



Virginia-Carolinas Morgan Horse Club Newsletter

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Summer meeting at
Flintlock Farm
RSVP: Gael Jaeger
petejaeger@flintlockfarm.com
or call 919-929-1416

Nov 17th:

Year-end awards
and General Elections
at Brier Creek
Country Club

**SSMHS 40th Year
Celebration**

Dear Friend,

This is the first addition of our bi-monthly on-line club newsletter. The goal is to help our club members keep in touch with each other as well as to keep informed of club events, activities and deadlines. In order to make this newsletter successful, we are counting on all of you to submit news, pictures and announcements to share. Submission deadlines are by the 15th of the previous month. For example, the deadling for October issue submissions would be September 15th. See more details about newsletter submissions in the article below. I hope you enjoy this first issue and welcome any feedback and suggestions to improve this on-going newsletter.

Sincerely,

Andrée Vetrano

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SSMHS 40th Year



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Summer Club Meeting at Flintlock Farm



Vote for our Show!

Did you enjoy your Southern States Morgan Horse Show experience? If so, please vote for our show in the USEF Favorite Breed Competition Contest!

Go to:
[USEF Favorite Breed Competition](#)



Celebration

We couldn't have been happier with this year's Southern States Regional Morgan Horse Show. The weather was perfect and Fred Nava did a great job in his 4th year managing our show.



The 20 plus show committee volunteers did an absolutely tremendous job in helping the show run smoothly. EventMix was new this year as our event coordinator for the 1970's retro exhibitor's party and Saturday Memorial Day picnic. Both parties were a huge success. We were very appreciative of the many exhibitor's who provided positive feedback and who showed good natured spirit by participating in our fun events such as the "Mint Julep" ride and 70's costume contest.

Overall, everyone seemed to have a lot of fun and a really good time. We want to build on our momentum, so stayed tuned for next year!

Summer Club Meeting at Flintlock Farm

VIRGINIA-CAROLINAS MORGAN CLUB SUMMER MEETING

August 18, 2012

Flintlock Farm
Gael and Pete Jaeger
4530 Manns Chapel Rd., Chapel Hill, NC 27516

12:00 Club Meeting with meal following

Donation is \$10.00 for meal prepared in Pete's Party Pavilion

Please bring your favorite dessert to compete in this hotly contested competition!

RSVP to petejaeger@msn.com or 919-929-1416

**Member Spotlight -
Denny Powell and
Jim Paden of
Cedarwood Equine**

**Recent Graduates
Congratulations to
the class of 2012**



Nancy Merritt

Member Spotlight - Denny Powell and Jim Paden

Denny Powell and Jim Paden reside in Durham, NC. Denny works at Wake Med Hospital in Raleigh and has a career as an Occupational Therapist. Jim operates **Cedarwood Equine**, a barn offering training, boarding and a lesson program that has grown dramatically over the last two years.

Denny, a native of Louisiana got his introduction to the horse show world roughly 10 years ago. He began his show career seven years ago showing Arabians and Half-Arabians. Over time, he watched as other customers in the barn enjoyed their Morgan's and thought he would like to ride and show a Morgan. Neither one of us had ever attended the Morgan Grand National so in October of 2010 we headed to Oklahoma City to watch the show and possibly look for a horse that Denny could compete on in the Morgan division. We bought two, and Denny was "on his way". Unfortunately for Denny, Jim sold one of the horses within three weeks and the remaining horse was sold within five months. In order to keep the peace, Jim made it his mission to find another horse to get Denny in the ring. In May of last year Denny finally got his show horse, a Morgan mare named Unfaithful. He has thoroughly enjoyed riding and showing her. Unfaithful has proven to be a good match and Denny has been able to improve his riding techniques. He would like to get more involved with the showing aspect but the hospital schedule comes first.

Denny and Jim currently own two Morgan mares and a three year old colt they hope to compete this year in harness and under saddle. Both agree that it was a good decision to "branch out" to another breed. It has been rewarding working with nice horses and meeting new people. They always welcome any visitors that would like to stop by the barn.

Recent Graduates

Nancy graduated from Carrboro High School and is excited to be attending Meredith College in the fall as a participant in their Honors program. Meredith is a small, private women's college in Raleigh, North Carolina with a rich history and tradition, in addition to a superior academic program. She will be attending with the help of various scholarships, including academic and honors scholarships from Meredith and the 2012 Wheat State Educational Youth Scholarship from the American Morgan Horse Institute. Nancy will be only 45 minutes away from home, and hopes to continue riding Morgans at BridleWood Farm



Sarah Roller

**October Newsletter
Submissions
by September 15th**

Send to

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in Chapel Hill as much as possible as well as continuing to work with the BridleWood Morgan youth club.

Sarah graduated from Northwood High School and plans on attending UNC Greensboro. She wants to major in Media studies and minor in creative writing. During college she plans on commuting back and forth to BridleWood farm from school so that she can continue riding. Sarah wants to ride as much as possible and continue showing whenever possible.

October Newsletter Submissions

Our next newsletter will be the October issue. The theme will be "How was your Summer?" What shows did you go to? What were your successes? What fun events did you attend?, etc... Please send your print ready articles along with photos to me by September 15th. Email your submissions to me at avetrano@earthlink.net.

Thank you for being a valuable member of our club. I hope you enjoyed this first edition and look forward to getting submissions from you on future newsletters.

Sincerely,

Andrée Vetrano
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