Jennifer Selvig, DVM

Stomach ulcers in horses are a “hot topic” among horse owners today, especially for performance horses. But what are they and what causes them? What are the signs a horse has them? How do we diagnose and treat them? How can they be prevented?

**What are gastric ulcers?** The term “gastric ulcer” refers to a damaged area of the stomach lining, usually the non-glandular portion of the stomach along the margo plicatus (the border between the glandular and non-glandular portions). Ulcers can also develop in the lower esophagus and beginning of the duodenum (the first section of the small intestine). Gastric ulcers can manifest as a mildly inflamed reddened area of the stomach (“grade 1 ulcers”) or deep crater-type lesions (“grade 3” ulcers) and anything in between.

Note that *gastric* ulcers are completely different from the type of ulcer found in the hindgut, or colon. Colonic ulcers, part of a syndrome often called “right dorsal ulcerative colitis,” require completely different diagnostics and treatment than gastric ulcers.

**What causes gastric ulcers?** Various factors have been implicated in contributing to gastric ulcer formation. These include frequent or prolonged use of non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs such as bute or Banamine; constant showing, racing or traveling; high-grain diets; lack of turnout time; and lack of social contact with other horses.

In one study, the highest risk factor contributing to ulcers was found to be lack of actual daily physical contact between horses. Seeing another horse through the stall bars did not help – the horses had to be able to touch each other.

Bot fly larvae are another fairly frequent cause of gastric ulcers. They attach to the stomach lining and cause local irritation. These parasites can be prevented through proper deworming.

Long-term use of non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs is also associated with right dorsal colitis, or hindgut ulcers.

**What are the signs of gastric ulcers?** Clinical signs include weight loss, poor haircoat, colic, altered eating and drinking patterns, diarrhea, teeth grinding, poor performance and poor attitude. Keep in mind, however, that many other problems and diseases can also cause these symptoms, so it is very important to diagnose gastric ulcers as the cause.

**How do we diagnose gastric ulcers?** The most definitive and accurate way to diagnose ulcers is through gastroscopy, or endoscopic examination of the stomach. This is fairly noninvasive, simple procedure in which a scope is passed through the nose, down the esophagus and into the stomach of the horse. The veterinarian can visualize the esophagus, stomach lining and even the cranial portion of the duodenum. We can document the presence of ulcers, their location and their severity.

In order to properly visualize a horse’s stomach, we must withhold food and water from the horse for 16-24 hours prior to the procedure, and the gastroscopy is done at a veterinary clinic or hospital. Most insurance companies will cover stomach scopes if you have major medical insurance.

Your veterinarian might also recommend bloodwork to rule out other medical problems as the cause of your horse’s clinical signs. Usually, these tests are normal for horses with gastric ulcers. Another useful screening tool is the commercial Succeed test. This test checks for blood in the foregut or hindgut. Blood in these areas can be a sign of bleeding ulcers. It is not a definitive diagnostic tool for gastric ulcers specifically, but we have found it to be a very useful screening test, telling us which horses need to have further diagnostics, such as gastroscopy.

**How do we treat gastric ulcers?** The gold standard for treatment of gastric ulcers is the use of daily Gastrogard (omeprazole) for a full month. Most horse owners know that Gastrogard is fairly expensive. However, it is often covered by major medical insurance, but ONLY if your horse has been diagnosed with ulcers via gastroscopy.

**Gastrogard** is an FDA-approved medication with proof of stability, absorption and efficacy in *treating* ulcers. **Ulcergard** is the same basic medication but given in a lower dose to *prevent* ulcers. Both of these medications are composed of the chemical omeprazole, but in a specific patented formula. The omeprazole marketed for humans is known by the brand name Prilosec, and though it is less expensive than Gastrogard, it does not have the same absorption, bioavailability and efficacy in horses that the Gastrogard does. It is also most likely not covered by insurance as it is not FDA-approved for horses.

Many horse owners are tempted to use one of numerous “compounded” forms of omeprazole available. While usually much cheaper than Gastrogard, unfortunately these drugs are not proven to be safe or effective. They often have very poor absorption in horses and have even been shown to not always contain the amount of drug they claim to have in them – sometimes as low as 10% of the label amount.

Horse owners should also note that none of the omeprazole medications, even Gastrogard, will treat or cure right dorsal ulcerative colitis or hindgut ulcers. These ulcers are completely different in nature, and respond to different medications and management changes altogether.

Other medications used to treat gastric ulcers, with varying levels of success, include cimetidine, ranitidine, and sucralfate, which are all human-approved products. Though cimetidine is useful in human ulcers, it has not been shown to heal gastric ulcers in horses. Ranitidine and sucralfate show some benefits, and there is some evidence that sucralfate might be helpful in treating hindgut ulcers as well.

It is important to remember that human gastric ulcers and equine gastric ulcers have different causes. In humans, ulcers are often caused by a specific bacterial infection and are exacerbated by stress. In horses, no specific bacteria has been implicated.

**How do we prevent ulcers?** Many supplements and feed additives are available (Neigh-Lox, U-7, Restore, U-Gard, Ulcrin, etc.) but their actual benefits are largely unknown and none are FDA-approved to treat or prevent ulcers. While most of these products will not harm horses, they might not helping them, either. Reducing stress factors mentioned previously is probably the best way to keep your horse's stomach happy!

Try these tips to help prevent gastric ulcers:

- Make sure your horse has daily contact with other horses.
- Use a regular Ulcergard dose (1/4 of a tube) once daily starting 2-3 days before trailering to a show or event, throughout the event, and 2-3 days after getting home from the event. This protects your horse during the most stressful situations!
- Keep your horse on a regular feeding routine at home – they are creatures of habit!
- Keep your horse's stall environment peaceful. Having music or talk radio on has actually been shown to be a stress factor and contributes to ulcer formation!
- Make all feed changes slowly and gradually.
- Add alfalfa hay to your horse's forage diet – the extra calcium helps buffer the stomach acid that contributes to ulcer formation!
- Don't overuse non-steroidal anti-inflammatories. Always follow your veterinarian's directions as they are prescription products.
- Avoid preparations of omeprazole that aren't Gastrogard or Ulcergard. They don't work well.

Remember, an accurate diagnosis is very important when dealing with gastric ulcers. Major medical insurance will often help with the costs of diagnosis and treatment, and your horse will be much happier for it!

*Are you interested in finding out if your horse is suffering from gastric ulcers? Cleary Lake Veterinary Hospital is offering a gastroscopy special for the months of November and December. Call 952-435-8387 to make your appointment.*

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- Monday, Nov. 15; 7-9 p.m- Equine Behavior with Dr. Jennifer Selvig
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- Monday, Jan. 17, 7-9 p.m - Emergency First Aid with Dr. Heidi Terwey
- TBA in February - Hay and Pasture Management

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## 2010 MHJA CALENDAR MHJA RECOGNIZED SHOWS

The Calendar is back to normal, so Double Check the Dates!

- Midstates Spring, May 5-9, A rated, Mason City IA. Barb Ahrens 763 477-6640
- MHJA at Carriage House May 20-23, A rated, Hugo, MN. Barb Ahrens 763 477-6640
- MidstatesSummerfest, June 9-13, A rated, Mason City IA. Barb Ahrens 763 477-6640
- Midstates Summer, June 16-20, A rated, Mason City IA. Barb Ahrens 763 477-6640
- Alpine Farms Classic, June 23-27, A rated Long Lake, MN. Patty Humphries 952 442-5321
- River Bend Stables, July 14-18, B rated Rockford, MN. Barb Ahrens 763 494-8458
- Alpine Farms Equestrian Fest, July 21-25, A rated, Long Lake, MN. Patty Humphries 952 442-5321
- Carriage House Farms, August 4-8 B rated Hugo, MN Patty Humphries 952 442-5321 **MHJA Medal Finals and last show of the Opportunity Circuit.**
- Two Rivers Summer Fest I, Des Moines, IA, Aug. 11-15, Libby Antisdell, AA rated
- Two Rivers Summer Fest II, Des Moines, IA, Aug. 18-22, Libby Antisdell, AA rated
- Minnesota State Fair, August 25-29, A and C rated, St. Paul, MN. Steve Goodrich
- Otter Creek Farm, September 1-5, B rated, Wheeler, WI. Lena Werner, 715 658-1602
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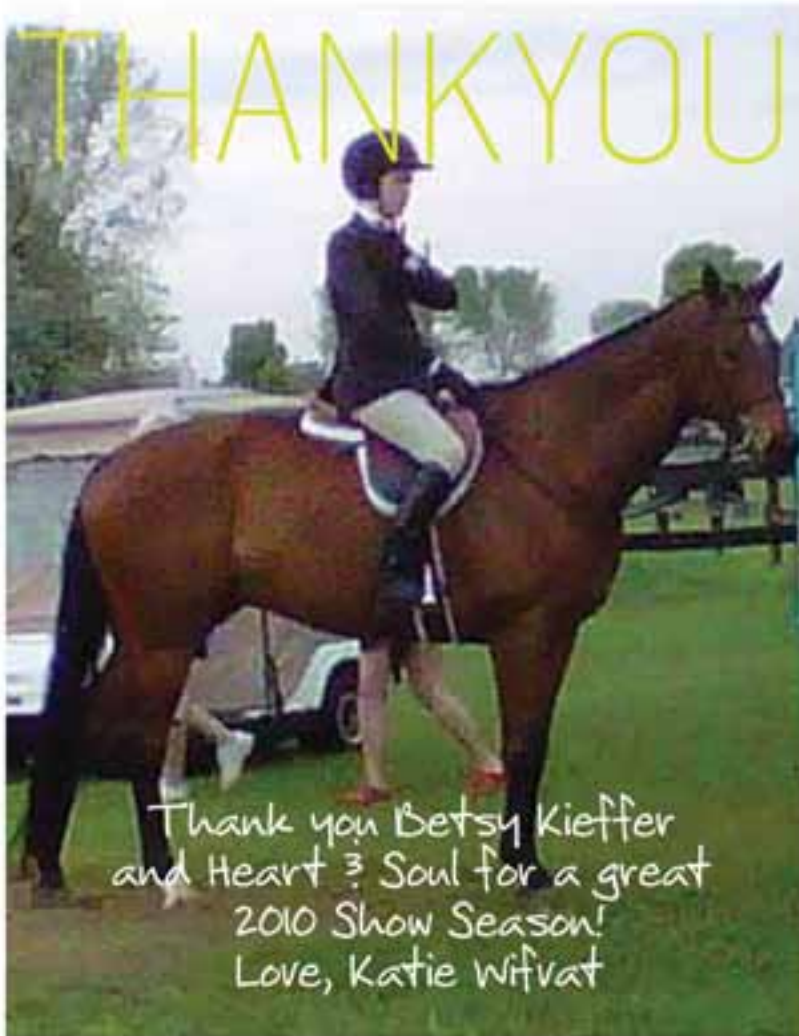
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### 2010 – 2011 SCHOOLING SHOW SCHEDULE

- North Run Farm, Hunter Schooling Shows: November 13, December 4, January 8, February 12, and March 12. contact Jacki Danielson, 763-972-3820
- Three Ring Circus sponsored by St. Croix Saddlery at Carriage House in May, info on St. Croix's web site.

### CLINIC SCHEDULE

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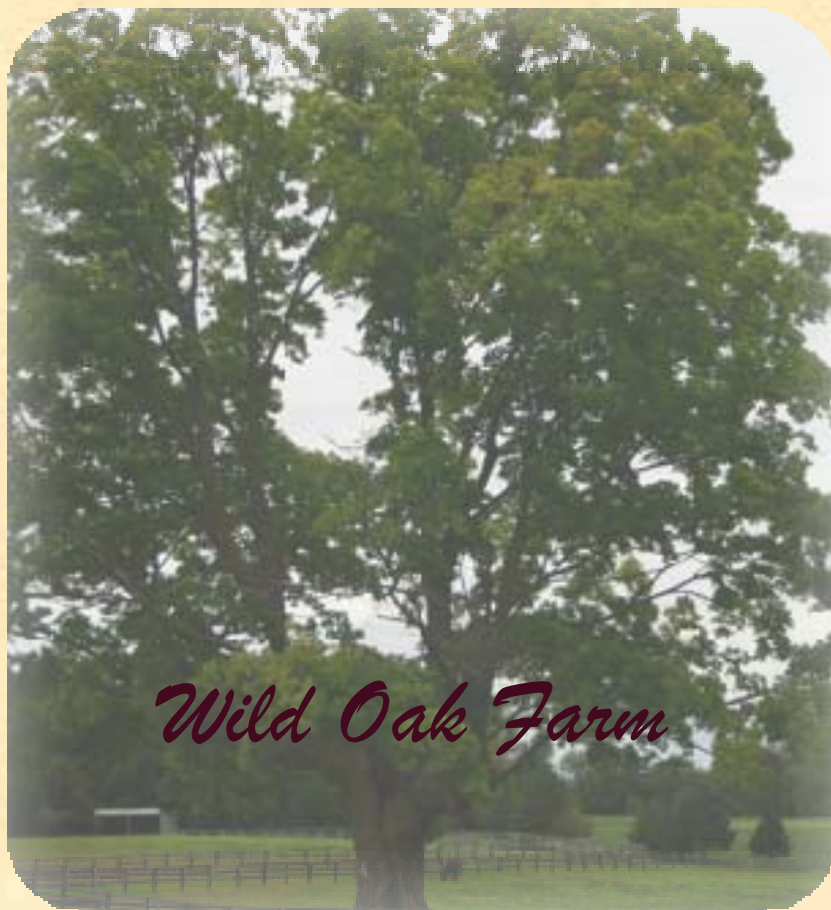
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# EYES AND EARS . . .

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## EYES AND EARS FROM GREENWOOD STABLES

Another show season come and gone! This one was certainly memorable for its many challenges in the weather department. In addition to the usual wind in Mason City, this year we also battled rain, lightning, and tornado warnings. On to Alpine, where there was once again rain, rain, and more rain, as well as tornado warnings and golf ball-sized hail! Gatorade was the official beverage of the Maffitt Lake Summer shows where we all wilted in the blazing 95+degree heat. And did I mention rain? That was also a recurring theme throughout September. Ironically, the most beautiful week of the show season was during the Harvest Show, our only indoor venue! At least we didn't have to dodge hail or lightning bolts on our way to the Coliseum. We have been enjoying the beautiful and rain-less weeks at home following the Harvest Show. The horses have also been enjoying some well-deserved time off.

Recapping some of the highlights of this past season:

Julia Lavigne and Phoebe graduated from the Short Stirrups classes to Long Stirrups and Limit Childrens. They made the transition look easy, even nailing the bending lines, ramp, and two-stride combination in the main hunter ring at Otter Creek. Julia's mom, Dawn, also achieved a milestone by graduating from horse show mom to competitor. She made her successful debut over fences with Phoebe in the Rusty Stirrup classes at Alpine and Otter Creek.

Meredith Doyle joined us with her horse, Merlot, for several shows. They did a great job in the jumper ring. Meredith was also a huge help to us in the grooming department. She is one of the hardest workers I have ever met. But she is not all work and no play. She and Julia entertained us early and often with many renditions of popular tunes, especially, Lady Gaga's "Alejandro."

Helen Lindsay was our very own energizer bunny as she showed her horses, Felicity and Grant, often in the same class. She finished up the year showing Grant in Childrens and Felicity in Long Stirrups, which gave her a little more of a break between rides. We were all envious of Helen's mom, Judee, who has to be the best horse show mom ever. She was always waiting at ringside with a drink, cold cloth (for those hot days), camera, band-aids... you name it, and she had it. We adults wanted her to be our horse show mom too!

Olivia Adams joined us in August with her pony, Casper, and horse, Hercules. She also has energy to spare and would probably ride all day if she could. One of her favorite moments of the show season was trail-riding Casper with the other girls at Otter Creek. He especially enjoyed the water complex and apparently showed his excitement by bucking repeatedly!

Jennie Goelz sent Aretha with us once again to do the Level 2 and 3 jumpers with Johnny. Aretha spends most of the year doing dressage, but Jennie says that jumping is what Aretha loves best. The highlight of her show season was winning the jumper derby at Otter Creek. Johnny went last and had an extremely fast time to beat, but Aretha gave it her all and the two of them put in a very exciting round to win the class.

Cathy Gronfield's horse, Flame, joined us for the first time this year. A former dressage horse, Flame made her debut with Johnny aboard in the Baby Green and mini-hunter classes at Mason City. She performed very well in some large classes and continued to learn and improve throughout the season.

We missed having Melissa Swiler with us this year as her horse, Celeste, is for sale. Celeste came with us to several shows where Johnny showed her successfully in both the jumpers and hunters. Next year, Melissa, we will make up for lost time!

We were sad when Siara Melius headed off to North Dakota State University this year, but happy that Niki bought her horse, Gabe, when he went up for sale. This was Gabe's first full year in the jumper ring after starting his career as a hunter, and he and Niki are proving to be great partners. They both learned a lot this year and ended up on a high note with a second place finish out of 17 horses in the Low Children's/Adult class at the Harvest Show!

Sara showed Guilder once again in the Low Amateur and Adult Amateur 50 and over classes. They faced some challenges during the first part of the year, but finally hit their groove at Otter Creek and Mason City Fall. Johnny continued to do well with Guilder in the Hunter Derbies, including two second place finishes at Mason City and a sixth place finish at the Harvest Show. Johnny also had a very successful year showing Sara's jumper, La Rhetto. That big guy can jump the moon! He ended the year doing the 1.30 and 1.35-meter classes and even did the Open (1.40m) at Harvest. We were all more nervous than Johnny as he cruised around the course with very little difficulty, ending up with only 8 faults. Onward and upward!

Happy holidays to all! (And to Cathy and Mandy, please be helpful whenever possible!)

## EYES AND EARS FROM SPRING MEADOW

Hi from all of us at Spring Meadow!

Well this week certainly feels like fall, John's garden has been put to bed. It is first time we've holed up in the indoor for a while but we hope to get back outside for a few more weeks. We have enjoyed Linda and Anita Mont all year and are thrilled to have Anita in town for a week here and there. Hope she thinks about school in the cities, so we can keep her. And speaking of college, Emily Walker is enjoying Hamline and has several high point awards with her IHSA endeavors. We have been seeing her on the weekends she is not competing. The realities of adulthood are all around us but the ladies are creative. Alison Rice is loving her dream job assisting the medical examiner and she continues to make time for the barn. Kendall Ring has started riding again. She is taking lessons between cheerleading competitions, work and buying a new home. On a sad note the Hieb family lost their lovely Channelle a few weeks ago to a congenital malformation that resulted in an inoperable colic. We extend them our sympathies and hope to see more of Courtney but for now college plans and work are her priorities. Sophia Dana and her Mom, Kage have joined us; another mother daughter duo learning how to ride. Joan Schultz has joined us a few days a week, what a delight to have her in the barn. Have a great winter, stay warm and safe.

## EYES AND EARS FROM BROOKSIDE

Brookside Eyes and (Burning) Ears  
Out in a Blaze of Glory

From the burning summer sun to our bonfire's annual glow, the show season for Brooksidians has drawn to a successful close and we have packed away the good tack in preparation for what Mary Armstrong refers to as her season of job security.

No, not all of us can be perfect all season long, although by the number of ribbons acquired by show veterans Susan Miles, Gail Brandt, Lydia Lucas, Norie Hennen, Summer Schleck, Brenda Roloff, Mia Boo and Olivia Genereux, one might think otherwise.

Clare Chandler even blazed a new trail with first-timer Late Bloomer at Carriage House, before disappearing back to Texas in a puff of (gun)smoke. Not to be outdone, Pam Knebel tried (unsuccessfully) to blaze a new trail up the side of a hill in the Northwoods and had a hospital stay and a hefty insurance bill to show for it.

Speaking of blazes, there are a couple new ones in the barn on the faces of Colleen Johnsen's California transplant Milo, and cutie prospect, Bellator.

While all of us have a burning desire to improve over the winter months, admittedly my own aspirations are typically reduced to smoldering ash by spring. So here's to stoking the fire and warming Mary Armstrong's heart -- hope burns eternal.

And on a final note, our eldest mare on the farm passed quickly this fall. Minnie burned bright for 23 years with that particular kind of fire that seems reserved for thoroughbred mares. She is missed by all, and in particular by her beloved donkey, Larry.

Warm wishes to everyone this holiday season,  
Therese Faulconbridge



## EYES AND EARS FROM ARBOR HILL FARM

Where did the summer go?! It seems like just yesterday we were getting ready for the kids to get out of school for summer vacation. Or, maybe we were just getting prepared for the Mason City summer shows. Either way, it doesn't seem like June was that long ago.

We had a very fun show season, and I think there are several members of the team that were sad to see the season end. The AHF summer highlights would read as follows;

Keiran showed all summer! Not only did he show, but he learned his lead changes AND he survived the cows at the Fair!! Megan is ready for some homework this winter, and really is excited for next year in the Adult Amateur's.

Sophia got to move up to the Children's Hunters, and she and Luke made the transition pretty smoothly. Luke is looking forward to some non-show time, and Sophia is looking forward to some no stirrup time....no, really!

Mimi had a great summer with Breezy, and finished her year with a fantastic time at Pony Finals. Breezy made the Pony Finals experience so fun!! Mimi has an amazing new partner in My Freetyme (Scooter) so look for them as they work their way up to the Large Pony ring. There will certainly be some no-stirrup work in that schedule too!

Gretchen and Peaches worked really hard this summer. It seems that all their hard work paid off since they finished the season showing in some of the mini medals, and even made it back to the work off! I'm also happy to say that Gretchen is now the proud owner of Peaches, so look forward to seeing them in the ring as a team again next year.

Becca had a really great season with Tiger and Looch. What fun it was to watch Looch make his debut in the Adult Hunters, and it is always nice to see the Becca and Tiger team head to the ring. Sadly, Tiger and Looch both missed the end of the season due to injuries. Becca is no stranger to the rehab world, and we certainly have no fear of the routine. We continue to keep our fingers crossed that Tiger and Looch will be in fighting shape for another round. Becca is busy with school now, and in her spare time she is bringing Anna's horse, Mama, back to work. There was some pretty big excitement at the farm the other day when Mama actually got to canter!

Zoe had an amazing summer with her new pony Mr. Mowgli. A special thanks to Mary Ann for letting Zoe have a chance to ride Mowgli this year. Zoe is now cantering poles, and looking forward to trying the cross rails next summer.

Our highlights wouldn't be complete without the mention of Ivy's debut in the Leadline at The Harvest Horse Show. It seems that Ivy went from no interest in horses at all, to wanting to ride all the time. Zoe was very nice to share her pony with her sister, and Ivy was very good to keep her hard hat on for all of us.

I think those are most of the highlights of the '10 show season. Outside of the usual suspects, Arbor Hill owes a big thank you to Lisa Bukowski for helping keep things moving at the farm. It is nice to have Lisa there with her customers and their horses, and we wish them the best of luck this winter in Wellington. Nanner brought Billy over to spend some time with us while she is busy with Shorty's, so we are happy to have them with us for the winter. There is also a rumor floating around that we may be seeing more of our favorite Super Hero this winter. There is a stall waiting as of Dec. 1st, so guard your favorite foods and drinks.

We are looking forward to a busy winter, and we hope it goes by smoothly...not too cold, just enough snow, no ice, and a few snow days to let us play. We wish you all a Happy Thanksgiving, a Merry Whatever, and a Prosperous New Year! See you in '11!

## EYES AND EARS FROM RAVEN RIDGE ~ Anne T. Meyer

Nothing like 50 mph winds, rain and a little snow to let us know winter is coming and the show season has ended! Thankfully the good weather lasted though the end of it. Looking back, the year has been both fun and successful! A result of all the countless hours of hard work and preparation at home and the shows. Each day at the show is so much more than that, every round, with every horse and rider, is a reflection of their dedication and hard work throughout the year. Congratulations to everyone on all your accomplishments!

A few highlights from a fabulous second half of the show season. In July, Kim won the International Hunter Derby aboard Rex the Wonder Horse in Colorado. At the Summer Maffitt Lake Horse Show, she won the Derby on Katie Sweeney's amazing horse, Showtime. In September, in the \$10,000 Hott Horse Show Fall Derby after several amazing rides, Acolade, Dark Chocolate, Philadelphia and Calligraphy were at the top of the class. Kim finished her Grand Prix career with Kid Rock at the Fall Mason City Show. During the week he won the open jumper class with Kim, and looking fantastic, had the fastest four fault round, finishing fourth in the Grand Prix. It was an emotional ride for Kim and for many watching, knowing what a special horse he has been and will always be. Kid Rock never missed a beat, and Joey Knowlton is showing him in the child/adult jumpers. The pair is looking good and has already been Champion together! Kim's horse Acolade, has had very successful season in both the first year green division and Derbies, with Champions and wins in both. He also won 2 groom's classes with Alfonso. Susan Carlson and her new horse Quiet Cool are starting to figure each other out and ended the year with a couple of tri color ribbons at their last couple of shows. Quiet Cool continued with several Championships in pregreen division all year. Molly Hayward made her way back into the show ring in August. Brie and Molly have been sharing Cal all summer. Molly was reserve champion in her one and only show this year! Congratulations go out to Molly Wiendant on her new job and the sale of her horse Ashton. Ashton is now at home in Texas and was sold to a young girl who is moving up from her small pony. Emma Gage have been very consistent all year in the Large Junior Hunter Division, and 12-14 equitation, winning many equitation and medal classes. She finished second to Patrick in the Zandra Power Class, and Jenna followed in fifth. All had beautiful rounds and improved their written test scores significantly, making Kim proud that they are becoming not just riders but horsemen as well! Patrick Gage and Worth the Wait ended their last show season together on top. They were Children's Hunter 14-17 Champion at both Summer Maffitt Lake Shows, Mason City Fall and the Harvest Horse Show!!! They were also awarded the Brass Castles trophy, for the High Point Children's Hunter at the Harvest Show. The pair also won the Zone VI Classic. WOW! Brie, Annalisa and Lara were able to balance some showing with their school work. Lara had a great two weeks at the August Maffitt shows capturing the win and second in the Child/Adult Classic for the two weeks. Brie ended her very successful show season as the High Point Adult Hunter Rider at the Maffitt Lake Horse Shows. She and Cal were recognized at the show and awarded a custom saddle!! Brie was measured and we are all taking bets on whether she will be getting a kids saddle in the mail. Analisa has been consistent all year in the Am. Owner Division. Jenna Golden was Champion in the Small Junior Hunters at the Maffitt Summer Show and won the Jr Hunter Classic. They finished the year with a win in the USEF medal at Harvest. Katie Sweeney was Res Champion at Maffitt Summer and Harvest Show. Cindy Bulwicz has been having fun showing both her horses again this year. She was also able to watch as Philadelphia was Champ and Res Champ in the First Year Green Division at Maffitt Shows, and second in the Derby at the Harvest Show. Andy was Champion at the Harvest Show aboard Summer's per green horse and was awarded High Point Adult Hunter Rider! Martha Dornbusch and Offero receive the most improved award for Andy's customers this year. Last year at this time they were working successfully at completing an adult jumper class and now they have completed a couple grand prix! They have become very competitive in the Junior Amateur division, winning the Zone IV Amateur Owner Jumper Classic and Jr/Am Classic this fall. Anne Meyer and Mystique, had a summer full of fun horse shows. After traveling for work during the week, she catches up with Mae at the shows! She and Andy share the rides and Champions! Amanda and Vuego joined Raven Ridge at Fall Mason City, and also came home with a champion ribbon. We are looking forward to seeing more of Amanda this winter, and welcome her to the barn.

Outside the show ring- - We enjoyed many dinners together, celebrating birthdays, a little golf, jean shopping, hiking in Colorado.....Kim's babies continue to grow, in size and number! They are all fabulous and have their own set of awards and recognitions! Patrick has started hockey practice and will be playing for Providence again this year. Emma Gage is back on the volleyball court as well. She is splitting her time between the JV and varsity team for Providence. The team is looking strong and hoping to make a run for state. Brie's photography continues to be amazing! College classes are back in session, and Analisa has transferred to St. Thomas. Mary Laurie knitted Anne a packer hat- just in time for the season. She started Teddy his own facebook. Anne and Tobias welcome Louise (their cute new puppy) to the family. Kate Leis has been accepted to the Red Cross EMT unit and continues to work out relentlessly when she's not riding.

It's been a busy fun year with more to come!

HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO ALL~

## EYES AND EARS FROM STONEGATE FARM

Twass the night before Christmas and all through the stable  
Fred and Deacon were nickering for mares that were able  
Darla and Fresco were munching their hay  
In hopes that more grain would be scooped up that day  
The cats were all piled so warm on their bed  
Waiting for Victor cuz' they knew they'd be fed  
Tracy in her Packer shirt and Corey in his packer hat  
Were dreaming their team won the championship  
We'll see about that!  
When from outside the house there arose such a clatter  
That Collin and Blake yelled "What's the matter?"  
We ran to the barn to find not a horse home  
Miss Milly had opened the stalls and she stood there alone  
Her long ears were twitching and her eyes twinkled bright  
She had let all the horses out into the night!  
We called Hamel, Izzy, Tenor and Lilly  
Beano, Charlie, Deuce and Willy  
Odin came back first, his tail in the air  
Fabiola was prancing and tossing her hair  
We got them all caught and snug for the night  
Then made sure Miss Milly was locked up real tight!  
We walked to the house under crisp night stars  
And were thankful this farm will always be ours.

## EYES AND EARS FROM WILD OAK FARM

The adventures of the show season is over and we can reflect on the past few months. Traverse City was a horse show wrapped in a vacation with Scott winning 2 of the 3 grand prix on Impulsive. Fond memories of the Sleep Inn.... (otherwise known as creating consequences that are beyond our capabilities of dealing with). Ashley T. stayed home and manned the helm riding and teaching. When Carrie wasn't busy working in the car pit or riding shotgun in the semi, she also helped with riding responsibilities with the young horses. Alexa occasionally visits from Cornell (we miss you!) and Sarah Frey joined the gang and pulled Dionna out from the farm for a month of showing. The annual tradition of hot shows in August continued and there were a few days it was like living in the old Testament and we had really angered God. Mr. Lenkart took part of the tribe to Traders Point and Kentucky while I had Makenzie and Ava at Carriage House then Renee headed for Des Moines. Whew - Talk about covering all bases! Katie, Lily, Amelia and Ava did a road trip to beautiful and fun filled Wisconsin to the Otter Creek horseshow and enjoyed bareback riding, trail rides in the ponds and yeah, some showing too! The exhibitors party the Warners put on was a blast -- many thanks to them for such a great time. With September here we had the teenager group heading to homecoming and others getting their driving permits or licences (yikes.....!!). The Harvest Show was our final show -- Caroline, Ashley and Noel all came home to hang out and remanice .....so great to have the girls back and listen to their stories from years past. That brings us to fall -- Katie has gotten a new pony, Percy that she is excited to start working with - very exciting times! - after school sports are giving our horses some time off for play in the paddocks and the weather is cooperating for awesome trail rides. Scott has a full hunting schedule outlined and Renee keeps repeating "there is no place like home.....there's no place like home".. But we all know when that first snowflake hits she will be tapping her ruby slippers together and trying to end up in the front steps of Wellington!. As for me....I am anxiously awaiting that first snowflake for my winter sports! Enjoy time off and we will see you on the early side of spring!

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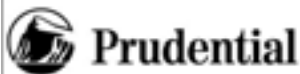
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