



BCHA Newsletter, Volume 3
June/July 2014

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President's Note...

I hope everyone is enjoying this great weather we have been having! I certainly am! Horses are fat and happy once more and I am reminded of the childhood stories about the wild mustangs making it through the winter to find the sweet spring pastures. This year I feel that keenly. Maybe it's age but did the winter seem to last forever?

BCHA has many exciting and wonderful events coming up for everyone! I hope you will each have time to ride, be with friends and family, and enjoy our club's activities!

Our next meeting is at Crossview Farm on Tuesday, June 3rd starting at 6:30 pm with a pizza dinner for our members. From 7-8 pm, Tabitha and her crew will discuss what it takes to win in the show ring with demonstrations and critiques. I hope you will attend this event. We will be talking a bit about our horse show which is coming up in September.

In July we will have two planning meetings and I want to invite everyone now to join us. One will be a show committee meeting to work on our September show. The other will be with our board to plan next year's calendar of events. We welcome your participation and in-put. Dates will be announced at the June 3 meeting.

Our August event will be a special one at the Fincastle Winery on the 23th. This is a member's appreciation event. We hope you will join us; this is your club & we appreciate you!

Monthly meetings at Bellacino's begin on Sept. 2, show business meeting; Oct. 7 with the Virginia Horse Council. BCHA is now a proud VHC member and the October meeting will be devoted to educating the club about what VHC does and how it impacts us as horse owners. They are responsible for our state lobbying efforts and are instrumental in keeping legislation on track that will benefit our ability to continue our riding programs, shows, trail rides, etc. It is important that we are aware of their purpose and support their efforts!

I want to close by stating that we are working hard as the new board to offer quality programming as well as put the club's financial and other matters in order. We hope this next year will bring opportunity and fun, educational activities and we hope that all club members will support us as we work through this year of re-organizing. If we have missed an opportunity, we will work very hard to pick it back up for next year –so hang with us!

-Debbie Mooty

BCHA is a non-profit organization promoting interest in the equine and education towards better horsemanship.

BCHA Spotlights...

Local Animal Rescue...

A non-profit, no-kill shelter in Fincastle, VA, the League for Animal Protection was formed in 1991 by a group of concerned citizens. Their volunteers and supporters help rescue abandoned dogs and cats, giving them medical treatment, shelter and care until they can be given a second chance in a new home. To date, LAP has helped find new, loving homes for more than 2,000 pets. LAP services are funded by private donations, membership fees and fundraising events. Learn more... (540) 473-3853, lapinformation@aol.com, and facebook. For the month of June the adoption fee for cats will be reduced to \$25 to celebrate - "Adopt A Cat From The Shelter Month" - visit <http://lap.petfinder.com>.



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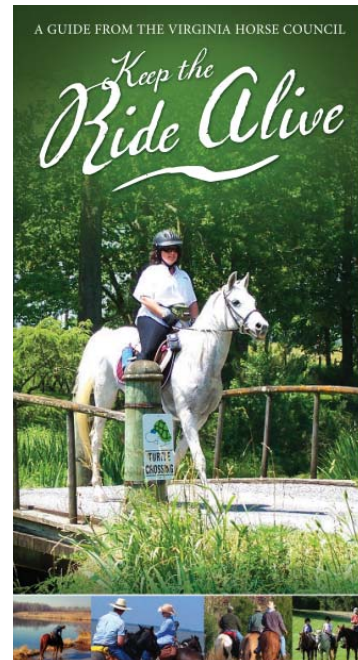
Thanks to Emily Downey and Anastasia Donnini from the Botetourt County 4H Horse and Pony Club for helping with the leadline activities at the Annual Legislature Trail Ride at Douthat State Park in May. It was a beautiful day for a trail ride! BCCHA and the VHC appreciate you!



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- * They're not underfoot at the sound of a can opener.
- * Horses don't hang on the screen door.
- * Passing joggers & mailmen are generally safe from harm.
- * When a mare is in season, you hardly ever find six stallions serenading her in your back yard.
- * Horses don't throw up.
- * They'd don't usually perch on the tv.
- * Horses don't wake you first thing in the morning by tap dancing on your chest.
- * They're not so finicky that you end up with 10 open cans of tuna, chicken, & beef in the fridge.
- * Rodent breath isn't an issue.
- * No unrolled yards of bathroom tissue.
- * They don't scratch people or sharpen their nails on your furniture.
- * Horse babies are rarely a surprise found under your bed and multiple births are not usually an issue.
- * They never have to be rescued from trees.
- * No surprise gifts like dead things left at your front door.
- * "Cat naps" & "dog days" are not nearly as fun as "horsin'around"!!!!!!!

-VADA Fredericksburg's "Pirouette Report" May '95

BCHA Summer Social – August 23

As a member of the BCHA you are invited for a social evening at the

Fincastle Vineyard & Winery.

203 Maple Ridge Lane, Fincastle, VA

6pm - 9pm



Entrance to the summer concert event will be covered for BCHA members. Guests are \$10 and includes BCHA club membership. Wine tasting and music...lovely summer evening.

Dinner is available for purchase on site by a local caterer or you are invited to bring a picnic.

Music will be provided by... River Bank Ramblers - www.riverbankramblers.com

RSVP by 8/15 - Debbie Mooty 312-8393

We hope to see you there – BCHA Board

Cross View Farm hosts the June BCHA Barn Meeting

‘Winning in the Show Ring’ - Tabitha Thompson & crew

June 3

6:30pm member pizza dinner

7pm presentation

8pm brief business meeting



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We need volunteers for our Sept. 27th BCHA Horse Show...if you are interested, please email us today...

BCHAHorseClub@gmail.com. We'll need ring help, office assistance, grounds crew, ribbons, etc...

We can't do it without you!

Show Committee will meet July 1 at Bellecinos in Daleville - 6:30pm.

17th Annual BCHA Annual Show

Sept. 27, 2014

Greenhill Park Equestrian Center

Judges

Danielle Toms - Hunter

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Volunteers & Sponsors needed

BCHA members

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May 31/June 1 - Virginia Barrel Classic - VHC, Lexington
May 31/June 1 - SBRAA Lee-Jackson Classic - VHC, Lexington
June 1 - Hear the Beat Horse Show: BRHF - VHC, Lexington
June 7 - New London Horse Show Series Show #1: BRHF - New London Ruritan Club newlondonhorshow@gmail.com
June 7-8 - Stone Bridge Equestrian Center Series III - Stone Bridge Equestrian Center, Natural Bridge tallonlex@msn.com
June 12-14 - Blue Ridge Arabian Classic "A" rated - VHC, Lexington
June 14 - Clinic: SWVADA - GHPEC, Salem www.SWVADA.org
June 16-24 - Roanoke Valley Horse Show - Salem Civic Center, Salem www.roanokevalleyhorshow.com
June 18-19 - Thoroughbred Celebration Horse Show - VHC, Lexington
June 21/22 - Old Dominion Pony Club Show Jumping Rally - VHC, Lexington
June 21 - Franklin County 4H Trailblazer Horse & Pony Show: BRHF - Ginther Farm, Rocky Mount markhatcher@embarqmail.com
June 24-25 - House Mountain Horse Show - VHC, Lexington
June 28 - Commonwealth Games - Equestrian Sports - VHC, Lexington
June 28 - Sprouses Corner Ranch Mid Summer Horse Show: BRHF - Sprouses Corner Ranch, Buckingham laruelanes@yahoo.com
June 27-29 - VHSA Summer Show - Deep Run Hunt Club, Manakin Sabot vhsa@verizon.net
June 28 - Hunter/Jumper: Cross View Show Series & BRHF - GHPEC, Salem crossviewfarm@gmail.com
June 28-29 - Region IX Championship Vaulting - VHC, Lexington
June 29 - Open Show: Cross View Show Series & BRHF - GHPEC, Salem crossviewfarm@gmail.com
July 2 - Markel Firecracker Classic, Arabian Event, VHC, Lexington
July 3 - 6 - Region 15 Arabian and Half-Arabian Championship, VHC, Lexington
July 5 - 6 - Stone Bridge Equestrian Center Series IV, Natural Bridge 540-291-1000 stonebridgeequestriancenter@gmail.com
July 8-9 - House Mountain Horse Show, VHC, Lexington 540-464-2950
July 11 - 13 - Dressage at Lexington, VHC, Lexington 540-464-2950
July 12 - Pine Spur Hunt Club Summer Show, Vinton 540.890.2211 tommy.barron@sscoop.com
July 12 - Randolph College Summer Show, Lynchburg 434-384-3231 cpmitchell@randolphcollege.edu
July 13 - Roanoke Valley Pony Club Benefit Horse Show, GHPEC, Salem 540.392.5347 ellenoliver112@gmail.com
July 19 - New London Horse Show Series Show #2 Forest 434.238.0730 newlondonhorshow@gmail.com

July 19 - SWVADA Schooling Show, GHPEC, Salem <http://www.swvada.org>
July 18 - 19 - Southern States Regional Fair Horse Show, VHC, Lexington 540-464-2950
July 25 - 27 - American Connemara Pony Society Region III Show, VHC, Lexington 540-464-2950
July 26 - 27 - Memory's Hill Horse Show, Waynesboro 540-383-6424 ashley@memoryshillstables.com
July 31 - Aug 3 - Eastern Arabian Championships, VHC, Lexington 540-464-2950

BOTETOURT COUNTY FAIR - Main St, Buchanan, VA

The Town of Buchanan is hosting the Botetourt County Fair at the Buchanan Town Park on Friday, August 8, 2014 through Saturday, August 9, 2014. Come and enjoy all that Botetourt County agriculture and 4-H has to offer.. Concessions and cold treats provided by local youth organizations.

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2014 BCHA Events Calendar

- ☒ June 3 – 7pm barn meeting - Cross View Farm, Tabitha & company will present an educational program focused on **SHOWING**: turn-out, show tips, etc. 6:30pm pizza dinner for members with a short business meeting...see invite in this newsletter
- ☒ July 1 – General membership welcome...**SHOW COMMITTEE MEETING**: Bellacino's 6:30. We would like to continue this tradition in our club, but we need your help, even if you volunteer for just a couple of hours. We are going to get organized at this meeting and set up a work-schedule, organize ribbons, etc.
- ☒ Aug. 9-10 - Botetourt County Fair - BCHA will have a booth - volunteer or just drop by to say hello.
- ☒ Aug. 23 – Fincastle Winery & Vineyard for a social/business meeting. Wine tasting & music...see invite in this newsletter
- ☒ Sept. 2 – 7pm Horse Show Meeting - Bellacino's – finalize work schedules, needs, plans, financial statement to date & discussion of fall events inclu. Hunter Pace, Elections, & Christmas plans. Special door prizes. 6:30 board meeting - show/fall events meeting.
- ☒ Sept. 27 - BCHA Show – Green Hill Equestrian Park in Salem, Va
- ☒ Oct. 7 – 7pm general membership meeting at Bellacino's. Guest Speaker: Va. Horse Council. 6:30 board meeting– Financial statement for Horse Show – up-coming elections and calendar for 2015.
- ☒ Nov. 2 – 2nd Annual BCHA Hunter Pace, Buchanan – Ride for Rescue – part of proceeds will go towards a local charity (Flyer coming soon)
- ☒ Nov. 4 – 7 pm general membership meeting - Bellacino's. Board member slate presented to club for 2015 – nominations accepted & vote to be held at annual Christmas party & by e-mail. Guest speaker: Wayne – the trailer expert! 6:30 pm board meeting
- ☒ Dec. 2 – **BOARD MEETING** - Bellacino's 6:30 pm – Current board and those on slate for 2015 please attend. Planning meeting to finalize activities for 2015.
- ☒ Dec. 6 – Christmas Party: elections and 2015 calendar review
- ☒ Dec. 13 – Christmas Parade in Buchanan

Do you have ideas for events in 2015? We want to hear from you!

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Breed Interest: _____ Number of Horses: _____

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Next meeting - June 3, 2014 - Cross View Farm

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