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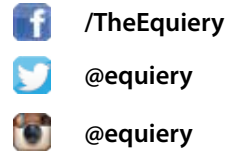
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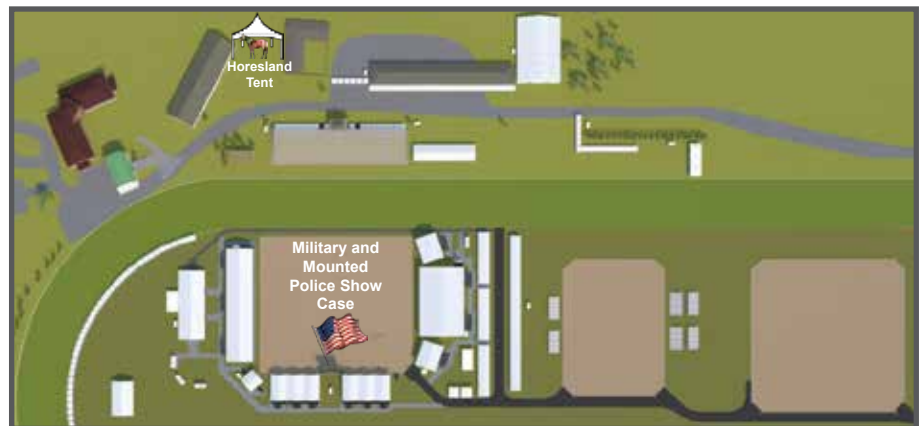
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by Kimberly K. Egan and Corinne M. Pouliquen



We considered several opening lines for this month's letter, each of which reflected how we felt about the weather in the middle of August, but none of which conveyed how much work we have been doing. "When the going gets hot, the hot get going." "If you can't stand the heat, get out of Annapolis." "Hey horse, why the ... hot ... face?" Whatever we tried, we couldn't get around the fact that it's summertime, and the livin' is-busy.

Why? The summer is when our Government Relations Committee gets ready for the next session of the General Assembly. Though the session does not begin until January, this is the time when legislators start drafting bills, when non-profits start work on state bond fund requests, and when MHC solidifies its support in Annapolis. If we were to wait until the session started, we'd be out of the running.

Here's what we've been up to so far.

MHC Task Forces

We convened two task forces this summer to focus proactively on legislation for the 2022 session.

Therapy Horse Task Force: The Therapy Horse Task Force worked on strategies to expand the number of therapeutic riding facilities that qualify for veterans' services reimbursement funds. Current law limits eligibility to Professional Association of Therapeutic Horsemanship (PATH) Premier Accredited Centers (PAC) or programs that have Equine Assisted Growth and Learning Association (EAGALA) certified professionals on staff. The task force felt that these eligibility requirements are not well-suited to the specific needs of the Maryland veterans' community, and decided that a new eligibility protocol that took the best practices of PATH and EAGALA and modified them specifically for veterans would be a better approach. Over the course of the next few months, the task force will work with the Maryland Department of Veterans Affairs to develop this protocol. We will then draft legislation to expand eligibility to those facilities that meet this Maryland-specific protocol.

In addition, the Therapy Horse Task Force will work this fall to add equine-assisted therapy to the list of therapeutic recreational activities eligible for reimbursement under the Medicaid Autism Waiver program. This will likely be a regulatory project as opposed to a legislative one.

Shared Use of Public Land Task Force: The Shared Use of Public Land Task Force has begun work on a state-wide legislative approach to keep our public lands safe and accessible to all user groups, including equestrians. This issue is of particular concern now because more Marylanders than ever are turning to outdoor recreation as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. The Baltimore Sun reported that in 2020, state parks saw a 45% increase in visitors, and rangers had to close 14 state parks 292 times, which was triple the amount of times they had to turn away visitors in 2019.

The task force is considering draft legislation to require farmers who lease public land to leave a 20-foot border around their fields to allow unobstructed access to trail heads, as well as draft legislation to prohibit weapons in the parks on one weekend day each week. The task force will also engage with the new legislative commission charged with studying park capacity. The commission will be headed by former Governor Parris Glendening.

Requests from Legislators

Two legislators contacted MHC over the summer to ask for input on potential legislation for the 2022 session. Del. Mary A. Lehman (D – Anne Arundel & Prince George's) contacted us about a helmet law for minors. We conducted a membership survey in August and of those who responded, 59 members supported such a law in concept, while 7 opposed. MHC will work with Del. Lehman on draft legislation.

Del. Sara N. Love (D – Montgomery) asked MHC for input on a "right to ride" bill. MHC drafted a proposed bill for Del. Love and secured a co-sponsor for her, Sen. J.B. Jennings (R – Baltimore & Harford). The bill recognizes that equine activities: i) are a valued part of Maryland's historical, cultural and social heritage; ii) provide unique recreational benefits to the residents of the state; iii) contribute to state and local economies, tax revenues and employment; and iv) support the conservation, preservation, and management of open space and natural resources using primarily private dollars. The bill says that in light of the foregoing, it is the intent of the General Assembly that Maryland residents have a right to engage in equine activities. In addition, MHC is organizing a tour of Montgomery County horse farms in District 16 this fall for Del. Love.

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Other Activities

Our Government Relations Committee also worked on a number of other issues over the summer. We responded to a veterinarian member's concern about the fact that rabies is not a required vaccination for horses in Maryland. We surveyed our member veterinarians for their views, and we have now expanded our survey to all equine veterinarians, regardless of their MHC membership status. Depending on the survey results, we will consider approaching the Maryland Veterinary Board about possible rule changes.

We also conducted a webinar for MHC members on how to secure state bond funds for capital projects at eligible equine facilities. The panelists were Senator Katie Fry Hester (Howard & Carroll Counties), Del. Michele N. Guyton (Baltimore County), and David R. Brinkley, the Secretary of Management and Budget. They explained the legislative and regulatory process for bond bills, they expressed their dismay that constituents are reluctant to ask for bond funds, and they said that both the General Assembly and the Governor's office are more than happy to work with the horse industry on capital projects. Each of them also stressed, repeatedly, how important it is to get to know your state representatives.

Please don't hesitate to contact MHC if you need help initiating a bond bill or if you are not sure who your state representatives are.

Upcoming State Regulatory Initiatives

MHC will participate in two state-wide regulatory initiatives this fall. We are members of the 2022 Maryland Horse Census committee and will be helping the Maryland Department of Agriculture design the questions and solicit responses. We will also be part of the Maryland Department of Agriculture's FY2022 Horse Outreach Workgroup (HOW). The goal of HOW is to generate best management practices for horse operations on issues such as pasture management, equine carcass composting, manure removal, and the like.

As you can see, there are a lot of legislative and regulatory issues at play this year. Please reach out to us if you are interested in participating, or if you have any questions

or concerns about any of these projects. You can contact Kim at kegan@mdhorsecouncil.org or Corinne at parkoverlookfarm@aol.com.

If you are interested in participating but are not already an MHC member, please join today at <https://www.mdhorsecouncil.org/index.php/membership>.

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Horses Return to Laurel Park

In early August, Laurel Park welcomed horses in training back to the track after four-month resurfacing and renovations project. The renovations, carried out by track operator 1/ST, included a multi-million dollar investment in an all-new base and cushion for the main dirt track as well as a state-of-the-art turf course aeration strategy. 1/ST also renovated several training barns.

"We want to, first and foremost, thank all the horsemen and horsewomen for their patience during the reconstruction of Laurel Park dirt surface and their continued participation and support of our racing program," said Maryland Jockey Club (MJC) Acting President and General Manager Mike Rogers.

MJC also announced last month that starting in September, stalls at MJC venues will be reserved for horses that race consistently at MJC venues. In addition, "trainers seeking to enter a MJC-stabled horse at a non-MJC venue will be required to obtain approval from our Racing Secretary, Jillian Tullock," Rogers added. Approval will be granted on a case-by-case basis.

The fall meet at Laurel begins on Thursday, September 9.



Andrew Ryback

Schaefer Wins in Michigan

The Schaefer family of Westminster won big this past month at the Traverse City Horse Shows in Michigan, taking top honors in the \$25,000 Platinum Performance USHJA International Hunter Derby. Samantha Schaefer piloted sister Madeline's horse In the Know, a 12-year-old Warmblood gelding, for the win.

Thirty-one horses were entered in the class and only 12 riders made it past the Classic round to move to the second round. Schaefer had more than one entry in the class, as did fellow Marylander Jacob Pope. Schaefer, and In

the Know scored a 174 in the first round, but first place in the first phase went to her second mount, Caristo, with a score of 182.

The top 12 riders returned for the Handy round, riding in reverse order of standings. Schaefer and In the Know were the fifth to enter the ring, and they scored an impressive 200. With a combined score of 374, Schaefer and In the Know moved into the top slot. Schaefer finished the day with a 366 on Caristo to end up in fifth as well.

Pope rode With Honors to a combined score of 364.5 to place sixth in the class.

Letters

The Maryland Horse Council received the following letter on July 19, 2021.

"My daughter competed at Loch Moy Farm in Adamstown, MD, last week and received a copy of the Equiry magazine. In the downtime I had a chance to read through the communication. I'm reaching out to give you and the state of Maryland some kudos. By supporting the horse industry, Maryland is bringing in revenue from out-of-staters like me. I live north of Pittsburgh, PA, and find myself 3 -5 times a year in Maryland with my daughter competing. We typically compete at Loch Moy or Waredaca but have also been to the Seneca Valley Pony Club shows at Bittersweet Field and always look for shows in Maryland that work with our schedule.

"As an example, besides our entry fee of about \$250 we had a hotel stay, we purchased almost \$100 in gas (thanks to big diesel truck), bought 2 meals at a local restaurant, and picked up incidentals like snacks and ice. An average weekend we spend \$750 in the state of Maryland. Please continue to let those in charge know the benefits of having an active horse community."

Gratefully, Kim Baierl (Pittsburgh, PA)

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Catering to the Cats of Laurel Park



Katherine O. Rizzo

While Laurel Park was under renovation, horses in training moved to Pimlico Race Course and the Maryland State Fair Race Track at Timonium. The nearly 45 barn cats at Laurel did not, however, make the move. Ruth Stone, a track camera operator on race days who also works for trainer Hugh McMann, along with volunteer Lou Bowling Steinfort, stepped in to care for the cats by building a temporary sanctuary in one of Laurel's empty barns that they named Kitty City. "Normally the people at each barn will feed them and some took their cats with them but most stayed here during the renovations," said Stone.

When the track reopened in early August, Stone and Steinfort returned all the cats to their home barns and, on August 12, they finished breaking down Kitty City.

Stone has been caring for cats at Laurel for the past 12 years and explained that in 2009, the cat population at Laurel Park was at an all time high. She said there "were over 200 cats here, and we started a TNR [trap, neuter, release] program to manage them." Not all the cats were released back at the track, however. Some were adopted or fostered. "I took home four... and now have about 13!" Stone said with a laugh.

Steinfort, a local hunter judge and trainer, became involved in June of 2009 to help with the TNR program and has helped Stone monitor the cat population ever since. The program relies heavily on private donations and it is clearly working. As Stone said, "We haven't had a litter born here for at least five years."

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Chanceland Farm Filly Wins Yearling Show

A Street Sense filly owned by Katharine M. Voss of Chanceland Farm was crowned Grand Champion at the 87th Annual Maryland Horse Breeders Association's Yearling Show, held August 1 at the Timonium Fairgrounds. The filly is out of Belterra, an Unbridled mare, and bred by the late Robert T. Manfuso.

The filly also won Class IV, which is for fillies foaled in Maryland by out of state sires. The yearling was shown by Chanceland's man-

ager Casey Randall and topped 87 yearlings for Grand Championship honors. This year's judge was Gary Contessa, who said, "We all know that on a horse, the engine is in the rear, and she's got like a 400 horsepower engine in that rear end." He added, "She was classy, she had her ears up, she had the shoulders that matched the engine, she just had it all in my opinion."

The Reserve Championship went to Hillwood Stable's homebred filly by Great Notion out of Dearie Be Good by Scrimshaw. This filly also won Class II, which is for fillies foaled in Maryland by Maryland sires.

Great Notion was named leading sire for the show and received the Northview Stallion Station Trophy.

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O'Neil Wins Jumper Championship

McKenna O'Neil of White Hall rode Clasico Z as part of the USHJA Zone 3 team that recently won the Gold Medal at the USHJA Team Championships, held at the Tryon International Equestrian Center Mill Spring, NC on July 10-27. Margaret Maher of Monkton served as one of the chefs d'equipe for the Zone 3 teams.

O'Neil was the only Maryland-resident on the Zone 3 team, as Trey Batts, Pilar Ojeda and Lilly Myers were all from North Carolina.



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Kurt Pluckhohn

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Our full list of Maryland public equestrian trails is on page 21. Here we reveal our readers' top 10 most popular parks.

The Survey

We generated our list of 104 public parks from the Maryland Horse Industry Board's "Maryland Horse Trails" guide, which was last updated in 2014. To that list we added King's Landing Park in Calvert County and the Agricultural History Farm Park in Montgomery County based on survey input, bringing our master list of public equestrian trails in Maryland to 106 parks.

The majority of the people who responded to our survey were from Carroll County (16.8%), followed by Montgomery County (15.8%) and Harford County (9.9%). We also had seven respondents who are not Maryland residents but who nevertheless enjoy our trail system.

Additional Comments

We asked participants for additional comments about their trail riding experiences in Maryland public parks. Responses varied but many of them involved loose dogs and congestion with hikers and people on bikes. Many of these trails are multi-use trails. Our "Trail Etiquette and Safety Guidelines" are on page 24, and we hope they will help equestrians navigate the do's and don'ts of riding on multi-use trails.

Our survey respondents also expressed surprise at how many equestrian trails we have. We hope this issue of *The Equiery* will help spread the word. More information on Maryland's trails and various trails-related links can be found on equiery.com.

Are you up for a state-wide trails challenge? Pack your trailer and load up your horse for *The Equiery's* Trails Challenge. See page 20 for details!

Top 10 Parks for Trail Riding

#1 Fair Hill Natural Resources Management Area



Katherine O. Rizzo

Almost half of our survey respondents have ridden at Fair Hill, making it the top pick on our public trails list. Fair Hill offers 80-miles of trails on over 5,656 acres of preserved land in Cecil County.

The park is managed by the Maryland Department of Natural Resources (DNR) and offers camping sites, overnight stabling, rest rooms with showers, and electric hook up.

Fair Hill is also home to the Cecil County Fair, horse trials, horse shows, steeplechase races, and for the first time next month, the Maryland 5 Star at Fair Hill three-day event.

#2 Patapsco Valley State Park/McKeldin Area



Katherine O. Rizzo

The second most popular park was the McKeldin Area of Patapsco Valley State Park, in Carroll County. The McKeldin Area is where the main branch and south branch of the Patapsco River join

to create rapids along the south branch that can be seen from the Rapid Trail. The rocks in the McKeldin Falls are Baltimore Gneiss and they carbon date to over 1.1 billion years ago, some of the oldest rock outcroppings in our area.

#3 Morgan Run Natural Environment Area



Katie Brown

Morgan Run, also in Carroll County, was the third most popular park in our survey. This park has 11 miles of trails over 1,400 acres, maintained by MHC-member association the Carroll County Equestrian

Council. Morgan Run is a trout catch-and-release area, and some areas are restricted wetlands. Please check the park boards at the trail heads before heading out on the trails.

#4 Gunpowder Falls State Park/Graham Equestrian Center



Graham Equestrian Center

With over 20 miles of trails to explore, this 18,000-acre Baltimore County section of the Gunpowder Falls park, run by Maryland DNR, is number four on our list.

Riders must check in at Graham Equestrian Center (which does not offer trail rides/rentals) in order to use this section of the park.

#5 Gunpowder Falls State Park/Sweet Air



Nicole Martin

The Sweet Air section of Gunpowder Falls State Park straddles the Little Gunpowder Falls between Harford and Baltimore counties. The Sweet Air area offers 18 miles of trails spread over

1,250 acres of natural terrain.

Horseback riding is allowed on all trails in the park except for the Cody Jean and Red Dot Trails.

#6 Rosaryville State Park



Jenna Nulth

Rosaryville State Park in Prince George's County is ranked sixth on our survey. The 982-acre park is managed by Maryland DNR and holds 10 miles of trails. Rosaryville is rich in Maryland history with structures dating back to the original Calvert family.

The park is also home to the Marlborough Horse Trials, hunter paces, fox chasing, and other activities.

#7 Little Bennett Regional Park

Little Bennett Regional Park is run by Montgomery County Parks and was the seventh most popular park in our survey. The park is

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Equiery Readers' Top Park Picks to Trail Ride, continued...



TROT photo

spread over 3,700 acres with over 20 miles of trails. Little Bennett is one of the few parks in Maryland where you can go camping with your horse.

The trails at Little

Bennett range from open fields to wooded paths, taking visitors around a lake and past various historic sites. There are multiple trailer parking areas with access to various trail heads.

#8 Patuxent River State Park/Annapolis Rock Road



Katherine O. Rizzo

Annapolis Rock is on the Howard County side of the Patuxent River State Park. The entire Patuxent River State Park crosses between Howard and Montgomery counties and is 6,700 acres with

over 25 miles of trails. The Annapolis Rock area is approximately 450 acres of varied terrain, including pine plantings, meadow paths, decidu-

ous woods, scrub and second-growth uplands, a floodplain, a pond, and a beaver-created wetland. According to our survey participants, the Howard County section gets more use with 28 people saying they trail ride there as opposed to 15 in the Montgomery County section.

Trail heads can be found from parking areas at Long Corner, Mullinix Mill, Route 94, Hipsley Mill, Howard Chapel and Route 97 road crossings over the river.

#9 Schooley Mill Park



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reported riding there. The park offers a mix of woodland trails and meadow paths as well as a small cross-country jump course, a sand arena and two smaller schooling rings. The park is home to several horse shows including those organized by *Equiery* advertiser Potomac Valley Dressage Association.

#10 Patapsco Valley State Park/Avalon Area



Tracy Adams

The Avalon Area of the Patapsco Valley State Park is located in Baltimore County and rounds out our top 10 list. Maintained by Maryland DNR, the park has 20 miles of trails over 16,043 acres. This

section of Patapsco links to Rockburn Branch Park in Howard County, which has an additional 5 miles of trails to explore.

The Avalon area has picnic shelters, a visitor's center (currently closed for renovation) and access to the Orange Grove area of Patapsco.

For a full list of public parks in Maryland you can trail ride in, see page 21 of this issue!

Don't forget to help protect and maintain our trails by joining one of the MHC trails and open space groups featured on page 18.

Find helpful links about Maryland's trails on equiery.com!

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There are several clubs and associations in Maryland that focus on Maryland's extensive trail systems. These groups maintain equestrian trails, promote equestrian recreational riding, and lobby to protect open space. Below is more information about the Maryland Horse Council's current member organizations that focus on trails and open space.

MHC members are also involved with many other trail riding groups across Maryland. We invite all trail riding organizations to join MHC as association members so that we can do our best to help your organization succeed. Join today at join.mdhorsecouncil.org.

Carroll County Equestrian Council



The Carroll County Equestrian Council (CCEC) was founded in 1984 and has been an MHC member since 1994. CCEC maintains the equestrian trails on public land, including those in Union Mills, Gillis Run, Piney Run, and Morgan Run NEA. They also operate in cooperation with the Carroll County Department of Recreation and Parks and regularly interact with

the Carroll County Bureau of Facilities. One of CCEC's most recent projects was to install a mounting block at the Union Mills Kowomu Trail. CCEC organizes several trail work days throughout the year, and is always looking for volunteers.

CCEC also manages the Carroll County Equestrian Center. The Center has two rings, three miles of trails and cross-country jumps along with features needed for showing such as judges' stands, electricity, bleachers and more.

For more information, please visit <https://carrollcountyequestriancouncil.org> or email cccofmd@yahoo.com.

Chesapeake Plantation Walking Horse Club



The primary mission of the Chesapeake Plantation Walking Horse Club is to "promote the versatility of the flat-shod Tennessee Walking Horse for pleasure and competition." The club offers monthly trail rides, parades, demonstrations, horse shows, clinics, parties, and fun. Members do not have to ride

Tennessee Walking Horses, and the club welcomes all breed and gaits! CPWHC is a member organization with yearly dues that help cover costs of monthly newsletters and liability insurance for all club-sponsored activities. They have been a member of MHC since 1993.

The club had to put most of its activities on hold during the COVID-19 pandemic but is currently developing an activities calendar for this fall and into the coming year.

For more information, please contact Jacquie Cowan at richardcowan10@comcast.net or 410-215-4979.

Equestrian Partners in Conservation



Equestrian Partners in Conservation (EPIC) is dedicated to "preserv[ing] the equestrian heritage and rural character of Montgomery County by conserving and protecting [its] natural resources." EPIC works with landowners, developers, and county government to establish trail agreements, create easements, and conserve land. It also educates the community about the value of the Agricultural Reserve and monitors county zoning activity.

EPIC has been a MHC member since 2011, and is currently participating in MHC's Task Force on the Shared Use of Public Land.

For more information, please visit www.epicmontgomery.org or email info@epicmontgomery.org.

League of Maryland Horsemen



The League of Maryland Horsemen, Inc., (LOMH) is a 501(c)(7) non-profit, member-owned, horse enthusiast social club with a six-acre campground located in Marriottsville. LOMH's headquarters borders the 1,600 acre Patapsco State Park and is open year-round to members and their guests.

LOMH offers guided trail rides, camping facilities, bathrooms, showers, tie lines, portable corrals, electrical outlets, and a clubhouse that accommodates 250 people. LOMH members

may also hold social activities such as dances and parties in the pavilion attached to the clubhouse. LOMH also issues a monthly newsletter to keep its members up to date on club activities.

LOMH was founded on June 21, 1950 and currently boasts more than 700 members. It has been an MHC member since 2017.

For more information, visit www.leagueofmarylandhorsemen.com or email lomhmembership@gmail.com

Maryland Equestrian Foundation & Rosaryville Conservancy



The Maryland Equestrian Foundation was created in 1988 to promote recreation, sports, and athletics in Upper Marlboro. They partner with the Rosaryville Conservancy, Inc., which is a 501(c)(3) charity, and together with DNR, they manage the Mount Airy Mansion and Rosaryville State Park. The park is 982 acres of woodland and open space used for fox chasing, horse trials, paper chases, and more. The park

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also offer 10 miles of multi-use trails. Maryland Equestrian Foundation and the Rosaryville Conservancy have been MHC members since 1993.

One of the founding members of the Rosaryville Conservancy is Dorothy Troutman, who was also a founding member of MHC. Troutman played a significant role in preserving Upper Marlboro open space and in creating the Prince George's Equestrian Center. To learn more about Dorothy Troutman's decades of preservation efforts, read "Dorothy Troutman: The Lady of Upper Marlboro" on equiery.com.

For more information visit https://mountairymansion.org/rosaryville_State_Park.html or <https://dnr.maryland.gov/publiclands/Pages/southern/Rosaryville/Mount-Airy-Mansion.aspx>

Trail Riders of Today



In 1980, 22 Maryland horseback riders came together to save the Paint Branch Stream Valley on the Montgomery County/Prince George's County line. By 1997, the group had evolved into Trail Riders of Today (TROT), a 501(c)(3) nonprofit dedicated to preserving existing equestrian trails and establishing new ones. TROT has been an MHC member since 1998.

TROT partners with local organizations, state government agencies, land developers, and private organizations to maintain, preserve and promote open space and equestrian-use trails. TROT hosts clinics, work

groups, public forums and mounted rides throughout the year. All levels of riders are welcome on all types of horses.

For more information, please visit <https://trot-md.org/> or email trotactivity@yahoo.com.

Tuckahoe Equestrian Center



The Tuckahoe Equestrian Center (TEC) is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization on the Eastern Shore, located in the heart of the Tuckahoe State Park. The 4,000-acre park spans parts of both Caroline and Queen Anne's Counties and contains about 15 miles of trails. TEC's mission is to actively promote all equestrian activities, and offers trail riding, jousting, driving, parades, and other activities.

The Center includes several stalls, a clubhouse, a picnic area, an arena, and a jousting path. Overnight camping is available for members. TEC also offers an annual "Celebration of the Horse" weekend, which introduces hundreds of community members to horses.

TEC was founded in 1992 and has been a member of MHC since 1999. To learn more about Tuckahoe Equestrian Center, read "Tuckahoe's Trail Ambassadors" on equiery.com.

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Maryland's Equestrian Trails & Parks

Did you know that Maryland is home to over 100 public parks that have equestrian-use trails? With parks in all 23 counties in Maryland, the variety of trail options for horseback riders is endless. Riders can splash along the beaches of Assateague Island or head into the mountains of Western Maryland or take a leisurely hack along open fields.

On these pages is a list of public parks put together by the Maryland Horse Industry Board/Maryland Department of Agriculture. To find out which of these parks are the most popular to trail ride in, turn to page 15 of this issue! Want to get involved in preserving and maintaining these wonderful trails? Turn to page 18 for a list of Maryland Horse Council member organizations that specialize in trails and open space.

ALLEGANY COUNTY

C&O Canal / 150 mi. / 12,000 acres

Great Allegheny Passage / 7 mi.

Green Ridge SF / 46,000 acres / equestrian camping; primitive

ANNE ARUNDEL

Kinder Farm Park / 3 mi. / 288 acres

Patuxent Wildlife Research Center - North Track / 20 mi. / 12,800 acres

BALTIMORE COUNTY

Gunpowder Falls SP (Graham Equestrian Center) / 20+ mi. / 18,000 acres

Loch Raven Reservoir / miles vary / 1,600 acres

Patapsco Valley SP (Avalon Area) / 20mi. / 16,043 acres / links to Rockburn Branch Park (Howard County)

Prettyboy Reservoir / miles vary / 73,080 acres

Torrey C. Brown Trail / 21 mi. / 18,000 acres

CALVERT COUNTY

Calvert Cliffs SP / 6 mi. / 1,313 acres

Biscoe Gray Heritage Farm (permit required) / miles vary

King's Landing Park (permit required) / miles vary

CAROLINE COUNTY

Idylwild WMA / 10 mi. / 3,800 acres

Tuckahoe SP / 20 mi. / 3,000 acres

CARROLL COUNTY

Gillis Falls / 4 mi. / 1,117 acres

Liberty Reservoir / 15+ mi. / 3,100 acres

Morgan Run NEA / 11 mi. / 1,400 acres

Patapsco Valley SP (McKeldin Area) / 80 mi. / 16,043 acres

Piney Run Reservoir / 4 mi. / 550 acres

Union Mills Reservoir Trails / 8 mi. / 1,044 acres

CECIL COUNTY

Bethel MHA (free non-hunting permit required) / miles vary / 400 acres

C&D Canal Trail (trailer parking in Del.) / 16

mi. / 7,500 acres

Court House Point MHA (free non-hunting permit required) / miles vary / 315 acres

Elk Forest MHA (free non-hunting permit required) / miles vary / 242 acres

Elk Neck SF / 14 mi. / 3,300 acres

Fair Hill NRMA / 80 mi. / 5,656 acres / equestrian camping; rest rooms, showers, electric

Grove Neck MHA (free non-hunting permit required) / miles vary

Stemmers Run MHA (free non-hunting permit required) / miles vary / 750 acres

Welch Point MHA (free non-hunting permit required) / miles vary / 77 acres

CHARLES COUNTY

Doncaster Demo SF / 13 mi. / 1,823 acres

Friendship Farm Park / 6 mi. / 382 acres

Maxwell Hall Park Equestrian Area (permit required) / 14 mi. / 692 acres

Myrtle Grove WMA / 10+ mi. / 1,723 acres

Oak Ridge Park / 7 mi. / 173 acres

DORCHESTER COUNTY

Lewis Complex / miles vary / 1,594 acres

Marshyhope Complex / miles vary / 3,408 acres

FREDERICK COUNTY

C&O Canal / 150 mi. / 12,000 acres

Catoctin Mountain National Park / 6 mi. / 5,770 acres / links to Frederick City Watershed CWMA

Frederick City Watershed CWMA / 13mi. / 7,000 acres / links to Gambrill SP

Gambrill SP / 16 mi. / 1,137 acres / links to Frederick City Watershed CWMA

Monocacy NRMA / 9 mi. / 1,800 acres / links to Sugarloaf Mountain

Sugarloaf Mountain / 7 mi. / 3,300 acres / links to Monocacy NRMA

GARRETT COUNTY

Garrett SF / 25 mi. / 7,000 acres / equestrian

camping; primitive

Herrington Manor SP / 8 mi. / 365 acres

Potomac SF / 25 mi. / 11,535 acres

Savage River SF / 20+ mi. / 54,000 acres

HARFORD COUNTY

Gunpowder Falls SP (Sweet Air) / 18 mi. / 1,250 acres

Susquehanna SP / 15 mi. / 2,639 acres

HOWARD COUNTY

Living Farm Heritage Museum / 6 mi. / 400 acres

Patuxent River SP (Annapolis Rock Rd.) / 25+ mi. / 6,700 acres

Rockburn Branch Park / 5+ mi. / 415 acres / links to Patapsco Valley SP (Avalon Area)

Schooley Mill Park / 5 mi. / 192 acres

Western Regional Park / 2mi. / 190 acres

KENT COUNTY

Millington WMA / 10 mi. / 4,000 acres

Sassafras NRMA / 8 mi. / 1,000 acres / links to Turner's Creek Park

Turner's Creek Park / 2 mi. / 147 acres / links to Sassafras NRMA

MONTGOMERY COUNTY

Agricultural History Farm Park / 5 mi. / 455 acres

C&O Canal / 150 mi. / 12,000 acres
Patuxent River SP (Route 97) / 25+ mi. / 6,700 acres

Black Hill Regional Park / 10+ mi. / 1,800 acres

Blockhouse Point / 2 mi. / 630 acres / links to C&O Canal

Blue Mash Trail / 4 mi. / 550 acres / links to Agricultural History Farm Park

Breezy Loop Trail / 6 mi.

Dry Seneca Trail / 9 mi. / links to Seneca Ridge Trail

Fairland Recreational Park / 5 mi. / 322 acres

Maryland's Equestrian Trails & Parks

Little Bennett Regional Park / 20+ mi. / 3,700 acres / equestrian camping: primitive, showers available offsite

Magruder Branch Trail / 7 mi. / 404 acres / links to Seneca Creek Greenway

McKee Beshers WMA / 10 mi. / 2,000 acres / links to C&O Canal

Northwest Branch Trail / 4 mi. / 700 acres / links to Wheaton Regional Park

Rachael Carson Conservation Park / 6+ mi. / 650 acres

Rocky Gorge - Terry Ledley Trail (WSSC permit required) / 18 mi. / 773 acres

Schaeffer Farm Park MHA / 12 mi. / 850 acres / links to Seneca Ridge Trail

Seneca Creek Greenway Trail / 8 mi. / links to Magruder Branch

Seneca Ridge Trail / 6 mi. / links to Schaeffer Farm MHA

Tridelphia Trail (WSSC permit required) / 4 mi. / 800 acres

Underground Railroad Trail / 2 mi.

Upper Rock Creek Trail / 3 mi.

Wheaton Regional Park / 5 mi. / 536 acres

Woodstock Equestrian Park / 14 mi. / 872 acres

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY

Anacostia Tributary Trail System / 10+ mi.

Baltimore Washington Annapolis Trail (Prince George's section) / 6 mi.

Cedarville SF / 20 mi. / 3,510 acres / equestrian camping: restroom, showers

Cosca Regional Park / 5 mi. / 690 acres

Fairland Recreational Park / 5 mi. / 150 acres / links to Montgomery Fairland Recreational Park

Henson Creek Trail / 6 mi.

Jug Bay Natural Area / 8 mi. / 2,000 acres

Merkle Wildlife Sanctuary / 7 mi. / 1670 acres

Rocky Gorge - Terry Ledley Trail (WSSC permit required) / 18 mi. / 773 acres

Rosaryville SP / 10 mi. / 982 acres

Watkins Regional Park / 8 mi. / 864 acres

QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY

Conquest Preserve / 1.5 mi. / 300 acres

Price Creek Environmental Area (Nemo Trail) / 2+ mi. / 300 acres

SOMERSET COUNTY

E. Mace Smith Complex / miles vary / 1,708 acres

Haislip Marumsco Complex / miles vary / 1,379 acres

Peters McAllen Complex / miles vary / 934 acres

Wells Complex / miles vary / 1,915 acres

ST. MARY'S COUNTY

Greenwell SP / 5 mi. / 596 acres

St. Mary's River SP / 8 mi. / 2,200 acres

Three Notch Trail / 28 mi.

TALBOT COUNTY

Wye Island NRMA / 6 mi. / 2,450 acres

WASHINGTON COUNTY

Antietam National Battlefield / 8 mi. / 2,740 acres

C&O Canal / 150 mi. / 12,000 acres

Indian Springs WMA (closed April 15 to August 1) / miles vary / 6,400 acres

WICOMICO COUNTY

Aughty Naughty Complex / miles vary / 1,265 acres

Greenhill Complex / miles vary / 3,312 acres

Wicomico Forest Complex / miles vary / 3,503 acres

WORCESTER COUNTY

Assateague Island National Seashore / miles vary / 39,600 acres / equestrian camping: rest rooms, showers

Cordery Tract / miles vary / 625 acres

Dunn Swamp Complex / miles vary / 1,154 acres

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Tips for Hikers, Cyclists & Equestrians

As temperatures in Maryland begin to cool off over the next several weeks, more of us will be spending time outside enjoying Maryland's extensive multi-use trail systems. With miles and miles to choose from in every county of the State, trail riding is a great way to see Maryland's diverse topography and ecosystems.

Before heading out on the trails, it is important to keep in mind safety for both you and your horse, as well as the other trail users you may encounter. Below is a brief guide to Trail Etiquette & Safety produced by the Maryland Horse Council's Trails & Greenways Committee.

For a list of public parks in Maryland with equestrian use trails, see page 21 of this issue!

General Guidelines & Safety Tips

Before you go out on the trails, familiarize yourself with your destination by checking out online maps, available facilities, and parking for cars and trailers. Make sure that your destination area is open. Make sure you know if you will be on public or private land. NEVER enter private land without the owner's permission, and ALWAYS stay off planted cropland. If you are going out alone, tell someone your planned route.

- **Respect the Trails:** Clean up litter (pack out what is packed in), protect the trail environment, e.g. do not remove things that belong on the trails or blaze new trails.

- **Look and Listen:** Become the eyes and ears of the trail system. Report problems, e.g. washed-out bridges or downed trees and debris, to the park's maintenance system.

- **Maintain the Trails:** Give back to the trails you use by getting involved with trail maintenance. See page 18 for a list of Maryland Horse Council member organizations that relate to trails and open space.

- **Share the Trails:** Cyclists yield to all other trail users and hikers yield to equestrians.

- **Be Courteous:** On crowded trails, proceed single file.

- **Keep Things Moving:** Slower traffic should keep to the right of the

trail; faster users pass on the left.

- **Keep Things Clear:** Do not pass on narrow bends. Pass only when you can clearly see the trail and traffic approaching from the opposite direction.

- **No Surprises:** When passing other trail users, provide adequate warning, and reduce speed.

- **Watch Out:** Animals on the trails may act unexpectedly. If you are unsure about approaching someone with a horse or dog, ask the handler/rider for guidance. If you are using trails on land where hunting is permitted, check the hunting season calendar maintained by the Department of Natural Resources.

- **Watch Your Step:** Tread gently when the trails are muddy; footprints, bicycle ruts, and hoofprints can damage the trails.

- **Watch Your Volume:** If you choose to wear a stereo/headphone set, make sure that the volume neither prevents you from hearing what is happening around you, nor disturbs the other trail users.

- **Help Others:** If you come upon an injured rider (horse or bicycle), get help immediately. If you come upon a riderless horse, do not approach the horse if you are uncomfortable with horses. Seek professional help. If you choose to approach the horse, speak softly to let it know you are there. Do not chase it. Approach it from the side.

- **Lock Your Vehicles:** Be sure to lock your tow vehicles and trailer to avoid possible thefts from parked vehicles while you are riding.

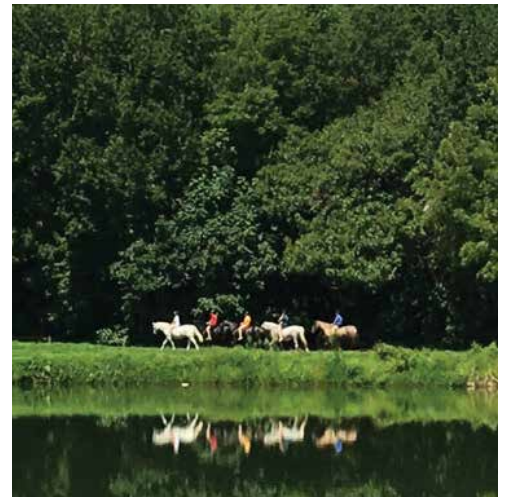
Additional Etiquette for Hikers/Joggers

- Always yield to equestrians. If you see a horse and rider, say "hello" in a calm, reassuring manner so the horse does not startle.

- If you wish to approach a horse, ask the rider for guidance. If you are with a child when you come upon a horse, hold the child's hand and stay toward the front (but not directly in front) of the horse. Do not approach a horse from behind. Most equestrians will gladly let you and your children pet their horses, but always ask permission first.

- When hiking/jogging with a dog, obey posted leash regulations. Keep a short leash on your dog when passing (or being passed by) horses, cy-

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MHC Trail Etiquette & Safety Guidelines, continued...

clists, or other pedestrians. Remember that other users may be frightened by your dog, and be unsure how to pass safely.

Additional Etiquette for Cyclists

- Approach and pass other trail users with care. You are obligated to yield to all other trail users.
- When approaching from behind, announce yourself (and the number of other cyclists in your group) well in advance so that you do not startle other trail users, especially horses.
- Reduce speed in order to pass safely. Pass horses far to the left to avoid unintentional contact.
- Red ribbons in a horse's tail are an indication that it may kick if approached too closely from behind.
- Should your approach cause a horse to spook or become frightened, be considerate and stop. Wait for the rider to say that it is okay to pass.
- Stay on trails approved for bicycles.
- Obey posted speed limits and use common sense in crowded areas.
- Approach blind curves with caution and assume someone is coming in the opposite direction.
- Use the appropriate hand signals for turning, stopping, etc.

Additional Etiquette for Equestrians

- Be sure your horse has the temperament and training for riding on congested public trails. Busy multi-use trails are not the proper place for

schooling green horses.

- Advise other trail users of your horse's temperament, e.g. a horse with a tendency to kick should always wear a red ribbon in the tail, or a stallion should wear a yellow ribbon. Young horses often wear green ribbons. Assume that not everyone will know what these ribbons mean, so be prepared to explain or take the necessary precautions to avoid trouble.
- Obey posted speed/gait limits, and use common sense in crowded areas (cantering/galloping on crowded trails endangers everyone).
- Remove your horse from the trail if you begin experiencing behavior problems.
- Stay on equestrian approved trails.
- As a courtesy to others in your group, use appropriate hand signals for turning, slowing, etc. and give verbal warnings for dangers on the trail (e.g., holes, low branches, etc.)
- Remember that other trail users may not be familiar with horses or their reactions to new experiences. Your horse may be another trail user's introduction to horses and what you do is a reflection on the local horse community. Cheerfully answer questions about your horse. You are an ambassador for the entire equestrian community.
- If you trailer to a location, do not clean out your trailer in the parking area. Pack your manure out in your trailer.
- On multiple-use trails, step off the trail (if possible) if your horse needs to relieve himself, or kick the droppings off the trail.

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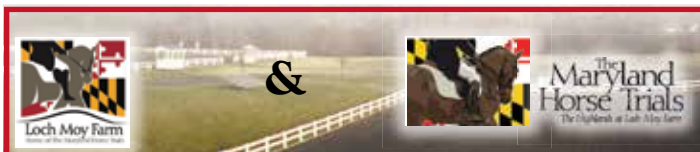


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Maryland Riders Prepare for the 63rd Edition of the WASHINGTON INTERNATIONAL HORSE SHOW presented by MARS Equestrian™



By Kara Pinato Scro / Jump Media

For more than half a century, the Washington International Horse Show has showcased the top hunter and jumper talent in the country, including Maryland's elite and upcoming riders, and has attracted countless fans of all ages. This year, WIHS presented by MARS Equestrian™ will take place once again at Tryon International Equestrian Center (TIEC) in Mill Spring, NC, to ensure a safe and successful event amid COVID-19, before returning home to the Washington, DC, area in 2022.

Beginning Tuesday, October 26, and running through Sunday, October 31, WIHS will have six days and three nights of competition, but in a departure from the usual format, it will take place in two rings rather than one—Tryon Stadium and the Grand Hunter Ring—and will offer more classes and increased prize money.

Watch Marylanders Take Center Stage

As of August 6, a number of Maryland riders are at the top of the WIHS rankings. Kingsbury and Ava Berman of Baltimore sit in an impressive third place in the Children's Hunter standings, Mahalo and Kathryn King of New Market rank fourth in the Adult Hunters, and Dedwig and Perri Freeman of Ellicott City round out the top 12 of a strong group of Adult Jumpers.

While fans will be welcome free of charge at Tryon, those not able to make the trip can cheer on their friends and favorite riders on the WIHS Live Stream presented by MARS Equestrian™ on USEF Network, and FEI TV. Both rings will be streamed live. If you do make it down, in addition to the great competition, you can enjoy both VIP hospitality and shopping.

New Events for Exhibitors and Spectators

New this year for WIHS junior and amateur competitors is a full Medium Junior/Amateur-Owner Jumper division, as well as Welcome classes for all Children's and Adult Hunter and Jumper riders.

The highlight class of the week, the Longines FEI Jumping World Cup™ Washington CSI4*-W for the President's Cup presented by MARS Equestrian™, will offer the largest purse in its history at \$215,000. The \$404,500 FEI division also includes Thursday's Accumulator and Welcome Stake, and Friday's Speed Final and Puissance.

Increased FEI ranking points will be offered and 50 international riders will be accepted to guarantee excitement in daytime and classes under the lights in Tryon Stadium.

Equitation's Best of the Best

The three-phase WIHS Equitation Finals—and the WIHS Pony Equitation Finals

presented by Huntland—have long been a cornerstone of the horse show. This year, riders who qualified for the WIHS Equitation Finals will be judged by five-time Olympian and two-time Olympic silver medalist Anne Kursinski, as well as renowned judges Ralph Caristo, Sissy Wickes, and Callan Solem.

Treasured Traditions with a Twist

The final event of show week falls on Halloween and will feature the new WIHS Halloween Hunt Teams for pony hunter riders, with teams of three going all out with costumes for both ponies and riders.

Local-Area Juniors Help Bring the Show to Life

The WIHS Junior Committee, sponsored by Signature Academics and comprised of Maryland, Virginia, and D.C.-area-based youth, have been integral in putting on this event. This talented group of teens has generated interest through social media, community partnerships, and fan engagement activities at both TIEC and at the WIHS Regional Show at Morven Park International Equestrian Center in Leesburg, VA.

Whether in person or following along from home this year, WIHS has an impressive lineup of classes, events, and entertainment for everyone.

For the full 2021 WIHS schedule, visit: <https://wihs.org/event-schedule/>

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Todd Minikus and Amex Z were winners of the 2020 Longines FEI Jumping World Cup™ Washington CSI4*-W for the President's Cup presented by MARS Equestrian™. This win promotes Todd to an elite group of riders who have won the President's Cup three times. His previous wins were in 2001 with Thrilling and 2009 with Alaska.

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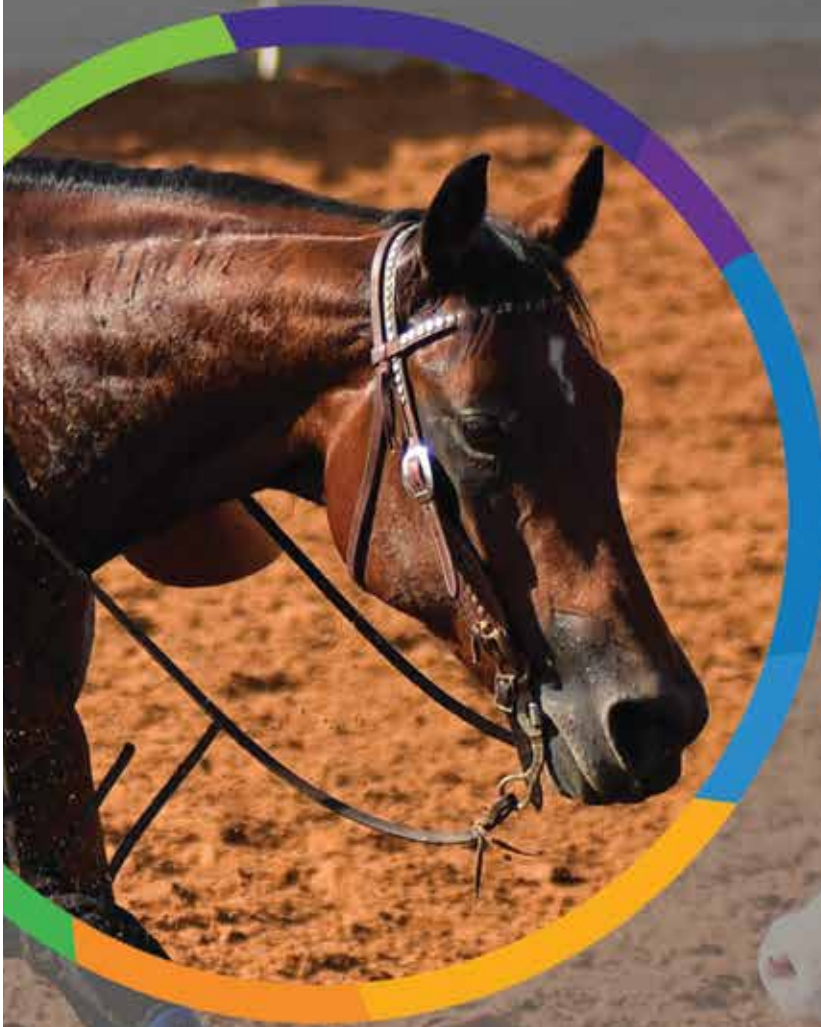


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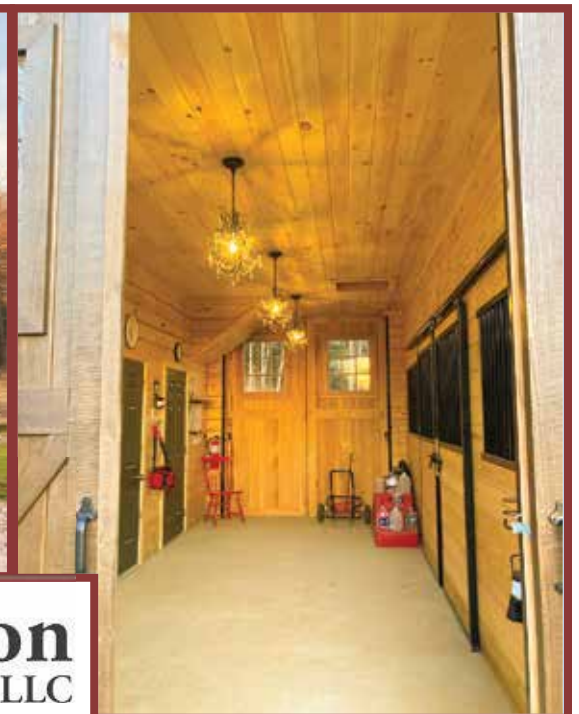
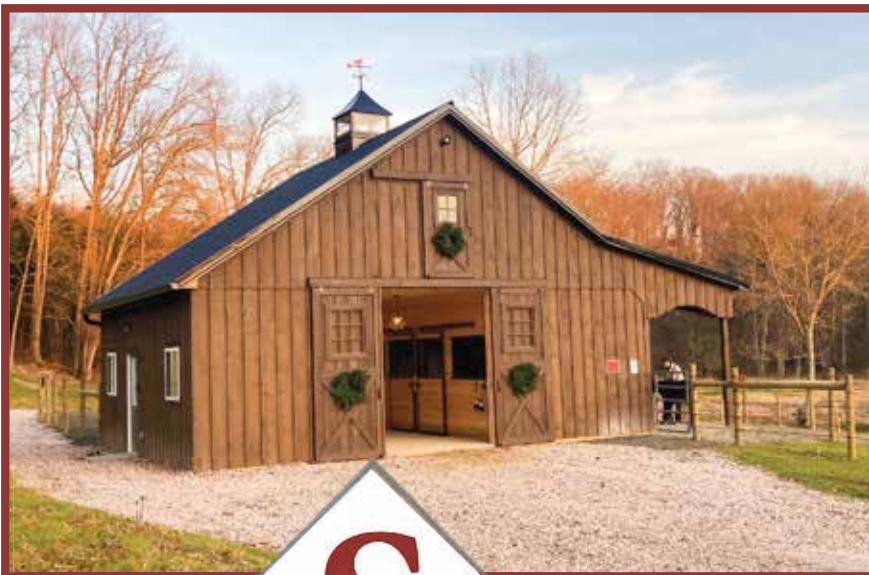
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Hila Weaver

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Karen A. Callahan with niece Jennifer and nephew Matthew riding Smoke at the Talbot County Fair on July 10.



Mason Platzke of Preston won the Professional Class at the National Hall of Fame Joust held this past June in Mt. Solon, VA.



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Bri Villegas and her Quarter Horse gelding Whizard of Dreams competed in the North American Reining Stakes this past July.



Safe Haven riders at McDonogh School's July show. From left: Paisley Upton, Brielle Francia, trainer Tina Snyder, Alyssa Sands and Lois Baccellieri.



Stacy Youliss

Lynn Skillman Gulley rode Midnight at the Mounted Archery competition held on July 9 in Yellowstone National Park.



Tiffany Wandy and CV Outlaw on the Modified cross-country course at the MDHT I in July.

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Heather Greenstone trail riding in Rachael Carson Conservation Park in Montgomery County.



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Scarlet Davies of Monkton competed Karamba WH at Lake Placid in New York.



Mary Beth Davis and Diamond's Dashin placed second in the In Hand class at the July 11 Thurmont Riding Club show.



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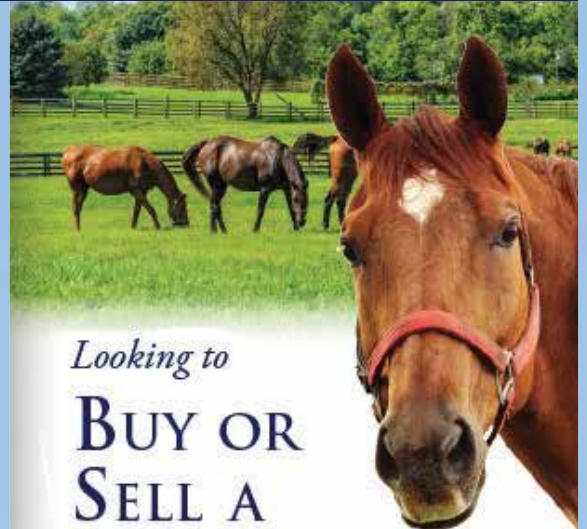
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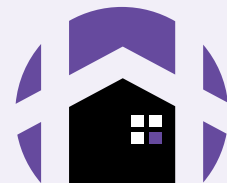
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Mostly mature woods with trails, 20 +/- acres of pastures/productive hay fields, surrounded by other Agricultural Preservation properties/parcels, and protected from most any additional residential development. Bank barn has had considerable restoration work and has recently been used for horses. It offers 4+ stalls, hot water, electric, tack room and large grooming area. Several run-in sheds provide shelter in the separate paddock areas. Much of the property is board fenced.

Located in the Glenwood area, just minutes from Routes 97 and 32, 170, Cattail Creek Country Club, restaurants and shopping. This is not a drive-by property and is best appreciated by enjoying a private tour. MDHW2002974 \$2,300,000



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Silhouette is an Oldenburg by **Scimitar** and out of **Roulette**. He is owned by Elena Victoria and was bred by Kathleen Jackson.



The Oldenburg mare **Cover Girl** is by **Contucci** and out of **Blackberry Brandy**. She is owned by Natalie DiBerrardinis and bred by Janice Barnes.



This adorable Warmblood filly, called **Gigi** around the barn, is by **Grand Galaxy Win** out of **Hofrat**. Owned by Emmaline Count and bred by Nancy Holowesko, her registered name is **La Loire**.



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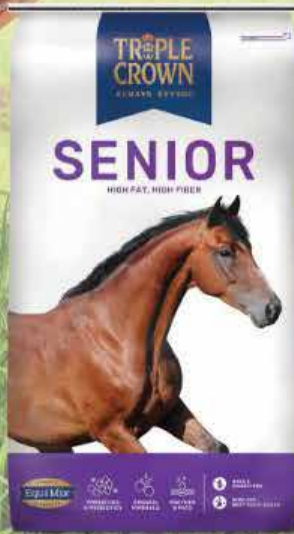
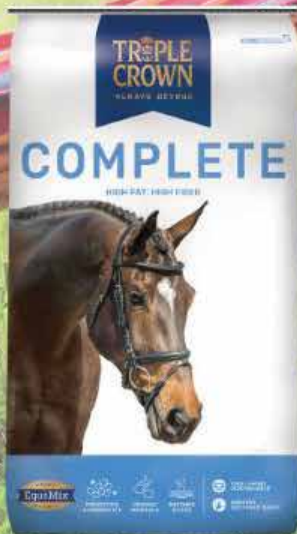
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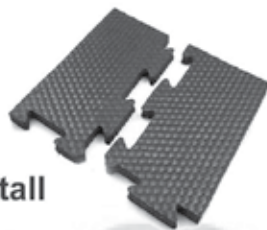
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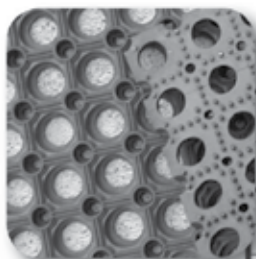
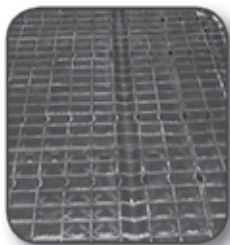
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