

# **STABLE TALK**

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Spring 2019



10% of all food sales go

directly back to Pride Stables

\$2 face painting by

\$2 pony rides



## FOOD TRUCK FUNDRAISER

We are hosting two food truck nights again this year!

Bring your friends & families to enjoy dinner, dessert & a great night out!

## Friday June 7th & Friday September 6th 4:00 – 8:00pm

Fo' Cheezy Schmuck Truck Café du Monde Crêperie Breakfast Blues and BBQs (June only) Jashan-e-dawat (September only)

Let's Play Ball!

Melanie of Fancy Expressions

It may be a chillier and rainier spring than we'd have liked, but baseball season has come again! Pride Stables is joining the *Kitchener Panthers* for another year at Jack Couch Park at *The Aud*. With the generous help of a small group of volunteers, Pride Stables runs the concession stand at Panthers home games. All profits come back to support our riders and programs.



Fancy Expressions

Come to a game this summer for some great ball and snacks! It's Tetris time. This is what our shopping carts look like during ball season as we stock the concession stand!



View the game schedule at www.kitchenerpanthers.com

## *Thank you from our riders*

"To Beauty: You are the best horse ever. Don't tell the other horse, but you are my fav horse."



"Woody, I enjoy rideing whith you. You always make me happy and do good trooting. I love you Woody I do."

"Dear Tempi, This week you've been a great hourse. When we trotted you were so smooth and fun. I loved riding you. I hope next year I will get to ride you again. I hope you had fun with me."

## CTV's In Your Backyard



Rider Michal with volunteer Ben

CTV video still

Did you catch us on TV this spring? In February *CTV* reporter Stu Godden joined us to learn about our programs. At the end of class he was even treated to a trip around the arena on Lyonel!

Head to our website to see the segment www.pridestables.com/about-us/in-the-news/

#### **Sponsorship Moves Us Forward!** Did you know...

\$4,200 or \$350 per month

• Sponsors one horse for a full year

### \$420 or \$35 per month

• Sponsors one rider for a full session

### \$1,200 or \$100 per month

• Maintains a paddock for one year

## Thank you for your support!



**Cambridge Shrine Club** members present a cheque to Heather for sponsorship of Tempi's stall.



Pride Stables was honoured to receive a grant from the *Maycourt Club of KW* to support Camp Pride. Leah (4th from right) accepted the cheque alongside other deserving local charities.

### \$900 or \$75 per month

• Maintains one stall for a full year

\$120 or \$10 per month

- Buys 40 Bales of hay
- Buys one safety helmet
- Buys 6 bags of grain for our horses

Join our easy and convenient monthly giving program. Please call Heather at 519-653-4686 for details or visit www.pridestables.com.

## **Every Bit Counts!**

## Volunteer Voíce



Birthday girl Katie (left) along with her sister Ashley were greeted by resident barn cat Trouble when they dropped off donations and supplies collected in honour of Katie's birthday. Thank you for thinking of us Katie!



Cody and Nahauni, assisted by Jen, accepted donations raised by some of our student friends at **OVC (Ontario Veterinary College)** in Guelph. Thank you ladies!

Our annual Christmas open house in December was a grand success. The turnout was incredible as were the donations that streamed in to the tune of almost \$4,000 during the event.



A big thank you and we hope to see you again next year!



Thank to all riders and volunteers who took part in our spring fundraiser of Vesseys blooms, seeds & bulbs. With your generous support, over \$1,000 will be coming back to Pride Stables!



Debbie & Lyonel

When I moved to Waterloo 6 years ago from Thunder Bay I looked for a place to volunteer. When I came across Pride Stables, it truly was a perfect match. Horses, helping children, and helping adults— I was so excited to join the Pride Stables organization.

When I started to volunteer, I didn't have much experience. However, everyone "in the barn" helped me so much. The kindness and thoughtfulness of all the staff & volunteers cannot be measured.

I see the joy in the faces of each rider. I know their time at Pride is precious & something they look forward to each week. But it isn't only them—I'm just as excited to leave the house and go to the stables. I find myself smiling and laughing along with the riders as their smiles and laughter are contagious (especially their giggles while trotting). Therapeutic riding provides a balance of physical and emotional benefits, which is so important for every rider (and me too).

I also admire the family, friends & support staff who watch on from the viewing room, supporting riders week after week. I have so much respect for their dedication.

All I know is when I leave Pride Stables, I have a warm heart and a smile on my face! It is a great place to be.

#### Debbíe

Pride Stables was the lucky charity selected by members of the *Waterloo County Revolver Association* to receive the proceeds from a tournament they held in the fall. Thank you your incredible support of over \$6,000. These funds will go a long way!





St Mary's HS students proved that every bit adds up. As part of their civics philanthropy project, Tommy & Ethan's group collected spare change during their presentations on Pride Stables. At the end of the day, they were happy to present over \$50 to Pride Stables! Thank you gentlemen!

## Trouble's Tidbits



**Dear Trouble,** Do you speak "horse?"

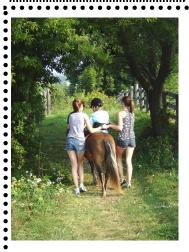
**Dear Reader,** Horses rely a lot on their ears to communicate with other horses and humans too.

Ears forward means a horse is attentive and engaged, while ears turned sideways can show a horse is relaxed or asleep.

A horse with one or two ears slightly back is listening to things around them, but both ears pinned back is a sign of an unhappy or uncomfortable horse.

Stiff ears tipped forward with flared nostrils can show fear or deep interest in what is going on.

Keep an eye out for what your horse's ears are telling you!



## Horse Happenings



## Test your Pride Stables knowledge:

Who is the mother-son duo in our fields?
 Who are the two palomino coloured horses at the stables?
 Who is the handsome bay gelding who joined the pony field last year?
 Answers on back page



### DID YOU KNOW...

A horse's teeth take up more space in their heads than their brains. You can generally tell the sex of a horse by the number of their teeth. Mature males have 40-42; Females can have as few as 36.

## Sponsor-A-Rider

Are you looking for other ways to help? For \$35/month, you can give a child the chance to receive the benefits of therapeutic riding. Each week, that rider will not only have the chance to ride, but the opportunity to interact with others, play games, laugh and have fun in a group environment—all this while receiving a stimulating therapy.

\$420 (\$35/month) allows a rider to receive these benefits for one full year.

287 riders are currently waiting for sponsorship. Call or email the office to find out how you can get started! 519-653-4686 info@pridestables.com

## Sponsorship Opportunities\$4,200 (\$350 per month)18 Horses are

Adopt-A-Horse Maintain-A-Stall Sponsor-A-Paddock \$1,200 (\$100 per month) Sponsor-A-Rider

\$900 (\$75 per month) \$420 (\$35 per month)

18 Horses are hoping for sponsorship 8 Horses stalls are available for sponsorship 1 Paddock available for sponsorship 287 Riders are hoping for your sponsorship

#### Paddock Sponsors

Horse	Horse Sponsors	Stall Sponsors	<i>Front:</i> Daisy Fresh Cleaning Service Side: Aden & Sheryl Frey
Awesome		Aden & Sheryl Frey	Back: Family of Margie Schenk
Beauty		Laurie Farrow	Rider Sponsors
Billy		Kiwanis Club of Elmira	Amanda Neeb
Black Velvet	Westfall and Hill Family Fund	Fred & Mary	Bobbi-Jo Bradley
Chopper	Waterloo County Revolver Association	KW Community Spirit Lions Club	Cities of Cambridge, Kitchener, and
Coal		Waterloo County Revolver Association	— Waterloo — Dave & Caitlin Jenkins
Cody	Kitchener Panthers	Optimist Club of Twin Cities	David Spiegelman
Danny		Rotary Club of Kitchener- Grand River	Doon Pioneer Park Community
Fritz		TMTA Waterloo Region	Association Elmira Maple Syrup Festival
Hercules	Marilyn Snyder & the late Peter Etril	Optimist Club of Twin Cities	
Kenny	Waterloo Knights of Columbus	Screen Magic Ink Inc.	Enid & Charles Emery
Lyonel		The Elcome Family	<ul> <li>Hendry Family</li> <li>John Lengyell</li> </ul>
Molly		The Willar Family	Kin Club of Preston
Nahauni		Katy & Nick	Kinsmen Club of Kitchener-Waterloo
Percy	How Great Thou Art		Kitchener Pioneer Lions Club
Pipper		In Memory of Daisy & Sandra Chris	Kitchener Sports Association
Prince	Marion Jean Wellwood		Lois & Dr. Thomas Schultz
Queen		Ken & Gail	<ul> <li>Lyle S Hallman Foundation Kids to Camp</li> </ul>
Rachel			Main Street Animal Hospital
Rainbow Black		Family of Mel & Peggy Hunt	Family of Margie Schenk
Ranger		Trillium Mutual Insurance Company	Marion Jean Wellwood
Remington	George & Beverley Chris		Maycourt Club of KW
Rosie		Westfall and Hill Family	Mitchell Mills Systems Canada
Dudar	Estate of Manager (EP-shoth 120	David & Davada Waldara	Mitchell Plastics
Ryder	Estate of Margaret Elizabeth Hill	David & Brenda Walden	Optimist Club of Cambridge
Tempi	In Memory of Debbie Marquis	Cambridge Shrine Club	Ready Rivet Fastener Ltd
Toby	Family of Margie Schenk	Family of Margie Schenk	Region of Waterloo
Woody	David & Brenda Walden	Cambridge Highland Lions	Rorabeck Maricic Families
	Family Foundation		Silvia Burnett
			Steve & Karen Optimist Club of Lakesbore Village

Optimist Club of Lakeshore Village Waterloo



Horse Fly Spray Hay & Shavings Wheel Barrow Fence Boards & Posts Wintec Saddles Covered Stirrups Gift Cards (Walmart, Dollar Store, Michaels) Utility Wagon Canadian Tire Money Plain Printer/Copy Paper Toilet Paper Paper Towels Dishwasher Craft Supplies

\*A charitable tax receipt can be issued for most donations\*

## **VOLUNTEERS - SPREAD THE WORD!**

In addition to our evening summer classes, we run 8 separate weeks of day camp in July & August where we need **loads** of morning volunteers to make each week happen! Volunteers are asked to commit to a minimum of one full week. Watch for our email in early June to sign up for the summer!

#### Summer Session

*Tuesday & Thursday Evenings* Session #1: July (four weeks) Session #2: August (four weeks)

#### June Training Dates for New Volunteers

6-8pm: Tues. 11th, Thurs. 13th, Mon. 17th, Wed. 19th, or Tues. 25th 12-2pm: Sat. 15th

## Camp Pride

Mon-Fri 8:30am-12pm 8 separate weeks July 2 to Aug. 23

Only one 2-hour training session is needed for all new volunteers. **Min. age:** 15 yrs or older. **Pre-registration is required to attend training.** Email Leah to get started! volunteering@pridestables.com 519-653-4686 More info: www.pridestables.com/volunteers

Quiz Answers: 1. Black Velvet & Ryder 2. Queen & Prince 3. Woody

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