

WILD ROSE STABLES

Monthly Newsletter



DECEMBER 2025

HELLO WINTER RIDERS

Barnsgiving was such a fun night — thank you to everyone who came out! If you couldn't make it, we missed you and hope to see you at the next one.

We also want to say a huge thank-you for the tent gift. We're really excited to use it at shows and events, and we appreciate everyone who contributed. Your support means so much to us. We're grateful for this barn family every day — thanks for the kindness, the laughs, and for making Wild Rose such a great place to be.

KP and Tal

BARN REMINDERS



Swap to Heavy Blankets: Winter is here, so please bring in your heavy-weight blankets and take home any extras you won't need until spring.



Use a barn Flashlight: With the early sunsets, please grab one of the flashlights hanging by the halters if you're outside after dark so you and your horse can move around safely.



Check Pasture Gates: Snow and ice build up fast and cold weather makes latches stick, so please double-check that everything is secured.



Keep Doors Closed for Heat: The barn heat is on! Please keep all garage and human doors closed—especially the laundry room and feed room.

People and Ponies

RIDERS BIRTHDAYS

- Dec 3: Kelley Sklarski
- Dec 16: Nadia Kirschbaum

NEW PARTNERSHIPS

- Congrats to Jess Cleghorn and her new horse Tizzy



Updates: Click or Scan Here

HORSE *Spotlight*



Kate ("Princess Kate") is a 9-year-old Belgian Warmblood who has been focusing on hunters, with a bit of Jumper and equitation mixed in. Kate loves being outside, adores attention, and never turns down a banana.

RIDER *Spotlight*

COLETTE ROUTEL

Colette has been part of Wild Rose for a little over four years and rides Lola (20) and Stormy (9). She started riding in 2018 and adopted Stormy the next year from Bowman's Thoroughbred Rescue. Colette is a judge in Hennepin County, currently in juvenile court and moving to civil in January. Outside the barn, she's a classically trained musician who studied piano and trombone, and when she was younger, she even worked at the most dangerous amusement park around - Action Park in New Jersey.



Dates to Know

DECEMBER 6

MHJA Awards Banquet. Bavaria Downs, Chaska.
Register Here: [MHJA Banquet Registration](#) or find the link on the Wild Rose Facebook Page

DECEMBER 19

December Gymnastics Night

COMING IN JANUARY

Coggins Testing - info coming soon

OPTION 1: JAN 21-25 & JAN 28-FEB 1

Your horse ships the week of January 14th

OPTION 2: FEB 11-15 & FEB 18-22

Your horse ships the week of February 4th

Fox Lea Farm, Venice Florida

For more information, reach out to Tal

KNOW YOUR TREATS



We love spoiling our horses sometimes — but when it comes to treats, better safe than sorry. Stick to safe treats like carrots, apples, or plain pumpkin, and always give in moderation. If you're unsure, this article is a great resource: <https://tinyurl.com/jaaw4c97>

WINTER ARENA TIPS

By Millie Sealock

Winter makes the indoor extra busy, so here are a few things that help me. I try to call my jumps, leave space between horses, and stay aware of who's around me. One of the biggest things is giving enough room to pass — when you're riding left shoulder to left shoulder and you're on the inside, make sure the rider on the rail has space to get by. And if I need to stop to fix something or talk, I move to the middle so I'm not in the way.

TIP OF THE MONTH