



President's Letter

Dear members,

During these warm summer months, we all have more of an opportunity to enjoy our Marchadors. The USMMA Board has approved a number of programs to encourage members to participate in events that will demonstrate to others why we think the Marchador is the complete horse.

The USMMA has available materials that any member can request if they are planning to attend a horse show or exhibit their horses at a riding competition. What's new for 2010 is the association is setting aside some money to help members defray the cost of such participation. Board member Bill Kambic heads up this program so email him if you are planning to participate in a show or riding competition and would like to apply for funding. (wkambic@gmail.com)

In addition, we plan to set up an annual competition among members who successfully participate in or complete any event such as endurance rides, all gaited horse shows, competitive trail rides, mounted archery, or any other event where a member competes against other riders in an organized competition. We have set aside funds for prizes to recognize members. Board member Susan Gabriel heads up this program so send her an email if you have completed an event. This year we are giving out shirts with the new USMMA logo as a prize. (sdgab@att.net)

Because of our efforts to have a USMMA shirt to give out as prizes, you can now order Land's End shirts and products with our new logo. The colors we used for the logo represent the colors of the Brazilian flag and the horseshoe with the S is the new brand for the USMMA. Go to this website to order one of your own!

http://ocs.landsend.com/cd/frontdoor?store_name=USMMA&store_type=3

I would like to thank those members who responded to our survey about our first US Mangalarga Marchador National Show. We had hoped to hold this show to coincide with the ABCCMM Inspector's visit scheduled for August but we could not get it organized in time. We are still looking at the possibility of holding an event this fall or early next year. We will incorporate as many of your suggestions as possible. Besides judging gait and conformation, we hope to add the complete horse competition that was described in the September 2009 newsletter. We recognize that it will be difficult for many to travel to whatever location we select but we think it is time to begin. Hopefully, each year we can schedule this event in different parts of the country so that all members will have an opportunity to participate.

Now get out there and enjoy your Marchadors!



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We've been experiencing some difficulty getting our regular publication out in 2010. We are trying to move to a new platform and delivery system. While that is going on, here are some of the news items that have been submitted. (You may get some of this news again when we test out the new system.)

PAST EVENTS

Parade of Breeds Demonstration

Signa Strom, Doug and Helene Williams – Pennsylvania

Azenha de Maripa, Marchwind Reparo and Steio do Berma participated with their owners/riders to showcase the MM breed.

Where: Quentin Riding Club, Quentin, PA

When: June 27, 2010

ABCCMM Inspection

We had a successful ABCCMM inspection visit for our USMMA members who wish to maintain dual registry. Dr. Getulio Tadeau Vieira inspected 12 horses and 12 horses passed inspection for full ABCCMM registration. Congratulations to the owners! Besides being a wonderful and warm person, Getulio is a wealth of knowledge about the Mangalarga Marchador. During his time at the ranches, he gave a riding lesson on setting the marcha, advice about breeding and also a conformation class explaining how he awarded points to the different body parts.

Where: FL, British Columbia, MT, CA and NC

When: August 9 – August 17, 2010

UPCOMING EVENTS

International Mounted Archery Challenge 2010

Susan and Holm Neumann, Oregon

Archers from Brazil, Iran, Japan, Malaysia, Mongolia, S. Korea, Turkey, U.K join US. US archers for a huge competition! There will also be Native American dancers, mounted shooting, medieval mounted events and much more! Some archers use Marchadors as mounts, but all events are open to any breed.

Where: Juniper Arena, Deschutes County Fairground, Redmond OR

When: October 2 & 3, 2010

Festival of the Horse

Lynn Kelley - Arizona

USMMA hospitality booth and Marchadors will be there in the breed barn. AZ owners have volunteered, but we could use more!

Where: Queen Creek, AZ

When: November 5 & 6

Why We Love Our Marchadors

Signa Strom -- Pennsylvania

"I've been working with Marchadors for almost two years now and find them to be the most willing, gentle, trusting breed I've ever had the pleasure of owning, training and riding. As an added bonus their versatility and athleticism is outstanding; I use mine for endurance, eventing, and foxhunting."

If you're a USMMA member and would like to share your sentiments about the Marchador breed, please send an email to newsletter@usmarchador.com. Please limit your submission to 100 words or less.



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In Memoriam

Lynn Kelley – Arizona/Colorado

It was with great sadness that we learned about the passing of Mr. Lucas Guerra, founder of the MM Horse Farms, Miami FI, and “de Miami” bloodline here in the US. We were happy to have called him and his family a friend. Mr. Guerra bred 2 of our mares: Bossa Nova and Chanel de Miami. In the US, you can find his blood in the pedigree of 84 of the Marchadors (now great-great grandsons and granddaughters)

Our Members in Print

Flying Oaks Ranch, Equus, July 2010

4 Seasons Marchadores, Mangalarga Marchador, ABCCMM, July 2010

Summerwind Marchadors and Yankee River, Horse Trader August 2010

Coming up: The Equine Journal, Nauta Press (Spain) and Horse Gazette

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