

CMTA News



Carolina Marsh Tacky Association brings you news and events from owners, breeders and riders of the S.C. State Heritage Horse.

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Horse bits

• Registration has begun for the 2012 Marsh Tacky Beach Races in Hilton Head on March 18. If you are planning to race, please fill out a registration form by going to the News & Events tab on CMTA's website, www.marsh tacky.org. Volunteers are also needed to help with the races. If interested, e-mail Marion Gohagan at gohagansguide@service@yahoo.com or call (877) 625-2987.

• Chris and MJ Goodwin welcomed the first Marsh Tacky bred on Blackberry Ridge Horse Farm on Nov.



24, MJ's birthday. They named the colt Mercer. His dam is Liberty Blue (the kissing mare) and sire is Friday.

• Donations are needed for the Silent Auction & Raffle fundraiser that will be held during CMTA's annual meeting at Mullet Hall on April 21.



Tune into 'Horse Tales'

"Horse Tales with Blaire and the Pee Dee Cowboy" is a weekly television series that was created by horse lovers who wanted to share their exciting adventures with everyone. It is an informative and entertaining show from the time horses first came to our great country to modern day. Although this show appeals to "horse lovers," it also captures the attention of a wide audience featuring places throughout the Southeast. The premiere of the show was October 2, and since then, the crew of Horse Tales has been traveling across South Carolina filming horse events. They will travel to Hilton Head Island on March 18 for the Marsh Tacky Beach Races on Coligny Beach. David Grant, aka "The Pee Dee Cowboy," has raced every year since it started. This year David will be riding Simpson and filming. The crew of Horse Tales is so excited to be a part of this amazing event.

They look forward to filming and photographing the races and the other events going on that day. Be sure to tune in at 11 a.m. on Sunday mornings on the CW21 WWMB for some exciting adventures and look for Blaire and the Pee Dee Cowboy on the beach in March! You can also watch past episodes online at www.horsetalestv.com.

A Red Rocket Ride!

I had fun riding my aunt Susan Day's Marsh Tacky named Red Rocket at Horse Shoe Lake. We rode on some extreme obstacles. My favorite obstacle was the ditch. We rode under logs, then me and Jenifer (Ravenel) rode the Marsh Tackies in the water. We had a really great day.

By Dylan Heinsohn, age 7

New owner attests to ease of teaching a Tacky the ropes

Pam Strawn became a new Marsh Tacky horse owner in July when she and her husband traveled to D.P. Lowther's farm in Ridgeland. They picked out a nice little bay filly that was five months old. They took her home and named her Cheyenne. Here's what Pam has



Pam Strawn is the proud owner of this Marsh Tacky filly she named Cheyenne.

to say about her experience with her first Marsh Tacky: "The filly had not been handled. Within a day of getting her home, I was petting her and had the halter on. The first week she was leading around on the lead rope. Over the last few months, I have really enjoyed teaching her all the things horses need to know. She will stand tied and loves to be groomed. Also she will pick up all four feet. We recently accomplished loading willingly onto the horse trailer. I am truly amazed at the ease of training a Marsh Tacky. They are very willing to learn new things and not as flighty as other breeds. I feel blessed to own a little piece of South Carolina history."

Kilted Rider

Janson Cox and Jodie Reeves took two horses, Molly and Major, to a South Carolina Living History presentation at Johnakin Middle School in Marion, S.C. "We took Molly to show the kids what a real Marsh Tacky looked like and used her to tie in with General Francis Marion. We took Major along to show the comparison of a Tacky and a 'regular horse.' Major is a Walker off of Janson's farm. This may be the only time you see a man kilted on a Marsh Tacky. It's the first I know of," Jodie said.



Wearing a kilt and making history, Jodie Reeves sits aboard Janson Cox's Marsh Tacky mare Molly.

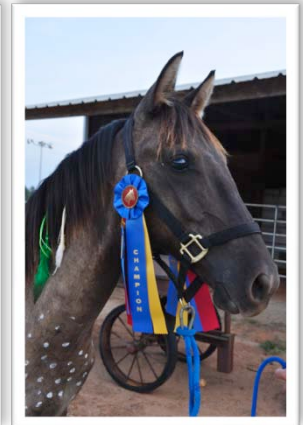


Lindsey Loparo is completing a Girl Scout Gold Award Project on the Marsh Tacky breed and its significance.

Girl Scout makes breed focus of her Gold Award Project

Blackberry Ridge Horse Farm has a very dedicated intern, Lindsey Loparo. Lindsey is 14 years old. She has no horses of her own but rides the Blackberry Ridge horses. She has been to four events so far, and she has begun "Project 276" as her Girl Scout Gold Award Project. This is the highest level attainable in the Girl Scouts. It is comparable to an Eagle Award in the Boy Scouts. "I was very impressed with Lindsey's idea for our display at the Carolina Foothills Heritage Fair in October 2011," MJ Goodwin said. "Her goal is to tell 276 people about the Marsh Tacky and its significance. She was well on her way to the 276 signatures at the fair. 276 is the number of registered Tackies as of the CMTA's last annual meeting."

Lindsey has also entered the Miss Teen Anderson County competition with a platform of Marsh Tacky Conservation.



Pictured is MJ Goodwin's Marsh Tacky Jefferson. Jefferson is double registered as a Marsh Tacky and an American Indian Horse. At the Southeast Regional American Indian Horse Show, he won two championships: color and halter. He was competing against much older, more experienced horses.



Karen Exley rode her 4-year-old Marsh Tacky filly Sasha for the first time over the Thanksgiving holiday. Sasha began her training with Ken Seely and was finished by Ricky Warren.

Sasha comes home ... and three more

Karen Exley of Rincon, Ga., became the proud owner of Sasha's Southern Beauty, aka "Sasha." She is a 4-year-old grulla mare from D.P. Lowther's herd. She was in training with Ken Seely when I first got her and then went to Ricky Warren, a CMTA board member. Karen and Sasha took their first trail ride together Thanksgiving weekend and everything went well enough for Sasha to "come home" to Karen's farm. Karen is also the new owner of Pia, Nandy and Yemee. Pia and Nandy are yearlings, and Yemee is a 3-year-old gelding, all purchased from D.P. Lowther. They were purchased in October and are sweet horses.



Pictured are three horses Karen Exley recently purchased from D.P. Lowther: Pia, Nandy and Yemee.

An Unexpected Swim

As told by Susan Day's MT Red Rocket

The Hollywood Gang set out one fine winter's day to ride at beautiful Mullet Hall on Johns Island, S.C. Along for the ride were Kat, Chuck, Ben, Jenifer, Susan, Rebecca and Dylan. The horses were, well me, Scarlet, Sweetie, Carolina, Kaze, Twister, and Pole Cat. The trails were nice. We loped and walked through beautiful standing pines, alongside clear open fields, and wandered through Alligator Alley. The sun was shining, the air was still, and winter's smell was in the air.

Our ride was wonderful until we got to the obstacles. I love the obstacles and did the mailbox, the hill, the poles and the water just fine. Scarlet did the water and decided to stop for a drink. Her rider was getting a little nervous, so Susan and I went back in to help get Scarlet out. Well the joke was on Susan. While she was bending down to help get Scarlet's head up, I decided to take a dip.

All I heard was "No you are not!" and "Oh yes you did!"... everyone else was laughing. I thought it was OK because Susan was off now taking a dip, too. I was wrong... heard something else, which I think was "Save my phone" and "Red Rocket for BBQ." Not sure what a phone is but I hope it got saved. I don't want to be BBQ. I know what that is.

Well everything is back to normal now. I think I have been forgiven. I love to trail ride, and watch out, Susan, for my next move...NOL!! (Neighing Out Loud)



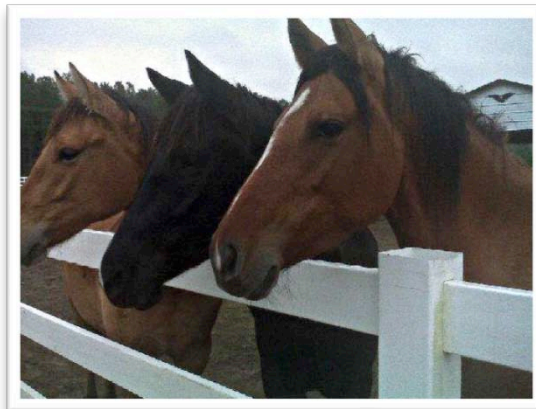
Red Rocket thought the water felt nice and refreshing ... Susan Day, not so much...

Marion Broach rides his stud colt Bird for the first time. Bird did not offer to buck or rear on his first few rides, but he did give Marion a rodeo recently, followed by a quiet, uneventful 2-hour trail ride. Pictured below are more Marsh Tackies at Heritage Stables: Toogoodoo, Belle and Sully.



Heritage Stables growing one good horse at a time

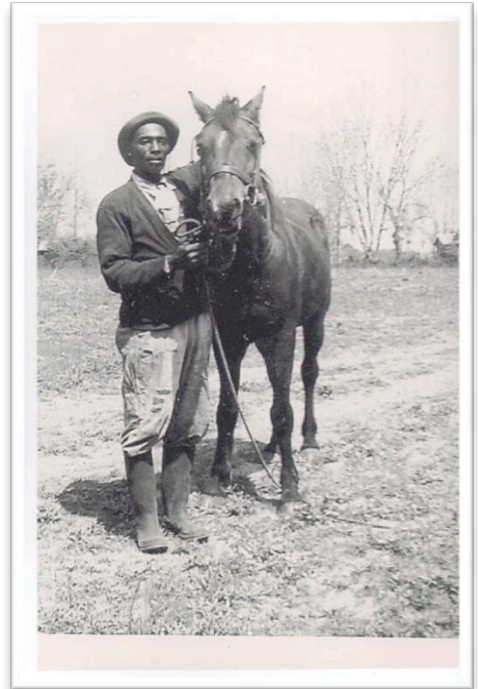
Marion and Sandy Broach are the proud owners of Heritage Stables in Timmonsville, S.C. Heritage Stables includes Marsh Tackies Toogoodoo, Sully, Southern Belle, Foxy and Bird and a quarter horse named Blue. Marion explains how Heritage Stables came to be.



“I got the Tackies from my good friend David Grant.

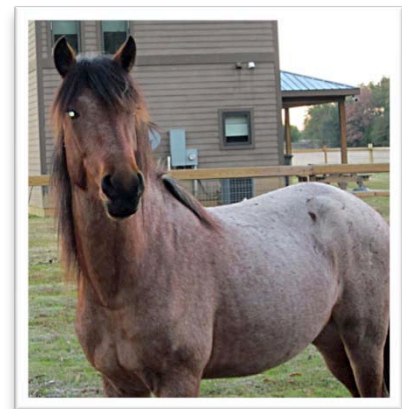
Toogoodoo was already trained when I got him; Belle, a 2-year-old filly, and Bird, a weanling colt, were purchased at the same time. My wife, Sandy, saw Belle and had to have her. David had just gotten Bird from Susan Day, so we bought both at the same time. Foxy was a birthday gift from Sandy. Belle and Sully were trained by Mr. Billy Pritchard from McBee, S.C. He did a really good job on them. Bird, 32 months, and Foxy, 24 months old, are both beginning to be worked under saddle by me and my grandson, Hunter. (I have another grandson, Chase, who is the same age as Foxy. It is his duty to feed Foxy when he’s at the stables.) Foxy and Bird are very easy to work with. Bird was ridden by Hunter a couple times before I rode him. While he has bucked me one good time, he is really quiet and willing to learn. He flexes well, and he did a little side stepping on his own. He is going to be a great horse. Foxy, who is as big as Sully and Belle, both 3-year-olds, did well the first time I rode her. In fact, she really didn't do anything! The second time, however, was rodeo time. She bucked and reared a couple times, but that was it. I rode her for about 30-45 minutes, and she is doing great. I am proud of my HORSES. I got some good ones.”

Tackies of the Past



The above picture was submitted by Lish Thompson. She got the photo from her aunt who said it was taken on Allendale Plantation on Wadmalaw Island in the 1940s. This is Thaddeus and his Marsh Tacky named Bill.

New Stud in Town



Coosaw is a 3-year-old bay roan Marsh Tacky stud belonging to Chuck Graham of Aiken, S.C. He was bred by DP Lowther and first sold to David Grant. He was trained by Wylie Bell.



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Register Your Marsh Tackies

Jeanette Beranger will be doing a head count of Marsh Tackies born this spring. Please send your info – including births, deaths, geldings or studs – to: jberanger@albc-usa.org.

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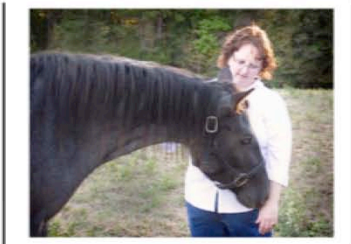
Information and Requests

Website: Attending an event with your Marsh Tacky? Send event info to Jackie McFadden at marshtacky@gmail.com. Afterwards send your photos!

Newsletter items: We need descriptions of events, activities, and stories of Marsh Tackies for upcoming newsletters and a historical manuscript. Send to: Wylie Bell, 615 Beauty Spot Road W., Bennettsville, SC 29512 or email stillawoo@yahoo.com or marshtacky@gmail.com. Photos and materials sent in become property of CMTA.

Marsh Tacky Registry:

Owners, remember to send Jeannette Beranger, P.O. Box 477, Pittsboro, NC 27312, updates on new births, sales, or deaths of your horses.



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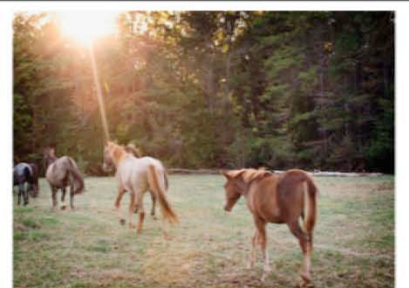
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