



## President's Message

Dear Piedmont Friends,

I am honored once again to "take the reins" as President of the Piedmont PFHA. Piedmont is my home so to speak, growing up in the region, showing and participating in Piedmont events since 1982. The region and its members are very special to me, and it is with great pride that I serve the Piedmont family.

As you can see, we have brought back the newsletter to keep the members informed. Amy Marlowe has graciously accepted this endeavor and has created this wonderful new template. We are always open for ideas and content to be shared with members.

I and my fellow Board members are excited about the future of Piedmont and have been working to plan the events for the year. It is our goal to unite our members with fun events throughout the entire year. There are multiple clinics planned for each month with a variety of topics. Also, plans are well under way for our first show of the year, the Carolina Classic, in Clemson, SC April 22 & 23. Be sure to check out the events column and mark your calendars, you won't want to miss all the fun!

We are excited to unveil a brand new website! Our Treasurer and Marketing chairperson, Amy Estridge, has done an outstanding job on the new website. The new site will provide members with helpful information including the Piedmont committees. I encourage you to get involved and let us know a committee that you may like to participate with. There is also current information regarding the Piedmont Futurity which is a great program where owners have the opportunity to win money with their Futurity nominated horses.

Piedmont members, I am grateful for your loyalty and membership. I am grateful to our past leaders for the time and dedication they have devoted to Piedmont. I am also grateful to the current board and committee members that are serving along side me. I want each of you to know that I am here to lead, nurture, and grow this wonderful group - please do not hesitate to contact me with your ideas, comments, and concerns.

Thank You,  
Shaw Laney

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[LINK TO PIEDMONT  
PFHA SITE](#)



## Upcoming Events

**April 22 - 23, 2023**

### **Carolina Classic Horse Show - Save the Date!**

T Ed Garrison Livestock Arena

Featuring:

- One show each day with one judge
- Paso Fino "AP" show each day
- Rocky Mountain Horse "B" show each day
- Progressive barn party (Friday evening)
- Exhibitor dinner (Saturday evening)
- Membership meeting
- Show Clinic and Q & A with Piedmont region trainers (Friday evening)
- Trail riding all weekend on the public trails adjoining the facility

**May 20, 2023**

### **Summer Celebration Open Gaited Horse Show**

Lone Hickory Arena, Yadkinville, NC

Classes for all gaited horses, beginner and novice riders, schooling horses, all ages and experience levels welcome. Formal show attire not required except for the sanctioned Rocky Mtn. Horse Association classes. (B show)

There will also be trainers on hand from the Piedmont PFHA to offer tutorials and coaching for exhibitors upon request

Contact Milda Minter, pasofinotrainer@gmail.com, 336-225-0214, for more information

**June 16-18, 2023**

### **Piedmont Classic/Asheville Alive**

Western NC Agricultural Center, Fletcher, NC (Asheville)

**\*\*\*Flyer for Carolina Classic and Piedmont Classic are attached to the newsletter.**

## Piedmont Clinics

**April 1, 2023** - Build confidence for you and your horse through a deeper connection. Whether you do obstacles, trail rides, or show, you and your horse will benefit from this clinic. One day clinic hosted by clinicians Vickie McQuinn and Johnny Lanier of De Los Mejores Ranch in Kershaw, SC. There will be a limited number of horses so reserve your spot early. Cost \$35 for Piedmont members with a horse and \$45 for non-Piedmont members with a horse. All proceeds go to the Piedmont PFHA.

Contact: Vickie McQuinn (559) 355-0177

**Friday, April 21 - (At Carolina Classic Show)** Trail Horse Clinic and Testing, at T Ed Garrison Arena, Clemson, SC.

Trail Horse Clinic starting at 8am, testing to begin at 2pm conducted by Rick Shaffer from Somerset, PA.

Trail Horse Testing is a program sanctioned by the PFHA but is open to all breeds, gaited or trotting.

Limited spots are available for the clinic and testing.

Contact Milda Minter, pasofinotrainer@gmail.com, 336-225-0214, for info or to reserve a spot

**June 3-4, 2023** -Youth clinic hosted by Cedar Lane Stables in Enoree, SC. Learn training techniques and tips from trainer and judge, Shaw Laney. This is a two day clinic for all youth riders. Cost is free to all youth riders. Contact: Shaw Laney (864) 706-8030

**Later part of July 2023 - Date TBD** Come enjoy the beautiful North Carolina mountains at Rio Nueve Paso Fino Farm in Fleetwood, NC. This clinic will cover everything from working with the young horses to creating a finished horse. Bring your own horse and get training tips or come and audit. Limited spaces available, so reserve early. Cost is \$35 for Piedmont members with a horse and \$50 for non-Piedmont members with a horse. \$20 to Audit. All proceeds go to the Piedmont PFHA.

Contact: Mindy Ashley (828) 443-4610 or Vickie McQuinn (559) 355-0177



# Youth Opportunities

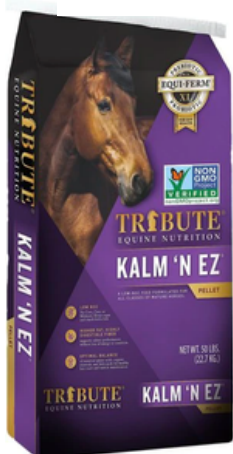


## ATTENTION TRIBUTE FEED USERS!!

Please help us raise money for the youth scholarship fund! Our club gets 25¢ for every proof of purchase label that we save from any Tribute feed. Many of our members use Kalm-N-EZ, Kalm Ultra, Essential K, or Growth feed.

Any Tribute feed bag has a proof of purchase label (on newer bag style, this is at the top right side of the bag; on older style bags, it is on the back at bottom right side). All you need to do is cut the labels out and save them. You can turn them in to the youth committee at any Piedmont event this year.

The youth scholarship committee thanks you in advance for helping us in this easy way to raise funds for our scholarship program that benefits Piedmont youth members.



## Your Input needed!

There will be a PFHA zoom meeting on a Saturday, January 29th. Our Piedmont delegate, Penny Taylor, will be representing us. There are 2 items that will be voted on. Please click the link below to submit your thoughts...

[PFHA Candidate & Rule Change Vote Link](#)

## PFHA News



Annual Board of Directors and Membership Meeting  
January 28 @ 10:00 am – 5:00 pm

Judges & Stewards Clinic 2023  
February 25 @ 8:00 am –  
February 26 @ 5:00 pm  
United Paso Fino  
3600 SE HWY 42,  
Summerfield, FL 34491

# Piedmont Futurity

Founded in 1992, the Piedmont Breeders' Futurity includes the top stallions in the Paso Fino Breed. The Piedmont Futurity has become a showcase for the offspring of these top stallions. For a one time fee, owners enter their stallions into the Breeders' Futurity. Any foals out of these Stallions can then be registered with the Piedmont Futurity at a small fee with multiple opportunities to win cash prizes. Over \$250,000 has been awarded since the first class in 1993.

All Piedmont Futurity registered offspring of a nominated stallion are eligible to compete for prize money as a yearling in Bella Forma and as a four year old under saddle in the Pleasure, Performance and Fino Divisions. All geldings have an additional bonus to compete as five year olds.

Piedmont Futurity classes will be held at Asheville Alive, featuring these 15 stallions with current eligible offspring ages 1-5 years:

- Argumento de United
- Dali
- Dulce Sueno de Lusitania
- El Jefe de la Nube
- El Zafiro de Trillador
- Gamin Elegante
- Navegante de Isla
- Prestigio de La Querencia
- Prometido de Selecta
- Pyrianos Boogie Woogie
- Replica de HH
- Rufian LM
- Samaritano de Selecta
- Torrente de la Katrina
- Vivaldi de Besilu

To learn more about the Piedmont Futurity, other eligible stallions, or to nominate your stallions or their offspring, contact Candy Hurd at [ducktownfarms@aol.com](mailto:ducktownfarms@aol.com), or 423-914-1501.

## Newly Elected Piedmont Officers

**President - Shaw Laney**  
**Vice President - Penny Taylor**  
**Treasurer - Amy Estridge**  
**Secretary - Julie Aldred**  
**Director- Johnny Lanier**  
**Director - Candy Hurd**  
**Director - TBD**



[LINK TO PIEDMONT PFHA SITE](#)

## Resources and Links

- [PFHA FORMS](#)
- [SAFESPORT](#)
- [PFHA RULE BOOK](#)
- [TACK GUIDE](#)
- [PFHA WEBSITE LINK](#)

## Feature Farm

# Tuckaway Farm

CESE & PAT FIGUEROA

Cese and Pat Figueroa have owned and operated Tuckaway Farm in Landrum, SC since 1994. Cese began training horses in his hometown of Vieques, Puerto Rico and then moved to the United States, working farms across the country from Florida to Texas. Pat grew up in Miami, Florida working with Paso's, which is how she met Cese. Their love of the Paso, and unique training techniques, combined to build the successful farm that we know today.

Tuckaway Farm is a full service training facility that offers horse consultations, training of all breeds for trail & show, clinics, and riding lessons for all ages. They have trained quarter horses, walking horses and Paso Finos. Their clients have collectively won more ribbons and trophies than could ever be counted, including Grand Championships in youth and amateur-owner classes over many years.

Cese is a PFHA Hall of Fame trainer and Pat has a background in Saddleseat and Western. He and Pat are both PFHA trainers of the year. They have trained many Grand Champion Paso Fino horses, including "Pasion", a Fino Mare who won the Fino Championship when Stallions and Mares competed as one. Cese and Pat have trained multiple "Horses of the Year" and are known today for their honesty, integrity, and hard work. These two work hard every day to promote the Paso Fino horse and exhibit the natural smooth gait that we have all come to love.

Scrolling through their FB page, you can see the passion, not only in their eyes, but in their clients' as well. Love for the Paso is evident on their faces! Thanks Cese and Pat for being our first "Featured Farm!"

[TUCKAWAY PASO FINO FACEBOOK LINK](#)

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!!!

Todd, Sarah, and  
Talia Green

Eric, Karla, Delilah,  
Fury, and Lilu  
Baltazar



# Sales Listings

This section will be dedicated to any sales listings that Piedmont members want posted. This can be tack, horses, services, etc. If you have something that you would like listed here, please send all information to Amy Marlowe at [amynmarlowe@gmail.com](mailto:amynmarlowe@gmail.com).

Please include pictures, any relevant information, contact information, price. You may wish to include a link to an online post, Facebook listing, etc. so that they can access more information.



## EXAMPLES FOR REFERENCE ONLY!

Deadline for information to be included in the February edition of the Piedmont Newsletter is Friday, February 10th. Email details to: [amynmarlowe@gmail.com](mailto:amynmarlowe@gmail.com) or [cedarlane@prtcnet.net](mailto:cedarlane@prtcnet.net)



# COME RIDE WITH PIEDMONT!

## **CAROLINA CLASSIC, APRIL 22 & 23, 2023**

T. ED GARRISON ARENA, PENDLETON, SC (CLEMSON)

One show each day with one judge

Paso Fino "AP" show each day

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## **PIEDMONT CLASSIC/ASHEVILLE ALIVE, JUNE 16-18**

WESTERN NC AGRICULTURAL CENTER, FLETCHER, NC (ASHEVILLE)

- Two "AP" shows with one judge each
- Friday, June 16, one show with combined classes
- Sat-Sun, June 17-18, one show with split classes
- Piedmont Futurity classes throughout the weekend
- Saturday evening championship session
- Charity show to benefit Autism Awareness
- Fun activities all weekend for all youth



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PASO FINO HORSE ASSOCIATION

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