

Hampshire County Riding Club Presents: Liberty Clinic with Melissa Ellis

Sunday, June 4, 2023

9:00 am to 4:00 pm rain or shine

Club Grounds: 140 Ball Rd, Goshen, MA

We are happy to have Melissa Ellis at the Club Grounds for Sunday, June 4th!

The sessions will begin in hand and progress to bridleless riding if appropriate for the horse and rider. Horses of all sizes are welcome. Younger Riders must be able to handle their own horses independently.

Melissa Ellis has been rehabbing problem horses and starting young horses for many years. She had the opportunity to travel to Canada with two horses and train with Lindsey Partridge of Harmony Horsemanship in a program that helps you Understand Yourself, Understand Your Horse and Understand The Language That Connects You. She is now a Level 4 Harmony Horsemanship Instructor and Co-Owner with Lindsey based out of her farm in Newfane, VT.

This method of training builds a solid and trusting partnership with your horse built on communication and passive leadership. A huge piece of this puzzle is the human's confidence. The training is a simple process and does not require strength or force. Building blocks are used to gain trust and understanding, and the result is a relationship where your horse wants to complete the tasks you ask of him in a fun and safe way.

The clinic is limited to 12 participants; Auditors welcome.

For questions Contact: Lise Krieger, (203) 685-2308; lisekrieger@comcast.net

Clinic cost:

\$125 per day for HCRC members; \$140 for non-members. No refunds after Saturday, May 13.

Auditing is free to HCRC members and is \$20/day for non-members.

****The clinic is limited to 12 riders per day**** Your spot will not be reserved until full payment is received via check.

About the Day

- Horses must have a valid Coggins within the last two years. Please bring your Coggins certificate with you to the clinic.
- Please note that helmets are required for riders under age 18.
- There will be a Port-a-potty on site, as well as sanitizer, but no running water. Please bring water for yourself and your horse accordingly.
- There is plenty of parking along the edges of the property; please leave clear access to the ring.
- No food will be served, so please bring snacks.
- COVID-19: While masks are not required outdoors, we ask that people respect social distancing and anyone who chooses, wear a mask.
- Please keep all dogs leashed.

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Name: _____

Current Member (Circle One): Y N

Name of Horse: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Full Address: _____

Emergency Contact Name/Phone: _____

Payment Information

Your clinic spot is not reserved until we receive your payment.

Mail checks, payable to Hampshire County Riding Club, and mail to Lise Krieger, PO Box 816, Whately, MA 10193.

Please use the following to calculate your clinic cost:

- Introduction to Liberty, Sunday, June 4 - HCRC Member - \$125
- Introduction to Liberty - Sunday, June 4 -Non-Member - \$140
- Audit – Free for Members, \$25 for Non-Members

_____ **Total Enclosed**

Liability Waiver

Under Massachusetts law, an equine professional is not liable for an injury to, or the death of, a participant in equine activities, pursuant to Chapter 128, Sec 2D of the MA General laws. I understand fully that participation in activities with horses involves a high risk that could potentially result in serious injury or death. I hereby acknowledge that I am participating at my own risk and agree to make no claims against Hampshire County Riding Club, or against its officers or members, nor against any land owner, over whose property members are permitted to pass, for any liability, damage or injury or loss of life, including legal fees that may occur to myself, my horse, or loss or damage, to any article or transportation vehicles I use to participate in Hampshire County Riding Club activities.

Signature: _____

Name: _____ Date: _____

Date Rec'd: _____/Ck #: _____

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Helmet Waiver

****Riders must be 18 and over to opt-out of the helmet policy****

Use of Helmet:

Helmets are required on HCRC's grounds and at sponsored trail rides for participants, riders and drivers of all ages during all HCRC sponsored events under the following conditions:

1. whenever mounted in ring or on HCRC grounds
2. whenever driving or a passenger in a cart in the ring or on the grounds
3. whenever mounted on an HCRC sponsored trail ride

I am fully aware of and understand HCRC's recommendations regarding the use of riding helmets and the reasons for this recommendation. However, I choose of my own free will NOT to wear a riding helmet at HCRC sponsored events held during 2022. I agree to hold HCRC, its members, its clinicians, and insurer(s) free from liability for any and all injuries that I may receive and possible death as a result of my actions and my decision to not wear a riding helmet.

Signature: _____

Name: _____ Date: _____

Photography Release

HCRC photographs many events and often uses those photos on our website, social media, and for marketing future clinics.

By typing my name below, I hereby consent that any photographs or images taken by Hampshire County Riding Club in which I appear, may be used by the Hampshire County Riding Club without compensation for promotional and advertising purposes. I also understand that there is no limitation in terms of time for the Hampshire County Riding Club to use these photos.

Signature: _____

Name: _____ Date: _____

I hereby consent to the use of photographs of my property (horse) by Hampshire County Riding Club for promotional and advertising purposes. I also understand that there is no limitation in terms of time for the Hampshire County Riding Club to use these photos.

Signature: _____