

## Horse Trials PEI Newsletter - Spring 2004

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### **New Directors for HTPEI**

As you know there are several new directors for Horse Trials PEI. Many thanks to Past President Laura Dear for her excellent work in 2002/2003. And congratulations to Laura and her husband Wayne Goodwin upon the arrival of their daughter Julie. Julie is beautiful and both Mom and Dad are doing well.

### **Membership/Insurance**

Our membership deadline for the year has passed - but don't despair! We will still accept your membership application. Remember, it will save you paying non-member fees for our clinics and events. The membership form is attached to this newsletter.

This is also a reminder to purchase your insurance through Island Horse Council. All active members of HTPEI - MUST purchase this insurance. It's a club requirement, as the overall insurance for the HTPEI organization is dependant on its members being properly insured. Not to mention, the insurance you buy through IHC is an excellent deal, as it provides liability coverage outside the show ring as well as within. HTPEI will be checking to ensure all its members are covered. Those who are not, will, unfortunately, lose their membership in HTPEI.

### **Jump Building Clinic May 22**

Believe it or not, there's always a bit more work to be done to make the Strathgartney Cross Country course more fun and challenging. We've accomplished a great deal over the past several years in terms of making new jumps, taking down the old ones and, in some cases, just improving what was there.

Mike Gallagher will lead us once again this season. It's critical we have enough volunteers to do the work. Please bring whatever tools you can - hammers, fencing tools, crowbars, chainsaws, shovels, rakes, etc. And don't forget gloves! It's also a good idea to put your name on your tools. I still have the Campbell's hammer from two years ago!

Julie Christie is organizing this year's jump-building clinic. You can reach her at [jchristie@upei.ca](mailto:jchristie@upei.ca).

### **Alex Beaton Clinic June 12, 13th**

We are thrilled to have Alex Beaton return, once again, to Strathgartney, to offer another season-opener cross-country clinic. Past participants have raved about Alex's training. It's fun, it's exciting and it's the perfect way to prepare for the Strathgartney Horse Trial just two weeks later.

The clinic entry form is also attached. Entries will be accepted on a first received basis. Alex is booked for the two days if numbers warrant. But this clinic is popular, so get your entry in early.

Deb Smith is organizing this year's clinic. You can reach her at [eventingbee@yahoo.ca](mailto:eventingbee@yahoo.ca).

### **Summer and Fall Horse Trials 2004**

HTPEI will once again offer TWO Horse Trials this year. The first is June 26th. The second is September 18th. Both trials will offer entry, starter, pre-training and training levels. Both will be Equine Canada Primary competitions.

The Summer Trial is being organized by Donna Allen [donna\\_allen@cbc.ca](mailto:donna_allen@cbc.ca) and the Fall Trial is being organized by Susan Dohoo [dohoo@islandtelecom.com](mailto:dohoo@islandtelecom.com)

### **The Same Levels - but with New Names**

Horse Trials across Canada have been struggling to come up with proper names for the different levels of cross-country jumping. For example we have entry and starter - whereas other places call those same divisions "snurf, grasshopper, green" etc. So the Canadian Eventing Competitions Committee has asked that organizers adopt more standardized names for levels including and below pre-training. The new levels will be known as:

<b>old</b>	<b>new</b>
Pre-training	= Pre-training 90
Starter	= Pre-training 80
Entry	= Pre-training 70

The numbers refer to maximum height of each division in centimeters. The new names for the divisions will not appear in the entry forms or clinic forms for HTPEI this year, as we had already filed our forms to the omnibus by the time the new wording was decided upon. But keep your eye out for these names in other Horse Trials and in HTPEI in coming years.

### **Maritime Eventing and Clinic Schedule**

June 13	Strawberry Run, Cape Breton, NS
June 12-13	Alex Beaton Clinic, PEI
June 5-6	Evergreen mini-event and clinic, NB
June 26	Strathgartney Summer HT, PEI
June 30	Eventing Clinic, Central Nova Equine Horse Park, Truro, NS

July 3-4	Evergreen Cross-Country CLINIC, NB
July 10-11	Foshay Farms- Lorraine Laframboise CLINIC, NB
July 18	Central Nova HT, Central Nova Equine Horse Park, Truro, NS
July 25	Killeavey Combined Test
July 25	Evergreen annual event
August 8	Blueberry Run, NS
August 15	Foshay Farms HT II, NB
August 29	Redbank Combined Test, NS
September 5	Applewood HT, NS
September 12	Hobby Horse HT, NS
September 18	Strathgartney Fall HT, PEI