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*2021 \*Tooreen Laddie Hall of Fame Winner*

*Balmullo's Beacon (Aladdin x Tullymor's April Fool)*

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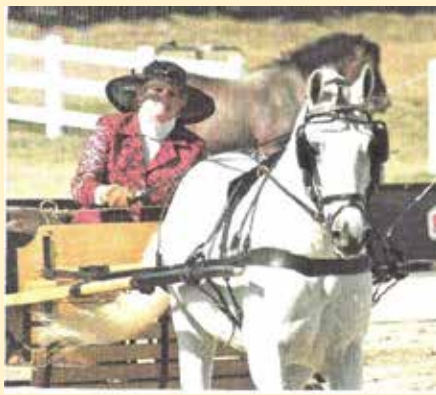
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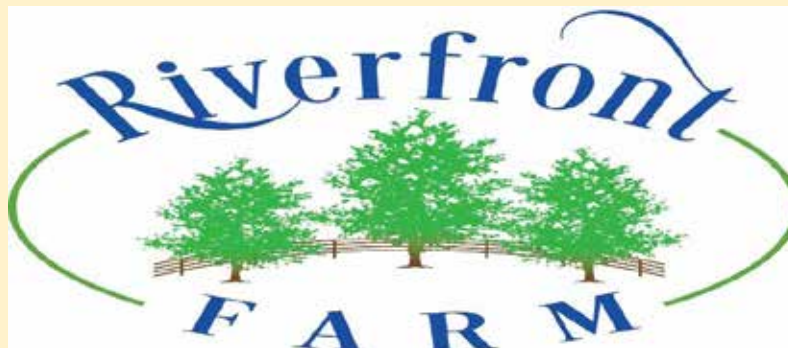
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*Balmullo's Beacon - 2021 Tooreen  
Laddie Hall of Fame Award Winner*

*Thank you to all our faithful  
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*Find many stallions in this  
issue to help plan your breeding  
program.*



# President's Page

*From Linda Haines*

Up until September 10<sup>th</sup>, we thought the ACPS annual meeting would be in Lexington Kentucky. We had long since passed the date when we could cancel without having to pay a whopping 80% of our contracted rooms and food. As COVID was overwhelming many areas and Kentucky hospitals were full, the Region V planning committee convinced the Hilton to allow us to postpone our meeting until 2022. We really wanted to get together but we did not want to put our members at risk and so, once again Zoom filled in. We were able to have many more members attend the virtual meeting, but it is certainly not as satisfying as the formal and informal conversations that facilitate our Connemara community culture and objectives. Time limits and the need to keep to a parliamentary format are not as friendly as I would have liked. Hopefully the meeting sparked some useful conversations that will continue into 2022. Thank you to everyone who attended and participated.

There are many hands making the ACPS trains run smoothly. I want to recognize and thank some important people who are stepping down from long held positions. Six members of our Board of Governors have completed three three-year terms. Sarah Thrasher, Wayne Quarles, and Fonda Eigel were members at large. Sarah has become an integral part of Inspections and surely will continue to do so. We value her expertise and willingness to take on projects within that committee. Wayne Quarles serves on the Inspection Committee and adds wisdom to every meeting he attends. He continues to be needed on the committee and I hope he will continue to provide his knowledge and support at our meetings and as a committee member. Fonda Eigel has served as Vice President as well as chairing the Arbitration Committee and has the distinction of planning the Kentucky Annual Meeting for three years running. There is no way we can do without her in multiple leadership roles, Kentucky here we come! We also had three Regional Governors meet their term limits of nine years. Deb Clinch of Region VI has represented her region and took on the Achievement Awards for a few years.

Kathy Lucas of Region X stepped down. Kathy remains an Inspector and has functioned in many roles for ACPS over the years, including President. Heather Magnam has been the face of Region II for a decade as both Regional Governor and Region Chair. She has also chaired the Promotions Committee, a position she will continue to fill. Heather has also lent her considerable technical expertise to host the last three BOG meetings via Zoom.

The Internet committee has been ably chaired for many years by Amy Plavin. She stepped down and Sharon Jantzen stepped in as a new Board member, from California, to take on the coordination of the website. She has jumped in without missing a beat. Get your news and feedback to her.

Another new Board member, Kathy Nebel (NC), will be the new ACPS Secretary! Marynell will continue as Registrar and Magazine Editor, but Kathy's role will free Marynell up to focus on her two favorite jobs. Kathy came onto my radar last February when she proposed a bylaws change that moved the geographic border of Regions III and IV to allow more access for members in the western area of North Carolina to the regional activities of Region IV. The bylaws change was voted in by email vote prior to the meeting.

Anne Wadlow Drogula (OH) was elected as another Board Member at Large. Three new Regional Governors were voted in within the last year. Carol Kozlowski was elected from Region II, Lisa Etzel from Region VI and Robin Mercer from Region X. Thanks to our terrific Nominating Committee for helping our BOG continue to flourish with hard working members.

Several Regions have new Region Chairs as well. Welcome Christine Kelton from Region II, Max Gerdes from Region X and just recently appointed, Kaarin Forester from Region IX. These are not easy roles and I know Sally Oxnard and Donna Powers, our Region Chair Liaisons, will offer support to all our hard-working chairs. These are often the first contacts new Connemara owners have. Thanks again to Heather Magnam, Darian Hall from X and Bridget Barton from Region IX for their past service as region chairs.



*New Hampshire has just a short coastline and we can only ride at the beach after Indigenous People's Day and before Memorial Day. It can be tricky to get the tides, weather, and parking aligned, but it is worth the extra effort. Here's Blue Ridge Bluebell enjoying our last beach ride.*



**Lexington, Ky. – US Equestrian is pleased to announce** the launch of a newly designed membership tier structure to be implemented during the 2022 membership renewal season, offering more access, and expanded opportunity to grow equestrian sport through increased engagement. The new membership tiering will not impact the current pricing structure of membership categories but will adjust benefits and access allocated to each individual tier.

The move to restructure the membership tiering aligns with the next phase of the strategic plan announced in January 2020 and the million-member goal set by current President Tom O’Mara. The new member tiering will include three categories: 1) fans; 2) subscribers; and 3) competing memberships, offering an array of opportunities for enthusiasts and participants in equestrian sport.

“The goal behind this restructure is to create a model that is enticing for new members to join USEF so we can continue to grow access and interest in our sport from the grass roots level all the way up through our high-performance programs,” said Tom O’Mara, President of US Equestrian. “With the updated tiering, we believe we will encourage individuals passionate about equestrian sport to join our organization as a fan at no cost or upgrade their membership to a subscriber level for \$25 to experience increased benefits, with the ultimate goal of expanding the pool of competing members participating at our licensed competitions. We know there are millions of people in the U.S. with a passion for horses and want everyone to have an opportunity to be a part of US Equestrian.

The base fan experience is free and will allow individuals to learn about the benefits of USEF and sample offerings at no cost, encouraging interaction and connection with USEF on a free and ongoing basis. Fan members will have access to USEF Network livestreaming (not including On-Demand access), the Learning Center, the USEF Equestrian Weekly e-newsletter, and the Member Perks program. Fans will also automatically renew. The subscriber tier of membership, available for \$25 annually, will include exclusive on-demand and replay streaming on USEF Network, access to USEF Member Health Coverage options, and a mailed subscription of US Equestrian magazine while maintaining all exclusive benefits available to non-competing paying members, as well as access to the additional benefits offered at the fan membership level. Official Education Partners of USEF and their members will automatically be eligible for free Subscriber memberships

The competing memberships will remain at an annual renewal fee of \$80 and receive access to all US Equestrian benefits, including access to the membership health coverage options, as well as live and on-demand streaming via USEF Network, the Learning Center, Equestrian Weekly, Member Perks incentives, and the benefit of a working framework of to ensure fair and equal organized sport. US Equestrian will launch the new tiers of membership at the beginning of the new competition year on December 1, 2021. To learn more about US Equestrian’s member benefits and programs, please visit [www.usef.org/join-usef](http://www.usef.org/join-usef).





# Balmullo's Beacon

(1992 – 2020)

2021 Winner of the Tooreen Laddie Hall of Fame award

SIRE: Aladdin (Erin Laddie x Fox Ridge Irish Lady)

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*By Vanessa Morgan*

Beacon, affectionately known also as “Bubba”, was a 14.3 h grey purebred Connemara Stallion.

In 1995, at age 3, Balmullo's Beacon was inspected and approved by the American Connemara Pony Society. The three Irish and two American Inspectors all praised Beacon for meeting the high standards required of approved Connemara stallions, including a wonderful disposition. He provides all the desired qualities of breed type while providing the show and sport market with a producer of brains, beauty and brawn (intelligence, grace, and athleticism).

He was a successful eventer and proven sire of athletic, easily trainable ponies and horses for competition, breeding or pleasure. We bought Balmullo's Beacon as yearling from his breeder, Donna Duckworth. We had the honor and blessing of owning him until he took his last breath in mid-2020. “Bubba”, as he was affectionately known, knew when to breed (wearing his fuzzy halter) and when to behave like a gentleman, i.e. all other times. He can never be replaced but he lives on through over 100 1st, 2nd, 3rd and even 4th generation progeny.

Besides his own competitive successes, which earned him the ACPS An Tostal Hall of Fame Trophy in 2012, I believe the greatest impact Balmullo's Beacon (a.k.a Bubba) has had on the Connemara breed, has been the joy and successes he brings to owners of his offspring.

As of 2020, Bubba has 27 registered purebred foals and sired 35 halfbreds. Although he left no stallion sons, his legacy is carried on through a dozen or more grandchildren, three of which have produced several high quality purebred offspring of their own. Trainability, rideability, athleticism and fun temperaments have consistently marked his offspring, and has attracted countless Connemara enthusiasts and new owners to the breed.



At least seven of his daughters have produced purebred foals. Below are four examples:

1. Faithfilly, (out of Foothills Hopefilly), is owned by Donna Huntsman in Oregon. Faith has competed successfully with junior riders in eventing, dressage and pony club, and has also produced 3 purebred foals of her own, including Castletown Johnny Come Lately (by Potiquimi Keely Shay), pictured below





2. Beacon's Siobhan (out of Big Bear's MacCushula) produced Bailey's Irish Dream (by Balius Turlough), a purebred stallion, owned by Pat Shields. Dreamer (above) is ACPS Approved, Inspected Westfalen, and is a proven producer of champion youngstock and sport horses for Dry Brook Farm, CT. Siobhan is also the dam of Corner Oak Loch Lorian, another beloved eventing pony.

3. Beacon's Piper (out of Pegeen's Quest) had two purebred mares, Indian Summer's Keelin and Indian Summer's Kaylee, for Sandy McShea, and both went on to be eventing partners for their owners.



Beacon's granddaughter, Bailey (out of Bea), is now owned by Tracy Fiona Cheevers and has had 7 purebred foals, including Windy Isles Quiet Kate (by \*The Quietman). Kate has won several high awards at the Region 4 shows and is her all-around "partner in crime", according to Tracy. Bailey also has one Thoroughbred cross foal.



Below L-R: Bailey (with filly, Stoney Creek Luna, by Redrock Blue Moon) and Bruiser, under Elliott Timmons

Beacon's grandson, Bruiser (also out of Bea), is Donna Duckworth's successful eventing stallion who has brought tremendous recognition to the breed under rider/trainer Elliott Timmons and, like his grandsire, has a dual career of competition and breeding. Bruiser has over a dozen purebred get.

4. Foothills MayBee a.k.a. Bea (out of Blue Hills Erin), was bred to \*Gun Smoke, while I still owned her, and she produced Arbor Lane's Bailey and Foothills Field Marshall (a.k.a. Bruiser). Bea is currently owned by Elaine Meilhan, who has enjoyed riding and showing her in her local riding club shows and events and has earned top ribbons at the ACPS Region III shows, including 2012 Champion. Bea has another young purebred filly on the ground by Tre Awain Goldsmith.

A few noteworthy cross-bred get of Bubba are listed below, starting with the easily recognized, fan favorite, Piedmont Herman (below left). He is a product of a PMU rescue/Percheron mare, Ruby, and has been owned and competed in eventing with Gardner Cook and dressage partner for his mom, Kathee, for several years.

Piedmont Sundance, a TB cross, (above right) has had a long and notable career, earning an Award of Excellence in Eventing, with the Schroeder family, primarily ridden by oldest daughter, Zoe. Sunny evented through Preliminary and ran the AECs more than once. He is pictured above right, with the Schroeder sisters, bringing along a new generation of Connemara riders. Thank you to all of the Bubba baby owners who have made our breeding program worthwhile, by enjoying Beacon's offspring, and to the ACPS Awards Committee for the honor of receiving the 2021 Tooreen Laddie perpetual trophy, the wonderful poster, the keeper frame and the Hall of Fame ribbon.



Beacon's Cherubim Cathleen is dam of Valley Creek's Carlin LeBeau (by Heaven's Ridge Patrick LeBeau). Carla, breeder, trainer and rider, culminated her partnership with her homebred by winning the American Eventing Championships BN Master Amateur division in 2019:

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# *Annual Meeting Minutes and Region Reports*

## **ACPS Mid-Year Meeting – Feb. 6, 2021 via ZOOM**

Remarks afterwards from President, Linda Haines:

“On February 6, 2021, the Board of Governors (BOG) met virtually for our mid-year meeting. We had 37 members present! No one wants to meet on Zoom if there is a choice but having such a fine turnout offers benefits we would not have had otherwise. My calculations show that 10 of 16 At Large Governors participated and 8 of 10 Regional Governors were there. We welcomed Robin Mercer, our brand-new Regional governor from Region 10. We also had 8 of 10 Region Chairs. Committees showed up, 9 of 11 Standing Committees and 4 out of 4 Ad Hoc Committees were represented. We also had members attend who had new ideas for us to consider and/or wanted to be included to be informed about the workings of the Society. The downside, we spent the first hour on introductions and were all a mite glassy-eyed by adjournment three hours later. The consent agenda worked well for us again with BOG members reading and digesting mounds of reading material before the meeting. It was all about the ponies, so it was less a chore than if we sat on the Board of a Bank or another less fun organization. Some of the accomplishments will be spelled out in the pages of this magazine like approving points for virtual shows and adopting the Fun with Ponies category into our national awards program. Several Committees were appointed. The Internet Committee requested a member from each other committee to review the new website before it goes live. A committee was appointed to plan for the eventuality that our long time secretary/registrar wants to retire someday. Another small group is looking into reviving the ACPS Bookstore. Lisa Martin-Gerdes agreed to take on the project when it gets figured out. Where and how do we get the books people are wanting to read? Donna Power is energizing the Youth Committee with letters and questions to our junior members and a plan to work in coordination with the region chairs to incorporate more junior activities. We have a revised plan for our ACPS insurance coverage for region events, Becky Jordan will communicate the details to Region Chairs. In addition, a bylaws change was proposed to adjust the boundary between Regions 3 and 4. Kathy Nebel provided an explanation. The plan will be presented to the membership to vote on prior to our September Annual Meeting which we hope will take place in person in Kentucky. Oh, and Lee Webster Ramensky generated the most enthusiasm with a new fundraiser. Everyone seemed excited about it, stay tuned for more information.”

Meeting called to order by Linda Haines. Introductions of those attending the ZOOM meeting included the following who answered the question, What are you thankful for in this year of a Pandemic: Cathy Blackmon, Kate Denton, Donna Duckworth, Fonda Eigel, Stephanie Fenton-Hickey, Cynthia Holbrook, Deb Howell, Becky Jordan, Nancy Kilcrease, Karen Laden, Donna Power, Wayne Quarles, Sarah McRae Thrasher, Heather Magnan, Suzanne Phelps, Bonnie Reid, Kay Clements, Laura Balding, Sue McLaughlin, Tracy Garland, and Kathy Lucas. Also attending were Kathy Sparks, Amy Plavin, Kate DeLaVega, Deb Norman, Joanie Webster, Marilyn Cheek, Sally Oxnard, Julie Keahey, Tracy Roettiger, Kim Gates, Katherine Short, Annie Balotti-Paleen, Robin Mercer, Celeste Rosquist,

Chris Knox, Lee Webster Ramensky.

Minutes from the 2020 meeting were approved with a correction. Sheila Ramsey was requesting DNA reports from societies to use for research on breeding diversity. Cathy Blackmon moved the minutes be approved with that correction, Kate Denton seconded the motion, and all approved.

The motion to conduct the meeting using the Consent Agenda process was made, seconded, and approved. The Standing Committee reports included in the Consent Agenda were Membership, President's report, Registrar's report, Arbitration, Bylaws, Inspections, Magazine, Nominating, Promotions, Region Chair, USEF Connemara Committee, and the Ad Hoc committee on Genetics (Melanoma) and Breeding Committee. The listed reports were approved as emailed.

Finance – Report of the Treasurer – Stephanie Fenton-Hickey, Cathy Blackmon explained that the Profit and Loss statement had been sent, and that the 990 tax form had been filed with the IRS. She asked that all Regions submit their financial reports to her by May 15, 2021. The Finance committee has been working on changing the bank account from the Illinois bank to a Bank of America account.

The Finance Committee report was accepted.

ACPS Foundation – Deb Norman reported from her car as she was returning from Louisiana to her farm in VA, and said, “thanks to the Stallion Auction of 2020, the Foundation is in good shape. All Scholarships have been paid, and funds have been allocated for the clinic organized by Tracy Garland. “ She added that other requests for funds for regional activities are welcome. And the 2021 Stallion Auction is about to take place thanks to Megan Harris and her committee.

Stephanie Fenton Hickey added that contributions to the Foundation through the USEF web site will now be separated from the membership fees, so an accounting can be kept.

Awards Committee – Marilyn Cheek said all is well, but the committee needs new volunteers. Even though it was a year with fewer competitions, the National Awards were still tabulated and presented. Those USEF awards are the Clifden, the McKenna, and the Horse of the Year Awards. There were 43 ACPS Achievement Awards earned in 2020.

A Motion was made to add an Achievement Award for Working Equitation.

The motion was approved. The Policy and Procedures will be posted on the website.

A presentation on the new Fun With Pony award was part of the explanation of the pilot program, examining the broader ways members enjoy their Connemaras. Jenn Garrutti has volunteered to be the Points tabulator. Tracy Garland explained more about the new program, and noted that the magazine will feature articles about participants throughout the year.

A motion to amend the Fun With Pony Pilot Program, to make it a permanent part of the Awards program was made and approved.

The Fun With Pony Award program will be available to all regions in 2021, and all were encouraged to participate. The award will not be included in the points used to qualify Golden Shamrock winners.

Internet Committee – Amy Plavin said the newly revamped



web site is about to be launched. Volunteers are needed for the News of the Week.

Volunteers are also sought for reading and checking every part of the web site – each committee needs to examine their section of the web site. Amy credited Kate de la Vega for much of the work that has been done on the update.

Youth Program – Donna Power said she is very interested in the Junior Members of the ACPS. She noted that the Society needs to insure the interest in the breed and the Society is carried on, and unless its importance is made clear to them, it won't matter to them personally. One of the first things she would like to do is pull a list of Juniors from the membership lists, and invite them to join, to survey their interests. The goal is to impress upon them how to be part of the Junior program, and continue through their lives. The Board replied that nothing was stopping her from the project, and all approved. Robin Mercer added that once it was found what "token" a Junior member might like, she would find a sponsor to provide that item.

Old Business – The Book store – Sally Oxnard said she has sent the Pat Lightbody books to Lisa Martin, but no real book store plan has been formulated. A committee to help figure out the project was appointed, and the members are Sally Oxnard, Joanie Webster, Patti Stalder, Lisa Martin, and Marynell Eyles. Insurance – Becky Jordan and Cathy Blackmon explained the changes in the Insurance programs offered for the new policy for the year. Besides the structure of how the insurance is purchased, it was noted that a release needs to be signed by each attendee at each activity. Becky Jordan will provide more information about the plan(s) and implementation, and what is needed for each region's events.

Strategic Plan Follow-Up – Liz Platais had chaired the committee and much progress was made in each segment. A Succession Plan Committee was appointed, to navigate a replacement for Marynell Eyles, who asked for such a plan. The Committee members are Cathy Blackmon, chair, Donna Power, Kay Clements, and Marynell Eyles.

New Business – Lee Webster Ramensky explained her idea for a Region X fund raiser, to help offset costs of the Region X Show. She presented photos of the C-4 belt designs already in the works, and the question that needed an answer was "Can I add the ACPS web site address to the belt design?" The answer was yes, and when the belts are sold, the C-4 company will contribute a percentage to the ACPS Foundation. Lee was thanked for her great idea, and it was heartily accepted.

Region III and IV Boundary – A proposal had been made by Kathy Nebel who lives in Region III, but never participates in their activities because the geography of North Carolina and Virginia borders are mountainous, and not easily navigated. The proposal had been published in the magazine, and information was published on the web site. The change would necessitate a By Laws change. Donna Duckworth made a motion to the Board that the proposal be accepted, and the By Laws change to put to the Membership on the Proxy. Kate Denton seconded the motion, and the Board unanimously approved.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:  
Marynell Eyles

## ACPS Region IV Report 2021

After having to cancel last years show it sure was fun to see everyone and their ponies again! This years show was at Foxboro Farm in Thompson Georgia. Sept 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>. Foxboro is the home of the Belle Meade Hunt. It's a lovely farm with a shaded cross country course and is friendly for all levels. We did an unusual format and offered dressage, show jumping and teams over the outside course with each division being separate. Saturday evening we had a dinner and meeting. We discussed the money the region had and what would be a good use of it. We talked about contributing to juniors who would like to attend a clinic. Holding a clinic for our members with many wanting to try Working Equitation. Another idea was to hold an adult camp with our ponies back at Foxboro.

Sunday was our Connemara in hand classes. Our judge Maureen Loughman talked through her placings and it was very educational. Thank you Maureen!

We had a nice turn out of ponies and riders on both days. A huge thank you to Elli and Micheal Niezen for running a well organized show on Saturday. Foxboro truly was the perfect venue for us and there was talk of wanting to do it there again next year.

Kim Gates

ACPS Region 4 Chair



## Christine Kelton – Region II Chair

I received my bankruptcy starter kit at the age of 10 in the form of a 10.2h Shetland/Chincoteague pony mare named Molly. My parents bought her for me on a family trip to Chincoteague Island in 1976. As if Molly wasn't enough, she came with her 3 month old colt, Frisky. I had never so much as touched a horse before this and what possessed my parents to cave in and buy them for me is unfathomable, although to this day I remain eternally grateful, though a bit poorer for it. I took lessons, became a 4-Her and Millbrook Pony Clubber, and in college at SUNY Geneseo I was introduced to Connemaras in the 1980s when I worked for a British woman who'd brought her gelding over from England. Hideaway Farm's breeding operation was in full swing, and I was lucky to see Carol Kozlowski event Hideaway's Erin Go-Bragh. I was hooked on the breed. I spent my early 20s eventing my small Trakehner cross up to training level and starting Thoroughbreds for their track careers. At some point I couldn't wait to work in an office with a coffee pot and a chair that didn't move on its own, so I put my degree in economics to use and began working for a company called Wood Classics in Gardiner, NY. Along the way I got married, had children, and decided that dressage was the way to go. In the late 90s I bought my first Connemara, a 14.2 black gelding named Colin McDuff.

He was the very best. There was nothing he couldn't do! When I got tired of looking at spreadsheets and profit margins, I left my career and went back to school, receiving my Master's degree in Second Language Education. I'm currently enjoying my 14th year of teaching English as a Second Language to 3-5th graders. These days I can be found fox hunting and having adventures on my third Connemara, Trout Ranch Polly Claire, who is my world and specializes in keeping me on my toes.

I'm thrilled to be the new Region 2 Chair. And while I have some ideas for ways to revitalize and enliven our widespread area, I welcome your thoughts. Together, we are better! For starters, I need some volunteers to help put together a region newsletter, and I would love to include some juniors in that endeavor. If you have a talent and would like to help with anything, or if you have ideas you'd like to share, please don't hesitate to contact me at [cckelton@gmail.com](mailto:cckelton@gmail.com). Thank you for your support!

Christine Kelton



## **Kaarin Axelsen Forester Region 9 Chair**

I've been a horse crazy girl since my earliest memories. I finally convinced my mother to get me riding lessons when I was 10, and to buy me my first horse when I was 12. She gave me a budget of \$500; I found "Jody" advertised in the Sunday paper for \$400. She was a little Appaloosa with a short neck and legs and huge belly, but she more than made up for her conformation with her big heart, unflappable disposition, and willingness to



*Promotin the breed at the Devon (PA) Horse Show, were Nora Goldfarb and her Ridgetop Royal Locket.*

try just about anything asked of her. Fast forward to 2016, when we were shopping for our then nine year-old daughter's second pony. Her first pony had been, um, difficult, so I hoped to find a pony with a disposition like Jody's. I remembered hearing about Connemaras as a kid and started looking for one. We found Neala (Gately's Neala Finch), who was three years-old. She was wise beyond her years and already kid-safe, and we knew we had found our unicorn!

In 2018, I retired after 22 years as a criminal prosecutor and my husband, daughter and son and I moved to our 43 acre farm in Central Oregon. We have three Thoroughbreds, a Holsteiner, a Quarter Horse, Neala, and a stunning five month-old Connemara/Thoroughbred colt by WH Topgun out of my Thoroughbred mare. We also grow hay and we stay extremely busy running the farm, but it's a great lifestyle! My ultimate goal is to help bring the joy of Connemaras to others, and I plan to breed a couple of Connemara and Connemara/TB foals each year. My TB mare is in foal to WH Topgun for a 2022 baby, and I'm so excited to meet this one!

My daughter and I attended the West Coast Connemara Show in June, and absolutely loved being around all of the lovely ponies and their people. I've never met a more friendly, happy and fun group of horse people, and I'm looking forward to contributing to the Connemara community in my role as Region 9 Chair.

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## Promoting the Breed

Years ago when I was trying to qualify for a 1\* Event, I was training with Mark Combs in Virginia. I came to a jump lesson one day with a purple and pink tie dye pattern saddle pad. Mark said to me “Don’t come to a lesson with that pad again.”

He said, “You never know who is watching.”

Kind of stunned I took heed.

However, I kept the saddle pad. All these years later my daughter took a liking to it and started using it. Last spring we were out on a casual Saturday morning hack and lo and behold a newspaper photographer noticed us on a back road in Corinth, Vermont. She stopped and asked if she could take our picture and wrote down a few details. The following day we received many phone calls saying we were on the front page of the local newspaper. Hah! Mark was right.

It’s plain to see - the point is when you are out on your pony competing, trail riding, camping or whatever, use a Connemara saddle pad. Region III ACPS store has great quality pads and attire. Recently, I took four ponies to an all day foliage ride. Two ponies had “Connemaras do it all” saddle pads and all the riders had ACPS long sleeve T-shirts that Linda Trimper kindly mailed to us at my last minute request.



People noticed and commented. Mid-day we stopped for lunch with the ponies and many people said, “There are those adorable Connemaras!”

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# Region IV Connemara Show

*An account of the 2021 ACPS Region IV Show, as reported by  
Vanessa Morgan*

What a wonderfully, memorable 2021 Region IV show! This year the show venue was Foxboro Fam in Thomson, GA. Foxboro is the hunt stables for the Belle Meade Hunt Club. I was so blessed to be there, reuniting with long-time friends and making new ones. I brought my 12 year old granddaughter, Skyan Nelson; this was her first Connemara show, which she has been looking forward to all year. Sky is one of our next generation Connemara torchbearers; she came to see all the lovely ponies, meet the Belle Meade hounds and compete her leased pony, Elderglen's Iriel. This show provided Sky the opportunity to ride a dressage test, a jumping course jumping, and most exciting of all, jump an outside course (more about that below), so essentially, do her first 3-phase. Also in our small Tennessee caravan was my one-and-only student, Krista Hughey, who many of you know from Facebook. Kris has been riding my Connemaras for a few years now and this show was her first opportunity to put faces to the many names she has conversed with about Connemaras on Facebook. Also representing Foothills Farms was new Connemara enthusiast Megahn Estes, who came for the fun of spectating, meeting more Connemaras, and grooming for Kris.

We planned to arrive early Friday afternoon, giving ourselves plenty of wiggle room, since we were hauling from Tennessee and travelling through Atlanta. Fortunately we arrived in plenty of time to settle in well before dark. As the vehicles and trailers rolled in, I peering inside the trucks and stalls to see who I already knew and what new friends were there to meet. I certainly enjoyed the warm reunions, recalling past adventures, and catching up on life. It was fun to see Alicia Daily, formerly of Cady O'Daly Farm, pulling in on Friday. She brought her lovely Connemara cross to show, and with help from her husband, they set up a tent



to display her Hand-On pottery for sale, which she also created for the highly coveted show awards. We are certainly delighted to welcome Alicia to Region 4.

Foxboro Farm offered camping hook-ups, which Sky and I, along with a handful of others, took advantage of. Once we unloaded, allowed the ponies a rest from their trailer ride and hooking up the trailer to camp, we decided to tack up and go for a hack around the grounds to see where the fun was to be had the next day. To our great pleasure, everything on the grounds was open. We were able to ride anywhere we wanted, including the jump course, dressage arena, warm-up arenas and the natural obstacles/cross-country jumps around the grounds. Owner/host, Epp Wilson,

encouraged us to take advantage of the many Foxboro trails, which was very kind, but on Friday we decided to stick to the areas where the show would be, as to not overwhelm ourselves to start the weekend.

After the locals and hotel stayers left for the evening, Stable Manager, Lee Ann Carson, visited awhile, offering her hospitality, discussing fun things like pony club, foxhunting, the Olympics, and inviting us to come back to ride and hunt at Foxboro in the future. She made us feel quite welcome, as did everyone we had encountered so far. Off to a great start.



*Carla Jimmerson on Tag You're It*

Saturday morning brought out the dressage riders to kick off the show. The arena was a home-style arena of nice sand



complete with some grass in the middle, which we wondered if it might distract our ponies who, inspite of their girth, think they are always starving. It didn't, but it could have been a good excuse for some of us for whom dressage is a rite of passage. The challenge for us was that it was set-up as a large (20 x





*Kim Gates, show organizer, on her Tully Wind*

60) arena, so we had a bit of a time figuring out how far out the middle 20 meter circle should go. It was a learning opportunity; we will be better prepared next time. The Judge was wonderful to come out of her post to provide feedback to each rider after their test, which I find truly kind and immensely helpful. Sky rode Elderglen's Iriel in their first judged dressage test, Intro B. It was a super experience for both of them, earning a respectable score. Kris rode the one class she entered on Foothills River Queen, also Intro B. Theirs was a very pleasant test, but an unfortunate and funny blooper kept her out of the ribbons. You'll need to check out her facebook post to learn more about that (or message her). After dressage, it was on to the jumper classes. The course was nicely set up in a grassy field with slightly varying terrain, perfect for a fun go'round. Show jumping is Iriel's forte and this was Sky's first try riding a full course at a show. Being the .85m pony jumper champion in FL last winter, Sky's challenge was to try to keep Iriel at a trot over the foot high jumps. Fat chance of that happening. It was actually a really great round for them, but a steering issue faced them with an extra jump between number 11 and 12, so they put in an unlucky 13<sup>th</sup> jump, causing elimination, but all 13 jumps were very nicely executed, so "well done" to Skylan. For a while, I thought that Stephanie Fenton-Hickey was going to pilot her homebred, George, around the jumper course, but her rider, Jennifer, showed up and rode two wonderful rounds, earning the Connemara Jumper Championship.

The final ridden classes were the "Pairs Over The Outside Course". It was wonderful and absolutely the best way to initiate Sky and Iriel in the feel of cross-country jumping. We didn't have a partner signed up to go out with Sky, but no worries. Organizer Elli very kindly paired up Skylan with an experienced lovely young lady, Neilly Dozier, which gave Sky the boost of confidence she needed to go around, and ultimately earned Sky and Iriel the Outside Course Connemara Championship.

Sky had been looking forward to going out with the Belle Meade hounds after the show on Saturday. Since the hunt wasn't taking them out that afternoon, Master Epp and his wife, Judith, offered to lead us for a trail ride through hunt territory. I started out riding Queen, expecting to go for an easy walk-trot hack, and Sky started out with Iriel. However, when part of the group went down the

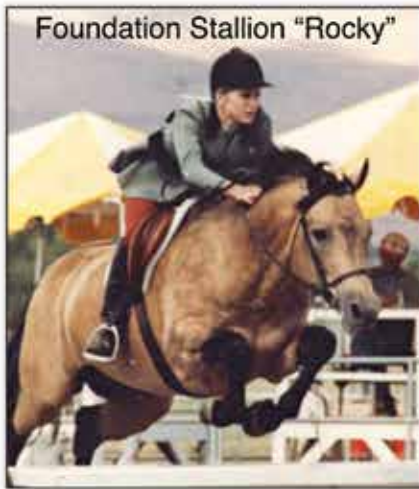


*Pairs over the outside course was a fun class for all*

jumping lane, Iriel thought that looked like great fun and became a handful for Sky. The solution was to swap ponies, so Sky got on Queen, and I mounted Iriel. After this, we split off into 2 groups and Judith took Sky for a wonderful ride on Queen while I joined Master Epp and the others on a lark equal to second flight. I have never jumped in the hunt field before, having only ever ridden 3<sup>rd</sup> flight, but this feisty little pony under me was having too much fun to stop her. I was glad to have a huge Percheron rump in front of me to help keep Iriel from passing the others in the group. Funny story later told to me by Judith: I had introduced myself, Sky and both our ponies to Master Epp at the beginning of our ride, pointing out that Queen was 28 years young. Judith later told me that Master Epp remarked that he had not realized that Sky and I swapped ponies; upon learning this, he said that had he known, he would not have gone so slow. Goodness! I'm glad he did not realize I was mounted on a 15-year-old pocket rocket. At 3-plus hands shorter than the horses in front of her, she was already going at a gallop. I had a blast and a huge smile plastered on my face the rest of the evening. I am so grateful to the Wilsons for their graciousness.

At just about dusk, we returned to the barn to cool-out our ponies. After tucking them away for the night, we headed on down to the main barn where the regional meeting was just concluding. I missed most of the discussion but did hear Stephanie report that our treasury is healthy. There was some discussion on how to best utilize the funds for the good of our regional ACPS members. A couple ideas included a regional youth scholarship to attend clinics or such, or possibly coming back to Foxboro for an adult camp. Both great ideas, in my opinion. Although the dinner had concluded, I was so happy to find just enough delicious lasagna left that Martin Gates had prepared for all in attendance. Our In-Hand Judge, and most recent ACPS Crestwood Service Award recipient, Maureen Loughman-Abel, joined us for fellowship and we were also treated to a very entertaining poem about the thrill and excitement of foxhunting, theatrically recited by Master Epp. The silent auction was now underway, so of course we all placed a few bids, then bid goodnight to rest up for the next day's classes.

The show on Sunday included the typical Connemara in-hand classes with the addition of an open sport pony and an open sport horse class. Judge Maureen was kind enough to explain her selection of the winners for each class. The turnout was smaller



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*Region IV "peanut gallery" watch the cross-country.*

than the most recent past years, but considering the coronavirus outbreak of 2020, it was terrific to have the show again.

I have always appreciated the relaxed, fun, open and inviting, smaller shows, just like the regional shows we had decades ago. Deb Shade, another ACPS Region IV transplant, came to meet her new regional Connemara mates, which was lovely of her, and Connemara owner Kristen Clark Sealey volunteered her photography talents to capture the beautiful ponies, so nicely turned out for their classes.

After the classes concluded, we paid for our winning final silent auction bids and started packing up to head home. But before we loaded our ponies, a few of us who had expressed interest were treated to the most wonderful tour of the Belle Meade kennels. Judith took a truckload of us over the kennels where we watched the hounds come out for their daily exercise. As the hounds left the kennels and headed on their trek, Judith gave us the grand tour of the wonderful kennel and all its features as well as the club house. When the pack happily returned into the kennel, we were allowed to go inside to meet these very sweet and happy hounds. It was fascinating to learn about how the kennel operates and the hounds were so fun to watch and be around. We had so much fun. I cannot thank Judith enough for taking the time to guide us so wonderfully through the kennel and all the information about the hunt that she shared.

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Also, huge thanks to our Regional Chair Kim Gates and Chef Martin Gates, for organizing the show and feeding us, Bay of Plenty's Elli and Michael Niezen for running the show on Saturday, Wilkes County Veterinary Service and Caitlin Quinn, DVM, for being on-site Saturday and supported the show, Maureen Loughman-Able for judging the In-Hand classes on Sunday, Boots Plyler for organizing the silent auction, Alicia Daily for making our treasured trophies, tireless treasurer

Stephanie Swerdlhoff Fenton Hickey and EVERYONE who participated in any way! And of course, many thanks to venue hosts Epp and Judith Wilson for their hospitality and wonderful facilities.

It was such a treat to be able to show with our Connemara friends again in 2021. Until next time, remember, life is short, ride your good horse first (so I'm sure that would be your Connemara pony).

### **Show Results ACPS Region 4**

#### **Saturday**

Dressage Champion- Carla Jimmerson on Tag You're It

Dressage Reserve – Lori Johnson on Celtic Bug

Jumper Champion- Jennifer Latimer on Cedar Ponds Price George

Jumper Reserve-Carla Jimmerson and Tag You're It

Outside Course Champion- Skylan Nelson and Elderglens Iriel

Outside Course Reserve-

In hand on Sunday- judge Maureen Loughman

Halfbred Connemara Young Stock- 1. Celtic Whisper 2. Daithi O'Pondi

Connemara Sport Horse Young stock- 1. Dynamic Dolphin

Sport Pony 14.2 and under any breed- 1. Elk Creek O Connor 2.

Farkleberry Frolic 3. Tully Wind 4. Cedar Pond George 5. Elderglens

Iriel 6. Fargo

5. Sport Horse any breed 1. Tag You're It 2. Cady O'Daly Aiden 3. Celtic

Bug 4. Celtic Whisper. 5. Berkley Bay 6. Century Hills Taylor Maide

Purebred Geldings- 1. Elk Creek O'Connor 2. Celtic Bug 3. Cedar

Ponds Prince George

Purebred Mares- 1. Sparkleberry Frolic 2. Centurys Hill Taylor Maide

3. Foothills River Queen

Halfbred Geldings- 1. Tag You're It 2. Cady O'Daly Aiden

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Purebred Champion- Elk Creek O Connor

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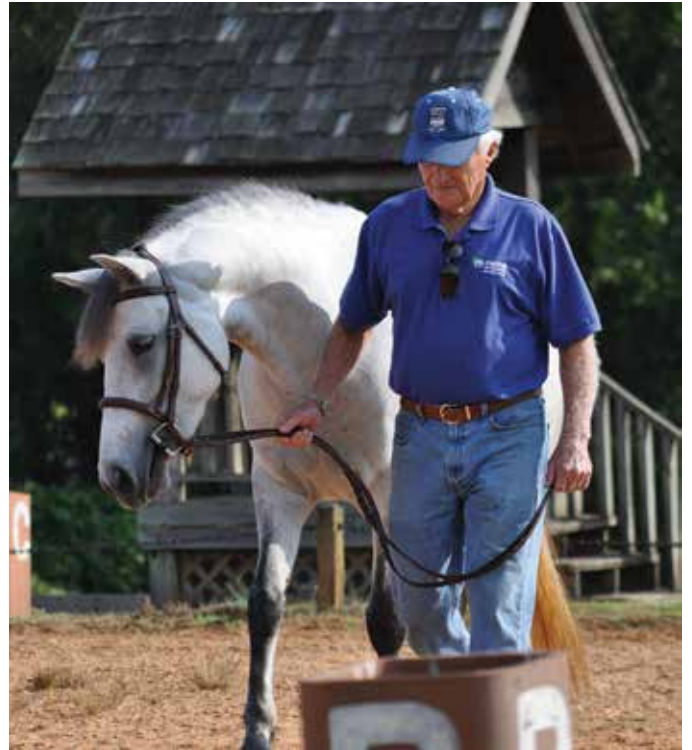
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*A team of three over the outside course.*

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*Alicia Daily on her  
homebred, Cady  
O'Daly Aiden,  
Halfbred Reserve  
Champions.*



*Krista Hughey on Foothills  
River Queen in the dressage  
phase of the Region IV Show.*



# *ACPS First Families - the Latty Family*

## *A CREEK RUNS THROUGH the STORY OF POTIQUIMI CONNEMARAS*

*By Joan Latty with Derek and Tori Latty*

When I first started riding as a young girl, I bred fantasy horses in my imagination. Riding in the hunt seat discipline, I wanted my horses to be good jumpers. At that time, Thoroughbreds were the prevailing breed. I studied Thoroughbred magazines and racing forms for pedigrees. I also subscribed to Arabian and Morgan magazines. Then there was the English Magazine *Pony*. It was in *Pony* I read an article on the Connemara pony. I never forgot the article.

In my studies, I never found the perfect horse that I wanted to breed. So, I thought about developing my own type, using horses of various breeds with the characteristics I wanted. When I got my first horse, a Thoroughbred mare, I bred her to a Thoroughbred stallion with a good disposition. I raised the colt, and he became a good children's hunter/jumper. The mare's second breeding to a Holsteiner, gave me a filly, Final Decision (Final), who became my foundation mare for my breeding endeavors.

I bred Final to an English Thoroughbred stallion with a long-distance racing and steeple chasing pedigree. This produced a set of twins, a filly, Afterthought (Dot) and a colt, Undecided (Dash). Both luckily survived. I was now on my way to breeding those fantasy horses of my youth.

I met my first live Connemara when my children, Tori and Derek, joined Redwoods Pony Club where Sally Green's daughter, Pamela Stuart, was a member. Seeing Sally's mare, Hideaway's Erin Grey, instantly sparked a memory of that long ago article in *Pony*. At that time (1978), Sally was breeding Connemaras at her Balius Farm. After talking with Sally, I decided that I wanted to breed Afterthought (Dot) to Sally's Connemara stallion, Gilnocky Drumcliffe (affectionately know as "Skeezix"). This produced my first horse with Connemara blood; the halfbred mare, Furthermore. Being so pleased with this result, I decided I wanted to breed purebred Connemaras

. In fact, Furthermore was such a lovely horse, I repeated that breeding some years later to produce our second halfbred, a mare named Potiquimi Memory. The prefix Potiquimi was an homage to my husband Fred's Irish-Cherokee roots. At the time, we lived on the headwaters of Mark West Creek whose Native American name was Potiquimi. As the creek flowed through our property, we chose that name for our new venture.

As I loved the disposition, heart, soundness, brains and jumping ability of the Connemara, I thought I would be able to make those youthful longings for the perfect horse a reality. My idea to start a breeding program was to acquire two purebred mares and use outside stallions. When I contacted Joanie Webster, of Stonybrook Connemaras, about buying a filly from her, I learned that Hideaway's Greystone Alex (Alex) was wintering with her at her farm in Napa, CA. As we were in Santa Rosa, CA, at the time, I knew I had to take advantage of this, and we bred our halfbred, Furthermore, to Alex that spring.

The filly I was interested in, Joanie wanted to go to a performance home, so I did not get her, but I did get the breeding. Still on the hunt for those two foundation mares, I contacted Sally to see if I could purchase her mare, Balius Mo Roisin Dubh. She did not want to sell Roisin, but said that Balius Tillyminnet (Tilly) was available. Although Tilly was an older pony than I wanted to invest in, I leased her from Sally. Still working my original plan, I asked Sally about stallions to breed to, and she let me know that Margaret Powell in Santa Barbara, CA, had just imported eight Connemaras from Ireland, two of which were stallions.

Intrigued by this new blood from Ireland, I shared this information with my husband. He suggested we consider buying the one stallion offered for sale. Now, Fred was not a horse person, but had always supported me and the children in our horsey



*Balius Mo Roisin Dubh by Gilnocky Drumbliffe out of  
\*Cocum Two Star*



projects. The three of us were floored by his suggestion. Suddenly, it looked like we might have our own stallion.

When I took Dot to Sally's to be bred for a second time, and to pick up Tilly, I showed Sally pictures of the stallion we were considering and told her we would be going to Santa Barbara to probably buy the two-year-old colt. As Sally and I went to get Tilly out of the pasture, Roisin came right up to me, so I asked Sally again if she would sell me Roisin. She said she would think about it. We went ahead and brought Roisin out of the pasture with Tilly. I wound up going home with two mares. I had now completed the first part of my plan for a breeding program—one stop, two mares! We achieved the revised second part of the breeding program later that week when Fred and I went to Santa Barbara and came home with our stallion, \*Castle Beau Geste. Potiquimi Farm was born! We set the goal of breaking even on the farm and producing those perfect ponies!

Now that we had all the pieces in place that I had imagined for the start of this breeding program, I realized that more ponies mean more space. The small hobby farm we had in Santa Rosa, while big in terms of acreage, had little usable space for the ponies. Two years later (1990) we moved to Ashland, OR, where we purchased a farm much better suited to the breeding program we had in mind. We arrived with four yearlings, two broodmares and one stallion. Later, I brought up two more mares and a warmblood gelding I had bred prior to getting Beau. The next adventure for Potiquimi Farm was now underway.

While I had been breaking my own horses as a hunter/jumper and equitation trainer both before and after getting married, this project was a family affair. Our children grew up with the horses and ponies, and the family had established close friendships within the Connemara community due to Redwoods Pony Club and connections made through Sally. Derek and Tori have been a major part of the farm. Derek competed to great success in dressage, eventing, hunters, and jumpers with Beau and many of his offspring.

Derek took over Beau's major show career while also doing all the initial and most of the riding and training of the horses and ponies we bred. Derek has shown four of Beau's offspring to multiple hunter or jumper championships on the A show circuit. He is still currently riding, coaching, and training as his career choice.

Tori broke and showed Furthermore. Due to the mare's tractability, Tori was granted permission to have Furthermore as her Pony Club mount when the mare was just three, having garnered a special dispensation to waive the usual age requirement of at least five-years-old, for Pony Club mounts. Tori semi-retired from riding and working with the horses after having her children. Tori's children rode, but never became interested in competition. Her oldest daughter, Kyra, has ridden the most and now Kyra's daughter, Arabella, has shown some interest. Loving horses, especially Connemaras, is a family trait.

As a trainer, I was fortunate to be able to mount my students on our own purebreds and halfbred Connemaras, a few being sold and bought back along the way. The whole family has done everything from building barns, fencing, feeding, mucking—well, anything needed for housing our equines. You name it, and we have done it. In addition, during the early 1990's, I was Organizer for two West Coast Connemara Shows (WCCS) here in Oregon, attracting ponies from California, Washington, Idaho and Canada. The family filled most of the important positions; Tori as secretary, Fred at the back-gate, Derek showing the ponies and helping our clients, while I just tried to keep everything moving forward. At the second of these shows, our barn had fourteen ponies to wrangle, as well as keeping the show going.

Beau's show career covered three performance disciplines as well as his several breed show accolades. He was many times the Supreme Breed Champion at the WCCS. One year, Beau's daughter, Irish Dancer's Delight, was also Reserve Breed Champion to his Supreme Breed Champion. In dressage, he showed successfully through first level and eventing through preliminary. While Beau had numerous championships as a hunter showing at the local level, his real forte was show jumping which included achieving impressive results at A circuit shows, garnering an USEF Region 9 fifth place year-end award for jumpers, 1997. Beau often paid his expenses for the shows with his winnings in the jumper ring. The ACPS honored him with the An Tostal Trophy in 2007, inducting him into the Society's Hall of Fame.

Not just a stellar performer in the show ring, Beau produced thirty-two foals during his career. Many of Beau's get have had careers in dressage, show jumping, hunters, eventing and driving.

Pat and Bob Ashworth of Cobblestone Farm Connemaras, Raymond, CA, have owned and shown successfully Potiquimi Beag Fia and Potiquimi Just A Minute who were both sired by Beau. They also produced Cobblestone Brogan by breeding Beau to their Big Bear's Auralee. Brogan went on to have a productive driving career with Bob.

Another colt, Potiquimi Conaire also sired by Beau, was a stallion until he was an eight-year-old. Conaire sired two purebred foals, only one of which was registered. At the time there was little interest in a 13.2 hand stallion. Connemaras being the only breed under USEF rules to allow juniors to show stallions, Conaire was shown to good results at the WCCS by a twelve-year-old student of mine. Derek also showed Conaire at a recognized Novice Level horse trials, placing second against both horses and ponies in his division. We sold him as an intact stallion. However, his new owner gelded him and showed him in dressage winning the USDF All Breed Award for Prix St. Georges. He then went to a Grand Prix dressage trainer's seven-year-old daughter as her schoolmaster. Imagine having a Prix St. Georges pony as your first mount!

Two of Beau's most successful purebred fillies were Irish Dancer's Delight (Danny) and Potiquimi Taralina (Tara). Danny was twice USHJA Region 3 Year-End Pony Jumper Champion. She placed nationally third one year and sixteenth the next. Danny was shown under the name So Much To Do. Her success put Beau on top of the sire list nationally for pony jumpers. We sold Tara when she was a three-year-old. Tara began her stellar career winning a large Open Hunter Hack class only six weeks after she was first backed. She went on to win multiple championships as a pony hunter/equitation mount in local and A circuit competitions.



*(Left) Balius Tillyminnet (Gilnocky Drumcliffe x Happy-Ness) and her foal, Potiquimi Just A Minute by \*Castle Beau Geste*

*(Above) Potiquimi Keely Shay by \*Castle Beau Geste*

Her owners bred her to the legendary Custusha's Cashel Rock, but, unfortunately, the foal died as a yearling. Tara then returned to competition. However, following an injury, she came home to us.

After rehabbing Tara, we bred her to Lasarchai's Blue Oaks Pooka, owned by Maureen Matheson of Blue Oaks Farm, Redding, CA. I gave Tara to Donna Huntsman of Béar Glen Connemaras of Keno, OR. She then purchased her foal from me. The foal was a colt, Potiquimi Keely Shay (Keely), the only stallion currently standing with Beau's bloodlines. Keely has gone on to a distinguished career. In 2018, in dressage with his rider, Katelyn Hunter, he was first place for the American Connemara Pony Society (ACPS) USDF Junior/Young Rider First Level and third place for the ACPS USDF Open First Level. In addition, that same year, he won the ACPS Dressage Award of Excellence for their Lifetime Achievement Program. In that same year, he won the ACPS Bronze Medal for Training Level in eventing. After foaling Keely, Tara continued on to a new career in eventing with Donna's students and granddaughters as well as becoming Donna's favorite personal mount.

Beau's other fillies have had successful breeding and performance careers. Balius Bo Peep (Peep) was a broodmare producing many foals for Maureen Matheson. Showing her tractability and intelligence, we broke Bo Peep at the tender age of sixteen. Taking to it immediately, she returned to Maureen and became a valuable school pony for their trainers. This year, 2021, Peep was taken into a handicapped riding program at the age of thirty.

We have been privileged to help start three other breeders on the road to the delights of breeding Connemaras as Sally Green did for us. Pat and Bob Ashworth's Cobblestone Farm started with their first Connemara, Potiquimi Kailee, purchased from us. Donna Huntsman's Béar Glen Connemaras started with Potiquimi Taralina, and now she stands the stallion, Potiquimi Keely Shay. Ann Secoy started her Delta S Farm in Beatty, OR, with her mare Sagewind Dakota Sunshine who she bred twice to Beau. The first of these colts, Delta S Seanachan O'Geste (Sean), sired one halfbred filly, Delta S Irish Storm. Delta S Irish Storm is successfully competing in eventing. Sean was gelded after siring the one foal. It has been a delight to follow and help launch these wonderful breeders.

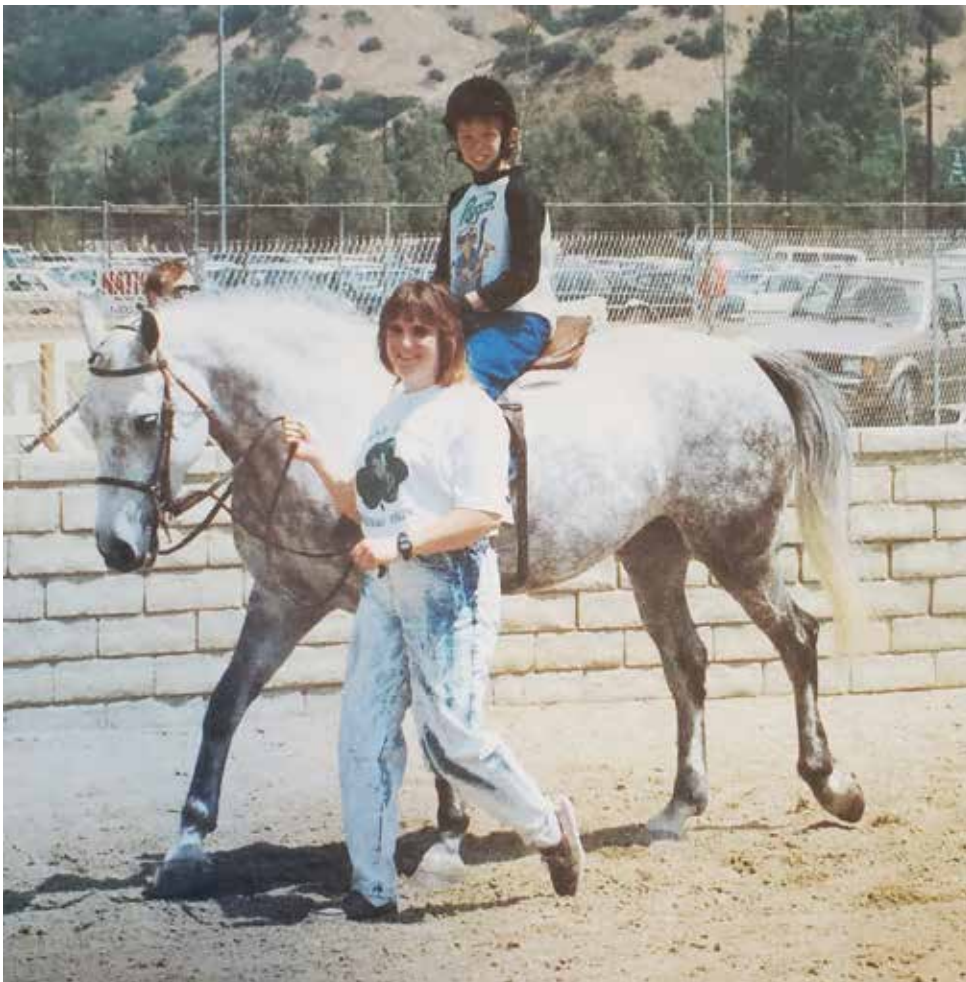
To us, this is what the Connemara community is all about. It has been a wonderful journey through Connemara Land for the Lattys and their ponies. Tori and Derek grew up with the ponies in their lives. As a family, we have established numerous cherished friendships with other breeders and their children. Our journey with the ponies has taken us throughout the United States and Canada. Also, Fred and Joan took a memorable trip to Ireland meeting Beau's people and seeing his birthplace. Although Beau passed in 2019 at the age of thirty-three, we still have hope for him living on with a very limited supply of frozen semen to produce more of his amazing progeny. Our family looks forward to a future with more amazing Connemaras.



*Three stallions sharing the spotlight at a West Coast Connemara Show. From left, M.G.R.M. Brigadoon, \*Castle Beau Geste with Derek Latty, and \*Canal Laurinston with Lee Webster.*



*\*Castle Beau Geste (by Ballydonagh Casanova out of Tulira Maggie) with Derek Latty at 1997 WCCS.*



*Tori Latty and her cousin on the Connemara/Thoroughbred cross mare, Furthermore*

**Registered Name:**

Nora Rose

**Sire:** Skyview's Orion**Dam:** Sara Sue**Year/color/gender**

2007/buckskin/mare

**Owner:** Shelley Feldner-Schuerman

Nora Rose

Nora and I primarily trail rode this year (2020). We also prepared for and competed in a Mountain Trail competition.



My son (age 5) is learning to ride Nora. They rode in the arena and out on the trail. He gained confidence on her and has started to ride independently and to play with roping! We had lots of fun and laughs riding Nora this year



# Fun with Pony

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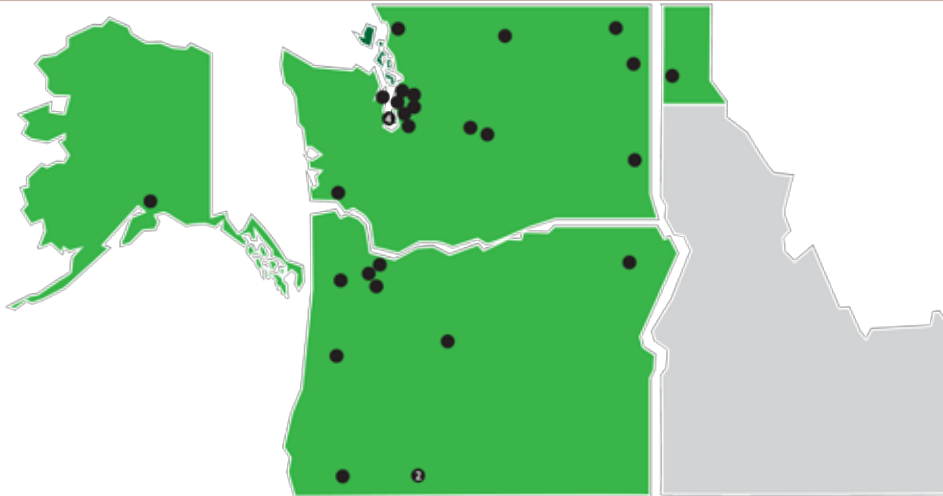


# Pre-Inspection Clinic

## ACPS Region 9 Clinic on Connemara Type, Conformation and Movement September 18, 2021

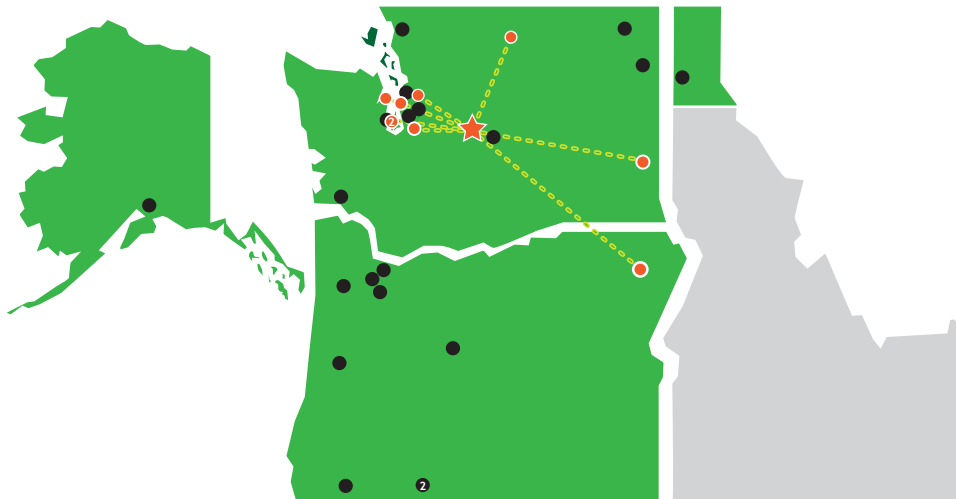
Report on Results By Tracy Garland, Regional Governor Region IX

### Location of ACPS Members in ACPS Region 9



Large distances separate members of ACPS Region 9 making in-person /pony gatherings a challenge. A high quality education program , held at centrally located Elk Haven Equestrian Center, with a low entry fee encouraged 10 registrants to haul their ponies to attend the 2021 ACPS-sponsored Clinic on Connemara Type, Conformation and Movement Clinic

### ACPS Members who traveled to ACPS Pre-Inspection Clinic on September 18, 2021 at Elk Haven Equestrian Center in Cle Elem, WA



Sarah McRae Thrasher shared her expertise as ACPS Inspector, member of ACPS BOG and breeder in a lecture and hands-on format. Participants were able to apply their learning by jointly examining each pony. Written materials explaining the Breed Standard and the ACPS Inspection Program and Process were provided as a take-home reference.



*Sarah McRae Thrasher stands away from the pony to get an overall impression - Does the equine LOOK like a Connemara?*



*Sarah finds the center of the pony's knee, and explains that the cannon bone should come straight out of the knee - not offset to one side of the other.*

Feedback on the program was collected. The clinician (Sarah), materials, the format and the venue received uniformly high marks. Many commented that the material covered could be useful for every horse owner. Participants experienced this event as a catalyst for future gatherings. In addition to learning from Sarah, they appreciated meeting each other in person and enjoyed the excellent facilities and amenities offered by Elk Haven Equestrian Center.

We learned that:

- 1) It is possible to overcome the distance barrier in Region 9!
- 2) It is fun and energizing to get together
- 3) Sarah is a great teacher!
- 4) We now have a set of materials and format that can be used at future ACPS educational offerings
- 5) This content has appeal to horse (pony) owners at large in addition to Connemara Pony enthusiasts
- 6) ACPS Foundation support was critical to enabling Region 9 to offer this program



*Photo on left - Sarah shows the participants how to determine if the pony is "tight" in the elbow. There should be room between the point of the elbow and the barret. In the best of cases, a person's fist will fit in that gap.*

*Photo at right - Sarah lifts the pony's foreleg to show the freedom of movement possible when the elbow is free.*



*(Sarah McRae Thrasher, Heide Andersen, Ginni Erion, Shelley Feldner-Schuerman, Tarrah Baker, McKenzie Bomber, Heidi Finley, Mikayla Campbell, Ken Campbell, Tracy Garland. Missing: Janiine Babcock, Brickelle Miller)*

# *Ridgetop Connemaras at Greenwood Farm*

*Breeding Athletic, Talented, Personable, Purebreds and Halfbreds*

*Middlebrook, Virginia*



*Performance Connemaras by Aladdin's Denver (Aladdin x Tre Awain Cricket Song)*

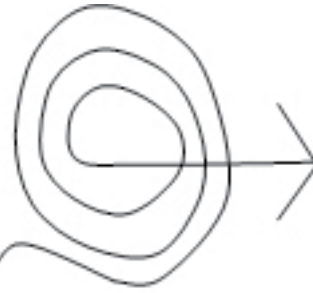
*Landgate Bluebeard by \*Rocky out of Landgate Singing Bird*

*\*Kilfenora Windy Isles by Windy Day out of Boden Park Firethorn*

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## Our Way Forward



*By Christine Kelton  
Assisted by Trout Ranch Polly Claire  
(\*Smaragaid Cliff x New Song's Autumn)*

### Episode 12- In Sickness and in Health - Part 1

Where does a pony's personality come from? Nature or nurture? The stallion or the mare? How would we know? Across all species, of course there are similarities amongst family groups, but there are also vast differences. Even in human families with full siblings, differences in personalities, talents, interests, even gaits (Yes, gaits. I'll get to that.) are clear. Anecdotes, qualitative observations, people talking with their friends, tell one story.

It's easy to make generalizations when you hear something more than once. As an elementary school teacher, I experience the same thing with teachers and students. But scientifically, what makes a personality? I'm not a scientist. I'm the proud owner of a pony mare with a big personality, and I have learned a few things this summer - the hard way.

I think that living out is the best way to keep a pony as long as they have shelter and appropriate food, and Polly lived out 24/7 for the first 3 years we were together. I've read that living outside prevents a lot of problems, like weaving, cribbing, ulcers.... If the weather was especially awful, the farm let me use a stall if one was empty, and one always was. Beginning last September, when my series of injuries began, she got an official stall, but has still spent most of her time outside.

This past summer of 2021 in New York was hot. I'm talking miserable, pressure-cooker-hot with humidity so high the trees were sweating. Any riding I did was at 7 am, and Polly spent the rest of the day in her airy stall, lounging under her closed motor livestock fan with hay in her super slow feeder and two buckets of water. As soon as the sun started to go down and it began to cool off, out she went to her field with her donkey friends. When I arrived in the mornings around 6:15, all three of them were already hiding

from bugs in their shed. Polly would make a beeline for the gate as soon as she saw me coming, that deep whinny of hers calling, "Mom, get me outta here and turn on that fan!" Oh - and where's breakfast, of course.

Our summer routine was she would come in, eat her little bit of balancer, have a little hay, and then we would go for a ride. Typically, this consisted of about 30 minutes of ring work followed by a 15-20 minute hack around the farm. Some days we went out for a long neighborhood patrol, and once a week we went out roading with the hunt. Polly worked in some way 4-5 days per week, which I think is fair for a 6-year-old. She wasn't ever overworked, and had 2-3 days off every week. I can't say for sure how Polly has felt about her living and work arrangements, but to me, it seems like she shouldn't have much to complain about. I'm sure she'd have an opinion on something, but really, sweetheart, no crying on the yacht!

One afternoon in early July, my husband dropped me off at the barn so I could unhitch my trailer and drive the truck home. We stopped by Polly's stall to give her a carrot, and to my horror, she was standing there with her face in the corner, back hunched, completely uninterested in anything I had to offer. She kept opening and closing her mouth, clearly in a lot of pain. I immediately took her temperature, 101.9, gave her a dose of banamine paste, and sent a distress text to Amy Plavin, to whom I am so grateful for all the advice she freely gives. Kudos to Dr. Cara Rosenbaum from Rhinebeck Equine, who showed up within an hour. By the way, Polly's normal temperature is around 100.4. It's a good thing to know your pony's normal vital signs and write them down somewhere in the barn so if you're worried or upset you don't have to depend on memory.

Polly didn't want to walk. It wasn't the pony mare "I'd prefer not to, because I know more than you do," but the "My feet are not moving because something hurts" kind of refusal. She wasn't trying to lie down and roll, wasn't looking back or biting at her sides, wasn't stamping her feet. She just stood there with her back hunched, head down, and mouth open, jaw moving like she was chewing on a very large, invisible ball. It was very scary. And banamine is a wonder drug.

By the time Dr. Rosenbaum arrived, her temperature was down a little and she was looking a little more comfortable, though her back was still stiff, belly a bit tucked, and not sociable. Dr. Rosenbaum did a rectal exam and there was no impaction - mild colic made sense. Colic was rampant in this miserable weather. By 8 pm her temp was back to normal. Polly stayed in her stall that night, and

by the next morning she was back to her usual self and cursing me for starving her nearly to death overnight. I gave her a week off from any work. I did wonder about her spiking a temp, though. Thankfully, I haven't had a lot of experience with colic, but I didn't think the temp was a usual symptom. This stayed in the back of my mind.

Fast forward to August 8, and repeat the previous symptoms.



Cell phones are terrific - I have a video of this, which I sent to the on-call vet. Clearly, she needed emergency attention. When we get the magazine attached to the website, I'll add a link to the video if that's possible. Here's a picture I took from the video. This vet, Dr. Molly Hunt, tubed Polly and did a rectal exam. We gave banamine and her fever came down. Again, she was not impacted. I said that I didn't think the fever was linked to the colic, and thinking more about it, I didn't think she was even colicking, and maybe something else was going on that the fever was aggravating. Dr. Hunt agreed. She was thinking it was a tick-borne illness because they've been

rampant in our area all summer, or even Potomac Horse Fever, which she's been seeing more of than usual. She explained that even though Polly has been vaccinated for PHF, she can still get it, though it would probably not be so serious. (This made me think of COVID vaccines. Glad I have mine. There's my plug.) She took blood for CBC, fibrinogen, anaplasmosis, and Lyme.

Dr. Hunt gave Polly IV Tetracycline and left me with two bottles of doxycycline to begin while we were waiting for blood test results. I asked if she could have an ulcer, and maybe whatever was causing the fever was setting it off, and she agreed that was a possibility. She also said that often when ulcers are suspected, owners will give a round of GastroGuard to see if it helps instead of jumping in with an expensive gastroscopy.

The next morning, Polly's fever spiked again. Banamine brought it down. I called my regular vet, Cara Rosenbaum, and filled her in on the weekend excitement. I brought up Polly's sometimes capricious behaviors, the fact that at one point she'd been on Regumate without any changes, and now this - I thought that she might have an ulcer that was exacerbated by the fever. Dr. Rosenbaum agreed, and I elected the gastroscopy so I would know for sure what we were dealing with, and hoped that insurance would reimburse me for most of it. A few days later, the bloodwork came back normal except for the Lyme, which was positive. Polly's Lyme test in the spring had been negative.

Polly is a super fun girl and is a blast to be around. She definitely keeps me on my toes! She is usually very sweet and people oriented, loves to stand on cross ties and get brushed, go hunting, have the inside of her ears rubbed and have her udders cleaned.. She loves chasing things - soccer balls and the geese that congregate around

the pond. She loves going out on patrols to see what's going on in the neighborhood. Sometimes the donkeys get sent on a merry little chase, but mostly in the winter when they're wearing their bright red blankets - because then they *really* look like targets. Nothing is safe if she can reach it - coffee cups, towels... you name it - typical fun pony.

But then there have been other behaviors that had me thinking something physical was going on - pinning ears when the girth is tightened, occasionally kicking out under saddle when I use my leg more convincingly, forward one day and the opposite another day, a few times a year doesn't want to be brushed on her abdominal area. She could have painful ovulation, so we tried Regumate. I even had her spine X-rayed - it's perfect. She loves being curried and often stretches out her neck and yawns, and will do the same when she gets a belly scratch, (She'll even drop her hind end and lift a hind leg away when the Bag Balm comes out. :) or when I had the equine chiropractor come. She really loved that! I'm bringing the yawning up because if you search online for why horses yawn, some sites will tell you it's relaxation, but very often you'll see that it means stress, and a possible sign of gastric ulcers.

People have also said that if she has Lyme, she could be sore, like people get. I'm not a vet and I'm not giving any medical advice! This article is just about Polly's journey, which is as individual as she is. If you want to read about Lyme disease, search for "Cornell University Lyme Disease in Horses" and a very good article will tell you a whole lot.

What was the most surprising was that after less than a week on the doxycycline, I had a noticeably different pony. She was just so incredibly sweet and doe-eyed, it was more than anecdotal. Polly just seemed happier in general and when I started riding her again, dare I say more *eager* in the ring? I can't say anything about the "don't touch my abdomen when brushing" because that happens so rarely, anyway.

What she was NOT happy about was taking her doxy. She would not eat it in her feed. Remember that Dr. Seuss book, "Green Eggs and Ham?" I could rewrite it about Polly and the doxy. Would you could you in a mash? I would not could not in a mash. Not in a mash, not in a bucket, not with molasses... I ended up grinding it up, mixing it with strawberry jello, and giving it to her in a dose syringe. In the beginning, we painted the walls and ourselves pink.

On August 24, I loaded a starving Polly into the trailer and took her to Rhinebeck Equine for her gastroscopy. They took her history of behavioral changes and occasional "mild colic" episodes and led her into the hospital. I couldn't go with her because of Covid rules. About 45 minutes later, Dr. Laura Javscas came out saying what a nice pony she was, so well behaved...they had put her on the scale and she weighed...998 pounds! I was mortified, but she said that Polly looked great, had a body condition score of 6, and that she was substantial with a lot of bone and I should leave her weight alone. And yes, she did have ulcers, and they looked like they'd been there for quite a long time. According to the report, "moderate, multifocal, located in her pylorum." The official diagnosis was Equine Gastric Ulcer Syndrome - Equine Glandular Gastric Disease.

Dr. Javscas explained that this type of ulcer is located way in the back, near the entrance to the small intestine. This is not the more typical Equine Squamous Gastric Disease that many horses get and it cannot be treated with only GastroGuard. She also said that they can only be diagnosed through gastroscopy, and that she is seeing them more often in the practice. What really got me was that GastroGuard or UlcerGuard alone will not make this type of ulcer go away. If I had decided to treat with GastroGuard and see if it helped, I might never have found Polly's ulcers. If you really want to know, gastroscopy is the only way.

What causes these ulcers? Dr. Javscas said the jury is still out. She said the latest research she's read shows that, unlike the squamous kind, glandular ulcers, located in the pylorem, may not even be caused by stress.

How prevalent are ulcers in general? According to some websites, 90% of racehorses have them and 60% of show and pleasure horses. Others say that up to 90% of active horses suffer from gastric discomfort.

Polly was put on a combination of 3 medications: GastroGuard, Sucralfate, which coats the stomach, and Misoprostol, which increases blood flow to the stomach. These overlapped with the doxy she was already on for the Lyme, and ALL of these had to be given orally. But the best part was that they had to be given hours apart, and started on an empty stomach. And I do have a full time job.

This went on for 30 days!!! But there is a silver lining. A couple weeks into this routine, Polly either decided that resistance was futile, or that the strawberry jello I mixed in with it tasted darned good. I didn't even have to put a lead rope on her to give her the meds - she'd just stand there. A few times I didn't even bother with her halter!

I made some other changes, as well. I'm not a vet or a nutritionist and I'm not recommending any feed changes to anyone. If you are interested in the feed brands and types, email me for more information.

Thirty days later, I brought her back to be scoped again to see how



she was doing. Hallelujah! They had cleared! As I type this, we're well into her 30 days of GastroGuard maintenance, which is ¼ tube per day - on an empty stomach, and I wait a while before feeding her. I hope that with dietary changes, we will not see them ever again! Polly has been through a lot this summer, but she has been a joy to be around. My wallet is much lighter these days, but this is the horse life and she's my girl. She's still very mischievous- just yesterday she cleared off the table in front of her stall for me- but is definitely more comfortable. Her typical, radar system "mare ears" are now mostly forward, her eyes are soft, and she just seems more malleable. It's hard to describe. I've had some really nice rides in the sandbox with her over the past few weeks, and she's been hunting in the middle of the field, all go and glee.

Which brings me back to my original question about personalities and behaviors- nature/nurture? What are the contributing factors? I discovered physical reasons for certain behaviors, but what else contributes to personality? Stay tuned for Part 2.



*Dear ACPS Board of Governors ~*

*Sir Foxworthy, shown here in his frame, hanging in the ACPS office where I can see him every day, is a piece of needlework art done by Fonda Eigel. I try to keep "me" out of the print, but..*

*The beautifully executed work was given to me, Marynell Eyles, as a gift of appreciation for the years of duty as ACPS Secretary. The canvas for the needlework was part of the Silent Auction at an ACPS annual meeting, and the idea to use it as an award for me was hatched by Joanie Webster and her buddies at that meeting.*

*Fonda Eigel worked her magic, and the framed artwork was sent to me to be opened during the ZOOM Annual Meeting last month. It was a huge surprise, a wonder to behold, and will be treasured for as long as I live!*

*The Jack Russell theme was also in honor of my fuzzy friend Ragdoll, who I lost to Lymes, and this too, is a way to keep her always near.*

*Thank you one and all.....Marynell*



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# ACPS Stallions currently standing

Name	Date Foaled	Sire	Dam
*Ardceltic Art N/HWSD	5/31/2003	Monaghanstown FionnMoydow Lady (M0012510 CPBS)	
*Castle Monarch (chip 372100400026896)	4/27/2010	Castle Comet (1026 ECPS)	Orphee Schueracher (M1-02059701T)
*Causey's Lucky Clover (Causey's Tom) (372100400022943)		Ballyheane Prince (CPBS)	Gaoithe A'Naolr (M 0012310 CPBS)
*Coral Bobby (PREMIUM STALLION)	1/1/2000	Coral Dun (S1058 CPBS)	Sandy Dawn (M8671 CPBS)
*Coud Poker Tartifume (250258500070293)	5/24/2012	Westide Mirah II (CPBS)	Unedamdepik Tartifume (France)
*Doonhill Dancer (S3-372004100015629 CPBS)	4/5/2014	Currachmore Cashel (S1128 CPBS)	April Dawn Lady (M0013974 CPBS)
*Elodon Zodiac (CAN 249) (933000120112249) N/HWSD	7/4/2017	Century Hills Aedan Zodiac	Castlebar Gaelic
*Fernville Matchmaker	1/1/2006	Fredericksminde Hazy Match	Ross Castle Moya (M 10326 CPBS)
*Grange Finch PREMIUM STALLION	1/4/1993	Coosheen Finn	Grange Agnes Sparrow
*Hayselden Perseus	6/2/1992	Hayselden Bacchus	Aylesland Silver Secret
*Hearnesbrook Dunoon PREMIUM STALLION	5/16/1995	Hearnesbrook Fastnet (S6322 ECPS)	Kirtling Bonnie Doon (16368) ECPS
*Hohnhorst Branni	5/4/2000	Patty's Benedict (Germany)	Noerdlunds Madigan (020187988 - Germany)
*Kay's Moonlight	1/1/2009	Robe Earl (S0001044 CPBS)	Sylverann (M-1 372100400016886 CPBS)
*MLC The Duke of Sussex (933000320259617) N/N	5/19/2018	Morning Glory's Ilyushin	Elphin Sandpiper (CAN 150)
*MLC Van Helsing (933000120112279) N/N	6/21/2017	Morning Glory's Ilyushin	TBF Eavan Tressa
*Patty's Dreama Lidl Dream	4/8/2002	Patty's Silverdun Velvet (DE 334 346202391)	Pilgaard's Vogue (de 302 021135491)
*Pattys Etoile de Paris	4/18/2005	Patty's Broadway Dancer (DE 363 630001198) Ger.	Kirkeledgaards Margaux (de 302 020293392)
*Patty's Look @ Me	5/1/2003	Patty's Veuve Clicquot (de 363 630023699)	St. Patty's Maxime (334 3462022597 Germany)
*Smaragaid Cliff PREMIUM STALLION	6/10/2003	Munkholm Cobbergate (DE 302 022051684 Germany)	Shamrock Bright Roxanne (DE 343 447379993 )
*Sternbergs Heartbreaker	5/6/2005 S	Skousboe Hero (DE 30202602693)	Fredericksminde Candy (DE 302026023597)
*TBS Declan Pondi (S3-372004100012400 CPBS) N/N		4/15/2012 Dexter Leam Pondi (France)	Dandy Sparrow (IRE)
Aluinn Bernie O'brien	5/29/1995 *	Hayselden Perseus	Balmullo's Little Star
Aluinn Durango N/N	5/21/2003	Aladdin's Denver PREMIUM STALLION	Patty's Meredith
Avelene Morrowseer (933000120112164) N/HWSD	3/14/2015	Wildwych Wily Casanova N/HWSD	*Glenormiston Roscrea
Bailey's Irish Dream	5/16/2005	Balius Turlough	Beacon's Siobhan
Balius Turlough	5/20/1998	Gilnocky Drumcliffe	Tyan Traveller Joy
Ballencrieff's Brogan	6/12/2002	Landgate Bluebeard PREMIUM STALLION N/N	Aladdin's Winter Promise
Balmullo's Beacon	4/7/1992	Aladdin	Tullymor's April Fool
Balmullo's Gallagher	5/10/2001	Concord River Roaringwater Bay	Balmullo's Miss Emma ( Premium Mare)
Bantry Bay's Dillon	6/25/1995	Bantry Bay's Ace	Concord River Minute Maid
Bear Creek's Croagh Patrick	4/8/1992	Greystone Dallen McMor	Megan's Honor
Belfast Banner	5/15/2001	Irish Park's Belfast Bonfire	Fieldstream's Jasmine
Blackwing Goodnight Moon (933000220011207) N/N	5/29/2017	Blue Rock Fintan (chip 965000000392564) N/N	Wildwych Dreamtime N/N
Blackwing Poker Face (N/N) 933000120112277)	5/5/2015	Glenormiston Flurry Knox	Wildwych Penny Dreadful
Blue Ridge Donnelly N/N	6/25/1998	Moxley Duncan PREMIUM STALLION	Tre Awain Kirin
Blue Ridge Jefferson	4/13/1998	Moxley Duncan PREMIUM STALLION	Hayselden Persephone
Blue Ridge Monroe	3/1/2004	Moxley Duncan PREMIUM STALLION	Hayselden Persephone
Blue Rock Fintan (chip 965000000392564) N/N	6/13/2013	Wildwych Wily Casanova N/HWSD	Murvey Inverlor (M3-372100400016080)
Blue Rock Liam (965000000391966 chip) Gelded	3/4/2010	*The Quietman (S1-1232 CPBS)	Grey Pearl (M3-372100400016665 CPBS)
Blue Rock Riley	6/10/2008	*The Quietman (S1-1232 CPBS)	*Laurin Of Rosscan (M1-14847 - Class 1 CPBS)
Brogan of Ledgewood 7/5/2004		Greystone Fahan Stranor	Heaven's Ridge Mistykil Sunset
BSF Golden Snitch (933000320259666) N/N	5/13/2017	Tre Awain Goldsmith	BSF Indy Lu (933000320259503) N?N
Bushmills Of Kent	5/3/1995	*Hayselden Perseus	Bar Bar A's Rebel Doll
Corner Oak Reveille	4/3/2001	Balius Turlough	Corner Oak Priscilla
Cornerstone's Indelible	6/5/1999	Greystone's An Llewellyn	Watermark Blessed Brianna
Dark Horse Laus Deo	5/14/2009	Glenormiston Cuchulainn	Dark Horse Semper Fi
Day Star's Briarpatch Mac N/N	4/26/1989	Balius Brannigan	F.F. Princess Daisy
Day Star's Royal Legacy (933000320259516) N/N	6/14/2018	Day Star's Briarpatch Mac N/N	Woodland's Royal Patience
Delta-S Seanachan McGeste	5/11/2009	Castle Beau Geste	Sagewind Dakota Sunshine (N/N)
Duet Farms One Love (965000000392170) 4/24/2016		*Kippure Cara (CAN 32)	Tre Awain Maeve PREMIUM MARE
Erin Terra's Dream On	3/10/2004	Fiddler's Sparrow MacDaire	Tre Awain Dare to Dream PREMIUM MARE
Farkleberry's Smokey Lad (chip 965000000391371)	4/30/2016	Gun Smoke	Marshwoods' Summer Keavey
Finn's Irish Creame	7/8/1996	Grange Finn Sparrow	Matilda
Foothills Field Marshall	1/21/2008	Gun Smoke	Foothills MayBee
Glenormiston Billie's Bay	1/3/2001	Castle Baron (177 CPBS of Australia)	Glenormiston Ballycara (1640 CPBS of Australia)
Glenormiston Cuchulainn	10/2/2000	Domo Cavallo Praise (63 Australia)	Glenormiston Fionnuala (1641 Australia)
Greystone's An Llewellyn	5/31/1992	Rosenaharley Laurens	Hideaway's Smitheranne
Greystone's Adirondack A'Herne	5/20/1993	Rosenaharley Laurens	Hideaway's Smitheranne
Greystone's Adirondack O'Reilly	5/19/1994	Rosenaharley Laurens	Hideaway's Smitheranne
H.K.'s Danny Boy	6/1/2002	M.G.R.M. Brigadoon PREMIUM STALLION	*Blossom (M 10986 CPBS)
Healing Spring Willem O'Toole	5/22/1996	Greystone Tiger O'toole	Rockysprings Greystone Earrach
Hearnesbrook Dunoon PREMIUM STALLION	5/16/1995	Hearnesbrook Fastnet (S6322 ECPS)	Kirtling Bonnie Doon (16368) ECPS
JAB General Sherman (N/HWSD) 933000320259673)	6/22/2018 *	Causey's Lucky Clover (Causey's Tom) (372100400022943)	DRF Ireland
JEF Sir Lancelot	5/24/1999	Tre Awain Dobh Mcduff PREMIUM STALLION	Mack's Greystone Erin's Pride
Kaleidoscope's O'Really N/N	4/1/2001	Big Bear's Special Order	Gately's Red Robin

Kilfenora Windy Isles PREMIUM STALLION N/N 4/1/1996	Windy Day (717 CPBS)	Boden Park Firethorn (M 6750 CPBS)
Kynynmont Aidan McVai PREMIUM STALLION N/N 8/17/1998	Greystone Ian McVai	Greystone Adirondack Roseanna
Kynynmont Cameron (933000120112142) N/N 6/6/2015	Kynynmont Cooper O'Grady HWS-D/N/N PREMIUM STALLION	Kynynmont Arianna N/N
Kynynmont Connor O'Grady N/HWS-D 7/11/2013	*Smaragaid Cliff PREMIUM STALLION	Kynynmont Moira N/HWS-D
PREMIUM		
Kynynmont Cooper O'Grady HWS-D/N/N PREMIUM STALLION 4/10/2008	Gun Smoke	Kynynmont Moira N/HWS-D PREMIUM MARE
Kynynmont Keegan 8/17/1997	Greystone Ian McVai	Greystone's Adirondack Roseanna M 1527 Xxxi
Kynynmont McIsaac 6/16/2000	Greystone McErrill	Greystone Adirondack Roseanna
Kynynmont Sterling O'Grady 7/22/2005	Healing Spring Willem O'Toole	Kynynmont Moira N/HWS-D PREMIUM MARE
Landgate Bluebeard PREMIUM STALLION N/N 5/10/1994	Rocky	Landgate's Singing Bird
Landsdown Willow's Harbour Boy 6/16/2002	Chiltern Colm	*Silbridge Miranda (M775 ECPS)
Ledgewood Greystone Winterhawk 7/11/1998	Ledgewood's Karack Beau Tuck	Thornhill's Graystone Gillian
Ledgewood's Karack Beau Tuck 7/1/1995	Balmullo's Same As Gold	Heaven's Ridge Mistykil Sunset
Legacy's Spirit of Camelot 5/30/2005	Sydserrf Avalon	Cedar's Charm
Logan of Ledgewood (933000120124231) N/N 5/28/2015	Brogan of Ledgewood	Ledgewood's Lorelie
MMF Black Isles Ponaidh (N/N) (93300320259607) 4/17/2019	Blackwing Poker Face (N/N)	Blue Rock Emerald Princess N/N
Rattle 'N Snap Laddie Boy (N/N) 5/6/2001	Moy Hazy Cove	Castlestrange Sparrow (M9092 CPBS)
Redbuds Blue Moon N/HWS-D 4/2/2013	Wildwych Eclipse	Glenormiston Amelia (Premium Mare 2006)
Ridgetop Tom Collins (933000120112130) N/N 5/31/2018	Landgate Bluebeard PREMIUM STALLION N/N	Folklore Grainne PREMIUM MARE
Rivendell's Louis Leam Pondi 3/31/2013	Dexter Leam Pondi (France)	Big Bear's Aura Lee (PREMIUM MARE)
Ros Na Ri Kilcullen 9/7/1993	Tre Awain Ginger Blue	Ros Na Ri Moira
Sean-Nos Dancer (933000120112253) N/N 4/22/2019	Aluinn Bernie O'brien	*Cally's Girl (M1-372100400023210 CPBS)
Shammer Eagle (Chip 965000000391950) - N/N 4/14/2014	*Canal Laurinston (PREMIUM STALLION)	Shammer Tessie Sparrow
Skyview's Orion PREMIUM STALLION 6/3/1993	Custusha's Cashel Rock	Skyview's Lady Rigel
Skyview's Triton N/HWS-D 5/9/2001	Custusha's Cashel Rock	Skyview's Lady Rigel
South Ridge Duncan's Honor 5/11/1995	Moxley Duncan PREMIUM STALLION	Megan's Honor
Sport Star O'Chip 9/30/2002	Tullymor's Chip O'Perseus	Callahan's English Rose
Sydserrf Avalon 7/20/1999	Cocum Camelot (S45 ECPS)	Ballydonagh Misterina (M427 ECPS)
TBF Sweet Dublainn 6/5/2013	TBF Sweet Independence (Gelded 3/23/2016)	JFL Tawnymara
TBF Sweet Independence (Gelded 3/23/2016) 7/4/2008	Skyview's Triton N/HWS-D	Sweet Princess
Telesis Carraig Rua (933000120112259) N/N 6/13/2019	Redbuds Blue Moon N/HWS-D	*Lishmar Topaz
Tir Mhuire Romeo 6/2/2001	Tulira Robuck	Gaobh Mara (M9937 CPBS)
Toomey's Irish Spirits 6/6/2002	Fieldstream Darby	Rainmaker Ambrosia
Toomey's King Of The Bean 6/24/2000	Fieldstream Darby	Greystone Challenge Heather
Toomey's Silverglade 5/7/2007	Toomey's Irish Spirits	Fieldstream's Cameo
Tre Awain Cavan O'conor 4/3/1991	Tre Awain Roderick O Conor	Tre Awain Toura Loura
Tre Awain Goldsmith N/N 4/29/1999	Tre Awain Ginger Blue	Tre Awain Golden Lily
TriCreek Greystone Connor 6/27/2003	Greystone McErrill	Watermark Blessed Brianna
Tricreek Greystone Connor 6/27/2002	Greystone McErrill	Watermark Blessed Brianna
Tricreek Greystone Riley 6/25/2002	Greystone McErrill	Cornerstone's Arianna
Trout Ranch Malarkey 5/23/2003	Kingstown Joe	Tower Hill's Killaire
Tullymor's Chip O'Perseus 2/27/1998	*Hayselden Perseus	Tre Awain Sileach
Tullymor's Mountain King 9/3/1988	Montully's Son	Kahlua
Tullymor's Mountain Knight 1/1/2001	Fieldstream's Riley	Tullymor's Ursula May
Tullymor's Mountain Shadow 12/12/1992	Montully's Son	Aillte Mhuire
Tullymor's Mountain Steel ( 965000000391286) N/HWS-D 6/12/2005	Tullymor's Mountain Shadow	Tullymor's Kiss of Sun
Tullymor's Mountain Sun 6/25/2004	Tullymor's Mountain Shadow	Tullymor's Kiss of Sun
Tullymor's Mountain Thunder 6/21/1999	Tullymor's Flying Ace	Kahlua
Tullymor's Ned Devine 4/28/2002	Tullymor's Mountain Shadow	Bar Bar A's Rebel Doll
Wildwych Raisin' Cain 8/4/2007	Glenormiston Flurry Knox	Wildwych Dreamtime N/N
Wildwych Samson 8/15/2002	Glenormiston Flurry Knox	*Glenormiston Roscrea
Wildwych Shiver Me Timbers 4/14/2014	Glenormiston Flurry Knox	Rudgeway Silver Filigree (MO1881
Wildwych Strider 5/22/2002	Glenormiston Flurry Knox	Tyan Traveller Joy
Wildwych Thunder Snow 6/15/2006	Cocum Thunder Boy (6001323J - GB)	Skatholm Rose (0103391 Denmark)
Wildwych Wily Casanova N/HWS-D 6/28/2007	Bunowen Castle Ri (S 122 ECPS)	Rudgeway Silver Filigree (MO1881 BCPS)
Willow's Art of Kells N/HWS-D 7/15/2011	*Ardceltic Art N/HWS-D	Shammer Gypsy Queen
Windy Isles Island Prince 5/7/2008	*Coral Bobby (PREMIUM STALLION)	*Fairyhill Queen

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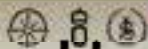
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