A Great Loss

Our region has lost another long-time member. Susan McConnell passed away March 20 after a battle against ovarian cancer. She had attended our region meeting just a few days earlier. Susan was a past president of the ACPS, Chairman of the Inspection Committee, and our representative to the ICCPS. At her Oakfield Farm in Charlottesville, Virginia, she stood two Connemara stallions and produced many quality ponies who went on to successes in the show ring and many other activities. She was the consummate ambassador and advocate for the Connemara pony and will be sorely missed by many.

Save the Dates:

Upperville Colt and Pony Show
Connemara classes Sunday June 9

Warrenton Pony Show
Connemara classes Sunday June 30

Region III Show
July 27-28, Virginia Horse Center

ACPS Annual meeting
October 3-6, Richmond, Va
A special Guest

Phillip Scott has been invited to speak/teach at our annual meeting in October, details of his presentation are being worked out. Here are a few of Philip's credentials:

Horse Sport Ireland Accredited Tutor and owner of Barnfield Equestrian Center, Ballina, Co. Mayo
He jumped at the world famous Royal Dublin Society Show
He developed a Connemara Pony Performance Testing programme for the CPBS in the 1990s.
He has given clinics worldwide. I talked with Madeleine Beckman from Sweden (pres. of the ICCPS now), and she said he gave a wonderful conformation clinic and riding clinic for them last year, and this year he is judging their show.
He was sent to Holland by the Horse Sport Ireland group to develop the "Linear Profiling" programme - which is used now for inspection in the sport horse inspections, and by the CPBS for Connemaras.
He was an event rider, and went to the 3-star division ...and has ridden in point-to-points, hunted, and is generally a superior horseman.
I think everyone will enjoy him because he's humorous, he's invigorating ... and no one will be bored. In Sweden, he did a riding clinic as well as the classroom and conformation work. If we would like, I am sure he would be more than happy to work with some Connemaras and their riders since the U.S. is a whole new scene for him.

Pony Tales—New Arrivals!

A filly, born April 24, as yet unnamed, out of Foothill’s Maybee by Tre Awain Goldsmith, owned by Elaine Meilahn

A colt, Cloverhill Golden Ticket, born April 10, by Tullymor’s Ned Devine out of Glenmeadow Golden Wish, owned by Kim Harrison
And just in time to make the newsletter, a filly, **Balmullo’s Celtic Heart** out of Balmullo’s Irish Moss by *ArdCeltic Art

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**Minutes from ACPS Region III Meeting**

**Sycamore Ridge Farm, Warrenton VA**

**March 17, 2019**

Attendees: Judy Brescia, Pat Brescia, Walter Eyles, Marian McEvilly, Julia and Alexandra Kondanov, Debby Howell, Marilynn Davis, Donna Duckworth, Deb Norman, David Norman, Janet Gunn, Catherine Mack, Marynell Eyles, Susan McConnell, Susan Baker, Amanda Welch, Linda Trimper, Anne C Hindman, Eileen Peet, Marilyn Cheek, Leslie Cheek

The meeting was called to order by Region Chair Kim Harrison at 1:20 after a wonderful luncheon feast.

**Elections** – Elections were held and the current officers were re-elected for another term. Kim Harrison will continue as our Region III Chair, Linda Trimper will continue as Treasurer and Judy Brescia as Secretary.

**Annual Meeting** – The ACPS annual meeting will be held in Richmond, VA from Oct. 3 -6. Forty rooms have been reserved in the Berkley Hotel at the nightly rate of $149. There will be a variety of activities available to attendees, including a trip the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts, boat tours on barges in the canal, Shirley Plantation, trolley rides and other activities. On Friday night, the plan is to have dinner at Sine Pub. Donna Duckworth will host the group at her farm on Sunday and there will possibly be a clinic held there. Most of Saturday will be spent in meetings. Marian McEvilly will provide a number of her wood cutout horses to be used as centerpieces for the banquet and gifts to participants. She would like help painting them. If you have ideas for activities that could be offered to groups of attendees, please contact Deb Norman and she will compile a list and see what activities people would like to pursue.

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The ACPS Board of Governors is looking for persons to sit on the board. If you or someone you know would like to be nominated, please contact Sally Oxnard: stoxnard@gmail.com

The Awards Committee is always looking for Hall of Fame ponies, you can nominate your own pony or one you admire.

Inspections will be held in 2020, you can let the inspection committee know if you have a pony to be inspected at any time.

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**Newsletter and Classifieds:**

Classified ads are FREE in the newsletter, can have pictures and as much text as you wish, just send copy to Kim Harrison: vaharrisons@verizon.net

Send your pony tale news, too!
**Warrenton and Upperville Shows** – Debby Howell will judge Warrenton and Marynell will judge Upperville this year.

**Show Ground Available** – Barbara Byrd wants to make our members aware that the Clarke County Ruritan Fairgrounds has been renovated and now has a 150 X 300 all weather arena, a new 18 stall barn with 2 tack rooms. The facility is available for rental from the Ruritans. Barbara can help schedule it.

**Region III Show** – Our show will again be held at the Virginia Horse Center in Lexington on July 27 -28. Laura Balding will judge the Connemaras, Hetty Abeles will judge the Mountain and Moorlands and Muffin Pantaze will judge dressage. Muffin is willing to do a fix test on Friday afternoon if there is interest. The dressage went so long last year that there will be a limited number of entries accepted this year. We will be using the same rings as last year and will have the Saturday night dinner. The ribbons have been ordered and Linda Trimper will be coordinating the sponsorship requests. We might have a trail clinic on Friday.

**Elderly Stallion seeking a home** – Catherine Mack has been caring for Perseus since the death of Sam Davis. He is 28 years old and in good health and can be turned out with mares or geldings. If you have a place for him, please contact Catherine.

The meeting was adjourned.
Respectfully submitted,
Judy Brescia

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**Classified Ads**

**For Sale: Rides and Drives!**

*Mega Luck*, 2005 halfbred mare by Minyffords Megastar (Welsh Cob) out of Balmullo’s Matilda. 14 hands, dark bay with chrome, big mover in a small box, with bone and class. Update: After some investigation I have found “Meg” was Region IV halfbred in-hand champion as a two year old, then was broke to drive. This spring she restarted under saddle, and has done a great job of learning new skills. She was half bred green reserve champion at our region show, and won the trail class. She hacks out alone or in company, always with dogs, jumps around little courses, and could handle anything a pony clubber might want to try. I also have taken her hunting, and have even whipped-in off of her. Contact Kim Harrison 804-639-0881 or vaharrisons@verizon.net

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*Mega Luck at work last hunt of the season*
**Daystar Farm Offers:**

**Daystar’s Ronan:** Purebred Gelding
Ronan is that hard to find, uber desireable oversized gelding! By Blue Ridge Donnelly (Moxley Duncan) and out of a Briarpatch Mac mare (Balius Brannigan) He is a lovely bay roan with a very kind, sweet eye and pony face. Green under saddle. Contact Margaret Long 804-380-1022

![Daystar’s Ronan](image1)

**Daystar’s Jack O’Lantern:** Halfbred gelding
Be in the ribbons with Jack! At just under 14h, Jack is a small bundle of greatness. Professionally started and placing in each of his classes at Pony Pleasure. Jack is an eyecatching dun roan paint with a beautiful head and eye, and chrome to spare. He is a "look at me!" pony. Has suspected hay allergy, make offer. Margaret Long 804-380-1022

![Daystar’s Jack O’Lantern](image2)

**Foothill’s Field Marshall:**
Standing at stud: Foothills Field Marshall (*Gunsmoke X Foothills Maybee), outstanding eventing stallion, now competing at Preliminary. Many beautiful babies on the ground. $850 stud fee includes $200 booking fee. Cooled shipped semen only.... shipping and collection costs paid by mare owner. Further information, balmullofarm@gmail.com
For further information call 804-507-0269.

![Foothill’s Field Marshall](image3)

**For sale:** outstanding half-bred gelding, coming 3, by Foothills Field Marshall aka Bruiser. Balmullo’s Moon Dancer is out of an ID/TB, Rivendell’s Summer Moon, and was bred to event. 15.1 hands at a year, he promises to be large and athletic. He has been well handled, and leads, loads, and stands for bathing and the farrier. For further information email balmullofarm@gmail.com

![Balmullo’s Moon Dancer](image4)
For Sale: Friendliest pony on the planet! **Balmullo’s Winter Wind** aka Winnie (Foothill’s Field Marshall X Tullymor’s Gracie Gray). Coming yearling (March). Will stay pony size and have springs on her feet! $4000

For Sale or Lease: **Tullymor’s Gracie Grey** ; 6 y.o. 13.2 hh, no drama, very easy to handle. Broke to ride by a teenager. Pedigree on allbreeds.

For Sale or Lease: **Tre Awain Tinker’s Moon** (Tre Awain Ginger Blue x Tre Awain Ballydoon Beauty). 16 year old mare. Has had two foals. She has foundered (although now is ok) so probably should only be considered for breeding. Further information, balmullofarm@gmail.com
Cady O’Daly Farm Offers:

Standing at stud: Tre Awain Goldsmith (Tre Awain Ginger Blue x Tre Awain Golden Lily) - 15.2, 1999 dun stallion with an impressive competition record. Winner of the 2015 ACPS An Tostal Award. Known for passing along his lovely temperament, athletic jump, and beautiful movement to his offspring. N/N for HWSD, $800 Tag will be standing in Lexington, Kentucky for the 2019 season. Contact Emily at www.CadyODalyFarm.com; for more information. 571-271-9441

Cady O’Daly Henry 2018 purebred gelding by Tre Awain Goldsmith, out of Ridgetop Cady O’Daly. Henry is an exceptional, typey colt from performance bloodlines who will be a fabulous athlete. With his temperament, he'd be well-suited for an amateur but will also have enough talent for a professional as well. He is sweet, curious, smart and has lovely athletic gaits and could be a stallion prospect. His sire, Tre Awain Goldsmith, is an ACPS An Tostal winner and has produced dozens of purebred and halfbred foals who have gone on to be successful in eventing, dressage, jumpers, Pony Club and foxhunting. His dam, Ridgetop Cady O’Daly (by Aladdin's Denver) is a premium mare and winner of the 2018 Camlin performance trophy who evented through Training level and has an incredible performance resume. Henry is expected to reach 15h (or thereabouts). Recent clean vetting. Priced at $6500

Tre Awain Goldsmith

For Sale:

Cady O’Daly Pippa 2018 purebred filly by Tre Awain Goldsmith and out of Northern Divide. Pippa is a sweet, very correct and gorgeous filly. We expect her to reach at least 15h. With her wonderful temperament and athletic ability, we think she will be an exceptional performance horse, and future broodmare. Her sire, Tre Awain Goldsmith, is an ACPS An Tostal winner and has produced dozens of purebred and halfbred foals who have gone on to be successful in eventing, dressage, jumpers, Pony Club and foxhunting. Her dam, Northern Divide, is sired by Aluinn Durango (by Aladdin's Denver) and
out of the premium mare Tre Awain Ballydoon Beauty. This line is well-known for their athletic ability, big movement and gorgeous type. Her dam's siblings have gone on to excel in numerous disciplines, including up to Preliminary eventing. Priced at $6,500. Contact Cady O'Daly Farm - 434-665-9876; www.cadyodalyfarm.com; cadyodalyfarm@gmail.com

GLENDALE FARM OFFERS:
Deb Norman debnorman@mindspring.com

We will once again stand Rattle 'n Snap Laddie Boy (Moy Hazy Cove x Castle Strange Sparrow). Stud fee is $800 which includes a $250 booking fee.

Also standing at Glendale Farm is *Fernville Matchmaker (Fredericksminde Hazy Match x Ross Castle Moya [Abbeyleix Owen]), imported from Ireland. He is a 2006 14.2 grey pony with excellent bone and movement. Stud fee is $600 which includes a $250 booking fee.

This one is fancy!
https://vimeo.com/240419832

ANNIGAN. Conn/TB mare. 4 yo. Grey. 15’1”. She is a full sister to above Iris. This one is fancy. She also has the most lovely personality. She loves her “peeps”. Easy, quiet, ready to go, with unlimited potential. She has been trail ridden a lot. Ridden in the ring. Jumped. She is just waiting to go and do … and she too will be quite happy about that. $12K.

4-yr-old crosses by Laddie!

CHICKADEE. QH cross filly out of my fox hunting paint 16’ QH mare, Roxie. Buckskin, big star, sweet, easy. Will be over pony size.$7500

WERTHY. Bay gelding out of above mentioned Annie. So sweet, so easy. Will be a great friend and partner in adventure. I have nothing to say but good things about this over sized “pony”$8K.

And last, but certainly not least!

JACK OF HEARTS. Purebred buckskin gelding by Bruiser (Balmullo’s Field Marshall) of eventing fame, out of our big Premium Aladdin’s Denver Mare, Brooks and Dun. He will steal your heart and will be a force in the competition world if he gets a say in the matter. I am sure that he will be over pony size. He is a coming 2 yo. Priced at 8K.
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