



**Newsletter Fall 2009**  
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*The McCurdy Plantation Horse Association hosted the Fall Trail Ride on October 3, 2009 at the Southern Sportsman Hunting Lodge on Hwy 80, between Selma and Montgomery, Alabama.*



The weather was bright and sunny and approximately 160 riders on all breeds of horses were on hand, mostly gaited.

Hosted by the Southern Sportsman Hunting Lodge, many thanks to Jim Mason and his team for providing the wonderful accommodations, food and trail for this excellent ride.

Board members June Snook from Oregon and Colleen Cates from Texas were on hand, Pixie Jarvis from Kentucky, Rocky Nettles from S. Carolina rode, but Cindy Martin was very much missed!

New members joined our ranks from Tennessee and S. Carolina. The fun and festive trail riders from Georgia were in full force again, with their horses, living quarter trailers, and great fellowship around the nightly campfires!

Thanks to all who came and made this Fall 2009 a huge success, and a special thanks to Matt and Joe Ulrich for making it flow smoothly, to Nathan Lipscomb for being our showcase announcer, to Roy and Janice Rogers for manning the table of great tee-shirts and jackets we had for sale, which were all designed by Matt Ulrich for our Association.



## From the McCurdy Office

Registrations are as follows:

Foundation Mares	151
Foundation Stallions	30
Pedigree Registrations	305
Appendix Registrations	38
Total	524



**During the August McCurdy Plantation Horse Registry Board meeting**, a motion was made and passed whereas ***all late fees for registration transfers and new registrations would be waived through June 1, 2010.*** Therefore, if you have any transfers or registrations you have been putting off because of the late fee, now is the time to get this completed!!! Forms can be obtained off our website or by calling the Registry office at 334-872-5412. From June 10, 2010 forward, all late fees will be adhered to.



We had an average of 2178 daily hits to our web site in the month of September.



## McCurdy Breed Promotions

McCurdy director June Snook of Oregon is still going strong and is back in the saddle for her 25 & 50 mile endurance rides this fall on their McCurdy Horses after her total knee replacement this summer.



*McCurdy's Iron Rebel* owned by Pixie and Jim Jarvis of Ky, was used by professional trainer Jason Crawhorn at (see below)

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“The Mane Event Expo” in Bowling Green, KY to demonstrate the importance of body control of the horse when applied to trail obstacles. Jason and Rebel demonstrated what a well-trained horse can execute with backing, side-passing, moving the horse’s shoulders, hindquarters, etc.

The Main Event offered a full day of equine clinicians and education. Proceeds benefited New Beginnings, a Therapeutic Riding Center, as well as an affiliate of the KY Horse Council.



### **Promotion in the Field**



*McCurdy's Lightening Lad*, AKA "88"- owned and ridden by Colleen Cates and trained by Winston Way, recently competed in an American Competitive Trail Horse Association (ACTHA) ride which was held in Athens, Texas Sept 19, 2009 at the Trace Trails CTC. The course was 6.5 miles with 8 judged obstacles to complete.

88 placed 5<sup>th</sup> in the Open division and was also High Point Gaited Horse Winner. There were approx 85 entries. For more information on Competitive Trail Horse Riding, go to [www.actha.us](http://www.actha.us).

### **Breed Promotion on a National Level**

The McCurdy Breed is going to be featured by the Friends of the Sound Horse Association in their Nov/Dec issue. As well as being featured on the front cover.

### **Alabama Horse Fair**

The McCurdy Association will be represented at the Alabama Horse Council and Horse Fair – January 23-24, 2010. It will be at Garrett Coliseum, Montgomery, AL. So, please come out to the Alabama Horse Council and Horse Fair to support our McCurdy Plantation Horse Association with breed promotion and visit our booth.



### **Spring Trail Ride 2010**

The McCurdy Plantation Horse Association's 2010 Trailride will be hosted at The Southern Sportsman Hunting Lodge on Hwy. 80, twelve miles east of Selma, Al. It is an open breed trailride, consisting of a morning ride, lunch served at the Lodge, the McCurdy Horse Showcase and an afternoon ride. All are welcome! Overnight accommodations are available. Mark your calendar, the Spring Ride Has Been Changed to April 10th, 2010, as to not conflict with Easter.

### **McCurdy Showcase**

The McCurdy Association Director's are proud to offer you our McCurdy Horse Showcase. For those that haven't been at the last 2 trail rides, the McCurdy Horse Showcase is a new event that we installed at our Spring and Fall trail rides as a platform for McCurdy owners and breeders to show our wonderful McCurdy horses to those in attendance. We set up a temporary arena and each participant has several minutes to ride their McCurdy as a short description of the horse is being read over the P.A. system. So if you have a registered McCurdy horse for sale or a registered McCurdy Stallion that you would like to present for potential breeding please join us in showing our wonderful McCurdy's at our next trail ride. If you have a horse that you would like to enter in the Showcase please contact Matt Ulrich at 251-942-8555 prior to the trail ride to register your horse.

### **Trail Ride Program Ads**

Promote your horses, farm, or business by purchasing an ad in the 2010 Spring Ride Program. Please contact Matt Ulrich for ad space, at 251-942-8555 [membership@mccurdyhorses.com](mailto:membership@mccurdyhorses.com)



### **Board of Directors News**

The McCurdy Plantation Horse Association would like to welcome Cindy Martin to the Association Board of Directors. Cindy is the President of the South Carolina chapter of the McCurdy Plantation Horse Association which is a subsidiary group of McCurdy enthusiasts in South Carolina that gather periodically for trail rides in order to promote our wonderful breed in their region of the country. Cindy is an enthusiastic and valuable member to our Board and we look forward to her insight and participation on the Board.



#### **MPH Association Board of Directors:**

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Matt Ulrich (Vice President/Treasurer)  
Ed McCurdy (Secretary)  
Grey Till (Legal Counsel)  
Colleen Cates  
Teddy Pouncey  
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Cindy Martin  
June Snook



#### **MPH Registry Board of Directors:**

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Grey Till (Legal Counsel)  
Colleen Cates (Public Relations)  
Teddy Pouncey



### **\*\*\*\* Association Membership Dues \*\*\*\***

**Just a reminder** for all those who have not paid their dues yet, please do so. Please mail your check to Matt Ulrich at the address listed below.

**Registration and Transfer:** Visit the McCurdy web site for all your registration and transfer information and forms. The following forms with information on registering a McCurdy horse can be found on the web site. Please read the directions to each form carefully as to cut down on delays in getting your horse registered.

Transfer of Title Report  
Pedigree Registration Application  
Application for Foundation Registration

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### **Website Advertising**

The web site gives every member a page to list their farm, ranch, stallion, horses for sale. If you would like to be on the breeders listing with your farm or ranch, by state, fee is \$50.00 for 12 months.

To advertise a horse for sale, a photo ad is \$20.00 for 3 months, and a text only ad is \$15.00 for 3 months.

Send check made out to MPHA to:

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