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HCBC News

BC Summer Games

**ATHLETE
DECLARATION
DEADLINE: TODAY!! -
JUNE 1, 2016**



Get all the information about how to participate in the
BC Summer Games in Abbotsford [here!](#)

**The BC Summer Games is going to be broadcast
on BC Games TV!**



**Entries for this year's Championships close
JUNE 25th!**

Get your entries in now! It only takes 2 to qualify!

**\$10,000 in prize money + an additional \$500 for
the *brand new* Mini Prix!**

[Enter online!](#)

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2015 Sherman Olson Lifetime

Equine Canada News

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Achievement Award Presented to Borge Olsen

Horse Council BC (HCBC) former board member Barb Schmidt presented the HCBC 2015 Sherman Olson Lifetime Achievement Award to local horseman, Borge Olsen during the 2016 Canada Cup Vaulting Competition at Chilliwack Heritage park on May 28th.

Borge Olsen, who turns 94 this year, is considered to be the "grandfather" of vaulting in Canada. His early efforts to develop the sport are credited with helping to usher this country into the international vaulting arena.

Born in Denmark, Borge earned his trainer's license in that country and then brought his astounding expertise in vaulting and dressage to Canada. He was a national dressage judge in Canada for over 30 years, but it is his significant contribution to the sport of equestrian vaulting that has endeared him to countless athletes, coaches and judges. ([Read more](#))

2015 HCBC Junior Athlete of the Year Presented to Natalie Alves of Misson, BC

Horse Council BC Board member Debbie Rogal presented the HCBC 2015 Junior Athlete of the Year Award to Natalie Alves at the

All Arabian Horse Association of BC's (AAHABC) Annual Club Banquet at Thunderbird Show Park in Langley, BC on May 6th.



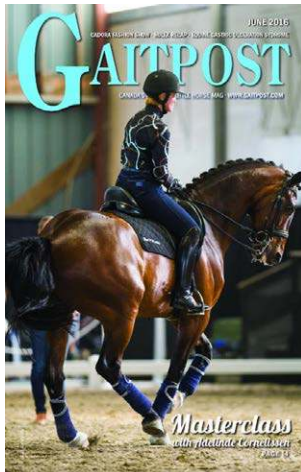
Natalie and her equine partner, Shake It Up Baby, also known as Stella, compete in multiple disciplines including Half Arabian English Show Hack and Ladies Side Saddle. This year has been particularly meaningful to her. In March of 2015, Stella suffered from a severe colic and underwent surgery to save her life. Natalie cared for her daily during the 90 days of stall rest. Natalie and Stella began to ride together again in June with the guidance of her vets and in August, Stella was given the clear to compete. Together Natalie and Stella brought home 5 Canadian National Championships. ([Read more](#))

BC Societies Act: New Resources Available



Changes to the B.C. Societies Act will come into effect on November 28, 2016.

Prepare for the new Act by visiting the [B.C. Registry Services' website](#) to access recently added documents, including the B.C. Societies Act Transition Guide and Model Bylaws.



Coaching & Education

HCBC Forums

Check out some of the top posts and latest posted articles in the HCBC Forums!



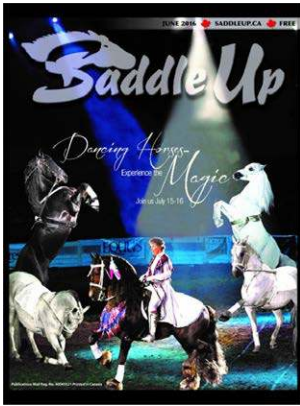
- [Premises affected by equine infectious anemia \(EIA\) in Canada in 2016](#)
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Equine Canada Statement regarding revisions to the NCCP Transfer of Qualifications

To our valued NCCP certified coaches, as you know, in September of 2015 Equine Canada launched the NCCP Transfer of Qualifications program which was aimed at helping coaches certified under the old NCCP levels model transition their certifications to the new NCCP context based model. Over the past seven (7) months Equine Canada and its Provincial and Territorial partners have heard your concerns related to the Transfer of Qualifications and we are announcing that a revised NCCP Transfer of Qualifications was implemented on May 27th, 2016. The revised transfer will be simple, painless and will only require coaches to complete the Making Ethical Decisions (MED) Online Evaluation of your new context within the first five (5) years of the transfer. If you have completed the appropriate MED Online Evaluation already, then your transfer will be complete. ([Read more](#))

HCBC Scholarship Program

It's that time of year again for all HCBC current



members graduating from high school to apply for a scholarship from HCBC to go towards their post-secondary education!

HCBC has created five \$1000.00 scholarships available to Horse Council BC members in good standing, who are a BC graduate from grade 12 and entering into a accredited College or University Study program.

Deadline for Applications: June 30th, 2016

[Download the criteria and application form here!](#)

Competition



Big Thank You to **Greenhawk Langley** for supplying coolers, jackets, and saddle pads for the BC Heritage Championship Mini Prix and Versatility Award champions!!



[Check Greenhawk Langley out on Facebook here!](#)

BC Heritage Circuit & Championship

HORSE COUNCIL
BRITISH COLUMBIA

BC HERITAGE CHAMPIONSHIPS

NEW FOR 2016! HCBC MINI PRIX
WITH ADDITIONAL \$500 IN PRIZE MONEY
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FIND OUT MORE ONLINE AT WWW.HCBC.CA

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[Get All The Details!](#)

[Find Qualifier Shows Before June 25th!](#)

Funding

BC Core Grant Funding 2016

This was a record year for the number of applications received, the amount of grants approved and total funds given for the BC Core Grant Funding Program.

26 applications were approved for full or partial funding from all [8 zones](#) across the province! **A total of \$45,175.00** was allocated to various BC equestrian clubs to help in various 2016 projects that ranged in scope from arena upgrades and equipment to a vaulting pilot project and a mountain trail course!

Congratulations to all successful applicants! We can't wait to see photos of all your projects when they are complete.

**Canada 150
Community
Infrastructure
Funding Program**



CANADA 150
1867-2017

The Canada 150 Community Infrastructure Program (CIP 150) is part of Canada 150 Celebrates, the Government of Canada's celebration of our country's 150th anniversary of Confederation. Budget 2016 provided an additional \$150 million over two years to Canada's Regional Development Agencies to deliver further community funding across the country, starting in 2016-17, with Western Economic Diversification Canada (WD) being responsible for administering the program in Western Canada. ([Read More](#))

Industry & Agriculture

Name the Horse Contest!

**NAME HORSE COUNCIL
BC'S NEW RESCUE
MANNEQUIN!**



Our new horse mannequin didn't come with a name so we are giving you the chance to name him!

He's a lifesize mannequin that will be used to help equine rescuers learn how to handle horses in emergency situations.

FACTS ABOUT THE HORSE:

- Palomino in colour
- Large white blaze
- Stands about 16hh

HOW TO ENTER:

- Send an e-mail with your name suggestions to: communication@hcbc.ca
- **Contest deadline - July 1st, 2016**

Anyone is eligible to enter and can enter as many times as they would like during the duration of the contest!

The name will be chosen by Horse Council BC Staff and the Winner will receive a free 2016 OR 2017 Individual HCBC Membership and a fun gift surprise!

[See More Photos of the Mannequin!](#)

Recreation & Trails

Invasive Species of the Month

Invasive Plant Species of the Month honours go to **Common Burdock (Arctium minus)**, considered regionally noxious under the BC Weed Control Act. Common Burdock's fruit, or burrs, are covered with truly tenacious clinging hairs that inspired Swiss engineer Georges de Mestral to invent the hook and loop fastener commonly known as Velcro™. Common Burdock was introduced to North America in the 1700's for its medicinal properties. Plants grow up to 2 m tall and are identified by erect, coarse stems and large, heart shaped leaves, when mature. Burdock can shade out smaller, native plants. The burrs can affect livestock - heavily burred cattle become stressed and can be injured trying to remove them, sheep fleece can be ruined and occasionally birds and bats become entangled in standing plants and die.



Control means checking your horses' manes and tails, your dogs' coats and your clothing for burrs to avoid carrying them from place to place. Mowing or cutting is best done before flowering to eliminate seed production and the large taproot system growing deep underground requires tilling.

For more information on Common Burdock, [click here!](#)

Be part of the Solution

You may report invasive plant sightings via **Report-A-Weed BC** with the online application or use one of the smartphone apps, both available at www.reportaweedbc.ca or by calling: 1-888-WEEDSBC

2016 Share The Trails Workshop A Success!



The recent 2016 Share the Trails Workshop was presented by Horse Council BC and the Outdoor Recreation Council of BC, together with the Shuswap Trail Alliance and sponsored by [Backroad Map Books](#). The Share the Trails initiative endeavours to foster positive and effective alliances between diverse trail user groups in the areas of access, safety, maintenance and education.

Held May 6 and 7 in Salmon Arm, the Workshop offered education on cooperating with First Nations; conflict resolution and clear communication; improving marketing communications; examples of successful

collaborations by user groups; volunteerism; raising awareness; and the role of government. Thirty-one participants, representing a wide variety of user groups from around BC, learned more about what can be accomplished with leadership, inclusion, planning and organization. ([Read more](#))

Monthly Features

Trail of the Month

Your Trail of the Month for June is waiting for you in the South Cariboo region!

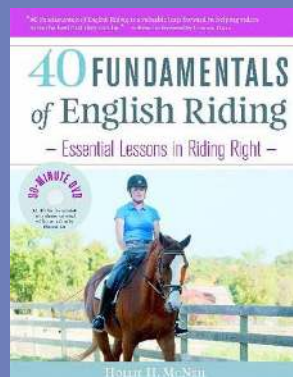


At **108 Mile Trails**, accessed through the Hills Ranch, you'll find corrals constructed by the Back Country Horsemen of BC for all trail riders to use and enjoy, in the area between the highway and the Hills Ranch buildings. Register for the campsites with corral at Hills Ranch, and show them your HCBC membership card for a 10% discount. There is no charge for day riding and just \$25.00 for overnight. You will also have access to restaurants, lounges, hot tub, pool, and showers. There is no power at the campsites, but there is water for horses and an outhouse. There are about 30 corrals and room for big rigs

Just north of 100 Mile House, the 108 Mile ski trails north of the highway are excellent for horses. No motorized vehicles are allowed on the trails, accessed via The Hills Ranch. Many are groomed trails used in the winter for X-country skiing, and wind along the beautiful rolling hills of Cariboo cattle country.

[Click here for more information and a map!](#)

Book of the Month



40 Fundamentals fo English Riding- Essential Lessons in Riding Right
Author: Hollie H. McNeil

Master the 40 basic elements essential to all riders in the classic disciplines of dressage, jumping, and eventing with this book and 90-minute DVD showing action sequences for each fundamental. These fundamentals include correct

seat, leg, and hand positions for the rider; the three basic gaits of walk, trot, and canter; how to perform halt and half-halt; how to direct a horse's movement correctly and energetically; the stages of the training scale (rhythm, looseness, contact, impulsion,

straightness, and collection); and how to perform basic schooling figures in the arena, from circles and serpentine to diagonals. Each fundamental is defined and explained in text and photos throughout the book, as well as in the 90-minute DVD, with an emphasis on how to avoid common errors.

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