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RTT Celebrates Volunteers During National Volunteer Week

By Susan Cole

April 7-13 marks National Volunteer Week and Riding To The Top (RTT) has a lot to celebrate this year! According to Volunteer Maine, the average adult volunteer in Maine spends 37 hours serving through local programs. In 2018, a record number of RTT's volunteers volunteered 100 hours or more and have been recognized at the state and national level. Nick Doria, Volunteer Coordinator at Riding To The Top, stated, "In 2018, 164 volunteers contributed nearly 11,000 hours of service in support of lessons, horse care, barn chores, office help and special events. Also in 2018, RTT surpassed the 100,000 hour mark for volunteer hours since we began tracking these hours in 2000. RTT would not be where we are today without the generous support of our volunteers!"

Five RTT volunteers were named to The Maine Volunteer Roll of Honor for their service (50 hours or more for youth and 500 or more hours for adults in the previous 12 months) including: Lina Jordan, Dan Morabito, Pat Niboli, Clayton Peters, and Patty Shaw.

The President's Volunteer Service Award "recognizes, celebrates and holds up as role models Americans making a positive impact as engaged and deeply committed volunteers" (psa.gov). This year 24 individuals received this award including:

Bronze Level (100-249 hours): Christine Blackadar, Jo Blinick, Earle Bonney, Cindy Elder, Emma Evans, Trish Friant, Tony Girlando, Fran Maxwell, Nancy Robinson, Stacie Hamilton Waldron, and Elizabeth Wood

Silver Level (250-499 hours): Janis Childs, Barbara Foster, Mark Fuller, Jodi Peasley, Bryony Urquhart, and Trish Vaughan

Gold Level (Young Adult -250 hours*/ Adult 500 or more hours): Julia Hamilton, Lina Jordan*, Sarah Miller, Dan Morabito, Pat Niboli, Clayton Peters, and Patty Shaw.

Executive Director, Sarah Bronson stated, "At RTT volunteers contribute time, talent and skills – all of which decrease our costs and increase our capacity to serve more children and adults with disabilities." Bronson went on to add, "Riding To The Top would have to hire more than five full time staff to replace the work that volunteers contributed last year." Riding To The Top will distribute certificates and pins during its annual Volunteer Appreciation event in June.



Volunteer assisting in a therapeutic lesson



Volunteers cleaning paddocks



Saint Joseph's College baseball team members volunteer at '18 fundraising event

About Riding to the Top

Riding To The Top Therapeutic Riding Center (RTT) was founded in 1993. Our mission is enhancing health and wellness through equine assisted activities and therapies. Located just west of Portland in Windham, ME, RTT is the state's only year-round PATH Intl. accredited center (Professional Association of Therapeutic Horsemanship International) solely dedicated to Equine Assisted Activities and Therapies. More than 250 clients visit annually, assisted by certified instructors, a herd of 19 horses and over 160 volunteers, all specially trained to assist with therapeutic riding, equine assisted learning, carriage driving, and hippotherapy. Riding To The Top is a community-based nonprofit, receives no federal or state funding and provides scholarships to over 60% of its clients. For more information about client services, volunteering, or making a gift, please visit us at www.ridingtothetop.org or call 892-2813.

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Ride Safely

By Louise Lester

Years ago I wasn't as informed about truck and trailer maintenance as I am now mostly from personal experience. I now have my truck and trailer inspected by professionals before the ride season begins because I'm a dummy about mechanics and because I'm afraid to trust myself to know the difference between dependable and not dependable.

I remember a ride I went to in New Hampshire hauling my gelding and my daughter as groom. I got to the ride uneventfully, rode the ride, and then proceeded to return home. Leaving the ride grounds I had a flat tire on the trailer. Thankfully I was within sight of the grounds, and I was helped by one of the rider's husbands who changed my tire for the one hanging on the side of the trailer.

We then proceeded home. On a turnpike I blew the spare on the trailer which had just been replaced for me. We're sitting beside the highway with cars blasting by.

Here again I was helped by a rider's husband who gave me the spare off their trailer and installed it on my trailer.

You just can't find people as giving and helpful anywhere. But we competitive trail riders and families, and friends are so special. Whether we're on the road or on trail the companionship and care we extend each other is exceptional.

My safety suggestion: Maintain your vehicle and trailer always.



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Musings of a Horse Show Mom

By Stephanie Parron

Dream Come True

Ever since we bought our first horse about five years ago, I have dreamed of owning my own horse trailer. The idea of being free to go and do whatever we wanted, whenever we wanted, is just so appealing. Being confined to the same indoor, same property, over and over, day in and day out gets so boring. And then there is the cost of paying someone to trailer us to shows and excursions. It was usually the largest part of the show bill! It seemed like something easy we could save on if we had our own trailer. But really, it was all about the freedom to go wherever, whenever.

For the past five years I've been working on this idea with my husband. I've look at used trailers online. I've looked at new trailers at Equine Affair and online. I've talked to friends who have trailers. I've talked about all the things we could do once we had one. The one thing I couldn't really do was justify the cost. Even though it was expensive to trailer to shows, it would take years for the trailer to pay for itself with the savings from trailering ourselves. So, every time I got close, I got shut down. It was like a dance; I'd work the idea up and we'd be close to saying yes, and then the reality of the cost would hit me. But even so, the idea of the freedom we would have with our own trailer just continued to push the cost discussion to last. Until last winter.

Last November, we finally bought a horse trailer. The time and price was right, and it just all worked out. The trailer pretty much sat at the barn all winter long, snowed in, waiting for spring to come. When the snow finally melted, it was time to get it ready for the first show. Once it was all inspected and brake modules updated, and new tires, and lights fixed, it was time to move all our horse stuff from the garage to the trailer. I think this might be my second favorite thing about a horse trailer. The storage. I can keep all that stuff that was in my garage and hall closet, like wraps, and saddle pads, extra bridles, and Show Sheen, and shampoo, etc etc, in the trailer. Which made my husband happy; something that is important in this venture. Once it was all packed up, it was time to actually drive it.

Now, I have never pulled a trailer before. I've never towed anything before. And to be honest, I was nervous. Towing my horse around, or anyone else's is no joke. What if I panicked, what if the trailer flipped over, what if I get cut off on the highway, what if I had a flat tire? Of course, I know these things are very rare, but everyone's heard a horror story or two about horse trailer accidents. All the "what if's" played in my head. But then I would think of all the people I know who tow their horses around all the time, and it's no big deal. They bring them everywhere. Kentucky, South Carolina,

Maine, and all over New England. If they can do it, I can certainly do it. I just needed some practice.

My husband gave me my first towing lesson. Having your husband/wife/significant other teach you something, anything, can be...touchy. My husband and I sometimes have problems communicating. Probably not unlike a lot of husbands and wives. Basically, neither of us likes being told what to do. So this could either go really well, or be a total disaster, ending in an argument. I was determined to be a good student, and listen and do what he was telling me. First, he showed me how to back the car up and hook up the trailer. How to connect it all, and then safety check everything. Then we got in and drove around. I needed to learn the feeling of towing something empty, before I put a living, breathing, moving animal in the back. I did OK. A little quick at first, I needed to slow down for turns a lot earlier, but all in all, not bad. There was no argument and no yelling. Success! I drove it a few more times, hooking and unhooking myself. Until it was pretty comfortable. Then it was time to load a horse in it and take it for a spin.

For some reason, in my head, I was thinking that driving a live horse around would be so much harder. People always talk about the horses moving in the trailer, making it sway or lurch. I have to admit, that made me nervous. Then there's the weight of the horse. Also, nervous. Turns out, it wasn't so hard. In fact, I really didn't even notice the horse was there. I drove through town and traffic, on the highway, and back to the barn. And we all got back in one piece. My trainer came with me on the first ride. Her only feedback "SLOW." I may have a little bit of a lead foot. She is going to get me a sticker that just says SLOW on it, and stick it on my steering wheel. Other than that, she said I did great! The next day, I went with just Allie. She also reminded me to go slow. (Do you see the theme?) I promise I will learn to drive slowly. Even if it's not in my nature.

So now I'm ready for the road. I'm ready to take myself to horse shows, the park, the beach, wherever we want to go. I don't need to ask anyone for help. That feels amazing. Finally, I have the freedom I have wanted for so long. As Allie and I were driving around with Ziggy in the trailer, I told her we were finally living the dream.

Stephanie Parron and her daughter Allie have been active in the local show circuit and IEA for several years. Stephanie writes a blog of the same title as her articles. You can find more musings at musingsofahorseshowmom.blogspot.com/

Dusty Boot 4-H News

By Teri Pierce

Franklin County's two 4-H Horse Clubs collaborated in a community service effort to benefit the Double B Equine Rescue. This would make Giddy Up and Go Club's 12th Annual Hayraiser-fundraiser and Dusty Boots Club's 1st Annual Hayraiser-fundraiser.

The Double B Equine Rescue, located on Route 43 in Industry, ME, takes in surrendered, unwanted, neglected and abused horses and other equines from around the state and provides them with food, water, medical and rehabilitative care. Currently in their care are 36 equines and we all know how costly it can be to properly care for one equine say nothing about 36.

Donations were delivered on two different days, one delivery was on February 23 and another delivery done on March 17; donations consisted of various items such as hay, grain, shavings, tack and related equipment, Tractor Supply gift cards, and monetary donations.

Of course donations are greatly appreciated and accepted all throughout the year for the deserving minis, ponies, donkeys, and horses who have been through so much. If you would like to make a donation of hay, grain, shavings, tack, or equipment please contact Terri Pierce at 207-779-6774 via call/text and we will be sure to get your donation to the rescue. If you would like to make a monetary donation, please send a check made payable to Double B Equine Rescue to the UMaine Cooperative

Extension, 138 Pleasant Street Suite #1, Farmington ME 04938. It is OK if donations are received before or after the 23rd.

Members of Giddy Up & Go, Dusty Boots, The Double B Equine Rescue, and the horses greatly appreciate your help and wish to thank everyone who has donated so far! To learn more about Double B Equine Rescue and the horses there, please visit their Facebook page or regular website mainehorserescue.com.




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From New England Equine Medical & Surgical Equine GI Supplements

By Dr. Kathy Samley

One of the largest categories of equine supplements is gastrointestinal support supplements. These are designed to benefit either the horse's foregut (made up of the stomach and small intestine), the hindgut (made up of the cecum, large colon, and small colon), or both. The foregut is where the initial digestion and absorption of most nutrients occurs. The hindgut is primarily designed to digest and ferment fiber, which is most prevalent in forages such as hay. A large variety of microbes live within the cecum and large colon to help facilitate this fermentation process.

Supplements designed to improve foregut health typically target the stomach. One of the most common conditions affecting the stomach in horses is Equine Gastric Ulcer Syndrome, which is further divided into Equine Squamous Gastric Disease and Equine Glandular Gastric Disease, depending on which part of the stomach is affected. Gastric ulcers form for a number of reasons, but the most common issue is that the cells that line the stomach are exposed to high levels of gastric acid for an extended period of time. This causes erosion of the cells, which leads to formation of a gastric ulcer. Dietary modification as well as treatment with medications can help treat the ulcers themselves, but it is often helpful to use a gastric supplement during and after a course of treatment in order to prevent ulcers from recurring. These supplements typically include antacids, which help to buffer acid in the stomach, as well as coating agents to help soothe the stomach. Feeding large meals of high-starch grains can greatly decrease the pH (thus increasing the acidity) of

the stomach. Feeding an appropriate gastric supplement with each grain meal can help reduce the acidity level and help prevent the formation of gastric ulcers.

The hindgut in the horse is a complex structure made up of three different components (the cecum, large colon, and small colon). Large colon impactions, spasmodic (gas) colic, and colitis are a few of the more common conditions affecting the hindgut. Within the cecum and large colon live a variety of microbes, living organisms, that help to support the process of fiber fermentation. Keeping these microbes healthy is key in supporting the overall health of the hindgut. Equine hindgut supplements contain a variety of ingredients to help keep these gut microbes healthy. These include probiotics, which are live bacteria that contribute to the natural microflora living within the equine hindgut. These supplements may also contain prebiotics, which are nutrients that support the growth of the microbes. Additionally, many hindgut supplements also contain digestive enzymes to assist with digestion/fermentation. Some supplements may contain psyllium which can help remove sand from the ventral colon and reduce colon inflammation.

If your horse has a history of gastrointestinal disease, talk to your veterinarian about whether starting your horse on a GI supplement would be beneficial. They can give you recommendations as to which type of supplement would be best for your horse, and can help you navigate through the vast variety of supplements available.

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adoption success story

Miss Maine Returns

By Robyn Cuffey

Instead of a phone call, my life usually gets disrupted now by text messages. Whenever I see one from the SOSS (Save our Standardbreds from Slaughter) group, I cringe. Another Standardbred in the kill pen. Another one to try to find the funds to buy and find a place to put it. Because Standardbreds are so easy to identify, people from this group go to the auction sites and read all the freeze brands on the horse's necks to find out who they are and where they came from. They then get on the phone and try to find anyone connected to the horse to help save it. If it was owned or bred by anyone in Maine, they contact me. Yikes!

Knowing that most who are dumped at the auction are very "used up," often lame and injured, it is hard to get the funds together, but even harder to find them a home. Maine SPHO has a small fund to donate towards these horses, but it is a drop in the bucket for what is needed. We have saved a few, but many are lost.

This time was different. The message came, then the phone calls. The horse they found was from Maine, but not only from Maine, her registered name is Miss Maine. Seriously. They are going to kill Miss Maine! I looked at a video of her with a rider on her back. She was not limping – at least for those ten seconds. I looked at pictures of her face. Now I was doomed. We needed to save Miss Maine. I looked-up her past and found she had been bred and owned by people nearby. She is 15-years old; never raced. Where had she been all these years? I was assuming Amish and assuming too lame to keep going, but silly me, I still wanted to give her a chance.

But there's always a catch. If we could raise the money, we still had to get her from Pennsylvania and find a place to put her. We had two days to purchase her and get her out of the place to keep her from heading to slaughter. Talking about this in the barn, a student volunteered herself and her mother to drive to PA to get her. Really??? Then, she needed a place to go. Since I was the one so mad about it and determined to get her out, tag, looks like my farm is it.

We started to get the word out that we needed to raise funds to get her. Through SPHO and students and friends we got it done. We raised the money to buy her and get her transported back to Maine. After many calls and text messages, she arrived. She still had the auction stickers on her butt: #626. No piece of paper with any identification besides that number. Shaft rubs on her sides; borium traction shoes for trotting on the pavement. She has been carriage driving somewhere for sure.

I could feel her ribs. She was quiet as a mouse, and seemed happy to eat and stand.

She is starting to get to know us. She is starting to perk up and play in the paddock. She likes us grooming and finding her favorite itchy spots. We have started bringing ring her in the ring. She has had a visit from the vet and farrier. And we are putting some tack on. She is not 100% sound, but looks sound enough to have a job and a comfortable remainder of her life in a safe home.

Bottom line is – Miss Maine is safe thanks to the concern and help of many. With some TLC and knowledgeable trainers, I hope Miss Maine will make some appearances soon, maybe at an event near you. I thank all who stepped-up to help and I am sure she would if she could.



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On the Levels Re-Ride Clinic with Jane Tremlett

By Susan Pendleton

SMDA held a clinic at Swan Brook Equestrian Center on Sunday, April 14. The clinic was run as a re-ride, with a focus on demonstrating the different levels for the new 2019 USDF/USEF dressage tests.

It was a very fun and educational format. We had six riders demonstrating tests from Intro through Second Level. Prior to each test the judge reviewed the purpose of the test, and what is required at that level. For example, the purpose of Training Level is to confirm the horse demonstrates correct basics, is supple and moves freely forward in a clear rhythm with a steady tempo, accepting contact with the bit. As you progress, each level layers on more expectations. At First Level there is an additional requirement for the horse to have sufficient thrust to achieve improved balance and thoroughness and maintain a more consistent contact with the bit.

Many riders aspire to, but struggle with the requirements of Second Level, which asks the horse to accept more weight on the hindquarters (collection), move with an uphill tendency, and be reliably on the bit. Second Level requires a greater degree of straightness, suppleness, thoroughness, balance, and self-carriage than at First Level. The purpose and the directives for each movement are clearly written on each dressage test and give us the criteria by which we are judged.

The riders entered the ring and went through their warm-up. When the rider felt ready, the judge rang the bell and they rode their test. Each rider then received a coaching session, focusing on specific movement in the test as well as basics. Then, the rider repeated their test and showed improvements. Auditors received copies of the score sheets, followed along with the judge, and had the opportunity to ask questions.

We had a diverse array of horses and riders, each with different goals. Prior to the clinic, each rider provided a summary of their goals and had the opportunity to ask specific questions to the judge. Some riders wanted to work on their confidence in the show ring and used the clinic to get their horses settled and calm in a simulated show environment. Others brought new horses to give them experience and get an evaluation of the horse's readiness. And several riders sought advice on specific movements, like dealing with a horse that breaks gait, or how to encourage the horse to stretch down for the stretchy circle.

Our clinician was Jane Tremlett (L). Jane is a popular local instructor, schooling show judge and long-time member of SMDA. She gave each rider good, constructive feedback and made sure to point out things they were doing well in addition to areas for improvement. It was great to get candid but supportive feedback and we're grateful to Jane for her energy and enthusiasm. We also want to say a big thank you to Brandi Raymond who organized the clinic, and to Swan Brook Equestrian Center for hosting.



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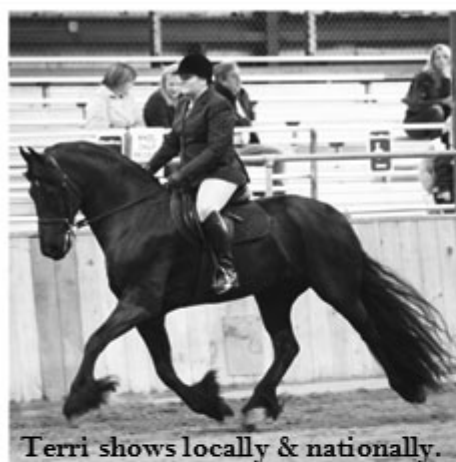
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Granite State Carriage Association

Snow Games

By Denise Reed Gagnon

Granite State Carriage Association's first Snow Games event, hosted by Denise Reed Gagnon at Rhapsody Farm in Warner, NH, was a rousing success! The day was overcast and cold, but not bitterly so. Eight people participated with horses and ponies, but spectators were numerous bringing a total of 30 people to watch and socialize.

There was a multitude of different equines represented, from minis to a Clydesdale. There was a Newfoundland pony and a beautiful Morgan mare, driving a beautiful sleigh.

Everyone unloaded and harnessed up at their leisure. When ready, they ventured off to drive around a 1/4 mile of loops thru pastures, and if so inclined, could try their skills at the obstacles against the clock, some towed on skis or sleds, and all having a rollicking good time!

It was fun to see everyone enjoying the day. I look forward to hosting another such event winter 2019/2020.

41st Annual Members' Meeting and A Celebration of Life

On March 24, 2019, the Granite State Carriage Association (GSCA), a pleasure riding & driving club, met at the Red Blazer Restaurant in Concord, NH, for its Annual Members' Meeting. Approximately 62 members and guests attended this year's event, which in addition to the business meeting and our lively 'FUNd-raising' auction, featured a "Celebration of Life" in memory of life-time member Barbara Hurl of Amesbury, MA, who passed away last November at age 92.

After folks socialized with cocktails, appetizers, and a delicious buffet, a slideshow of many treasured family photos of Barbara was presented and an article written by her was read by Sonja Cahill. From Barbara's fascinating account, we learned that she started riding at age three with her parents. Through the years she was active in showing, competing, riding, and driving several Morgans, Arabians, ponies, and even a goat as a child.

Barbara especially enjoyed years of pleasure outings with the GSCA earning a life-time membership and making many friends along the way. She was not only a horsewoman who passed on her love of horses to her daughter, Nancy MacGown, but she was also a terrific mom, cook,

seamstress, gardener, folk-art painter, and prolific letter writer with a great sense of humor. She was able to enjoy her horses till age 80. A large bulletin board was displayed showing pictures, news articles, letters, and cards that she had written or was written about her over the years. She truly had a wonderful 'Lifetime with Horses.' In her memory, the GSCA made a donation to a horse sanctuary suggested by her daughter Nancy.

Election results for 2019 were: Incumbent officers/directors: Jean Harvey, President; Sandy Sims, Secretary; Cindy Schlener, Director. Newly elected officers were: Neil Harvey, Treasurer; Eric Wilking, Vice President of Activities; and Directors Connie Moses and Denise Reed Gagnon. Out-going directors recognized for their support were Isabella Martin and Dave Herrick. Also, outgoing Treasurer Eric Wilking, who moved into the VP position, presented another sound financial report for 2018 with good prospects for GSCA going forward.

Renee Wormell and Bob Townsend were recognized as 'Most Valuable Players.' The 'Participation' award for attending most events went to Sandy Sims. The Annual Meeting concluded with our lively auction led by Eric Wilking. The auction together with one yearly family membership fee of \$25 supports GSCA's full slate of recreational driving & riding activities. For more info on the GSCA, please visit: www.granitestatecarriage.org

Coaching in Bavaria in October

GSCA members, Dave and Liz Herrick are planning to enjoy the Coaching Tour of Tuscany this coming October. As of now, there is room for additional people and they invite other GSCA members to join them on this adventure. It has been publicized that this will be the last year that the Tuscany Coaching Tour will be offered, so you may not want to miss this opportunity. For more information check their web site: <http://www.coaching-in-bavaria.com/englisch/1-reisen/reisen-4-italien.html#9>

GSCA Now Affiliated with New England Horse & Trail

Granite State Carriage Association recently became affiliated with the New England Horse and Trail (NEHT) - <http://www.nehorseandtrail.com/>. This is a riding club which has no rides of their own but advertises those of affiliated clubs - basically a ride repository. NEHT members, and their horses, earn mileage credit based on the affiliated rides they participate in (miles for each ride). At the end of the year, the miles are totaled up

and published in a newsletter with all the members' mileage. Horse and Rider teams can also earn a plaque. Some of the GSCA outings may be NEHT-associated.

Annual Dues Due Now!

GSCA depends on annual dues to meet administrative expenses, such as insurance, and outing expenses. Prompt payment helps us to offer our outings free of charge to members. At only \$25/year, membership in GSCA is bargain that can't be beat! And, for just \$1 more, you can also become an affiliate member of the Maine Driving Club, which entitles you to participate in their events as well. Dues may also be paid, via Paypal through www.granitestatecarriage.org.

GSCA is dedicated to the promotion of safe, recreational, pleasure driving. Single day and multi-day driving events are held all over New England and riders are welcome at most events. Dues are only \$25 a year (for \$1 more, also become an affiliate member of Maine Driving Club!). Participation in most events is free, except for stabling or camping fees or catered meals, if applicable. Find out more about GSCA, and find a calendar of events at www.granitestatecarriage.org. Check out GSCA's club blog, Horse Smarts & Carts, on the GSCA website. It features ongoing stories, training information, useful horse management tips, photos, and GSCA monthly Recaps & Reminders. <http://granitestatecarriage.org/index.php/activities-photos/horse-smarts-blog> Find us also on FaceBook – GSCA Granite State Carriage.



Barbara Hurl driving her Morgan mare, Tabitha



Eric Wilking heating up the bids at the Annual Meeting Auction



GSCA Board of Directors left to right: Eric Wilking, Dave Herrick, Jean Harvey, Connie Moses, Isabella (Boo) Martin, Sandy Sims, and Cindy Schlener.

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News, Notes, and Nickers

By Dollie Hutchins, MHA Administrator

With spring's still sputtering and blowing as I write this article in early April, and with your reading it in early May, the first MHA show (ASAM Long Horn on April 28 at the Hollis Equestrian Park) is now in the books. ASAM's Specially Designed Show, (May 12 in Hollis) and Ricky Drew's new Maine Event Spring Premiere (May 17-19 in Skowhegan) are looming on the horizon. Starting next month, I'll have some horse shows on which to report!

While the Maine Horse Association is thought of mostly as a horse show organization, it also offers dressage awards, an organized trail ride mileage recognition program, and a family pleasure horse participation program. For the dressage program, member riders submit their four best scores from at least two different judges at each level in which they've competed. The average of the two middle scores is used to determine awards. The yearly program ends on October 1, so any shows after that count toward the next year. Dressage shows do not affiliate directly with MHA, so any USDF, MDS, or SMDA shows count.

MHA encourages its trail riding enthusiasts with both yearly and ongoing mileage awards for those participating in organized pleasure rides. Participants keep track of their rides and mileage on a log provided on the MHA website (mainehorseassoc.com). Annually, horse and rider combinations are recognized for reaching 75, 150, and 200 miles during the season with a special award for the combination with the highest overall mileage. Once a horse has reached 500 miles, the horse receives a plaque; then for each additional 250 miles, another plate is added to the plaque. As a rider reaches the 1,000; 3,000; and 5,000 milestones (from all horses ridden), MHA honors the rider with a special award. As with dressage, MHA does not directly affiliate organized trail rides. There are a number of organizations offering organized rides throughout New England including, Maine Trail Riders, Trail Riders of Today (TROT), Southern Maine Association for Riding Trails (SMART), New Hampshire Horse & Trail, and New England Horse and Trail. The rides do not have to be in the State of Maine. Trail rides after October 1 count for the next year.

For those of you who just ride for fun, relaxation, and exercise, MHA will honor your well-spent time aboard your equine buddy in the family pleasure program. Download the log, keep track of the time spent in the saddle or driving and submit it by October 1. We'll honor your fun at the banquet with a Certificate of Achievement and a huge round of applause.

With show season now underway, I'd like to acquaint readers with some of the more unique aspects of the MHA horse show circuit. The first is its structure. MHA is an "umbrella organization" in that show sponsors/managers apply for affiliation to be part of the MHA show circuit. This is the same structure as the New England Horsemen's Council (NEHC) and on a national/international scale, USEF. Affiliated shows must follow the rules and standards set forth by MHA, but can choose whatever classes they want in their shows. They are not limited to just the ones in the rule book, most of which coincide with NEHC's classes. (Some MHA shows are also NEHC affiliated.) The classes and divisions in the rule book can all qualify for year end awards if a member owner (rider in equitation, showmanship, and grooming) qualifies with pins at three different shows.

Over the years, a number of the non-pointed classes have been popular enough to become pointed classes. One example is Family Pleasure Horse or Pony. This is a walk and trot/jog/alternate gait class where one family member rides the first way of the ring at both gaits; then the class is lined up; there's a rider switch with the second rider showing the second way of the ring. Complete show attired is not required and it is not restricted to riders who only walk and trot/jog. Lead liners can show in this class as long as someone has the stamina to lead them at the trot/jog with everyone else. This gives many people a chance to 'try out' showing in a more informal atmosphere. Also, while the class title says 'family,' this class is not only for actual relatives, but is open to 'barn family' members. It has struck the fancy of many folks, and you never know what combinations will enter the class!

Another couple of classes that started out as non-pointed have progressed in popularity to be pointed. One is the Open Halter Class. For years, a number of shows would hold an 'open halter championship' class (aka a show grand championship) drawing from all the in hand/halter classes offered at the show from all the breeds, from minis to Friesians, plus the English In Hand and Western in Hand classes. The irony was that this was only a show championship and the results didn't count for any year-end points. Enter, the Open Halter Class. Now the show's in hand grand championship counts for points if the entry is shown in the Open Halter class but every entry who has shown in hand is eligible. MHA has had some large and impressive open championships! This chain of events also spawned an Open Halter, Junior Handler class to encourage juniors

to try showing in hand in a class in which the horse or pony is judged (as opposed to a showmanship class). This class stands by itself for year end accolades.

With the arrival of better weather for 'horsing around,' remember to savor the small treasures of the sport – the contended munching after feeding each evening, the smell of fresh hay, sawdust and shavings; and that wicker of recognition from your equine buddy.



Birchcrest I'm Exceptional Too, owned and presented by Cathy McDevitt, winner of the Open Halter Horse/Pony Championship at the 2018 Downeast Horse Congress in Skowhegan.

*Photo credit DallysMPPhotography

MHA was saddened to learn of the passing of Paul Brim, 68, of Gorham, ME, on March 20, 2019. Paul, along with his wife, Paulette, were staples on the MHA circuit for many years. He showed his pinto Saddlebred, Sable and Pearls, both in hand and in pleasure driving, as well as assisted Paulette with her entries. With his carpentry skills, he helped make center ring displays and often made auction items for various year-end banquet auctions. MHA wishes to express its condolences to his family and friends.



Maine Appaloosa Horse Club (MeApHC)

By Eleanor J. Roberts, MeApHC Publicity Chairperson

The 50th Anniversary Show is fast approaching. May 10-12, 2019 will be the 50-year celebration for the Maine Appaloosa Horse Club along with the 50th Appaloosa "State Show."

The "State Show" will be held at the Skowhegan Fairgrounds on Mother's Day weekend. There are many events planned, from a pizza party Thursday evening to a Lobster/Chicken and Steak Dinner on Saturday. We will have an unprecedented number of awards to disseminate on Sunday at the close of the show. As well as many money classes and sponsored gifts in a variety of classes throughout the three-day event. Awards and payouts totaling \$20,000 over the weekend. Don't forget the Beverage and Cheese Social on Friday evening just before the "Dog Race" and Versatility class.

The Appaloosa Horse Club sanctioned horse show will host 150 ApHC classes ranging from Leadline (exhibitors five-years and under) to Non-Pro Master classes (exhibitors 50-years and older). There will be something for every horse enthusiast. We have western and hunter under saddle pleasure events, pattern classes in three disciplines (western, hunt seat, and saddle seat), and we offer game events for the rodeo supporter with a different twist. If entries allow, these events will be run horse against horse verses running against the clock. The idea of a bracket type rodeo event is a unique characteristic to the Appaloosa horse breed only. No other stock breed runs Nez Perce Stumps Race (barrels) or Nez Perce Stakes (poles) using this elimination method. It is the way the Nez Perce Indians use to hold their competitive events on the open plains.

There will also be yearling futurity classes, a Calcutta class, a Versatility class, challenge classes, and 27 Open All Breed classes, totaling 189 classes spread out over the three-day event. For the purpose of this show, the versatility class will consist of three parts: western pleasure, hunter under saddle, and barrels. The traditional versatility class has three parts, saddle seat pleasure, western pleasure, and Nez Perce Stump Race. However, in order to invite the All-Breed horse into our arena we have switched out the saddle seat pleasure for hunter under saddle because the Appaloosa horse is the only stock breed to continue to offer the saddle seat discipline. The other stock breeds have eliminated the saddle seat option. The Appaloosa Horse Club feels that the Appaloosa Horse is the most versatile stock horse being bred today since many of our horses can still perform within a competitive arena in the area of saddle seat pleasure. Thus, showing the Appaloosa

Horse as the most versatile horse. The scores from each of these three events will be calculated and a winner will be determined. Like the horse against horse events, this is another unique class to the Appaloosa Horse breed when run according to the history of this distinctive breed.

The MeApHC invites everyone to come and take a walk down "Memory Lane." View the last 50-years of the Appaloosa Horse through the eyes of life in Maine. Stop by our Hospitality Booth featuring exhibits, photos, letters, and other paraphernalia. Spend time talking with people who were instrumental in forming the club, as well as long-time members who have kept the club together and moving forward in the 21st century.

Area youth who are interested in horses should stop by and see what it means to work with an Appaloosa or all-breed horse. As a member of the youth club, all youths are eligible to apply for a \$400.00 scholarship to be paid out the second semester of their college year. This scholarship is awarded each year in memory of Kaye Littlefield, a driving force in the Appaloosa industry in the state of Maine. You do not have to own an Appaloosa (or any horse) to join our club or be a member of the youth club. Therefore, come get involved and learn from other horse enthusiasts. Moreover, if you volunteer four hours at the State Show being held at the Skowhegan Fairgrounds on May 10, 11, and 12, 2019 we will waive the membership fee. It's a win-win for all!



Morgan Roberts and Lady Fury (aka "Katie") running the Nez Perc Stumps Race (barrels) at the Skowhegan Fairgrounds.



Over-All High Point Leadline winner at the 25th Anniversary Appaloosa "State." Mike Grass, Show Manager and Morgan Roberts, Lead Liner.

We would like to thank our sponsors for their generous donations in helping the club meet our goal (\$20,000 worth of Awards and Paybacks to be given away) to make the 50th Anniversary Appaloosa "State Show" a memorable event. If you are interested in contributing as a corporate sponsor or individually as a class sponsor, please feel free to contact Mike Grass at 207-368-4914 or at grasslands252@gmail.com.

The show will host the following awards as this article goes to print:

- Seven over-all High Point Saddles to be awarded
- Monogrammed Director Chairs
- Western Saddle Pads
- 27 All-Breed Classes
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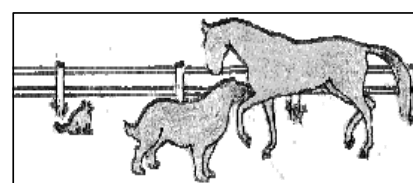
Fifty years and going strong!
The Maine Appaloosa Horse Club is celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the club as well as the "Appaloosa State Show" on May 10, 11, and 12, 2019 at the Skowhegan Fairgrounds in Skowhegan, ME.

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Riverview Farm Updates

By Jojean Keller

We're sending a big welcome to Jacki and her horses, Penny and PJ, as well as her pony, Buster.

We are working on our 7th annual tack sale, which will be complete by this update. These sales are always full of exciting horse goods and are very well attended.

We had heard a rumor that spring had actually begun, but apparently it has been delayed in our neck of the woods! After several unexpected snow falls and the continued mud season, horses are blanketed, unblanketed, and reblanketed as spring weather dictates. Lesson and exercise programs will begin as soon as possible!

Of course, our happy and energetic horses are showing their paces! Featured below are some well-designed equine maneuvers and a number of friendly discussions.



PJ



Buster



barns

Healing Hearts Update

I am happy to report that surgery went well for our two young rescues: Trouble and Maverick. Both came through with relative ease and are returning to their new normal after their prescribed stall rest.



Trouble



Maverick



Shadow in charge!

Jack the mule and Trouble (now known as Mr. T) are now up for adoption. Update: Trouble has been adopted. He joins Huey and TJ, making a very happy little herd.!

We're featuring two of our happily adopted horses this month: Tony the Pony whose name is now Firefly and Brandi, a lovely and loving mare.



Brandi



Firefly

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MAY 2019

2	Horsemanship Workshop	Horsemanship Workshop from 6:00pm-8:00pm with Kate Bennett at Solid Ground in Scarborough, ME. Contact Kate at 207-632-0052 or katebennethorsemanship@gmail.com. Please leave a message when calling.
4	Certification	Special Olympics Coaches Training & Certification at Hearts & Horses Farm, 63 Justin Merrill Road in Buxton Me, contact 207-879-0489; this course is FREE of charge
4	Dressage Test Clinic and Symposium	Dressage Test Clinic and Symposium located at Longfellow Farm in Nottingham, NH. Two-day clinic with Suzanne Hamilton ("R" judge and USDF God Medialist. Contact 860-558-7809 or @longfellowdressage.com
4	Dressage Show	Central Maine Dressage Schooling Show, Safe Haven Farm, Durham, ME; Intro thru FEI, Western Dressage. Secretary Stephanie Hatcher, shatcher2@gmail.com, 207-423-7352
4	Clinic	Having Fun with Flat Work with Tea-Bri-Lee Farm and Kate Bennett Horsemanship at Solid Ground in Scarborough, ME. Contact Kate at 207-632-0052 or Teagan Irene at 207-931-6793. Please leave a message when calling. Pre-registration required for participants.
4	Jumper Show	UNH Schooling Jumper Show Ground Poles-3'3" at UNH in Durham, NH, contact Christina Keim at christina.keim@unh.edu or 603-862-1174
5	Driving Clinic	Maine Driving Club, clinic with Scott Monroe, Driven Dressage at Upper Pond Stable in Litchfield, ME, contact Paula at dleavitt@uninets.net
5	Fun Day	SPHO Fun Day at Hollis Equestrian Park, Hollis, ME 9am-4pm, contact Robyn at 207-929-6562
5	Event Series	Event Series located at Green Acres Farm in Madbury NH. Contact 603-978-4551 or event4fun@aol.com
5	Gymkhana	Gymkhana located at Oakrise Farm in Goffstown, NH, contact 603-391-5326 or email secretary@oakrisefarm.com
7	Open House and Tack Swap	Gelinas Farm's Open House and Tack Swap located in Pembroke NH. 9:00-1:00 PM. Vendors selling new and used tack and equipment. Contact Gelinas Farms 603-225-7024 or joanne@gelinasfarm.com
10-12	Dog Agility Trial	Mid Coast Kennel Club Dog Agility Trial, Pineland Farm Equestrian Center, New Gloucester, ME. Contact Robin Ohrt at 860-930-3994 or mcktrialsecretary@gmail.com
10-12	Horse Show	Maine Appaloosa Horse Club 50th Anniversary Horse Show, open classes for all breeds and appaloosa classes, at Skowhegan Fairgrounds in Skowhegan ME, contact Mike Grass at 207-745-2745 or grassands252@gmail.com
10-12	Dressage Clinic	Conrad Schumacher Clinic located at Longfellow Farm in Nottingham, NH. Rides on the 10th will be in the afternoon only. Contact 860-558-7809
10-12	Horse and Trail Horse Show	Region 12 NH Horse and Trail Horse Show located at Deerfield Fairgrounds in Deerfield NH. Contact 603-394-7699 or sheri2517@hotmail.com
11	SRC Tack Sale	Sebasticook Riding Club used tack and everything else sale. Kitchen will be open. Entertainment activities throughout the day. Rt 100 Clinton, ME
11	Ratings / Drill Team Ride	Primetime Riders Ratings or Drill Team Ride (new members take D1 test - others may test to upgrade) at Welcome Home Farm, Greene, ME, contact Sam Morrison at wlcmlhome@live.com or Julie Retells at jretelle@bates.edu
11	Saturday Youth Equestrian Program	9am-12pm at Stonewall Stables at West Neck Farm. Providing experiential learning opportunities to teach riding and equine management in order to produce well-rounded equestrians. \$75/day. Package deals available. Crissy Bradley westneckfarmllc@gmail.com 207-380-5758
12	Game Show	Mousam Saddle and Harness Club game show, in Kennebunk ME, contact Andrea at 207-929-8445.
12	Pleasure Show	MHA: 35th Annual ASAM Specially Designed Horse Show Class B Pleasure at Hollis Equestrian Park, ME, contact secretary Regan Grant at 207-432-7671 or momg23@metrocast.net

12	Open Show	Open Show Series located at Oakrise Farm in Goffstown NH English and Western Divisions for Riders of all levels. 603-391-5326 or email secretary@oakrisefarm.com
15	Dressage Show	SMDA Dressage Schooling Show at Hollis Equestrian Park, Hollis ME, judge Krista Nordgren, contact Nancy Smith at 207-653-8255 or nancy.smith2002@yahoo.com
16	Horsemanship Workshop	Horsemanship Workshop from 6:00pm-8:00pm with Kate Bennett at Solid Ground in Scarborough, ME. Contact Kate Bennett at 207-632-0052 or katebennethorsemanship@gmail.com. Please leave a message when calling.
16-19	Clinic	Horse Speak Immersion Clinic with Sharon Wilsie at Whispering Woods Stables, Augusta ME, contact Teresa at teresa@whisperingwoodsstables.com or 207-370-1150
17-19	Clinic	Centered Riding Instructor Certification Course Part I, at Welcome Home Farm in Greene, ME, contact Sam Morrison at 207-946-5045 or wlcmlhome@live.com
17-19	Pleasure Show	MHA: The Maine Event: Spring Premiere Horse Show Class B Pleasure at Skowhegan Fairgrounds, ME, contact secretary Mary Field at 207-576-3641 or memf3@fairpoint.net
18	Trail Ride	Trail Ride/Fund Raiser at Fair Haven Camps, Brooks, ME, a 5-7 mile ride to raise scholarship funds for youth, \$25, free BBQ lunch, contact Cheryl at canderson@fairhavencamps.org
19	Pleasure Show	Mousam Saddle and Harness Club pleasure show, in Kennebunk ME, contact Andrea at 207-929-8445.
19	Dressage Show	Esprit Equestrian Center Dressage Schooling Show and 2-Phase, Esprit Equestrian Center, Durham, ME; Intro thru FEI, Western Dressage, Intro thru Prelim Combined Divisions. Secretary Elizabeth Owens, lautrecslizbeth@gmail.com, 207-504-1232
19	Dressage Show	Dressage Show located at Oakrise Farm in Goffstown, NH offer USDF, USEA classes and Western Dressage. Contact 603-391-5326 or secretary@oakrisefarm.com
20-26	Clinic	Private Lessons and Connecting With Horses Clinic with the DownEast Border Riders at Whispering Pines Riding Stable, Jonesboro, ME. Contact Janet at JanetDriensky@yahoo.com
22	Driving Clinic	Maine Driving Club, Dressage Readiness/Prep for ADT, at the Windsor Fairgrounds in Windsor, ME, contact Louann Thompson at wyatte1210@yahoo.com
25	Saturday Youth Equestrian Program	9am-12pm at Stonewall Stables at West Neck Farm. Providing experiential learning opportunities to teach riding & equine management in order to produce well-rounded equestrians. \$75/day. Package deals available. Crissy Bradley westneckfarmllc@gmail.com 207-380-5758
25-28	Trail Ride	Maine Trail Rides, ECTRA sanctioned competitive 80, 60, 30, 30, and 10 mile CDR. Waterford Fair Grounds, N. Waterford, Me. Contact Louise Lester at 207-894-8185 or louise1@maine.rr.com
26	Dressage Show	Life's A Ride Dressage Schooling Show in Saco, ME, SMDA affiliated, contact Cassi at 207-890-2606 or cassandrajmartin@yahoo.com
26	Open Show	Open Show Series located at Oakrise Farm in Goffstown NH English and Western Divisions for Riders of all levels. 603-391-5326 or email secretary@oakrisefarm.com
26	Event Series	Event Series located at Green Acres Farm in Madbury NH. Contact 603-978-4551 or event4fun@aol.com
26-28	Palm Partnership Training	Palm Partnership Training located at Gelinas Farm in Pembroke NH for information contact Lynnpalm.com
27	Gymkhana	Gymkhana located at Oakrise Farm in Goffstown, NH 603-391-5326 or secretary@oakrisefarm.com
30	Horsemanship Workshop	Horsemanship Workshop from 6:00pm-8:00pm with Kate Bennett at Solid Ground in Scarborough, ME. Contact Kate Bennett at 207-632-0052 or katebennethorsemanship@gmail.com. Please leave a message when calling.
31-2	Clinic	Connecting With Horses Clinic at Serendipity Stables in Glenburn, ME. Contact Val at VRich1118@aol.com

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JUNE 2019

1	Gymkhana	Gymkhana, 9am at Ellis River Riders, Andover, ME. Contact Jessi Fortin, shows@ellisriversiders.com
1	Profile Falls Outing	Profile Falls Outing sponsored by Granite State Carriage Association located in Bristol, NH. Contact Leslie Baxter 603-860-6487 or lakevue100@comcast.net
1	Dressage Show	Longfellow Dressage Rated Show located at Longfellow Farm in Nottingham, NH. Judge: (S) Sandi Chohany and (r) Bryn Walsh. Contact 860-558-7809 or @longfellowdressage.com
2	Horse Show	Tri-County Horsemen open show, Union Fairgrounds in Union, ME, contact Marilyn at 207-594-4039 or marilynsmith@roadrunner.com
2	Open Show	Open Show Series located at Oakrise Farm in Goffstown NH English and Western Divisions for Riders of all levels. 603-391-5326 or email secretary@oakrisefarm.com
2	Pleasure Show	MHA: FEA Black Diamond Jubilee Class B Pleasure at Hollis Equestrian Park, ME, contact secretary Mary Field at 207-576-3641 or memf3@fairpoint.net
2	Clinic	Introduction to English and Western Dressage with Kate Bennett at Solid Ground in Scarborough, ME. Contact Kate at 207-632-0052 or katebennethorseman-ship@gmail.com. Please leave a message when calling. Pre-registration required for participants.
2	Open Show	Open Show, 9am at Ellis River Riders, Andover, ME. Contact Jessi Fortin, shows@ellisriversiders.com
8	Arena Driving Trial	Mine Driving Club, Arena Driving Trial at the Windsor Fairgrounds(pending) in Windsor, ME, contact Louann Thompson at wyatte1210@yahoo.com
8	Game Show	Sebasticook Riding Club All Day Game Show. Rt. 100 Clinton, ME. Contact Pat McCollor patmcc1@gmail.com or 207-872-5301
8	Versatility Trail Challenge	Versatility Trail Challenge, 9am at Ellis River Riders, Andover, ME. Contact Shaynah Seames, brlr97@gmail.com
9	Versatility Trail Clinic	Versatility Trail Clinic with Jim Badger at Ellis River Riders, Andover, ME. Contact Shaynah Seames, brlr97@gmail.com
9	Dressage Show	SPHO Dressage Schooling Show at Hollis Equestrian Park, Hollis ME, SMDA-affiliated, contact Gloria Steiger at 207-929-8746 or olgasteig@gmail.com
9	Pleasure Show	Mousam Saddle and Harness Club pleasure show, in Kennebunk ME, contact Andrea at 207-929-8445.
9	Dressage Show	Dressage Show located at Oakrise Farm in Goffstown, NH offer USDF, USEA classes and Western Dressage. Contact 603-391-5326 or secretary@oakrise-farm.com
9	Hunter Show	MHA: NEJA Summer Classic Horse Show I Class B Hunter/Jumper at Sassy Strides Equestrian, Lisbon, ME, contact Renae Sama at 207-514-6626 or ne-jumpersassociation@gmail.com
9	Horse Show	Cheshire Fair Horse Show Series located at Cheshire Fairgrounds in Swansey NH. For information and questions contact judy@cheshirehorse.com.
9-11	Clinic	Tom Curtin Quality Horsemanship Clinic located at Gelinan Farm in Pembroke, NH. For more information contact tomcurtin.net
13	Horsemanship Workshop	Horsemanship Workshop from 6:00pm-8:00pm with Kate Bennett at Solid Ground in Scarborough, ME. Contact Kate at 207-632-0052 or katebennethorseman-ship@gmail.com. Please leave a message when calling.
14-16	Pleasure Show	MHA: 40th Annual Downeast Horse Congress Horse Show Class AA Double Pointed Pleasure (with Hunter Ring on 6/15 in the infield) at Skowhegan Fairgrounds, ME, contact secretary Regan Grant at 207-432-7671 or momg23@metrocast.net
14-16	Hunter Show	MHA: 40th Annual Downeast Horse Congress Horse Show Class AA Double Pointed Hunter Ring in the infield 6/15 at Skowhegan Fairgrounds, ME, contact secretary Regan Grant at 207-432-7671 or momg23@metrocast.net
14-16	Veteran Clinic	Veteran Barn Door Clinic, Free Clinic for Veterans Only. Private. At Springpoint Farm in Durham, ME. Contact Bud 207-576-5837 or email sphorses@gmail.com
15	Dressage Show	Sebasticook Riding Club Dressage Schooling Show. Judge Patti Swan, contact secretary Barbara Humphrey at bhumphrey98@yahoo.com or 207-938 2117. Entry closing date June 10. Rt.100 Clinton, ME

15	Drill Team and Trail Ride	Primetime Riders Drill Team and Trail Ride (ride of 4, 6, or 8 riders - followed by trail ride) at Welcome Home Farm, Greene, ME, contact Sam Morrison at wlcmlhome@live.com or Julie Retells at jretelle@bates.edu
15-16	Clinic	Chris Lombard Horsemanship Clinic at Solid Ground in Scarborough, ME. Contact Kate Bennett at 207-632-0052 or Vickie Gelinan at 207-838-3085. Please leave a message when calling. Pre-registration required for participants.
15-16	Clinic	Connecting With Horses Clinic at Solid Ground Equine Assisted Life Coaching in Scarborough, ME. Contact Vickie at Info@SolidGroundLC.com
16	Game Show	Mousam Saddle and Harness Club game show, in Kennebunk ME, contact Andrea at 207-929-8445.
16	Gymkhana	Gymkhana located at Oakrise Farm in Goffstown, NH, 603-391-5326 or secretary@oakrisefarm.com
20-23	Clinic	Centered Riding Instructor Certification Course Part II, at Welcome Home Farm in Greene, ME, contact Sam Morrison at 207-946-5045 or wlcmlhome@live.com
20-23	Clinic	Combination Centered Riding Certified Instructor Update with Assistant Margreet Bouwmeester, at Welcome Home Farm in Greene, ME, contact Sam Morrison at 207-946-5045 or wlcmlhome@live.com
21-24	Horsemanship Clinic	Greg Eliel Horsemanship Clinic - at Springpoint Farm in Durham, ME. Contact 207-926-5789 or sphorses@gmail.com
22	Dressage Show	Esprit Equestrian Center Dressage Schooling Show and 2-Phase, Esprit Equestrian Center, Durham, ME; Intro thru FEI, Western Dressage, Intro thru Prelim Combined Divisions. Secretary Elizabeth Owens, lautrecslizbeth@gmail.com, 207-504-1232
22	Clinic	Intermediate Horsemanship with Kate Bennett at Solid Ground in Scarborough, ME. Contact Kate at 207-632-0052 or katebennethorseman-ship@gmail.com. Please leave a message when calling.
22	Equitation Show	Sebasticook Riding Club Equitation Show. Judge Robert McDonald, contact Pat McCollor at patmcc1@gmail.com or 207-872-5301. Rt. 100 Clinton, ME
23	Clinic	Fundamentals of Horsemanship with Kate Bennett at Solid Ground in Scarborough, ME. Contact Kate at 207-632-0052 or katebennethorseman-ship@gmail.com. Please leave a message when calling.
23	Horse Show	Open Show Series located at Oakrise Farm in Goffstown NH English and Western Divisions for Riders of all levels. 603-391-5326 or email secretary@oakrisefarm.com
27	Horsemanship Workshop	Horsemanship Workshop from 6:00pm-8:00pm with Kate Bennett at Solid Ground in Scarborough, ME. Contact Kate at 207-632-0052 or katebennethorseman-ship@gmail.com. Please leave a message when calling.
27-30	PATH Clinic	PATH Intl. Registered Level Instructor On-Site Workshop and Certification at Riding To The Top, Windham, ME. Contact Kate Jeton at programdirector@ridingtothetop.org or 207-892-2813x22
28-30	Pleasure Show	MHA: AHAME Autumnfest Apple Jubilee Horse Show Class A Pleasure at Skowhegan Fairgrounds, ME, contact secretary Mary Field at 207-576-3641 or memf3@fairpoint.net
28	Jumper Show	Jumper Show Series located at Oakrise Farm in Goffstown NH beginners to advanced jumpers. Contact 603-391-5326 or secretary@oakrisefarm.com
29	Driving Clinic	Maine Driving Club, clinic with Larry Poulin, Drive/Ride Dressage at Upper Pond Stable in Litchfield, ME, contact Anna at 207-798-2616

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6	Dressage Show	Central Maine Dressage Schooling Show, Kennebec Morgan Farm, Woolwich, ME; Intro thru FEI, Western Dressage, Intro thru Prelim Combined Divisions. Secretary Margaret Bailey, mami_dressage@yahoo.com, 207-798-1911
6	Gymkhana	Gymkhana, 3pm at Ellis River Riders, Andover, ME. Contact Jessi Fortin, shows@ellisriversiders.com
7	Dressage Show	Scarlet Day Farm Dressage Schooling show, Gray ME, SMDA affiliated, contact Alicia at apeterstorrey@gmail.com or 207-322-6256
7	Combination Show	Mousam Saddle and Harness Club combination show, in Kennebunk ME, contact Andrea at 207-929-8445.

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7	Hunter Show	MHA: MeHJA/MHA Summer Classic Horse Show Class B Hunter/Jumper at Hollis Equestrian Park, ME, contact Anne Kozloff at wwfarm1@gmail.com
7	Event Series	Event Series located at Green Acres Farm in Madbury NH. Contact 603-978-4551 or event4fun@aol.com
9-11	Equestrian Day Camp	9am-1pm at Stonewall Stables at West Neck Farm. Suitable for new riders and younger children. Riding and horse management skill building, horse related games and crafts, natural horsemanship, drill team riding, and lots of fun! \$75/day. Crissy Bradley westneckfarmllc@gmail.com 207-380-5758
10-17	Training Session	Luke and Kelli Neubert one week training session; open to colts, restarts, troubled horses, or horses who need advancing, at Piper Ridge Farm, ME, contact 207-793-4101
11	Horsemanship Workshop	Horsemanship Workshop from 6:00pm-8:00pm with Kate Bennett at Solid Ground in Scarborough, ME. Contact Kate at 207-632-0052 or katebennetthorsemanship@gmail.com . Please leave a message when calling.
12	Jumper Series	Jumper Show Series located at Oakrise Farm in Goffstown NH beginners to advanced jumpers. Contact 603-391-5326 or secretary@oakrisefarm.com
12-14	Clinic	Connecting With Horses Clinic at Painted Sky Ranch, West Paris, ME. Contact Gail at IGuideU@hotmail.com
13	Game Show	Sebastcook Riding Club All Day Game Show. Rt. 100 Clinton, ME. Contact Pat McCollor at patmcc1@gmail.com or 207-872-5301
13	Fun Show	Primetime Riders Fun Competition, riders choice of tests: english, western, in-hand, agility, etc, at Welcome Home Farm, Greene, ME, contact Sam Morrison at wlcmlhome@live.com or Julie Retells at jretelle@bates.edu
13	Trail Outing	Loudon Roads & Woodland Trails Outing located in Loudon, NH sponsored by Granite State Carriage Association. Contact Sandy Sims 603-731-3506 or angelmeadowsfarm@myfairpoint.net
13	Horse Show	Touchstone Farm Open Horse Show located at Touchstone Farm in Temple, NH. NHHJA and Downeast rules apply to medal classes. Jumper shall run with USEF/NEHC jumper rules. For information contact Kris Young Director of Operations 603-654-6308 x103 or office@touchstone-farm.org
14	Horse Show	Tri-County Horsemen open show, Union Fairgrounds in Union, ME, contact Marilyn at 207-594-4039 or marilynksmith@roadrunner.com
14	Pleasure Show	MHA: Ossipee Valley Fair Horse Show Class D Pleasure at Ossipee Valley Fairgrounds, Hiram, ME contact secretary Phyllis Davis & Sheryl Roberts at 207-604-6008 or desi@psouth.net
14	Versatility Trail Challenge	Versatility Trail Challenge, 9am at Ellis River Riders, Andover, ME. Contact Shaynah Seames, brlrcr97@gmail.com
14	Horse Show	Cheshire Fair Horse Show Series located at Cheshire Fairgrounds in Swanzy NH. For information and questions contact judy@cheshirehorse.com .
16	Dressage Show	SMDA Dressage GAIG/USDF Recognized Competition, Hollis Equestrian Park, Hollis ME, judge Ida Norris, contact Elena at 207-317-1472 or elena_raymond@yahoo.com
18-21	Trail Outing	Look to the Mountain camping and outing located in Chocorua, NH sponsored by Granite State Carriage Association. Contact Cindy Schlener 978-928-9906 or cindy.schlener@chartr.net
21	Game Show	Mousam Saddle and Harness Club game show, in Kennebunk ME, contact Andrea at 207-929-8445.
21	Hunter Show	MHA: NEJA Summer Classic Horse Show II Class B Hunter/Jumper at Sassy Strides Equestrian, Lisbon, ME, contact Renae Samay at 207-514-6626 or nejumpersassociation@gmail.com
21	Open Equitation Show	Waldo County Riding & Driving Club, fifty-six classes plus six championship \$ classes. New show bill includes several minis classes! 190 Lincolnville Ave, Belfast, ME. Judge Robert MacDonald. Contact wrcdc@yahoo.com
21	Dressage Show	Dressage Show located at Oakrise Farm in Goffstown, NH offer USDF, USEA classes and Western Dressage. Contact 603-391-5326 or secretary@oakrisefarm.com
25	Horsemanship Workshop	Horsemanship Workshop from 6:00pm-8:00pm with Kate Bennett at Solid Ground in Scarborough, ME. Contact Kate at 207-632-0052 or katebennetthorsemanship@gmail.com . Please leave a message when calling.
26	Jumper Show	Jumper Show Series located at Oakrise Farm in Goffstown, NH beginners to advanced jumpers. Contact 603-391-5326 or secretary@oakrisefarm.com

27	Clinic	Mid Summer Medley with Tea-Bri-Lee Farm and Kate Bennett Horsemanship at Tea-Bri-Lee Farm, Winthrop, ME. Contact Kate Bennett at 207-632-0052 or Teagan Irene at 207-931-6793. Please leave a message if calling.
27	Equitation Show	Sebastcook Riding Club Equitation Show. Judge Lu Ann Watson. Contact Pat McCollor at patmcc1@gmail.com or 207-872- 5301. Rt. 100 Clinton, ME
27	Clinic	Mid Summer Medley with Tea-Bri-Lee Farm and Kate Bennett Horsemanship at Tea-Bri-Lee Farm, Winthrop, ME. Contact Kate at 207-632-0052 or Teagan at 207-931-6793. Please leave a message when calling. Pre-registration required for participants.
28	Dressage Show	Esprit Equestrian Center Dressage Schooling Show and 2-Phase, Esprit Equestrian Center, Durham, ME; Intro thru FEI, Western Dressage, Intro thru Prelim Combined Divisions. Secretary Elizabeth Owens, lautreclizbeth@gmail.com , 207-504-1232
28	Gymkhana	Gymkhana located at Oakrise Farm in Goffstown, NH. Contact 603-391-5326 or email secretary@oakrisefarm.com
29-2	Equestrian Day Camp	8am-4pm at Stonewall Stables at West Neck Farm. Suitable for older youth and those already riding. Riding and horse management skill building, horse related games and crafts, introduction to cross country, introduction to dressage, natural horsemanship, drill team riding, lots of fun! Concludes with an overnight Thursday and horse show Friday. \$395/week. Crissy Bradley westneckfarmllc@gmail.com 207-380-5758.

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3	Gymkhana	Gymkhana, 3pm at Ellis River Riders, Andover, ME. Contact Jessi Fortin, shows@ellisriversriders.com
3	Dressage Show	Central Maine Dressage Schooling Show, Esprit Equestrian Center, Durham, ME; Intro thru FEI, Western Dressage, Intro thru Prelim Combined Divisions. Secretary Elizabeth Owens, lautreclizbeth@gmail.com , 207-504-1232
3	Trail Outing	Trail ride and Obstacles located at West Meadow Farm in Bradford, NH sponsored by the Granite State Savvy Club call 603-938-2042
4	Gymkhana	Gymkhana, 10am at Ellis River Riders, Andover, ME. Contact Jessi Fortin, shows@ellisriversriders.com
4	Dressage Show	Life's A Ride Dressage Schooling Show in Saco, ME, SMDA affiliated, contact Cassi at 207-890-2606 or cassandrajmartin@yahoo.com
4	Pleasure Show	Mousam Saddle and Harness Club pleasure show, in Kennebunk ME, contact Andrea at 207-929-8445.
4	Hunter Show	MHA: Kane Kountry Farm's Seacoast Classic MHA Class D Hunter/Jumper at Kane Kountry Farm, Scarborough, ME, contact secretary Nancy House at 207-939-3135 or nhouse700@gmail.com
4	Open Show	Open Show Series located at Oakrise Farm in Goffstown, NH English and Western Divisions for Riders of all levels. 603-391-5326 or email secretary@oakrisefarm.com
5-7	Equestrian Day Camp	9am-1pm at Stonewall Stables at West Neck Farm. Suitable for new riders and younger children. Includes riding and horse management skill building, horse related games and crafts, natural horsemanship, drill team riding, and lots of fun! \$75/day. Crissy Bradley westneckfarmllc@gmail.com 207-380-5758
6-10	Trail Ride	Endurance Trail Rides Pine Tree AERC Trail Rides 50/25, 50/25, 55/25, 50/25, 50/25/10 mile rides. Fryeburg Fair Grounds, Fryeburg, ME, contact Sue Niederoda 207-632-9696 or sniedoroda@yahoo.com
7-11	Clinic	Gaited Horse Clinic with Larry Whitesell at Whispering Woods Stables, Augusta ME, contact Teresa at teresa@whisperingwoodsstables.com or 207-370-1150
10	Game Show	Sebastcook Riding Club All Day Game Show. Rt. 100 Clinton, ME. Contact Pat McCollor at patmcc1@gmail.com or 207-872-5301
11	Horse Show	Tri-County Horsemen open show, Union Fairgrounds in Union, ME, contact Marilyn at 207-594-4039 or marilynksmith@roadrunner.com
11	Dressage Show	SMDA Dressage Schooling Show at Hollis Equestrian Park, Hollis ME, judge Melanie Peabody, contact Kristine Brassard at 207-252-8353 or kristie.bras-sard@maine.edu
11	Versatility Trail Challenge	Versatility Trail Challenge, 9am at Ellis River Riders, Andover, ME. Contact Shaynah Seames, brlrcr97@gmail.com

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11	Dressage Show	Dressage Show located at Oakrise Farm in Goffstown, NH offer USDF, USEA classes and Western Dressage. Contact 603-391-5326 or secretary@oakrise-farm.com
11	Trail Outing	Northern Rail Trail at Potter Place located in Andover, NH sponsored by Granite State Carriage Association. Contact Faith & Don Chendenen 603-455-9124 or fclen@tds.net
17	Event Series	Event Series located at Green Acres Farm in Madbury, NH. Contact 603-978-4551 or event4fun@aol.com
18	Open Equitation Show	Waldo County Riding & Driving Club, fifty-six classes plus six championship \$ classes. New show bill includes several minis classes! 190 Lincolnville Ave, Belfast, ME. Judge Kevin Crane. Contact wcrdc@yahoo.com
18	Pleasure Show	MHA: 19th Annual Pine Tree Sizzler Benefit Horse Show Class A Pleasure at Hollis Equestrian Park, ME, contact secretary Regan Grant at 207-432-7671 or momg23@metrocast.net
18	Gymkhana	Gymkhana located at Oakrise Farm in Goffstown, NH. 603-391-5326 or email secretary@oakrisefarm.com
18	Horse Show	Cheshire Fair Horse Show Series located at Cheshire Fairgrounds in Swansey, NH. For information and questions contact judy@cheshirehorse.com.
19-23	Equestrian Day Camp	8am-4pm at Stonewall Stables at West Neck Farm. Suitable for older youth and those already riding. Riding and horse management skill building, horse related games and crafts, introduction to cross country, introduction to dressage, natural horsemanship, drill team riding, lots of fun! Concludes with an overnight Thursday and horse show Friday. \$395/week. Crissy Bradley westneckfarmllc@gmail.com 207-380-5758.
22-25	Clinic	Centered Riding Certified Instructor All Level Update, at Welcome Home Farm in Greene, ME, contact Sam Morrison at 207-946-5045 or wlcmlhome@live.com
24	Equitation Show	Sebasticook Riding Club Equitation Show. Judge Katie Beaulieu. Contact Pat McCollor at patmcc1@gmail.com or 207-872-5301. Rt. 100 Clinton, ME
25	Dressage Show	Esprit Equestrian Center Dressage Schooling Show and 2-Phase, Esprit Equestrian Center, Durham, ME; Intro thru FEI, Western Dressage, Intro thru Prelim Combined Divisions. Secretary Elizabeth Owens, lautrecslizbeth@gmail.com, 207-504-1232
25	Pleasure Show	MHA: 56th Annual Highview Riding Club Horse Show Class B Pleasure at Cumberland Fairgrounds, ME, contact secretary Regan Grant at 207-432-7671 or momg23@metrocast.net
25	Hunter Show	MHA: Acton Fair Hunter Show Class D Hunter/Jumper at Acton Fairgrounds, ME, contact Cheryl Chamberlin at 207-651-3454 or cheryl9372@gmail.com
25	Dressage Show	Dressage Rated Show at Longfellow Farm in Nottingham, NH. Judges: (S) Fran Dearing Kehr and (S) Debbie Rodriguez. Contact 860-558-7809 or @longfellowdressage.com
25	Trail Outing	Pemi River Trail Day Outing, located in Sanbornton, NH sponsored by Granite State Carriage Association located in Sanbornton, NH. Contact Laurie Graham 603-998-6867 or laurieagraham@gmail.com
25	Open Show	Open Show Series located at Oakrise Farm in Goffstown NH English and Western Divisions for Riders of all levels. 603-391-5326 or email secretary@oakrisefarm.com
25-26	Clinic	Masteron Method Beyond Horse Massage Clinic at Whispering Woods Stables, Augusta ME, contact Teresa at teresa@whisperingwoodsstables.com or 207-370-1150
30-1	Pleasure Show	MHA: 45th Annual ASAM Summer Spectacular Horse Show Class A Pleasure at Deerfield Fairgrounds, NH, contact secretary Regan Grant at 207-432-7671 or momg23@metrocast.net
31	Versatility Trail Challenge	Versatility Trail Challenge, 9am at Ellis River Riders, Andover, ME. Contact Shaynah Seames, brlrcr97@gmail.com

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1	Dressage Show	Life's A Ride Dressage Schooling Show in Saco, ME, SMDA affiliated, contact Cassi at 207-890-2606 or cassandrajmartin@yahoo.com
1	Gymkhana	Gymkhana, 9am at Ellis River Riders, Andover, ME. Contact Jessi Fortin, shows@ellisriverriders.com

6-10	Clinic	Clinic and individual sessions with Bryan and Luke Neubert at Piper Ridge Farm, ME, contact 207-793-4101
7	Mounted Meet	Primetime Riders mounted meet at Welcome Home Farm, Greene, ME, contact wlcmlhome@live.com or jretelle@bates.edu
7-8	Clinic	Connecting With Horses Clinic at Totavi Equine Center in Portsmouth, NH. Contact Danna-Lea at 207-475-6550
8	Horse Show	Tri-County Horsemen open show, Union Fairgrounds in Union, ME, contact Marilyn at 207-594-4039 or marilynksmith@roadrunner.com
8	Dressage Show	Scarlet Day Farm Dressage Schooling show, Gray ME, SMDA affiliated, contact Alicia at apeterstorrey@gmail.com or 207-322-6256
13-15	Hunter/Jumper Show	Downeast Medal Finals at Skowhegan Fairgrounds in Skowhegan, ME, Warm-up day Sept 12, contact Ginger Albert at ginger@downeastmedalfinals.com
14	Driving Derby	Maine Driving Club, Derby at Spurwink Farm in Cape Elizabeth, ME, contact Barbara at bechadwick1@gmail.com
14	Open Show	Open Show at Ellis River Riders, Andover, ME. Contact Jessi Fortin, shows@ellisriverriders.com
15	Dressage Show	SMDA Dressage Schooling Show at Hollis Equestrian Park, Hollis ME, judge Laura Mitchell, contact Maggie Roy at 207-400-4629 or maggie.s.roy@gmail.com
15	Open Equitation Show	Waldo County Riding & Driving Club, fifty-six classes plus six championship \$ classes. New show bill includes several minis classes! 190 Lincolnville Ave, Belfast, ME. Judge Cohne Goodwin. Contact wcrdc@yahoo.com
15	SRC Trail Ride	Sebasticook Riding Club trail ride at 10:00am and potluck lunch in Fairfield, ME. Contact Pat McCollor at patmcc1@gmail.com or 207-872-5301
15	Dressage Show	Esprit Equestrian Center Dressage Schooling Show and 2-Phase, Esprit Equestrian Center, Durham, ME; Intro thru FEI, Western Dressage, Intro thru Prelim Combined Divisions. Secretary Elizabeth Owens, lautrecslizbeth@gmail.com, 207-504-1232
28	Trail Challenge	Sebasticook Riding Club Trail Challenge competition with cash prizes. Judge Sarah Gilman. Contact Pat McCollor at patmcc1@gmail.com or 207-872-5301. Rt. 100 Clinton, ME
28-29	Clinic	Centered Riding/Horse Training Clinic, at Welcome Home Farm in Greene, ME, contact Sam Morrison at 207-946-5045 or wlcmlhome@live.com
28-29	Horse Trials	UNH Fall USEA Horse Trials BN-P at UNH in Durham, NH, contact Christina Keim at christina.keim@unh.edu or 603-862-1174

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4-6	Clinic	Connecting With Horses Clinic at Serendipity Stables in Glenburn, ME. Contact Val at VRich1118@aol.com
5	Dressage Show	Central Maine Dressage Kur For A Cure Dressage Schooling Show, to benefit The Dempsey Center, Esprit Equestrian Center, Durham, ME; Intro thru FEI, Western Dressage; Secretary Elizabeth Owens, lautreslizbeth@gmail.com, 207-504-1232
5	Versatility Trail Challenge	Versatility Trail Challenge, 9am at Ellis River Riders, Andover, ME. Contact Shaynah Seames, brlr97@gmail.com
6	Hunter Show	MHA: 5th Annual Jump 4 A Cure Festival Class B Hunter/Jumper at Sassy Strides Equestrian, Lisbon, ME, contact Renae Samay at 207-514-6626 or nejumpersassociation@gmail.com
12	Arena Driving Trial	Maine Driving Club, Arena Driving Trial at Pen-Beth Farm in Harrison, ME, contact Liz Happel or Barbara Chadwick at adt@penbethfarm.com
12	Clinic	Primetime Riders clinic with Asa Woodman - Harmony Horsemanship at Welcome Home Farm, Greene, ME, contact Sam Morrison at wlcmlive.com or Julie Retells at jretelle@bates.edu
12	Fun Show	Fun Show, 9am at Ellis River Riders, Andover, ME. Contact Jessi Fortin, shows@ellisrivridders.com
19	Jumper Show	UNH Schooling Jumper Show Ground Poles-3'3" at UNH in Durham, NH, contact Christina Keim at christina.keim@unh.edu or 603-862-1174

19-20	Clinic	Centered Riding/Horse Training Clinic, at Welcome Home Farm in Greene, ME, contact Sam Morrison at 207-946-5045 or wlcmlive.com
20	Dressage Show	Life's A Ride Dressage Schooling Show in Saco, ME, SMDA affiliated, contact Cassi at 207-890-2606 or cassandrajmartin@yahoo.com
27	Awards Banquet	Sebasticook Riding Club awards banquet with prizes, raffles, pot luck dinner. Pace Hall in Skowhegan, ME. Contact Pat McCollor at pmcc1@gmail.com or 207-872-5301

NOVEMBER 2019		
16-17	Clinic	Centered Riding/Horse Training Clinic, at Welcome Home Farm in Greene, ME, contact Sam Morrison at 207-946-5045 or wlcmlive.com

DECEMBER 2019		
7	Jumper Show	UNH Schooling Jumper Show Ground Poles-3'3" at UNH in Durham, NH, contact Christina Keim at christina.keim@unh.edu or 603-862-1174
15	Annual Gathering	Primetime Riders Christmas Gathering at Welcome Home Farm, Greene, ME, contact Sam Morrison at wlcmlive.com or Julie Retells at jretelle@bates.edu

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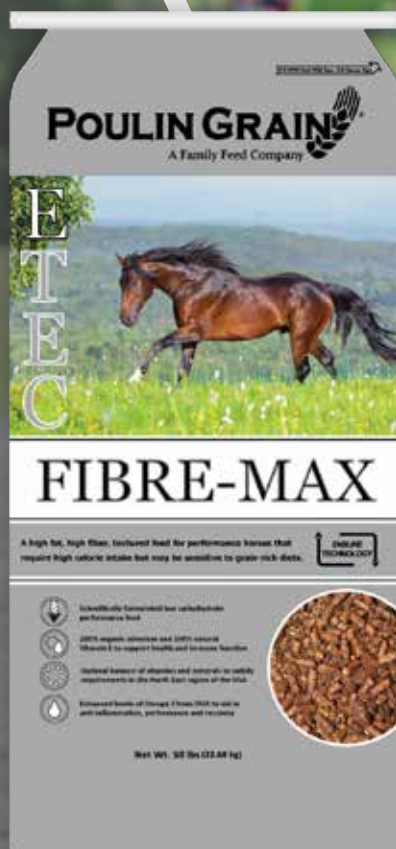
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