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The Seaton Hackney Troop Program provides a forum for individuals to acquire or improve their horsemanship and horseback riding skills in a structured program within a supportive and fun environment. In case of bad weather, Levels 1 & 2 may include a grooming, tacking, safety and handling session as part of the Troop curriculum. Troop is 6 consecutive weeks & Horsemanship 201 is 8 consecutive weeks.

Riders should be able to correctly perform the skills listed under curriculum before moving onto the next level. Instructors may rotate for troops. Detailed level descriptions are available in the office. A personalized assessment of your child’s progress will be available either verbally or in writing at the end of Troop. We reserve the right to consolidate or cancel levels. Instructor(s) recommendation, appropriate Badges, riding tests for the upper levels and, in some cases, remedial private lessons will be needed to advance to higher Levels. Please reference this legend for an explanation of the codes:

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| W | Walk | X | Cross-bars |
| T | Trot | XC | Cross-bar Course |
| C | Canter | V | Single Vertical |
| D | Diagonals | VC | Vertical Course |

**HELMETS and BOOTS ARE COMPULSORY
BODY PROTECTORS* ARE STRONGLY
RECOMMENDED!**

Helmets and Body Protectors are available from Seaton Hackney at no charge

NEW: Horsemanship Troops are necessary to move to levels 2 and levels 3+. Taught by all staff and management (including Marc!) based on area of expertise.

WEEK	HORSEMANSHIP 101	HORSEMANSHIP 201
1	Importance of Barn Management. When, what and how to feed, proper way to clean a stall / bank a stall	Various breeds, colors and markings.
2	Equine basic anatomy	Age and gender determination through dental examination.
3	Basic grooming the correct way. Importance of hoof picking,	Choosing a particular Equestrian discipline and careers in the industry.
4	Proper way to bridle and saddle a horse, the slip knot.	Show prep. Mane & tail pulling, Show grooming.
5	Care of Equipment. Tack care and cleaning	Importance of lunging a horse and how to properly do it.
6	Proper way to mount, adjust stirrups and check girth	Basic equine first aid. Minor ailments, taking temperature, checking for dehydration, applying wraps, treating minor cuts, treating thrush and oiling hooves.
7	Equine senses and body language and how these relate to safety.	Safety ON the horse. What to do if you lose a stirrup. If your horse takes off. How to minimize your chances of falling and potential injuries.
8	Q&A, Course review, short quiz.	Q&A, Course review, short quiz.

IMPORTANT POLICIES

- **REFUNDS:** Customers who need to cancel may do so up until one week before the Troop program starts. The Troop Tuition (minus a \$30 administrative fee) may be applied toward any other riding activity at Seaton Hackney Stables. **After the program starts, the tuition is no longer refundable for any reason.**
- **TRANSFERS / MAKE-UPS:** If a student misses a session, they may make it up by participating in a similar troop session *during the same week* but only with the approval of both the instructor and barn management. In the unlikely event that Seaton Hackney Stables

cancels a session, a make-up session will be scheduled accordingly. In case of bad weather, 2 of the sessions may be horsemanship ground sessions instead.

- **CREDITS:** We cannot credit any missed Troop session, including make-up sessions.
- **EVALUATIONS:** ALL new riders as well as aspiring level 1A riders must book an evaluation lesson before signing up for Troop. 1A riders must have taken at least 4 private x 1/2hr lessons before joining Troop.

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