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### Equine Canada Director At Large Nominations

Last reminder to vote for a Director At Large!! [Get all the information here!](#)

### Zone AGM Notices

#### Zone 1

Date: February 9, 2014  
Time: 10:00am West Kootenay Time

## HCBC 2013 Awards Nominees Announced!

*\*\*Drumroll Please\*\** Your Nominees for 2013 are:

**Sherman Olson Lifetime Achievement Award**  
Pam Arthur

**Coach of the Year**  
Margot Vilvang  
Cheryl Keith  
Colleen Frisby  
David Goodsole  
Jennifer Van Leeuwen  
Monique Fraser  
Natalie Vonk  
Brent & Laura Balisky  
Stella French  
Keelly Reggelsen

**Bob James Volunteer of the Year**  
Deb Oakman  
Debbie Rogal  
Rick Higginson  
Vicki Kokesch  
Terre O'Brennan

**Horse Industry Professional of the Year**  
Dr. Robyn Kopala  
Tammie Blewett  
Jack Polo

**Athlete of the Year**  
Ayla Martinoff  
Brian Morton  
Karen Pavicic  
Kaylie Martinoff  
Natalie Alves  
Sydney holme

**Competitive Horse of the Year**  
Day Dreamer  
Don Daiquiri

11:00am Mountain Time  
Location: Meet Via Telephone  
Conference  
Call 1-888-882-9090 Participant Code  
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## Zone 2

Date: February 2, 2014  
Time: 1:00pm  
Location: Kelowna Riding Club

## Zone 3 - TBA

## Zone 4 - TBA

## Zone 5 - TBA

## Zone 6 - TBA

## Zone 7 - TBA

## Zone 8

Date: February 16, 2014  
Time: TBA  
Location: TBA



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CALENDAR!**

Lucky Boy  
Shake It Up Baby +//  
Spitfire

## Non-Competitive Horse of the Year

Arius  
How Bout Jose  
Cynder

For short Bio's and info about each nominee, [visit the Nominee Page!](#)

[Get your tickets to the Awards Gala](#) where the winners will be announced!



## BC Equine Education Summit



**March 7 [Professionals Day]**  
**March 8 [Summit Day 1 & Awards Gala]**  
**March 9 [Summit Day 2]**

Hilton Vancouver Airport  
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### 2014 Speakers

- Dr. Gerd Heuschmann, DVM
- Dr. Robert Bowker, DVM PhD
- Dr. Claire Thunes, Phd MS Animal Science BSc Hons.
- Dr. Tawni Silver, BSA DVM MSc DACVR
- Dr. Yves Rossier, DVM DACIVM
- Jennifer Woods, MSc
- Debra Garside

[Get the details and topics of each speaker here!](#)  
[See the Weekend Schedule!](#)





## Looking for Competitions?

[Check them out here!](#)



## Equine Canada AGM

Please be advised the Annual General Meeting of the Equine Canada Membership will be held Friday, February 7, 2014, at the Radisson Hotel Winnipeg, Winnipeg, MB.

This meeting will begin at 8:30 am CST. Attendance at this meeting is open to all members in good standing with Equine Canada.

For additional details on the meeting and eligibility to vote, please visit <http://bit.ly/1cyXHtQ>.



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## Dressage Through the Levels Symposium

Horse Council BC Presents  
**Dressage Through the Levels**  
Training Level to Grand Prix  
February 1 & 2, 2014  
Thunderbird Show Park  
With  
Ellen Bontje, Olympic Silver Medalist  
Lorraine Macdonald, FEI 4\* International Dressage Judge

Want to share this photo with your friends? [Click here to download it!](#)

Tickets will be available for purchase at the door for \$55 per day.



## Brent & Laura Balisky - Equine Canada Jump High Performance Coaches



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Horse Council BC would like to congratulate Brent and Laura Balisky of Langley, BC who are now certified Equine Canada Jump High Performance Coaches!

Brent and Laura are well known and highly successful coaches in the Hunter/Jumper discipline, who's students have won countless championships and Equitation awards. They successfully completed the Equine Canada Jump High Performance Coaching certification process and we are proud to announce that they are part of a very elite group of Jump High Performance Coaches in Canada, of which there are only 3, Brent, Laura and Torchy Miller.

Congratulations to Brent & Laura!



## March 7 - Professional Development Day

Friday March 7th, 2014 | Hilton Vancouver Airport

We are pleased to offer three different workshops for equine professionals to attend as part of the BC Equine Education Summit's Professional Development Day.

### Coaching - Clean Sport with Yves Rossier, DVM DACIVM

For registration and more information contact: [coaching@hcbc.ca](mailto:coaching@hcbc.ca)

### Competition - Officials Development - General Performance

For registration and more information contact: [competition@hcbc.ca](mailto:competition@hcbc.ca)

### Recreation - Share the Trails Workshop

For registration and more information contact: [recreation@hcbc.ca](mailto:recreation@hcbc.ca)

For detailed information about all the courses available on Friday, March 7th - [please visit our Professional Development Day page.](#)



## Western Update



Photo credit: Andrea Blair

This is a reminder to Equine Canada Certified Coaches and Instructors that the 2014 Western Update will take place April 26-27 in Williams Lake. Mark your calendars, registration information will be sent out directly to the Western Coaches and Instructors soon.

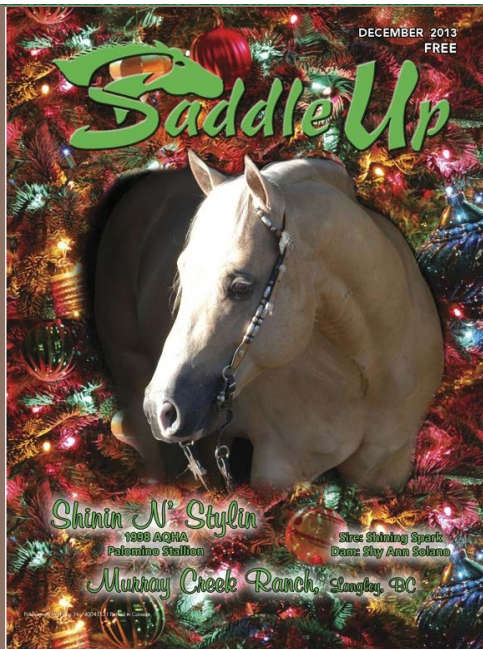


## BC Equestrian Trail Fund 2014

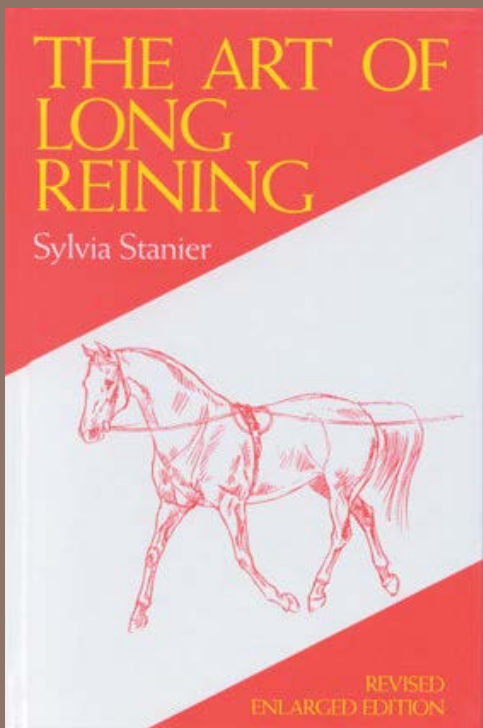


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Now is the time for your HCBC member club to make plans for a project to help build, repair or improve a trail, or to create or improve a horse camping site. You'll need to have your plans and permissions in place, including the expected budget for your project. Keep in mind that if you have potential funding, it is much easier to get your local or regional lands manager on board.



Featured Book of the Month



**The Art of Long Reining**  
By: Sylvia Stanier

This invaluable book has been revised and extended with more comprehensive diagrams to assist a new generation of horse owners to both practice and understand this most essential of training methods. The book describes methods, techniques and exercises in

Applications will be accepted between January 1st and April 15, 2014.


Please support the efforts of the clubs who volunteer to undertake these projects by donating any amount to the BC Equestrian Trails Fund when you renew your HCBC membership. Just a few dollars from every member will make a huge difference!

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