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Notes From The Office

Submitted By Wendy Sewell, Manager of Coaching

"Dear Members"

HCBC's New Website

Horse Council BC is pleased to launch our new website! The layout and graphics are exceptional and the "user friendliness" has been improved. We hope that this renovation allows users to navigate our site for information they need a little quicker and easier. As always, there are a few glitches and maybe a missing file or two, but we are diligently working on these as we find them.

One big difference is that the Competition Section has been renamed "Sport". You will still find all the information you need within these pages.

We are always open to suggestions for our site, but we also would appreciate knowing if our members are happy with the new look and format. If you have not been to the HCBC site recently, please go to www.hcbc.ca and check out our new look.

2010 Western Coaching Update

The 2010 Western Update was held in 100 Mile House on April 3-4th. We had 14 enthusiastic coaches attend. I would like to pass along our thanks to the demonstration riders who volunteered their time to allow our Master Course Conductor Ruth Fowler, show the coaches the standards for Rider testing and Instructor. Thank you very much to Kelsey Hayes, Ron and Cici Szigety, Andrea Dobbs and Jen Felce. It was a cold day and they were cheerful and accommodating. It is never easy acting as a demonstration rider, so we truly thank them for their time. Thank you to Carolyn Dobbs for coordinating the update and to the Red Coach Inn for their part in hosting the update.

Horse Week 2010

Equine Canada is pleased to announce that Horse Week 2010 will begin Saturday May 29, 2010 and run until Sunday June 6, 2010.

2010 BC Summer Games

July 22-25
Thunderbird
Show Park



Quick Links

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Horse Week is held annually to promote and celebrate Canada's thriving horse industry. A wide range of activities are held across the country, including trail rides, horse shows, charity events and open houses to allow horse enthusiasts and the public alike to celebrate horses! Everyone is encouraged to participate.

All events, regardless of size, taking place between May 29 and June 6 can apply for Horse Week status and be promoted through the provinces and Equine Canada.

The 2010 Horse Week committee has lots in store for event organizers and participants this year. So, if you have a unique idea for creating an event, go for it!

Check the Horse Week section of www.equinecanada.ca, for details of how to register your event and to receive information and support in the lead up to Horse Week 2010.

Ride and Drive Program

Barb Smith of Coombs, BC has logged 2000 hours in the saddle since she joined HCBC's Ride & Drive Rewards Program in 2004! Barb will be presented with a \$50 Greenhawk Harness & Equestrian Supplies gift card sponsored by Glynnis Schultz owner of the Brentwood Bay Village location of on Vancouver Island. For more information on Horse Council BC's Ride & Drive Rewards program visit www.hcbc.ca under Recreation & Trails.

Horse Council BC Industry Guide

The Horse Council BC Industry Guide is a directory of Horse Council BC affiliates, clubs, and businesses, plus coaches and officials and is continually updated to provide the most current information. But did you know that you can access all of the guide's information on our website?

The Horse Council BC Industry Guide may be downloaded free of charge or purchased from Horse Council BC for \$5.30 including GST.

High School Credits

In BC, students can receive credits for High School for participating in and obtaining their English or Western Rider certificates. This is an excellent way for students to use their riding to help with graduation.

Check out our website for more information, email coaching@hcbc.ca, or ask an Equine Canada certified coach about the Learn to Ride Programs.

What Does That Acronym Mean?

Just exactly what do we mean when we say that the MCC wants all Comp coaches to obtain their MED and make sure to send in an EAP? Often members really have no idea what we are referring to! Here is a brief summary of some of the most common acronyms used at HCBC.

JTAC - Joint Trails Access Committee

TCT - Trans Canada Trails

Horse Council BC and our Affiliate member, Back Country Horsemen Society of BC, have formed the Joint Trails Access Committee (JTAC) to work for the recreational riders of BC by helping to protect the right to ride the many urban and back country trails. JTAC also includes representatives from the BC Competitive Trail Riders Association and the Endurance Riders Association of BC. From coast to coast to coast the Trans Canada Trail is one of Canada's truly great endeavors. Experience Canada's legendary wilderness, explore provincial and territorial capitals, canoe the routes of early explorers, visit national and provincial parks, commute to and from work, cycle historic rail trails and picnic in urban parks. Our BC trail riders were instrumental in working to build the Trans Canada trail in BC, making it horse friendly.

FAC - BC Farm Animal Care

HWAC - Horse Welfare Alliance of Canada

SPCA - Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals

BCVMA - BC Veterinarian Medical Association

CFIA - Canadian Food Inspection Agency

PEP - Provincial Emergency Program

HCBC has involvement at many levels regarding Horse Welfare. We are also pro-active regarding disaster preparation for BC horse owners. We promote and education the important aspects of Bio-Security for horse owners and barn owners. We worked with the Provincial Emergency Program, amongst other agencies; in an effort to provide help and guidelines should an emergency situation arise. HCBC has developed a set of Disaster Preparedness Guidelines to help horse owners prepare for natural disasters. We have a database for transportation and temporary stabling of horses during large scale incidents. In forming partnerships, understanding and relationships with Horse Welfare agencies, HCBC can continue to work towards improving the welfare of horses in BC.

PSO - Provincial Sport Organization

NSO - National Sport Organization

EC - Equine Canada

TSO - Territorial Sport Organization

HCBC is the Provincial Sport Organization for Equestrian in BC. Equine Canada is the National Sport Organization for Equestrians in Canada. Recently the Yukon has moved forward to joining Equine Canada as a Territorial Sport Organization.

LTED - Long Tern Equestrian Development Model

CAC - Coaches Association of Canada

CABC - Coaches Association of BC

MED - Make Ethical Decisions Module

EAP - Emergency Action Plan

SPORTBC - Sport BC

CS4L - Canadian Sport for Life

NCCP - National Coaching Certification Program

PET - Performance Enhancement Team

AAP - Athletes Assistance Program

MCC - Master course conductor

PCC - Provincial Coaching Coordinator

LF - Learning Facilitator

This terminology relates to many aspects of coaching and instructing. All the Equine Canada Coaching programs that are administered by HCBC are compliant with the NCCP standards. These are accepted standards whose principals are followed by almost every sport organization in Canada with recognized coaching programs. If you are wondering why there have been so many changes in the EC Coaching and Instructor programs, it is because the NCCP has improved their programs and all sports need to follow this lead to stay recognized. The LTED is a program that lays out the optimum training and guidelines to achieve success for equestrians. The LTED address's the optimal age and training ratio for those riders who wish to compete at an elite level, but within the LTED there is a pathway for those riders of all ages who ride for personal enjoyment. The LTED is a powerful tool for Coaches and Instructors, an excellent reference for parents and a clearly laid out pathway for athletes. The LTED is project spearheaded by Equine Canada on the request of Sport Canada. If you are a parent interested in obtaining a copy of the LTED, please call the office or drop by and we will provide you with one.

The MCC or master course conductor is the most senior and experience coach within their discipline in BC. They are tasked to coordinate the training of other evaluators, coordinating evaluations and setting up coaching and instructor evaluations in the province. The PCC does the administration of the different coaching programs and in BC this is done by the Coaching Manager.

SPORTCANADA - Sport Canada

OTP - Own the Podium

AWAD - Athletes with a Disability

GP - General Performance

SGQ - Summer Games Qualifier

FEI - Federation Equestre Internationale

These acronyms fall into the Sport category. The FEI is the governing body of worldwide Equestrian sport and sanctions competitions at a world level. "Own the Podium" is a key phrase used by the Olympic organizers wanted to put a name to the goal of our winter athletes winning more medals than any other country. Some funding money may filter down from the OTP to help support athlete development in all sports. We are proud of our General Performance rule book which was recently developed by HCBC to help smaller shows and venues put on provincially sanctioned competitions.

EFP - Environmental Farm Plan

LEPS - Langley Environmental Partners

OII - Ownership Identity Inc.

BCAC - BC Agricultural Council

Horse Council BC works with several outside associations regarding environmental concerns. The Langley Environmental partner's is not just relevant to the Langley area and have great information for all provincial members. We have two excellent courses that are based on LEPS materials, one is called Water Management and the other is Pasture Management. Both of these courses have information for all regions of BC and their specific conditions and needs. The OII is British Columbia's brand registration and inspection program, protects cattle, horse and bison owners against loss of animals by theft, straying or misappropriation. The program

consists of the registration of livestock brands and the inspection of cattle and horses for lawful possession prior to transportation, sale or slaughter. The program is financed in its entirety through brand registration and inspection fees paid by the livestock producers. HCBC is one of the owners of this program.

Horse Council BC sends representatives to many meetings and committees and in doing this; we have a voice at the table that is indicative of the interests of BC Equestrians.

Horse Council BC Book Sale!

If you have a chance to visit the HCBC office, we have a number of equestrian titles on sale right now. Don't miss the chance to purchase your summer reading at a reduced price!

Reminder! Core Grant Application Deadline

Core funds are provincial funds targeted for events or projects that support sport growth and development. An approved event or project will be open to all qualified participants in your area, not just your club members. The event or project must support the goals of HCBC for developing sport within the province. Clubs are expected to charge participants reasonable registration fees. Funds will be released only after a financial report, receipts and an event summary are received by HCBC.

WHO CAN APPLY?

Club and Affiliate HCBC members in good standing whose members are also HCBC members.

WHEN TO APPLY?

Applications for funding must be received in our office by May 15, 2010.
Late submissions cannot be considered.

WHERE TO APPLY?

Send completed [Application Forms](#) to:

Horse Council BC
Attention: Finance Dept
27736 Fraser Hwy.
Aldergrove, BC V4W 3N5

Applications can also be faxed to 604.856.4302 attention: Finance Dept.

Recreation News

Submitted By Ruth Donald, Recreation Coordinator

2010 Equine Canada Funding for Recreation & Industry

Good news! A significant portion of the 2010 Equine Canada membership fees is now available to HCBC member clubs in the form of grants for non-sport projects; in other words, projects that benefit recreational riders and/or the horse industry as a whole. The total amount available by June will be \$20,000.

Examples of eligible projects would be the building or improvement of trails, bridges, horse camp sites and trailheads, or the improvement of public community arenas, or safety clinics and educational seminars related to environmental or horse welfare issues. Complete information and application forms will be available on the HCBC website by May 14th.

Don't wait! Get your club to start planning a project now! The initial deadline for applications will be June 30th, 2010.

Rendezvous 2010

It's not too late to make plans to attend the Back Country Horsemen Rendezvous at Rock Creek May 28-30. Find out what the Back Country Horsemen are all about at this weekend of camping, education and entertainment on the banks of the Kettle River in Rock Creek. For more information, visit the [Back Country Horsemen page](#) in the Recreation section of the HCBC website.

Road Safety

Horse Council BC's "Caution! Horses on the Road! Information card for motorists is being distributed to all ICBC Autoplan agents in BC. We hope this will help make road riding safer for all BC equestrians. If you want some motorist information cards for your riding club to distribute in your community, contact recreation@hcbc.ca. If you could use a "PASS SLOW AND WIDE" bib for road riding, check out the colors on our [Road Safety page](#).

Rewards for Recreational Riding!

Check out our [Ride & Drive Rewards Program](#) and give yourself an extra incentive to spend lots of hours in the saddle this summer! Thanks to Greenhawk's BC stores in Langley, Vancouver, Kamloops, Kelowna, Brentwood Bay Village, Nelson and Prince George for sponsoring rewards!

Notice to Officials

Submitted By Ali Buchanan, Manager of Competition

For schooling and/or entry level horse shows HCBC has a Recognized Event Permit Application and a General Performance Rule Book. A competition may run under Horse Council BC's Recognized Event permit and use the HCBC General Performance rule book. Dressage Schooling shows may also operate under the Discovery permit and use EC tests and pay the Test User Fee of

\$15.00 post competition. All EC and HCBC officials that reside within BC may serve at these competitions at any level without penalty or disciplinary action from the Federation as per the following clause in the EC / HCBC service Agreement for 2010. For further information please contact Ali Buchanan at competition@hcbc.ca

2010 Horse Council BC & Equine Canada's Service Agreement

(expires December 31 2010)

B6.3 HCBC shall develop, implement and manage the Provincial Officials program in BC. The Federation and its Discipline groups will not penalize nor discipline any Federation Official who chooses to be a recognized Provincial Official in another discipline, or who volunteers, works or assists in any capacity at any Provincially recognized competition.



HCBC and BC SPCA Partner to Help Horses

*Submitted By Stephanie Klaus, BC SPCA
Development Officer & Corporate Relations*

The British Columbia Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals has launched a campaign to help support the abused, injured and abandoned horses in their care. The BC SPCA is the largest animal welfare organization in North America and the only one in B.C. that has the authority to enforce laws relating to animal cruelty and to prepare cases for Crown Counsel for the prosecution of individuals who inflict suffering on animals. In the last year, the BC SPCA has experienced an unprecedented number of cruelty investigations involving horses and has asked us for our much needed help with their rescue. The HCBC would like our members to please consider supporting this important cause.

"On behalf of the animals we care for and protect, I'd like to thank the Horse Council BC for their willingness to support the BC SPCA. As you are people who feel strongly about these gentle giants and strive to educate about the importance of their well-being, I know you can appreciate how tragic this situation is. As we are a not-for-profit reliant on support from the community,

I invite you to join me in making a small gift to the BC SPCA to help us provide medical care, food and shelter to our horses - to give them the second chance they deserve. Your support is greatly needed and appreciated. We look forward to hearing from you", Marcie Moriarty, general manager of cruelty investigations, BC SPCA.

To read Marcie Moriarty's letter and to support the BC SPCA please [click here](#).



Esmee Ingham and Norseman

Canadian Dressage Youth Win on West Coast

The future of Canadian dressage is in good hands following results at recent US West Coast CDI competitions.

At the CDI 3* YJ Golden State Dressage Festival, held April 9-11, in Rancho Murieta, CA, Esmee Ingham of West Vancouver, BC, and her Canadian-bred 14-year-old Swedish Warmblood gelding, Norseman, handily won the FEI Junior Team Test with a score of 66.270%. This was 4% higher than their closest competitor. The duo,

who are in their second season of FEI Junior level competition, then finished second in the FEI Junior Individual Test, and rounded out the competition by winning the FEI Junior Freestyle by more than 5%, scoring 69.950%.

"Norseman was so well behaved, and I am so pleased with him," said Ingham, who is coached by Canadian Grand Prix rider Wendy Christoff. "Our goal this season is to qualify for both the Canadian National and North American Junior and Young Rider Championships."

Earlier in the month, at CDI 3* YJ Festival of the Horse, in Burbank, CA, April 1-3, Jennifer Wood of Nanoose Bay, BC, rode Mister, her 16-year-old Dutch Warmblood gelding, to third place in both the FEI Young Riders Team and Individual tests. The pair finished off the show with a win in the FEI Young Riders Freestyle, scoring 67.333%.

Monica Houweling of Delta, BC, made a clean sweep of the FEI Junior division winning the Junior Team, Individual and Freestyle (65.750%) tests riding her horse Stentano, an 11-year-old Dutch Warmblood gelding.



Jennifer Wood & Monica Houweling



**Stephanie Rhodes-Bosch
and Port Authority**

Canadians Finish in the Top 10 at Rolex

Stephanie Rhodes-Bosch and Hawley Bennett-Awad were amongst the top 10 at the 2010 edition of the CCI 4* Rolex Kentucky Three Day Event, held April 22-25, at the Kentucky Horse Park in Lexington, USA, the site of the 2010 Alltech FEI World Equestrian Games.

Competing in her first four star three day event, Rhodes-Bosch, 21, of Summerland, BC, sat in 15th place following dressage with a score of 52.0 riding Port Authority, her Canadian bred 12-year-old Selle Français/Thoroughbred

gelding. The pair then tackled Michael Etherington-Smith's (GBR) cross country course where none of the obstacles proved to be a problem. They crossed the finish line with no jumping or time faults, moving them up the leader board and into ninth place. Rhodes-Bosch's success continued as she and Port Authority also had a fault free jumping round to finish on her dressage score for fifth place overall, only one of four riders out of 53 starters to do so. In addition to her fifth place finish, Rhodes-Bosch was also awarded The Best Conditioned Horse Trophy, a prestigious award determined by the Ground Jury and Veterinary officials, and The J.D. Reeves Perpetual Trophy, awarded to the highest-placed young rider (18-21 years of age). She also received an HSBC Training Bursary for being the best placed first time 4-star competitor.

"I am glad that I went to Rolex as a spectator last year, because I knew what to expect," said Rhodes-Bosch. "Competing was the most fun I have ever had, and I was so excited and grateful to be there. David O'Connor (the Canadian Eventing International Technical Advisor) said that I was ready, so I believed him and he was right."

Canadian Olympian Hawley Bennett-Awad, 32, of Langley, BC and Gin & Juice, a 10-year-old Thoroughbred mare owned by Bennett-Awad & Linda Paine, were in 21st spot following dressage with 53.8. After posting another flawless cross country ride, the duo added four jumping penalties to finish in ninth place with a score of 57.8.

Also competing at Rolex was Chelan Kozak of South Surrey, BC, riding her own 13-year-old Thoroughbred gelding, finished in 34th place.



**Hawley Bennett-Awad and
Gin & Juice**

"Join the Journey"

Summerland's Own...

Stephanie Rhodes-Bosch
invites you to join her on her
journey to the

London, 2012 Olympics

On route to the Olympics,
Stephanie, and her horse Port
Authority, members of Canada's
Equestrian Team aim to
represent Canada at both the
World Equestrian Games and the
2011 Pan Am Games.



**2010 World Equestrian Games
Lexington, Kentucky
WINE and CHEESE
DRAW PRIZES, SILENT AUCTION
Don't miss your opportunity to meet
Stephanie Rhodes-Bosch**

Location: Kelowna Riding Club - 3745 Gordon
Date: May 13th, 2010
Time: 7:00 to 9:30 pm
Cost: \$25 Adults, \$10 Young Riders, Children
More information contact - Laura Spence-
Email: thespences@spence.com
Phone: 250-764-0324 (Kelowna)



www.stephanie-rhodes-bosch.com

Upcoming Events

Wits End Farms Equine Lecture Series

May 8, 2010

Time: 9 - 4pm

Location: Kwantlen College - Surrey Campus, classroom #D146

TREC Competition

May 8, 2010

Location: Nelson & District Riding Club, Nelson, BC

Contact Jocelyn Templeman at 250-304-2247 or email jocelyn.templeman@hotmail.com

BHA Spring Poker Ride & Children's Wish Ride

May 8, 2010

For more information visit www.boundaryhorse.ca

Potluck lunch included!

Barbie Whitworth Hunter/Jumper Clinic

May 8 & 9, 2010

For more information email mielliem@telus.net or call 604-796-9211

BHA Spring Horse Show

May 28, 29 & 30, 2010

BC Heritage Qualifier and PAC Approved

Location: BHA Riding Club Grounds, Grand Forks, BC

Website: www.boundaryhorse.ca

Annual Fraser Valley Wish Trail Ride

May 29, 2010

Registration opens at 8:30am

Location: Campbell Valley Park, Langley, BC

Contact: Mary Neufeld at 604-855-9355 or by email wishtrailride@hotmail.com

Sooke Saddle Club Spring Schooling Show

May 30, 2010

Location: Metchosin Ring

For more information contact Gail Nash at nashramblers@hotmail.com

2010 Official Partners of Horse Council BC



About Horse Council BC

Horse Council BC is a non-profit organization, governed by an independent Board of Directors, committed to representing the interests of our members and the equine industry. As one of the most successful multi-breed, multi-discipline equine organizations in Canada we represent the equine community in BC, by collaborating with individuals, businesses and industry professionals to strengthen communication, education, and safety.

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