



# Southern Welsh Association

“You Never Outgrow A Welsh”

February 2006 NEWSLETTER

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**End of Year 2005 Award Winners**  
from left to right  
**Lynda Gillen-Smith**  
**Mike Smith**  
**Kelly Franquemont**  
(SWA Member)  
**Sherrie Southworth**  
**Kathie Lacey-Freeman**  
sitting down  
**Caroline Lacey-Freeman**

## SUNSHINE STATE WELCOMES THE WPCSA

The Southern Welsh Association welcomes the Welsh Pony and Cob Society of America to Florida, we feel very honored that you have chosen this part of the country to have the Annual General Meeting in this the 100<sup>th</sup> Centennial Year that the Society has been running.

Florida has a great deal to offer the convention with Disney World, Universal and Sea World being very nearby. The SWA members look forward to meeting the members from other Associations and to get together with breeders from other States.

There are a lot of seminars to go to from the Video and Photography Seminar to the Judges Clinic on the last day with the coveted Awards Banquet on the Saturday evening, which everyone is looking forward to. To get out of riding boots for at least one evening makes a nice change. The Junior Banquet at 11.30am on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> February will be fun for all the younger members and a time for them to enjoy themselves without the pressure of all the hard work that goes with showing and riding their ponies.

There will be lots of great things to bid for at the Auction and there will be a lot of interest at the Annual General Meeting. The History of the WPCSA will be a pure treat. We will have proud family members, who go back generations, right up to the present day where our youngsters are trying hard to follow in the tradition of preparing for a horse show.

For those of you booked on the Farm Visit to Jadehanna Ranch and our President, Caroline Lacey-Freeman's home, we hope you have a most enjoyable time and leave you all with a day to remember. Suzan Stevens has kindly offered to give a talk on showing and handling ponies and cobs, it will be good to find out from a Judges perspective on how improvements can be made on our showing techniques.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Megan Lacey-Freeman – February 2nd  
Jazz Joy – February 7th  
Kristin Martiniello – February 7th  
Morgan Gravely – February 18th  
Sarah Orens – March 4th  
Melissa Montevideo – March 9th  
Margaret Calio – March 10th  
Dakota Christman – March 31st



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Bettye Benjamen riding  
More Than Generous with  
her colt The Dancing  
Rabbit along for the ride.



Thornccliffe Princess and  
Jadehanna El Diablo  
2005 Foal  
10 minutes old



Foxwater Late Edition  
2005 Foal  
Helicon Tapestry x Little  
Boy Blue  
Photo: The Payne Family

## 2005 End of Year Award Winners

Congratulations to all End of Year Award winners. All Champion and Reserve Champion winners should have received their beautiful ribbons by now. Great fun was had by the members attending the last SWA meeting who received their ribbons in person from Mike Smith. It is always a proud moment to receive an award but when it has been earned with such high competition, it is certainly a great privilege.

With all the new members joining the SWA, the competition will be even greater for this year. Good Luck to everyone in 2006 and start collecting those precious points.

## New Foals for 2006

It's that time of year again when all those babies are getting ready to be born or are already here. Send in your 'New Baby' photos, everyone loves to see them. The Foal Cams are starting to get busy and they are very addictive once you start to watch a mare in labor. For those of you expecting foals, here is, 'A Mares Secret Code of Honor'.

1. No foal shall be born until total chaos has been reached by all involved. Your house must be a wreck, your family hungry and desperate for clean clothes and your social life non existent.
2. Midwives must reach the babbling fool status before you foal out. Bloodshot eyes, tangled hair and the inability to form a sentence means you're getting close!
3. For every bell, beeper, camera or whistle they attach to you, foaling must be delayed by at least one day for each item.
4. You must keep this waiting game interesting. False alarms are necessary! Little teasers such as looking at your stomach, pushing your food around in the bucket and then walking away from it are always good for a rise. Be creative and find new things to do to keep the adrenalin pumping in those who wait.
5. Make the most of your interrupted nights. Beg for food each time someone comes into the stable to check you. Your stable mates will love you as the extra goodies fall their way too.
6. If you have fulfilled all of the above and are still not sure when to have this foal, listen to the weather forecast on the radio that has been so generously provided by those who wait. Severe storm warning is what you're waiting for. In the heart of the storm jump into action! The power could go out and you could have the last laugh. You have a good chance of those who wait missing the whole thing while searching for a flashlight that works!

This code of honor was designed to remind man of how truly special horses are. Do your best to reward those who wait with a beautiful filly to carry on the 'Mares Secret Code of Honor' for the next generation of those who wait.



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### Minutes: 12<sup>th</sup> January 2006

Minutes of a meeting held at the Canterbury Show Ground on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> January at 6pm.

#### Officers Present:

President: Caroline Lacey-Freeman

Treasurer: Mike Smith

Corresponding Sec: Kathie Lacey-Freeman

Historian: Lynda Gillen-Smith

#### Members Present:

Sherrie Southworth

Terry Lacey-Freeman

Kelly Franquemont

The President called the meeting to order. The minutes of meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> October, 2005 were accepted as a true record in print and approved.

#### MATTERS ARISING

The Canterbury Showplace, Newberry, Florida has been booked for Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2006 for an Open Show and Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> October for a WPCSA Bronze Show. It was suggested working points from certain classes in the Open Show into the End of Year Awards. It was decided that the Awards Committee make the decision as to which classes would be suitable for the points to be counted. Moved: Mike Smith – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sherrie Southworth.

#### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

It has been a very busy time for everyone and Mike Smith has agreed to become Treasurer from 1<sup>st</sup> January, 2006. It was suggested that Mike Smith and Caroline Lacey-Freeman be signatories on the Bank Account. Moved: Sherrie Southworth – 2<sup>nd</sup> Kathie Lacey-Freeman.

#### NEW NEWS

The AGM for the WPCSA is being held in Kissimmee, Florida. We had a suggestion from Brenda Heberling for SWA promotional items. She sent through details on the cost of items i.e. Pencils, Can Coolers, Key Tags, and Magnets. (Shown to Members attending meeting). Wine with glasses engraved with the SWA Logo was also suggested. Tote bags were a very popular idea offered by Kelly Franquemont and Caroline and Kathie offered to organise the promotion details.

A budget of \$500/\$600 was agreed upon with also the possibility of sponsorship to help get items to go into the Tote bags. It was agreed that we should order 200 as this was the expected attendance at the AGM.

Farm Visits are of interest to other Breeders during the AGM conference and Caroline Lacey-Freeman offered to open Jadehanna Ranch for this purpose. She could provide 5 stalls to SWA members to promote their ponies/cobs. If there is considerable interest she will choose at random who is able to attend. The Visit will be between 2pm – 5pm on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February. Food and drink will be provided and transport can be arranged if required.



**Lynda Gillen-Smith**  
Ch. English Pleasure Adult  
Highest Score Dressage  
by Welsh Exhibitor



**Sherrie Southworth**  
Ch. Sec B  
Res. Ch. English  
Pleasure Adult



**Caroline presenting  
Mike Smith and  
Kathie Lacey-Freeman  
with the Volunteer of the  
Year Award**

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### Minutes: 12<sup>th</sup> January 2006 cont'd

#### TREASURER'S REPORT – Kathie Lacey-Freeman

The BB & T Bank Account was closed and a cashier's check for \$5,693.57 was made out for the new account. There was also \$200 in new memberships to be added to that account. Once Mike has a chance to organise the account he can give a fuller report to the committee but at the moment we have a healthy Bank balance, which will be of considerable help in the organisation of the shows for this coming year.

#### SECRETARY'S REPORT

The membership has grown each month and the Open Show last October created a lot of young interest. We had 19 members either join or rejoin since October. A membership application has been sent out with each copy of the Newsletter in Florida, South/North Carolina, Georgia and even Texas. In future the Newsletter will only be sent to paid-up members, although a current Newsletter/new membership form will still be promoted at events such as the AGM and shows, where hopefully we will pick up even more members. Applications are now all dated, which helps considerably when calculating End of Year Award points.

#### OTHER NEWS

Two Judges were recommended for the Gold Show in May, also there is a general Judges list to see who is available.

Kelly Franquemont kindly agreed to be Volunteer Co-ordinator for shows. Mike Smith suggested putting a page on the website regarding volunteers and jobs required and members should liaise with Kelly for any help they could give.

More Shows were requested by members on the forum. We agreed to have two WPCSA shows for 2006 at our October meeting and any new WPCSA shows will be discussed for 2007 this fall. Moved: Mike Smith – 2<sup>nd</sup> Kathie Lacey-Freeman.

Members are encouraged to arrange informal rides, trail/poker runs but the present Show Committee is already very busy with the present shows already booked.

Suggested Awards Committee for 2006/2007 – Sherrie Southworth and Lynda Gillen-Smith. Moved: Terry Lacey-Freeman – 2<sup>nd</sup> Kathie Lacey-Freeman

Changing Time and Day of Meeting – As Thursdays were previously voted in, it is proposed to rescind the regular meeting day of Thursdays and suggested new day and time of Wednesday for next meeting. Moved: Mike Smith – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sherrie Southworth

#### END OF YEAR AWARDS

The End of Year Award ribbons were presented to members attending the meeting, the other ribbons will be mailed out to winners. Unfortunately the other awards have not yet arrived.

Next Meeting to be held in March on a Wednesday evening, to be arranged.

Meeting adjourned by Caroline Lacey-Freeman.



**Caroline Lacey-Freeman**  
Ch. Section A (Tie)  
Res. Ch. Section A  
Ch. You Never  
Outgrow a Welsh



**Mawrllyn Madlen**  
Sec C Mare  
Leon County Horsemen  
Open Show  
*Photo: Alice Crum*



**Sprinbourne Eldorado  
and Cookie**  
Come and see us on the  
Farm Visit to Jadehanna  
Ranch on Feb 17<sup>th</sup>  
between 2-5pm

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**Annual General Meeting**

**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

<b>February 16<sup>th</sup> – Thursday</b>	
Breakfast	8 a.m.
Morning Committee Meetings	
WPCSA Board of Directors’ Meeting	1 p.m. – 4 p.m.
<b>February 17<sup>th</sup> – Friday</b>	
Breakfast	8 a.m.
Open Forum	9 a.m. – 11 a.m.
Video & Photography Seminar	11 a.m. – 12.30 p.m.
Sightseeing on Own	12.30 p.m. – 6.30 p.m.
Jadehanna Ranch Farm Visit	2.00 p.m. – 5.00 p.m.
Welcome Reception & Auction	6.30 p.m. – 9.00 p.m.
<b>February 18<sup>th</sup> – Saturday</b>	
Breakfast	8 a.m.
Annual General Meeting	9 a.m. – 11 a.m.
Junior Awards Banquet	11.30 a.m. – 1.30 p.m.
History of WPCSA & Seminars (TBA)	1.45 p.m. – 3.30 p.m.
Sightseeing on Own	3.30 p.m. – 7.00 p.m.
Awards Banquet	7.00 p.m. – 10.00 p.m.
<b>February 19<sup>th</sup> – Sunday</b>	
Judges Clinic (Eq., Leading Rein & Childs First Pony)	

**WPCSA Raffle**  
**Severn Khamsin**  
 Sec. A 2004 Filly  
 Severn Merrymaker x  
 Charmsley Simoon  
**Severn Oaks Farm**  
 has donated Severn  
 Khamsin to be raffled,  
 see website for details.  
[www.welshpony.org](http://www.welshpony.org)



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**HAPPY VALENTINES DAY**



**\$100 Annual Sponsors:**

**Anonymous Welsh Pony Lover**

**Connie Hall – All Florida Title Ins.**



**Emily Paule**  
**Courtney LeMoynes**  
 Opening Ceremony  
 SWA Open Show  
 October 15<sup>th</sup> 2005