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MID-YEAR REVIEW
JULY 12th, 2022

The Aiken Horse Park Foundation is a 501 (c) 3 non-profit organization. Its **MISSION** is to promote Aiken's equestrian way of life and to encourage the community's civic, educational, and charitable endeavors.

Board of Directors and Officers:

President - Jack Wetzel
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Bruce's Field heralded 2022 with an action packed calendar of events. At the conclusion of the winter schedule the board of directors continued its ambitious capital expansion project to build four new barns, a 250 x 350 competition arena, a 150 x 250 schooling arena, and the enlarging of one of the existing schooling arenas. All this was completed just in time to welcome back our friends to the sixth edition of the **Aiken Charity Horse Show**. Since The ACHS, the Park hosted **Dressage In The Spring**, and the Classic Company's **Aiken Summer Classics**.

While we eagerly await Equus Events' **Aiken Summerfest Horse Shows** in August, we are building the last two barns, and allowing Bruce's field some time to recover from an eventful first half of the year.

We remain excited for what is in store for the remainder of the calendar year, but this week also brings us pause as we remember the all too short life of **Ann Field Goodwin**. Annie died last July doing what she loved, training her horses in preparation for high level competition. She was a rising star in the sport of eventing, and was truly dedicated to her sport. She had a huge smile that not only brightened every room she entered, but also lit up the sky!

Please smile for Annie, reflect on your blessings, and remember to make every day count. This coming Thursday, July 14th, at 10:00am, **Stableview** will be hosting a walk in remembrance of Annie. Starting at the Magnolia Grandiflora in the cross country schooling field, a silent walk will progress to **Annie's Garden**. The walk is on flat land and the distance is around half a mile. We hope that you can join. All are welcome. Directions: svfequestrian.com

HIGHLIGHTS FROM JANUARY TO JUNE



TUESDAYS IN THE PARK

January 4th - March 8th

The Winter season gave us the chance to share Bruce's Field with our local equestrian community. This past winter we ran two jumper rings, a hunter ring, and a dressage arena. Our Tuesday schooling days provided an excellent opportunity for riders to prepare for all of their upcoming competitions in world class arenas.



**SAVE THE DATE!
January 3rd, 2023**



AIKEN WINTER PREMIER
January 20 - 23
&
AIKEN WINTER ENCORE
February 3 - 6



DRESSAGE IN THE PARK & DRESSAGE AT BRUCE'S FIELD
January 29 & 30 - February 19 & 20



**GRAND-PRIX EVENTING
FESTIVAL**
presented by Taylor Harris Insurance Services
March 4 & 5



**THE AHPF RECEIVED THE SMALL
BUSINESS OF THE YEAR AWARD**
March 24

The Aiken Horse Park Foundation was honored during the Greater Aiken Chamber of Commerce's annual awards gala by being recognized as the **Small Business of the Year**. In front of a full audience, Jack Wetzel, president of the Foundation, received the award on behalf of his fellow directors and staff.

AIKEN CHARITY HORSE SHOWS
May 4 - 8 & May 11 - 15





DRESSAGE IN THE SPRING
MAY 21 & 22





AIKEN SUMMER CLASSIC I
 June 15 - 19
 &
AIKEN SUMMER CLASSIC II
 June 22 - 26



2022 CHARITABLE PARTNERS (as of June 30th)

The Community Medical Clinic of Aiken County
 Brothers and Sisters of Aiken County
 Megiddo Dream Station
 Great Oak Equine Assisted Programs
 Tri-Development Center of Aiken County

Aiken County Pony Club
 Children's Place, Inc.
 Lambda Chi Alpha
 Retired Racehorse Project

ONGOING INNITIATIVES

Aiken Technical College, Equine Studies Certification - The AHPF is supporting and guiding Aiken Tech to develop a curriculum for an Equine Essentials Technician certification program. As the equine industry continues to grow in Aiken County, Aiken Tech seeks to provide educational support programs for individuals looking to find careers in the equestrian sector.





The Annie Goodwin Rising Star Fund

Thank you to all of Annie's friends and family who have already donated to the Annie Goodwin Rising Star Fund. To date we have raised \$122,274.00. These funds will serve as the initial corpus to provide for an annual grant program.

Staff is working hard to produce an appropriate grant application worthy of Annie's aspirations and representative of her character. We hope to have the application available early in 2023.

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DONORS (As of June 30th, 2022)

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INVESTING IN OUR FUTURE

The Next Chapter Capital Campaign was conceived in the Fall of 2019 with hopes to launch in the Spring of 2020. While the Pandemic interrupted our progress, we have now resumed our efforts to engage all stakeholders in the Next Chapter.

We have long recognized that in order to remain the venue of choice to our many friends in the equestrian industry, we must continue to reinvest in the property. In that spirit we have committed to add additional permanent stalls so that more of our guests can enjoy a comfortable and memorable horse show experience.



PHASE I - SUSTAINABILITY

Permanent Stabling for all 600 horses

- Safety of horses
- Satisfaction of competitors
- Revenue for AHPF

Additional Competition Arena

- 5th competition arena capability
- Stand-alone special events arena
- Incorporating Park atmosphere by including an island of trees within the arena

COST: \$7 MILLION

DONORS (As of June 30, 2022)

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Craig Duchossois
Jack Wetzel
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Richard Duchossois
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We are very fortunate to have forged a strong partnership with **Security Federal Bank**. Their commitment to us has allowed us to flexibly move forward with our goal towards sustainability while the campaign momentum remains strong. We will be using additional campaign contributions to retire our loans and provide fresh capital to execute on 2022 projects. We have raised **\$4.29 million** to date but we still have a ways to go to reach our goal of **\$7 million**.

Please join us in writing Aiken's Next Chapter...

For your convenience, all of ***The Next Chapter*** Campaign material can be found by clicking on the link below.

THE NEXT CHAPTER

PROGRESS!



July 2022
Barn 17 Under Construction



April 2022
Bruce's Field



Groundbreaking November, 2014
Richard L Duchossois & Jack Wetzel



April 2015
Staging for Initial Construction

UP NEXT AT BRUCE'S FIELD



OCTOBER AT BRUCE'S FIELD USEF National (A) Level 3 October 20-23 & October 27-30 Homecoming Week & Halloween Spooktacular

- \$25,000 Grand-Prix Week I & II
- \$5,000 USHJA National Hunter Derby Week I & II
- \$5,000 USHJA Jr/Am National Hunter Derby Week I & II
- \$5,000 Welcome Stake Week I & II

Prizelist available soon!

Homecoming Week Highlights include crowning Homecoming King & Queen, Homecoming Dance

Halloween Spooktacular Week Highlights include Barn Decorating Contest, Costume Classes...

Stay tuned for more details about the ***Two Funnest Weeks Of The Year***

SPONSORSHIP

STALL REQUEST

VENDOR

Equus Events Inc. **Aiken Summerfest I & II** USEF National (A) Level 2
August 18-21 & 25-28

Equus Events Inc. **Aiken Fall Festival I & II** USEF Premier (AA) Level 4
September 7-11 & September 14-18

South Carolina Equestrian Special Olympics
September 23-24

AHPF's **October At Bruce's Field I & II** USEF National (A) Level 3
October 20-23 & October 27-30

Split Rock Jumping Tour Inc. **Aiken International** FEI CSI2*

Equus Events Inc. **Aiken December Classics** USEF National (A) Level 2
December 1-4 & December 8-11 (TBD December 15-18)

Full Calendar of Events

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