

BCHA JOURNAL

BCHA Newsletter, Volume 4: September / October 2016



PICTURE PERFECT

BCHA secretary Beth Buchanan rides her horse Marty during the Summer Evening Fun Show on July 13 at Green Hill Equestrian Center.

DON'T MISS

SEPT. 6: Monthly meeting. Speaker: Jill Deegan, Botetourt County Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney, who is an expert in prosecuting crimes against animals.

OCT. 1: Fall Lunch and Learn. Natural Horsemanship clinician George Schaefer returns to lead beginner and intermediate sessions.

OCT. 4: Monthly meeting. Chat with insurance and financial experts on issues facing farm owners.

PRESIDENT'S NOTE

I hope everyone had a great summer. We certainly had enough rain! Good for pastures, tough for riding! Hope everyone made it through the humidity, too. It was too hot for me at times!

We had a wonderful evening summer show in July with great participation and nice weather. It didn't rain but was overcast which cooled it down a bit. I want to thank everyone who came out to help and everyone who came out to ride. I have a thank-you note from our judge, Lynda McGarry, which says it all: "It was a pleasure participating in your horse show. ... The equine community in the valley needs more events such as this. ... Thank you for the opportunity to be involved." I might add that Lynda did a great job and donated her judge's fee to the Therapeutic Riding Association of Virginia horse show in Lexington. Fantastic!

The pony rides at the Botetourt County Fair were also well received and, again, I want to thank each and every person who came out to volunteer and those who brought ponies to help. Willin' and Eve were very grateful to have Tinkerbelle (Mary and Clare Humphrey's pony) and Buddy (Rachel Buchanan's pony) as back-ups. A dollar from each \$3 ride will be donated to Harmony Farm Sanctuary, which was our June field trip.

As we come into our fall season, I want to invite each of you to our next few meetings. September will feature Jill Deegan, the Botetourt County assistant commonwealth's attorney who handles all the animal abuse cases for the county. In October, we will talk with David Via (insurance agent) and Kevin Sutton of the Farm Bureau to discuss farm financial topics, and then our November meeting will be a roundtable where members get to share information, plus we will hold elections for next year's board. In December, we will have our annual Christmas party, with a very different twist this year!

As your out-going club president, I also wanted to share how much I have enjoyed being president and getting to know many of you better. Through challenges and activities, we have forged ahead with a somewhat different approach to BCHA and I think we have come out the better for it. We are more community-involved and more active in giving and being supportive of good causes. I hope this will continue in the future, but you will help make those decisions. I hope that each of you will consider taking a leadership position and will vote for those that you feel reflect the club's values.

I want to thank my board members and my officers, and I want everyone to know that every activity we do is a great deal of work, so please be kind to those who lead! There are a million little details with each event, it takes personal time away and none of us are "paid" except in the good of the event itself!

— Debbie Mooty, BCHA President

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PICTURE PERFECT

Miana Patterson visits with Silver Justice at Lois and Mitch Fritz's New Freedom Farm. Rescue mare L'Oreal had Silver Justice in June, one of three 2016 rescue foals that now call the farm home.

2016 BCHA CALENDAR

January 5: General Membership Meeting, 7 p.m., Bellacino's - Daleville: *Yoga for the Equestrians*

February 2: General Membership Meeting, 7 p.m., Bellacino's - Daleville: *Rockingham Coop.*

March 1: General Membership Meeting, 7 p.m., Bellacino's - Daleville: *Youth Night (Local 4-H and FFA presentations) Member Pizza Party!!!*

March 26: Spring Tack Sale - VFW - 9am - 1 p.m. (See flyer for more details.)

April 5: General Membership Meeting, 7 p.m., Bellacino's - Daleville:

April 30: Lunch and Learn, Green Hill Park Equestrian Center, gates open 8:30 a.m. \$10 for members.

(See flyer for more details.)

May 3: Farm Member Meeting, 6:30 p.m., *Tips from the Farrier - Eric Hilgartner, CF of Windover Equine Services.*

June 7: Farm Member Meeting, 6:30 p.m. Harmony Farm Sanctuary Tour

July 13: BCHA Evening Fun Horse Show, Green Hill Park Equestrian Center, gates open 5 p.m.

August 6: Pony Rides at the Botetourt County Fair, Buchanan - volunteers needed

September 6: General Membership Meeting, 7 p.m., Bellacino's - Daleville: *Speaker, Jill Deegan, animal cruelty expert.*

October 1: Fall Lunch & Learn,

Green Hill Park Equestrian Center. Clinician George Schaefer.

October 4: General Membership Meeting, 7 p.m., Bellacino's - Daleville

November 1: General Membership Meeting, 7 p.m., Bellacino's - Daleville: *Members Night: networking and election discussion*

December 3: Middleburg Christmas Parade — Carpool leaves Park & Ride at 8:30 a.m. More info to come.

December 10: Buchanan Christmas Parade

December Holiday Party: Date and location to be announced

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BOARD

JoAnn Dester, tack sale manager
Tammi Nichols, Green Hill/VHC
Tina Haxton, membership chair
Diane Deffenbaugh, media
Charlotte Dietz, youth liaison

BCHA in 2017!

The board is already busy planning for our next year! We welcome your suggestions and ideas as we put together a calendar for 2017. We have had a great year with our educational meetings, farm tour and horse show but we would like to hear from YOU! If you have any ideas or suggestions, please forward them to any board member or officer.

Elections coming soon — we need YOU!

We will have at least two board positions open this year. If you are interested in serving and would like to be a part of this fun, dedicated, hard-working group, please let club president Debbie Mooty know before the November meeting so we can put you on the ballot.

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**New Freedom Farm's
Open House & Ribbon Cutting Ceremony**

Saturday, October 8, 2016

Time: 10am - 3pm

Location: 6118 Lithia Road, Buchanan, VA

RSVP: Please let us know if you will be joining us.

Phone: 908-319-1016

Email: newfreedomfarm2016@gmail.com

We hope to see you there!



Summer Evening FUN SHOW



Beth Buchanan won the BCHA Members-Only class at the Wednesday evening show. Beth received a fleece cooler donated by the Virginia Horse Council for the win.



Marianne Jolley and Carol Bernstein watch one of the classes.



Children gallop around the arena as part of the Stick Horse class.

FUN SHOW

On Wednesday, July 13th, the usually quiet show grounds at Green Hill Equestrian Park in Salem came alive with Botetourt County horsey folks, as well as other local equestrian enthusiasts, for the first ever BCHA Summer Evening Fun Show.

The hot weather gave way to a quiet evening as our first show participants entered the ring. The always-popular stick horse riders each came out with blue ribbons and delicious treats! Following stick horse, the show continued with model and showmanship classes as well as games and a costume class.

“Go As You Please” classes (a popular pleasure class) for both adults and youth were held with ribbons and smiles all around! A BCHA Members Only class was won by Beth Buchanan on Marty who won a very nice Defender fleece cooler. The last class 20, the challenging Command Class was won by new BCHA member, Whitney Dunkenberger.

Thank you to all our exhibitors, spectators, sponsors and volunteers for making the show a success!



Elise Buchanan rides in the Costume Class.



Miana Patterson rides in the Costume Class.



The show featured classes for a variety of disciplines including English and Western pleasure.

FUN SHOW



Debbie Mooty leads a student during the Costume Class.



Clare Humphreys accepts her first-place ribbon.



There were plenty of smiles throughout the evening as riders enjoyed their rides.

FUN SHOW



Clare Humphreys on her horse Precious.



We had experienced participants and first timers. It was a great mix.



Jill Franceschini, Jessica Dahlgren and Amanda Paxton chat at the concession stand.

Photos by Diane Deffenbaugh
RoanokeEquestrian.com

THANK YOU show sponsors!

Ring Sponsor: Sinking Creek Farm, Carol Bernstein
Show sponsors: Dunkenberger-Waskey Group at Morgan Stanley and 4-Horseshoes Youth Foundation

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| Amethyst Acres in Buchanan | Djuric Sporthorses in Blacksburg | Marcy Vaughn |
| Clovercreek Clinic in Salem | Solid Rock Farm in Roanoke | Vickie Huffman |
| Tractor Supply in Roanoke | Blue Rldge Equestrian Farms in Buchanan | Sandy Creasy |
| Hawk Hollow Farm in Botetourt | Bob and Carol Whiteside of Roanoke | Cheryl Coleman |
| Benson's Pressure Wash in Botetourt | Dedi Spradlin of Botetourt | Sally Lamb |
| Town Center Tap House in Botetourt | Julie Elliott of Botetourt | Virginia Horse Council |
| Saddles'n'Stuff in Botetourt | Rebecca Dixon | Mark and Kathy Young |
| | Larry Pauley | Debbie Wheeler |
| | | Courtney Odenthal |
| | | Dawson J. Kegley |
| | | Melanie and Allen Anderson |

The horse show also earned funds for three local orgainizations. Through proceeds from Class No. 8, Open Go As You Please, and additional donations, **Barn Cat Buddies** received more than \$250. Profits of about \$45 from the show's concession stand went to the **Roanoke Valley Horse Rescue's Feed Fund**, and proceeds from entries in Class No. 10, totaling \$32, went to **Green Hill Equestrian Center's** effort to improve the ring footing.

Thank you!

I would like to thank our board for their support and help this summer with the horse show and for the donation made in my brother's memory to Roanoke Valley Horse Rescue.

My younger brother, Paul, was very ill last year and it was a difficult time for me to say the least. With good care and family dedication, we were able to get him to a place where he was living independently with family support again. Unfortunately, his big heart could go on no longer and I lost him June 17th right in the middle of

preparation for the horse show. To say that I was devastated is to put it mildly.

However, I would like to let everyone know how wonderful our board members are. Several of them stepped up immediately to offer more assistance with the show, especially Mary Humphreys and Beth Buchanan, who showed up right behind me on show day! This is the type of caring community I have always wanted to foster for BCHA and these are exactly the kinds of efforts that need to be recognized! In addition, Jess doing the

concessions and JoAnn announcing and club member Carol Whiteside helping with administration the day of, greatly helped relieve my burdens.

Carol Bernstein's smiling face at the gate made my evening and I just want to let everyone know how much I appreciated your help!

Please see Diane's beautiful pictures to get an idea of how great our show was and how great each of you are!

*Your President,
Debbie Harless-Mooty*



Mary Humphreys



Debbie Mooty and Spy.



Carol Bernstein runs the gate.



BCHA members chat ringside.

FUN SHOW



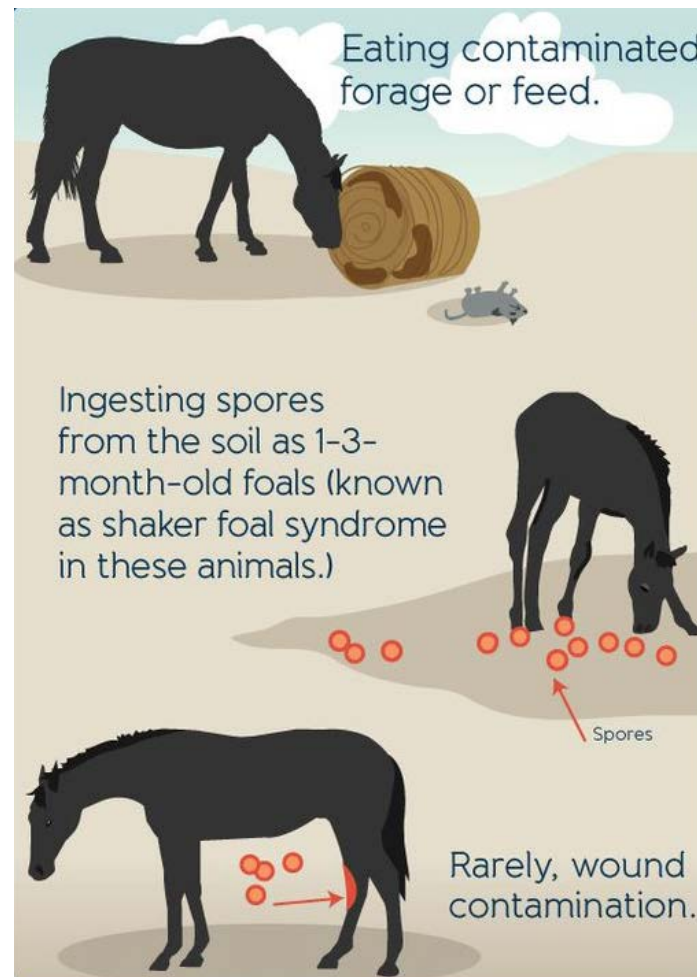
Whitney Dunkenberger rides Debbie Moody's horse, Spy.



JoAnn Dester (from left), Lynda McGarry (judge) and Debbie Moody watch riders in the arena.

Botulism

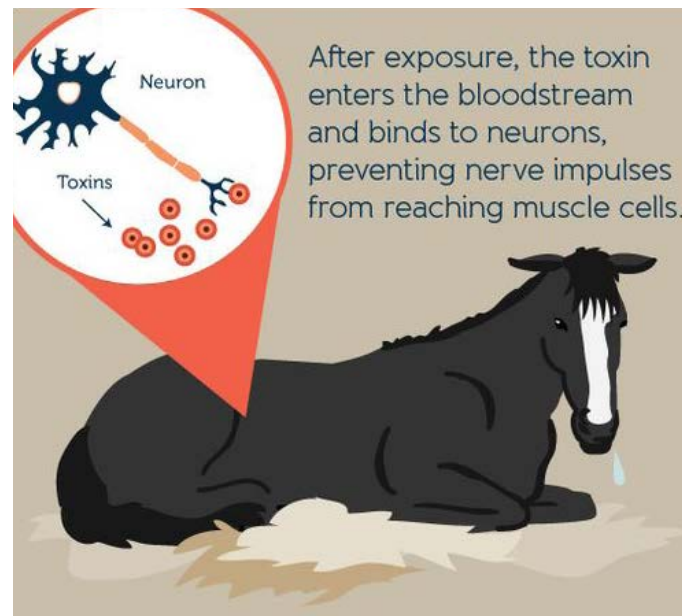
This potentially fatal neurologic disease is caused by toxins that the anaerobic, soil-dwelling *Clostridium botulinum* bacterium produces.



3 There are three types of with Type B being the most common. It is found primarily in Kentucky and the mid-Atlantic states, usually found in forage. Type A is in the West. Type C is common in Florida, but found anywhere there's carrion.

PREVENTION

- Vaccinate; the vaccine against type B is nearly 100% effective
- Feed high-quality feeds and forages from reputable sources
- Remove animal carcasses from horses' environments
- Avoid feeding hay on the ground



Symptoms

- Drooling, inability to swallow, anorexia
- Pacing
- Weakness or exercise intolerance
- Muscle tremors
- Depression
- Reduced tongue, eyelid and tail strength
- Lying down frequently
- Unable to get up
- Lack of intestinal contractions, constipation

Horses that remain standing and can swallow

7-10 DAYS

after antitoxin administration typically recover in a month.

90% or more of treated foals survive.

Botulism is usually fatal if untreated. Affected horses typically require hospitalization and administration of an antitoxin.

BCHA Lunch & Learn – Oct. 1

Gates open 9am – 4:30pm
Green Hill Park Equestrian Center

Featuring.... George Schaefer – Natural Horsemanship Trainer from Appomattox Court House, VA

Intermediate Session*

– hour on ground, hour in saddle 9:30-11:30am Members \$40 / Non Members \$60, all must register and prepay required

Beginner Session*

– hour on ground, hour in saddle 12:30-2:30pm Members \$40 / Non Members \$60, all must register and prepay required

*Ride in the park before or after, enjoy lunch (provided), a small jump course and trail obstacles as well as a group trail ride at 3pm.

Horsemanship clinic is open to BCHA members first... Open to public on 9/18 – you are welcome to add your name to the waiting list – first come, first serve.

Ride in the park and or audit only...Members \$10 / Non Members \$20. Enjoy lunch, a small jump course and trail obstacles as well as a group trail ride at 3pm. Pay day of, please RSVP to JDahlgren@Live.com so we may have an accurate head count.

Register ASAP to JDahlgren@Live.com; in your email, include your name, address, phone number, horse's name, coggins number, & class request. Mail check to BCHA, PO Box 282, Daleville, VA 24083. Payment due by 9/23/16. To expedite sign in day of, include a copy of your coggins. Call [540-293-7260](tel:540-293-7260) with any questions.

All non-member fees include a free 6 month BCHA membership.

A short questionnaire will be available to help determine which class is best for you & your horse.

www.BotetourHorseClub.com



SEPTEMBER

Old Dominion Saddlebreds, Sept. 9-10, Virginia Horse Center

Horseman's Association of Southwest Virginia Fall Fun Show, Sept. 10, Dublin, Va.

Bridgewater College Horse Show, Sept. 10, Weyers Cave, Va.

Drum Runner Productions 1st Annual Buckle Series (Barrels), Sept. 10, Fries

Cross View Tack Sale, Sept. 11, Fincastle, Va.

Virginia 4-H State Championship Horse Show, Sept. 15-18, Virginia Horse Center

Memory's Hill Horse Show V, Sept. 17, Waynesboro, Va.

Franklin County Equestrian Club 3rd Annual County Fair Horse Show, Sept. 17, Ginther Farm, Rocky Mount, Va.

Penmerryl Hunter Pace, Sept. 17, Greenville, Va.

Roanoke Valley Pony Club Fall Frolic, Sept. 18, Green Hill Equestrian Center, Salem

Summer under the Lights Horse Show, Sept. 23, Rustburg, Va.

Rockbridge Hunt Fall Poker Ride, Sept. 25, Lexington, Va.

Virginia State Barrel Finals, Sept. 23-25, Virginia Horse Center

ASHAV (Saddlebreds) Horse Show, Sept. 28-Oct. 1, Virginia Horse Center

OCTOBER

BCHA Lunch & Learn, Oct. 1, Green Hill Park in Salem, Va.

Dressage clinic with Gabrielle Hooten, Oct. 1, Wirtz, Va. at Shadow Ridge Stables (Text/Call 540-632-3002)

Hollins University Fall Horse Show, Oct. 1-2, Roanoke, Va.

Richard Winters Advancing Horsemanship Clinic with Cows, Oct. 7-9, Crockett, Va. (Contact:

Lynn Decker 276-686-6647.)

Baroque Equestrian Games, Oct. 7-9, Virginia Horse Center

Sprouses Corner Ranch Series, Oct. 8, Buckingham, Va.

Gabrielle Hooten Dressage Clinic, Oct. 8, Wirtz, Va. (Shadow Ridge Stables)

Therapeutic Riding Assoc. of Va. Fall Horse Show, Oct. 8-9, Virginia Horse Center

House Mountain Horse Show IV, Oct. 8-9, Virginia Horse Center

Virginia Dressage Association Finals, Oct. 13-16, Virginia Horse Center

Sprouses Corner Ranch Friday Night Thunder Speed and Games Series, Oct. 14, Buckingham, Va.

Bull Pasture Mountain Ranch Annual Fall Trail Ride, Oct. 14-16, McDowell, Va. (Registration deadline September 30, 2016)

Fall Horse Trials, Combined Tests, and Schooling Dressage Show, Oct. 15, Green Hill Equestrian Center, Salem, Va.

Stone Bridge Equestrian Center V, Oct. 15, Natural Bridge, Va.

Bits N Pieces 4-H Club Open Horse Show, Oct. 16, Lynchburg

Sweet Briar Fall Equitation Show, Oct. 16, Sweet Briar

SWVADA Dressage Schooling Show, Oct. 22, Salem, Va.

FCEC Ghost N' Goblins Competitive Trail Ride, Oct. 22, TBD

New London Horse Show Series, Oct. 22, Bedford, Va.

Fall Thoroughbred Celebration, Oct. 22-23, Virginia Horse Center

Randolph College Fall Festival, Oct. 22-23, Lynchburg, Va.

Bobby Knight Basic Horsemanship/Problem Solving Clinic, Oct. 29, Wirtz, Va. (Shadow Ridge Stables)

Sweet Briar Fall and Medal Finals, Oct. 30, Sweet Briar

Green Hill Equestrian Center Halloween Fun Show, Oct. 30, Salem, Va.

Virginia Horse Trials CCI*/CIC2 & Area II Championships, Oct. 27-30, Virginia Horse Center

NOVEMBER

SWVHJA Annual Horse Show, Nov. 4-6, Virginia Horse Center

Crossview Horse Show Series, Nov. 5-6, Green Hill Park Equestrian Center, Salem, Va.

Virginia Horse Shows Association Championship, Nov. 10-13, Virginia Horse Center

Bedford County Hunt Fall Horse Show, Nov. 19, Randolph College

DECEMBER

Hear the Beat/Christmas Edition open horse show, Dec. 10, Virginia Horse Center

FCEC Reindeer Competitive Trail Ride, Dec. 10, TBD

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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8

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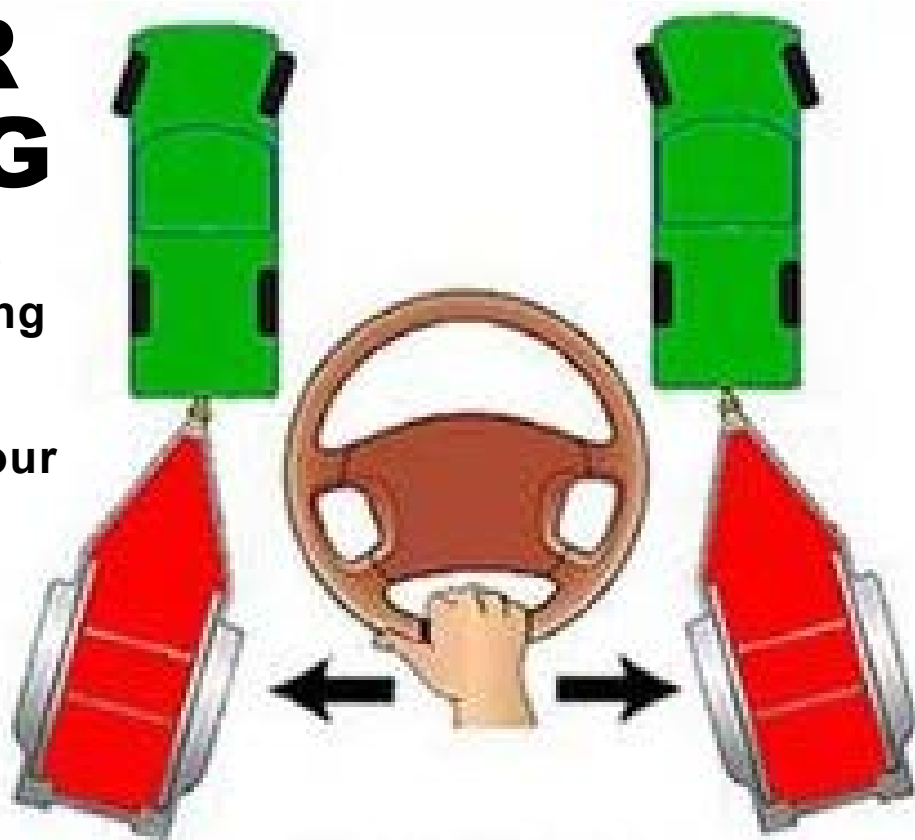
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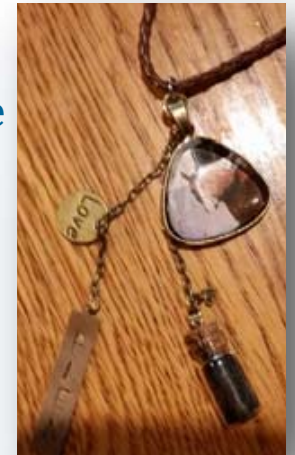
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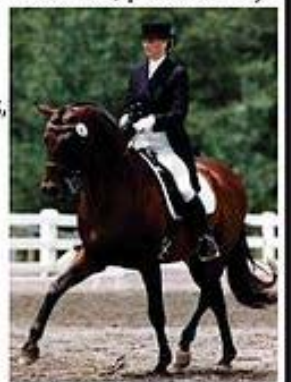
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BCHA MEMBER MEETING

**Jill Deegan, Botetourt Assistant
Commonwealth Attorney and an expert
in prosecuting animal cruelty cases.**

September 6, 7 p.m., Bellacino's in Daleville



The Virginia Horse Council is your voice for the expanding equine industry in the Commonwealth of Virginia. The Council is a not-for-profit organization formed by horsemen for Virginia horsemen. The membership and Board of Directors represent all breeds. The purpose of the Virginia Horse Council is to promote and improve the horse industry in Virginia.

Our mission is to serve as the umbrella organization of the Virginia equine community and to serve as the lobbyist on issues affecting, horsemen, horsewomen and horses in the Commonwealth. This is a mission that your Virginia Horse Council Board of Directors takes seriously and is both committed to following and is dedicated to fulfilling.

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