



# CouncilLetter

March / April 2021 

[WWW.WISCONSINSTATEHORSECOUNCIL.ORG](http://WWW.WISCONSINSTATEHORSECOUNCIL.ORG)

[INFO@WISCONSINSTATEHORSECOUNCIL.ORG](mailto:INFO@WISCONSINSTATEHORSECOUNCIL.ORG)

## Inside This Issue...

- 2 Mission Statement/AHC
- 3 WSHCEF Info
- 4 Dogs and Trails
- 5 Dogs and Trails (cont.)
- 6 Brodhead & Parkview FFA Thank the WHC
- 7 Midwest Horse Fair 2022
- 8 Valley View Equine Rehab & Fitness, LLC
- 9 Valley View Equine Rehab & Fitness, LLC (cont.)
- 10 Changes Coming Soon at Governor Dodge State Park
- 11 Friends of Governor Dodge Equestrian Treasure Hunt, Horse Ride, Hike & Photo Hunt Flyer
- 12 WHC History - Part 5 of 8
- 13 WHC History - Part 5 of 8 (cont.)
- 14 WHC History - Part 5 of 8 (cont.) / Classified Ads
- 15 WI Pinto Horse Association Show Dates for 2021
- 16 Artist Finds Inspiration in Show Ribbons
- 17 WHC Membership Form
- 18 WHC Upcoming Events Form
- 19 WHC Calendar of Upcoming Events / WIHA Info
- 20 Just a Friendly Reminder / DCHA Show Info/AHC COVID-19 Resource Info
- 21 WI Farm Tech Days 2021 / EDCC Info
- 22 WHC Ride Wisconsin! Program Application Form
- 23 WHC Ride Wisconsin! Flyer
- 24 WHC Advertising Form
- 25 "Stick to the Rules" WHC Brochure
- 26 "Stick to the Rules" WHC Brochure
- 27 WHC Districts / WHC CouncilLetter Deadline



## The Jefferson County Draft Horse Association

By Jackie Schuster, JCDHA Secretary



It is the start of a new year...2021! We have had plenty of snow, but then it was a little bit too cold to go out for sleigh rides, skijoring or just being pulled by a horse while sitting on a sled.

The Jefferson County Draft Horse group was not able to hold their annual sleigh ride because of COVID-19 and the cold weather. We hope that some of the members have been having their own sleigh rides instead.



Please enjoy these pictures from our past sleigh rides. We would like to thank the Wisconsin Horse Council for their support in past years. It has helped us out greatly!

Stay safe and warm until we meet again in the next newsletter!



## Wisconsin Horse Council

Executive Board 2020-2021

### Executive Officers

**President - Nancy Edwards**  
262-623-9092  
njrhorse@nconnect.net

**Vice President - Anne Murphy**  
608-513-4488  
equuspo@gmail.com

**Secretary - Jill Feller**  
920-948-9502  
jfeller@nconnect.net

**Treasurer - Ron Miller**  
608-873-3848  
ronmiller1@charter.net

### Executive Board of Directors

**Past President - Karen Kroll,**  
608-795-2321, mkroll@chorus.net  
**Director at Large - Katie Bachhuber**  
920-539-0601, kbach@nconnect.net  
**Director at Large - Gail Seator,**  
608-576-9429, gailseator@att.net  
**District 1 Rep - Renee Hendrickson**  
715-603-5458, reneehendrickson34@gmail.com

**District 2 Rep - Marilyn Krueger,**  
715-574-3950, mrlnkrgr@gmail.com

**District 3 Rep - Bonnie Shepherd,**  
262-670-1426, bsshepherd@quad.com

**District 4 Rep - Floyd Finney,**  
608-868-4543, dpapcke@centurytel.net

**District 5 Rep - Pat Jenkins,**  
608-633-0273, pjenkinsqh@centurytel.net

### Office Staff Member

**Darla Schack** - Newsletter Editor/Website  
Administrator, Administrative Assistant  
darla@wisconsinhorsecouncil.org

P.O. Box 72

121 S. Ludington Street,  
Columbus, WI 53925

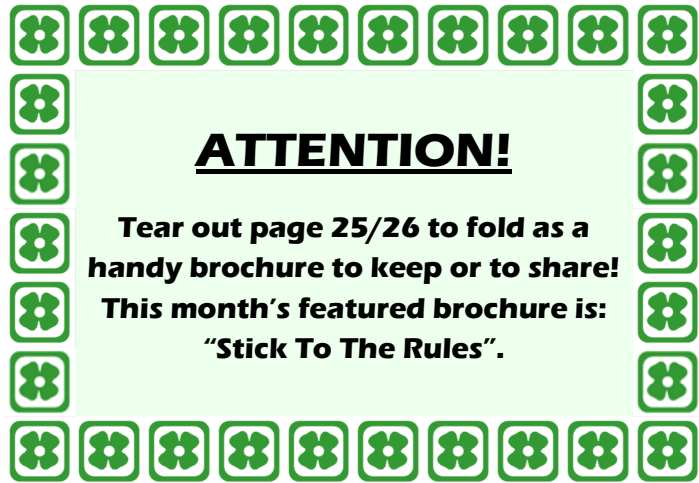
Phone: 920-623-0393 Fax: 920-623-0583  
info@wisconsinhorsecouncil.org

### Midwest Horse Fair

**Megan Hanuszczak - General Manager**  
megan.hanuszczak@midwesthorsefair.com  
131 S. Ludington Street  
Columbus, WI 53925  
Phone: 920-623-5515 Fax: 920-623-5454

## WHC Mission Statement

- \* To represent and foster a unified equine industry in Wisconsin.
- \* To promote the horse through leadership, education, service and communication.
- \* To take a proactive role in the future growth and development of the equine industry.



*Membership in the Wisconsin Horse Council is open to individuals, associations, businesses, societies, or other entities whose interests are in line with the WHC's purpose and Mission Statement. Our membership year follows the calendar year. Members will receive a free e-newsletter and the option to purchase a printed newsletter where **FREE** classified ads can be placed and business card, 1/4, 1/2 and full page ads can be purchased as well. The newsletter reaches 500+ horse enthusiasts. The WHC currently sends out six issues per year.*

*The WHC employs a professional lobbyist who works with us on pending legislation as needed for the equine industry. We continue to work on adding new benefits for our members. Please feel free to contact us with your comments or suggestions. Thank you!*

Every day the AHC works  
to ensure the equine voice  
is heard in Washington, DC

Help us continue to Put More  
HORSEpower in Congress...

Support the AHC today!

Visit [www.horsecouncil.org](http://www.horsecouncil.org) for more information

1616 H Street NW  
7th Floor  
Washington, DC 20006  
202.296.4031





### **Welcome to the Wisconsin State Horse Council Equine Foundation**

The bond between an equestrian and their equine is an experience worth cherishing; we are dedicated to strengthening this bond and enriching the equestrian experience in Wisconsin through education, research, charity, and scholarship.

**Visit our website [www.wisconsinhorsecouncil.org](http://www.wisconsinhorsecouncil.org) – Go to the WSHCEF tab at the top of the page**

### **What is the mission statement of the WSHC Equine Foundation?**

The Wisconsin State Horse Council Equine Foundation was created to better serve Wisconsin's growing equestrian community and to help that community realize its fullest potential. The Foundation is a tax exempt, non-profit 501(c) (3) organization and as such allows individuals to make tax-deductible contributions to support Wisconsin equine projects.

The mission of the Equine Foundation is to support Wisconsin's expanding equestrian community by funding:

- ....Educational Initiatives
- ....Equine Research
- ....Trail Development
- ....Youth Scholarship and Participation

### **What is our relationship with the Wisconsin State Horse Council?**

The Wisconsin State Horse Council is our parent organization and the sole member of the WSHC Equine Foundation. WSHC Board of Directors are elected to serve on the WSHC Equine Foundation Board of Directors, along with non-WSHC individuals. The WSHC was incorporated in 1972 as an advocate for the equine owners and industry in the State of Wisconsin. It has grown to become the focus of the equine industry in Wisconsin.

The Mission Statement of the Wisconsin Horse Council is: To represent and foster a unified equine industry in Wisconsin. To promote the horse through leadership, education, service and communications, and to take a proactive role in the future growth and development of the equine industry in the State of Wisconsin.

WSHC Equine Foundation is a federally approved 501 (c)(3) non-profit corporation dedicated to the advancement of equine activities and the equine industry in general.

The Foundation's main objectives are to promote education, research and development, charity, and scholarship opportunities for equestrians in Wisconsin.

### **WSHCEF Officers, Board Members & Volunteer Committee Members**

#### **Officers**

**President:** James Harris  
**Vice President:** Gail Seator  
**Secretary/Treasurer:** Diane Sackett  
**Board Member:** Lori Helmer

#### **Volunteer Committee Members**

Gary Jackson	Karen Meekma	Dave Kluge
Sharon Hookstead	Rich Ernsberger	Linda Ernsberger
Margo Miller	Roxanne Cromheecke-Kluge	Jan Pieper
Floyd Finney - WHC Exec BOD Rep.		Wayne Osterhaus
Katie Bachhuber		



## Dogs and Trails



By Robert Eversole of [Trailmeister.com](http://Trailmeister.com)

Dogs are truly man's best friend and joy to be around. I've belonged to numerous canids throughout my life and I have a soft spot for these most loyal of critters. And, although I love my pups, they don't accompany me on trail rides nor do they venture out on wilderness trips with the horses. Here's the four reasons why as well as 5 things your dog should know if you do choose to take them on a trail ride.

### **To protect your dog from other animals**

Sure, your pooch might be a descendant of the mighty wolf, but allowing them to travel the trail off-leash still poses a number of threats. One major threat is that domesticated animals are often targeted by predators. Coyotes, cougars, and others pose threats to off-leash dogs. These predators are brash and often not fazed by a dog's size. Other less thought of, but equally real, threats include porcupines and snakes. Keeping your dog at home also helps to avoid the risk of your dog triggering a predator (think bear) while off-leash before fleeing back to you with said predator close behind. The animals your dog may encounter don't have to be wild to be a danger. There's also the issue of other domestic dogs, especially poorly trained ones wandering off-leash. The aftermath of two strange dogs getting into a rumble isn't pretty. Topping the list of trail dangers are our own livestock. Untold numbers of dogs that have encountered a horse, or mule, that wasn't keen on their attention, and suffered for it. A well-aimed kick from a 1,000 lb equine can make for a very unpleasant trip to the emergency vet.

### **To protect your dog from trail hazards**

Every year you'll find stories about dog rescues that could have been avoided entirely had the animal simply been kept at home or on a leash. Natural spaces pose a number of risks to our less than wilderness savvy companions, from hidden mine shafts to cliffs, getting lost, and beyond. Keeping your dog on-leash helps keep them away from these hazards that their canine brain may not fully understand as they follow their nose. Other trail and wilderness hazards include various parasites including giardia and plague.

### **For the safety of other trail users**

It seems that every dog owner thinks their dog "isn't aggressive". However a dog doesn't have to be aggressive to be a problem. Many of the people that we share our trails with have well-founded fears of dogs. Your pups bounding, happy, barking, greeting may well be interpreted as aggression by a stranger. There's also the instance of dogs running loose and causing horse accidents when they spooked another rider's horse.

### **For the safety of the locals**

When a dog spots native wildlife, there's a good chance they'll want to chase it. When this happens, it stresses out the native animal, something that itself can lead to death. Your dog's predatory behavior is normal. The chase-prey drive is instinctual. The issue is that when prey animals are harassed they use up energy they may need to survive. It's one thing for the locals to deal with each other, it's entirely another for us to bring our dogs into the mix and cause further problems. Loose dogs chasing wildlife is such an issue that most states have laws that penalize owners of dogs chasing wildlife.

*Continued on next page...*

...continued from previous page

## Dogs and Trails

These are the four main reasons that my dog doesn't accompany me on trail rides. That's not saying that he doesn't get to go out. We go on many hikes together where he can stay safely on leash and out of mischief, or go off leash, where legal, when I can keep an eye on him without also having to control one or more horses and mules.

This isn't to say that there aren't dogs that are great as trail riding companions, just that there are a lot of things to consider. If you insist on bringing another furry four legger with you on the trail I would suggest that your dog have an excellent grasp of these basic commands first.

- **Come** – A recall command should be the most important word in a dog's vocabulary. It's critically important on the trail because you don't know what distractions your dog is going to find.
- **Stay** - You need to be able to stop your dog in his tracks. Your dog will encounter squirrels, rabbits, or other dogs. Without a solid stay he may dart after an animal, unaware of other hazards.
- **Leave it** – From dead animals to porcupines, a dog will always find items of interest on the trail. Items that you may not be as enthralled with.
- **Go ahead** - It is much easier to stay focused on your horse and riding if you can keep fido in your line of sight ahead of you.
- **Go behind** – Sometimes you'll want the dog following behind you at a safe distance.

Before you go check the rules for the area that you're riding to be sure that off leash dogs are allowed and be painfully honest about your dog's abilities: If your dog listens to your voice only some of the time, he or she is not ready to accompany the ponies on the trails. In the decades that I've been trail riding I've only seen one dog that was worthy of the title "Trail Dog", and he wasn't mine. Here's looking at you Bandit!

For more practical information on trail riding and camping with horses visit us at [www.TrailMeister.com](http://www.TrailMeister.com). We're also the world's largest guide to horse trails and camps! Until next time Happy Trails!



**THANK YOU WHC**

**SPONSORSHIP/GRANT PROGRAM!**



**Thank you**

for your support towards the Brodhead & Parkview FFA Food For America Program!

Dear Cricket Jewett,  
Thank you for sponsoring the Agriculture Business workbooks for our Food For America program. The kids enjoyed our virtual program and we appreciate your help in allowing us to be able to have another successful year educating our 4<sup>th</sup> graders about agriculture. Happy New Year!

Sincerely Brodhead FFA President,  
Kassandra Berget

The Brodhead & Parkview FFA Chapters





**Midwest  
Horse  
Fair®**

*Save the Date*

**April 22, 23 & 24  
2022**

ALLIANT ENERGY CENTER  
MADISON, WI

[WWW.MIDWESTHORSEFAIR.COM](http://WWW.MIDWESTHORSEFAIR.COM)

## Valley View Equine Rehab and Fitness, LLC

By Pat McKnight, Correspondent for The Country Today / [thecountrytoday.com](http://thecountrytoday.com)



Contributed photo

Valley View Equine Rehab and Fitness employees guide a horse through the facility's swimming lane. Swimming allows the horse to exercise without the concussion of working on solid ground. It also helps to build airpower horses would otherwise get from sprinting long distances.

With the arrival of the New Year, many folks make resolutions to work out more, and that might include a number of horse owners resolving to get their animals healthy and fit. A new business now offers those owners the opportunity to take their horses to a gym.

Mariah Dickey of River Falls opened Valley View Equine Rehab and Fitness LLC, an equine rehabilitation and fitness center, last year. The climate control facility is equipped with a swimming lane, free-style walker, Theraplate, solarium, Med Pulse blanket, cold salt water spa, an equine therapy pulsed electromagnetic and massage blanket.

"I had my AQHA gelding, Porkchop, at Valley View Equine for 60 days over the summer and I can't say enough good things about my experience," said VVERF customer Jordan Kurtz. "Mariah and her team went above and beyond to provide top notch care for my horse and treated him like one of their own. She has a team of vets that are second to none and helped create an individual program to bring my horse back into top show condition. The attention to detail that went into planning the facilities and the care that every horse receives is exceptional. They have created a repeat customer for life."

The idea of a horse wellness center had long been an ambition for Dickey, but it took a calamity to begin the journey to make it a reality.

*Continued on next page...*



*...continued from previous page*

### **Valley View Equine Rehab and Fitness, LLC**

"In February of 2019 our indoor arena collapsed from snow load," said Dickey. "It has always been a dream of mine to own and run a rehab facility as my passion is to take care of and help our equine partners heal and get better from injuries and simply just proper conditioning. When the barn collapsed it was horrifying and luckily no one or any animal was hurt, but it gave me the chance to rebuild the facility the way I needed it to be for a rehab and fitness facility."

Dickey started her horse career as a preschooler, and over the years, she's ridden nearly every discipline from cutting, reining, working cow horse, English Jumping, western pleasure, gymkhana and rodeo.

"You name it, I have done it," said Dickey. "I have had horses in my life since I was born. I started riding at age three and never looked back from there. I have been around and handled every type of horse you can think of."

The equestrian is a certified equine massage therapist and has worked for several different veterinary clinics, mostly veterinarians specializing in lameness issues.

VVERF isn't a veterinary clinic, but the business works closely with different vets in the area. However, Dickey hopes to have a full-time veterinarian operate out of the facility in the near future.

"We accept any type of rehab horses from post-surgery to any type of injury your horse may have," said Dickey.

"We get a lot of horses for just fitness as well. We offer some open riding times in the winter for during the day hours. My clients so far have mainly been barrel racers and reiners, but we accept any type of horses here."

Haul in appointments are available, but horses can be boarded for weekly or monthly stays in one of the facility's 27 stalls.

More information can be found on the business's Facebook page at [facebook.com/valleyviewequinerehabandfitness](https://facebook.com/valleyviewequinerehabandfitness).



## Changes Coming Soon at Governor Dodge State Park



Buried deep under winter snowpack, the site of Governor Dodge State Park's future equestrian campground is now quiet and peaceful. But within a few short weeks, the site will be a-buzz with activity as bulldozers re-shape the land to create the long-anticipated equestrian campground. Detailed plans have been approved, bids are pending, and the equestrian Friends are confident that funds now available will cover building 12 of the campground's 20 planned sites. Depending on budgets and fundraising, even more sites might be completed in this phase!

Highlights of 2020 fundraising include: Friends secured a \$45,000 Recreational Trails Grant, a \$20,000 Knowles-Nelson Stewardship grant, and an amazing \$50,000 match grant from private donors. Park and horse lovers from across Wisconsin stepped up to donate \$42,000 toward the match, growing the campground fund by \$84,000! New Extraordinary Friends gave or pledged \$1,000 each to the project, bringing the total number of Extraordinary Women and Extraordinary Friends to 63. The Friends re-imagined fall treasure and photo hunt with online auction generated \$12,000! Riders purchased 555 WI DNR trail passes from the Friends of Governor Dodge, generating \$2,775 for the campground fund. Working together, equestrians demonstrated their collective determination to "Get It Done in '21!"

This fundraising would not have succeeded without the hundreds of hours of work by volunteers and the generous financial support of hundreds of individuals and organizations. If you were among 2020's long list of supporters, a heartfelt thank you! Looking forward, please make a gift of any size to the campground fund. Funds received now will allow more sites and amenities to be built in 2021 and will move the total project closer to eventual completion.

Honor or celebrate a friend or family member by making a gift of \$25 or more in their name (think birthdays, anniversaries or other special occasions) and they will receive a beautiful card with a special image from 2020's photo hunt acknowledging the gift. Givers of \$1,000 or more will be permanently acknowledged as Extraordinary Friends at the new campground. Secure online donations are available. Please visit [www.GovernorDodgeEquestrians.com](http://www.GovernorDodgeEquestrians.com) to order the cards, view project updates, event information, and donation options.

You're invited to participate in a great "on your own schedule" treasure and photo hunt at Governor Dodge on the date of your choice between September 1-12, 2021. Talk to your friends now and save a date to attend. Register by the early bird deadline of August 14 to ensure you will receive your special t-shirt prior to the event. The Friends are currently seeking sponsors at the \$500, \$100 and \$50 level, and have begun collecting items such as artwork, jewelry, gift cards, and "experiences" (need not be horse-themed) for the virtual auction. Please email event chair Sandy Rogers at [GovDodgeHorses@gmail.com](mailto:GovDodgeHorses@gmail.com) for information on sponsoring or donating.



**Friends of Governor Dodge  
Equestrian Committee**  
www.GovDodgeEquestrians.com

**Treasure Hunt  
Horse Ride - Hike  
& Photo Hunt  
September 1-12, 2021  
Ride/Hike As You Please  
Great Fun for a Great Cause!**

**\*\*\* Become a Sponsor \*\*\***

Donations are 501(c)3 tax deductible to extent of law

**\$500 Platinum Patron**

- Top Billing & Bold Name on Event T-Shirt
- Exclusive Recognition on the Trail
- Listing on Website and Facebook page  
Company Name and Logo
- Includes Event Registration for 2

**\$100 Gold Sponsor**

- Listing on Event T-Shirt (plus free T shirt)
- Trailside Listing
- Listing on Website and Facebook page  
Company Name and Logo
- Includes Event Registration for 1

**\$50 Silver Sponsor**

- Listing on Website and Facebook page
- Trailside Listing

**COUNT ME IN AS A SPONSOR!**

Checks payable to FOGD-Equestrians  
Mail to: FOGD-Equestrians  
P.O. Box 154 Whitewater, WI 53190  
Or Online at [www.GovDodgeEquestrians.com](http://www.GovDodgeEquestrians.com)  
Call Sandy at 920-723-1710 for more information  
**Must be received by August 14, 2021**

Contact Name \_\_\_\_\_

Business Name to be Used on Promotional Materials  
\_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Website \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Shirt  Yes, I'd love a shirt  No shirt needed

Unisex  V neck  Crew neck

Shirt Size (circle one) Small Medium Large XL XXL



**ONLINE AUCTION COMING SOON!**

Your donation of quality items will be  
recognized and much appreciated!



## The History of the Wisconsin Horse Council

### Part 5 of 8

The WSHC donates \$250.00 to REINS in February. This is the therapeutic riding program at Lakeshore Technical Institute (LTI).

Carol Alm resigns her position as advisor to the WSHC. Her family is moving to Nebraska. The WSHC thanks Carol for the many years of leadership and service she has given the Council. Judy Joba will be taking her place as advisor for LTI. Carol Yohn is named as the WSHC delegate to the AHC, replacing Carol Alm.

The WSHC spends the year promoting the Bridle Tag Bill. The bill would generate money to provide maintenance, upgrade to code and finish construction on Master Plan facilities. The bill is opposed by the Wisconsin Horse Trails Council (WHTC) which has other ideas for trail funding.

Lori Schutte has sent copies of the Trails Directory to all public libraries in February in Wisconsin.

Plans are underway to build a 'people shelter' at New Prospect in the Northern Kettle Moraine State Park. The WSHC donated \$500 to this project in April.

Horseman of the Year is Dave Petrie and Horsewoman of the Year is Carol Yohn. Gayle Leith is awarded a \$500 scholarship and Judy Klug received a \$250 scholarship.

The 1987 Midwest Horse Fair is a huge success, with 17,200 in attendance. The theme is 'Spring into the World of Horses' Governor Thompson declares the week 'Wisconsin Horsemen's Week'.

In May, the Council approves several donations. The 'Friends of Dane County Park' get \$50 and \$300 was donated to the High School Rodeo for their travel fund to attend the Nationals.

Publicity is again discussed. The Council decides to hire a journalism student from the University of Wisconsin to write our press releases.

The AHC Convention in Washington, D.C. is on June 7-10. Dave Petrie and Carol are sent as Council representatives. Issues addressed are racing, promotion and taxation.

Betty Bennett-Talbot speaks at the June meeting about the Horsemanship Safety Association (HAS), an organization that certifies riding instructors.

The WSHC End of Summer Trail Ride is held at Rock Dam County Park in Neillsville, August 29-30. There is a Board of Directors meeting Saturday night.

The State Horse Council's sub-committee on land use and zoning meet October 17-18 at Marlborough, CT. They gather ideas and draft them into guidelines that will be presented at the Winter Conference in January 1988 at Ft. Collins, CO.

*Continued on next page...*

*...continued from previous page*

### **The History of the Wisconsin Horse Council - Part 5 of 8**

The Wisconsin Park and Recreation Association Fall Conference is held in Oshkosh in November. A WSHC booth is set up. Dave Dewey awards a plaque to the Clark County Forestry Department in appreciation for their cooperation during the WSHC's Membership Appreciation Ride at Rock Dam Park in August. The WSHC donates \$200 to ETN in October.

Gary Werner of the Ices Age Trail Council is our guest at the December meeting. He explains that the focus of the trail is to preserve and to maintain important features of natural and human history of Wisconsin. About 400 miles of the planned 1000 miles of trail are completed. In 1980 Congress designated the Ice Age Trail a National Science Trail.

1988-Dave Petrie is elected president; Nancy Kissel, vice-president; Esther Schwartz, secretary and Carolyn Gfrorer, treasurer. The financial balance for the start of the year is \$17,000.

Angela Corbin and Judy Kohler speak at the February meeting. Kathy hopes to get horse projects into the Future Farmers of America (FFA) with the help of LTI.

Josie Piper compiles a new edition of the Trails Guide. Private business trails where you can take your horse have been added.

Members of the Trail Committee are busy monitoring many equine trails, including trails on the Dodge County railroad right-of-way, Kohler-Andre, Hartman's Creek, Anahpee, Winnebago RR/RW, Monroe to Mineral Point RR/RW Governor Dodge Park, Mirror Lake and Wildcat Mountain. Trails at Highcliff State Park are given the go-a-head. The WSHC donates \$500 to the High Cliff Foundation in April.

Pari-Mutuel is a primary concern this year. The Wisconsin Horse Foundation hires Don Schmidt to promote horse racing on radio and television. A great deal of time and effort working to get support for pari-mutuel from state legislators is extended. Finally, the pari-mutuel is passed but to the horror of horse racing proponents, the dog racing lobbyists tack on a dog racing amendment to the bill through a well designed bill. This puts a dim light on progress because of the incompatibility of these two sports.

Richard Shrake, noted horseman and clinician is the featured speaker for the 1988 Judges Seminar in March. Topics covered are stock seat showmanship, pleasure and equitation. Over 250 people enrolled.

At the March meeting, the Budget Committee presents guidelines for reimbursements and the Sunshine Fund.

The 9th Annual Midwest Horse Fair is held April 16-17, with over 20,000 people attending. New this year is the Draft Horse Pavillion at the arena. Seminars are conducted by Judy Joba, Wayne Schutte, Dr. Elizabeth Burgess, Dr. Mary Hanrahan and James Laird.

Horsewoman of the Year is Dee Mielke and Horseman of the Year is John Gurtner. Winner of the \$250 scholarship is Danita Luensman and recipient of the \$500 scholarship is Michelle Ann Miller-Edge. In September the committee recommends a third scholarship of \$250 for a high school senior planning on entering a two or four year program.

*Continued on next page...*

*...continued from previous page*

### **The History of the Wisconsin Horse Council - Part 5 of 8**

In May, Governor Thompson signs into law a bill that places responsibility for safe participation in recreational activity in the hands of the participant. This new legislation should ease past problems in getting liability insurance for horse related businesses. Ray Feldman worked on this bill for so long. Ray's hard work has earned him the gratitude of all state horsemen.

The Council's Trail Committee met with rangers from the Chequamegon National Forest, May 11, to discuss potential development of the bridle trails and related facilities in the forest. They stated they will match funds.

Dr. Fran Ritter meets with Ray Antoniewicz and Dave Dewey in May. She asks the WSHC to work with her to develop an economic impact study of horses in Wisconsin. The Dept. of Agriculture and Trade would provide financial aid. A committee of Dave Dewey, Betty Bobb, Ray Antoniewicz and Dave Petrie will work with Dr. Ritter.

***This is part 5 in a series of the history of our Wisconsin Horse Council. Watch for the remainder in the next several issues.***

## **CLASSIFIED ADS**

**EXCLUSIVELY for WISCONSIN HORSE COUNCIL MEMBERS ONLY!**

**FREE CLASSIFIED ADS in OUR NEWSLETTER!**

Ads will be posted for 3 consecutive newsletters. Subject to editing to fill space.

Ads must be personal for your horse and equine related items. Not for commercial/business advertising.

### **FOR SALE:**

"Saving the best for last" dispersal sale consisting of one 17 year-old grey gelding (14.3HH) and one 12 year-old mare (14.2 HH). Both have very good ground manners and show records including halter, leadline, sport horse in hand, hunt sea pleasure and dressage. These horses are kind and aim to please. They truly deserve kind and competent riders. Private treaty - Contact (920) 894-7239 and leave a message please.

### **FOR SALE:**

Retired show horses, geldings, one registered paint and palomino, shown color and halter, trail ridden-16.2 Two AQHA geldings, aged but many years left to enjoy: trail, showmanship, western dressage. Both top pleasure breeding. We have stopped showing due to our age and distance to shows. No bad habits, easy to clip, shoe and handle. No reasonable offer refused. [mccoy.susan73@yahoo.com](mailto:mccoy.susan73@yahoo.com)

### **WANTED:**

Looking to purchase a driving cart and harness for a 34 inch mini horse. Please contact Jan Pieper at (920) 689-2364.



*Come show with us!!!*

**2021 SHOW DATES**

May 14-16 Jefferson, WI

July 30-Aug 1 Jefferson, WI

Aug 13-15 Elkhorn, WI

**NEW FOR 2021:**  
**RANCH HORSE,**  
**MINI CARRIAGE,**  
**LOGLINE,**  
**YEARLING &**  
**LEADLINE**  
**CLASSES!**

**MORE NSBA,**  
**SOLID REGISTRY**  
**AND AM, YA &**  
**PONY WALK/TROT**  
**CLASSES!!!**

*On-site registry available.*



- TRAIL CLASSES
- PONY CLASSES
- JUMPING IN HAND
- HUNT CLASSES
- MINIATURE CLASSES
- AMATEUR & YOUTH
- MINI DRIVING
- STOCK CLASSES
- PLEASURE/  
SADDLE CLASSES

# Wisconsin Pinto

*Multi-judge shows · On-site PtHA Registration & Memberships · Show High Point Awards · Year-End High Point Awards · All-Around Awards · Rookie of the Year Awards · Youth Activities · Royalty Program · Newsletters · Heels Down Sponsorship Program · Advertising Opportunities · Exhibitor Dinner · Year-End Awards Banquet... WPtHA is Spot On!!!*

For more information, contact Kathy Findley (262) 930-5584

[www.wisconsinpinto.com](http://www.wisconsinpinto.com)

[wisconsinpinto@aol.com](mailto:wisconsinpinto@aol.com)

Follow our Facebook page – Wisconsin Pinto Horse Association

## Artist Finds Inspiration in Show Ribbons

By Pat McKnight, Correspondent for The Country Today / [thecountrytoday.com](http://thecountrytoday.com)



Contributed photo

Artist Katie Morgan of Racine “painted” Mary Knapp’s horse, Abby, using show ribbons Knapp collected over the years as a 4-H’er. Morgan uses show ribbons as her medium to replicate photos supplied by customers commissioning a portrait of their animals.

Artist Katie Morgan is using an unusual “painting” medium that she discovered in a box of long forgotten show ribbons. During a stay-at-home COVID stint earlier this year, the Racine horsewoman was cleaning her basement and came across her stash of ribbons from her show days.

“I thought to myself, what a waste that they sit in the basement,” said Morgan. “I worked really hard for them and so did my horses. I went on Pinterest and saw many different ideas but nothing really struck my eye. I thought about it for a while and came up with the idea to make a portrait of my horse using my ribbons.”

Although the ribbons are fabric, Morgan doesn’t sew them. Instead, she applies the swatches to canvas.

“The satiny ribbons are cut and hot glued onto a canvas,” said Morgan. “I only do wall hangings and can do any size canvas.”

Those commissioning a ribbon portrait supply Morgan with their show ribbons and a photo they would like the ribbons to illustrate.

“They can send me their ribbons and photo,” said Morgan. “I try to get it as close to the photo as I can. I will mail the finished portrait, pictures and any leftover ribbons back to them.”

Riding since she was 10 years old, Morgan showed English style as a 4-H’er. Another 4-H’er showing with Morgan is her friend Mary Knapp. Knapp now owns a ribbon painting of her horse created by Morgan.

“Katie took my ribbons that I have won through my 4-H projects and my horses from the last 20 years,” said Knapp. “I gave her a photo to work with and she made me a beautiful picture of my horse, Abby. Her artwork is very creative and the pieces are amazing.”

An arts and communication graduate, Morgan focused on ceramics when she attended UW-Whitewater. She now has a home ceramics studio and will create raku pieces that incorporate the hair of horses, dogs, cats and llamas provided by the customer.

She fits time with her artwork into her busy schedule as an elementary school art teacher at EverGreen Academy in Racine, a fourth to eighth grade private school. She also helps at a therapeutic riding program, giving riding lessons to youngsters with special needs.

When she’s not teaching or creating works of art, Morgan rides dressage with her off-the-track thoroughbred, Franklin. In addition, she and her husband, Robert, have recently built a barn and are now running a small boarding facility.

Morgan can be contacted through her Facebook page or by emailing [Morgankatie10@gmail.com](mailto:Morgankatie10@gmail.com).





# WISCONSIN HORSE COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

*\*All Memberships run from January 1<sup>st</sup> through December 31<sup>st</sup> \**

*Office Use Only:*

Payment Type: \_\_\_\_\_

Check #: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount: \_\_\_\_\_

### LEVEL I MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

*Individual* Name: \_\_\_\_\_

*Youth* Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Age(s): \_\_\_\_\_

*Family* Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

County: \_\_\_\_\_ District #: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Horses: \_\_\_\_\_

### LEVEL I MEMBERSHIP OPTIONS (Please check type of Membership & choice of newsletter.)

- Individual Membership (no insurance) ..... \$ 20
- Individual Membership PLUS (includes \$1 Million personal liability insurance) ..... \$ 40
- Family Membership (no insurance) ..... \$ 30
- Family Membership PLUS (includes \$1 Million personal liability insurance) ..... \$ 70
- Youth (age 17 & under = free with paid Level I adult membership) ..... \$ 0
- Individual Lifetime Membership (*one-time fee which includes the printed newsletter annually and the 1<sup>st</sup> year of liability insurance*)..... \$250
- Annual fee on Lifetime Membership for \$1 Million personal liability insurance..... \$ 20
- Printed Newsletter mailed to the address above..... \$ 10
- Free E-newsletter sent to the e-mail listed above..... \$ 0

### Description:

Level I membership class is available to any individual/family whose interests are similar to those of the Council and is for individuals/families only. Level I and Level II members elect Directors to the WHC Board to represent their District. Family membership is for a family of 2 or more living at the same residence and has 1 vote in the elections and business of their District. Membership must be current to vote at District meetings.

- Programs such as the Certified Judges and Ride Wisconsin require a Level I membership - even if you are a Director or a contact person for a Level II or III organization, you will need to be a Level I member yourself to participate in programs.
- Youth (17 & under) are free with a paid Level I adult membership.

LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP is an individual Level I membership with a one-time fee, giving the individual a paid-up membership for his/her lifetime. If LIFETIME MEMBERS wish to retain the \$1 Million personal liability insurance after their first year, they must purchase it on an annual basis. The printed newsletter is included with this membership annually at no additional cost.

Wisconsin Horse Council does not sell or distribute our membership list. Information is kept private for use only by our organization for WHC business.

*Membership dues, payments and gifts to Wisconsin Horse Council are not deductible as charitable contributions for federal income tax purposes. Such payments may be deductible under the Internal Revenue Code as ordinary and necessary business expenses.*

Return application and payment to: Wisconsin Horse Council  
P.O. Box 72  
Columbus, WI 53925  
Phone: 920-623-0393 Fax: 920-623-0583  
www.wisconsinhorsecouncil.org



# Wisconsin Horse Council

**ATTENTION !**

**FREE....Upcoming Events section on Website.**

**We have created a section on our website for your upcoming events...FREE..... You can send (email ) us any EQUINE related event ( shows, tack sale, clinic, meetings, events etc.- 2 line maximum) and we will put it on our website free of charge. All you need to do is send us a copy of your event with a contact phone number and we will list it for all to see.**

***Questions-call 920-623-0393/email [info@wisconsinhorsecouncil.org](mailto:info@wisconsinhorsecouncil.org)***

I would like this event posted on the Wisconsin Horse Council website.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Event: \_\_\_\_\_

Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

*Please limit information to 2 lines and include a contact phone number.*

[www.wisconsinhorsecouncil.org](http://www.wisconsinhorsecouncil.org)

920-623-0393/920-623-0583F

121 S. Ludington St. Columbus, WI 53925



## WHC Calendar of Upcoming Events



### March 2021

March 17	St. Patrick's Day
March 18	WHC District 1 Monthly Meeting via Zoom, 7 pm, if interested in joining please contact Renee Hendrickson at <a href="mailto:reenehendrickson34@gmail.com">reenehendrickson34@gmail.com</a> or 715-603-5458
March 20-23	SMILES Virtual Tack Sale, 3/20/21 at 9 am - 3/23/21 at 9 am, First Come First Serve, All sales are "as is" and final, N2666 Cty Rd K, Darien, WI 53114, (262) 882-3470, <a href="http://www.smilestherapeuticriding.org">www.smilestherapeuticriding.org</a>
March 21	Tack Sale, 11 am - 3 pm, Tin Can Roadhouse Banquet Hall, 20715 Durand Ave., (Hwy 11) Union Grove, Shop Steer's Tack, Horse of Course, Horsey Habit, Horse Emporium & 25 other vendors, FREE ADMISSION, Amazing Silent Auction Items on site
March 24	WHC BOD ANNUAL MEETING, 7 pm, 121 S. Ludington Street, Columbus, WI 53925, in person, via Zoom and via FreeConference.com

### April 2021

April 1	April Fool's Day
April 2	Good Friday
April 4	Easter Sunday
April 15	WHC District 1 Monthly Meeting via Zoom, 7 pm, if interested in joining please contact Renee Hendrickson at <a href="mailto:reenehendrickson34@gmail.com">reenehendrickson34@gmail.com</a> or 715-603-5458
April 22	Earth Day

### May 2021

May 5	Cinco de Mayo
May 9	Mother's Day
May 14-16	Wisconsin Pinto Horse Association Horse Show, Jefferson, WI, Contact: Kathy Findley (262) 930-5584, <a href="http://www.wisconsinpinto.com">www.wisconsinpinto.com</a>
May 15	Armed Forces Day
May 15	Lazycreek Farm 2021 Pleasure & Speed Show, Judge - Gary Shipshock, Pleasure starts at 10 am, Speed starts at 2 pm, W5358 Old Sixty Rd, Juneau, WI 53039, 920-386-8058 or 920 296-7036
May 20	WHC District 1 Monthly Meeting via Zoom, 7 pm, if interested in joining please contact Renee Hendrickson at <a href="mailto:reenehendrickson34@gmail.com">reenehendrickson34@gmail.com</a> or 715-603-5458
May 22	Dodge County Horsemen's Association (DCHA) Push Pull Drag Mini Equine Show, Sackett Ranch, N9320 Fir Rd, Burnett, WI 53922, visit the DCHA Facebook page for details
May 26	WHC BOD Monthly Meeting, 7 pm, 121 S. Ludington Street, Columbus, WI 53925, in person, via Zoom and via FreeConference.com
May 31	Memorial Day

- **FOR MORE EQUINE RELATED UPCOMING EVENTS, click on this link to be redirected to [WalkTrotGo.com](http://WalkTrotGo.com).**

## **ATTENTION!!!**

***Wisconsin Interscholastic Horsemanship Association (WIHA) is planning for a regular competition season this fall. If you know of any schools or students that are interested in starting a team, please encourage them to contact [info@wiha.us](mailto:info@wiha.us). Teams can range in size from 1 to 14 students. If your school has more than 14 interested riders, you can form multiple teams. If students are interested, but they do not know how to get started, our district coaches are able to help with the process. Our state competition is scheduled for October 29-31, at the Alliant Energy Center in Madison. Check out [wiha.us](http://wiha.us) for more information. Thank you!***

## ***Just a Friendly Reminder...***

**Please remember to continue supporting your local businesses, like tack shops, etc., if you can during these difficult times.**

**Take the time to check if your local businesses are open and accepting customers so that we can all do our part to keep them going.**

**Thank you!**



### **Dodge County Horsemens Association Show Information**

**DCHA 2021 Show Season** – Push Pull Drag Mini Equine show, Saturday May 22nd, Sackett Ranch. Speed shows Saturday, June 19th and Sept 25th. Pleasure show on Sunday, August 1st at Hemlock Road Arena, Beaver Dam, WI.

**Buckle Chase – 2021** Get Ready to Buckle Chase! DCHA is going to proceed with the Buckle Chase. Let your show committees know to submit their showbills prior to May 1st to Kallie Larson for approval at [kalliekiesow@gmail.com](mailto:kalliekiesow@gmail.com). Divisions will be Tiny Tot, Junior, Senior, Senior Senior in both Performance and Speed, Grand and Reserve. There must be a minimum of 3 people per category for reserve buckle to be awarded. Less than 3 will be one buckle per category. Follow up information can be found on the DCHA Facebook page as it becomes available.

## **Did You Know?**

The American Horse Council has an excellent COVID-19 resource section on their website.

Simply go to <https://www.horsecouncil.org/5311-2/> to find Coronavirus Resources for Horse Owners. There you will find many links to information under the following categories:



- \* *As It Pertains To Humans*
- \* *As It pertains to Equines*
- \* *Safety Net Programs for Owners*
- \* *Biosecurity and Disinfection Protocols*
- \* *Financial Relief Options*
- \* *Coronavirus Resources for Equine Industry Employees*
- \* *Keeping Busy at Home*
- \* *Event Cancellations*
- \* *Coronavirus Resources for Non-Profits*
- \* *Coronavirus Resources for Equine Businesses*
- \* *Planning*

We have also provided a link to this information on the home page of the WHC website.

## Wisconsin Farm Technology Days 2021

News Release shared with permission from The Country Today / [thecountrytoday.com](http://thecountrytoday.com)

Wisconsin Farm Technology Days 2021, now scheduled for July 20-22, 2021, will take place at Huntsinger Farms, the largest grower and processor of horseradish in the United States. Originally scheduled for July 2020, the Eau Claire show moved to 2021 given safety protocols required because of COVID-19.

The Executive Committee and its sub-committees have been meeting virtually since late summer 2020 and are moving forward with extensive planning for a safe and successful show in July 2021. 295 exhibitors from across the Midwest and Canada have already committed to the 2021 show, and based on inquiries, attendee anticipation is high for next year's show.

Wisconsin Farm Technology Days has more than a 65-year history of bringing producers and service providers together to share what is new and innovative in agriculture.

"We are optimistic and excited about the 2021 show," said Mike Gintner, Executive Chair Wisconsin Farm Technology Days, Eau Claire. "We are grateful to the Rygg family for their generosity in hosting the show on their Huntsinger Farm Eau Claire property, which has taken important acreage out of commission for an extra year.

"The Committee is excited to produce an outstanding show for exhibitors, sponsors and attendees alike," added Gintner. "Everyone has doubled-down on their commitments, extending their volunteer service by an extra year, and working to improve on our already-exciting plans."

The show has launched a new, robust website at [www.wifarmtechdays.org](http://www.wifarmtechdays.org).

### REMINDER! FOR DISEASE OUTBREAK UPDATES & INFO CHECK WITH THE EDCC!

The EDCC stands for the Equine Disease Communication Center. They have a Facebook page where you can get the most up-to-date information on equine disease outbreaks in the United States and beyond. Their Facebook page address is:

<https://www.facebook.com/pg/EquineDiseaseCC/services/>

On that page, you will also find a box containing the message below, which provides instructions on how to receive an email blast with the latest alerts as well.



#### **Outbreak Alerts**

**Free**

**The EDCC maintains an outbreak alert email blast list which notifies subscribers when a new alert has been posted. To sign up for EDCC outbreak alert email updates go to <http://eepurl.com/b0dK9z>**

The Wisconsin Horse Council Facebook page tries to share all of the EDCC Facebook posts AND there is a link on the WHC website to the EDCC page. Simply go to [www.wisconsinhorsecouncil.org](http://www.wisconsinhorsecouncil.org), go to the "News & Resources" tab, click on the "Health Updates and Information" dropdown tab. There you will find a link to the EDCC Facebook page as well as many links others to keep you informed on all things equine.



# 2021 WISCONSIN HORSE COUNCIL Ride Wisconsin - Trail Riding/Driving Award Program Application Form

To participate in the Trail Riding/Driving Award program, please complete this application. Forward the completed application and all applicable fees to the address shown at the bottom of this application form. We invite you to join and have fun with your horse.

**Please check one:**

- Current WHC Individual/Family or Youth member *OR*
- New WHC Individual/Family or Youth member  
(Include WHC Membership Application, check WHC website for other benefits of membership)

**Please check one:**

- Current Trail Riding/Driving Award program member *OR*
- New Trail Riding/Driving Award program member

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Street/P.O. Box:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City, State, Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email Address:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Age:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Enrolling Additional Family Members:**

- Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_
- Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_
- Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

**Equine-related clubs you belong to:**

\_\_\_\_\_

**Program Fees:** *(Fee is per individual participating. Fee accepted for current year only)*

Annual Trails Riding/Driving Program Fee \$10 \_\_\_\_\_ x\$10= \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Annual WHC Individual Membership fee: \$20 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Annual WHC Family Membership fee \$30 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

If you'd like a copy of the newsletter printed \$10 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Payment Enclosed. Make checks payable to WHC: \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**Questions/Comments:** Jill Feller, Program Coordinator – 920-948-9502 - [jfeller@nconnect.net](mailto:jfeller@nconnect.net)

**WISCONSIN HORSE COUNCIL**  
**Ride Wisconsin – Trail Riding/Driving Award Program**  
**PO Box 72**  
**Columbus, WI 53925**  
**Voice: 920-623-0393 Fax: 920-623-0583**



# RIDE WISCONSIN

**Award Program  
for Trail Riders/Drivers**



**Get out and enjoy the trails  
with your equine partner and earn rewards  
for your hours riding/driving the trails!**



**SHARE THE TRAILS**

[www.wisconsinhorsecouncil.org](http://www.wisconsinhorsecouncil.org)





# Wisconsin Horse Council

## *Council*Letter

### Advertising Order Form

Advertiser: \_\_\_\_\_

Ad Agency (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip + 4: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person (please print): \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Authorized Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

- I am a current WHC member     
  I am not a current WHC member     
  I'm joining WHC today

Member Advertising Rates	
\$75.00	Full Page
\$37.50	1/2 Page
\$18.75	1/4 Page
\$10.00	Business Card

Non Member Advertising Rates	
\$100.00	Full Page
\$60.00	1/2 Page
\$35.00	1/4 Page
\$15.00	Business Card

WSHC Annual Memberships	
\$20.00	Level I
\$45.00	Level II
\$100.00	Level III

Run my ad in the following editions:

January/February	May/June	September/October
March/April	July/August	November/December

Total Cost:

Ad cost: ____ month(s) at \$_____/Month	\$
Membership: (optional)	\$
<b>Total Enclosed:</b>	<b>\$</b>

**Order, payment, and ad copy should be mailed to:**

Wisconsin Horse Council, Inc.  
 PO Box 72  
 Columbus, WI 53925  
 Phone: 920-623-0393 Fax: 920-623-0583  
[info@wisconsinhorsecouncil.org](mailto:info@wisconsinhorsecouncil.org)





# Stick to the Rules

## Wisconsin laws on animal medical waste

*How to keep everyone safe by disposing of needles properly*

Wisconsin Horse Council  
PO Box 72  
Columbus, WI 53925  
920-623-0393  
www.wisconsinhorsecouncil.org

### For more information

Disposing sharps properly is not only the right thing to do, it is the law.

Follow these simple guidelines and keep everyone in your community safe from needlestick injuries.

For more information and guidance on disposing animal health sharps, talk with your veterinarian or the waste management specialist in your local DNR office.

You can also get information on the laws regarding sharps disposal and answers to basic questions on waste management by contacting:

#### WI Department of Natural Resources

[www.dnr.state.wi.us](http://www.dnr.state.wi.us)

(search for "sharps")

[medwaste@dnr.state.wi.us](mailto:medwaste@dnr.state.wi.us)

(608) 266-2111

*This brochure is a joint project by the:*

*Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources*

*PUBL-WA-840-01*

University of Wisconsin-Madison  
Department of Animal Sciences

Wisconsin Veterinary Medical Association

University of Wisconsin-Extension  
Cooperative Extension

## Sharps

Sharps (needles, syringes and lancets) are used on animals every day. For example, dairy cows receive vaccinations, and diabetic dogs and cats receive insulin injections. Although the sharps you use on your animals are not a danger for transmitting disease to humans, they are still harmful if not disposed of properly.

### What's the danger?

When sharps are disposed of improperly, they pose an unnecessary concern to garbage haulers and workers. If someone is stuck by a needle from the garbage, they won't know if the needle was used on a human or an animal or if it carries any diseases.

**ALL** "needlestick" injuries result in expensive testing and can cause long-term emotional distress for the person who was stuck by the needle because of the possibility that he or she may get a disease like HIV or Hepatitis B. It's not something anyone should have to go through.

### It's the law

In addition to being a safety issue, you also are breaking Wisconsin law if you dispose of sharps improperly. Sharps are considered infectious waste, and all infectious waste must be disposed separately from other waste.



### Sharps cannot be disposed with:

- household waste
- farm waste
- recyclable materials (i.e. glass, metal or plastic containers, etc.)

### How to dispose of sharps

Safely packaging sharps used on animals for disposal involves three basic steps.

#### 1. Place the sharps in rigid, puncture resistant containers with secure lids or caps.

##### Acceptable containers include:

- Containers specifically for sharps
- Heavy plastic detergent or bleach bottles with screw caps

##### Unacceptable containers include:

- coffee cans (the lids are too easily punctured)
- plastic milk jugs
- plastic bags
- pop cans or soda bottles

For containers specifically for sharps, ask your pharmacist or check with your local farm supply stores for availability.

#### 2. Visibly label the sharps container "Biohazard," "Infectious waste," or "Sharps."

If you use a detergent bottle, it is a good idea to label it "Do not recycle."

#### 3. When the container is full or you decide to dispose of your sharps, seal and label it, store it out of the reach of children, and dispose of it properly.

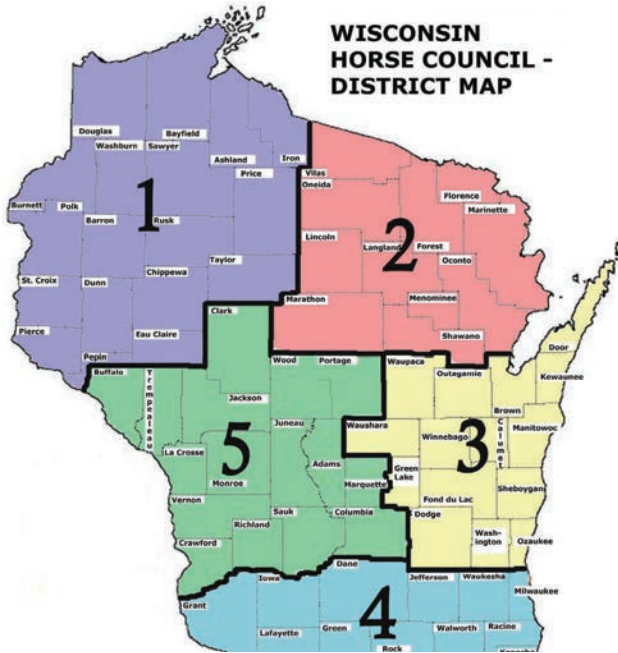
Once you decide to dispose of your sharps, you have 90 days to do it. As long as you are using the container and it isn't full, you can keep it for an unlimited time. When you dispose of the container, do not put it out with the rest of your trash. Take it to a registered sharps collection station, or talk with your veterinarian about possible outlets for disposing of sharps. Some sharps disposal locations may charge fees for disposal.

### Locations for disposing sharps

Before you attempt to drop off your sharps at any of the following locations, always call ahead to make sure they will take them and if they charge a fee.

- "Registered sharps collection stations, such as pharmacies. To find out where these stations are, you can contact:
  - Wisconsin DNR (608) 266-2111
  - American Diabetes Association (888) 342-2383
  - UW-Extension (608) 263-4300
- Wisconsin Veterinary Medical Association (608) 257-3665
- Veterinary hospitals and clinics
- Human hospitals and clinics
- Mail-in sharps disposal programs
- Licensed infectious waste haulers

Consult your yellow pages under "waste disposal" or "medical waste" for possible local locations for disposing sharps. If you transport more than 50 pounds of medical waste per month, you must get a license from the DNR. For more information, call (608) 266-2111.



WISCONSIN HORSE COUNCIL - DISTRICT MAP

District 1 includes the counties of: Ashland, Barron, Bayfield, Burnett, Chippewa, Douglas, Dunn, Eau Claire, Iron, Pepin, Pierce, Polk, Price, Rusk, Sawyer, St. Croix, Taylor and Washburn

District 2 includes the counties of: Florence, Forest, Langlade, Lincoln, Marathon, Marinette, Menominee, Oconto, Oneida, Shawano, and Vilas

District 3 includes the counties of: Brown, Calumet, Dodge, Door, Fond du Lac, Green Lake, Kewaunee, Manitowoc, Outagamie, Ozaukee, Sheboygan, Washington, Waupaca, Waushara, and Winnebago

District 4 includes the counties of: Dane, Grant, Green, Iowa, Jefferson, Kenosha, Lafayette, Milwaukee, Racine, Rock, Walworth, and Waukesha

District 5 includes the counties of: Adams, Buffalo, Clark, Columbia, Crawford, Jackson, Juneau, La Crosse, Marquette, Monroe, Portage, Richland, Sauk, Trempealeau, Vernon, and Wood

WHC District 1:

Contact - Renee Hendrickson  
715-603-5458  
renehendrickson34@gmail.com

WHC District 2:

Contact - Shaughn Novy  
715-610-1065  
slnovy20@gmail.com

WHC District 3:

Contact - Lee Sackett  
920-210-3848  
lee@sackettranch.com

WHC District 4:

Contact - Karen Kroll  
608-795-2321  
mkroll@chorus.net

WHC District 5:

Contact - Mike McGowan  
715-284-9112  
mcgowan@centurytel.net

**CouncilLetter Deadline**

*The deadline for articles, upcoming events and advertisements for the WHC CouncilLetter is:*

**May / June Issue:  
April 15th at noon**

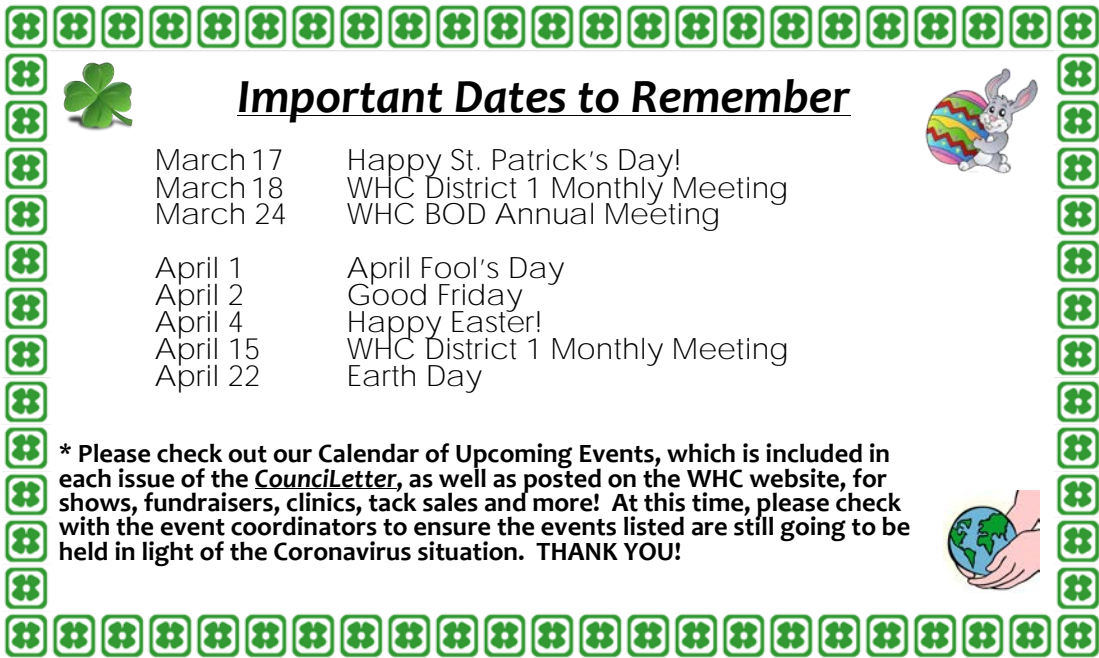
*Articles must be equine related, may not be for commercial benefit and must be sent to us in a timely fashion. The Editor reserves the right to revise or refuse articles. Ads and articles are best sent in electronic format (prefer MS Word or Adobe Acrobat) to:*


**info@wisconsinhorsecouncil.org**

**Office hours: Monday-Friday - 8am-4pm**




Join us on Facebook and become a friend. You will receive the most up-to-date information and connect with fellow horse people.






## ***Important Dates to Remember***



March 17	Happy St. Patrick's Day!
March 18	WHC District 1 Monthly Meeting
March 24	WHC BOD Annual Meeting
April 1	April Fool's Day
April 2	Good Friday
April 4	Happy Easter!
April 15	WHC District 1 Monthly Meeting
April 22	Earth Day

\* Please check out our **Calendar of Upcoming Events**, which is included in each issue of the **CouncilLetter**, as well as posted on the WHC website, for shows, fundraisers, clinics, tack sales and more! At this time, please check with the event coordinators to ensure the events listed are still going to be held in light of the Coronavirus situation. **THANK YOU!**




*Join us on Facebook and become a friend. You will receive the most up-to-date information and connect with fellow horse people.*

