

## Hoof Prints



# Barre Riding and Driving Club

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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.

### 2025 Officers

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

### 2025 Directors

Rob Lynds  
Marianne Wojcicki  
Stacy Hayes

### September 14 Horse Show Highlights



Sunday, September 14th dawned with a foggy, cool, and humid 56 degrees. By 9:15am the fog burned off to reveal a partly sunny day with increasing dust as the horses, riders, and drivers went through their paces in the two rings at Felton Field. Fortunately, the dust (due to moderate to severe drought

conditions throughout Massachusetts) wasn't terrible until much later in the day, and as the temperature climbed to the 70s, the judges declared that jackets were optional for the 40+ riders and drivers who joined a few dozen spectators.

Our show secretary, Jill Poulin, expertly and efficiently ran all classes and divisions. Most of the riding classes were completed just after 1pm when the drivers took over the field. This year's September 2025 show attracted several young riders who were new to cantering and enjoyed showing off their hard work. A number of new green horses (horses new to competitions) competed in that eponymous division at this show. We also noted that a large number of the riders in this show had not participated in previous shows this year, so we were happy to welcome new faces and see the excitement that the show brought to young riders and adult riders as well. We



had fewer drivers entering this fall show, likely due to competing shows in other areas.



Judges Joy Collins in Ring 1, Frank Bassett in Ring 2, and driving judge Karen Swanberg presided over the classes, giving thoughtful and constructive feedback to many of the day's participants. The Barre Horse Show Series presents our community with the opportunity to enjoy a local horse show focused on friendly competition and the

enjoyment of the sport. Participants and spectators were treated to authentic equestrian enthusiasm and pride. Familiar faces and new friends participated in more than 60 classes in 15 divisions.

Barre Riding and Driving Club would like to thank our sponsors for 2025. Our business sponsors donated \$1,980.00 toward funding our scholarships this year, matching last year's level. Please consider supporting them so that they can continue to support our mission to provide scholarships. Please see the sponsor pages in this newsletter for links to these generous businesses. Additional and enormous credit goes to Jill Poulin and family who are the backbone of the show series and have been for many years. Without their splendid administrative expertise and their continued hard work in all aspects of putting shows together, we would simply not be able to offer this series at Felton Field.

We owe much of the success of this show to our expert announcer, Rob Lynds, who kept track of the goings-on in two rings, cued entrants for upcoming classes, announced winners

and efficiently kept everyone on schedule. Thanks also to our volunteers in the Secretary's booth, our spectacular first-time volunteer ring masters Val Duncan and Randy Dorogoy, and our ribbon table







crew. Thanks to our Food Booth crew, who kept us all fed and hydrated for the day: Lynne, Gail, Marianne, and Dave. Special thanks to Adams Farm in Athol (<https://adamsfarm.biz/>) where we source our fabulous hamburgers.



Our show series attracts a large number of small, individual farms as well as small and medium lesson barns and we'd like to acknowledge both our regular participating barns as well as some new barns or barns who we haven't seen for a time but who returned for this show: Stoney Hill Farm, Red Dunn, Farm, Moreland Farm, Wishing Well Farm, Lower Maple Crest, Birch Pond Farm, Still

Water Farm, Central Tree, Briarwood Stables, Valley Brook Stables, Autumn View Farm, Integrity Stables, Holly Mist Equestrian, Paint Me a Blue Farm, and Maple Brook Horse Sanctuary. Congratulations to all those who won ribbons and to all those who challenged themselves by coming out to compete in the show.



# Fall Trail Ride October 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>

Get ready for our annual Fall Trail Ride out of Felton Field in Barre MA!

Saturday, October 11th and Sunday, October 12th



Our fall ride is at Felton Field, 115 Old Coldbrook Rd, Barre Massachusetts  
6, 10, & 13 Mile Trail Routes. Gravel roads, rail bed, and woods trails.

Camping available Friday through Sunday, but no hook-ups.  
Bathroom facilities available on site. Water is available but might need transport by container.

Weekend fee includes camping (Fri, Sat & Sun), 3 meals on Saturday, 2 meals on Sunday.

Saturday only fee includes ride, breakfast & lunch, no camping

Sunday only fee includes ride, breakfast & lunch, no camping

Friday, October 10th, 6:30pm potluck dinner at the Red Food Booth – bring a dish to share

Bagged lunch with sandwich available upon request the morning of Sat or Sun. Turkey dinner Saturday night with vegetarian option.

Pre-Registration is appreciated so we can plan for meals.

Weekend \$95 Adult M, \$105 Adult NM (\$60 Junior M, \$65 Junior NM)

Saturday only \$30 Adult M, \$40 Adult NM (\$20 Junior M, \$25 Junior NM)

Sunday only \$30 Adult M, \$40 Adult NM (\$20 Junior M, \$25 Junior NM)

Camping Non-riding fee (includes meals) \$60

Guest Dinner (Saturday) \$20

Guest All Other Meals \$10

Check in upon arrival: Friday 4:30pm to 6pm, and Saturday 7:30am at the Red Food Booth. Be prepared to show a current copy of Coggins and bring or sign a Liability Release form if you have not already done so.

NEHT AFFILIATED

NEGATIVE COGGINS TEST WITHIN 12 MONTHS OF EVENT IS REQUIRED

Riding Helmets required for all riders 18 years and younger.

BRDC STRONGLY recommends helmets to be worn by all riders.

Liability waiver form must be signed before riding.

FOR INFORMATION CONTACT: MARIANNE WOJCICKI: [WhoaMari@yahoo.com](mailto:WhoaMari@yahoo.com) or 508 983 4566

LYNNE GOODNOW: [lgoodnow@yahoo.com](mailto:lgoodnow@yahoo.com)



## 2025 Calendar

March 1 (Sat) Cabin Fever Event (snow date March 8)

April 27 (Sun) Felton Field Work Day

May 10th (Sat) Spring Trail Ride at Felton Field – One day ride (camping for the weekend available)

May 24 (Sat) Liberty Clinic

May 26 (Mon) Memorial Day Parade Barre

June 22nd (Sun) Horse Show Series (1) – BRDC Scholarship Show

July 4 (Fri) Parade Petersham

July 13th (Sun) Horse Show Series (2) – Stoney Hill Farm Show

August 3rd (Sun) Horse Show Series (3) - CNEER Show

September 14th (Sun) Horse Show Series (4) - BRDC Show

October 11th & 12th Fall Trail Ride Weekend at Felton Field (optional overnight Fri & Sat) Sat & Sun

December 5th (Fri) Barre Horse Show Series Banquet

December 6<sup>th</sup> (Sat) Barre Christmas Parade

**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 2025! Please see the 2025 Membership form at the end of this newsletter or visit us online at <https://barreridingdrivingclub.com/membership>**

## Horse Rescue in the News

Recently, Martha Stewart adopted two Friesian horses from Dorset Equine Rescue in Vermont. Stewart owns a 150+ acre spread in Kantonah, New York and occasionally takes in rescue animals. Three-year-old Ulysses and ten-year-old Stewart join a small menagerie of pets and farm animals. Stewart plans on lavishing them with care and attention until they can be properly re-homed.



While we all might wish we had a large enough spread and ample funding to rescue horses, as individuals we can support organizations that help rescue horses in need.

NEER North has actively rescued horses, mules and donkeys in need since 2008. NEER North is a safe haven where these animals are rehabilitated with the intention of adoption into new families. They are a 501c3 non-profit equine rescue registered in MA & NH.  
<https://neernorth.org/>

CNEER is also a 501(c)3 non profit. .  
Please consider giving your

donation to the horses in their care. Your support and contributions will fund their mission and save a life. Thank You. You can also use USPS Mail to: CNEER, 96 New Braintree Road, West Brookfield, MA 01585 <https://centralnewenglandequinerescue.com/>

Black Feather Horse Rescue has a mission and passion to find abused and neglected animals, particularly horses. To give them a loving and healing home, earn their trust, care for their needs, and when possible find them new loving homes. Some of the horses will live out their lives at the rescue due to age, illness, or their job here. To continue the circle of love, sharing and giving, they invite sick and special needs children and their families to Black Feather Horse Rescue so they can enjoy the company of the horse and beautiful woodlands with pine trees, clean air and streams of trout they raise. They also bring their mini horses on visits to the elderly. It is their hope that, even if just for a short time, sickness and sadness are left behind.  
<https://www.blackfeatherhorserescue.org/>

If you are able or inclined, please consider donating or volunteering with these organizations in Massachusetts. Your generosity could make a great difference in the lives of our beloved equines!

## 1<sup>st</sup> 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:

Saturday, December 6<sup>th</sup> Barre Christmas Parade

## Congratulations to our Scholarship Award Winners!

Barre Riding and Driving Club is pleased to announce our 2025 scholarship recipients:

**Christiana Dunn, Orange MA**  
**Irene Stolgitis, Hardwick MA**  
**Kelsey Marsh, Barre MA**  
**Jacob Bushey, Winchendon MA**

Each of these outstanding scholars will receive a check for \$900 upon completion of their first semester at a higher institution of learning.

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](mailto: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](mailto: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 31th, 2024, is the deadline for Equi-ship applications.** More info on the Barre Riding

and Driving Club website:

[barreridingdrivingclub.com/scholarships](http://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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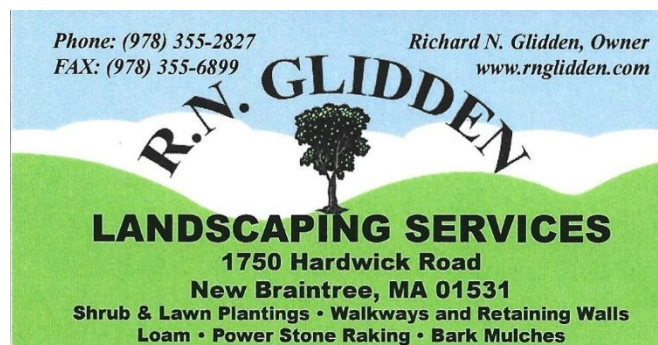
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## Barn Board

Looking for help getting horses ready to Show. If you can and would like showing them yourself. In-hand, Pleasure, and Trail. E-mail me if interested. Larry Underwood [eregtrailride@yahoo.com](mailto:eregtrailride@yahoo.com)

First and Second cutting Hay; picked-up or delivered. 508-867-7855 Larry or e-mail [eregtrailride@yahoo.com](mailto:eregtrailride@yahoo.com)

I have a horse who can't be ridden due to kissing spine. He's well behaved and otherwise healthy. I hate to see him without a job, especially since he loves being with people, and wonder if he'd be a candidate to learn to drive. Call 978-423-3232 or email Joy Livergood [livergoodjoy@icloud.com](mailto:livergoodjoy@icloud.com)

For Sale: A cob harness made by Yonies. It is a black biothane harness. It was only used for ground driving and never hitched to a cart. In excellent condition. Jane Lynds. [janel.hfcx@gmail.com](mailto:janel.hfcx@gmail.com)



**BARRE RIDING AND DRIVING CLUB**  
2025 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](mailto:lgoodnow@yahoo.com)

VISIT US AT – [www.barreridingdrivingclub.com/membership](http://www.barreridingdrivingclub.com/membership)

**BRDC Membership Includes:**

- BRDC Newsletters
- Subscription to Community Horse Magazine
- Discounts on Club Clinics
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- Discounts on Spring and Fall Trail Rides
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