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Familiar Faces, New Horses

An exciting time for any horse lover is whenever she buys a new horse. Whether you're a first-time owner or a frequent purchaser of horses, it's a wonderful experience to have a horse. Many of you may know Mandy who usually rides in lessons on Saturday morning. This past fall, Mandy joined the ranks of horse owners by purchasing Violet. A six-year-old Quarter Horse, Violet is rose grey in color. Congratulations to Mandy.



Violet spends a late fall day in the pasture.



Star enjoys some downtime in her stall.

Another new horse at WillowMay Farm is Star, a 16 hh Thoroughbred. Meghan bought her recently and has been training her. Star has been busy since she has arrived at the farm. She won the Radnor Hunt Paper Chase last November. Star enjoys hacking out on the trails and jumping. Good luck to Meghan and Star.

WMF Riders Win First Place at Radnor Hunt Paper Chase

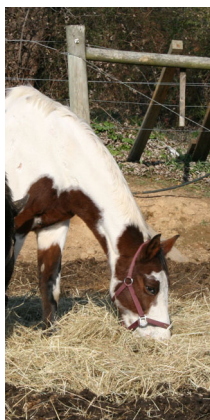
The Radnor Hunt Pony Club held its annual paper chase on November 11, 2007, and the riders from WillowMay Farm put on a strong performance. The WMF riders placed first in the Family Fast Division and fourth in the Family Ideal Division. The competitors agreed

that the rolling hills and splendid scenery made for a great day of riding.



WMF Finds Quality Horses through Collegiate Connection

Many of you know Rachel, who has been riding and helping out at WillowMay Farm for several years.



Fannie is a Paint Overo Mare.

Last fall, Rachel enrolled at the University of Delaware to study business. While there she is continuing her love of horse riding, and she joined the University of Delaware Equestrian Team. Through her connections with the team, she learned of two horses that would complement the other horses at WillowMay Farm.

Fan-Fare, or Fannie as she is known at the barn, was donated to WillowMay Farm. Fannie, an 18-year-old, 15.2 hh Paint Overo mare, competed as a jumper on the "A" circuit. She is so much

fun to jump, and she certainly knows her job. There's even more good news, Fannie is available for half-lease.

The other addition to the farm is DaVinci, a registered Appaloosa. DaVinci quickly joined the lesson program and has been excelling as a jumper as well.

Both Fannie and DaVinci have quickly become favorites on the lesson program. Look for both of them this summer at the shows.



DaVinci is a favorite in the lesson program.

Leasing—An Alternative to Horse Ownership

As many horse owners will tell you, horse ownership can be very expensive. If you're thinking of buying a horse, one way to become familiar with all of the costs associated with horse ownership is to share-lease a horse. While leasing, you have an ongoing relationship with a horse without worrying about expensive veterinary bills and board. WillowMay Farm has many fine horses to lease.

For example, Jessica has been leasing Penny, a 15.1hh Paint Overo mare. Jessica now has the opportunity to spend more time with "her" horse. On the weekends, she can ride Penny on the trails that surround the farm property, instead of only riding in the lesson program.

Other horses offered for half-lease are Chester and Bandit. Chester is back under the ownership of WillowMay Farm and he is a 15.2 hh, foundation Quarter Horse gelding. Bandit is a 15.1 hh, Appaloosa gelding. Both horses are great, all-around family horses.

If you would like more information on leasing or the horses who are currently available for lease, please contact Julie at leasing@willowmayfarm.com or log onto www.willowmayfarm.com.

Barn Reminders

☞ Now that winter has arrived, it is important to keep the restroom door closed. When the door is left open, the toilet bowl is susceptible to freezing, and it will break. Failure to comply with this rule, will result in the permanent closure of the restroom.

☞ When using the cross-tie area, please cleanup the area after you have groomed and tacked your horse and before you ride.

SwapShop

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