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Malarkey was successfully competed at 4th level this year
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President’s Message
By Deb Norman

Once again I am struck by the quality of our membership AND their equine partners. We have just returned from Pennsylvania where Melanie Trimper and Heather Magnan outdid themselves, as usual, with a well-organized and beautifully orchestrated meeting in Bethlehem/Allentown. The hotel was perfect for our purposes and the surrounding area was full of good restaurants, shopping, and all of the necessities for a gay time.

The weather did not cooperate for pony involvement but Kim Walnes spent Friday morning teaching us the importance of our placement on our ponies. She demonstrated to us how our position feels to our ponies. It was fascinating and we have found a new and dear friend to the Connemara pony.

Mike Keane from Florida then did a clinic on handling and showing our young stock… complete with hilarious stories told with the Irish blarney that we all love. Last, but certainly not least, Marynell Eyles and Gloria LaCroix did an inspection clinic to remind us what we need to look for and to breed for conformationally.

Saturday was our work day. We started with our Board of Governor’s Meeting followed by our Annual General Meeting. Several of our members expressed their concerns about our newly formed Connemara Sport Horse Registry and we had a very spirited discussion in which questions and concerns were addressed and, for the most part, the issues were laid to rest. It makes me feel good to have healthy discussion and even disagreements when everyone is given a chance to be heard and understands the reasoning behind our new endeavors.

Sunday was a day for farm visits for those who didn’t have to rush back home. Nicole Haas Perin was the hostess at her Sunny Slope Farm, and clinician Kim Walnes introduced a crowd to her Gideon Goodheart.

Because everyone cannot come to all of our meetings, it is important for our members to read our Magazine. Our editor tries very hard to make sure that someone writes an article… sometimes several articles… about the issues that we are facing. In this issue, you will be able to see who won our Awards this year. There will be pictures of the winners, their trophies and the beautiful posters which were done so graciously by Sue Antilla from Region 1.

And, please don’t forget our website: www.acps.org for our Minutes which are posted after every meeting. You will find all sorts of fun things on our website including the “Pony “News of the Week”. There is a Sales Page that lists available ponies, many times with pictures, videos and farm websites.

We are privileged to have a great group of people on our Board of Governors who work very hard for the ACPS. I am proud to be a part of it and to call these people friends. I encourage each of you to try to make a meeting and to get involved in helping us promote this wonderful breed.

Here is a short review of the items we discussed and decisions we made at the recent meeting. Please join us next time!

2015 ACPS Board of Governors Meeting - Bethlehem, PA

- Anne Moe, Membership Chair - reported that there are 588 members paid. That number should climb as more membership dues are paid. Most members chose the E-directory and E-ballot, saving the Society much money in postage and printings.
- Treasurer - Stephanie Fenton-Hickey said she had paid all the bills, and the Society was in good shape. Financial advisor, Cathy Blackmon, noted the Society is a very good steward of their finances. Cathy has served nine years as Treasurer, and has asked Stephanie Fenton-Hickey to take over the day-to-day bill paying. Cathy will continue to manage the taxes and insurance payments.
- Noted the passing of long time member and breeder, Helen King.
- Maureen Loughman-Abel was invited to voice her views on the new Connemara Sport Horse Registry. Pat Shields also spoke against the Registry, and wanted it renamed to the Partbred Registry. Scott McGuffin answered for the Board that much thought and time went into the name, and much discussion and thought was given to the implementation of the Registry. He noted that nothing in the By-Laws ruled against policy changes and registration procedures. The final decision to “agree to disagree” was amicably reached.
- Standing Committees Reports
  - By-Laws - Scott McGuffin - recommended the By-Law corrections omission he suggested at the last meeting be put on the 2016 proxy. A Code of Ethics that codifies what is expected of BOG members, including use of social media, was signed by all in attendance. The same document will be sent to all members.
  - Nominating - Anne Moe - The Committee tries very diligently to fill spots with people whose talents are needed. Sally Eyles-Goldfarb will be the new Chair for 2016 and Chris Knox is the new committee member. This committee works on a revolving basis.
  - Promotions - Melanie Trimper and Heather Magnan reported on their ad placements for the year. (The duo also conducted an entire morning of promotional information/Facebook use, on Friday morning.)
- Youth Scholarships - Thanks to the USEF and a junior member who worked to apply for the special award from USEF, the Junior Scholarship program gained $1500. (Con’t on page 13)
Deb Norman and Sally Oxnard presented the ACPS Hall of Fame Breeding and Performance Awards to winners including from top Sparrow’s Nio to Allie Sacksen Halfbred to Julie Keahey Tre Awain Goldsmith Aladdin’s Denver to Marynell Eyles WH Top Gun to Nancy Kilcrease
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- Old Business - Linda Haines and Sally Oxnard noted that the ACPS Region I Show will celebrate 50 years in 2016.

- Melanoma Research - Maureen Loughman-Abel, Chair, gave an update on the progress of the research, with the discovery that 360+ genes have been discovered to be involved in the Melanoma existence. She thanked Sally Oxnard and Joanie Webster especially for helping find candidates for the study. The progress is now being delayed due to lack of funding, and a request to the ACPS-Foundation for $5,000 additional dollars has been submitted. Also needed are four more ponies with melanoma that occurred before the age of 6.

- Regional Reports were given.

- All the regions would like to host shows that do not conflict with one-another. A tentative calendar was begun. Mike Keane asked if the shows could run sequentially so those who can, might be able to attend many of them. The show managers in attendance agreed to try.

- The 2016 meeting - a suggestion was made by Deb Norman to try to host a meeting in the Northwest, perhaps somewhere near Portland, OR, and include a trail ride/pony trek with a son of the famous Connemara Trail leader, Willy Leahy. The tentative date is Mid-September.

- The January BOG meeting will be held in conjunction with the USEF Annual Meeting at the Lexington, KY, Hyatt Regency from January 13 to 16, 2016.

- Election of the new Board of Governors members: The nominees elected for a term from 2015 - 2018 are Kate Denton, Fonda Eigel, Susan McConnell, Scott McGuffin, Wayne Quarles, Joan Webster (replacing Darian Hall).

- Officers for 2016 - Deb Norman, President; Kate Denton, Vice President; Amy Plavin, Vice President; Cathy Blackmon/Stephanie Fenton-Hickey, Treasurer. Marynell Eyles, Secretary (not a member of the Board).
I. Overview of Registration Procedures and Requirements

- The ACPS maintains Stud Books for registry of purebred and halfbred Connemara foals born in the United States. The Society also maintains a Connemara Sport Horse Registry for partbred Connemaras. The sire and dam of any purebred foal must both be registered purebred Connemaras in order for the foal to be eligible for purebred registration in the ACPS Stud Books. Halfbred foals must have one registered purebred Connemara parent in order to be eligible for ACPS registration. Connemara Sport Horses can have two registered Halfbred Connemara parents and one non-Connemara parent.

- A Connemara foal should be registered as soon as possible after birth, by completing a temporary foal certificate (TFC) registration application. When the application is sent to the ACPS office with the proper fees and completed paperwork, a DNA kit will be returned to the owner/breeder, who will then pull mane/tail hairs which will be sent to the lab for the foal’s DNA sample. If the foal was conceived by artificial insemination, a certificate signed by the veterinarian or technician who inseminated the mare should accompany the registration application. If the foal was produced by live cover, a stallion service certificate on the registration application must be signed by the owner of the stallion.

- The TFC is held by the foal owner until the Connemara reaches age 2; then the foal should be permanently registered. At that time, the original TFC must be returned to the ACPS Secretary. The information on color, markings, and height should be updated on the TFC, and sent to the office with the proper fees. Upon completion of all paperwork and payment of fees, the Connemara will be permanently registered, and a permanent registration certificate will be sent to the owner.

- All foals must be DNA sampled.

- As of the foal crop of 2015, all foals will be Micro-chipped. A micro-chip will be sent to the owner with the completed TFC.

- All breeding stallions must be Hoof Wall Separation Disease tested, and the results must be on file with the ACPS Secretary. The registration process for stallions must be completed before offspring are eligible for registration. If the stallion does not have HWSD results on file (as in the case of an imported stallion or frozen semen from a deceased stallion), that resultant foal must be HWSD tested.

- The registration fee is higher for foals over 6 months of age.

II. Purebred Temporary Foal Certificates

- TFC application forms for registration are available at no charge from the ACPS Secretary or may be downloaded from the ACPS web site (www.acps.org). Fill out completely, sign and send to the ACPS Secretary/Registrar.

- The owner of the stallion (sire of the foal to be registered) must sign the stallion service certificate.

- A stallion slip, duly signed by the stallion owner or agent, will be accepted in lieu of the stallion owner’s signature on the application, but it MUST accompany the application.

- If applicable, the artificial insemination form MUST accompany the application.

- The current fee must accompany the form; there is an increased fee if foal is more than six months old.

- Foal registrations should include the birth color.

- As of 2004, all PUREBRED foals must be DNA sampled. The kit will be sent to the owner after the TFC application is completed. The fee is included in the TFC cost.

III. Permanent Purebred Registration

- At age two, a Connemara is eligible for permanent registration, and the TFC should be returned to the ACPS office for and upgrade to Permanent Certificate.

- For a permanent Certificate of Registry, update the TFC, making any corrections in description, including any color changes; any changes as from stallion to gelding; fill in the measurement record, and make corrections in the markings report. Send the updated TFC (the original, not a photo-copy) to the Office, with the proper fee.

- A permanent Certificate of Registry will be issued by the ACPS.

- It is important to include color and height information for the Permanent Certificate.

IV. Purebred Stallion Registration

- Stallion prospects should meet all ACPS requirements for registration in the purebred Stud Book.

- Stallions must be at least 2 years of age.

- Applicants must be free of all visible inheritable abnormalities, i.e., parrot mouth (overshot or undershot jaw), cryptorchid or monorchid (less than two testicles descended into the scrotum). A certificate signed by a licensed veterinarian stating that the stallion prospect does not possess these or any other visible abnormal inheritable conditions must accompany application for registration. All stallions must be DNA tested and the results must be on file with the ACPS Secretary before offspring are eligible for registration. The DNA testing must be done by the lab contracted by the ACPS. DNA kits are available from the Secretary. The DNA kit is included in the stallion registration fee. Foals of stallions who do not have permanent registration will not be eligible for registration, even after the stallion has been permanently registered. There will be no retroactive registration. All breeding stallions must be Hoof Wall Separation Disease tested, and the results on file with the ACPS. If the stallion has not been HWSD tested, the foals sired by the stallion must be HWSD tested. A Veterinarian Certificate is posted on the website and must be completed before registration is complete.

- Notification about any stallion that has been gelded should be submitted to the secretary, the registration papers corrected to read gelding. A rebate program is available.

V. Purebred Permanent Registration Without TFC

- Use the same application form as for TFC.

- Check the box labeled “Permanent without TFC”.

- TFC application forms for registration are available at no charge from the ACPS Secretary or may be downloaded from the ACPS web site (www.acps.org). Fill out completely, sign and send to the ACPS Secretary/Registrar.

- The owner of the stallion (sire of the foal to be registered) must sign the stallion service certificate.

- A stallion slip, duly signed by the stallion owner or agent, will be accepted in lieu of the stallion owner’s signature on the application, but it MUST accompany the application.
• The form will be returned if the information is not complete and the stallion service certificate is not signed.

VI. Halfbred Registration

A Halfbred foal is eligible for permanent registration in the American Connemara Registry. A halfbred may be described as having one purebred Connemara parent. Before 6 months of age, complete the Registration application for Halfbred Connemara, and send to the ACPS office with the appropriate fees. If the halfbred foal is by a Connemara stallion, a stallion service certificate is required. If the halfbred foal is out of a purebred Connemara mare, fill in the blanks with the mare’s registered name and registration number.

VII Halfbred Stallions – As of 2015, Halfbred Connemara stallions may be registered with the ACPS. A vet certificate must accompany the paperwork, as well as DNA sample results and HWSD results.

VIII Connemara Sport Horse Registry

A Connemara Sport Horse may be described as a mare or gelding that is the result of breeding a registered Halfbred Connemara to a registered Connemara, or breeding a registered Halfbred Connemara to a Non-Connemara. The Connemara Sport Horse must be no less than ¼ Connemara. No quarter-bred stallions will be registered. Complete the registration application form for Connemara Sport Horse and send with the correct fees to ACPS, PO Box 100, Middlebrook, VA 24459.

IX. Registered Names

• Registered names may not be more than 30 characters long, and cannot be repeated.
• Identical names may be used after 20 years, or if they are accompanied with a prefix or suffix, preferably a farm name.

X. Farm Registration

• Farm names may be registered with the ACPS for a one-time fee.
• Send name of farm, address, owner, and prefix to be used to the Secretary. You will receive a certificate of registration for your farm.
• This registration does not include a listing in the Breeders’ Directory of the American Connemara magazine or the internet site. That listing requires an additional fee, and is administered by the editor of the magazine.

XI. Ownership Transfers

• Reporting of transfers is the responsibility of the SELLER.
• On the back of the registration papers, whether Temporary or Permanent, record the name of the seller (either as shown on the face of the certificate, or as given in the last previous transfer). Record the name and address of the new owner.
• Enter the date of sale, and appropriate signature. The signature is essential to the transfer of ownership.
• Record the color and height in the appropriate spaces.
• Fee for transfer must accompany the certificate.
• There is no other transfer form.
• The seller is responsible for sending the registration certificate to the ACPS Secretary (not to the new owner).
• The secretary will sign the certificate, record the transfer, and send the certificate to the new owner.
• Transfers are published in the American Connemara Magazine.

• A note of caution to sellers: DO NOT transfer papers until you have received full payment.

XII. Transfer of Imported Connemaras into the ACPS Stud Book

• To register a Connemara, under age 1 (any sex), that has a TFC from another country, send that document to the ACPS Secretary/Registrar, with the appropriate fee. The Secretary will complete an American Connemara Pony Society TFC, and will return the foreign document.
• To permanently register a Connemara over age 2 with the ACPS, send the pony’s passport/registration documents, to the Secretary along with the appropriate fee.
• All imported stallions must be DNA tested in the US if the DNA results did not accompany the passport, and each stallion must have HWSD test results on file.

XIII. Breeder Definition

• The breeder of record is the person who owns the mare at the time of service.
• If a mare is being leased for breeding, the person leasing the mare is listed as the breeder.

XIV. Semen Collection/Artificial Insemination

• Foals produced as a result of artificial insemination (AI) are eligible for registration in the purebred and halfbred ACPS Stud Book as long as the resulting foal meets all ACPS rules for registration.
• Semen may be transported frozen or fresh.
• The Society recommends semen be collected by a licensed veterinarian or trained assistant.
• A stallion collection form must be completed and signed by collecting veterinarian or trained technician and stallion owner or agent. One copy to be retained by stallion owner, one copy shipped with semen to mare owner, one copy mailed and retained by the ACPS Secretary when the resulting foal is registered.
• A mare recipient receipt must be filled out by the inseminating veterinarian or technician and the mare owner or agent. One copy should be retained by the mare owner, one copy shipped to stallion owner.
• No mare may be covered (AI or live) by more than one stallion in a single breeding season unless she undergoes a thorough examination, to include ultrasound, by a licensed veterinarian. The veterinarian’s written statement indicating that said mare is not in foal to the first stallion must be file with the ACPS Secretary.

XV. Embryo Transplant

• Only one genetic offspring a year, by embryo transfer technique or natural breeding per mare (except in the case of twins), shall be eligible for registration.
• At least 15 days before the collection of the fertilized egg, record owner or lessee will notify the Society in writing of the intention to attempt an embryo transplant.
• At the Society’s discretion, owner or lessee will have the pedigree of the resulting foal verified by DNA testing. The foal, sire, and donor mare, will be tested as the Society deems necessary.
• From the date an embryo is transferred to a recipient mare, until its birth, only that one embryo may be transferred from the donor mare providing that transfer is successful. Should the transfer prove unsuccessful
Aladdin’s Denver came to live with the Eyles family when he was six months old. He was foaled in 1984 so doing the math, he’s 31+. There was never a question about keeping him as a stallion. His presence was always so large, and his talents so many. A very huge hole in the circle of life will be opened when he departs this Earth, but as I type, he seems hale and hearty as he canters to his feed pan for his gruel – he literally has no incisors left, but he does a grand job of gumming his food!

Aladdin’s Denver- of course a son of Aladdin. He was inspected and approved, by the ACPS Inspection Team and the Irish guest Inspector that year, Jimmy Canavan, declared the stallion was the “Best of the Tour”. We have the tri-color neck ribbon to this day. When Denver was 19, he was presented for Premium, and he was deemed worthy of that extra gold seal on his registration certificate.

Denver’s dam, Tre Awain Cricket Song, was a force herself. She didn’t start her broodmare career until her late teens/early twenties. Even when heavy in foal, she would jump from pasture to pasture over whatever fence was in her path. She had done eventing, pony racing, many long years of foxhunting, and her best ever dressage ride was done the afternoon she completed the Orange County Hunter Pairs Race that morning. To say Denver inherited staying power and athletic ability from both sides of his pedigree is a very simple truth.

Denver also hales back on top and bottom to *Tooreen Laddie, so it is only proper that he should be awarded the *Tooreen Laddie Hall of Fame Award for a stallion that has made contributions to the breed. Even though we heard through the grapevine that a breeder who visited Aladdin Connemaras and Ridgetop Connemaras declared that Aladdin had hurt the breed more than any other stallion in US history, we smile when we look at the list of get from Aladdin and Denver.

The purebreds by Aladdin’s Denver populate the lists of Inspected and Approved Connemaras from coast to coast, and there are a good number of Denver’s get on the Premium list as well. He has sired more than 100 foals, and they live in states from Alaska to Hawaii. His offspring when bred to Blue Hills Egan, created a family of Connemaras that are second to none. They include Ridgetop Cady O’Daly, Ridgetop O’Rian, Ridgetop Moya, Ridgetop Whodunnit, Ridgetop Robin Goodfellow, Darrah’s Denegan, all of whom have been champions somewhere along their ways, and have all been incredibly good citizens their whole lives.

Ridgetop Echo (out of Hillside Laura), owned by Nancy David Dillon, has earned Achievement awards in foxhunting, and has been one of the star pupils in Jimmy Wofford’s recent book. Ridgetop Dublin Grey, (out of Tre Awain Toura Loura), owned and ridden by the late Debbie Busta was a stalwart competitor in Eventing and dressage, and Denver’s very first foal, Ridgetop Ringdancer, also owned by Deb Busta for most of his life, was USEF Halfbred Connemara HOTY in Eventing.

Denver’s halfbred offspring are competing in so many disciplines and earning so many accolades along the way. Rochambeau, a halfbred, was the USEF Horse of the Year. Ridgetop Columbine, still here at our farm because she had some early OCD in a pastern and a lady whose name I can’t remember turned her down after vetting, has been such an ambassador for the breed, that she was painted by Susan Harris for a clinic, she was the USEF HOTY in Connemara Halfbred Hunters, and she has carried me foxhunting with Blue Ridge Hunt and Middlebrook Hounds, plus putting in some decent dressage tests along the way, and being evented by any granddaughter who happened to need a horse!

Margo Goldfarb is eventing one of Denver’s halfbred daughters – Denver’s Twobits – who was “purpose” bred by the late Elizabeth Forest to be the Event Horse of her Lifetime. Sadly, Elizabeth died before Twobits was old enough to prove she was...
capable, but Sally Eyles-Goldfarb and Margo have done the work and now the mare is going Preliminary.

Sally Eyles-Goldfarb started Aladdin’s Denver under saddle. She climbed on him when he was 2 ½ years old, and rode him around our little fenced arena at Top of the Ridge Farm, and after about 30 minutes yelled at me, “Mom – he’s ready for a trail ride.”

Off they went --- never to look back. By age 6, Denver was going Training. He headed happily into Prelim before the eventing divisions changed to the present structure. He lived in Franklin, TN for a while with Sally – before children- and we hauled him to Chateau Elan in Georgia, where he was the High Point Horse of both days at 3rd level--- we still have the sweatshirts to prove it! He managed to find a gap in a fence while living at Tanyderi Farm, and better still, managed to find a golf course and a group of SPCA rescue folks, who took him home wondering what a nice guy like this was doing out for a walkabout!

As Sally Eyles-Goldfarb reminisces - Although many years have passed since I last trotted down center line atop Denver’s back, time has neither diminished nor goldened those privileged moments; he is, quite simply, the horse of my lifetime. What other horse has inspired me to make a combination out of our four foot ring (we made a 90 degree turn once we jumped in just to make it a bit more challenging), or raise the last jump of a gymnastic line to 5’3 just to see if we could do it? He did, and perhaps we could have gone higher but the standards ended there. I am pretty sure we have video footage of that grid, and I am fairly certain that I am wearing a sports bra, shorts, and half chaps -- ever the professional! Ha!

Part of the fun of riding him was being smaller than most of our fellow competitors. We always had the most bone, however, as well as the most hair and the most mane. But he didn’t know that, nor did he care. Waiting our turn to enter the ring, Denver would watch other horses go and, when we both felt we knew the course, he would swing his head around in that stallion-esque manner as if to say “Okay, we’ve got this!” Unless I steered him off course or sat down a bit too quickly in the saddle, double clears were his norm. Again, a horse of a lifetime!

Two of the best decisions ever made in my experience with horses was that of Catherine Mack’s to keep him intact, and that of my parents’ to bring him home. He has made all of our lives better just by being himself-- intelligent, willing, fun-loving, game, athletic and a bit cocky. To partner with that energy and that degree of athleticism was truly a gift. I am also grateful for the fact that so many of his offspring have inherited the qualities of what makes him special. To me, that is the sign of a great stallion. My oldest daughter, Margo, now has her chance to have (one of) the horses of her lifetime in his half-bred daughter, Denver’s Twobits. Just like her dad, Twobits has no idea that most of the other horses in her division are easily a hand taller. She watches intently outside of the ring and proudly enters when asked. The duo reminds me that Henry David Thoreau said it so well, as Margo “rides confidently in the direction of her dreams” because she, too, sits upon the next generation of that «can-do» attitude. May you all be so fortunate to have this feeling at least once in your lives. Thank you, Aladdin’s Denver, for sharing that with me.
Twin Rivers Ranch, Paso Robles, CA, the stunning, central coast, equestrian sports park was the site for this year’s West Coast Connemara and Irish Draught Show. The two-day show was packed with activity, featuring a full day of USEF/USDF/CDS recognized “Open” dressage rides, an ACPS Inspection and a final day of performance and breed classes. It was the inaugural weekend for the Irish Draught and Irish Sport Horse exhibitors to join in! ID/IDSH owners/riders competed in their own section of the show with breed and performance classes.

Organizer, Darian Hall of Rosewood Farm, Windsor, CA, led the horse show committee of Diana Cooley, ACPS Region X Treasurer, Bonni Kelley, ACPS Region X Chair, Pat Ashworth, Kathy Lucas, Joanie Webster and Lee Webster Ramensky. 29 Connemaras and Connemara halfbreds competed during the two days, with a complement of Irish Draught and Irish Draught Sport Horses included, (9), and “Open,” entrants, (17), increasing the number of overall entries to 65. All of us were pleased to welcome Mr. Wayne Quarles, Lexington, KY, dressage, breed and performance judge for Connemaras and the ID/IDSH.

First to arrive on Thursday was the horse show “skeleton crew” to put up stabling information and helpful signage. It was exciting to see a huge Bob Hubbard cross-country van arrive with 15 Connemara ponies from Orange Park Acres! Right behind the van was Karen Ball, FEI Dressage Rider and Trainer, representing Kathy Lucas and “Gately Farms!” Since she was a teenager, “Kari” has been the trainer/exhibitor for Kathy’s ponies. The incoming flow of competitors, their families and friends continued all day Friday. There were lots of hugs and “So-o-o good to see-you’s!”

Saturday morning started off at 7:00 a.m., with ACPS Inspectors evaluating and approving two promising five-year-old Connemara stallions. Additionally, three geldings were approved and five mares were approved at the initial level; three mares were presented and approved for “premium” status.

Both show days started at 8:00 a.m. and concluded shortly before dusk. Much to everyone’s satisfaction, the show ran...
right on schedule Saturday and Sunday. Saturday’s Dressage Day ranged from Intro rides through Fourth Level—a total of 61 rides!

After a long day judging dressage rides, Wayne was on his feet all day Sunday, positively and constructively evaluating the breed classes, hunter divisions, jumper classes and the Irish Derby. In a nearby arena, Bonni Kelley judged four hours of “Open Gate” Trail classes. For two days, Bonni’s husband, John Kelley, served as a most capable Announcer, occasionally spelled by guest ACPS Life Member, Margaret “Peggy” Whitfield from Orinda, CA. Peggy was an early East Coast Connemara Pony owner and breeder in MA and longtime friend of ACPS legendary members, Janet Read, Jackie and Ed Harris.

On Saturday evening, shortly before dark, many horse show attendees enjoyed watching the entertaining, tension-relieving “games” classes before joining all-comers for a “Meet and Greet” in the Twin Rivers Club House hosted by Bonni and John Kelley. Following this timely “social,” our host for a country BBQ dinner was Jeff Baxter, Owner/Operator of Twin Rivers Ranch with his wife, Connie, and daughter, Andrea. For a third West Coast Connemara Show, including the Irish Draught and Irish Sport Horses this year, it was a happy return to the exceptional Twin Rivers Ranch equestrian facility.

It seems appropriate at this time to mention another unfailing loyal ACPS Life member and past-President, Charlene O’Neil, who started the show days well ahead of most! Charlene and her two grandsons, Jordan and Michael Jantzen, were ready each day at 6:30 a.m. to host a complimentary continental breakfast in the Club House, jump-starting everyone for a cheery and satiated “new day!” Their table groaned with hot coffee, juices, pastries, assorted fruits and muffins! On Sunday, Charlene, Jordan and Michael were joined by “Momm” Sharon Jantzen, who coordinated In Gate traffic while Jordan and Michael took on a myriad of show-support jobs. The West Coast Connemara and Irish Draught Show could not have gone forward so successfully had “Team O’Neil/Jantzen” not been a part of the action!

Organizer, Darian Hall, and her husband, Allen, were also “on deck” throughout the weekend. Most visible, were the beautiful First Place prizes Darian and her “Windsor House” clients made during the year for 68 classes and six performance division championships! From cider mugs to wind chimes and jewelry boxes decorated with galloping Connemara Ponies, the prizes were unique and truly “prized!”

Keeping everything running smoothly in the Club House were our USEF Horse Show Secretary, Colleen Henderson, and high-energy volunteer leaders, Diana Cooley and Bonni Kelley. Starting with early e-mail communications last February, there is no question that Diana Cooley kept all volunteers “on track.” Diana and Joanie Webster were responsible for fundraising, (Advertisers and Sponsors), and publishing the Horse Show Souvenir Program.

Bonni Kelley, our www.westcoastconnemarashow.com webmaster, was supported by the invaluable ideas and “presence” from the soft-spoken, but effective, Pat Ashworth. Kathy Lucas, constantly commuting between her home in Orange Park Acres and family plantation in Virginia chimed-in, too, with encouragement and ideas—AND, bringing to the show, 15 Gately Farms competition ponies!

Diana and Pat were the organizers for a very exciting and successful Silent Auction featuring exemplary donations ranging from quality tack, a vacation home getaway in Inverness, CA, to a “Mystery Money Pony Pinata” and a handsome Irish show bridle and bit.

From her experience as an Eventing competitor and former West Coast Connemara Show Organizer and Manager, Lee Webster Ramensky deserves a big “thank you,” too. In addition to hosting the Irish Draught and Irish Sport Horse competitors, Lee was ever-present from Friday afternoon forward, adjusting dressage arenas and managing the set-ups for hunter, jumper, trail and Irish Derby courses. As the Sunday evening “MC,” Lee also helped conclude the weekend in the Club House as competitors and families gathered to view and WIN the gleaming 16 Connemara Perpetual Trophies on display.

We all “celebrated” individually each and every trophy winner, from talented junior riders to Adult Amateurs and winners of the In Hand Trophies. Please read the complete horse show results accompanying this article. Jackie Jackson, Shandon, CA, took professional photos on Saturday and Sunday, bullseyephoto@hotmail.com. It was a great show--sincere thanks to all who helped to make it so!

Results:


Prospect Hunters Under Saddle - 1. Cobblestone Brogan, Pat Ball
Breed Supreme Champion - *Castle Monarch, Kathy Lucas, Karen Shiver Me Timbers, Sandra Bedder, Sandra Bedder
Reserve: *Castle Monarch, Kathy Lucas, Karen Ball: 3. Wildwych Champion Purebred Stallion – 1.*Tir Mhuire Romeo, Katy Wilke, Hall, Darian Hall

Purebred Stallions 3 Years & Over – 1.*Castle Monarch, Kathy Lucas, Hillary Stewart
Purebred Geldings 3 Years & Over – 1. North Pole’s Hagen, Christine Nantell, Hillary Stewart


First level Test 1- Opportunity – 1. Cobblestone Thatch, Sarah Christy, Chris Christy
Second Level Test 3 – 1. Waterford, Olivia Loaicono, Olivia Loaicono

Fourth Level Test 1 – 1. Elisas Sta, Cindy Ramirez-smith, Cindy Ramirez-smith: 2. Wimenta CI, Gail Baum, Ariane Rezvani


Purebred Yearling & 2 Year Old Fillies – 1. Gately’s Leona, Kathy Lucas, Alison Folkman


Ground Event – 1. Stonybrook Mostly Irish: 2. Cobblestone Thatch


Pre-Training Jumpers 2’9”, Tab 2.2b - Open to All Breeds – 1. Desert Pearl: 2. Fit Fur A King: 3. Williamson: Level 1 Jumpers 3’5, Tab 2.2c - Open to All Breeds – 1. Williamson: 2. Desert Pearl, Kathy Lucas, Meghan Pears: 3. Brixton Mostly Irish, Kathy Lucas, Meghan Pears


Irish Derby-Novice 21” – 1. Rosewood Real McCoy: 2. Stonybrook Mostly Irish

Ireland Derby-Novice 2’11” – 1. Williamson: 2. Desert Pearl, Kathy Lucas, Meghan Pears: 3. Brixton Mostly Irish, Kathy Lucas, Meghan Pears


(Above) Rosewood Real McCoy and Erin Pasero
(Right) Darian Hall, Charleen O’Neal, Pat Ashworth, Julie Ashworth, and Sarah Christy.

*Tir Mhuire Romeo and Katy Wilke
Four Lochs Perfect Storm and Leslie Hagberg

*Castle Monarch and Kari Ball

Stonybrook Mostly Irish and Nancy Emsley

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(Above) No show is complete without Joanie Webster and her companion Holly.

(Top right) Chris Thompson and Clary’s Tupelo Honey

(Middle right) Martha Slamer and Halfbred Champion Larkin’s Gamin.

(Lower right) Trout Ranch Whimsey and Julia Latham earned Junior Champion, Versatility Champion and Show Grand Champion.

(Below) Wintermist Irish Fairy and Amy Juo were winners of Hunter under Saddle, and Lambay Seamus Working Hunter Championships.

Spectrum Photos
The 49th Annual Region 1 Connemara Show
South Woodstock, VT, July 18-19, 2015

The region 1 annual Connemara Breed Show – aka ‘Woodstock’, the premiere annual event on every New Englander’s Connemara calendar – gave us a complete sampling of all the weather in northern New England, with everything from blazing heat to show-stopping thunderstorms making their appearances. None of it was enough to dampen the spirits of over 40 ponies and their riders and handlers, or to depress our stalwart judges: Deborah Howell for Breeding and Performance, Sue Rogers for Driving, and Jessica Riley for Trail.

The breeding division on Saturday was very well filled with lovely ponies from all corners of the Connemara spectrum. These classes are such a feast, and such a barometer of what the breed is producing. Year by year it seems that the quality is getting more uniform and the breeding of the ponies more diverse, with so many lines represented that it’s a pedigree nut’s dream. It was the mares that really took the stage this year (Pat Lyne would be proud), with 15 strong contenders in the two mare classes, as well as several wonderful fillies in a combined Youngstock class.

The Youngstock Championship was deservedly won by Patricia Shields’ beautifully behaved and equally stunning mover Drybrook Winnifred, a bay yearling by Bailey’s Irish Dream x Lasrachai’s Dunlaith, by *Lasrachai. Reserve was Caroline Nesbitt & Bob Butcher’s dark brown two year old, Wintervale Hollywood, by Morning Glory’s Ilyushin x Wintervale Phoebe, by Aladdin’s Denver.

In both the Mare Championship and the overall In Hand Championship it was another bay/brown combination of mares on top, with Caroline Nesbitt and Bob Butler’s 3rd generation homebred Wintervale Mayblossom (Morning Glory’s Ilyushin x Wintervale Calliope, by *Chiltern Colm) collecting top honors and Susan Goodhouse’s homebred RMF Lady Avoca (*Sydserff Avalon x Tower Hills Meghan, by *Chiltern Copa of Tower Hill) reserve.

Champion Stallion was Kim Sterl’s successful grey South Ridge Aidan (S.R. Duncan’s Honor x Concord River Minute Maid, by Hideaway’s Smithereen). Reserve was Pat Shields’ bay Bailey’s Irish Dream (Balius Turlough x Beacon’s Siobhan, by Balmullo’s Beacon).

Champion Gelding was Deb Shade’s handsome young grey, Shady Hills Donovan (Maplehurst Michael MacDaire x Indian Summer’s Bridie, by *Hohnhorst Branni), with Bantry Bay’s Erin (Bantry Bay’s Ace x Kerrymor’s Un-Dun, by Lynfields Kiltuck) carrying the flag for an old New England sire line in Reserve.

In Performance, the big winner of the show was Trout Ranch Whimsey, a delightful grey four year old mare bred by Linda Haines from Trout Ranch Malarky x Elphin Kookaburra (Maplehurst Micheal MacDaire). Owned by Elizabeth Oellers and ably piloted by her daughter Julia Latham, ‘Team Whimsey’ won the Overall Grand Championship of the show, the Junior championship, and the coveted Sue Dexter Memorial Versatility Award.

I very much regret to say that I did not receive names for the Lambay Seamus Working Hunter or the Laura Balding Halfbred Overall Champions.

Meanwhile – many, many thanks to the hard working members of the show committee for coming up with another lovely weekend of eating, drinking, talking, and showing ponies. Also, many thanks to the strong Dales Pony contingent that has resuscitated the driving division with their lovely ponies! And finally – Amy Plavin, Susan Goodhouse, Carolyn McEvitt, Linda Haines, Bette Fredrickson, Lisa Hern Silvester, Janet Chayes, Sue Antilla, and the whole Region 1 show crew, we salute you. You are superstars.

Results:


Champion Connemara Mare In Hand: Wirnvale Mayblossom (Morning Glory’s Illyushin x Wirnvale Calliophe, by Chiltern Colm)
Reserve: RMF Lady Avoca (Sydsersf Avalon x Tower Hills Meghan, by Chiltern Copo of Tower Hill)

Champion Connemara Gelding In Hand: Shady Hills Donovan (Maplehurst Michael MacDaire x Indian Summer’s Bridie, by Hohnhurst Branni)
Reserve: Bantry Bay’s Erin (Bantry Bay’s Ace x Kerrymor’s Un-Dun, by Lynfields Kiltuck)
Champion Connemara Stallion In Hand: South Ridge Aidan (S.R. Duncan’s Honor x Concord River Minute Maid, by hideaway’s Erin Smithereen)
Reserve: Bailey’s Irish Dream (Balus Turlough x Beacon’s Siobhan, by Balmullo’s Beacon)
Connemara Get Of Sire - 1. Get of Morning Glory’s Illyushin: 2. Get of’ Maplehurst Michael MacDaire
Connemara Produce Of Dam - 1. Produce of Tower Hills Meghan
Champion Purebred Connemara In Hand - Wirnvale Mayblossom, Wirnvale Farm
Reserve: RMF Lady Avoca, Rolling Meadows Farm
Leadline - 1. Windy Hollow Modern Millie, Amy Halley/Reno Halley

Half of the fun of participating in the Region I Show is riding GMHA’s trails with friends. (Spectrum Photo)
November in Vermont means winter is nipping at our heels. The days are short accompanied by long cold nights. So, October is spent hustling to beat time and getting ready for six months of snow and cold. We usually take a break from riding with any consistency around this time.

Last year was different. Durango had been begging for a job in the winter months and my husband had been dreaming of logging with horses since he was in high school when he got his first taste of logging with a horse. The thought of driving for me has always been a scary one. For one, I had never done it, only heard of the bad accidents and thirdly I never had a horse I felt could do it.

Suddenly the lights went on. I thought, Durango can do this! Why couldn’t he? He has done everything else I have ever asked him to do. Jump a 4 foot oxer -- sure: be a leadline mount for my 4-year-old daughter -- sure: breed mares --- sure: and go compete without acting like a stallion --- sure. He has done everything ever asked of him so why not pull 12-16ft logs weighing 300-500 pounds down a 500-1000ft skidding trail and unhitch on the landing. Sure --- we could do it. Well, sure he could do it but could I?

With his willingness and my determination to learn I called an old horseman I had known since I was young. Earl said, “Sure, I can teach you but what kinda horse ya got”? I explained I had a nice Connemara stallion that I thought could do it.

He reservedly said, “Okay.”

Knowingly he had doubts in his voice.

I started searching Craigslist for a harness and found one advertised right down the road from us. I bought it. I now needed a collar. I did lots of research on how to fit a collar. I took measurements, re-measured and finally ordered one from Ohio. The one thing I did know is that it had to fit perfectly or your horse could have pain, sores and more.

A big box arrived with a new black collar and pad. Yippee! I was on my way to having a logging horse. I took the heavy thing to the barn and tried putting in on. Well, I couldn’t get it over his head.

Great now what?

The buckle on the top was riveted closed and looked to be purposely made that way. I decided to use brute force and stand on it with one foot and pull with on the opposite side. It opened up a bit. I tried again, success! I then fumbled with the pad and the metal clips. Rehearsing all that I had read I went through a mental check list on how to fit a collar. I decided it fit well, it did not interfere with his point to shoulder which is high and did not interfere with his windpipe where his neck meets his chest.

The next big hurdle was fitting the harness and the hames to the collar. Good ole’ Earl came over and helped me out. I said, “I’ve been ground driving him in the ring a few times and he was good.”

“Well, let’s have him pull a tire around and see how he does.”

We pulled one around in the field, then down the road. Earl said, “Boy he IS good, I wouldn’t have expected that out of a stallion.” Another feather in my cap is what I was think-
ing, I was also thinking well yeah of course he is good, it's Durango.

Weeks went by and we were preparing for the worst weather to come and yet I was still out working my Connemara in the fields and woods dragging logs hither and yon. Durango actually really enjoyed it and I enjoyed working as a team with him from on the ground. There must be some innate tendency for horses and pulling. He knew exactly what to do when he felt tension. He sank down with his front end, got under himself fully behind and rose up to pull. There was no teaching involved. The only thing I taught him was to stand quietly and to trust my word. That is it, nothing more.

Mid December we got our first real snow fall and the ground was frozen so we had the perfect set up for logging. The day had come. Did we have what it took to be a work horse of sorts?

I harnessed him and went out the pine woods. There were already three trees down and ready to go. I drove him up to the first log where he stopped and stood knowing what his job was. There were lots of green saplings whipping me in the face and whipping him but he didn't seem to care. The first log was a 12ft long 12 inch in diameter pine probably weighing 350 pounds which didn’t enter my mind until later.

Hitching and unhitching is probably the most dangerous. We were hitched and ready. I told him quietly to “Get Up.” Carefully he stepped forward feeling the tension BUT when he realized it was heavy and we were at an incline. He exploded with energy to pull. The sudden bolt caught me off guard. I scrambled to stay with him but the saplings knocked me down. As I stood up I realized I was on the low side of the log. The worst place you can be!

The log was creeping up my leg and I knew if I didn’t react to the what was happening, my leg would be kindling. I flopped down on the ground as the log reached my knee. I forfeited the reins to save myself. The log rose with great speed over my back and then over my head and off Durango went with the log in tow.

He galloped to the barn with the beast of a log at his heels. I couldn’t get up fast enough, sprinting to see if my sacred pony was okay. He stood in front of the barn waiting for me. I checked him over, and finding both of us unscathed, we pulled the log to the landing and unhitched. We hauled three whole trees that day without further incidence. I did realize however how lucky we were and how dangerous this could be.

Around the fifth day of logging we had it down. Garry would fell a tree with us watching and witnessing the profoundness of a huge pine tree falling, catching limbs and then beating the ground as it laid to rest. We could feel the ground tremble beneath us. The tree would be sawed up into pine logs and the rest considered pulpwood. Durango had become immune to the chain saw, the log truck, the bull dozer, the bumping of a frozen log over frozen ground and the constant jingle of chains hanging from his collar.

It’s Durango’s job to pull out all the pulpwood and the Fir. The other logs are just too big. Durango wears a heavy leather pulling harness, drags a singletree or whippletree as it is called in these parts, and carries log chains on his collar. He skids 10 logs an hour with me in tow. It is a lot of foot work on my part. When we eat, e eats. The simplicity is grand. The chains are constantly jingling, the steam constantly rising and the smell of the woods and a horse are endless.

For those of you who do not know Durango he also events, is a loving pony for my daughter and produces fabulous offspring. Yes, further proof that Connemaras CAN DO it all!

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**ACPS HALL OF FAME AWARD WINNERS FOR 2015**

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*TOOREEN LADDIE - Aladdin’s Denver, Ridgetop Connemaras*

*BROODMARE - *Hayselden Persephone, Katherine Wilkins*

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*AN TOSTAL - Tre Awain Goldsmith, Cady O’Daly Farm*

*CAMLIN - Wil ‘Ya Love Me, Courtney Sendak*

*TRE AWAIN HALFBRED - Orion’s Dunaire, Lee Anne Thomas*

**PUREBRED CONNEMARA OF THE YEAR - W.H. Topgun, Jim and Nancy Kilcrease**

**HALFBRED CONNEMARA OF THE YEAR - Sparrow’s Nio, Allie Sacksen**

**CRESTWOOD SERVICE - Anne Moe**
Connemara Sport Horse Registry Report – Oct 2015

Since the inception of the Connemara Sport Horse Registry early this year, I have been working closely with the developer of our record-keeping software, and a committee of board members, to get it up and running, and open for business. By the time I was ready to print the first certificates in March, I had a number of applications in hand, and quite a few on the way.

I have been delighted with the positive response that I’ve heard from fellow Connemara enthusiasts, breeders, and even sport horse enthusiasts with no close ties to the Connemara, all hoping the registry would bring our ponies more recognition and invite new supporters to join the ACPS. Even more exciting was talking to people I’d never met, and coming home to emails from long lost ACPS members asking, ‘do you think my Connemara partbred would be eligible for registration?’

We were fortunate to receive affirmation from none other than William Micklem in his timely write-up published by the ever popular blog, Eventing Nation, and also received enthusiastic support from Carol Kozlowski, amongst a number of other high profile sport horse affiliates. We received additional press on Eventing Nation when ACPS member, and Connemara breeder, Beth Davidson posted her blog about the new registry, highlighting the Connemara’s many talents and what they could bring to the table when used in a performance based sport horse program.

We know that. In the wise words, of the young 4* event rider, Allie Sacksen, ‘Just as the Germans have figured out how to breed a light style sport horse to dominate the world of eventing and show jumping, I believe the Connemara can contribute to the development of an American style sport horse that is just as competitive. The Connemara Sport Horses allow breeders to take the characteristics that we love in the Connemara ponies (athleticism, durability, heart and instinct) and mold them into horse sized athletes that will excel in any discipline.’

To date we have registered 14 Connemara Sport Horses ranging in age from this year’s foal crop, to 11 years old. The most popular crosses being with the Thoroughbred, or a combination of Thoroughbred and Irish Sport Horse; the most unique being a ¼ Connemara, ¼ Arabian, and ½ Andalusion – he is stunning – I was lucky enough to see him in person at the Region III Show! Most of the current registrants are under the age of four, but of those old enough to be under tack, they are competing in a variety of disciplines, and are most expectedly excelling in jumpers, dressage and eventing.

We have registered two Halfbred Connemara stallions thus far, one of whom already has registered offspring.

Since these partbreds are purpose bred for sport, they are primarily owned by, or are being marketed towards, competitors. They are not sitting idle in the fields of their breeders, these individuals are out competing, and promoting our breed, with their owners and trainers.

We have welcomed five brand new members to the ACPS, and we have revived three previous memberships. With promising youngsters coming available, I suspect there will be more new members in the very near future.

I hope you will join me in welcoming these new patrons of the ACPS, and in looking forward to the successes and enjoyment the Connemara will continue to bring.

Respectfully, Megan Buchanan Harris

Statistics on Current Registrants

Halfbred Connemara Stallions
1. 1998 Connemara x Connemara (unregistered)
2. 1993 Connemara x Irish Sport Horse

Connemara Sport Horse Mares
1. 2012 Thoroughbred x Connemara x Thoroughbred
2. 2013 Irish Draught x Connemara x Thoroughbred
3. 2015 Irish Sport Horse x Connemara x Thoroughbred
4. 2011 Irish Draught x Connemara x Thoroughbred
5. 2013 Hanoverian x Connemara x Thoroughbred
6. 2013 Holsteiner x Connemara x Thoroughbred
7. 2004 Thoroughbred x Connemara x Thoroughbred
8. 2015 Thoroughbred x Connemara x Quarter Horse

Connemara Sport Horse Geldings
1. 2014 Irish Sport Horse x Connemara x Thoroughbred
2. 2012 Thoroughbred x Connemara x Thoroughbred
3. 2004 Andalusian x Connemara x Arabian
4. 2010 German Riding Pony x Connemara x German Riding Pony
5. 2011 Halfbred Connemara x Appendix QH
6. 2010 Irish Draught x Connemara x Thoroughbred
7. 2015 Thoroughbred x Connemara x Thoroughbred
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Deadline - December 10, 2015
We always welcome submissions of photos and articles. Please identify photos and provide return address.
Send to ACPS, PO Box 100, Middlebrook, VA 24459 or send email to: americanconnemara@gmail.com

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HWD.S. Results

*Canal Laurinston  N/HWD  Callowfennish Mairtin x Village Laura
*Cashelbay Ellie  N/N Cashelbay Cruise x Ginger Meg
*Cashelbay Irish Promise  N/N Fredericksminde Hazy Match x Coosheen Phleasant
*Cashelbay Lady  N/N Moy Hazy Cove x Inverin Lady
*Coral Ballerina  N/N Coral Ross x Coral Molly
*Fernville Matchmaker  N/N Fredericksminde Hazy Match x Ross Castle Moya
*Glenmornist Amelia  N/HWD Domon Cavallo Praise x Glenmornist Clementine
*Glenmornist Rossleague  N/N Castle Baron x Glenmornist Rosmara
*Grange Finch  N/N Coosheen Finch x Grange Agnes Sparrow
*Gun Smoke  N/N Smokey Duncan x Brown Lady
*Hearnesbrook Dunoon  N/N Hearnesbrook Fastnet xKirting Bonnie Doon
*Kilfenora Windy Isles  N/N Windy Day x Boden Park Firethorn
*Licken Ballerina  N/N Windy Day x Duhallo Breeze
*Lishmar Mysty  N/N Westside Mirah x Tawin Hazel
*Lishmar Topaz  N/N Silver Heaven x Moy Dawn
*Rattle  ’N Snap Laddie Boy  N/N Moy Hazy Cove x Castlestrange Sparrow
*Rosemont’s Irish Abbey  N/N Abbeyfort x Lisheen Laith
*Ruby King Sparrow  N/N Bobby King Sparrow x Sienna Dusky Sparrow
*Seafield Ruby  N/N Banks Timber x Kilullagh Lass
*Smaragaid Cliff  N/N Munkholm Cobbergate x Shamrock Bright Roxanne
*TBS Declan Pondi  N/N Dexter Leam Pondi x Dandy Sparrow
*Tir Mhuire Romeo  N/N Tulia Robuck x Gaobh Mara
Aladdín’s Denver  N/N Aladdín x Tre Awain Cricket Song
Aluini Absolut  N/N *Hayselden Perseus x *Connemara’s Annisette
Aluini Clementine  N/N Aluini Denmark x Grace (Cheval Canadienne)
Aluini Durango  N/N Aladdín’s Denver x *Pattie’s Meredith
Anam Cara Pearl  N/N Rattle  ’N Snap Laddie Boy x Rock My World
Bailey’s Irish Dream
Ballencrief’s Brogan  N/N Landgate Bluebeard x Aladdín’s Winter Promise
Ballyhamage General’s Miss  N/N Wind Haven’s 4-Star General x Avenns Silke Sonata
Balmullo’s Beacon  N/N Aladdín x Tullymor’s April Fool
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2014 filly/Julie Keahey  N/N Dexter Leam Pondi x *Coral Misty Ciara
Blue Ridge Bluebell  N/N Landgate Bluebeard x Blue Ridge Arabel
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Catskill’s Lady Liberty  N/HWD Greystone’s Adriondack A’Herne x Foothills Freedom
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Century Hills Taylor Maide  N/N Maplehurst Michael MacDaire x *Eastland’s Glendeag
CH Collin O’Patrick  N/N
Cobblestone Bryce  N/N *Smaragaid Cliff x Cobblestone Roxanne
Concord River Scottish Thistle  N/N Tre Awain Dobh McDuff x *Sydererff Greylight
Dark Horse Leap of Faith  N/N Glenmornist Cuchuallain x Big Bear’s Bonnie Blue
Duet Farms Caillin Dobh  N/N JEF Sir Lancelot  Tre Awain Highland Mary
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Elphiiin Kookaburra  N/N Maplehurst Michael MacDaire x *Scottsway Lullaby
Erin Terra’s Ashby  N/N Erin Terra’s Dream x Roscommon Liadan
Federal Hill Zsu  N/N *Kilfenora Windy Isles x Cobweb Allison
Folklore Elizabeth McNicholas  N/N Fieldstreet Nicholas x Tre Awain Penwinkle
Folklore Grainne  N/N *Kilfenora Windy Isles x Folklore Honor Larkin
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Folklore Lughnasa  N/N Folklore James McNicholas x Loughnín’s Emerald
Folklore Tess Gallagher  N/N Wendover Kiltimagh x Folklore Elizabeth McNicholas
Foothills Faithfully  N/N Balmullo’s Beacon x Foothills Hopefully
Foothills Freedom  N/HWD Balmullo’s Beacon x Appleberry Acres Gabriel
Gately’s Red Robin  N/N Balius Ryduispence x Gralyn’s Gypsy Rover
Gideon Goodheart  N/N *Grange Finn Sparrow x Unreg. mare
Glendale’s Brooks and Dun  N/N Aladdín’s Denver x Lovely Cara
Glendale’s Mayday  N/N *Rattle  ’N Snap Laddie Boy x Glendale’s Mary Madgelene
Glendale’s Peach Fuzz  N/N CR Roaringwater Bay x Glendale’s Brooks and Dun
Glenmeadow Golden Wish  N/N *Kinzihausen Golden Mortimer x Ledgerwood’s Greystone Desiree
H.K.’s Danny Boy  N/N M.G.R.M. Brigadeon x Blossom
Irish Park’s Belfast Bonfire  N/N Hideaway’s Sebastian x Cedarhill’s Reendesert Lass
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JEF Sir Lancelot  N/N Tre Awain Dobh McDuff x Mack’s Greystone Erin’s Pride
Kynumnont’s Cooper O’Grady  N/N
Landgate Bluebeard  N/N *Rocky x Landgate Singing Bird
Lasraclai’s Geiles of Blue Oak  HWSD/HWD  *Lasraclai’s Balius Orland
Loughrea’s Seamus  N/N Greystone Adirondack A’Herne x Loughrea’s Liocch
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Paradox Cricket  N/HWD  *Canal Laurinston x Tower Hill’s Carmody
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Redbuds Titania  HWSD/HWD  *ArcCeltic Art x *Glenmornist Amelia
Ridgetop Amalith  N/N Landgate Bluebeard x *Licken Ballerina
Ridgetop Cathrinna  N/N Aladdín’s Denver x Tre Awain Toura Loura
Ridgetop Robin Goodfellow  N/N Aladdín’s Denver x Blue Hills Egan
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Roscommon Liadan  N/HWD Balius Malachi x Kent’s Silver Sixpence
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Rosewood Twilight  N/N MGRM Brigadeon x Tintern Rosalynn Robuck
Seaborn’s Schooner  N/N
S.R. Irish Envoy  N/HWD  Greystone Ian McVai x Glynmisn Absynie
Skyview’s Triton  N/HWD/C  Custusha’s Cashe Rock x Skyview’s Lady Regel
Smokin’ Kate N/N WH. Topgun x Balmullo’s Matilda
South Ridge Aidan  N/N
Stonybrook Bridey O’Shea  N/HWD  *Kingstown Joe x Stonybrook Blue Chip
Summerstreet Mountain Heather  N/N Tullymor’s Mountain King x
The ACPS Inspection Program was begun in 1995, thus making 2015 the 20th year. The ACPS had not had inspections since the 1960s, when the first program was discontinued. Time, distance, travel, all made the task difficult. In 1995, the ACPS governance thought it wise to become a part of the ICCPS - the International Committee of Connemara Pony Societies - and to be an affiliated member of that group, the Society had to have an Inspection program.

A very large committee of owners, breeders, and other interested folks, worked long and diligently to create a program that didn’t just give a “thumb’s up/thumb’s down” approach to the idea of looking at breeding stock, but instead, provided an educational experience for those presenting ponies and for those watching from the sidelines. The process was, and still is, a work in progress, with changes frequently made to the forms in order to provide more information.

The current method of an oral presentation of assessments gives those on the sidelines, as well as pony owners, a good chance to learn what the Inspectors saw, what parts of the pony were deemed excellent, and what could be improved. The guiding principle has always been education.

Unlike showing, where the pony is judged against others in the ring, the Inspection is based on a comparison of the pony to the ideal standard for the Connemara, and how close the individual comes to that ideal.

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M 1679 XXXIV – TULLYMOR’S KATIE KISSES from Carol Fauci to Kenny Lynn Page, 3802 Gulf of Mexico Drive, Unit 103, Longboat Key, FL 34228.
M 1716 XXXV – ELPHIN APRIL SHOWERS (Half-interest) from Fonda Eigel to Ann Tierney Smith, 441 Esconision Rd., Paris, KY 40361
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