

HAMPSHIRE HORSE

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What's On:

Understanding Equus Workshops with Debbie Reilly, Equine Trainer & Behaviour Specialist

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Sat 16 July: Wessex Classical Riding Group annual BBQ, including long-lining lecture/demo by Debbie. This will also include an introduction to Debbie's 'Understanding Equus' approach to horsemanship and looking at achieving effective communication through body language and the art of long-lining to develop balance and self-carriage. £5 WCRG members, £6 non members. Salad and soft drinks provided. Please bring your own meat etc. to be cooked on the BBQ.

One-Day Workshops £145.00 each

Thurs 21 July: Ground Manners: When and how to use a training halter.

Spectators £30/day

Fri 22 July: Groundwork problem solving: Inc. leading, loading, farrier prep. etc.

19/20 Aug: Understanding Equus & Equine Behaviour Workshop (2 days) £275 (inc. overnight DIY livery)

21/22 Aug: Bringing on the Young Horse: Ground to Ridden Communication (2 days) £275 (inc. overnight DIY livery). (It is recommended that clients attend the Behaviour Workshop prior to the Young Horse one)

Debbie is also available to visit you for coaching sessions, group workshops etc. Prices from £35/hr plus travel @ 45ppm

Thurs 7 July: An Audience with Emile Faurie and his Horses. A rare opportunity to see Emile training his horses and also to experience the enhancement of the Art of Dressage using live musicians. The evening will also see the launch of the Emile Faurie Foundation 'Reaching with Horses the Youth of Today'. Merrist Wood Campus, Worplesdon, Guildford. Tickets £20 in advance or £23 on the door - send SAE with cheque payable to Mr E Faurie to: Mrs M A Horn, 3 South Cottages, Harley Lane, Heathfield, East Sussex TN21 8AG

Sat 9 July: Equestrian Car Boot Sale, Forty Acres Farm, Bedhampton, Havant. Sellers 8.15am, Buyers 9.00 - 11.30 am. Entrance fees £6.00 cars, £9.00 vans, 50p buyers. Will be run separately but in conjunction with ordinary Car Boot. Further sale to be held 6 August. Tel: 07851 284942

Portchester Horse & Pony Association

Wed 6 July: Ride and Road Safety informational evening, plus a talk from Hampshire Horsewatch. 7.30pm, free for members and guests, Crofton Manor cafeteria, refreshments on sale in the interval.

Sat 9 July: Training for jumping a full course of show jumps at Crofton Manor Equestrian Centre, Fareham with Amanda Napleton. Open to all PHPA members. New members always welcome.

Sun 10 July: Le Trots Trec competiton, Crofton Manor EC. Members and guests only, classes for all age groups, a fun day for all. Rosettes to 10th place, medals and spot prizes, with a communal picnic.

Sun 24 July: In-hand and Ridden Show. Danes Road, Portchester

Sun 21 Aug: Annual In-hand and Ridden Show, Castle Street, Portchester. (Includes veteran qualifier classes and children's ring)

Sun 25 Sept: Children's Show – fun in-hand and ridden classes, handy pony, barrel racing and more.

Danes Road, Portchester. SAE to Jo Preston, 89 North End Grove, Portsmouth PO2 6NF

Sun 30 Oct: Halloween Show – fun classes with a Halloween theme

For further details please contact Jo Preston on 023 9261 7841

Sun 24 July: Charity Horse Show, Hunters Race, Lavant, nr. Chichester. Entries Secretary: Mrs. J. Tarrant, 71 Wraybury Park Drive, Emsworth, Hants PO10 7UU. Tel 01243 431249 (evenings). Entries close 21 July. Further info: www.charityhorseshow.co.uk email info@charityhorseshow.co.uk

Sun 24 July: Shalden Horse Show, Shalden, Alton (opposite Shalden Green). Show jumping – showing – dressage – clear round jumping. Schedules and enquiries: Mr. Alan Jacob, Leelands, Stancombe Lane, Shalden, Alton, Hants GU34 5TA. Tel: 01420 84619 or 01420 87495. Entries close 20 July.

Sun 24 July: Sponsored Ride, Thorney Island near Emsworth. Tel: 01489 878548 / 07866 587444, email barrsfarm@btinternet.com

Sun 31 July: Staff College & RMAS Drag Hunt Cross Country Fun Ride, Minley, nr. Farnborough between 10.00am and 3.30pm. Approx. 10 miles of woodland and farmland with 35 optional jumps suitable for all abilities. Entry fee £20. Entries close 22 July. Entries with SAE to Sally Hall, 47 Willow Way, Farnham, Surrey GU9 0NU, tel 01252 726510, email sally@haynet.demon.co.uk Cheques payable to "SC & RMAS Drag Hunt" please.

Sun 7 August: The South Downs Harness Club Open Show, at the Weald & Downland Open Air Museum, Singleton, nr Chichester. Classes include Novice, Amateur, Junior, Exercise, Country Turnout and Private Driving. Contact: Jane, 01730 825817, or visit www.sdhc.org.uk

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31 Bulls Copse Lane, Horndean, Hampshire PO8 9QX

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Sun 28 August: Hampshire Hunt One Day Event, Fair Oak, Rogate, nr. Petersfield. Download schedule from www.fair-oak.co.uk

Sat 10/Sun 11 September: Hayling Show, to include dressage competition.

Further details please contact Mrs. A. Blake, tel 023 9278 5374, email annetteblake24@yahoo.co.uk

Sun 11 September: Fair Oak Combined SJ/XC: Further info from www.fair-oak.co.uk. Entries to: The Secretary, Fair Oak, Rogate, Petersfield GU31 5HR, tel 01730 821508

Sun 9 October: Hunter Trial, Pinkmead Farm, Botley. SAE to Secretary, Pinkmead Farm, Botley Road, Curbridge, Botley, Southampton SO30 2HA

Don't forget – Photography Competition – keep your camera handy for the next few months. If you missed May's edition of Hampshire Horse with full details, visit www.petercox-photography.co.uk to view or download a copy.

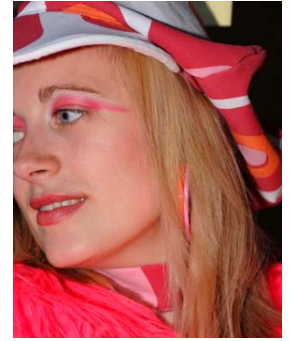
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Washing your Horse/Pony

Opinions may vary on the subjects of washing horses. Some people say that you should never do it because it is unnatural, and the soap removes too much oil from the skin and coat. Others think that it is quite safe and is a practical way to clean the animal efficiently.

Both are right! Although washing is unnatural, there are cases when it's the best solution:

* If your pony has a naturally greasy skin and coat, a regular weekly shampoo - at least when the weather is warm - helps to keep him cleaner and easier to manage.

* If he comes home very muddy, shampooing or even just hosing off is a quick, fairly simple way to clean him up. In ponies inclined to mud fever, it also helps to safeguard against this common ailment.

* If you've ever faced the daunting task of cleaning up a filthy pony before a special event, you'll appreciate that shampooing is the best way to do it!

Safety measures

Remember that washing is a back-up to proper grooming (which should take place every day), not a replacement. Regard it as an occasional aid to cleanliness when really needed. You don't have to shampoo the whole of the pony every time. Sometimes you'll only want the mane and tail, or hose off the legs and belly. Over-washing strips the skin and coat of protective oils, important to both stabled and outdoor ponies. This can make the pony more prone to exposure ailments such as rain scald, softening of the skin in wet weather and general skin disease. Over-dry skin develops tiny cracks which are sore and can let in germs. It is also more prone to saddle sores and girth galls. This is one more reason why you should always use very mild animal shampoos or soaps, human baby products or those made especially for sensitive skins. Harsh detergents and 'perfume' products remove oil too easily and can cause allergic reactions in some.

A silky finish

Coat conditioners are often used in the final rinse. Like human hair conditioners they make the hair soft (and slippery!); they prevent 'flyaway' mane and tail hair, but also make it more difficult to handle when plaiting. So if you intend to plait your pony use conditioner only on the bottom of the tail. For those shown 'natural', such as Mountain and Moorland breeds or Arabs, conditioners do help the hair to look smooth and silky. Show gloss products are sprayed on or applied with a cloth after the coat is dry and many give a mirror-like shine to the hair. You can use them whether or not you shampoo the pony. But you never spray anything near the head, in case it gets into the eyes or ears.

Before you begin

Before you begin to wash your pony, make sure you have a few essentials handy. You need access to a hosepipe (or at least three large buckets of water), two thick sponges, old towels, a sweat scraper if you have one, and an anti-sweat rug (cooler). If it's slightly chilly, you should have some stable bandages and a cotton sheet handy.

Starting off

Tie up the pony outside with a quick release knot. Using the hosepipe or a sponge and clear water, gently wet the pony all over. Most people don't wash the head - if you do, be very careful not to get water or shampoo in the pony's eyes and ears. Use a sparing amount of shampoo - you do not want to work up a lather. Either apply it directly from the sponge or mix it first in one of the buckets of water and sponge it on. Start behind the ears and work the shampoo into the coat using circular movements. Cover the whole pony, working back and down so you don't do the same parts twice. Take the hosepipe or a bucket of clear water and the clean sponge. Rub the hair from side to side, to remove all the soap.

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Pay special attention to the roots of the mane and tail, and the underneath of the pony. Its important to wash away all the shampoo otherwise the pony could develop sore skin. Keep rinsing the sponge in clean water. If you want to, add conditioner to the last bucket, when you do a final all over rinse. Lastly, with your sweat scraper or the sides of your hands, squeeze out excess water from the coat - again, work back and down so you don't re-wet any parts.

Drying off

When you have finished rinsing the pony, put on an anti-sweat rug or cooler. With a towel quickly dry the heels, pasterns, belly and between his buttocks. Rub his ears and neck with a towel also. To quicken up the drying process you can walk the pony around the yard. Remove the anti-sweat rug or cooler while the coat is still slightly damp and rug up normally.

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www.projecthorses.co.uk celebrates first anniversary

Project Horses website continues to bring together people looking for a horsey project and owners of horses with special needs or issues, through 100% honest adverts. In addition, it provides owners/keepers of 'project' horses with resources to aid them in understanding and/or retraining, including books, dvds, trainers/therapists details, etc.



The website was created in June 2004 by Chris & Clare Holland. After attending courses and clinics with well known 'horse whisperers' and becoming involved with handling wild ponies as fosterers for a charity, they developed an interest in horses with issues, and took on a number of 'problem' horses themselves. Despite taking on several of these horses, it never seemed to be enough, as during this time they became aware that there were vast numbers of horses out there with problems. Many of these horses' owners felt that they were no longer able to keep their horse or cope with their horse, but due to its issues, feared they would not be able to re-home such an animal through conventional methods, and often became quite desperate, feeling they had no options. Chris and Clare began to look for a way to help more horses like these, and realised that there was nowhere specifically for such an animal to be advertised – and so Project Horses was born.

The Project Horses website has already had a good percentage of confirmed successes, with a further high percentage believed to be due to the site. It is currently funded through a small administration fee levied on Horses Offered adverts, excepting adverts placed by charities, which are always free of charge. It continues to go from strength to strength, with ever increasing numbers of visitors and expanding resources. In the last year, the site has expanded to include alternative therapies, feeds & supplements for the 'project' horse, feedback facilities & success stories. There is also an extensive list of demos/courses relative to problem horses. Take a look for yourself, tell your friends, and please send us your feedback.

**For further info please visit www.projecthorses.co.uk
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A Bit of Fun !! - Horse Astrology by Kim Devries

Leo (July 23-August 23) The Leo horse is naturally generous, confident and dignified. This horse loves being the centre of attention and will shine at a show! The Leo horse loves to be noticed and will be loyal to you if you lavish your undivided affection and show it fair leadership. It is important to acknowledge all the positive attributes in your Leo horse and treat it with respect. Never take your Leo horse for granted, otherwise it may try to gain your attention by being absolutely bombastic! Your Leo horse will shine even more if you give it the authority to make decisions within your partnership. If you do not do this, then your Leo horse may switch off and become lazy and indolent. Like the leonine symbol of this sign, the Leo horse has a naturally courageous spirit, which means that it really enjoys the thrill of competition. As Leo rules the heart and the thoracic region, the Leo horse is prone to problems in these areas if its needs for leadership, loyalty, fairness and love are not met within your partnership.

To be continued.....

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