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SWITCH WILLO STABLES NEWSLETTER



HELLO MAY!

Thank you for being a member of our Switch Willo community! Can you believe that it's May? Schedules get busy and so does our show season. Read on to find out what's happening!

Left: Izzy Branc and Abby Dewan at Pin Oak

Below: Congrats to Catherine Moorhead who rode to a 5th place finish out of a field of 42 in the \$15,000 National Derby at Pin Oak on Quicken 2 PR, "Q2"!

UPCOMING EVENTS

- MAY 3-7: GREAT SOUTHWEST ROUND UP/KATY
- MAY 6-7: TRINITY HILL/WILCO EXPO CENTER
- MAY 10-14: FIESTA CLASSIC/KATY
- MAY 29: SWS SUMMER CAMP STARTS
- JUNE 15-25: BLUE RIBBON SUMMER FESTIVAL I & II/WACO



EASTER PARTY!

Our Easter Party was a great success! The Easter Egg hunt with over 2,000 eggs meant that kids went home with LOTS of eggs containing all kinds of goodies. Thank you to all who came!



Left and below: the Lins made it a family affair at the Easter Party



AROUND THE BARN: BARN LESSONS



Barn lessons are important opportunities to learn more about horse care, the hunter jumper sport, and many other aspects of correct horsemanship.

Pictured at left at a recent barn lesson are trainer Kylie Wiggins, Julia Hentrich, Isabelle Arnold and Tiny Gish. They are preparing a mash of Timothy hay pellets and Ultium feed for horses needing additional nutrition (lovingly known as our "Skinny List"). These riders are learning about horse feeding and health while getting to actively help in our horses' care. We encourage riders to attend barn lessons as our instructors work hard to make them informational and fun!

SWITCH WILLO AT PIN OAK

Congratulations to our riders who just returned from two weeks at Pin Oak! Way to go Switch Willo riders and trainers!

Clockwise from below L: Catherine Moorhead on Q2; Catherine Moorhead and C' Est Ca Z; Lauren Buettner and Santa Ana Lux Z, "Lux"; Natalie York and Rocketman, "EJ"; Abby Dewan and I Have a Dream, "Flynn"; Annie Drew on Tango Too.



SWITCH WILLO AT TRINITY HILL



Counter-clockwise from top L: Lily Marshall, Gracelyn Sczwczyk, Sarah Underwood, Lydia Vine, Samantha Jacoby and Brooke Staley; Lydia Vine on Chiko Z; Gracelyn Sczwczyk on Roman; Ginger Lillie on Lillie; Hermione Peiris with Mason.



IEA NATIONALS!

Well done to Elle Locke who just returned from IEA National Finals at Tryon International Equestrian Center in Tryon, North Carolina. Elle rode extremely well according to IEA Head Coach Lindsey Mortimer and finished in the top 18 in the nation! Tryon lived up to its reputation as a beautiful, fun venue and the IEA did a great job of presenting this very special event.



MAY PHOTO GALLERY

Counter-clockwise from below:
SWS riders at Trinity Hill;
Hermione Peiris with Mason;
Natalie Pape and Louie;
Easter bows at Pin Oak;
Jose Miguel and Tango;
Natalie York and Izzy
Branc poulticing Calinus 4,
"George's" legs; Ginger Lillie
getting help with the hairnet tuck
(never easy!).



MAY PHOTO GALLERY

Counter-clockwise from below:
Head Groom Jenaro Sanchez and
Tango; George and his stuffie;
Patricia and Hermione Peiris;
Kylie Wiggins and Ginger Lillie;
Gregorio and George; Izzy Branc
and George; Patience Reading and
Sydney Beaumont, "Beau".

Center: trainer Natalie Pape and
friend.



2023 Local Horse Show Schedule

March 11-12	Mo Daze – Britania GHHJA	GSEC
April 15-16	Trinity Hill CTHJA	Wilco Expo Center
April 22	Bit by Bit TSSA	Bit by Bit Farm
May 6-7	Trinity Hill CTHJA	Wilco Expo Center
May 20	Box T TSSA	Salado
June 3-4	Classic Horse Show GHHJA	GSEC
July 7-9	Summer Circuit CTHJA	WilCo Expo Center
July 21-23	Summer Circuit CTHJA	WilCo Expo Center
August 4-6	Summer Circuit CTHJA	WilCo Expo Center
September 16	Bit by Bit TSSA	Bit by Bit Farm
October 28-29	Halloween GHHJA	Pine Hilll
November 11-12	CTHJA Final Show	WilCo Expo Center
November 18	Box T TSSA	Salado
November 25-26	Finish Line GHHJA	GSEC

2023 USEF Horse Show Schedule

December 8 – 11	Thanksgiving Show	Waco, TX
January 19 – 22	Blue Ribbon Winter	Waco, TX
March 15 – 19	WEC Winter Spectacular XI	Ocala, FL
March 22 – 26	WEC Winter Spectacular XII	Ocala, FL
April 4 – April 8	Pin Oak Charity Horse Show II	Katy, TX
April 12 - 16	Pin Oak Charity Horse Show III	Katy, TX
May 3 - 7	Great Southwest Round Up	Katy, TX
May 10 - 14	Fiesta Classic	Katy, TX
June 15-18	Blue Ribbon Summer Festival I	Waco, TX
June 22-25	Blue Ribbon Summer Festival II	Waco, TX
July 26 – 30	Ocala Summer Series Week 8	Ocala, FL
August 2 – 6	Ocala Summer Series Week 9	Ocala, FL
September 20 - 24	Southwest Showdown	Katy, TX
Sept 28 – Oct 1	GSEC Fall Classic	Katy, TX
October 19 - 22	Monster Mash	Katy, TX
November 8 - 12	Great Southwest Autumn Classic	Katy, TX
November 15-19	Final Chase	Katy, TX