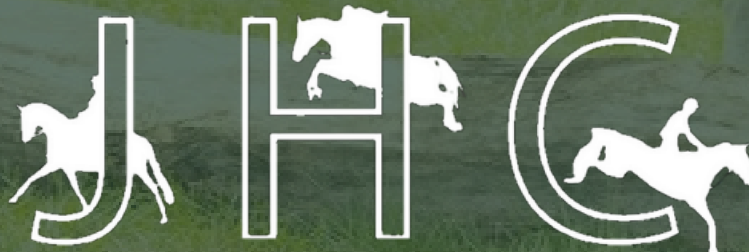


The Green Mountain Horse Association Presents
The 70th Annual

Junior Horsemanship Clinic

June 21-28, 2026



A Premier Eventing Camp for Young Riders

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ABOUT GMHA

Located in South Woodstock, Vermont, The Green Mountain Horse Association is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization serving five equestrian disciplines:

- Eventing
- Hunter Jumper
- Dressage
- Driving
- Endurance &
- Competitive Trail

GMHA has been an eventing mecca since 1957 when we hosted our first Horse Trials. Since then, it has held a significant place in the development of the sport. Participants will benefit from GMHA's professional team of instructors and barn managers, extensive cross-country course and a variety of beautiful show jumps!

Our extensive and historic facility includes:

- 92-acres in beautiful South Woodstock, VT
- 4 all-weather riding rings with geo-textile footing
- A top-quality cross-country course: Pre-Elementary through Intermediate levels (2' -3'9")
- 6 permanent barns and stabling up to 196 horses
- An extensive trail network
- Youth Center banquet hall for meetings and gatherings



ABOUT JUNIOR HORSEMANSHIP CLINIC

ABOUT JHC

The Junior Horsemanship Clinic, is an important tradition at GMHA. Since 1926, GMHA has provided education and promoted excellence in riding and horsemanship. The JHC is an integral part of our mission to provide educational opportunities for riders and their horses.

STAY UP TO DATE



"Like Us" on Facebook: GMHA Junior Horsemanship Clinic



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"Best eventing camp around for kids serious about eventing. Long tradition, fantastic venue, great instruction."



"I went in 1974, the BEST!! Took my niece in 1994-95, and then took my daughter and her 5 friends 2005-2008! We ALL loved it, learned a ton, can't say enough!"



The goal of JHC is to educate young equestrians in all areas of horsemanship



CLINIC PROGRAM & GOALS

IS JHC THE PLACE FOR ME?

- Are between the ages of 9-18?
- Can you bring your own horse or pony?
- Can you commute to camp or stay with a local chaperone?
- Are you riding at the equivalent level of Pre-Elementary or above?
- Do you have a secure position and are comfortable at all three gaits, jumping small obstacles, and riding in the open on the horse or pony you bring to camp?



All participants have two mounted and unmounted lessons daily and are responsible for the complete care of their horse or pony, with the guidance of our experienced staff.



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RIDING INSTRUCTION

Mounted Instruction focuses on the fundamentals of eventing, with an emphasis on control, balance, and safety. Riders will have daily lessons appropriate to their level and the capability of their mounts. Riders are placed into groups based on the questions they answer through our rider survey, and from instructor referrals. Our staff of instructors are experienced professionals. We will cover the practice of dressage, stadium, cross-country, gymnastics and more. All English riding disciplines are welcome. The cross-training is very beneficial to riders from a multitude of disciplines (equitation, jumpers, pleasure, endurance / competitive trail, showmanship, pony club/4-H, etc.)

BARN MANAGEMENT INSTRUCTION

Unmounted Horsemanship Instruction focuses on educating the campers with interesting and exciting demos, lectures, and hands-on opportunities. The experience of being totally responsible for their horse during camp is a great opportunity to learn safe horse care and the commitment of equine stewardship/ownership.

Topics may include: veterinary, tack fitting and maintenance, rider and equine conditioning, competition preparation, equine anatomy, equine nutrition, trailer safety, FEI formal jog, course design, and more.





A TYPICAL DAILY SCHEDULE*

- 7:30 a.m.** Arrival at GMHA
- 7:30-8:30 a.m.** Feeding & Barn Chores
- 8:30-10:00 a.m.** Riding Instruction - Group A / Barn Management - Group B
- 10:00-11:30 a.m.** Barn Management - Group A / Riding Instruction - Group A
- 12:00-12:30 p.m.** Lunch Break
- 1:00-2:30 p.m.** Riding Instruction - Group A / Barn Management - Group B
- 2:30-4:00 p.m.** Barn Management - Group A / Riding Instruction - Group A
- 4:00-5:30 p.m.** Feeding & Barn Chores
- 5:30 p.m.** Depart GMHA

LAST TWO DAYS OF JHC...

Family and friends are invited to come watch on:

- ❖ **Saturday - Dressage Test** (assigned times will be sent via email)
- ❖ **Sunday - last day is a 1/2 day.** Come observe their last lesson, pack a picnic lunch, & attend closing awards & ceremony before departure.

**The schedule is subject to change based on weather. Thank you for your understanding towards our efforts to keep horses and campers safe!*

Riding groups have approximately 5-6 campers. The first day of riding serves as an evaluation day. Groups are formed based off riding level, age, and instructor recommendation.



JHC will accept Pre-Elementary through Preliminary level event riders, or equivalent, ages 9-18. All riders should feel comfortable with their mounts and the maturity to attend an intensive 8-day riding clinic experience away from home.



IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

JANUARY 2

- JHC Applications Open

February 1

- Deadline for the EARLY BIRD special discount

April 17

- JHC Applications CLOSE and deadline for Scholarship Applications

May 5

- Entries OPEN for the GMHA Starter Horse Trials & CT**

June 2

- Entries CLOSE for the GMHA Starter HT & CT**

June 20

- GMHA Starter HT & CT**

June 21

- JHC Arrival Day

June 28

- JHC Departure Day

WHAT TO EXPECT



** The GMHA Starter Horse Trials (HT) & Combined Test (CT)

Many of the JHC campers participate in this event to kick off their week-long stay at GMHA and hone their skills from the competition. Separate entry required & is not included in the cost for the JHC. Stabling after the event is available for a fee of \$45 for GMHA Members / \$60 non-members on Saturday evening.



Participants will have the complete responsibility for their mounts throughout the clinic including daily feeding, stall cleaning, and all other care. Our experienced Barn Management staff will supervise and assist participants during regular barn chores.

HORSE INFORMATION

- Proof of Negative Coggins and current Rabies vaccination required (Rabies titers accepted with vet note).
- GMHA provides shavings and hay for your horse/pony throughout the week. Grain is not provided.
- Participants supply ALL grain, supplements, etc. for the duration of the clinic. Everything should be pre-packaged, labeled, and brought in a sealed, labeled storage bin.
- Our experienced Barn Management staff can administer medications if required.
- There is no turnout available, but staff can lunge if necessary. We do not find this to be an issue as we allow time for hand-walking/grazing each day and the horses are worked 2-3 hours daily.
- The JHC is a rigorous workout for horses and ponies and they must be able to withstand 2-3 hours of work per day! To avoid injuries and stress, we recommend following the provided conditioning schedule.
- GMHA does not provide horses for this clinic. Please bring your own suitable mount for a productive and safe camp experience. All riders must have basic riding and handling skills to participate at the walk, trot, canter, and riding over fences in the open. Mounts should be well schooled and have some showing experience. Stallions are not suitable mounts for this clinic.



GMHA does not provide housing for campers. All JHC participants must arrange for housing off-grounds. Some of our participants find lodging with local families in private homes – a long standing JHC tradition. Meals, chaperoning, and transportation to and from GMHA are charged independently of JHC and should be included in their fee. Please verify services when speaking with a potential chaperone. Housing arrangements and rates are strictly between the chaperone and camper / parent / guardian.

Interested in chaperoning? Please contact camp director:

*Jill Bogert
(802) 457-1509 x207
jill@gmhainc.org.*

VETERINARIAN & FARRIER

GMHA retains a vet and farrier to be on-call during the JHC. Any emergencies or problems will be taken care of by clinic staff with the help of these professionals. Parents/horse owners will be contacted for permission for any treatment and the attending Veterinarian or Farrier will provide you an invoice for services rendered to be paid by the last day of camp.

2026 CHAPERONE LIST

TBD





JHC SCHOLARSHIP

Available for campers who qualify for financial need and demonstrate a high motivation to attend JHC. Scholarship allocations will be determined by Mid-May. A deposit of \$250.00 is required with a completed JHC application when applying for a scholarship. Once the recipient(s) are determined, any remaining balance is due prior to the start of JHC.

ADDITIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS

GMHA has a series of scholarships unrelated but applicable to JHC. For more information please visit www.gmhainc.org/category/youth-scholarships/

PAYMENT INFORMATION

Pay in full, or 50% deposit is required with the application via credit card or check payable to "GMHA."

The remaining balance will be due on the closing date, April 17th. It is the responsibility of the applicant to submit payment by the closing date.

If credit card information is provided, the card will automatically be run after the closing date for the balance due. Payments via credit card incur at 3% processing fee.

Scholarship recipients will be notified of award & balance due by mid-May. These final balances are due by the start of camp.

APPLY ONLINE & SEND PAYMENT, WAIVERS, HEALTH FORMS to... (for horse & rider)

Green Mountain Horse Association
Attn: JHC
PO Box 8
South Woodstock, VT 05071

or

Email to JHC Director, Jill Bogert at Jill@gmhainc.org
Call to pay via credit card
(802) 457-1509

Once your application is submitted and accepted, you will receive:

- Welcome Packet (including important information, recommended packing lists, and more.
- Rider's Planner & Conditioning Packet
- More information at www.gmhainc.org

JHC COST INCLUDES

Twice daily ridden instruction

Twice daily unmounted instruction

Stabling for your horse/pony with daily hay and shavings



REFUND POLICY

No refunds are permitted after the closing date, April 17.

Refunds prior to this date will be honored less a

\$100.00 scratch fee only with a valid personal or medical excuse for horse or rider.

Please understand this policy

is set in place as

we have hired

clinicians/staff and our

expenses are fixed. Horse

substitutions are permitted

through arrival day.



COST & SCHOLARSHIPS

Camp fee: \$1,030.00

Apply by February 1st and save \$30

\$100 late fee added if after closing date of

April 17th (space permitting)

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