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# SWITCH WILLO STABLES NEWSLETTER



## HELLO APRIL!

Thank you for being a member of our Switch Willo community! The arrival of April means our show season is in full swing and our special barn home will soon be in full bloom. Read on to find out what's happening!

L-R: Future equestrians Hallie Cunningham and Piper Wilson at IEA Zone Finals

Below: Catherine Moorhead at WEC in Ocala on Cartano K, "Arthur"

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- APRIL 4-16: PIN OAK/KATY
- APRIL 9: EASTER PARTY AT SWS
- APRIL 15-16: TRINITY HILL SHOW/WILCO EXPO CENTER
- APRIL 26-30: IEA NATIONALS/TRYON, NC
- MAY 3-7: GREAT SOUTHWEST ROUND UP/KATY
- MAY 10-14: FIESTA CLASSIC/KATY



## EASTER PARTY!

Join us on Sunday, April 9 for our incredible Easter Party! We'll have an AMAZING Easter Egg Hunt--with more than 2,000 eggs--yes, you read that right. Be sure to bring a basket or bag for the egg hunt! We'll have sandwiches, drinks, and treats to enjoy while getting to visit with other Switch Willo families. Interested in attending? Email Holly at [giddyupngo@att.net](mailto:giddyupngo@att.net).



**PARTY**  
*with your*  
**PEEPS**

Annual Easter Party

Sunday, April 9 at 3:00 PM  
to 5:00 PM CT

4829 Switch Willo  
Austin TX 78727

The poster features a light blue background with a white rounded rectangle at the top containing five colorful chick-shaped lollipops (pink, blue, yellow, yellow, pink) on sticks. The text 'PARTY with your PEEPS' is written in a playful, colorful font. Below this, the event details are listed in a clean, sans-serif font.

## HORSEMANSHIP CLASS: FUN AND LEARNING



Horsemanship Class is all about learning and having fun while we prepare new students for a confident and successful start in lessons. What happens in Horsemanship Class? Over the course of this nine-week program riders learn the fundamentals of grooming, parts of the horse and tack, tacking up, mounted basics, and much more. Congratulations to our February/March Section who just graduated and are beginning lessons! And welcome to our newest section who just started last Saturday. We're thrilled to have you all with us.

Pictured at left are Annie Drew, Casey, and Elise Henry.

## SWITCH WILLO AT OCALA

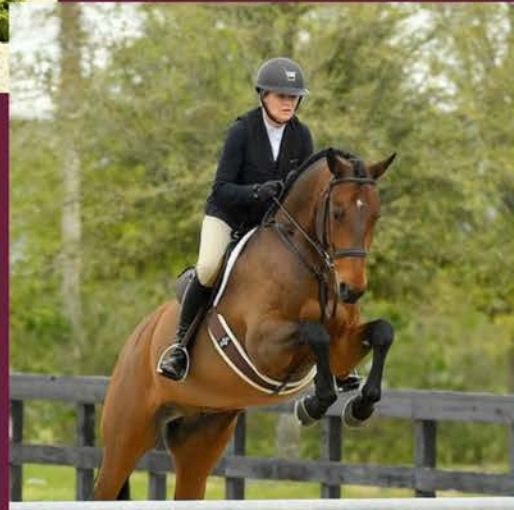
Congratulations to our riders who just returned from two weeks at the incredible World Equestrian Center in Ocala! Great ribbons, good company, and lots of fun made it a fabulous experience.

Clockwise from below: Lauren Babcock on Bruno's Bellini R, "Bruno"; Allie Eickenhorst on Sugar on Top, "Strawberry"; Paula Moorhead on C' Est Ca Z; Natalie York on Rocketman, "EJ"; Allie Eikehorst on Covenant Royal Secret, "Emmett", and Catherine Moorhead on Bruno





Clockwise from below: Paula and C'Est Ca Z; Natalie and Allie; Natalie and EJ X2; Liz Cunningham and PPR Cantina, "Cantina" X2; Catherine and Quicken 2 PR, "Q2"



## IEA TEAM AT ZONE FINALS!

Our Capital City Equestrian IEA team faced a very competitive field at Zone Finals. Several riders placed and our own Elle Locke is advancing to National Finals on April 26-30 at Tryon International Equestrian Center in Tryon, North Carolina. Congratulations Elle! And well done to this amazing team which has demonstrated excellence in horse care, correct riding, and great sportsmanship throughout this IEA season.



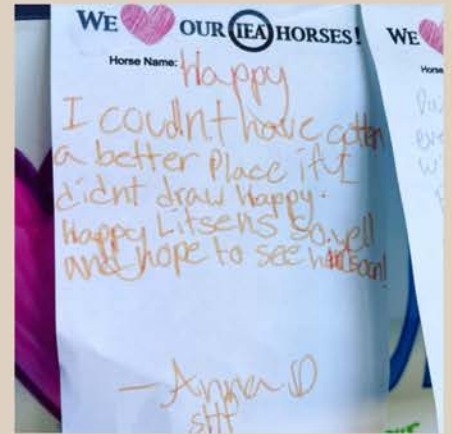
Above Front L-R: Elle Locke, Natalie York, Abi Cunningham, Katherine Siemes  
Back L-R: Ginger Lillie, Kylie Wiggins, Brie Cunningham, Lindsey Mortimer,  
Lauren Slade



# APRIL PHOTO GALLERY

Clockwise from R: SWS horses are favorites at IEA; Happy and Abi; trainer Leah Caskey and friend enjoy blue skies at the barn; Natalie and EJ; Hallie and Piper; Katherine with Mason

Center: fun at dinner after the show with IEA parents and kids



## 2023 Local Horse Show Schedule

March 11-12	Mo Daze – Britania GHHJA	GSEC
April 15-16	Trinity Hill CTHJA	Wilco Expo Center
April 22	Bit by Bit TSSA	Bit by Bit Farm
May 6-7	Trinity Hill CTHJA	Wilco Expo Center
May 20	Box T TSSA	Salado
June 3-4	Classic Horse Show GHHJA	GSEC
July 7-9	Summer Circuit CTHJA	WilCo Expo Center
July 21-23	Summer Circuit CTHJA	WilCo Expo Center
August 4-6	Summer Circuit CTHJA	WilCo Expo Center
September 16	Bit by Bit TSSA	Bit by Bit Farm
October 28-29	Halloween GHHJA	Pine Hilll
November 11-12	CTHJA Final Show	WilCo Expo Center
November 18	Box T TSSA	Salado
November 25-26	Finish Line GHHJA	GSEC

## **2023 USEF Horse Show Schedule**

December 8 – 11	Thanksgiving Show	Waco, TX
January 19 – 22	Blue Ribbon Winter	Waco, TX
March 15 – 19	WEC Winter Spectacular XI	Ocala, FL
March 22 – 26	WEC Winter Spectacular XII	Ocala, FL
April 4 – April 8	Pin Oak Charity Horse Show II	Katy, TX
April 12 - 16	Pin Oak Charity Horse Show III	Katy, TX
May 3 - 7	Great Southwest Round Up	Katy, TX
May 10 - 14	Fiesta Classic	Katy, TX
June 15-18	Blue Ribbon Summer Festival I	Waco, TX
June 22-25	Blue Ribbon Summer Festival II	Waco, TX
July 26 – 30	Ocala Summer Series Week 8	Ocala, FL
August 2 – 6	Ocala Summer Series Week 9	Ocala, FL
September 20 - 24	Southwest Showdown	Katy, TX
Sept 28 – Oct 1	GSEC Fall Classic	Katy, TX
October 19 - 22	Monster Mash	Katy, TX
November 8 - 12	Great Southwest Autumn Classic	Katy, TX
November 15-19	Final Chase	Katy, TX