

Wildcat Canter



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The Horse Capital's Equine Major

Whether you are a freshman moving to Lexington for the first time or a seasoned Kentucky native

or an upperclassman, welcome to another fall semester in the Horse Capital of the World. What other university is in a setting surrounded by horses and horse-related businesses? What other university was visited this summer by the First Lady of Kentucky, Jane Beshear who said she wished Equine Science and Management (ESMA) was a major when she went to UK?

More importantly, what can you do to ensure that you meet your goals to graduate prepared to set the world on fire? Of course you want to do well in your classes, but you also should learn the most you can about the horse industry. One way to do that is to read the Kentucky Equine Survey of 2012, which is being released next week by lead author, Dr. Jill Stowe, UK Ag Equine Programs Director. You will find out what breeds prevail in Kentucky (yes, Thoroughbreds are number one but there are lots of others) and how many are employed in the industry across the state. Another thing you can learn is how many different jobs support the industry. The group of interrelated horse-supporting businesses is called an Equine Business Cluster. With horse farms as the



central focus of the cluster, there are businesses such as veterinary clinics, feed providers, animal health companies, tack stores, equine laundries, law firms, accounting firms, clothing, landscaping, barn construction, farriers, horse publications and many more. In almost all of these businesses, understanding the biology of the horse is an asset, and understanding how businesses work is essential. You might find fulfilling employment in the broader equine cluster where you don't touch a horse every day, but you do use your "horse sense."

Another way to learn about the industry is to get to know people other than your professors, whether through your internship, a person who came to class to lecture, or your fellow classmen. Over 60% of your classmates are from outside Kentucky, and you can learn a lot from understanding their background and experiences. Coursework is important, but you will really differentiate yourself by the range of acquaintances you develop and the number of things you understand about the world of business. The faculty, staff and volunteers who support ESMA are ready to help you develop the knowledge and skills that will make you a successful, employed individual.

So enjoy going to college in the horse capital of the world, and make the most of the wealth of opportunities that surrounds you!

Dr. Nancy Cox

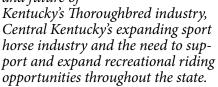
Associate Dean for Research in UK's College of Agriculture, Food and Environment, Kentucky Agricultural Experiment Station director

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Source: remarks made by First Lady Beshear, courtesy First Lady's Office

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Some of the excerpts from her talk are below. (Courtesy of the Office of Kentucky First Lady Jane Beshear)

In the past 10 years, our equine industry has had some moments of brilliance and some unexpected setbacks.

In 1991 there were over 41,000 registered Thoroughbred foals born in North America compared to approximately 24,000 born in 2012. These statistics indicate that Thoroughbred production was cut by almost half in a 20 year period.

This was due in large part to a declining economy that could not sustain the production and care of "luxury" items like racehorses. This is not news to those of us here today. We have all been around to witness the negative effect the economy has had on our Thoroughbred industry. But, if you look at the numbers, it is not as grim as we have been led to believe.

Just a few short weeks ago the Jockey Club issued their 2013 North American and Kentucky Fact Books. According to their research, Kentucky produced 7,263 foals of the 41,000 total giving Kentucky 17.6% of the total crop of foals born in 1991. In 2012, Kentucky produced 6,933 foals out of the North American total of 24,000. That means that 28.4% of all registered foals were Kentucky bred; an uptick of almost 11% of the total foal crop in the past 20 years.

Yes, we are breeding fewer Thoroughbreds overall; but we are producing a higher total percentage than we were in the 90's. But other states, like Florida and California, have seen a decrease in their percentage of overall production.

The Kentucky Racing Commission sees this as very good news.... we still have the market cornered on production. On a national and a state level, slowed breeding has positive implications for the animals themselves. For many years the market was flooded with inferior-quality horses bred by those wanting to get-rich-quick or who enjoyed breeding as a hobby. This led to a surge in horses that weren't competitive on the track...that had serious injuries preventing them from having a second career...and, in some cases, to animals being abandoned when the owners could no longer pay the bills. This situation negatively impacted the image of the racing industry and the media gladly portrayed "Thoroughbred people" as greedy and abusive.

So, yes, we are breeding fewer horses. But the majority of these horses are of better quality and being purchased by those having the resources to provide them with needed care.

On the racing side, we have some interesting numbers as well. In 1991, Kentucky hosted 2,738 races in duration of 287 race days with an average field size of 9.4 and average purse per race of \$21,147. In 2012, we held 2,056 races over 207 race days with an average field size of 8.5 and an average purse of \$31,782.

We have continually had a higher average field size than other states despite fewer racing days. While the economic downturn has certainly pushed out many of the smaller breeding and racing operations, it has had a positive effect as well. We are now focusing on quality over quantity. Better quality horses, better quality races, and a better quality experience for the race fan.

We also have good news on the sales front. The 2013 Florida sales were up 26% and the New York sales were up 65%. As this seems to be an upward trend, industry experts fully expect similar significant increases in purchase prices for the low and mid-level yearlings at Keeneland September Sales. Now, all of this is not to say that we are worrying about nothing. We still need to increase purses. We still need to attract fans and bettors.

We must adapt to the new norm if we are to remain the leader in the Thoroughbred business. The Kentucky Racing Commission has been tasked with finding ways to expand and modernize off-track betting and bringing racing into the digital age.

I've been talking a lot about racing but anyone who has been around for the past several years knows that Kentucky, specifically Central Kentucky, is rapidly becoming a hub for the sport horse industry. For many years the Kentucky Horse Park has been home to the Rolex Kentucky 3-Day Event and numerous prestigious hunter/jumper shows and dressage competitions.

But the 2010 Alltech FEI World Equestrian Games afforded us the opportunity to expand and improve infrastructure within the Park to lure competitors and fans from all over the world to the Bluegrass. For 16 days in September and October of 2010, we WERE the center of the equine universe.

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- WEG sold 507,000 tickets 70% of those outside of Kentucky.
- Attendees came from all 50 states and 63 foreign countries.
- 632 human athletes and 752 competed at the Games.
- A Kentucky-commissioned economic impact study estimated a \$201.5 million impact. And an FEI-commissioned economic impact study estimated a whopping \$373 to \$396 million impact.
- The investments made in the Park grounds have continue to show their value after the conclusion of the Games.

The Kentucky Horse Park is now home to:

- The time-honored National Horse Show, which permanently relocated to the Park in 2012
- The North American Junior and Young Rider Championships
- The United States Equestrian Federation Pony Finals
- 10 weeks of AA-rated, and two weeks of B-rated hunter/jumper shows
- Six weeks of USEF / USDF licensed dressage shows including the newly established U.S. Dressage Finals
- 10 three–day and combined training events
- Six gaited shows/championships
- Six western competitions and championships
- Four driving events
- 12 non-competition events
- 12 breed shows
- 33 equine organization headquarters
- Over 200 non-equine events, including trade shows, sporting events, dog shows, conferences, group functions and family events
- And, of course, the Rolex Ken-

- tucky 3-Day Event
- These competitions and events span over 48 weeks bringing competitors, trainers, grooms, family members and visitors to Central Kentucky to stay in our hotels, eat at our restaurants, buy gas at our stations and shop in our stores.

Some of these visitors have decided to stay longer than a week or a month. They have made the decision to purchase land and move here or spend an entire season here just to be closer to the Park. This isn't just good for the sport horse industry – it's proven to be a boon for our Thoroughbred farm owners as well.

Sport horse operations have come in and purchased former Thoroughbred operation properties in Fayette, Bourbon, Scott and Woodford counties.

This growth has essentially bolstered the land values that would have declined had they been left unpurchased or, worse, eventually developed.

As an avid rider, one of my favorite little-known facts about the Park has to do with the "celebrities" of the sport horse world that have competed there. Of the 200 riders that competed for their countries at the 2012 London Olympics, 115 have competed at the Kentucky Horse Park. Twenty-three of those riders won Olympics medals. To have so many international, Olympic-level riders and horses come to Kentucky is truly the end-all be-all for us horse folks.

But the future of Kentucky's horse industry is not just about competition. Recreational riding is growing in popularity amongst baby-boomers and we are positioning ourselves to take advantage of

this growing market. In 2008, we created the Office of Adventure Tourism in the Tourism, Arts and Heritage Cabinet to identify, expand and market Kentucky's trails.

I had seen far too many trailers glide ride through Kentucky on their way to Indiana, Tennessee and other states that had more expansive trail systems. So we took it upon ourselves to find ways to promote and grow our outdoor activity opportunities all over the state. While it's an extremely long and tedious process - you would not believe the bureaucracy involved - we have made some significant strides.

I am exceptionally proud of our most recent accomplishment. On June 15 of this year, Steve and I cut the ribbon on the Dawkins Line Rail Trail in Eastern Kentucky; now Kentucky's longest rail-trail at 36 miles. This multi-use non-motorized trail runs through some of the most beautiful country you can imagine.

We're already getting great feed-back from in and out-of-state visitors to the trail and we fully expect to see an increase in traffic in the coming years as we complete Phase II of the trail. This trail, among many others, is a work in progress and promises to bring guests from all over the eastern U.S. to our beautiful state to enjoy our landscape, our food, and our people.

It doesn't matter if it's racing, or showing, or trail riding – they are ALL economic drivers for the Commonwealth. And Steve and I are committed to improving and securing all of the equine discipline industries in the state. We've hit some rough spots but the future of the horse in Kentucky is looking up.

Do you like our new look?

The Wildcat Canter has a new look!
We have changed the layout of the Wildcat
Canter! The new layout, courtesy of our student
communications intern Erin Morgan, features
a more cohesive and unique look. We've added
a table of contents and tabs on the side make it
easier for readers to find a particular story or
section. Also, new to this layout is the cover,
which will highlight our feature story for that
month's issue. We hope you enjoy it.
Whatcha' think? Do you like it? Email your
thoughts to equine@uky.edu.

Ag Travels Photo Contest Winner

Courtney Schneider is the winner of the UK Ag Equine Programs travel photo contest. She will be getting a \$25 gift card to the Ag Equine Programs' store. Congrats Courtney! Thanks to everyone who participated.



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Marshall Story

Story and Photos by Erin Morgan

This story is the second in a series about a foal on the University of Kentucky's Maine Chance Farm. We will continue to follow his growth, progress and development in subsequent stories, and include some pictures as well.

While many students at the University of Kentucky were on vacation for summer break, Marshall and the student employees have been busy working in the summer heat at Maine Chance Farm.

Each morning, Marshall, the 3-month-old colt out of Italian Opera walks eagerly into the barn, where he is handled, weighed and groomed. Marshall is also part of a parasitology trial for Mary Rossano, associate professor in UK's Department of Animal and Food Sciences. Marshall spends most of the day in a paddock with six other rambunctious foals and their dams.

The students who work on Maine Chance Farm choose the names for the foals. Kelsey Peterson, a student worker at Maine Chance Farm picked the name Marshall after Chicago Bears wide receiver Brandon Marshall. Brandon Marshall is known as a fast and tough wide re-

ceiver, so she said she felt the name Marshall fits the fastpaced colt.

Marshall and the other horses at Maine Chance Farm differ from many of their peers who aren't part of a university farm. Marshall and his cohorts will have played an important role in educating UK's students during the year or so leading into the sales. Every day, the horses are handled by student workers, who all learn to handle, groom, feed and care for the mares and foals at the farm.

"Marshall has been a good-minded, quiet colt and we hope that he keeps that attitude and continues to improve physically," said Bryan Cassill, who manages the Department of Animal and Food Sciences Horse Unit at the UK's Maine Chance Farm.

According to Cassill, Marshall is on track for the October 2014 sale at Fasig-Tipton.

Join us as we continue to follow Marshall's progress. You can view the first story about Marshall here. You can also follow Maine Chance Farm on Facebook @UK-MaineChanceFarm.

Photographer's Observations:





Something that has always been striking about Marshall is his curiosity. The sound of a shutter on a camera clicked and Marshall looked left, right, and then approached the camera uneasily. The shutter clicked again and Marshall raised his head and pulled it back suddenly. Marshall lowered his head into the lens and pressed his nose right against it. The steam from is breath fogged up the lens. The shutter clicked continuously, Marshall cocking his head from side to side listening to the clicking noise. Marshall had not heard a camera's shutter click before and his first instinct was to stick his nose right into it.

Quick Facts:

Name: Marshall

Born: Sunday, April 14, 2013

Now: 3-months-old Spends most of day:

April: In a paddock with Italian Opera and Whom Shall I Fear and her foal

August: Spends most of day with Italian Opera in paddock with six other mares and foals

Faculty Spotlight

Elizabeth LaBonty was born and raised in Montana and grew up riding on the farm and working cattle. After earning her bachelor's degree in animal science from the University of Nebraska, she completed an internship through KEMI (Kentucky Equine Management Internship) at Juddmonte Farm and worked the Thoroughbred sales for Paramount Sales. After that, she traveled to the University of California at Davis for her master's degree in animal biology, where she studied equine reproduction and completed her thesis in animal assisted therapy for children with Autism Spectrum Disorders.

After earning her master's degree, LaBonty was hired by Laramie County Community College in Cheyenne, Wyo. to teach colt starting and training labs. She stayed there for three years before taking her current position as lecturer and internship coordinator in the Equine Science and Management undergraduate degree program here at UK. She teaches Intro to Equine Science, Intro to Equine Careers, Equine Career Prep, Thoroughbred Sales, Equine Event Planning and Contemporary Issues Agriculture and Natural Resources and helps students find internships and jobs.

"I have the best job," said LaBonty. "I love the classes I get to teach and it is so rewarding to get to connect students with the industry and watch them succeed."

In addition to classes and internships, LaBonty coordinates the ESMA Program Reception in the fall and the Equine Career Fair in the spring, both events she initiated and developed uniquely for UK. She also serves as the advisor for the new UK Rodeo Team and on the UK Ag Equine Programs Council.

Outside of work, LaBonty enjoys riding her off-the-track Thoroughbred, Barrett, traveling, going home to Montana and is currently pursuing her doctorate in education policies and evaluation in the College of Education at UK. LaBonty's research interests include incorporating service learning in the science curricula, experiential learning evaluation and assessment.

Internship database available in **Equine Programs' Office**

Starting to think about where you'd like to do your internship? Need help finding an internship? Come browse the all new UK Equine Internship Database, available in the Ag Equine Programs office, room N212 in Ag North. More than 390 internship sites are available to view. The computer will be available Monday-Friday from 8a.m.- 4p.m., no appointment necessary.

To Protect and Serve

Alexandra Harper

Rebecca Saylor, a junior from Grant County, Ky., always knew she wanted to attend the University of Kentucky to major in Equine Science and Management. What she didn't know was how her degree choice and her dream career would overlap on one summer internship.

"Horses are a passion of mine, and law enforcement is my future. The opportunity to combine the two in this internship was just too good to pass up," Saylor said.

When asked why she chose her internship Saylor responded, "I chose

the Lexington Mounted Police as my internship location because I plan to work with the Lexington Police Department upon graduation."

While Saylor was at the Mounted Unit Farm, she worked with the horses in the arena using natural horsemanship techniques and helped maintain and clean the tack and equipment. She was also primarily responsible for office work, including compiling the calendar of events for the year, working on the budget for 2013 and organizing and filing the 2012 budget because a new sergeant recently took over.

When asked what she learned the most during her internship, Saylor said, "The importance of the chain of command and just the process of getting hired on."

"Rebecca showed great initiative in this internship and really took advantage of the opportunity to do an internship directly related to her career goals," said Internship Coordinator and Lecturer, Elizabeth LaBonty.

"Rebecca has always shown initiative while completing her observation hours. She always shows up on time, with a smile, exhibits a strong enthusiastic desire to learn and an eagerness to encounter something new with each observation opportunity," said Officer Bige Towery,

Lexington Division of Police. " the opportunity to combine the two It was our hope that Rebecca, upon completion of the program,

> would have a better understanding of how the Lexington Division of Police operates both in the Mounted Unit and the Division overall, potentially sparking a career interest,".

Saylor continues to work toward a career with the Lexington Police Department after she graduates. She wishes to work with the Emergency Response Unit, which is part of the Lexington's SWAT team, with the homicide unit, CAC (crimes against children) or sex crimes.

Wherever she ends up, Saylor said she will always hold her summer with the Mounted Police department in high regard.









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Student Professionalism Series

Elizabeth LaBonty, Lecturer and Internship Coordinator

The University of Kentucky Equine Science and Management Program strives to not only educate you about equine science but also to prepare you for your future career. Part of this preparation includes classroom guest lectures and hands-on labs, requiring an internship before you graduate, exposing you to numerous industry related careers and most recently, we have added an all new series called the "Student Professionalism Series" to the Wildcat Canter.

The Student Professionalism Series will offer insight and tips to help you effectively prepare for, find, apply to and obtain the career of your choice. This month we will be focusing on what you can do this semester to start laying the ground work for your future career.

You never get a second chance to make a first impression...

From the moment you step foot on campus, you can start preparing for your career. Such preparation includes making a good first impression, building strong relationships, acting professionally and communicating effectively. Whether you are a first time freshman or a senior ready to graduate, it is important to make a good first impression in your classes and with the people you meet throughout your academic career. Each semester marks a new beginning. You are given an all-new opportunity to introduce yourself to professors, show up to class prepared and on time, pay attention to what is being taught (just say no to cell phones, iPods, iPads – anything with an I in it for that matter, Facebook and Twitter while in class) and leave a lasting impression. But it doesn't end there.

Beyond making a good first impression, it is important to also build strong relationships. Chances are that at some point during your time at UK you will need a letter of recommendation. Effective letters of recommendation are personal and detailed - nothing is less effective than a generic letter of recommendation simply stating that someone was in class. Choose one professor each semester in addition to your advisor to get to know. Ask questions, stop by during office hours, have good attendance, sit towards the front of the class, come to class on time, engage in discussions and in the end you will have someone who can recommend you personally for internships, jobs, scholarships and awards.

Acting professionally will also help prepare you for your career. How you dress and how you conduct yourself are excellent ways to set yourself apart. Although it is not necessary to dress up for class, when you have a guest lecturer from the industry, when you attend an event or even when you go to the barn, take time to dress, talk and act professionally...you never know who is watching or who you might meet. Potential employers, industry leaders and clients are everywhere and someone seeking a career always wants to be ready to meet them, put their best foot forward and seize every opportunity that comes along.

Lastly, never forget the importance of good communication. When done correctly, written communication can be as effective as oral communication. The most common type of written communication you will use throughout your time at UK and in your career is email. When emailing anyone - a professor, an advisor, an employer or anyone in the industry, it is important to remember four D's: a detailed subject line, don't forget a greeting and name, be direct and always double-check spelling and grammar.

- A detailed subject line helps tell the person you are writing to what you are writing about. If it's class related, put the course information in the subject line; if it's requesting an appointment or information, putting that in the subject line also helps.
- Never start an email without some type of greeting (Dear, Hello, Greetings, etc.) and always include the recipient's name (Professor, Dr., Mr., Ms., etc.).
- It is also important to be direct when writing emails. Try to tell why you are writing in the first few lines so the person on the other end will easily know how they can help you.
- The final D is double check. Last, but certainly not least, always take time to proofread your email for grammatical or spelling errors. Remember, you want to be professional and build strong relationships – nothing jumps off the page more than a typo, misspelled word or wrong name.

Planning for your career doesn't start at graduation; it takes years of making good impressions, building strong relationships, acting professionally and communicating effectively. Everyone here at UK wants to see you succeed and we are here to help. Don't be afraid to ask questions, take advantage of opportunities and above all have fun – it is going to be a great year!

Kentucky Horse Council Announces New Director

After an exhaustive search, the Kentucky Horse Council recently announced the hiring of a new executive director. Susan Schneider, a native Kentuckian, has real world experience with horses, business and law. Schneider will be a salutary addition to this important and innovative non-profit organization and will begin at the position on Aug. 21.

Schneider has roots in Louisville but most recently has lived and practiced law in North Carolina. While there, she served on both the Board of Directors and Executive Committees of the North Carolina Horse Council. Susan Schneider's educational experience includes a master's degree in business and a Juris Doctorate. She has non-profit experience, including a position as Land Protection Attorney with the Catawba Lands Conservancy. In addition, she is currently treasurer of the Equine Law Section of the Kentucky Bar Association, is a licensed racing official and horse and farm owner. Her personal equine interests include dressage, polocrosse and trail riding.

Schneider succeeds Ginny Grulke, who retired after eight years as executive director.

"I believe that Susan can take KHC to the next level as an organization. She will continue the educational activities we have been known for, but also expand our focus on policies, regulations and legal aspects, which support a healthy horse industry in Kentucky," Grulke said.

Anna Zinkhon, president of the KHC board, added," We are excited to have found such a qualified individual to take the reins at the Horse Council. There were many applicants for this position, but Susan stood out among them with her strategic thinking and public policy oriented skills. We look forward to many more years of KHC growth under Ms. Schneider."

Schneider will be traveling around the Commonwealth in her initial months, meeting individuals and institutions that have supported the council in the past. To meet or talk to Schneider, please call the Kentucky Horse Council office at (859) 367-0509 after Aug. 21.



Rood and Riddle Equine Hospital Scholarship Spotlight

Madison Scott, a sophomore double majoring in Equine Science and Management and Marketing from Austin, Texas, was the recipient of the Rood & Riddle Equine Hospital scholarship for 2013-2014. "This scholarship will help me cover basic expenses, mostly books and food for the upcoming school year," Scott said.

Scott is thoroughly involved in the horse racing industry and loves going to the track, sales and studying pedigrees and racing history. She also enjoys running, photography and riding and caring for her off-the-track Thoroughbred, whose feature story can be found at http://uknow.uky.edu/content/madison-scotts-passion-horses-leads-her-uk. After graduation, Scott's immediate goal is to be

accepted into the Darley Flying Start, an international two-year program focused on training young people about all aspects of the horse racing industry. Upon completion of the course, Scott hopes to attain a sales career at a stud farm in Kentucky.



Anderson Cooper to Visit UK

Source: Kentucky Kernel

Anderson Cooper will visit UK as the inaugural SpeakBlue Distinguished Speaker 8 p.m. on Monday, Sept. 30.

Cooper's speech, "From the Front Lines," is free for students, faculty and staff at Memorial Coliseum, courtesy of the Student Activities Board's Multicultural Affairs Committee.

Cooper is a reporter for CBS's "60 Minutes," and hosts the Emmy Award-winning CNN show "Anderson Cooper 360°."

Students, faculty and staff can pick up their tickets in the Student Involvement Ticket Center in the Student Center.

Posey Obrecht named 2013 Intercollegiate Women's Player of the Year

Congratulations to our very own Posey Obrecht for being selected as the 2013 Intercollegiate Women's Player of the Year. Posey is a 2013 alumni of the Equine Science and Management undergraduate degree program here at UK.



Check out the August issue of the Bluegrass Equine Digest at www2.ca.uky.edu/equine/bed

Stories this month include:

- Maine Chance Campus Facility Renamed for Area Veterinarian
- Handling Equine Disease Outbreaks
- Is Your Horse Too Fat? There's an App for That
- UK to Host Endocrine and Genetic Disorders Symposium
- Equine Pastern Dermatitis: A Pathologist's Perspective



Chemistry Learning Centers

If you are in need of some help with your general and/or organic chemistry labs and lectures, you might want to consider -

The General Chemistry Learning Center (GCLC) is located in CP-133 behind the main lecture hall (CP-139). It will be staffed 9 a.m. until 5 p.m., Monday through Thursday, and 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. on Fridays. There students will be able to find their TAs for the CHE 111 and 113 labs as well as receive assistance for most of the entry-level and general chemistry courses (CHE 101, 103, 104, 105, 107 and 109).

The Organic Chemistry Learning Center (OCLC) is located in CP-025 and is staffed by the CHE 231 and 233 TAs. It is staffed intermittently 9 a.m. until 5 p.m., Monday through Thursday, and 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. on Fridays. Since the OCLC is closed during the 231 and 233 labs and the CHE 230 and 232 lectures, it's probably best if students just stop by to see when the TAs are available.

Clubs and Teams Updates

Dressage and Eventing Team

Advisor: Dr. Jill Stowe E-mail: jill.stowe@uky.edu President: Aileen O'Brien

E-mail: aileen.obrien216@gmail.com

The first Dressage and Eventing Team meeting will be Sept. 4 at 8:30 p.m. in Student Center room 363. IDA team

tryouts will be held the week after the meeting.



Advisor: Dr. Bob Coleman E-mail: rcoleman@uky.edu

Hunt Seat Team

The Hunt Seat Team will be having a meeting on Aug. 30.

Western Team

The Western Team will be having a meeting on Sept. 3. Its first show will be Sept. 28-29 at the

University of Cincinnati.

Horse Racing Club

Advisor: Dr. Laurie Lawrence E-mail: llawrenc@uky.edu President: Candace Jeblonski E-mail: cajeblonski@uky.edu

Horse Racing Club members were busy this summer working hard within the industry. Students at UK worked coast to coast, and did everything from sales prep to grooming at the track and working PR for racetracks. Check for updates or get in touch with the club at www.facebook.com/ukhrc. Last year the club was able to

visit Rachel Alexandra and Calumet farm, and this year it hopes to top that.

Polo Team

Advisor: Dr. Roger Brown E-mail: rogerbrown@uky.edu President: Gates Gridley

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The Polo Team will be having a meeting on Sept. 2 at 6 p.m. for returning members.

R.E.A.D Club (Research in Equine and Agricultural Disciplines Club)

Advisor: Dr. Kristine Urschel E-mail: klur222@uky.edu President: Virginia Stilwell

E-mail: Virginia.stilwell5@uky.edu

The R.E.A.D. Club kick-off meeting will be in mid-September, where members will get to know each other, discuss field trip opportunities and learn about current research. The exact time and date will be posted and sent out on list serves when determined. A club Facebook page is also coming soon.

Saddle Seat Team

Advisor: Dr. Mary Rossano E-mail: mary.rossano@uky.edu President: Nicole Laroussa E-mail: nlaroussa@uky.edu

The first Saddle Seat Team meeting will be Sept. 11 at 6 p.m. Its first show will be Oct. 26 at Wingswept Farm.





Welcome Back Barbeque



for Equine Science and Management Students

Monday, September 16, 2013 5 p.m. Good Barn

RSVP by September 9 to equine@uky.edu or (859) 257-2226







Equestrian Olympics Registration Form



Monday, September 16, 2013 5 p.m. Good Barn

Team Name:	
Team Contact Name:	
Team Contact Phone Number:	
Team Contact E-mail Address:	
Team Member Names:	

Sign up your team of four to participate in events like the three-legged barrel race, timed horse supply identification and much more! Teams can be a combination of students, faculty and staff. Prizes will be awarded to the winning teams. Registration forms can be returned to the UK Ag Equine Programs Office (N212 Ag Sciences North) or via email at equine@uky.edu by September 9.

For more information or if you have questions, please contact Kristen Wilson at equine@uky.edu or (859) 257-2226.



Equine Programs Equine Store



Want some new UK Equine gear? Find jackets, scarves, bags, and more!





In response to requests for merchandise featuring UK equine logos, UK Ag Equine Programs has launched an online store. Find UK Ag Equine or Gluck Equine Research Center logoed items from t-shirts to coats to tailgating gear all in one spot. Visit www. ukagequinestore.com and login as a guest.

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Events

Important Dates:

September 2

Labor Day-No classes

September 3, 5-6:30 P.M.

Equine Science and Management Program Reception

September 4

Last Day to Add a class

September 4-7

UK Ag Round Up, Good Barn

September 5

College Picnic

September 14

3rd Annual Horses and Hope Trail Ride

September 16, 5:00 p.m.

Welcome Back Barbeque, Good Barn

September 18

Last day to drop a class without it appearing on transcript

September 18

Last day to change grade option

September 20

Last day to submit application for degree for December graduation

Ag Roundup:

Saturday, Sept. 7, 2013

8 a.m. - Registration and Kentucky Farm Bureau tents open

8 a.m. - Ag & HES Alumni Association Past Board Presidents Reunion

8 a.m. - HES Reception (Culton Suite)

8 a.m. - AGR Reunion (Gluck Auditorium)

9:45 a.m. - meal lines open

Meal sponsored by Kentucky Pork Producers

10 a.m. - Pep Rally

11 a.m. - dismiss for football game

12 p.m. – Kickoff, Kentucky vs. Miami

For more information, or to make a reservation by phone, please contact Debbie Cruse at 859-257-7211.

Join the UK College of Agriculture, Food and Environment for Ag Roundup 2013. Cost for a Roundup meal ticket is \$15 for Ag & HES Alumni Association members, \$30 for nonmembers and \$10 for children ages 3-12. Children under 2 will receive free admission; however, they will still need a game ticket to enter the football game.

For a complete reunion schedule and lodging information, visit http://alumniweb.uky.edu/alumni/AgRoundup2013.pdf





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