



# Tally Ho Farm



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## In Barn Events

Feb 13 Tally Ho Farm In Barn Show

## USEF Shows

Jan 27-31 January Jazz Show – Folsom, La.  
Feb 3-7 Great Southwest Winter Series-Katy, Tx  
Feb 17-21 Gulf Coast Mid Winter II-Gulfport, MS  
Feb 24-28 GulfCoast Mid Winter III-Gulfport, MS

## GCHSA Banquet

Tally Ho Farm will attend the Gulf Coast Horse Show Association Banquet on January 30th. Time is running out for students to get their tickets! Many of our students have won year end awards and you can view these results at <http://gchsa.orgpro-rsmh.net/standings.php>. We also have our student's results listed on the lesson board at Tally Ho Farm. Details for the event and tickets can be found at [www.gchsa.org](http://www.gchsa.org).

## In BARN Show

The "Tally Ho Show" will be held on February 13, 2010. Sign-up sheets and details are posted on the website. As in previous years, the show will be held with a draw for horses. Talk to your instructor about which divisions you should sign up for. Everyone should start practicing for their classes and riding as many different horses as you can. The judge will again be Kim Queener. We appreciate what a great job she had done in the past and all the feed back she gives the riders. Last week letters were sent out to all the families asking for anyone who knew of businesses that would be willing to sponsor our classics. If anyone knows someone please let Kim or Linda know. The classics will be a great experience for all the riders. We have two equitation classics this year for both the beginner and advanced equitation. The riders will win special ribbons and money! The day would not be complete without David and Linda and all their good eats. Everyone should plan on a full day of fun.

## Lost & Found

Many may not know that we have a "lost & found" box located at the end of the south barn next to the coke machine. Since the weather has been so cool lately but warms up later, there have been many coats and sweaters left that need to be claimed. Also anything with a name on it should only be claimed by the owner. Since the box has started to overflow we have to place a deadline of Feb 28<sup>th</sup> for these items to be claimed and will be taking all unclaimed items to Goodwill on March 1. Please check this area for any "lost" items.

## Locker and/or saddle rack leases

We still have locker and saddle rack space available in the Annex Barn locker room. If you are interested in leasing a space to keep your personal items at the barn then contact Linda at [linda@tallyhofarm.com](mailto:linda@tallyhofarm.com) and she will be able to send you the lease paperwork and assign a space.

## Clinic Sign up

Summer Clinic sign up will start on **February 15<sup>th</sup>**. The sign up form will be posted at the website and can be printed; filled out and put in payment box or mailed in with your deposit check. Two sessions each week will be offered again with a maximum of 25 students each week. We will divide the students into four groups again and everyone will ride in the covered arenas. This provided for great lessons last year catering to the individual needs of the different level students.

Many ideas have been considered for clinic topics and all ideas are welcome. If there is something in particular you want to learn let your instructor know. The weeks will tie together with a theme, but riders are not required to ride in both weeks. Field trips are in the making and we would love to hear any ideas people may have or wish to see. A deposit of \$200 is required with the remaining balance, \$175 due in May. Details for the weeks event will be sent in the May invoice, but parents can plan to drop off morning session students at 7:30 am and pick up at 12:00. Afternoon session students should be dropped off at 2:00 pm and picked up at 6:30 pm.

## Parents Information Session

Several parents attended the session and information was shared about the progress of students in lessons; extra activities students can participate in at the farm and showing. One important decision was made about the schoolings shows the farm will attend this year. We are looking for a change for the students and want to have more of a challenge. The instructors have done our homework and we proposed to try some of the Greater Houston Horse Show Association shows again this year. In the past we tried this organization and made the change to GCHSA looking for a friendlier and more inviting organization. We hope to return and find that new board members and show management have improved the organization. Most of the shows will be held at the GSWEAC and the cost will be slightly more than the shows we have been attending. All these points were explained at the meeting and it was the vote of the parents present that they wanted to try some shows to see if it offered bigger classes with more competition. If you have any questions about the up coming year, please talk with your instructor or Kim.