

**Andrews Osborne Academy  
Riding Lessons – Winter 2012  
December 1 – February 29**



**Lesson Packages:**

**Tuesdays - Fridays: 10 lessons in package (\$320 for group/\$370 for semi-privates)**

**Saturdays – 8 lessons in a package (\$256 for group/\$296 for semi-privates)**

**Mondays – Saturdays: 9 lessons in package (\$288 for group/\$333 for semi-privates)**

**General:** Our instructional program offers the entire spectrum of hunt-seat instruction, from introductory horsemanship to national hunter/jumper competition; we can meet the needs of any rider. Lessons will be available six days a week during Winter Session. We offer lessons to the general public as well as to AOA students.

**-Introductory Lunge Lessons:** These lessons will be scheduled on a short term basis until the rider can be placed into an appropriate group or semi-private lesson.

**-Beginner:** The beginning rider will range from a student who has no experience around a horse to a student who is starting to canter. Introductory lessons cover mounting and dismounting, leading, care, grooming, stirrup adjustments, basic steering, sitting trot, posting trot, and two-point position.

**-Novice:** The novice rider improves upon cantering with additional lessons in two-point at the canter, trotting poles and cross rails, smooth transitions, and basic half-halts. Students will be able to jump a simple x-rail course and a single 2' jump at the top end of this level.

**-Intermediate:** The intermediate rider learns such things as simple lead changes, flying lead changes, turns on the forehand and haunches, leg yields, and shoulder-ins. Simple courses at 2' and introduction to 2'6" jumps and oxers will happen at this level, and students should be able to compete at local shows (if desired).

**-Advanced:** By this time, basic skills are solid. The advanced rider will be able to jump 3' or higher on a variety of mounts. It is suggested that the rider should consider leasing or buying a horse at this level to work on more individual goals. Private or semi-private lessons would be encouraged at this level.

**Lesson Rates**

Lessons are sold in quarterly packages. Students may sign up anytime and packages can be prorated. All students must complete a registration form. **New students may be required to take a private introductory lesson for \$35 before starting on their lesson package.** Group lessons are scheduled for an hour with a maximum of 5-6 riders per lesson. Semi-private lessons have only 2 riders for a half hour time slot. Private lessons are half an hour and have limited availability; they are \$50 a lesson.

**Hard soled boots with 1/2" heel (no sneakers!) and long pants are required for a mounted lesson.**

**Payment Policy**

All lesson packages must be paid in full before a rider will be permitted to ride. Payments must be made in full by check, money order, or certified check. Credit card payments can be accepted by phoning our business office at (440)942-3600 x219.

**Returned check (NSF) policy:** A \$20 fee will be charged for each returned check. Subsequent services will be withheld until replacement payment is received. Replacement payment must be in form of cash, certified check, money order, or credit card. After one returned check, personal checks will still be accepted for subsequent services payment. If a second check is returned, personal checks will no longer be accepted for future services.

**Make Up Policy**

Please see the attached details regarding our flexible make-up policy. If AOA should have to cancel a lesson for any reason, a credit voucher will be given to the student, and the voucher can be applied to a future session within one year from date of issue.

**Winter 2012 Lesson Schedule**

See lesson calendar for details. **Please keep calendar for your reference.**

**Call Bernie Villeneuve, Program Coordinator at 440-942-3600 x255 or Alecia May at 440-942-8700 for scheduling and additional information.**