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Aquidneck Island Horseman's Association, Inc



AIHA Jump at the Hunter Pace



The Hunter Pace on Sunday, October 4 was blessed with perfect weather and a good turnout. Entries from CT, MA and RI totaled over 100. The course was well marked starting at Glen Park and ending at Glen Farm. It went through Glen Farm, over Sandy Pt. Rd and along the trail to Bramans Lane and then down to Greenvale Vineyards. The road crossings were marked with yellow signs on stands on the sides of the road which slowed the traffic impressively. Lots of volunteers came to help, especially from the polo clubs. AIHA's Lisa Murray manned the official start times and Loie Kessler was stationed at Farm Lands' crossing. Lynne Torrey checked the course direction signs to be sure the way was marked well. Bridget Torrey did a fine job of managing it all. Our jump was well decorated on the hill with pumpkins and flowers, and two women: one demure in a beautiful pink gown and the other with bright red hair and a pitchfork. They are the artistic work of Lynne Kaye. They were to show the different personalities of the horses, but without horse faces, probably no one got the message. For a list of winners, see page 4.

Calendar of Events

AIHA Meeting
Animal Communications
October 21 – 6:00 p.m.
Pizza & Beverages

**Roger Williams University
Hunt Seat Show**
October 30, 9:00 a.m.
The Intercollegiate Horse Show
Association (IHSA) will have a
show at Glen Farm hosted by the
Roger Williams team.

Secretariat - the movie - now
playing at Middletown Cinema

Equine Affair Nov. 11–14, 2010
Eastern States Exposition
W. Springfield, MA

AIHA Meeting
November 18



Web Link:

www.orgsites.com/ri/aiha

Thursday, October 21, 2010
AIHA Club Meeting
6:00 p.m. at Glen Farm
Featuring
Beth Ann Fisher
Horse Communicator

What is a horse communicator? Come to the October 21st meeting and find out! Beth Ann Fisher will explain how she communicates with horses, and she will offer demonstrations.



Animals lead complex emotional lives. Their capacities for feeling joy, disappointment, sadness, pain, etc., have been written about by recognized scientists in a wide range of studies. Our horses and other pets need us to be aware and sensitive to what they feel. We have a great opportunity to learn more about observing things we have not been able to see before at our next meeting with Beth Ann Fisher. She is a well-known animal communicator from Mass. who often works from the Grateful Heart in Wickford. She will communicate with horses that we bring to her as well as from photographs that we bring of animals living or past. I hope you will come and participate.

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In the AIHA Library

The Emotional Lives of Animals (a leading scientist explores animal joy, sorrow, and empathy - and why they matter) by Marc Bekoff

Animal Voices (telepathic communication in the web of life) by Dawn Baumann Brunke

The Devine Life of Animals (one man's quest to discover whether the souls of animals live on) by Ptolemy Tompkins

Ask Your Animal (resolving behavioral issues though intuitive communication) by Marta Williams

Riding Into Your Mythic Life (transformational adventures with the horse) by Patricia Broersma

The Man Who Listens to Horses by Monty Roberts (Monty Roberts has spent his life working with and listening to horses. His powers seem like magic when he tacks up a wild horse and persuades that horse to accept him as a rider in 30 minutes. His powers of non-verbal communication are amazing.)

These books and others will be on the shelves in our meeting room at Glen Farm soon. They are available to members now by calling Loie at 401-619-4624



From left to right: Diane Silveri, AIHA members Teri Austin, Meredith Russo, Barbara Plane and Karen Razza.

AIHA members attend FEI World Equestrian Games in Lexington, Kentucky *Written by Barbara Plante*

It was three years ago while attending the Kentucky Rolex when I learned of the World Equestrian Games coming to Lexington. Quickly I commented to my traveling partners that – I’m going. Then just as quickly they said – Me too!!! So there you have it, one year prior to the event we were booked/ticketed and excited as school girls.

I read that daily attendance totals averaged from 25,000 to 35,000 throughout the event. The biggest days on the park occurred on October 1, when 46,496 attendees packed the park on a day that concluded in a fantastic Dressage Freestyle competition under the lights of Rolex Stadium; as well as October 2, when Eventing Cross Country brought 50,818 attendees to the grounds. We attended both events while concluding our trip with Stadium Jumping during our final day at the horse park.

The FEI World Equestrian Games are the world championships of eight equestrian disciplines recognized by the Federation Equestre Internationale (FEI). Games are held every four years with this being the first occurrence in the United States.

In this newsletter issue are a few photos of several taken at an event which will be remembered for years.





New member Eugene Platt trims the equestrian topiary at Green Animals in Portsmouth, RI. The rider has been transformed from male to female.

Aquidneck Island Hunter Pace 2010

It was a bit cool and overcast, but what a great day. We are so lucky to live and ride here!

Results:

Optimum Time 1:54mins:

- 1st: Rice, Parker-Wilson, Still
- 2nd (tied), Lee, Cunningham and Kaye ; 3rd Wentworth, Asay;
- 4th: Tollpa, Reynolds;
- 5th Oswald, St Ours

Fast Time 1:17:

- 1st: Bullis,
- 2nd: Gavard-Vantura, Josefson,
- 3rd: Canning, Alvord
- 4th: Brock, Troy
- 5th: Huntoon, Nuguera
- 6th: Coleman, Gavin

Sakonett Greenway Trail

Andy Arkway, Stewardship Director of the Aquidneck Land Trust, would like the equestrian community to know that the Sakonett Greenway Trail access on the easterly portion of Penfield School will remain open through Thanksgiving. The start of the equestrian trail is at Linden Lane at Glen Farm.

The trail will be closed on November 6. A 5k run to support open space is planned.

Become a member!

Support the Aquidneck Island Horseman's Association

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

E-Mail: _____

Individual (\$15) Family (\$20)

Make your check payable to: AIHA

Mail with this form to: AIHA, c/o Lisa Murray
16 F Clear View Ave
Portsmouth, RI 02871

What are you interested in?

Trail Rides

Clinics

Jumping

Dressage

Other: What can the AIHA do to enrich your horse activities?



Town of Middletown, Ordinance No. 94.32 (1)

1. During the period from May 1st to September 30, no person shall ride any horse upon Sachuest or Third Beach.
2. No person shall ride any horse in areas located at Sachuest or Third Beaches designated as sand dunes or upon paths or walkways, providing pedestrian access to the beaches, or upon any portion of any building or structure located at Sachuest or Third Beaches.
3. No person shall ride any horse upon Sachuest or Third Beaches except upon that part of the shore between high and low water marks adjacent thereto.
4. No person riding any horse shall enter or leave Sachuest Beach except from the ramp area located to the west of the west parking area at 'Rock,' so-called.
5. No person riding any horse shall enter or leave Third Beach except from the boat ramp, so-called.
6. No person shall ride any horse upon Sachuest or Third Beaches upon that part of the shore between high and low water marks adjacent thereto in such manner as may create a hazard to himself/herself or as may endanger the lives or safety of any member of the public or the lives or safety of any member of the public or their property. Any person in control of horse which defecates on the beach or public property must remove the waste as soon as circumstances allow, having due regard for the safety of horse, rider and general public. Penalty, see 94.99 (D)



Aquidneck Island Horseman's Association (AIHA), Inc. has created this informational brochure as part of its ongoing effort to educate and sensitize equestrians to the responsibilities and expectations that are associated with riding on the beach. AIHA is a horse and rider-oriented club dedicated to maintaining the sport in harmony with the island's ecology and environment so that the beach experience will continue to be available and enjoyed by all.

Rules for riding horses on Middletown Public Beaches



... a joy and
a responsibility.

Middletown beaches

are an attraction for many people for numerous reasons. Because the beach area is environmentally fragile, care must be observed by everyone to ensure that the beaches are used and enjoyed in a sensitive and responsible manner.

To this end, the Aquidneck Island Horseman's Association (AIHA) Inc. has created this informational flier for distribution to all horse owners on Aquidneck Island and surrounding areas.

It is AIHA's expectation that BEFORE any person rides on Middletown beaches, she/he completely understands the information contained in this flier.

Rules and etiquette

When planning to ride on the beach and/or surrounding areas, please observe the following:

PARK ONLY in DESIGNATED areas (see images to right)

ENTER and **EXIT** the beach **ONLY** at DESIGNATED areas. (see images to right)

RIDE horses **ONLY** between the high and low water marks on the shore or adjacent to the high water mark.

DO NOT GALLOW past people walking on the beach. Remember that many people find horses **BIG** and **FRIGHTENING** and may react - **frighting** the **HORSE**.

MEET WALKERS in a calm manner, perhaps introducing yourself and your horse.

REMOVE ALL MANURE FROM BEACH AREAS AFTER RIDING even if it means sending someone back for it.

REMOVE ALL MANURE from **PARKING AREAS** and **DO NOT CLEAN OUT** your **TRAILER** in the parking area.

REMOVE ALL MANURE that has been dropped on **ROADS**, ensuring that your vehicle does not create a traffic hazard.

DO NOT ride ON or THROUGH SAND DUNES or SEA GRASS, they are integral to beach ecology and preserve the natural coastline.

DO NOT RIDE ON or NEAR BOARDWALKS, they are off-limits to horses.

DO NOT CONTRIBUTE to LITTER on the beach.

Provide a **GOOD EXAMPLE**.

Sachuest Beach

(West end of Sachuest Beach also known as 'Surfers End')



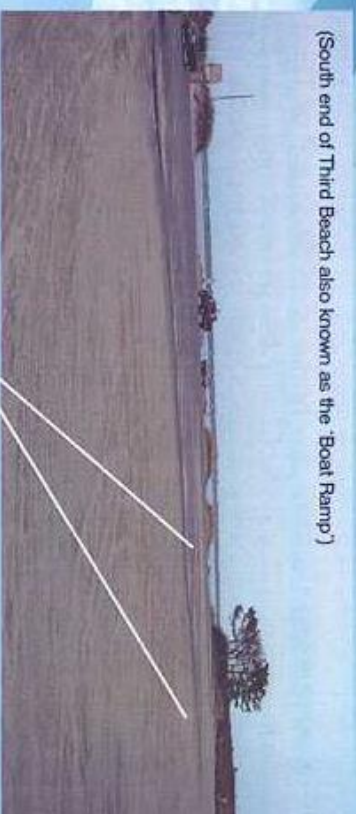
Trailer parking.

Beach Entrance and Exit for riders.



Third Beach

(South end of Third Beach also known as the 'Boat Ramp')



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Beach Entrance and Exit for riders.

