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### **RIDING ACADEMY INFORMATION AND FEES**

LESSONS ARE FOR ALL LEVELS AND INCLUDE HORSE, BRIDLE, SADDLE and PADS.  
PRIVATE LESSON 1/2 HOUR, GROUP LESSONS 45 MINUTES TO 1 HOUR

### **LESSONS WITH ASSISTANT TRAINERS & INSTRUCTORS**

INTRODUCTORY LESSON: \$70.00.

Includes introduction to the barn, grooming and tacking procedures, 1/2 hr private riding lesson.

INDIVIDUAL LESSON: \$65.00.

PACKAGE 1: \$460.00 per month. Two lessons a week for a total of 8 lessons per month.

PACKAGE 2: \$660.00 per month. Three lessons a week for a total of 12 lessons a month

### **LESSONS WITH HEAD TRAINER, MARK CONLEY - \$70**

Lessons for advanced riders who own their own horse or experienced riders preparing to buy a horse.

\*These lessons are intended for riders without their own horses. For those who own or lease, please see training fee sheet.

Our students groom and tack up their horses before their lesson and care for them after the lesson. If you wish to have your horse prepared for you before your lesson and cared for after your lesson you may purchase a tack-up for \$12/ea.

### **OTHER PROGRAMS**

PONY RIDES - \$35 - Pet and help groom pony then ride 20-25 mins. Geared towards younger kids or toward timid children that would like to 'try out' riding before taking lessons.

SHOWMANSHIP LESSONS - \$35/30mins - Learn the subtleties on how to properly groom, handle and lead a horse or pony like professionals do for the show arena. Series of 5 suggested. Valuable for ALL beginner students.

ADULT HORSE-HUSBANDRY - \$35/30mins - For adults that may or may not want to ride but would like to learn how to care for and have a relationship with horses.

GROUP PROGRAMS- CEC treats every group according to their unique needs and prices our group programs accordingly. Possible group programs might include scouts gaining their equine badge, field trips for different clubs or even senior day trips.

SUMMER CAMPS - Please enquire about our summer programs by phone.

MISSED LESSONS AND CANCELLATION POLICY: If you need to cancel a lesson, 24 hour notice is required. The barn answering machine (858-259-1148) will take your message. All lessons canceled with proper notice may be made up within the same calendar month; just call to reschedule. Lessons not canceled with notice are forfeited. Inclement weather does not necessarily mean a canceled lesson. Please call the barn answering machine for daily lesson information. Classes on horse care, feeding, horse equipment, horse showing, and medical care are sometimes given as a substitute during inclement weather.

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ABOUT OUR  
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### ABOUT OUR PROGRAMS

CEC offers pony rides, horsemanship, and english riding lessons for all ages (2 yrs - adult) and levels of riders, from those who have never been on a horse to those with extensive show experience. Our program emphasizes traditional equestrian fundamentals of horsemanship on the ground as well as in the saddle. Our riding academy, showmanship and horse-husbandry lessons teach the basics of horse care, riding position and skills and training that have been used in 4-H, Pony Club and other horsemanship programs for centuries. The hunter/jumper training program is grounded in the same traditional dressage and jumping basics that have taken riders to the Olympic level for years. Concord is open Tuesday through Sunday. Please call for scheduling.

### THE RIDING ACADEMY

CEC Riding Academy is able to accommodate riders of all levels and goals in a fun family-oriented environment. Our youngest riders are involved in safe programs with games and exercises that help them gain their 'pony licences' and then successfully add new stars to their licenses as they learn new skills. More skilled riders are methodically advanced in preparation to lease or own their own horse to enter the show arena. Others simply find our program a great opportunity to ride recreationally.

#### THE FIRST LESSON

The first lesson, or introductory lesson, lasts approximately 1 1/2 hours and consists of a 45min-1hr barn orientation and care of your mount before and after your lesson and a 25-30 min private riding lesson. The cost is \$70.00 (see attached price sheet). All riders new to CEC start with this lesson regardless of previous riding experience. For new riders, this gives an overall introduction to horses and riding. For experienced riders, the introductory lesson allows the instructor to evaluate the student's riding level without the distraction of other riders. After the lesson, the instructor will consult with the rider and/or parent to choose the best program for the rider. Please call for available times to set up an introductory lesson.

#### RIDING ESSENTIALS

The lesson price includes use of one of CEC's many excellent school horses, as well as riding tack (saddle, bridle, girth, saddle pad), as well as our arenas and jumps. Appropriate attire includes **britches or jodhpurs (or jeans with chaps), paddock or field boots, and a helmet.** Concord can provide helmets for the introductory lesson ONLY. For reasons of safety and liability, our regular riders will NOT be permitted to ride without a helmet of their own. ALL NEW RIDERS who decide to continue riding with us are required to purchase a starter package that will consist of the appropriate reading materials to be decided upon by the instructor.

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### ***What to Expect***

For those who have never ridden, expect to take a number of 1/2 hr private riding lessons in the beginning. Private lessons are required to teach the skills necessary for safe group riding. With many individuals, especially young children, a few months of private lessons may be necessary before moving to group lessons. After the introductory lesson the rider (or rider's parent) is responsible for preparing the horse for the lesson (called tacking-up) and to care for the animal after the lesson. A CEC representative is typically available to assist our new clients. We also offer horsemanship lessons geared towards helping riders and their parents feel more comfortable around the horses and ponies.

All of our horses and ponies are ridden, lunged and otherwise exercised even during inclement weather to be as safe and rideable within reasonable expectations at all times.

### ***Group vs. Private Lessons***

Group lessons are the same price as private lessons (see attached price sheet), but run longer (45 minutes for two people, 1 hour for three or more people). Group lessons generally include 4-5 people and seldom exceed 6. Ideally a rider should have at least one group and at least one private lesson a week. The individual attention of a private lesson allows the rider to better grasp skills that are later practiced more independently in a group situation.

### ***How Often To Ride***

As in any sport, the more often you practice the better you become. For those recreational riders who aren't interested in showing or jumping, once a week is adequate. For advanced jumping and/or showing, at least two rides a week is required. Concord offers up to three lessons a week with school horses (package of 12 in a month, see attached price sheet). We also offer several different leasing programs for those riders who wish to ride the same horse/pony and have showing privileges.

### ***What happens if I am an advanced rider or a beginner who wishes to ride seriously?***

CEC offers leasing (on a limited basis) and private ownership programs for more serious riders who want to ride three or more times a week and show at the County and "A" circuit levels. Leasing is a good stepping-stone for those who want to progress but are not quite ready for the responsibility of horse ownership. Costs vary and a serious lease may be very close to the price of owning, except with the added expense of a monthly lease fee. For those ready to purchase a horse of their own, Concord offers agency services to find the best horse for the level and interests of the rider.

### ***Training Programs***

These programs differ from the lesson programs in that, with training, lessons aren't purchased by number. Instead, monthly training programs (\$600.00 + month) ensure that a horse is properly trained and managed 6 days a week. Training services can take the form of a riding lesson, a trainer schooling ride for the horse, a lunge/turn out, etc. Full training (6 days a week) are for those who own their own horse or full lease while half training is also available for those in a half lease agreement or who can take responsibility for their horse three days a week.

### ***What Else Concord Offers***

Gift certificates can be purchased and are good for one year after the purchase date. Concord's riding school holds small, fun, and inexpensive horse shows called "home shows" so that new riders can get a taste of horse showing. We also offer day camps over the summer. To encourage a fun, cohesive atmosphere, Concord's instructors often host fun social events for kids such as pizza parties and sleep overs at the barn. For those who wish to get involved with horses without all the work, investment packages are also available.

## CONCORD EQUESTRIAN CENTER

### RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY, ASSUMPTION OF RISK, AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT

**BY SIGNING THIS AGREEMENT, YOU ARE GIVING UP CERTAIN LEGAL RIGHTS, INCLUDING THE RIGHT TO RECOVER DAMAGES IN CASE OF INJURY, DEATH, OR PROPERTY DAMAGE.**

**READ THIS AGREEMENT CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING IT. YOUR SIGNATURE INDICATES YOUR UNDERSTANDING AGREEMENT TO ITS TERMS.**

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (hereinafter the "Undersigned"), HEREBY

On behalf of myself, my personal representatives, heirs, next-of-kin, spouse, and assigns, :

1. Acknowledge that a horse or pony may, without warning or apparent cause, buck stumble, fall, rear, bite, kick, run, make unpredictable movements, spook, jump obstacles, step on or push people, that horse or pony saddles and bridles may loosen or break, all of which may cause the Undersigned to fall or be jolted, resulting in serious injury or death.
  2. Acknowledge that horseback riding is a dangerous activity and involves RISK that may cause SERIOUS INJURY AND IN SOME CASES DEATH, because of the unpredictable nature and irrational behavior of horses regardless of their past training and performance.
  3. Voluntarily assume the risk and danger of injury or death inherent in the use of the horse (s), equipment, and gear provided to me by Concord Equestrian Center (hereinafter referred to as "Stable").
  4. RELEASE, DISCHARGE, AND OATH OF SUIT. The Undersigned pledges not to sue Stable, doing business under Stable's own name or any other names - including that of his owners, officers, employees, and agents (hereinafter referred to as "Releasee") - for any loss, liability, damage, or cost whatsoever arising from or related to any loss, damage or injury (including death) to the Undersigned's person or property.
  5. Release the Releasee from any claim that such Releasee is, or may be, negligent in connection with riding experience or ability, including but not limited to, training or selecting horse (s); maintenance, care, fit or adjustment of saddles and bridles; instruction or riding skills; or leading and supervising riders.
  6. INDEMNIFY, AND SAVE AND HOLD HARMLESS the Stable from and against any loss, liability, damage or cost arising from damage or injury caused by Undersigned's use of horse (s) and equipment or gear provided therewith or any acts of omission of the Stable and its employees or agents.
- . Agrees to abide by and follow all the rules and regulations established by the Stable or any of its employees, or agents with regard to the Undersigned's use of the horse (s) or any equipment or gear provided therewith. In the event that someone other than the Undersigned shall call for the horse (s), such person shall have written authority signed by the Undersigned for said purpose.

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