



Congratulations to our Costume Class Contestants
and all of the other riders who participated in the October Horse Show.

**We look forward to seeing more great costumes at the last
Gymkhana on October 9th!**





Please take our 2016 Online Survey at:
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G&M MEETING BRIEF

OPEN MEETING SEPTEMBER 12TH: An Open Meeting was held on September 12th at the Town of Wallkill Community Center in Middletown, NY at 7:30pm. As usual motions were made to accept the previous meetings minutes along with a report of the Juniors and Club Financials. The meeting started off with a report of current correspondence. The 50/50 winner from the second Horse Show was not claimed, so the funds will be donated into the Juniors account and the application for our 501-C3 has gone back to the accountant for a new number. Jae Samuels then gave a report from the last two gymkhana events. She reported they went well but turnout was definitely light. The topic introduced the 2017 dates which perhaps should be more spread out and earlier in the season. The event committee will discuss this at their next meeting and report back to the club. Renee Turcott then informed the members present that our Junior Endowment Winners, Oliva and Mya, had a great time at State Fair and they did very well. Trish also added that qualifications for next year start at the October Horse Show and the award can be used for any event a participant is interested in. The last committee discussed was the nominating committee. Those up for nominations this year are Dave Samuels for Vice President, Alyson Schiraldi for Secretary, and Dariann Zelinski, Debbie Schiraldi and Rachel Clarino for Board Members. Gears then switched to old and new business. Old topics included no new updates to the survey results and who will help run the events next year as Christian will not be working for us again. New business discussed was the concerns in regards to the lack of attention paid by certain parties during the gymkhana, the new vaccine requirements and how it may be affecting turnout, year end rewards to those in a division with only one participant, and perhaps introducing an actual “Senior” Division for next years events. All topics were discussed at length with informative results/suggestions for the future. The meeting rounded out and drew to a close at 8:25pm.

Following the Open Meeting, a brief Board Meeting was held. Those present discussed the more important aspects of what was brought up in the meeting. The issue of the vaccines and how it may be affecting our participation was discussed. This is not something that can be checked or individually enforced so perhaps wording needed to be adjusted for next year. Also perhaps a “clinic” or class could be held on proper horse to horse etiquette/safety for those who may not be as informed. Also talked about was the one person in a division topic which would be made fair to all riders and discussed at the next show committee meeting.

SEPTEMBER JUNIOR'S REPORT

Submitted by Jr. President Mya Hebbard

Great Endings to a Fantastic year

Hello juniors, what a fantastic year we had! There is lots of news to talk about! First of all, elections were held and we have appointed new officers. Here are the officers for the 2016-2017 year: Mya H is president, Olivia T. is vice –president, Hope C. is secretary and Samantha C is treasurer. We also solidified our plans for our West Point tour. The trip will be on October 29th. The plan is to meet Trish H. at the West Point Stables at 10:30. Anyone 16 and over will need a photo ID. Trish will be taking us as a group into West Point. Once there, she has a wonderful day of touring planned for us. We will be eating lunch on site, so please make sure to bring money for that.



We had an awesome October show. With the help of some dedicate members and their parents, they jumps were set up the night before and we all enjoyed an awesome mac-n-cheese dinner while we held our meeting. The highlight of the show was our costume class and the beautiful hand carved headless horseman pumpkin carved by Alyson S. In attendance at the costume class were Elsa, Anna, Olaf and Supergirl. The day's activities went off without a hitch and it was a beautiful day with many volunteer parents to help keep the show running smoothly.

Just a few reminders: turn in your paperwork for awards as soon as possible and make sure to let Jae or Andrea know which item(s) you picked for your points in lieu of ribbons. Check the website to see which awards you qualify, don't delay.

Our new junior leaders, voted in at the last meeting will be co-leaders MJ Hebbard and Renee Turcott. On a sad note, Jae who has been the junior leader since I can remember is retiring. BUT... What are we going to do without her smiling face and snide remarks that made us all giggle and smile? She has truly been an inspiration to all the young members who were lucky enough to have worked with her. We wish her well in her retirement as she and Dave tackle new adventures together. She will surely be missed and we are grateful for the years she has dedicated to not only the juniors but the success of the entire club. We wish you well, Jae... God Bless you and keep you safe as you and Dave ride off into the sunset together remember this... you have done all you can to brings much joy and happiness to everyone who was lucky enough to call your "friend!" We love you!



SEPTEMBER GYMKHANA REPORTS

Submitted by Jae Samuels

As I expected, our second gymkhana was a little light. Due to date conflicts with Falcon Ridge I thought it would be best to change our date since Falcon Ridge always supports us. The only date available was the 4th of September or November, and the weather is more than cold at that time, especially in the booth. To those who came to support us thank you so much.

Thank you Trish Hetman on the computer and Christian Jauntig our announcer, they both did a great job keeping things moving along. This show brought us two English riders who worked as “ring slaves” for the day, Emily Norris and Jessica Wilkens. We all know who was at the gate, Thanks Drew Smith and his assistant Frank Clarino.

Again thanks everyone for coming out to support our club.

View more photos from this event here:

<http://www.hvsp.photos/Events/GM-Riding-Club-Gymkhana/GM-Riding-Club-Gymkhana9416/>



2016
G&M DATES

<i>Horse Shows</i>	<i>Gymkhana</i>
JUNE 12TH	AUGUST 28 TH
JULY 24TH	SEPTEMBER 4 TH
OCTOBER 2 ND	OCTOBER 9 TH

A silhouette of a horse standing in a field at sunset. The sun is low on the horizon, creating a warm, golden glow. The horse is facing left.

The next awards banquet will be held January 21 at the Mountainville Manor in New Windsor, NY

A decorative floral graphic with blue and white flowers and leaves, positioned on the right side of the text.



G&M Riding Club

2016 Gymkhana Registration

Office Use Only			
G&M Member?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	
Coggins <input type="checkbox"/>	Rabies <input type="checkbox"/>	EHV-1 <input type="checkbox"/>	
Date received:	<input type="text"/>		

Personal Information

Rider Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Telephone _____

Junior DOB _____

Name of Horse _____

Name of Owner _____

Name of Trainer _____

E-mail _____

In consideration of the acceptance of the foregoing entry, it is understood and agreed that I/we are aware of the risks and exposures to personal injury involved through horsemanship activities and I/we hereby release the G&M Riding Club and/or Orange County Park and all officers and members thereof, from any and all claims for damage which may occur to me or my horse at anytime hereafter. Neither myself, my heirs, representatives or dependants will charge said association, its officers or members with any fault for any injury, loss or damage which may be suffered by me or them due to any manner, thing or condition, negligence or default whatsoever, and I hereby assume and accept the full risk and danger of any injury or damage to myself, family members, livestock and equipment while attending an event sponsored by this organization. ASTM HELMETS ARE REQUIRED FOR RIDERS 18 AND UNDER, and are highly suggested for ALL riders.

Signature of Rider Signature of Parent/Guardian

Signature of Owner If you do not wish G&M to use pictures taken at their events in any advertising (including website) please initial here.

Pre-entries can pick up their numbers at the Registration Booth on show date. Copies of current rabies and negative coggins (both dated within one year) and proof of EHV-1 vaccine within six month of event must be sent with pre-entries or presented before the start of each show. NO EXCEPTIONS!

Stall Fee is \$20.00. A stall deposit fee of \$50 due at registration. Issue a separate check for \$50 that will be returned to you if your stall is clean.

DIVISIONS	Crawl through	Dash	Clover	Navajo	Pole	Big T	Bleeding Heart	Keyhole	Entry Fee/Class	Total	
Leadline ¹	<input type="checkbox"/>				\$10 (members: \$5)						
Walk/Jog		<input type="checkbox"/>	\$15 (members: \$10)								
Walk/Jog/Lope		<input type="checkbox"/>	\$15 (members: \$10)								
Intermediate		<input type="checkbox"/>	\$15 (members: \$10)								
Junior		<input type="checkbox"/>	\$15 (members: \$10)								
Senior		<input type="checkbox"/>	\$15 (members: \$10)								
Open		<input type="checkbox"/>	\$10, payback 70%								
JACKPOT 1			<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>				\$15 (\$10 to pot, \$5 office)		
OCHFC 1,2			<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>				\$25		
Costume 1,2	<input type="checkbox"/>	October show only.								\$5	
									Total Entry Fees		
									Office Fee	\$5	
									Timer Fee	\$1	
									Stall Fees		
									Membership		
<input type="checkbox"/> Paid Cash <input type="checkbox"/> Paid Check # <input type="text"/>									Payment received by:		
									TOTAL		

Note: Any and all refunds are made by mail and are subject to a \$15 office fee.

E-mail Pre-Entry form and copy of current coggins, rabies certificate and EHV-1 Vaccine to christianjauntig@aol.com.
 or mail to: Christian Jauntig, P.O. Box 1105, New City, NY 10956

COMMUNITY BOARD

If you would like to submit something for the next newsletter you can email gandmridingclub@hotmail.com or contact Sec. Alyson Schiraldi



Please take our 2016 Online Survey at:
surveymonkey.com/r/W9Q9NX6

In an effort to improve our club we have created a feedback survey online. Please take a few moments to fill out the survey linked below to help us better our community and club. Your honest feedback is greatly appreciated.

SALISBURY MILLS FIRE COMPANY
HAUNTED FIREHOUSE
Fri. Oct. 21 & Sat. Oct. 22
2128 Rte 94 • Salisbury Mills, NY
7pm-10:30pm • \$5 per person
50/50, Shirt Sales & Candy available
join us as the creatures and spirits
of darkness take over our firehouse.
costumes may protect you,
but remember
we make house calls
This is a scary event, children under 10 admitted under parents discretion



G&M / NYSTQHA 2016 Challenge Series

3 Prizes Valued at \$300! *Awarded to a horse/rider combination in English, Western & Gymkhana*

This is a new combined year-end high point champion award from G&M and NYSTQHA. To be awarded as outlined above for 3 prizes valued at \$300. See below for Challenge criteria and refer to the club websites for information on show dates, rules, class schedule and order of go.

www.gandmridingclub.com
www.nystqha.com



CRITERIA TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR THIS AWARD:

- Must be a member of both G&M and NYSTQHA (club membership requirements such as work days, mandatory meetings etc. are waived for this award only)
- Must compete in a minimum of 2 G&M events AND a minimum of 2 NYSTQHA Open shows for 2016 (excluding NYSTQHA QH Show)
- Points will only be counted on the same horse/rider combination - NO EXCEPTIONS
- The Rider will indicate their participation in this award at their first G&M or NYSTQHA show of the year (2016). On this form the rider will select one division from each circuit to be counted towards this award and note which section English, Western or Gymkhana (rider can compete for multiple awards, but only one division per section and circuit will be counted). One form will be submitted for each horse/rider. The division to be counted for points cannot be changed once your nomination form has been submitted. It will be up to the rider to ensure your form is filled out correctly. If you have questions please ask when you submit your nomination form. G&M and NYSTQHA will not be responsible for any mistakes on the form.

Year-end tie breakers- In the event of a tie at year's end. The division champion will be decided in the following way:

GYMKHANA- Fastest barrel time from either series

WESTERN – Highest placing in the horsemanship class

ENGLISH – Highest placing in the first fence class.

- For G&M Open Division and NYSTQHA Flat Division the Road Hack Class will be the decider.
- Should a tie include a horse & rider combination that has shown in hunter or equitation, or the G&M Open Division or the NYSTQHA Flat Division, the combination with the best placing in the first fence class will be the year end champion.

BY-LAWS OF THE G. & M. RIDING CLUB
(Goshen & Middletown Riding Club)

ARTICLE I - NAME

1. The name of this corporation, duly organized under the not-for-profit corporation laws of New York State, shall be G. & M. Riding Club, Inc, the latter being included in all letterhead and official documentation. (Goshen & Middletown Riding Club)

ARTICLE II - PURPOSE

2. To create, stimulate and maintain interest in horses and their care.
3. To foster social interaction, and to work together for the common advantage of all who ride and drive horses.
4. To promote and encourage interest and proficiency in horsemanship.
5. To promote and sponsor horse shows, **gymkhanas**, exhibits and other horse related functions.
6. To encourage and promote the construction, repair, improvement and management of facilities which may at any time be necessary, useful or advantageous for the use and purpose of the Corporation.
7. The corporation shall be a type B corporation pursuant to Section 201 of the Not-For-Profit Corporation Law.
8. Said organization is organized exclusively for charitable, educational and scientific purposes, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt under section 501©(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any further federal tax code.
9. No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, directors, officers, or other private persons, except that the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Section 7 hereof.

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

1. To become a member of the club, the name of the applicant should be proposed by a member of the Club or by signifying his/her desire to become a member of the club by submitting an application and payment of the current dues. New members may request a copy of the By-Laws of the club or view them on the clubs website.
2. A junior who reaches the age of majority (18) during the year beginning January 1st shall remain classified as a junior for that year.
3. There will be no less than five general membership meetings per year, three of which must be in September, October and November for nominating purposes; which shall be designated by the Board of Directors at the first board meeting of the year.
4. Animal Abuse
 - 4.1 Any member who abuses his animals or fails to follow the rules and regulations governing club events, or who otherwise causes a disturbance at Club events may be subject to a sanction to be determined by the Board of Directors and/or termination of membership privileges. Anyone so charged with violating Club protocol can request a hearing of the President. Failure to appear at such hearing will constitute acceptance of the sanction imposed by the Board of Directors.
 - 4.2 The general board not including the Executive Board (President, Secretary and Treasurer), will hear initial allegations and if a sanction is necessary, the general board would assess said punishment. (Vice President of Club would act as chairman of this committee but would take no active role or vote.)
 - 4.3 If the sanctioned person requires a hearing the Executive Board (President, Secretary and Secretary) would be the panel to which the hearing would go and they, after hearing all the facts, would then make a final determination in said matter. (Vice President or Club would again act as chairman and would take no active part in voting but would present the facts for the Board of Directors to the Executive Board.)
5. If a member of the G. & M. Board is the party that the allegation has been made against, they will take no part in the above process.
6. The membership committee will set standards to determine active and inactive membership status.

7. The junior membership will follow the By-Laws of the G. & M. Riding Club, Inc.
8. Lifetime Membership Guidelines and Qualifications. Guidelines:
 - 8.1 Nomination Committee will be appointed according to the guidelines set forth in Article V – Elections, Section 1.
 - 8.2 There shall be no more than ten Lifetime Members at a given time within a calendar year.
 - 8.3 Nominations for Lifetime Membership will NOT be accepted from the floor during Club meetings.
 - 8.4 Candidates for Lifetime Membership to the G. & M. Riding Club Inc will be voted upon by sealed paper vote by the Nomination Committee.
 - 8.5 Deadline for nominations shall be May 1st (October 1st as to correspond with the Awards Banquet in January) of the calendar year. Qualifications:
 - 8.5.1 To be considered for a Lifetime Membership in the G. & M. Riding Club Inc, the following qualifications shall be met:
 - 8.5.2 Candidate will be nominated, in writing, by a current member of the Club. The nominating member shall be in good standing of the Club.
 - 8.5.3 Candidate must be a Club member in good standing, or candidate has excelled in supporting club events, such as by working, or providing guidance and services to members and participants for at least 10 consecutive years prior to nomination,
 - 8.5.4 Candidate will have held a Board position, including that of Junior Advisor, for a minimum of one term ~~within the 10-year period (as in “2” above).~~
 - 8.5.5 Candidate will have attended at least 75% of scheduled Club meetings.
 - 8.5.6 Annually, the candidate will have completed, in entirety, at least three Club events and assisted in other Club activities as directed by the program coordinator.
 - 8.5.7 “Honorary Live Membership” is at the Board of Directors digression and voted on with majority rule, as for dedicated volunteer service which may not include above qualification. “Honorary Live Membership will have limited privileges as not to include voting in election of officers or running for Executive Board Position if service on the Board of Directors has not been met.

ARTICLE IV - ADMINISTRATION

1. The Administration and conduct of business of the G. & M. Riding Club, Inc., shall be vested in the club's elected officers and board members. The Board of Directors shall exercise executive and such other powers as are compatible with the By-Laws of and in the best interest of the G. & M. Riding Club, Inc.
2. In order for business to be conducted at a general meeting there must be ten voting club members present. **A general meeting may be treated as a board meeting should there be no representation of non-board members.**
3. The Board of Directors shall be elected by membership and shall consist of President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer and no less than six, but no more than ten board members.
4. Junior members will elect their own officers. Junior meetings will be held at regularly scheduled club events a/o specific Junior outings to encourage participation. The junior will also hold their own elections. This election is independent from the election of the general membership.
5. Each member of the Board of Directors shall have one vote.
6. If a board seat shall become vacated, the President at his/her discretion shall appoint a member to fill the position for the balance of the term.
7. Board members shall make all possible efforts to attend board meetings, but if for any reason they cannot attend they should inform the President or Vice President of their situation. If they do not have valid reasons, they can be removed from their seat on the board.
8. If a board member misses two consecutive board meetings and has not been removed from the board, that member should not take part in any vote involving issues or controversies that were discussed in their absence.
9. Order of business for general meetings shall be opening of meeting, reading of minutes, treasurer's report, reading of correspondence, committee reports, old or unfinished business, new business and adjournment.

ARTICLE V - DUTIES OF THE OFFICERS

1. The President shall preside over all general meetings and shall only vote in event of a tie, except during elections where the President may vote.
2. The President appoints such committees as deemed necessary and shall be

responsible for the proper functioning of all committees. These committees will remain in place until completion of their task even if this means they run into a new President's term and will remain unless the new President can give good cause for this not to occur to the general board.

3. The Vice President shall preside over the Board of Directors and will assume duties in the absence of the President. The Vice President shall vote only in the event of a tie.
4. The Secretary shall keep the minutes of the general membership meetings and the Board of Directors, attend to the correspondence of the Club, and give all notices required.
5. The Treasurer shall pay bills, have charge of all funds, collect the dues, and perform all duties usually pertinent to said officer that may be required. **It shall be the Treasurer's duty to file any certificate required by any statute, federal, or state.** A report will be made at each general meeting.
6. The Directors shall discuss and consider issues referred to them by the President of the Club and shall make findings and recommendations concerning such issues to the Club.
7. The Board of Directors shall meet no less than five times per year. Any member of the Club may ask to address a Board Meeting. To do this the member should make their request known to the Vice President of the Club so that they may be added to the agenda of the Board meeting.
8. Duties of the Officers
 - 8.1 As the club is entirely run by volunteers, Board Members are requested to work at two of the six events held per year, to ensure the continued success of the club for the future.
 - 8.2 All Board members are expected to work on at least one committee.

ARTICLE VI - SALARY

1. **No officer shall for reason of his office be entitled to receive any salary or compensation. But nothing herein shall be construed to prevent an officer or director for receiving any compensation from the organization for duties other than as an officer.**
2. **The Board of Directors, if deemed necessary for the conduct of business of the organization, shall hire or fix compensation at their discretion for any and all employees.**

ARTICLE VII - DEDICATION OF ASSETS

1. Upon the dissolution of the corporation, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by a Court of Competent Jurisdiction of the county in which the principal office of the corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

ARTICLE VIII - COMMITTEES

1. The Board of Directors shall appoint all committees. Their term of office shall be as deemed necessary but no longer than for a period of one year. The President shall at his sole discretion appoint a chairman to each committee.

2. Standing Committees

3. Standing Committees shall be:

- 3.1 Horse Show Committee

The Horse Show Committee shall set forth show rules and regulations, classes and divisions, schedules, entry fees, show awards and year end awards.

- 3.2 Membership Committee

The Membership Committee shall set forth dues and membership requirements.

- 3.3 Advertising/Fundraising/Publicity Committee

The Advertising/Fundraising shall propose ideas to promote the club and enroll new members. It shall suggest fundraising goals and activities to maintain the club funds. Fundraising for the junior fund shall be governed by the G. & M. Riding Club juniors.

- 3.4 Banquet Committee

The Banquet Committee shall set forth venue, menu, invitations, seating arrangements, entertainment, and decorations.

- 3.5 Scholarship Committee

- 3.6 Endowment Committee

4. Ad-Hoc Committees shall be:

4.1 Nominating Committee

The Nominating Committee shall consist of two Board members and three from the general membership. Said committee shall meet in September, select candidates and consult with these candidates to ascertain their willingness to accept such office.

4.2 By-Law Committee

The By-law Committee is responsible for the creation and maintenance of the organization's bylaws.

ARTICLE IX - ELECTIONS

1. Elections will be held yearly, voting on President, Treasurer and up to five members on odd years. Vice President, Secretary and up to five members of the Board will be elected on even years.
2. The Nomination Committee shall present the slate of officers at the September meeting.
3. Nominations from the floor will be accepted at the September and October meetings and a vote will be taken at the November meeting. No nominations will be accepted after the October general meeting.
4. At the regular November meeting, a list of proposed and nominated candidates for office shall be voted upon by membership. Members must be nineteen or older to vote.
5. Absentee Ballot. The list of proposed candidates shall be sent to each member by the Nomination Committee by November 1st. Those persons unable to attend the November meeting may vote by using an Absentee Ballot form provided by the Nomination Committee, which must be completed, signed and received by the Nomination Committee Chairperson by the November meeting.
6. In case of a tie for any position, the incumbent President, who shall have no vote otherwise, must make the tie breaking vote.
7. The Officers shall be installed and assume office at the next regular meeting.
8. The Nomination Committee will run the general election and at the conclusion of the general election will become null and void.
9. Proposed and nominated candidates must be members in good standing for one year to serve on the Board of Directors.

10. Proposed and nominated candidates for President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer must be a member in good standing for two years and have served on the Board of Directors for one year.

ARTICLE X - DUES AND FINANCES

1. The dues of the club shall be set by the membership committee prior to the November general club meeting.
2. The amount of dues payable shall remain the same throughout the fiscal year in which the membership is received. Fiscal year will be January 1st through December 31st of each year.
3. Members whose dues are not renewed as of the last day of February shall be dropped from the membership rolls.
4. All sums collected by the organization in the furtherance of its business shall be deposited in a regular business bank account.
5. All financial records shall be audited annually or as deemed necessary by the President
6. The President shall be authorized to approve expenses up to \$200 without prior approval from the club.
7. All the monies spent must be approved by membership.
8. The treasurer may sign checks or drafts of the organization. No special fund may be set aside that shall make it unnecessary for the Treasurer to sign the checks issued upon it. The board may grant signature rights to additional board members, who have been members in good standing for a minimum of five years, to ensure uninterrupted flow of business. It is at the discretion of the board to request background checks of all members involved in financial transactions, or for such members to get bonded.
- ~~9. Two out of three officers must sign checks; they will be the President, Vice President and Treasurer~~

ARTICLE XI - AMENDMENTS

1. By-Laws may be amended annually. Submissions must be delivered to the board by May 1st of any given year so that the proposed change can be put in the newsletter and discussed at least two open meetings prior to voting on the

proposed change at the November general election meeting,

2. By-Laws will be reviewed and/or revised by the By-Law Committee appointed by the President as necessary.

G. & M. Riding Club Inc. By-Laws updated and approved by membership on November 19, 20xx.

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