

March's 2021 Newsletter

<u>A leg up on What's</u> <u>Happening at TCF!!!!</u>

3/14/2021 Missy Roades <u>Clinic</u> is scheduled at LOL Farm with Top Call. Stay tuned for times, and sign-up details.

<u>Summer Camp</u> – Camps available to 7-11 years of age. Sign-up information coming.

<u>3/20/2021</u> – Zone Finals at (TIAC) Tryon Equestrian International Center.

<mark>3/27/2021</mark> - "Farewell IEA Seniors" Bonfire celebration.



Hope painted this portrait of Charlie in memory of his service to Top Call. So many tears shed from so many who knew and loved this incredible horse. He has been a staple to the Top Call school program for 20 years. Farewell sweet boy. Our hearts break for you. His painting proudly hangs in the lounge for all to remember. Thank you Hope.

<u>Back in the Saddle</u> <u>Again!!!</u>



Furman University Equestrian Team is back and could not be happier. FUET is a club sports organization open to any full-time undergraduate Furman student. They are a hunt seat team and compete in Zone 5, Region 3 of the Intercollegiate Horse Show Association (IHSA). Welcome back girls.

Stable Scoop!!!

Pardon the Mess! Thank you everyone AGAIN for your continued patience as we beautify the farm. Please remember this is your baby's home. We and your horse ask you to help keep it clean. A lot of Labor and Love 😳, and time, thought, and money has gone into this barn. We had cast iron wash drains with catchers that are designed to catch items that will clog your horse's shower. Let someone show you how to clean this fabulous invention; invented with the horse lover in mind. A driveway was put in so you could park safely and rid your car of mud on your tires as you leave. Please only drive on the driveway coming and leaving the barn. Please only park in front of a tree log. If you do not see a tree log, it is not a parking spot. 😂 Ιf your horse POOPS anywhere, please pick up and discard in a muck bucket, conveniently placed everywhere. LOL. Ιf something is not working, please let someone know, so we can fix immediately for чои. Ask, ask and ask. There are no silly questions. Keep informed.

We still have mud 😕. Wear muck boots or grab a few grocery bags or boot covers hanging on the electrical pole at the driveway. Spring is almost here. $\textcircled{\column}$

Gift Certificates are available! What a great idea for a rider (new or experienced) for any occasion. See Leslie or Muffin to purchase.

Need a mentor? Call Leslie or Muffin and let them pair you with the perfect partner.

Leslie Maddox: 864-907-7927. Muffin Forrester: 864-561-2343

Coming soon, our round pen next to the outside arena.

<u>Whoalllllll</u>

Wow, our team performed well at IEA Regionals. Just to make it to Regionals is so impressive. Congratulations to Sydney Butenhoff, Rachel Knoblauch, Riley and Morgan Kopchinski, Mackenzie McCravy, Catie Glyn Ouellette, Sydney Shipp, Brooklyn McClain, Alexis Terrell. Rylee Dixon, and McCay Vick. We are so fortunate to have two girls compete at the next level, Zone Finals March 20th. Congratulations Riley Kopchinski and Catie Glyn. We are so proud of you. Great Job.





So long, farewell, auf Wiedersehen, good night, we hate to go and leave this pretty sight....

We are going to dearly miss 3 IEA Seniors this year. We know we will see them during the holidays. 😊 They have been the strength to the IEA team and the barn. Sydney Butenhoff, Mackenzie McCravy, and Sydney Shipp have been such resource to their а teammates throughout the years. A true blessing to the TCF IEA Team and a gift to their college teams.

Sydney Butenhoff





Sydney has been accepted to Clemson University and will study Environmental Engineering. She has been riding with Top Call Farm for seven years and competed in Maclay Regional

Finals and USEF National Medal Finals in 2019, Most recently, Sydney won the BRHJA Junior Medal Finals (2020). Sydney is hoping to continue her riding career both with Top Call Farm in Adult competing Equitation classes and by becoming a member of the Clemson University Equitation Team (CUET). The Clemson University Equestrian Team is a club that shows within IHSA Zone 5 Region 3. Her favorite part of the IEA program is the "team aspect". Hunter/Jumper is such an individual sport at she enjoys times, and supporting and hanging out with her teammates. She is proud to be a part of the Top Call Farm Team and is thankful to train under Muffin, when asked what she does outside of "horse"her answer is "horses". LOL Of course! Interesting fact you may have not know about Sydney. She is a pescatarian.

<u>Mackenzie McCravy</u>





Mackenzie was accepted to Samford University. Samford is Alabama's topranked private university in Birmingham, Alabama. We are all so proud of her. She plans to study Pre-Med and would like to settle in a of emergency career Samford medicine. University has an Equestrian Team who IHSA. competes with Samford is so lucky to gain such a talented rider. Mackenzie has been riding for 7 years and has a trunk full of ribbons to showcase all her hard work. She coaches a swim team during the summers. She assists with numerous horse lessons with the little ones. Her patience is a gift, and her smile will light up the room (I mean a barn 😇) She is the hardest working girl I know. How does she find time for it all? She is just that talented.

Sydney Shipp



Sydney Shipp has been riding for a decade. She will be attending Converse College is Fall and their IHSA Team Equestrian has recruited already her. Smart team. Her favorite part of IEA was the opportunity ride so many wonderfully different horses. Riding so many different styles has really helped her become the beautiful rider she is today. 📀

This Month's "Bit of Horse Knowledge to Chew on":

How to Put Hair up Under Riding Helmet in Less Than 1 Minute.

Step 1 - Finger-comb your hair straight down over your ears. Step 2 - Slide the hairnet over your head. Making sure the knot is in the back.



Step 3 - Pinch just the elastic strand of the hairnet and pull it below and behind both ears. Pull the elastic taut by sweeping your hands under your hair at the nape of your neck.

Step 4 - Secure your hair and the hairnet into an exceptionally low ponytail at the very base of your hairline. (Do not worry about the net in your eyes just yet.)



Step 5 - If your ears still show through the hairs, you can smooth and encourage the hair to slide down over the ears with a firm petting motion on the outside of the hairnet. Avoid picking at it with your fingertips or the hairs will pop out of the ponytail and the hairnet.

Step 6 - Secure the hairnet over your ears and push the center of the net on your forehead up to your hairline. Step 7 - Flip your head upside-down and slightly fan the loose ponytail hairs out over the top of your head. This helps your helmet lie flat and it will not bobble. If you have short spikes coming out of the ponytail, you can simply swing the flap of the hairnet over them, as pictured.



Step 8 - Put your helmet on from back to front, capturing the loose ponytail and making sure the hair tie is inside the shell of the helmet as well.



Step 9 - Grasp the brim firmly. Lift the helmet out from your face and slightly upward. Shove any spare parts up inside helmet at your forehead. Then pull the helmet out and down. This will ensure you do not disturb the sides or back.



Finish adjusting hair so that it remains under the helmet.

Take the Reins:

LOL Equestrian is always building or fixing something for Top Call Farm. If you would like to be a part of Top Calls' making of their dream facility, please let Lori Knoblauch know, 😳 Her number is 864-275-3131. Work includes jumps, jump poles, fencina, trophy shelves, trailer renovation, etc. She has all the tools, and she will teach you how to use them all... well almost all. At least teach you the things Lainey Wilson sings about "Things a Man oughta Know". 😌 She will post workdays on black dry erase board at the front.



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