

Campbell Springs Farm

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Record Turnout at the Spring Horse Trials



69 riders competed in the Spring Horse Trials at Campbell Springs Farm on Saturday, May 6th. This is more than double the number of entrants from just two years ago, when the farm hosted its first ever horse trials. This exciting equine triathlon was host to riders from all over the state. Warm weather, new show management, and an injury-free event made this competition a great success! Congratulations to all our CSF riders who rode in this event. Thanks to all our volunteers for your hard work to make this event happen on time and in style.



Thanks especially to our incredible sponsors who so very generously donated prizes, greenery, volunteer gifts, and financial contributions. Riders, if you enjoyed the show, please let our sponsors know with a visit to these fine establishments:

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Farm Happenings

The farm office works hard to keep you up to date with any changes going on at the farm that effect you and your horse. You will receive a notice in the mail explaining any changes to feed, care programs, billing or other important announcements. Please make sure we have your current mailing address, email address, and phone numbers and to let us know if these change. Just call Shannon at the farm office at (804) 590-3400 with any updates. Thanks!

Professionals advise that frequent switching of the amount and type of grain fed to a horse will place your horse at greater risk for health problems. In order to improve your horse's health we will be limiting the variety of grain fed in the North Barn down to two or three different types of feed. **Dr. Marty Adams, Ph.D.**, nutritionist manager for Southern States, will be coming to the farm soon to help you evaluate your horse's dietary needs. All horses on full care will be on either Legends 10 pelleted grain or one of two other alternative feeds offered on the farm. The barn manager will help you evaluate changes in your horse's condition that warrant a change in feed. Your horse's health is always our top concern, and we'd be happy to make exceptions to our new feed policy with a written recommendation from your vet. Additional charges may apply.

We're giving away money! From June 15th through August 15th any boarder who's moved into CSF on or before June 15th can earn 10% off your September board when you refer a friend to board at Campbell Springs. To qualify, your friend must move in before August 15th. Thanks to everyone who's referred someone in the past!

The barn is looking for a people to be on call in case a barn team member calls in sick. We've got a few people signed up already - ask Abby or Ken to add your name to the list.

Welcome

Carrie and Kevin Lamoreaux with **Harlie** to the North Barn. Harlie is a three-year-old Percheron/Paint cross.

Stephanie Salamone brought **Dream**, a Paint mare, and **Jackson**, an Appendix gelding, to the South Barn.

Lindsay Holley returned with her Quarter Horse, **Star**, to the South Barn in May.

Congratulations

Geana Knowlton purchased **Maverick** from Stephanie Goode at the South Barn.

We'll Miss You

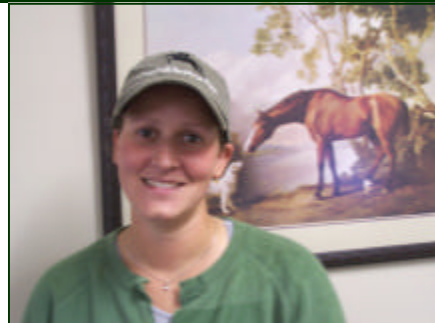
Deborah Hasenfus and **Conner** left the North Barn in May.

Rebecca Bray and Sherry Thomas left the South Barn with **Cheyenne, Frisbee, Alexis.**

Martie Wilson and Jo Binx left the North Barn.

Campbell Springs Welcomes Abby Johnson as Barn Manager and Lead Instructor

Campbell Springs is proud to welcome Abby Johnson as our new full-time lead instructor and barn manager. Abby will be working as a part of farm management to improve the lesson program on the farm, and to oversee the care of the horses in the North Barn. Please feel free to ask Abby about riding lessons or horse boarding questions. Welcome aboard Abby!



Abby's Training Tips

Have you ever felt like your horse was disconnected back to front? Does your horse turn in a "boxy" manner, lacking suppleness? Begin with schooling circles and be consistent in your training routine. Use supplying exercises to slowly work your horse, starting with stretching and moving on to lateral work, and focus on maintaining a connection to encourage engagement.

CSF lead instructor Abby Johnson got her start in the horse world as a wide-eyed five-year-old desperate for a pony. After years of lessons in Hunter Jumper, she got her first taste of teaching as a summer camp counselor at Bayberry Riding Camp in Spotsylvania. At 20 she apprenticed with an eventing trainer in Maryland for eight grueling and fulfilling months, where she realized that training and teaching was her dream job. As a student at the Grand Cypress Equestrian Center in Florida, Abby trained in the British Horse Society approved program, learning about feeds, conformation, and equine science to develop a complete understanding of horse care and riding. She attained stage III groom and rider under the BHS program, and continues to pursue her BHS AI certification. As an instructor, Abby believes her greatest strengths are having the eye to determine what exactly is going on between the horse and rider, and being able to find a way to explain something that clicks for each individual rider. She explains that trust in one's trainer is critical for advancing in any discipline; having confidence that your instructor knows your abilities and can help you reach beyond your perceived limitations is important. Most of all, she says, never be afraid to ask for help from someone with more knowledge.

Consider the postage stamp: its usefulness consists in the ability to stick to one thing until it gets there. -Josh Billings

2006 Events

JUNE

Old Dominion Challenge Cup Series - Final Round 17th
Dressage & Combined Training Show

JULY

Campbell Springs Hunter Classic Series - Round 2 15th
Open/Hunter Show

AUGUST

Capital Horse Shows Association Show 19th
Hunter Show

SEPTEMBER

Fall Horse Trials 2nd

OCTOBER

Campbell Springs Open Classic Series - Final Round 7th
Open/Hunter Show

VADA Show 15th
Dressage Show

Pat Parelli Natural Horsemanship Clinic 28th and 29th

NOVEMBER

AKC Agility Trials 4th and 5th
Dog Show

Pat Parelli Natural Horsemanship Clinic 11th - 13th

Registration information about all of our shows will be available at www.campbellspringsfarm.com as the shows get near.

So What IS An Open Show?

On July 15th, Campbell Springs Farm will host Round Two of the Campbell Springs Open Classic Series. This fun mix of challenging VHSA Associate Hunter Classes and Open Pleasure and Gaited Horse Classes is well worth the trip for beginners or experienced competitors going for points. Check the web site soon for the prize list at www.campbellspringsfarm.com.



Hunter Classes

- ?? Short Stirrup
- ?? Novice Equitation
- ?? Low Hunter
- ?? Baby Hunter

VHSA Associate Classes

- ?? Green Pony
- ?? Open Working Hunter
- ?? Green Hunter
- ?? Children's/Adult Hunter
- ?? Equitation

Open Classes

- ?? Sport Horse In Hand
- ?? Maiden Equitation
- ?? Dressage Suitability
- ?? Pleasure Driving

Pleasure Classes

- Western Pleasure
- Gaited Pleasure
- Pleasure Pony
- Green Pleasure

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