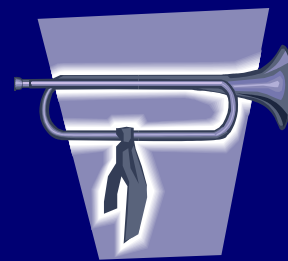


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## Legislation Updates

On pages 6 & 7 I have listed some bills that are on the Senate docket for this year and that are of interest to us as horse owners and trail riders.

Good news this last week of January. There was a hearing on Senate bill 2251, the OHV bill was endorsed by the Senate and now goes to the House. There were several amendments to this bill that we will pass along in the next issue.

The House version of this bill is # 3368. So please, to keep the ball rolling, write your Representative to support their version of the OHV bill.

One of the biggest things this bill will accomplish is funding that

will be used to crack down on illegal use of OHV's.



We encountered this issue at our Turkey Trot last November.

We had a member that had to go to the hospital via ambulance

because a group of 20+ dirt bikes and ATV's illegally riding at Myles Standish State Forest spooked their horses as the machines were coming over a hill and not at a leisurely pace either. The rider was dumped and knocked out.

That's disregard for other trail users at its worse by riding there illegally and not following proper trail etiquette.

So you as members have a chance to do something about this and help solve a problem and it's as easy as a phone call, e-mail, or letter.

## Forest Futures Visioning Process

To the interested public, The Technical Steering Committee (TSC) of the Forest Futures Visioning Process met over a period of ten months to arrive at these recommendations. We hope that you will take the time to review them and provide comment. The draft is available at

[http://www.mass.gov/dcr/new/publicmeetings/tsc\\_draft\\_recommendations.htm](http://www.mass.gov/dcr/new/publicmeetings/tsc_draft_recommendations.htm)  
As you will read, there are many areas where the TSC reached agreement about the future management of the Department of Conservation and Recreation 308,000 acres in its State and Urban Parks system and in fostering stew-

ardship of the private forests of the state. In several areas the Committee has either not yet reached full agreement or we have heard from members of an Advisory Group of Stakeholders during our deliberations that some of their members hold differing

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Sure to find  
a good deal!



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and/or opposing opinions. It is now time to hear comments, feedback and suggestions for improvement from you, the general public.

The public comment period closes on February 22.

There are a number of ways you can provide your input. These include by email, at public forums and through a simple online survey. Details for each are below.

**Written Comment.** Comments may be submitted via email to: [MODRDCRFFVP@umb.edu](mailto:MODRDCRFFVP@umb.edu).

**Public Forums.** Five public forums will be held between February 4 and 11. Times and locations can be found at

## TACK SALE FEB 28TH Earth Day?

Want to beat the winter blahs? Want to clean out your tack room/cellar? Or maybe you need something for the coming year?

Then please come and join us at our Tack Sale.

We have a new location at the Bellingham Sportsman Club, 360 Lake St. Bellingham MA

Time: 9am to 3pm  
Plenty of parking and plenty of tables!! (yes the place is

bigger than last year!)

If you want to rent a table to sell your tack & other items please contact Becky for the form at 508-476-3960 or [bstra@charter.net](mailto:bstra@charter.net)  
Table price is \$20 for BSTRA members and \$25 for non-members.

We will have a table for items donated to benefit BSTRA.

We are looking for some input from our members.

This might be a multi-park clean up day. If you have a park that you ride in and there is a lot of trash and you would like to host a clean up ride. Please let us know.

That way people could ride and clean up their areas and we could list all the host parks on the ride form.

## Calendar of Events

We are in the process of putting together events for 2010.

If you would like to host a trail work day, a ride or some type of clinic please contact one of the board members or join us at our next

board meeting.

We have the date of April 18th for a ride at Grace Note Farm in Pascoag RI. Would anyone be interested in hosting that ride?

The trails are marked, so it would involve registration, parking and helping Virginia with the food on the day of the ride.

<http://www.mass.gov/dcr/news/publicmeetings/forestryfvpupcoming.htm>.

At each of these forums there will be a brief overview of the recommendations, a short time for clarification questions followed by facilitated table discussion where people can discuss their concerns, suggestions, and/or support for the recommendations. The goal is to help advance the dialogue and understanding of the issues, the recommendations and to provide feedback to the Committee for its final deliberations.

This format allows each person to participate and the facilitators will report out to the group as a whole at the end of the forum. All feedback received at the public forums will be captured by scribes and provided to the TSC. It will also be made available for viewing on the DCR Forest Futures Visioning Process website. You may also submit written comments at the meeting.

**Survey.** A simple online survey is available through a link at:

[http://www.mass.gov/dcr/news/publicmeetings/tsc\\_draft\\_recommendations.htm](http://www.mass.gov/dcr/news/publicmeetings/tsc_draft_recommendations.htm)

The survey asks about level of support for the vision and each recommendation and provides space for brief written comment.

After the comments are received and the results of the forums summarized, the Committee will review them and reconvene to develop its final recommendations which will be submitted to the Commissioner of DCR and the DCR Stewardship Council.

We thank you in advance,  
*Lisa Vernegaard*  
Chair, Forest Futures Technical Steering Committee

## Chapter 61B

### Ch 61B an Excellent Fit for Many Landowners

Landowners across the state are facing increasing property taxes which can make it difficult to maintain the land as undeveloped. The State's current use programs (Ch. 61, 61A, and 61B) offer an opportunity to reduce property taxes in return for providing the public benefits that these lands provide. Chapter 61 has a focus on timber management, and requires a 10-year forest management plan. Chapter 61A is for agricultural lands. Chapter 61B has been referred to as being for recreational

lands. Historically, participation in these programs has been low and has remained fairly steady over time. UMass and The Trustees of Reservations' Highland Communities Initiative are pleased to offer a new publication, Ch. 61B Open Space and Recreational Land Current Use Program, which describes the details of the Ch. 61B program. The publication was written because the new Ch. 61B program is a great fit with the way a large segment of landowners view their land, making it an important option for meeting landowner objectives and maintaining open space. The publication can be viewed at [www.masswoods.net/images/stories/pdf/ch61b.pdf](http://www.masswoods.net/images/stories/pdf/ch61b.pdf) I have asked Wendy, our web master to post this link on our web site.

## Temple Grandin

I don't know how many of you know about Temple Grandin or have read her books. Just to let you know she is a leading animal behaviorist & expert on the humane treatment of animals.

Temple will be speaking here in MA on March 1st at Old Sturbridge Village. Time is 7:30PM and she is speaking on "Animal Behavior and Autism". It's open to the public.

Please contact Alexis Conte for more information at [aconte@osv.org](mailto:aconte@osv.org) or 508-347-0396

## 2010 Mass Aggie Seminars

Feb. 20 Pasture and Manure Management for Small-scale Livestock and Horse Farms

Dr. Masoud Hashemi, Dr. Stephen Herbert, and Mr. Randall Prostak

9:00am to 2:30pm

Clubhouse, Topsfield Fairgrounds, Topsfield

Whether for hobby or profit, individuals that keep and care for livestock and horses continually face many serious issues and challenges. This presentation will discuss proper pasture management and handling of manures that are generated on the farm. Problems associated with weeds, poisonous plants, and poor hay quality will also be discussed. Plenty of opportunity will be provided to ask questions. Participants should feel free to bring samples of a plant from their pasture or their hay. Seminar Fee \$75

There are a list of seminars being presented with the rest concerning things such as growing & pruning apple trees, berries, intro to growing grapes and managing weeds organically. If you are interested in any of the other seminars please go to [www.umass.edu/fruitadvisor/massaggie/index.html](http://www.umass.edu/fruitadvisor/massaggie/index.html) for more information and to get registration form.



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## Train your horse for beach riding

Guest article by Cathie Hatrick-Anderson

(Yes, we know it's early to be thinking about riding on the beach, but this will give you a goal to work towards)

**Fantasy** – What Horseman hasn't dreamed of galloping along the shoreline astride their majestic steed? You've become a centaur silhouetted against a breathtaking sunset. Cares of the world that once held you hostage must submit giving way as surely as the tiny grains of sand, helpless against mighty hoofs that sweep them behind the joy that lies ahead. Unbridled freedom takes command settling deep within your soul with every breathtaking stride. Locks, mane and tail blow recklessly as the ocean waves, crashing where they will, seeking permission from no one!

**Reality Check** – You've approached the shoreline and Mr. Majestic instantly morphs into a prancing snorting smoke bellowing runaway express locomotive! He's full steam ahead! Or is it behind?? It's so hard to tell as all

those spins left you a little dizzy.

The funny thing is (Come on you can laugh about it now) you never saw the switchman throw the switch! Ole Crazy Horse has really made a mess of a horseman's ultimate fantasy, but we can trust him for one final act of desperation. He's headed back to the station faster than the Orient Express!

You're hanging on for dear life, because you knew the warranty on his brakes were just about to expire before you left the barn. You knew full well he needed a tune up *before* setting out on this great adventure.

Let's be honest, did you really expect him to offer him-self up as an equine sacrifice just so you could fulfill your little fantasy?

**The Real World** - Set yourself up for success. Don't become an idle passenger at high risk for derailment. Why not take an active role to help insure that the outcome of your first beach riding adventure more closely resembles the ride you've actually envisioned. Prepare your horse at home. Create a formidable water hazard that rivals your horse's

worst nightmare.

Be creative it's your baby. Find a large tarp or dig a pit and add water. You could always wait for rain and allow nature to design it. Finally, add a few more scary things around it. My personal favorites are those shiny little pinwheels, but any whirly gig will suffice. How about a few cones or jump standards with plastic bags duct taped to the top? The options are endless.

Seriously, you know your horse so start small if the accoutrements you've scattered are too overwhelming. The goal is to build trust in your leadership not totally scare the heck out of your horse.

I would put a rope halter on Ole Crazy Horse to prevent him from escaping; it offers you a little more control than a chain over the nose. If a horse is already afraid, the chain grabbing his nose and not releasing is just going to confirm his fears that crossing water is not only scary, but extremely painful as well.

Using the tail end of a 12-14 foot rope, start sending your horse toward the water, the moment he hits the brakes, leave him be, don't add any pressure. If he changes directions on his own just send him rapidly toward the water again, so you add pressure when he is going away from the water, take it off when he's close. Soon he will want to investigate the water. He may snort, reach his head down, paw and splash. Leave him alone this is what's called "try" He's making an honest effort. When he stops thinking about going into the water, change directions again, make him trot toward the water. 10 feet before you get to the water, take the pressure off. He will quickly figure out being near water is easier than being away from it and that he can trust you to not pressure him at the water so he can use his head and think about going in.

Don't allow him to come into your space at any time. if he only puts his front foot in that's great! Take him away and praise him. Continue until he goes all the way through or until you are satisfied he has made progress. There are several other ways to approach water crossings this is just one. Once you have been successful add additional scary objects around your water hazard. Put your horse to work away from the obstacles, allow him to

rest near them. He will soon realize that anything unusual to him will provide a resting spot, a place where he can relax and get a good scratch from you.

Time to hit the beach!

It's certainly best to go with a friend that has a seasoned horse that has no fear of the ocean. If that's not possible approach the beach, ride as close as you can. If your horse refuses to go any closer ride parallel to it asking much of your horse. Leg yields, rein back; trotting in a circle, then approaching the beach again. Quickly ride your horse away from the water before he wants to leave on his own.

If you are not able to go into the water, don't be discouraged just riding along the beach should make you smile!

End on a good note and your horse will want to try for you next beach ride!

Happy Surfing!

Cathie Hatrick Anderson is a Professional Trainer specializing in starting colts and rehabilitating problem horses. She is a member of the Cowboy Mounted Shooting Association.

Cathie trained Shesa Faint Echo to attain her "Certified Shooting Horse" status and the pair rode to level three. She rides all her horses bitless. She lives in Upton MA with her Husband Robert Anderson.

For more info visit [www.bobcatfarm.com](http://www.bobcatfarm.com)



# Senate Bills on the docket

I am going to list bills that might be of interest to all of you. I just finished going through the 87 pages of bills for the 2009-2010 Senate Docket List.



Massachusetts  
Senate

To lend your support to any of these bills, please write, call or e-mail your Senator.

This following bill would be a great way for our members to be kept apprised of exactly what is happening in their local state forests and parks.

I didn't put the whole bill here as it is 6 pages long. I just put the beginning part to give you an idea of what the bill is about. To view this bill or any of the others in it's entirety please go to [www.mass.gov/legis/billsrch.htm](http://www.mass.gov/legis/billsrch.htm)

## **# 398 An Act to Provide Public Input into changes to Public Lands and Buildings located thereon.**

### Section 1. Purpose

The purpose of this chapter is to provide for public notice and input to plans for significant

physical alterations to state parks and other public natural resource lands.

### Section 2. Definitions

Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, when used in this chapter, the following words and phrases shall have the following meanings:—

"Abutter," owner of any property within one half mile from the closest boundary of an affected district. "Affected district," state land district in which the regulated activity is to occur.

"Regulated activity," any of the following, other than routine maintenance and removal of dead trees or trees that pose an imminent threat to the safety of persons:

- a. Removal of more than one half a contiguous acre of trees, brush, or any plant material.
- b. Expansion or creation of paved areas or the placement of permeable, semipermeable or nonpermeable materials.
- c. Removal of more than 10 trees each of more than 8"

diameter, measured 4.5 feet above the ground, within any contiguous area of five acres or less of any shape, provided that the area is no less than ten feet across at its narrowest point.

d. Removal of more than 50 trees each of more than 8" diameter, measured 4.5 feet above the ground, in any state land district.

e. Construction or expansion of any structure, including, but not limited to, any building, storage facility, tower, or shelter, covering an area in excess of 24 square feet on, above, or below any land or water.

f. Clearing, grading, or construction for access roads or other facilities or areas in connection with any of the above "State agency," commonwealth of Massachusetts or any department or agency thereof or any board, authority, or public entity created thereby, not including municipalities and towns. "State land district" any land area owned or under the control a state agency, including but not limited to state parks, forests, reserves, recreation areas, parkways, watershed areas, or beaches.

## **#1795 An Act including "machetes" under the dangerous weapon law.**

This one is pretty self explanatory. I do know of a couple of people that do use machetes for trail clearing. Wonder if they considered that when proposing to make machetes a dangerous weapon?

## **#372 An Act providing improved management of state forests.**

This bill should be put on hold until the Forest Visioning Process is done.

SECTION 1. Section 34A of Chapter 132 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2004 1 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting, in line 43, after

the word "require.", the following:- The commissioner may require that any bid for the removal of timber or other forest products under this section shall include such improvements to the forest as the commissioner deems necessary. Any such bid or contract requirement shall not result in a reduction of force or displacement of persons employed by the department performing similar responsibilities.

## **#378 An Act to promote alternative energy on farms.**

SECTION 1. The Department of Agriculture Resources is hereby authorized and directed to establish, subject to appropriation, a loan program, to be administered in consultation with MasDevelopment, to provide loans on favorable

terms and conditions to farmers and groups of farmers for the following purposes: implementing or improving alternative energy systems; implementing or improving water saving systems; implementing or improving energy saving systems; and implementing or improving alternative heating and cooling systems. In establishing the loan program authorized under this section, DAR shall utilize, to the extent practicable and appropriate to making available loans on favorable terms and conditions for the purposes described in this section, arrangements with private lending institutions involving linked deposits, loan guarantees, sharing of administrative costs, and other means deemed appropriate by DAR.

**#368 An Act relative to sustainable farming protection.**

SECTION 1. (A) This Commonwealth has entered into agreements with the federal government of the United States, and otherwise may have participated in establishing a National Animal Identification System (hereinafter "NAIS").

(B) Neither the United States Department of Agriculture nor the Massachusetts Department of Agricultural Resources (hereinafter "MDAR") has demonstrated any scientific findings that the NAIS will prevent the spread of diseases of animal origin to humans or to other animals, or will benefit animal or public health.

(C) Sustainable animal husbandry practices, which include adequate space, appropriate feed, and access to pasture, fresh air and sunlight are important in promoting animal health and thus preventing the spread of diseases of animal origin.

(D) The establishment of NAIS is detrimental to small and sustainable animal husbandry farming operations.

SECTION 2. : Cooperative Agreement Termination

MDAR shall withdraw any pending application for USDA NAIS Cooperative Agreement funding for FY 2007; or, in the event that the USDA already has granted funding and a Cooperative Agreement for FY 2007 already has been executed, MDAR shall return any FY 2007 funding to the USDA and rescind any existing Cooperative Agreement for FY 2007.

SECTION 3. : Citizens Data Upload Termination MDAR shall immediately cease sending data on the Commonwealth's citizens and animal premises to the USDA National Premises Information Repository.

SECTION 4. : Notification and Data Removal MDAR shall: (a) immediately notify all citizens whose premises information previously has been submitted to the USDA National Premises Information Repository without their specific authorization; and (b) develop a procedure with the USDA whereby such Massachusetts data will be expunged from the USDA National Premises Information Repository.

**#2251 An Act to Regulate the Use of Off Highway and Recreation Vehicles.**

This bill is a great bill. It covers the definitions, exclusions, increased fines, ages for operating, in other words: all the nuts and bolts for a good bill. It's 20 pages long, so I have only touched upon the most relevant issues.

It also addressed the biggest issue we have with illegal ORV use: enforcement.

Included in this is where the increased fines go. This bill allows for the creation of an Off highway Vehicle Program (OHVP).

75% of all fines, costs, expenses & interest imposed plus other revenues as stated in the text of the bill will go into the OHVP. This money can be spent on enforcement of statutes, regulations and policies applicable to off highway vehicles; (b) the acquisition of land for use as commonwealth approved trails and facilities for off highway vehicles or for the development, maintenance, repair or restoration of commonwealth approved trails and facilities; (c) for grants made by the department of conservation and recreation to municipalities and other public entities for the purposes of clauses (a) and (b); (d) the development and administration of safety, training, and education programs; and (e) for other off highway program activities, including all direct and indirect costs of personnel or contractors of the executive office and its office of environmental law enforcement and departments.

**#1594 An Act Creating Animal Trusts**

Pretty self explanatory. If this passes and you have the money, you can set up a trust to care for your animals after you pass.

**#377 An Act clarifying certain farm commodities as agriculture in the Commonwealth.**

This is a very good bill that deserves our support. It includes the keeping of horses as a commercial enterprise. I just put in the first section of the bill which defines farming & agriculture. The rest of the bill just states where other changes need to be made to keep the definition the same in all sections.

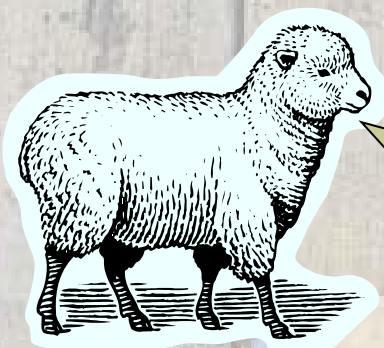
SECTION 1. Section 1A of chapter 128 of the General Laws, as amended pursuant to section 1 142 of chapter 38 of the acts of 1995, is hereby further amended by striking said section, and inserting in place thereof the following new section: Section 1A. "Farming" or "agriculture" shall include, but not be limited to, farming in all its branches and the cultivation and tillage of the soil, dairying, the production, cultivation, growing and harvest-

ing of any agricultural, aquacultural, floricultural or horticultural commodities, the growing and harvesting of forest products upon forest land, the raising of livestock including horses, the keeping of horses as a commercial enterprise, the keeping and raising of poultry and other domestic fowl, swine, cattle, sheep, goats, fallow deer and other domesticated animals used for food purposes, llamas and alpacas, bees, fur-bearing animals, and any forestry or lumbering operations, performed by a farmer, who is hereby defined as one engaged in agriculture or farming as herein defined, or on a farm as an incident to or in conjunction with such farming operations, including preparations for market, delivery to storage or to market or to carriers for transportation to market. For the purpose of this section ratites shall be considered domestic fowl.

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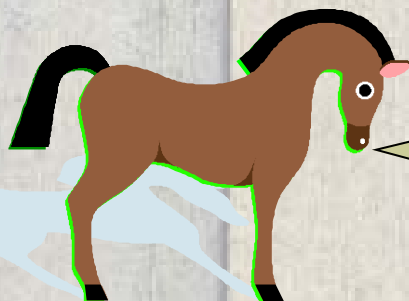
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Join me **Wednesday, April 14th at 7PM** to  
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Dog & Cat Nutrition Date to be Announced

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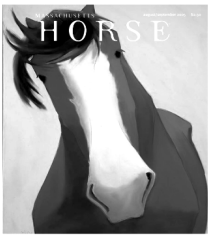
Michele Bigelow has offered to be in charge of collecting the proofs of purchase for BSTRA. They can be mailed directly to her or turned in to any Board member or at any rides.

Michele's address is 35 Shady Lane, Douglas MA 01516

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<b>MARCH 1</b> for April/May	<b>SEPTEMBER 1</b> for October/November

## BITS & PIECES

### Memorial Day Campout Information

Please be advised that reservations are now being accepted (6 month window) for camping at Myles Standish State Forest on the Memorial Day weekend. Sites in the "horse loop" (Charge Pond "C") are going fast and if you think you may want to go, you should decide soon and make your reservations through either the web site Reserve America or the toll free number 877-422-6762.

If you need info on camping, please contact me at [rosezinri@cox.net](mailto:rosezinri@cox.net)

### Resources

BarnSweetBarnDVDs Rental Company

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### Horse Magazines Wanted:

Winslow Therapeutic Riding is in need of old horse magazines. Our Educational Department uses them in many ways, i.e. a math class - "So you want to own a horse". The children look up the various items needed and their cost. Folks can recycle their old "horsey" magazines by sending them to Winslow Therapeutic Riding, 328 Route 17A, Warwick, NY 10990. Thank you, Virginia G. Mazza, MS Ed

The Thompson Trails Committee (CT) is hoping to set up some trail work days to clear parts of the Airline Trail this winter.

If you are interested in EVER working outdoors on our trails (this winter or anytime), we are compiling a master list NOW to submit to the town so that any volunteer in future is covered under the town's liability. Please send me your name and contact information plus that of any friends or family members you may want to bring along. You will be listed in a master file.

Dates we are working on the Airline will be coming soon. Or if you have a specific date you want to suggest let me know. This winter we will be working in specific areas between 193 and Sunset Hill. Contact Karen at [karen.durlach@snet.net](mailto:karen.durlach@snet.net)

**Classifieds** Free ads are for members only and can not be used to advertise any non-member's horses, products or services. Please submit your ad in writing (mail or e-mail) to the editor. Ads will appear only once unless you notify us to run it again. Ads/requests must be received by the 15th of the month preceding publication.

**Saddle for Sale:** Saddleseat saddle. 19" seat, two tone leather. Used only one season about 15 times. Excellent condition. Still like new. A steal at \$150. Will send pictures. Call Becky at 508-476-3960 or bstra@charter.net

**Dressage Saddle For Sale:** 17 1/2" seat, black. Wide tree. Very good condition. Includes leathers, stirrups and girth. \$300. Call Becky at 508-476-3960 or bstra@charter.net

**Stall for Rent:** Billerica area. Full board \$375. Contact Jerry at 978-667-2921 or jmm10000@yahoo.com 1/2

**Go With the FLOW Equine Massage**

By regenerating the FLOW of vital energy, "Go With the FLOW" Equine Massage seeks to promote the overall health and happiness of both competitive and companion horses alike. Graduate of Bancroft School of Massage in Worcester Ma. Alyssa Reynolds C.E.M.T. #978-944-9994 GoWithTheFlowEquineMassage@comcast.net on the web http://GoWithTheFlowEquineMassage.home.comcast.net Discounts available.

**Stalls for Rent:** Charlton MA We offer excellent care for a reasonable price. Large outdoor, lighted ring. 60' round pen. All day turnout. Miles of trails & lessons are available. Call Kelly at 508-248-9993

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**Business Classifieds**

**Short Term/Vacation Boarding:** Walking High Farm has two run in sheds with separate fencing available for your short term needs. Going on vacation, we can take care of your horse or both if you have two of them. Please call Becky for details at 508-476-3960 or bstra@charter.net

**The Recycled Rider:** A complete consignment tack store. Now open in the Blackstone Valley. English and Western riders welcome! Clean out your tack trunk and get a great bargain. www.recycledrider.net 508-278-3663 Uxbridge, MA

**Horse Trainer** Cathie Hatrick-Anderson specializing in re-habilitating problem horses, and starting youngsters. I can help you with your problem loader, horse that won't lunge, go out alone, etc. If you make a list I'll touch on everything during our visit. Hard to catch, pins ears, won't stand to be mounted, aggression. hard to worm. bolts, bucks, or rears. I'll work where you are. 2 hour minimum @ 70.00 per hour plus Farm call If you'd like to bring your horse to me for a training session- no min required 70.00 for an hour you do the traveling. (508) 529-4209 or (508) 479-5266 visit www.bobcatfarm.com

**Get Back To Basics** With Terri Jordan. Foundation Training for people according to the horse. For access to free articles and more information about advancing your horsemanship visit Terri's website at www.terrijordan.info

**Forelock to Fetlock:** Equine Massage..flexible hours. Graduate of Bancroft School of Massage in Worcester, references upon request. Call Deb 508-868-3255 or dcarl19@verizon.net Flexible hours

**Horses:** Check out Pembury House web page for a varied selection of young colored sport horse prospects, thoroughbred mares & geldings in Sutton MA. Most have action videos. Click on "Horses for Sale" on web page: www.pemburyhousefarm.com or call Velma at 508-581-8755

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**Hampshire County Riding Club Calendar**

Feb. 17 7PM Meekins Library. Presenter Jo Bunny. Update for Wild Horses & Burros. 8PM Business meeting Contact Diane Merritt at 413-268-3372

Feb. 27 6:30PM Wrangler's Dinner at Brewmasters Tavern Williamsburg. Please verify attendance by 3/17 by contacting Diane Harris at 413-634-0167



New Winter Diet!

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## BSTRA EVENTS CALENDAR February 2010

Feb. 6	AGM & Awards Banquet Webster MA	Becky	508-476-3960	bstra@charter.net
Feb. 28	Tack Sale Bellingham MA	Becky	508476-3960	bstra@charter.net
March 27	Fred Weston Trail Work Middleboro RD28th	Al	508-577-0642	al@inkymousestudios.com
April 3	West Hill Dam Trail Work Day Uxbridge	Becky	508476-3960	bstra@charter.net
April 4	Wompatuck SP Trail Work Day Hingham	Al	508-577-0642	al@inkymousestudios.com
April 11	Spring Trail Ride Douglas	Jane	508-943-5916	janerutledge5916@hotmail.com
April 18	Grace Note Farm Pascoag RI			
April 24	Earth Day Ride(s) (rain date 25th)			
May 1	Spring Pace Set Up			
May 2	Spring Hunter Pace	Sharron	413-267-4826	hiddenhollowacres@comcast.com
May 17	Myles Standish Trail Work Carver MA	Al	508-577-0642	al@inkymousestudios.com
May 16-23	Otter Creek Campout	Rose	401-762-4805	rosezinri@cox.net
May 23	Scavenger Hunt	Lurissa	508-868-7397	risster38@hotmail.com
May 29-31	Memorial Day Campout Myles Standish	Rose	401-762-4805	roseinri@cox.net
June 6	National Trails Day			
June 25-27	Campout Reynolds Horsemen's Area RI	Jane	508-943-5916	janerutledge5916@hotmail.com
July 1-4	4th July Campout Douglas	Rose	401-762-4805	rosezinri@cox.net
July 17	Goddard SP E.Greenwich RI	Rose	401-762-4805	rosezinri@cox.net
Aug. 29	Northfield Mt. Pleasure ride Northfield MA	Rose	401-762-4805	rosezinri@cox.net
Sept. 4-6	Labor Day Campout Myles Standish	Rose	401-762-4805	rosezinri@cox.net
Sept. 19	Fall Hunter Pace	Sharron	413-267-4826	hiddenhollowacres@comcast.com
Oct. 24	Brimfield Ride	Sharron	413-267-4826	hiddenhollowacres@comcast.com
Nov. 7	Turkey Trot	Rose	401-762-4805	rosezinri@cox.net
Nov. 11-14	Equine Affaire	Becky	508-476-3960	bstra@charter.net

- ❶ Unless otherwise noted, all rides start at 10AM and trail work days at 9AM.
- ❷ In case of questionable weather, call before leaving home. You will NOT be called if the event is cancelled.
- ❸ Most rides require advance registration and payment.
- ❹ Year end awards require a member in good standing to have a minimum of 4 hours of volunteer time completed. Pleasure Division, Competitive Division, Accumulative Division (under 55 and 55 and older categories for previous three divisions) (For the 55 and over you have to be 55 as of Jan. 1 of that year) and Hunter Pace Division (Adult and Junior category). Visit our web site [www.bstra.org](http://www.bstra.org) for more information.
- ❺ There is a discount for riders 16 years old and under on all pleasure rides.
- ❻ Alcohol is prohibited at all rides per state forest regulations, no smoking allowed while riding.
- ❼ Please leave our trails and parking areas better than you found them and be considerate of others.

### Raffle



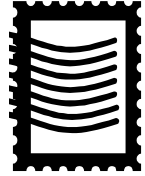
Anyone wishing to purchase raffle tickets for a chance to win a 18 x 24 original horse oil painting by Betsey MacDonald can purchase them at the Mane Place. (Painting is there to see also). Or you can mail a check (payable to BSTRA) to 24 Glenn St. Douglas MA 01516. Tickets are \$5 each.

### Welcome New Members

Carolyn & Jeremy Weeks from S. Grafton MA  
 Ted & Joan Sisley from Monson, MA  
 Maggie Walsh from Upton, MA  
 Janet Harrington from Worcester, MA  
 Mary Mansfield from Northbridge, MA  
 Gail Marini, Braintree, MA (HERD)  
 Paul Laflamme, Sutton, MA  
 Jennifer Stone, Montague, MA  
 Tracey Acquaro, Exeter, RI

**Got Trails? February 2010**

Bay State Trail Riders Association  
24 Glenn Street  
Douglas, MA 01516



**To:**



## Membership Application for Bay State Trail Riders Association, Inc

Effective Jan. 1st through Dec. 31st and includes a complimentary subscription to the *Horsemen's Yankee Pedlar & MASS Horse*  
Date above your name on mailing label shows when your membership expires. Please type/print clearly.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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Single \$20  Family \$30

Individual Lifetime \$350

Make checks payable to BSTR, Inc. and  
mail to Rose Zariczny, 216 Grand St., Woonsocket RI 02895

If you would like to be active in a local chapter near you with additional programs and events available, please check

- HERD South Eastern MA Chapter  
(Middleboro Area)
- I prefer to receive *The Bugle* on line.
- I DO **NOT** want the *Pedlar/Mass Horse*
- I DO **NOT** want my name released for discounts/coupons to benefit BSTR

### I WOULD LIKE TO HELP

- by volunteering for Trail Work Days
- by sponsoring a Trail Ride (monetary)
- by hosting (running) a Trail Ride
- with other projects that might be needed
- with \_\_\_\_\_