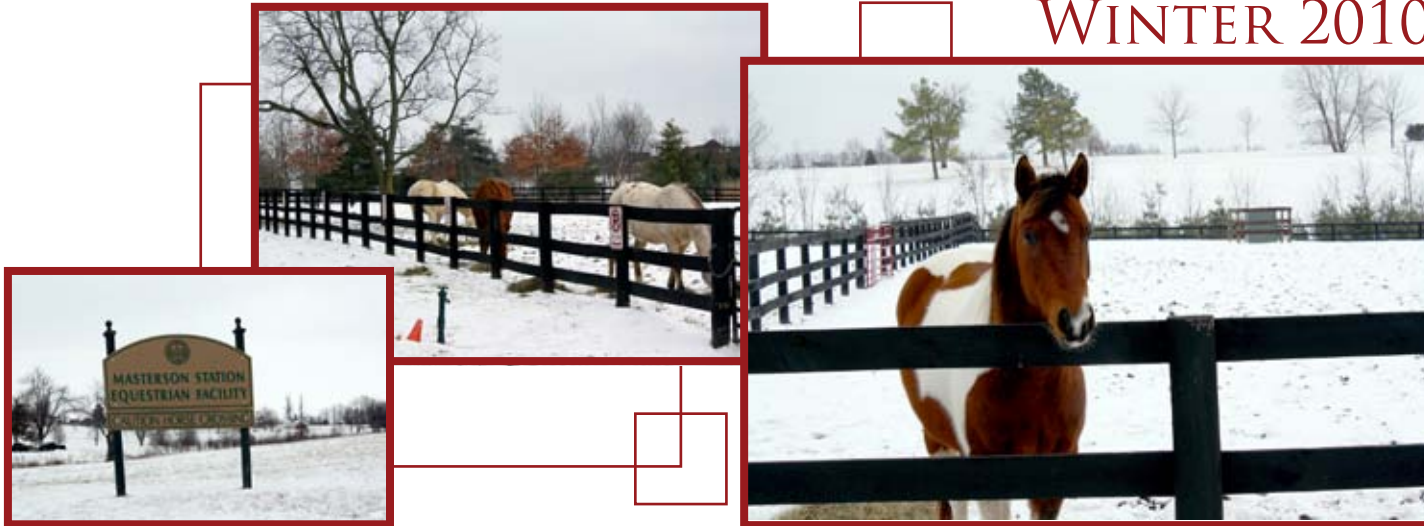




MASTERTSON EQUESTRIAN UPDATES



WINTER 2010



Masterson Equestrian Trust Foundation is a non-profit foundation dedicated to the preservation of Masterson Station Park for use by all equestrian enthusiasts and to the improvement and enhancement of facilities and services available to the equestrian public. MET acts as an advocate for all MSP equine enthusiasts, thus strengthening Lexington's distinction as the Horse Capital of the World.

Letter from the President • Sally Lockhart

T Masterson Equestrian Trust (MET) Foundation has had another productive year in its commitment to protect and improve Masterson Equestrian Park (MEP). With your support in the years previous, we were able to enhance the facilities and services available at the park. A big thank-you to all who supported our activities & events.

If you haven't already visited Masterson Station Park, and for those who are frequent patrons, the equestrian section of the park has 4 beautiful dressage rings, a nice fenced ring with sand footing, a cross country course, and acres of open space for trail riding, driving, and other equestrian activities. With the funds raised through the MET Horse Show in 2009, MET was able to replace the outdated sound system at the Hunter Ring. We anticipate using it this spring for horse shows.

MET also held our inaugural "Jumper Stumper" in July 2009, which was well attended, We hope to host more of those this summer – on Wednesdays, to coincide with Summerbird dressage evenings. Keep your eyes on our website or FaceBook page to see when these events start.

In this, the year of the World Equestrian Games, we are fortunate that we have Masterson Equestrian Park --- a free riding space, open to the public and extremely horse friendly --- available to us. Since the Kentucky Horse Park is undergoing many changes, we hope to offer some activities and events to replace some of those being cancelled for 2010 .

As green space for equestrian activities gets smaller and smaller here in the heart of the Bluegrass, the MET board members & I invite you all to come to Masterson Equestrian Park and enjoy our haven. With your support, we can continue to work on enhancing the facilities and services available at the park. Share with us your riding experience or share feedback about the facility – visit us on our website www.mastersonesequestrian.org, and send us an e-mail, or become a fan on MET's Facebook page.

Lastly, come ride at the Park! We look forward to seeing you there.

Opportunities to help at Masterson Station Park

Volunteers for Hunter/Jumper Show (please contact Ginny Howard at pawley651@gmail.com)

- Course build ~ Thursday, April 15 (4 p.m.)
- Jump crew members ~ Saturday, April 17 and Sunday 18 (please indicate preferred day, 8 a.m.)
- In-Gate people ~ Saturday, April 17 and Sunday 18 (please indicate preferred day, 8 a.m.)
- Awards coordinator ~ Saturday April 17 and Sunday 18 (please indicate preferred day, 8:30 a.m.)
- Clean-up and dismantling/storage of jumps ~ Sunday April 18 (tentative time after 2 p.m.)

Prize Sponsors for Hunter/Jumper show

Class sponsorship available. For more information contact Sally Lockhart at sallyire@aol.com

Ring Maintenance

Experienced tractor operator needed to help maintain the ring footing. Interested parties please contact Jane Winegardner or Sally Lockhart.

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From the Horse's Mouth:

MET Hunter/Jumper show is now an annual event, and will be held **April 17-18, 2010**. This event offers an excellent opportunity for horse and rider to dust off the winter cobwebs at an affordable cost, and help to benefit the progress of Masterson as a local and regional competition grounds. MET's hope is that with the proceeds of the 2010 show we can purchase new stadium jumps for the Hunter ring. More information at our website & on our FaceBook page.

New Barn at MSP after many years in the making, the new LFUCG lesson/tack barn was dedicated on November 14, 2009. Georgia Ockerman, Equestrian Park Program Supervisor, stated that for the first time the facility will finally and truly reflect the quality of the program.

MSP Equestrian Program • *Georgia Ockerman, Equestrian Park Program Supervisor*

"The Masterson Station Park Equestrian Program is a year round program with an emphasis on learning about riding and taking care of horses in a fun environment. We are operated under the auspices of the Lexington Fayette County Parks Department and are funded and staffed by the same



We have approximately 30 head of horses at any given time, and pride ourselves on the quality of our herd. Our instructors are knowledgeable and always put the riders' safety first and foremost. The classes are small by most lesson program's standards @ 5 per class. This means there is a lot of one on one attention, especially with our Beginner classes with usually 2 instructors. As mentioned we have classes year round and use the indoor arena for our week long camps in the summer as well as our winter classes.

For more information please check out our website at www.lexingtonky.gov/index.aspx?page=214

Our thanks • *MET Board*

The Board would like to extend their gratitude to **Jan Whitehouse** for her 6 years of dedicated service to the Masterson Equestrian Trust as Treasurer. We appreciate all she has done to help MET during her tenure.

MET would also like to thank Chad Ross and Shelly Simpson for their donation of the black coop to Masterson Station Park that many of you have seen in the schooling area by the Novice Bank complex. If anyone is interested in making an additional contribution to our cross country jump inventory, please contact one of the board members.

Mark your calendar 2010 at Masterson Station Park • *MET Board*

April 9-11 ~ Spring Bay Horse Trials
April 17-18 ~ MET Hunter/Jumper Show
May 9 ~ Sayre School Combined Test & Dressage Show
June 19-20 ~ Midsouth Pony Club Tetrathlon Rally

June thru August ~ Summerbird Dressage (Every Wednesday)
Sept. 11 ~ 3rd Annual KyEHC All Breed Charity Horse Show
October 17 ~ Woodford Hounds Hunter Trial

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