

Horse & Sole Hoof Care

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2020 AT A GLANCE

Jane Pike Joy Ride
Mustang Maddy HCA Course
PHCP Certification
Working Equitation Clinics
Champ Ride
GMHA Fall Foliage



Your horse can be your
greatest teacher, if you
let her.

MUSTANG MADDY

EMBRACE

Can you learn on your own?

The prevailing theme for 2020 seems centered around being self led particularly when it comes to online learning. My friend and I have enrolled in two online courses. Jane Pike's JoyRide Confident Rider course and Mustang Maddy's Horse-Human Connection course. Jane Pike's work focuses on somatic experiencing and nervous system awareness for the human and the horse. Mustang Maddy's course teaches connection and communication techniques without the use of force. She teaches behavioral science and training approaches and techniques using positive reinforcement.



ALLOW

On Horseback

Due to the pandemic time at home seems more consistent. Luckily, the things most of us horse lovers tend to do involve being outdoors with our horses; so even though the pandemic has disrupted our lives, our horses allow us to maintain a small sense of normalcy.

Honey and I were fortunate to attend a few in person events.

- We joined friends in a handful of Working Equitation Clinics taught by Stephanie Hayes.
- We spent a sunny day riding in the Annual Champ Trail Ride. Thank you for your sponsorship, Susan!
- We wrapped up the year riding and camping with friends at the GMHA Fall Foliage Ride.

HUMBLE

Hoof Care Certification

It has taken a bit of searching and evaluating my interests and beliefs around hoof care to determine the next step in my hoof care journey as a practitioner and a business owner. After a bit of back and forth in decision making, I decided to pursue a certification with the Progressive Hoof Care Practitioners (PHCP) to become a certified practitioner and a mentor to other hoof care professionals. I enrolled in this program about four years ago but was unable to make it work with my schedule at the time. PHCP focuses on a holistic approach to the hoof, educating hoof care providers as well as horse owners.