

Spring Run Farm

April 2022















First Event of the Season

Chatt Hills March 5 & 6

Several of the eventers went to Chatt Hills Horse Trial in Georgia to begin the season. It is an absolute beautiful facility. The weather was amazing!

Lucy finished 2nd on her dressage score in Novice. Sam had a winning dressage test and double clear XC to finish 6th in Novice. Bryce moved up to BN and place 6th by just adding XC time. Jessena had a clear XC run at Prel. Arielle had a clean XC at training and Kennedy moved up to Novice and had no jumping faults. Lola had a double clear XC run at Novice. No XC jump faults for any Spring Runners which is great for early in the season!



Adult Pony Club

Interested in learning more about horse care and management and over 18? Then Adult Pony Club is for you. We follow the same curriculum and certification system the younger riders do in Covered Bridge Pony Club but this club is just for adults. Want to learn more? Email or text Allison or join us at our Spring Meeting Monday April 19th at 6pm.



Opening/Closing Dates:

May 14-15 Flying Cross Mini opens 4-11 closes 5-6
May 20-22 Harmony in the Park open now closes 4-20
May 27-29 Maydaze HT opens 4-12 closes 5-10
(stadium held in the Altech Arena indoors)
May 27-29 KDA Spring Show open now closes 5-11

(tent stabling)

The Dressage Show on March 20th was a great success! Spring Run had riders in just about every level from Intro A to 3rd Level. Ansley was High Point for Eventing Test and Marin was High Point for 1st Level and above dressage.

SR Dressage Show

Thank you to everyone that volunteered! We cannot do a show without our wonderful volunteers.

SR Hunter Show Saturday April 16th

Get your entries in now! Show bill has been emailed and is in Lesson Horse Tack Room. You can leave entries in black mailbox or you can email form and Venmo - no entries accepted by text. Sorry it just gets too crazy to keep up with them all.

SR Volunteer Program

New for 2022 - Spring Run Volunteer Program - earn points for volunteering at our shows! Points can redeemed towards cool Spring Run swag. Start earning points by volunteering at the Hunter Show. Be on the lookout for the Sign Up Genius.

Day at the Farm

Monday May 30th 9am to 5pm

Mark your calendar and make plans to attend. We need your help to prepare the farm for not only our shows but for the summer season! We will be painting jumps, cleaning up the XC paths and jumps, and getting ready for summer! If you have trimmers, weedeaters or any useful tools please bring them. We will have a Potluck lunch at 1pm - please sign up on the Bulletin Board with what you would like to bring.



Spring Run Projects 2022

Safety Upgrades:

- 1. The Electrical System: We hired Brian Herrick of Riverside Services Electric Co. to provide an evaluation of all our barns. We are upgrading the breakers in the breaker box and installing several new breaker boxes. We are trying to eliminate extension cords as much as possible. Brian will be installing outlets at most stalls near the pipes for the heated water buckets. There will a short heavy duty extension cord from the bucket to the outlet.
- 2. Fire Halters and leadropes will be hung in each barn by the doors. DO NOT USE THESE- they are for emergencies only.
- 3. Fans: Spring Run will REQUIRE a NEW heavy duty fan each season. Old fans have dust in the motors which can be dangerous. It is best to buy the fan early. Only staff should hang the fan.

Lasko Max Performance 20" High Velocity Floor or Wallmount Fan (or similar brand)

This is the type of fan you are looking for - three prong plug with enclosed motor. These are much safer in a barn environment. There are no box fans allowed at Spring Run or at the Kentucky Horse Park (pick up a spare to take to horse shows). They are available on Amazon at a higher price but Sam's, Home Depot and Lowe's carry them for about \$50.



Farm Projects:

- 1. The Silo Barn Roof American Roofing has been working to repair the roof and replace broken areas. This has proved to be a challenging process.
- 2. Replaced old gates
- 3. Repaired fences and replaced old boards and posts
- 4. Redoing the footing in the pens
- 5. Redoing the footing in the water jump
- 6. Maria and Seth built a beautiful new XC jump let Susan know if you would like to sponsor a jump we need more new ones!



Check your Records!

I will be sending out emails if you are missing items. Every boarder needs to have a current Board Contract, Trailer Release, Rider Information Form, Medical Release and Waiver and each horse needs a coggins and health certificate on file. I would like to have all these forms updated by May 1st. There will a box in Susan's tack room labeled ALLISON to turn in forms. Thanks!

Trailering Update

Anyone that may need trailering provided by Susan or a Spring Run agent to shows or for emergency vet care needs to have an updated Trailer Release Form on file which list your Equine Insurance agent or policy number. All horses that are to be hauled by Spring Run need to maintain mortality insurance effective June 1, 2021.



The following two pages are notes from Susan that she wants all riders and parents to be aware of. These are items that are very important to the health of the horse and safety of the rider.

Horse Care & Maintenance

Grooming:

Daily - Curry, brush and clean feet

Detangler in the tail

Check for scabs on the body & particularly of the fetlocks and heel area - use medicated shampoo and Derma Cloth

Bath as needed

Monthly - trim long fetlock hair

Pull the mane & bang the tail

Clean sheath or udders

Body Work:

Each competition horse needs an individual plan based on these suggestions.

Chiropractor: Usually every 2-3 months as needed based on what the chiropractor recommends

Massage: Monthly and before a show or bi-monthly as needed

Magnawave: monthly or bi-monthly as needed

(ask Susan or Allison how to contact these sources to schedule)

Vet Care:

- 1. Every 3 months worming & shots
- 2. Every 6 months do a baseline exam with flexion tests to check for the need to do injections, oral joint supplements, Adequan or poly injections or osphos treatments
- 3. Yearly x-ray front feet to check for shoeing angles

Farrier:

Make a schedule with your farrier! Usually every 5 weeks. Eventers make sure to drill for studs and provide stud plugs to your farrier.

Teeth:

Float teeth each spring - most horses only need this yearly but some need checked every 6 months.

Learn more about Teeth care here: Dental Care

Tack:

Fitting: have your saddle checked by a fitter at least yearly to determine if it needs flocking as your horse's body changes.

Care:

- 1. Daily wipe off sweat and dirt from your tack and CLEAN your bit!!
- 2. Weekly- clean well and condition your tack and check for loose stitching and cracked leather

Tackroom:

- 1. Figure 8 your bridle when hanging them up <u>Click here to Learn How:</u>
- 2. Saddle Pads keep 2 clean (not 4 or 6) pads with your saddle (keep others at home)
- 3. LABEL all tack and supplies with your name!
- 4. Take home extra tack and supplies that are not being used daily
- 5. Keep your tack box shut and neat keep items off the floor
- 6. Keep the front of your stall tidy 1 halter, 1 leadrope
- 7. Purchase and use black blanket bags (see Susan's barn) to store blankets and sheets on door





Things to Know:

Vanning:

Load with a chain rope (preferably cotton as nylon burns hands if horse pulls back)

Use a halter with a breakaway feature or leather halter

Use shipping boots or Woof boots with bell boots

Bring a cotton lead rope (no chain) to tie with

Tie to bailing twine at the trailer

Bring a bucket for water

Leadropes:

Please use a leadrope when you are leading your horse! It is very dangerous to lead a horse by just the halter! If horse throws their head up - fingers can get caught, broken and horses get loose and can cause injury to riders that are mounted. If you can't find a leadrope check the feed room

Medication for away shows:

Ulcerguard- All horses should receive Ulcerguard 2 days before show, during show and 2 days after the show. (Trailering, showing, no-turn-out cause stress to the horse)

Bute - it is only legal to give 1 gram of bute every 12 hours. Banamine is not legal. When XC is the last day of the show give 2 grams of bute after competing.

If showing FEI level - consult the Drug Rulebook as many supplements, injections etc are not allowed within a certain period

Jumping:

Novice riders and up

After XC - ice and wrap with poultice and use liniment on muscles - purchase ice boots.

After jump schools & conditioning -ice and wrap! (if your horse goes out at least use liniment)

First few times you wrap - have Susan, Sam or upper level Pony Clubber check your wraps.

Learn about icing by watching this: https://youtu.be/43wSn5Pvh9g

Learn the difference between liniment & poultice: https://youtu.be/IRw8ZJACJ4w

Learn about wrapping here: https://youtu.be/HDgfflxniz4

Organizations you should consider:

- United States Eventing Association USEA <u>www.useventing.com</u> eventers competing in recognized events will need to be a member
- United Stated Dressage Federation USDF www.usdf.org if competing in a recognized dressage show you must be a member or join KDA see below
- United states Equestrian Federation USEF <u>www.usef.org</u> competing in recognized dressage shows or upper level eventing must be a member. Fan memberships allow for some live streaming
- Kentucky Dressage Association KDA <u>www.kentuckydressageassociation.com</u> if competing in dressage this is a more affordable way to do so and allow you discounts for clinics and year end awards.
- Midsouth Eventing & Dressage MSEDA <u>www.mseda.org</u> discounts for clinics and great year end awards and opportunities to compete on teams
- 42 Fleur De Lis www.42fleurdelis.com if you are doing the Flying Cross or Spring Run Mini Trials you should join for a discount and year end awards
- United States Pony Club USPC <u>www.ponyclub.org</u> great youth and now adult organization that teaches horse management and riding skills
- Covered Bridge Pony Club CBPC <u>www.coveredbridgepc.org</u> our local youth chapter of USPC Highly recommend it!

Ask Allison if any questions on which organizations to join!