

The McElroy Group

Highlights of the McElroy Group and their beloved steeds. Check back often for news updates on the happenings of this talented and ambitious group.

April-May 2014

Spring is finally here and we sure deserve some nice weather!

Amy's son, Marshall, announced his decision to go to college at USC Columbia. The 12th was an all-day orientation. It was a very exciting and sad--it's hard to believe he is graduating high school this year.

Several members of the McElroy Group competed in the Aiken Spring Fling Dressage show. The group was quite successful with many blues and 2 scores in the 70s. The scores both belonged to Jocelyn once again who is now qualified for the Region III Championships at Training and First Level!

Hope everyone had a happy Easter! Birthday wishes to Janet--April 13 and Debbie--April 21.

Prayers and well wishes to Jane who had neck surgery on the April 23.

May starts off with a dressage Morgan show at the Georgia Horse Park.

Amy and Dan will be celebrating their 23rd anniversary and 30 years that they've been together.

Amy is heading to Charleston on May 9 & 10 to give a clinic at Elite Equines.

Gunnar Ostergaard will be giving a clinic at Fair Lane Farm on the May 25 & 26.

June 2014

On June 5, Amy's oldest son graduated high school--it was a big day for the McElroy family!

June 14 & 15 was the Camden Dressage show. There were lots of 70%s that weekend, and overall, it was an impressive weekend:

--Sarah and Loxley earned a qualifying score of 75%.

--Becky competed her newly imported horse, Dani and also earned a score in the 70s at Second Level.

--Lauri and Uno made their Int. I debut.

--Caroline and F & F earned a score towards her Bronze medal and rode their first Fourth Level test.

--Laurens and Orient debuted at PSG and earned a score toward her Silver medal.

--Sue and Rue received their last qualifying score for the Regionals.

On June 15, Amy judged the Full Gallop Event.

The McElroy Group has two new horses and a new rider/boarder at FLF.

--Dru purchased a super, young (4 year old) Dutch Warmblood named French Kiss. He is a beautiful gray with lots of balance and talent. Look for this new duo in the show ring this fall--they will be the team to beat!

--Lauri, in addition to Uno, has a new mount, Danny--they hope to show and qualify at Training Level this year.

--A warm welcome to Rebecca Newell and her new mount, Nimbus; the pair are working toward their very first show this fall as well.

Hokan Thorn gave a great clinic at FLF on June 28 & 29. It was well-attended and Hokan was pleased with everyone's progress since his last visit in February.

Gunnar returned to give a clinic at FLF on July 12 & 13 and it was full despite the heat!

The next show is July 26 & 27 at Raleigh--and with the heat, the McElroy group has just a few riders competing.

Please take a moment to read the latest Ask the Judge column--it's on show attire for the summer months.

We are missing Jane and Marlene who are both up north for the summer--hope you're reading this!!

Amy Judged the Poplar Place Event on May 3.

Condolences to Shelly Temple and family on the passing of her mom.

The McElroy Group had a large group of competitors at the Aiken show the last week of May--check back for results!