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KEL-MAC SADDLE CLUB NEWSLETTER JUNE 2022



Susan McCullar, our Kel-Mac President, is awarding a ribbon to Emma Ray on Drifter at the May Show. Photo courtesy of Katie Williams. Go to www.kwilliamsphotography.com/ to view the galleries of lovely images that Katie took at our April and May Shows.

President's Report, by Susan McCullar

May has been a busy and exciting month for Kel-Mac. It was wonderful to award the first Barbara Reilly Cummings Memorial Scholarship to Molly Head, a well deserving young lady. Our May show was twice as big as our April show with many new riders and trainers. So exciting! Everyone seemed to have a great time. And then to top off that week, we practiced yoga at out meeting! Thanks to all our volunteers, riders, parents, and members for your involvement.

Saddle up and enjoy riding your horse(s) this summer. Aromatherapy with horses makes you smile!



Molly Head, the first recipient of the Barbara Cumming Memorial Scholarship, received her gift at the May Kel-Mac Show while mounted on her horse. The scholarship money and flowers were presented by Jim Cumming (pictured wearing his hat), he and Barbara's daughter, Lori Frost, and their son, Eric Cumming. Photo credit: Lori Williams.

Super Show Susie Cottongim, Show Chairperson

What a nice May show we had. Our entries were up in the English but down in the western classes. We will do our best to speed things along in the fall. Western folks might want someone to call at the show to get idea on how things are moving along. Our aim m is to keep folks showing rather than waiting. That means, be ready to go when your class is called.

What a quality turnout. The judge was really impressed. Unfortunately, the heat got to the judge, and she had to stop and get out of the sun. Many thanks to Renay Strickland for stepping in and doing such a good job judging our western classes.

There were a few classes not supported with entries. We will decide this summer whether to cancel them, or not.

In spite of the large turnout, the show went smoothly. Thank you to our super volunteers who stepped in and up to the task. Even helping move the jumps is really appreciated. For some strange reason some of us can't toss them around like we used to.

The highlight of the show for us was the presentation of the Scholarship to Molly Head in Barbara Cumming's name. We are doing our best for Barbara and her family to show how much she meant to us.

This summer, I hope everyone enjoys spending time with their horses, and that they will be ready for some tough but fun competition this fall.

Vice President's Report, by Lisa Williamson

At our Kel-Mac Meeting this month, Dr Jared Williams will present "How Wounds Heal, and Where Things Can Go Wrong". Dr Jared is a board certified large animal surgeon who specializes in emergency and critical care at the University of Georgia College of Veterinary Medicine. He's seen many interesting cases over the years in this capacity. Dr. Williams is a humorous and engaging speaker, and will he no doubt provide us with an entertaining and informative presentation. The Meeting will start at 7pm on June 21 at the Watkinsville Public Library. Susan or I will have the library door open by approximately 6:30pm so we can socialize before the meeting starts.

Our May Meeting had a few of us stretched out on the Library floor. It just looks like we were napping (see picture below)!



At our May Kel-Mac Meeting, Chanda Ross (wearing gray pants) and her sister, Carmen (all black outfit), demonstrated several yoga postures that help maintain flexibility and build strength. Thanks to Lori Williams who got off her mat and took the picture.

Kel-Mac May Meeting Minutes May 17, 2022

President Susan McCullar called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm We were given a slide show presentation of the scholarship presentation at the May 14 show. Molly Head was awarded the first Barbara Reilly Cumming Memorial Scholarship of \$1000. The award was presented by Jim Cumming and his children, Lori Cumming Frost and Eric Cumming. Congratulations, Molly!

Minutes from the April meeting were approved as published in the newsletter.

Discussion was held on possible topics for upcoming meetings. Lisa is investigating the possibility of having a farm meeting with a vaulting demonstration. Another possibility is having volunteers from our members show photos and talk about great riding adventures and trips.

Treasurer's report: Beg balance \$14,404.99 Total deposits \$4789.00 Withdrawals -\$2378.49 End balance \$16,815.50

The scholarship fund now has \$4,460.00 in it. We discussed the possibility of putting the funds in some sort of interest earning account to make it more self-sustaining. This idea will be discussed with a financial advisor.

Trail report:

Sharon Wood was not able to attend the Meeting. Rosemary reported that there is a camping trip at Willis Knob this weekend, May 20-22.

Show report:

Susie Cottongim reported that we had a great show and thanked all the volunteers who make holding a show possible. Discussion was held about ways to move the classes along. One suggestion was to keep the gate area clear and have the next class enter the ring on the rail while the class that just finished is awarded ribbons. It was also noted that we need a better speaker system that can be heard in the stall area of the barn as well as in the trailer parking lot. Possible remedies were blue tooth speakers or a bull horn. We also discussed having a separate in gate and exit gate to avoid bottlenecks. Volunteers working the gate table have requested 2 copies of each class sheet from the office. This step would allow a volunteer to check off riders on deck for the next class and

also to call specific riders in the barn. Susie planned to attend the Morgan Co Ag Committee this week. She has a list of requested upgrades to the show facility which she will present.

New business:

Karen Miller shared information about the Summer Saddle Up Camp that will be held at Clemson July 27-31. Youth and adult clinics are available for dressage, hunter (flat work and over fences), western, and trail divisions. Youth pay only a \$85 stabling fee. Adult clinics are offered at 8am and 5pm. Adult clinics fees are \$170, in addition to the \$85 stall fee. For more information, go to the website: <u>summersaddleup.org</u>

We concluded the evening with a yoga presentation by Chanda Ross, owner of the "Let It Be Yoga" Studio on Barnett Shoals Road in Watkinsville, GA. Yoga is a great exercise for riders as it emphasizes "long and strong" muscles, flexibility, core strengthening and back stretching. Overall mobility is the goal. "Let It Be Yoga" is a welcoming donation-based studio that offers a variety of classes suitable for beginners, those seeking mainly a stretching work-out (yin yoga), and folks who want a more vigorous work-out (vinyasa flow). They even offer a chair yoga class! For more information and to see the schedule, check out Letitbeyoga.org

We all got on the floor and tried it out! Thank you, Chanda!

The meeting concluded at approximately 8:15pm.

Respectfully submitted, Valerie Puryear, secretary

Scenes from the May Show shown next page





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