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**WELCOME BACK
TO SCHOOL**

HAPPY FALL!



It is time once again for school to begin, for after school riding lesson programs, equine world shows, conferences and association events, starting new horses, fall trail rides, apple cider, pumpkin everything, Halloween and harvest time!

This time of year can get pretty busy and hectic, so if you have any equine related events such as tack sales, shows, fundraisers, lessons, etc. that you would like have us post on our Calendar of Upcoming Events, please send them to us using the form on page 19 of this newsletter, or simply send your event info to info@wisconsinhorsecouncil.org and we will get it posted on the WHC website and in the newsletter. Thank you!



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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.

ATTENTION!

Tear out page 25/26 to fold as a handy brochure to keep or to share! This month's featured brochure is: "Preventing At Risk Horses By: Owning Responsibly", from the United Horse Coalition.

*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!

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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 – 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. WHC Board of Directors are elected to serve on the WSHC Equine Foundation Board of Directors, along with non-WHC individuals. The WHC 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.

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Midwest Horse Fair®

April 22, 23 & 24
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Madison, WI*



Free Admission? Yes Please!

Did you know by volunteering 3 hours at the Midwest Horse Fair that you can earn a one-day pass. Better yet, if you volunteer 9 hours you will earn a 3-day weekend pass! With a variety of interesting jobs, volunteering is a unique and fun way to experience the Fair from a new perspective. The volunteer application will be available starting September 24, 2021 at www.MidwestHorseFair.com, under the "Partnerships" tab.

Be in the Know!

Clinicians and entertainers at the Midwest Horse Fair are known for providing valuable knowledge on all topics equine and entertaining the masses with talent and personality alike. Discover who will be at the 2022 Midwest Horse Fair by visiting the Midwest Horse Fair Facebook page or www.MidwestHorseFair.com. Announcements will start in October.



Rest Easy

After an exciting day of exploring, shopping and soaking in all the goodness Midwest Horse Fair has to offer, what could be better than kicking up your feet to relax at one of the many hospitable area hotels. Visit www.MidwestHorseFair.com, under the General Info tab, for a complete list of partnering hotels, their list of amenities and distance from the Alliant Energy Center. Be sure use hotels link within the listing or mention "Midwest Horse Fair" if reserving by phone to receive the listed rate.

Visit www.MidwestHorseFair.com, Facebook, Twitter & Instagram for the most up-to-date information.
Join the conversation using #MidwestHorseFair



Nancy Kissel Selected for National 4-H Hall of Fame!

Written by KANDI K ONEIL, UW-Madison Division of Extension

Nancy Kissel, a Wisconsin 4-H volunteer with more than sixty-five years of service has been selected to be inducted into the National 4-H Hall of Fame. Kissel will be Wisconsin's first volunteer selected for this honor.

Kissel started a 4-H community club, serving as 4-H general leader for 35 years, and many more years as 4-H project leader. Her expansive 4-H volunteer contributions include roles at the county, state, and national levels. Kissel credits her 1970's part-time position as an urban expansion 4-H Staff Assistant, developing programs and organizing 4-H clubs for



under served urban and minority populations, with further developing her leadership skills. Donna Menart nominated Kissel for the national honor. She says Kissel's character is evident in everything she does. "She lives the ideals of 4-H. Her contributions as a volunteer are impressive in longevity, but even more so in terms of the quality and depth of her ability to create sustaining systems that support the educational mission of 4-H on all levels," says Menart. "Her contributions have benefitted untold numbers of 4-H youth and adults."

"I am beyond thrilled to have a Wisconsin volunteer selected for the National Hall of Fame," says Kandi O'Neil, WI Volunteer Leadership Specialist. "When I think of Nancy's impact on Wisconsin 4-H, I think of the horse project. As a volunteer, Nancy saw interested young people who wanted to learn about horses and may not be able to own a horse. By creating the Horseless Horse project, she was able to offer an opportunity for youth not only in Wisconsin but throughout the nation to learn about horses." Nancy served on the writing team for the national curriculum for Horseless Horse. State volunteer leadership roles have included: member of the WI State Horse Council, past president of the WI 4-H Horse Association and past director of the Midwest Horse Fair.

Nancy's contributions as a volunteer are evident in the quality of educational programs for Wisconsin youth across the state. Her vision of finding a "yes" to what could have easily been a no has impacted untold numbers of youth across the country to be able to learn about horses.

The Hall of Fame ceremony will take place in October 2021. Congratulations to Nancy on receiving this well deserved honor. Contact kandi.oneil@wisc.edu with questions.

Governor Dodge Equestrian Campground – It's Really Happening!

The Friends of Governor Dodge State Park are happy to share some truly great news. Thanks the persistent efforts of the Friends Equestrian committee and the amazingly generous support of hundreds of individuals, groups, and businesses, **a beautiful new 20-site equestrian campground at Governor Dodge State Park is nearly complete.**

The dream of a spacious, modern equestrian campground began long ago with the park's 1984 Master Plan and a "temporary" campground on a small asphalt parking lot in the park's busy core. When funding for the project failed to materialize after more than 3 decades, the Friends stepped up in 2015 to plan for a facility more on a par with other state parks and in keeping with the beauty of Governor Dodge. The Friends first-ever fundraising campaign was launched in 2018. **Now, just 3 short years later, over half a million dollars has been raised, and the dream is at long last becoming a reality!**

The basic campground infrastructure has been built. Electricity, the most requested and costly campground amenity, is in place for 18 of 20 sites. **As of August, the Friends were within \$50,000 of the fundraising goal of \$550,000.** But after 3 years of planning fundraiser rides, creating flyers and slogans, soliciting items for auctions and raffles, writing grant applications and press releases, AND (hardest of all) repeatedly asking our personal friends to donate to the cause, committee members were nearing the brink of "FUNDRAISING BURNOUT." Then, just in the nick of time, **yet another horse and park lover came to the rescue...offering a \$25,000 match grant!** We are stunned and beyond grateful to have received this THIRD challenge match offer. Suddenly our \$50,000 goal has been cut by half!

So if you love horses and love Wisconsin State Parks, NOW is truly the time to make a gift to finish "building the dream" at Governor Dodge State Park. After almost 40 years, a wonderful new facility is tantalizingly close to reality. **Each dollar donated between now and December 31, 2021 will be matched up to \$25,000, so please give today and let's "Get It Done in '21!"**

Details about the campground and secure online giving options are available at www.GovernorDodgeEquestrians.com. Gifts are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law...and if you have reached "that certain age" of IRA required minimum distributions, the Friends can accept directed distributions. Questions? Email us at govdodgehorses@gmail.com. Sincere thanks to all who have borne with us through this long process.

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Governor Dodge Equestrian Campground - It's Really Happening!



There are 20 spacious sites at the new campground, 18 with electric hookup.

Easy to navigate and every site has a beautiful view!



The new campground includes a site designed especially for campers with mobility challenges.

Parking Cars on Horseback

By Cricket Jewett



**Tara LeRoy and Cricket Jewett
with three eras of travel.**

The Rock County Multi Use Trails Group has been partnering with the Jefferson County Fair to help parking cars during fair week. Our group began performing this service four years ago, taking over from the Hags on Nags group. The Jefferson County Fair uses about 500 volunteers from non-profit groups to keep the fair running smoothly.

We have 4 or 5 people on horseback flagging cars, helping fair goers find parking spots, and directing traffic. We also patrol the parking lot both as goodwill ambassadors, and keep an eye on things during the week. Our riders are often found letting kids and adults pet the horses and are the objects of frequent photos! Over the weekend we double those numbers for the larger crowds. This year was especially busy on Saturday night with John Pardi as the headliner. The total number in attendance was

one of their top days ever, and boy were we busy!

The Rock County Multi Use Trail group helps with the Rock County Parks that allow horse trails, and we are very fortunate to have five parks in our county that allow riding! Currently we are working on raising funds to install a well at Gibbs Lake Park. Five years ago we raised enough to work with the county and have a pavilion installed, and now are about three-fourths of the way to having the funds needed to get a well there also! Check our website for details on the group at www.RockCoTrails.com.

We have two additional fundraisers coming up that you can place on your calendar. We will be hosting a meat raffle on November 7, 2021 at Badger Bob's in Delavan, WI, and looking forward to 2022, we will be hosting the Rock County Tack Swap on March 12.

Terisa Schmidt, Amy Muth, Tara LeRoy, Kris Ellis, Cricket Jewett and Penny Fanning prepare for Friday night parking cars at the fair.



NEW Equestrian Campground
Governor Dodge State Park
Dodgeville, Wi



Announcing a \$25,000 Challenge Gift!

This limited opportunity to double your gift ends December 31, 2021. Donate now!



A gift to a park is a gift to the future.

If you love horses, love Wisconsin State Parks, if you understand the benefits of time spent outdoors, then please make a gift today to finish “building the dream” at Governor Dodge State Park. After almost 40 years, a wonderful new facility is close to reality. Please give today and let’s “Get It Done in ’21!”

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The Friends of Governor Dodge State Park is a 501(c) 3 organization. Gifts are tax deductible to the extent of the law.

For more information email govdodgehorses@gmail.com

Wisconsin Horse Council District 2 Youth Equine Education Day

By Shaughn Novy, WHC District 2 President



The Wisconsin Horse Council District 2 hosted a Youth Equine Education Day on May 22, at Black Hawk Hill in Langlade County to kick up the interest in our Wisconsin Horse Industry. Members and District 2 Officers decided it was important to reach families that may be new in the horse industry or those just considering horses as a hobby.

The Rodeo City Riders performed and added to the excitement. The Rodeo City Riders also gave a clinic with the kids asking lots of questions. Langlade County Horse and Pony Project gave a safety demonstration. Forest County Horse & Pony Club donated the crafts and worked all day with the kids to have a new skill with leather necklaces. Purina and Antigo Country Store supplied prizes on the Black Hawk Hill Kids Prize Wheel.

Fleet Farm supplied coupons and District 2 members gave a demonstration on body conditioning scoring and weighing your horse as well as what feed tags tell you. Several other demonstrations included why we test our horse pastures with soil testing kits furnished by VAS Laboratories. The scavenger hunt was as much fun for the parents as the kids. A roping demonstration wrapped up the day. Throughout the day we had about 30 families participate. Members were on hand to answer questions about selecting horses and where to get help with training.

A lot of information on trail riding and horse shows was distributed, and overall the day was a great success. We are hoping to add another WHC District 2 Education Day location next year to our Youth Equine Education and Fun Day.

If you are interested in hosting this worthwhile event in 2022, please contact one of the WHC District 2 Officers. Introducing youth to horses is amazing and helps with their relationship development with all animals. Thank you Wisconsin Horse Council District 2 and everyone who worked on or donated their time and service.

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Wisconsin Horse Council District 2 Youth Equine Education Day



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Wisconsin Large Animal Emergency Response Partners with the Friends of Madison Mounted Horse Patrol to Hold Animal Rescue Techniques Clinic

By Pat McKnight, Correspondent for The Country Today / thecountrytoday.com



Submitted photo

A group of participants in a large animal rescue training and fundraising clinic worked with a full-size horse mannequin. The clinic was sponsored by the Wisconsin Large Animal Emergency Response and the Friends of Madison Mounted Horse Patrol.

Knowing how to properly rescue a large animal will do more than save the animal; that knowledge can also protect those trying to help it. To teach appropriate skills for handling such situations, the Wisconsin Large Animal Emergency Response partnered with the Friends of Madison Mounted Horse Patrol to hold a large animal rescue techniques clinic June 13, at The Horse First Farm.

"A lot can be learned in a full-day clinic," said city of Madison police officer Sarah Mulry and Friends member. "The clinic was open to the public; there were a few first responders, horse and dairy owners and a veterinarian who attended. The clinic focused on how to conduct large animal rescue maneuvers safely, so that was the reason many attended as this type of course is not offered very often unless you travel out of state to other national courses."

Clinic organizer Mulry says the clinic not only teaches participants how to properly rescue a large animal, it emphasizes safety for the rescuers. She remarked many livestock owners, in particular horse owners, want to jump in the trailer because of their connection with their animals.

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“They think, ‘That’s my baby,’” said Mulry, “but when humans intervene, they can get hurt. People are put at risk all the time. We always want to keep people safe. The best thing is to give the owners tasks.”

In addition to a two-hour classroom session, the 30 clinic participants received hands-on work with a 1,000 pound horse mannequin, a livestock trailer that can be tipped on its side and other emergency equipment.

Clinic presenter Dr. Howard Ketover, DVM, covered scenarios dealing with a downed horse in a trailer, freeing trapped animals and containing loose animals using hazard tape. The instruction included assessing the scene and determining what the animal can communicate about its situation.

“We have to look at what the animal is trying to tell us,” said Ketover.

Clinic participants also learned how to use equipment that’s generally on hand. Those handling livestock tend to use large agricultural equipment in their rescue attempts. However, if the equipment isn’t used correctly, the animal might be freed but could then succumb to injuries incurred during the rescue.

“Large animals can be handled with the tools on hand,” said Ketover. “You just have to know how to use them.”

The idea for providing training in large animal rescue began in 2006 when Ketover realized such techniques were lacking in the veterinary and livestock communities.

“There’s little education in the methods taught in veterinary schools,” said Ketover. “So, I went to other clinics to learn how to help large animals.”

With the training he received, Ketover and fellow board members started WLAER in 2012 with the mission of teaching veterinarians, first responders and animal owners how to safely conduct rescues.

The clinic was a fundraiser for WLAER and the city of Madison Mounted Police Unit. Funds raised from this first-time collaboration are split between WLAER and the Friends group.

The city’s official mounted unit receives support from the Friends group which raises money to supplement city funds to operate the unit. The Madison Mounted Police Unit has three members already trained in large animal rescue and two are in training.

Started in 1986 by six Madison police officers, the Madison Mounted Police Team was initially an unofficial group. They first rode their personal horses while in uniform in the city’s annual Holiday Parade. With overwhelming approval from the community, the team began training with their horses for on-duty police work, and in 1988, became certified with the National Mounted Officer Training Association.

Budget cuts resulted in the unit becoming disbanded, but it was resurrected in 2007 as the Madison Police Mounted Patrol Unit. The officers assumed most of the costs for equipment and care of the horses. To assist the officers, the nonprofit Friends group was formed to help the mounted patrol officers with expenses. Currently, the unit has two full-time and four part-time officers and six horses.

Videos and photos of the clinic can be found on the Friends of Madison Mounted Horse Patrol’s Facebook page: www.facebook.com/madisonmounted. More information is also available on its website: www.madisonmounted.org. Information about Wisconsin Large Animal Emergency Response is on its Facebook page: www.facebook.com/WisLAER or website: www.wlaer.org.



The History of the Wisconsin Horse Council

Part 8 of 10

The Council is concerned about the lack of effective laws regulating humane treatment of horses. The Board agrees that the major goal of the WHC should be to improve the humane treatment of animals through education and legislative action.

Ray Antoniewicz attends the WI Agri-Business Council Meeting, January 3-4. In an effort to defend against animal rights group's propaganda, this council has published a coloring book that is presented to all 4th grade school students in Wisconsin.

The Governor's Conference on Tourism is February 13-15 at Stevens Point. LaVonne Williamson, Judy Larson and Wayne Schutte represent WHC. Many contacts are made. The equine industry has become very visible at the tourism conference and a visible part of the State's tourism industry.

One of the contacts made there is Jeff Shultz, site director of the Wade House. Together, we formulate plans to co-sponsor a Horse and Buggy Exposition at the Wade House June 16 & 17. The exposition is a success with over 1,100 spectators and participants. The WHC donates \$100 to help finance the project. Land is cleared for camping and an arena is built. The Wade house is a historical site of 280 acres. This facility could connect up with the Northern Kettle Moraine State Park.

The WHC donates money to many groups this year. The State 4-H receives \$600. The first annual Future Farmers of America (FFA) State Horse Show receives a \$20 donation/sponsorship of a class. The Wisconsin High School Rodeo gets \$300 to help finance their trip to the Nationals in OK. A donation of \$100 is made to the Morris Animal Foundation to be used for animal research.

The Trail Committee recommends donations to several trail projects throughout the state. The Chequamegon Second Challenge Grant is awarded \$500, the Ahnapee Trail gets \$250 and the Black River Horse Camp also gets \$250.

The Trail Committee proposes a WHC Trails Policy. The policy is approved in June: 'To act as the equestrian liaison between local "friends of the trail" groups and local, state and federal government agencies; to assist and promote acquisitions and development of silent-use trails and support multi-use trails where compatible; to investigate and pursue legislation affecting trails.' This statement is meant as a reference to what the WHC believes and strives to do in regard to trail development.

The Trail Committee is very active this year. Josie Piper meets with the National Resources Board of Directors on January 24. Here she submits a request that horses be allowed to use access and park maintenance roads in selected wildlife properties. In August, Josie wrote a letter of intent asking for the inclusion of horse trails on the master plans for the Yellowstone Lake State Park and the Boise-Cascade State Park. The Council is informed in September that efforts are underway to change the Administrative code NR45, which states that horses are not allowed on game management properties.

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The History of the Wisconsin Horse Council—Part 8 of 10

Betty Bob attends a hearing February 22 concerning the Winnebago Recreational Trail. All terrain vehicles (ATV) are trying to gain access, which is denied because of public opinion. Betty states that the WHC supports multi-usage of trails but only when it's compatible.

A new Trails Guide is published in 1990, through the efforts of Betty Bob and Josie Piper. Sue Piper sends copies to all of the State libraries.

The opening of the Ahnopee Trail is held May 5 and is a great success, with 110 riders.

The Grand Opening of the Glacial Drumlin Trail is June 14. Interference by a bicycle group and an environmental group forces the DNR to declare a moratorium on all horse trail projects in Wisconsin. Equestrians are urged to act now before the gains of recent years in trail development are lost. The Glacial Drumlin Trail Association organizes a rally to the Capital in Madison on October 20. Press releases are planned and a WI Horse Industry survey is circulated. The results will be used to strengthen our position at the rally.

The Lake States Resource Alliance meets in Wausau in August. This group is fighting to keep the Nicolet National Forest open to recreational use. The WHC joins the alliance for \$250 and sends Dave Dewey as its representative.

Seventy Seven riders attend the second Western District meeting on May 12 in conjunction with the Grand Opening Ride at Black River State Forest Horse Camp.

The WHC has written in support of the National Recreation Trail Fund Act sponsored by Senator Symms. This bill would provide between 50-60 million dollars that would come from the highway Trust Fund.

The Judges Seminar is held March 17 with over 200 in attendance. Dan Burke and Carol Alm are guest lecturers. The seminar goes from a 2 day to a 1 day, making it more affordable to the public. A new fast copy list of acceptable judges will be made, a valuable service to state horse-people who are selecting horse show judges.

Horseperson –of-the-year is Art Bast. In August, Esther Schwartz takes over chairmanship of the committee from Fran Grandlic.

Scholarship recipients for 1990 are Jessica Cole, \$500; Carolyn Robb, \$250 and Ann Wright, \$250. The Council votes to raise the scholarship amounts to \$1000, \$500 and \$250 respectively in December.

The Midwest Horse Fair, held April 21-23 is a huge success with attendance in excess of 25,000. This year the emphasis is on youth with the Midwest/American Youth Horse Council Meeting held in conjunction with the Fair. Several awards are presented and the Secretary of Agriculture is in attendance. An extended liaison committee for the Fair meets September 14 in Beaver Dam to plan the 1991 Fair.

This is part 8 of 10 in a series of the history of our Wisconsin Horse Council. Watch for the final chapters in the upcoming issues.

Jefferson County Draft Horse Association

By Jackie Schuster, JCDHA Secretary

It was a great summer having the county fairs back up and running. The Jefferson County Fair had great weather all five days.

The draft horse group had the draft horse barn full, half of the light horse barn housed draft horses and the Acclaim barn off of the indoor arena was half full of draft horses. There were 58 to 65 horses and sixteen exhibitors. Those sixteen exhibitors had three to four



exhibitors that were under them. We had three breeds of draft horses being represented, Belgians, Clydesdales and Percherons. There were five new exhibitors to the group this year.

Before we started the hitch classes the National Anthem was sung by Cierra Essock who is the Hustisford High School agricultural instructor. Also, the flag was carried by Pam Drewek and Secret (Belgian) Friday night and Saturday by Pam and Jake (quarter horse). Our announcer for both days was Steve Haase, the ringmen were Matt Reichert on Friday and Bill Hagemann on Saturday, and the gate people were Doug Fischer and Kevin Kulow on Friday, and Lincoln Laabs on Saturday.

Our ambassador this year was Caitlynn Farrell from Fort Atkinson. In order to be the Draft Horse Ambassador she had to write an essay on why she would be a good ambassador. This year's Jerry Hitchcock Award went to Nick Fischer. Nick had to exhibit in Showmanship, junior cart and junior team classes and get the most points.

We would like to thank all the exhibitors and the helpers that put on a fantastic show.

We hope to see everyone again next year - July 13-17, 2022!

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Jefferson County Draft Horse Association





WHC Calendar of Upcoming Events



September 2021

- September 4 Badger Horse Show Association Open Speed Show, Rusty B Arena, W5641 Cty Rd J, Westfield, WI 53964, 9am, Contact Nola Siewert 920-858-2860 or rockhill44@gmail.com
- September 4 & 5 SWBA Summer Color & All Breed Show Series, Jefferson County Fairpark, Jefferson, WI, double judged each day, showbills and forms can be found on Southern Wisconsin Buckskin Association Facebook page or swbuckskin.wixsite.com/mysite, Email entries to and ask questions at swbuckskin@gmail.com, Contact Sue Weyers 920-810-2898
- September 4 & 5 WDHA Arabian Festival Show AVS and Open All Breed Show, Sunnyview Expo Center, Oshkosh, WI, Contact Shelly Lehman 920-750-9488, www.wdhaarabian.com
- September 6 Labor Day
- September 10 Friday Night Fun, La Fleur Stables, Verona, WI, 5pm-8pm, www.Lstables.com, 608-833-3635
- September 10-12 Ride For Heroes presented by the Wolf River Riders, Iola Car Show Campground, Iola, WI, Contact 715-340-7497
- September 11 Lazycreek Farm 2021 Pleasure & Speed Show, Judge - Jamie Buedler, Pleasure starts at 10 am, Speed starts at 2 pm, W5358 Old Sixty Rd, Juneau, WI 53039, 920-386-8058 or 920 296-7036
- September 11 Ranch Work Championships, K Bar R Ranch & Arena, W7939 State Hwy 64, Medford, WI, 10am, Contact Cody 715-965-7054, gold.buckle.kr@gmail.com, www.kbarranch.com or find us on Facebook at K Bar R Ranch & Arena for further details
- September 11&12 Wisconsin Foundation Quarter Horse Association (WIFQHA.org) Jackson County Fair Park, Black River Falls, 608-385-4240
- September 12 Horse & Pony Experience "Sharing with Caring with Younger Children", La Fleur Stables, Verona, WI, 1:30pm-3:30pm, \$70, www.Lstables.com, 608-833-3635
- September 12 Shepard Fest, Shepard's Barn, Columbus, WI, 1 pm - 6 pm
- September 16 WHC District 1 Monthly Meeting via Zoom, 7:30pm, if interested in joining please contact Renee Hendrickson at renehendrickson34@gmail.com or 715-603-5458
- September 22 WHC BOD Monthly Meeting, 7 pm, 121 S. Ludington Street, Columbus, WI 53925, in person, via Zoom and via FreeConference.com
- September 25 Dodge County Horsemens Association Open Jackpot Speed Show, Boots & Saddle Club Arena, W8827 Hemlock Road, Beaver Dam, WI, 53916, 9am, check DCHA Facebook page for details, Contact Kallie Larson 920-390-0605 page for all show information
- September 25 West 20 Ranch & Saddle Co. Open Pleasure Horse Show Series, East Troy, WI, 9 am, www.west20.com, 262-642-4272

October 2021

- October 9 West 20 Ranch & Saddle Co. Open Pleasure Horse Show Series, East Troy, WI, 9 am, www.west20.com, 262-642-4272
- October 11 Columbus Day
- October 15 Friday Night Fun, La Fleur Stables, Verona, WI, 5pm-8pm, www.Lstables.com, 608-833-3635
- October 16 Winnebago County 4-H Horse & Pony Tack & Craft Sale, Sunnyview Expo Center, 500 East County Road Y, Oshkosh, WI 54901, 9am - 2pm, Contact Jon Richey, Tack Sale Chairperson 920-277-3709, winnebago4htacksale@gmail.com
- October 17 Horse & Pony Experience "Sharing with Caring with Younger Children", La Fleur Stables, Verona, WI, 1:30pm-3:30pm, \$70, www.Lstables.com, 608-833-3635
- October 21 WHC District 1 Monthly Meeting via Zoom, 7:30pm, if interested in joining please contact Renee Hendrickson at renehendrickson34@gmail.com or 715-603-5458
- October 27 WHC BOD Monthly Meeting, 7 pm, 121 S. Ludington Street, Columbus, WI 53925, in person, via Zoom and via FreeConference.com
- October 31 Halloween

November 2021

- November 5 Friday Night Fun, La Fleur Stables, Verona, WI, 5pm-8pm, www.Lstables.com, 608-833-3635
- November 18 WHC District 1 Monthly Meeting via Zoom, 7:30pm, if interested in joining please contact Renee Hendrickson at renehendrickson34@gmail.com or 715-603-5458
- November 25 Thanksgiving

December 2021

- December 24 Christmas Eve
- December 25 Christmas
- December 29 Horse & Pony Experience "Sharing with Caring with Younger Children", La Fleur Stables, Verona, WI, 1pm-3pm, \$70, www.Lstables.com, 608-833-3635

- **FOR MORE EQUINE RELATED UPCOMING EVENTS, click on this link to be redirected to WalkTrotGo.com.**



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

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.

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Individual Name: _____

Youth Name(s): _____ Age(s): _____

Family Name(s): _____

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County: _____ District #: _____ Number of Horses: _____

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Description:

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- Programs such as Certified Judges, Championship Challenge, and Trail Riding/Driving Awards require 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.
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Wisconsin Horse Council does not sell or distribute our membership list. Information is kept private for use only by our organization for WHC business.

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<u>Product</u>	<u>Price</u>	<u>Shipping</u>	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Subtotal</u>
Equine Limited Liability Sign Small 11"x16" Heavy Plastic	\$10.00 each or 2 for \$15.00 or 3 for \$20.00	\$7.00 for 1, 2 or 3		
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 I would like to know more about becoming a WHC Member

Make Checks Payable to "Wisconsin Horse Council"
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 Columbus, WI 53925



THE UNITED HORSE COALITION IS COMMITTED TO HELPING HORSES AT-RISK OR IN TRANSITION BY:

- **Educating** current and prospective horse owners on how to **own responsibly**; including proper care, breeding, and options available to owners before a horse becomes at-risk.
- **Raising awareness** of the issue of at-risk horses and it's consequences within the horse industry.
- **Reducing the number of at-risk horses** and working towards eliminating the problem.
- **Ensuring that horses are treated humanely and with dignity throughout their lives**
- **Facilitating the exchange of information** on adoption, care, and alternative careers available.
- **Providing information** on end-of-life decisions, including veterinary decisions, euthanasia, and disposal.
- **Explaining the issue** through presentations at industry gatherings, such as symposiums, expo's, conferences, summits, and fairs.

For more information please check out: www.unitedhorsecoalition.org

HELP US, HELP YOU:

Funding is necessary to ensure that the mission of the United Horse Coalition is continued. Membership in the UHC is available at several levels. For a current list of our Member Organizations, please visit the UHC website at:

www.unitedhorsecoalition.org

BECOME A MEMBER OR DONATE TODAY.

If you'd like to join this important effort on behalf of America's Horses, please contact us at:

United Horse Coalition
 1616 H Street, NW, 7th Floor
 Washington, DC, 20006
 (202) 296-4031 (phone)



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WORKING TOGETHER TO HELP AMERICA'S EQUINES AT RISK OR IN TRANSITION.

PREVENTING AT-RISK HORSES BY OWNING RESPONSIBLY

EDUCATE:

MATERIALS AVAILABLE ON THE UHC WEBSITE OR HARDCOPY:

- The UHC Handbook, **Own Responsibly: Guidance for Current and Potential Horse Owners** from the United Horse Coalition.
- **UHC Own Responsibly** Brochure
- **UHC Gelding/Spaying** Brochure
- The 2009 Unwanted Horse Survey
- The UHC Handbook, **Best Practices: How Your Organization Can Help At-Risk Horses**
- **Rehabilitating the Neglected Horse: A Caregiver's Guide**

The UHC continues to spread the word about At-Risk Horses through the **UHC Roundup**. This newsletter is sent out via Facebook and E-mail, and contains UHC updates, industry highlights, and individual success stories.

*See our webpage for a further description of each material available. www.unitedhorsecoalition.org



THE AT-RISK HORSE:

A 2009 survey conducted by the UHC revealed three primary reasons why a horse reaches an at-risk state:

1. changes in owner's situation
2. the horse is too old or injured
3. the horse is unmanageable

OWN RESPONSIBLY, OWNING RESPONSIBILITY:

Regardless of how a particular horse reaches a state of being at-risk, it is the **responsibility** of every **owner**, and the **industry** at large, to ensure that **we** are doing everything possible to prevent horses from becoming at-risk. Luckily, this issue is recognized by equine organizations, businesses, and individuals alike, and is one for which numerous industry groups are currently working towards a solution.

The **United Horse Coalition** is one of them.

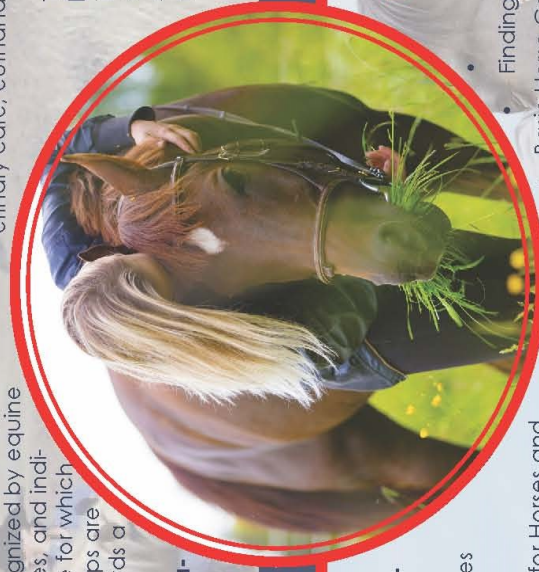
COLLABORATE:

WHO WE ARE:

The **United Horse Coalition** is a broad alliance of equine organizations that have joined together under the **American Horse Council (AHC)** to educate the equine industry about the issue of horses at-risk or in transition.

The UHC is an **educational alliance** that seeks to provide information for current and prospective owners, breeders, sellers, and horse organizations, regarding the **long-term responsibilities** of owning and caring for horses, as well as focusing on opportunities available for these horses. UHC also provides information regarding end of life decisions, including veterinary care, euthanasia, and disposal options.

The **United Horse Coalition** works closely with industry leaders and equine organizations to stay up-to-date on current issues and initiatives.



UHC RESOURCE DATABASE:

UHC is continuously expanding its collection of resources...

RESOURCES FOR CURRENT OWNERS:

- Facilities that accept horses
- Questions to ask before surrendering/retiring a horse.
- Feed and Hay Safety Net Programs
- Castration programs and clinics
- Funding for Veterinary Care
- Euthanasia programs and clinics
- Information on helping owners in end of life decisions
- Racing aftercare, placement, and training.
- Other programs

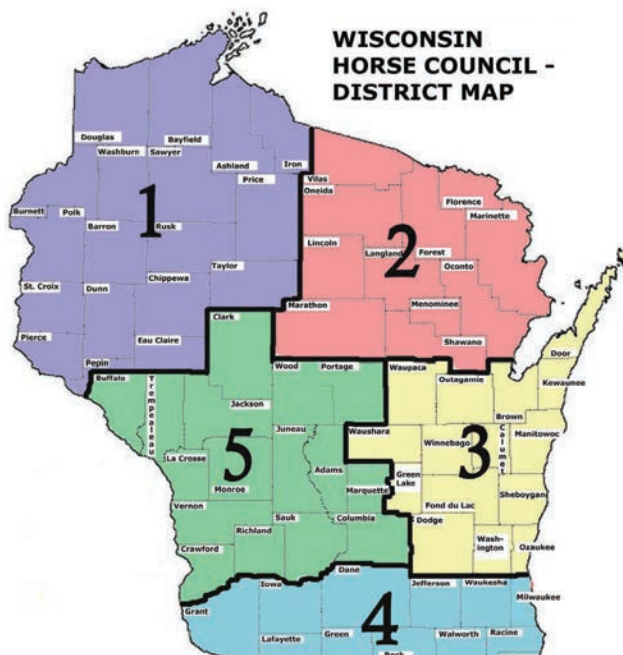
RESOURCES FOR RESCUES/SANCTUARIES:

- Guidelines for Rescues
- Accreditation
- Matching programs for Horses and Prospective Adopters
- Non Profit Management/Fundraising
- Equine Welfare Grants
- USTA financial assistance

RESOURCES FOR PROSPECTIVE OWNERS:

- Owning responsibly
- Finding "The Right Horse"
- Basic Horse Care and Costs
- Alternatives to buying a horse
- Is horse ownership right for me?
- and other important information

If you would like to help horses at risk or in transition, and want to be added to the UHC Resource database, please contact uhc@horsecouncil.org, or visit the UHC website at www.unitedhorsecoalition.org.



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

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

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Council Letter Deadline

The deadline for articles, upcoming events and advertisements for the WHC Council Letter is:

November / December Issue:
October 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:

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Office hours: Mondays / Wednesdays / Fridays - 8am-4pm
Office Closed on Tuesdays & Thursdays



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Important Dates to Remember

**September 6
September 12
September 16
September 22**

**Labor Day
Shepard Fest
WHC District 1 Monthly Meeting
WHC BOD Monthly Meeting**

**October 11
October 21
October 27
October 31**

**Columbus Day
WHC District 1 Monthly Meeting
WHC BOD Monthly Meeting
Happy Halloween!**

* 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! THANK YOU!



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