

River Riders Review

January 2012

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92.7 FM



Hi everyone,

Please allow me to introduce myself. My name is Charlotte Wilkins and I'm your new Club Secretary. I'm just getting my feet wet with these newsletters, so hopefully you'll start receiving your updates in a bit more timely manner..... my apologies – it's been a learning curve! If you have anything you wish to have posted in the club letter, please feel free to send the info directly to me at jncfarm@yahoo.com I'll do my best to try and get everyone's news included.

It's that time of year again..... remember to send in your membership dues, submit your Special Breed Awards application as well as your campsite dues for the 2012 season. If you wish to have your trail miles recorded, you can contact Tim Tobin or check out the website for your trail logs.

The club membership meeting was held on Monday Jan. 9, 2012. There were 13 members in attendance. For new business, the club will be donating \$100.00 to Knowlton Corner Farm and exploring other options within the community for business support.

In other news, the Treasurer's address has been transferred from Sandy Coles address to the new 2012 Treasurer's address of Jeff Bryant, P.O. Box 213, Livermore Falls, Me 04254. The old box in Hanover has been closed. The financial aspects of the club with regards to the new 2012 club positions are being transferred to the appropriate members. This will enable them to begin the process of getting supplies in order for the upcoming riding season.

The Ellis River Riders will again be participating in the Maine Equine Super Showdeo being held in July, so go ahead and mark up your calendar for July 6-8th, 2012! We will be sponsoring a Versatility event, with further details to follow... and as a side note, it was an absolutely a BLAST last year! Nothing so 'intense' that the average horse owner couldn't enjoy with a nice, trail broke horse.

A motion has been made to explore the possibility of holding a members' only clinic with Terry Adkins. She has judged several of our shows and is very knowledgeable. There will be more details to discuss at the next meeting in February.

We will be submitting the necessary paperwork to join the River Valley Chamber of Commerce as well as making a \$100.00 donation to the First Congregational Church for last years (2011) use of their facilities to hold our monthly meetings.

That's about it for this month ☺
Until next month, Stay warm and look for spring!
Charlotte

**Help the club raise some money,
When you spend some of yours!**

If you order from Country Supply, our code is EllisRiver
There is a customer care code box option when you check out.

The club will get a 5% refund bonus!

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Show Committee News

The Show Committee met on Jan. 11th to begin the process of organizing for the upcoming show season. There are going to be a few changes made, so please be sure to follow the newsletters so that you can be prepared for the new show year. At this point, it has been decided to change the clubs rule regarding the use of snaffle bits in the Open Show Western riding classes. The change will require horses 6 years of age and over to be shown in a curb styled bit. Horses 5 years old or under will still be allowed to show in a snaffle. To clarify, a horse that has it's foaling date in August (for example), is considered to be of that age as of Jan. 1st for that show season, even if they are not *chronologically* of that age at the time of the show.

The class list will continue to be analyzed for opportunities to help with the flow of the various shows. Currently, the jumping classes have been scratched from the line-up, with several further ideas in the wings for further discussion.... Stay tuned! ☺

The show dates have been tentatively set, with only one Open show left to be set. This date is hinging upon several other club activities. I'll fill you in with the final date when it becomes available. Until then, go ahead and pencil in the following dates...

2012 SHOW DATES

May 19th - Game Show
May 20th - Open Show

June 16th – Game Show

July 21st – Game Show

Aug. 4th – Game Show (night)
Aug. 5th – Open Show

Sept. 1st – Open Show
Sept. 2nd – Game Show

Other Events

July 7th – ERR Versatility Show held at the
2nd Annual M.E.S.S. in Topsham.

Sept. 15th & 16th – ERR Versatility event to
be held at our show grounds.

There are more dates to come, but that's all for now. The next Show Committee meeting is scheduled for 6:30 P.M. on Jan. 25th at SAMS in the upstairs conference room.

The Show committee is looking for suggestions for 2012!

Also looking for committee members to help plan the next season.

Please contact Dawn Grondin at 836-2771 or e-mail at grondin@megalink.net

Grounds Committee

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Ellis River Riders has campsites available for the 2012 season.

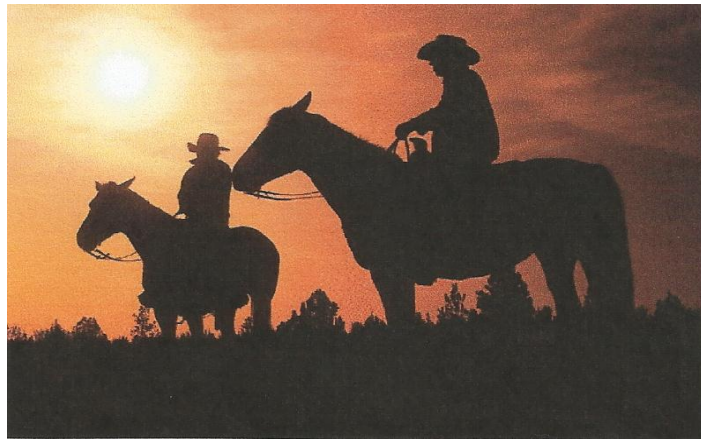
The annual fee is very reasonable at \$50.00 for the entire season. You will also be required to camp overnight a minimum of 6 times per season and work 12 hours (per adult) for the club.

The work hours you put in can be done during the season, helping at shows, attending ground opening or closings, or working a few hours each time you stay over. It's a great deal!

What a great way to help the club and enjoy all that the grounds have to offer :-)

For details, please contact Bill or Sandy Cole for more info.

A special Thanks goes to Heather MacPhee for the generous donation of gravel to fill the stalls! No more flooded stalls in 2012!



Trail News

There is a new page on the website that shows what to look for while riding the trails. Riders are encouraged to check it out. All riders are asked to stay on the marked horse trails. When riding, take the time to look for the signs and markers at all intersections. There are either signs or colored flagging attached with clothespins. Members may park at the ERR grounds to begin their ride OR may park at the Andover Recreation Field on Rte. 120 just outside of the Andover Village or at the Roxbury ATV Park & Ride on Rte. 120 just past the Ellis Pond Variety store. **PLEASE**, if you use either of these public parking spots, **come prepared to remove all hay & manure** and do not block any entrances.

We are looking for ride sponsors for rides in 2012. If you'd like to be listed as a sponsor, you will be added as a contact person. Sponsors are asked to be ready to lead the ride, have all riders sign the necessary liability releases and turn in all paperwork to the Chairperson upon completion of the ride.

Riders are asked to please contact the ride sponsor the day before the ride to be sure everything is going as planned. If no contact is listed, please contact the trail chairperson for details

Contact: Trail Chairperson Tim Tobin at 774-212-0074 or email at advantagevg@comcast.net

FEED BAG NEWS



ELLIS RIVER RIDERS MEMBERS

We are seeking new members for the 2012 Food committee and volunteers to work inside the food booth. Please take a brief moment and click on the link below to learn more information.

Help your club to improve, and get involved in a great team!

To sign up or learn more about the committee or the positions available inside the Feedbag, Please click on this link: <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/Z55YYQ3>

Thank you in advance! **Tony Milligan**, Ellis River Riders, Inc. Food Committee Chairman

Breakfast Sandwiches

Breakfast sandwiches on an English Muffin

Egg	2.00
Egg and Cheese	2.25
Sausage, Egg and Cheese	2.75
Bacon, Egg and Cheese	2.75

Breakfast Items

Two eggs any style	1.50
Pancakes (3) stacked high and topped with butter and syrup	2.75
French Toast (3) stacked high and topped with butter and syrup	2.75

Breakfast Platters

THE COWBOY: Pancakes (2) or French Toast (2) with hot butter and syrup, Eggs (2) any style, Home Fries, choice of Bacon (3) or Sausage Patty and any Beverage	6.50
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THE STALLION: Eggs (2) any style, Home fries, choice of bacon (3) or Sausage Patty, choice of Toast or English Muffin, and any Beverage	5.50
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THE PONY: Pancakes (2) or French Toast (2) with hot butter and syrup, choice of Bacon (2) or Sausage Patty and any Beverage	4.50
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Breakfast Sides

English muffin	1.00
White toast (2)	1.00
Toasted Bagel with Cream Cheese	1.75
Sausage Patty	1.25
Bacon (3)	1.25
Home Fries	1.25
Extra Egg	0.75



Ellis River Riders, Inc.
The Feedbag

"Ask about our daily specials!"

Lunch Sides

French Fries	2.00
Onion Rings	2.50
Chips	0.75

Beverages

Coffee, Tea, Iced Tea, Hot Chocolate, Orange Juice, Apple Juice, Bottled Water, Soda (Pepsi, Diet Pepsi, Mt. Dew, Root Beer, Sierra Mist, Ginger Ale)	1.00
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Charbroiled Steak Burgers

Our hamburgers are very flavorful, thick and juicy charbroiled ground steak pub burgers!

Deluxe sandwiches include lettuce, tomatoes, onions and pickles.

Hamburger	3.00
Hamburger Deluxe	3.50
Cheeseburger	3.25
Cheeseburger Deluxe	3.75
Bacon Cheeseburger	4.00
Bacon Cheeseburger Deluxe	4.50

Lunch Sandwiches

Deluxe sandwiches include lettuce, tomatoes, onions and pickles.

Ham Hoagie (mayo, Ham and Cheese baked in oven)	3.75
Chicken Burger (w/lettuce, tomato, cheese)	3.75
Veggie Burger (w/lettuce, tomato, cheese)	3.75
Grilled Cheese Sandwich	2.00
Grilled Cheese Deluxe (choice of: lettuce/onion/tomato/pickles/bacon)	3.25
BLT (Bacon, Lettuce and Tomato)	3.00
Tuna Fish Sandwich	3.00

Italian Sandwiches

Ham Italian Sub (8 in.)	4.00
Tuna Italian Sub (8 in.)	4.00

Lunch Items

Hot Dog (grilled or steamed)	1.50
Chicken Tenders	4.50
Garden Salad	3.75
Garden Salad Topped with Chicken	4.75
Chicken Wings (with choice of dipping sauce)	4.00
Hot Wings (with choice of dipping sauce)	4.25

Kid's Lunch Combo

Chicken Tenders Basket and Drink (Small portioned - fries or chips included)	3.50
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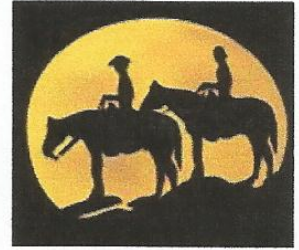


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Mail to: Charlotte Wilkins, 17 Page Rd. Livermore Falls, Me 04254

2012 Membership Form ~ Due by January!

Mail to: Ellis River Riders. P.O. Box 213. Livermore Falls. Me 04254

Name _____

Address _____

Town _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

e-mail address _____

\$20.00 single _____ \$25.00 family _____ New Member YES _____ NO _____

List family members _____

Check box if Ok to use members listed above in photos for public viewing

FYI: If you have not yet paid your 2012 membership dues, this will be your last newsletter..... Remember, the HORSES MAINE is free with your membership 😊