Hello Everyone,

Thank you to all who have joined the CT Horse Council for 2014. A reminder for those that have not paid their dues – please take the time to send in your dues. The 2014 application is on pages 39-40 of this newsletter. Thank you in advance for your continued support.

Our supporting organizations and business members are listed on pages 33-38 and are also posted up on our website.

Have a fun and safe Summer!

Attention All Trail Riders – A friendly reminder to “Share the Trail” and use trail etiquette, respect the trails and other people out on the trails. Please clean up at trail heads and on well used trails and Greenways. Please be very diligent about beach rides and picnic areas.

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Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan Committee
Hello everyone,

I don’t know all of you personally, but I do appreciate the support you give to the Connecticut Horse Council (CHC), thank you. I would also like to thank the Officers and Board of Directors for their time, dedication and effort to help further the programs and mission of the CHC. Special thanks also go out to Diane Ciano and Meg Sautter, and all the others that have helped make the Volunteer Horse Patrol (VHP) so successful for the past 11 years. It has only been through the hard work and support of the members, that we have been able to accomplish what we have.

The end of 2013 and the first half of 2014 brought us a Supreme Court decision and legislation regarding our “vicious horses”. Basically the Supreme Court determined that horses by nature are mischievous and have a propensity to bite, and threw the case back to the lower court to render a decision in this particular case. Fortunately, with legislation proposed by Governor Malloy and wording suggested by Doug Dubitsky, Public Act 14-54 AN ACT CONCERNING THE LIABILITY OF OWNERS AND KEEPERS OF DOMESTICATED HORSES, PONIES, DONKEYS AND MULES was recently signed into law and went into effect immediately. This will keep horses from being judged as a species and allow each case to be judged on an individual basis.

Other bills the CHC has followed were the “Vulnerable User Bill”, a horse tax exemption bill and several bills related to the protection and funding of our State Forests and Parks. Both the “Vulnerable User” and tax bill passed and have been signed by the Governor. They are Public Acts 14-31 and 14-33 and both go into effect October 1, 2014. The only drawback of the tax exemption bill is that it has to be done by each municipality and I suggest that you approach your respective town governments to encourage them to vote for the exemption. The other bills either died in committee or never made it past the public hearing.

If you are interested in the final versions of the passed bills you can go to http://www.cga.ct.gov/ click on legislative and do a search for HB 5044, SB 336 and HB 5057, just enter the bill number.

One last thing, often we receive complaints from individuals and organizations regarding trail etiquette. Some regard rudeness of people on horseback and other issues, but most are about manure left on the trails as we ride. Recently we received a complaint about manure being left on a portion of the Hop River Trail and the person was offended by what she thought was a significant number of piles she observed. I would like to remind everyone that we do share the trails with other users and we need to be aware of what our horses may be leaving behind. As horse owners we may not think of this as a major issue, but if not corrected it could lead to us being banned from using some of the trails we have come to enjoy and love. Please do your part and either curb it or kick it, as Diane recently coined.

Please feel free to contact me at president@cthorsecouncil.org if you have any questions, need help with a zoning or other issues, or need additional information.

Fred Mastele, President
Hello to All,

Extensive work was done at the Lost Silver Mine Horse Camp in Natchaug State Forest. The campsites were enlarged and fill was placed on the camp sites. We also installed 24 picnic tables on the sites and in the common area. The camp looks great and more work is coming to install new toilets, mounting ramp, hitching posts (Natchaug & Goodwin), fixing the broken kiosk, trail maps, putting up road signs at crossings, gates and a couple of pull through parking sites!

Additional donations from individuals and organizations are needed to create the pull through parking as our grant money will have been spent and we have limited money left to put in the 5-6 sites that we had planned for. The material and labor is very costly to do this.

Send your donations to CHC P.O. Box 57, Durham, CT 06422-0057

Write: LSMHC Donation on Check Memo.

Thank you to Donna Tommelleo 25 Sarah Pearl Rd., Hampton – from Hampton Hill Farm $50.00 Donation to CHC-VHP for work done on the LSMHC.

And finally … the last page of this CHC Trails newsletter is a reminder on Trail Etiquette. We all have to be aware of shared trail use and how it reflects upon all. There has been several complaints about the horse manure left on the Hop River Trail and the Airline Greenways. These are well used trails by other user groups that do not appreciate what our horses leave behind. Please make all equestrians that you encounter aware of the effect it has on the horse community and remind all to Curb It or Kick It!

HAPPY TRAILS
Diane Ciano
Meg Sautter
A Big Thank you to following the 9 Volunteer Horse Patrol members who volunteered a total of 97 hours to the Lost Silver Mine Horse Camp - cleaning & clearing the camp, enlarging the sites & installing 24 picnic tables. Diane & Denise Ciano, Gary Rutkauskas, Meg Sautter, Cat & Bruce Wilder, Kowboy Ken Forcier, Vevette Greenberg & Linda Wenner.
Welcome to the Bridle Path Conservancy (BPC) BBQ Ride
Saturday, August 23, 2014

Please join the BPC and our sister club, the Lower Connecticut River Valley Horsemen's Club, for a day of trail riding in Cockaponset State Forest, Deep River, CT including a catered BBQ lunch. Help us celebrate 10 years of the BPC and the establishment of the Quinimay Trail! Two routes will be available and riders of all abilities are welcome. Event will take place rain or shine.

Location: 98 Stevenstown Road, Deep River, CT http://mapq.st/1gnzA4r

Ride-Out Time: First riders out at 10:00 a.m.; last riders out by 10:30 a.m.

Lunch Served: 12:30 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Cost: $25 per rider

Registration: On line - www.bpconservancy.org
If sending a check, please make payable to "Bridle Path Conservancy" with "BBQ Ride" in the memo line. Send to PO Box 835, Killingworth, CT, 06419.

Registration is not complete until payment has been received.

Registration Deadline: Friday, August 15, 2014 (unless maximum number of allowable riders is reached earlier) - Maximum Number of Riders: 50

Note: Trailer parking is in a field; there is no paved parking available.

Participation Requirements:
- Negative Coggins test and valid Rabies certificate (current within one year of event date; Please e-mail in advance to contactus@bpconservancy.org)
- Helmets and proper footwear
- Safety vests are recommended but not required
- Reflective vests are recommended but not required
- Please bring your own chairs for lunch

Questions?: Contact Chuck Sharples, 860-663-8099 or charlessharplessbcglobal.net

Ride Options
Two ride options will be available. Riders of all abilities are welcomed on either, but we ask you to specify which one is of most interest so that we may be sure to have enough guides available.

Option #1: Guided ride on the Quinimay Trail (9 miles, approximately 2 hours). The Quinimay Trail is located in Cockaponset State Forest and extends through the towns of Westbrook, Deep River, Chester and Higganum, CT. For more information about the trail, please visit http://www.bpconservancy.org/Quinimay.htm.

Option #2: Self-guided ride through Weber Woods (multiple routes of varying lengths available; 1-2 hours). Weber Woods is also located in Cockaponset State Forest, in the town of Westbrook, CT. For more information about the trail, please visit http://www.ct.gov/deep/lib/deep/stateparks/maps/cockaponsetweber.pdf. Trails are blazed and copies of maps will be available at registration.
At our June meeting, Representative Debra Lee Hovey announced that she would not be running for re-election and her last day in office will be January 6, 2015. She reassured us that she would continue to advocate for equestrian use and that it was important that equestrians continue to contact their own representatives and ask them to “co-sponsor” and “raise bills” that pertain to our industry, in particular trail preservation, especially when large development is happening.

A discussion of what equestrians can do included proposing to local planning and zoning commissions to recognize as much as possible contiguous trails for passive recreation in the Town’s Master Plan and to provide protection for private property trails in Subdivision Regulations is a proactive approach to saving trails. Several ‘smart growth model towns’ utilize Open Space funds collected from developers and put aside these monies, along with state grants to purchase property to protect strategic trails and open space elsewhere. By volunteering on your local planning & zoning commission or attending meetings, you can help to preserve trails and open space in your town.

She also encouraged the EAC and equestrian community to work to gain accessibility to utility and water company lands, as has been previously addressed in the past by the Bethany Horsemen over 20 years ago and to use this “model” and other success stories for opening more lands to equestrian use. She recommended that EAC give recognition to the person(s) responsible.

Representative Debra Lee also announced to the EAC that her colleague, Representative Laura Hoydick of Stratford will continue to advocate for the equine community in Hartford.

**Salmon River State Forest:** EAC will continue its efforts to work with the DOT and DEEP in opening the Comstock Bridge for handicap accessibility that will also benefit equestrian’s ability to utilize the bridge to safely connect the two sides of the forest. CHC-VHP member, Ginger Tullai will be working on marking a trails system at Salmon River State Forest and the connection to Day Pond State Park. It was noted that DEEP map needs to be worked on further regarding the trail systems and connecting multiple use trails to both areas.

**Volunteer Horse Patrol Report:** Diane reported on the 11 year statistics of the Volunteer Horse Patrol. The total savings of our 11 years in volunteer service hours is **$584,532**! The 11 year totals include **14,779 Patrols, 29,976 Patrol Hours** with **5,929 Trail Maintenance Hours**.

**Natchaug State Forest – Lost Silver Mine Horse Camp:** Diane reported that CHC is very pleased and appreciative of Laurie Giannotti –DEEP Trails Coordinator along with Tom Nosal of the DEEP who has been working with CHC in creating a trail map of the yellow diamond trails (5-10 & 15 mile loop) of the trail systems in Natchaug & Goodwin Forests. A report was submitted to the Council on the work that has been completed at the camp. CHC is waiting on the toilets to be installed to continue further work at the camp.
Hop River Greenway: There was discussion on several complaints over the past two years sent to DEEP regarding significant number of piles of manure left in the middle of the trail, in particular the Shoddy Mill Rd. area and earlier reports on the covered bridge that seem to offend other user groups. Signage at trail heads, kiosks and along trails such as this one and the Airline was discussed. The CHC will look into having signs made "Help Preserve Equestrian Use of Trails" with the slogan: “Curb It or Kick It.”

ATV Usage Report: Ginger reported on ATV usage. Day Pond/Comstock area is showing moderate use with new trails made as well as in Wopowog WMA. She also reported a fire still smoldering that she had to put out at Machimoodus SP. She followed the ATV tracks around the park and they ended up exiting/entering thru Sunrise Resort SP. Another property that has been reported to have heavy ATV use and damage and erosion is Babcock WMA.

River Council of Governments (COG) & Bridle Path Conservancy (BPC) – The CHC was contacted by the River COG for information on trail systems within their region for future planning. This region consists of the 17 towns of Chester, Clinton, Cromwell, Deep River, Durham, East Haddam, East Hampton, Essex, Haddam, Killingworth, Lyme, Middlefield, Middletown, Lyme, Old Saybrook, Portland and Westbrook.

Trish Panico, President of the BPC attended a meeting of mixed user groups to locate any trails in the region and any input on trails that should be highlighted for use. She is encouraging local equestrians in these towns to add any trails they might know to the project for future preservation. Persons with trail info can contact Trish at trishpanico@gmail.com

CT Forest & Park Association (CFPA) – The EAC is waiting on a representative replacement on the Council.

The next meeting of the EAC will be Thursday, September 18th at the Northeast Utilities meeting room located at 3333 Berlin Tpke., Newington, CT at 6:30 pm. All are welcome to attend

ABOUT THE EAC COUNCIL:

The Council was established on May 22, 2007 by Public Act 07-42 to assist the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection with issues related to the preservation of equine trails in the state.

Membership: The council consists of the president of the Connecticut Horse Council and five representatives from organizations that serve the horse industry within each congressional district statewide in addition to one member of the Connecticut Forests and Parks Association, appointed by the minority leader of the Senate.

Goals:

1. Promote equestrian use on public lands.
2. Preserve, maintain and restore existing trails.
3. Promote the development of new “Multi-Use” trails.
4. Document and create maps for trails used by equestrians.

2014 Meeting Schedule:
The EAC will meet at the Northeast Utilities meeting room located at 3333 Berlin Tpke, Newington, CT from 6:30–9 PM on the following Thursdays: March 20, June 19, September 18, December 18. The public is welcomed.

For more information please visit the EAC website: http://www.ct.gov/deep/eac
Trail Etiquette

Be an educated participant.

With the high demand for multiple trail use, be responsible for the passing of good will towards all that may come in contact with a horse and rider. On well used multiple trails, consider both you and your horse's experience and ability. Green trail horses and inexperienced riders do not belong on trails where other user's safety may be at risk. It takes only one bad experience for people to concern themselves with encountering horses on the trails.

- Do not cross private property without permission.
- Respect property owners. Make sure that "you" have their permission to ride on or cross over their land. Do not gallop across open fields, leaving hoof prints behind or destroying crops. Use common sense and stay to the edges. Again, it takes one bad experience to ruin it for everyone else.
- Protect our environment.
- Stay on the trail; never cut switchbacks
- Avoid using trails when harmful conditions exist (mud season)
- Avoid bringing your horse in bodies of water for a "swim"
- Water crossings should be made where there are safe footings and avoid muddy bottom crossings whenever possible.
- Cross tie your horse between trees to avoid damage caused by chewing and rubbing.
- Be aware and sensitive about "road apples"
- Train your horse to curb off to the side of the trail
- Keep your horse moving rather than leaving the whole load in one spot
- In some cases, on well used multiple use trails and Greenways, it's a good idea to dismount and move the manure over to the side, or go back & clean up.
- Be aware of what you may leave behind, that others will see. Clean up after yourself and your horse at your break or lunch stops and your horse trailer at the trailhead.
Horse Owner’s Corner: Heat Stress: Too Hot to Trot?
Dr. Jenifer Nadeau, Equine Extension Specialist, UConn; Education Committee Chair

During hot summer weather, heat should be a concern for horse owners. Horse owners need to provide extra care during hot weather to decrease stress and maintain the health and well being of their horses.

Normally, the horse cools itself by sweating. Heat is lost and the body cools as sweat evaporates from the skin’s surface. Less moisture evaporation occurs in times of high humidity, causing the cooling mechanism to become less efficient. Some horses are anhydrotic, meaning they have little or no ability to produce sweat. These horses are prime candidates for heat stress. Below is a table that will help horse owners determine when it is too hot to work a horse. If humidity is more than 75%, heat stress is a likely result due to inability to sweat regardless of ambient temperature.

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Common terms for horse overheating include hyperthermia, heat exhaustion, heat cramps, heatstroke or sunstroke. Explanations of the signs associated with each are listed below:

- **Hyperthermia or overheating** in the horse is due to a disturbance in the heat regulating mechanism of the horse’s body that can result from hot weather, high humidity, poor stable ventilation, prolonged exposure to direct sunlight, excessive work, transportation, or obesity. Some signs of overheating include muscle tremors, profuse sweating, collapse, dark urine, dull expression and behavior, dark mucus membranes, and slow capillary refill.

- **Heat exhaustion** will cause the horse’s temperature to rise to 105-109° F, the pulse rate to rise to 50 to 100 beats per minute, and the respiration rate to rise to more than 30 breaths per minute. Normal vital signs of the horse include a temperature of 99.5 – 101.5° F, pulse rate of 28-44 beats per minute, and a respiration rate of 8-20 breaths per minute.

- **Heat cramps** are most commonly found in horses that are sweating profusely while doing hard work in intense heat. Signs of heat cramps include spasms of the abdomen and/or legs, muscle twitching and cramping of the muscles. These occur due to a loss of electrolytes (i.e. severe salt loss).

- **Heatstroke or sunstroke** is more serious. Horses undergoing prolonged hard or fast work during hot weather, horses exposed to direct sunlight without shade, young, poorly conditioned horses, and horses with long hair coats are susceptible to heatstroke or sunstroke. Signs of heatstroke or sunstroke are rapid breathing, weakness, incoordination, and refusal to work. Body temperature can increase to 106–110° F, sweating stops, and the skin dries. Prolonged exposure to high temperatures also results in dilation of surface blood vessels. When dilation occurs without an increase in blood volume, circulatory collapse, delirium, and convulsions may also occur. Death can occur within a few hours if the horse is not cooled and does not receive emergency veterinary care.
Treatments for these conditions include:

- For **heat exhaustion** and **heatstroke**, the horse should be sprayed with cool water and moved to a shady area or cool, well-ventilated barn.
- For **heatstroke**, ice packs should be placed on the horse’s head and large blood vessels on the inside of its legs.
- For **heat cramps**, the horse should be cooled, rubbed down, and given electrolytes.

For **overheating** the horse owner should use fans, allow the horse to have a few swallows of cool, clean, fresh water every few minutes, and call a veterinarian because the horse may need to receive intravenous administration of fluids.

Ideally, overheating would not occur in the first place. Prevention of overheating includes:

- removing blankets or sheets from stabled horses during extreme heat
- clipping horses with long hair
- providing adequate ventilation in stables
- using fans in barns or stalls
- sprinkling the aisle of the barn with water to aid in cooling in areas of low humidity
- providing shade for all outside horses
- consider feeding fat as an energy source. One study examined the effect of feeding 10% corn oil (a fat source) and 3% soybean meal instead of 13% of the cracked corn ration in the control diet. Using fat as an energy source produces less metabolic heat for the energy produced when compared to carbohydrate as the energy source. This results in the horse having less heat to dissipate.
- replacing electrolytes after physical exertion, since sodium, potassium, calcium and chlorine are lost in the urine and sweat. Loss of electrolytes can lead to metabolic problems, a decrease in the thirst response, and loss of interest in eating and drinking. A simple source of these electrolytes is feeding a 2-ounce mixture of 3 parts lite salt (potassium chloride), and 1 part limestone on a daily basis. This is also a good source of sodium.
- providing plenty of clean, fresh water. At 0°F, the horse will drink about 1 pint of water per pound of dry feed consumed and this increases to 1 gallon of water per pound of dry feed consumed at 100°F
- properly conditioning horses
- limiting strenuous riding to late evenings or early mornings when the temperature is lower and following the guidelines above
- walking a hot horse which protects against placing a horse in an area void of airflow where sweat will not undergo convection and evaporation
- transporting horses at cool times of the day and providing them with adequate ventilation in the trailer
- using the skin pinch test to determine if a horse is properly hydrated. To do this, a section of skin on the neck or shoulder is pinched. The skin should recoil in 1-2 seconds in a normally hydrated horse. A delay indicates some dehydration.

Four common myths have also been found in previous equine publications. Each of these misconceptions prevents the overheated horse from cooling off properly. They are:

1) “Never let a horse drink more than one or two swallows of water at a time.” This comes from the belief that allowing a hot horse to consume unrestricted amounts of water may lead to problems such as colic due to hyperdistension of the stomach. However, a horse’s stomach can hold between 2 and 4 gallons of fluid without being distended, so one or two sips of water at a time is overly restrictive when the hot horse is rapidly losing water and trying to keep itself cool. The horse should therefore be allowed to have a few swallows of cool, clean, fresh water every few minutes.

2) “Never give ice-cold water to a hot horse either inside or out.” The second myth has been the source of controversy over the years because people believed that ice cold water placed on a hot horse’s body will
“shock” the horse’s thermoregulatory system into shutting down blood flow to the skin. This belief has been found to be incorrect based on extensive research conducted during 1995 at the University of Illinois and University of Guelph, and at the 1996 Olympic Summer Games in Atlanta. Researchers proved conclusively that horses working under hot and humid conditions were better able to maintain, or even reduce, core body temperature. Furthermore, after intense exercise, ice water baths caused a decline in heart rate during rest periods when used. Horses were also observed trotting more freely after the baths. Application of cold water to the overheated horses helped to dissipate heat by providing more water to evaporate from the skin, and by direct conduction of the horse’s body heat into the water that runs off the horse, carrying excess heat with it.

3) “Never let a hot horse cool out without a blanket or sheet.” Many people cool out the horse by placing a sheet or blanket on the horse while walking it. Inhibiting the evaporation of water from the skin by using a blanket or sheet is not recommended in hot and humid conditions.

4) “Never let a hot horse cool out in a drafty area.” This comes from the belief that a draft will make the horse susceptible to a “chill”. However, restricting access to moving air during hot and humid conditions makes little sense. Fans work to increase evaporation and dissipate heat by the cooling process known as convection. Misting fans take advantage of the additional cooling property of blowing water onto the horse when its sweat is changing phase from liquid to gas.

Horse owners are capable of preventing overheating. Know how to recognize the signs of overheating and what to do when overheating occur. Be aware of the myths regarding overheating treatments and share correct information with others. Feel free to call or email with any questions you have: (860) 486-4471 or jenifer.nadeau@uconn.edu. Also, check out my web site http://animalscience.uconn.edu/equine/extension/extensionIndex.php for more information on upcoming horse specialist events and information. What topics would you like to see in the horse owner’s corner next month? Send ideas to jenifer.nadeau@uconn.edu. Thanks, and have fun with your horses!

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Carol Birdsey
Membership Chair

Your support is what keeps the Connecticut Horse Council able to fight for the rights of horse owners in the State of Connecticut with trails issues, zoning, and legislative issues.

_Tell a friend about the CHC!_  
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Business Member Directory

CHC would like to encourage horse owners to use the services of our member businesses. This will help our industry to prosper. If your business does not appear here, consider joining CHC so that we may add your listing as well. This information is made available at our trade show booth and on our website.

Note: Listings in our business directory is a service to our members only, and does not necessarily endorse any individual, business, or product.

BECKETT & ASSOCIATES VETERINARY SERVICES LLC.
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Carl Dunham, Jr.
203-648-6782 cmdJr@aol.com

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Specializing in Shoes to Barefoot Transition
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Connecticut Farm Bureau Association is a non-profit, grassroots membership organization dedicated to farming and the future of Connecticut agriculture. Connecticut Farm Bureau advocates and educates on issues that keep farm families producing by focusing on economic viability, land use, labor, taxation and the protection of farmland. Connecticut Farm Bureau's work is vital to providing safe, locally grown, farm-fresh products and a high quality of life for all Connecticut residents. The protection and maintenance of Connecticut's agricultural lands has been a priority of Connecticut Farm Bureau for many years. Public Act 490 and the Farmland Preservation Program are key examples of this effort. Farm Bureau strongly supports and actively works for local, state and national actions to protect our valuable agricultural lands without diminishing the property rights of landowners. 775 Bloomfield Avenue, Windsor, CT 06095-2322 860-768-1100 www.cfba.org
Animal Assisted Therapy Services / Chris Patella  203-804-5343
42 Washington Manor, West Haven  info@animalassistedtherapyservices.org

Carousel Sweets / Ellie Matthews
26 Maple Ave., Thomaston  eellieo@aol.com  203-953-6294

Cedar Knoll Farm, LLC / Terry & Elaine Joseph
57 Kimball Rd., Lisbon  cedarknollfarm@gmail.com  860-376-8110

Crystal Lake Equestrian Center / Brittany Carroll
19 Frary Ave., Meriden  Bcarroll15@gmail.com  203-631-8324

Horse Country Real Estate / Jane-Marie Young
52 Shingle Mill Rd., Salem  jyoungemini@me.com  860-471-2837

Horse Country Real Estate / Shelly Fetterhoff
1025 Grassy Hill Rd., Oakdale  Shelly@horsecountryrealestate.com  860-334-8008

Horse Healing Humans Inc. / Lee Paradis
8 Rocky Hollow Rd., North Stonington  leeparadis@gmail.com  860-460-4107
Killingworth Equestrian Center
558 North Roast Meat Hill Rd., Killingworth

Middlesex Livestock Auction / Lisa Scripo
488 Cherry Hill Rd., Middlefield sscirpo35@comcast.net 860-883-5828

Mbogani Farm / Cheryl Cobb
82 Taylor Rd., Barkhamstead 860-238-7761

Nayaug Stables LLC / Alison Schneider
36 Tryon St., South Glastonbury r.schneider05@snet.net 860-659-9555

Pony Rides LLC & Petting Zoo / Kristin Letsch
9 Wardwell St. Stamford larksdancer@live.com 203-243-0882

Post University Equine Program / Nicole Pascariello
800 Country Club Rd., Waterbury equine@post.edu 203-596-4653

Showtime Stables / Rhea Lynn Distefano
51 Clark gates Rd., Moodus showtimestables1@att.net 860-873-8386

Tanheath Hunt Club – Putnam / Sherri Cloby www.tanheathhunt.com
Susan Boone, MFH: 860-963-9429 boonesusan3@gmail.com

Wildfire Farms Equine Rescue / Lorie Hunt Stacy
62 South Main St., East Granby wildfirefarms@cox.net 860-539-6267

To advertise on our Website and Newsletter, please send your business membership along with your Business card to:
The Connecticut Horse Council, Inc.
P.O. Box 57
Durham, CT 06422-0057
THE CONNECTICUT HORSE COUNCIL, INC.
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION 2014

Membership Classification (Check One)

[ ] Individual $10  [ ] Family $15  [ ] Student $8  [ ] Business or Professional $20

[ ] Club * $20  (1-50)  (51-100)  (101-200)  (201-350)  (351-500)  (500 & up)
1 Delegate  2 Delegates  3 Delegates  4 Delegates  5 Delegates  6 Delegates

*Note: Club Membership is based on the number of club members and number of delegates for voting privileges. Please submit this form with main contact name. Attach listing of additional delegates with name, address, phone & E-mail address.

[ ] NEW  [ ] RENEWAL  Membership decal available  [ ] Static  [ ] Sticker
Check which one you wish to receive with your membership. Additional decals are available for $1.00 each

How did you hear about the CHC?_______________________________________________________

CLUB or BUSINESS NAME (if applicable) ________________________________________________

NAME________________________________________________________

STREET___________________________________________________________________________

CITY / STATE/ ZIP____________________________________________________________________

TELEPHONE________________________EMAIL__________________________________________

NUMBER OF HORSES OWNED:________

AREAS OF INTEREST (Please check all that apply)

[ ] Trails  [ ] Zoning  [ ] Booth  [ ] Legislation  [ ] Website  [ ] Emergency/Disaster Preparedness

[ ] Volunteer Horse Patrol  [ ] Education  [ ] CT Horse 911

I would be willing to serve on a committee of my interest.  [ ] Yes  [ ] No  [ ] More info, please

I would be willing to have my name listed with CHC Connections as a person to contact in an
equency involving horses, or for emergency resources.  [ ] Yes  [ ] No  [ ] More info, please

Please describe resources/services you would be able to provide on the back of this form.

I wish to join The Connecticut Horse Council, Inc.

__________________________________________ Date______________________

Signature

Make checks payable to:
The Connecticut Horse Council, Inc.  Telephone: 860-482-9500
P.O. Box 57  www.ehorsecouncil.org
Durham, CT 06422-0057

(over)
Connecticut Horse Council **Connections** is a volunteer network being developed to provide assistance and resources to our fellow horse owners in the state during times of natural or man-made disasters, or emergency incidents such as fires, loose horses, or trailer accidents. When there is an incident or emergency situation involving horses **Connections** will be a resource for local fire departments, first response dispatchers, and, as they continue to organize, with local CTSART Region Team Leaders. If you choose to participate in **Connections**, CHC will add your name to our list of people who can be contacted when help is needed.

[ ] CHC has my permission to make my name available to my local Fire Department/local Emergency Dispatcher as an experienced horseperson to call in the event of an incident involving horse/s.

My local FD is_________________________ Local Police__________________________

[ ] CHC has my permission to contact me to provide emergency trailering for horse/s.

Type/size of vehicle__________________________________________________________

[ ] CHC has my permission to contact me to provide temporary emergency shelter/housing/paddock space for horses which need to be relocated in emergency situations.

Describe__________________________________________________________

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[ ] CHC has my permission to contact me to provide emergency supplies (feed, bedding, or other) for horses involved in emergency incidents.

Describe__________________________________________________________

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[ ] I am unable to participate at this time but would like to be included in future alerts or mailings.

Although not yet mandated by Connecticut statute, the CT State Animal Response Team regions recognize the needs of large animals. CHC remains committed to assisting the five Region Team Leaders in their efforts to include horses in their disaster response plans.

[ ] Please give me the contact name of my CTSART Region Team Leader so I can contact him/her.

I attest that I am at least 18 years of age and that the information I provide The Connecticut Horse Council, Inc. is true and accurate. I understand that I may, in any particular situation, prudently decline to offer my good faith services. I further understand that The Connecticut Horse Council, Inc. acts only as a conduit for providing this information to individuals and/or organizations for the purpose of emergency response, and CHC is not liable for any injury or misadventure resulting in my volunteer efforts.

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Signature