

WHO ARE WE?



Susan Horn is the owner of Rivers Edge Farm. A lifetime equestrian, dedicated to pursuing excellence with her students and their horses. Susan has many accomplishments to her credit including qualifying riders for national and regional competitions.

Rivers Edge Farm has produced many champions and is well known in the New England area. Susan has previously been a successful intercollegiate coach and has coached Special Olympic athletes to Gold Medals at the World Games. Currently she instructs the Yale University Equestrian Team. Susan is on the board of the Connecticut Hunter Jumper Association serving as 1st vice president. River's Edge Farm hosts several USEF recognized horse shows on the farm and we travel from New England to Florida for competition. Susan is married to Ray, they have two grown sons and three great dogs.

Julia Harrison graduated from Morrisville State College with an Associate in Applied Science focusing on Equine Science and Management. She is also one of the regular instructors at River's Edge Farm, specializing in younger, less experienced riders. This will be her fourth year as an instructor for the Summer Horsemanship Program. She has been riding for sixteen years, and enjoys eventing, hunter/jumpers and equitation, as well as some western styles of riding. She strives for an individualized approach to all types of learning, and makes every effort for young riders to have fun in a safe environment.



Margaret Swanson is a junior at Mount Holyoke College. Margaret has been riding for fourteen years and has competed in many shows, winning state awards and qualifying for state equitation finals. She has competed in the Intercollegiate Horse Show Association, representing Mount Holyoke in national competition. Margaret has worked in the summer

horsemanship program for the past seven years. Her years of experience at River's Edge Farm give an added depth to her knowledge of horse care and rider development.



WHAT HAPPENS AT THE SUMMER HORSEMANSHIP PROGRAM?

To best serve our young riders the weeks are divided by experience levels. Riders must be at least 7 years old. Proper attire: Every rider should wear close fitting pants and a hard soled tie shoe with a heel. (no sneakers or sandals allowed) ASTM approved helmets are required and available for use. Bring bottled water and nutritious, filling snacks. Come ready to enjoy our 27 acre farm with horses trained to teach young riders!

THE BLUE RIBBON PROGRAM:

These six weeks are designed to introduce the New Rider to the world of horses. Riders will learn guidance and control of the horse at the walk and trot. Correct position, safety and horse behavior will be emphasized. Learning is primarily through group riding and games. Students will be taught complete grooming, tacking up, leading and other aspects of horsemanship. Equestrian study will include breeds, colors, markings and anatomy. The small groups are assigned by age and ability. New riders will showcase their new skills in a demonstration on Friday.

THE CHAMPIONSHIP PROGRAM:

(minimum pre-requisite: must be able to trot independently)

These two weeks are designed specifically for those already able to ride or are currently enrolled in lessons. There is ample time to strengthen riding skills as well as to expand knowledge of horse care. Although there is strong emphasis on improvement of skills, we will also be able to spend extra time relaxing with a walk in the field or some bareback riding. Each of the Championship weeks will have a theme of special interest. This program provides an opportunity to study their special interest in depth. They will learn rules and specifics of each discipline. The Champions will plan a demonstration for spectators on Friday.

WHEN DOES IT RUN & HOW MUCH DOES IT COST?

The Summer Riding Experience runs weekly from **July 5th through August 27th**, from **8 A.M. to 1 P.M.** The cost is \$375

The Blue Ribbon weeks of **July 12th - 16th & August 2nd - 6th** offer an **OPTIONAL** full day program from 8am-5pm the cost is an **additional \$200 for the 5 full days.**

The Championship week of **August 16th - 20th** offers an **OPTIONAL** full day program from 8am-5pm the cost is an **additional \$200 for the 5 full days.**

Discounts are available as follows:

- **\$25** Sibling Discount: given to siblings in the same residence.
- **\$25** Additional Weeks: sign up for more than one week and receive a \$25 discount per additional week.

WHAT SEPARATES US FROM OTHER PROGRAMS?

Come by, compare, and meet our friendly knowledgeable staff and horses.

Our facilities include an indoor arena and two outdoor rings.

With our maximum ratio of 1 instructor for 6 riders you will feel at ease with your choice.

Safety Awareness and Integrity are the core values of Rivers Edge Farm.

Of course our biggest assets are our fine equine partners! They are delighted to meet you anytime.



HOW DO I REGISTER & WHAT DO I NEED TO KNOW?

To Register fill out form and return with a \$100. non-refundable deposit per week, per child

Mail to: **RIVER'S EDGE FARM, LLC**
91 Bethway Road
Bethany, CT 06524

Fax to: **203-393-9640**

- Δ Once we have received your \$100 deposit and registration form, a confirmation and information packet will be sent to you.
- Δ We accept personal checks, cash, MC/VISA
- Δ Appropriate discounts *will be applied with balance due on the first day* of the program.
- Δ Sessions are limited to 12 riders so register early!

REGISTRATION FORM

Name _____ Age _____

Address _____

Phone: Day _____ Eve. _____

Cell _____ Email _____

Parents Names: _____

Is there anything we need to know? Physical Limitations, Allergies?

Check# _____

Credit Card _____ Exp. Date _____

What is the riders experience level?

- None Walk Trot Canter Jump

Please Circle the Sessions you are Choosing.

BLUE RIBBON WEEKS

BEGINNERS & NOVICE RIDERS

July 5 - 9 • \$375

July 12 - 16* • \$375/\$575
***OPTIONAL FULL DAY**

July 19 - 23 • \$375

August 2 - 6* • \$375/\$575
***OPTIONAL FULL DAY**

August 9 - 13 • \$375

August 23 - 27 • \$375

CHAMPIONSHIP WEEKS

MORE EXPERIENCED RIDERS

July 26 - July 30 • \$375

Eventing Week

August 16 - 20* • \$375/\$575

Horse Show Week

***OPTIONAL FULL DAY**

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Summer Horseback Riding

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