



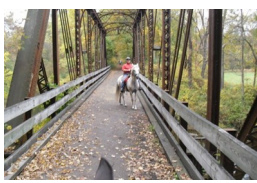
The Power Glide

Mason Dixon PFHA

September—October

Show Year 2014—Volume 1

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and now, a Word from the Mason-Dixon President:

Dear Members,

I would like to thank those members that took the opportunity to take me up on the open invitation to be apart of the board meeting held on Sunday, August 11th at Laota Spring farm. Please note this might be a long letter. because I want to briefly inform our members who were not able to attend. Before I get started on the many things I wish to share with those members who were not in attendance; I want to thank Beaverlea and her husband, Gary Manderbach, along with their staff for opening their facilities to us for the afternoon.

Many of our members volunteer not only locations, such as the Manderbach, but their time. They volunteer their time at our horse shows and others who spend time setting up and/or coordinating trail events for our members. Some of those volunteers never ride their own horses at those events, because they are busy making sure a Mason Dixon event goes smoothly. It was expressed that they should be acknowledged as well for their help, because we can't do it without them. So we voted on having an award for such individuals. We would like for people to submit a volunteer name/s that they want to recognize for that year. As it would be hard to put a value or weight on ones involvement over another it was suggested to place all names nominated for that year together in a feed bucket and one name pulled for that year's award.

Perpetual plaques were also voted on for Trainer of the Year and Amateur Owner of the Year. Each would still get their own small award for them to hang on to, but the perpetual plaque would stay with them for one year and returned in time to engrave the next year's winner. Perpetual plaques that we are speaking of are the types were you see different engrave plates attached on one large piece of finished wood. Once we have one of these plaques filled we could give it to the person who appeared the most on the plaque to keep forever.

Our shows were a great success this year, but there were several issues that needed to be addressed: The Jersey show was on Father's Day weekend and only a week away from the Ashville show. Our June show has fell on father's day many times and has impacted the days to show and/or not to show and we are aware of that. We voted to see if we could work some thing out with the Dream Park for the weekend before. If it is moved then we would have to move Dillsburg show back, as that would be expenses for 2 shows coming out

of our members pockets in one month. So Dillsburg needs to be rescheduled earlier to April or to move it to the fall after Nationals. Our horses would be in shape and on top of their game and members who show could have points in for the 2014 show season before they put horses and equipment up for the winter, such as we did with the Harrisburg Kile show in the past. The Manderbach's offered to possibly hold the show there instead of Dillsburg, we appreciate their offer, but decided to run an event out at Laota Spring farm to work out the logistics it would take to have the event moved to that location. So once again we voted the show committee to investigate possible date changes with Dillsburg.

I would like to congratulate all the members of Mason Dixon members that participated at the 2013 Grand National show in Lexington, Ky. I would also like to wish everyone that plans on showing at the 2013 World Cup in Miami, FL. GOOD LUCK!!!!!!!

I hope to see everyone at our annual meeting on Nov. 2 2013 at the Rising Sun Restaurant at 2:30pm.

HAPPY TRAILS

NICHOLAS BURGOS

**ANNOUNCING THE 2013 ANNUAL
MASON-DIXON PASO FINO HORSE ASSOCIATION
MEETING AND BANQUET**

When: 2 NOVEMBER 2013

Appetizers at 2:30 PM

Meeting begins at 3:00 PM

Dinner begins at 4:30 PM

Where: The Rising Sun Inn (<http://www.risingsuninn.net/>)
898 Allentown Rd. Telford, PA

[http://www.bing.com/local/details.aspx?
lid=YN768x400447751&q=Rising+Sun+Inn+Telford+PA](http://www.bing.com/local/details.aspx?lid=YN768x400447751&q=Rising+Sun+Inn+Telford+PA)

Cost: \$15 per adult; children 12yrs and under, \$10.
Please bring a dessert to share with your friends, old and new.

RSVP by 30 OCTOBER 2013
to Nick Burgos (tntpasos@gmail.com; 484-256-4625)

Mason Dixon & Regional PFHA Events of Interest	
Mason-Dixon Annual Meeting and Banquet at The Rising Sun Inn	2 NOV (pg 3)
Open House and Clinic with Rick Shaffer at Middlefield Farm	9-10 NOV (pg 6-7)
Clinic with Jim Laird at Hillside Farm	23 NOV
Maryland Horse Exposition 2014 http://horseworldexpo.com/MDmain.shtml .	17-19 JAN 14
Pennsylvania Horse Exposition http://horseworldexpo.com/PAmain.shtml	27 FEB—2 MAR 14
Reading Pet Exposition	TBA
May Day Show in Dillsburg, PA	25-27 APR 14
Mason Dixon Spectacular, Dream Park, Gloucester County, NJ	29-31 MAY 14

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Regional News:	
Northeast	
	No Update Available
Virginia Presidential	
5-8 JUN 14	Show #1
21-14 AUG 14	Show #2
Great Lakes	
2 NOV 2013	Fall Meeting
7-9 MAR 2014	2014 Michigan Horse Expo.
TBD	2014 Equine Affair
TBD	2014 Heritage Show
Piedmont	
2 NOV 13	Open Horse and High Point Award Show—Gaston Equestrian Center
9 NOV 13	Piedmont Annual Membership Meeting and
23 NOV 13	Johnston Co. Christmas Charity Open Horse Show

THE EDITOR'S CORNER:

My thanks to our member contributors to the PowerGlide: I take this opportunity to thank those who heard my call for "HELP!" And responded in a huge way. I thank **Dr. Ann Bastian**, for contributing the veterinary column on West Nile Virus; **Susan Data-Samtak**, for her articles describing her outreach activities; **Susan Crawford-Charters**, for her contribution of several recreational articles; **Lori Wieszowski** for this month's recipe and **Darla Wagner** for her Library article.

I also want to thank the 12 members who took time out of their weekends to attend the Open MDPFHA Board Meeting on 11 AUG 2013 at Laota Farm. —*Diane*

Members Current for the 2013 Show Year (Oct 1, 2013–Sept. 30, 2014)

Beverly and Kenneth Cross

Barbara Duvall

Marti Eldredge

Donna Hurst

Pamela Kavlik

Baily Purvis

Amy Romanofsky

Christine Soucy

Robin Walton

Public Library Story Time at the Kenilworth Public Library , Kenilworth, NJ

by Susan Data-Samtak and Darla Wagner

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We all know how well our Paso Finos act & how much we love & appreciate them but, why not show others?

Thanks to the Kenilworth Library's Children's Librarian, Robin Koerner ,The Samtaks and their great tempered Paso Finos. Great experience!



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Name: _____ email address _____

Address: _____ phone # _____

Horses Name: _____ Breed _____ Sex _____ Age _____

**What would you like to accomplish from this session and specific problems
you are having? Breed _____ Age of Horse _____**

Current TrailBlazer Roster:

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Karen Basehore	Terri Moebius
Maureen Boskin	Toni Roland
Jessica Brosko	Susan Data-Samtak
Allison Brosko	John Samtak
Susan Crawford-Charters	Maryan Schlesman
Diane Dutt	George Schlesman
Virginia Foster	Dorothy Snedden
Kathrine Gamble	Michael Srock
Diane Gates	Ann Stever
Jacquelin Grubb	Connie Wolkowicz
Maribelle MacAlpin	Please contact Susan Data-Samtak and
Carolyn Marinko	Mel Petri if you feel there is a discrepancy regarding this list.

Shaffer Clinic at Horizon View Farm

On September 21, 2013, Horizon View Farms hosted, national judge and trainer, Rick Shaffer from R&S Paso Fino to celebrate and demonstrate the elegance of the Paso Fino. Horizon View Farms is located in the heart of the Laurel Highlands in beautiful Somerset County, Pennsylvania. Rick and his family demonstrated their horses as well as showcasing the farm's herd. Spectators even got to experience the magic of a Paso Fino for themselves as they took a spin on a gelding from R&S. This event brought quite a crowd which pleased Dr Rafael Velez, the farm's owner, the staff of Horizon View and the folks from R&S as well. In the future, both Horizon View Farms and R&S Paso Fino hope to have more events like this one.



Link to R&S website: <http://www.rspaso.com/>

Link to Horizon View website: <http://www.horizonviewfarms.com/>

Susan Crawford-Charters and Playdoh Achieve Personal Milestone!

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By Susan Crawford-Charters

Playdoh completed his first 30 mile CTR this weekend. It was a little ugly but we made it. Lost time points and pulse down points. We completed in 6hrs with a 30 min hold. I really am proud of him. We did the last 15 miles alone which is tougher as he doesn't have another horse to motivate him. He really seems to enjoy it and can't wait to go. I know this sounds silly but I actually think he understand that he has to follow the ribbons and the pie plates that mark the trail. At one point I missed a turn but he stopped and he was right.

Locally, he can act timid around stream crossings and mud, etc. but he knows on these rides he has a job to do and he motors through and across all kinds of obstacles. This trail went through tunnels, metal bridges over roads, streams, mud, wooden bridges, etc. and nothing fazed him.

Pasos can do it all!

Mason Dixon Paso Fino Horse Association Sponsorships

Gold Farm Sponsor – Cost \$200 per year

Entitled to – Banner on home page of website

Banner on front page of Power Glide

Physical banner at Mason Dixon sponsored shows (provided by sponsor) & periodic announcements during the shows

Wall Sign at MD & PA Expos

Banner on front of hand-outs made for the Expos



Gold sponsor – Cost \$100 per year

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Bronze sponsor – Cost \$50 per year

Mason Dixon Stallions at Stud List – cost \$35 per year; Entitled to – Having stallion listed in a separate section in Power Glide and Website

Listed in hand-outs made for the Expos

Business Card Advertising – cost \$35 per year (begins Show Year 2014)

Entitled to – Business Card Ad in Power Glide and Website

Business Card in hand-outs at Expos

GETTYSBURG – RIDE THE BATTLEFIELD – JULY 28TH.

BY SUSAN CRAWFORD-CHARTERS

I think that getting people together to a ride is worse than herding cats; we started the week prior to the ride with eleven participants and ended the week with four. However, we soldiered on! (Appreciate the pun). The weather was hot but a light rain fell for a while which took care of the bugs and cooled us off. Diane Dutt rode Cometa who took the opportunity to show off when we approached other horses to the many “oohs and aahs” from the non-Paso riders.

We all enjoyed our guide who tried to show us how the battle from the perspective of the people on the field. He retold many stories and read a letter from a Captain Ballou to his wife Sarah. I have copied the letter below as it is a moving testament to the bravery and commitment of the soldiers to their cause. Riding over the grounds where so many soldiers and horses died is very moving and I think that the only way you can really connect with that experience is on horseback. After the ride we lunched on sandwiches and very gooey and delicious brownies while the horses scarfed down carrots and hay. Thanks to Diane and Karen for the great food and for making the effort to join us.



July the 14th, 1861

Washington D.C.

My very dear Sarah:

The indications are very strong that we shall move in a few days—perhaps tomorrow. Lest I should not be able to write you again, I feel impelled to write lines that may fall under your eye when I shall be no more.

Our movement may be one of a few days duration and full of pleasure—and it may be one of severe conflict and death to me. Not my will, but thine O God, be done. If it is necessary that I should fall on the battlefield for my country, I am ready. I have no misgivings about, or lack of confidence in, the cause in which I am engaged, and my courage does not halt or falter. I know how strongly American Civilization now leans upon the triumph of the Government, and how great a debt we owe to those who went before us through the blood and suffering of the Revolution. And I am willing—perfectly willing—to lay down all my joys in this life, to help maintain this Government, and to pay that debt.

But, my dear wife, when I know that with my own joys I lay down nearly all of yours, and replace them in this life with cares and sorrows—when, after having eaten for long years the bitter fruit of orphanage myself, I must offer it as their only sustenance to my dear little children—is it weak or dishonorable, while the banner of my purpose floats calmly and proudly in the breeze, that my unbounded love for you, my darling wife and children, should struggle in fierce, though useless, contest with my love of country.

Sarah, my love for you is deathless, it seems to bind me to you with mighty cables that nothing but Omnipotence could break; and yet my love of Country comes over me like a strong wind and bears me irresistibly on with all these chains to the battlefield.

The memories of the blissful moments I have spent with you come creeping over me, and I feel most gratified to God and to you that I have enjoyed them so long. And hard it is for me to give them up and burn to ashes the hopes of future years, when God willing, we might still have lived and loved together and seen our sons grow up to honorable manhood around us. I have, I know, but few and small claims upon Divine Providence, but something whispers to me—perhaps it is the wafted prayer of my little Edgar—that I shall return to my loved ones unharmed. If I do not, my dear Sarah, never forget how much I love you, and when my last breath escapes me on the battlefield, it will whisper your name.

Forgive my many faults, and the many pains I have caused you. How thoughtless and foolish I have often been! How gladly would I wash out with my tears every little spot upon your happiness, and struggle with all the misfortune of this world, to shield you and my children from harm. But I cannot. I must watch you from the spirit land and hover near you, while you buffet the storms with your precious little freight, and wait with sad patience till we meet to part no more.

But, O Sarah! If the dead can come back to this earth and flit unseen around those they loved, I shall always be near you; in the brightest day and in the darkest night—amidst your happiest scenes and gloomiest hours—always, always; and if there be

a soft breeze upon your cheek, it shall be my breath; or the cool air fans your throbbing temple, it shall be my spirit passing by.

Sarah, do not mourn me dead; think I am gone and wait for me, for we shall meet again.

As for my little boys, they will grow as I have done, and never know a father's love and care. Little Willie is too young to remember me long, and my blue-eyed Edgar will keep my frolics with him among the dimmest memories of his childhood. Sarah, I have unlimited confidence in your maternal care and your development of their characters. Tell my two mothers his and hers I call God's blessing upon them. O Sarah, I wait for you there! Come to me, and lead thither my children.
Sullivan

The letter may never have been mailed; it was found in Ballou's trunk after he died.^[4] It was reclaimed and delivered to Ballou's widow by [Governor William Sprague](#).

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Clinic with Jim Laird

23 Nov 2013, 10-4

Hillside Farm, Telford, PA

Call/Email BJ Schuler if you plan to attend

(215-859-8577 or bjschuler56@comcast.net)

\$75 for you and your horse; \$40 for just you

Lunch is included

Don't get SPOOKED! Come and join us for this THRILLER of a clinic.



Gaited Get-away at Fair Hill

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Mason-Dixon members joined their Walking Horse and Mountain Horse riding brethren for this annual 4-day event. The 17 year old Annual Event, hosted by the Maryland Walking Horse Association, brings together riders from NJ, PA, DE and MD to socialize, party and ride the trails within the 4000 acre Fair Hill equestrian center in northeast Maryland. Susan Crawford-Charters, BJ Schuler, Melanie Petri, Beth Sheldon, Karen Basehore, Diane Dutt and Becky Reese met for a day of exploration and camaraderie. Undaunted by the threat of rain

and the lingering clouds of Tropical Storm Karen, we spent hours traversing the cross country and steeple chase courses, riding the "Old People's Riding Club" trail through woods amid the falling leaves of autumn. Other trails offered the challenges of stream crossings, bridges and tunnels. We had a great time both on the trail back at the barn, hanging out with riders from other organizations.



DURING NATIONALS, LIFE GOES ON FOR OUR TRAIL RIDING MEMBERSHIP!

Contributed by Susan Data-Samtak



While you guys were at the Nationals, we did a ride-a-thon to benefit St Jude's Children's Hospital.

Recreational Rider's Corner

By Susan Crawford-Charters

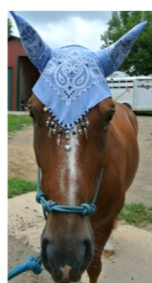
As many of you know, I am pretty new to horse ownership. One of the things that has amazed me is how much stuff you can buy for you and your horse. When I need a mental health break at work, I will spend a few minutes looking at horse stuff. Below are three things that I have found either to be useful or just plain fun. Please email me with your favorite things so that we can share them.

EquiTrail is an app that you can download on your smartphone. This app is great for trail riders. It maps the trail that you are taking so that you can save it for future use or, more importantly in my case, find your way back to the trailer. It also tells you how far you have gone and allows you to add photos of your ride on that trail. You can also share trail information with friends. For more information go to <http://www.equitrailapp.com/>



DA Brim. Feel like you need to wear a helmet but would like some more sun protection on those long hot rides – then you need **DA Brim**.

Da Brim is visor that fits over your helmet and comes in several colors. Cost is \$39.95. For more information go to <http://dabrim.com/>



Teeds Horse Hats. Every horse needs a hat. I feel sure that must be true because I make my horses wear them and they seem to like them or they just will do anything to keep flies out of their ears. I found on Facebook a lady, Darlene, who makes bandana hats in many colors and decorated with beads.

For more information: <https://www.facebook.com/messages/#!/TeedsHorseHats>

Here's a source for great saddle bags and other trail gear: <http://www.snugpax.com>



English Saddle Bag



Western / Australian / English

Cattle Pack



Soft Bucket

English
Cattle

The Recipe Box

Lori's Famous Dillsburg Spinach Salad

Ingredients:

1 12 oz. bag of spinach washed with Stems removed
1 large can of bean sprouts drained
3 hardboiled eggs diced
8 slices of bacon fried hard and crumbled

For the Dressing

1 cup veg. oil
1/3 cup sugar
1/3 cup catsup
1/4 cup brown vinegar
1 tsp. Worcestershire sauce
Salt to taste (optional)

Combine all salad ingredients.

Mix dressing but do not dress till just

Before eating. Salad will get soggy if dressed too early.

-Contributed by Lori Wieszowski

PA Horse Expo

MDPFHA members,

It's time to start working on getting things organized for the PA Horse World Expo. Anyone interested in participating with their horse and/or putting some time in at the Association booth please contact me by email kazisimage2@aol.com. I will be at the banquet where people can let me know if they are interested.

We have a great time and it is a wonderful way to let the world know about our Paso Fino breed.

Regards,

Lori

Owner / Breeder "Baby's Barn Name"	Date of Birth Gender	Breeding	Year 0 Portrait	Year 1 Portrait
Nancy Gallegher "Scooter"	4/8/2013 Colt			
Nicholas Burgos / Denise Corcoran "Alegria de Emerald Valley"	5/18/2013 Filly	Intocable de Victoria X Esmerelda EV		
Dick Teachout "Carmelita"	Filly Born May 2013	Arrogancia de Calidad (19262) by Hombre Valiente (55565)		
Dick Tachout "Red"	Filly born May 2013	Luna Bonita deVencedor (52366) by Hombre Valiente (55565)		

Acadia or Bust

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One of our aspirations since we bought our horses was to ride the Carriage Trails of Acadia National Park. Finally, after 10 years, we made it there and took along our horses Zazamora and Cometa. This was our first really big adventure on our own.



Figure 1: The approximate route we took to Acadia.

The Whys and Wheres of Acadia: Acadia is predominantly on Mount Desert (pronounced “Dessert”) Island along the northeast coast of Maine (a.k.a. “downeast”). Not only are the coastline, mountains and lakes of Acadia quite beautiful, Acadia boasts the largest groomed horse and horse-drawn carriage trail system in the country; 45 miles of groomed trails. The vast majority of the trail system is available to horses, most is multi-use (hikers, bicycles, horses) and a large section prohibits bicycles. Horses have the right-of-way on the trails and many bicyclists are courteous, giving warning when approaching from the rear and

stopping and

waiting for the horses to pass when approaching from the front. Nevertheless, should you decide to visit Acadia with your horse, ensure that your horse is well desensitized to bicycles.

The Environmental Conditions: Daily High Temperatures were in the low 70s with the temps dropping into the 50s at night. We had a few light morning showers but the drizzle cleared out by 10 AM and we were on our way up the trail. There is FOG. LOTS of FOG. If you like fog, as I do, then you will find Acadia simply “delicious”. The clouds hang low on the mountaintops and fog drifts in and out with the tide, engulfing the harbors every evening. The perfume of the tidal flats is pervasive when the tide is out. Mist lays on the ponds at sunset, and all is bathed in an orange-red glow. We

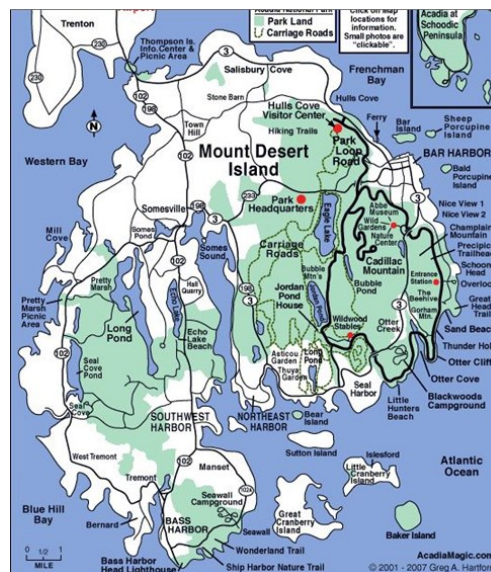


Figure 2: Map of Mount Desert Island



did have buckets of rain on the day we left Acadia. Neurotic planning caused us to pack rain gear for use during our riding but it remained in its package until Labor Day, when we loaded up to head home. We had been warned about the black flies. Apparently, Maine is notorious for black flies. The flies are rumored to be so bad that, at the peak of their season, the moose come into the urban centers just to escape the flies in the woods. Thankfully, black fly season was over by the time we got there. What about

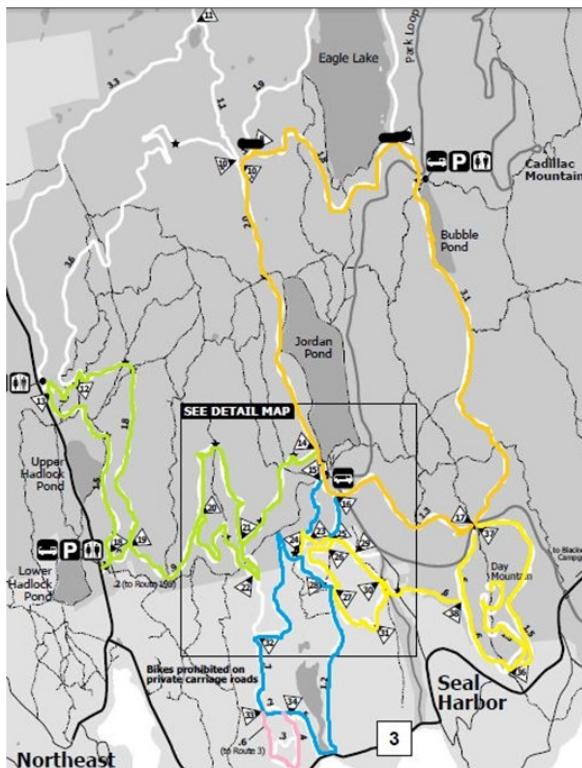


Figure 3: Trail Map: Day 1=yellow; 2=orange; 3=blue; 4=green; 5=pink. Black Bars mark the northern limit for horse use.

from the stable. Next time, we'll stay closer to the barn. In Figure 3, you'll see the trail map and the highlighted trails we rode over a 5 day period. We averaged about 10 miles per day, just walking and cortointing but there were several times when a long largo or hand gallop were enjoyed by all. The terrain is mountainous but the trails are designed for carriages, with gentle slopes and many twists and turns, keeping everything fresh; never boring. You cannot take horses in the ponds, as they provide water to the nearby towns, nor can you take horses on the hiking trails. Also, you cannot take your horse on the sand or gravel beaches. We rode for 4 days straight, took 1 day off to rest the horses and our behinds, then back at it for the last day. At the barn, we were stabled with someone from North Carolina who brought 5 matched Canadian Cross draft horses (1/4 Clydesdale, 3/4 Hackney) and 2 beautiful new carriages (a 4-in-hand, and a 2-in hand). Every day the trainer and crew would ready a team to hit the trails. Also, there was a person from Ocala on a 3 month long annual trek around the country with his 3 horses (Tennessee Walker, Gypsy Vanner and Morgan) and a 1-horse carriage. As Labor

mosquitoes? Well, I did see a few mosquitoes¹⁸ at dusk when we were hand grazing the horses near the forest edge, but that was all. There was always a breeze, which seemed to help reduce any flying insect problem.

We left for Acadia on 25 August at 8:15 PM and drove through the night, arriving at Wildwood Stables around 10:30-ish. Wildwood Stables is a National Park asset, contracted by the park and directly accessible from the trail system. The stable supports 3 barns for visitors only, each barn having 20 permanent, matted stalls. Hoses and cleaning tools are available for all to use. Trailer parking is allowed next to the barns. Modern bathrooms are on site, but no showers. There is a day-use campground nearby where you can get a shower. Camping is available on the stable grounds, but you'll probably need a portable generator. We stayed at a B&B in Southwest Harbor, about a 30 minute drive



Day approached, more people arrived, bringing with them their gaited (Walkers) and non-gaited horses. By the time we left, the barns were nearly full. When not riding, we spent the time sleeping, touring the Schoodic Peninsula, taking in a performance at the Acadia Repertory Theatre and visiting the Bartlett Winery. Other available activities include: hiking, climbing, canoeing, kayaking, whale and bird watching, visiting the [Asticou Azalea Garden](#), and SHOPPING!

We had a great time riding the trails of Acadia. The experience was more enjoyable than we could have hoped for. If you look at Fig. 3 closely, you will see that we missed riding a few of the trails. Well, we plan to fix that as soon as we can. Join us or consider going yourself! You won't be sorry you did.



Lessons Learned:

- ♥ Take a collapsible water bucket along when riding. Though surrounded by water, there are virtually no opportunities to water your horse along the trail. You'll need to walk in a get the water.
- ♥ We didn't need to buy the "quiet ride" fly masks we bought.
- ♥ One can never have too much in the way of electrolytes.
- ♥ Make reservations early (January) for stalls and camping. Request to be put in Barn A.
- ♥ Call Wildwood Stables to make your reservation. Internet/email will get you nowhere.
- ♥ September to mid-October is the best time to go to Acadia to ride.
- ♥ Take 2 lengths of hose, just in case all others are in use.
- ♥ Consider buying a girth cover to prevent sores.
- ♥ Identify a local Veterinarian and Farrier in advance of your trip.
- ♥ Break the trip up into 2 days each way.
- ♥ Make a reservation well in advance for chowder at the Jordan Pond House.
- ♥ Driving and parking in Bar Harbor are challenging. Bar Harbor is a lively congested tourist destination. If you haven't been there for a while, it's not the Bar Harbor you remember.
- ♥ No Tack Shops are available within several hours drive (other than Tractor Supply), so take what you think you may need and then some.
- ♥ Plan to depart Maine on a weekday and non-holiday. There was a 19 mile back-up at the tolls to head south on I-95 at the Connecticut border on Labor Day.
- ♥ Consider a dietary supplement for your horse to help them handle the amount of time you'll be spending on the trails
- ♥ We used the saddle bags we bought from [Snug-Pax](#) and LOVED them.

Where we stayed: [Penury Hall](#), SW Harbor

Where we ate:
[Havana](#), Bar Harbor

[Sips](#), SW Harbor

[Red Sky](#), SW Harbor

[Little Notch Bakery](#), SW Harbor (best pizza, hands down)

[Quiet Side Café](#), SW Harbor

[Fiddler's Green](#), SW Harbor

[Eat-A-Pita, Café 2](#), SW Harbor

[Thurston's Lobster Pound](#), Bernard

Visitor's Center, [Winter Harbor](#)

Other things we did or places of interest:
[Acadia Repertory Theatre](#): A Murder is Announced (Agatha Christie)



Above, Wildwood Stable Facilities.

Below, Some photos from Acadia.

Contributed by Karen Basehore and Diane Dutt



Contributed by Dr. Ann Bastian

With the wet summer we have experienced, the number of positive cases of West Nile is on the rise. West Nile was first diagnosed in North America in 1999 in the New York City Area. It primarily causes disease in birds, humans, and horses. The virus is transmitted by many different species of mosquitos, and has an approximately 30% mortality rate in horses. Signs include a low grade fever (101.9-103.5), lethargy, fine tremors, facial paralysis and weakness of the tongue, complete paralysis of one or more limbs, periods of hyperexcitability, and lethargy. In 1/3 of the cases, signs increase 7-10 days after onset of the disease (sometimes after other signs have disappeared). The incubation period is 7-10 days after a bite. Infected horses are not infectious, and pose no risk to other horses, humans, or birds. Diagnosis is made based on blood work, spinal fluid analysis, or post-mortem examination. Horses do not shed the virus, and do not appear to be a source of virus for mosquitoes.

The best prevention is vaccination and management steps to try to eliminate the mosquitos. There is several types of vaccines available. The initial vaccine is followed by a booster in 3-6 weeks. The vaccine should be given before mosquito season to allow antibodies to develop. The manufacturers recommend vaccines twice a year in this area. Mosquito control is another important part of the equation. Use insect repellents frequently, and re-apply after the rain or baths. Keep horses in at night when possible. Eliminate or minimize standing water. Use fans as mosquitoes are not strong fliers. Stock tanks or ponds should have mosquito feeding fish in them. Eliminate brush piles, gutters, old tires, litter, or any equipment in which standing water can collect. Remember, if West Nile is identified in mosquitoes in the area, both you and your horse are at risk. Please consult with your veterinarian regarding any questions you have about vaccinating your horse, or controlling mosquitoes.

PREPARING YOUR HORSE FOR WINTER

BY DR. LYDIA GREY, DVM, MA (FROM "THE HORSE" 2006)

Nutrition

Forage, or hay, should make up the largest portion of your horse's diet especially in winter. Increasing the amount of hay is the best way to keep weight on horses when it's cold, as the fermentation process generates heat. Horses needing more calories can also be fed fortified grain, fat or other supplement. "Easy keepers" should be given a ration-balancer or multi-vitamin/mineral supplement to correct any deficiencies in hay alone.

Research at the University of Pennsylvania School of Veterinary Medicine 22
showed that if during cold weather horses have only warm water available, they will drink a greater volume per day than if only icy cold water is available. But, if given a choice between warm and icy water simultaneously, they drink almost exclusively from the icy and drink less volume than if only warm water is available.

Exercise

Studies have found that muscular strength, cardiovascular fitness and overall flexibility decrease in horses that have been "let down" during winter, even if daily turnout is provided. While cold weather exercise can be challenging, you can improve conditions somewhat. With your farrier, determine if your horse has best traction with no shoes, regular shoes, shoes with borium, "snowball" pads, or another arrangement. Add a binding agent to indoor arenas to hold moisture, then water as often as temperature will allow. Warm up and cool down with care, spending twice as much time on each of these than when it is warmer.

Blanketing

In general, horses with an adequate hair coat, in good flesh, and with access to shelter don't need to be blanketed. However, horses that have been clipped, recently transported to a cold climate, or are thin or sick might need the additional warmth and protection of outerware. Since horses' winter coats begin to grow as early as July, choices for inhibiting hair growth are using artificial lighting to simulate long days and adding clothing to your horse as soon as it begins to get chilly.

Health

A number of health conditions seem to be exacerbated by winter environment. Decrease the risk of impaction colic by providing only warm water (as described above) and topdressing electrolytes. Ensure proper ventilation for horses with "heaves" and consider wetting indoor arenas and aisles as well as hay. Provide appropriate medications or supplements to prevent ulcers and arthritis "flare-ups" during periods of increased stall-time. Keep horses and their surroundings as clean and dry as possible to prevent thrush, scratches (pastern dermatitis, a moist exudative dermatitis affecting horses at the caudal heel and pastern area), and rain rot (dermatophilosis).

Paying particular attention to your horse's nutrition, exercise, health, and protection from the elements during winter will help you have a ready and willing partner come spring.

MASON DIXON
2012 MEMBERSHIP MEETING
November 3, 2012

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Agenda

Welcome: The meeting was called to order at 2:38pm by Karen Baseshore president. The welcome message was check on how members faired during hurricane Sandy which hit the area the week before the meeting and Karen thanked BJ Schuler for use of her restaurant for the meeting. Copies of the agenda, 2011 meeting minutes and budget sheets were available on the tables. The objective of today's meeting is to discuss the financial future of Mason Dixon and identify a budget plan going forward. This is also an election year for officers.

Approval of the minutes: The first order of business was the approval of the minutes. BJ Schuler made a motion to accept the minutes, Lisa Gorsuch seconded the motion.

Financial Status and Budget: Karen turned the meeting over to BJ Schuler, Treasurer to discuss the budget. The message was bleak Mason Dixon is in financial trouble due to losing money at the Dillsburg and Lexington Horse Shows. Both shows were major money makers in the past. BJ provided comprehensive financial numbers to the members for both shows. The three year comparison for Dillsburg showed a loss for the last 3 years. Travel expenses and fees for judges went up each year along with the decline in the number of horses participating. The members discussed hiring lower level judges instead of National judges to lower expenses. In past years National judges were hired with the thinking it would draw more horses but the budget numbers prove this is not the case. The two year comparison for Lexington, VA showed in 2011 the association made money but lost money in 2012. The loss was attributed to the rise in fees for officials, the decline in the number of horses participating and the VA region regions show schedule. The VA region is pulling horses from our region for shows and the dates run close to the Lexington and Dillsburg show dates. BJ Schuler advised the group it is time to give up the Lexington, VA show and look at the possibility of moving the show to the New Jersey Dream Park for 2013. BJ provided a Pro Forma budget for the NJ facility with the comparison to the Lexington 2012 show. The Pro Forma numbers look good due to a reduction in costs for official expenses and show secretary along with the use of volunteers from the group to help run the show. The facility is located in the New Jersey and Andy Vera advised the group he would support the NJ show and spread the word to the members in the region for participation. BJ discussed a visit to the NJ Dream Park the following weekend so members would have a chance to see the new facility. The proposed show dates for NJ are June 14-16, 2013.

Activity Report: Lisa Gorsuch discussed the May show for Dillsburg the dates are May 4th and 5th 2013. Lisa advised she is talking with the Rocky Mountain and Icelandic horse associations with hopes to include one of those groups in the May show for 2013. Dillsburg has always been a good schooling show. Keith Dane of the Rocky Mountain group has agreed to judge Dillsburg. Ann Bastian volunteered to be the announcer at no charge if her schedule permits. The pot luck dinner will be on Saturday night along with the youth activities. Lisa Gorsuch made a motion to keep the Dillsburg show Lori Wieszkowiak seconded the motion.

Lori Wieszkowiak will manage the ribbons again this year.

MD Futurity: Lisa Gorsuch made the motion to table the discussion on the Futurity and Nick Burgos seconded the motion.

MD Horse Expo: Lisa Gorsuch is the organizer and the date is January 18-20, 2013. Lisa asked members to help with the booth. Coverage is needed all 3 days.

PA Horse Expo: Lori Wieszowski is the organizer dates are February 21-24, 2013. Lori asked member to help with the PA booth. Coverage is needed for all days and she also asked for volunteers to bring their horses and participate in the breed demos.

Karen Baseshore asked the trainers in the group to put together a program to be used at all exhibitions Mason Dixon would participate in so we can best represent the breed and use the right horses to reflect positively on the breed. Ann Bastian will head the committee for setting up the standard demo. Lisa and Nick advised they want to help with the demo as well.

Power Glide: Diane Dutt discussed the Power Glide she is looking for new information to include in each issue. The trainers are contributing articles. Andy Vera volunteered to help with the bi-lingual version. Ann Bastian is going to add vet articles. Diane discussed electronic access to the Power Glide versus the cost of mailing the Glide. Diane said with the increase in costs we should raise the yearly fee to \$10 a year for mailing copies. The group agreed Diane is doing an awesome job on the Glide.

Recreational Riders: Karen Baseshore opened the floor for discussion about the recreational riders and how does the club benefit those members. There was brisk discussion among the members about fun shows and clinics and the money that is made on those activities. Would the group be interested in having a one day clinic and follow the second day with a fun show. Susan Crawford has volunteered to organize trail rides. Susan is going to send out a questionnaire and look for dates to schedule trail rides and open it up to other breeds. Lisa Gorsuch talked about the judged trail ride competition and how popular they have become. Lisa is willing to sponsor one next year at her farm. Beverlea Manderbach offered the use of her farm facilities to Mason Dixon members for activities to help cut down on costs.

Membership: Kathy Dell gave the membership report. 101 members had renewed by the meeting. This included 26 individuals, 27 families and 11 youth. The group voted to raise the 2013/2014 membership fees to \$25.00 for individuals, \$30.00 for family and \$15.00 for youth. A three year membership is available, individual is \$70.00, family is \$85.00 and youth is \$42.00. There was discussion on a Lifetime membership but that was put on hold. The Trail Blazer fee for 2013/2014 was raised to one-time fee of \$15.00.

New Business: BJ and Lisa discussed ideas to generate new revenue. They discussed a banner that could be displayed on the website or at horse shows and expos. The individual sponsorships would be \$25.00 to \$100.00 each. Farm and regional sponsorships would be \$200.00. Karen made a motion to accept the new fund raising and Lisa seconded the motion.

Delegate Report: Lisa Gorsuch Mason Dixon delegate shared with the group as dinner was served the issues that have plagued the National association. 2013 is an election year for the National association. Lisa also shared the details of the lawsuit between 2 members of the executive committee and the National association along with the lawsuit brought against PFHA by the firing of the Executive director for PFHA. Lisa will be attending the Board of Director's meeting January 11 & 12, 2013 and she discussed the pros and cons of the candidates and her experience with each member running for office. She fielded questions from the group on specific members running for office. Mason Dixon is the 3rd largest region in PFHA. There has been a steady decline in the members for PFHA and the National association members have to act together to save the association and the breed. In 2006 Virginia Foster put together a membership plan to revitalize the numbers but the national association has not acted on it. Lisa asked for emails from the members so she knows who the group wants to vote for at the meeting.

The National horse show was also discussed and the group was happy with the new venue. The dates for next year are October 6-13, 2013.

The year- end awards were announced as the group shared dessert.

Election Results: Nick Burgos was elected President, Gale Peluso was elected Vice President, Jenna Shaffer elected Secretary, Treasures elected Beth Sheldon and Lisa Gorsuch will remain the delegate for Mason Dixon.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Maryan Schlesman and seconded by Beth Sheldon. The meeting adjourned at 8:00pm.— Submitted by Kathy Dell, Secretary

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MASON DIXON PASO FINO HORSE ASSOCIATION

2014 Membership

(01 October 2013 – 30 September 2014)

Howdy Paso Partners,

It's time to join or renew your membership to Mason Dixon PFHA. We are looking forward to a very active and exciting year. Our association will be participating in:

- Maryland Horse World Expo, January 17-19, 2014 <http://horseworldexpo.com/MDmain.shtml>.
- PA Horse World Expo coming up February 27 – March 2, 2014 at the PA Farm Show in Harrisburg. Check it out at <http://horseworldexpo.com/PAmain.shtml>. Please stop by and visit or volunteer to assist at the booths.
- May Day Show in Dillsburg, PA April 25-27, 2014
- Mason Dixon Spectacular, Dream Park, Gloucester County, NJ May 29-31, 2014
- Trail Rides, Parades and other Fun Activities! Check out our newsletter (the *Power Glide*) on our home page www.masondixonpfha.org as well as the activity updates posted on our Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/masondixonpfha>.

Our association grows only with the dedication of the Equestrian community. We hope that you will join the **Mason Dixon Region** and come out in support of our activities. We cannot keep our organization afloat without the support and dedication of our members and volunteers!

Please complete the following information and mail your form to Beth Sheldon at the address indicated below. Feel free to contact me, Melanie Petri, 215-898-9856 or by email at melanie_petri@cmsmtg.com for further information or if you need assistance.

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Class#	Class	Place	Horse	Owner	Rider / Handler
5	Horsemanship 16 - 17	3	Espiritu de Emerald Valley	Gary Manderbach & Beaverlea Roye-Manderbach	Brooke Younce
9	Breeders Sweepstakes Fillies	5	La Gema de Middlefield	Keith & Lisa Gorsuch	Bill Hurd
		6	Traviata Dos de Middlefid	Keith & Lisa Gorsuch	Candy Hurd
11	Fino Youth 13 - 15	3	Bailador d La Loma Linda	Jerry Dotson	Savannah Williams
		7	La Clave de La Libertad	Rose Ann Harper-Howell	Grant Griffith
12	Bella Forma 3 Year Old Colts	1	Lucero de Radiante	Karen Spiegelthal	Angel Flores & Karen Spiegelthal
		4	Middlefield's Travieso	Keith & Lisa Gorsuch	Keith Gorsuch & Rick Shaffer
13	Versatility	2	Percal's El Camino delRio	Rose Ann Harper-Howell	Pat Figueroa
16	Performance Geldings for Gold	4	El Leader de United	Jerry & Angela Dotson	Bill Hurd
18	Bella Forma Stallions Colts Championship	4	Lucero de Radiante	Karen Spiegelthal	Angel Flores
21	Pleasure Geldings for Gold	6	Capricho de K & C	Darla Wagner	Nicholas A Burgos
25	Bella Forma Yearling Fillies	5	La Gema de Middlefield	Keith & Lisa Gorsuch	Bill Hurd
		7	Traviata Dos de Middlefid	Keith & Lisa Gorsuch	Candy Hurd
29	Bella Forma 3 year Old Fillies	1	Pistolera's Revancha del Rio	Kayce Gracia & Rose Ann Harper-Howell	Pat Figueroa
32	Equitation 16 - 17	4	Espiritu de Emerald Valley	Gary Manderbach & Beaverlea Roye-Manderbach	Brooke Younce
36	Fino Youth Championship	7	Bailador d La Loma Linda	Jerry Dotson	Savannah Williams

41	Bella Forma Geldings	5	Middlefield's Magnifico	Susan Crawford-Charters & Lisa & Keith Gorsuch	Keith Gorsuch & Rick Shaffer
44	Driving	2	Cardillo Sin Par	Christine Mazzotta & Nola Haupt-Keill	Nola Haupt-Keill
45	Pleasure Stallions	3	Belagio del Cedro	Beaverlea Roye-Manderbach	Javier Suarez
53	Pleasure 3 Year Old Colts	7	Rigoletto de Las Camelias	Ann E. Bastian	Michael Bruce
		6	Middlefield's Travieso	Keith & Lisa Gorsuch	Richard (Rick) Shaffer
59	Pleasure 3 Year Old Fillies	7	American Gold	Gary Manderbach & Beaverlea Roye-Manderbach	Javier Suarez
60	Pleasure Youth 10 - 12	6	Pistolera's Revancha del Rio	Kayce Gracia & Rose Ann Harper-Howell	Pat Figueroa
63	Pleasure 4 Year Old Colts	4	Angelina de La Libertad	Karen Spiegelthal	Valerie Spiegelthal
65	Pleasure 4 Year Old Geldings	4	Imperio de Radiante	Karen Spiegelthal	Angel Flores
68	Trail	2	Capricho de K & C	Darla Wagner	Nicholas A Burgos
69	Performance AO Geldings for Gold	6	Percal's El Camino del Rio	Rose Ann Harper-Howell	Pat Figueroa
76	Pleasure AO 3 Year Old Fillies	2	Intimidator de MED	Regina E. Corcoran	Regina E. Corcoran
78	Western Pleasure	1	Pistolera's Revancha del Rio	Kayce Gracia & Rose Ann Harper-Howell	Kaycee Garcia
80	Pleasure AO 3 Year Old Colts	4	Percal's El Camino del Rio	Rose Ann Harper-Howell	Pat Figueroa
		5	Middlefield's Travieso	Keith & Lisa Gorsuch	Lisa Gorsuch
		5	Lucero de Radiante	Karen Spiegelthal	Karen Spiegelthal

81	Pleasure AO 4 Year Old Colts	3	Imperio de Radiante	Karen Spiegelthal	Karen Spiegelthal
86	Pleasure AO 4 Year Old Geldings	3	Capricho de K & C	Darla Wagner	Darla Wagner
104	Fino Mares	7	Barcarola del Conde	Beaverlea Roye-Manderbach	Jose D. Gonzalez
106	Pleasure Fabulous Futurity	1	Pistolera's Revancha del Rio	Kayce Gracia & Rose Ann Harper-Howell	Pat Figueroa
		6	American Gold	Gary Manderbach & Beaverlea Roye-Manderbach	Javier Suarez
114	Pleasure Stallions/Colts Championship	7	Belagio del Cedro	Beaverlea Roye-Manderbach	Javier Suarez
119	Amateur Adult Horsemanship	5	Rigoleto de Las Camelias	Ann E. Bastian	Ann E. Bastian
122	Fino AO Mares	4	Barcarola del Conde	Beaverlea Roye-Manderbach	Beaverlea Roye-Manderbach
		7	La Clave de La Libertad	Kayce Gracia & Rose Ann Harper-Howell	Kaycee Garcia
132	Fino AO Mares/Fillies Championship	3	Barcarola del Conde	Beaverlea Roye-Manderbach	Beaverlea Roye-Manderbach
201.1	Barrel Racing	3	Cardillo Sin Par	Nola Hauptert-Keill	Nola Hauptert-Keill
202.1	Pole Bending	2	Cardillo Sin Par	Nola Hauptert-Keill	Nola Hauptert-Keill
203.1	Mounted Shooting	3	Cardillo Sin Par	Nola Hauptert-Keill	Nola Hauptert-Keill
204	Largo Race	2	Picaro del Rey	Rose Ann Harper-Howell	Camilla Willings

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