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Protect Your Horse from Getting Sick

5 Key Things You Need To Know

Infection control means doing what you can to prevent and control – it's all about lowering the odds of a sick horse

1 Disease costs you...

- Sick horses can't race, and can't bring in money – scratches affect your bottom line!
- Often, sick horses are contagious – they present a risk to themselves if raced, and to other horses at the farm, training centre, and track.
- Dealing with a sick horse can be stressful – missed racing days, vet bills and treatment costs, worrying about your horse's health, and whether the sickness will spread – it's enough to make anyone stress out!



2 Prevention is the key – focus on what you can control!

- Your best approach is to be proactive and prevent a potential issue before it arises, and vaccines are your first line of defence:

They are very useful for preventing diseases caused by viruses (like flu and equine herpes virus) and bacteria (like Strangles).

They lower the odds of sickness, and limit how severe sickness will be – talk to your vet!



- Antibiotics don't work for diseases caused by viruses, so prevention is the best option.

Remember, prevention is always cheaper in the long-run. So take action today!

3 Keep hands, clothes and boots clean!

- Wash your hands regularly with soap and water, and use a single-use towel to dry them.
- Use alcohol-based hand sanitizers regularly and make several available in the barn.



- Watch where you're touching your horse – eyes, nose and mouth are where germs want to be – don't give them a hand!
- **Designated boots** for the barn is best – remember, they still need to be cleaned regularly.

4 Clean, Separate, Monitor

- Cleaning surfaces, stalls, trailers, and tack and equipment, is another key to infection control

3 steps to cleaning:

1. Clean – remove all visible manure, soil, and bedding
2. Wash – with soap and water and let dry
3. Disinfect – apply disinfectant; ask your veterinarian

- Cleaning, Separating and Monitoring are the most important!

Give a sick horse its own stall as far away from other horses as possible.

Use separate tack and equipment – use a piece of red duct tape to label all equipment.

Place signs around so everyone knows.

Work with sick animals last, and always wash up after handling them.

Talk to your vet once the horse has been separated.

- Keys to monitoring your horse:

Think of **DEPPI** How are they:

Drinking, Eating, Pooping, Peeing?

Do they have a snotty nose or a cough?

What is their temperature? Taking daily temperatures helps you spot issues before you see any signs.



5 Be selfish at the track!



- From your buckets, brooms and shovels, to your tack and equipment, "no sharing" should be your motto.
- Think of your time at the track like you're on a ride at the fair – keep your hands, feet and equipment to yourself at all times – it's about preventing the spread of germs!
- It's all about focusing on you and your horse, ask yourself:

How clean is your stall?

Are your hands and boots clean?

Is your tack and equipment separate from others and clean?

Can the crossties be shortened to prevent chewing? Are they clean?



Talk to your staff about what to do,
– And why it's important.
REMEMBER, FOCUS ON WHAT YOU CAN CONTROL



A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

This year has gone by at an incredible speed, and it has been quite the year for our provincial body.

We created a new position that we are very excited about - we hired our first-ever Technical Director, Gidget Oxner, to lead the way on our important athlete and coach development programs.



Adrienne Smith
NSEF President

The annual Coach Symposium for our discipline coaches took place in April in Truro. Programs are moving along and we will be holding coach/instructor evaluations in both English and Western disciplines this fall.

Scotia Series Shows are evolving and we have added Skills Classes in the three disciplines of Dressage, Jumping and Reining to further develop the scope of our athletes with an eye to the return of the CIEC competitions in 2017.

Please mark your calendars for our AGM and Awards Presentations to be held in North Sydney this November. Hope to see you there.

Thank you to the Staff and Board of Directors for your support and involvement throughout the year. I would also like to thank outgoing board and committee members for their tremendous contributions to our sport at all levels throughout many years as they leave the board for other endeavours.

I hope you all have had a year of personal growth and enjoyment with your sport and are welcoming the cool fall riding weather.

FROM THE ED'S DESK

As 2016 is nearing its end, I reflect on the many successes we've had over this past year...another year of growth in membership, strong partnership building and the addition of our technical director. We endeavoured to provide new programs and services to meet member needs in the areas of coach, athlete and officials development, equine health and welfare and insurance options. We were also very happy to see growth in our Scotia Series with the addition of new competitions and divisions. Although there was no national championships held in 2016, we look forward to participating in a new version of the event in 2017.

Mark your calendar for the NSEF AGM and Awards Reception, to be held in partnership with the Cape Breton Western Riders on Saturday, November 12th in North Sydney.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our staff, Sheila and Gidget for the amazing contribution they make to the NSEF. We all take great pride in what we do and we always strive to provide the best quality programs and services to you, our member.

Our NSEF Board, especially President Adrienne Smith, deserves special recognition for its direction and support throughout the year.

Have a great fall and I look forward to working with you in 2017.



Heather Myrer
NSEF E.D.

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Photo courtesy of Pam MacKenzie Photography

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2016 EDUCATIONAL AND LONG-TERM EQUESTRIAN DEVELOPMENT BURSARY RECIPIENTS

2016 LTED BURSARY RECIPIENTS

The Nova Scotia Equestrian Federation is committed to supporting amateur athletic development. To help support Nova Scotia equestrians of all disciplines, the NSEF has created a Long-Term Equestrian Development Bursary Program from which bursaries will be awarded annually to those individuals who best demonstrate their continuing commitment towards skill development. Up to four awards of \$250.00 each will be given out yearly to active NSEF members who exemplify a commitment to personal Long-Term Equestrian Development (LTED). We are pleased to announce the following 2016 LTED Bursary Recipients:

LESLEY HIGGINS-ELCHUCK,
Trenton
Reining & Western Dressage



RACHEL KEEPING,
Middle Sackville
Hunter/Jumper



NICOLE SAMPSON,
Judique
Trail & Western Rider Level Athlete



CAROLYN MACDONALD,
Dartmouth
Eventing



2016 EDUCATIONAL BURSARY RECIPIENTS

The NSEF Educational Bursary Program is a financial Bursary funded by the NSEF to assist members attending a post-secondary educational institution. Up to six awards of \$500.00 each will be given out yearly to active NSEF members who exemplify the objectives of the NSEF. The Bursaries will be applied towards post-secondary expenses at a recognized Educational Institute. It shall be applied towards full-time studies only. Candidates will be selected on the basis of information contained in their application package and letters of reference. The 2016 NSEF Youth Bursary Award Recipients are:



JENNIKA FULLER, a recent graduate of Horton High School, he will be attending Acadia University to pursue her Bachelor of Science in Biology.

PAIGE CHISHOLM, is a graduate of Northeast Kings Education Centre. She will be attending St. Francis Xavier University to begin her Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree.



EMILY MACNEIL, recently graduated from Halifax West High School and will be entering the Bachelor of Commerce program at Carleton University this fall.

A graduate of Memorial High School, **EMILY O'GRADY** will be entering the Bachelor of Science Program at Cape Breton University.



DOMINIQUE JOHNSON, a Sir John A. MacDonald graduate, will begin her Bachelor of Commerce Program this fall at St. Mary's University.

DELANEY MCKENZIE, graduated this past spring from Central Kings Rural High School and she will be attending Acadia University as a Bachelor of Arts in History student.



IMPORTANT DATES

NSEF Long-Term Equestrian Development Bursary
Application Deadline – March 1st

NSEF Educational Bursary
Application Deadline – May 1st

More information and applications for these programs can be found on our website.

2016 NSEF Skills Class Sponsor



BITS & BITES

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL NOTICE

NSEF renewals for 2017 are now being accepted. You will find a membership form in this newsletter or you can renew online. When you process the membership online, the information in the system is already there and you simply need to update items that have changed, select the membership and optional products you require. Alternately, you can mail, fax or email the application into the NSEF office with payment. Don't forget to renew before December 31st to take advantage of your membership benefits for the full 2017 year. All 2016 memberships expire on December 31st, 2016.

ADDITIONAL MEMBER BENEFITS ADDED

NSEF is pleased to offer our members additional products and services for 2017.

In addition to continuing to process club memberships for Horse Trials Nova Scotia and Nova Scotia Hunter Jumper Association, we are now processing club memberships for the Cape Breton Western Riders.

In partnership with Intercity Insurance, NSEF now offers an Optional Weekly Accident Indemnity (WAI) product to our members. (Some restrictions apply.) Other optional insurance products available to our members, namely: Optional Enhanced Accidental, Death and Dismemberment Coverage that includes Fracture and Dental Coverage; Members Name Perils (Horse Mortality); Members Tack;

and Emergency Travel/Medical Coverage. For more information on these products, please see the descriptions on the NSEF Membership Application (page 3) or contact our Insurance Partner, Intercity Insurance Services at 1-888-394-3330.

EXTENDED MEMBERSHIP

Do you know someone who is not a member but would like to join before 2017? Let them know we have an Extended Membership option available that will provide them with both the 2016 and 2017 membership. This membership is ideal for those who are just starting into the sport this fall, who would like to attend a fall/winter event, or who are boarding at an indoor facility.

HIGH SCHOOL CREDIT PROGRAM

The interest in our High School Program is growing and we want to congratulate our 2016 graduate, Gracie van Zutphen, who through this program, received her National Coaching Instructor Certification. Information on the program can be found on the NSEF website or through the office. Students interested in the program can work on the Rider Level Pre-requisite before they reach high school and can complete the remaining requirements during the summer before grade 10, continuing to work on achieving instructor certification throughout high school.



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AWARDS NOMINATIONS NOW BEING ACCEPTED

NSEF members are encouraged to nominate deserving individuals/organizations for the following awards:

THE NSEF VOLUNTEER AWARD

The NSEF Volunteer of the Year Award recognizes an outstanding volunteer who has made a special and significant contribution to equestrian sport. Volunteer service may include years of participation, administration, contribution, innovation, or the advancement of equestrian. This Individual has also worked tirelessly for the improvement of the Federation and who has had a notable impact on the sport.

THE NSEF SERVICE AWARD

The NSEF Service Award recognizes an individual for a minimum of 10 years of service to the equestrian sport of NS. This individual gives tirelessly and has made a significant difference to the equestrian community.

THE NSEF COACH AWARD

The NSEF Coach of the Year Award recognizes an outstanding coach who has contributed to equestrian sport as a coach throughout the year and whose accomplishments are considered exceptional.

THE NSEF OFFICIAL AWARD

The NSEF Official of the Year Award recognizes an outstanding official who has contributed to equestrian sport as an official throughout the year and whose accomplishments are considered exceptional.

THE NSEF SPONSOR AWARD

The NSEF Sponsor of the Year Award recognizes an outstanding company who has given generously to the sport of equestrian through monetary or product sponsorship. The company can sponsor local, regional or national events throughout the calendar year.

ALL NOMINATIONS SHOULD INCLUDE A COMPLETE LIST OF ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND RECOGNITIONS THAT WOULD MAKE YOUR NOMINEE WORTHY OF THE AWARD.

Award recipients will be recognized at the annual NSEF Awards Banquet to be held on Saturday, November 12th at the North Sydney Exhibition Grounds. For tickets, please contact nsefmembership@sportnovascotia.ca at 902-425-5450, ext. 337.

2016 NSEF AWARDS NOMINATION FORM

NAME OF NOMINEE: _____ PHONE (H) _____ (W) _____

ADDRESS OF NOMINEE: _____

Street and Number

Town/City

POSTAL CODE: _____

NOMINEE'S NSEF NUMBER: _____

NOMINATED FOR THE FOLLOWING AWARD: 10 YEAR SERVICE AWARD VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD SPONSOR OF THE YEAR AWARD
 COACH OF THE YEAR AWARD OFFICIAL OF THE YEAR AWARD

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

NOMINATED BY: _____

Signature of Nominator

Nominator's Name (Printed)

Nominations for all of the above Awards should be forwarded for arrival in the provincial office on or before Friday, October 14th, 2016. Nominations received after that date will not be considered.



ANNUAL REPORT

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**Hotel North, 39 Forrest St., North Sydney, NS
Saturday, November 12th, 2016
1:30pm (Registration)**

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Nova Scotia Equestrian Federation will be held on Saturday, November 12th, 2016.

Details and agenda are as follows:

TIME: 1:30pm – Registration
2:00pm – Meeting

LOCATION: Hotel North, 39 Forrest St., North Sydney, NS

AGENDA:

1. Call to Order. Including declaration of quorum.
2. Approval of Agenda
3. Consideration and Approval of Minutes of 2015 AGM – included in Annual Report, on website (www.horsenovascotia.ca) and available day of meeting.
4. Reports of Officers and Committees – included in Annual Report, on website (www.horsenovascotia.ca) and available day of meeting.
5. Consideration and Approval of Financial Statements – Financial Summary included in this Annual Report. The Full Financial Report will be available at the AGM and on website (www.horsenovascotia.ca)
6. Old Business
7. New Business, including:
 - i) Amendments to By-Laws
Notice of one By-Law Amendment presented at the 2015 NSEF AGM - addition of Director of Equine Industry to the Board of Directors, 2-Year Term
 - ii) 2016 Plan Review
 - iii) Election of Directors
9. Adjournment

UNAPPROVED MINUTES OF 2015 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

NOVA SCOTIA EQUESTRIAN FEDERATION ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

NOVEMBER 21ST, 2015

HOLIDAY INN HARBOURVIEW, DARTMOUTH, NOVA SCOTIA

1. Call to Order

President, Adrienne Smith called the 2015 NSEF AGM to order at 10:50 a.m. by welcoming the members in attendance.

2. Declaration of Quorum

There was a quorum for the meeting based on meeting registration. Making up the quorum was:

Karen Quigley, Liz Milo, Kim Beaton, Mary-Clare McLaren, Krista Foley, Danielle Semel, Adrienne Smith, Carolyn MacDonald, Kim Durling, Dawn Helm, Valerie Robinson, Laurie Cranton, Sandra Conrad, Valerie McDermott, Carol Macumber, Helen Smith.

Staff person: Executive Director, Heather Myrer

3. Approval of the Agenda

The order of business was set out in the Agenda.

It was moved by Helen Morley, seconded by Kim Beaton, to accept the 2015 AGM Agenda. Motion carried

4. Approval of the minutes of the 2014 Annual General Meeting

The minutes of the 2014 AGM were presented. One amendment - Adrienne Smith not Clark. It was moved by Mary-Clare McLaren, seconded by Sandra Conrad, to accept the minutes as amended. Motion carried.

5. Business Arising/Action Items from the Minutes

1. *Year Two Plan Update* - Presented as a separate agenda item
2. *Helmet Rule Survey Results* - As a result of further consultation and member feedback, the NSEF Board of Directors has developed an amended Safety Initiative as it related to the use of approved helmets. NSEF thanked those members who participated in the Helmet Survey for Western Disciplines. Feedback and support of our safety initiatives was appreciated. We will continue to visit this survey as we move forward with helmet safety initiatives for our members.

The NSEF Helmet Use Policy is as follows:

All members participating in the NSEF Trail Ride/Drive and NSEF Clinics must wear an ASTM, SEI or BSI/BS EN approved safety helmet, with the safety harness correctly secured at all times while mounted or driving.

For NSEF Sanctioned competitions: All Competitors must wear ASTM/SEI, or BSI/BS EN, approved protective headgear, with the safety harness correctly secured at all times while mounted or driving at the competition or anywhere on the show grounds. If a senior competitor (19+ as of January 1st, 2015) participating in the Western Performance Division and Western Horsemanship Class without an approved safety helmet, the competitor must submit a signed Scotia Series Helmet Waiver to the competition organizer. There will be no exemptions for any other classes/divisions.

*Individual Competitions can enforce stricter safety and helmet rules during their competitions which will take priority above the NSEF Helmet policy.

NEXT STEPS

NSEF will continue to promote and educate members on the

importance of wearing an approved helmet. We encourage members to wear helmets at all times while mounted or driving during any equestrian activity, whether recreational or competitive.

6. Reports from Officers and Committees

Director and Committee Reports that were circulated to members in October via the Hoofprints Newsletter and posted on the website.

It was moved by Kim Beaton, seconded by Valerie McDermott to accept the Director and Committee Reports as circulated. Motion carried.

7. Annual Financial Statements Review

The 2014/15 NSEF Financial Statements have been prepared and officially reviewed by Shellnutt Accountants. It was moved by Valerie McDermott, seconded by Dawn Helm to accept the Financial Statement as presented. Motion carried.

8. New Business

A. By-Law Amendment - Recognizing the need for the role of a Director of Equine Industry on our board, the By-Law Committee is thereby giving due notice to add this role to the current NSEF Board Structure. Once approved, notice will be given to members that this position will be in place for the 2016 AGM.

It was moved by Sandra Conrad, seconded by Mary-Clare McLaren to add the position of Director of Breeds and Industry to the NSEF Board of Directors, effective November 2016. Motion carried.

B. Election of Directors Prior to the election, President Adrienne Smith thanked the two board members whose terms have expired, formally acknowledging their dedication and commitment to the NSEF. Those two members were Pam MacKenzie and Laurie Cranton.

Karen Quigley, Chair of the Nominations Committee, came forward to facilitate the Election of Directors

Three Year Director at Large, position 1 - Kim Beaton

Three Year Director at Large, position 2 - Kristen Behie

Motion to accept, Sandra Conrad and Valerie McDermott.

President Adrienne Smith thanked the Nominations Committee and welcomed back the board members who have returned for another year newly elected.

C. NSEF Plans - Our Strategic Vision

NSEF Board of Directors has been working with Mr. Blaise Landry, Sport Consultant for the NS Department of Health and Wellness to develop a 5-year Strategic Vision. We have completed Year-One of the plan and we are at the mid-way point in our Year-Two Plan.

Kris Foley, a member of the Strategic Vision Working Committee, came forward to facilitate the presentation of our Year-Two targets achievements to date.

It was moved by Dawn Helm, seconded by Laurie Cranton to accept the NSEF Strategic Vision Year-Two Update report as presented. Motion carried.

9. Termination of meeting

As there is no other business to address a motion to adjourn the meeting as of 11:30 was made by Valerie McDermott, seconded by Helen Morley. Motion carried.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT (SUBMITTED BY ADRIENNE SMITH)

This year has sped by at an incredible speed, and it has been quite the year for our provincial body. We have a new position that we are very excited about – Technical Director, Gidget Oxner, to lead the way on our important skill development programs. We would like to welcome her to our staff! Heather Myrer, Executive Director, and Sheila Currie, Program Coordinator, and Gidget are sorting out all the details of this new position. We are so lucky to have these ladies in our office supporting our members on a daily basis. Many thanks to Heather for obtaining the funding which allows for this position.

There is always considerable interaction between NSEF and EC in order to keep our members interests in focus. This involves both conference calls and face-to-face meetings during the EC Convention in the spring. EC now stands for Equestrian Canada after a rebranding by our national sport organization!

Our Youth and LTED Athlete Bursaries and Support4Sport Funding opportunities continue to show growth in the number of applicants.

NSEF was represented at the Ricoh Sport Awards by Nel Godin-Keating, Female Athlete Award; Omega Alpha, Sponsor Award; Dawn Helm, Coach Award; Lisa Hamm, Official Award; and Suzanne Killen, Volunteer Award. Congratulations to these deserving award recipients.

The annual Coach Symposium for our discipline coaches took place in April in Truro. Programs are moving along and we will be holding coach/instructor evaluations in both English and Western disciplines this fall.

Scotia Series Shows are evolving and we have added Skills Classes in the three disciplines of Dressage, Jumping and Reining to further develop the scope of our athletes with an eye to the return of the CIEC competitions in 2017.

Although the Canadian Interprovincial Equestrian Championships have been put on hold by Equestrian Canada for 2016, we expect them to resume in a fresh new format in 2017. We are continuing our development of coaches and athletes in the three disciplines in order to field another strong team representing Nova Scotia.

Our AGM and Awards Presentations will be held in North Sydney this coming November. Come and support your organization and applaud our award recipients.

Thank you to the Staff, Board of Directors and Committee Members for your support and involvement throughout the year. I would especially like to thank those board and committee members whose terms are up. Your tremendous contributions to our sport at all levels throughout many years are certainly appreciated.

DIRECTOR OF CLUBS REPORT (SUBMITTED BY JANE ABBOTT)

NSEF is pleased to provide membership to community and provincial-based clubs and associations. As a member club, you have a voice through a representative on the NSEF Board of Directors who advocates on your behalf. This rep is elected at an annual club meeting in October. As your current rep, please feel free to contact me or the office if you have any concerns or comments regarding club benefits. I look forward to talking to you at our meeting in late October.

NSEF offers a 16-month membership for individuals and families that provide a discounted membership rate for new members joining at the latter part of the calendar year. This is a great opportunity for club members who register in September. Take advantage and save some money while at the same time ensuring coverage for the remainder of this year and all of next year!

This year NSEF had 19 Member Clubs. Clubs are reminded that funding is available for equipment and facility upgrades as well

as certain clinics/seminars and the two application deadlines are February 1st and August 1st of each year. Feel free to contact the NSEF office if you are interested in applying for funding. Clubs are encouraged to talk to our insurance partner, Intercity Insurance, who offers preferred rates for NSEF Member Club and Event Liability and Director and Officer's Liability insurance packages. If your insurance renewal term is soon, it's time to give Intercity a call at 1-888-394-3330 to obtain a quote for all your insurance needs.

We are pleased that starting in 2017 we will be offering membership processing services to three member clubs: Cape Breton Western Riders Association, NS Hunter Jumper Association and Horse Trials Nova Scotia. Members of these clubs will see both memberships shown on the NSEF membership card! We hope to expand this service to other provincially based member clubs in the future.

NSEF looks forward to working with our current and new Club Members in 2017.

2016 NSEF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Saturday, November 12th
starting at 1:30 p.m. (registration)
Hotel North, North Sydney

2016 NSEF AWARDS RECEPTION

Saturday, November 12th
starting at 6:00 p.m.
North Sydney Exhibition Grounds

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT (SUBMITTED BY HEATHER MYRER)

This past year has been a significant one for the NSEF in the areas of sport and equine related activities across the province. The collaborative efforts of volunteers, staff and members have allowed us to continue our progress in delivering the benefits of this sport to our members and to the horse community in general.

Through the generosity of Support4Sport and the Government of NS funding programs, we received new monies that provided us with the opportunity to hire a technical director. Gidget Oxner was hired as the first-ever NSEF TD in February. She is responsible for the delivery and success of our performance pathway initiatives – athlete and coach development, to be specific. NSEF acknowledges and appreciates the funding it has received from the Province of Nova Scotia via its Amateur Sport Fund and Support4Sport Funding. The success of our programs is certainly attributed to the funding we have received. We are excited about the upcoming athlete development training camps and several NCCP Coach Evaluations. We continue to work hard in facilitating the necessary courses and seminars that afford our members the opportunity to advance professionally within the sport of equestrian.

We have embarked on creating a more modern “image” of the NSEF, starting with our new logo. By the time you have read this, our new website will be completed. We have also embarked on new social media endeavours – namely Facebook and Twitter.

We were thrilled to be able to provide six deserving young members a \$500 Educational Bursary this year. This program continues to be a popular one amongst members. We are equally thrilled to award four members with a Long-Term Equestrian Development Bursary of \$250 each.

Competitions continue to play an important role in our athlete development. We provide athletes with a provincial

based competition structure in Scotia Series and various competitions throughout the province are EC sanctioned – a positive step forward in providing a safe and friendly competitive environment for our many athletes. New to our athletes this year was the NSEF Skills Class in Jumping, Reining and Dressage. These classes were designed to assist us with tracking potential athletes for future high performance programs and national championships. Omega Alpha came on board as the Class Sponsor – adding a top prize for every class offered throughout the competition season!

Our 10th Annual NSEF Trail Ride/Drive was held last fall at the Porter’s Lake Provincial Park. An exciting milestone for sure! It marked the final event for organizer, Suzanne Killen, who was instrumental in ensuring the success of this event year after year for the past ten years. It was decided that the next Trail Ride will be held in the spring of 2017 in conjunction with national Horse Day.

Our insurance partner, Intercity Insurance Services played an integral part in the development of our Optional Insurance Program for members. This new program has been well-received by members and will offer new additions for 2017. Members are encouraged to review these “optionals” at time of membership renewal. I would also like to acknowledge the support from Mike King and Intercity with his support of our Scotia Series in becoming the Title Sponsor and for all the educational and promotional expertise we have received since the development of this new partnership!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our staff - Program Coordinator, Sheila Currie and Technical Director, Gidget Oxner – for their hard work and enthusiasm as we work diligently to provide you with quality programs and services. I would also like to thank the NSEF Board of Directors, especially President Adrienne Smith, for their direction and support throughout this past year.

DIRECTOR OF RECREATION REPORT (SUBMITTED BY KRIS FOLEY)

When people think about the equestrian sport they often visualize its competitive component, however a whopping 60% of all NSEF members are recreational riders! To help provide support for the recreational rider, the NSEF is pleased to continue to offer several Recreational programs to our members (Ride & Drive, Learn to Trail Ride, and the Learn to Ride Program) as well as access to Horse Welfare & Safety information and a listing of Equine Friendly Trails in NS.

The Ride & Drive Program offers members a way to track their riding/driving hours. Certificates and rewards are available as members reach specified hour levels. Currently the program has 331 members with a combined total of over 33,000 hours! To become a member or to learn more about the program, please visit the NSEF website (in the program section).

In partnership with Equestrian Canada, the NSEF is pleased to offer “A Guide to Basic Horsemanship and Trail Riding in Canada”. This manual, available online on the NSEF website (Home page, Online Shopping) is based on current practices and tips gathered from members of the community, trail riding specialists, equine veterinarians, genetics specialists,

writers and knowledgeable horsemen and women. This guide will be used for a new Trail Riding and Tourism training program, in partnership with Equestrian Canada. More details about the launch of the program in Nova Scotia will be provided as they become available.

Due to scheduling conflicts, this year’s Annual Trail Ride and Drive unfortunately was not held. However next year’s event is shaping up to be a great one. The event will be held on the first weekend in June as part of activities planned to celebrate National Horse Day. While all details have not been firmed up yet, there will be apples and carrots for the horses and a BBQ (included with registration) will be held. Keep an eye out for more information on the NSEF website.

Riding in the crisp fall air through forests of red, orange and yellow is one of the most glorious experiences you can have on horseback; however, autumn riding brings risks. For tips on autumn riding please visit the NSEF website.

Now get out there and have a great ride!

DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION REPORT (SUBMITTED BY MARY-CLARE McLAREN)

Education and Coaching programs continued to grow and flourish this year, lots of happenings within the portfolio – accelerated with the addition of our Technical Director Gidget Oxner who we welcomed to our staff early in the spring. Our programs are well communicated on our website (soon to be relaunched), our Facebook and Twitter presence as well as through constant contact e-news. A quick review as follows.

MDCAC Committee 2016-2017 (as elected at April Coaching Symposium and accepted by the Board of Directors)

Present members of the MDCAC Committee:

- Mary-Clare McLaren – Director of Education
- Jill Barker – English Master Evaluator
- Mona Lewis – Western Master Evaluator
- Helen Smith – Master Learning Facilitator
- Gidget Oxner – Technical Director
- Travis Smith – Western Coach Representative
- Gail Veinot – Driving Coach Representative
- Dawn Helm – English Coach Representative
- Adrienne Smith – President NSEF

The committee meets several times a year usually on a conference call to discuss items relevant to the committee. Additionally, we call upon other individuals from time to time. As an example, a working committee was called to develop the budget for Education for the coming fiscal year that included the Director of Competitions as some programs such as the Provincial Officials Program (POP) and development of the Skills classes within the Scotia Series are crossovers. This crossover has been most beneficial, as coaches, officials and competitions need to link together. This was also reflected at the EC Convention in the spring when the Stewards were presented with a review of LTED – a revelation for many! It is always good to know what the “other hand” is doing!

NSEF Coach Symposium

Another successful symposium was held in April. First Aid recertification was again offered to coaches with ten attending. We had a great opportunity to have two sessions with Jessica Dilliot, Head of Sport Science at Equestrian Canada. We were the first province Jessica visited in her new position. Jessica was inspiring with talks on topics including nutrition and cross training. She was able to take the yearly training plan and simplify an often overwhelming exercise, much appreciated by all in attendance! Forty-eight NCCP coaches and interested prospective or returning coaches attended the day sessions. Western Coaches (18) travelled to Creamery Brook for a technical updating as well.

Theory Course

A theory course was offered the last weekend in April with 15 registered.

Equestrian Canada

I was fortunate to again attend the Convention as Director of Education and although there were no formal coaching meetings as the committees are being restructured, there were some excellent working group discussions on the future of our sport. The interchange between disciplines was excellent. As you all now know, Equine Canada is rebranded – it may take you a while to get the new name but “EC” still works!

NCCP Coach Transition

Late in the spring, EC reconsidered the process of transitioning and with the approval of the Coaching Association of Canada transitioned all existing NCCP coaches into the new system. Some of us in the province had already gone through the transition steps previously in place and a number were able to do the transition update at the symposium presented by Jill Barker. The update was beneficial regardless. Any coaches unsure of how to activate and/or maintain their status are welcomed to contact Gidget for assistance.

LTED Bursary – Again a group of strong submissions for both categories were received. Congratulations to all the recipients of the bursaries.

Education Clinic –25 people attended our “Horse Show 101” Clinic presented in Sydney at Sport Fair this May.

POP Officials Clinic June

An evening session of classroom and practical – Module One – was held at Horses At Work and led by Sandra Conrad. This also acted as a very valuable resource evening in the development of the Skills Class – judge card design, values for scoring, and goals of the program. Feedback after the initial classes was invaluable, and as we moved through the season, the context of the class has taken shape in all disciplines.

Training Camp at Canada Games Center October 29th

Invitations are due to go out in early September to athletes identified through the NSEF Skills Classes which were held in the disciplines of jumper, dressage and reining. In addition, a number of athletes have been identified through the NSEF Talent Identification Program.

Multi Discipline Coach Mentor Clinics

A total of 15 participants (Instructor, Competition Coach and Competition Coach Specialists) took advantage of clinics offered at Horses At Work with Master Evaluator Jill Barker on July 5th and 13th.

Multi Discipline Coach Preparation Session

A total of eight participants from all three levels attended a session as Sport Nova Scotia.

NCCP English Coaching Evaluation

October 15th weekend will see a record number of candidates present themselves for evaluation and we wish them every success. This list at press time includes 4 English Instructors, 1 Western Instructor, 1 each English and Western Competition Coach and 1 each English and Western Reining Competition Coach Specialist.

High School Credit Program

Gracie Van Zutphen successfully obtained her NCCP Instructor Jump Certification this year and is our first member to come through the High School Credit Program. Congratulations!

Congratulations

Heidi MacInnes and Travis Smith both achieved their Competition Coach Specialist in English and Reining respectively this year as well.

Learn To Ride Rider Levels – The statistics as we go to press are very exciting as the numbers are growing. For me personally, it is exciting to see how the program in English has evolved since first launched as a ten level program in 2007. The English program has now been in existence long enough to see the progression from level to level and riders are now moving into the higher categories. At press time, 21 western rider levels and 172 english rider levels had successfully completed and many in the in-progress stage. We must continue to search for ways to reach out to all riders about the programs and promote the availability of coaches for pre-assessments, preparation training and evaluations. If a rider feels they are ready, they may contact the NSEF who can assist them in finding an evaluator. Western Coaches are in the final stages of having access to a Western Rider Level Progress Report. This will encourage riders to continue their preparation toward each level, a somewhat longer period than in the English system. P’tit trot is another entry-level program that further promotes and develops our five to nine-year-old rider!

I would like to thank the membership for the continued opportunity to volunteer on your behalf to the NSEF Board of Directors. As this report is written in early September to meet publishing deadlines, I look forward to providing you with further information at our AGM in November!

COMPETITIONS REPORT

NSEF was pleased to see growth in the Scotia Series in 2016 and the addition of several partners for the series. We anticipate that by the end of the season, 22 Scotia Series Competitions and 16 Equestrian Canada (EC) competitions (2 Bronze, 4 Silver/Bronze, 2 Gold-Bronze, and 8 Gold) will have taken place in our province.

In preparation for the 2016 season, NSEF held a successful Scotia Series Workshop in December of 2015. Following the workshop with assistance from several volunteers, the Scotia Series rule book was reviewed and updated.

We are grateful to Intercity Insurance for their partnership of the Scotia Series and Omega Alpha for their sponsorship

of the NSEF Skills Class Program. NSEF is also grateful for Support4Sport for its Athlete Assistance Program which NSEF used for the Skills Class.

NSEF developed the NSEF Skills Class for the disciplines of Dressage, Reining and Jumper as part of the Performance Pathway Initiative. Athletes' performance from these classes will be used to track the identification of athletes for our Provincial Team Program and will act as a stepping stone for future provincial team.

Although there was no national championship in 2016, we are anticipating that a new and improved CIEC will be announced for 2017. Watch for details in the near future!

FINANCE REPORT

**NOVA SCOTIA EQUESTRIAN FEDERATION
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS AT MARCH 31, 2016
(Unaudited)**

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
<u>ASSETS</u>		
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 92,113	\$ 72,753
Accounts receivable, net	3,243	4,362
Short-term investments	74,807	76,663
Prepaid expenses	804	891
	<u>170,967</u>	<u>154,669</u>
CAPITAL ASSETS (Note 1, 3)	481	913
LONG TERM INVESTMENTS	<u>53,927</u>	<u>51,184</u>
	<u>\$ 225,375</u>	<u>\$ 206,766</u>
<u>LIABILITIES</u>		
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 15,699	\$ 7,887
Payroll deductions payable	5,681	2,604
Deferred revenue	4,005	174
	<u>25,385</u>	<u>10,665</u>
<u>NET ASSETS</u>		
Net assets	<u>199,990</u>	<u>196,101</u>
	<u>\$ 225,375</u>	<u>\$ 206,766</u>

2016/17 BOARD OF DIRECTORS NOMINATIONS

Looking for a great volunteer opportunity, a way to give back to your sport? Serving on the NSEF Board of Directors is one way to do that! Our Nominations Committee is actively seeking members of the equestrian community to serve on our board in various capacities. Please contact NSEF Office for more information.

1. Nominations are now being accepted for the 2016/2017 Nova Scotia Equestrian Federation (NSEF) Board of Directors. Nominations for the NSEF Board of Directors shall be in writing, using the enclosed form. To make sure that these forms copy clearly, please either **type or print with black pen**. The deadline for nomination is Friday, October 14th, 2016.
2. Pursuant to By-Amendments in 2013, the NSEF Board of Directors shall be comprised of Adult Voting Members of the Federation, elected by the membership at the annual general meeting as follows:

- i. To preside for a two-year term, not exceeding two consecutive terms: a) Director of Competitions, b) Director of Education, c) Director of Recreation and d) Director of Breeds and Industry
 - ii. To preside for a three-year term: a) Two (2) Directors at Large
 - iii. At a club meeting prior to the annual general meeting (either in person or conference call) elections
 - a) one (1) Director representing Member Clubs will take place. Nominees must first be endorsed by his/her representative club. The newly elected Director will be presented to the members at the AGM and will preside in this position for a one-year term.
3. Please send Nomination form to: NSEF, 5516 Spring Garden Road, 4th Floor, Halifax, NS B3J 1G6. Fax (902) 425-5606. **DEADLINE:** Friday, October 14, 2016.

2016 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Board of Directors	Executive Council	Current Position Holder
President	President	Adrienne Smith
Vice President	Vice President	Valerie McDermott
Treasurer	Treasurer	Valerie McDermott
Secretary	Secretary	Krista Foley
One Director of Competitions - 2-year term		Vacant
One Director of Clubs - 1-year term		Jane Abbott
One Director of Recreation - 2-year term		Krista Foley
One Director of Education - 2-year term		Mary-Clare McLaren
Two Directors-at-Large - 3-year term		Kim Beaton/Kristen Johnson (Behie)
Two Directors-at-Large - 2-year term		Adrienne Smith / Valerie McDermott
Two Directors-at-Large - 1-year term		Carol Macomber / Karen Quigley

NOMINATION FORM — 2016/17 NSEF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

NAME OF NOMINEE: _____ PHONE (H) _____ (W) _____

ADDRESS OF NOMINEE: _____

Street and Number

Town/City

POSTAL CODE: _____

NOMINEE'S NSEF NUMBER: _____

NOMINATED FOR THE FOLLOWING POSITION: DIRECTOR-AT-LARGE (3-year term) DIRECTOR OF COMPETITIONS (2-year term) DIRECTOR OF RECREATION (2-year term) DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION (2-year term) DIRECTOR OF BREEDS AND INDUSTRY (2-year term)

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (PLEASE ATTACH RESUME IF AVAILABLE) _____

NOMINEE'S SIGNATURE _____

NOMINATED BY _____

DEADLINE: Friday, October 14, 2016 to **Nova Scotia Equestrian Federation** · 5516 Spring Garden Road, 4th Floor · Halifax, NS · B3J 1G6 · FAX: 902.425.5606 Email:nsefmembership@sportnovascotia.ca

VALLEY CLUB TAKES LEAD ROLE IN THERAPEUTIC RIDING PROGRAMS

Over the past several years, Alissa Cue has made a name for herself as a leader in the therapeutic and para equestrian field. As head coach and owner of at Rohan Wood Stables in Aylesford, Alissa has seen a tremendous increase in the need to provide programs for people with varying abilities. Born from that vision was the Free Spirit Therapeutic Riding Association, a non-profit organization mandated to provide a safe environment for the enhancement of physical, emotional, educational and social development needs of clients through therapeutic riding and horsemanship.



Alissa Cue took a moment from her busy schedule to answer a few questions about this program.

NSEF- When did you start the Free Spirit Therapeutic Riding Association?

AC- FSTRA was started in the fall of 2012 as a pilot project with 12 riders. There was such a demand for the program that it has now grown to two 12-week sessions and a summer camp. We are able to provide service for over 100 clients a year.

NSEF- What motivated you to start FSTRA?

AC- I was approached by a group in the community about renting my facility and horses for a Therapeutic Riding Program. We were already adapting a lot of our programs so it seemed like a natural fit. It was such a great pilot that we decided to expand the program into what it is today.

NSEF- How many clients are participating in the program?

AC- Over 100 clients currently participate in the program.

NSEF- What does a typical lesson entail?

AC- Within each lesson, riders complete various tasks. The first half of the lesson we refer to as their activity where the rider is learning a specific riding skill (stopping, walking,

steering, etc). The second half we refer to as the game portion of the lesson. It tends to be considered more fun, but still educational. We use a wide range of props and programming equipment in order to reach the goals as set out in each rider's individualized programming plan.

NSEF- Who can benefit from this type of program?

AC- Anyone can benefit from this program. Currently, we are working with clients who present with traumatic brain injury, PTSD, Autism Spectrum Disorder, cerebral palsy, depression, anxiety, eating disorders, Down syndrome, chronic illness, cognitive delays, spinal cord Injuries and mental health concerns.

NSEF- You recently received a grant from the Nova Scotia Department of Health and Wellness, how will this help FSTRA?

AC- This money will help us continue to expand our current programs allowing us to accommodate more clients. We are very grateful to the Department of Health and Wellness for their generous support of programs in rural Nova Scotia.

NSEF- FSTRA is accredited through Canadian Therapeutic Riding Association. Why is it important to be part of a larger national organization?

AC- It is very important to be a member of a national organization. Each accredited center goes through an exhaustive inspection process to ensure the safety of clients, volunteers and horses. CanTRA makes regular site inspections and guarantees that all of their coaches remain certified and current. Further to that, belonging to such an organization ensures a standard of programming for each client.

For more information on the services offered through the Free Spirit Therapeutic Riding Association, go to www.fstra.org

NSEF Award Nominations Now Being Accepted



Laura Porter-Muntz
Scotia Series Youth
Sportsmanship Award

NSEF Members are encouraged to nominate a worthy individual for many of the awards and recognitions presented at our annual awards banquet. These awards recognize individuals who contribute to the equestrian community, through sport, recreation, volunteerism and leadership. Awards include NSEF Volunteer, Coach and Official of the Year, NSEF Sponsor of the Year, and the NSEF 10 Year Service Award.

If you know someone who is deserving of an NSEF Award, please complete the NSEF Awards Nomination Form found in this newsletter.

Nominations are due on or before Friday, October 14th, 2016.



Lisa Hamm
Official of the Year

NSEF Awards Reception

We are very pleased to be partnering with the Cape Breton Western Riders Association to present the NSEF Awards at their annual awards banquet and dance on **Saturday, November 12th at the North Sydney Exhibition Grounds (106 Regent St, North Sydney)**

Tickets: \$20/Adult and \$15/child - includes Dinner and Dance

The evening begins promptly at 6:00 p.m. with dinner, followed by the awards presentation and then the dance.

Award Recognitions include:

Volunteer, Coach, Official and Sponsor of the Year; NSEF Service Awards; Scotia Series Competition Awards; and the **Youth** Sportsmanship Award

Please RSVP by email (nsefmembership@sportnovascotia.ca) or by phone 902-425-5450 x 337

New Website Launch Set for Fall

Watch for the exciting launch of the NSEF website coming to a web browser near you this fall. We have been working diligently on the design and content of our site. We anticipate the launch date to be end of October!

Drop us a line or two and let us know what you think!



Clubs/Associations Reap Benefits of NSEF Membership

As clubs and associations start up another busy year of events, clinics and advocacy, remember to join the NSEF by January 1st to take advantage of all your benefits: preferred insurance rates; administrative assistance; funding opportunities; fundraising opportunities; and so much more - all for \$50/year!

www.horsenovascotia.ca/memberships

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INSURANCE PRODUCT DESCRIPTIONS

The Descriptions of coverage have been prepared for information purposes only. The insuring agreements, general terms, conditions and exclusions of the actual policy will govern specific application of the various coverages referred to herein. In all cases the actual policy documents will supersede these descriptions. Please be advised a nominal administrative fee is collected by the NSEF for all optional insurance purchased.

The insurance coverage included and / or available as an option with your Nova Scotia Equestrian Federation (NSEF) Membership is provided to you by Intercity Insurance Services Inc. The NSEF is not licensed to sell or provide counsel on the insurance coverage. Please contact Intercity Insurance directly for any questions regarding coverage, limitations or exclusions at 1-888-394-3330 (Equine Department). Please view the Summary of Insurance at the following link on our website: <http://www.horsenovascotia.ca/Memberships-Insurance>

AUTOMATIC INSURANCE PRODUCT DESCRIPTIONS – Included as a Member Benefit

\$5,000,000 Personal Liability Insurance (\$1000 Property Damage Deductible)

Protects you, the member, if you are sued by a third party because a horse that you own or lease, ride or handle non-commercially, causes property damage or bodily injury to a third party. **Liability coverage is for non-commercial equine related activities. Some limitations and exclusions apply. Coverage is in force 24 hours a day, seven days a week, and covers the member (Canadian resident) anywhere in the world. (Exclusions apply for members who are non-Canadian residents).

\$30,000 Accidental Death & Dismemberment Coverage

Covering you, the member, should you suffer a catastrophic injury, dismemberment or death arising from equine related activities. (Under the age of 90 and only available to Canadian Residents)

OPTIONAL INSURANCE PRODUCT DESCRIPTIONS – For Purchase by Member

NSEF Optional Accidental Death & Dismemberment INCLUDES Fracture and Dental Benefits (ADD) 2017 - \$40.00

\$50,000 - Enhanced Accident, Death and Dismemberment for injuries sustained by you, the member related to horses, including coverage when you are enroute to and from an equine activity in a vehicle. This policy will pay regardless of any other insurance that may be in force at the time of the incident. Fracture Principal Sum is \$7,500 if wearing a helmet, \$2,500 if **not** wearing a helmet. Dental Principal Sum is \$5,000. *Enhanced AD&D is restricted to members who have not reached the age of 75 years.

NSEF Members Named Perils (MNP) 2017 - \$25.00

\$12,000 – Horse Mortality (Named Perils). Horse(s) you own are covered for death arising from Fire, lightning, transportation, earthquake or flood, attack by dogs or wild animals. Limit of \$10,000 any one loss and any one term.

NSEF Members Tack (TAK) 2017 - \$45.00

\$10,000 – Tack and Equipment - Insures tack and equipment from loss or damage anywhere in Continental US/Canada. Tack and horse equipment you own, excluding rider clothing and protective equipment is insured against loss or damage from "all risks". Limit of coverage is \$10,000 for any one loss, total limit per term. Losses subject to deductible of \$500.00

Travel (out of Province/Country) Coverage - Member Only (TVL) 2017 - \$165.00

*****Please contact the NSEF Office if you plan on travelling within 30 days of purchase*****

\$1,000,000 – Travel/Medical Coverage – Emergency **out of** Province/Country travel insurance. Maximum length of any one trip is 90 days, any number of trips per policy term. Includes coverage for injuries sustained while participating in equine activities (including competition). Coverage available to individuals under the age of 65. All members must have a current NSEF membership and BE UNDER 65 YEARS OF AGE. *****PLEASE NOTE: 2017 Travel Coverage is only VALID if purchased prior to departure from your province of residence AND the date of departure from your province of residence is on or after January 1, 2017. [Frequently Asked Questions about Travel Coverage](#) are available through the NSEF

Weekly Accident Indemnity (WAI) 2017 - \$165.00

Provides **income replacement** in the event you are unable to work due to an accident. Coverage is in force 24 hours a day/ 7 days a week and includes (but is not limited to), injuries arising from an equine related incident. There is a 7 day waiting period. The policy will provide **up to \$500.00/week** in income replacement for **up to 26 weeks** (some restrictions apply). **The combined benefit from this policy and all other benefits available to you (WCB/WSIB/PPP/ Employer Group Programs, etc.) cannot exceed 75% of reported gross income to Canadian Revenue Agency in the most recent taxation year.** To qualify for this special program and be eligible for benefits, you must meet the following minimum requirements:

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|---|--|
| 1) Be a resident of Canada | 4) Be under the age of 70 years old; and |
| 2) Be a member in good standing of your provincial equine association; | 5) Filed an income tax return to Canada Revenue Agency in the most recent year |
| 3) Be employed full time (minimum of 25 hours a week with a single employer); | |

OPTIONAL CLUB MEMBERSHIPS

NSEF has partnered with the following clubs to process memberships. To join one of these clubs please enter the appropriate fee(s), as outlined below, in the "Optional Club Membership" section under Payment Details.

Horse Trials Nova Scotia (HTNS)

Senior: \$25.00 Junior: \$20.00 Family: \$45.00 Associate: \$10.00 Armband \$15.00: Mandatory for all HTNS competitors
(Your armband will be sent directly to members by HTNS)

Nova Scotia Hunter Jumper Association (NSHJ)

Individual Membership: \$15.00 (As there is no family rate, please multiply family members by \$15.00)

Cape Breton Western Riders Association(CBWR)

Before May 1 st :	Individual Membership: \$15.00	Family Membership: \$30.00
On or after May 1 st :	Individual Membership: \$20.00	Family Membership: \$35.00

Please keep a copy of this page for reference.



2017
NSEF Membership Application
 Membership expires December 31, 2017

Office Use Only
Date Received:
Payment Type:
Payment Amount:

NOTE: By making application to the NSEF, you agree to abide by all Policies, Rules and Regulations of the Nova Scotia Equestrian Federation. **Page 1**
 PLEASE COMPLETE ALL MANDATORY SIGNATURE FIELDS ON THE NEXT PAGE - APPLICATIONS CANNOT BE PROCESSED WITHOUT REQUIRED SIGNATURES

Member Name: First		Middle	Last
		or Initial	
Member's Date of Birth (required):		Gender: <input type="checkbox"/> Female <input type="checkbox"/> Male	
Mailing Address:		Primary Phone # : Please specify contact name	
City/Town:		Secondary Phone # : Please specify contact name	
Province:	Postal Code:	Fax:	
Provincial County/Region (e.g. HRM, Hants, Richmond)		Primary Email:	
		Secondary Email:	

Family Members List only those who wish to become NSEF members. Description of a family membership can be found below.

Member's Name	Date of Birth	Relation to the person above	Gender
2)			
3)			
4)			
5)			

For additional "Family Members", please use a blank piece of paper.

PAYMENT DETAILS

NSEF Membership	
<input type="checkbox"/> Individual 2017 Membership	\$50.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Family 2017 Membership Open to spouses and/or the junior aged children of either/both spouses. Juniors are defined as children 18 years of age & under in 2017 (born in 1999 or later). If the child/sibling turns 19 in 2017 (born in 1998 or before) an individual membership is required. Spouses may include those who are cohabiting, but not married by law; those who are married, but do not use the same surname; legal guardian(s) of a junior aged member.	
First two Family Members- \$75.00	
Additional Junior Member(s)- _____ x \$20.00	

NSEF OPTIONAL INSURANCE PROGRAM Descriptions available on page 3 and 4

2017 Optional Insurance will take effect on January 1st, 2017. 2016 Optional Insurance is available by contacting the NSEF. Optional insurance coverages must be purchased per individual. Please list all applicable names in each section before calculating cost.

<input type="checkbox"/> \$50,000 Optional Accidental Death & Dismemberment (ADD)	_____ x \$40.00
<input type="checkbox"/> \$12,000 Members Named Perils (MNP)	_____ x \$25.00
<input type="checkbox"/> \$10,000 Members Tack (TAK) Tack and Equipment	_____ x \$45.00
<input type="checkbox"/> \$1,000,000 Travel (out of Province/Country) Coverage (TVL) –signature required on back of this form	_____ x \$165.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Weekly Accident Indemnity (WAI) –completed form (pg 4) required and signature required on back of this form	_____ x \$165.00

OPTIONAL PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

<input type="checkbox"/> NSEF Ride & Drive Program A Reward program recognizing NSEF members for hours spent riding/driving a horse. You MUST be an NSEF member to participate. Just ride/drive for your reward! One-time fee per member. (Optional)	\$20.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Horse and Pony Magazine Subscription through NSEF Affiliate Program (4 issues) (Optional)	\$11.50
<input type="checkbox"/> Horse Canada Magazine Subscription through NSEF Affiliate Program (6 issues) (Optional)	\$20.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Canadian Horse Journal Magazine Subscription through NSEF Affiliate Program (6 issues) (Optional)	\$24.15
2017 Optional Club Memberships –See information on page 3 for rates and details	
<input type="checkbox"/> Horse Trials Nova Scotia (HTNS) <input type="checkbox"/> Nova Scotia Hunter Jumper Association (NSHJ) <input type="checkbox"/> Cape Breton Western Riders (CBWR)	
Cape Breton Western Riders' Members must complete the CBWRA questionnaire on bottom of page 2	
<input type="checkbox"/> Donation to Team NS (Canadian Interprovincial Equestrian Championships) – Any dollar amount - No Tax Receipt (Optional)	

TOTAL:

PAYMENT TYPE: -Visa -MasterCard -Cheque -Money Order -Cash (in office only by appointment)

VISA/MASTERCARD PAYMENT INFORMATION: Credit Card Admin Fee **\$3.00** Total Credit Card Payment Enclosed: _____

Credit Cardholder Name:	Signature:
Credit Card #:	Expiry Date:
	Verification Code (located on back of card):

PRIVACY POLICY & EMAIL EXPRESSED CONSENT The NSEF recognizes the privacy of individuals with respect to their personal information and is committed to ensuring the privacy of its members. The NSEF does not offer our mailing lists to any outside organizations. Information will be forwarded to the appropriate organization for optional programs i.e. optional insurance, magazine publishers or club memberships.

****MANDATORY – SIGNATURE IS REQUIRED BEFORE MEMBERSHIP CAN BE PROCESSED****

PLEASE PROVIDE YOUR CONSENT BY CHECKING APPLICABLE BOXES.

Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION CONSENT	I give my expressed consent to NSEF to send me communications using my email addresses on file. If you do not consent, the NSEF will send you notice of Annual/Special General Meetings and membership renewals or information regarding your membership by email.
Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	PARENTAL CONSENT	If one or more applicant(s) named in this application are under the age of 19 I DECLARE I am the parent or legal guardian for said minor applicant(s) and I hereby give my consent for the named minor applicant(s) to become a member of the NSEF.
Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	VOLUNTEER	Please contact me regarding volunteer opportunities with the NSEF. (You are giving permission for NSEF/NSEF Volunteer to contact you)
OPTIONAL TRAVEL SIGNATURE If you purchased optional travel insurance this section must be completed.	By checking this box, I understand/declare all items above to be true. <input type="checkbox"/>	I am a member in good standing of my home Province / Territory Equine Association and declare: 1. I understand that travel coverage terminates at 12:01 am on the date of my 65th birthday 2. I declare that I am a Canadian resident and I have valid health insurance in force as provided by my home provincial government health plan 3. I understand that all pre-existing medical conditions may not be covered by this insurance 4. I understand that coverage for each 90 day trip begins (only) on the date of departure from my home province and cannot be initiated if I am outside of my home Province. 5. I understand that this policy cannot be extended beyond 90 days for any single trip. 6. I understand that I am financially responsible for incidental / minor medical expenses at the time care is rendered.

****MANDATORY – SIGNATURE IS REQUIRED BEFORE MEMBERSHIP CAN BE PROCESSED****

On behalf of the Applicant(s), I, the undersigned, hereby declare the information provided in this application to be true and accurate and is endorsed by the Applicant. Falsifying information could possibly nullify insurance coverage.

PRINT NAME OF APPLICANT or PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN if under 19	SIGNATURE REQUIRED APPLICANT or Parent/Legal Guardian if under 19
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HORSE OWNERSHIP INFORMATION *If you do not own or lease a horse please put zero in the "# of horses" space.

of Horses: Breed: Own Rent/Lease Board Elsewhere Own Stable/Farm

PARTICIPATION (Check all that apply)	Member 1	Member 2	Member 3	Member 4	Member 5
Recreational Rider/Driver					
Athlete/Student (taking lessons)					
Athlete Competitor					
Coach/Instructor NCCP Certified					
Athlete Para-Equestrian					
Coach/Instructor/Trainer (Non NCCP Certified)					
Coach/Instructor Candidate					
Official – please indicate type(s) i.e. judge, steward					
Volunteer					
Other: _____ (please specify)					

PRIMARY DISCIPLINE (check all that apply)	Member 1	Member 2	Member 3	Member 4	Member 5
English					
Western					
Driving					
Saddle Seat					
Breed Sport					

AFFILIATIONS - Please list all other equine clubs, organizations and associations for which you hold a membership

INDUSTRY PARTICIPATION (check all that apply)

Breeder - Breed Type: _____ Trainer Provide Riding Lessons at Facility Own/Operate Boarding Facility Other: Please Specify _____
 Veterinarian Farrier

SPECIAL INTEREST AREA(S) (check all that apply)

<input type="checkbox"/> Ride/Drive Program	<input type="checkbox"/> Canadian Pony Club	<input type="checkbox"/> Therapeutic Riding	<input type="checkbox"/> Trail Riding	<input type="checkbox"/> Learn to Trail Ride Program	<input type="checkbox"/> Trail Development
<input type="checkbox"/> Driving	<input type="checkbox"/> Combine Driving	<input type="checkbox"/> Pleasure Driving	<input type="checkbox"/> Harness	<input type="checkbox"/> Hunt Club/Field Hunting	<input type="checkbox"/> Endurance
<input type="checkbox"/> Breed Sport	<input type="checkbox"/> Natural Horsemanship	<input type="checkbox"/> Competitive trail	<input type="checkbox"/> Cutting	<input type="checkbox"/> General Performance	<input type="checkbox"/> Horsemanship
<input type="checkbox"/> Western Pleasure	<input type="checkbox"/> Western Trail	<input type="checkbox"/> Team Penning	<input type="checkbox"/> Reining	<input type="checkbox"/> Western Rider Levels	<input type="checkbox"/> Barrels & Poles
<input type="checkbox"/> Dressage	<input type="checkbox"/> Eventing Horse Trials	<input type="checkbox"/> Equitation	<input type="checkbox"/> Hack	<input type="checkbox"/> Hunter	<input type="checkbox"/> Jumper
<input type="checkbox"/> Saddle Seat	<input type="checkbox"/> English Rider Levels	<input type="checkbox"/> English Pleasure	<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____		

CBWRA Mandatory Questions: Number of Owned Horses: _____ Non-owned Horses ridden for competition with owner name: _____
 Junior Member: Parent Name: _____ Emergency Contact: _____ 2017 Show Package Required Yes No



WEEKLY ACCIDENT INDEMNITY APPLICATION

This exclusive insurance policy provides **income replacement** in the event you are unable to work due to an accident. Coverage is in force 24 hours a day/ 7 days a week and includes (but is not limited to), injuries arising from an equine related incident. The policy will provide **up to \$500.00 / week** in income replacement for **up to 26 weeks** (some restrictions apply). To qualify for this special program and be eligible for benefits, you must meet the following minimum requirements:

- 6) Be a resident of Canada.
- 7) Be a member in good standing of your provincial equine association;
- 8) Be employed full time (minimum of 25 hours a week with a single employer);
- 9) Be under the age of 70 years old; and
- 10) Filed an income tax return to Canada Revenue Agency in the most recent year.

The combined benefit from this policy and all other benefits available to you (WCB/WSIB/PPP/ Employer Group Programs, etc.) cannot exceed 75% of reported gross income to Canadian Revenue Agency in the most recent taxation year.

Questions regarding coverage should be directed to Intercity Insurance Equine Department at 1-888-394-3330

YOUR INFORMATION			
NAME:		DATE OF BIRTH:	YYYY MM DD
ADDRESS:		PHONE: (H)	(C)
EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION			
YOUR OCCUPATION:		AVERAGE NO. OF HOURS WORKED PER WEEK:	
EMPLOYER NAME:		EMPLOYER PHONE:	
FULL TIME with a single employer is required (Minimum 25 hrs per week)		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (if No, coverage is not available)	
Did you file an Income Tax Return with Canada Revenue Agency last year?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (if No, coverage is not available)	
Are you enrolled with WCB / WSIB / Employer Disability Plan?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
Have you ever made a claim for income replacement benefits?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	

IMPORTANT: PLEASE READ CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING BELOW

I understand and agree:

- 1) The insurance coverage being applied for PLUS ANY OTHER BENEFITS I may be eligible to receive if I cannot work - **FROM ALL SOURCES** - will not and cannot exceed 75% of weekly income as reported to Canadian Revenue Agency (CRA) in the last personal income reporting year.
- 2) I understand that there is a waiting period of 7 days before I am eligible to receive any benefits from this policy.
- 3) This policy will pay benefits to a maximum of \$500 / week for a maximum of 26 weeks.
- 4) In the event of a claim, I will be required to sign and remit various documents to prove my loss before any payment is made, including but not limited to a copy of my previous tax return and a consent form to allow the insurer to collect, use and disclose personal information related to my claim.
- 5) I am a member in good standing of my home Provincial Equine Association on the date of this application.

SIGNED: _____ DATED: _____



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