

Elodon Connemaras

Glenn Erinn Emma -2003 Registered Connemara mare 14.1h. Emma has an excellent temperament, loves human attention and is a willing riding partner. A great all round family pony, with solid basic schooling under saddle, Emma would be suitable as a confidence builder, trail pony, show pony or as a competitive driving pony. Two well respected clinicians both stated that she has exceptional potential under harness. Emma has been bred to Century Hills Aedan Zodiac for a May 2009 foal, full sibling to Elodon Torin. More photos on our website. Video available for serious inquiries. Asking \$6000.



Rocking Horse Stables

Celtic Tamara: Purebred yearling filly (Maplehurst Michael MacDaire X Celtic O'Mira). Very eye catching filly with excellent conformation and very inquisitive, bright attitude. Bay roan, should mature at 14.1 hh. Well handled and easy going about everything.



For more details on ponies at Rocking Horse Stable please email Valerie at : rockingh@magma.ca or phone 613-488-3066

Centuryhill Connemaras

Centuryhill's Eryn Babatjie (Bobbie): 2006 Purebred Connemara filly (Hayselden Perseus x Eastlands Glendearg) . Started under saddle. Wonderful temperament, willing and gentle. Excellent amateur or children's mount. \$6000.



Sarah Holmes riding Bobbie



Elodon Torin (pending)2008 Purebred Connemara colt, born bay going grey, expected to mature 14.0 or 14.1h Here is an opportunity to purchase an attractive well bred colt who will be a superb performance pony. Torin is a real people pony who will be easy to train and athletic like his sire and dam (Century Hills Aedan Zodiac x Glenn Erinn Emma). He has the sensible Connemara temperament and the versatility of his breed. Torin has been handled since birth and ties well. More photos and pedigree on our website. Asking \$2500 at weaning. Price will increase with age and training.

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elodon.sasktelwebsite.net/



Centuryhills Micheal Quinn: 2007 Purebred Connemara Gelding (Maplehurst Micheal MacDaire x Tathams Ballinanna). Absolutely amazing movement & full of presence. Well handled & quiet. A pleasure to work with & connects very quickly. Great performance prospect. \$6000 firm.

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Driving cart - black, new motorcycle tires, new seat, excellent condition, has seat springs, fits large pony to medium horse. Suitable for show, training CDE or just for fun. Asking \$1100 OBO.



I would like to write a letter of appreciation to Doris Jacobi. To a wonderful woman who sold me a remarkable stallion "Avenns Kimble Wind." Thank you for all your help and support this past year. You have become a very close and dear person in my life. Shirley Sauve



Thanks to all who contributed to this edition. Please contact me for any newsletter issues & start sending news for spring 09!

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Jillian (CCPS junior member) & Quin
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THE CANADIAN CONNEMARA

REPORT ON 2008 AGM AND INSPECTIONS

On Friday, July 25 we held our third AGM and our first inspections using our own CCPS program. This took place at M&M Farms in Langley, BC, thanks to the generosity of Melanie White.

We were very fortunate to have as our senior inspector Philip Scott, who had come from Ireland to judge the Irish Extravaganza and had agreed to take part in our inspections. This was the first time we had used the CCPS inspection

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Rills Shea Mor (handled by Cheryl Miller)

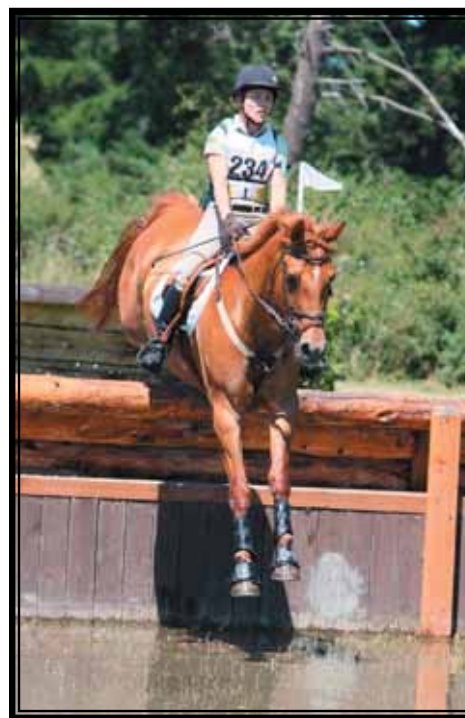


Connemaras: For all disciplines - For all the family

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BC EVENTING TEAM-A SUCCESSFUL YEAR!



Glynis Schultz on Irish- photo by Mark Lawrence.

Connemara's in B.C. had another successful eventing season showing the true athleticism of the breed with success' around the province and USA!!

Irish - 10 year old ½ Connemara, ½ Thoroughbred 16hh Chestnut gelding co-owned by Glynis Schultz and Vicki Davies. Irish, with Glynis on-board, had a very successful competition season. Some of their accomplishments at the Prelim level were placing 1st @ Maple Ridge, 1st @ Avalon, 2nd @ Whidbey Island Washington, and second in the CCI* @ Rebecca Farms Montana. They also won the B.C. Prelim level championships!!! To end the season on a fantastic note.....Glynis rode Irish in his first Intermediate level event at the September

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Glynis on Irish



Ryan Varchol riding Simply Irrisistible

REMINDERS!!

- Central Region AGM will be held Sunday, March 15, 2009... location in Ontario TBA— St. Patty's Day attire required!
- Remember to send your show results to Doris Jacobi by Dec 31, 2008: download "Achievement Awards Form" from the "forms" section of the CCPS website: canadianconnemara.org

BATTLE OF THE BREEDS 2008

We had a good team of ponies and rider/drivers this year, but good luck was not with us, and we finished 5th overall out of 14 teams. The mule team was in a much deserved 1st place, with the next half dozen teams being only points apart. Each team has a maximum of 4 competitors, of which 2 have to be in each of the 5 events. Our team was:

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Brian Morton & Rory on obstacle course



Caitlin McEvoy and Fergus



Blennerhassets Sir Lancelot (Erin Meadows Lexlip x *Fairyhill Hawk. Owned by Micheal & Leslie Colgan, Bred by Rill Connemaras

PHILIP SCOTT- CLINICIAN, INSPECTOR & JUDGE BY HEATHER SHERRATT



The Irish Horse Extravaganza has been very fortunate to have the services of Philip Scott as judge for their show. Philip is not only an inspector for the CPBS but a judge and inspector of Irish Draught and Irish Sport Horses. Himself a top competitor in eventing, dressage and in hand showing, he has judged in Ireland, France and England, including the Horse of the Year Show, Hickstead and the British Sport Horse Show. We were very lucky to have Philip as senior inspector at our first CCPS program inspections and the judge of in hand and performance classes at the Extravaganza.

After judging in hand all day, Philip conducted a fascinating clinic on in hand showing and conformation before our chicken dinner. Unfortunately Philip's DVD did not like North American computers so we had to make do with still photographs and Philip's personal demonstrations.

He started with a conformation discussion of what to look for and what is acceptable in judging breed conformation classes. One of the

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Imagine & Quinlan are full brothers who garner raves from all the clinicians, such as Leslie Law, Lucinda Green, Pat Burgess and Mary Wanless for their paces, attitude and athleticism. They are by Irish Park Sebastian, out of his very scopey TBD mare, Salome who Arthur Tatashei competed up to Preliminary level. Both geldings competed successfully in Horse Trials @ Preliminary level in 2007. This year, Arthur hopes to compete both in their first CCI*. "It certainly is rewarding to have produced them completely by myself up to Preliminary HT", says Tatashei.



Ballencreeff's Winter Lace - By Ballywhim's An Luan out of Aladdin's Winter Promise



Arthur Tatashei on Quinlan (Glen Oro)



Tatashei on Imagine (Glen Oro)

Battle of the Breeds Team Connemara-left to right, Brian Morton riding **Bien Mallins** Rory O'Sullivan; Caitlin McEvoy riding **Rills Carrick Fergus**; Melonie White riding **Balius Cardea**; Erin Eacrett riding **Avennis Cairbre McCarthy- Peso**.



BC Eventing Team-left to right, Ryan Varchol riding **Simply Irresistible**, Vicki Davies riding **Silverdale Covergirl**, Glynis Schultz riding **Irish**, and Pam Hall riding **Cronan's Mac MacDaire**



Rory & Melanie White



Rills Shea Mor handled by Cheryl Miller



Shannon Thompson on KS Priceless

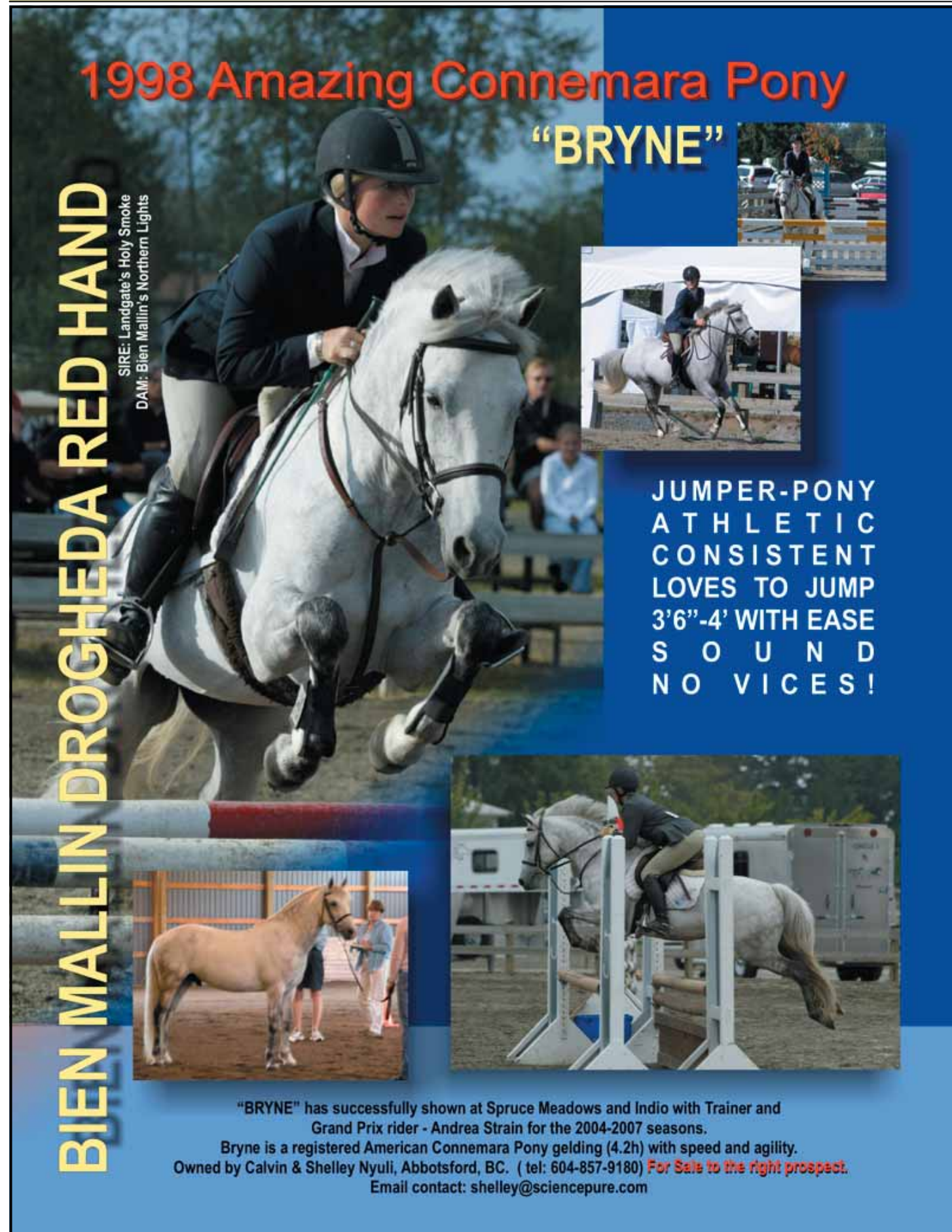


Vicki Davies on Silverdale Covergirl

1998 Amazing Connemara Pony "BRYNE"

BIEN MALLIN DROGHEDA RED HAND

SIRE: Landgate's Holy Smoke
DAM: Bien Mallin's Northern Lights



"BRYNE"



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CLASSIFIEDS

Celtic Fandango: Two year old 1/2 Connemara X 1/2 Thoroughbred colt, out of a lovely thoroughbred mare by Celtic Fanfare. He has definitely inherited his fathers laid back attitude to life! Tango is very athletic and absolutely loves to jump!! He actually looks for things to jump over whenever he can! He is a light bay with a star and is extremely well balanced. Tango should finish growing at 15.2 to 15.3 hh.

Bodacious Brody: Two year old 1/2 Connemara X 1/2 Thoroughbred gelding. Brody is out of my wonderful *Lasrachai mare, Celtic Joy Chelsea by the Silver Premium Thoroughbred Sport Horse Stallion Brian "B". Striking chocolate brown colour. Great disposition, very athletic and light on his feet, will suit any discipline. He has been lightly started and is very accepting of anything that is done with him. Should finish at 15.3 hh.

Rocking Horse Silken: Very attractive, feminine looking 1/2 Connemara X 1/2 Thoroughbred yearling filly. Silken is a bright bay color with a blaze and should reach the height of 15.2 to 15.3 hh. She is very correct in her movement and has an extremely laid back personality.

Rocking Horse Classifieds call Valerie at : rockingh@magma.ca or phone 613-488-3066

Purebred colt by *Hohnhorst Branni & Balius Siobhan. A lovely foal with great conformation & showing beautiful, light & fluid movement. This colt has plenty of bone & substance & is compact & well proportioned with a lovely pony head. He has a sweet temperament & is sure to make a lovely performance pony with his breeding. Rills Florian (pending) is also a definite stallion prospect for someone looking for an exceptional smaller true to type stallion. He has old lines that are under represented in Canada. Look for new pictures soon on our website.

Rills Hot Sauce (pending) is a bright red bay roan. He will "spice up" your breeding programme with unusual bloodlines, correct type, great temperaments & super movement. His lovely coloring will be an added bonus!

Purebred Colt by *Hohnhorst Branni & Devon Ridge Golden Treasure. A very attractive & good looking colt foal with "presence". Superb limbs & great bone & showing very good movement. This colt has a very kind & easy temperament. He has excellent performance lines & is an outstanding foal with stallion potential.

<http://rillconnemaras.tripod.com> Contact Penny Huggons at huggons@telus.net or 403-638-9152



Rills Finnian and Stacey Parker:

My interest in riding only developed when I was ten years old. The rest of my family were very involved in the sport, encouraging me to ride at a very young age. I was discouraged from riding when I was three years old, as I fell off a pony and broke my arm. I then picked up riding at age ten in Vancouver, BC. Three years ago I moved to Calgary, Alberta, where I was promised a pony as part of the deal for moving. I started to ride at a nearby barn and there was a lovely pony named Finn. I was in love with this pony since I first saw him; my trainer decided she would put me on him to see if I suited him. I wanted him, like I had never wanted anything else. The pony had only been a

Canadian Connemara Inspections – July 25, 2008**Mares passed:****Sullivan's Shanna**

Bien Mallin's Rory O'Sullivan x Lasrachai's Blue Shannon

Birthdate 27/06/05

Awley Loura O'Sullivan

Bien Mallin's Rory O'Sullivan x M&M's Toura Loura Lally

Birthdate 03/26/06

M&M's Gracie McFadden

Bien Mallin's Silver Blaze x Drogheda Heather Queen

Birthdate 4/29/06

Devon Ridge Fantasia

Bantry Bay's Dillon x Avenns Golden Legacy

Birthdate 05/27/04

Rill's Shea Mor

Fairyhill Hawk x Rills Kelpie

Birthdate 05/27/2005

Avenns Mairi Leggs

Avenns Kimble Wind x Bar S Arrin Grey

Birthdate 05/14/2004

Stallion passed:**Blennerhassett Sir Lancelot**

Fairyhill Hawk x Erin Meadows Lexilip

Birthdate 06/10/05

school pony at this barn. However, we later found out he was for sale, being sold by Elsie Priddy. My parents surprised me one day at the sight of "MY" new pony! They had purchased this lovely boy just for me!

Showing this pony had been slower than expected as he had been more green than the ponies already on the circuit. But things picked up speed... fast! I was winning more and more. Before I knew it, I had already qualified for finals after only having him for a few months.

Since then, I have moved barns twice. Every trainer I have had, adores him! It's been about two and half years since the day we bought him. I have won numerous awards since that day including many Alberta Championships. This year, we won the Regional Finals for AB, SK and MB. I am now headed off to the Royal Winter Fair for the Pony Hunter National division. Finn was one of two ponies in the region to qualify. Finn and I now reside at Ziedler Farms Inc just outside of Calgary, AB.

This pony has been the most wonderful experience for me. I cannot even explain how much thanks I give to my dear little Finn. He has been a one in a million. I do not know of ANY other pony that is more special than what he means to me.

Stacey Parker and Rills Finnian.

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See next edition for Finnian's final show results... Congratulations Stacey!!

AGM & INSPECTIONS

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program so it was instructive to see how it worked and have Philip's comments as well. Margot Watson and I completed the inspection team and Susan MacDougall was a trainee inspector.

We inspected nine ponies in all, including two stallions, some of which had come from as far as Salt Spring Island and Vancouver Island. Many thanks to the owners for supporting the program and presenting such well-prepared ponies. It makes our job inspecting so much easier when the ponies are well mannered and well turned out.

The inspection team quickly got used to the new program and under Philip's skilled guidance we had completed the inspection by early afternoon, including a discussion of each pony after inspection. Again, I would like to thank the owners for allowing us to discuss their ponies in front of our audience as this made it a very good educational experience for all. Philip was very helpful and knowledgeable in discussing the finer points of conformation and type and I think the inspection team gained useful information.

I hope to be able to get a complete list of all inspected and approved ponies in Canada, both ACPS and CCPS, on the web page shortly.

After a quick break we adjourned to Melanie's house for lunch and the AGM. Ten members were able to attend the meeting, although the number fluctuated a little as people were busy preparing ponies for the show the next day. We invited Philip to join us and enjoyed some interesting comments from him on inspections and showing as well as an offer to come again next year. This meeting was a consolidation of the

work that has been going on in committees this year. We approved the inspection program.

Doris Jacobi presented the Awards program which has been put together with the help of Nancy Page and myself. Presentations were made for the 2007 year to Balius Cardea for the Devonridge Purebred of the year, and the Half-Bred trophy was awarded to W.C. Celtic Legacy. Rills Carrick Fergus won the Lynfield's MacCarthy western award which is for western riding events in the Prairies region. We discussed an awards program for Hall of Fame Awards and struck a committee to look into finding donors and sponsors and writing criteria.

We had an interesting discussion on our newsletter and magazine. Rick Doner will be bringing out a fall edition of the newsletter again, this time mainly in black and white and distributed to members only. We discussed the importance of a printed newsletter as some members do not have email access or use it regularly. Jocelyn Davies suggested that we should look into the possibility of producing an annual colour magazine reporting on the achievements of our ponies over the year. Michael and Lesley Colgan from Salt Spring Island have experience in producing this sort of magazine and have volunteered to look into sponsorship, advertising and costs.

We approved the new webpage policy and the appointment of Tracy Dopko as webmaster. I hope you noticed the up-dated web page and will contribute news to Penny Huggons and Chris Carey for our new farm-news page.

Margot gave us a report of our financial situation and while we are still comfortably in the black, we decided we should raise our membership fees and some of our registration fees. While CLRC have done a wonderful job of get-

PREMIUM AND ELITE PROGRAM-INSPECTIONS

The CCPS Inspection Program was passed at the 2008 AGM and we held our first inspections using this program the same day under the senior inspector, Philip Scott from Ireland. Details of the inspection program can be found on the website but I would like to mention two parts of the program that will be new to most members.

We have established a premium status for mares who score 75% or higher at their inspection. A mare has to be at least five years of age to gain a premium as we consider she should be mature at that age. Ponies that have passed inspection at ages two to four years can be represented for a premium after the age of five.

The pass mark for stallions is 75 % and after considerable discussion we decided not to institute a premium program for stallions. Interestingly, the CPBS has recently started a program for premium stallions but Philip

Scott said that many stallion owners are very reluctant to put their ponies up for a premium in case they do not make the grade. This reinforced our decision that once a stallion has passed inspection he should be considered of a high enough standard to improve or maintain the quality and type of ponies.

We have also instituted a new concept in the Elite Program which includes performance and progeny requirements. All stallions that have passed inspection are eligible for the program as are premium mares. For details of the requirements, refer to the inspection program on the webpage.

The performance requirements are for any discipline and points accumulated in the Achievement Awards Program can be used, as can results from any shows, tabulated using the Achievement Awards system. Stallions have to accumulate more points than mares as they have more opportunity to compete than a mare

ting our registry started and collecting our membership, we do pay for this work. If we are to have money to finance other programs for the society, we decided that, as our fees were some of the lowest of societies with CLRC, we should make some changes. The new fee schedule will be put on the web page shortly but the new fees don't come into operation until January 2009 so get your 2008 registrations in on time. In 2008 CLRC has so far registered 39 purebred ponies and 30 half-breds and there were 21 transfers. Finally, our 2009 AGM will be in Alberta. It was suggested that we hold it in September in Calgary in conjunction with Spruce Meadows and the Battle of the Breeds. We could also hold another inspection in Calgary and/or Edmonton if we have sufficient ponies nominated. The idea of bringing another Irish inspector over to work with us was discussed but this will depend on the number of ponies to be inspected and the costs. The Irish have strongly suggested that we should use international inspectors in our program for at least a couple of years to insure we maintain correct standards and if we can manage to bring someone over again, we would also hold a clinic on Connemara type, conformation, breeding, and history.

I would like to thank all our members in BC for doing such a good job hosting the meeting and inspections and for all the people who traveled to make both these events possible. It is a great idea to hold the meeting in conjunction with other pony-related activities although it does make for a lot of work for the hosting region.

The Executive for 2008 is President – Heather Sherratt, V.P. – Bridget Wingate, Secretary – Jocelyn Davies and Treasurer – Margot Watson.

Heather Sherratt

who also has to produce foals. The progeny requirements are also higher for stallions than mares as they can produce more offspring in a lifetime. Offspring have to be purebred and have passed inspection to ensure that we are rewarding quality rather than just quantity.

Inspections are not mandatory and neither are the premium or elite programs. They are designed to encourage breeders to maintain the breed standard and high-quality ponies and at the same time to promote the breed through open competition. All ponies already passed under the ACPS program will be grandfathered into our program, including premium mares.

Applications for consideration for elite status should be sent to the Chair of the Inspections Committee and will be considered by the committee as a whole.

Heather Sherratt Chair, Inspections Committee

BC EVENTING TEAM ...continued from pg 1

Avalon Horse Trials on Vancouver Island, and finished in 2nd place!!!! Look out 2009!!!

Shannon Thompson on her young Olympic hopeful – bay 7 year old purebred Connemara gelding “**KS Priceless**” (full brother to Coolmore) moved quickly through the levels in the pair’s 1st year of eventing, with a 1st place in Training level at the Topline event in Salmon Arm. This followed on the heels of placing 2nd in the Training division at the Island 22 event a few weeks earlier, and 2nd again at Langley’s Campbell Valley Event. Priceless is owned by the “Priceless Syndicate”. Watch for this pair next year when they move up to the Preliminary level.

Simply Irresistible – a 7 year old bay 3/4

Connemara mare also had a successful season with 13 year old Ryan Varchol who placed 7th in the Pre-Training division at the Mt Cheam Event in Chilliwack early spring, to be followed with a third place finish Pre-Training at the June Johvale Event, and 4th place finish in the Training division at Topline in Salmon Arm. Ryan then passed his pony off to younger sister Alix, who began her Eventing career with an 8th place in the Pre-Entry division at the Island 22 Event in Chilliwack, and a 1st place finish at Topline this September!!!

Silverdale Covergirl – 8yr old 15.1hh Dark bay ½ Connemara, ½ Thoroughbred mare. Covergirl and her owner/rider Vicki Davies spent the season competing in events, hunter, jumper and dressage shows.....and even went out with “Simply Irresistible” and Sandra Varchol competing in a 24 mile endurance ride!!!!

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points that he emphasized, both in the clinic and at the inspection, is that the horse should look all of a piece. It is easy to get so carried away with the details of conformation that one forgets to look at the overall picture and to ensure that all the pieces fit to make a horse that is overall well balanced as well as correct. We were lucky that a brave owner had let us use a horse that did not have perfect conformation so Philip could point out the good and bad features. Another thing he emphasized was the importance of noting the good points as well as looking for faults. Again this was important in our inspections the day before.

Philip then went on to demonstrate techniques in presentation and how important that can be to the final placing of a pony. Using a Connemara this time, he showed us how to train a pony to walk and trot forward with impulsion and how to walk it forward into a correct stance. It was amazing the difference professional presentation can make and easy to see how that could move a pony up a place or two.

Then it was turn out and how to make the most of your pony by careful grooming and presentation. He expects all ponies older than yearlings to be shown in bits, either with bridle or with the show halters seen in England and Europe. He suggested rather than reins, to use a lead shank with the chain run through the bit. This gives more control and with skill can make the pony present itself better as well as looking neat.

As for trimming native ponies, Philip told an anecdote of one pony he had that was never doing as well as he should in in-hand classes when shown with a long flowing mane, full feathers and no facial clipping. After tidying the mane to a length of about 6-8 inches, discreetly trimming the feathers

to show off the good fetlocks rather than hiding them, and again discreet trimming of beard and whiskers to show off the lines of his head, the pony started to consistently win. He does not advocate showing native ponies completely clipped and trimmed with severely pulled manes, but suggests that they should be groomed and trimmed to allow the judge to see their good points which can be hidden by too much mane. Tails should be tidily banded and again discreetly tidied to show off good hind quarters.

Judging, Philip maintains that one should spend an equal amount of time on every competitor and give them the chance to show their pony’s attributes. In his classes, every pony was stood up individually for the judge, walked out and trotted back. Some of the larger classes took time, but his attention to each pony was obvious. He also says that a good judge never touches a pony while judging. He should be able to assess everything by viewing from a distance from all angles. Movement is important as was pointed out in his clinic, and the pony should be trained to show off a good free trot and forward walk.

The Extravaganza finished on Sunday with the performance classes, again judged by Philip. In the morning the flat classes were conducted much the same as the in hand classes the day before, with every pony giving a short individual show under saddle. After lunch it was jumping, culminating in the Gamblers’ Choice class at 4ft. Each jump had a point value and riders had a set time to jump as many fences as they could, collecting points. Any fence could be jumped a maximum of twice, in either direction and there was a jeopardy jump of two vertical rails with a value of 200 points. A rider could choose whether to jump this at the end of his round – clear and you won 200 points, knock down and you lost 200 points.

Tension rose as the two Connemaras, Hillside

Coolmore - 9 year old purebred Connemara (full brother to KS Priceless) bay 14.2hh gelding, ridden by 13 year old Elspeth McGillivray of Victoria B.C. This pair managed to win Pony Jumper champion, and Pony Hunter champion at the same show on Vancouver Island this summer!!!! They then headed to a dressage show in the lower mainland and managed to finish in 2nd place at Third Level!!!!...and of course against a herd of warmbloods!!! Just a few weeks later they finished in 2nd place at the Campbell Valley horse trials in Langley. Talk about versatile!!!!

All these horses are by Elphin Cronan (by Maplehurst Michael MacDaire, out of SP Mils Braeban). “Cronan” was bred by Heather Sherratt of Elphin Farms, and is owned by Cynthia Norman. To learn more about these horses go to www.vickidaviesequine.com

Sassafrass and Rory O’Sullivan competed against the much larger Irish Sport horses. Ponies do have the advantage of being able to turn much faster than the bigger horses and Rory and Sassie made full use of this. And both cleared the Jeopardy fence with Rory coming in first and Sassie second.

NEWS FROM ELDON CONNEMARAS

Elsie and Lace

Lace, had a year off from motherhood to continue her schooling. We’ve had great fun taking her to several shows, watching her improve each time and picking up a few ribbons on the way. She has taken to the hunter ring like a duck to water, as she is a very confident pony who doesn’t bat an eye at fill or any new fences. We overheard a mother who was working the gate say, “I think I could jump in a show on a pony like that.” This seems to be the type of feeling Connemaras inspire and reaffirms our decision to breed. This also has been a year of schooling our stallion, Century Hills Aedan Zodiac. In addition to dressage and starting over fences this summer we have begun a series of reining classes this fall. Our goals for Aedan include showing him locally in 2009.

Don, Elsie & Elan Priddy



Elsie and Aedan

In May this year we welcomed Emma’s colt Torin, an incredibly friendly, playful and independent fellow. Our other broodmare, Rills Romany

Canadian Connemara Pony Society Annual General Meeting July 25, 2008

Present: Melanie White, Jocelyn Davies, Bridget Wingate, Heather Sherratt, Michael Colgan, Lesley Colgan, Doris Jacobi, Margot Watson, Susan MacDougall, Phillip Scott (guest) Rita Rawston, Cheryl Miller, Penny Huggons.

1) President’s Welcome & Remarks – Heather Sherratt welcomed everyone to the 3rd Annual Canadian Connemara Pony Society. She said it was a rather slow year, but we are gradually getting organized. The website is getting updated, Chris Carey and Penny Huggons are gathering news to be included regularly on the website. Jenny Smythe is going to the ICCPS meeting in Clifden, Ireland this year and has graciously offered to be the Canadian Representative. Heather also mentioned the ICCPS Vet Inspection Form that is currently being looked at and will be discussed at the upcoming ICCPS meeting. Right now it doesn’t clarify what the vet is required to do exactly, especially regarding the soundness area (i.e. it is similar to a pre-purchase exam). Many are currently worried that fewer ponies will be inspected due to the cost of such an exam. Another topic to be discussed in Clifden at the ICCPS meeting is registration of prefixes and farm names. They will be discussing future rules for naming that will affect the registered names of all Connemara ponies. The Irish do not want a word used in a prefix or farm name to be used as part of any other pony’s name. Many countries think this could cause problems. **2) Reading and Approval of 2007 Minutes** – Jocelyn Davies read the 2007 minutes. Jocelyn proposed that the minutes be accepted as read. Susan MacDougall moved that they be accepted and Lesley Colgan seconded the motion. **3) Treasurer’s Report** – Margot Watson passed out two Statements to everyone at the meeting. – one for year ending December 31st and the second one ending June 30th. She explained that there are two different bank accounts, the account for dealing with CLRC matters and our General Account. As of December 31, 2008 we had a combined cash balance of \$3,625.02, with an accounts payable owing to CLRC for December Fees of \$310.25. Margot proposed accepting the December 31 Statement as read/presented. Susan MacDougall moved to accept the Statement and Bridget Wingate seconded the motion. As of June 30, 2008 our combined cash balance of \$3,296.99 with an accounts payable of \$162.57 for CLRC June fees owing. Margot moved that we accept the June 30th Statement as presented. Doris Jacobi seconded the motion. CLRC - It was discussed how the payments went into our bank account and how CLRC sometimes had a delay pending completion of the registration before taking the payment out of the CLRC bank account as fees. It was also mentioned that our fees were very low in comparison to other breed associations that CLRC also represents. We decided we needed to reduce some of our expenses and raise some of our fees. Starting January 2009, we agreed to increase our CCPS fee structure as follows: Registration (including DNA) from \$65.00 to \$75.00 Registration (excluding DNA) from 20.00 to \$30.00 Permanent Registration for mares from \$20.00 to \$25.00 Stallions will remain at \$250.00 Duplicate Certificates from \$0.00 to \$25.00 Transfers will remain at 20.00

Transfers at time of registration will remain at \$20.00 Herd name registration will remain at \$25.00 Membership fees will be changed as follows: Adult ship - \$35.00 Junior - \$15.00 Associate - \$20.00, Non-resident - \$20.00. Stallion Reports – We decided that CLRC fees for stallion reports were too expensive but that keeping stallion reports was a good idea and they should be mailed to the CCPS Secretary to be kept for reference purposes only. Heather to obtain stallion report sheet. Inspection for Stallions – It was decided that stallions be inspected if they only have a temporary registration. However, none of their foals can be registered until permanent registration is obtained and there is no back registration of their foals. Margot moved that the changes for fee structure be accepted, Susan seconded the motion.

4) Report of Regional Chairs Susan MacDougall – Pacific Region – Susan said the Irish Extravaganza was the Pacific Regions biggest event which was going to be happening the weekend of this Annual Meeting. Also, thanks to Melanie offering her facility at the last minute and also to Margot for helping organize, they were going to be able inspect 10 ponies! Philip Scott the judge for the Irish Extravaganza agreed to help inspect the ponies and with the coordinating of funds from the owners, Pacific Region and National Society they were able to pull it off. The Irish Extravaganza may need to look at a new facility and also make some changes for next year. This year it was found that fewer Americans were coming to the show and entries were down. Possibly rather than going with the Irish Draught Society, we could have a Mountain & Moorland show. It was thought that possibly each region should organize a Mountain & Moorland show or sponsor a Mountain & Moorland Class in an existing pony show. **Penny Huggons – Prairie Region** – Penny commented on how well some of our Connemaras in the Prairie Region were doing at the shows. Rills Finnian was the Pony Hunter champion at the A Circuit Edmonton Northlands Horse Show. He is also the pony with the most points on the ASJA Pony Medal standings for 2008. Rills Fergus has a new owner that is thrilled with him... he was in the ribbons at the Beaumont Eventing Show in June this year. Bantry Bay Dillon was Reserve Champion Jumper at the Caledonia Show at Amberlea this past May as well. There is also a Rising Sun gelding in Saskatchewan that is doing very well in pony club and local competition. Penny also mentioned that the Prairie with the Pacific region is getting busy organizing their team for Team Connemara at the Battle of the Breeds competition at Spruce Meadows. Bridget Wingate is our team captain again this upcoming year and it looks like we will have a nice competitive team. **Rick Doner – Central Region** – No report from Rick as things have been very quiet in the East. Heather mentioned that Rick & Dale purchased a nice new stallion prospect last year and has had one foal this year by Wildwysh Eclipse. **5) Report and discussion on Inspections Program** – Presented by Heather Sherratt Full details will be on our website. Premium mares need an inspection score of 75% or more. There will be no “premium” stallions, however they will be eligible for the “Elite” program. The Elite program will be similar to the British system which combines progeny and performance. This elite program will be promoted in our newsletter & website for our members. Trainee Inspectors – need to decide on an appropriate training program.. One idea was the Judy Wardrobe conformation clinic and also her on line course. Heather moved that we accept the inspection forms and program as it is, with a resolution that it can be improved/changed in the future as required. Margot seconded the motion. **6) Awards Program** – Presented by Doris Jacobi Doris explained the new Awards Program. All members/owners of ponies in the Awards Program will have to be made aware of the new rules through the Newsletter and website. It is also important for breeders/owners to send a copy of the new program when selling a pony so that the new owners will continue with the program and continue to accumulate points for the pony. NOTE: To be eligible to accumulate points owners must be members of the CCPS. Lifetime Awards – Sponsors are needed. Heather will talk to Dale for the Eastern region. Michael Colgan volunteered for the Pacific Region and the west will ask Elsie Priddy for the Prairie Region. Purebred Performance Award was awarded to Bialius Cardia, Owner: Melanie White. Lynfield Cormac MacCarthy Award was awarded to Rills Carrick Fergus, owner at time of points – Elsie Priddy. **7) Web Page** – Presented by Susan MacDougall Web Page – Contracts for the webpage are in the process of being signed now. Cost for Webpage upgrade is \$800.00 to Tracy Dopko. Other annual costs are \$200 paid semi-annually July & January. Domain Name cost is \$200.00. We are working on news for the webpage, lots of ideas! Policies will be put on the webpage. Internet Policy needs to be amended to include Sponsorship advertisement. **8) Magazine/Newsletter** – Report by Rick Doner, presented by Heather Sherratt For the second Newsletter sent February 2008, 116 copies were sent out. Cost was significant. For the fall newsletter it was decided that only members would receive it (approx 50). It also will be downloadable off of the website for those who want more copies. It should be only part colour with mostly black & white to keep the cost down.. Sponsorship is a way also to help with the cost. We should include basic information in the newsletter, such as AGM minutes, awards program, farm news, etc. There was a suggestion we could have an Annual magazine similar to the English Chronicle, listing stallions, performance, farm advertising, lots of sponsors, etc. Michael Colgan volunteered to help organize the publication of this. Our plan is to put out our first publication in Fall of 2009. It is estimated that this will cost \$10.00 - \$15.00 per copy. All felt this would be a great way to keep a record of history of Connemaras in Canada. We have some very good articles of some wonderful Canadian ponies in the past that could be brought forward and published. Poster – Margot and Susan to organize a CCPS poster. Something that we could download from the website for breed/promotional shows, etc. **9) Archives and historical Records for Society** – Jennifer Smythe No Report **10) Report on Arbitration Committee** – Bridget Wingate Bridget says she is happy to report there are no complaints at the moment. **11) CLRC – Report by Ron Black, Presented by Heather Sherratt** Ron Black wrote a report from the CLRC for the CCPS and Heather read his report. As of July 16th CCPS has 54 members, increase from 42 from 2007. We have 39 purebred ponies registered, 30 HB Ponies, and applications in progress for 25 additional animals. Already in 2008 there have been 21 transfers (mostly animals that were sold prior to being registered). Laura Lee Mills is the designated Registrar for Connemara Ponies. Note: 2 photos are needed for “Purebred” permanent registration. There is the 2009 CLRC Workshop and Annual Meeting in Toronto on April 25th 2009. We are encouraged to attend this meeting. We will ask Rick Doner to attend this. **13) Connemara Store** – Val Everson, presented by Heather Sherratt Val Everson is looking after this... so far nothing to sell. We discussed having orders go through our webpage through Tracy Dopko our Webmaster. T-Shirts – Jocelyn mentioned that she had ordered some t-shirts from E:Bay that had a very good price and that maybe we could order on an as-needed basis. She will look into this. **14) Report of Nominating Committee and Election of Board of Governors** There were 17 Votes received **15) Results of Elections for 2008 Pacific** – Margot Watson – 17 votes Prairie – Bridget Wingate – 17 votes Central Region – Heather Sherratt – 17 votes. It was proposed by Bridget Wingate that the ballots be destroyed. This was seconded by Susan MacDougall. **16) Appointment of Chair of Nominating Committee for 2009** Penny Huggons graciously accepted this appointment **17) Any other business** – No other business was brought forward to discuss

18) Date and Place of AGM 2009 – Tentative place and date are Calgary, Alberta, early September (coordinated with the Spruce Meadows Masters Tournament and Battle of the Breeds. It is also hoped to plan more Alberta inspections at this time. **19) Meeting Adjourned** - Penny motioned that the meeting be adjourned at 6:15 pm and Lesley Colgan seconded the motion. (*editor’s note: sorry this was such a tight fit due to space constraints ...just get out your magnifying glass!!*)

IRISH DAY IN OTTAWA



Early this past summer I was asked by the National Capital Irish Society if I would like to attend the Ottawa Exhibition as part of their "Irish Day" at the fair. Without really knowing what this entailed I agreed I would help them. I thought this could be an interesting way to promote our Connemara Po-

nies. I asked Chris Carey if she would like to participate with me and she happily agreed. We took our two stallions Celtic Fanfare and Irish Park's Caraway Finn and set up an information booth with the two stallions as examples of the breed. It was a very interesting day to say the least. We



unloaded our ponies out of the trailers onto the tarmac parking lot right under the Ferris wheels and swinging rides, and had hundreds of people of all ages and persuasions passing by and petting the ponies all day. The two boys were very impressive in how well they took it all and accepted the pats and delighted squeals of children and adults alike. I am certain that the Irish Society was delighted with our participation, and it was a fun exercise putting the information booth materials together. It remains to be seen if we were successful in promoting the breed as a lot of the people attending were not really horse people. But it was a start and did give us an opportunity to test the ponies out and see what works and what doesn't!

NEWS FROM ROCKING HORSE BY VAL EVERSON

The summer at Rocking Horse Stable was a little different than usual with our family taking 2 separate family holidays, which was wonderful but definitely cut into the horse showing opportunities. What I have been having a tremendous amount of fun with this year has been introducing my stallion, Celtic Fanfare to driving. I started him in March of this past winter and he took to it like he had done it all his life. I received my Road Cart for him just one week before our first outing which was a driving clinic in May, so we didn't have much time to practice with it, but he was a star! I think the clinician thought we were much more experienced than we actually were because he gave us one of the most challenging lessons of the clinic, and we learned so much. Snapper and I participated in two more clinics, one in June and one early August. The June clinic was with Kerstin Brunner, a very well known and respected pony driver and trainer. She said to me on the second day, "that she would have gladly have traded three other "more experienced" ponies/horses that were driving in the clinic, for Snapper, so that those drivers could have a better chance to learn properly".

We finished the season by attending a Pleasure Driving Competition in St Lazare, Que. Snapper was on his best behavior and many people commented on how much he had improved even in the month since we were there for our third clinic. We won the Turn-out Class, placed second in the Reinsmanship

Class, and received two - thirds and a fourth in the three remaining classes. It was a great day and I am seriously looking into Combined Driving for next summer!

CENTURYHILL FARM NEWS BY RICK & DALE DONER

This has been another busy summer here but not just because of the ponies. Our youngest son Jason was married to Beth at the end of June, a garden tour was hosted and Dale & I celebrated our 25th anniversary with a surprise party from our kids in August- all here on our farm! We should be recovered by next year...now to the ponies....Our stallion Cara is off to be trained for driving and hopefully started under saddle this fall after covering 2 mares (his first breedings). Eastie had a fantastic colt foal on April 16th by Wildwych Eclipse. We are very impressed by his correctness, bone and attitude-Both he and his mom were inspected , approved and registered this summer with the GOV- Weser Ems division- stay tuned for this guy! Rea (Eastlands Glendearg x Maplehurst Micheal MacDaire) competed this fall in 2 national dressage shows after only 2 months of training, with scores up to 66.95. She is following in her mother, Eastie's , footsteps with wonderful trainability, temperament and even better movement. Bobbie (Eastie x Perseus) has been started under saddle with ease and will make a very safe and gentle amateur or children's pony. There was also some time to go to the lake with Eastie and her colt for some fun...they were a hit with the local cottage kids!

We look forward to our first foal by Cara out of Annie in 2009!



Val with Celtic Fanfare driving his first "Cones Competition" in St. Lazare, Quebec



Fun at the lake with Eastie , her son, & Dale



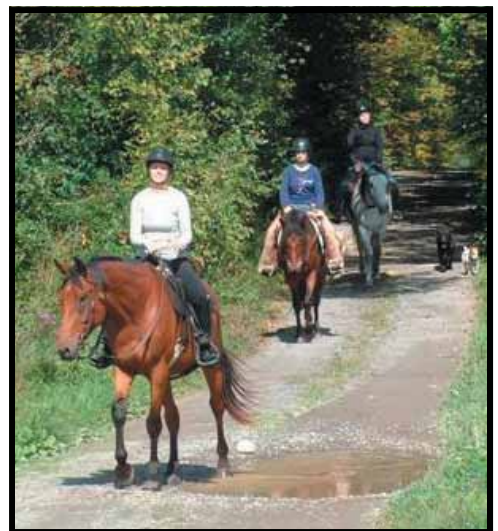
Lori Bell riding Centuryhills Maidin Realta (Rea)

NEWS FROM CARAWAY CONNEMARAS IN QUEBEC

It was a wet summer here with mosquitoes and other nasty flies in abundance, so there was plenty of grass for the ponies to eat when they were brave enough to venture forth from the cool and relatively bug free barn. They all look pretty fat and happy and are now enjoying the beautiful fall.

The two foals, a filly from Plum and a colt from Ting, are growing fast and full of play. The only mare bred for next spring is my blue eyed cream , Stonybrook Irish Creme, aka Pinky or California Blonde! She is quite content out in the field with Finn and I am very much looking forward to their first foal. I sold Tess (*Kindesella Contessa) and her colt foal to Robert Bolger in Mass. He has always liked her foals and has strong ties with her bloodlines and so is looking forward to seeing what she will produce with his lovely stallion, *Coral Bobby.

I also have a new boarder.. His name is Brick (registered as *Square Wind) and he is a 17 year old connemara gelding by Mervyn King-smill out of Windy August. He was imported to the US as a pony jumper and after being a big winner with many championships under his belt he found his way to becoming a school pony near Boston, Mass. I am not sure exactly what happened there but it seems that over use and too much stall confinement were at least partially responsible for a bad case of founder. He, however, was a lucky pony, in that he found someone who truly loved him and bought him for a dollar so she could find a



Hilary and Hamish, Emily and Beryl, Carmen and Curtsey

happier home for him. He is now here enjoying freedom and companionship and the prognosis is good that with correct trimming and plenty of exercise he will one day be sound again.

Earlier this summer there was an Irish Day at Landsdowne Park in Ottawa and we were invited to bring some connemara ponies. Val Everson took her stallion, Celtic Fanfare and I took Finn. The organizers were a bit worried when we arrived with two stallions but they were both perfectly behaved and were great ambassadors. There were very few 'horse people' there but it



Finn guarding his wife Plum before foaling

Another Connemara enthusiast !

Violaine Fortin writes..."I live in Québec and I own a few Connemaras! I train them and sell them. I train at " écurie le centaure". Me and my associate and coach Emmanuelle Lanctôt-Bédard specialize in dressage. We are fans of "Baroque horses and for me the Connemara is a miniature baroque! I'm totally in love with the breed and I hope to be able to promote their beauty, athleticism and wonderful personality". Caraway Brio is a three-year-old stallion by Irish Park Caraway Finn and Hearnbrook shooting star. This young fellow is not only gorgeous but also has a great personality. This picture was taken at his first dressage competition. Not only was he a pleasure to ride but he also managed to charm the crowd and the judge! He ended up being first out of 15 horses in the training division. For more information contact Violaine Fortin (450-539-0796) or violainefortin4@sympatico.ca

was fun to watch kids and adults alike all thoroughly enjoy petting the boys and the most asked question was.. 'what is his name?'

My daughter Hilary is riding again after 4 or 5 years of doing anything but. I am sure some of you are familiar with those late teen and early 20s and the need to explore and experiment! She is working and living nearby so she is here as often as she can and she has started riding Hamish, a 3 yr old Connemara x Tb. They are getting along really well and she has great plans for his future! Looks like I may be going to the events again in couple of years, but not riding this time . I will be groom/driver/coach etc. and that sounds perfect to me! My other daughter Emily has also shown some interest again and has been riding Plum's 3yr old daughter, Beryl. It is just so much fun to see the two of them riding again. Long may it last.

Christine Carey carawayconnemaras.ca



Violaine riding Brio



Rick Doner with brother in law Garry training Eastie and her colt for 2012 Olympics... the new event ..."Combined Rowing"

BATTLE 2008 ...continued from pg 1

Brian Morton -Bien Mallins **Rory** O'Sullivan -Jumping, obstacle driving, Barrel racing & trail

Melonie White -Balius **Cardea** -Compulsory skills & obstacle Driving

Erin Eacrett -Avenns Cairbre McCarthy "**Peso**" -Compulsory skills & jumping.

Caitlin McEvoy-Rills Carrick **Fergus** -Barrel racing & trail.

The first competition was compulsory skills with a driven dressage test where at the last halt Melonie had a rein hook under the point of the shaft which distracted Cardea. "Peso" was very tense for Erin and did not score well, so we were not in the ribbons.

The jumping competition in the afternoon went much better. The organizers had made somewhat of an error having the jeopardy jump too high (?4ft) and only 4 of the 28 competitors attempted it. Erin was first to go on "Peso" and declined the jeopardy. Brian was very confident on Rory and after a clear round took the jeopardy in style, being only one of two competitors to clear it. At 13.2 hh Rory was one of the smallest horses in this competition, and the crowd responded accordingly! We placed 2nd behind the Thoroughbreds who had also cleared the last fence.

On Friday there was good crowd to watch the obstacle driving. This was a very difficult course with a water obstacle (which Cardea jumped!), a ditch, a compulsory 3 second halt

and a painted circle to be straddled by the wheels. Both Cardea and Rory went well and Connemaras finished 5th.

Barrel racing is always a popular event, and there was a big crowd despite cold and rain. Good times in the first run put our team of Rory and Fergus in the top 6 run-off. Unfortunately Fergus and Caitlin had a barrel down which added 5 seconds to their score, and left us in 6th place.

The trail class on Saturday morning is always very early, but there was a good crowd at the ring-side. There were several new obstacles and there again the organizers had made a very difficult choice of the jeopardy with trotting rails. Only those who had nothing to loose attempted this win/loose 100 points obstacle. Rory and Fergus both had quite good scores, but it is hard to beat the Mules and Quarter Horses at this game and we placed 6th.

Bridget Wingate

Team Captain

NEWS FROM THE WEST, SPRING-FALL 2008 BY PENNY HUGGONS

Starting in Saskatchewan.... Elsie Priddy reports that Aedan`s 2008 Warm blood x colt has several photos on & has been the topic of quite a bit of discussion on Facebook between Pony Club kids. He is at the largest Warmblood breeder here, Ebon Stables, and a lot of the P.C. kids visit the foals every year. Apparently Ebon`s Whiz Kid is extremely friendly, adorable & loves visitors. The part bred Rising Sun Quincy is also enjoyed by his young owner at PC.

Rill`s Romany Lace is in training this summer before she returns to work as a broodmare. She has been to 2 schooling shows so far, competing in Hacks, X rail Hunter & 2 ft. Hunter. She has had a couple of 6th. Place ribbons & a 5th., is still green, but progressing well & is displaying the natural jumping talent of the Connemara. Centuary Hill`s Aedan Zodiac is schooling in training & level one dressage this year. At his first show he had comments on his good behavior & his excellent movement. We are looking forward to 2 purebred foals by Aedan in 2009, one from RR Lace, the other from Glenn Erin Emma.

This year Emma had a lovely & incredibly friendly colt, Elodon Torin. Also due next year is a foal out of a reg. TB mare owned by a PC instructor, a foal out of a reg. Morgan mare & a Welsh mare. This will be the 2nd. Foal out of the Welsh mare, who had a beautiful filly in 2007. We have a few more years before these Connemaras & part breeds hit the show scene as Aedan`s first offspring is just 2 this year. His owner can hardly wait to be riding him & plans on competing in dressage & the hunter ring.

Moving to Alberta..... Devon Ridge Farms report that they had 4 Connemara foals this year. Kestrel 1st. Had a grey filly. Rapunzel had a grey colt. Ladyhawk had a buckskin

colt, all by Dillon. Avenns Airrin Tara had a filly by the Warmblood stallion Eastern Ruler. Bantary Bay Dillon has been showing well in Jumpers. He was the Reserve Champion in Low Jumpers at Amberlea Spring Welcome Horse Show. He was also the Reserve Champion Jumper in the Beginner Jumper Division at the Caledonia Classic. Dillon has had a very busy summer both showing & breeding & has many admirers. Jocelyn says people find it hard to believe he is a stallion as he is so well behaved.

At Rill Connemaras we are thrilled with our first crop of foals by *Hohnhorst Branni. We have a bay roan colt from DR Golden Treasure, a grey colt from Balius Siobhan & then 3 fillies. A bay roan from Rills Kelpie & 2 roans to go frey from Tullymores Caroline & Rills Romany Lace. The foals have all inherited Brannis wonderful temperament. I attended the Inspections in BC this summer, which was followed by the Irish Extravaganza.

Rills Shea Mor was already in BC, training at Cheryl Millers Lavanderdown Farm, so she was able to attend the Inspections. She also attended the Extravaganza & was Reserve Champion (in-hand) in the 3 years & over class.

We heard from some other Rill pony owners this year with updates on their progress. On the Island Rills Romany Queen & her owner continue to enjoy dressage & Tina`s new instructor who was Classically trained in Portugal enjoys riding Queen himself & after she performed an amazing levade piaffe told Tina that Queen should be a bull fighting pony!

Also on the Island Tatum Claypool who owns Rills Romany Minstrel (aka Otto) reports that she is finally managing to get a little time to get to some shows. At his first 2 dressage shows ``Otto`` scored a 65% & a 64%. Tatum

said the judge just loved him, he was so calm & together. She reports he is also jumping well & she was hoping to get to some Hunter Jumper shows too. Both say that the ponies are much admired wherever they go & people are amazed at their temperaments.

Rills Finnian & Rills Fergus continue to do well with their young owners. Fergus was a member of the Battle of the Breeds team again this year. Finn has also had a great season for Stacey & this Spring won the Pony Hunter Classic at Northlands.

In BC... Lavenderdown Farm reports that the first offspring of the young stallion Elodon McCrae arrived this Spring, a very cute filly out of Cheryl's POA mare. McCrae has been busy with under saddle training & attended the Extravaganza in July where he did very well in ridden classes & behaved so well for a young stallion. Cheryl also reports a lovely colt foal this year by *Hohnhorst Branni & Rills Silver Nutmeg.

Diann Bruce of Bien Mallin Farm in Creston is sad to report that her stallion Landgates Holy Smoke passed away quietly in July. Diann will miss him terribly but as Bar S hope had Smokies final colt in May she is able to enjoy this new foal in a special way. Smokie left a great Legacy. He produced many wonderful ponies. His most well known son is of course BM Roary O` Sullivan owned by M&M Connemaras. Roary is a great ambassador of the breed & an amazingly talented stallion.



Elan Priddy and Rills Romany Lace

Membership Information- Annual Renewals are Due Jan 1, 2009!

For Current members of the CCPS :Canadian Livestock Records Corporation (CLRL), will be sending all current members a reminder form. Please use the form CLRC sends with an addressed return envelope, it will have your membership number to help CLRC's processing and reduce our processing costs. This is the preferred way to register.

For those who are not currently members: Membership dues are to be forwarded DIRECTLY TO CLRC. (There are two bank accounts for the CCPS- one general account which Margot Watson (treasurer) is in charge of, and the CCPS account held by the CLRC where they collect membership and registration fees and forward the membership funds to Margot for deposit into the general operating account). The CLRC generates a paid up membership list which the CCPS refers to frequently. Please go onto www.clrc.ca then click on associations then list of associations, click on horses then select Connemara Pony, then under printable PDF files click on membership application, print the form, fill in the form and mail the fees as already outlined to CLRC, 2417 Holly Lane, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada K1V 0M7

Memberships fees are as follows: Adult membership - \$35

Non resident membership - \$20

Associate (non-voting) - \$20

For those who have not already done so, please email me your email

Under 18 membership - \$15

address, farm name and phone number (to doner@on.aibn.com)

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Advertizing & Newsletter Information

All ads and articles forwarded to me for the newsletter will also be placed on the CCPS website for no additional charge .Please send to doner@on.aibn.com

I need the text in word format if at all possible (I do have word perfect and can open most other documents as well). The jpeg images can be sent to accompany ads or articles (I need good written descriptions of what picture belongs where). The picture files can each be as large as 1000kB (1mB).. I will shrink them if necessary. The prices for **ads** are as follows...

Text only ad (1 pony) free (members) \$10 (non members)

Text only (2 ponies) free(memb) \$17(non memb)

Text only (3 ponies or more) free(memb) \$7 per pony (non memb)

Photo ad (1 pony) \$20(memb) \$30 (non memb)

Photo update \$10 per change

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