



Westover Pony Club Newsletter

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WPC is starting the New Year with...

Senior Education

Senior Education is underway by the region at O.V.C., Guelph. Next session is at 1:00 on February 17. This takes place during the Regional Meeting and is for C level members and up.

Tetrathlon Training

Training for Tetrathlon has begun, with shooting on Saturday mornings at the Gun Club.

We will soon be setting

swimming practice dates too.

For more information contact Kathryn or watch for future emails.

New & Returning Members

We have 1 new member and 12 returning members. Welcome to our newest member Isabel.



2007 End Year Banquet

(left to right: Erin, Hilary, Darsi, Kathryn & Mandy)

Happy Birthday

This year birthday announcements for each month in the newsletter.



Starting in January, we have Jacklyn on January 13 and in February, we have our new member, Isabel on February 18.

Letter from the DC



Our DC feeding her calf, Tessa.

Welcome to the 2008 season of Pony Club! I hope everyone is looking forward to another fun year. Most of you know that besides being DC of Westover, I am the Regional Secretary and as such have been busy lately

preparing for the first meeting of the year: January 27th. As usual, I will be attending these monthly meetings but I encourage other parents to come along and get an idea of how things operate at a Regional level.

Senior Education will be held during these Regional meetings from January to April at the OVC, Guelph. I will send out emails when I receive them with information about each session. Technically, these sessions are for C

level and up but a large number of our D Level kids have had a few years of our junior education and are looking for something more interesting. If they are well-behaved, they are welcome to attend. Be aware that sometimes these sessions are long and involved.

I hope we can all continue to support and encourage all of our members to do their best this year and above all have fun and be

“Welcome to the 2008 season of Pony Club!”

WPC Bulletin Board

Check out the online interactive horse game at www.horseridingcoach.com/jumporama/

Also, there is a Schooling Clinic at Caledon Hunt and Riding Club on Monday May 19th. For more information check out their website at: www.caledonridingandhuntclub.com

This website is produced by a local Vet service. There are power point presentations that cover a variety topics. www.mpequine.com

International Events

International Tetrathlon is held every second year and is hosted by two countries, with participants spending part of the tour in one country and the rest of the tour in the second country. The US and Canada share a hosting duties as do England and Ireland in their

turn. Tetrathlon is comprised of Riding, Running, Swimming and Shooting, with slight differences in each country. For example, although most countries shoot with air pistols, in Ireland all competitors use rifles.

Mounted Games involves riders 14 or 15 years of age playing a variety of games while riding ponies. Teams are made of 5 riders, plus a coach and a chaperone. The exchange is held every year and rotates between Canada, Australia, Great Britain and the USA.





Poll & Quiz Questions

Vote for your Favourite Pony Club Event:

We are going to start putting polls in the newsletter. If you would like to vote, email your vote at robertso@interlynx.net. You can only vote once. Deadline to vote this month is February 13.
This month poll is:
Favourite Pony Club Event

- Quiz
- Tetrathlon
- PPG
- Show Jumping
- Dressage
- A/B/C Rally
- D-Rally

Quiz Questions

Here are some Quiz Questions to start getting you ready for Quiz.

1. T/F The 'near side' is the left side of the horse
2. T/F A "Bounce" is 2 fences with no stride between them
3. T/F A pony needs at least 8 to 12 gallons of water a day.
4. T/F A Pritchel is a tool used by a Farrier.
5. T/F You can guess the age of a pony by looking at his teeth

Canadian Warmblood Association

The Canadian Advantage

Canada has a well-established horse industry which has produced such greats at Northern Dancer and Abdullah. Its many respected and experienced breeders, trainers and competitors enjoy success both domestically and internationally. Canada is a country with vast areas of fertile, agricultural land that is

well suited to the raising of strong, athletic and healthy horses. Canadian Warmblood horses are of high quality and have internationally renowned pedigrees.

The breeding aim of Canadian Warmblood is to produce a well-bred, large framed Warmblood horse which is

correct in conformation with good performance - a horse that, on the basis of temperament, character, and rideability is suitable for Olympic or related equestrian sport.



Upcoming Events

February :

- Feb 17 : Regional Meeting (1:00)
- Feb 17: Senior Education
- Feb 17 : Quiz Workshop (10:00)
- Feb 17 : Testing Workshop (11:00)
- Feb 17 : PPG Workshop (12:00)

March:

- Mar 9 : Regional Meeting (1:00)
- Mar 9: Senior Education
- Mar 9 : Tetrathlon Workshop 10:00
- Mar 9 : Dressage & SJ Workshop 11:00

