



Fox Trotter News

LOUISIANA CHAPTER
MFTHBA PUBLICATION

JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2011



From The President

With the snow/ice melting away, Feb. 12th turned out to be a great day for the La MFTHBA. There were about 45+ from our group, along with many others from other breeds and interests. We all came together for a lunch/tour of the

new MAC facility in Bastrop. Gumbo Lunch was provided by our very own Jimmy Christmas and Buddy Savage. (Jimmy/Buddy have worked hard for a long time to help make this facility happen!) We appreciate all who came out to help support them and our club.

Following the lunch we had our official 1st La. Chapter meeting of 2011. We had a great show of support, approximately 35 in attendance, which included all our board members. We are thankful for all who served in 2010! I feel we had a very successful meeting, with Ken giving us an update on the Southern Classic. Plans were made for trail rides, a seminar, and a show committee was chosen for our 2011 SHOW AT THE MAC! Be watching for our calendar of events.

I am very excited to see the support/interest for the events of the club by our members and our NEW members. Once again I would like to ask for your help and continued support of our 2011 board/committees so that we may have a successful year. Get your saddles all cleaned up and "LET'S RIDE!"

Your president,
Lyn Dousay, 318-729-4692

2011 OFFICERS

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Board Members:

Clellie Batson (3rd year)

Daniel Smith (1st year)

Ann Currie (1st year)

Newsletter: Susan Clow (1st year)

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Trail Ride Committee:

Jimmy Christmas

Clellie Batson

Buddy Savage

Charlie Cox

Ann Currie

Show Committee:

Lyn Dousay

Ken Kutter

Susan Batson

Peggy Christmas

Mary Verzwylt

Ann Currie

Karen Frye

<http://www.lafoxtrotters.com>



2011 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sat, April 2	Charity Trail Ride, 10 am, Collins Natural Horsemanship, Dubach, LA
Fri-Sat, April 8-9	La MFTHBA Spring Trail Ride, Roaring Creek, Forest Hill LA
Sat, April 9	Cotton Country Horse Show, Expo Center, Ruston LA (gaited class)
Sat, April 16	Seminar On Showing, Sullivan Stables, Winnsboro LA <i>(First-come first-served, limited space, please contact Lyn)</i>
Sat, April 16	Louisiana Equine Council Gaited Horse Workshop, Lecompte LA
F-S, Apr 29-May 1	The MAC Grand Opening, Bastrop LA (Parade of Horse Breeds)
Fri-Sat, May 6-7	Fox Trot University, Ava MO
Sat, May 14	Cotton Country Horse Show, Expo Center, Ruston LA (gaited class)
Wed-Sat, June 8-11	Spring Show and Three-Year-Old Futurity, Ava MO
Sat, June 18	La MFTHBA SHOW, The MAC, Bastrop LA
Fri-Sat, July 1-2	Southern Classic, Carroll County Fairgrounds, Berryville AR
Sat, July 23	Cotton Country Horse Show, Expo Center, Ruston LA (gaited class)
Sun-Sat, Sept 4-10	MFTHBA Show and Celebration, Ava MO
Sept TBA	Nick Cox Trail Ride, Bastrop LA

FINANCIAL REPORT

FEBRUARY 15, 2011

BANK BALANCE 11-8-2010 \$3,501.21

INCOME: Dues \$ 550.00

EXPENSES:

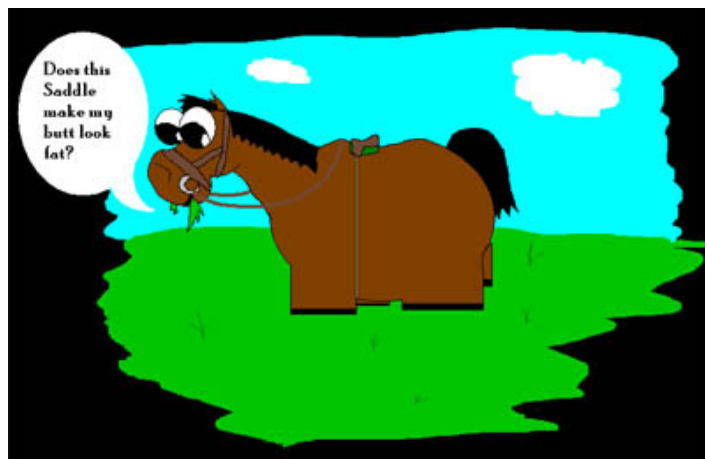
Piccadilly Tip, Christmas Party	\$ 60.00
Insurance for 2011	\$ 725.00
La. Equine Council Dues	\$ 50.00
Cheminahaut Deposit	\$ 106.00
Postage	\$ 35.20
Bank Fees	\$ 2.29

\$ 978.49

BANK BALANCE 2-15-2011 \$3,072.72

CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT \$3,110.47

TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE \$6,183.19



If anyone has anything that they want posted in the newsletter and/or on the web, please e-mail it to susan@ksclow.net, or mail to 3391 Hwy 552, Downs ville LA 71234

LOGO for SHIRTS/CAPS

Shirts and caps can be purchased with the La. Chapter logo monogrammed on them from **Reflections LTD** in West Monroe. Long-sleeved run about \$23 and they have a lot to choose from. However, your own shirt can be brought in and they will monogram it for \$7. Laurie is our contact person.

REFLECTIONS LTD

1207-A Arkansas Road

West Monroe LA

318-396-3588

!!! 2011 MEMBERSHIP !!!

Membership fees are due in January!

Please return the form at the back with your dues if you haven't already done so. If you have already joined, but haven't filled out a form for 2011, you can send it in with your information, bring it to a meeting, or go to our web site, fill out the Word or PDF form, and e-mail it to Buddy or Susan.

BIRTHDAYS

JANUARY

Jan 1	Linda Kutter
Jan 4	Madison Wright
Jan 8	Amber Lawson
Jan 8	Ken Kutter
Jan 9	Wilma Sullivan
Jan 24	Robert Johnson

FEBRUARY

Feb 7	Brenda Winn
Feb 8	Sonny Day
Feb 12	Corey Kenny
Feb 13	Michael Crane
Feb 15	Rita Beck
Feb 22	Emma Loyce Smelly
Feb 27	Clellie Batson

MARCH

Mar 5	Connie Spears
Mar 7	Charley Cox
Mar 9	Delton Brown
Mar 10	Joey Evans
Mar 15	Mary Verzwylvet
Mar 17	Betty Woods
Mar 19	John Alexander
Mar 25	Dalton Gray
Mar 30	Stacy Dartlon

EVENT INFORMATION

CHARITY TRAIL RIDE

SATURDAY, APRIL 2, 10 a.m.

(Lunch and Cake Auction Included)

Collins Natural Horsemanship

151 Scuppernong Road, Dubach LA 71235

\$10 for overnight boarding

\$10/single person or \$20/family

If questions, contact Dave Collins at 318-255-2150
or <mailto:mail@collinsnaturalhorsemanship.com>

La MFTHBA TRAIL RIDE

FRIDAY-SATURDAY, APRIL 8-9

This is the annual spring trail ride at the **Roaring Creek** campground at Forest Hill LA. Friday night will include dinner by Jimmy and Peggy. On Saturday will be the trail ride.

SEMINAR ON SHOWING

SATURDAY, APRIL 16

This will be a seminar for a limited number of participants that will be geared towards covering the aspects of showing MFTHs for novice or amateurs interested in horse showing. There will be work in the arena with your horse and cover various topics, including gaits! First-come first-served! Please contact Lyn Dousay at 318-729-4692 to sign up, also if you will need a hook up for Friday night. More details will be forthcoming.



CLASSIFIEDS

STALLION SERVICE

Registered MFT Cloud's Country Gentleman, "**Son of Black Cloud.**" Chestnut sorrel, 15 hands. \$150/\$5 mare care. **Robert Johnson**, Oakdale LA, 318-335-0527.

FOR SALE

Registered MFT Mare, 10-year-old Black & White Tobiano. Cajun War Dance/Miss Winning Color breeding. Bred to **Cloud's Country Gentleman**, 2/18/2011. **Robert Johnson**, Oakdale LA, 318-335-0527.

Season's Greetings from
Louisiana MFTHBA Chapter
(Article sent to *The Journal*, January 2011)



Above: Susan Batson reading a "special" poem. Below: Jim Sullivan, past president; Lynn and Tammy Dousay, newly elected president and first lady; and Clellie Batson

The Louisiana Chapter of the MFTHBA held its annual Christmas celebration on December 11 at the Piccadilly Cafeteria in Monroe. A wonderful time was had by all and Susan Batson read a Christmas poem during which time gifts moved around the circle. Lots of nice horsey gifts were received!

Lynn Dousay will take over the reins of the chapter beginning in January 2011, while Ken Kutter and Buddy Savage remain vice president and secretary/treasurer, respectively. Daniel Smith and Ann Currie joined Clellie Batson as board members, for the next three years, and Susan Clow became the newsletter publisher for 2011. We welcome any interested persons from Louisiana and the surrounding states. All contact information and news can be obtained from the club's web site: <http://www.lafoxtrotters.com>

Wishing everyone a happy and safe 2011—and happy riding!!

2011 MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION

Name	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text"/>
Address	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text"/>
Phone	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text"/>
E-mail	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text"/>
Web Address	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text"/>
<p>Single Membership (\$10) <input style="width: 150px;" type="text"/></p> <p>Family Membership (\$20) <input style="width: 150px;" type="text"/></p> <p>Family Members (Name/Birthday – month & day only)</p> <p><input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/></p> <p><input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/></p> <p><input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/></p> <p><input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/></p> <p><input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/></p>	

SURVEY

How many ride? How many horses do you have?

Do you have a meeting preference on location, day, and time? If so, please specify:

Do you participate in **Facebook** and want a chapter organization page?

What are your interests and would participate in?

<input type="checkbox"/> horse shows	<i>help</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>show</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<input type="checkbox"/> play days	<i>help</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>ride</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<input type="checkbox"/> seminars/workshops	<i>help</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>teach</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>ride</i> <input type="checkbox"/>
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<input type="checkbox"/> club trip to attend the Ava shows/Southern Classic					
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify)					<input style="width: 150px;" type="text"/>

Comments:

Form can be filled out on screen and printed. Please mail the form and fee to:

Buddy Savage, PO Box 123, Collingston LA 71229

If you are already a member and want to send in new information, make changes, fill out the survey, and/or share an opinion, please fill out the form (Word or PDF) and e-mail to

Susan Clow, susan@ksclow.net, or mail to 3391 Hwy 552, Downsville LA 71234