

Somerset County Park Commission Lord Stirling Stable



Summer Workshop

REGISTRATION



Registration (online and in person) begins on Saturday, March 17th, 2018 – 8:00am

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

Riders new to Lord Stirling Stable must come in person. Please call 908.766.5955 with any questions.

Our 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.

*All weeks are for D-3 and up.
D-1 and D-2 alternate as follows:*

Week starting	Theme	
Week1-June 25	Horse of My Own/Buying a Horse	D-1
Week 2 - July 2 (4 day week)	Trail Week (Trail Card eligibility week for riders B and above) Adults can come!	D-2
Week 3 - July 9	Horse of My Own/Vet Care	D-1
Week 4 - July 16	Grooming & Showmanship	D-2
Week 5 - July 23	Drill, Dressage, & Musical Ride	D-2
Week 6 - July 30	Horse of My Own/Equitation	D-1
Week 7 - August 7	Play Time! Extended day option for D-2 riders!	D-2
Week 8 - August 13	Horse of My Own/WEG: Welcome the World	D-1
Week 9 - August 20	Summertime Memories Adults can come!	D-1 and D-2

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 – new options this year

With the exception of the Fourth of July week, all weeks will offer a unique opportunity for D-3 and higher level riders to participate in an extended day until 4PM. During all weeks, riders will assist in the barn 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 the Workshop 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 the 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 D2 riders to stay for an extended day. Please refer to the Week 7 description for the extended day activities. On three of the days, the riders will go on a trail ride during the extended day portion. 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 per week, payable by cash or check only, and will be collected after registration.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

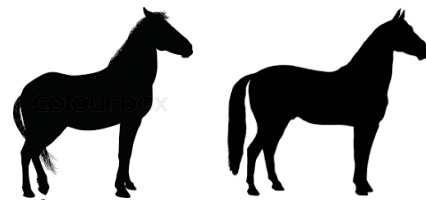
Grooming kits will be available for sale (cash or check only) each week to any riders who would like to have their own grooming equipment. Participants are always welcome to use the grooming equipment owned by the stable.

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 (2018)** from D-2 to D-3, the rider may only participate at 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 25th -June 29th

“A Horse of My Own”

D-3 and higher level Activity # 87701-01 (1:30pm dismissal)

D-3 and higher level Activity # 87701-02 (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. **Additional theme: horse conformation judging and what physical attributes to look for in buying a horse.**

“Meet the Horses!”

D-1 level Activity # 87701-03 (1:30pm dismissal)

D-1 riders will not be assigned a horse of “their own” but will focus on learning to ride and 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.



Week 2 - July 2nd - July 6th

“Trail Week”

D-3 and higher level Activity # 87702-01 (2:45pm dismissal)

D-2 level Activity # 87702-03 (2:45pm dismissal)

Each day riders will have a daily riding lesson and, weather permitting, a trail ride. This week has extended days, due to the Fourth of July holiday (stable is closed). Fun activities this week include a trail obstacle competition and a hay ride, cookout, 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.**

New this year: 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 9th – July 13th

“A Horse of My Own”

D-3 and higher level Activity # 87703-01 (1:30pm dismissal)

D-3 and higher level Activity # 87703-02 (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. **Additional theme: Horse veterinary care. One day will include a visit to an equine veterinary clinic.**



“Hors’n Around”

D-1 level Activity # 87703-03 (1:30pm dismissal)

D-1 riders will not be assigned a horse of “their own” but will focus on learning to ride and 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. Other activities will include games/competitions with ponies.



Week 4 - July 16th - July 20th

“Grooming and Showmanship”

D-3 and higher level Activity # 87704-01 (1:30pm dismissal)

D-3 and higher level Activity # 87704-02 (4:00pm dismissal)

D-2 level Activity # 87704-03 (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, learn to do rump patterns, and will be given lots of time to practice. Other activities will include braiding and bathing.



Week 5 - July 23rd – July 27th

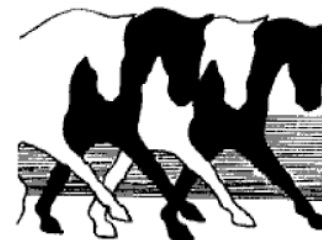
“Drill, Dressage and Musical Ride”

D-3 and higher level Activity # 87705-01 (1:30pm dismissal)

D-3 and higher level Activity # 87705-02 (4:00pm dismissal)

D-2 level Activity # 87705-03 (1:30pm dismissal)

This week will focus on riding to music and riding and designing drill patterns. Students will also decorate T-shirts for their “team.” Riders will put on a Friday drill performance for their family and friends!



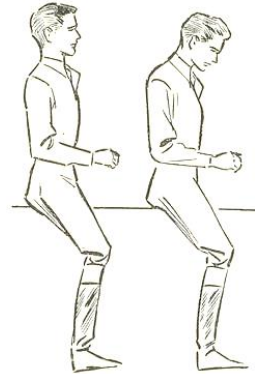
Week 6 - July 30th - August 3rd

“A Horse of My Own”

D-3 and higher level Activity # 87706-01 (1:30 dismissal)

D-3 and higher level Activity # 87706-02 (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 also include an additional riding lesson or fun ride on a different horse. **Additional theme: Equitation! Equitation!**



“Learn to Ride!”

D-1 level Activity # 87706-03 (1:30pm dismissal)

D-1 riders will not be assigned a horse of “their own” but will focus on learning to ride and 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 6th – August 10th

“Play Time!”

D-3 and higher level Activity # 87707-01 (1:30pm dismissal)

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

D-2 level Activity # 87707-03 (1:30pm dismissal)

D-2 level Activity # 87707-04 (4:00pm dismissal)



Riders will participate in riding lessons, team games, activities, and competitions, both mounted and unmounted.

The optional extended day for activity for D-2 riders will include a variety of activities, depending upon the interests of the participants. Choices may include horse, photography learning about breeds, tack and showing through the use of model horses, and a model horse show.





Week 8 - August 13th - August 17th

“A Horse of My Own”

D-3 and higher level Activity # 87708-01 (1:30pm dismissal)

D-3 and higher level Activity # 87708-02 (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. **Additional theme: WEG: Welcome the World**, learning about the World Equestrian Games, which will be held in North Carolina in September, using activities such as riding over ground poles (representing jumping/eventing), riding patterns (representing dressage), and demonstrations.

“For the Love of Horses”

D-1 level Activity # 87708-03 (1:30pm dismissal)

D-1 riders will not be assigned a horse of “their own” but will focus on learning to ride and 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 will include a costume class and a trail ride or a “fun” ride.



Week 9 - August 20th - August 24th

“Summertime Memories!”

D-3 and higher level Activity # 87709-01 (1:30pm dismissal)

D-3 and higher level Activity # 87709-02 (4:00pm dismissal)

D-1/D-2 level Activity # 87709-03 (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/daughter or son 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 accommodations. Three weeks notice is required to ensure that appropriate accommodation can be provided