

HORSE COUNCIL BRITISH COLUMBIA



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The sun is shining, the flowers are blooming, and the grass is ever so green! Spring is definitely here!

This month take a look at all the funding opportunities available for clubs in BC, the upcoming championships, and of course, HORSE DAY! This is the first month with the collectible Horse Day 2015 posters! There are four in total so keep your eyes open on each e-news leading up to August.

Until next month, Happy Riding!

Sincerely,

The HCBC Team

Coaching & Education

Coaching Dates

Western IOB Evaluation

May 23 and/or 24, 2015 - Kelowna, BC

NCCP High Performance Module

May 11, 2015 - HCBC Office - Aldergrove, BC

Time: 9:30 am - 3:30 pm

Cost: \$31.50 (includes GST)

Pre-registration is required by May 1, 2015

Events in May

[Fundamentals of Endurance Clinic](#)

[Ocean Vista Endurance and Competitive Trail Ride](#)

Upcoming BC Competitions

Looking for local competitions in your area?



[Check out our online listing here!](#)

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FARSHA
Farm and Ranch Safety and Health Association

Equine Canada News



Click the logo to be taken to the EC website.

This course is recommended for HP1 Candidates, however coaches of all levels are welcome to attend.

English Evaluation

May 12 and/or 13, 2015 - Nanaimo, BC

English Evaluation

June 2 and/or 3, 2015 - Interior

English Rider Evaluator Training

June 9 - HCBC Office - Aldergrove, BC

English Evaluation

October 27 and/or 28, 2015

Please contact HCBC Coaching & Education Manager, Wendy Sewell at coaching@hcbc.ca for more information and registration for each event.

Competition

2015 BC Heritage Championships



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BC HERITAGE CIRCUIT CHAMPIONSHIPS

JULY 3, 4, 5, 2015
Maple Ridge Equi-Sports Centre
Maple Ridge, BC

\$10,000 IN CASH & PRIZES
FIND OUT MORE ONLINE AT WWW.HCBC.CA



2015 55+ BC Games

2015 Media Partners



AUGUST 25-29, 2015
NORTH SHORE EQUESTRIAN CENTRE
NORTH VANCOUVER | BC

OPEN TO ALL EQUESTRIANS AGED 55+!
 Register to compete in the Equestrian events at the North Shore Equestrian Centre

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: JUNE 25, 2015

Equestrian Registration Contact: Vicki Urquhart - vgullford@shaw.ca - 778-278-8111
www.55plusgames.ca

DETAILS:

DRESSAGE
 WESTERN DRESSAGE
 LIMITED DISTANCE 35KM ENDURANCE RIDE
 15KM ENDURANCE "FUN RIDE"

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THIS EVENT, PLEASE CONTACT THE HCBC COMPETITION MANAGER:
 1-800-345-8055 competition@hcbc.ca

Horse Council BC 27336 Fraser Hwy, Aldergrove, BC V4W 3N5 t: 1.800.345.8055 p: 604.856.4304 f: 604.856.4302

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Contact Ali Buchanan, Competition & Sport Manager at competition@hcbc.ca for more info.

Funding & Grants

Zone Funding

In 2014, \$17,975.44 was given to zone fund applicants. The zone grants were given throughout the province and included projects such as:

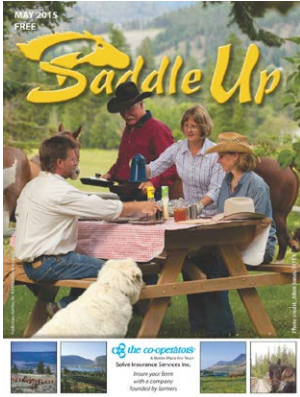


- Equipment,
- Clinics and workshops,
- Travel,
- Facility upgrades.

Funding requests are made directly to the Zone Rep. in your area. Each zone has different [funding criteria](#), please check it out to see if you qualify before applying.

Find your Zone Rep. and apply now through the [Zone Funding](#) web page.

Participation Grants



HCBC 2015 Partners



Horse Council BC gratefully acknowledges the financial support of the Province of British Columbia through the Ministry of Community, Sport and Cultural Development.



Grants are available to any current HCBC Club that is organizing and running an event. Clinics organized by individual HCBC members or business members do not qualify.

\$250.00 - \$500.00 per event (two clinics per calendar year per club maximum) until funding is exhausted. Grant amounts will be based on geographic location with clubs in more remote locations receiving up to the maximum \$500.00 per clinic and clubs in Zone 3,4 or 5 will be eligible to receive \$250.00 per event. Applications from HCBC members clubs will be accepted throughout the year.

Apply today through the [Participation Grant](#) web page.

2015 BC Equestrian Trails Fund Recipients



HCBC is proud to be able to award a total of \$16,560.00 in grants to BC Equestrian Trails Fund applicants for 2015. A total of 5 projects are taking place throughout the province to benefit recreational riders. For a list of projects receiving funding, please [visit our website](#).

Industry & Agriculture

Working To Keep Canada's Horses Healthy

The Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA), in the interest of improving horse health and addressing disease control to protect the Canadian herd, needs your feedback.

The CFIA has assembled the Equine Biosecurity Committee to work on important horse health initiatives. Please take the time to read the two proposed strategies and send your responses to the contacts listed.

1. **Proposed Risk Management Strategy for Equine Infectious Anemia Control in Canada.**
2. **National Farm-Level Biosecurity Standard for Horses in Canada.**

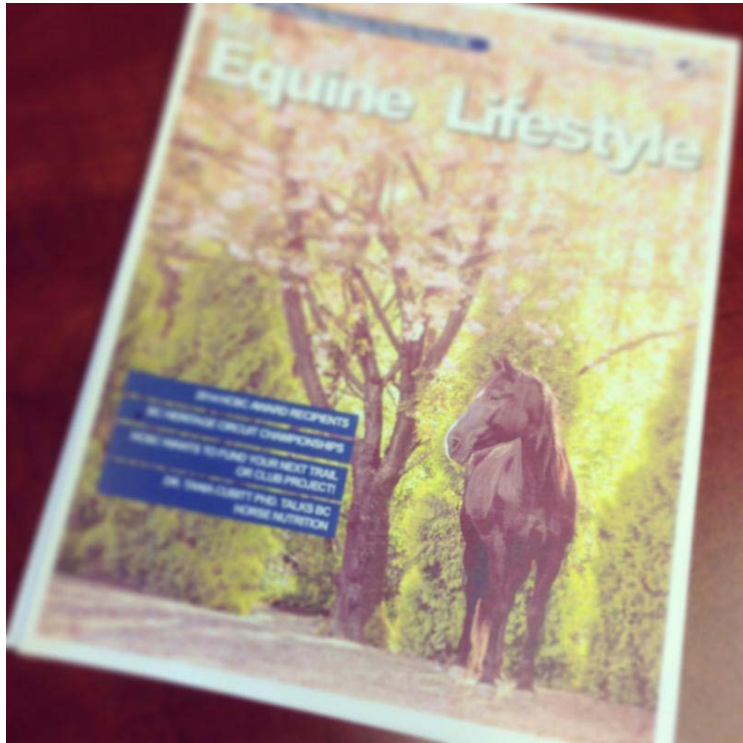
[Get all the info about both strategies here.](#)

Membership

Lifestyles Spring/Summer Issue is Here!

HCBC's Spring/Summer edition of BC's Equine Lifestyles will be hitting your mailbox in the next couple weeks!

There is a lot of great info inside (including an article all about testing your hay and how to read the results!) so be sure to look for it in your mail!



Recreation & Trails

Road Safety

As the weather turns beautiful, there are more people out on BC roads. HCBC will once again be partnering with ICBC to distribute our Road Safety Rack Card to all 920 ICBC Broker offices across the province. If you would like to request some to hand out within your community, email recreation@hcbc.ca.

For more road safety information, [visit our website!](#)

Exclusive Download!
Horse Day - Poster 1



THE HORSES ARE COMING.

SATURDAY - AUGUST 29TH 2015
THE FAIR AT THE PNE



Download the [Hi-Res PDF Poster Here!](#)

Want more information? Check out our [website!](#)

Horse Day 2015



We're going back to the Fair!! HCBC Horse Day 2015 is going to be a one day event held at the Fair at the PNE. Gather up your friends and family and

introduce them to the wonderful world of horses. With so many riding demos to watch, clubs and businesses to talk to, and horses to see they're sure to catch horse fever!

Horse Day happens on **Saturday, August 29th**, so save the date! For more information, check out [Horse Day page](#).

Equine Canada Horse Day 2015

Equine Canada is hosting a National Horse Day on **June 6th**. Kids 3-16 years



old are invited to participate in a national drawing contest and organizations are encouraged to host their own Horse Day activities. For more information, visit the [Equine Canada Horse Day page](#).

Monthly Features

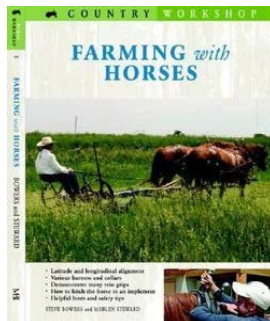
Trail of the Month

May's Trail of the Month is the **Skagit Vally Trails** in the Hope-Princeton region. The Skagit Valley was carved by retreating glaciers and is characterized by excellent outdoor recreation opportunities in a natural, wilderness-like setting. Visitors can enjoy hiking and horseback riding along 50 km of trails, river fishing, camping, and picnicking. Horseback riding is permitted on the Skagit River Trail, Centennial Trail, and to the boundary of E.C. Manning Park on the Skyline II Trail. There is an eleven-unit horse camp near Whitworth Meadows near the Skyline II Trail head.

For additional information, check out our [Online Trail Database](#).

Do you have pictures you'd like to include on the listing, or updated information about this area? If so, email recreation@hcbc.ca.

Book of the Month



Farming With Horses

Author: *Steve Bowers and Marlen Steward*

In the early twentieth century, the proliferation of farm tractors dramatically eased the burden on America's farmers. It seemed the day of the horse-drawn plough was well over. And yet today, with a new generation working smaller spreads for reasons of necessity, economics, or personal conviction, draft horses are going back to work in a big way, and proving their worth once more. This book, by a widely respected trainer of working horses, aims to show those new to farming with horses-or those simply in need of a brush-up-everything they need to make the old ways work like new.

With a wealth of colour illustrations and clear, to-the-point prose, *Farming with Horses* reviews the different types of harness and collar, explains how to select a work horse and how to hitch a horse to an implement,

and fully describes lateral and longitudinal alignment, rein grips, and every other aspect of farming with horses.

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