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## FALL 2009 TROOP SCHEDULE AT



### **WATCHUNG STABLES**

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Mountainside, New Jersey

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**Troop Begins Tuesday, September 8, 2009**

**OPEN REGISTRATION BEGINNING**

**July 1, 2009**

**Office Hours: 9:00 AM - noon and 1:00 - 3:00 PM**

**IN PERSON APPLICATION ONLY. NO MAIL-INS.  
FULL PAYMENT DUE AT TIME OF REGISTRATION.**

*Sponsored by the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders  
and the Department of Parks and Community Renewal*

## THE WATCHUNG TROOP PROGRAM WILL:

1. Introduce participants to the lifelong recreational activity of horseback riding.
2. Teach the basic knowledge and fundamentals of good horsemanship.
3. Encourage good sportsmanship and friendship.
4. Teach the English style of riding according to the accepted standards of hunt seat equitation.

**JUNIOR OR SENIOR TROOP MEMBERSHIP** is for ten lessons of riding instruction, one lesson per week. **Refunds will only be given prior to the second lesson of the troop.** There is a \$20.00 administrative charge if a refund is made. Lessons are seldom canceled due to weather. Troopers must have appropriate clothing available. If severe weather occurs, troop will be canceled one hour prior to the ride. Postponed lessons will be added to the end of the season, generally at the usual day and time. Should a member be unable to attend a scheduled lesson, a credit will be issued **ONLY** if the Stable is notified at least two (2) hours in advance. A maximum of three credits will be issued for each riding season.

**INSTRUCTION** is a “do-it-yourself” technique. Experienced instructors explain and demonstrate, but each trooper is in control of his or her own mount. Troopers are assigned to squads according to their riding ability as determined by the Stable management. New members with previous riding experience will be asked to exhibit their riding ability prior to squad placement. Horses are specially selected for squads based upon their suitability to a particular level of riding. Troopers will ride a different horse each week and will experience a variety of sizes and temperaments.

**REQUIRED UNIFORM:** All troopers must wear the following: ASTM/SEI certified **equestrian** riding helmet with a fixed harness, a powder blue long-sleeve shirt with a Watchung Troop Insignia, a yellow or gold neck-tie and a riding crop. **ADDITIONALLY**, all troopers rated D2 or higher must also wear jodhpurs and paddock or jodhpur boots, or breeches and tall boots. **ONLY** first season beginners rated D4 may wear jeans or slacks and a hard sole shoe or boot with a heel. **THE FOLLOWING ARE PROHIBITED:** Bicycle or all sport helmets, sneakers, including riding sneakers, chaps or leggings. Only brown or black half chaps are permitted for troop not for horseshows.

## WATCHUNG JUNIOR TROOPS

For Boys and Girls 9 years of age and older with or without previous riding experience. All new members must present a birth certificate and proof of residence.

**\*COST:** County Residents                   \$210.00  
          Non-County Residents        \$270.00

<b>TROOP #</b>	<b>DAY</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>START DATE</b>	<b>RIDING RATINGS</b>
13	Tuesday	3:45 PM	September 8	All
15	Tuesday	4:45 PM	September 8	All
19	Wednesday	3:45 PM	September 9	All
17	Wednesday	4:45 PM	September 9	3 <sup>rd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> squads
6	Thursday	3:45 PM	September 10	All
7	Thursday	4:45 PM	September 10	All
8	Friday	3:45 PM	September 11	All
18	Friday	4:45 PM	September 11	3 <sup>rd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> squads
21	Saturday	9:30 AM	September 12	All
2	Saturday	10:30 AM	September 12	All
9	Saturday	11:30 AM	September 12	All
10	Saturday	2:00 PM	September 12	All
11	Saturday	3:00 PM	September 12	All

**\*All fees are subject to approval and change by the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders.**

There will be a New Riders Meeting, sponsored by the Watchung Stables Auxiliary, on Tuesday September 8, at 6:30 pm to introduce new members into the program.

## WATCHUNG SENIOR TROOPS

For Boys and Girls 13 years of age and older with previous riding experience. Troopers must have achieved a riding rating of "A" or higher.

**\*COST:** County Residents                   \$250.00  
          Non-County Residents       \$310.00

TROOP #	DAY	TIME	START DATE
5	Wednesday	4:30 PM	September 9
3	Friday	4:30 PM	September 11

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## WATCHUNG ADULT TROOPS

**Note** – Adult Troop is for people 18 years of age or older. Membership is for an **eight-ride** session for Tuesday morning and Sunday afternoon.

**\*COST:** County Residents                   \$210.00  
          Non-County Residents       \$258.00

- Refunds will only be given **prior** to the second lesson of the troop. There will be a \$20.00 administrative charge if a refund is made. **Should a member be unable to attend a scheduled lesson, a credit will be issued ONLY if the Stable is notified at least two (2) hours in advance. A maximum of three credits will be issued for each riding season.**
- A riding helmet and shoes or boots with a heel are required.
- Students will be placed in one of the following riding classifications based upon experience and the Stable management's determination:

- ◆ Beginner (BEG)
- ◆ Advanced Beginner (AB)
- ◆ Intermediate (INT)
- ◆ Advanced Intermediate (AI)
- ◆ Advanced (ADV)

DAY	TIME	START DATE	RIDING RATINGS
Sunday	12:45 PM	September 13	All
Tuesday	10:00 AM	September 8	All

# **JUNIOR/SENIOR TROOP REGISTRATION**

**COUNTY OF UNION - DEPARTMENT OF PARKS & COMMUNITY RENEWAL**

Watchung Stable, 1160 Summit Lane, Mountainside, NJ 07092

<b>PAID</b>
DATE: _____
AMOUNT: _____
INITIAL: _____

**Date \_\_\_\_\_ FULL PAYMENT MUST ACCOMPANY THIS APPLICATION.**

Parent's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Street Number \_\_\_\_\_ Town \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Troop # Choice \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

**(PRINT – LAST NAME FIRST)**

**1<sup>ST</sup>**

**2<sup>ND</sup>**

**Complete one:**

I am a new Member

My riding rating is

	1.	2.	3.	4.	5.
	6.	7.	8.	9.	10.

# **ADULT TROOP REGISTRATION**

***COUNTY OF UNION - DEPARTMENT OF PARKS & COMMUNITY RENEWAL***

Watchung Stable, 1160 Summit Lane, Mountainside, NJ 07092

<b>PAID</b>
DATE: _____
AMOUNT: _____
INITIAL: _____

**Date \_\_\_\_\_ FULL PAYMENT MUST ACCOMPANY THIS APPLICATION.**

Participant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Street Number \_\_\_\_\_ Town \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Participant's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Class Date & Time \_\_\_\_\_

**(PRINT – LAST NAME FIRST)**

**Complete one:** I am a new Member

My riding rating is

	1.	2.	3.	4.	5.
	6.	7.	8.		