

## Quail Run Farm March 2012 HT Results.

Thank you to **Judge, Becky Brown** for officiating as Dressage Judge and to **Janet Taylor** who judged Show Jumping at our Spring Horse Trials March 25<sup>th</sup>! Thank you to all our 50 competitors and to all the volunteers who allowed the HT to take place and to our show secretary Kathi Roof, who apologizes for her bad computer crashing before sending out the results!

The standard of dressage was very high, I am always amazed at what a great job our event riders do compared to the eighties when one could have a bad dressage score and still move up and place in the ribbons! We have come a long way baby!

Sam Garbarino and Siobhan O'Brien practiced their FEI Intermediate tests in a Standard 60x20 arena, and Ellen Doughty did Prelim C. Shelly rode Prelim C in small arena. All received good scores to prepare them for the upcoming season.

Our **BEST Dressage SCORE of The Day 20.4**, went to **Ariel Valdez** & Peggy Friauf's, **Unforgettable J** in Open Novice (15 starters). Ariel finished with 1.6 XC time penalties and won the day with a score of 22! Congratulations Ariel, it is so good to have you back in Texas with new super new skills!

Samantha Wood finished second in Novice, on her dressage score of 25.4. Maggie Kitts finished on her dressage score of 28.9 HC thereby giving the 3<sup>rd</sup> place to Elana Von Doeler our snow bird from Canada!

**Jody Taylor** and his little QH mare, **Crystal Gold Dust** was back in great form again to win Training.

**Beginner Novice Open** was won by Jr rider Rachael Brasovan 27.0 after dressage, they picked up 5.2 time penalties to finish on 32.2. Seguin Alexander also a junior rose from 7<sup>th</sup> after dressage to come in second on her dressage score. All the above divisions were run at the higher XC speeds over courses that are comparable to USEA recognized HT. Congratulations to all riders.

Our **Jump Start Division** max height 2'3" was won by **Molly Scher on her pony Jester Best Friend** on their dressage score of 34.8. Second was one of her Best Friends, Audrey Green on new pony Bridgette. The other best friend Emma Vallner was forth with adult rider Katie Lambert and Bella, in third. The other member of the **Pony Club Friends Quartet**, McKinsey and her brand new pony Lady Tessa went Tadpole HC with a score of 34.5 in their first event together. We look forward to great things from our Pony Clubbers in the future. I bet that they will be our Young Riders of tomorrow!!

**Mom of the Day** goes to **Stacy Ehlers** who rode daughter Alexa's mare **Crystal Clear** to 7<sup>th</sup> place! Stacey last competed 39 years ago in a barrel competition! Alexa gave her a few dressage and jump lessons recently and Stacy decided with trepidation to compete! Coach Alexa, remarked to me at the start box, about her mom. "Isn't she cute?" I told Alexa that she sounded like the mother, to which she replied. "I feel like a mom, looking after my Child." I asked Alexa to jump into my white Tahoe and we shot off as Mom left the start box. We raced ahead and Alexa managed to take movie and still shots as Mom and Crystal went clear Cross country with only time penalties! What an inspiration Stacy is to us all! CONGRATULATIONS to Stacy and to Crystal's trainer and Stacy's coach Alexa!

We were able to run our HT as a ONE DAY event utilizing mostly on grounds volunteers. **Thank you competitors and your support crew of family and friends and our close neighbors The Ehlers.** With gas at an all-time high, I feel that it is hard to ask volunteers to not only give up their valuable week ends but also to spend hard earned dollars on gasoline to get here! PLEASE bear this in mind when you are attending events and call your organizer ahead of time-or **VOLUNTEER on your entry form.** Eventing is a very LABOR INTENSIVE SPORT and the more we can all do to help our organizers cut costs, the more we can prevent the entry fees from rising!

Special thanks to Cathy McCall and Morgan Smith's Mom, Susan Foust who helped all day and to dressage scribe Jennifer Albright. Thanks to Jump judges, Linda Wendt, Martha Bader, Kim Dickman, Jeff Ehlers, Mary Kate Klir, Tamara Mason, Ronda Sexton, Peggy Friauf and to anyone else who helped out to make the day run smoothly and on time, a very big thank you!

Thank you to those who donated instead of helping out, to SPIRITHORSE. This wonderful local organization helps more patients with physical, emotional and mental disabilities than any other therapeutic riding organization worldwide. We are pleased to match your contributions at every QRF event.

Thank you all once again for participating in our Schooling HT and CT.

Please join us for our **BEAT The HEAT Combined Test in our Shady Pecan Grove. August 19. Judge Carrie Ferrer will also give Ride A Tests** on Saturday in the sand arena.

Cross country schooling both Saturday and Sunday 7 AM until 1PM.

**QRF Fall Horse Trials** will take place **October 21**, Ana Schraivesande will Judge.

Cross Country Schooling will be on Saturday only.

Best wishes to you all for a safe and fun event season!

Jan and Peter Walling.

Thank you to our many volunteers

**Happy Easter to Everyone!**

**Lori Calame of Denton Creek Farm**

will host a **Ride A Test** with Carrie Ferrer **Easter Week End** with their

**7<sup>th</sup> Annual Event Derby** the following day . [www.dentoncreekfarms.com](http://www.dentoncreekfarms.com).

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