



The Northeast Region of the IDHSNA present:

THE IRISH HORSE CAMP

with Denny Emerson (*at Tamarack Farm,
166 Brook Rd., Strafford, VT 05072*)

September 5-7, 2009

APPLICATIONS OPEN
5/25/2009 (IDHSNA Mbrs)
6/15/2009 (Non-Members)
APPLICATIONS CLOSE
8/15/2009

Olympian and USEA Hall of Fame legend, Denny Emerson is co-hosting a three-day affair with the North East Region of the IDHSNA at **Tamarack Hill Farm, Strafford, VT**, (<http://www.tamarackhill.com>) the Emerson's summer headquarters and training center. This is an exciting event for all involved as Denny is a strong admirer of the Irish Draught and Irish Draught Sport Horse and enthusiastic about their current and future prowess on the international eventing front. He was excited to collaborate on this initiative, as were we.

The Irish Horse Camp will provide an opportunity for the public to come view young stock for sale and see some of our impressive RID stallions and performance horses in action. More importantly, it will offer an affordable and unforgettable opportunity for twenty-five lucky riders and their Irish horses to learn first-hand from Denny's experience that includes forty-eight consecutive years of competing at the preliminary eventing level or higher (how's that for some perspective on the sport over time?). Everyone can join in, though, as all are invited (*you need not participate in the clinic to showcase your horse to the public and/or participate in the competitive classes scheduled for September 7th**) to bring their horses as breed representatives and/or competitors on the final day. There will also be demonstrations and educational lectures throughout the weekend for those who would prefer to leave their horse at home while they learn.

**The show scheduled for Monday, September 7, 2009, will include in-hand conformation classes judged by George Chapman, Co. Wexford, Ireland. These will include separate classes for purebreds and IDSHs that are also age delineated, including groups: foals; yearlings, two and three-year-olds; and, four and over (if entries warrant it). Horses participating in the show do not need to be enrolled in the clinic (nor do handlers, or riders).*

Under saddle portion of the show will be based on the United States Eventing Association's Young Event Horse format, with the intent of highlighting overall impression, jumping suitability and potential.

HOLD THESE DATES!!! September 5-7, 2009

HOTEL ACCOMODATIONS:

Self Arranged

Idlewood Inn - 888-275-6005

Sharon, Vermont

4 rooms available at \$155 per night

Guest house sleeps eight

\$1,000 for 3 nights.

Baxter Mountain Bed & Breakfast -

802-763-8824

3 rooms available: \$75-80 per night

Other accommodations

are available in

White River Junction

<http://www.whiteriverjunction.org>

STABLING:

Tamarack Hill

15 -20 stalls available. \$35 w/bedding

Huntington Farm

10 stalls available.

\$30 (bedding available)

located 2 miles from Tamarack Hill

Tunbridge Fair Grounds

40+ stalls available (*campsites too*)

\$15 per stall. IDHSNA-NER will reserve by request - please contact Cori.

STABLING CONTACT: Cori Oehley

Cartroadfarm@charter.net

508-529-4452

ABOUT THE IRISH HORSE CAMP

with Denny Emerson

September 5-7, 2009

WHO: This event – including all the activities as well as the clinic sessions – is open to IDHSNA members and non-members. Those riding or showing, however, must do so with an Irish Draught or Irish Draught Sport Horse. IDHSNA members will be offered preference with a two-week registration period prior to the open entry date. After that window, participants will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis.

WHAT: A clinic over a two-day period involving twenty-five horse/rider teams that will ride for 1½ hours each day of the riding clinic. Five groups of five riders will be working on flatwork, gymnastics and show jumping on the first day and cross country on day two. Groups will be formed according to horse/rider ability. Amateurs are encouraged to participate.

Day three (September 7th) will feature a **horse show*** with in-hand conformation classes judged by George Chapman, Co. Wexford, Ireland. Prior to the competition, all are invited to attend a lecture and demonstration on how to show your horse in-hand with guidance on ideals for Irish Draught and IDSH conformation.

Activities will also include opportunities for every level rider, age group and horse with customized instruction determined at the start of the get together. In addition, those interested in coming to watch and learn or promote their stud or horse for sale will be provided with ample opportunities to do so.

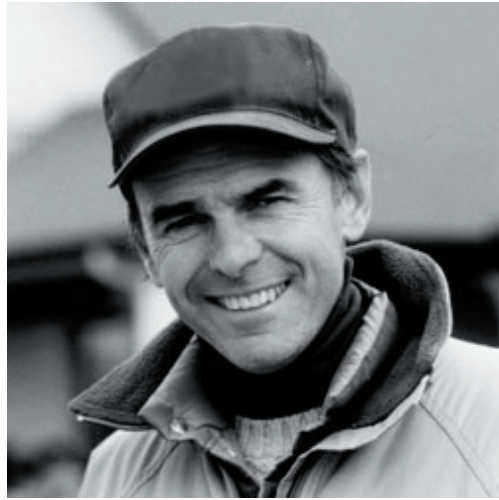
WHERE: Tamarack Hill Farm, 166 Brook Rd. Strafford, VT 05072; (802) 765-4049. **WHEN:** September 5-7, 2009

WHY: So that Draught enthusiasts can come together to learn, meet new people, promote the breed (and their particular horses) and enjoy the camaraderie and opportunities presented through this exciting initiative.

We hope you all will join us for a weekend of fun and learning that we will never forget. Please save the dates and plan on joining us in beautiful Vermont.

QUESTIONS? Contact Cori Oehley, IDHSNA NE Region Chair at Cartroadfarm@charter.net or 508-529-4452.

**The show scheduled for Sunday, September 7, 2009, will include in-hand conformation classes judged by George Chapman, Co. Wexford, Ireland. These will include separate classes for purebreds and IDSHs that are also age delineated, including three groups: foals; yearlings; two and three-year-olds; and, four and over. Horses participating in the show do not need to be enrolled in the clinic (nor do handlers, or riders). Under saddle classes will include show jumping and cross country classes, with the intent of highlighting elementary through Training levels, although higher levels will be considered by request.*



ABOUT EDWARD E. "DENNY" EMERSON

(courtesy USEA - <http://useventing.com>)

A graduate of Dartmouth College, Denny originally taught high school English and sold real estate in his native Vermont. A lifelong fascination with horses led him to eventing, and with his small, tough, part-Morgan, Victor Dakin, Denny was selected to represent the United States in the World Championships in 1974. He was part of the victorious U.S. team that won the gold medal from the British on their home ground. Since then, Denny has been an active competitor with several other horses. In 1972, he won Rider of the Year. In total, he has ridden in 53

seasons of competition, including 45 consecutive seasons of eventing at preliminary or above.

Many of Denny's students have been successful in both the junior and national open competitions. A man of great energy, Denny is in demand for clinics all over the U.S. His gymnastic jumping exercises have become gospel to many eventers. "I can definitely say that I would not be an international level competitor," said Kelli Temple, one of Denny's former students who went on to be named USEA Lady Rider of the Year, represent Canada with two horses in the 1996 Olympics, and again represent Canada at the 2006 World Equestrian Games. "His motivation, work ethic, and commitment to the sport are truly inspirational."

Denny has been recognized by a number of associations. A partial list of his honors includes: the USEA's Wofford Cup for lifetime service to eventing, the American Riding Instructor Certification Program (ARICP) Lifetime Achievement Award, and the inaugural Ayers-Hammett Award by the American Medical Equestrian Association "in recognition of his outstanding contributions to promote safer horsemanship." In addition, Denny received the inaugural "Equestrian Land Conservation Resource Leadership Award." His passion for land conservancy is demonstrated by his service as trustee and President of the Green Mountain Horse Association in Vermont, as trustee of the Carolina Horse Park in North Carolina, and as trustee of the Equestrian Land Conservation Resource.

Denny served as President of USEA from 1982-1984 and again from 1991-1992. Under his able leadership, the sport experienced much growth and needed change, including the recognition of the Novice (formerly Pre-Training) level and the realignment of competition guidelines at all levels. He also served as the USET's Vice President of Eventing for seven years, and was a member of the USEF's Executive Committee, and the Chairman of the Breeder's Committee of the AHSA.

Denny has now adopted endurance as a passion and has competed in 100-mile rides and The Tevis Cup.



NORTHEAST REGION NEWS

IRISH DRAUGHT HORSE SOCIETY OF NORTH AMERICA

Irish Draught Horse Society of North America

IRISH HORSE CAMP WEEKEND WITH DENNY EMERSON

Two-Day Riding Clinic and In-Hand/Breed Show

Tamarack Farm, 166 Brook Rd., Strafford, VT 05072

SEPTEMBER 5, 6 & 7, 2009

Two-Day Riding Clinic with Denny Emerson:

Space available for five (5) groups of five (5) riders. Each groups session will 1.5 hours in length per day. **Costs:** Riders (2-day clinic): \$250 members / \$300 non members. Auditors (per day): \$15 Adult / \$5 under 17 yrs.

Day 1: Flat work, gymnastics, show jumping

Day 2: Cross Country
Cocktail reception Saturday night

Day 3: In-Hand Irish Draught Conformation Classes
Specify Purebred division or Part bred division on entries
Age / sex of horses will be divided as entries allow

JUDGE: GEORGE CHAPMAN, County Wexford, Ireland

In-Hand Classes:

Class 1: Foal

Class 2: Yearling through three-year olds
(combined unless entries warrant breaking out by age/sex)

Class 3: Four years or older.

Entry fees (per class): \$35 members / \$45 non-members

1-Day Young-Event Horse Short Format:

PHASE 1: *Each Horse will be asked to walk, trot and canter in the arena (this will provide an overall impression score (in lieu of a dressage test).*

PHASE 2: *A small show jumping course of 5-6 jumps, then directly canter/gallop out to a small cross-country course including a bank, ditch, water or solid fences. Horses will be scored on jumping, suitability and potential.*

Note: *Horses over 7 and with more experience, may do a higher level of difficulty (depending on entries and interest)*

4-YEAR OLDS:

Pre-Novice jump heights to 2'7".

5- AND 6-YEAR OLDS:

Novice jump heights to 2'11".

7 AND UP:

Novice or Training jump heights to 3'3"

Entry Fee (per class):

\$45 members / \$55 non-members

Awards: Prize and 6 ribbons per division

Time Schedule: Ride times will be posted by 9:00 PM September 1 at: www.Irishdraught.com

Additional Costs: Stabling at Tamarack *(subject to availability):* \$35 per stall *(includes bedding).*

Bring your horse to showcase but not enter show \$30 showcase fee *(stabling separate and additional).*

Questions:

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NOTE: *Proper headgear is required at all times when mounted. Medical cards must be carried whenever jumping. Protective vests are required on XC. No unauthorized assistance on courses.*

DENNY EMERSON CLINIC AND SHOW APPLICATION/ENTRY FORM

Entry for September 5,6, and 7. Please complete one entry per horse/rider combination.

1. Are you a current member (in good standing) with the Irish Draught Horse Society of North America?

Full Name (rider/exhibitor): _____ Yes, (Mem No.) _____ No

2. What portions of the event are you entering/applying for? Please CHECK all that apply:

RIDING CLINIC w/Denny Emerson I WILL AUDIT CLINIC for _____ days
Current Level: Elementary Beginner Novice Novice Training Other

If you checked "other," please identify here: _____

IN HAND CONFORMATION CLASSES

Type: Purebred Partbred Sex: Male Female
Age group: Foal >1yr 1-3 yrs 4 yrs and older

YOUNG EVENT HORSE SHORT FORMAT TRIAL

Group (select 1): 4 year olds 5 & 6 year olds 7 and up

SHOWCASE/DEMO HORSES

Sex: Stallion Mare Gelding

RESERVE ME A STALL

Fri Sat Sun Mon

Please complete the following information in its entirety:

Your Address _____ Email _____

Contact Phone _____ Alternate Contact No _____

Horse Name _____ Sex _____ Height _____ Color _____ Age (year) _____

Sire _____ Dam _____ Dam Sire _____

Breed _____ Owner _____ Breeder _____

Entries will be accepted only if completed with signature, full payment of entry fee, and proof of negative Coggins test. I enclose herein a total of \$ _____ for the aforementioned entry, which is made at my own risk and subject to the conditions of the sponsoring horse clinic/show. In addition, I assume all the risks resulting from the participation in this horse event and will hold harmless Tamarack Hill Farm or IDHSNA, its owners, employees, and volunteers from any and all liability actions, causes of action, claims and demands of every kind and nature whatsoever which may arise in connection with or resulting from the participation in any of its activities.

Acknowledgement/acceptance of terms above are REQUIRED for participation. You may elect to print this document, sign, and send by mail with your payment & coggins; or, you may simply press the ACCEPT button and transmit the form electronically, pay online via <http://www.irishdraught.com/makeapayment>, produce your coggins, and sign the document upon arrival... your choice.

Signature (parent if under eighteen)

DATE

MAIL ENTRY, COGGINS & CHECK (made out to IDHSNA): **c/o CORI OEHLEY - 108A HIGH ST., UPTON, MA 01568**

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