

Fall 2020 Newsletter

We are happy to be open and be a place where people can come and be safe while recreating and enjoying horses. We don't have much news and haven't been having any events, but classes are running normally. We have had a very busy summer with classes resuming and some summer only riders participating. Summer always goes so fast and before we know it, fall is here!



We are so excited that Aileen Reney will be teaching four days a week starting September 1, allowing us to bring in more participants. She will be here Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturdays. In addition to riding, Road to Independence will bring their donkeys from time to time for our participants to lead and drive.

We have a great team in place going into the fall. Many thanks to Deb, Sue and Aileen for all their hard work.

We feel so fortunate to be running and to be open for our participants considering the pandemic. Everyone works hard at being safe, so we can continue to offer services to people who really need us. (and horses) We are so lucky to have received grants to help us through being shut down in the spring. Many thanks to **NH Charitable Foundation** via the Daisy Hale Fund and **Hypertherm HOPE Foundation**. These grants helped us with staffing and equine expenses while we were closed. We were also successful in applying for the New Hampshire Non-Profit Relief Fund.





Upcoming Events

October 3,2020 9AM to 3PM Annual Horse Show for FCFTH participants.

To keep everyone safe we have made a few changes this year:

- We will not serve lunch but will have snacks and water available for our riders and volunteers.
- We are also going to cancel the Yard Sale to minimize congestion.
- There will be an area separate from the barn for pictures to be taken of the riders and their ribbons.

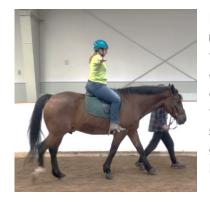
Thank you for your understanding.

Please contact us if you can volunteer for a class.

If you are interested in **sponsoring** the horse show, please contact us at fcftherapeutic@gmail.com



Rider Spotlight: Donna



Donna started riding with us when we resumed classes in May. She comes all the way from Keene, NH! She is working on improving her balance, leg strength and her walking gait. She has ridden in the past, so she is trying to regain her strength and riding skills and has made great gains in the short time she has been with us.

FCFTH Logo Merchandise



We have t-shirts, sweatshirts, **maple syrup**, glasses and mugs with our logo on them. Check them out!

Volunteer Spotlight: Fiona



Fiona has been a dedicated volunteer with us for a couple of years. She has been with the same rider all that time and is a consistent support for that rider. She is always cheerful when she comes in, greeting riders, staff and other volunteers. Her horse knowledge and background are very helpful to the instructor.

We also want to say a big THANK YOU to Nicole and Katie,a mother/daughter team who volunteered this summer. They helped get horses ready for lessons, hand grazed

our equine friends and cleaned tack. We loved having them here and will miss them as they go back to Mass. We are hoping they will come back next summer.

Wish List



- Rain Sheets and Blankets
- 2lb Pilates Balls
- Canon Printer Ink
- Printer Paper

As we grow we have more volunteer needs. If you are able to volunteer please contact the office at 603-863-2952 or email fcftherapeutic@gmail.com

Horse Spotlight: Sully



Sully loves a challenge. He is great with obstacles. He came to us fairly green but has come a long way with the help of Caroline, one of our volunteers who has been working with him. He is learning his job each day, with each new situation. He is so friendly and wants to please.