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SWITCH WILLO STABLES NEWSLETTER



HELLO MARCH!

Thank you for being a member of our Switch Willo community! Read on to find out what's happening.

Left: Louie strikes a dashing pose in front of the ribbon wall at GSEC Winter Series (Louie's person is SWS Trainer Natalie Pape).

Below: Our Annual Easter Party and Egg Hunt is happening on Easter Sunday, March 31, 3:00-5:00!

UPCOMING EVENTS

- MARCH 5-17: OCALA WINTER SPECTACULAR SERIES WEEK 10 & 11
- MARCH 16-17: CTHJA IN WACO/EXTRACO EVENT CENTER
- APRIL 2-14: PIN OAK CHARITY SHOW/KATY
- MAY 2-12: GREAT SOUTHWEST ROUND UP & FIESTA CLASSIC SHOWS/KATY
- APRIL 20-21: CTHJA IN SAN ANTONIO/ROSE PALACE



CTHJA YEAR END AWARDS AND BANQUET

Congratulations to the following Switch Willo riders and horses who earned year end awards in the Central Texas Hunter Jumper Association!

- Ginger Lilie: High Point 13 and Under, 5th Place
- Gracelyn Szewczyk: High Point 14-17, 6th Place; Junior Equitation, 2nd Place
- Patience Reading: High Point 36 and Over, 2nd Place; Modified Adult/Child Equitation, 2nd Place
- Carter (owned by Lauren Slade): Beginner Hunter, 1st Place
- Liliana Bay (Ginger Lilie): Beginner Hunter, 6th Place
- Texas Red (Samantha Jacoby): 2'3" Schooling Hunter, 4th Place
- Redford (Glenn Johnson): 2'3" Schooling Hunter, 5th Place
- Sydney Beaumont (Patience Reading): 2'6" Low Hunter 4th Place; Modified Child/Adult Hunter, 2nd Place
- Roman (Gracelyn Szewczyk): Green Hunter, 1st Place; Junior Hunter, 4th Place
- Warhol Z (Heather Rogers): Green Hunter, 6th Place
- SW Frequent Flyer (Josh Natinsky): Low Hunter, 3rd Place
- Zeus (Brooke Staley): YNP Hunter, 2nd Place
- Lauren Slade: Beginner Equitation, 3rd Place
- Abi Cunningham: Beginner Equitation, 4th Place
- Brie Cunningham: Modified Adult/Child Equitation, 5th Place
- Brooke Staley: YNP Equitation, 2nd Place
- Kinsley Ruskin: Junior Equitation, 6th Place

CTHJA YEAR END AWARDS AND BANQUET

Clockwise from top0 L: Kylie Wiggins, Michelle Simmons and Lindsey Mortimer; Lauren Slade, Ginger Lillie and Gracelyn Szewczyk; Nathan, Alana and Ginger Lillie; Lindsey Mortimer, Holly Mortimer and Janie Gribble; Addison Azura; Lindsey Mortimer, Lauren Slade, Ginger Lillie, Kylie Wiggins, Gracelyn Szewczyk and Michelle Simmons.



SWITCH WILLO AT THE GSEC WINTER SERIES

Clockwise from L: Natalie York and Cascorie MCF, "Simba", Low Children's Hunter Champion; Allie Eickenhorst and Abby Dewan celebrated birthdays at the show; Natalie York also celebrated her birthday, shown here with Izzy Branc; Abby on Flynn with 4th Place Derby Ribbon; Abby and Flynn, Champion in Junior Hunters; Bea Carter and Empire's Lady Cadet, "Caddy".



MORE OF SWITCH WILLO AT THE GSEC WINTER SERIES

Clockwise from top L: Allie Eickenhorst; Abby Dewan on Flynn; TJ Arnold and Octavian, "Tater"; Allie Eickehorst on Celtic King, "Steve" with Glenn Johnson and Bea Carter; Natalie York with Cascorie MCF, "Simba" with Champion ribbon, Lauren Buettner on Santa Ana Lux, "Lux".



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR IEA TEAM, CAPITAL CITY EQUESTRIAN, WHO TURNED IN GREAT RIDES AT REGIONALS AND QUALIFIED FOR ZONE FINALS! THOSE RIDERS INCLUDE THE MIDDLE SCHOOL TEAM AND THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS:

- Chloe O'Connell: JV Intermediate Fences
- Maya Graziano: JV Novice Fences
- Bella Pagel: JV Beginner
- Brie Cunningham: Future Intermediate Fences and Flat
- Sophia Robidart: Future Beginner



L: Switch Willo's own Roosevelt was honored as Flat Horse of the Day at Regionals!

At right, L-R: Addison Azura, Brie Cunningham, Abi Cunningham, Kylie Wiggins, Katherine Siemes, Sophia Robidart, Hallie Cunningham and Lindsey Mortimer.



At left, L-R: front row, Emma Williams, Addison Azura, Katherine Siemes, Abi Cunningham. Back row, Louise Boone, Sophia Robidart, Elle Locke, Lindsey Mortimer and Bella Pagel.

IEA TEAM AT REGIONALS

Clockwise from top L : Grace McCarty, Louise Boon on SWS's Ken; Chloe O'Connell; Katherine Siemes, Soleil Fullinck and Sophia Robidart; Abi Cunningham with Roosevelt; front row Zephyr Smith, Sophia Robidart, Katherine Siemes, Abi Cunningham and back row Addison Azura, Emma Williams and Elle Locke; Bella Pagel and Elle Locke.



HORSE SHOW INFORMATION MEETING

Join us on Sunday, March 10 from 4:30-6:00 in the camp house for a horse show information meeting! Whether you have never been to a show or you've taken time off and are returning to showing, this meeting is for you. Our horse shows offer divisions for everyone so it's never too early to attend. RSVP to michelle.simmons@gmail.com. Pictured below is Catherine Moorhead on Cartano K, "Arthur" showing in Ocala.



WELL DONE TO SWITCH WILLO RIDERS WHO EARNED YEAR END AWARDS IN THE TEXAS HUNTER JUMPER ASSOCIATION!

- Lonesome Dove (Stevie Jones): Junior Hunter Small 3'3" 5th Place
- I Have A Dream (Abby Dewan): Children's Hunter 15-17 6th Place; Green Hunter 3'3" 6th Place
- Quicken 2 PR (Catherine Moorhead): Amateur Owner Hunter 3'3" 3rd Place
- Bruno's Bellini (Catherine Moorhead): Amateur Owner 3'6" Champion; Amateur Owner Hunter 3'3" 4th Place
- Octavian (TJ Arnold) Adult Amateur Hunter 50 & Over 3rd Place; Adult Amateur Equitation 6th Place
- Patience Reading: Modified Adult Equitation 3rd Place

FEBRUARY PHOTO GALLERY

Clockwise from top L: Natalie York and Izzy Branc's Calinus 4, "George" enjoy a strawberry refresher at the barn; Abby Dewan, I Have a Dream, "Flynn", Kylie Wiggins, Izzy Branc, George, and Natalie York; Abby with birthday wishes; Izzy Branc on George with Natalie Pape; Lindsey Mortimer, Annie Drew, and Natalie Pape celebrating Tango's 18th birthday; Izzy Branc and Natalie York stand by while George opens a trunk; Lauren Buettner and Lux with Glenn Johnson; Jenaro Sanchez, Flynn, and Abby getting on for the Derby.



2024 USEF Horse Show Schedule

December 7 – 10 Christmas Show San Antonio, TX

January 17 – 21 Blue Ribbon Winter Waco, TX

March 5 – 10 WEC Winter Spectacular X Ocala, FL

March 13 – 17 WEC Winter Spectacular XI Ocala, FL

April 2 – April 7 Pin Oak Charity Horse Show II Katy, TX

April 10 - 14 Pin Oak Charity Horse Show III Katy, TX

May 2 - 5 Great Southwest Round Up Katy, TX

May 9 - 12 Fiesta Classic Katy, TX

June 12 - 16 Summer in the Rockies I Parker, CO

June 19 - 23 Summer in the Rockies II Parker, CO

July 24 – 28 Ocala Summer Series Week 7 Ocala, FL

July 31 – August 4 Ocala Summer Series Week 8 Ocala, FL

September 18 - 22 Southwest Showdown Katy, TX

September 26 – 29 GSEC Fall Classic Katy, TX

October 17 - 20 Monster Mash Katy, TX

Oct 30 – Nov 3 Harvest Katy, TX

November 6 - 10 Great Southwest Autumn Classic Katy, TX

November 13 - 17 Final Chase Katy, TX

2024 Local Horse Show Schedule

March 16-17	CTHJA in Waco	Extraco Events Center
April 20-21	CTHJA in San Antonio	Rose Palace
May 4-5	CTHJA in Magnolia	Haras
May 18	TSSA Bit by Bit	Bit by Bit Farm
June 1-2	CTHJA in San Antonio	Rose Palace
July 12-14	CTHJA Summer Circuit	WilCo Expo Center
July 26-28	CTHJA Summer Circuit	WilCo Expo Center
August 9-11	CTHJA Summer Circuit	WilCo Expo Center
September 7	TSSA Bit by Bit	Bit by Bit Farm
September 14-15	GHHJA Fall Fest	GSEC
October 12-13	GHHJA Octoberfest	GSEC
November 9-10	CTHJA Final Show	WilCo Expo Center