



Connecticut Horse Council

"Horsemen United in Leadership, Service and Education"

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2019 WINTER NEWSLETTER

HAPPY NEW YEAR !

January is once again time to renew your CT Horse Council membership. We are a non- profit volunteer legislative advocacy group representing all horse interests in CT.

We monitor all issues that have an impact on the horse industry. The Connecticut Horse Council is member supported by individuals and organizations representing every facet of the horse industry including owners, breeders, veterinarians, farriers, breed organizations, horsemen's associations, commercial suppliers and town horse councils. CHC represents equestrian interest with representation on the **Connecticut Greenways Council** and the **Connecticut Equine Advisory Council**. We provide information on Legislation, Road Safety, Trails, Zoning, Barn Fire Training – CT Horse 911, Fire Prevention & Emergency Disaster Preparedness and produce educational brochures for the public. We are an affiliate of the **American Horse Council**, whose primary concern is to oversee federal legislation, including taxes, which affect the horse industry.

CHC has partnered with CT Horse Magazine. Your 2018 CHC membership will include your subscription to the magazine delivered to your address.

As a member you are also available to **purchase the Personal Excess Liability Insurance administered by Equisure, Inc. for Association Resource Group (ARG) and their affiliates** THIS INSURANCE IS EXCESS AND NOT INTENDED TO BE YOUR PRIMARY EQUESTRIAN LIABILITY COVERAGE. The coverage is from January 1st to December 31st 2019, so it is best to send in the annual fee along with your CHC membership dues as early as possible. The insurance is \$19.00 for an individual and \$38.00 for family. **See pages 4-5 for more information**

Our supporting organizations and business members are listed on **20-25** and are also posted up on our website. Club, Organizations, Business & Professional support is only \$40.00 per year - all posted on our web site and in our Newsletters. The CHC membership form is on pages **26-27**. We look forward to helping our communities in all aspects of horse life, education and care. Support your state organization, get up to date information on legislation, policies and more.

The CHC, Inc., can only be as strong as its membership. Please join us and work together to protect your interests for today and tomorrow!

If you have already renewed, thank you for your support.



Want to help out the CT Horse Council? We are a part of [igive.com](https://www.igive.com). Just go to [igive.com](https://www.igive.com). Choose CT Horse Council as your cause. Use the iGive Button at over 1,700 online stores. CT Horse Council will get money – free! Please help whenever you can! Thanks in advance!

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Your CHC Representation around the state...

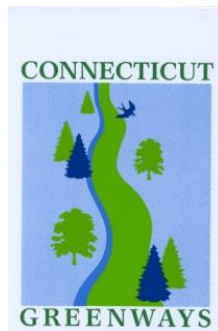
CONNECTICUT HORSE COUNCIL



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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY & ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION



Frequently Asked Questions

about the Personal Excess Liability Insurance administered

by Equisure, Inc. for Association Resource Group (ARG) and their affiliates

THIS INSURANCE IS EXCESS AND NOT INTENDED TO BE YOUR PRIMARY EQUESTRIAN LIABILITY COVERAGE.

? When does my personal excess insurance start and end? The coverage starts when your membership is approved and the premium is paid to Equisure. Coverage ends 12:01 am on December 31st of every calendar year.

? If my membership starts in June, when will my insurance coverage start? Your coverage will start the month and day you purchase your membership. For example, you will have coverage for approximately 7 months if you joined in June and coverage for 12 months if you joined in January. In both cases the coverage will end 12:01 am on December 31st.

? How can I get a copy of the Master Policy? Contact Equisure directly with proof of your membership and request a copy of the Master Policy or email your request to info@equisure-inc.com. The Master Policy may not be posted on your association/club websites or reproduced without prior written consent from the management of Equisure.

? Do members get anything showing proof of coverage? Yes. Your club/association will be provided with certificates of Insurance (a brief summary of coverages, conditions and exclusions) these may be distributed only to members. Like the Master Policy, the Certificate of Insurance may not to be posted on websites or reproduced in any fashion without written consent from Equisure.

? How would this insurance apply if I have homeowners insurance? This policy is excess over any other valid and collectible underlying insurance. If you have underlying insurance, such as homeowners/farm insurance, this policy is excess over that insurance. If you have no other underlying insurance this policy would become primary.

? I am a trainer and run a horse breeding operation, does this insurance provide coverage for my business? No. Coverage for equestrian businesses and business related activities are excluded from the personal excess policy. Please contact Equisure for more information or to purchase **Professional and/or General Liability insurance** for your equine training activity and/or any other equine business operation.

? If my horse is boarded away from my residence, would this policy provide coverage? Coverage could apply, on an excess basis, any other insurance policy is primary. This policy provides coverage for equine related incidences away from your residence for which you are personally liable or negligent.

? If I lend my horse to someone to ride, how would coverage apply? This policy would be excess but you would have coverage for bodily injury and/or property damage to a third party for an equine related incident caused by a horse you own for which you are held legally liable.

? Is my horse covered if it dies? No. This policy does not provide animal mortality coverage for horses you own. **Equine Mortality/Major Medical Insurance** can be purchased by calling Equisure (800-752-2472) or internet quote request at www.equisure-inc.com.

? How are insureds defined? Family Membership: includes "you", your resident spouse and your children under 18 years of age. The each occurrence limit is the most we will pay for the sum of damages claimed against you, your resident spouse and your resident children under 18 years of age.

Individual Membership: The Each Occurrence Limit is the most we will pay for the sum of damages claimed against you (the member) arising out of one occurrence.

For any claim to be considered, the member(s) must have a valid membership and be in good standing with the affiliate association/club of Association Resource Group. The General Aggregate limit is the most we will pay for the sum of all damages claimed.

? If I fall off my horse and broke my arm, would this policy provide coverage? No, not under the Personal Excess Policy. This is not a medical insurance policy. You would need to have your own health or accident insurance.

? What limits are provided by this policy? The limits provided under this policy per household and is shared by all member of the same residence:
\$1,000,000 aggregate limit ~ \$1,000,000 per occurrence limit

? Can I increase the limits provided by this policy? No.

? Can I add an additional insured to this policy? This policy provides personal excess liability insurance for you. It does not allow for the addition of additional insureds. If needed, you can purchase Primary Equine Liability insurance for owned horses on a primary basis and add an additional insured.

? What should I do if I think I have a claim? 1. Immediately document all the details about the incident 2. Get the names and phone numbers of any witness(es) 3. Do not admit fault or make any monetary payment 4. Contact Equisure at 800-752-2472.

For any additional questions please contact Equisure, Inc.

Equisure, Inc.

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NOTE: See Next page for examples of claims paid under Persona; Excess Liability policy

EQUISURE INC. **INSURANCE**

Examples of claims paid under the Personal Excess Liability policy

Claim		
	Incident Description:	Amount
	Insured's horse was being ridden by a potential trainer. The trainer fell and broke their leg	Medical Bills \$237,000

Claim		
	Incident Description:	Amount
	Insured's horse got out of a temporary stall during a horseshow. The horse was struck by a car.	Totaled Vehicle \$10,700

Claim		
	Incident Description:	Amount
	Claimant leaned into a stall to kiss a horse, & bit her nose	Bodily Injury \$212,500

Claim		
	Incident Description:	Amount
	Insured's horse was spooked in a parking lot when a dog locked in a parked car started barking, Horse kicked the car.	Property Damage \$2,500

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Your CHC Representation around the state...

Legislation

The Legislative Assembly is now in session. If any upcoming bills pertaining to our equine industry or public lands we will notify you and ask you to contact your legislators.

If you need to contact your legislators on any issues you can go to:

[contact your Legislators](#) or to follow a bill go to: <https://www.cga.ct.gov/asp/menu/CGAFindLeg.asp>

Watch out for Update on Passport to the Parks: As you know Passport to the Parks was passed, but sadly some language in the Passport to Parks authorization allows the General Assembly to consider \$2.6 million in year 1 and \$5 million in year 2 of the Passport funds be considered "surplus." The CHC will be working with the CT Forest & Park Association in 2019 to get the Passport to Parks funding to go to Parks and not "surplus" (a.k.a., the General Fund).

Connecticut Constitution Amendment Passed

You did it! Your vote "YES" in this past election created an amendment to our state constitution. This amendment now requires that State-owned public lands must receive a public hearing and a two-thirds vote before being given away, swapped, or sold by an act of the General Assembly. **THANK YOU**

Bond Commission Update: 3 million dollars was allocated for the National Recreation Trails Program (RTP). The Grant Round for 2018-2019 was opened and the last day of submission was October 31, 2018. Stay tuned for the 2020 grant application. For more information

Trails Report

Natchaug State Forest - Lost Silver Mine Horse Camp

The campground is still closed due to dead and falling trees and will probably be closed for the 2019 year. You can park at a small lot just before entering the camp. Trails are still open, but you need to be aware of the dangers.

Thank you to CT Forest & Park Association member Dave Raczkowski who reported that he did clearing on the trails in Natchaug and Goodwin Forest.

Pachaug State Forest - Griswold

Gov. Ned Lamont revealed that the state has abandoned plans to locate a state police gun range in Griswold. during a press conference at the State Capitol in Hartford.

The state had considered locating a 55,000-square-foot range on a 113-acre parcel near Pachaug State Forest, sparking opposition among Griswold residents concerned about noise from such a facility. Equestrians also got involved to get this project ousted since it would affect riding in the forest and camping at the Frog Hollow Horse Camp.

Your CHC Representation around the state...



CONNECTICUT EQUINE ADVISORY COUNCIL

The mission of the Equine Advisory Council and is to promote equestrian use on public lands, creating, preserving, maintaining and restoring trails.

The CT Equine Advisory Council's website and link to the Multi Use Trail Surface can be viewed on: <http://www.ct.gov/deep/eac> The study can be used to educate and promote multi-use trails and surfaces for planners of trails who may play a role in maintaining or implementing trail systems including Town planners, recreation committees and Council of Governments throughout the state.

2019 Meeting Schedule:

The 2019 meetings of the EAC will continue to be quarterly at
The CT Forest & Park Association Library located at 16 Meriden Road, Rockfall/Middlefield, CT
For directions: <https://www.ctwoodlands.org/about-us/contact-visit-cfpa>

Meeting dates for 2019 are: Thursday, March 21st, Thursday, June 20th, Thursday, September 19th,
and December 12th from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.

The public is welcomed.



LEFT : Meg Sautter (1st District), Laurie Gianniotti (DEEP), Eric Hammerling (CFPA),
Fred Mastele CHC President, Ginger Tullai (2nd District), David Frazzellini (4th District)
Ruth Beardsley (3rd District), Diane Ciano (5th District)

CHC seeking Equestrian Representative on the CT Equine Advisory Council for the 2nd Congressional District

Because of the sad passing of Ginger Tullai, ([see page 10](#)) the CT Horse Council is looking for a volunteer to serve on the CT Equine Advisory Council to represent the equestrian community of the Second Congressional District. This is a state appointed position on this council. The appointment is made by the President Pro Tempore.

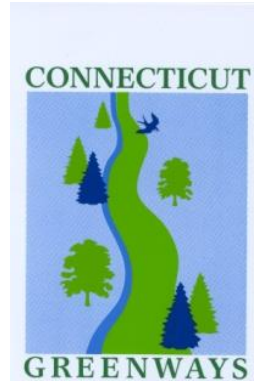
If you live in any of the towns listed and would like to donate your volunteer services to represent equestrians in this district, please contact Diane Ciano (203.910.9919).

The Equine Advisory Council meetings are held quarterly (4 times per year) at the CFPA Headquarters in Rockfall at 6:30 pm.

Suffield	Enfield	Somers	Stafford
Union	Woodstock	Thompson	Ellington
Tolland	Willington	Ashford	Haddam
East Haddam	Salem	Montville	Ledyard
North Stonington	Eastford	Pomfret	Putnam
Killingly	Vernon	Bolton	Andover
Coventry	Mansfield	Chaplin	Hampton
Stonington	Groton	New London	Waterford
East Lyme	Brooklyn	Glastonbury	Hebron
Columbia	Windham	Scotland	Canterbury
Plainfield	Sterling	Marlborough	Lebanon
Old Lyme	Lyme	Essex	Deep River
Chester	Franklin	Sprague	Lisbon
Griswold	Voluntown	East Hampton	Colchester
Bozrah	Norwich	Preston	Durham
Old Saybrook	Westbrook	Clinton	Killingworth

Your CHC Representation around the state...

CONNECTICUT GREENWAYS COUNCIL



Members of the Connecticut Greenways Council are appointed by the Governor and the leaders of the General Assembly. Their duties include advising and assisting in the coordination of state agencies, municipalities, regional planning organizations and private citizens in voluntarily planning and implementing a system of greenways; providing assistance to state agencies, municipalities, regional planning organizations and private citizens in the technical aspects of planning, designing and implementing greenways, including advice on securing state, federal and nongovernmental grants; and establishing criteria for designation of greenways. Many Council members have had direct experience with trail and greenway development, and they can provide valuable insight into the development of successful local and regional projects.

The Council solicits nominations every February for official state greenway designation. Potential applicants are welcome to submit pre-proposals anytime to allow for discussions with CGC members and facilitation of new greenway designations when appropriate.

The council also reviews applications and awards grants submitted for the Recreational Trails Program.

Our CHC Representative is Stacey Stearns.

The CT Greenways Council meetings are open to the public. The Council meets at 9:30 am on the 2nd Monday of each month (except August, and December) at the offices of VHB, Inc. located at 100 Great Meadow Road Suite 200, in Wethersfield, Connecticut. Conference call option is available. Conference Call in Number: 1 (605) 472-5814. When prompted, enter the meeting ID 663-681-285, followed by the # key

The 2019 meeting dates are: January 14, February 11, March 11, April 8, May 13, June 10, July 8, August – no meeting, September, October 15, November 12, December – no meeting

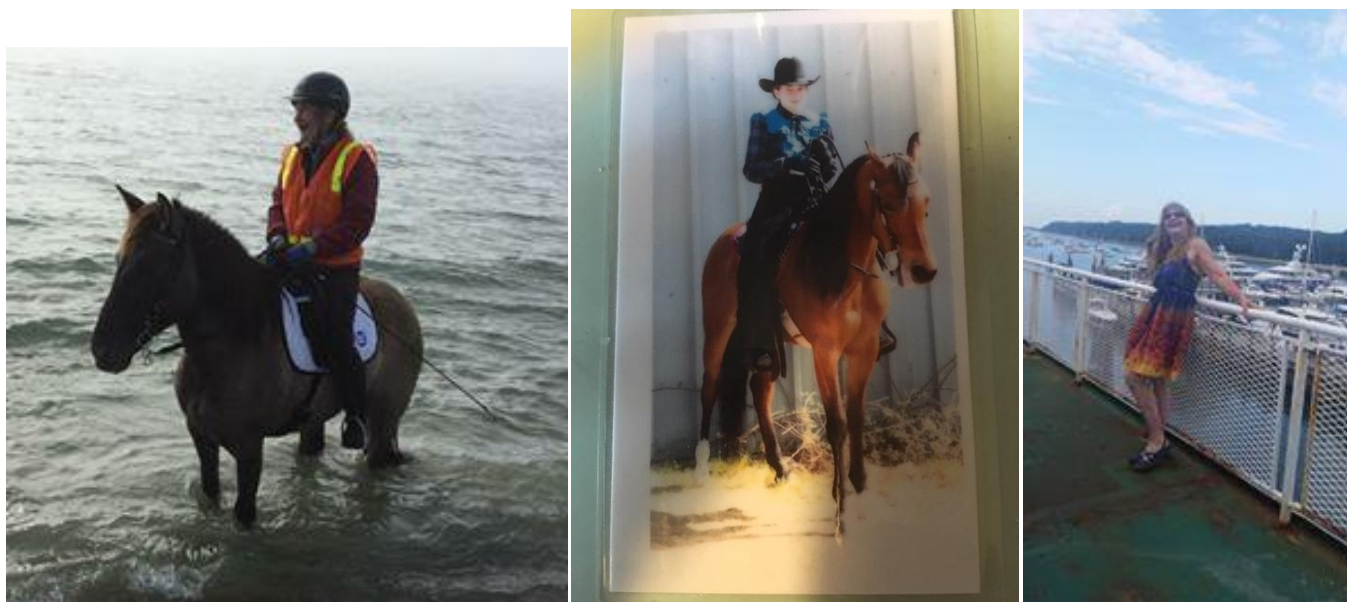
2019 Event Dates: Friday, May 31 - CT Greenways Day & October 24 - CT Trails Symposium

For more information on the CT Greenways Council go to: www.ct.gov/deep/greenways

For further information about the Connecticut Greenways Council, contact Laurie Giannotti, DEEP Liaison to the Council at: CT DEEP 79 Elm Street, Hartford, CT 06106 (860) 424-3578

laurie.giannotti@ct.gov

The Passing of Ginger Tullai



Ginger represented equestrians in the Second Congressional District appointed by the President Pro Tempore on the CT Equine Advisory Council from 2016-2018.

Ginger will always be remembered for her volunteer work as a member of the CT Horse Council since 2006. She served on the CHC Trails Committee and was the Area Coordinator for the CT Horse Council's Volunteer Horse Patrol Program. She oversaw two very large DEEP areas – Gillette Castle and Salmon River. These included 3 state forests, 8 state parks and 3 Wildlife Management Areas. She logged over 1,500 hours on VHP patrols.

Ginger was also instrumental in establishing "The Friends of Machimoodus/Sunrise Resort State Park and served as Vice president for the group. Among many things that she has done in this position was to promote horse camping at this park and organized two camping events these past couple of years. This I believe was one of her favorite places and wanted others to share in the beauty of this land. I know she would love us all to continue on with her work to make this happen.

In the 12 short years we had Ginger in CHC, she dedicated countless volunteer hours to promote and support equestrian use. She was instrumental in getting the Comstock Covered Bridge in the Salmon River State Forest in East Hampton modified so that horses could access both sides of the forest and was working on getting a multi-use loop trail system marked in the forest. Her volunteer services provide representation of the state's equestrian community on state and local levels, educating individuals, groups, and professional organizations of the importance of protecting and preserving trails and open space, while promoting equestrian use on our trail systems and Greenways and its economic and health benefits available to the community.

She was also a member of the CT Farm Bureau and several other horse organizations. She served as secretary and vice president of the Greener Pastures Rescue in Salem.

Many of you may also know her through her membership to the CT Trail Rides Association (CTRA) and an Area Vice President. She has guided many trail rides through several forests and parks, so that others may learn and enjoy the trails.

All of us who know Ginger will always have special and fond memories. On behalf of all equestrian groups, we celebrate Ginger's life and her accomplishments, thank her for her dedicated service and wish her HAPPY TRAILS ahead. We Love you Ginger - you live on in our hearts.

Horse Owner's Corner: Timely Tips – Fire Prevention

Dr. Jenifer Nadeau, UConn Equine Extension Specialist and CHC Education Chair

Fire safety may not be a thought on every horse owner's mind, but it should be in order to prevent tragedy from occurring. It seems like every horse owner knows stories of horrific barn fires and you certainly don't want to be the next one! The burning rate of loose straw is 3 times that of gasoline. The burning time of a 12' by 12' stall is approximately 90 seconds. You have 30 seconds to get a horse from a stall after the stall ignites, so start planning what to do NOW! There are three major aspects to fire safety: prevention, preparation for fire, and action to take when a fire occurs. This newsletter, we will focus on prevention!

There are many ways to prevent a fire from occurring:

- **Keep the inside of the barn clean.** Fires need fuel to burn. Avoid piling up garbage, accumulating loose hay, bedding, baling twine, cobwebs, dust, and allowing birds to nest in the barn. Keep aisles clear and make a separate room for all tools and related objects, including wheelbarrows and buckets, which can become a safety hazard in an emergency.
- **Keep the exterior of the barn clean and neat.** Make sure it is free of combustible materials. Keep the lawn near the barn mowed and trimmed, since tall grass can ignite and spread to the barn.
- **Be accessible to emergency equipment.** Make sure that your driveway is clearly marked and your address is clearly visible in a prominent location. In the event of a fire, be sure that gates are open and wide enough for fire trucks to drive through. Keep overhanging branches cleared near the driveway so that fire trucks can have unobstructed access.
- **Properly use electricity.** Never use plastic coated wire. Use conduit or metal clad cable which is the safest electrical installation. Never overload fuses. Use heavy weight extension cords, and enclose light fixtures, especially incandescent bulbs, within safety shields.
- **Watch all stored hay for development of heat.** Never take a chance with wet or green hay. Spontaneous combustion is not an old wives' tale. Ideally you should store hay separate from the barn, with only small quantities kept in the barn at any time.
- **Never store volatile or flammable material in the barn.** This includes paints, gasoline, and oil. Don't collect old paint rags and brushes in the barn.
- **NO SMOKING in the barn.** If you have confirmed smokers on staff you should designate a smoking area away from the barn. Put up "NO SMOKING" signs.
- **Use the proper heaters.** Use only code approved, permanently installed electric heaters, and NEVER use portable space heaters.
- **Have an independent inspection of the barn by an electrician.** The electrician will confirm the safety of electrical devices and wiring. The number one cause of barn fires is electrical issues.
- **Have an inspection of the barn by your fire chief.** The fire chief will give you a fire prevention point of view. Listen, take advice, and act on everything that is reasonably possible.

Now is a good time to think about how to prevent fire in your barn. Hopefully this will give you some ideas about ways to protect your horses. Please call (860) 486-4471 or email jenifer.nadeau@uconn.edu if you have any questions. Also, check out my web site <http://animalscience.uconn.edu/equine/extension/extensionIndex.php> for more information on upcoming horse specialist events and other information. Thanks, and have fun with your horses!

Sources:

Rowland E., Forcier K., Rose, A. Feb 2001. Fairfield County 4-H. Fire Safety Awareness Program: Tips for Horse Owners booklet.

Dr. Rhonda Hoffman, Fire Safety brochure. Undated.

Reviewers:

Crystal E. Smith, Animal Science Extension Agent, Virginia Cooperative Extension

EVENTS GONE BY.....

The CT Greenways Council Symposium was held in October. Jenifer Nadeau, UCONN Horse Specialist and Diane Ciano, CHC Trails Chair did a presentation on Trail Etiquette & the Volunteer Horse Patrol. The theme of the Symposium was “Trails Connecting Communities and People.”



Diane Ciano and Dr. Jenifer Nadeau at the CT Greenways Conference Symposium

At our December CHC meeting, a presentation was given “**Recognizing When Horses Need Help and How the Department of Agriculture Handles Horse Cruelty Complaints**” Presenters were **Dr. Jenifer Nadeau** from the UConn Department of Animal Science who spoke on recognizing when horses need help. **Barbara Godejohn**, the State Animal Control Officer with the Department of Agriculture, Bureau of Regulatory Services, Animal Control Unit spoke about how the department handles horse cruelty complaints. The presentation was followed by the CHC Holiday Celebration



Dr. Jenifer Nadeau, Barbara Godejohn, State Animal Control Officer and Lauriann Goulet (CHC-911)

Save the Dates for 2019:

2019 CHC Meeting Dates - Bi-Monthly at the Eversource Energy meeting room 107 Selden Street, Berlin at 7:30 pm on the 1st Tuesday of the following months: February 5th, April 2nd, June 4th, October 1st, December 3rd No Meetings, July, August, September

SAVE THE DATE: Saturday, February 2nd, 2019

No Child Left Inside Winter Festival



Winter Festival

In partnership with CARE and The City of Torrington
Saturday, February 2, 2019
10 AM – 3 PM

Burr Pond State Park
384 Burr Mountain Rd, Torrington, CT

FREE!!
No registration required.
Food will be available for sale

Ice-fishing, fish fry, ice safety, search & rescue dogs, bonfire, marshmallow roasting, snowshoeing, winter games, ice sculptures, winter hikes and more!!

For more information:
CT Department of Energy and Environmental Protection
(860) 424-3917
Kristen.Bellantuono@ct.gov
or visit
www.NoChildLeftInside.org



***We are looking for quiet horses that will stand to let children pet them
Please contact Diane Ciano 203.757.1904 or Spirit76@snet.net***

SAVE THE DATE:

2019 Connecticut Horse Symposium

Saturday, March 2nd

Sponsored by the CAHNR Department of Animal Science & Tufts Ambulatory Service

Events include:

- Sessions on Versatility with Peter Whitmore of It's a Pleasure Training
- Hands on Horse Science! Learn about chiropractic treatment for horses, developing a horse's feed plan, horse 911 and meet the hounds of Tanheath Hunt Club!
- Get your questions answered right away from the pros!
- Vendor Fair & Equine Camp Fair
- **Bring your own horse and participate in a clinic (pre-registration required)**

As Always a Great Value!

\$20 Adults
All Day Pass

\$10 1-3pm

\$5 Age 9-18/ 4-H Leaders/ UConn
Students/ 4-H Members/ after 1PM

\$35 Active Participation - Ride or Drive in a Clinic
(\$55 total to use a UConn horse)

\$30 UConn students, Horse Practicum and 4-H Members
active participation (\$50 total to use a UConn horse)

9 & under free! Money raised is used to directly support equine research and extension programs at the University of Connecticut! No pre registration needed for spectators!

horsesymposium.uconn.edu

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Sponsors and Vendors welcome - call or email for more info

Contact: Dr. Jenifer Nadeau
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Phone: 860-486-4471
Fax: 860-486-4375

UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT'S HORSE SYMPOSIUM

SATURDAY MARCH 2, 2019 9 AM – 12 PM

Versatility Clinic with Peter Whitmore, It's A Pleasure Training



Join Peter Whitmore for a fun and exciting versatility clinic where horses and riders will gain confidence and skills through the use of obstacles. By pushing the limits you and your horse will learn to work through fear and anxiety under Peter's guidance. This clinic is designed to challenge all levels of horse and rider in a safe and structured environment.

Peter Whitmore has been training horses for 25 years. He specializes in starting young horses correctly and working with problem horses of all ages, breeds and disciplines. Through clear communication he can solidify the horse's foundation and increase their confidence as our riding partners. Peter has successfully competed in the Extreme Mustang Makeover and currently runs the New England Youth Mustang Challenge. Find them on Facebook at: [It's A Pleasure Training](#)

9-10 AM

Session 1: In Hand Versatility, limited to 8 handlers

Designed to reinforce basic handling and ground manners and build trust between horse and handler.

10-11 AM

Session 2: Basic Versatility, limited to 8 riders

Designed for riders who have never tried versatility or extreme trail. Obstacles can be altered to meet the needs of each horse and rider.

11 AM -12 PM

Session 3: Extreme Versatility, limited to 8 riders

Designed for riders and horses who want to push the limits! More challenging obstacles that can be altered to meet the needs of horse and rider.

Sign up for a clinic under "2019 CT Horse Symposium" at:

<http://animalscience.uconn.edu/horseSymp/HorseSymposium.php>

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SAVE THE DATE:



2019 Spring Fling

\$25
Includes
Picnic
Lunch

March 2 - 11:30 to 3:30
Inclement Weather Date March 3

Location: American Legion Post 26, 10 Monson Rd., Stafford Springs, CT

TREC on down to Stafford Springs for the RRRC Spring Fling! Come find out what TREC is all About!

Want to learn about something new to the New England area? Do you like to trail ride, drive, play with obstacles with your horse and enjoy a little competition? Then you need to get out of the house for a bit and join us for our Spring Fling 2019!

Come learn about "What the Heck is TREC" followed by a Vet's perspective and update on Equine Nutrition. Bob Hack, the New England Representative, will present what is TREC, how to get started, preparing you and your horse, competing in local events, etc.

TREC is an international equestrian sport that tests the skills, confidence, and abilities of horses and riders or driving teams over various terrains and obstacles. TREC takes two forms – Ridden TREC and Driven TREC. The 3 phases of a Ridden TREC competition include Trail Orienteering, Control of Paces, and a Cross-Country Obstacle Course.

Following the presentation, Dr. Scott Morey of Fenton River Veterinary Hospital will discuss equine nutrition, what's new, how to feed for certain conditions, and what does the label on the feed bag really mean.

If registered and paid online before February 24, 2019, you will be automatically entered in the Grand Prize raffle.

Grand Prize
1 Year Membership to RRRC
Plus \$25 Gift Certificate to
Fenton River

2nd Prize
\$25 RRRC
Gift Certificate

Visit our website at reddingtonrockridingclub.org or our Facebook page for the online registration and payment details.



SAVE THE DATE: **Saturday, March 24th**



**Volunteer Horse Patrol
Annual Meeting
& OPEN HOUSE**



10:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Pot Luck & Raffle Items

WELCOME - New & Interested members

SUNDAY, MARCH 24TH 2019

10:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Pot Luck & Raffle Items

Company 1 Firehouse 1485 Main Street, Newington, CT 06111
R.S.V.P. appreciated Diane Ciano 203.910.9919 Spirit76@snet.net

Directions

Co. 1 Firehouse 1485 Main Street Newington, CT 06111 - **PLEASE park in rear**

Rte 9 North exit 29 (Rte 175 Cedar Street). Right at bottom of ramp onto Cedar Street. Turn right at 6th light onto Main St. 3rd light (a blinker) turn right into Co 1 Firehouse lot

84 West to Rte 9 South to exit 29. Left at bottom of ramp to light. Right onto Fenn Rd. 2nd light turn left onto Cedar Street

91 North to Rte 9 North to Exit 29

91 South to either 84 West and Rte 9 South

SAVE THE DATE: Saturday, May 4th

Looking for Volunteers... Please contact Dr. Jenifer Nadeau 860.486-4471

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4-H and Connecticut Horse Enthusiast Community Service Day



Date: Saturday, May 4, 2019

Time: 9 AM - 12 PM

Location: Hop River Trail - meet at the bridge over Route 316

Enjoy the trails? Come help us give back by participating in trail maintenance on the Hop River Trail.

Please register prior to the event, and send any questions to Dr. Jenifer Nadeau: mail jenifer.Nadeau@uconn.edu or call 860-486-4471.

SAVE THE DATE: Thursday, May 30th

New Britain Memorial Day Parade - 6:00 PM

Looking for VHP and other Riders/Organizations to ride in this Parade

Contact Meg Sautter: 860.402.3824

SAVE THE DATE:

SATURDAY, SUNDAY - June 1st & 2nd National Trails Day Events

National Trails Day Events

The CHC encourages all equestrian organizations to plan an event to celebrate National Trails Day. It can be a trail work day, trail ride, Meet and Greet horse event, etc. It can be planned for the first weekend in June either Saturday or Sunday, The CT Greenways Council kicks off the events on Friday, June 1st and presents Greenways Awards and Trail designations.

Our CHC Volunteer Horse Patrol Event will be a campout, Blessing of the Mounts and, trail rides at Natchaug State Forest in Eastford CT for the weekend. Everyone is invited to attend.

Please let CHC know of your planned event by contacting Diane Ciano, so that we can advertise it.

Please take the time to Register your Trails Event on the CFPA website below

Trails Day Registration Now Open

Connecticut Forest & Park Association (CFPA) has opened their website for the 2019 CT Trails Day event registration. Click [HERE](#) to register your event today.

<https://www.ctwoodlands.org/ct-trails-weekend/2018-connecticut-trails-day-event-registration-begins-jan-4th>

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2019 Membership Report

It was great to see everyone at Equine Affaire this year. Thanks to all who came and helped with setup, working the booth and breakdown including putting everything away when we got home. A reminder to all that membership renewal is now due. As a member you get a subscription to Connecticut Horse Magazine. The following people joined or renewed for 2019:

Carol Birdsey - **Membership Secretary** membership@cthorsecouncil.org 860-344-1804

*** = Welcome New Members**

*** = Volunteer Horse Patrol Members**

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2019 Supporting Businesses

* See Ads on pages 25-27

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Drafty Pines Farm, Emily Chaplin, Central Village

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2019 Supporting Organizations

CT Trail Rides Association, Haddam

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Please send in your 2019 Dues see pages 28-29

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SUPPORTING ORGANIZATIONS



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www.orgsites.com/ct/neato



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www.northwestctdrafthorse.com



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www.pomfrehorseandtrail.com



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Thank you

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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.**

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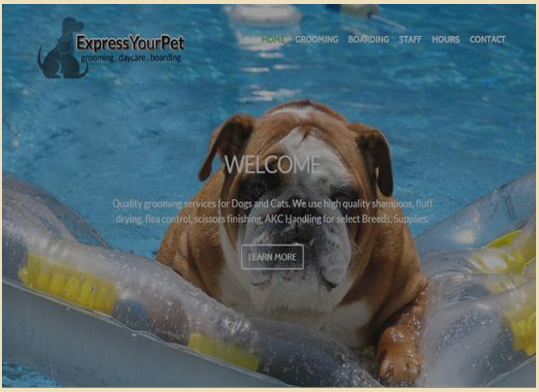
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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Membership Classification (Check One)

☐ **Individual** \$20 ☐ **Family** \$30 ☐ **Student** \$15
☐ **Business or Professional** \$40 ☐ **Club** \$40

☐ **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 emergency 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

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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 _____

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Describe _____

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

Describe _____

[] 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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