

The Lakefield Lead Line

News from Lakefield Farm



Barnside



Summer definitely flew by and it is hard to believe fall is already upon us. The highlight of

our summer was a trip to Calgary Canada and driving through the Canadian National parks of Banff, Yoho, Glacier, Kootenay and Jasper. Absolutely beautiful scenery, from the Canadian Rockies, to the endless impressive waterfalls, the Aqua colored lakes, and the abundant wildlife. What an incredible area. The Calgary Stampede was the reason for the trip and it was definitely an experience. The entire city of Calgary is prepared to accept the millions of tourists that come from all over the world for the 10 day event. We stayed right downtown so we were able to walk to the entertainment, activities, and chuck wagon breakfasts that occupy the streets on the way to the actual

Stampede grounds. Once inside the grounds we were shocked to see that it was like a giant State Fair including healthy (not so much) food venders, games and rides. Yes there were a lot more cowboy boots and hats, but until you got to the rodeo and exhibition areas, you would have no idea this was supposed to be a horse event. We of course, couldn't get out of that area fast enough and found what we were looking for. There were many top caliber events going on including team penning, cutting (we're talking 3 million dollar horses), dog herding and mini horse competitions. There were beautiful western art exhibits as well as many agricultural demonstrations. We had no idea that all these other events were going to be going on and were definitely a bonus. We came for the Stampede Rodeo and Chuck Wagon Races. The rodeo was quite spectacular. It began with an exceptional drill team performance by 32 Canadian Mounted Police. The buck-

ing stock in the rodeo was the best I have ever seen. The competitors were from all over the US and Canada and they put on a fabulous show. The last night we were there, we had wonderful tickets for the chuck wagon races which are truly beyond description. It is an incredible event that requires, speed, guts, timing and incredibly bold horses and handlers. That show also included a spectacular variety show ending in a beautiful display of fireworks. It was a wonderful trip in an area we hope you will all get to see sometime. With fall upon us and getting back to a regular routine, we are looking forward to the many clinics we have planned as well as the Ladies of Lakefield get togethers. Wishing you many wonderful days with your horse.

See you barnside, Rosanne

Star out of the Box



I hate to see the end of summer. Everyone goes back to school and it is lonely here at Lakefield. There is an end to all the hustle and bustle of day time riding (even though I don't participate, thank goodness!). The good thing is that the colder it gets, the fewer flies there are to bite me. And let me tell you, there were some nasty little flies out there this year. I even received several welts as a reaction to the bites! Soon, like the baby turkeys and deer, they will be gone. !?!!!Wait a minute, where is Luke?

Luke is always here on Saturday mornings to make sure I get my beet pulp and make sure I am ok.

Where did that young man go? College?? What's that? I thought it meant a bunch of horse picture slopped together on a board. I thought it was not a place where someone could really go. I need to look into this. I may have to employ the rest of the mares in my pasture (all exceptional in their own ways) on what this means...to us and to the barn. Assignments will be forthcoming.

Star

Thoughts While Riding Without Stirrups—Lisa Lach

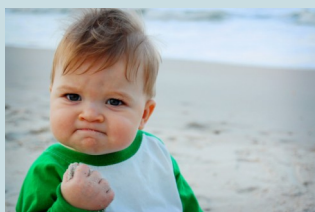
Lately, Leanne has been doing a lot of work with no stirrups in lessons and team rides. This inspired this silly article, which sheds light on what we're all *really* thinking when the call comes to "drop your irons."



And at first you're like: okay, I got this. Yeah. I'm awesome! I'm so strong and balanced! Half a lap around the arena you're like,



By now your legs are really burning. Maybe your instructor is giggling gleefully in the middle of the ring while kindly reminding you to keep your shoulders back, breathe and keep your heels down, dang it. First lap complete!



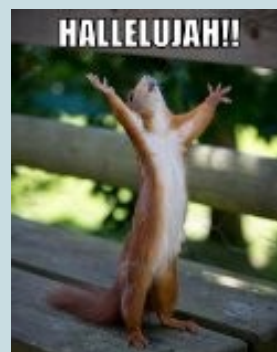
You realize that you're in this for the long haul now, and you start thinking of all those photos and videos of top riders making amazing saves or jumping with one stirrup (or none) like it's no big thing. So you're like, you know what, self? You are getting so strong. Your legs are made of iron. You can do this all. day. long.



So that mentality lasts all of two laps around the arena. You are basically losing feeling in your legs by now as you dig deep to try not to flop uselessly on your horse's back. You can see the other victims riders wilting. And you're like,



You find yourself dreaming of the sitting trot. Or a nice, leisurely walk break. It's been at least 45 minutes of this work. Oh, okay, 20. At least ten minutes. Fine. It's been like five minutes, and you already know there will be no walking tomorrow without the signature wide-legged stiff wobble. But there's so much more to come. After all, you have to go both directions! And canter. And post with just one stirrup...and then just the other so that you work both sides of your body equally. And finally when you get to stop, it's like,



And when you get off after your ride, you can't really feel your legs any more, so you're like, "I feel like I forgot how to walk." (This is a direct quote from Lauren Kasun.)

But in the end, it's always worth it. Because that's what riding is all about. Hard work, sweat, and a touch of insanity. Okay, fine. Maybe a little more than a touch!

[Follow Lisa's blog here](#)

Dressage Today Internship—Elly Davis

My preconceived notion of working at *Dressage Today* magazine may have been slightly unrealistic: for some reason I was positive that the editorial staff sits around perfectly manicured dressage rings eating baguettes and drinking a nice Spanish red. However, despite the fact that the internship position did not include complimentary wine and cheese boards (though the editorial staff will be engaging in such activities during the iconic Dressage at

Devon competition this fall), it was still a pretty cool experience.

For starters, imagine working in an office where names like George Morris and Adelinde Cornelissen are dropped almost casually; "She's on the phone with George [Morris]!" was an oft repeated sentence around the Equimedia office.

As an intern, I sadly did not get to interview any big name stars. However, I did have the opportunity to chat with quite a few interesting people, ranging from a horse crazy 13-year-old girl to a trainer who had studied under Ed-

ward Gal, to the owner of the top level Gypsy Vanner stallion in the United States.



There were also many fun horse people to talk to around the office. I met people who show at Grand Prix, and in prestigious hunter shows such as the Capital Challenge and the Kentucky National Horse Show. I met people more like myself, enthusiastic amateurs with one beloved and spoiled "backyard" horse. Regardless of the level they competed at, everyone seemed not to ever tire of

talking about horses—just my kind of people!

My weekends in DC also had a horse theme. I volunteered at a barn called Leighton Farm, where they retrain off the track thoroughbreds for new careers. I went into it expecting to be allowed to groom a horse or two, muck stalls, and maybe get to work with some horses on the ground. What I didn't expect was to have my riding style be completely changed for the better, and to get to audit lessons with big name pros like Linda Zang and Elizabeth Madlener! The first day I walked in the barn, Kim Godwin Clarke, the owner and trainer at

Leighton Farm, allowed me to ride a Third Level Schoolmaster named Gus! This incredible horse showed me how it's all supposed to work, and as time went on, I learned how to really ride him instead of just being a passenger. Eventually, I also got to ride an amazing horse named Birdie, who taught me how to ride much more softly, as well as a lovely three year old mare named Evie, who taught me how to steer from my seat, and how to use my hands in a more effective fashion. One of the highlights of my time at Leighton Farm was getting to ride an OTTB celebrity—Constant Star, who won the Breeder's Bridge Contest for Grand Prix Potential and got to spend three months in training at Beezie Madden's farm! Kim and her horses taught me how to be a better, more effective and softer rider, and how to truly use my aids in the correct manner. I will always be grateful for them!

My time as an intern in Washington DC may not have included complimentary wine and cheese, and it may not have been the typical experience that DC interns tend to have on Capitol Hill, but my time there was an incredible learning experience. Getting to ride a horse like Gus was the chance of a lifetime for me, and getting to meet and learn from pros like Linda Zang was absolutely amazing. I don't know what the future will hold for me, but I will always treasure my internship summer as the one where I truly began to grow into the person and rider I always dreamed of being.

For Lease: Little Joe



Joe is a wonderful 7 year old paint gelding that is smart, curious and full of personality. He will try his heart out for you. He is great out on the trails as well as in the arena. He rides English as well as Western. He loves having a job as well as a challenge. Joe is always looking for the answer. He has many skills so he could teach you a lot but would love to learn more himself. Joe is the type of horse that will give you back tenfold what you put into him. If you or your child is looking for a nice, well rounded, well broke horse, Joe is a tremendous opportunity. E-mail Rosanne with questions.

Ladies of Lakefield

We reunite!

To celebrate life,

Or whatever feels right!

We'll meet at the barn,

For wine and cheese,

Or whatever you fancy,

Just bring yourself, Please!

No formal agenda,

We'll just have fun,

Hang out and laugh,

And talk til we're done!

Friday, September 26th, 6pm, or as soon as you can...Weather permitting we'll be outside, or in the lounge BYOB, appetizers provided

Please RSVP to Wendy Peche cell: 414-333-3799 or wwpeche@gmail.com

Next dates: Friday, October 24th
Friday, November 21st

Making Your Cue Count—Rosanne

Once my horse understands a cue, I expect my horse to either respond correctly or at least give me a genuine try.

I get the question a lot about why their horse may not respond to subtle cues. They feel they may have to continually drive their horse around a circle to get them to do more than a walk when working on the ground. Some feel like they are kicking their horse with every stride or pulling on the lead line when leading their horse.

You can easily teach your horse to be soft and consistent with whatever it is that you want him to do, but it takes some awareness and discipline on your part. It doesn't happen overnight. Make sure you stop cuing when your horse responds correctly, but on the other hand make sure you don't just give up when your horse doesn't respond.

Lakefield Farm is offering many clinics this fall that can help you with foundation skills that you can work on all winter long and create a more attentive and responsive horse.

Congratulations Ari!

Ari Sotiriades is 17 years old and thrilled to be leasing Admiral! Whether it's just going to the barn to hang out with him, or riding around in the ring, Ari loves spending time with Admiral. In her free time, Ari enjoys camping and outdoor adventures as well as painting, drawing, photography, and getting together with friends. She lives in Cedarburg with her parents, sister, dog, two cats, and guinea pig.



Congratulations to the Mayers!



Finally! After a long spring and summer of searching, we found our perfect horse! Indy is such an awesome guy, and we are truly lucky to have found him, in Waukesha of all places. We are looking forward to many years of happiness together.

Many thanks to those who contributed to the search, and continued to encourage us when the search got hard. A special thanks to Leanne, who stuck with us through thick and thin, and let us drag her around the middle-of-nowhere Illinois, several times. Though the searching has ended, our journey is just beginning.

-Nancy & Kimmie

Letter from Bobbie



Bob and Bobbie want to thank the many boarders who expressed their concern to us when Whinny became acutely ill several weeks ago. Her diagnosis was a gas colic caused by a displaced large intestine. She has completely recovered.

A special thanks to Don for his speedy intervention and to Wendy P., Chris and Susie for their support in walking and trotting Whinny and "baby sitting" her during the night hours.

This episode confirms what we already knew; that Lakefield Farm is family in our horse world

Congratulations!!

Congratulations to Lizzie and Rocky on their beautiful baby boy!



Finlay Stewart Jones was born,
8/9/2014
8.5lbs
21.5 height

Tracy Porter Clinic: Obstacles and spooking

Groundwork & riding explained in-depth, with obstacles, rein management, active riding & riding a controlled spook.

Tracy is a phenomenal trainer and clinician who has competed in the Mustang makeover challenge, has performed in demo's and specialty performances at expos throughout the United States and Canada. She has written many articles that appear in many regional and national magazines. Don't miss out on this great opportunity.

Sunday October 26 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. – short lunch break

To Register:

Call Rosanne 262-227-6039 or e-mail clinics@lakefieldfarm.com

Fee \$100

Trick or Treat!!

Trick or Treat on Horseback!!

Prize for Best Costume

Sunday October 26th at 3:45

Please come out early to decorate! All ages welcome!

The subdivision across the street loves to see the horses come trick or treating.

The more the merrier!

Start planning!



New Winter Barn Hours

Starting November 2 with the Time Change:

Barn Hours will be from 8:00 a.m. – 8:30 p.m.

We will still be open 7 days a week



Show Season Recap

This year has been a very successful one for Leanne and the Synergy Equine/Lakefield Farm Show Team! The season brought new challenges as the team tackled the WHJA B-Circuit as well as a few schooling shows. As a team, we each experienced ups and downs, and the result has been great improvement as riders and big accomplishments!

May 24-25: Run O' The Mill; West Bend, WI

The first show of the year was a big one at the Washington County Fairgrounds. The team was represented by Kimmie on Twinkle in the Long Stirrup division, Madi on Cinnamon in the Beginner Rider division, and Lisa on Husky in the Limit division. Unfortunately, Husky had injured shoulders and was unable to be jumped, so Lisa was showing him on the flat.

Madi and Cinnamon did very well together! They did great in their over-fences classes and on the flat, too, ending up as the division Grand Champions!



Kimmie and Twinkle also had a good weekend, with Kimmie riding hard to get through a couple of refusals in the over fences classes. They ended up with an awesome comeback by winning a blue ribbon on the flat!

Unfortunately things didn't go as well for Lisa and Husky. Even showing on the flat, Husky struggled and ended up throwing Lisa. The positive things were the support from the rest of the team, and the fact that we figured out that Husky was hurting more than we thought – so he could now get the rest and care he really needed.



Overall, it was a good weekend that kicked off the show season with some great experiences!

June 14: 4-H Jumping & Dressage Show; Cedarburg, WI

The local 4-H Club always puts on a great show in June at the Ozaukee County Fairgrounds. It's a favorite of the show team because it's generally well-run and lots of fun! This year was no exception. Representing Lakefield at the show were Kimmie and Twinkle, Lauren and Max, and Amanda and Dandy. Once again we had a very successful show!



Since it was Lauren and Max's first show of the season, they decided to do flatwork only. They had a good experience working on keeping Max calm under pressure and focused with so much going on around him.



Amanda and Dandy did great in both their over fences classes and on the flat, bringing home a bunch of ribbons! Dandy truly lived up to his show name, "He's a Dandy Man."

Kimmie and Twinkle had a fantastic show! They won six of their classes and got second in another, making them the Grand Champions! Not only did they bring home a lot of ribbons for Twinkle's stall, but Kimmie won a nice embroidered saddle pad for their championship.



Way to go, girls! The show season was really off and running, and what a success so far! Two shows – two Grand Champions!

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July 18-21: WHJA Sweet Summertime Show; West Bend, WI

This was one fun show! We had a big group of riders competing: Amanda and Dandy, Madi and Admiral, and Mia and Cinnamon all competing in the Beginner Rider Division; Kimmie and Twinkle in Long Stirrup; and Lisa and Admiral in the Limit division.

Amanda was asked to ride as a filler in the ground poles division as there was only one rider in the class. She did great and brought in the Reserve Champion to start off the weekend!

Then she went right back to work in the Beginner Rider division, along with Mia and Madi. All three girls did great and everyone brought in ribbons. Amanda rocked it out and nailed a first and second – which made her the Reserve Champion in the division of 10 riders!



Kimmie and Twinkle had some simply beautiful rides and went clear on all of their courses (other than one where they went off-course! Whoops!). They pinned in all of their classes in a big division, too, so the Lakefield team was on a roll!

Lisa and Admiral had a great first show together. They got a 3rd in Equitation Over Fences, along with a 4th and a 6th in Hunter Over Fences in a division of 9 riders. They also showed on Sunday in a Medal class and a Hunter Classic. Both the Medal course and the first round of the classic went great! However, Lisa went off course in the second round of the Classic (note to the team: there are ten fences in a Classic, not eight!). Lisa and Admiral were called back as one of the top four in the Medal class to do another test, and ended up in 3rd place!



Overall, it was an excellent weekend for all of the team members. Everyone had some learning experiences and very successful rides.

August 2: County Fair Open Show; Cedarburg, WI

The county fair is a show that brings specific challenges, such as cows, carnival rides and many other “scary” distractions! This year three Lakefield team members competed at the show: Amanda and Dandy, Mia and Cinnamon, and Kimmie and Twinkle.

Amanda and Dandy had another great show together, proving they are a great team. They placed second in a division of more than 12 riders! Mia and Cinnamon also had a fantastic show, winning first place a huge class of 12+ riders! Great job, girls!

Kimmie and Twinkle had a tough show at the fair with lots of refusals but a lot of guts and tough riding. The distracting atmosphere affected Twinkle and proved to be hard on her. Kimmie handled it beautifully and supported Twinkle the best she could!

August 8-10: WHJA Sweet Summertime Take Two; West Bend, WI

Just two competitors from Lakefield took on the Sweet Summertime Take Two show. Lauren and Max came to try out jumping for the first time in the Long Stirrup division, and Lisa and Admiral came for the Baby Green and Limit divisions.

Lisa and Admiral did well in the Baby Green classes, coming out with a third and two fourth places out of nine riders, as well as two sixth places in classes of twelve riders. It was a good experience and they had improved their jumping since the last show!

Max and Lauren did fabulous considering Max’s tendency to sprint over fences. They made some excellent progress, and Max stayed calm and listened well to Lauren’s cues. It was an excellent experience for both of them and they even placed in several classes!



Show Season Recap

September 20-21: WHJA Fall Finals; Oshkosh, WI

A big group went to represent Lakefield Farm at the WHJA Fall Finals in Oshkosh. Not only was it a great show, but it was fun for everyone to stay together overnight all weekend long! For Long Stirrup, Lauren and Max, and Kimmie and Twinkle were there to compete. Mia and Cinnamon, and Madi and Admiral competed in Beginner Rider, and Lisa and Admiral were there for the Limit division.



Mia and Madi both did great with Cinnamon and Admiral! They competed against divisions of 9-10 riders and came away with ribbons in almost every class!

Kimmie and Twinkle kicked some serious butt all weekend long! They overcame a tough warmup to have beautiful over fences and flat classes. Their hard work over the past few years has clearly paid off, as they took home the Long Stirrup Equitation Grand Champion and the Long Stirrup Hunter Grand Champion! Amazing job, girls!



Lauren and Max also had fabulous courses, taking a second place in an over fences class as well as a fifth place and two eighth places. Lauren rode hard and Max has really come a long way! They ended the weekend with a huge score in the first round of their Hunter Classic and kept the lead after their second round to become the WHJA Short/Long/Low Adult Hunter Classic Champions!



Lisa and Admiral rode hard and had a great time together. Lisa worked hard to get Admiral around the courses and also had some beautiful flatwork. They ended the weekend with a fifth in the Medal class, a sixth, a seventh and an eighth in the Hunter Classic.

This year has been such a great experience and the team has had an incredibly successful season. We have had some huge improvements across the board and we are looking forward to working hard throughout the fall and winter to bring it again in Summer 2015!



Looking Ahead—Classes and Clinics

Mark your calendars for the following: Please sign up with the Instructor via e-mail. We will be looking for a minimum of 4 participants.

Jumping Lessons: Group Lessons 5:30-6:30

Instructor: Leanne

All Levels are welcome. Please have your horse warmed up and ready to go at 5:30.

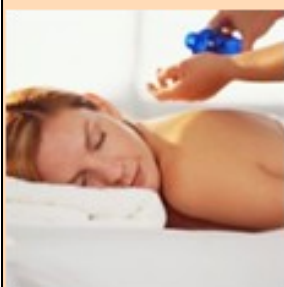
October 29

November 26

December 10

Cost: \$35.00

Women's Rejuvenation Weekend: February



Complete with Accommodations, Meals, Spa Treatments and Horse Clinics

Details will be coming soon!

Limited to 6 participants.

Fireside Lessons:

January – March

Two Saturday mornings a month 9:00 – 11:00



**Paula Curtis will be doing Dressage and Jumping clinics in January and February –
Dates to be announced**

Looking Ahead—Classes and Clinics

Clinics:

****Please register for the clinics in advance. We are looking for a minimum of 4 participants to hold the clinic.***

Wednesday October 1 – Groundwork Skills to Advance your Riding 5:30 -7:00 –

Instructor: Leanne

Tap into your potential with your horse by building on your foundational groundwork.

Cost: \$35.00

Sunday October 5th – 10:00 – noon - Round pen work and lunge line

Instructors: Don and Rosanne

We will show you different exercises to do either in the round pen or on the lunge line to benefit your communication with your horse as well as improving your timing, feel and body language. We will do demonstrations as well as work with you and your horse.

Cost: \$45

Sunday October 12 10-noon – Leading with Quality

Instructors: Don and Rosanne

Learn the difference between just leading your horse and leading with quality. We will work on the benefits of being aware of your habits and the effects it has on your horse. There are many aspects of leading that we will cover to bring clarity and response in every day handling of your horse. Bring questions or problems you may be having.

Cost: \$45

Wednesday October 15th – Back to the Fundamentals 5:30 - 7:00

Instructor: Leanne

This is the clinic for you if you want to work on some of the fundamental skills that you and your horse need to advance your horsemanship. It is a great refresher for more advanced students, excellent for those building their foundation as well as those with young or green horses.

Cost: \$35

Sunday October 19- 10:00-noon – Working with different horses

Instructors: Don and Rosanne

Are you curious how your skills would hold up when you are working with a variety of horses? Are you good at adjusting your energy to the horses needs? How quickly can you size up a horse and help him understand your cues? Come join us and work on different skills on horses you are not accustomed to handling. This will be a fun exercise as well as very educational.

Cost: \$45

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softer approach**

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Lakefield Farm is more than just a boarding stable. Lakefield Farm is a place where horse enthusiasts not only ride, but also take advantage of the beautiful property and river to snow shoe, hike, cross country ski and just enjoy being out in the country. We provide quality, dependable, knowledgeable care for horses while providing a friendly, relaxed atmosphere for horse enthusiasts to learn and enjoy their horse. We believe in educating our customers in all aspects of horsemanship, including care, safety, groundwork as well as riding skills. Our five trainers have over 140 years of combined horse experience. We have a passion for what we do and it shows. Our services include boarding, training, lessons, horsemanship weeks and as well as self improvement courses.

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and we will answer in the newsletter.**

Calendar

October

1	5.30-7.30	Groundwork Skills
5	10am-12pm	Round Pen/Lunge Line Clinic
12	10am-12pm	Leading With Quality
15	5.30-7.30pm	Back to Fundamentals
19	10am-12pm	Working with Different Horses
26	10am-4pm	Tracy Porter Clinic
29	5.30-6.30	Jumping Lessons

November

26	5.30-6.30	Jumping Lessons
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December

10	5.30-6.30	Jumping Lessons
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January—March

Select Saturdays	9am-11am	Fireside Lessons
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