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# The Whinny

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OUR MISSION is the enhancement of the physical, emotional and social well-being of children and adults with disabilities through various forms of therapeutic riding

## 40th Anniversary Open House

What a celebration on June 29 at River Trails Ranch! All went off without a hitch: the riding demonstrations, perfect weather, speeches, barbeque, and of course the presence of our special guests Lieutenant-Governor Antoinette Perry and Premier Dennis King. Thanks to all Joyriders who helped make this day such a success, as well as Parkdale-Sherwood Lions (barbeque hosts), Hunter River Lions (parking attendants), and Brian Collins (photography).



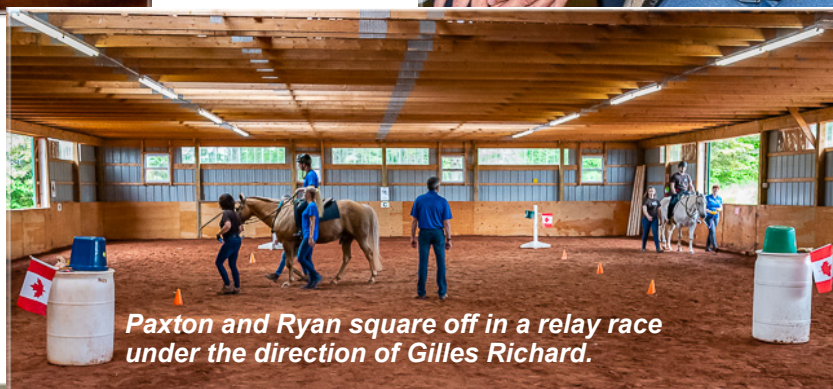
*Vaeda Mattheson receives  
a 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary  
medallion from  
Mme Antoinette Perry.*



*Premier Dennis King  
presents a 40<sup>th</sup>  
anniversary  
medallion to rider  
Sharlena Ward.*



*Former  
Joyriders  
president  
Colleen Hatcher,  
representing co-  
founder Anita  
Morrison,  
receives a  
commemorative  
plaque from  
Premier Dennis  
King.*



*Paxton and Ryan square off in a relay race  
under the direction of Gilles Richard.*



*Former volunteer and  
rider Janet Fraser gave a  
moving speech during the  
festivities.*



*Mme Perry  
visits miniature  
horse Bobbi  
and kids in the  
petting corral.*





*Daphne Davey*

## From the Editor's Desk

Our 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary year wrapped up at our Christmas Party. Over sixty riders and families, volunteers, and guests celebrated with us. We also raise a cheer for the wonderful support we have received over the years from many financial donors: individuals, service organizations, and businesses. Although our location on Rte. 2 in Hunter River is much more visible than previous locations, nonetheless we have to work to bring our programs into the public's view. Thanks to our website and Facebook page, our biannual Gingerwood fundraiser, and many other ways we promote the Joyriders, we seem at last to have consolidated a loyal following of supporters. For the sake of our children and adults with disabilities whom we serve, we are most grateful.



*Lindee Climo's beautiful painting of Tanner. Prints and boxes of cards are available for sale.*



*The plaque from CanTRA conferring national accreditation on our centre for the next five years.*



*CanTRA president JoAnn Thompson Franklin (right), from New Brunswick, visited our program and met riders Charley-Ann and Ryan (centre).*

## From One of Our Dads ...

"[Our son] enjoyed his experience in the Horsemanship Program this year and we have noticed a difference in him as a result. He looked forward to going to the program every week.

Thank you for giving [him] the experience with the horses, he enjoyed every moment of it and has been asking to see them again... We appreciate the work that Joyriders does and Kathy and the other volunteers were excellent with him."



# Our Donors Make it Happen

## 100 Women Who Care

For the second time, we have won a huge donation from 100 Women Who Care (Prince County). Thanks to a captivating speech by rider Paxton Cole and past president Janice Cole, the 100 Women recently donated \$10,400!

*Janice Cole and Paxton Cole (Joyriders presenters, left) and Karen Thompson (right) join some of the 100 Women. Janice and Karen are Joyriders board members and volunteers, as well as members of 100 Women. Rider Paxton is our most articulate promoter.*



## CDP Beer Tent Joyriders Pace

Yet again we have been the recipient of a generous donation from the CDP. Sincere thanks to our ambassador, Butch McGee, for working with the Red Shores Charlottetown Beer Tent folk to our great benefit. This year's "take" was \$4301.44!

*(above) White Fish Flash and his driver, Norris Rogers, join a large group of Joyriders and volunteers with representatives from the Beer Tent and Red Shores in the winners' circle.*

*(right) The cheque! From left: Tommy Ford and Kellie Judson (Beer Tent), Butch McGee (Joyriders), Paula Annear (Beer Tent), Will McFadden (at back) and Sean Furlong (Red Shores management).*



## Parkdale-Sherwood Lions Club



Parkdale-Sherwood Lions Club not only hosted the barbeque at our 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Open House, but donated \$5000 as well! Joyriders representatives Butch McGee and Janice Cole (centre left) accept the cheque from Lions members.

## Many thanks also to...

- \* Atlantic Mission Society
- \* Dr. Rosemary Henderson
- \* Para-Sport and Recreation PEI
- \* Patrick Ledwell
- \* Lions Clubs: Cymbria, East Royalty, Kensington, North Rustico, Stratford & Area
- \* Telus
- \* United Way (PEI and Ottawa)
- \* WalMart
- ... and many individual donors.



# Horsemanship Program



Volunteer Jonathan with miniature horse Bobbi and Rowan.



Ethan helps Kathy run up his stirrups.



Sam on Logan shows off his achievement certificate.



Lacey and Urban get Bobbi cleaned up.



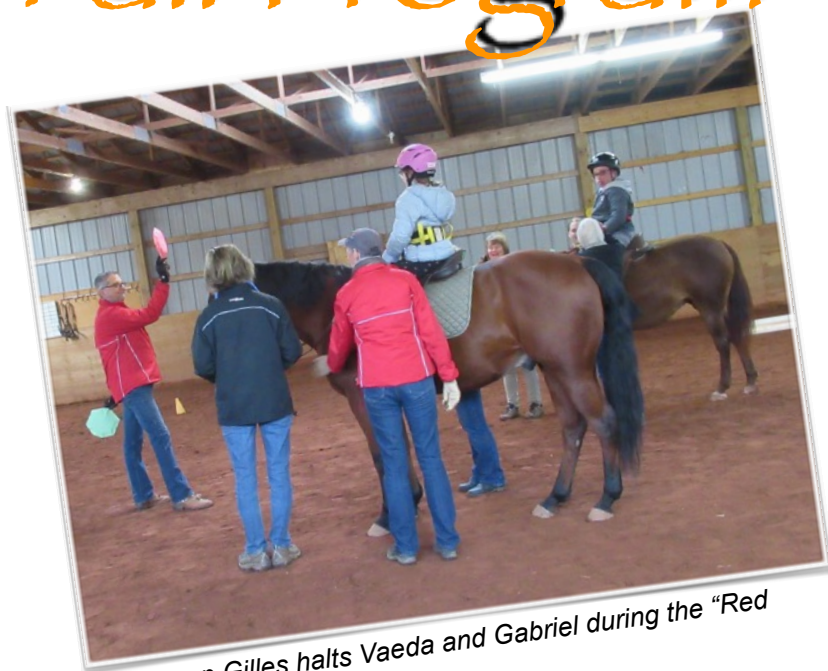


Emily with her mount, Logan, and sidewalkers Carol (left) and Taylor (right).



Jessica riding Henry off the leadline!

# Fall Program



Traffic cop Gilles halts Vaeda and Gabriel during the "Red light, green light" game.



Mikaela rides Henry confidently over the pole.

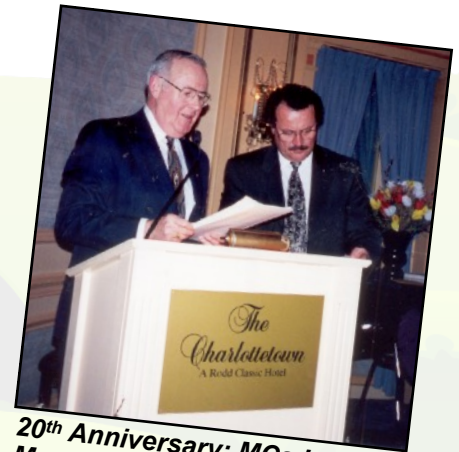


# Down Memory Lane



**10th Anniversary:** Co-founders Daphne Davey and Anita Morrison at the Rodd Royalty Inn.

**10th**



**20th Anniversary:** MCs Ivan Morrison (Joyriders dad and Rotarian) and Bob Bateman (Joyriders dad and sponsor) at the Rodd Charlottetown Hotel.

**20th**



**30th Anniversary:** The Joyriders booth at the 2009 CanTRA Conference in Québec. From left: Marg Gray, Kathy Barrett, Debbie Gormley, Trish Helm-Neima, Daphne Davey.

**30th**



**40th Anniversary:** The cake at the festivities in Hunter River, June 2019.

**40th**



At the closing celebration of the IODE Royal Edward Chapter (1901-2019), Lieutenant-Governor Antoinette Perry (left) and long-stand member Jean Burch (in blue jacket) cut the cake. This chapter adopted the Joyriders as a major recipient of funding for many years.

*Congratulations to  
volunteer*

*Carol LeMaistre-Matthys  
who graduated from  
UPEI with an MSc in  
Biology.*



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