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# HORSE COUNCIL BRITISH COLUMBIA



## 2018 HCBC ANNUAL AWARD WINNERS!

Congratulations to our 2018 HCBC Award Winners! We received many outstanding nominations this year, so thank you to all who nominated someone and congratulations to our winners.

2018 Coach of the Year – Sara Sellmer [Click for Bio!](#)

2018 Junior Athlete of the Year – Rachel Currie [Click for Bio!](#)

2018 Senior Athlete of the Year – Winona Hartvickson [Click for Bio!](#)

2018 Bob James Volunteer of the Year – Margot Vilvang [Click for Bio!](#)

2018 Horse Industry Professional of the Year – Severin Pederson [Click for Bio!](#)

2018 Sherman Olson Lifetime Achievement Award – Rick Fillmore [Click for Bio!](#)



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## IT'S TIME TO RENEW FOR 2019!

Your 2018 membership will have expired on December 31st, 2018

Renew today to keep your coverage: you can renew online [here](#), print the membership form [here](#), or give us a call at the office toll free at 1-800-345-8055.

Thank you to all our members for your continued support of HCBC.  
Looking forward to what 2019 has in store!

**Renew Online Now!**



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## HAVE WE HEARD FROM YOU?

We have almost finished tabulating the results from last month's Community Talks Travelling Road Show planning survey, and are getting very close to finalizing our route for 2019.

It's not too late to let us know if your community would like to have us visit you and host a day of equine education, featuring leading industry experts. We will be making our decision very soon... we would love to hear from you!

Email [development@hcbc.ca](mailto:development@hcbc.ca)

To learn more about the Community Talks Travelling Road Show [click here](#)



## NOTES FROM CapriCMW

Why did the travel insurance change?

This question has been asked several times over the last several weeks so we thought an explanation was in order.

First, we can tell you that the previous insurer, Special Risk Insurance Managers (SRIM) abruptly withdrew their support for the HCBC travel insurance program on November 30, effective January 1, 2019. Their decision was reportedly driven by poor claims results. Although we too were frustrated by this decision, we must (all) recognize that insurers have an expectation of profit in their business and when profits diminish, they will look for other opportunities, sometimes leaving customers frustrated and searching for alternatives. It is also worth stating that the

cost of health care outside of Canada (particularly in the USA) has risen exponentially in the last several years as Governments deal with private vs public funded care and an ever aging population.

We are pleased to report that we have found an alternative travel insurance partner in TuGo Insurance who are demonstrably experienced, service driven and accommodating to our equine industry community. The terrific news is that TuGo has a flexible program. Need a single trip? No problem. Need an annual policy for multiple trips of a few weeks or several months- no problem again. If the trip you are on needs to be extended, you have access to an award winning service team at TuGo by way of a toll free number.

When we negotiated your program with TuGo we adopted a limit of coverage of \$10,000,000 to make sure that even very serious out of province health care costs could be covered.

We know that change is hard and we also know that some members will be asked to pay more than the premiums charged in the past, but now, each policy is underwritten and priced on your individual travel situation. This assures program stability into the future.

Members of HCBC can obtain a quick quote by simply following the link at <https://shop.tugo.com/store/INT001> alternatively, our service team at CapriCMW can assist, they can be reached at 1-800-670-1877. Safe journeys!

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## 2019 EC SPORT LICENCE REQUIREMENTS FOR COACHES & INSTRUCTORS

Have you heard? EC has implemented streamlined Sport Licence fees for 2019. As part of this new structure, the minimum level of EC Sport Licence required for Certified Coaches and instructors has been revised. The revised requirements for Coaches and Instructors, which result in significantly decreased costs for those at the Instructor, Competition Coach and Coach Specialist levels, are as follows:

Instructor – Bronze  
Competition Coach – Bronze  
Coach Specialist – Silver  
High Performance 1 – Gold

• The \$20 EC Coach Levy remains in effect for all active coaches and

instructors.

- The changes to minimum Sport Licence requirements for coaches and instructors do not override the requirements for competitive athletes. If you plan to compete, you must maintain the Sport Licence appropriate to the level of competition you enter.
- Instructors and coaches must complete the required professional development and certification maintenance as mandated by their Provincial/Territorial Sport Organization (PTSO) to retain their "Active" status.
- Instructors who only coach within the context of the NCCP Instructor designation may continue to hold Amateur status.
- International Trainers Passport holders must maintain a Gold EC Sport Licence, at minimum.

**More Info**

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## TICKET TO RIDE

Calling all coaches! We are working very hard to get this new and exciting program launched; however, we need more coaches to get involved! If you would like more information or want to sign up, please contact

[recreation@hcbc.ca](mailto:recreation@hcbc.ca)

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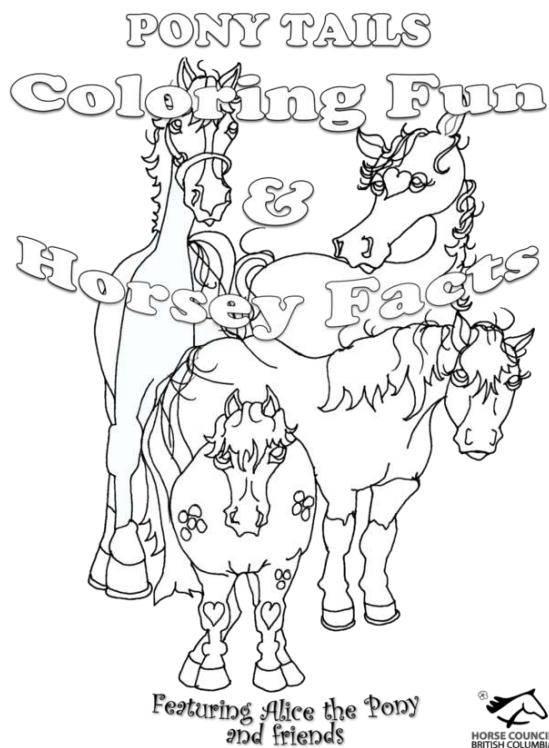
## PONY TAILS KIDS CLUB

Hi Pony Tails friends,

Alice the Pony and her friends, Oliver, Panama and Howdy, have a jam packed fun filled year planned ahead!

Be first on the list to receive Alice's brand new 100 page coloring and activity book. The Pony Tails Book of Coloring Fun and Horsey Facts will be available this spring. For more info and to pre-order your copy, email: [ponytails.alice@hcbc.ca](mailto:ponytails.alice@hcbc.ca).





Do you know a horse crazy kid? Join Horse Council BCs' free Pony Tails Kids Club Follow the adventures of Alice and her friends and learn about horses and ponies!

**Join Now!**

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## WHEN MINUTES COUNT!



### Equine First Aid

Short Online Course | Feb 25 - Mar 4, 2019

**TheHorsePortal.ca/HCBC**

## SIGN UP FOR NEW 'EQUINE FIRST AID' ONLINE SHORT COURSE

Accidents and injuries can happen anywhere, at any time. When minutes count, we need to know how to make the most of every second. It is essential that everyone involved with horses learn how to administer first aid.

Never taken an online course before? No worries! This course takes a common sense, practical and flexible approach to training – no prior online learning experience required.

Equine First Aid Online Short Course: February 25 – March 4, 2019

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## PREPPING FOR A GREAT TRAIL SEASON

It's never too early to start planning for a terrific trail riding season. Checking gear, reviewing your horse's trail competence resume, and scoping out new places to explore are all favourite trail rider occupations at this time of year.

If you're new to trail riding, joining a local club is a great way to learn about local trails, find riding buddies and join in on trail maintenance bees. Great trails don't just happen!

Equisearch.com has curated a collection of trail riding articles well worth a browse. Have a look here:

<https://www.equisearch.com/articles/trail-riding/tips>

Check out HCBC's Online Trail database for new destinations and a growing number of geo-referenced trails here: <https://hcbc.online/Trails>

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**BC EQUESTRIAN TRAILS**

## IMPORTANT NOTICE: BCETF GRANT DEADLINE CHANGE

Please note that Horse Council BC has harmonized its deadline dates for grants, and the new deadline for [BC Equestrian Trails Fund](#) applications, formerly April 15, will now be April 1.

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EC Sport Licence fees & structure streamlined for 2019 and available for renewal now. Please note that before you renew your EC Sports License you must renew your HCBC membership for 2019.

<https://licence.equestrian.ca/myec/login?lang=en>



## **DEADLINE FOR WELL LICENSING APPROACHING FAST**

If you are using groundwater (from a well or dugout) for non-domestic uses you are legally required to submit a license application by March 1, 2019.

A water license is tied to your land and provides major benefits to your business including the protection of your water use from future developments.

If your water use began on or before February 29, 2016 and you submit your application by the deadline (March 1, 2019), government will establish your "first-in-time, first-in-right" (FITFIR) priority. This gives your water use precedence over newer users during times of scarcity.

Start your application online at: [www.frontcounterbc.ca](http://www.frontcounterbc.ca)

## **BC YOUNG FARMERS (BCYF) LOOKING FOR APPLICANTS FOR CANADIAN YOUNG FARMERS FORUM**

BC Young Farmers (BCYF) has received funding from the Canadian Agricultural Partnership program to send seven BC young farmers to the annual Canadian Young Farmers Forum (CYFF) conference that will be held in Toronto on April 5 to 7th.





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APRIL 5 – 7, 2019 IN TORONTO

email [info@bcyf.ca](mailto:info@bcyf.ca) with  
your name, commodity, location & a brief  
paragraph with why you would like to attend.

deadline: February 15, 2019




Conference registration, flights and hotel will be paid by CAP. Applicants must be under the age of 40 and actively involved in a farm business. Anyone who is interested should e-mail [info@bcyf.ca](mailto:info@bcyf.ca) with their name, commodity, location, and a brief paragraph explaining why they would like to attend.

Deadline: February 15, 2019.

One applicant will be chosen from seven regions in BC: Vancouver Island, Fraser Valley, Kootenays, Okanagan, Cariboo, Peace, North Coast

## NEW REGULATION FOR AGRICULTURAL ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT WILL REPLACE THE AGRICULTURAL WASTE CONTROL REGULATION

Effective February 28 2019, a new regulation for [Agricultural Environmental Management](#) will replace the Agricultural Waste Control Regulation. The new regulations increase environmental protection measures, protecting BC's water and encourage best practice for all sizes of farms.

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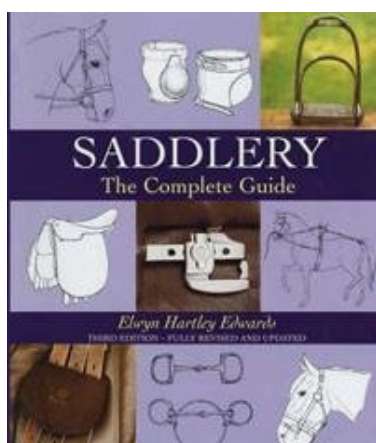
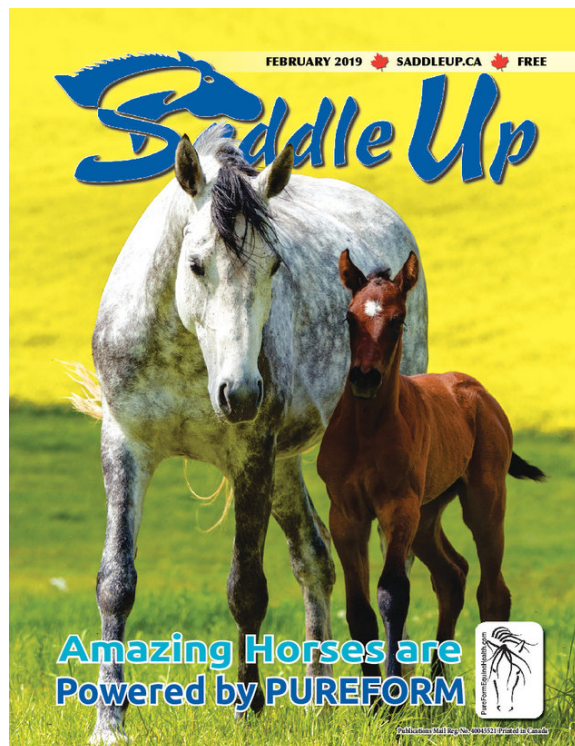
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## MEDIA PARTNER MAGAZINES

Horse Council BC is partnered with 2 of Canada's top horse magazines for the 2019 season. This means that we are able to offer all HCBC Members a discount to annual subscriptions to each 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 right here in the e-news to go straight to these publication's websites and check out their great content each month!



## BOOK OF THE MONTH

### Saddlery, The Complete Guide

By Elwyn Hartley Edwards

From the leading authority on the subject, Saddlery is a comprehensive account of the range, scope and variety of tack available, all put in perspective within the context of their use. This book is an excellent resource for Pony Club members, new horse owners as well as anyone who wishes to know more about the subject.

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