

Somerset County Park Commission Lord Stirling Stable



Summer Camp

REGISTRATION



Registration (online and in person) begins on Saturday, March 16th, 2019 – 8:00am

(Note: Summer Camp registration begins one week after Spring Lesson Registration opens)

Riders new to Lord Stirling Stable must come in person or call 908.766.5955 before registering.

Our Summer Camps (formerly “Summer Workshops”) are an opportunity for junior riders to gain hands-on experience and to learn in a safe, friendly environment. Our goal is for the riders to have fun while gaining skill, knowledge and confidence.

| Week | Theme |
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| Week1-June 24 | “Think Like a Horse” - A Horse of My Own Week |
| Week 2 - July 1 (4 day week) | “Happy Trails” Week (Trail Card eligibility week for riders B and above) Adults can come! |
| Week 3 - July 8 | “Horse Fever” – A Horse of My Own Week |
| Week 4 - July 15 | “Dressed to the Nines” – A Grooming & Showmanship Week |
| Week 5 - July 22 | “Music in Motion” – A Drill, Dressage, & Musical Ride Week |
| Week 6 - July 29 | “Riding in Style” – A Horse of My Own Week Focusing on Equitation |
| Week 7 - August 5 | “Gymkhana Fun!” Extended day option for D-2 riders! |
| Week 8 - August 12 | “It’s All in the Details” A Horse of My Own Week |
| Week 9 - August 19 | “Riding into the Sunset!” – End of Summer Riding and Horse Fun Adults can come! |

New this year: Both D-1 and D-2 riders may sign up for any and all weeks!

PRICES

- ☆ **County residents - \$300 per week** (a discounted rate of \$250 will be given for each additional week or for a 2nd family member. Please note: The first week is always full price. The second and subsequent weeks will be at the discounted rate.)
- ☆ **Non-residents of Somerset County - \$450 per week** (a discounted rate of \$387.50 will be given for each additional week or for a 2nd family member. Please note: The first week is always full price. The second purchased week and subsequent weeks will be at the discounted rate.)

All days include at least one riding lesson. As long as weather and scheduling permit, participants will ride a second time at least four of the workshop days. All activities and instruction are level and age appropriate. With the exception of the Fourth of July week, daily hours are Monday 8:15am – 1:30pm and Tuesday through Friday, 8:25am – 1:30pm. Riders must be on time.

EXTENDED DAY

All weeks (except 4th of July week) will offer D-3 and higher level riders an optional extended day until 4PM. Riders will assist with grooming horses for lessons, cleaning tack, and helping the barn staff with various other tasks. **Registration is limited to six riders each week.** Sign up is available online (chose a week and Activity Code with the 4pm dismissal time option) or in person. Payment for the extended day portion is by cash or check only, and will be collected after registration.

For weeks that do not have a *My Own Horse* theme (Weeks 4, 5, 7 and 9), extended day participants will ride an additional hour on three of the five days during the hacking hours. D3 and D4 riders will go on a guided trail ride. C1 and above riders may join the trail ride or “hack” in the ring. The days chosen each week will be determined by the Lord Stirling Stable staff based upon the weather forecast and horse availability. If a rider cannot ride one of the chosen days, an alternative day or ride will NOT be given. The extended day fee for this week is \$225.00, which includes the “hacking” fee.

For weeks that do have *My Own Horse* theme (Weeks 1, 3, 6 and 8), extended day participants will not ride during the extended day. The extended day fee is \$165 for these weeks.

Week 7 offers the opportunity for D1 and D2 riders to stay for an extended day. See Week 7 above for activities. Sign up is available online (chose the Workshop with the 4pm dismissal time option) or in person. The fee for the extended day portion is \$225, payable by cash or check only, and will be collected after registration.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Grooming kits will be available for sale (cash or check made out to FLSS) each week to any riders who would like to have their own grooming equipment. Participants are always welcome to use the grooming equipment owned by the stable.

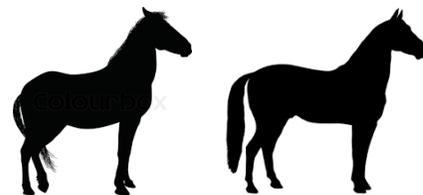
Horse Requests for “My Own Horse” Weeks - Riders will have a level-appropriate horse as “their own” for the week’s activities. Before the week begins, we will send out an email request for horse choices. Horse choices will be honored as much as possible; the assignments are made in order of registration with consideration for each rider’s level and weight. **Each “Horse of My Own” week will have its own individual theme.**

D-3 riders: For the safety of the rider, if a rider was promoted at the conclusion of the SPRING Session (2019) from D-2 to D-3, the rider should sign up for the D-2 level for Summer Workshops.



To be considered for advancement to the next riding level, students must participate in at least two workshops. The two workshops do not need to be consecutive. Participation in multiple sessions does not guarantee advancement to the next level.





Week 1 - June 24th -June 28th

“Think Like A Horse” - A Horse of My Own Week

D-3 and higher level - Activity # 83701-01 (1:30pm dismissal)

D-3 and higher level - Activity # 83701-02 (4:00pm dismissal)

D-3 and higher level riders will have a level-appropriate horse as “their own” for the week’s activities. Activities will allow riders to spend time with “their” horses. Lessons and trail rides will be on their special horse if possible. The first four days will also include an additional riding lesson or fun ride on a different horse. Educational time will focus on understanding the mind of the horse: how horses think and why they behave as they do.

“Think Like A Horse”

D-1 and D-2 level - Activity # 83701-03 (1:30pm dismissal)

D-1 and D-2 riders will not be assigned a horse of “their own” but will focus on learning to ride and improving their skills by getting to know various horses. They will be taught basic grooming and given time to practice. Participants will learn the parts of the horse, breeds, and elements of horse care. Fun activities will include a horse costume class and a trail ride. They will also learn how horses think and what drives their behavior.



Week 2 - July 1st - July 5th (no 7/4)

“Happy Trails” Week

D-3 and higher level - Activity # 83702-01 (2:45pm dismissal)

D-1 and D-2 level - Activity # 83702-03 (2:45pm dismissal)

Each day D-3 and higher level riders will have a daily riding lesson and, weather permitting, a trail ride. D-1 and D-2 riders will concentrate on learning and improving their riding skills; they will be taken on trail rides at the discretion of their instructors. This week has extended days, due to the Fourth of July holiday (stable is closed). Fun activities this week include a trail obstacle competition (for higher level riders) and a hay ride and marshmallow roast at Lord Stirling’s campsite. Each rider will make his/her own fly whisk. **Adult riders are eligible to participate in this Workshop.**



***Note:* Riders B/AI1 and above may take this week as an alternative to a five week Trail Etiquette class, which can qualify them for a Trail Card, once they reach the level of A/AI2.**





Week 3 - July 8th – July 12th

“Horse Fever” - A Horse of My Own Week

D-3 and higher level - Activity # 83703-01 (1:30pm dismissal)

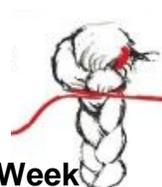
D-3 and higher level - Activity # 83703-02 (4:00pm dismissal)

D-3 and higher level riders will have a level-appropriate horse as “their own” for the week’s activities. Activities will allow riders to spend time with “their” horses. Lessons and trail rides will be on their special horse if possible. The first four days will also include an additional riding lesson or fun ride on a different horse. Educational topics will relate to veterinary and farrier care.

“Horse Fever”

D-1 and D-2 level- Activity # 83703-03 (1:30pm dismissal)

D-1 and D-2 riders will not be assigned a horse of “their own” but will focus on learning to ride and improving their skills by getting to know various horses. They will be taught basic grooming and given time to practice. Participants will learn about horses through fun activities such as scavenger hunts. They will learn about basic veterinary and farrier care.



Week 4 - July 15th - July 19th

“Dressed to the Nines” - Grooming and Showmanship Week

D-3 and higher level - Activity # 83704-01 (1:30pm dismissal)

D-3 and higher level - Activity # 83704-02 (4:00pm dismissal)

D-1 and D-2 level - Activity # 83704-03 (1:30pm dismissal)

Pairs of riders will be given a horse to groom throughout the week in preparation for an end of week grooming/showmanship class. Riders will be taught various grooming and showmanship techniques and will have opportunities to braid and bathe as appropriate with their level and skill. The week will culminate with fun grooming competitions.



Week 5 - July 22rd – July 26th

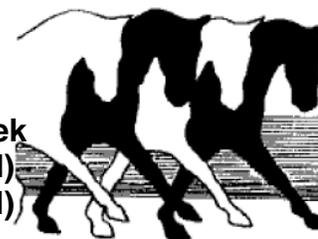
“Music in Motion” – A Drill, Dressage and Musical Ride Week

D-3 and higher level - Activity # 83705-01 (1:30pm dismissal)

D-3 and higher level - Activity # 83705-02 (4:00pm dismissal)

D-1 and D-2 level - Activity # 83705-03 (1:30pm dismissal)

This week will focus on riding to music and riding and designing drill patterns. Students will decorate either T-shirts, saddle pads, and/or brow bands for their “team.” Riders will put on a Friday drill performance for their family and friends! D-1 and D-2 riders will focus on learning to ride and improving their skills. They will participate in the drill patterns and performance as appropriate with their level and skill.





Week 6 - July 29th - August 2nd

“Riding in Style” - A Horse of My Own Week Focusing on Equitation

D-3 and higher level - Activity # 83706-01 (1:30 dismissal)

D-3 and higher level - Activity # 83706-02 (4:00 dismissal)

D-3 and higher level riders will have a level-appropriate horse as “their own” for the week’s activities. Activities will allow riders to spend time with “their” horses. Lessons and trail rides will be on their special horse if possible. The first four days will include an additional riding lesson or fun ride on a different horse. Rider equitation and correct communication with the horse will be the focus.

“Ride in Style” - Learn to Ride Correctly

D-1 and D-2 level - Activity # 83706-03 (1:30pm dismissal)

D-1 and D-2 riders will not be assigned a horse of “their own” but will focus on learning to ride and improving their equitation and riding skills by getting to know various horses. They will be taught basic grooming and given time to practice. Participants will learn many aspects of horse care. Fun activities may include unmounted pony relays, drawing on live horses and a trail ride or a “fun” ride.



Week 7 - August 5th – August 9th

“Gymkhana Fun!”

D-3 and higher level - Activity # 83707-01 (1:30pm dismissal)

D-3 and higher level - Activity # 8707-02 (4:00pm dismissal)

D-1 and D-2 level - Activity # 83707-03 (1:30pm dismissal)

D-1 and D-2 level - Activity # 83707-04 (4:00pm dismissal)



Riders will participate in riding lessons, team games, activities, and competitions, both mounted and unmounted. Weather permitting, a mounted gymkhana will be held the last day.

The optional extended day activities for D-1 and D-2 riders will include a variety of horse-related activities, depending upon the interests of the participants.





Week 8 - August 12th - August 16th

“It’s All in the Details” - A Horse of My Own Week

D-3 and higher level - Activity # 83708-01 (1:30pm dismissal)

D-3 and higher level - Activity # 83708-02 (4:00pm dismissal)

D-3 and higher level riders will have a level-appropriate horse as “their own” for the week’s activities. Activities will allow riders to spend time with “their” horses. Lessons and trail rides will be on their special horse if possible. The first four days will also include an additional riding lesson or fun ride on a different horse. The focus on the week will be the details of daily horse care and what is involved in the day-to-day owning or caring for a horse.

“It’s All in the Details”

D-1 and D-2 level - Activity # 83708-03 (1:30pm dismissal)

D-1 and D-2 riders will not be assigned a horse of “their own” but will focus on learning to ride and improving their skills by getting to know various horses. They will be taught basic grooming and given time to practice. Learning this week will focus on daily horse care. Fun activities will include a costume class and a trail ride or a “fun” ride.



Week 9 - August 19th - August 23rd

“Riding into the Sunset!” – End of Summer Riding and Horse Fun

D-3 and higher level - Activity # 83709-01 (1:30pm dismissal)

D-3 and higher level - Activity # 83709-02 (4:00pm dismissal)

D-1 and D-2 level - Activity # 83709-03 (1:30pm dismissal)



This week’s workshop includes the most popular highlights from previous weeks, based upon rider suggestions. Activities may include a field trip, riding to music, trail riding, grooming or costume contests, braiding, horse chalking and bathing. **This week, adult riders may also sign up**, either alone or with a family member! It is a wonderful parent/child opportunity. Groups and activities will be designed based upon the mix of riders who register for the week.



If you have individualized needs due to a disability, please call 908-526-5650 and we will be happy to arrange reasonable modifications. Three weeks notice is required to ensure that appropriate modification can be provided