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# NEWSLETTER



### **HELLO MAY!**

Thank you so much for being a client at Switch Willo! Read on to find out what's happening in the ring and around the barn.

Left: Lauren Babcock and Cupertino, "Caesar", earned Champion honors in the Low Adult Hunters at Pin Oak II.

Below: Izzy Branc and Calinus 4, "George" at Pin Oak.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- MAY 2-12: GREAT
  SOUTHWEST ROUND UP &
  FIESTA CLASSIC
  SHOWS/KATY
- MAY 4-5: CTHJA IN MAGNOLIA/HARAS
- JUNE 1-2: CTHJA IN SAN ANTONIO/ROSE PALACE
- JUNE 13-16: BLUE RIBBON FESTIVAL 1/WACO
- JUNE 20-23: BLUE RIBBON FESTIVAL 2/WACO



#### **SWITCH WILLO AT PIN OAK II & III--WELL DONE RIDERS!**

Clockwise from top L: Lauren Buettner and Santa Ana Lux, "Lux": Abby Dewan and I Have A Dream, "Flynn", placed 11th in a field of 48 in the National Derby; Alicia Loving rode to great ribbons aboard Frequent Flyer, "Jet" in a very competitive division (X2); Shelby Taylor on Lucky One, "Lucky"; Joy Simonton and Chikako Z, "Chiko", took home two Reserve Champion ribbons at Pin Oak II.

Congratulations to Jennifer Alfano's client on the purchase of Jet! We wish you much success in your new partnership with this very special horse!













#### SWITCH WILLO AT PIN OAK II & III AND BIT BY BIT FARM

Clockwise from top L: Shelby Taylor and Lucky X2; Tiny Gish and Durango at Bit By Bit; Louise Boon on Silvie and with tri-colors at Bit By Bit; Shelby and Lucky on course. Center: Tiny and Durango.

Silvie, a beloved barn favorite, is currently for sale.















#### STELLAR PIN OAK SERIES FOR CATHERINE MOORHEAD

Catherine Moorhead earned multiple tricolors, Derby ribbons, and Pin Oak awards including the Zimmerman Perpetual Trophy awarded to the Grand 3'6" Amateur, High Point Amateur Owner 3'6" award, and the Dana Brawley Trophy for High Point Adult Rider. Below clockwise from top L: Eurokom, "Euro" X2; Cartano K, "Arthur"; Quicken 2 PR, "Q2"; Cupertino, "Caesar"; Arthur again; Euro X2. Euro and Caesar, who both have extensive and impressive show records, are currently available for lease.



















#### **OUTSTANDING PIN OAK SERIES FOR IZZY BRANC'S CALINUS 4**

Izzy Branc's Calinus 4, "George" earned a High Point 3'3" Hunter High Performance Horse for the Pin Oak Series and excellent ribbons in the Junior Hunter 16-17 and Children's Equitation 15-17. This very talented horse, known for his big personality, is for sale and is ready to take his next rider to success in the Eq and hunter rings.













#### SWITCH WILLO RIDERS HAD SUCCESS AND FUN IN SAN ANTONIO

Clockwise from top L: Darco's Blue Belle, "Belle" and Magnolia Hance placed 2nd in the Derby (with Lindsey Mortimer and Michelle Simmons); Samantha Jacoby and Texas Red, "Romeo" were 4th in the Derby; Bailey Greenwell on Rummy; Jessica Morgan and Monty; Magnolia and Belle X2; Abi Cunningham, Brie Cunningham, and Bea Carter on Caddy; Meredith Bellew and Fin--way to go!

















#### MORE SWITCH WILLO AT BIT BY BIT

Clockwise from top L: Elle Locke and Brighton w tricolors; Sophia Robidart also w tricolors; Sophia on course with Roosevelt; Elle and Brighton X3,













# SPRING AROUND THE BARN: TIME FOR LESSONS AND THE BEAUTY OF SWITCH WILLO IN BLOOM.





Above: During a recent barn lesson, riders were placed in teams with one team instructing the other to put together a bridle. The catch? The instructing team wasn't allowed to touch the bridle! Pictured are Kylie Wiggins, Katherine Siemes, Ruby Trucksess, Elise Henry, Emily Carollo, Sonja Thiele, Chloe O'Connell and Maya Graziano. Below: spring beauty around the barn.



#### **MAY PHOTO GALLERY**

Clockwise from top L: Horsemanship Class students; Michelle Simmons and Jet waiting for the 3'3" Performance at Pin Oak II; Bella Ozura and Maddy; Horsemanship Class students Bella Ozuma, Quinn Combs and Mallory Letcher pictured with Bailey Greenwell, Maddy, Tigger, and Casey; Kylie Wiggins w Elle and Brighton; Flynn saying hi to an admirer; Izzy and Michelle ready to go home; the ribbon wall at Pin Oak--wow! Center: Magnolia Hance on Belle hacking at home with Emily York on Silvie.





















#### **MAY PHOTO GALLERY**

Clockwise from top L: George taking himself for a walk at Pin Oak and eating a Peep on Easter; Redford looking handsome; Jessica and Monty; Monty taking a well-earned rest; Rummy saying hello; Abby and Flynn ready to show.















## 2024 USEF Horse Show Schedule

December 7 – 10 Christmas Show San Antonio, TX January 17 – 21 Blue Ribbon

Winter Waco, TX March 5 – 10 WEC Winter Spectacular X Ocala, FL

March 13 – 17 WEC Winter Spectacular XI Ocala, FL

April 2 – April 7 Pin Oak Charity Horse Show II Katy, TX

April 10 - 14 Pin Oak Charity Horse Show III Katy, TX

May 2 - 5 Great Southwest Round Up Katy, TX

May 9 - 12 Fiesta Classic Katy, TX

June 13-16 Blue Ribbon Summer Festival 1 Waco, TX \*NEWLY ADDED!

June 20-23 Blue Ribbon Summer Festival 2 Waco, TX \*NEWLY ADDED!

June 12 16 Summer in the Rockies I Parker, CO

June 19 23 Summer in the Rockies II Parker, CO-

July 31 - August 4 Ocala Summer Series Week 8 Ocala, FL \*CORRECTED DATE

August 7-11 Ocala Summer Series Week 9 Ocala, FL \*CORRECTED DATE

September 18 - 22 Southwest Showdown Katy, TX

September 26 – 29 GSEC Fall Classic Katy, TX

October 17 - 20 Monster Mash Katy, TX

Oct 30 - Nov 3 Harvest Katy, TX

November 6 - 10 Great Southwest Autumn Classic Katy, TX

November 13 - 17 Final Chase Katy, TX

# 2024 Local Horse Show Schedule

March 16-17 CTHJA in Waco Extraco Events Center

April 20-21 CTHJA in San Antonio Rose Palace

May 4-5 CTHJA in Magnolia Haras

May 18 April 27 TSSA Bit by Bit Bit by Bit Farm

June 1-2 CTHJA in San Antonio Rose Palace

July 12-14 CTHJA Summer Circuit WilCo Expo Center

July 26-28 CTHJA Summer Circuit WilCo Expo Center

August 9-11 CTHJA Summer Circuit WilCo Expo Center

September 7 TSSA Bit by Bit Bit by Bit Farm

September 14-15 GHHJA Fall Fest GSEC

October 12-13 GHHJA Octoberfest GSEC

November 9-10 CTHJA Final Show WilCo Expo Center