



BECAUSE THERE IS MORE TO HORSES THAN JUST RIDING...

The Western Riding Club is dedicated to the education of all Equine Enthusiasts. We provide a well rounded program that will ensure our riders become well-educated, confident horsemen. Part of that program is our Theory Classes that are offered by various professionals in the industry. Our Guest Speakers come to share their wealth of knowledge and experience with us so that we may continue to move forward into our Pursuit of Excellence in the Equine Industry. These clinics are open enthusiasts off all ages and skill levels and are held in a relaxed, interactive atmosphere.

OUR 2007 THEORY TOPICS WILL INCLUDE:

EC LEVEL 1 RIDER PREP *PRETEST*
MASSAGE THERAPY FOR HORSES
NUTRITION FOR HORSES
COMMUNICATION IN THE ROUNPEN
PURCHASING YOUR FIRST HORSE
INTRODUCTION TO CENTERED RIDING
EQUINE FIRST AID
HORSEMANSHIP
AND MORE!!

EACH CLASS IS APPROXIMATELY TWO AND A HALF HOURS LONG, AND
AVERAGE COST IS \$45.

Be sure to call for dates and times, and check the Blacks Equine Centre
Events List (on their home page) for new editions or changes!
Please Call ahead to reserve your spot!

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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

1. WHAT IS “LEVEL TESTING”?

When a rider wishes to validate and challenge their riding skills, or if they are preparing for a career in the Equine Industry, they may choose to become Certified with Equine Canada through their “Learn to Ride” Certification program. The program is separated into 4 levels, each one more challenging and information rich than the previous. This program of Certification is well recognized through out Canada, and ensures that riders are gaining equine related skills through the use of safe, accurate and unvarying Coaching techniques.

2. DO I QUALIFY FOR LEVEL TESTING?

In order to become Certified in Levels 1-4, a rider must be working with an E.C. Certified Coach and be a member of the Ontario Equestrian Federation. (O.E.F.) Once a rider and coach agree that they are prepared for all aspects of the examination process, the rider will arrange for the examination to take place.

3. WHAT IS INVOLVED IN THE TESTING?

Each rider must undergo a written and riding examination and are also tested on their stable management and horse handling skills. Each level has various guidelines and requirements for passing. Once the process is complete, you will receive immediate news of your results, and upon success, you will receive your Certificate and Rider Pin in the mail.

4. HOW DO I GET STARTED?

The first thing you need to do is sit down with your coach and set realistic timelines for your goals and take the time to discuss the many questions you will have. Apply to the OEF for your annual membership, and place an order for the ‘Learn to Ride’ Western Rider Preparation Manual. You can do this part online at www.horse.on.ca/programs.

FOR INFORMATION ON THE NEXT E.C. LEVEL TESTING SCHEDULED AT THE WRC

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