

N E W S L E T T E R



### A Message from Cory

The year started out very busy for me. Robyn and I traveled East looking for horses for our clients. We were disappointed that we weren't able to find horses for Joanne Horwitz or Joyce Yamamoto, but we will keep looking. We did however find a wonderful horse in Georgia for Madi Holtzman. His name is Ringwood Murphy and he's a big bay Irish bred horse. He's very kind and has been showing at the training and preliminary levels. As you will discover from reading this newsletter, there are many, many new faces and horses at the barn and we are very happy to welcome them to our Mill Creek family.

Spring is here and the horse show season is in full swing. Even if you are not planning to compete, I strongly encourage you to go watch, help other riders or volunteer for the show committee—it's an incredible learning experience. Many shows are close by & upcoming shows are listed in this newsletter. The Mill Creek Show will be June 5; I hope to see all of you there.

Once again we have a full Summer Day Camp Program planned, which begins June 21 this year. Details and enrollment forms are now available on the website. I'm looking forward to another full Summer at Mill Creek!

*Cory Walker*

### Update on Mette and Her Clients



Mette has already had an extremely busy year. She went on a buying trip to Denmark with Anne Solbraekke and came home with another lovely horse for Anne named Rico (both pictured left), a chestnut Warmblood gelding with a beautiful flaxen mane and tail. Rico is an elegant, advanced level Dressage horse.

While in Denmark, the Finally Partners, LLC went crazy and bought a fabulous 3-year-old gelding named Regent for Mette to develop. She hopes to qualify him for the 4-year-old championships in Chicago.

Please join Mette in welcoming two new clients and their horses. Margie Cochrane just moved to California from the East Coast with her two very nice Dressage horses, Dresden and Debet. Jenny Berger just moved in her pretty gray gelding, named Finnegan, who Joe will begin Eventing soon.

### Pan Am Games?

The 2nd weekend in April, Mette competed in the CDI 3\* Dressage Festival at Rancho Murrieta; an international level show that will help Mette in her goal of qualifying for the Pan Am games in Guadalajara in October this year. Riding her impressive chestnut, Finally, they placed 1st in Prix St. Georges and just missed first by 2/10 of a point in Intermediare I. This should qualify them for the national championships at Gladstone in September, where the Pan American team will be selected.

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## Horse Show Report

### Congratulations to Paulina Montgomery & King's Cross!

In their first outing at the Training Level, Paulina and King won first place in a large class at Galway Downs the first weekend in April. Cory & Joe are extremely proud of their fantastic go—Paulina won effortlessly on her Dressage score!



### MILL CREEK HAS AN EXCELLENT SHOWING AT THE TRANCAS RIDERS & ROPERS SHOW

On April 3, Karene took several of our students to the TR&R Hunter/Equitation Benefit Show in Malibu and everyone placed very well! Most notably, Stella Gage on Marcus took home the High Point Championship and Arienne Martin on Serena and Zoe Camparoso on Sleepy were co-Reserve High Point Champions (see photo below). Other ribbon counts are below:

Stella Gage & Marcus	2 - 1sts; 2 - 4ths
Zoe Camparoso & Sleepy	1 - 1st; 2 - 2nds; 1 - 4th
Arienne Martin & Serena	1 - 2nd; 4 - 3rds
Sofia Guarachi & Merry	1 - 5th; 1 - 2nd
Julia Brittain & Brady	2 - 4ths
Lila Mass & Lego	1 - 2nd; 1 - 4th
Maxine Hoesdorff-Rosen & Bows	1 - 1st;
Carole Lieberman & Gimli	

### Three Champions at Trancas!

Stella Gage on Marcus (center) took home the High Point Championship & Arienne Martin on Serena (left) & Zoe Camparoso (right) on Sleepy were co-Reserve High Point Champions.



### Successful First Show at Twin Rivers!

At the beginning of March, Lorie Fee rode her young horse, Good to Go in their first official show outing together and came in Second place in the Senior Novice Division. Robyn Fisher Nash rode her young gelding Cornell at his first official Event and came in First place in Open Novice! Congratulations to both of you!





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## Many New Horses at Mill Creek!

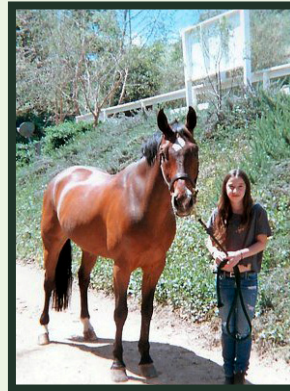
### Congratulations!

ELLE DE RECAT has a new Pinto gelding named PACINO. He is from Washington State and has competed up to the Preliminary Level. Cory says "Elle looks very lovely on him."

TESSA ROBINSON has purchased a nice preliminary Event horse named GIDEON. We will be excited to see Tessa competing on her beautiful new horse.

ANNA DAHLBERG, Mette's assistant, brought over a nice 4- year-old Swedish chestnut gelding. He was bred by her parents and she will be training and competing on him this year.

As mentioned in Cory's introduction, MADI HOLTZMAN has a new Irish bred gelding named MURPHY.



JORDYN HORWITZ with her new German-bred gelding. NICO is 8-years old and has been Eventing at the Advanced level.



LU LU SHAMBERG'S athletic new chestnut Trakehner mare, MAIZIE, has been winning in Preliminary at almost every Event.



The 2011 Easter Egg Hunt Was a Big Success! Thanks so much to everyone for coming out! We hope you had a great time! A very special thanks to Lorie Fee for doing her usual stellar job organizing this annual event. Photos are available on the website.

## Upcoming Shows

### EVENTS/HORSE TRIALS

- ◆ Galway Downs Spring Horse Trials
- ◆ Copper Meadows Horse Trials
- ◆ Shepherd Ranch SYVPC Horse Trials I
- ◆ Shepherd Ranch SYVPC Horse Trials II\*

### SHOW DATE

May 13 - 15  
June 11 - 12  
June 24 - 26  
August 26 - 28

### ENTRY DUE

April 26  
TBD  
June 7  
August 9

### DRESSAGE SHOWS

- ◆ Dressage at Flintridge
- ◆ Cool August Nights Dressage Show (LAEC)

### SHOW DATE

May 27 - 29  
August 25 - 28

### ENTRY DUE

TBD  
TBD

### NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

- ◆ USEF Festival of Champions and Pan American Games Selection Trials (Gladstone, NJ)
- ◆ USEA American Eventing Championships (Fairburn, GA)

### SHOW DATE

September 8 - 11  
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### ENTRY DUE

TBD  
TBD

\*Cory says to plan on using the August Shepherd Ranch Show as your end of summer progress report.

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## Summer Day Camp Starts June 21!

In addition to the 1st through 4th level camps, we will once again be teaching the Beginning Novice/Novice camp. Details and enrollment forms are available on the website. To insure your place, weeks 1 & 2 should be paid by June 1; weeks 3-6 by June 15 & weeks 7-10 by July 2.

Dear Doctor Toni,

We send you our best wishes for a speedy recovery!

We hope to see you back in the saddle again soon!



**For your safety**, when entering Mill Creek from the South (PCH) side, please be sure to pull forward far enough so you can see around the blind curve before making a left turn!!

## Important Invoice Policy Change

Please understand that payment is due at the time lessons are scheduled. Payment is expected before time of service.

A \$5.00 bookkeeping fee is being charge for sending out any statement with a balance due. The bookkeeping fee will double with each unpaid statement sent.

Remember that we now take Visa and MasterCard for lesson payments. Thank you in advance for your attention to this important matter.

## Blankets! Blankets! Blankets!

Spring is here so once again it's time to send your winter blankets off to be cleaned and repaired and stored in your garage until next October. We like to use Diana Dover (818-674-8691) for cleaning and repair.

This summer, Cory would like to see all the horses in a stable sheet to keep their coats clean, flat and shiny. Also, please plan ahead and consider using a mesh fly sheet (pictured right) for your horse in August and September.

For all blankets, please be sure to write your last name in at least 2 inch letters on the inside chest flap.

Cory thanks you and your horses will thank you!



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**SAVE THE DATE!**  
**THE MILL CREEK**  
**HORSE SHOW IS JUNE 5!**