

Fox Trotter News

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From The President

Our La. Chapter hosted our only horse show for 2011 in June. The weather was extremely HOT for June, but the show went on! We had great participation and lots of help.

I appreciate all who helped put the show on and also all who entered their horses and showed. I believe all who attended enjoyed the show and the visiting with fellow fox trotters.

The MFTH World Horse Show will be in just a few weeks (Sept. 4-10). Several of our members are getting ready to show. I always look forward to a good time in Ava. We wish all of them luck in their classes!

The Nick Cox National Trail Ride will be here soon also (Sept. 15-17). We all are hoping for COOLER weather, for this ride.

As I write this note, Sunday, August 14th, I'm saddened by the news today, OUR good friend and fellow horse rider, Clellie Batson, has passed away. He will be GREATLY missed by many! Our prayers and thoughts go out to Susan and their family.

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2011 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sun-Sat, Sep. 4-10 MFTHBA Show and Celebration, Ava MO

Thu-Sat, Sep. 15-17 Nick Cox National Trail Ride, Chemin-A-Haut Park, Bastrop LA.

Contact: JIMMY CHRISTMAS, 318-282-5555 for reservations. (See

story on next page for details.)

Sat, Oct. 1, 9 a.m. Charity Trail Ride, Lunch & Cake Auction, Collins Natural Horsemanship,

Dubach LA, http://www.collinsnaturalhorsemanship.com/

Horse Show Results, June 18, 2011

- Class 1 FT Model Weanling and Yearling: None
- Class 2 FT Model 2 yr. olds: *Stormy*, Shown by Camille Gautreau, Owned by Cathie Savage
- Class 2A FT Model 3 yr. & older Studs & Geldings: 1st *Sully's Final Answer*, Shown & Owned by Jim Sullivan; 2nd *River Bank Red*, Shown & Owned by Emmitt Sparks
- Class 2B FT Model 3 yr. & older Mares: Kajun's Sweet Sugar, Shown & Owned by Susan Clow
- Class 3 MODEL CHAMPIONSHIP: 1st Sully's Final Answer, Shown & Owned by Jim Sullivan; 2nd Stormy, Shown by Camille Gautreau, Owned by Cathie Savage
- Class 4 FT Showmanship (O, A, Y): None
- Class 5 Any Breed Showmanship (O, A, Y): None
- Class 6 FT Men's 18 & older: 1st She's A Big Star, Shown & Owned by Lyn Dousay; 2nd — Game of Chance, Shown by Daniel Smith, Owned by Mark Sistrunk; 3rd — Red Man's Sea Biscuit, Shown & Owned by Buddy Savage
- Class 7 Lead line: Dani Ann Harrison, Owner: Daniel Smith
- **Class 8 Gaited Pleasure:** 1st *Cajun Comanche War-rior*, Shown by Clellie Batson, Owned by Peggy Christmas;
- 2nd *Dusty's Star Princess*, Shown & Owned by Charlie Cox; 3rd *Whitney*, Shown & Owned by J.W. Lott
- Class 9 FT 4 yr. & older: 1st She's A Big Star, Shown & Owned by Lyn Dousay; 2nd Pancho's Road Runner K, Shown by Amber Lawson, Owned by Ken/Linda Kutter; 3rd Dusty's Star Princess, Shown & Owned by Charlie Cox
- Class 10 FT Ladies 18 & older: 1st *Sully's Peach Pride*, Shown by Heather Harrison, Owned by Jim Sullivan; 2nd *Pancho's Road Runner K*, Shown by Amber Lawson, Owned by Ken/Linda Kutter; 3rd *Contenders' Barbara Ann*, Shown by Tammy Dousay, Owned by Lyn Dousay
- **Class 11 Youth** (11 yrs. & under, 12-14 yrs., 15-17 yrs.):
- **11 years & under:** *C&C's Bluebonnett*, Shown & Owned by Cayli Christmas
- **12-14 years:** 1st *Sully's Gunsmoke Lady*, Shown by Robbi Lynn Petit, Owned by Jim Sullivan; 2nd *Desert Shadow*, Shown & Owned by Madison Wright
- Class 12 FT Novice: 1st *Sully's Gunsmoke Lady*, Shown by Robbi Lynn Petit, Owned by Jim Sullivan; 2nd *Gideon*, Shown & Owned by Ann Currie
- Class 13 Gaited Novice: 1st *Whitney*, Shown by Mary Verzwyvelt, Owned by J.W. Lott; 2nd *Kajun's Sweet Sugar*, Shown & Owned by Susan Clow; 3rd *Gideon*, Shown & Owned by Ann Currie
- Class 14 Senior Citizen (62 & older): 1st Game of Chance, Shown by Daniel Smith, Owned by Mark

- Sistrunk; 2nd *Sonny Sunrise K*, Shown by Ken Kutter, Owned by Ken & Linda Kutter; 3rd *Dusty's Star Princess*, Shown & Owned by Charlie Cox
- Class 15 FT 2 & 3 yr. olds: *Sully's Peach Pride*, Shown by Heather Harrison, Owned by Jim Sullivan
- Class 16 FT Trail (O, A, Y): Youth: 1st Sully's Gunsmoke Lady, Shown by Robbi Lynn Petit, Owned by Jim Sullivan; 2nd Brown's Peanut, Shown & Owned by Carl Bourgeois; Amateur: 1st Brown's Peanut, Shown & Owned by Carl Bourgeois; 2nd Sunny's Blazing Star D, Shown & Owned by Clayton Pilgreen; 3rd Sonny Sunrise K, Shown by Ken Kutter, Owned by Ken/Linda Kutter
- Class 17 Any Breed Trail (O, A, Y): None
- Class 18 FT Western Pleasure: 1st Sonny Sunrise K, Shown by Ken Kutter, Owned by Ken & Linda Kutter; 2nd Sully's Gunsmoke Lady, Shown by Robbi Lynn Petit, Owned by Jim Sullivan; 3rd C&C's Bluebonnett, Shown & Owned by Cayli Christmas
- Class 19 Water glass: 1st Sunny's Blazing Star D, Shown & Owned by Clayton Pilgreen; 2nd Gideon, Shown & Owned by Ann Currie; 3rd Pancho's Road Runner K, Shown by Amber Lawson, Owned by Ken/Linda Kutter
- Class 20 FT Amateur & Trained (No Professional Training Ever): 1st *Top Secret At The Ritz*, Shown & Owned by Daniel Smith; 2nd *She's A Big Star*, Shown & Owned by Lyn Dousay; 3rd *Sully's Gunsmoke Lady*, Shown by Robbi Lynn Petit, Owned by Jim Sullivan
- Class 21 Matched Pairs: 1st Sonny Sunrise K, Shown by Amber Lawson, Owned by Ken & Linda Kutter and Pancho's Road Runner K, Shown by Amber Lawson, Owned by Ken/Linda Kutter; 2nd Contenders' Barbara Ann, Shown by Tammy Dousay, Owned by Lyn Dousay and She's A Big Star, Shown & Owned by Lyn Dousay;
- 3rd *Sully's Gunsmoke Lady*, Shown by Robbi Lynn Petit, Owned by Jim Sullivan and *Sully's Peach Pride*, Shown by Heather Harrison, Owned by Jim Sullivan
- Class 22 Country Pleasure: None
- Class 23 Equitation: 1st *Desert Shadow*, Shown & Owned by Madison Wright; 2nd *C&C's Bluebonnett*, Shown & Owned by Cayli Christmas
- Class 24 FT 4 yr. and older (will Canter): None
- Class 25 YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIP: 1st Sully's Gunsmoke Lady, Shown by Robbi Lynn Petit, Owned by Jim Sullivan; 2nd C&C's Bluebonnett, Shown & Owned by Cayli Christmas; 3rd Desert Shadow, Shown & Owned by Madison Wright
- Class 26 FT 2 & 3 YR. OLDS CHAMPIONSHIP: *Sully's Peach Pride*, Shown by Heather Harrison, Owned by Jim Sullivan
- Class 27 GAITED CHAMPIONSHIP: 1st *Whitney*, Shown by Mary Verzwyvelt, Owned by J.W. Lott; 2nd *Gideon*, Shown & Owned by Ann Currie

Class 28 FT 4 YR. & OLDER CHAMPIONSHIP: 1st — *Top Secret At The Ritz*, Shown & Owned by Daniel Smith; 2nd — *She's A Big Star*, Shown & Owned by Lyn Dousay; 3rd — *Pancho's Road Runner K*, Shown by Amber Lawson, Owned by Ken/Linda Kutter

Nick Cox Ride Information

To All Foxtrotter Members:

Time is drawing near for our Annual Nick Cox Trail Ride. The dates are Sept. 15, 16 and 17. As usual we will be having rides on Thursday and Friday evenings with the main ride Saturday a.m. at 9:00 or so

We will still have this at Chemin-A-Haut State Park with dinner Friday evening at 6:00 p.m. at the Lodge and a light breakfast Saturday morning before the ride.

Try and call or e-mail us so we can plan for our Friday night activities. We had a small group last year and would hope to have a larger one this year. If the crowd keeps getting smaller we will need to reconsider our ride due to chapter costs.

Please try to plan to come and invite some friends and prospective members.

Thanks, **Jimmy and Peggy Christmas**, (318) 282-5555, E-mail: jxmas@bayou.com

Clellie Batson

Please join us in remembering Clellie. Our thoughts and prayers are with Susan!



Clellie Lee Batson was born February 27, 1947 in Converse, Louisiana to the late Clellie Allen Batson and Mavie Fults Batson. He passed away August 14, 2011, surrounded by his family, at his home in Bastrop.

C.L. "Lee Boy" Batson, a retired carpenter and former co-owner of T.B. Construction in West Monroe, Louisiana, was raised in Zwolle, Louisiana and was a longtime resident of Shreveport. He was a member of the Reilly United Methodist Church in Collinston, Louisiana and a board member and active participant with the Northeast Louisiana Fox Trotters Association.

The family suggest that for those who wish memorials be made in memory of Mr. Batson to M.D. Anderson Cancer Center, P.O. Box 4486, Houston, Texas 77210-4486.

Clellie loved life, his family, his friends, his dog "Willie", his horses, and his music.

EVENT INFORMATION

CHARITY TRAIL RIDE

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1, 9 a.m. (Lunch and Cake Auction Included)

Collins Natural Horsemanship 151 Scuppernong Road, Dubach LA 71235

> \$10 for overnight boarding \$10/single person or \$20/family

If questions, contact Dave Collins at 318-255-2150 or mailto:mail@collinsnaturalhorsemanship.com

If anyone has anything that they want posted in the newsletter and/or on the web, please e-mail it to susan@ksclow.net, or mail to 3391 Hwy 552, Downsville LA 71234

BIRTHDAYS

AUGUST

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Aug 3	Kendall Stracener
Aug 13	Janice Brown
Aug 20	Ray Thomas
Aug 21	Eddy Lee
Aug 23	Marilynn Day
Aug 28	Peggy Christmas
Aug 29	Lisa Wright

SEPTEMBER

<u> FMRFK</u>	
Sep 5	James L. Sullivan
Sep 6	Jan Lee
Sep 6	Donna Savage
Sep 7	Ken Clow
Sep 8	Jerry Adams
Sep 18	Sherry Stracener
Sep 18	Bill Verzwyvelt
Sep 26	Emmett Sparks

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