



Lower Connecticut River Valley Horsemen's Club
Promoting Equine Awareness Since 1962

JULY 2007
NEWSLETTER

Dear Friends,

I hope you are all enjoying the summer. Since Carrie was unable to attend I tried to take notes and have incorporated the minutes of the short June 28 meeting here. This is a very short newsletter because we don't usually do a newsletter in July.

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 pm following an informative demonstration by Julie Shepard of White Wood Farm. Julie worked with Lynda Perry's pony, Tanner, on some dominance issues and gave us some pointers on claiming our space. Then we moved to the conference center for a delicious spread of cold vichyssoise, vegetables, and brownies provided by Beverly Torell. Thanks Julie and Bev.

Business

We had received correspondence from Ride for the Cure--included posters, and brochures for us to distribute, Lord Creek Horse Trials information, and an e-mail from Rob Butterworth regarding the next planned work day on the Epic Trail—September 29.

Committee reports: Sherry spoke about the picnic (July 26, starts at 6:30, passed around a sign-up sheet—a blast has since gone out for signup of those who were not at the meeting); Bev reported on the Tyler Mill member only ride (6 riders--no flies), Tom Elliott reported on Westbrook Land Trust (working on new trail connecting Toby Hill Chase to Timberlane off 153) and Jodie reported on the Web Site (2 new areas For Sale and Invites—e-mail Jodie with postings).

We also spent a little time discussing the future of the BPC. The overwhelming conclusion seemed to be try to keep it going and keep it local. We have since scheduled a special meeting on July 19 for those interested in being involved in the future leadership of this organization and an e-mail blast has gone out.

We adjourned at 9:30, because yours truly turns into a pumpkin at 10:00!

Please see the calendar for upcoming events. I hope to see lots of you at the picnic.

Melissa

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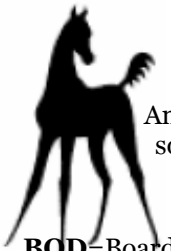
When: July 26, 2007
Where: Trish Panico's House
280 Bartlett Drive, Madison
203.421.1995
Time: 6:30 pm
RSVP: Jeffandsherry5@yahoo.com

Food, soft drinks and Dessert will be provided by the club (BYOB). Bring a dish to share and your bathing suits if you dare!

DIRECTIONS:

Take Exit 61 from I-95 (either direction).
Take 79 North for about 5 miles.
Pass through a flashing yellow light - white board fencing will be on your left. Turn left onto Warpas Road.
After about 1/2 to 1 mile in the middle of an "S" curve, turn right onto Winterhill Rd.
At the end of Winterhill Rd, turn Right onto Opening Hill. (No Sign)
After about 3/4 mile, turn Left by the Madison Country School onto Blinnshed Rd.
After about 3/4 mile, turn Right onto Quail Run.
At the end of Quail Run turn Left onto Bartlett Drive (no sign again).
280 Bartlett Drive is about 3/4 of a mile on the Right. Lanterns light the driveway.

If you are coming from the Traffic circle at RT 79 and RT 80, go only 1/8 mile from traffic circle and turn to the right by the big White Church onto Opening Hill and follow it to Blinnshed and use the same directions as above.



2007 CALENDAR of EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

Anyone with knowledge of an equestrian event or clinic should e-mail Andrea VanderWiede (bosspaige@aol.com) so it can be included in our calendar. All LCRVHC monthly meetings are held on the fourth Thursday evening of the month at 7/8ths Farm & begin at 7:00 p.m. unless otherwise noted.

Abbreviations Used in Calendar:

BOD=Board of Directors Meeting **BPC**=Bridle Path Conservancy **CHC**=CT Horse Council **VHP**=Volunteer Horse Patrol
MO=Member Only ride or event **L&L**=Lecture and Learn series **TBA or TBD**=to be announced or determined

July

No BOD Meeting
26-No Meeting-Potluck at Trish Panaco's, 6:30 pm, summer potluck picnic at Trish Panico's house, 280 Bartlett Drive in Madison, club will supply, dogs, burgers, chicken, soft drinks, contact Sherry to sign up (jeffandsherry5@yahoo.com). Bring swimsuits if desired.

August

No BOD Meeting
4- Madison Hose Company 100th anniversary parade. Rare opportunity to see horse drawn fire apparatus. starts at 4 pm travels from Wall Street along Boston Post Road past green to West Wharf, ends at Surf Club with games, food, and awards.
5 -(rain date 4th)-BPC work day, spread stone on Tower Hill, trail bosses Carrie Wind and Dave Beaudette, meet at 9:00 am at Jodie's house, 39 Tower Hill Road, Killingworth

August continued

12- MO Games Day at Peggy's house, 98 Kelseytown Road, Clinton, trailer parking at the Davenport's, just up the road
18 or 19 - MO Ride at Goddard State Park in RI host Jane Samuels. No bugs, plenty of water for horses. RSVP to Bev (bdtct@aol.com). Jodie tells us there is camping available nearby at Eskaheag.
23-General meeting, 7 pm, The Davenport's Carraige Hill Farm, 65 Kelseytown Road, Clinton. Bonfire and oral traditions story telling led by Peggy, bring a favorite horse story to share if you want to. S'mores, RSVP to Jen (bernardoj@ci.guilford.ct.us)
25-26 CDCTA Eventing Clinic at 7/8ths
26-Lord Creek Horse Trials

If anyone is interested in hosting a member-only ride they should contact Bev (bdtct@aol.com), if they are able to act as trail boss for a work day, contact Pati (pjm6680@comcast.net), if they have ideas for a speaker or meeting program contact Peg (hazageym@yahoo.com).



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