



# MM GOOD NEWS

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## Hello from the Editor - Kristy

Hello USMMA members. This has been great follow up month for the USMMA. I have had tons of responses from you and stories to share. I look forward to getting more and letting everyone get to know you.



## Getting to Know You!

Everyone has a story to share whether it be moving or funny or traditional in how they got involved with the Marchadors in the beginning. I shared my short story with you last month, this month we will hear from new member Marli Wood.

"I was lucky enough to purchase my Marchador from Summerwind Marchadors. I first noticed them In December of 2006 issue of California Riding Magazine. I've ridden several disciplines, but found my true love was riding and working with the hunter / jumper world. I guess after enough falls, my back completely quit on me. I was facing not riding, much less jumping, again. I could not accept this so I started my search.

After researching many gaited breeds, I kept going back to the Marchador and Summerwind. I contacted Lynn and told her about my situation. Lynn proceeded to gently guide me through a totally new world.

There were a lot of different factors for me to consider. We agreed a young horse would be best so I could continue to heal while a youngster could grow up. A baby in-utero just seemed too long. Ultimately Lynn agreed to sell me her 'pride and joy' Caesar do Summerwind. Lynn did not intend to sell Caesar—she did this for me. Lynn continues to enrich my life with practical information and beautiful history. Finding Lynn's friendship through this amazing breed has opened up a whole new chapter in my life... one last time."

Here is Caesar! then



And now



## Member News



*Folego do Lucero, Ocala, FL bred by Bill Kambic, Haras Lucero*

Here are some beautiful pictures from our members from our database.



*Empiro do Premier Hamilton, MT, Owned by 4 Seasons*

### AZ – Summerwind

Congratulations to Connie Sperr, a new USMMA member, who reserved an SW 2008 future foal. SW also announced an AWARDS program for SW horses entered into events, shows or competitions.

### CA – Rancho de los Cielos

The 2008 foals have begun to arrive! Theresa and Jacob have one on the ground and are expecting five more, we

think!

### FL – Lusonatica

Ellen Farmer adds one with her new buckskin filly, Dondeca.

### MT- 4 Seasons

Lori Silcher traveled to Brazil in February to buy more horses. Yeah, Lori! Congratulations to Janice Cyrill on her purchase of Annalisa do Premier. Janice plans to become a MM breeder.

### OR - Cascade

Cascade is shifting focus from raising foals to a stallion station. Another area of interest, trained mounts are available for the archery center where Holm will give clinics, lessons and host competitions.

### SC – Sunset Farm

Congratulations to Jim and Grace with their new MM mare, Cetine do Premier.

## USMMA Website

### Reminder

Our database allows you to enter information such as height and up to 10 photos of your horses as well as update all of your contact information. The USMMA Webmaster is currently Lynn Kelley. Send new info and photos to [kellyaz@rnsmtc.com](mailto:kellyaz@rnsmtc.com).



*Abraco do Lucero Hamilton, MT*

## USMMA News and Updates

### Registrar's Report as of March 2008-

127 horses registered

90% of known MM in US

The registrar is working with USMMA members to straighten out ABCCMM paperwork in preparation for the upcoming ABCCMM inspection visit. If you need any assistance with Brazilian registration papers please contact Lynn at [kellyaz@rnsmtc.com](mailto:kellyaz@rnsmtc.com).

### ABCCMM News –

Getulio Tadeu Vieira and Henrique Melo will be coming to the US to perform ABCCMM inspections on US-born horses. Some USMMA members have maintained membership in the ABCCMM association and continue the long-standing

traditions. The ABCCMM inspectors bring a wealth of knowledge about the breed.

### Special Event

The USMMA will be tapping into that knowledge by continuing the training of US veterinarians Hugh Rogers and Tia Nelson.

The USMMA will also be holding a clinic in Montana using the inspection process to highlight gait, confirmation, temperament and the breed standard. The clinic is open to all members and interested parties. Please contact Lynn Kelley, clinic chair, for more information at [kellyaz@rnsmtc.com](mailto:kellyaz@rnsmtc.com)

## USMMA News and Updates Cont.

USMMA Board of Directors Meeting  
Tuesday, April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2008.

If you are scheduled to give a report at the meeting, please make sure your reports are emailed to all Board members 10 days prior to the meeting. (March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2008)



Rio de los Cielos, a stud colt will be inspected by the ABCCMM in May. Owned by Rancho de los Cielos

## Thanks from the USMMA

USMMA President Tresa Smith in an open letter to retiring ABCCMM President, Eduardo Costa Simoes.

Dear Mr. President.

Thank you for all you have done to help and to guide the USMMA in its formative years. Before your term ends as ABCCMM President, we want to make certain you know how greatly we appreciate what you have done for us. You have done so much but to focus this thank you, I want to borrow from David Letterman. Here are the TOP TEN REASONS we thank you.

1. Fighting to preserve the integrity of the Horseshoe M brand

2. Twice sending ABCCMM technicians to the U.S. for inspections and for teaching us about the Marchador breed.
3. Hosting our two veterinarians in Brazil and working with them to become qualified inspectors.
4. Making it possible for the U.S. to obtain frozen semen thus insuring a broader gene pool as we develop the breed.
5. Making it possible for the U.S. to do Provisional ABCCMM Registration with DNA and photos.
6. Allowing the U.S. to do Embryo Transplants to non-Marchador mares.
7. Doing a special ABCCMM DVD in English.
8. Having an English translation on the ABCCMM website.
9. Forming a special ABCCMM Committee to focus on Exportation of the Marchador.
10. Having ABCCMM staff give special attention to resolving the U.S. special needs and problems in registration of horses.

We will miss you as President. We would love it if you came to visit us so we could personally extend our thanks

Signed, The President,  
The People and The Horses of the USMMA

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*ABCCMM Presidente  
Eduardo Costa Simoes*





Casablanca do Premier, Ocala FL.  
Owned by Marchador Manor.

## Upcoming Events

- 3/08 Arizona Trail Competition
- 3/08 Northwest Expo, Albany OR
- 4/08 The MANE EVENT Red Deer, Alberta CA
- 5/08 Ride the West, Spokane, WA
- 5/08 USMMA Clinic, Montana
- 6/08 Western States, Sacramento CA
- 9/08 Spruce Meadows, Calgary, Canada



Katie on Oxum do Vale da Prata,  
Owned by Cascade.

## Upcoming Event Details

Cascade Marchadors is currently working on preparations for the NW Equine Expo, March 27-30. They will present three breed demos of the MM's and four Mounted Archery demos using exclusively MM's as mounts. They will be featured on Rick Lambs Radio program and possibly RFDTV. Lucas Novotny, a mounted

archer and custom bow maker will ride with them as well as their two trainers, Clint Surplus and Bob Story. Katie Stearns, a medalist in mounted archery in South Korea, will also be riding with them. The breed demos will be ridden by Susan Neumann and Carol Long.

Holm will be giving two Mounted Archery clinics in

Brazil in May at Desempenho, a riding school who uses and breeds MM's. This is his 3<sup>rd</sup> Brazilian Clinic since he began mounted archery. You can read more about Holm at [www.desempenho.com.br](http://www.desempenho.com.br)

Susan Neumann also has made herself available to assist anyone wanting to demo horses at Expos around the USA.

## More News could go here!!!!

Examples of possible headlines include Competitions or Events, MM History Articles, Ads or Articles you've written, A MM Conformation Analysis, ETC.



Holm Neumann on Quevedo FAD  
Owned by Cascade.

## Taking great Horse Pictures

We all want to show off our horses. However, capturing their beauty, their personality and their special-ness seems to elude us when we have a camera in our hands.

The top tips:

1. Groom your horse to look its best.
2. Work with another person to hold the horse or help you keep him moving if you want an action shot.
3. Take lots of pictures!

Here are some more tips from the pros.

### Fill the Frame!

To fill the frame:

Move closer to your subject.

Use the camera's zoom.

Crop the photo:

### Feet Close to Square

If the photo is of a horse standing still, it's usually most flattering for the horse to be standing with its feet close to square (front legs even with each

other, back legs even with each other).

### No Clutter

Make sure the background of the photo is clean and uncluttered (this includes shadows). Your horse should dominate the photograph, with little or nothing to distract the eye. Most often a "bland" background is a good background.

### Ears Up!

A horse with its ears back, down, or to the side in a picture looks like a person with a frown on its face.



Dondeca do Lusonatica, born March 10. What a cutie!

## The Computer Corner

Please send in your tips on how better to use the computer, internet or nifty websites to share with other members.

This month's tip is [www.vistaprint.com](http://www.vistaprint.com).

They offer FREE business cards – you pay only shipping and handling if you can make one of their 42 standard designs work for you.

Their premium business cards are only \$3.99!

You can upload photos of your horses or logo to

customize the card.

You can also print front and back of the card. Using the back allows you to include more information, like directions to your ranch.

I found the website easy to use and you can save your work so if you get interrupted, you can finish later. Saving the work also helps when you need to change one piece of information to not have to type everything over.

I would recommend using the PROOF feature which

sends you what the card will look like before you actually print it.

*By Lynn Kelley, USMMA webmaster.*

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*"ONE BREED, ONE  
PASSION – the  
Mangalarga Marchador!"*

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### We're on the Web!

See us at:

<http://usmarchador.com>

## Please send more photos and stories

Spring is here. Your horses are shedding to look just gorgeous. The 2008 foals are being born. Please send in more photos and your stories!

We'd love to know you and your horses!

## The President's Message

We are a volunteer Board dedicated to introducing the Mangalarga Marchador to the US and promoting the breed.

The Board is listed on the left of this page. Please contact any or all of us by

emailing us at  
[info@usmarchador.com](mailto:info@usmarchador.com).

At the end of 2009, we will be holding elections for a new Board. This year is a great time to volunteer for a USMMA committee or to find out what's involved in

being a Board member.

Please feel free to contact me, Tresa Smith at [lazytranch@mac.com](mailto:lazytranch@mac.com) to get more involved in the organization. Thank you.

## About Our Organization...

The USMMA was founded in 2005 with 4 founding members. Since then, we have added over 50 new members and are still growing.

If you would like to join the association, there is a membership application form on the USMMA website.

We think our breed is

special, but our members are too!

Our members are warm, helpful and committed. They would love to talk to you about the Marchador!