



Delta Riding Club

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5.30.08 WE'RE ON A ROLL ...

Don't let the change in the forecast (30% chance of showers - phttttt) keep you home!

Delta Riding Club has had a terrific run of shows so far this year, and we're anticipating our ENGLISH/WESTERN SHOW this SUNDAY, JUNE 1st, to be equally successful! (And when was the last time the weatherman called it right, anyways!?)

This is the first opportunity for exhibitors to bring out their western gear AND ... it's a - this a mouthful - FRASER VALLEY WESTERN HERITAGE CIRCUIT qualifier!! This means not only are you competing to qualify for the provincial Western Heritage Championship show this July in Kamloops, you are competing REGIONALLY for some terrific year end awards (see attached). (Consider it a precursor to qualifying for the Western Heritage show in CHILLIWACK in July 2009!!)

Starr Lange, from Chilliwack, is our judge. We have a trail course - and this class WILL RUN! We have a special treat for ALL exhibitors, courtesy of FVWHC sponsor HOMETOWN FEEDS, of Langley. So ...

Bring your HCBC English and Western Logbooks (if you haven't applied yet, we'll have applications in the entry office), and be prepared to have some fun at our exhibitor/family-friendly show! Trainers welcome!

DON'T WAIT FOR A BETTER OFFER ...

Yes! We're still looking to fill some spots on our VOLUNTEER ROSTER for Sunday. If you can spare some time (and aren't showing), we would sure appreciate your help. As always, there is a great VOLUNTEER DRAW, courtesy of RODDICKS FEED & FARM SUPPLY and COUNTRY LIFE IN BC. (You're not eligible if you don't help!)

Please email or call me asap - cathyglover@telus.net or 604/328-3814 - to show your support for your COMMUNITY RIDING CLUB!

PS: Thank you to Kristin, Cindy, Diane, Bruce, Julie, Lisa, Francie, Sheila, Lauren and Marg for already signing up! (But don't be misled - we need EVEN MORE help to ensure this show is a success!)

WE HAVE LIFT-OFF

From all reports, the Hunter/Jumper show LAST Sunday was a HUGE success, in no small part to the efforts of our very capable judge, Carlee Thompson of Maple Ridge, an outstanding crew that pulled it together in spite of a few unforeseen glitches (just who HAS that float, anyways!?) AND ... some of the BEST EXHIBITORS & COACHES ever, who were helpful, patient and KIND! Thank you so MUCH for your effort.

Congratulations to our High Point and Reserve High Point winners, who took home fabulous leather halters:

Hunter 2'

Able Tsang on Bambee
Courtney Rekis on Lucky

Hunter 2'3

Katie Andrews on Ariel
Able Tsang on Bambee

Hunter 2'6"

Emily Ross on PS Phored
Carol Payne on Benjamin Franklin

Jumper

Emily Ross on PS Phored
Jenny Heinz on Leopard

Of course, honouring our top achievers wouldn't be possible without our sponsors, so thank you once again to our HUNTER/JUMPER SERIES SPONSORS:

- Kim Rose
- Roddicks Feed & Farm Supply

- Westland Insurance
- "Major"
- Greenhawk

And ... let's acknowledge our CREW because without them there would be NO shows!

- Marg Brodie (cook extraordinaire)
- Fiona Walker (whip-em-into-shape)
- Sheila Forsyth (unwitting show manager!)
- Francie Shuttleworth (whip too?)
- Bruce Walker (ring clerk r us)
- Julie Miller (where's-the-float entry clerk!)
- Erik Anderson (computer geek!)
- Lisa Hanney (mouthpiece ... er ... announcer!)
- Don Walker (Prince of Ring Rollers!)
- Brittany Littler (Marg's helper)
- Jamie Tarlier (Marg's udder helper)
- Lauren Proudlove (love that runner!)
- Jan Littler (entries!)
- Mickey &
- Madalyn Forsyth (cuz Mom said!)

I hope I haven't left anyone off, but if I have it's neither intentional or means we don't love you as much! Lisa "Horseshoes" Hanney won the volunteer draw, again sponsored by RODDICKS FEED & FARM SUPPLY and COUNTRY LIFE IN BC.

COMING UP:

Sunday, June 1: English/Western Show
Wednesday, June 11: General Membership meeting
Thursday, June 12: Adiva Murphy groundwork clinic (4-H)
Thursday, June 19: Adiva Murphy under saddle clinic (4-H)
Sunday, June 22: English Show
Tuesday, July 1: 4-H "Canada Day" Horse Show (4-H exhibitors only)
Sunday, July 6: Hunter/Jumper show

See you Sunday!!!

5.12.08 May meeting coming up

A quick reminder to one and all that there is a DRC general membership meeting at the clubhouse on 28th Avenue THIS Wednesday, May 14th, beginning at 7 pm. New members welcome!

Remember ... the junior meeting this month has been cancelled.

And in case you were wondering ...

GAMES SHOW SHORT ON ENTRIES, LONG ON FUN

We may have been short of volunteers (!?) for our first Games Show of the season this past Sunday, but ... they outnumbered the exhibitors!!! And guess what? Everyone had an absolute BLAST!

Many thanks to Kristin Crouch who single-handedly (quite literally - she of broken wrist!) handled the entry office; and to Lisa Hanney who ably doubled as announcer and cheering squad, Lisa's good buddy Kim Proudlove (timer) and daughter, the lovely Lauren (ribbons/runner), to Martin Kind (the lone male among all us women), Marg Brodie (cook extraordinaire who SAID she wasn't staying ... but did!) and especially to Cindy MacKay for being both computer geek (I mean wizard ...) and "grunt" - helping me toss, pull, lift and measure obstacles into the early afternoon!

And then there's the exhibitors who - ahem -- I can count - almost -- on one hand: Kara Lingam (on Dinero) who SMOKED thru most classes (too bad about that knockdown, Kara - like I said, you can't win them ALL!), little Maddie Tani and Cricket - slow walker champions!, Courtney Kind and

more ...



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Holly (who apparently has done pole bending once or twice before. Egads --those flying changes!), Devon Smith and Roxy whose hula costume (even withOUT the bikini top - it was chilly) narrowly edged out latecomer (but no less welcome) Sammie "Poodle girl" Schuss and Phantom - at least in the eyes of our astute panel of judge, Lisa Hanney! Then there was little Leah who ably challenged Devon & Maddie in the Stick Pony class! Thank you for making our Games Show an unqualified success - WE HAD FUN!

Our 2008 Games Shows are sponsored by the Hanney Family (thank you!) and Kara and Dinero - with 51 points - were thrilled with their bridle bag. Courtney Kind (riding Holly) had an awesome show debut with 43 points, and reserve high point - a deluxe brush tote. Congratulations and thank you to both of you for an outstanding show of sportsmanship and FUN! Kim Proudlove won the exhibitor draw, co-sponsored by Roddicks Feed & Farm Supply and Country Life in BC.

Coming up next ...

May 25 | Hunter/Jumper Show (Summer Games qualifier)
June 1 | English Western Show (Fraser Valley Western Heritage Circuit)
June 22 | English Show

5.05.08 WISH RIDE OFF TO GREAT START

First, let's congratulate Marilyn & Tara Pay on a most-excellent Delta "Wish" Trail Ride this past Saturday morning. In spite of the drizzle, Marilyn tells me they raised almost \$5500 in pledges (!! for the Children's Wish Foundation !!

About 20 riders WITH horses showed up, and several others came with pledges (but without horses) to support this terrific charity! Marilyn and Tara had a STACK of rider's gifts, all donated by Wish Ride sponsors. There were lots of food and plenty of fellowship! Just an awesome first effort!

Congratulations to Tara for bringing in the most in pledges -- \$1000! (Talk about raising the bar!! Woo hoo, Tara!) If YOU collected pledges but were unable to attend the ride, I am sure you can drop them off at Four Seasons (formerly Triquest, at the south end of 62nd Street, off Ladner Trunk) or contact Marilyn or Tara at ... 604.946-8085 or fourseasons@live.ca.

And so ...

LET THE GAMES BEGIN ...

This year, the Delta Riding Club is hosting TWO Games Shows - and the first one gets underway this Saturday, May 10th at the club grounds on 28th Avenue. Twenty classes to choose from - take your pick or register for the day for just \$35 (\$50 for non-members). High point and reserve high point generously donated by the Hanney Family (so you KNOW they're going to be keepers!).

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS! Games Day is a "fun" day, but the show committee takes it no less seriously than any of our other shows:

SO ... at this writing, we need a WHIPPER IN (for either am or pm shift), RIBBONS/OUT GATE (again, both shifts), CONCESSION (Marg is away - so we need a couple of people for both shifts, including one on the barby!), another timer, and some MUSCLES (for the ring crew!). PLEASE don't be shy!

Email or call me (cathyglover@telus.net or 604/328-3814) if you can spare a couple of hours and aren't planning on competing! WE REALLY APPRECIATE YOUR SUPPORT ... and you will be eligible for another nifty VOLUNTEER PRIZE for your efforts!

Many thanks - in advance - to Kristin and Cindy (entry office), Lisa (announcer), Lauren (runner) and Kim (timer) for committing their Saturday to us!

Visit our website [www.deltaridingclub.com] for our show program, and for class descriptions (click on "Guidelines"). Whether you're competing or just there to cheer your friends and family on, we can just about guarantee it's going to be FUN!

WE HAVE A JUDGE!

After an exhaustive search, we have a judge for the first HUNTER/JUMPER show of the season, Sunday, May 25th. Highly recommended is CARLEE THOMPSON of Maple Ridge. This is a SUMMER GAMES qualifier, and we're looking forward to another great turnout from our members and supporters! Be sure to mark it on your calendar - we'll be looking for volunteers to work that show too because it takes a lot of people to run a GOOD show!

WE'VE CHANGED OUR MIND!

Well ... not quite (but we got your attention, yes?)

We've made a revision to the rule regarding cross entries between divisions at our Hunter/Jumper shows. Please note the new rule:

No cross entry between Cross-Rail Hunter division and other hunter and jumper divisions, or between Cross Rail A or B classes. Divisions will run concurrently. Training aids and hors concor entries (entry will not be judged) will be allowed in classes, with the exception of Summer Games or Western Heritage qualifying classes.

This means you can enter more than one Hunter Division providing you're not entered in Cross-Rail. Just \$35 per division for members!

DON'T FORGET TO RECYCLE ...

Howz your baling twine recycling coming along? Don't forget it must be scrupulously free of debris (INCLUDING hay!). Hung or bagged separately from other garbage is best, and black must be sorted separately from all other colours. The South Delta Buckaroos 4-H Horse Club will be doing another twine sort at our baling twine "depot" - RODDICKS FEED & FARM SUPPLY -- soon so please be sure to drop off what you have in the next few weeks! And thank you for helping us keep Delta horse owners GREEN!

JUNIOR MEETING CANCELLED

The next Delta Riding Club General Meeting is Wednesday, May 14th. Jan Littler has asked me to let you know there will be NO JUNIOR MEETING in May, as they will be on holidays (lucky ducks!). The regular meeting gets underway at 7 in zee clubhouse!

A BAKER'S DOZEN

Did we mention that we accepted more than a dozen new memberships at the English Show last weekend? VERY exciting for the core group of volunteers who have been working so hard. Welcome to you all and thank you for your support! If you haven't joined or renewed your membership for 2008, I'm attaching the membership application ONE MORE TIME for your convenience!

Coming up ...

Saturday, May 10: GAMES show
Wednesday, May 14: Regular monthly meeting
Sunday, May 25: HUNTER/JUMPER SHOW | Summer Games qualifier | Carlee Thompson, judge
Sunday, June 1: ENGLISH/WESTERN SHOW | Fraser Valley WESTERN HERITAGE Circuit Qualifier | Starr Lange, judge