

News Flash

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Canadian Horse Heritage
& Preservation Society

Reconnecting!

Your Board was very busy last year: a long article in CHJ, 4 blogs in Hoofbeat, an annual advertising campaign, and attending county and national horse shows. That said, we apologize for not keeping you informed of all our accomplishments.

Starting now, you will receive a one-page News Flash in your email Inbox each month, highlighting what's currently happening in your club, upcoming events, and contact info so you can reach out to us. Several Board Members have either joined or changed roles over the past year, and we'll be featuring a fun fact about each of them. A full newsletter, reporting on events we've attended, will arrive in your Inbox every quarter.

Introducing the Board

Our new President is Terry Spring!

Fun Fact!

When not riding, Terry is into falconry, "I've always been fascinated with horses, hawks and hounds, medieval-style sports, and intrigued by the speed and athleticism of the predator-prey relationship."

Over the next several News Flashes, we will shine the CHHAPS spotlight on a member's horse. Want your horse featured? Contact Carol at media@chhaps.ca for details.

Featured Canadian Horse

To kick off this fun mini campaign, we are featuring Kimberley Beldam's horse, Canadream Alex Xcellence. Kimberley is an accomplished mounted archery competitor who recently joined the Board.



Canadream Alex Xcellence, aka XE, is a 15-year-old gelding who sired several foals prior to his performance career. XE is a kind and unflappable partner who competes with Kimberley in mounted archery at the advanced level in 1* and 2* events as well as showing at second level in Dressage. Showing his outstanding work ethic, XE recently placed 3rd in the USA with his Canadian rider at the 1* advanced/canter level for the 2025 Mounted Archery Association of the Americas year-end high point. Kudos to the Kimberley-XE team!

XE will be demonstrating his versatility at the Equine Affaire shows in Ohio and Massachusetts this year.

Upcoming Shows

Equine Affaire, Ohio

- 717 East 17th Ave, Columbus, OH 43211
- April 9 - April 12, 9:00 am – 7:00 pm;
Sunday: 9:00 am – 5:00 pm

Kimberley Beldam will be competing in the Breed Bonanza with Canadream Alex Xcellence. The winner will be selected based on the quality of gaits, horsemanship, and turnout. Best of luck, Kimberley!

Equine Affaire, Massachusetts

- Eastern State Exposition, W. Springfield, Massachusetts
- Thursday, November 12 - Sunday, November 15.

Megan Currier is the CHHAPS lead for this event.

She will be coordinating breed demos and much more. Megan plans to have 8 Canadian Horses there. Booth and stall info not yet available. Stay tuned!

Where Should We Be?

If you know of any events where CHHAPS should exhibit/compete, please drop a note to Carol at media@chhaps.ca, and she'll look into it!

Preserving a Legend

The Canadian Horse Heritage and Preservation Society (CHHAPS) is an international non-profit dedicated to expanding awareness of this historic breed, le Cheval Canadien, through education and active participation in national, local and county-wide horse fairs. Currently listed as a rare breed, help us bring it back from the brink of extinction so that riders, owners and enthusiasts alike can enjoy the versatility of these magnificent animals for many generations to come.

Join/Renew

