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new in stock!

Region III Show

We held our region show September 2-4, 2022 at the Virginia Horse Center in Lexington, Virginia. Entries were much lower than normal, due in part to having to move the show to Labor Day weekend, but those that did turn out had a wonderful time. We are indebted to Brooks Cushman for a generous donation that allowed us to use the newly refurbished "Dee-Dee" ring as well as the Wiley arena. We also enjoyed using the new pavilion next to the Dee-Dee for our Saturday night exhibitor's dinner. This nice outdoor space gives a great view of both the Dee-Dee and the warm-up for the big coliseum, and is complete with fans, lights, and sturdy, comfortable furniture.



L-R, Clover Hill Golden Ticket, Glendale Matchless,
and Balmullo's Jesse James set off on Friday evening
trail ride.

Friday evening started off with a group trail
ride at 5pm. It was a "Bay Parade," with a
leisurely stroll around the cross country field
and back through the woods.

With so few entries in the dressage classes and combined tests, we pushed the start time to 9:30 and still had time to finish before lunch. The Balmullo Quadrille did not attend this year, but we had a musical free-style by Summer Fraunaugh and **Foothill's Field Marshall** set to selections from Hamilton.



Foothills Field Marshall

After lunch we started with our Mountain and Mooreland division with a good turnout of Dartmoor ponies (including two stallions) and a very charming Welsh pony. Susan Deutermann gave us a driving demonstration with her lovely stallion and even let judge Marian McEvelly take a turn at the reins.



Dartmoor stallion **Blackertor Canberra**

The Connemara divisions started at 3pm with only one entry in the Yearling Futurity, but a better turnout for the other classes. **Tre Awain Dare to Dream (Tre Awain Ginger Blue x Tre**

Awain Cashela Bay) was picked by judge Katherine Wilkins as her "Best of the Day." **TLH Sertich**, by ***Fernville Matchmaker** was pinned best halfbred. Katherine generously donated her time to judge when we decided to "uninvite" a judge from up north because entries were so low. Complete results from the show are located later in this newsletter.



"Best of the Day," Tre Awain Dare to Dream



Best Halfbred, TLF Sertich

After we finished the in-hand classes it was time for our exhibitor's dinner on the pavillion, and it included a surprise birthday cake for Donna Duckworth of Balmullo Farm.

Sunday is traditionally our performance and fun day. The open pleasure division was well-filled, and the trail class as well, but most of the other performance classes had only one or two entries.



Balmullo's Celtic Memory competes in the in-hand trail division

In our always popular and famous Fancy Dress class we had a circus act, a fire and rescue squad, and a driving team.



Balmullo's Belladonna joins the fire department

Here is a link to many more photos from the show:

https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1GQn0xCGtfBVeOWc89qE_NQ9WI3Kzel-3?usp=sharing

ACPS Region III 2022 Show Results

Combined Test and Dressage Division:
CT2 USEF 2018 Novice Eventing Test B – 2'11": 1.

CT3 USEF 2018 Beg. Novice Eventing Test B – 2'7": 1. Glendale's Matchless, o/r Megan Keyes

D1 USDF 2019 Intro Level Test A: 1. Balmullo's Belladonna, o/r Carly Whitener, 66.250; Thurman Discovery, o/r Gillian Clissold, 63.438; 3. Jesse James, o/Balmullo Farm, r/Julia Jones, 63.125*; 4. Friendship's Tia Rose, o/r Audrey Jensen, 63.125* (*placings allocated on highest collective score marks)

D2 USDF 2019 Intro Level Test B: 1. 1. Glendale's Run for the Roses, o/r Gillian Clissold, 65.313; 2. Balmullo's Belladonna, o/r Carly Whitener, 64.063; 3. Jesse James, o/Balmullo Farm, r/Julia Jones, 62.813; 4. Friendship's Tia Rose, o/r Audrey Jensen, 57.188

D7 Test of Choice: 1. Foothills Field Marshall, o/Balmullo Farm, r/Summer Fraughnaugh, 65.690

D8 Self Expression: 1. Foothills Field Marshall, o/Balmullo Farm, r/Summer Fraughnaugh, 65.690

High Score Senior D1-D3: Carly Whitener

High Score Senior D4-D7: Summer Fraughnaugh

High Score Junior D1-D3: Julia Jones



Rainbow's Shenandoah

J1 Puddle Jumpers 2'-2'3": 1. Glendale's Matchless, o/r Megan Keyes; 2. Rainbow's Shenandoah, o/Brooks Cushman, r/Libby Puchalla

J2 Connemara Jumper 2'7": 1. Rainbow's Shenandoah, o/Brooks Cushman, r/Libby Puchalla; 2. Glendale's Matchless, o/r Megan Keyes

Mountain & Moorland Division:

MM1 Purebred M&M Mares 8 Years and Under: 1. Bayshore Be Pacific, o/Megan Fullgraf; 2. Merribridge Champagne, o/Megan Fullgraf; 3. Shenandoah Ballerina, o/Windy Higginson; 4. Blackertor Penny Lace, o/Megan Fullgraf

MM3 Purebred M&M Colts & Geldings 8 Years and Under: 1. Moortown Highwayman, o/Susan Deutermann; 2. Blackertor Canberra, Susan Deutermann

M&M In-Hand Championship: Champion, Moortown Highwayman, o/Susan Deutermann; **Reserve Champion,** Bayshore Be Pacific, o/Megan Fullgraf

Connemara In-Hand Division:

B1 PB Connemara Yearling Futurity Filly Division: 1. Inland Clare, o/h Kim Harrison

B4 PB Colts and Geldings 2 and Over: 1. Rainbow's Shenandoah, o/Brooks Lucas Cushman, h/Libby Puchalla; 2. Foothills Field Marshal, o/Balmullo Farm, h/Summer Fraughnaugh; 3. Ridgetop Legend in Blue, o/Marynell Eyles and Donna Power, h/Nora Goldfarb; 4. Clover Hill Golden Ticket, o/h Kim Harrison; 5. Jesse James, o/Balmullo Farm, h/Julia Jones

B5 PB Mares Ages 2 to 7: 1. Glendale's Run for the Roses, o/h Gillian Clissold; 2. Balmullo's Celtic Memory, o/Donna Duckworth, h/Kim Harrison; 3. Thurman Discovery, o/Gillian Clissold, h/Janet Gunn; 4. Glendale's Queen of Diamonds, o/Deb Norman, h/Carol Ann Pollard

B6 PB Mares Ages 8 and Over: 1. Tre Awain Dare to Dream, o/Anne and Mary Drogula, h/Mary Drogula; 2. Balmullo's Belladonna, o/h Carly Whitener; 3. Rainbow's Shannon, o/Ridgetop Connemaras, h/Nora Goldfarb; 4. Belle Dawn, o/h Amanda Welch; 5. Hollymead Swan Bay, o/h Michelle Haas

B7 Best PB of the Day: Tre Awain Dare to Dream; **Reserve:** Rainbow's Shenandoah

B8 Swan: 1. Ridgetop Legend in Blue, o/Marynell Eyles and Donna Power, h/Nora Goldfarb; 2. Balmullo's Celtic Memory, o/Donna Duckworth; 3. Clover Hill Golden Ticket, o/Kim Harrison

B9 Get of Sire: 1. Get of Fernville Matchmaker, Thurman Discovery, o/Gillian Clissold, Glendale's Run for the Roses, o/Gillian Clissold

B11 HB Connemara Yearling Futurity Filly Division: 1. Brogan Breeze, o/Two Left Hands Farm, h/Vanessa Shultz

B12 Halfbred Connemara Yearling Futurity, Colt and Gelding Division: 1. Gallow Glass, o/h Brooks Cushman; 2. Wright on Time, o/h Jessi Culbertson



Gallow Glass, halfbred futurity winner

B13 Best Halfbred Connemara Yearling:

Gallow Glass **Reserve:** Brogan Breeze

B13 Halfbred Connemara Mares and

Geldings Ages 2 to 7: 1. Sertich, o/Two Left Hands Farm, h/Ellie Sherman; 2. Showstopper, o/Two Left Hands Farm, h/Vanessa Shultz; 3. Friendship's Tia Rose, o/h Audrey Jensen, 4. Patti Fagan, o/h Nora Goldfarb; 5. Daithi O'Pondi, o/h Jessi Culbertson

B14 HB Connemara Mares and Geldings

Ages 8 and Over: 1. DRF Ebony, o/h Susan Baker; 2. Glendale's Matchless, o/h Megan Keyes; 3. Two Left Hands Aria, o/Two Left Hands Farm, h/Ellie Sherman

Best HB of the Day: Sertich; **Reserve HB of the Day:** DRF Ebony

Performance Divisions

Shamrock Green Division

R1 Shamrock Green Connemara Hunter US:

1. Glendale's Run for the Roses, o/r Gillian Clissold; 2. Hollymead Swan Bay, o/r Michelle Haas; 3. Glenmeadow Chocolate Chip, o/r Amanda Welch

R2 Shamrock Green Hunter Hack: 1.

Glenmeadow Chocolate Chip, o/r Amanda Welch; 2. Glendale's Run for the Roses, o/r Gillian Clissold

R3 Shamrock Green Connemara OF: 1.

Glendale's Run for the Roses, o/r Gillian Clissold

Shamrock Green Champion: Glendale's Run for the Roses, **Reserve:** Glenmeadow's Chocolate Chip

Open Pleasure Division

R4 Open Pleasure Versatility: 1. Glendale's Matchless, o/r Megan Keyes; 2. Foothills Field Marshall, o/Balmullo Farm, R/Summer Fraughnaugh; 3. Rainbow's Shenandoah, o/Brooks Cushman, r/Libby Puchalla; 4. Tre Awain Dare to Dream, o/Anne and Mary Drogula, r/Mary Drogula; 5. Balmullo's Belladonna, o/r Carly Whitener

R5 Open Pleasure US: 1. Glendale's Matchless, o/r Megan Keyes; 2. Balmullo's Belladonna, o/r Carly Whitener; 3. DRF Ebony, o/r Susan Baker; 4. Foothills Field Marshall, o/Balmullo Farm, r/Summer Fraughnaugh; 5. Rainbow's Shenandoah, o/Brooks Cushman, r/Libby Puchalla; 6. Belle Dawn, o/r Amanda Welch; 7. Tre Awain Dare to Dream, o/Anne and Mary Drogula, r/Mary Drogula

R6 Open Pleasure Hack: 1. Glendale's Matchless, o/r Megan Keyes; 2. Tre Awain Dare to Dream, o/Anne and Mary Drogula, r/Mary Drogula; 3. Rainbow's Shenandoah, o/Brooks Cushman, r/Libby Puchalla; 4. Foothills Field Marshall, o/Balmullo Farm, r/Summer Fraughnaugh; 5. Balmullo's Belladonna, o/r Carly Whitener

Open Pleasure Champion: Glendale's Matchless; **Reserve:** Foothills Field Marshall

Short Stirrup Division

R7 Short Stirrup Hack: 1. Jesse James, o/Balmullo Farm, r/Julia Jones

R8 Short Stirrup Over Fences: 1. Jesse James, o/Balmullo Farm, r/Julia Jones

R9 Short Stirrup Under Saddle: 1. Jesse James, o/Balmullo Farm, r/Julia Jones

Short Stirrup Champion: Jesse James
Halfbred Green Division

R12 HB Breen Under Saddle: 1. Friendship's Tia Rose, o/r Audrey Jensen

Open Halfbred Division

R16 Open HB Over Fences: 1. Glendale's Matchless, o/r Megan Keyes

R17 Open HB Over Fences: 1. Glendale's Matchless, o/r Megan Keyes

R18 Open HB Under Saddle: 1. Glendale's Matchless, o/r Megan Keyes

Open HB Champion: Glendale's Matchless



*Belle Dawn

Open Purebred Division

R19 Open PB Connemara Over Fences: 1. Rainbow's Shenandoah, o/Brooks Cushman, r/Libby Puchalla; 2. Foothills Field Marshall, o/Balmullo Farm, r/Summer Fraughnaugh; 3. Tre Awain Dare to Dream, o/Anne and Mary Drogula, r/Mary Drogula

R20 Open PB Connemara Over Fences: 1. Rainbow's Shenandoah, o/Brooks Cushman,

r/Libby Puchalla; 2. Tre Awain Dare to Dream, o/Anne and Mary Drogula, r/Mary Drogula; 3. Foothills Field Marshall, o/Balmullo Farm, r/Summer Fraughnaugh

R21 Open PB Connemara Under Saddle: 1. Rainbow's Shenandoah, o/Brooks Cushman, r/Libby Puchalla; 2. Tre Awain Dare to Dream, o/Anne and Mary Drogula, r/Mary Drogula; 3. Foothills Field Marshall, o/Balmullo Farm, r/Summer Fraughnaugh

Open PB Connemara Champion: Rainbow's Shenandoah; **Reserve:** Tre Awain Dare to Dream



Clover Hill Golden Ticket, Cirque du Connemara's one trick pony

Miscellaneous Classes

Fancy Dress, All Winners: Clover Hill Golden Ticket; Balmullo's Belladonna; Tre Awain Dare to Dream

Leadline Class, All Winners: Hollymead Swan Bay, o/Michelle Haas, r/Hannah Smith

R23 Great Egg and Spoon Challenge: 1. Glendale's Matchless, o/r Megan Keyes; 2. Tre Awain Dare to Dream, o/Anne and Mary Drogula, r/Mary Drogula; 3. Hollymead Swan Bay, o/Michelle Haas, r/Hannah Smith; 4. Foothills Field Marshall, o/Balmullo Farm, r/Summer Fraughnaugh; 5. Jesse James, o/Balmullo Farm, r/Julia Jones

R24 Bareback Ride A Buck, All with Well-Stuck Dollars: Tre Awain Dare to Dream, o/Anne and Mary Drogula, R/Mary Drogula; Glendale's Matchless, o/r Megan Keyes; Friendship's Tia Rose, o/r Audrey Jensen

Trail Class:

Senior: 1. Glendale's Matchless, o/r Megan Keyes; 2. *Belle Dawn, o/r Amanda Welch; 3. DRF Ebony, o/r Susan Baker; 4. Hollymead Swan Bay, o/r Michelle Haas

Junior: 1. Rainbow's Shenandoah, o/Brooks Cushman, r/Libby Puchalla; 2. Tre Awain Dare to Dream, o/Anne and Mary Drogula, r/Mary Drogula; 3. Friendship's Tia Rose, o/r Audrey Jensen; 4. Jesse James, o/Balmullo Farm, r/Julia Jones

Pony on Leadline: 1: Clover Hill Golden Ticket, o/r Kim Harrison; 2. Balmullo's Celtic Memory, o/Donna Duckworth, r/Kim Harrison

Next year's show tentatively scheduled for July 1-2 at the Virginia Horse Center

A reminder from the registrar: Get your foals registered in a timely manner so they get their USEF lifetime recording number. The foal must be registered completely, in the year of its birth. Stallion owners should provide that information to their clients too!

Now accepting volunteers to host our December meeting. Contact Kim Harrison to set details. Thanks!

Potential Activities

Would any one like to try a region “Field Day” such as they have up in Region I? There is a farm in Bedford, Virginia with a “mountain trail” obstacle course that could be fun. [Coyote Crossing Equestrian Center - Equestrian Center, Horse Park](#)

We could schedule a clinic. Let me know what you think, Kim Harrison, region chair

Another suggestion to have in conjunction with our December or March meeting is a saddle fitting clinic/demonstration. Any interest?

Classified Ads

For Sale at Balmullo Farm



Tullymor's Gracie Grey (Tullymor's Mountain Shadow X Tullymor's Kiss of Sun [by Hayselden Perseus]), 10 yo, 13:3 hh grey mare. Super fun pony, very forward, loves to jump, trail ride, great ground manners. Used as school pony for several years. Has been to several local events winning one. Proven brood mare. Inquires to balmullofarm@gmail.com



Balmullo's Celtic Memory (ArdCeltic Art X Balmullo's Irish Moss [by Foothills Field Marshall]). 2 yo filly, gray, will mature 15 hh. Very personable! This pony was bred to event but would be a wonderful hunter, dressage mount, brood mare, or all-purpose pony. Inquiries to balmullofarm@gmail.com

At Stud



Day Stars Royal Legacy "Jet" is a Connemara stallion breed specimen: 14h, at 3 years of age, over 8" of bone, nimble and athletic and correct. If you look at what the Irish breed society was trying to do by introducing, in the 1940s, very limited thoroughbred, arab, and Irish draft horse blood into the registry gene pool, you get Jet! He has all these outside influences in the back breeding of his pedigree, in addition to a balanced blend of all five foundation lines of the breed.

He is hoof wall negative, a hard dark bay/brown with no creme dilute gene, and his pedigree does not have the Abbeyleix Owen and Hazy Dawn lines that are perhaps over represented in America. Most importantly, though, he is a doll. He is positively SERENE, LOVING, LEVEL HEADED. I mean, his disposition is extraordinary.

He has one mare confirmed in foal for 2021, and is available for outside breeding in 2022. Stud fee \$500 plus collection, and he is available at Little Hawk Farm in Crozier, Va for AI and at Ruxville Farm, Moseley Va for live cover. He has recently been started under saddle and has been a breeze. He will start eventing and working equitation training next year. Here comes Jet!



(Photo credits the wonderful Sonya Weaver).
Contact Margaret Long 804-380-1022

Merle-Smith Sporthorses offers:

We are pleased to announce that this wonderful stallion is now available for stud services to the public in Spring 2021, by [Merle-Smith Sporthorses](#).

BSF Golden Snitch is a 14.2hh 2017 Connemara stallion by Tre Awain Goldsmith (Tre Awain Ginger Blue x Tre Awain Golden Lily [Tre Awain Roderick O'Connor]), out of BSF Indy Lu (Ballywhim An Luan x SHEC Legacy [JEF Sir Lancelot]). Should mature to 15hh.



BALMULLO FARM OFFERS:

Foothills Field Marshall, is available via fresh or frozen semen. \$1000 includes \$200 booking fee.
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Foothill's Field Marshall

GLENDALE FARM OFFERS:

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



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



Answers: The first photo is **Erin Laddie** sire of **Aladdin**, the second photo. Both were very influential stallions in the last century,(gulp)And continue to be through their offspring in our region.

