

# Mississippi Valley Morgan Horse Club, Inc.

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Work on the National Morgan Jubilee progresses the class list has been drawn up, and there will be classes for everyone whether it be a show Morgan, pleasure Morgan, jumper, roadster or western Morgan. The dates September 24, 25 and 26 at the Illinois State Fairgrounds, Springfield, Illinois. **BE THERE!**

Another important date June 5 the MVMHC Field Day at Pendleton Farms, Belle Rive, Illinois. The morning session will include a demonstration on fitting a horse for the ring proper grooming, etc.; how to show a horse in hand; proper bridling and saddling (English and western equipment); harnessing and hitching (for pleasure driving and fine harness). Following lunch, Morgans of various ages will be judged in hand. They will then be shown in the following roles as 3-gaited, fine harness, pleasure driving, English pleasure, western pleasure, trail, reining, roadster, and cutting horses. Differences in the type, conformation, disposition and way of going of the Morgans used in these demonstrations will be brought out and discussed. Mr. L. MacKenzie, trainer from the local southern Illinois area, will judge the Morgans from the show horse owner's point of view, and we are lining up a Morgan person from the west to give a westerner's viewpoint in the judging and commentary. Hope you can all be there on June 5th!

The February MVMHC meeting was held at Mr. and Mrs. John Howard's, Springfield, Illinois. About 30 members were present. Following the meeting, Dr. Bottorff, veterinarian from Williamsville, Illinois talked about some topics of interest to most horse owner's inoculations for flu viruses, tetanus and sleeping sickness; he also discussed control of internal parasites with the different types of worm medicine now available. We were sorry that the time ran out, as his clear, concise presentation of the facts was most interesting and informative.

At some time, either before or after the meeting, everyone visited the stable to see the Howard's horses. Danny de Jarnette, 20 year old stallion, is king pin here. This little (14.1) chestnut horse has real Morgan conformation, and quite a set of papers in addition! He is by King Mick out of Daisette, dam of Jubilee King and Sentola. Danny goes back to Charles Reade twice and to Daniel Lambert several times. Appearing on his papers is the well known old time Morgans, Senata and Lady de Jarnette. Danny has an exceptionally good Morgan trot, with the speed, reach and action that his breeding provides. Ann Dee, on loan from Roy Brunk is in foal to Danny, and they are hoping for another stud colt to replace the good one she had last year which died at 4 months of age. Precious Stone (Lucky Stone - Jenney Lake) is due to foal anytime; this will be her first foal. Dellama, purchased from Mary Gerhardt last fall, and is due to have a foal by Shadow Hawk. Linda and John have leased the four year old stallion Senator Joe from Tom and Edna Brunk. He is a chestnut, by Senator Graham out of Question Mark, has a marvelous disposition and good way of going. Linda is looking forward to showing him extensively this year.

I mentioned the Everett Mutzbauers of Springfield, Ill., last month. They recently joined the MVMHC they are proud owners of the three year old Morgan stallion, Gay Mark, a golden chestnut with flaxen mane and tail. He was bred by Tom Brunk; is sired by Gay Maverick and out of the good brood mare, Question Mark. Their son Neal, broke Gay Mark and rides him under western tack. We hope to see him in quite a few shows this year with his colorful Morgan!

Mr. and Mrs. Julian Boardman, also recent new members from Springfield, own two good Morgan geldings. One, Breezy Highlite is a five year old bay by the many times champion Mr. Breezy Cobra and out of Patty's Sweetheart. The other gelding, Gay Maverick is a golden chestnut with a flaxen mane and tail, bred by Tom Brunk sired by the Gay Cadet and cut of Cotton Hill's Daisy.

On the way home from the February meeting we stopped at W. Dayton Keyes, Raymond, Illinois to see his newest Morgan acquisitions. Unfortunately, darkness fell just as we got there, so we didn't get to see as many of the horses as we wanted to. Recently purchased from Mel Frandsen of American Fork, Utah was four mares and a coming yearling filly Fleurette, 18 years old, is by Highview King out of Luxury. Her dark chestnut coming yearling filly by Flying Jubilee took our eye, a very pretty filly with a lovely head. Those in the St. Louis area

who remember Al Kaegel's Sandy's Butterscotch will be interested to know that this filly is a full sister. Fleurette is in foal again to Flying Jubilee. Charmaine, a nice chestnut mare, now 17 years old, is by Senator Graham out of Mallow. Charmaine's best known offspring is the mare Music Maid, champion mare at the Illinois State Fair as a two year old, and dam of Kane's High Society, well-known Ohio show stallion. Charmaine is now in foal to Stelar. Another one of the mares, Hickory, is a well built bay, sired by Stetson out of Mountain Queen; the fourth mare, Soxy, is by Condo out of Cynthia by Pride of King. Both of these mares are in foal to Stellar. We also saw the little filly by Sandies Pride out of Idlemore Sunshine, named Azurewood Susand. This little miss has had more than her share of misfortune in her short life. She injured her lower lip shortly after birth and could not suck; it was a few degrees above zero so she was taken into the house and cared for. She improved to where she could suck from a bottle is now on "Similac" and doing nicely. It's quite a task to raise one on a bottle seems like it's always feeding time!

Mr. and Mrs. David Gibson of Florissant, Mo., are looking forward to a Cinnamon King colt out of their Frosty's Blue Bonnet (Prince de Jarnette x Frosty's Princess). They enjoy their Morgan as a pleasure horse I know they will have a great deal of pleasure raising a Morgan foal.

Renee Page has added another writing job to her activities she already writes a Morgan column and a pony column for the local "Valley Horse news". Now she becomes Mid-West Morgan Editor for "Your Pony" magazine, which is branching out to include news and advertising of Morgans, Arabians and other breeds.

We have two more new MVMH members. One is Milton Ash of Springfield, owner of several good Morgans. His mare, Tosto Tar is black, 15 years old, sired by Red Clover and out of Princess Toby. He has a three year old black mare, Topsy Tar and a two year old chestnut stallion, Mr. Bob, both sired by Congo's Pride, and a black yearling filly, Cindy Hawk, sired by Shadow Hawk, all out of Tosto Tar. She is again in foal to Shadow Hawk. All of her foals have placed well at the Illinois State Fair.

The other new member is Gail Meyer of Edwardsville, who owns Duchess of Lebanon, a bay mare by Duke of Lebanon out of Dellama. Gail also has a coming yearling mare out of Duchess, Pin Oak Jubilee.

Our president, Marlin Manning, recently had the opportunity to visit with some Morgan breeders in Colorado and Wyoming, and to see their horses. Marlin attended the meeting of the Morgan Cutting Horse Association held in Denver in January. At this time he visited the farm of Mr. Everett Reed and looked over his Morgans. He reports that one of Mr. Reed's stallions, General Cotton, did a splendid job in the Parade Class at the Stock Show in Denver. Flying to Casper, Wyoming, Marlin saw a number of Morgans in that area. From there he flew to Sheridan, Wyoming, where he spent several days with Charlie Hamilton and family. Considerable time was spent looking at the Morgans and talking Morgan. Marlin had a chance to ride a Morgan up into the Big Horn Mountains, which was quite an experience. While in Wyoming, he purchased the cutting mare, Echo's Pixie (Homestake x Majoret P). Marlin is quite happy now he has two excellent Morgan cutting horses in Echo's Pixie and Sandman, already known to most of us in this area.

In closing I would like to mention a Morgan mare, 30 years old this spring. Her name is found on many pedigrees in the Mid-West and else where. Her name is Mary R. M., she was bred by Elmer Brown, and sold as a yearling to O. E. Sutter at Leon, Kansas. She remained there until fifteen years old, when the Sutter horses were moved to Oklahoma. Mr. Sutter finally decided to let Mr. and Mrs. Ray Brachear (who had been trying to buy her for three years) have her, rather than move her to the Oklahoma ranch. She produced five foals for the Brachears, the two fillies becoming the foundation stock of their Morgans. They are Bright Star by Congo and Miss Holiday by Tango the stallion foals were Leon Congo by Congo, who was taken back to Mr. Sutter when weaned; Dark Dancer and Copper Cloud, both by Congo's Pride. Another foal was Don Hudson, sire of the show mare Donnette. Other well known horses with Mary R.M.'s name close up on their papers are Funquest Falcon, champion stallion owned by Stuart Hazard, Topeka, Kansas; Juanita's Pride, who was featured in the Morgan Magazine being enjoyed by "Little Joe" of "Bonanza" fame, and Maribelle, winner of numerous blues and championships for her owner, Starr Ann Bennett of Escondido, California. It is interesting to note that Mary R.M. is a half-sister to Allan's Fancy L., dam of the Brown Falcon, both mares being out of Maggie Linsley. Mary R.M. by Romanesque is a dark chestnut, 14.3, and typically Morgan in looks, disposition and intelligence; an old Morgan mare well loved by her owners.