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HORSE COUNCIL BC & MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE ARE CONDUCTING AN EQUINE ECONOMIC IMPACT SURVEY

Horse Council BC and the BC Ministry of Agriculture are conducting a province-wide Equine Economic Impact Survey.

Whether you are a weekend trail rider, a breeder or top-rank barrel racer, your input is invaluable to the creation of an accurate study.

The past ten years have seen significant population growth, economic challenges and a changing perspective on agriculture and livestock among the general public. These attitudes have a direct impact on issues such as environmental stability and animal welfare. When you add the changes in the economy to these challenges, you can see the need for an in-depth review of the horse industry in its' current state.

A healthy industry is important to all horse people. This is your opportunity to have a say on where our industry stands today.

Ference & Company has been engaged by Horse Council BC with funding from the BC Ministry of Agriculture to conduct an Economic Impact Study of the horse industry in BC to determine its economic benefits and values to the provincial economy. To do so, we are conducting an extensive survey of all horse owners in BC.

Your decision to participate is voluntary but your views are very important. The information you provide will be protected in accordance with the Privacy Act and all information collected will be used solely for research purposes. Your responses will be summarized with other responses and reported only in summary form. Your specific responses will not be attributed to you in any report resulting from this study.

If you have any questions regarding the project, please contact Hannah Clark, Management Consultant, at Ference & Company (604-688-2424 ext.310).

Funding has been provided for this project the BC Ministry of Agriculture and Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada through the Canadian Agricultural Partnership, a federal-provincial-territorial investment that includes \$2 billion in cost-shared strategic initiatives delivered by the provinces and territories, and \$1 billion for federal programs and services through March 2023

Take the survey here: <https://interceptum.com/s/en/EquineEconomicImpactSurvey>

This survey is open until July 25th 2019

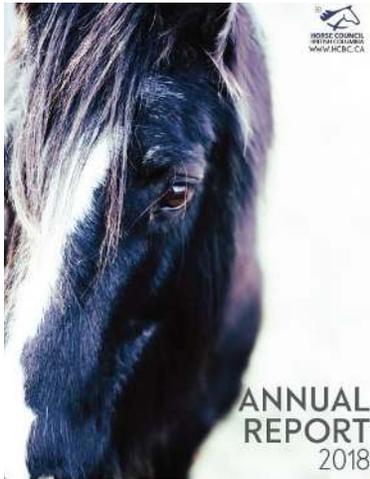


BC SUMMER GAMES 2020

Join the Fun! Technical Package and Athlete Declaration Forms for the 2020 BC Summer Games are available now!



New for 2020: Eventing and 1.0m Show Jumping!



HCBC 2018 ANNUAL REPORT

The 2018 HCBC Annual Report is available online. Check out what we accomplished in 2018 and see where your membership dollars go.

View it online here:

<https://www.hcbc.ca/index.php/about/governance/annual-report/>

Or if you would like to request a printed version please email

communication@hcbc.ca



HCBC'S COMMITMENT TO INCLUSIVE SPORT

You may have noticed the HCBC Logo has gone rainbow recently. Pride Month is celebrated world wide every June. Horse Council BC is committed to promoting an environment in sport in which the terms and conditions of participation are equitable and non-discriminatory within the Province of British Columbia.

We endorse the right of every participant to be treated with dignity and respect and to work and play in an atmosphere conducive to productivity, self-development, and performance advancement based on individual ability.



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IT'S ALL ABOUT THE HORSE

In previous articles, we have spent time detailing the breadth and scope of the insurance program offered to members of our Provincial Equine Association partners. On review, many (most) of the articles written are primarily focused on the insurance coverage provided to Members (the person). Topics have included:

- How we protect the person from liability that could be imposed upon them because of something their horse did.
- How we cover the member if they have a serious accident while participating in equine related activity

In this article, we want to focus on providing information about what insurance products are available to protect your dearest investment, the horse. Most readers will know that horse insurance is not new. Coverage in some form or other has been available for decades in Canada – albeit from a select few insurers. CapriCMW had been delivering unique programming for decades. We continue to improve our “Equi Care” offering to keep up with the changing environment.

Horse Insurance “101”

In simple terms, the foundation coverage in any horse insurance policy deals with “mortality” or “life” insurance for the horse.

Definitions:

“Named Perils” mortality insurance means that the life of the horse is insured for death due to “named” causes or perils. The list of perils varies from one insurer to the next, but all policies insure against causes such as fire and lightning. Some extend that coverage to include transport, theft, entrapment, escape onto a roadway and being struck by a vehicle, drowning and attack by wild animals. What is distinctive about this coverage is that Named Perils coverage does not cover death from

sickness or natural causes (old age etc.). Named Perils coverage is a low cost way to insure horses of any age and is a good starting point for many folks.

“Full Mortality” insurance means that the life of the horse is covered for death arising from all of those Named Perils above plus accident and sickness - and more. Full Mortality insurance is a better choice for horse owners who are using their animals for athletic endeavors, or who have a significant investment in the horse.

There are exclusions in all insurance policies and horse mortality policies are no exception. A few examples;

- a) Voluntary destruction – unless pre approved by the insurer.
- b) Death arising from or contributed to by a pre-existing medical condition.

Until recently, insurers also excluded mortality claims arising from Destruction by Government Order. In many parts of Canada, this is a concern for many horse owners.

In partnership with our PSO partners, we now provide a measure of protection for these often difficult situations in our Equi Care program. At CapriCMW, we want all horse owners to recognize the significance of bio risk in their herd. Industry participants across Canada have been working hard for some time to create strategies to fight back against the spread of disease. In our role as risk managers in the industry, our organization is doing our part to create solutions that we think are progressive and realistic.

Due to space constraints, we are going to address the topic of Medical/Surgical insurance for horses (as compared to life insurance), in our next installment. Thanks for reading.

If you have any questions regarding the Equi Care horse insurance program, you are encouraged to contact any one of our equine specialists at CapriCMW Insurance who will be pleased to assist. The team can be reached via email at agri@capricmw.com or toll free at 1-800-670-1877. You can also visit our website www.capricmw.com/equicare for more information.

Insurance for horses and their people – it’s what we do!





MORE STOPS COMING ON THE COMMUNITY TALKS TRAVELLING ROAD SHOW

Two more stops coming up on the 2019 Community Talks Travelling Road Show!

Smithers September 14
Location: Prestige Hudson Bay Lodge

Quesnel September 29
Location: Billy Barker Casino Hotel

More information, speaker announcements and pre-registration coming soon!

[More Info](#)



CALL FOR FEEDBACK: EC and PTSOs to Introduce Coach Licensing in Support of Canadian Equestrian Development

Equestrian Canada (EC) and its Provincial and Territorial Sport Organization (PTSO) partners are working collaboratively to introduce a coach licensing system, and welcome your input.

The coach licence will be at the centre of a series of initiatives focused on creating a safe, ethical and developmentally appropriate environment for all participants in equestrian sport. Your feedback is critical as we embark

on this journey.

Have Your Say on Coach Licensing!

We invite all supporters of equestrian activity in Canada, including coaches, athletes, parents, officials and event organizers to complete the coach licensing survey by following the link below. Survey data will help provide an accurate picture of coaches' areas of activity and ensure the development of meaningful coach licence benefits. Survey responses will be accepted until June 15, 2019.

Take the Survey!



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PONY TAILS KIDS CLUB

Hi Pony Tails friends,

WINNER WINNER CHICKEN DINNER!

Last month Alice the Pony and her friends from Horse Lovers Math hosted a contest!

Pony Tails Kids Club members were tested on, who



could figure out how tall Alice the Pony and her friend Howdy were by converting hands to inches. Alice discovered her Pony Tails Friends are very good at math, so she put everyone's correct answer in a grain bucket and pulled out a name.

Congratulations to Samantha Ward for figuring out the math and sending in the correct answer... At 15 hands, Howdy is 60 inches tall and at 12 hands 2 inches, Alice is 50 inches tall. Whoop! Way to go Samantha, Alice is sending you your prize of your very own Horse Lovers Math work book!!! Here's a fun fact provided by Horse Lovers Math:

Early this month, on May 11, a new foal joined the Assateague Island wild horse herd. N2BHS-A (also known as "Gokey GoGo Bones") gave birth to a chestnut filly named N2BHS-AR.

What kind of name is that you ask? Well, it's not a name exactly—it's a number, a Keiper number, named after researcher Dr. Ronald Keiper who developed a system for naming Assateague foals. Back in the 1970s, the National Park Service began naming new foals in the Assateague herd with Keiper numbers, an alphanumeric code. This code helps track the maternal ancestry of each individual pony.

Horse Lover's Math provides a series of posts about these ponies. You can find them all on the Pony tails Kids Club page of the HCBC website, www.hcbc.ca or visit Horse Lovers Math at www.horseloversmath.com

One more thing, Alice the Pony's friends at Tbird are having the first big show jumping tournament of the season. Over 900 horses from all over the world will be at Tbird, check it out if you can, more info about this big show can be found on the Tbird website www.tbird.ca

Hope you are all enjoying the sunny weather and getting outside!!

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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EYES IN THE SKY

Just when you've put in the work to get your horses accustomed to dogs, bikes, strollers, umbrellas and quads and whatever else you might meet on the trail, out of the sky drops what looks like a buzzing cross between a drink-tray and a dragonfly – it's a drone.

Drones, also known as Unmanned Aerial Vehicles or UAV, have exploded in popularity in Canada, and it's a safe bet that trail riders will come into contact with one at some point. Consumer spending on drone purchases in Canada are predicted to go from \$5.24 billion this year to almost \$11.2 billion—by 2020. Recreation areas have scrambled to come up with regulations to govern drone use, and some have banned amateur use altogether – it is illegal for a non-professional flyer to use a drone in Canada's national parks, for instance, incurring fines up to \$25,000.

Drones come under the jurisdiction of Transport Canada and Canadian Aviation Regulations. Effective June 1, operators with drones larger than 250 grams (about ½ a pound) must be certified. The new rules are:
All pilots must be certified and all drones registered.
All pilots must pass an online exam to get a certificate for basic or advanced operations.

Pilots must be at least 14 years old for basic operations and 16 for advanced operations, unless supervised by a person having proper qualifications. The rules state that any operator must fly away from bystanders, at a minimum horizontal distance of 30 metres (about 100 feet) for basic operations. They also have to keep their drone in their own line of sight at all times. If a drone is hovering over or circling you and your horse, with no operator in sight, both the foregoing regulations are being broken. Using the link below, you can find an Incident Report Form:

http://www.tc.gc.ca/en/services/aviation/drone-safety.html?utm_source=SEM&utm_campaign=DronesJan2019&utm_content=Generi c4May

Is it worth it to train your horse to handle a drone in its airspace? Given the rising popularity of these airborne robots, it might be a good idea. Whether or not you choose to work with a drone operator to acclimate your horses to encountering them, if you have an incident with a drone on the trails you ride, don't fail to report it. Send a written report to the land manager of the spaces you ride in, and to the local police. Riders will need to confront this growing safety issue head on.



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55+ BC GAMES

PARTICIPATE IN THE 55+ BC Games 2019 Kelowna
Tuesday, September 10th to Saturday, September 14th!

The 55+ BC Games is an annual multi sport Games produced by the BC Seniors Games Society, for Active for Life athletes of the 55+ population in BC, and includes participants from 23 different team and individual Sports. The average participation is 3,500 athletes supported by 1200 volunteers leaving behind an average of \$3.5 M economic impact in the communities during the 5-day event. Each Participant must be a member of the BC Seniors Games Society and Horse Council BC.

Exciting news if you register for 55+ BC Games Driving, you can arrange a free Driving Lesson. Once you sign up for the 55+ BC Games, contact one of the following based on your region:

Ellen Hockley, Okanagan. contact theranchbc@gmail.com

Elsia Marocchi, Cariboo. contact emarcocchi@hotmail.com

Tina Knott, Vancouver Island contact tinatrotter@hotmail.com

[More Info on 55+ Games!](#)

ONLINE COMPETITION SANCTIONING SYSTEM

Attention Clubs and Show Organizers! Did you know you can easily sanction your competitions online through: <https://horsesport.pro/Login?>

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

On February 28, 2019, the Code of Practice for Agricultural Environmental Management (AEMCoP) replaced the Agricultural Waste Control Regulation (AWCR).

A number of the requirements, such as nutrient management plans will be phased in over the next ten years. However, requirements taking effect this year include:

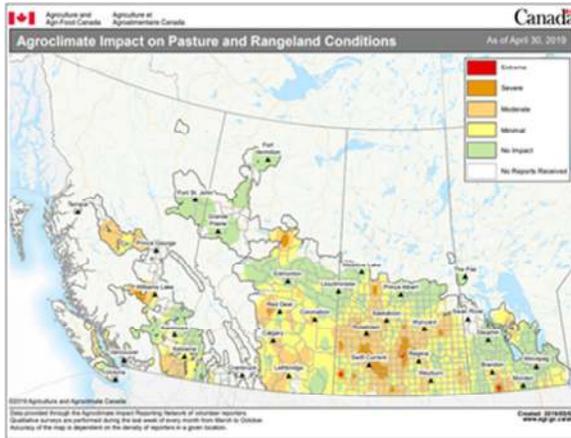
- soil testing for land that receives nutrients,
- property boundary setbacks for several activities including: application of nutrients, storage and use of various products and livestock areas,
- improvements to and the conditions for the storage of various materials, and
- record keeping for a wide-range of activities (view list of requirements in the government's FAQ section here).

BCAC has partnered with the Province of BC to assist in communicating key changes related to the new code of practice. Please ensure to keep your eyes and ears open for any updates on tips and tools available to you through emails, websites, regional info sessions, industry events, and more.

There are new tools already developed to support implementation of these regulations, with more to come. For example, B.C. farmers and ranchers in high risk areas, such as vulnerable aquifer recharge areas and phosphorus-affected areas.

More information on the new Agriculture Environment Management Code of Practice (AEMCoP) can be found [here](#).

More Info



THE AGROCLIMATE IMPACT REPORTER (AIR)

The Agroclimate Impact Reporter (AIR) is an online tool for the collection, compilation, and integration of information on the impact of climate and weather on Canada's agriculture sector. AIR offers the public, media, and decision-makers valuable data with which to support the agricultural industry. Once we are aware of conditions on the ground, AAFC and provincial agencies are able to use that data to feed into programs and policies to help producers. One example of this is the Livestock Tax Deferral provision which supports livestock producers in times of exceptional drought or excess moisture.

Each month, producers across Canada are invited to participate in a short online survey to inform AAFC about recent climate or weather impacts on their farm. A variety of products are released that help communicate current conditions and emerging risk to the agriculture sector, the federal government, and many provincial and local government agencies.

Beside is an example of one of the maps produced using data from the April 2019 survey. You can view more maps like this one on our Drought Watch webpage [here](#).

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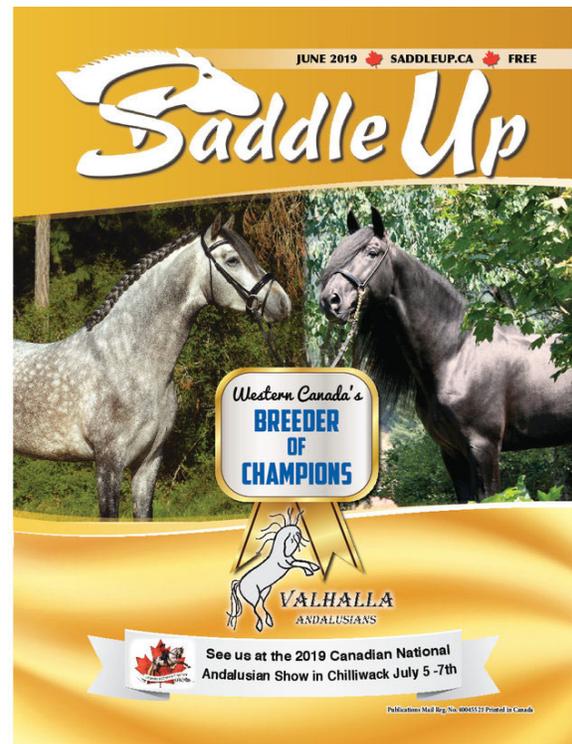
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Horse Council BC is partnered with 2 of Canada's top horse magazines for the 2019 season. This means that we are able to offer all HCBC Members a discount to annual subscriptions to each of these great publications.

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!



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By David Harris

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