



NEWSLETTER



Announcing the new look for Horse Council BC's Trails Database!

We've overhauled the look and feel, improved functionality, expanded the geographical area of our Zones to reduce their number, and made sure the site is mobile-friendly.

The Home Page now presents the option of a click on any of 8 zones, from which you can drill down to particular trails or view the full list of trails the database contains for that Zone. Over the course of



the coming year, we'll gradually be adding digital mapping, in an effort to make this database as information-rich as possible.

Any database is a living document, subject to change and always inviting updates. The trail information is presented differently, but the data is currently the same as it was on the old site. We hope riders will be inspired to send us updates for every trail, so that the information presented may be kept as current as possible – to find a form to use to send updates or add a new trail, please see:

<http://www.hcbc.ca/index.php/trailsrec/knowledge-base/>. We welcome your feedback on the changes we've made, so please email recreation@hcbc.ca with comments.

We'd like to thank Cnawlece Incorporated for the great work updating the database framework, and we'd also like to thank Back Country Horsemen of BC for compiling the information originally, and their invaluable assistance in keeping it current.

Check it out!

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS - DIRECTOR AT LARGE - Two Positions with HCBC for a 2 year term

Horse Council BC is accepting nominations for two positions of Director at Large. Prospective candidates interesting in serving on the Board of Directors are encouraged to review the job description, eligibility information, timelines, instructions and submit a completed the Director at Large Nomination Form by the deadline of 4:00 p.m. on August 2, 2017.

Ideal candidates include dedicated individuals with the dynamic and



relevant skills to take on a leadership role in the organization. Directors will have the opportunity to help HCBC effectively deliver on its mandate to represent all horse people in BC regardless of discipline, breed orientation, or sport. We endeavor to be an association that anyone active in the horse sector is proud to be a part of.

[Learn more](#)



HCBC's Senior Athlete of the Year Award Presented to Heidi Telstad

Horse Council BC VP Recreation, Terre O'Brennan with many members of the Endurance Rider Association of BC (ERABC) presented the 2016 Horse Council BC Senior Athlete of the Year Award to Heidi Telstad on June 3 at the ERABC High Sage Endurance Ride.

The Horse Council BC Senior Athlete of the Year Award is presented to an HCBC member over the age of 18 who has displayed outstanding athletic performance over the course of the year. The athlete must have competed in a recognized equestrian discipline representing BC at either the provincial, national and/or international level.

In what ABC News calls "one of the toughest races of any kind," 44 elite competitors pushed themselves to the limit of what's physically or mentally possible.

Enduring fierce hailstorms, torrential downpours, and oppressive heat, the racers galloped 1,000 kms across the steppes of Outer Mongolia, on the backs of over 1,200 semi-wild Mongol horses.

Averaging 140 kms each day for over 7 days, often in isolation, the Mongol Derby champion must

endure levels of physical, mental, and emotional pain and fatigue that are rarely experienced by any athlete in any other sport.

Heidi Telstad was the sole Canadian competitor in the 2016 Mongol Derby's elite field of athletes and in August of 2016 she tied to win the 8th annual Mongol Derby in spectacular fashion, adding Canada to list of winning countries of this foremost endurance riding event.

Congratulations Heidi, what an achievement!



HCBC's Community Talks Travelling Road Show Opens the Ask An Expert Online Panel

Have a burning question about vet care, pasture management, or equine nutrition? Now you can ask one of our Community Talks Travelling Road Show experts directly (even if you didn't make it to the presentation!).

Ask A Question

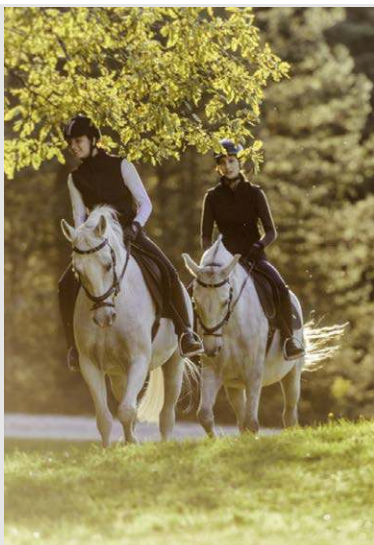


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HCBC's Focus On Trails Photo Contest!

Don't forget to enter Horse Council BC Recreation's Focus on Trails Photo Contest!



Get all the details by clicking the 'Learn more' button

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COACHING & EDUCATION

2017 Coaching Dates

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

Newly Branded English Rider Badges & Certificates

EC has issued newly branded English Rider badges, the Western Rider badges will be next. We are also happy to have newly branded and updated certificates for all of the Rider levels, Drive, English or Western. Coach and Instructor certificates have also been updated to reflect the look and feel of the Equestrian Canada branding.

Moving forward the new certificates and badges will be used.



SAVE THE DATE COURTENAY!

With the success of both Kamloops and Creston, we are so excited to be able to bring the Travelling Road Show to Courtenay on October 1st!

Date: Sunday, October 1, 2017

Time: 11am - 5pm

Location: Westerly Hotel 1590 Cliffe Avenue, Courtenay, BC

Cost: Admission by donation at the door to Cowichan Therapeutic Riding Association.

PRE-REGISTRATION IS OPEN NOW!

[Learn more](#)

SHORT ONLINE COURSES

Fall 2017/Winter 2018

- Horse Behaviour & Safety (Adult)
- Horse Behaviour & Safety (Youth)
- Horse Care & Welfare
- Gut Health & Colic Prevention
- Sickness Prevention in Horses

TheHorsePortal.ca/HCBC

"I DIDN'T KNOW WHAT I DIDN'T KNOW!"

Short Online Courses Announced for this Fall/ Winter

This is the sentiment being expressed by horse people who have taken Equine Guelph's short courses.

For those involved with horses, learning is a lifelong commitment – always good to brush up on the latest in horse health and welfare.

Enjoy the online atmosphere and the opportunity to chat with horse enthusiasts from around the world.

3-week online courses for anyone handling and caring for horses.

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TheHorsePortal.ca/HCBC

The Horse Portal is an online training partnership between HCBC and Equine Guelph

COMPETITION & SPORT

2017 Equestrian Canada Equine Medications Control Updates

The health and welfare of horses and ponies at Equestrian Canada (EC) sanctioned competitions is of utmost importance. Therefore, we encourage you to please take the time to read through the important EC Equine Medication Control (EMC) updates for owners and competitors found below.

[Learn more](#)



Canadian Para-Dressage Clinic Provides Athletes with World-Class Educational Opportunities

Over 50 participants from the Canadian Para-Dressage community had the opportunity to take part in two days of interactive education from world-class clinicians on June 19 and 20 at Dunraven Farm in Uxbridge, ON.

[Learn more](#)

FUNDING & GRANTS

Zone Grants

Zone directors are excitedly waiting for applications for zone funds. They are eager to give money to their zone members and groups for the betterment of the equestrians in their area. If you have a project or event that you need some financial help with contact your zone reps. For a list of zone reps, their contact information, and applications - please click the 'Learn more' button below

[Learn more](#)

INDUSTRY & AGRICULTURE

Equine Code of Practice

Are you involved in the care of equine?

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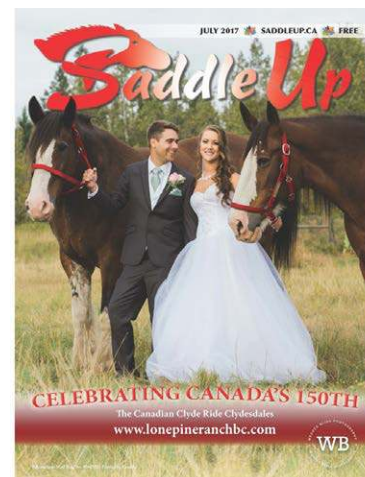


MEDIA PARTNER MAGAZINES

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.

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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



I N V A S I V E S P E C I E S O F T H E M O N T H

Tansy Ragwort (*senecio jacobaea*)

For July, we feature Tansy Ragwort, a pernicious and potentially dangerous species currently found in the central Fraser Valley, central to southern Vancouver Island, the Gulf Islands, and the east side of the Okanagan Valley between Kelowna and Penticton.

Tansy ragwort (*Senecio jacobaea*) is a naturalized herb that is found in fields in eastern Canada and British Columbia. This plant contains pyrrolizidine alkaloids which primarily cause irreversible liver cirrhosis in animals that ingest them. This plant has poisoned cattle and horses, and possibly goats. In the late 19th century and early 20th century, the mysterious Pictou cattle disease in Nova Scotia resulted in heavy losses of cattle. Tansy ragwort ingestion was recognized as causing the problem. In the 1960s cattle losses in Oregon valued at several million dollars were attributed to tansy ragwort ingestion. This plant should be eradicated from forage and crops (Cheeke and Schull 1985, Huxtable 1989). Animals and humans may be poisoned if they drink the milk of animals that have ingested this plant (Molyneux and James 1990, Bain 1990).

All parts of the plant contain toxic pyrrolizidine alkaloids. The flowers contain the highest concentration of the toxins. The concentration in the leaves increases to a maximum just before flower maturity (Johnson and Molyneux 1986).

Source: Government of Canada – Canadian Biodiversity Information Facility

For more important information on identification, prevention and control, please see:

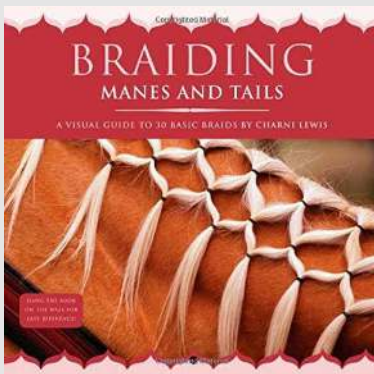
http://bcinvasives.ca/documents/Tansy_Ragwort_TIPS_Final_08_06_2014.pdf



TRAIL OF THE MONTH

Check out the new and improved database:

<https://hcbc.online/trails>



BOOK OF THE MONTH

Braiding Manes and Tails

Author: Charni Lewis

Horse trainer and instructor Charni Lewis brings the wonderful process of braiding to life in her step-by-step guide to 30 beautiful braids. Full-color photographs and detailed illustrations clearly show the twists and turns that make each style unique and the hand positions necessary to hold those ropes of equine hair in place. To keep hands free for braiding, the book has a nail hole at the top of each page for easy hanging on a post or barn wall.

ONLY 1 LEFT IN STOCK!

Purchase Book

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