



Southlands Riding Club News & Events August 2007

Dressage Championships wind up SRC Summer Season

Once again, Southlands will host the Pacific Regional and British Columbia Dressage Championships, but with a change this year – the championships have moved to the Labour Day long weekend. Now that there is a new show at Maple Ridge EC in mid-August, it seemed more logical to have the Championships as close to the end of the season as was feasible. Because the Championships attract competitors from the Island, B.C. Interior and Alberta, it will run from Friday, August 31 to Sunday, September 2, so that riders are able to travel home on the holiday Monday.

While the show is on, the Carnarvon ring will be reserved for non-competing members to use. After the final class each day, (around 5:00 p.m.) the Track, Indoor Arena, McCleery Ring and Polo Field will be open until Club closing.

Show highlights include the Freestyle Championships, a return of the Costume Freestyle, a Quadrille Demonstration, the second annual Barn Decorating Contest and the popular Blue Heron Dressage Prospect Championships.

Entries close August 10, and prize lists are available on the SRC website www.southlandsriddingclub.com.

Volunteers are needed! If you can help out, please call Volunteer Coordinator Carly Arbutnot at (604) 720-6387, or contact the SRC Office.

Thanks to our sponsors: MCL Motor Cars, Ayora Equestrian and County Saddlery, the Dog and Pony Shop, Roddick's, and Equerry Tack Shop/Tacko.



Rebecca Garrard and Och Heden at the Southlands Spring Dressage Show

WHAT'S GOING ON: August

06 BC Day Long Weekend
SRC is open as usual but the office will be closed on Monday, August 6

31 BC and Pacific Region Dressage Championships
August 31 - September 2. The Carnarvon Ring will be available for members to use throughout the weekend.

After the show finishes each day, the McCleery Ring, Indoor, Polo Field and Track will also be open to members.

And coming next month ...

September 9
2-3/4 Phase Event

September 30
Southlands Country Fair

GROUNDS REPORT

The month of August will be a “maintenance” month for the grounds of SRC. The north side of the track will be reconditioned mid-month, to bring it up to the same standard as the half that was improved last year. Tentative dates for work to start are August 15 or 19, and the work is expected to last a couple of days. Watch for emails and notices on the grounds to let you know the exact schedule once dates for work on the track are confirmed.

Our temporary stalls have been rented out to Milner Downs and Thunderbird for their August shows. In addition to bringing in some extra revenue, we are taking advantage of the area being clear to tidy up the surfaces and level them out.

Following the Labour Day long weekend, the Indoor Arena will be resurfaced right after the British Columbia Dressage Championships. We will be using the same material as the covered arena.

Throughout the month we will be working on different riding rings to prepare them for the winter months. Our grass field is open and throughout the summer we will have cross country jumps and small jumper courses available for members to school over. Finally, the gutters on the covered arena should also be repaired in August; we are just waiting for the material to arrive from Texas.

If you have any questions or concerns please email grounds@southlandsridingclub.com.

SUMMER CLASSIC WRAP-UP

THANK YOU to all our sponsors, staff, volunteers, and competitors for the great success of the Summer Classic. Debbie, Liz, Donna, Zoltan, David and Kyle all worked many, many hours in the preparation and clean up of the competition. Caroline Jones and her “crew” once again organized a superb event. Thanks to SRC volunteers Adrienne Wanhill, Karen Simonsen and Michelle Bernard who came forward to help out.

Our sponsors’ support was invaluable in putting on a successful show – thanks to MCL Motor Cars, Ayora Equestrian and County Saddlery, Maple Springs Saddlery, Wynn Woodward, The Dog and Pony Shop, Maynard’s Tack Shops, Roddick’s, Holland Cherry (distributor of Oakwood Products), Aquarius Equestrian Center, Horse on Course, Cedarhurst Hunters and Jumpers, Greenhawk Langley, and Sarah Simpson.

Members and competitors were all very complimentary about our facility. Finally, good luck to all our members who are competing at Twin Oaks and Thunderbird Show Park this month!



The classic Southlands sign gets a face lift – recently installed across from SRC on West 53rd Avenue



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Deadlines

Fall Horscope: October 31, 2007

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