

# Ontario Equestrian Federation Quarterly Report

The Ontario Equestrian Federation (OEF) continuously works on behalf of its members to develop new programs, create new benefits and improve equestrian activity in Ontario. To ensure its members are aware of the work being done, every issue of *WHOA!* includes a quarterly activity report that highlights current projects and those that have been completed. Articles within this issue of *WHOA!* will provide more details on these various projects.

## SPORT DEVELOPMENT

- The Ontario Equestrian Federation held its first high performance sport committee meeting on June 9 to discuss the province's Long-Term Athlete Development (LTAD) plan for podium-bound disciplines. This meeting was led by Mark Nelson, LTAD committee chair, and attended by industry leaders in equestrian sport. Topics discussed ranged from grassroots-level competition at fairs, pony and saddle clubs, up to the North American Junior and Young Rider Championships. As well, we reviewed existing OEF sport programs and discussed opportunities for new initiatives in the future.
- The OEF/Quest for Gold social media campaign was launched on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and the OEF's website on June 3. To follow the show season of the eight Quest for Gold funded recipients, or to learn more about this athlete assistance program, visit the OEF website at: [www.horse.on.ca/programs/questforgold](http://www.horse.on.ca/programs/questforgold)
- For additional information on any of the above topics, please contact Brandon Hall, Sport Development, at [b.hall@horse.on.ca](mailto:b.hall@horse.on.ca).

## CLEAN SPORT

- Drug technicians have attended over 50 shows across the province since the beginning of the year, from bronze to FEI levels, with over 200 horses and ponies selected for drug testing. We would like to remind competitors and show organizers that Equine Canada sanctioned competitions fall under the Equine Medication Control Program and a drug technician could arrive at any time, on any day and your horse may be chosen for testing. For further information on the Equine Medication Control Program, visit the OEF website at [www.horse.on.ca](http://www.horse.on.ca)

## COMPETITIONS

- To date in 2015, 137 sanctioned competitions have taken place in Ontario.
- Preparations are underway for the 2015 edition of the Canadian Interprovincial Equestrian Championships (CIEC). This year the event takes place from Sept. 25-27 at the Wesley Clover Park in Nepean, ON. Additional information will be added to the CIEC page on the OEF website as it becomes available.
- Various judging and course design clinics are planned for this fall/winter. Once dates, locations and clinicians are confirmed, the information will be posted in the events calendar on the OEF website. If you would like to see a certain type of clinic offered in your area, please contact the office.
- TORONTO 2015 Pan-Am Games equestrian events take place July 11-25

## MEMBER BENEFITS

- **CavallACTIVE – 10% off all products:** OEF members save 10% off all products offered by CavallACTIVE including Butterfly® saddles until Sept. 30. Visit [www.cavallactive.com](http://www.cavallactive.com) for more details.

- **OEF Member Referral Program:** The OEF is running a member referral program for the month of July. Current members will receive a \$10 Greenhawk gift card for every new member they refer. In addition, the referring and referred member will be entered into a draw for a Greenhawk gift basket. See page 6 for more details
- **Ticket to Royal Savings:** Various OEF Industry associates will be offering OEF members exclusive discounts and incentives at the 2015 Royal Agricultural Winter Fair. Please visit the OEF website for details leading up to The Royal.

## COACHING AND EDUCATION

- Over the last quarter, the OEF education department has administered the following:
  - 90 - English Rider Levels
  - 14 - Western Rider Levels
  - 2 – English Instructor of Beginner
  - 8 – English Instructor of Beginner w/Jump
  - 1 – Western Instructor of Beginner

### Coaching Events Held:

- April 5 – English Instructor of Beginner Mentoring Clinic, Pickering Horse Centre, Clarendon, ON.
- April 25-26 – English Instructor of Beginner Evaluations, Oakhurst Farm, Ashton, ON.
- April 26 – English Competition Coach Evaluation, Oakhurst Farm, Ashton, ON.
- May 1 – English Instructor of Beginner Evaluation, Sunnybrook Stables, Toronto
- May 3 – English Learn to Ride Program Evaluator Training Clinic, Pickering Horse Centre, Clarendon, ON.
- June 5 – English Instructor of Beginner Evaluation, Pickering Horse Centre, Clarendon, ON.
- June 14 – Western Instructor of Beginner Evaluation Day Preparation Clinic, Triple S Stables, Stouffville, ON.
- June 19 – Let's Get Coaching! NCCP (1st Gait) FUNDamental Movement, Sunnybrook Stables, Toronto

### Upcoming Coaching Events:

- July 24 – English Instructor of Beginner Evaluation, Greystone Equestrian Centre, Almonte, ON.
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- Aug. 6-7 – NCCP/EC Equestrian Theory Workshop, OEF Boardroom, Richmond Hill, ON.
- Aug. 20 – English Competition Coach Evaluation, Greystone Equestrian Centre, Almonte, ON.
- Aug. or Sept. – Western Instructor of Beginner Evaluation, Triple S Stables, Stouffville, ON.

## HORSE FACILITIES COUNCIL

- Currently 154 OEF Horse Facility associates

## EVENTS

### OEF representatives recently attended the following events:

- Horse Experience: OEF Summer Showcase: Saturday July 11-12, Orangeville Fair Grounds