

# EQUINE LINE



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## *New Beginnings Farm: A Fresh Start for All Who Have a Passion*

As visitors traverse the northern end of Breeze Hill Road, they will witness the uprising of housing developments that have become all too familiar to our Orange County landscape. As their vehicles turn the first corner in the road, their eyes may gaze upon the splendor of the rolling paddocks that are peppered with the Standardbred horses belonging to New Beginnings Farm.

### **Farm History**

New Beginnings Farm is a privately-owned and operated farm located on approximately 51 acres on Breeze Hill Road in the hamlet of New Hampton. For the past three and a half years, this farm-site has been home to the partnership of Raymond and Alice Allen and Brent Schlossberg. The three-barn complex houses thirty five animals that have access to turnout facilities. The barns feature 38 stalls and the grounds boast eight sizable turnout paddocks and six spacious fields for pasturing. Of the 35 horses that roam the lea of New Beginnings, all are brood mares and foals, yearlings, layups, or youngsters in training.

Behind the scenes, the partnership shares a long history in the harness racing industry. Ray Allen has been a part of the Standardbred world since 1977. Starting as a groomsmen for his uncle, the late Carl Allen, Ray labored through his chosen vocation to gain the skills and abilities needed to train horses that have earned their place in the history books at the Goshen Historic Track and the Harness Racing Hall of Fame. He currently holds driving and training licenses and has worked his way to earnings of well over \$1.5 million with over 270 purse starts.

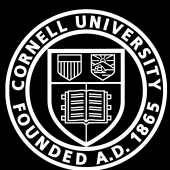


Alice and Ray officially joined their talents in matrimony and in the paddocks in 1987. Alice brought her lifelong talents and extensive experiences of horsemanship and enthusiasm for the welfare and well being of each animal to

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the stables that the couple would work in. From the start she cared for the four trotters that she and Ray owned, providing very detailed attention to their needs and what made them tick. Her upfront honesty and willingness to give to benefit others developed into a passion for seeing each animal perform at its best, naturally, and would become a long-term goal that she continues to advocate for.

Brent Schlossberg connected with the Allen duo as partial owners in the farm venture and the horses in which the farm has invested in. Brent has always held harness racing close to his heart. He drove sulkies when Monticello Raceway was in its heyday. Now Brent returns to the sport as a horse owner who believes in the integrity of the industry and the love of the athletes who train, drive and compete in the sport.

### **What Lies Beyond the Farm Gate**

Since the first time that I stepped foot on the farm, the words 'New Beginnings' has become more to me than just the farm's name. It has become what the farm expresses in its respect, compassion, and passion for all who pass through its gates. The personal stories of those whose lives have been touched by the Allen's; the horses, the trainers, the drivers, owners, the youth who have lived and worked there; they all have an extraordinary story of courage and a desire to achieve and succeed.

One such story begins with two young sisters who emigrated from Russia. Among the difficulties of transitioning to America and learning a new language, these young ladies found themselves at home in the stables operated by Ray and Alice. The couple opened their arms and hearts to accept these young ladies and to make them feel at home. The surroundings the couple offered the girls felt familiar to them because of their experiences in Russia. Currently, with adjustments that the siblings made through the passionate efforts of Ray, Alice and their harness racers, these young ladies are now successfully navigating through college.

Another heart-felt situation occurred when a young lady that came from a troubled childhood happened upon the couple. Abuse of unimaginable levels forced this youngster to seek refuge in a loving home; one that did not judge her and that offered her peace and sanctuary from her hellish situation. With open arms and compassion for humanity, the Allen's offered this young lady the opportunity to regain her self-respect and dignity. They did not shelter her or offer her the ability to wish ill-will upon her past, but they encouraged her to live for her future and to appreciate places and people that she found she could trust.

After listening to about nine more youth who have called the Allen's stables their "second home", the story continues to unfold as I learned of Ray and Alice's own fight with personal tragedy. Health issues had once threatened the livelihood of the couple who began this venture together so many years ago. With their faith in God and the attention of the skilled doctors, the couple has overcome the odds and continues to share their passion for the horses, the farm, and the harness racing industry that they fell in love with as children.

### **Where Has This Gotten Them?**

As for the accomplishment of the combined talents and resources of the New Beginnings Farm owners and trainers, I will let the records speak for themselves!

2008 Annual New York Sires Stakes: 2-year old Trotting Colt Never Missed; Breeder: Patrick Tarsio, Owner: Raymond Allen and Brent Schlossberg; Trainer: Raymond Allen.

2004 Saratoga Harness Horseman's Association Annual Awards: 2-year old pacer Pat's All Star: 2 - 2-0-0 - \$27,803 - 1.56.3; Owner Patrick Tarsio; Trainer: Raymond Allen. (As a 2-year old, Pat's All Star earned a race record of 1:54.2 in his first year of racing.)

In 2008, one of their home-bred trotters even set the record at Saratoga Raceway, but when all is said and done, the intangible changes and accomplishments make the difference. The paycheck at the end of the day or the place you finished in a race does not really matter, just the fact that you could rise and experience the day and life in all its splendor does.

## *Lyme Disease in Horses*

*By Judy Van Put. Source: Country Folks, November 2008*

Lyme disease is caused by bacterial spirochete *Borrelia burgdorferi* and is transmitted by deer ticks. The name Lyme disease comes from the first diagnosis in man, in 1975, in Lyme, Connecticut. Lyme disease affects humans and a number of domestic animals including dogs, cattle, sheep and horses.

Symptoms that indicate the possibility of Lyme disease are somewhat vague and non-specific – the horse doesn't act "right" and is "ouchy" and doesn't feel good. He exhibits stiffness in his gait and acts lazy. He'll walk slowly, be lethargic and sore. Another complication of the disease can be laminitis or founder.



Laminitis is an inflammation in the sensitive laminae of the horse's foot – the area that connects the bone to the hoof wall. Laminitis can develop from a number of causes, such as when a horse is eating grass that is too rich (or too much rich grass at once); an overload of grain, and stress - even from the overgrowth of the feet. Laminitis can be a result of long-term Lyme disease.

The best way of determining if a horse has Lyme disease is by testing the blood. Actually, two tests – a blood titer and a Western Blot test. The blood titer will yield a positive result if the horse has Lyme disease but will also show positive if the horse has been exposed to the disease but did not succumb to it. This is the reason for the second test, Western Blot. It will only indicate positive if the horse has the disease.

Once a horse is diagnosed with Lyme disease, antibiotic treatment is necessary. Generally, the horse will be on antibiotics for a month's time, but it should only take a few days for it to respond and begin to feel better. The antibiotic of choice is Doxycycline, which is in the tetracycline family, because it is in pill form – actually, sugar-coated tablets which, when mixed in with sweet feed, are usually consumed readily. The other antibiotics used, Amoxycillin or Penicillin, are injections – which can become difficult to administer daily for a month's time.

Side effects that may occur from the Doxycycline seem to be limited to diarrhea. After stopping the medication, however, the side effects cease in a day or two.

If the horse has contracted Lyme disease and is left untreated, the disease progresses to where it can infect the kidneys and the heart, and the joint problems (soreness) won't go away. The horse becomes lame for the rest of its life. One problem with Lyme disease is that it has such a long incubation period; symptoms might not become apparent for months.

There are no known sure-fire Lyme vaccines for horses; horse owners need to be vigilant and watchful in the care of their charges. A horse that exhibits lethargy, achiness and unwillingness to move is suspect; however, it is not an intermittent symptom.

In the blood test exposure studies it was revealed that 50-70 percent of our northern horses have been exposed and infected with Lyme bacteria at some point in their lives!

The time frame from the moment of attachment until the transference of the bacterium takes 24-48 hours. Therefore, it is important to groom your horses daily especially from late summer through early winter, as this is the time period of the most active feeding of the Lyme-carrying ticks.

Although ticks can attach themselves on any part of the horse's body, the most preferred areas are at the base of the tail, around the head and neck, mane, ear canals and lower legs. Since the ticks are quite small in relation to the horse's large body, it becomes a daunting task, to say the

least. Use of insecticidal agents or anti-tick chemicals can be very helpful – consult with your veterinarian for recommendations.

## *Shave and a Haircut: Teaching Your Horse to Stand for Clipping*

*By Darlene M. Cox*

*Source: Daily Equine*

If you have been around horses for any length of time, you have probably encountered a horse that will not tolerate being clipped. Perhaps the horse believes those noisy, tingly clippers to be a horse-eating monster or perhaps the world's largest horsefly. Regardless, he's going to have none of it! Further attempts of clipping a horse that is fearful can be dangerous for you and him.

If you have a horse that is not comfortable with your hand touching his ears, face, legs, etc., you've got a horse that will not tolerate clippers. You want your horse to be comfortable and relaxed as you clip him; worry free and without a care. But how do you get there? As with many other training methods, you need to desensitize your horse to the sight, sound, and feel of the clippers.

The following steps will enable you to accomplish clipping your horse safely:

- ◆ If your horse does not like its ears, head, face, muzzle, eyes or legs touched, you must first get him to accept your hands on him before you will ever be able to get him to accept the clippers. Once you have him accepting your touch without any resistance, you can then introduce the clippers.
- ◆ With the clippers turned off, let your horse see, smell, and touch them. Wave them around in front of his face. Let him get used to seeing them in your hand. Rub them on his neck and then move up to his head, around the jaw and then move them up to his ears, eyes and muzzle. Take the clippers down to his legs. Starting at the elbow, rub them down the leg to the fetlock.
- Once he stands calmly as you rub the clippers over his body as they are turned off, you can move on to the next step.
- ◆ Stand by your horse's head and turn the clippers on. Let him get used to the sound. Turn them off and on. Wave the humming clippers around front of his face to let him see the movement and hear the clippers as they move from one position to the next. If he reach-



es out to inspect them, let him; but make sure he doesn't put his nose on the blade end.

Move the clippers toward his ears, letting him hear the sound close up. He may lift his head higher to move away from the sound, but when he drops his head turn off the clippers and pat him, speak softly to him to reward him. It may take a while to get him used to having the clippers around his ears, but continue the method of turning off the clippers and rewarding him with a pat each time he lowers his head.

- ◆ Once he is comfortable with the turned on clippers being moved around in front of his face and the reverberating sound of them in his ears, it is time to touch him with them as they are turned on. This will be a whole new experience, because now he will be able to feel the vibration as well as hear them. Again, I start at the neck and lay the clipper body, not the blade, against his skin. You will get a reaction. Use the above reward method when your horse relaxes a little. From the neck, I move to the jaw, and down to the muzzle, up the other jaw to the ear, where you will have the biggest reaction from your horse. He will defiantly raise his head high, but when he drops it even a little, turn off the clippers and pat him.

Do the same thing with his legs. Again, starting at the elbow and working your way down to the fetlock, lay the body of the clippers against the leg and work your way down. Once he stands still, reward him by turning the clippers off.

- ◆ Now it is time to introduce the clipper blade to your horse. Always start with the muzzle, chin, underside of the jaw, poll (bridle path), and finish up with the ears. Clip a little with the blade. If your horse reacts to the feeling of the blade, revert to desensitizing him again with just the feel of the vibrating clippers.

For the legs, turn the clippers on and start from the elbow move the clipper body down to the fetlock. Once there, initiate the blade on the feathers of the fetlock. If there is any reaction from your horse, move the body of the clippers back up the leg and then return to the fetlock.

Patient consistency will allow you to desensitize and train your horse to stand while being clipped. You will, most likely, need to repeat these steps several times before your horse is fully comfortable with the clipping process. However, your efforts will be worth it once you see how nice your horse looks with his new shave and a haircut.

## *Novel Approach to Expedited Fracture Repair Reported*

*By: Stacey Oke, DVM, MSc*

*Source: [www.theHorse.com](http://www.theHorse.com), Article #13522*

Delivering a growth factor in a dissolvable carrier at the site of a bony fracture results in accelerated healing when compared to untreated horses, and it is as effective as treating horses with a bone graft post-fracture, researchers recently reported.

Fractures are an important problem in athletic horses. According to a group of researchers from the University of Wisconsin-Madison, fractures account for more than two-thirds of fatal musculoskeletal injuries in Thoroughbred racehorses and are associated with huge economic losses due to prolonged recovery period: As such, novel techniques for fracture repair resulting in accelerated healing are of particular interest.

The growth factor in this study, recombinant human bone morphogenetic protein-2 (rhBMP-2), is known to initiate bone formation. When combined with a dissolvable carrier such as calcium phosphate, rhBMP-2 can be delivered directly to the fracture site and will maintain sufficiently high concentrations for a long enough period to signal the migration and multiplication of bone-forming cells at that site.

To study the effect of rhBMP-2 on bone healing, researchers created a fracture in either the second or fourth metatarsal bones. The bones were treated with injection of rhBMP-2, an autogenous bone graft from the horse's own tibia, or were left untreated. Twelve weeks after the repair, rate of healing was found superior in the rhBMP-2 group compared to non-treated control group and the repair was equally or more successful than in the group of horses who received a bone graft. Success was determined via radiography (X-rays), mechanical testing, and histology (microscopic analysis).

Additional research using rhBMP-2 on speed and strength of bone healing in other bones commonly fractured in athletic horses is needed.

The study, "Acceleration of second and fourth metatarsal fracture healing with recombinant human bone in phosphate cement in horses," was published in the October 2008 edition of the journal *Veterinary Surgery*.



# *Sight Unseen: How much eye contact should you have with your horse?*

By *Melissa Cassutt*

Source: *Western Horseman*, January 2009

There are many theories on the importance of maintaining or avoiding eye contact when approaching horses, but a recent study suggests eye contact might not matter as much as previously thought—or at all.

University of Pennsylvania researchers Sarah Verrill and Sue McDonell found no significant difference between horses that were approached while maintaining direct eye contact and ones approached without any eye contact. The study, titled “Equal Outcomes with and without Human-to-Horse Eye Contact When Catching Horses and Ponies in an Open Pasture,” examined 104 horses and ponies. It found that 71 percent of horses approached while maintaining eye contact were successfully caught, compared to 66 percent of horses caught without eye contact.

The researchers concluded that “almost all subjects were either consistently approachable or unapproachable, regardless of eye contact condition,” but suggested further study.

However, horseman Joe Wolter, who learned the art of approaching and catching horses while working on a Thoroughbred-breeding farm as a kid, says properly reading and responding to a horse’s body language is more important than maintaining or avoiding eye contact.

“I’ve heard people say that eye contact is important, but I don’t think it has much to do with it,” Wolter says. “He can look at you and get his body ready to leave.”

With that in mind, he offers the following advice on approaching and catching horses.

“I try to look at the whole scenario,” he says. “If I’m at a disadvantage, I’m going to watch him from a long ways off, and I’m going to look where he’s going to go. Is there something pulling him somewhere? Maybe there’s another bunch of horses, maybe there’s a fence, maybe there’s brush. I can use those things to my advantage.

“I like to play like this horse is my only way out of here. It’s amazing when you start thinking that way, how your approach changes.

“First I’d see where he wants to go, and then I could arrange myself so I was between him and where he wanted to be. And then, I might think about another factor: a horse is curious. I might not try to catch him; I might get him to catch me.”

The key, Wolter says, isn’t eye contact or specific cues, but rather responding to each horse individually.

“Your approach matters tremendously,” Wolter continues. “Horses have a strong sense of self-preservation, and if they had their choice, they’d just as soon be left alone. Their body language tells you what they’re getting ready to do.”

## *Study Aims to Compare Rider Stability*

A comparison of forces acting on the horse’s back and the stability of the rider’s seat in different positions at the trot.

The aim of the study was to compare the stability of the rider as well as the forces acting on a horse’s back with different seating positions at the trot (sitting trot, rising trot and two-point seat). The same experienced rider was mounted on ten sound horses trotting on a treadmill. The kinetic data were recorded with an electronic pressure mat, placed under a well-fitting dressage saddle with no saddle pad.

The rider used three different seating positions, each for 20s. Right forelimb motion was used to synchronize the pressure data with the stride cycles. To determine the rider’s stability, the movement of the center of pressure (COP) along the transverse (X) and longitudinal (Y) axes was calculated. The force was taken as the sum of all segments of the pressure pad multiplied by the area of the pressure pad. The maximum force and the X- and Y-deviations were evaluated using ANOVA for repeated measures with a Bonferroni Post hoc test.

The stability of the rider in the Y-direction was significantly highest in the two-point seat, followed by the rising trot and the sitting trot, respectively. In the X-direction, there was no significant difference between the three positions. The significantly highest load on the horse’s back was at the sitting trot (2112N), followed by the rising trot (2056N) and the two-point seat (1688N). The rider was most stable in the two-point seat while transferring the lowest load on the horse’s back. The rising trot was found to be more stable and less stressful for the horse’s back compared to the sitting trot.

Peham C, Kotschwar AB, Borkenhagen B, Kuhnke S, Molsner J, Baltacis A Movement Science Group Vienna, Clinical Department for Companion Animals and Horses, University of Veterinary Medicine, Vienna, Austria.



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**Tuesday, August 18, 2009**

**10:30 AM - 2:30 PM**

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It is also a great idea to think about farm economics while walking your pastures. Simply ask yourself, how much money is this piece of land making me? Is the land undergoing some form of stress? If the respective answers are "zero" and "less dollars than optimum," then the *2009 Pasture Walk for Profit* is a way for you to see with a more focused eye and question yourself, *"How can I get my land into a balanced and productive state so that I can increase my bottom line?"*

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## Agenda Features:

10:30 AM Registration

10:45 AM **Keith Waldron**; Livestock and Field Crops  
IPM Coordinator; NYS Integrated  
Pest Management Program -  
Cornell University

12:15 PM Lunch (provided)

12:45 PM **Stephen Komar**; RCE; Rutgers New Jersey  
Agricultural Experiment Station,  
Row Crop Production and  
Nutrient Management Specialist

## Topics:

- ◆ Proper Seeding
- ◆ Grazing Techniques
- ◆ Production Cycles of Grasses
- ◆ IPM Fly Pest Control on Pastured Horses and Livestock
- ◆ Weed Identification
- ◆ Pesticide Re-Certification Credits have been applied for



# Updated Equine Calendar

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## JULY 2009

1	Hunter Jumper Extravaganza Show	Crystal Waters Farm, Warwick, NY
1	Cow Sorting Practice	Falcon Ridge, Walden, NY
1	Grand Circuit Racing; NY Fair Stakes	Goshen Historic Track, Goshen, NY
2	Clover Hill Team Penning	Clover Hill Farm, Wallkill, NY
2	Grand Circuit Racing; Landmark Stakes Races	Goshen Historic Track, Goshen, NY
2	Thursday - Saturday Racing	Vernon Downs, Vernon, NY
3	Friday - Sunday Racing	Tioga Downs, Nichols, NY
3	Grand Circuit Racing; Landmark Stakes Races	Goshen Historic Track, Goshen, NY
3	Weekend Dressage Clinic With Holger Bechtloff	Frog Hollow Farm, Esopus, NY
3	Gardnertown Farms C Rated Show	Gardnertown Farm, Newburgh, NY
4	Cow Sorting Competition	Falcon Ridge, Walden, NY
4	Grand Circuit Racing; NY Sire Stake Races	Goshen Historic Track, Goshen, NY
4	Evening Post Racing	Monticello Raceway, Monticello, NY
5	Blue Sky Polo Club Polo Matches	Blue Sky Polo Club, Middletown, NY
5	Grand Circuit Racing; Hall of Fame Day/NY Sire Stakes	Goshen Historic Track, Goshen, NY
5	Lucky C Circuit Show	Lucky C Stables, New Paltz, NY
5	Gardnertown Farms C Rated Show	Gardnertown Farm, Newburgh, NY
6	Summer Adventures Week	Winslow Therapeutic Center, Warwick, NY
6	Monday - Thursday Racing	Monticello Raceway, Monticello, NY
7	Tuesday Racing	Vernon Downs, Vernon, NY
8	Cow Sorting Practice	Falcon Ridge, Walden, NY
9	Clover Hill Team Penning	Clover Hill Farm, Wallkill, NY
9	Thursday - Saturday Racing	Vernon Downs, Vernon, NY
10	Friday - Sunday Racing	Tioga Downs, Nichols, NY
10	Zwieg Memorial 3YO Colt & Filly Trot	Tioga Downs, Nichols, NY
11	Clover Hill Team Penning	Clover Hill Farm, Wallkill, NY
11	SDHPA Gymkhana Show	Hosner Mt Road, Hopewell Jct., NY
11	Tri-County Horse Show	Greystone Stables, New Hampton, NY
11	OC 4-H 2-Day Horse Show (members only)	Orange County Park, Montgomery, NY
12	Blue Sky Polo Club Polo Matches	Blue Sky Polo Club, Middletown, NY
12	Horses and Hounds Schooling Show II	Horses and Hounds Stables, Gardiner, NY
12	USEF B Rated Show	Willow Hill Farm, Montgomery, NY
13	Summer Adventures Week	Winslow Therapeutic Center, Warwick, NY
13	Monday - Thursday Racing	Monticello Raceway, Monticello, NY
14	Tuesday Racing	Vernon Downs, Vernon, NY
15	Mid Summer's Eve Show	Crystal Waters Farm, Warwick, NY
15	Cow Sorting Practice	Falcon Ridge, Walden, NY
16	Clover Hill Team Penning	Clover Hill Farm, Wallkill, NY
16	Thursday - Saturday Racing	Vernon Downs, Vernon, NY
17	Friday - Sunday Racing	Tioga Downs, Nichols, NY
17	SDHPA English Jumper Show	Hosner Mt Road, Hopewell Jct., NY
17	WHH Sussex Dressage Weekend	Sussex County Fairgrounds, Augusta, NJ
18	Tech. Lg. Animal Emergency Rescue Course Schunnefunk Shadow Stables, New Windsor, NY	
18	Open Horse Show - Western	Stone Wall Farms, Jeffersonville, NY
18	WHH Sussex Dressage Weekend	Sussex County Fairgrounds, Augusta, NJ
18	German Oldenburg Verband Inspection	Maplewood Warmbloods LLC, Middletown, NY
19	3D Barrel Race	Clover Hill Farm, Wallkill, NY
19	Blue Sky Polo Club Polo Matches	Blue Sky Polo Club, Middletown, NY
19	NYSTQHA Open Show	Orange County Park, Montgomery, NY
19	Open Show to Benefit Ulster Equistars 4-H Club	Green Heron Farm, Woodstock, NY
19	Open English/Hunter/Western/Gymkhana Show	Catskill Equestrian Center, Catskill, NY
19	Open Horse Show - English	Stone Wall Farms, Jeffersonville, NY
19	Sunday - Thursday Racing	Monticello Raceway, Monticello, NY
19	Gardnertown Farms C Rated Show	Gardnertown Farm, Newburgh, NY
19	SDHPA English Hunter Show	Hosner Mt Road, Hopewell Jct., NY
19	WHH Sussex Dressage Weekend	Sussex County Fairgrounds, Augusta, NJ
20	Summer Adventures Week	Winslow Therapeutic Center, Warwick, NY
21	Tuesday Racing	Vernon Downs, Vernon, NY
22	Cow Sorting Practice	Falcon Ridge, Walden, NY
22	Orange County Fair Starts	Orange County Fairgrounds, Middletown, NY
23	Clover Hill Team Penning	Clover Hill Farm, Wallkill, NY
23	Thursday - Saturday Racing	Vernon Downs, Vernon, NY
24	Friday - Sunday Racing	Tioga Downs, Nichols, NY
25	Saddlefitting Lecture/Demonstration	Waterbury Dressage Center, Warwick, NY
25	Clover Hill Team Penning	Clover Hill Farm, Wallkill, NY
26	Blue Sky Polo Club Polo Matches	Blue Sky Polo Club, Middletown, NY
26	Cow Sorting Competition	Falcon Ridge, Walden, NY
26	Open English and Western Schooling Show	Hilltop Equestrian Center, Goshen, NY
26	G & M Riding Club Horse Show	Orange County Park, Montgomery, NY
26	Sunday - Thursday Racing	Monticello Raceway, Monticello, NY
27	Summer Adventures Week	Winslow Therapeutic Center, Warwick, NY
28	Tuesday Racing	Vernon Downs, Vernon, NY
29	Beat the Heat Evening Show	Crystal Waters Farm, Warwick, NY
29	Ulster County 4-H Horse Show	Ulster County Fairgrounds, New Paltz, NY
29	Cow Sorting Practice	Falcon Ridge, Walden, NY

30	Ulster County Open Pony & Driving	Ulster County Fairgrounds, New Paltz, NY
30	Clover Hill Team Penning	Clover Hill Farm, Wallkill, NY
30	Thursday - Saturday Racing	Vernon Downs, Vernon, NY
31	HVDHA Draft Horse Competition	Ulster County Fairgrounds, New Paltz, NY
31	Friday - Sunday Racing	Tioga Downs, Nichols, NY
31	Quarter Horse Day	Sussex County Fairgrounds, Augusta, NJ
TBD	Lake Luzerne Camp and Ride	Lake Luzerne, NY

## AUGUST 2009

1	6th Annual Pas De Deux	Schunnefunk Shadow Stables, New Windsor, NY
1	Open Horse Show - Western	Stone Wall Farms, Jeffersonville, NY
1	Ulster County Open Western / Gymkhana Show	Ulster County Fairgrounds, New Paltz, NY
1-2	Fall Breed & Dressage Show	Maplewood Warmbloods LLC, Middletown, NY
2	Blue Sky Polo Club Polo Matches	Blue Sky Polo Club, Middletown, NY
2	3rd Annual Driver's Challenge	Tioga Downs, Nichols, NY
2	Miss Versatility Open Mare Trot	Tioga Downs, Nichols, NY
2	Tri-County Horse Show	Greystone Stables, New Hampton, NY
2	Open Horse Show - English	Stone Wall Farms, Jeffersonville, NY
2	Ulster County Open Horse Show - English	Ulster County Fairgrounds, New Paltz, NY
3	Summer Adventures Week	Winslow Therapeutic Center, Warwick, NY
3	Monday - Thursday Racing	Monticello Raceway, Monticello, NY
3	NJPBO Pony Classes	Sussex County Fairgrounds, Augusta, NJ
5	Cow Sorting Practice	Falcon Ridge, Walden, NY
6	Clover Hill Team Penning	Clover Hill Farm, Wallkill, NY
6	Thursday - Saturday Racing	Vernon Downs, Vernon, NY
6	Gardnertown Farms C Rated Show	Gardnertown Farm, Newburgh, NY
7	Friday - Sunday Racing	Tioga Downs, Nichols, NY
7	Weekend Dressage Clinic With Holger Bechtloff	Frog Hollow Farm, Esopus, NY
8	Schooling Show	Brook Edge, Ferndale, NY
8	Children's Workshop	Harness Racing Museum, Goshen, NY
8	19th Century County Fair & Bicentennial Weekend	Goshen Historic Track, Goshen, NY
9	Blue Sky Polo Club Polo Matches	Blue Sky Polo Club, Middletown, NY
10	Summer Adventures Week	Winslow Therapeutic Center, Warwick, NY
10	Monday - Thursday Racing	Monticello Raceway, Monticello, NY
12	Sultry Summer Evening Show	Crystal Waters Farm, Warwick, NY
12	Cow Sorting Practice	Falcon Ridge, Walden, NY
13	Clover Hill Team Penning	Clover Hill Farm, Wallkill, NY
13	Thursday - Saturday Racing	Vernon Downs, Vernon, NY
14	Friday - Sunday Racing	Tioga Downs, Nichols, NY
14	Neversink Ag Society Open Horse Show	Grahamsville Fairgrounds, Grahamsville, NY
14	SDHPA English Jumper Show	Hosner Mt Road, Hopewell Jct., NY
15	Clover Hill Team Penning	Clover Hill Farm, Wallkill, NY
15	Neversink Ag Society Draft Horse Pull	Grahamsville Fairgrounds, Grahamsville, NY
15	Willow Hill USEF C Rated Show	Willow Hill Farm, Montgomery, NY
15	Open Schooling Horse Show	Schunnefunk Shadow Stables, New Windsor, NY
15	PAHC Schooling Dressage Show	Aeolian Acres, Montgomery, NY
16	Blue Sky Polo Club Polo Matches	Blue Sky Polo Club, Middletown, NY
16	NYSTQHA Fun Day	Orange County Park, Montgomery, NY
16	Tour de Goshen	Craigville Park, Goshen, NY
16	Open English/Hunter/Western/Gymkhana Show	Catskill Equestrian Center, Catskill, NY
16	SDHPA English Hunter Show	Hosner Mt Road, Hopewell Jct., NY
17	Monday - Thursday Racing	Monticello Raceway, Monticello, NY
19	Cow Sorting Practice	Falcon Ridge, Walden, NY
20	Clover Hill Team Penning	Clover Hill Farm, Wallkill, NY
20	Thursday - Saturday Racing	Vernon Downs, Vernon, NY
21	Gardnertown Farms C Rated Show	Gardnertown Farm, Newburgh, NY
22	Gardnertown Farms B Rated Show	Gardnertown Farm, Newburgh, NY
23	Blue Sky Polo Club Polo Matches	Blue Sky Polo Club, Middletown, NY
23	End of Summer Bash	Crystal Waters Farm, Warwick, NY
23	Old Field Farm Open English Show	Old Field Farm, Goshen, NY
24	Monday - Thursday Racing	Monticello Raceway, Monticello, NY
26	Cow Sorting Practice	Falcon Ridge, Walden, NY
27	Clover Hill Team Penning	Clover Hill Farm, Wallkill, NY
27	Thursday - Saturday Racing	Vernon Downs, Vernon, NY
28	Friday - Sunday Racing	Tioga Downs, Nichols, NY
29	Clover Hill Team Penning	Clover Hill Farm, Wallkill, NY
30	HVDHA Draft Horse Show	Dutchess County Fairgrounds, Rhinebeck, NY
30	Cow Sorting Competition	Falcon Ridge, Walden, NY
30	Elant Foundation Annual Polo Picnic	Blue Sky Polo Club, Middletown, NY
31	Monday - Thursday Racing	Monticello Raceway, Monticello, NY
TBD	WHH Foxhunting Clinic	Westtown, NY

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2	Cow Sorting Practice	Falcon Ridge, Walden, NY
3	Thursday - Saturday Racing	Vernon Downs, Vernon, NY
4	Friday - Sunday Racing	Tioga Downs, Nichols, NY
4	Weekend Dressage Clinic With Holger Bechtloff	Frog Hollow Farm, Esopus, NY
5	Clover Hill Team Penning	Clover Hill Farm, Wallkill, NY
5	Ridge Riders Pony Club Open Schooling Show	Orange County Park, Montgomery, NY
6	Blue Sky Polo Club Polo Matches	Blue Sky Polo Club, Middletown, NY
6	ReRun Benefit Trail Ride	Stewart State Forest, Montgomery, NY
6	Greystone Schooling Show	Greystone Stables, New Hampton, NY
7	Conway Hall Open Mare Trot	Vernon Downs, Vernon, NY
8	Tuesday - Thursday Racing	Monticello Raceway, Monticello, NY
9	Cow Sorting Practice	Falcon Ridge, Walden, NY
11	Friday & Saturday Racing	Vernon Downs, Vernon, NY



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