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E-BULLETIN : May 7th, 2010

Endurance Canada Community;

This is E-Bulletin #8, Keeping you up-to-date as best we can!



I guess it's about time that we 'explained' ourselves! Hopefully the FAQ below will answer some of your many queries, and confirm that our mandate is to work together with all of you and the provincial organizations to make Endurance the equestrian sport of choice! It is now the fastest growing of all the FEI disciplines world-wide, and I know each year we are adding to our numbers here in Canada too. How fortunate we are to have so many ride organizers and volunteers across the country who provide us with such wonderful opportunities to enjoy the most beautiful scenery, such amazing camaraderie and the best competitive environment. I love that Endurance attracts riders of all ages, and whether we are riding at an introductory or more advanced level, we share the same trails and the same passion, and we are all so appreciative of our four-legged partners.

Have a wonderful ride season! *Daphne*



ANNOUNCING THE STALLION AUCTION WINNER!

Endurance Canada is very pleased to announce that Elaine Bessuille, from British Columbia, is the successful bidder on our online 'stallion auction' - *congratulations, Elaine!* And *thank you very much to Colleen DeVry of NightWind Arabians* for so generously donating this stallion service for Dakotas Keyanti - a stallion well known in our Endurance world: sire of Kathy Irvine's 100 mile Endurance mare (nominated for the 2010 World Equestrian Games Canadian Endurance Team), and a half brother to other international endurance horses, two owned by Eve Comrie, also from Alberta. We encourage you to 'visit' NightWind Arabians: www.nightwindarabians.com

The monies from this auction will be used to support those Canadian riders who are successful in their bid to ride for Canada in the WEG on September 26th in Kentucky.

Again, congratulations Elaine - and thank you Colleen and Dakotas Keyanti!

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FAQ Endurance Canada

What is Endurance Canada?

Endurance Canada is a Committee of the Sport Council of Equine Canada, and is the national governing body of the sport of endurance riding in Canada. It was created in 2006.

The Endurance Canada Committee (ECC) is responsible for the pursuit of excellence at all levels of the sport, and to provide leadership to support and grow the Canadian endurance riding community.

The mandate of Endurance Canada is to provide leadership in the development of programs from grassroots to international, meeting the policy guidelines of Equine Canada, Sport Canada and the Fédération Equestre Internationale (FEI), and to work in concert with the provincial endurance organizations.

For more information, please visit the [Endurance Canada](#) section of the Equine Canada website, or www.endurancecanada.ca.

What is Equine Canada?

Equine Canada is Canada's national governing body for equestrianism. It is a member-driven, charitable institution that provides a national voice for all things equine - horse welfare, breeding, industry, recreational riding, and sport competitions.

Equine Canada is recognized by the Government of Canada, the International Equestrian Federation (FEI), and the Canadian Olympic Committee as the national organization representing equestrian sport and equine interests.

For more information about Equine Canada, please visit www.equinecanada.ca.

Is Endurance Canada just another riding club?

Unlike provincial endurance organizations (e.g. ERABC & OCTRA), Endurance Canada is not a stand-alone club or organization. Endurance Canada is part of our national governing equestrian body, Equine Canada.

Why should I join Endurance Canada?

Having wide representation from across the country provides a strong voice for Endurance Canada, advocating for the sport and for the development of programs that support and grow the Canadian endurance riding community. When you join Endurance Canada you give strength to the voice of the Canadian endurance riding community.

How can I join Endurance Canada?

You can join Endurance Canada by filling out an affiliate membership form and paying an annual fee. <http://www.endurancecanada.ca>

You can also join Endurance Canada when you purchase your sport license from Equine Canada. www.equinecanada.ca

How does Endurance Canada work?

Endurance Canada is a committee, not a club, so there is no voting by the general membership for club executives, by-laws, etc. The work of Endurance Canada is carried out by the members of the Endurance Canada Committee (ECC) who shape and guide the efforts of the various sub-committees.

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The ECC works to advance the interests of the Canadian endurance riding community at the national level within Equine Canada. This includes many activities designed to foster the growth of the sport of endurance in Canada.

Activities include encouraging participation and developing athletes, certifying officials and coaches, developing national rules and sanctioning procedures and managing the Endurance squads of the Canadian Equestrian Team.

How can I get on the Endurance Canada Committee?

You must be selected by your provincial endurance organization to become a member of the Endurance Canada Committee (ECC).

Ten ECC members are elected or appointed by their respective Provincial/Regional Endurance Organization from the affiliate members of Endurance Canada using the following formula: British Columbia (2), Alberta (2), Saskatchewan (1), Manitoba (1), Ontario (2), Quebec (1), Atlantic Canada (1). The ECC also includes one (1) Athlete representative from the current list of ranked riders, chosen by the ranked riders. [\[KW1\]](#)

How can I get on an Endurance Canada Sub-Committee?

Affiliate members of Endurance Canada can volunteer to serve on a sub-committee of the Endurance Canada Committee (ECC). These sub-committees include:

- Communications
- Breeds and Industry
- AERC liaison
- Marketing/Sponsorship
- National Rules and Sanctioning
- National Officials
- National Education, Coaching and Athlete Development
- National Awards and Recognition
- Youth
- Veterinary
- International

Refer to <http://www.endurancecanada.ca/committee.htm> for information related to the sub-committee goals and activities.

If you are interested in volunteering for one of these sub-committees, please contact the Chair of ECC, at endurancecanada@shaw.ca.

How does Endurance Canada work with the provincial endurance organizations?

The members of the Endurance Canada Committee (ECC) bring the interests of their respective provincial endurance organizations to the ECC and Equine Canada. This allows for national programs to be developed that reflect interests from across the country.

Since its inception in 2006, the work of the ECC has grown and evolved. ECC's relationship with the provincial endurance organizations is also growing and evolving. It has been "all new" for all of us!

The ultimate goal is for the endurance riding community to work together and to speak with one strong voice to promote the sport of endurance.

We ALWAYS appreciate hearing from YOU - the Endurance enthusiasts across the country! Our Newsletter editor (Kat) and our Webmaster (Jon) welcome your photos, features and news: please contact them at kirvine@mscnet.ca (newsletters) and rescorla@mail.com (website).

Sincerely,

Daphne Richard
Chair, Endurance Canada Committee

Equine Canada

and remember "TO FINISH IS TO WIN" - Happy Trails to you all !!!

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