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PUREBRED CONNEMARA PERPETUAL AWARD

– **TRA DY LIOOAR IRELAND** –
OWNED BY ISABELLE GOODINE

PARTBRED CONNEMARA PERPETUAL AWARD

– **KIMBLES MAY BLOOM** –
OWNED BY SHIRLEY SAUVE

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From The President...

2014 marks the year of the Horse on the Chinese calendar so lets hope it is a good year for the horse world.

We had a great turnout for our AGM that was held in Ontario in November & we successfully Skyped 2 board members who were unable to attend in person. I think we all felt that this was a success & will be a way forward for future meetings. We all had a wonderful visit in Ontario & enjoyed time at the Royal as well as the Doner's terrific hospitality & beautiful ponies & farm .

It is nice to see that several ponies have got some awards from our excellent awards program. If you haven't looked into it ,be sure to check out and participate in our awards program. All the information is on our website [http:// www.canadianconnemara.org](http://www.canadianconnemara.org)

I think we will all be looking forward to warmer weather & the foaling & breeding season ,more than ever this year. I don't remember such a snowy & harsh winter as this one. Fortunately our

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IMPORTANT NOTICE -BOARD NOMINATIONS !!

Hello Fellow Members, 2014 is underway and before you know it the busy spring and summer seasons will be upon us. We have a great Society to represent the ponies in Canada, and in the capacity of Chair of Nominations I would like to ask on behalf of the Society that you consider standing for nomination as member of the Board. It is important to have fresh faces with fresh ideas to grow the Society further and develop all aspects of Connemara ponies in Canada. Terms are only for two years and can be renewed to a maximum of three terms. If you wish to stand for nomination, please feel free to contact me or any Board member to discuss further. We would love to hear from you and have enclosed a nomination form on pg 13 to use.

Scott Longmire
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CCPS Achievement Award Winners 2013



DEVON RIDGE HARRIS HAWK

– Owned by Eve Dedrick – Certificate of Merit, Bronze and Silver in Hunter - Bronze Medal in Pony Club



FEATHERSTONE LAURILIATH – Owned by Scott Longmire- Ridden by Lauren Longmire – Certificate of Merit for Pony Club



STARLIGHT'S ZARA – Owned by Jennifer Brownlow – Certificate of Merit In-Hand



RILLS GAELIC WAFER(SEPHORA) – Owned by Grace O'Driscoll – Bronze Medal in Hunter



KIMBLES SIERRA WIND – Owned by Cyndie Crook – Gold Medal in Combined Driving Training Level



DEVON RIDGE SNOW GOOSE (JACK FROST) – Owned by Ruth Moore – Certificate of Merit for Training Level Dressage



CENTURY HILLS AEDAN ZODIAC
– Owned by Don and Elsie Priddy – Gold
Medal in Hunter



CARAWAY BRIO – Owned by Violaine Fortin –
Certificate of Merit and Bronze Medal in Hand



BALLENCRIEFF'S WINTER LACE
– Owned by Margot Watson – Certificate of Merit
and Bronze Medal in Horse Trials Starter Level



Photo credit Debra Marshall

RILLS TOPSAIL - Owned by Elsie and
Don Priddy – Certificate of Achievement in
Hunter



RILLS FIRE AND ICE – Owned by Bridget
Wingate – Certificate of Achievement and
Bronze Medal in Training Level Dressage

The following few pages are stories and updates from a few of our young riders- the future advocates of our breed. Don't ever miss a chance to encourage them on their paths!

My Grey Boy: Elodon Torin
By Norah Ridley, Saskatchewan

The year 2013 was an interesting training year for my five-year-old pony, Elodon Torin (from Elodon Connemaras), and me.

After our Pony Club season wrapped up last June, Torin and I participated in a couple of three-day jumping clinics with Allan Matheson in the Saskatoon area — one in July and one in September.

During the clinics, we developed our co-ordination skills and began jumping more complicated courses. Both clinics were challenging — but fun!

Late in July, Torin and I journeyed up to Prince Albert where we spent four days at Vanessa Ethier's summer camp (Jumping Hills Farm). Torin was a trooper! Despite being away from his friends, Bella and Jesse, he was fantastic. We achieved several goals plus we successfully jumped the scary green jump and won a few games of "Musical Poles."

At the end of August, we returned to Vanessa's arena to ride in a Carine Cudmore jumping lesson. Torin was happy to be reunited with his friend Bentley with whom he had bonded during camp.

Last fall, Torin and I went on many fun trail rides in the fields behind my family's acreage near Hague, Sask. We discovered our love of cantering up hills and galloping across flat prairies!

Despite the snow, we still manage to get out for some rides and work on our fitness level this winter. We also work on flat work and jumping during our regular Pony Club lessons every weekend.

As Torin and I ride into our second year of Pony Club together, we plan on improving our jumping skills and working toward achieving our C level rating (although we still have a way to go).

No matter what, I look forward to many more exciting times with my grey boy.



Norah Ridley and Elodon Torin in September 2013. Photo: Garcia Schellhorn.

Wren

by Samantha Squires, Saskatchewan

My name is Samantha and I am ten years old. Wren is my four year old grey Connemara pony and we got her from Elsie Priddy last spring.

She is a very sweet and brave pony. She was the only horse on our farm that didn't spook the first time she saw our big turkey.

We have come so far together. I remember the first time I got on her bare back. We were both a little worried, but I got on and I could feel her gain confidence and when I felt that, I gained confidence. From that moment we have trust in each other and now we canter bare back. She is an amazing pony! I couldn't have got a better horse or pony!



Tara O'Driscoll & Sephora
Ontario

Sephora had a good year competing in the trillium eastern zone Large Pony 2'9 division with my daughter Tara O'Driscoll. She finished 9th overall in a very competitive field. She also came home with a couple of 1st in the Over Fences classes. She continued to improve as the show season came to an end. She will be ridden by a 12 year girl competing in the short stirrups for the up coming year as my daughter is now too old to show her.



Victoria Hanna Stewart & Willow
Ontario

At Christmas 2010 My dream came true. I got my very first pony Willow. Willow is a 11 year old registered Connemara pony cross. She is a dapple grey and flea bitten grey. When I was just starting out with Willow we couldn't even walk without her taking off into a trot. Soon we were trotting and walking no problem but now she was trying to canter. Now I chuckle when I look back and remember those times because now I am jumping 2'6" at a canter with the hopes of soon competing on the trillium jumper circuit. I absolutely adore the Connemara breed they are so beautiful, sweet and lovable there is no better breed and everyone who asks me about what breed of horse they should buy or what is you favourite breed I will ALWAYS say the Connemara breed.



Ali Mark & Annie
Ontario

Annie and I have been working very hard on our jumping. We did our very first English horse show this year in September. It was a great experience for both Annie and I. Annie listened so well and didn't do anything wrong. We did a couple of hunter jumper classes but Annie went a little too fast so we



didn't place but I didn't care because she listened so well. We also did a Power and Speed jumper

class and we came sixth in it, I was very proud of Annie! I can't wait till next time we do another show! Over the winter, Annie and I will work on our jumping.

Also in August Annie and I did a Western Games show. We participated in the following events; Pole Bending, Barrel Racing, Key Hole, Down and Back, Flag Race and Scudaho. Annie did really well, we pulled off a couple firsts, seconds, thirds and fourth's. I was really proud of her! She listened very well. I think her favourite event is the scudaho because it includes a little jump and Annie loves jumps!

This summer we built a new barn and Annie is looking forward to staying in it this winter. Sometimes when I'm feeding the other horses, Annie tries to sneak inside the barn to her stall and steal some horsey cookies. Whenever she's inside she always behaves perfectly well. I think Annie really likes the new addition!

Eve Dedrick Report 2013

British Columbia

2013 was another productive year for Eve Dedrick and her Connemara gelding Devon Ridge Harris Hawk (by Fairy Hill Hawk out of a Rory O'Sullivan mare). Harris turned 7 in the summer, and Eve turned 16 in the fall, so both of them are officially heading toward adulthood, there's no denying it any longer.

Harris had his big boy pants on most of the year, not only moving up in the jumping ranks but also helping out with some young riders. He did a good job.

This year, Eve and Harris were focusing as a team on their jumping, and as such attending many jumping shows throughout the year. Here in BC we are fortunate to be able to ride and show outside year round, so we went to a number of schooling shows throughout the winter and fall season, primarily at Maple Ridge and at Thunderbird Show Park's Gateway Series shows. Although Eve and Harris missed the final Thunderbird Gateway due to a school Europe trip for Eve, the duo still ended up 12th and 14th on the leaderboard in their division by the series' end.

After these schooling shows, the focus switched to games. This was to be Eve's first year in the Masters' division of Prince Philip Games (PPG). She attended regular practices and also did an MGA clinic in the spring with Team Canada member Brent Couch from Ontario. Unfortunately, the season did not play out as planned as Eve's friend Taylor's pony came up unsound, so Eve offered Harris for her to ride in PPG. Taylor is only 10 and this was her first PPG experience, but Harris helped make it a memorable one! He looked after Taylor very well, and Taylor's team ended up first. Harris did double-duty with Eve's other friend Mairead on the 'A' team that same day, serving as her mount, too - and their team came in first, too. So it was a great day with two first place finishes. Eve had to wait until the Masters/Old Timers playday to finally ride, and again she had to share Harris, this time with her mother (the old timer). Their team came in second. Eve's mom finished off the games season by riding Harris in an MGA Pairs competition in the summer; her team came in first.

The rest of the year was spent working up the levels in the hunter division with Eve. They attended a few Pony Club trophy shows in the spring where they placed well and consistently. Their first open show happened in the summer, at Vancouver's Southlands Riding Club Hunter Jumper Shows. There Harris and Eve won 50% of the classes they

entered, coming home with a number of trophies. Throughout the summer, they were back in Maple Ridge a couple of times, placing well. The season culminated with the BCLM Pony Club Hunter/Jumper Championships. At that show, and Harris tried the jumpers for the first time, placing in one 2'6" jumper class. They had entered in the 2'6" pony division, but due to low entries in this class, the ponies and horses were combined. Not only did Harris win every over fences class in the division, he was the only pony competing and ended up with the division championship. They also entered the 2'9" open hunter class, their first time competing at that height. Not only were they the only competitors under 16 hands, they also ended up Reserve Champion in the division.

Fall was quieter after that busy show season. The BCLM Pony Club Dressage Championships rounded out the year; Eve ended up 3rd in her Pre-Training division. Harris again did double duty with Eve's friend Taylor, who rode him to 2nd place overall in the Walk Trot division, winning one class and scoring 73% in her first-ever freestyle.

The icing on the cake for Eve and Harris involved the pair being named top D2 in the BCLM Pony Club region for the second year in a row, based on their points accrued in the Pony Club Dressage and Jumping Championships.



Lea Farm News - Winter 2013/2014

We are excitedly waiting for spring to see what these two lovely ladies, Elphin Lullabye Of Birdland and *Hearnesbrook Shooting Star, are going to give us in the spring, both are confirmed in foal to Waterfield Prince (*Coral Bobby x *Kindesella Contessa).



Featherstone Lauriliath (*Canal Laurinston x *Blossom) - Liath came to us as a started but fairly green pony but her bond with our daughter Lauren developed quickly and the pair went on to many pony club outings and even their first 3 phase training event. How can a pony achieve so much in such a short time under saddle, it appears to be easy if you are a Connemara!!!

Prince, our young stallion is coming on nicely and ever so slowly giving way to his grey genes. Given that our girls are too young to compete on a stallion, we are actively seeking a rider to develop him further in his ridden career. He has also been working on his ground driving skills and perhaps we will get him between the shafts this year. With his second crop of foals coming soon we are looking forward to see what he gives us.



Wishing you all a great year for 2014, may all of your pony dreams come true.

Scott & Caroline Longmire & family
leafarm.weebly.com
Nova Scotia

Elodon Connemaras Farm News

Any year with ponies is a good year, so 2013 was a good year.

It is lovely to watch the growing number of purebred and partbred Connemaras out and about in SK. Solano Flash (owner Sharon Ball) and Dominique (owner Val Sanford) have been in jumping clinics and hunter shows; Enya (owner Moira Remmen), Elodon Earl Grey (owner Gayle Smith) and Dexter (owner Kristie Boychuk) have been active in lessons and clinics. Elodon Torin (owner Myrna MacDonald-Ridley) with rider Norah Ridley participated in Pony Club, clinics and summer riding camp. Elodon Maeve was again leased by the Kingskettle Pony Club and was ridden by 9 year old Kira who tested and passed her "D" level. As hosts of the Priddy Farm Hunter Pace & Trail Ride Series, we were pleased to see an increasing number of Connemaras attend. Rills Topsail (Topper) ridden by Julie Walker, Paddy Lally (owner Sharon Ball), Enya, Torin and Earl all participated in the event. Knowledge of the Connemara in SK can only increase with these ponies being positive ambassadors of the breed.

We added only one foal to the population, but we are very excited about her. Elodon Dara is a tall gorgeous buckskin filly by Century Hills Aedan Zodiac out of Castlebar Gaelic. This is the first non grey filly bred by Elodon Connemaras.



Elodon Dara (photo- Garcia Schellhorn)

Aedan and Topper attended several shows during the summer. For Aedan and I, this was a year made memorable by repeatedly showing in pouring rain. Our first downpour happened during a June dressage test and then later we got very wet during the Jeopardy Trail class in the Telus Battle of the Breeds at Spruce Meadows. But the highlight of our year and thrill of a lifetime was to jump at Spruce Meadows representing team Connemara. Thankfully that day the weather was dry. A great achievement for this amateur rider, possible only because of the ability of my Connemara pony and the trust I have in him.



Photo by Myrna MacDonald-Ridley

Elsie & Aedan

My daughter Elan had a wonderful start for Topper's first year over fences, winning the X-Rail Championship at Ebon's Mid-Summer Masters. Topper, also a very useful cattle horse, gave us the pleasure of sleigh rides during the Christmas holidays. Elan and I have also been taking ponies to the Ultimate Horsemanship Challenge Club fun days so our ponies are getting some exposure in the Western riding world too. What a versatile breed.

In fall, our show ponies began a well deserved vacation and we have been focusing on the education of the next generation. Elodon Neala (CH Aedan Zodiac x Rills Romany Lace) has begun regular work under saddle and will soon be ready for a rider of her very own.

Hopefully the remainder of winter will see warmer temperatures across Canada and all of us can have moderate weather to enjoy our ponies.

All the best in 2014!

Elsie Priddy



Photo: Myrna MacDonald Ridley

Century Hills Aedan Zodiac

(Century Hill Fredrick McTeague x *Tathams Ballinanna)

ACPS S710 XLI • Inspected and Approved • 2003 • 14 ½" HH • Grey (born bay)

Century Hills Aedan Zodiac is a Connemara stallion with a strong performance pedigree. His dam is by Bardsey Zodiac, an advanced level dressage stallion. His sire is out of Scottish import and premium mare, *Eastlands Glendearg and by the Elite Stallion, Maplehurst Michael MacDaire. This talented young stallion is competing successfully in dressage and hunter rings where his exceptional movement and willing nature are evident.

Aedan's purebred foals exhibit strong Connemara type and all his foals have correct limbs, remarkable movement and sensible, people loving dispositions. His first foals have recently been started under saddle and possess the same athleticism and sensible temperament of their father.

2014 Stud Fee \$700 CDN (includes booking fee)

Elodon CONNEMARAS



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Bear meets Connemara

by Ruth Moore- BC

Jack (Devon Ridge Snow Goose) was in his paddock when the bear came ambling along.

I was not home at the time and my neighbours took the photo's.

The bear went up a tree and Jack went to investigate, the bear took a swat at him and Jack then promptly turned around and gave a kick out!

After that there was a mutual agreement of sorts!

He was there about 15mins and then went over the fence and on his merry way!



News From Muskoka Lakes

2013 was a year of much activity at Muskoka Lakes Connemaras! We saw the aquisition of a lovely perlino stallion prospect from Ireland in April (Fiontar Mac Tire by Maumturk Oliver out of Rossaveal Lady) and he was the culmination of a 6 year search. We also are fortunate enough to be leasing the stunning Morning Glorys Ilyushin (Fiddlers Glory Boy (Grange Finn Sparrow) out of Tullymors Lizzie MacLynch) from Caroline Nesbitt at Wintervale Farm in NH. Ilyushin was bred to two of my mares for 2014 foals and we can't wait to see the babies!

In 2013 we only had one foal we were waiting on by Tintagels Tibyl out of Belfast Button. Well, the foal was due the first week of July, but Button decided the little fellow needed a little extra baking and she held onto him until September 29 for a



Banjo

whopping 434 day gestation! He was WELL worth the wait and little MLC Belfast Belated (Banjo), a buckskin colt was born healthy and hale. Tibyl was gelded in April, so this little guy is his last foal, and I think they saved the best for last as Banjo is simply stunning in both body and mind.

November saw us head down to the Royal Winter Fair in Toronto with Ilyushin to compete in the NASPR Stallion class where he finished 3rd. We had qualified 3 other ponies from Muskoka Lakes, Tintagels Tibyl, MLC Irish Poet and Brambleridge March Mayhem, but time dictated we only could bring one. With only 4 shows being attended in 2013, MLC saw our ponies finish Grand Champ, Sr Champ, Jr Champ and Reserve Champ at every venue. They did us VERY proud.

Plans for 2014 are to get Fiontar Mac Tire (Finn) lightly started under saddle in the fall when



A Muddy Finn!

he is 3.5 years old. Maybe get him to some line shows and get show miles/experience under his belt. It is our intention to send him to Oklahoma for the 30 Day Stallion Testing and put him up for approval to a couple other registries (RPSI, Weser Ems, NASPR). In this market we feel it is in our best interest to make our Connemara ponies appeal to a much wider audience, and I think we are almost there. Aiming for temperament, conformation, bloodlines AND, as the icing, a colour that will guarantee mare owners the desired dilute colouring that sells well, we open up our market globally. The future for the Connemara is absolutely exciting!!

Many wishes for a brilliant 2014 to all of you!!
Janet, Ted, Liam and Declan
Muskoka Lakes Connemaras



Ilyushin at the Royal

Membership Information- Annual Renewals are due Jan 1, 2014!

For Current members of the CCPS : Canadian Livestock Records Corporation (CLRC), 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. 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 - \$40
Non resident - \$20,
Associate (non-voting) - \$20
Junior (under 18 yrs) - \$15

***Notice* This newsletter will only continue to be sent to paid up members of the CCPS.**

Advertising & Newsletter Information

All ads and articles forwarded to Rick Doner for the newsletter will also be placed on the CCPS website for no additional charge Please send to

rpdoner@sympatico.ca

I need the text in word format (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..

	Member	Non-
Member		
Text only ad (1 pony)	free	\$10
Text only (2 ponies)	free	\$17
Text only (3 ponies +)	free	\$7 per pony
Photo ad (1 pony)	\$20	\$30
Photo update	\$10 per change	

For Classified ads, please make cheques out to "Canadian Connemara Pony Society" in Canadian funds and mail to ...

**CCPS c/o Margot Watson
25966 26th Ave.
Aldergrove, BC
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Fee Schedule

Temporary Registrations	Member	Non-Member
Fillies and Colts (includes DNA) up to 6 months after date of birth	\$80	\$160
Fillies and Colts (includes DNA) over 6 months after date of birth	\$100	\$200

Permanent Registrations

<u>Geldings and Halfbreds</u>	\$30	\$60
Up to June 30 of the year following year of birth		
After June 30th of the year following year of birth	\$40	\$80
Stallion Registration	\$250	\$500
Fillies over two years of age	\$25	\$50

Transfers

Within 6months of date of sale	\$25	\$50
Over 6 months from date of sale	\$40	\$80
Duplicate Certificates	\$25	

Other

Herd/Farm Prefix	\$25	
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Auction is Online Now!

The Third Canadian Connemara Pony Society auction is underway. The 1st & 2nd auction was an unqualified success & we hope for a repeat. There are presently three stallions listed with more to come, and books, DVD's, tack and other auction items on the list. More items are being added as we go along.

The Auction is at <http://canadianconnemarapony.wordpress.com/> or access it on the front page of the CCPS website. Please share this website with everyone, as the funds earned by the Auction go to promote the Connemara Pony breed in Canada.

Canadian Connemara Pony Society

In 2014 we are looking for nominations from all our regions.

To be nominated for the Board, please complete the nomination form below. The nominator, seconder and nominee can all complete individual forms and send them to Scott Longmire to reduce the necessity of mailing one form around the country. Please indicate the name of the nominator and seconder on the form and ask them to complete and send in signed forms themselves. A nominee cannot be nominated or seconded by a family member and must be a member in good standing.

Please e-mail, or mail to Scott Longmire so that it is received **on or before June 30th 2014.**

Nomination Form – Directors

I, _____ a member in good standing of the Canadian Connemara Pony Society, hereby nominate _____

to stand for election for a Director of the _____ Region of the above Society in the elections to be held at the Annual General Meeting in September 2014. To the best of my knowledge my nominee is a member in good standing of the above Society and is willing to stand for election.

_____ (Signature of nominator) Dated _____

I, _____ a member in good standing of the above Society second the above nomination for the position of Director of the above Society.

_____ (Signature of seconder) Dated _____

I, _____ the nominee named above declare that I am a member in good standing of the above Society. I am prepared to stand for election as a Director of the Society and accept the responsibilities of the position of Director if elected.

_____ (signature of nominee) Dated _____

Please scan & e-mail, or cut out & mail to: Scott Longmire, RR 3 Granville Ferry, 11 Southside Drive, Granville Centre, N.S. B0S 1K0. Ph: 902-532-7201. E-mail: longwyn1@gmail.com

CCPS TRANSFERS 2013

Caraway Quinn sold by Suzanne Dow, Flesherton ON to Lisa Mitchell, Grand Pre NS
Devon Ridge Wren sold by Elsie & Don Priddy, Saskatoon SK to Gina Feist, Saskatoon SK
Willow's W.B. Yeats sold by Janet Rowe, Bracebridge ON to Sharon Roberts, Sherwood Park AB
Devon's Wishin Upon a Star sold by Jocelyn Davies, Spruce Grove AB to Charmaine Martyniuk, Carvel AB
Devon Ridge Doodle Dandy sold by Jocelyn Davies, Spruce Grove AB to Sarah Swart, Ardrossan AB
Devon Ridge Rupert sold by Jocelyn Davies, Spruce Grove AB to Sarah Swart, Ardrossan AB
Devon Ridge Diva sold by Jocelyn Davies, Spruce Grove AB to Joanne Cameron, St. Albert AB
Caraway Kate sold by Christine Carey, Elgin QC to Margaret Dunn, West Windsor VT, USA
Lea Prince Ciaran sold by Scott M. Longmire, Granville Centre NS to Patricia Dauphine, Nine Mile River NS
Belfast Banner sold by Bonnie Yule, Gananoque, ON to Lynda Gulley, Singhampton ON
Alek de Brio sold by Ferme Brio, Racine QC to Jeanne Poirier, Racine QC
Rising Sun Fallen sold by Hope MacIntyre & Joy Rea, Westlock AB to Katelyn Carter, Fort Saskatchewan AB
Elphin Silver Anniversary sold by Hilary Lecluse, Elgin QC to Steffi Gordinier, Manakin-Sabot VA, USA
TBF Eavan Tressa sold by Jenny Youngblood, Deer Park WA, USA to Janet Rowe, Bracebridge ON
Caraway Alice sold by Chris Carey, 1042 3rd Concession, Elgin, QC to Eva Ledwig, 672 Victoria, Baie d'Urfe, QC
Lissadell Zepp-Lynn sold by Mary Flynn, Renfrew ON to Karen Wharry, Tiverton ON
Jesse James sold by Jo-Anne Green, Spencerville ON to Cynthia Gauthier Puslinch ON
Lissadell Ronan sold by Mary Flynn, Renfrew ON to Ruth Moore, Coldstream BC
Devon Ridge Teagan sold by Jocelyn Davies, Spruce Grove AB to Victoria Avery, Friday Harbor WA, USA
Devon Ridge Artemas sold by Jocelyn Davies, Spruce Grove AB to Nicole Spalding, Calgary AB
Caraway Merle sold by Jeanne Poirier, Racine QC to Elisabeth Gratton, Georgeville QC
Elphin Capercaillie sold by Heather Sheratt, McDonalds Corners ON to Anne Thibaudeau, L'Ange-Gardien QC
Rills Romany Lace was sold by Jocelyn Davies, to Vicki Appleby, 20 Crowfoot Rise NW, Calgary AB
Devon Ridge Rapunzel was sold by Jocelyn Davies, to Deanna Koebernick

New Herd Name Registrations

BIRDSONG

Sharon Selby, Courtenay, BC

HVW

George Million, Meadow Lake, SK

CANADIAN CONNEMARA PONY SOCIETY Minutes of AGM

November 8, 2013

Present: Amanda Beard, Cindy Beard, Christine Carey, Dale Doner, Rick Doner, Mary Flynn, Penny Huggons, Elsie Priddy, Don Priddy, Janet Rowe, Margot Watson, Karen Wharry, by Skype – Jennifer Brownlow, Susan McDougall and by Conference call – Scott Longmire
The meeting commenced at 11:15am at Century Hill Farm (Dale & Rick Doner), Beaverton, Ontario.

Presidents Welcome

Penny Huggons welcomed those present and thanked the Doner's for their hospitality and the Central Region for organizing the activities bringing us together with our common bond of the Connemara Pony. We have dedicated owners and breeders however the challenge of 2014 is to increase our membership in this 7th year of the society. We need to closely look at the new regulations of the ICCPS that may affect us and we need to keep informed on the HWSS issue. (See attached).

Reading of 2012 Minutes

The minutes of the 2012 Annual General Meeting were approved as read by Elsie Priddy. Margot Watson seconded the motion which was approved by all present.

Treasurer's Report

Margot Watson reported that as of December 31, 2012 there was a total balance of \$6,151.61. On September 30, 2013 the balance was \$6,023.74. (See attached statements).

Region Reports

Central - Janet Rowe attended four shows in 2013 with Morning Glories Ilyushin winning Supreme Champion in every show and qualified for the Toronto Royal Show. Sales have been good. Janet donated to the Eastern Canadian Pony Show in Burlington.

-Rick Doner attended two CDE's with *Kippure Cara who did very well.

-Chris Carey had a good year with three sales and one lease.

-Mary Flynn found videos and Facebook to be very advantageous for the sale of Ronan.

Prairies- Penny Huggons reports that the prairie region, has been very active with ponies participating in dressage, hunter paces, hunter shows, combined driving, Pony Club and the Spruce Meadows Battle of the Breeds.

-Shirley Sauve had a lovely Connemara/TB colt this year and showed her winning Kimbles May Bloom and Bridget's Rills fire and Ice in dressage. Bridget's "Feisty" went on to become Western Regional Champion in her division. (Full reports attached).

Pacific – Jennifer Brownlow reports that 3 Connemaras owned by herself and Cheryl Miller, participated and did very well at the Pony show in Duncan on Vancouver Island.

Cheryl's part bred won most of his classes. (Full report attached).

On the mainland, Margot Watson's Lacey did very well in eventing.

Committee Reports

Membership – Jennifer Brownlow – As of this date there are 5 new members this year, 2 from Quebec, 1 each in Ontario, Saskatchewan and British Columbia.

Nominations – No report. Lezah Williamson has accepted the position of Pacific Chair.

Inspection Program – Heather Sherratt reported that there were no inspections held in 2013. Minor changes in the inspection procedure should be ready for 2014. Members with ponies to inspect should contact Heather so it can be determined if there are enough ponies for an inspection in any region. Inspectors are willing to travel within a region to make it easier for pony owners to have their ponies inspected. (See attached report).

It was commented that perhaps an inspection could be held in conjunction with next years AGM in the Pacific region.

Margot Watson moved that \$1,000 be put in the inspection fund. Chris Carey seconded the motion. Motion accepted.

Registration – As of October 31, 13 purebreds and 6 partbreds have been registered in 2013.

Heather Sherratt reports success in registering several ponies whose history had been lost. She encouraged anyone with registration problems to contact her directly. (See attached report).

CLRC- All agreed that membership fees remain the same for 2014. Renewal notices are to be sent out the last week of December.

Awards Program – November 30 is the deadline for the Awards program. Shirley Sauve proposed adding Western Dressage to the

program. Elsie seconded the motion. All agreed. Bridget Wingate nominated Bar S Heather for the Broodmare Award.

Web Page – Penny Huggons proposed 2 changes to the webpage. First that it becomes an information resource with no personal gallery photos or news as very little is being submitted. The Gallery page could feature items for sale by the CCPS. Second, as the CCPS facebook page is very active with personal news and photos Penny proposes a link to Facebook on a sidebar or widget on the front page of the CCPS website. Also on the frontpage in a larger format would be the newsletter.

The Breeder's list would be posted on both the website and FB page. Scott Longmire suggested that yearly award winners and pedigrees be posted on the Gallery page. Margot seconded these motions, all were in favour.

It was also asked that a yearly list of transfers be posted. (See attached report).

Breeders List & Stallion Directory – Bridget Wingate produced an updated list and asked that the fees remain the same for 2014.

Promotion & Advertising- Susan MacDougall and Margot Watson propose that each Region Representative find out what items their members would like, as cross Canada postage of items is prohibitive. Reps can request the digital CCPS logo file be emailed for use on any items purchased.

It was proposed that the society make a calendar featuring photos of ponies, preferably doing things or interacting with people, children, other animals or ponies. Elsie will send an email to members requesting high definition photos be sent to Rick.

Interest was strong for another auction to be promoted ASAP. Stallion owners are asked to send a write up, photos and a minimum bid (suggested is 1/2 of the current stud fee) to Susan. Other items are suggested to be offered at 50% value + shipping. Elsie will also send an email to members regarding the auction.

Kirsten Scott updated the brochure contacts and Elsie will ask her to add on the facebook address.

A letter was received from Tracy Dopko regarding sponsorship of classes at the new Royal West show to be held in Calgary October 2014. Tracy felt it would be impossible to have a Connemara class. It was decided to provide a ribbon for the top placing registered Connemara purebred or partbred in this show and also at the Toronto Royal Fair. Penny Huggons will contact Tracy Dopko re the Royal West and Janet Rowe will contact the Toronto Royal Fair committee.

Newsletter- Rick Doner reports he printed 90 hard copies of the February 2013 newsletters at \$9.26 each with 20 pages. These were very well received. A 24 page electronic newsletter was released in August. Members are reminded that their input is necessary to have a good newsletter. (See attached report).

Hoof Wall Separation Syndrome – Penny Huggons reports progress is excellent and a test for HWSS should be available within a year. The manuscript "Inherited Hoof Wall Defect in Connemara Ponies" has been peer reviewed and accepted by the Equine Veterinary Journal for publication. Dr. Carrie Finno presented the abstract at the International Laminitis Conference in Florida. She reported that it was very well received.

Archives – Sadly, Jenny Smythe reports all of the archives were lost in the High River flood. Anyone having any past memorabilia please keep it safe until it can be collected in the future.

Arbitration – Bridget Wingate reports another year with no arbitration necessary.

Election of Board of Governors – No report necessary.

Nominating Committee 2014 – Scott Longmire will accept the position of chair.

AGM 2014 – The Pacific region will host the AGM. Date to be announced. Suggestions as to date and venue are welcome.

Other Business – Scott Longmire suggested the addition of a Family membership. Several models were discussed regarding cost, numbers and ages of persons included and number of votes per membership. Rick Doner proposed that discussion be continued through the year with the issue to be brought up at the 2014 AGM. All agreed.

Chris Carey proposed that Central Region hold a regional meeting March 17, 2014 at Doner's.

Lunch break and a farm tour took place at 12:30pm.

The meeting adjourned at 4:05pm.

Las na bPog/Sean MacLochlainn Foundation
Broodmare Award
by Bridget Wingate

The winner of the 2013 Foundation Broodmare Award is Bar S Heather, who is now deceased.

Heather was born in Ireland in 1978, and came to Canada as an un-named 2 year old. She was bred by Pdraig Curran of Moycullen and was by Rory Rudah and out of Queen of the Hills.

In her time at the Chatterway's ranch in Nanton, Alberta, Heather had 3 filly foals by Roundstone Oscar (Daeshars Little Heather, Bar S Hailey and Bar S Arrin Grey), and a colt by Lynfields Cormac McCarthy (Bar S Tex) who stood as a stallion.

After being purchased by Diane Bruce in Strathmore she had three foals by Windhavens 4 Star General (Bein Mallin Silver Blaze, B.M. Northern Lights and B.M. Little Ben). The two colts both stood as stallions. Three foals by Landgates Holy Smoke produced two filles and the well known stallion B.M. Rory O'Sullivan. In all, it is thought that Bar S Heather can be found in the ancestry of over 178 ponies! She truly had a great influence on the breed in North America.



News from Eden Connemaras
by Bridget Wingate

This year has been quite busy for us. Shirley Sauve has been training my little roan mare Rills Fire N Ice, aka "Feisty" (Fairy Hill Hawk x Rills Rills Romany Star). We went to Amberlea Meadows spring dressage show where they were 3rd both days at training level - and I even won the walk/trot! Next stop was a dressage show at Red Deer, where they placed sufficiently well to qualify for the Regional Finals. I am pleased to report that at the finals they won the training level division and so were Regional Champions. It was really nice to have Jocelyn Davies there too riding her lovely stallion Bantry Bays Dillon.

"Feisty" is now in foal to Avenns Kimble Wind again, and has therefore retired from showing for a year. I have my 23 year old Winston (Lynfields Cormac McCarthy x Dains Melody) at a stable very close by so that I can ride in the indoor arena all winter. In November I rode 3-4 times a week, but in December the weather was so bad that I haven't been as often as I would like. Here's hoping that January will be better. At home, "Feisty's" 18 month old purebred filly Sugar N' Spice is doing well, and out digging through 2ft of snow every day. Fortunately we have plenty of hay.



Bridget & Feisty practicing



CCPS Store

We are excited to have high quality garments and saddle pads available for purchase. We have waterproof jackets, ¼ zip fleece pullovers in 3 different styles, polo shirts and saddle pads. If you have a special request, please contact us & we can check with our supplier for possible special orders. Please contact us at susanmac@uniserve.com for pricing and shipping.



CCPS Logo is embroidered very professionally onto the left lapel



Pacific Region News:

Finally we have a new Region Chair for the Pacific Region! Lezah Williamson has accepted our nomination to fill the vacancy we have had for a number of months. She and her daughter Eve own Devon Ridge Harris Hawk a wonderful 7 year old Connemara gelding. Lezah is school teacher and also a Pony Club instructor and Tester for the Canadian Pony Club. Thank you, Lezah, for being willing to step into this position. Welcome!

We have been talking a little about the AGM for 2014 trying to think of venue and interesting ideas etc. From what we can see at this point there are not enough ponies for an inspection here in BC this year. We checked the bi-laws and they state that 'as far as possible (the AGM) shall alternate between Eastern and Western Canada.' Since our meeting was in 'the East' last year, it should be in 'the West' this year....Our thought was maybe the AGM should be in Calgary at the time of Spruce Meadows and the Battle of the Breeds instead of BC. It is always so much fun to be at the Battle of the Breeds and be able to cheer on our 'Team Connemara'. We are open to all of your thoughts and ideas – let us know what you think!

Thanks, ***Margot Watson for the Pacific Region***

Elphin Mountain Connemaras

The summer of 2013 was one of changes and mixed blessings but by the end of the year I had gone some way to reducing the number of ponies here.

Although I had thought this might be the last year I stood Mick at stud, he is still going strong. We bred several outside mares and a couple of my own and I have had several enquiries for breedings for him in 2014. He will turn twenty-five in May but still manages the farm very efficiently and greets every trailer that comes down the drive with optimism and enthusiasm.

This fall he was disappointed as the trailers were coming to pick up ponies going to new homes rather than bring him mares. In the summer, the last of our TB mare's offspring left. Her grandson, who is also a grandson of Mick and Secretariat, left for a new home in Kingston where he will be trail ridden and do some dressage. In late October, Elphin Malachite finally left for BC. He was sold last year to Cynthia Norman to stand with his uncle, Elphin Cronan, but Cynthia's move to southern BC delayed his trip. Mal had never left the farm before but walked quietly down the lane on to the transport for the first leg of his journey with calm aplomb. Cynthia described his arrival in the night four days later, being led down waterlogged hilly roads to her farm. I guess he is used to hills and was probably glad to get his feet on the ground. Cynthia tells me he is all she had hoped for and more and is so kind and sweet he is almost "unhorselike."

The next two to leave went to New Hampshire via Quebec. Many thanks to Chris Carey for putting Wildwych Clio and Elphin Glasdrummon up for a night to break their journey before crossing the border. Glas is going to be trained by Kim Sterl's

son and Clio is to be a mount for her granddaughter as well as a broodmare. The final pony to leave was Abby's 2013 filly, Elphin Capercaillie, who went to a new owner and potential breeder in Quebec. Anne



Callie at her new home

Thibaudeau is starting a new franchise for Bockmann trailers and arrived with one of their latest models to pick Caillie up. Although not quite eight months old, she behaved like an old trooper, stepping straight up into the trailer to follow a bucket of grain. She traveled well and Anne sent this photo of her figuring out how to step down on arrival. Caillie, like all Mick and Abby's foals, is pretty unflappable as long as food is readily available.

In spite of all the departures, I still have thirteen ponies here, many of which are for sale. Rosie and Daisy are both daughters of Mick and are proven broodmares. Rosie in particular would love a life like her dam, Millie, in the eventing world and Daisy would do well in hunter or dressage. I still have three of Abby and Mick's daughters, ages two three and five, and Clio's two by Mick, a two-year-old gelding and a three-year-old filly.

Photos and more information are on my website at www.elphinfarms.com.

A warm welcome to new members Pat and Pam Dauphinee from Nova Scotia !

THE DAUPHINEES



Happy New Year fellow Connemara fans!

My sister Pam and I (Pat) are new to the Connemara world, but thanks to Scott Longmire and family, we are ready to jump in feet first. We purchased their first foal (Ciaran) early in 2013, and we look forward to a long and happy relationship with him and them.

Ciaran is a wonderful pony, and we couldn't be happier. Currently he is turned out with our Welara colt (Theo), and they are the best of friends. Funny really as Theo is older, but Ciaran is bigger – stalemate on who's the boss. In addition we have a TB mare (Ciaran's future wife) and two welsh cross mares.

We moved in July, and thanks to our father doing most of the renovations himself, the

horses have a place to live – thanks Dad, could not have done it without you! Of course, there is always something to do, need a riding ring built, more fencing, leaky roof, I could go on. Ciaran is bored without a job, we are both looking forward to spring, some groundwork and spending one on one time building a bond..

While I'm thinking about it, you fellow readers can help us out. Now that we have a Connemara colt, we need a name for our little farm. We live in Shubenacadie NS, 5.37 Acres, white house with a typical red barn. Surrounded by dairy farms on three sides and the train tracks on the fourth, and a small river with a pond in the front pasture. We welcome all suggestions which can be emailed to pat_dauphinee@hotmail.com



BARN RENOS



CIARAN AND THEO



OUR FARM

HAPPY NEW YEAR

from Ballencrieff Connemara Ponies

Looking back over 2013 – it was a busy year for training, showing and generally having fun with the ponies. Honey (*Aille Ivory) at 26 yrs of age was gently moved into semi-retirement after we had some fun dressing up for St Patrick's Day and for a breed demo at the Quarter Horse Bazaar in March. With Susan MacDougall and her lovely mare Coastal Celtic Ceildh, we made quite a pair! What these good tempered, very patient ponies have to put up with sometimes!!



Honey and Ceildh before the demo



Honey getting dressed

Since Honey won her 3 Events last year, I was getting some pressure to move up but I didn't think it was fair to move her up to higher division at her age (or my age, for that matter!) – it seemed time for her to give others confidence and have a little more relaxed riding career at this point in life. Now it was time for Lacey to take up the mantle. Our friends Taylor and Carolyn are riding Honey now for lessons and



Taylor and Honey

just for fun and spoiling Honey rotten with carrots and treats!

My friend, Carolyn and I took Honey and Lacey on a camping trip in the summer with 14 other ladies from our Vintage Riders Club for a 4 day, 3 night weekend at a ranch in the Interior of BC. What fun we had! Great cabins to stay in, nice paddocks



Carolyn and Honey at the 7 1/2 Diamond Ranch

for the horses, sharing of the making of the meals, line dancing, lots of laughter and of course ... great trail rides during the day. We sure enjoyed it and I think the ponies did too!

So it then became Lacey's (Ballencrieff's Winter Lace) turn to take over from Honey and grow up enough to handle the Schooling Shows and Events this season. Early in the season we did some Dressage schooling shows that were great



experiences. Lacey has had a few problems with nerves when strange horses are galloping around in the ring with her so I asked my wonderful coach, Jessie Smith, to take her in her first Event. Cross Country schooling in advance of the Event went really well so we weren't surprised when she went clear on all the XC jumps. The warm up for dressage and show jumping was a bit nerve wracking for Lacey (and for us!) but she 'manned-up' every time it counted in the



***Ballencrieff's Winter Lace
2013 Campbell Valley Event***

show ring and they WON the Event! After that I was brave enough to take her to the next two Events. In the first one we came 5th as I was a bit cautious on the cross country and received some time penalties. The next time out Lacey was very calm and relaxed for dressage and we were in 1st place after and this time I was confident and determined to make time XC and we did. So we ended our season with another win! All this just in the Starter Div (2'3") – Our aim for 2014 will be to move up to Pre-Entry Level. Which is certainly is not Lacey's maximum but it might be mine!! I'm turning 60 yrs this year!!

We still have **Joshua 1:9 – our ArdCeltic Art x Ballencrieff's Winter Lace** – colt now a gelding. **For Sale.** He is a rising 3 yr old and turning out to be one of those 'wonderful' ponies. He is so calm about everything – I have video of me rubbing a tarp all over him (even over his head!), umbrellas open/ close and over his head, and dragging a bag full of tin



Joshua – showing off his form

cans around beside him as he is walking calmly in a circle. We also did some free jumping with Joshua and Susan's colt, Sean, (by Kippure Cara out of her Premium mare, Coastal Celtic Ceildh). The two of them didn't need much encouragement to go down



For sale - Ballencrieff's Joshua 1:9 - ad pg 23

the shoot – they were having a ball and both showing some great form and athleticism! He is now in for a month's training with a Profession Trainer to get a great start in more ground work and under saddle.

All the best to all and your ponies for 2014!
Margot Watson – email margotwatson@shaw.ca

Are you following [Emma Massingale](#) on FaceBook?

I know that some of you are because posts and photos have been shared on the Canadian Connemara Pony Society FaceBook page! Emma is a young lady in England that bought 5 young Connemara ponies and is doing 'liberty' work with them. Amazing things she is doing with them in a very short time! Check it out.

I asked Emma if she would ever consider coming to Canada to share some of her knowledge and training methods. **She said YES!** she would love to. I'm not sure how this would work but if enough people were interested in taking clinics/lessons with her maybe we could give her a bit of a tour of North America. Lots of details obviously would have to be worked out... but wondering if there would be interest from others... Let me know! Thanks, Margot email: margotwatson@shaw.ca



Tully moves to Germany

by Diane Hanson

Carolyn Utz came to my farm Time Out Farms through the Ranch Stay program which is similar to Wwoofing. You can check out what this is on the Wwoof.ca web site. Jay O'Jay lives on my property as well. Carolyn wanted to ride at every opportunity and because of her size I thought "Tynte O'Time" known as Tully would be a good project for her. Tully was born June 09, 2007 on my farm and he is out of Cedar's Savanagh by Bien Mallin's Rory O'Sullivan. Now 6 he was a bit of a devil. He was constantly putting his head through the rails, arching his back, snapping the rail and then proceeding to go to the other side so he needed a Job. Tully had been started at 2 and revisited at 3 by Jay but no one was a good size for him. Jay spent every day teaching Carolyn to ride a green pony especially one with an attitude. After 6 weeks she had a break through with him and when her parents came for a visit they saw how much she loved that pony and the connection she had with him. After some negotiating we made arrangements for him to be in quarantine in Calgary for a month and then fly to Luxembourg and then have him trailered to her hometown just outside of Struttgart, Germany. It appears the connection is still there and she is enjoying her new pony in Germany. I am very happy for both of them.

Here is a recent email from Germany...

Hi Diane!

How are you and your loved ones?

Tully is doing a great job! I think he's feeling comfortable now and he even made new friends, Mr. King and Merlin. In the riding lessons he is unbelievable cooperative and it's simply astonishing how he is coming up to me. I'm very sure that he knows who I am! Already on the third day he walked and trotted with me without any halter or lead rope or riding crop and without missing a beat (and without training!). You can even say that he is kind of affectionate to me :-> Yes, sometimes he's really searching for closeness. For the rest he is "behaving normal": he's chewing on everything, searching for food everywhere and every time and now and then he gets up to nonsense :-> And everyone loves him, he's "the cutest pony of the barn".

Our trainer Mary is really similar to Jay with regard to the training and solving issues, I really like that! A picture of us three is annexed.

Because of his tight coat we had to shear him. He began to sweat very fast and strong. But we only sheared the most important parts: the chest, a part of the neck and the flanks. On top of that I insisted to shear him a Canadian maple leaf on his bum, it



looks so cool!! :-D

As to the rest we're all doing fine. The weather is wet and cold but we also have lots of bright days!

Hugs from us,
Carolyn



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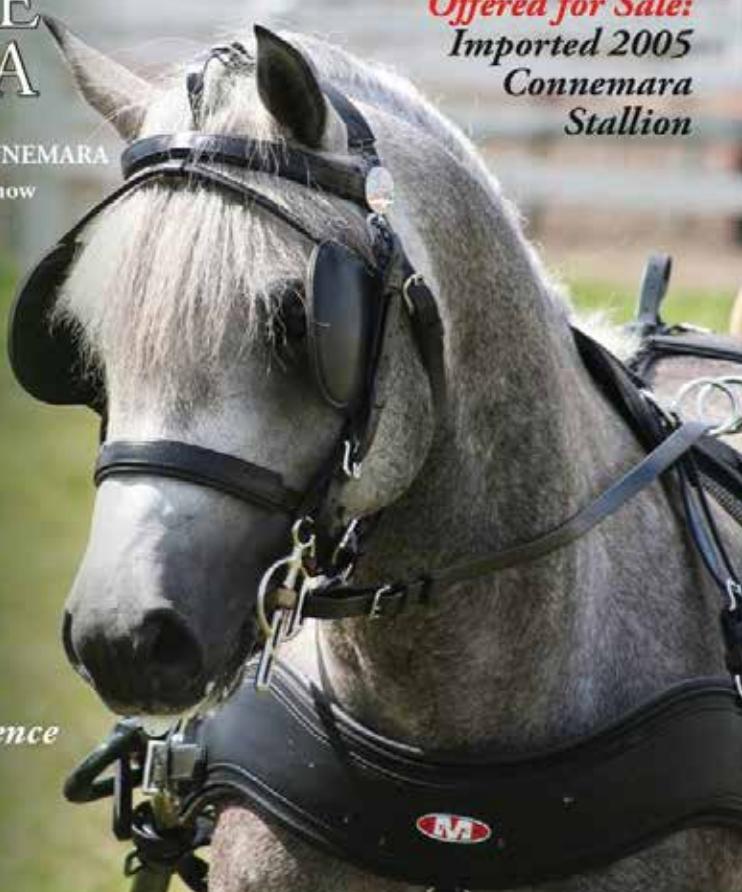
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Centuryhill's Hazy Maire, 14.1 hand, rising four year old mare out of Eastlands Glendearg by Kippure Cara.

She is a lovely strong, balanced and sound mare full of potential. She is well mannered and loves attention. She was backed and ridden under saddle last fall, never put a foot wrong and proves to be an uncomplicated mare. Under good training this mare would be suited for any discipline!

Her sire, Kippure Cara won the Region 1 Versatility Award and she could follow right in his foot steps. Maire has been trailered off property and is a dream to work with. Currently offered at \$6000.00



Kippure Cara is offered for sale due to our decision to down size. Cara has been introduced into every discipline and has shown amazing aptitude and motivation to excel! This is a wonderful opportunity not to be missed! Call Rick at 705-426-4451 if seriously interested.

Centuryhill's Hazy Maelle, 14 hand, rising two year old filly out of Eastlands Glendearg by Kippure Cara.

She is a good, strong, forward mare and shows great potential as an eventing pony. Youngest of the herd but bravest! Currently offered at \$4000.00



Classified Ads



Elodon Neala, well bred Registered 2009 grey mare 14h 1/2". Neala is started under saddle but not ready for beginners. Please contact Elsie Priddy for further information. Video available. Located at Saskatoon, SK 306-374-1703

Sean (Thistledown Seol an Muire) will be coming 2 in May, 2014. He is by Kippure Cara, and out of Coastal Celtic Ceildh. His sire is a Grand Champion prize winner in Canada and the US and a great driving pony. His dam is a Premium mare, receiving excellent and very good on her inspection report. Ceildh has an exemplary disposition that she has passed on to Sean. He is correct, with excellent depth of body and bone and a lovely long neck. He has good gaits and moves straight. He is halter broke, ties and trailers. He is a big boy and may finish over height. I have every expectation that he will be a wonderful riding (or driving) pony. For sale at \$4000.00 o.b.o. <http://www.thistledownconnemaras.com/coastal-celtic-ceildh/thistledown-seol-an-muire/susanmac@uniserve.com>



cell # 778-908-9866?

FOR SALE - Ballencrieff's Joshua 1:9 (ArdCeltic Art x Ballencrieff's Winter Lace)

Rising 3 yr old grey gelding by **ArdCeltic Art** and with many other outstanding performance ponies in his pedigree such as... **Ballywhim An Luan, Aladdin, *Rocky and Ashfield Sparrow**. Joshua should prove to be very talented and competitive under saddle or as a driving pony.

Showing lots of potential in his free jumping already! (Video clip available) Well handled and schooled in his ground work – ties, loads on the trailer, bathes, clips, walks over tarps. Excellent, quiet, sensible, friendly temperament and a lovely mover as well. Seems to be staying pony size.

Please email at margotwatson@shaw.ca or www.facebook.com/ballencrieff.connemaraponies for more photos and video clips of Joshua and his dam Lacey. \$5900 (currently in training with a Professional Trainer for ground work & under saddle)

You Tube videos - Joshua Free Jumping <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FpEHtio8wh4>

-Sacking out With Tarp <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rVexUwUdEYk>

-Umbrella & tin cans <http://youtu.be/yzUyvOz7b5A>



Joshua and Taylor



Joshua – at 2 yrs.

Membership Renewals

We would like to encourage all owners of Connemara ponies to join the CCPS. In particular there are many half-bred

Connemaras out there competing very successfully; and of which we have little knowledge. One of the advantages of membership is participation in the Awards Program.

All members should have received a membership renewal form from Canadian Livestock Records. Application forms are also available on our web site at www.canadianconnemara.org

Central Region Meeting Notice

Attention all Central Region members!

There will be a meeting at the farm of Heather Sherratt's on Sunday, April 13th at 11AM.

This will be a planning time for central region events, and all input is greatly appreciated. Please contact Janet Rowe for details.
muskokalakesconnemaras@yahoo.ca

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ponies seem to be able to handle even the most challenging conditions.

We are planning on running a silent auction this year. It is one of our best ways to raise funds for our Society. If you can donate a stallion breeding or any other product or service please contact Susan MacDougall susanmac@uniserve.com or consider bidding!

Our Facebook Page is a great way to keep in touch with our Connemara family. We look forward to your news & seeing your pony pictures. Keep us updated on your Connemara happenings, any shows, new foals or sale ponies.

I hope everyone has a great 2014 & enjoys the Year of the Horse.

Penny Huggons, President.



Sydney Huebner (another one of our budding young riders) and Kimbles May Bloom

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Don't forget to check out the CCPS online auction at <http://canadianconnemara.ponywordpress.com/>

2014 CCPS AGM
September likely to be held in conjunction with the Spruce Meadows Masters Tournament and Battle of the Breeds.

Be sure to mark your calendars and stay tuned for the details in the summer reminders on our website www.canadianconnemara.org

2015 Calender reminder
We are going to produce a CCPS Calendar in 2015 and are asking for great pictures showing the bond between ponies and their people. Hi resolution, great quality digital images to be sent to Rick Doner rpdoner@sympatico.ca

All purebred and half-bred ponies are illegible for the awards program. Details and application forms are available on our website and can be sent to the chairman Shirley Sauve during the season. Forms should be signed by the Secretary at each show, or the official results page downloaded from the internet.