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# Galloping Gourmet Ride sponsored by Bill & Angie Knott

The 17 inches of rain we had in July didn't bode well for having our ride as part of the property (Birch Hill Dam) is under Army Corps of Engineers and that means flood control.

The whole complex was shut down because of the excess water with roads and trails under water.

We got lucky enough that the waters receded enough that everything was opened up the Wednesday before our ride on Sunday.

We actually had a super gorgeous fall like day that 53 riders took full advantage of. After that great ride, everyone tackled this year's gourmet lunch. This year's menu was Shrimp Slaw Sandwiches with garlic lemon aioli, Cherry chicken wraps, Pear

Waldorf pitas, Turkey Sandwiches with



raspberry-mustard spread and sauteed mushrooms and spinach, Cucumber Blueberry Feta salad, Mango Pineapple Salad with mint, Peach Panna Cotta, Peach Cobbler Cookies, Tennessee Peach Pudding and Limoncello Pound Cake. Rose Zariczny made up a batch of tuna fish finger sandwiches as back up for some of the

juniors who might not really like "gourmet" food.

No one went away hungry. Many thanks to Joan Adams, Rose Zariczny, Elaine Whitney and Jason Hakkiala for volunteering to help out with this ride. It was greatly appreciated.

With time spent socializing, a great ride, full stomachs, everyone started heading for home quite content. **BK** 





# BSTRA's Wild West Ride

Sept 10, 2023 - Upton State Forest
Since this is a Western Themed Ride, dress accordingly!
Top 3 costumes win a prize!

Check In: 9:30 am. Ride out by 10:30 am

Mileage: around 6 to 8.

**Registration:** \$30 BSTRA members, \$35 non-members, Juniors 17 and under free (includes lunch), Lunch only

\$15

Registration deadline: Sept. 6th.

Lunch served after the ride

**Limited Trailer space!** Once spots are filled, ride is closed so register early! No post entries.

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**Directions:** Mass Pike West to Rt 495 South (Upton exit 21B). Take a right off ramp, go straight 3.5 miles and take hard right onto Westboro Road. Forest is 2 miles on the right. GPS address is 205 Westboro Road, Upton, MA

Register online at www.bstra.org or make checks payable to BSTRA, Inc. and mail with this registration form to: BSTRA Wild West Ride, Joyce Sandvik 103 Ariel Circle, Sutton MA 01590. Contact email: jskanion@charter.net

Entry Information Wild West Ride	Rider #1	Rider #2
Rider's Name		
Horse's Name		
Rider's Date of Birth		
Street Address		
Town, State, Zip		
BSTRA member Yes or No		
Optional Trails Donation		
Phone Number		
E-Mail Address		
Coggins # and date (has to be within a year)		
Are you bringing a trailer? Yes or No		

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## What have we done in 50 years for trails?

#### 1989 to 2022 \$718,315 put back into trails.

This includes volunteer work on trails, donated material and equipment time, grants, and donations/fundraising monies.

Before 1989 BSTRA convinced the state to purchase the abandoned railroad bed that we now call the Southern New England Trunkline Trail (SNETT). Once purchased, BSTRA met the requirements for 10 years to get it designated as a National Recreational Trail.

There is no way to know exactly how many hours were spent on this endeavor. I just know that in the early 70's, when the state took the first segment by eminent domain (Sept. 1978) to when they purchased the rest of the line in Dec. 1984 is a good 12 years. In that time hundreds of letters were written, tons of research, attending meetings and hearings in Boston and other locations.

**Reports:** Produced State of the SNETT report as part of a grant from National Park Service

Donated \$1,000 to MA Farm Bureau towards the cost of producing the Economic Impact Study of the Horse Industry.

Donations made to help preserve land/trail links or networks: \$33,920 This includes our first ever purchase of land in 2021, 17.74 acres in Douglas.

- Wyndham Land Trust \$500 to preserve 90+ acres in **Presentations:** Presented our Trail Safety & Etiquette Thompson CT
- \$2,000 donation towards purchase price of 8.5 acres that the Carlisle Conservation Foundation was doing a fund raiser for to get this property added to the Great Brook Farm State Park in Carlisle MA.
- Donated \$100 towards the purchase of 15 acres to be added to the Fitzgerald Lake Conservation Area in Northampton MA
- Donated \$3,000 to the Lake Manchaug Greenway & Wildlife Corridor to help with the purchase of 450 acres to be added to this corridor.
- Donated \$1,000 towards the fund raising efforts to secure 40 acres in the middle of Willowdale State

Forest, Ipswich MA

- Raised \$864.83 for The Trustees Of Reservations
- Donated \$500 to help with the Silvermine Horse Camp overhaul project in Natchaug State Forest CT
- Donated \$100 to Grafton Land Trust towards trails on their property
- Donated \$630.57 to The Trustees of Reservations to be used on trails in their Dover properties.
- Donated \$4,500 to protect 150 acres of conservation land in Lunenburg and 520 acres in Shirley will forever be protected, connected and open to horses.
- BSTRA donated \$5,000 towards the purchase of the former Sibley and Warner Farms that totaled 352 acres.
- Peppercorn Hill donated \$500 to help preserve 66 acres called the Kelly property.
- BSTRA Douglas-purchased 17+ acres to connect the SNETT to the town owned trails behind the schools. \$14,025
- Wyndham Land Trust donation of \$1,200

Trail Work Equipment: BSTRA is now the proud owner of a FS240 Stihl Brush Cutter: Thanks to a generous donation from Constellation, an Exelon company of \$500, an additional donation from Koopman Lumber of \$100, and BSTRA contributing \$103.32, we were able to purchase this work horse of a machine for trail work.

at Mass Equine Clinic Wet Lab and Equine Affaire.

Presented at the Mass Trails Conference - Solutions to slick bridge decking & trail hardening and sustainment using geo-textile synthetics.

#### Partnership Awards DCR \$155,514.71

2010 The award was to improve a one-mile section of trail in the Douglas State Forest. The trail came off of the SNETT which is called the Midstate Trail & the Streeter Trail that goes out to Southwest Main St. BSTRA \$6,170/DCR \$6,330/Octoberfest grant \$250

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- 2012 Lake St. (Bellingham) to Prospect St. (Franklin) SNETT determination of applicability study. BSTRA \$5,400.83/DCR \$16,202.50
- 2018, DCR planning had moved forward with the preliminary design for the Southern New England Trunkline Trail (SNETT) between Center Street to Route 126, including a parking area, completing wetland delineation, survey and preliminary design. BSTRA proposed to advance the final stages of design and permitting for this section of the SNETT which includes MHC permitting, wetland permitting, wetland replication design, trail amenities and final design were still needed. BSTRA \$10,000/DCR \$20,000
- 2019 Park Road improvements (2.1 miles) at Upton State Forest. BSTRA \$27,615.34/DCR \$52,086.34.
- 2022 New flail mower for Douglas State Forest. BSTRA \$3,820/DCR \$7,640

#### Equipment/Materials-Donations \$18,020.26

- Roll of non-woven geotextile material \$430
- Purchase of concrete that was used to install gates on Spring Street crossing SNETT in Franklin MA \$330
- "Dingo" machine rental with cultivator attachment to level out trails at Myles Standish State Forest \$1,000
- Donated \$150 to the DCR Partnership Matching Funds Program. This combined with the Friends of the Upton State Forest donation of \$150 made a total of \$300 donation. The Partnership Program matched the \$300. So there was a total of \$600 to rebuild the inner bridge on Hopkinton Spring Trail.
- Donation of \$138 to RI DEM for George Washington Management Area Pascoag RI mowing machine to keep trails mowed back.
- ♦ Five Eagle Scout Bridges. Materials \$6,072.31
- Bought \$400 of pressure treated lumber for bridges needed on the trails at the William Wharton Plantation owned by the New England Forestry Foundation in Groton MA

- Central Mass Chapter donated \$200 to the Stow Conservation Commission to be used for signs at the Stow Town Forest.
- BSTRA donated \$208.85 to pay for the lumber to construct the bridge for Mill Pond Trail in Hubbardston
- BSTRA donated \$875 towards gravel and members contributed 24 hours of labor over the two work days to help improve trails owned by the Grafton Land Trust, Grafton MA
- BSTRA purchases two signs for \$110. These were installed at the Upton State Forest. The signs were "Please Remove Animal Waste, Trash & Hay from Parking Area."
- Paid \$2,187.50 to have parking fields for 8 years mowed at Inman Hill Wildlife Conservation Area in Mendon MA.
- Signage at Inmanhill Wildlife Conservation Area
   \$721.31
- Sweetwilliam Farm Upton MA. BSTRA purchased two signs along with the posts and lags to install them. \$157.51
- Sweetwilliam Farm Upton MA. BSTRA donated \$1,500 towards the cost of purchasing and installing a 1/4 mile of fencing. This was the last section that to be completed in order to connect a 15 mile trail network.
- Hubbardston materials for railings on four bridges \$855.74
- Paid \$400 to cut back a boulder in Oxford. On both sides of the barrier are huge rocks to block the openings. One of the huge rocks actually jutted out into the area of the step over metal barrier making it a bit of a squeeze for horseback riders.
- Bridge off of SNETT PT Lumber: \$210.52 Post Caps: \$89.90 Rip Rap: \$443.46
- Hubbardston-Mt Jefferson donated \$1,540.16 for bridge and trail improvements.

#### Meetings/Public Hearings

Started keeping track in 2020. 212.13 hours

Example: DCR (Department of Conservation and Rec-

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reation) had hearings because of major changes to their Code of Massachusetts Regulation's (CMR's). The major issue for horseback riders was that DCR classified horses as pets. That along with some other smaller issues was a major concern for us.

As a result of research and testifying, BSTRA got horses correctly classified as livestock which eliminated a host of other problems that had cropped up because of the wrong classification.

#### Grants \$227,384.25

This is a legacy that we can be very proud of. **BK** 

# 41 Towns that BSTRA has impacted trails by volunteer work or donations.

MASSACHUSETTS	36 Towns	
Athol	Holliston	Peru
Bellingham	Hopkinton	Royalston
Brimfield	Hubbardston	Shirley
Carlisle	Ipswich	Spencer
Carver	Mendon	Stow
Douglas	Middleboro	Sudbury
Easton	Milford	Sutton
Framingham	Millbury	Upton
Franklin	Monson	Uxbridge
Grafton	Norfolk	Warwick
Groton	Northampton	Wilbraham
Hingham	Oxford	Winchendon

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# Sue Brainard Memorial Hunter Pace Sept. 17, 2023

**Divisions** 

**Hunter - Fast** 

Hilltop— Average

**Trailblazer**– Leisurely

**Junior**– Average, under 18

#### **Rain or Shine**

All jumps optional No jumps over 3 ft.

No changing Divisions after 10am

Trailblazer's on the trail by 10:30



Start times: 8:30 to 11:30am (no late entries, no exceptions)

You must register before tacking up.

Cleaning up your hay and manure is **REQUIRED** 

Awards wil be around 2:30

3 ribbons per team. Ribbons to 6th place

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Pre entries must be received by Sept. 13th.

POST ENTRIES welcome but lunch not included

**NO PHONE REGISTRATIONS** 

For more information call Sharon at 413-668-7606 or hiddenhollowacres@comcast.net

Please, completely fill in the entry form on the following page. This way you will just have to check in and get your time card and be on your way. Make sure you take the time to read the ride rules that we have posted on how the ride is set up and what to do.



Bring you own water



NO HORSES AT THE REGISTRATION TABLE



Wallum Lake Beach Parking Area: 107 Wallum Lake Road, Douglas MA

From Rt. 146 take Douglas/Uxbridge exit. (Rt. 16 West) Go approximately  $5\frac{1}{2}$  to 6 miles to blinking overhead light. Go straight onto Southwest Main St. to next 4 way intersection. Take a left onto Wallum Lake Rd. State Forest Headquarters is on the right after stone bridge. Follow signs to parking.

From 395 take Exit 2 (Rt. 16 East). After Webster Sturbridge Family Campground go approximately  $2\frac{1}{2}$  to 3 miles to first intersection. Take a right onto Cedar St. At next stop sign go straight ahead. State Forest Headquarters is on the right after stone bridge. Follow signs to parking.

# **Sept. 17 Sue Brainard Memorial Hunter Pace Entry Form**

Pre-entries must be received by Sept. 13th and include payment in full to receive meal.

All riders must sign the form. POST ENTRIES welcome but lunch not included.

Make check payable to BSTRA and mail to: Sharron Cochran, 162 May Hill Rd, Monson, MA 01057

Or register & pay on-line at www.bstra.org/events

Entry fees: BSTRA members \$30 non-members \$35 Extra meal \$10

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#### ALL INFORMATION MUST BE FILLED IN

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Entry Information	Rider #1	Rider #2	Rider #3	
Member Name				
Horse's Name				
Rider's Year of Birth				
Street Address				
Town, State, Zip				
BSTRA member Yes or No				
Division you are riding in				
Phone Number				
E-Mail Address				
Coggins # and date (within 1 year)				
Extra Meal \$10.00				
Rider 1: Signature Date  If the rider is under 18, the rider's guardian must sign above and list the under 18 rider's name below:				
Rider 2: Signature	Date			
Rider 3: Signature		Date		
Emergency Phone number contact for riders riding by themselves:				

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# 50th Anniversary Event sponsored by Swerling, Milton, Winnick & Koopman Lumber

There was so much effort from so many to make this wonderful event come to fruition. The 50th committee was set up in the early part of the year chaired by Suzanne Nicholas under President Becky's guidance and consisted of Joyce Sandvik, Karen Parlin, Valerie Clark, Chris DiMasi, Sue Quirk, Kelly Shaw, Sharron Cochran, Kamryn St. Germain, Ed Nobrega, Mary Wood, and I. Sunday, August 27th was the date chosen and with fingers crossed the weather cooperated. The only down side was the heavy rain two days before that soaked part of the parking area, further limiting our parking. Amazing how we managed to squeeze every trailer in! Thank you all for your understanding.

The pretty Christmas tree farm, Arrowhead Acres, was a unique setting with resident farm animals and fowl, a nice covered outdoor pavilion, a sound system and restrooms. Although a little bit of a walk from the parking area, riders had direct access to the Southern New England Trunkline Trail with the option of riding as long as they wanted. Thank you to the entire crew at Arrowhead for all their help. Mickey G's Clam Shack provided a great lunch, Kamryn's mom baked a beautiful, double layer full sheet cake, and Valerie had a bushel of wrapped apples donated. Commemorative hand towels and door prizes were included for all registrants. As this was a celebration, it was agreed that the cost would be kept at a minimum (\$20/person) with BSTRA picking up the tab. What a deal!

And the pictures, slide presentations, and memorabilia displayed were truly impressive! Stay tuned to view them on our website.

President Becky Kalagher welcomed everyone and introduced our speakers. We were honored with recognition commendations from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Senate and House of Representatives. Senator Fattman and Representative McKenna spoke from the heart. Retired longtime friend from D.C.R. Cary VandenAkker related his partnership with us and raved about how dedicated Becky Kalagher was and is to our trails mission. Ranger Viola Bramel from Army Corps



of Engineers at West Hill Dam, Uxbridge shared her memories. Friends of Upton State Forest was represented by speakers Ellen Arnold, Bill Taylor, and Joyce Sandvik who mentioned that Suzanne Nicholas could not be present due to a horseback riding accident. It was entertaining to listen to Dan Salvucci who shared memories from 1972 and the early years. Becky read Linda Chita's (The Mane Place) letter as she could not attend. I ended the speaking program by trying not to let the emotions choke off my words. Thinking of all the special people I've met through the many years; I truly feel blessed. Thank you all who attended and thanks to everyone who supports Bay State Trail Riders Association, Inc.

Happy Trails! Rose Zariczny







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Please make checks payable to BSTRA and mail to Sharron Cochran, 162 May Hill Road, Monson MA 01057 For more information contact Sharron at hiddenhollowacres@comcast.net or 413-668-7606

Entry Information Domnarski	Rider #1	Rider #2
Rider's Name		
Horse's Name		
Rider's Year of Birth		
Street Address		
Town, State, Zip		
BSTRA member Yes or No		
Optional Trails Donation		
Phone Number		
E-Mail Address		
Coggins # and date( with in a year)		

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## Aug. 12th BSTRA Property Work

Saturday morning we met at Shelby's house, her property abuts our property and it was much closer to bring in materials from that end. Thank you Shelby for that!

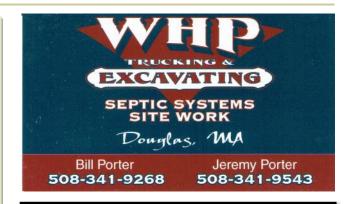
Our goal for the morning was to get the straw wattles installed. They are a bit awkward to move, not really heavy, but each bundle was a 25' of rolled up straw stocking.

We started at 9 and finished by 11:30. We installed the straw wattles at both stream crossings, cleared up downed trees on the trail and then purposely dropped some trees to block an illegal motorized dirt bike that has been coming from town property, cutting through our property and onto the SNETT.

All totaled we put in 12.5 hours worth \$454.75









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# Bay State Trail Riders Association, Inc. NORTHFIELD MOUNTAIN PLEASURE RIDE & Pot Luck Lunch October 1, 2023

Ride your choice of well-marked trails with indicated grade levels for cross country skiing (easy, moderate, extreme), then enjoy a pot luck lunch. A limited number of plug-ins are available for crockpots/warmers, please indicate what you'd like to bring for your "dish". Drinks provided by BSTRA.

**NOTE: HELMETS ARE MANDATORY (per management)** 

Address: 99 Millers Falls Rd. (Rt 63), Northfield MA

Check in 9:30 Ride out 10:00

Prices: BSTRA members \$10, Non-members \$12

Juniors 17 & under free.

Everyone must sign in upon arrival.

Clean up of your manure/hay is required.

Information: 401-487-3190 or rzariczny@verizon.net

Ride sponsored by:

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Plumbers, Inc.

Please complete, cut and mail reservation form below, **postmarked no later than Sept. 27th,** with check payable to BSTRA, Inc.

Mail to: Rose Zariczny, 216 Grand Street, Woonsocket, RI 02895

Entry Information Northfield Ride	Rider #1	Rider #2
Rider's Name		
Horse's Name		
Rider's Year of Birth		
Street Address		
Town, State, Zip		
BSTRA member Yes or No		
Optional Donation		
Phone Number		
E-Mail Address		
Coggins # and date (with in a year)		
What are you bringing for "dish"?		

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BSTRA board meetings are usually on the first Thursday of the month. If you wish to attend one of our meetings, drop us an email and we will send you the meeting link.

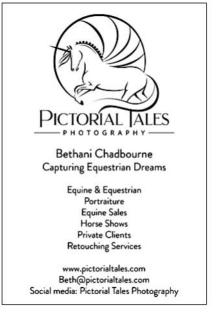




Date (raindate)	Event/Location/Sponsor	Contact	Phone #	email address
Sept. 10*	Western Trivia Ride, Upton MA Ride Sponsored by Milford Federal Bank/	Suzanne	508-380-2124	hc07645@gmail.com
Sept. 17	Sue Brainard Memorial Hunter Pace, Douglas Ride Sponsored by The Mane Place	Sharron	413-668-7606	hiddenhollowacres@comcast.net
Oct. 1	Northfield Mt. Pot Luck Ride, Northfield MA Ride Sponsored by Gustafson Plumbers Inc.	Rose	401-487-3190	rzariczny@verizon.net
Oct. 8*	Domnarski Farm Pleasure Ride, Ware MA Ride Sponsored by Equid Doc Veterinary Services	Sharron	413-487-7606	hiddenhollowacres@comcast.net
Oct. 15*	Mt. Jefferson Ride, Hubbardston MA Ride Sponsored by Dean Bank	Becky	508-476-3960	bstra@charter.net
Oct. 21	Tail Gate & Tack Sale  Event Sponsored by Xact Property Management	Karen	774-293-0051	kpschip@aol.com
Oct. 22*	Lea MacInnis Ride, Thompson CT Ride Sponsored by Yered Trailers	Carolyn	508-839-1902	bigt_weeks@msn.com
Oct. 29*	Big Pumpkin Ride, Upton MA Ride Sponsored by Unibank	Joyce	617-429-1319	jskanion@charter.net
Nov. 5*	Turkey Trot, Carver MA Ride Sponsored by New England Drywall & From the Horses N	Rose flouth	401-487-3190	rzariczny@verizon.net
Nov. 12*	Thompson Raceway Ride, Thompson CT Ride Sponsored by Yered Trailers	Becky	508-476-3960	bstra@charter.net

#### \*NEHT affiliated rides

- 1. Unless otherwise noted, all rides start at 10 am and trail work days at 9 am
- 2. In case of questionable weather, call before leaving home. You will NOT be called if the event is cancelled.
- 3. Most rides require advance registration and payment to receive lunch.
- 4. Riders 17 years old and under, accompanied by a guardian, ride free (includes lunch if pre-registered). (May be exceptions on some rides)
- 5. Alcohol is prohibited on State property. No smoking allowed while riding.
- 6. A current Coggins within a year of the ride date is required.
- 7. Please leave the trails and parking areas better than you found them and be considerate of others! Clean up your hay & manure at all rides!
- Year end awards require a member in good standing to have a minimum of 4 hours of volunteer time completed. Divisions: Pleasure, Competitive, Accumulative. Age as of January 1st: Junior (17 and under), Adult (18-64), Senior (65 or older). For more Information, visit our website at www.bstra.org
- 9. PayPal payments for rides will no longer be transferred to another ride. Refunds will be made.







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We are on the web! www.bstra.org

Bay State Trail Riders Association, Inc. Member	rship Application (expires December 31st)			
Mail this form with check payable to BSTRA, Inc. to: Rose Zariczny, 216 Grand Street, Woonsocket, RI 02895				
Name:  Do NOT release my name for discounts or coupons to benefit BSTRA [ ]	phone: ()			
Address:	email:			
(# & street) (town/city) (state/zip) Please check all that apply:				
Single \$25 [ ] \$1m excess liability insurance (single), additional \$20 [	] Individual Lifetime Membership \$400 [ ]			
Family \$35 [ ] \$1m excess liability insurance (family), additional \$40 [	]			
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I'd like to receive your free monthly bulletin <i>The Bugle</i> via email [ ] or prin	ted copy in black & white [ ]			
I'd like to receive <i>Community Horse, published Spring &amp; Fall,</i> at no cost to me	e [ ]			
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<ul><li>with other projects that might be needed [ ]</li><li>by serving on the Board of Directors [ ] committee [ ]</li></ul>	Questions? <u>rzariczny@verizon.net</u> or 401-487-3190			
with	Thank you for your support. Happy Trails!			