



# Delta Riding Club

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## 6.1.09 Got Hay?

We do!

Support your club and stock up on some very nice first cut! The front field at Delta Riding Club will be baled tomorrow (Tuesday, June 2nd) night and we're expecting to get anywhere from 100 to 150 bales off it to sell to members! This is a DRC member-only offer -- but you have to act quick!

If we follow what we did last summer, we will split the wagon load evenly between those wanting hay, unless those responding want fewer bales than offered (ie if six people contact Bruce Walker tomorrow and we bale 120 bales, that would be 20 each @ \$5 a bale, off the wagon at DRC). The hay looks great and by tomorrow night will be just right! No rain!!

Please call Bruce Walker at 604.946.7552 or 778.886.5961 as soon as possible to reserve your hay and make arrangements to pick it up!

## 6.9.09 Big announcement tomorrow night ...

And I can't let the cat out of the bag SO ... plan to attend our regular monthly director's meeting tomorrow night, Wednesday, June 10th. It starts at 7 pm at the clubhouse. LOTS of good news in store, including an update on the success of our 2009 show season thus far (and boy, has it EVER been successful!). Hope to see you there!

### Hunter/Jumper this Sunday

Our second of three HUNTER/JUMPER shows gets underway bright and early this coming SUNDAY, JUNE 14th. Ashleigh Robin is judging and this is a BC Heritage qualifying show for those of you still needing to qualify in your Hunter under Saddle classes! It's also PAC approved, ifn you're riding an APHA-registered Paint Horse!

Our last Hunter/Jumper show was terrific! You may remember how I cautioned 2' exhibitors to be there early as the cross rail division was so small last year. WELL! What a difference a year makes! The cross rail division at the show on May 17th ROCKED! We had as many as 15 riders in the DRC Hunter Over Fences! How cool is that?!?! Congratulations to our Cross Rail High Point winner Cydney Rasmussen riding Aldo Z!

Ali Landuchi and Ariel narrowly edged out Keira Simmons on Tamara to take the 2 foot division, while Katie Andrews and Rhumba (I love that name!) sorta dominated the 2'3" division. Alicia Harper and her cute little Paint mare, Hylee Classical QT, won both the 2'6 and 3' division, and while entries tapered off for the bigger courses, back-to-back successes are equally worthy of congratulations!

We had 31 exhibitors at that show, and an awesome crew of volunteers that kept everything running tres bien! Congratulations to all and we hope to see everyone back this coming Sunday! (The weather office is currently calling for cloudy weather -- and I think that's pretty ideal for showing, especially if you're planning on doing multiple divisions!

Enter early and be eligible for our pre-entry draw! Drop your entries at Roddicks or Dog & Pony by Friday 5 pm, or scan your entry form and cheque and email to me at [cathyglover@telus.net](mailto:cathyglover@telus.net) (or by fax 604.946-5919) by noon Saturday! Stalls are available on a first come/first served basis! Please respect the names on stall doors -- if the stall is assigned, there will be a tag on the door!

## EXTREMELY important reminder regarding your Horse Council membership

We've finally caught up on the post-show paperwork and we need to remind all Delta Riding Club members who are exhibiting or riding at our shows that they absolutely MUST have a CURRENT Horse Council of BC membership. Here's the thing: if -- heaven forbid -- a serious accident occurs on our grounds triggering an insurance claim through the club's insurer and they find out one of our riding members is NOT a current HCBC member, our insurance would be VOID.

More members came off horses at our English/Western show a week and a half ago than I have seen in the last two years. No one was hurt (fortunately), but every ditch is a reminder to all of us that accidents can and do happen no matter how careful we are! PLEASE -- if you are a DRC member, get your HCBC membership up-to-date!

Go to [<http://hcbc.ca/about/membership>] to renew your membership on line. If you have any questions, CALL ME! 604.328-3814.

### Biggest show EVER!

Well, at least in recent memory! We would have loved an aerial shot of the Delta Riding Club on Sunday, May 31st as we hosted our second English/Western show of the season. There were trailers and cars and people and horses EVERYwhere!! We spilled out into the hayfield and even on to the road! It was AWESOME! 51 exhibitors, a whopping 273 entries!! Cindy and Jane said there was 40 minutes in the entry office that was un-freakin'-believable! And we LOVED it!

Many thanks to Lisa Mander and Lynne Carter (Handy Horse) for judging this milestone show for us! And to our crew (let's see if I remember them all!):

**Bruce Walker** (ring steward extraordinaire -- check out his mug on our home page!)

**Jane Spearing** (whose "teacher" skills come in right handy in the entry office! Yes, ma'am!)

**Cindy McKay** (computer whiz!)

**Courtney Kind** (multitasking r us!)

**Marg Brodie** (who will sleep later ... zzzzz ...)

**Linda Rainbow** (willing AND able! Thank you!)

**Sheila Forsyth** (who has found her CALLING as an announcer, me thinks!)

**Francie Shuttleworth** (pitter patter -- we haven't got all day peeeple!)

**Fiona Walker** (happy to be outside!)

**Diane Moon** (welcome aboard!)

**Sandra Tentzerakis** (our ribbon queen!)

**Carol** (Sandra's mom -- whose last name I don't know -- who always helps in the concession -- thank you!)

**Julie Miller** (another multi-tasker, ready, willing & able to pitch in where ever needed!)

**McKenna Mintzler** (like mother, like daughter!)

**Kristin Crouch** (the Delta Gardener-cum-computer-whiz-in-training!)

Linda Rainbow -- one of our 4-H Buckaroos -- won the volunteer prize, ANOTHER bridle bag, for spending just over an hour retrieving the judge's cards from Bruce to give to the announcer, Sheila! (See? It's the little things that count!) Jackie Thomas won the pre-entry draw (\$25 OFF her next entry fees!). Devon Smith rode SW Roxy Barlink to win the English High Point; Brittany Littler and LS Desire Me were reserve, while Cathy Glover rode Sweetdreams With Zip to the Western High Point. Devon and Roxy were reserve.



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SPEAKING of Western, we had as many as 11 horses in a class!! While that may not seem huge to some, for us, it's cause for celebration for us! Thank you to everyone who is supporting our Western division. I took an informal poll while we were waiting for the judge's results in one class and we all agreed it is more fun to show in a big class (all ages) then to split it into 2- or 3-horse age divisions. But wouldn't it be great if there comes a day soon when we can split Western classes again and still have big classes? Woo hoo, Western riders!

We also need to give kudos to Francie Shuttleworth and Miss Daisy (as in DRIVING Miss Daisy aka Misty) for pulling out all the stops as our lone entry (this time) in the Driving class, and for In Hand Trail. Misty was a STAR!! (And have you seen them on Delta Cable yet?) Judge Lisa Mander is threatening to bring a driving entry to our Summer Show! Bring your cart and give them a run!

### Open to all

The BC Half Arabian Club is inviting everyone to attend their upcoming show in Cloverdale, July 3/4/5. There's a full slate of Arabian and Half/Anglo Arabian classes, it's a PAC Approved show for the Paints, and is now a BC Heritage Qualifier. The shows offer In-hand, Dressage, and English/Western under-saddle classes. No haul-in charges. Single day stabling and RV hookup offered, Saturday evening dinner and entertainment. Entries close June 15th but post-entries are allowed.

All the details are provided here:

<http://www.bchalfarabian.com/shows.htm>

Thanks to Jackie Thomas' dad, Andrew, for reminding me to pass this information along.

### Capturing the moment

If you were showing at any of our shows this year, don't forget to stay in touch with our official show photographer Troy Nagel. We'll be putting more of his AWESOME photos on our site today. You can reach Troy at [divineeye@shaw.ca](mailto:divineeye@shaw.ca) or see his slideshow in the clubhouse on show days!

### Save \$\$

Don't forget, DRC members can receive 10% off their purchase of all show sheets this month at the Dog & Pony. You need to show staff your membership card to get your discount!

### Kudos

And once again, we would like to acknowledge our 2009 Delta Riding Club Show Sponsors:

- PLATINUM**
- Delta Agricultural Society
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### Members' Choice

When you're attending our shows this season, don't forget to keep your eyes peeled for members doing good deeds! There is a ballot box in the clubhouse for our annual Members' Choice awards and for the Horse-On-Course Horsemanship award. There are five members' choice awards – visit our website [[www.deltaridingclub.com](http://www.deltaridingclub.com)] and click on "Year End Awards Requirements" for more information. A committee will review all nominations before members have a chance to vote for 2009 winners, to be awarded at our annual banquet scheduled for ... November 14th.

And don't forget to check out our ENGLISH CLASS DESCRIPTIONS, now posted on the website under "Shows".

Looking forward to seeing many of you at the meeting tomorrow night, and at the show on Sunday!

### Coming up:

- Wednesday, June 10 | DRC Directors meeting (everyone welcome)
- Sunday, June 14 | Hunter/Jumper Show
- Sunday, June 28 | Dressage Show
- Wednesday, July 1 | Buckaroos 4-H Horse Show
- Wednesday, July 8 | DRC Directors Meeting
- August 8/9 | Summer Show

### 6.21.09 Dressage show June 28

Yikes! How did it get to be the first day of summer already?!?!?

Entries for Delta Riding Club's second PERCENTAGE DAY of the season are due TODAY! Please contact Sheila Forsyth at [sheila.forsyth@hotmail.com](mailto:sheila.forsyth@hotmail.com) or call her at 604.940-9698 with your entries as soon as possible! Erica Urff is judging; high point to the top score! Entry forms are available to download from our website at [www.deltaridingclub.com](http://www.deltaridingclub.com).

### Open Hack Day

We're resurrecting our OPEN HACK DAYS at the riding club for those of you interested in a change of scenery and an opportunity to experience our great facilities without the pressure of a judge! Non-members are welcome (but will pay a nominal \$5 haul-in fee to support the club); members ride for free. Bruce Walker is "supervising" the first ride (a director must be present when anyone is riding at DRC), and the grounds will be open from 9 am to 12 noon, weather permitting. COME RIDE WITH US!

### Coming up:

- Sunday, June 28 DRC Dressage Show
- Wednesday, July 1 Buckaroos 4-H Horse Show
- Saturday, July 4 Open Hack Day, 9 til noon
- Wednesday, July 8 DRC Directors Meeting – Everyone welcome