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Barre Riding and Driving Club

May - Jun 2026

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Barre Riding & Driving Club is a 501(c) 3 non-profit club run by volunteers. We provide academic assistance with annual scholarships, promote community events, and bring together the horse community with funds raised through trail rides, camping weekends, clinics and other events.

2026 Officers

Lynne Goodnow, President
Jane Lynds, Vice-president
Kat Marsh, Treasurer, Membership
Dave Marsh, Corresponding Secretary
Jill Poulin, Horse Show Series Chair

2026 Directors

Rob Lynds
Marianne Wojcicki
Stacy Hayes

Spring Trail Ride Highlights

Well, Mother Nature was at it again this past weekend, giving us hope that Saturday the rain would not arrive until later in the afternoon. However, those who arrived during the week or on Friday, May 8th to camp at Felton Field could hear raindrops falling on their trailers by 5:30am on Saturday, May 9th. Despite the dreary day on Saturday, the Barre Riding and Driving Club soldiered through, keeping the Red Food Booth open to share a warm spot and some potluck food. Fortunately, Mother's Day, Sunday, May 11th held more promise. After a chilly start, the day warmed well into the 60s, drawing out those hunkered down in their trailers and campers and pulling in several day riders who were able to change their plans to join in. We had about 15 riders in total, which is a low turnout but Mother Nature cannot be argued with.



We enjoyed lovely Egg McFeltons with hashbrowns and coffee/tea for breakfast. Lunch included meatball sliders, chicken ranch casserole, kielbasa in sauce, vegetarian corn chowder, beef stew, mushroom pie, pulled pork, and shredded chicken, and many kinds of salads including egg salad, traditional tossed salad, beet and arugula salad, and broccoli/cauliflower salad. Brownies, cookies, watermelon, strawberry rhubarb pie, and a cupcake cake shaped like a horse provided us with ample desserts.

The Sunday ride was gorgeous with beautiful blue skies, puffy white clouds and a slight breeze that kept most bugs at bay. Our short route was just 7 miles with the longest route at 17 through the lovely wooded trails and the best views of the rolling hills of the Ware River Watershed.





Many thanks to our volunteer board members who prepared food, cooked breakfast, and helped to set up the event and pack everything away when the weekend was over. Additional thanks to all of our riders and members who brought potluck food and shared the weekend with us.

Equi-ships Available

Equid-Doc Equi-ship Scholarship

Sponsored by Equid-Doc Veterinary Services <https://www.equiddocvet.com>

Five \$200.00 Equi-ship scholarships are available for children and adults involved with horses.

The proposed "event" must meet the following criteria:

- * A camp or clinic for children or adults who are learning about horsemanship.
- * Intercollegiate or interscholastic programs such as IEA, IHSA, Pony Club & 4-H are accepted.
 - * It is not necessary to own your own horse.
 - * The event must be held in 2026.
 - * BRDC members get preferred status.

Download the Equid-Doc application at <https://barreridingdrivingclub.com/scholarships>
August 30th, 2026 is the deadline for Equi-ship applications.

Please mail completed applications to :
BRDC Equi-ship
PO Box 25
Barre, MA 01005

For more information or questions please contact:
Jane Lynds at janel.hfcx@gmail.com

Each applicant is responsible for making sure the program they will be attending has sufficient liability insurance. Equi-ship money may not be used for horse training, riding lessons, equipment, or clothing apparel.

If you are awarded an EquiShip please take a picture of you and your horse and send to office@equiddocvet.com - EquidDoc is our sponsor. They would like to post the pictures of the recipients on their website.



Local Rider Competes in IEA Nationals!



McKaylah Lent of Templeton, MA placed 2nd at the Interscholastic Equestrian Association's (IEA) regional championships at the Big E on Sunday, March 29th. She was the only one from her riding IEA group from Holiday Acres in Rutland, MA to qualify to compete in the event. Her 2nd place win brought her an opportunity to compete in the National Championships in Missouri in late April. An amazing accomplishment for such a young rider, just turning 11! Barre Riding and Driving Club board members voted to award \$500 to McKaylah



to support her trip. In Missouri, McKaylah made it through the first competition of 8 riders, advancing to the second final competition, also with 8 riders. She finished 5th in the final of the National Novice Equitation Competition, a fabulous achievement since she had just started riding a couple of years ago. BRDC joins her family and friends in congratulating her on this wonderful experience and success! McKaylah shared that she was surprised to have made the cut off to ride in the final competition. She found riding in the competition and seeing all the horses to be an exciting part of the trip and is looking forward to her equitation for next year. Well done, McKaylah! We wish you all the best in the future!



Equine Massage Clinic

Saturday, May 16th, 2026 10am to 4pm

Location: Red Dunn Farm, 468 Old Coldbrook Road, Barre MA 01005

Only 8 spots available

Auditors welcome.

Registration and further details at <https://barreridingdrivingclub.com/equine-massage-clinic>

Deepen Your Connection: Hands-On Equine Massage Techniques for the Horse Owner

At our clinics, we provide educational opportunities where passion meets expertise, crafting unparalleled experiences for horse owners and enthusiasts alike. As a nationally board-certified equine massage practitioner and esteemed instructor at the Bancroft School of Massage Therapy in Worcester, MA, Lisa is dedicated to empowering individuals like you to deepen your connection with your horse through the transformative power of massage.



Whether you're a seasoned horse owner looking to deepen your bond with your long-time partner or a newcomer eager to explore the world of equine massage, our clinic offers something for everyone. Through hands-on instruction, personalized guidance, and a supportive community of fellow horse lovers, you'll embark on a journey of discovery and connection that will enrich both your life and the life of your horse.

Equine Therapy – Lisa Turcotte

<https://massequinemassage.com/>

Barre Horse Show Series 2026

We have a 4-show series this year!

To be considered a pre-entry the entry form and payment must be received before the Friday preceding the show.

June 21st BRDC show:

Payments to: Barre Riding and Driving Club, PO Box 25, Barre, MA 01005; Checks made payable to Barre Riding and Driving Club or BRDC Venmo @BarreRidingDrivingClub

July 12th Stoney Hill Farm Show:

Entries to: Betsy Johnson, 1510 South Street Barre, MA 01005;
Checks made payable to Stoney Hill Farm

August 2nd CNEER Show:

Entries to: Betsy Johnson, 1510 South Street Barre, MA 01005;
Checks made payable to Central New England Equine Rescue or CNEER

September 13th BRDC Show:

Payments to: Barre Riding and Driving Club, PO Box 25, Barre, MA 01005; Checks made payable to Barre Riding and Driving Club or BRDC Venmo @BarreRidingDrivingClub

Year End Awards Banquet - TBD - Quabbin Regional High School 6pm Start

More information at:

<https://sites.google.com/view/barreshowseries/?usp=sharing>



June 21st Show Seeking Volunteers!

We have our ring masters and gate keepers for the June show, but younger horse lovers needed to help run the ribbons from the ribbon table out to the rings. Training and guidance provided on show day! If you are available at any time during the day on Sunday, June 21st or are interested in helping out at a future show, please contact us at

BarreRidingClub@gmail.com

Vouchers for Volunteers!

WE WILL BE AWARDING VOUCHERS WORTH \$25 TO EACH VOLUNTEER WHO WORKS FOUR (4) HOURS OR MORE AT OUR HORSE SHOWS. THE VOUCHER CAN BE SPENT ON HORSE SHOW CLASSES OR THE FALL OR SPRING TRAIL RIDES. EACH VOLUNTEER GETS FREE LUNCH AND BEVERAGES THROUGHOUT THE DAY OF THE SHOW FROM OUR FOOD BOOTH. VOLUNTEERS ARE IN NEED FOR MORNING OR AFTERNOON SPOTS.

Visit: <https://barreridingdrivingclub.com/volunteer-recording-form> to record your volunteer hours.

2026 Calendar

January	16 th (Fri)	<u>Horse Show Banquet for 2025</u> at Quabbin Regional High School 800 South Street, Barre starting at 6 pm
March	7 th (Sat)	<u>Annual Meeting & Cabin Fever</u> American Legion, Barre. - Pot Luck Dinner at 6 pm Election of Board of Directors & Officers. Barre American Legion Post #2 – Speaker, auction
May	9 th (Sat)	<u>Spring Trail Ride</u> at Felton Field – One day ride (camping for the weekend available)
	16 th (Sat)	<u>Clinic</u> Equine Therapy Location: Red Dunn Farm, Barre MA
	25 th (Mon)	Memorial Day Parade
June	TBD (Sun)	Members Only Trail Ride
	21 st (Sun)	<u>Show Series #1</u> – Barre Riding and Driving Club at Felton Field
July	12 th (Sun)	<u>Show Series #2</u> Stoney Hill Farm at Felton Field
August	2 nd (Sun)	<u>Show Series #3</u> - CNEER – at Felton Field
	TBD (Sun)	Members Only Trail Ride
September	13 th (Sun)	<u>Show Series #4</u> Barre Riding and Driving Club at Felton Field
October	10 th & 11 th Sat & Sun	<u>Fall Trail Ride</u> Weekend at Felton Field (optional overnight Fri & Sat) Volunteers are needed contact Lynne Goodnow @ lgoodnow@yahoo.com
December	4 th (Fri)	<u>Horse Show Banquet for 2026</u> at Quabbin Regional High School 800 South Street, Barre starting at 6 pm
	5 th (Sat)	<u>Barre Christmas Parade</u> – contact Jane Lynds: janel.hfcx@gmail.com

*Spring & Fall Trail Rides, Horse Shows, Clinics, All Take place at Felton Field on Old Coldbrook Road
Barre, MA 01005*

BarreRidingDrivingClub.com

While you've got your calendar out, make a note that now is a good time to renew your Barre Riding and Driving Club membership for 2026! Please see the 2026 Membership form at the end of this newsletter or visit us online at <https://barreridingdrivingclub.com/membership>

Felton Field Work Day Highlights

BRDC held its annual Felton Field Clean Up Day on Sunday, April 12th. We moved up the date due to other commitments by board members for later in the month. We cleaned the secretary's booth, the Felton Field bathrooms, and the food booth.

The tractor and drag harrow was not available on April 12th, but there was a plan to bring the tractor during the week and drag both rings.

Board Members and Felton Field Commissioners Jane Lynds and Frank Whitney discussed repairs to the fencing for Ring 1 due to aging and wear and tear. We also discussed the need to paint the White Building which is in dire need of attention.

Many thanks for Marianne Wojcicki, Jane Lynds, Frank and Ann Whitney, Dave and Kat Marsh, and Lynne Goodnow who helped with the work! We are ready for the season's events at Felton Field!





1st String Quality Merchandise with BRDC Logo

BRDC Merchandise will be for sale at all our events this year! We have a limited inventory of colors and sizes, including t-shirts (long- and short-sleeved), vests, jackets, and sweatshirts.



Men's Quarter Zip Sweatshirt



Hooded Sweatshirt



Full Zip Hooded Sweatshirt



Save the dates for upcoming parades:

Memorial Day Parade, Barre
Monday, May 25th

Saturday, December 5th
Barre Christmas Parade, Barre

Congratulations to our Scholarship Award Winners!

Barre Riding and Driving Club is pleased to announce our 2026 scholarship recipients:

Christiana Dunn, Orange MA
Emma Ames, Petersham MA
Kelsey Marsh, Barre MA

Each of these outstanding scholars will receive a check for \$1200 in January or February after they share their fall semester transcripts with the Scholarship Committee.

Barre Riding and Driving Club offers up to 6 \$600 scholarships each year to local high school students, college students, and other adults who are pursuing higher education. Profits from our June horse show each year are reserved for scholarships. Local businesses also contribute toward our scholarship fund.

Barre Riding and Driving Club is proud to support those in our community who wish to pursue higher education goals.

Join the BRDC Board of Directors and Help Promote Horsemanship and Scholarship in Your Community!

Interested in joining our Board of Directors? Contact BRDC President, Lynne Goodnow lgoodnow@yahoo.com

We Now Take Ads in Hoof Prints

We will now accept ads in Hoof Prints for horse-related items including tack, feed, and supplies. We will also take ads for animals for sale. Please email BarreRidingClub@gmail.com to place, edit, or remove an ad. Ads are free for members and \$25 for non-members.

Sponsors and Resources

Barre Riding and Driving Club would like to thank the following businesses for their support this year! All donations are tax-deductible and go directly toward the six \$600 scholarships we offer to local students pursuing higher education goals. In addition, EquidDoc Veterinarians sponsor four \$200 scholarships for children and adults who attend a camp or clinic, or who participate in intercollegiate or interscholastic programs (IEA, IHSA, Pony Club, 4H). For Equi-Ships you do not need to own your own horse or pony.



EquidDoc generously sponsors four \$200 scholarships for children and adults involved with horses. Get reimbursed for the cost of a camp or clinic. **August 31st, 2026, is the deadline for Equi-ship applications.**

More info on the Barre Riding and Driving Club website:

barreridingdrivingclub.com/scholarships

EquidDoc Veterinarians in Worcester, MA is the premiere ambulatory veterinary practice treating horses, goats, alpacas, sheep and llamas throughout Worcester county, central Massachusetts and beyond. We provide you and your athlete or companion with comprehensive on-the-farm care for peak health and performance. Our Vets in Worcester, MA provide that care in a collaborative setting, providing you with options from which you select what best meets your animal's unique needs. We are enthusiastic about education and make each visit informative, so you fully understand your animal's condition. Visit EquidDoc at <https://equiddocvet.com/>

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Barn Board

New 4H Group! Cornerstone Ranch 4H Club. Ages 8-17. Monthly Meeting. Gain education about horse safety, nutrition, tack and equipment, empowering leadership projects, public speaking, different disciplines, and more! Email Cornerstone4H@gmail.com for more information.

BARRE RIDING AND DRIVING CLUB
2026 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Name _____

Street _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone/Cell Phone _____

E-mail address _____

**As most of our club notifications are sent by-email, please note here if you need notifications mailed to you.

Indicate Your Areas of Interest

Show _____ Trail _____ Dressage _____ Gymkhana _____ Driving _____ Other _____

DUES: _____ \$25.00 Individual _____ \$30.00 Family

_____ \$10.00 juniors (under 18)

New Member _____ Renewing Member _____

Please return completed form and check made payable to: Barre Riding & Driving Club (BRDC) to Lynne Goodnow, PO Box 25, Barre MA 01005

Questions regarding membership contact: Lynne Goodnow – lgoodnow@yahoo.com

VISIT US AT – www.barreridingdrivingclub.com/membership

BRDC Membership Includes:

- BRDC Newsletters
- Subscription to Community Horse Magazine
- Discounts on Club Clinics
- Free Member Trail Rides (excluding Spring and Fall Trail Rides)
- Discounts on Spring and Fall Trail Rides
- 3% Discount at Hardwick Farmer's Co-op