



# Erie Hunt and Saddle Club

## NEWSLETTER JUNE/JULY 2015

### CALENDAR

July 1<sup>st</sup>: 10 am Begin setting up rings and grounds for hunter show. Come help if you can!

July 4<sup>th</sup>: Horse Sports in Erie Hunter Show- call Lew Trumble 434-3319

July 5<sup>th</sup>: EHSC Hunter Show – Lew Trumble

July 18<sup>th</sup>: EHSC Dressage Show II – Rachel Caracci 397-4588

July 19<sup>th</sup>: Dressage clinic with Nancy Lewis Stanton- Wendy Bolding 440-1696

July 25<sup>th</sup>: EHSC Jumper Derby-Kathy Antus 725-8159

July 26<sup>th</sup>: Combined Test II- Sue Strohmeier 825-5367

August 1: EHSC Open Horse Show III-Blended Spirits 449-5657

August 2: EHSC Schooling Hunter Show III—Jen Bozza 602-0190

August 8: Blended Spirits "Miracle Run" -- more info call 449-5657

### NEWS FROM THE CLUBHOUSE

Have you been to the EHSC grounds lately and seen the new warm up arena? The great new addition to the Erie Hunt and Saddle Club is finished, although currently roped off while the base and footing settles. We hope to have you and your horse trotting across it soon! We are looking for ideas/bids/help to landscape the area around the ring. If you have ideas about seeding and could help, please call Heidi Zuck at 450-7380.

This spring and summer rainy season brought rough conditions to the cross country course at Ferghana during the Lost Hounds Horse Trials in June. The Intermediate and Preliminary divisions were run as a combined test. The skies stayed blue for the event weekend and 94 competitors enjoyed the EHSC hospitality.

The hunter show is set to be run over the Fourth of July holiday weekend. This year there is a "Knowledge Show-Down" with a \$100 prize to the winner! This will be a written test with a hands-on final round for the 4 highest scorers. Come and test your horse knowledge!! This will take place on Saturday, July 4<sup>th</sup>. You can take the written test anytime between 11:30-2, and the final round will be hands-on testing prior to the hunter derby. Don't miss the \$\$ bareback class! Enjoy the fun!

In August, for the first time, the mini event will run the cross country on the Ferghana side of the road, thanks to the generosity of Liz Chilcott. It follows a new format as well, similar to the Northeast Ohio Mini Trial Series.

On July 19<sup>th</sup>, We will be sponsoring a dressage clinic with Nancy Lewis Stanton, a reknowned grand=prix level rider from Chardon, Ohio. Spaces in the clinic are on a first come, first serve basis. The list is almost full, but spots will not be saved unless an application and check are received. Call Wendy Bolding 440-1696 for information or email [wendy@eriehuntandsaddleclub.org](mailto:wendy@eriehuntandsaddleclub.org)

LOST AND FOUND: Missing the following from EHSC, do you know where these are?? Please call Peg if you've seen them!

1. Folding white fiberglass dressage scribe table, approximately 2' x 18"
2. Two yellow walkie-talkie radios
3. Stopwatches-several missing
4. Small, clear plastic totebox with horse trials program from past years events.



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[Did you know that EHSC is one of the only non-profit, all volunteer clubs in the US? And EHSC can't compete with other shows & events in the area without your help...](#)

## Top 5 Reasons to Volunteer at EHSC:

**Work with some of the top officials in our sport**

**5. Learn Something New:** Whether you're an experienced equestrian or newbie, you can learn a lot about horse shows working with our staff and officials, and by watching horses and riders all day.

**4. Support Equestrian Sports:** Without our volunteers, most of EHSC's events simply would not exist! We need your help to preserve these terrific equestrian activities right here in Erie, PA

**3. Join the Community:** Volunteering is a great way to meet new people or stay connected to the equestrian world if you're new, or not currently competing.

**2. Fresh Air & Lots of Action:** Watch some of the top equestrians in the country and their talented horses compete at EHSC's beautiful facility in Erie, PA. Spend the day outside soaking it all in.

**1. Food and Credit:** Volunteers earn "tufts" which can be used for food in the kitchen or towards horse shows, hunter paces, EHSC gear or the banquet. . Also, volunteers names are entered into a lottery at the annual banquet for \$\$ gift certificates to Tractor Supply

### DO I NEED TO BE A HORSE PERSON OR KNOW ABOUT HORSE SHOWS?

ABSOLUTELY NOT! ALTHOUGH IT IS A PLUS, THERE ARE MANY JOBS WHICH REQUIRE NO KNOWLEDGE OF HORSES OR COMPETITIONS. ALL OF OUR VOLUNTEERS ARE BRIEFED BY OUR STAFF AND OFFICIALS, WHO ARE AVAILABLE TO ANSWER QUESTIONS AT ANY TIME

### HOW DO I KNOW WHAT EHSC'S NEEDS ARE AND WHO TO CONTACT?

CALL THE HORSE SHOW CHAIRPERSON LISTED IN THE SHOW BOOKLET. THEY CAN HELP YOU DECIDE WHERE AND WHEN IS BEST FOR YOU!

### I'M NOT AVAILABLE ON WEEKENDS. HOW CAN I GET INVOLVED?

HORSE SHOWS ARE OFTEN SET UP DURING THE WEEK PRIOR TO THE SHOW. ANY TIME THAT YOU ARE AVAILABLE!

### I'M NOT SURE WHAT TO DO?

CALL ANY EHSC BOARD MEMBER AND THEY CAN GUIDE YOU TO A VOLUNTEER SPOT MOST SUITED TO YOU

## SUNSHINE CLUB

Get Well Wishes to Jim Hull during his recovery from back surgery

The EHSC Board has been exploring the opportunity to have the woods behind the bars, and expending to the East, cleared for timber. This is about 20 acres, and could conceivably generate about \$10,000. In revenue for the club. There are pros and cons to this project. We are looking to our general membership for thoughts on this project.

Currently, the woods are very wet. The only use we get from that acreage is a trail that is used for the hunter paces when it is dry enough. One hope is that we can dry out that area by clear-cutting the acreage. A downfall to that is that it will take several years to clean up and beautify the area where the trees are cut.

Another hope is that clearing the acreage, we will have more useable acreage for competitions that take place on the EHSC property in the future. Any of your thoughts and suggestions will be addressed at board meetings. This is a major decision, and one that we are trying to investigate thoroughly prior to any sort of a decision. Please pass along any concerns and constructive criticisms you may have, by calling any of the EHSC board members or email the Secretary at [wendy@eriehuntandsaddleclub.org](mailto:wendy@eriehuntandsaddleclub.org)