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QUALIFICATION SUMMARY

30+ years experience with horses. Includes work in breeding, training, lessons and commercial trail experiences. English and Western disciplines. Current focus in breeding, training and promoting the Mangalarga Marchador in the United States. Currently competing in working equitation at the local and regional level. Participation and competition in Mangalarga events across the U.S. including New Jersey, Montana, Arizona and Colorado. Participation in events in Brazil with various breeders across several states. Attendance at the ABCCMM National Show including riding several winners and meeting with their trainers and owners. Participation in promotional events such as The Main Event in Scottsdale, AZ.

Owner and manager of successful equine business for over 10 years. Have served as project manager with budgetary and contractual responsibilities for large corporate projects at multiple health care organizations. Extensive knowledge in general and financial software applications. Served as manager and promoter of local horse shows.

Currently serving as the Southwest Regional Director with both Inspection and Community events in 2025/2026.

MANGALARGA MARCHADOR SPECIFIC EXPERIENCE

- Currently own 6 Mangalarga Marchadors

Breeder 8 years

- Two standing stallions
- Four broodmares
- Focus on improving genetics with each new generation
- Focus on improving gait and confirmation with each new generation
- Excited to breed "pampas" with great looks and temperaments

Training

- We train all of our Mangalarga Marchadors from birth through adulthood
- We offer training including starting young horses and tune-ups for older horse
- We offer training for competition in Working Equitation as well as all around trail and arena work
- We prepare both our own horses and those of others to complete the ABCCMM inspection process

Lessons

- We specialize in riding lessons using Mangalarga Marchadors
- We offer both adult and youth lessons
- We work with clients of all ages to trial and purchase the perfect Mangalarga Marchador for them
- We work diligently to encourage youth riders and to grow the next generation of Mangalarga Marchador owners and riders
- We offer summer camps for both existing and new students using Mangalarga Marchadors to highlight this amazing breed

Competitions/Events

- Competing in Level I and Level II in Working Equitation
- Reserve Champion AZWEC (Arizona Working Equitation Club) Open/Professional rider with one of the only Stallions competing.
- We work with students to prepare for working equitation competitions at multiple levels
- Champion and reserve champion youth rider students multiple years
- Host Mangalarga Marchador clinics with both Brazilian and U.S. clinicians
- Partner with Summerwind Marchadors on clinics and fundraising efforts for various events
- Sponsor for both Mangalarga Marchador Events and general All Breed Events to promote Mangalarga Marchadors at all breed events
- Work as Southwest Regional Director to obtain sponsors and funding for events held in our region

ADDITION EQUINE EXPERIENCE

Silver Stables, LLC/Silverwind Marchadors, LLC

1/14-Present

Owner/Operator

- Horse board/care – active facility averaging 18-20 full time horses
- Horseback riding lessons – primarily focused on Working equitation
- Retirement care for older horses
- Horse training – focused on preparing young Mangalarga Marchadors for definitive inspection and careers in the show ring
- Horse conditioning – exercise and rehab riding as well as preparing adult horses for new careers with first time horse owners
- Breeding/Foaling/Brood mare care
- Horse sales/leasing
- Manage/host horse shows and clinics

Wigwam Stables

8/93-8/95

Trail Guide

- Lead guided trail rides
- Team driving (hay rides)
- Assist in "Cowboy Cookout" experience (games/serving)
- Horse training/evaluation for trail suitability

Rocking T Ranch

Exerciser/ranch hand

- Brood mare conditioning
- Round pen/ground work of foals
- Cleaning/Care of horses

CLUBS/ORGANIZATIONS

USMMA SW Regional Director - Current

USMMA Lifetime Member since 2015

AZWEC – Current Member

4-H 1990-1991

EDUCATION

Equine Science

Scottsdale Community College

900 E Chaparral Rd

Scottsdale, AZ 85246

2016

MBA – Software Systems Emphasis

Grand Canyon University

3300 W Camelback Rd

Phoenix, AZ 85017

2012

B.S., Software Engineering

Colorado Technical University

4435 N. Chestnut Street, Suite E

Colorado Springs, CO 80907

2007

ASN, Nursing

Glendale Community College

2002