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Weekend of Coaching

Horse-drawn coaches pass through the grounds of The Elms during 'Weekend of Coaching' in Newport during August 22nd weekend.

President's Message

Hi everyone!

Several AIHA members had the pleasure of spending time with our beloved past President Meredith Russo this past summer.

Meredith and Jere have been back in New England these past several weeks visiting with family and friends. They had many stories to share of their latest adventures from "Down Under".

Meredith had a very "unfortunate" chain of event's during her last travels with business associate' Clay Myers. At some point during their travel through the states, Clay's horses contracted Strangles. Meredith ended up spending several weeks with the horses, in quarantine, on a farm in Canada.

"Strangles" is one of the most contagious and potentially serious infectious diseases for horses. Caused by the bacteria *Strept equi*, strangles is the swelling of the lymph nodes under the horse's throat. Symptoms are fever and a nasal discharge. The horse may refuse to eat. The danger is the lymph nodes under the throat may swell to the point that the horses airway is cut off.

Stories like these are just a reminder to keep our faithful friends vaccinated. The cost of these vaccinations is nothing compared to what can happen without them.
Rose Stabile

AIHA
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Nutrena Club Support Program
Bringing in the Bucks (no pun intended)
Written by Dawn Cabral-Quimby

Hello, I wanted to share with all of the membership that our Nutrena Club feed tag collection has been a great success. To date, the club has received \$252.80 just for saving and returning our Nutrena feed tag labels! How easier can fundraising be?

Here's how it works: AIHA members save their labels from any Nutrena feed product including (Life Design, Vitality, Legacy, Safe Choice, Triumph, Naturewise, Cargill Milk Plus, Horse Kwik, Empower, Loyall Pet Food, River Run Dog food), basically any Nutrena Grain product qualifies. Nutrena will reimburse anywhere between .10 to .40 cents per label, depending on the brand. What's in it for Nutrena? Well, as part of our "agreement", we need to advertise Nutrena products in our programs or advertising.

The feed tags can be dropped off at our Agway drop-off box, at M&R in the envelope on their bulletin board, or turned over to me, and I will sort, count and submit them to Nutrena with the proper paperwork every 6 months.

It's easy, it's simple, and its money for our club. If you have any questions, please feel free to email me at: dawn.m.cabral-quimby@bankofamerica.com.

Happy Feed-tag collecting!

Dawn

Two stalls available in the Co-op Barn at Glen Farm. Stalls are large and bright with daily paddock turnout. Established rotational feeding/care program in place. Beautiful grounds to ride upon including, indoor & outdoor arena, access to trails and riding instruction/training program available.

**Stop by to see what you are missing.
Contact Barbara Plante, 846-8445 for information.**



BACK IN STOCK!
THE AIHA WINE GLASSES!
Cost of 8 ½ ounce with AIHA logo
\$6.95

Available after September 15th.

Pre order to Laura Murphy at
murfylmm@aol.com

Club News

AIHA DUTIES LIST

Rosalie Stabile - *President*
Loie Kessler - *Vice President*
Lisa Murray - *Treasurer*
Grace Kinnunen - *Club Historian*
Sylvia Hayden - *Federation Connection*
Barbara Plante - *Hunterpace Organizer*
Paul Bernard - *Raffle Director*
Pat Grimes - *Donations Committee*
Mary Raposa - *Sunshine Person*
Barbara Plante-Temporary - *Newsletter*
Barbara Plante - *Webmaster*

Position of Secretary &
Newsletter Editor remains open.

Get well wishes to Arlene Davis who surprisingly found herself an unexpected guest at Newport Hospital.

Get well wishes to Sandy Carney who took a fall off her horse resulting in a few stitches on her elbow and a sore backside – ouch!

Condolences are extended to the family of past member Monique Ramos, who passed away In August.

Get well wishes are extended to Sharon Reynolds who took an untimely fall off her horse. Hope to see you back in the saddle soon.



AIHA Polo Social Written by Barbara Plante

One could not ask for better temperatures than those enjoyed at the AIHA Polo Social. Many members, family and guests enjoyed a picnic, field side directly under the Canadian Flag. Lois & Sarah Kessler arrived early on July 18th tent in tow with intention of erecting it under the American Flag. Much to their surprise several groups had arrived before them. International games are extremely popular. The match in play was USA takes on Ireland... If my memory serves me correctly Ireland defeated USA by 4 goals. With our AIHA banner waving and smiles throughout – all had a great evening.





**4th Annual Cowboy
Roundavue - Saturday &
Sunday, October 10th
and 11th. The Harwoods
will be back!!!**

The Harwoods will be back to entertain us at our 2009 Roundavue - this fabulous country band is great for dancing - we can't wait!

- Hamburg and hot dogs available for additional charge.
- Themed trail Rides / Saturday Camping with your horse
- Fast Draw Shooting Exhibition
 - Horse Race - \$Cash Prize
- Saloon Girl show and MORE all for \$30! -Call for tickets NOW-

AIHA 2009 Calendar

AIHA Meeting	Friday, September 11 th
AIHA 21 st Annual Hunter pace	Sunday, October 4 th
AIHA Jackie 'O' Soup Ride	Saturday, October 24 th
AIHA Meeting	Thursday, November 19 th
AIHA Holiday Party	Saturday, December 5 th

Help Wanted: AIHA Newsletter editor wanted. Try your own style and be as creative as you like or use existing template. Contact Barbara Plante for information at 846-8445 or PlanteBL@aol.com

NEWSLETTER DEADLINES

September 1st, 2009

November 1st, 2009

January 1st, 2010

Written by: Deedee Harrison

Last Saturday, August 29th was the show that I had been working towards for much of the summer put on by the RI Driving Club in Dudley, Ma. I had two goals. Being safe and remembering all the courses. I went alone which is hard in itself but when the hurricane rain hit overnight it was another story. My pony Cookie was in a stall at the bottom of the hill so her stall was deep in mud, water and sawdust.

Not a good start to a competition. My Dressage time was at 11:48 and it was raining pretty hard but I managed to get Cookie hitched and out to the dressage field. Eventually she relaxed and we did the course. I remembered the whole thing. Then I went to the cones area to have the carriage measured so the distance between the cones was a little larger than between the wheels. The idea was to go as fast as possible through twenty sets of cones and not knock anything down. I got a little lost at one point and knocked two balls off their cones but I wasn't disqualified and that was better than last time that I did it. This is a whole different kind of competition for me, I find the people that drive are very friendly and helpful. I ended up scratching the marathon part of competition partly because I was a total basket case about doing it alone and partly because the rain made it doubly difficult. By that time the rain was coming down really hard and I packed up and went home, I think Cookie was happy to be in her dry stall.

AIHA MEETING MINUTES MAY 27TH, 2009

This month's AIHA meeting was held at the new Potter League facility in Middletown R.I. This was made possible by an invitation that was extended to us by Shelia Reilly. Members were given a full tour of the facility prior to the meeting agenda. Our meeting was held in their very spacious and impressive education center, located on the second floor. Finger foods and beverage were provided by the club. It was announced at the end of the tour that if any member was interested in making a donation to the Potter League to help them continue their work, it would be gladly accepted. The staff at the Potter was very gracious and informative during our time there.

Tayla Davis of Portsmouth R.I., accompanied by her parents, was awarded the 2009 AIHA Scholarship. Tayla stated that she will be attending Johnson and Wales University in the fall to study Equine Business Management. Pat Grimes presented the \$1,000 Scholarship Award.

Barbara Plante extended an invitation to members to attend a presentation titled "Tales of the Glen", which is to be given at the Preservation of Newport County on June 29th. Gloria Schmidt will discuss her research on the history of "The Glen".

Loie Kessler announced her plans to schedule our next meeting for July 18th at an International Newport Polo Match in Portsmouth R.I. It will be USA vs. Ireland. Any member interested in attending can bring family and friends. It will be pot luck, bring any food or beverage you would like to share. A tent and tables will be set up for AIHA under the American flag. A brief meeting will be held after the match. And as always, bring a gift for the raffle.

Laura Murphy announced there are plans being made for a September "Jackie O' Ride" at Horse Play in Saunderstown R.I. More information about this event will be made available soon.

An up to date financial report was given by our treasurer Lisa Murray. Printed copies of our holdings were given to any member interested in one.

The Donation's committee, headed by Pat Grimes, will be meeting to decide who will receive donation's from AIHA this year. This information will be announced soon. Several requests have been submitted.

The upcoming AIHA Hunter Pace was discussed by members. Barbara said it was a bit soon, but members should start to plan on how they would like to participate in order to continue to make this most important AIHA event a success, as it has always been.

Last, but most certainly not least...the 2nd most profitable event for AIHA...bowing only to the Hunter Pace, Paul Bernard's Raffle.



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www.countrysupply.com

and they will donate a percentage of your purchase to AIHA. Simply enter our Care Code when you complete your order. Our Code is AIHA

Young Jackie

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Jackie 'O' Soup Ride
October 24, 2009– Weather Permitting

Enjoy a selection of hearty soups and breads after a wonderful, leisurely ride through the property at *Horseplay Inc at 143 Gilbert Stuart Road Saunderstown, RI 02874*
The fun begins at 10:00 a.m.! Lunch available 11:30 until 1:00.

One hour trail ride on marked trail starts at 10:00. No way to get lost. Non-riders are welcome to enjoy lunch only.

Plenty of trailer parking, restroom facilities and water access.

Come in Jackie 'O' fashion attire - sunglasses and scarves welcomed. Prizes for the Jackie look alike contest. Raffle for fun gifts!

Visit AIHA Website at www.orgsites.com/ri/aiha for other upcoming events.

Registration:

Rider Name: _____ **Phone:** _____

Address: _____

Rider Name: _____ **Phone:** _____

Address: _____

Cost for ride including Lunch \$20.00 for Members _____

Cost for ride including Lunch \$25.00 for Non-Members _____

Lunch Only \$10.00 _____

HELMETS REQUIRED

Please make check payable to: AIHA

Pre-Entry Deadline: October 21

Portion of riding fee goes to Horseplay to assist the rescued horses!

Note: Phone reservations will be accepted.

Mail to: Laura Murphy, 127 Beacon Street, Newport, RI 02840
401-835-2919 or email

murfylmm@aol.com

Photography by Bert Morgan

Pretty, 10 year old Mare for lease at Glen Farm in the co-op barn, Contact Tracy Benway at 401-829-0152 for information. Access to trails, indoor & outdoor facilities, & riding instruction. Don't be left out in the cold this winter.



Words from AIHA Scholarship Recipient
Written by Lynne Torrey

The week of July 13th, three students from Thompson Middle School were able to attend summer camp at Glen Farm, thanks to a generous scholarship from AIHA. Two of the students were second year recipients and they were able to progress to the point of confident walk - trot - canter as well as independent tacking and untacking of their mounts.

The students wrote thank-you letters to AIHA which will be available for members to read at the next meeting. One of the scholarship recipients, Emily Stanwood-ford, wrote "Thank you for sending the scholarships so that we could come to the camp.....I am thirteen and I go to Thompson Middle School. I started doing this through the Newport Community School. This is my favorite thing to do. I've always loved horses and never thought I would have a chance like this." All of the students will continue their riding through the fall polo program sponsored by the Newport Community School at Glen Farm.

Emily Stanwood-ford enjoying summer camp on Scout

