



NEWSLETTER



HCBC's COMMUNITY TALKS TRAVELLING ROAD SHOW!

****Coaches get your PD points at these events!****

KAMLOOPS - We are heading to Kamloops this weekend for the first stop on our Travelling Road Show! You won't want to miss out on this one day educational event entirely about the care of horses specific to the Thompson Okanagan district and surrounding areas.

CRESTON - We have confirmed all the speakers and topics for the second stop on the Travelling Road Show! Get all the new details and pre-register for a chance to win a free night stay in the hotel by clicking the button below!

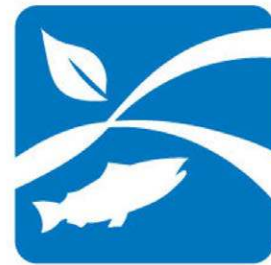
**Kamloops
Community Talks is
This Sunday!**

KAMLOOPS

**Creston Info &
Pre-registration**

CRESTON

**Courtenay Info
Coming Soon!**



2017 EC ANNUAL CONVENTION DELEGATES COLLABORATE ON BUILDING A UNIFIED CANADIAN EQUESTRIAN COMMUNITY

The 2017 Equestrian Canada (EC) Annual Convention, hosted in partnership with Horse Council British Columbia (HCBC) took place in beautiful Vancouver, BC from April 7-9, 2017. The Convention provided the Canadian equestrian community with three days of exceptional educational opportunities, collaborative sessions, and social and networking events, centred on the theme of Building a Unified Canadian Equestrian Community.

To officially open the Convention, EC Vice President, Tony Eames and CEO, Eva Havaris provided delegates with Opening Remarks on the morning of April 7.

[Read more](#)

WATCH EXCLUSIVE VIDEO SERIES FROM DR. ANDREW MCLEAN'S LIVE DEMO AT THE 2017 EC ANNUAL CONVENTION

World-renowned horse behaviour and training expert, Dr. Andrew McLean, brought the art and science of training horses to the 2017 Equestrian Canada (EC) Annual Convention in Vancouver, BC on April 8 during a two-part series featuring a theoretical educational session and hands-on live demo.

[Watch Here](#)

COMPETITIVE EXCELLENCE & HIGH PERFORMANCE SPORT SHINE AT 2017 EC ANNUAL CONVENTION

On April 7, delegates took part in the Leading Competitive Excellence Panel to discuss the path to a thriving Canadian equestrian competition system. The Panel was facilitated by Dina Bell-Laroche, a partner of the Sport Law & Strategy group who has over two decades of experience in the Canadian sport industry in a variety of areas, including law, communications, governance and business planning.

[Read more](#)

EQUESTRIAN LIFESTYLE CHANNEL SET TO MAKE DEBUT IN CANADA

Ride Television Network, Inc., (RIDE TV) and the Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission (CRTC) have announced that RIDE TV will be added to the list of non-Canadian programming services and stations authorized for distribution in Canada. RIDE TV will be the first network of its kind in Canada and will be available to subscribers across the country.

[Read more](#)

NOMINATIONS OPEN FOR 2017 EQUESTRIAN CANADA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Equestrian Canada (EC) is pleased to announce that nominations are officially open for the 2017 EC Board of Directors. EC is looking for dedicated individuals with the dynamic and relevant skills to take on a leadership role in the organization. Directors will have the opportunity to help EC effectively deliver on its mandate to represent, promote and advance equestrian sport and all related equine and equestrian interests in Canada.

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COACHING & EDUCATION

2017 Coaching Dates

MAY 6-7 - WESTERN RIDER EVALUATOR TRAINING AND WESTERN BASIC TRAINING WORKSHOP AND UPDATE - SUMMERLAND, BC

MAY 14 - LUNGE THEORY & PRACTICE WORKSHOP - NANAIMO, BC

MAY 24 AND/OR 25 - ENGLISH EVALUATION - LOWER MAINLAND

JUNE 6 AND/OR 7 - ENGLISH EVALUATION - NANAIMO, BC

SEPTEMBER 15-16 - WESTERN EVALUATION - GRAND FORKS OR BARRIERE

OCTOBER 17-18 - ENGLISH EVALUATION - TBA

OCTOBER 24-25 - ENGLISH EVALUATION - LOWER MAINLAND, BC

PLEASE CONTACT COACHING@HCBC.CA FOR MORE INFORMATION

COACHES & INSTRUCTORS PLEASE DON'T FORGET...

Please don't forget to send in your Professional Development report form as soon as possible after each event you attend or participate in. To see what hours are on file in the Locker go to www.coach.ca and log into the Locker with your NCCP number and password. Your transcript and maintenance of certification information is there, however, keep in mind that there is a wait time between when you send in the PD to the office and when it shows up on your CAC transcript. The points that show up in the locker are the ones that officially count to your required amount of points. You will also be able to see your PD point collection start and end date.

Coaches and Instructors who would like to see when their First Aid and Criminal Record Search expire can log into the HCBC website using their membership number and password. Your profile will show both expiration dates. While you are there take the time to add your website address if you have one, a short Biography as well as a picture.



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COMPETITION & SPORT



THE 55+ BC GAMES IS COMING TO VERNON!

Equestrian Competition: Wednesday, September 13th, 2017 - Saturday, September 16, 2017.

Venue: Armstrong Fairgrounds, 3371 Pleasant Valley Rd, Armstrong

55+ BC Games 2017 Vernon & Area Website:

<http://www.55plusgames.ca/>

Competitors do not need to qualify to enter the 55+ BC Games.

Dressage: First Level and Second Level – EC Tests 2 & 3

Western Dressage: Training Level and First Level – HCBC Tests 2 & 3

Mountain Trail Horse: Novice, Intermediate & Open Divisions

Western Performance: Ranch Riding Horse & Ranch Trail Horse

Driving: Pleasure Driving & Arena Driving Derby

[More Info](#)

FUNDING & GRANTS



BRAND NEW EDUCATION GRANT FROM HCBC

ITS HERE! The new Horse Council BC Education Grant is now open!

The purpose of this grant is to encourage and support learning by equestrians and equine lovers. We want you to learn what you would like to learn so the scope of this grant is quite wide. It can be classroom, demonstration, or mounted and attendees do not have to be Horse Council members so bring your friends along. This grant is open to all current member affiliates, clubs and branches. An approved grant will cover 50% of expenses up to a max of \$500.

For more information or to apply click the button below or call the office and speak with Lynn at

[More Info](#)

INDUSTRY & AGRICULTURE

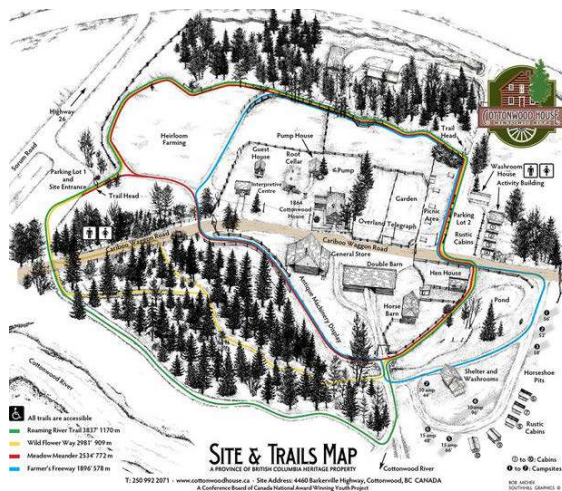
ARE YOU AWARE OF THE STANDARDS OF CARE FOR EQUINE IN CANADA?

Survey of awareness, implementation and compliance to the Code of Practice in the Canadian equine industry

If you own horses and/or are responsible for the care of horses please take five minutes to complete an important survey respecting the Code of Practice for the Care and Handling of Equines (the Code).

This industry-developed survey is to gauge awareness, adoption and use of the Code. Follow this link www.surveymonkey.com/r/equinecodesurvey to the survey.

RECREATION & TRAILS



THE BACKCOUNTRY HORSEMEN INVITE YOU TO STEP BACK IN TIME!

CANADA 150 CELEBRATIONS!
JUNE 30th - JULY 2nd, 2017
Cottonwood House, Quesnel, BC

Horse camps with dutch oven demos, cowboy poetry, blacksmith, campfire, archery, loom, old time shaving, mounted shooting, horse pack demos, wagon rides, farm interpretation, gold panning, saturday evening pig roast dinner and dance, live entertainment, and lots more!

Contact Rob @ 250-249-5353 or
 bchbcnc@gmail.com

**EQUESTRIAN CANADA
 PRESENTS NATIONAL HORSE
 DAY - JUNE 3, 2017**



Each year, the first Saturday of June is marked as Canada's National Horse Day. Together, Equine Canada and the provincial/territorial equestrian associations invite all Canadians to take this unique opportunity to honor, discover and explore the equestrian world.

For many Canadians, Horse Day is the chance to get up close and personal with a horse for the first time. Horse Day is also the perfect opportunity to acknowledge the important contributions made by horses in our nation's heritage and how people of all ages and experience levels can continue to enjoy horses in sport and leisure.

In addition, young horse enthusiasts are encouraged to enter the Horse Day 2017 National Drawing Contest. The contest offers exciting prizes to the winners in each of the four age categories (3-6, 7-9, 10-12 and 13-16).

Click www.equestrian.ca/events-results/horseday to find a Horse Day event in your area!

MAGAZINES

MEDIA PARTNER MAGAZINES

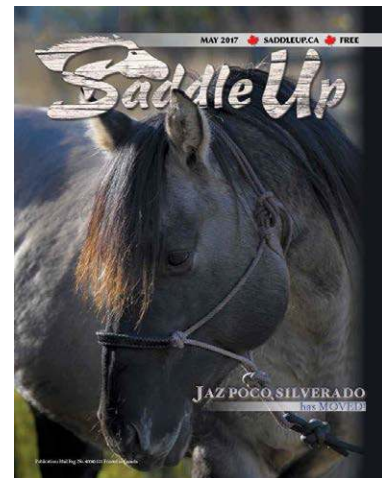
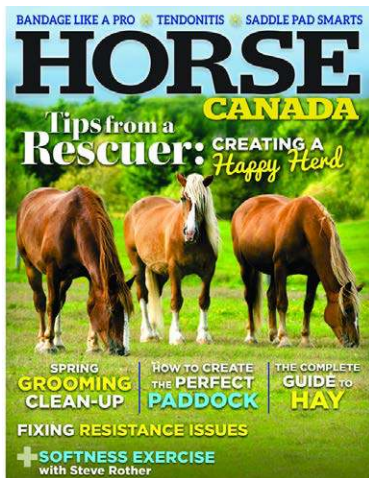
Horse Council BC is partnered with 4 of Canada's top horse magazines for the 2016/2017 season. This means that we are able to offer all HCBC Members a discount to annual subscriptions from every one of these



great publications.

To purchase a discounted subscription, please log in to our online membership portal and click "Add Magazine Subscriptions to Existing Horse Council BC Membership".

Click on the monthly magazines to go straight to these publication's websites and check out their great content each month!



MONTHLY COLUMNS



TANGLEFOOT VETERINARY SERVICES LTD.

HCBC BUSINESS MEMBER OF THE MONTH

Tanglefoot Veterinary Services Ltd.

Tanglefoot Veterinary Services Ltd. is a full service mixed animal practice offering a full spectrum of preventative, surgical and medical care.

Owned and operated by Dr. Uli Helvoigt, Tanglefoot Veterinary Services has been offering care for our 4-legged friends in Cranbrook and surrounding area since 2009. Our team has grown and changed so much since then. Dr. Holly Munroe is one of our full time veterinarians who does amazing work in both small animals and large animal. Dr. Denise Lowing, while only part time plays a huge role with our small animal patients and with her ultrasounding experience. Dr. Joanna Kouwenberg is also part time, and while she is great with the small

animals her passion lays with our equine patients.

More Info



INVASIVE SPECIES OF THE MONTH

Pictured: Burdock (foe of horses and long haired individuals alike)

The government of British Columbia has proclaimed May 2017 as "**Invasive Species Action Month**" to help raise awareness of invasive plants and animals in British Columbia and to highlight the environmental and economic damage they can cause.

The proclamation is part of an ongoing effort to encourage people to learn more about how these plants and animals can displace native species and disrupt local ecosystems. The B.C. government, the Invasive Species Council of B.C., regional districts, local governments, First Nations and community-based organizations work together throughout the year to help prevent the introduction and spread of these harmful species.

[Get more information on this important initiative, including planned activities.](#)



TRAIL OF THE MONTH

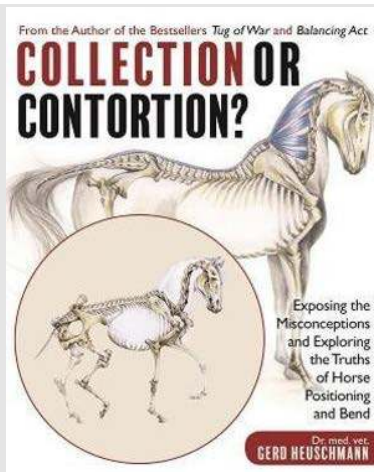
On Hiatus until June!

BOOK OF THE MONTH

Collection or Contortion?

Author: Dr. Gerd Heuschmann DMV

This book exposes the misconceptions and explores the truth of horse



positioning and bend. Readers will learn to analyze elements of horizontal balance and natural crookedness in the horse. Understand functional equine anatomy, how it contributes to the riders seat, and how together they affect the horses movement. Gain an understanding of the theories of classical masters, explained in context by an expert in equine physiology and locomotion. Put technique into practice, with specific pointers regarding the use of exercises like the leg yield, shoulder in, travers, half pass and more.

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