



Mane Events!

October 2009

SPECIAL EDITION



Due to scheduling conflicts the event was held for the first time in October, rather than in September as usual, and the weather forecasts and sky did not bode well. However, the sunny smiles of our early volunteers seem to have chased the rain away, as despite the black clouds that came and went throughout the day, not a drop of rain was felt.

Participation in the event was up this year, with a total of 27 riders and walkers and six horses, as well as our volunteers who remained back at the farm to tidy up after the registration and prepare for the post-walk barbecue.



The unexpected but welcome appearance of Constable Ron Derksen and Police Service Horse Juno Beach of the Niagara Regional Police Service added some fun to our day, as well as making for an adventurous ride for the mounted participants. (I believe it was also our safest excursion ever - I have never seen traffic pass a horse as slowly and carefully as they were passing the horse with "POLICE" marked all over him...)

The final surprise of the day was the arrival of CHCH News videographer Adam Atkinson, who recorded some of the day's events, interviewed our instructor Susan Annan, met with a rider and his parents, and featured the H.A.T.S. program on the 6:00 and 11:00 newscasts that day!



3rd Annual H.A.T.S. Ride & Walk-a-Thon Saturday, October 3, 2009





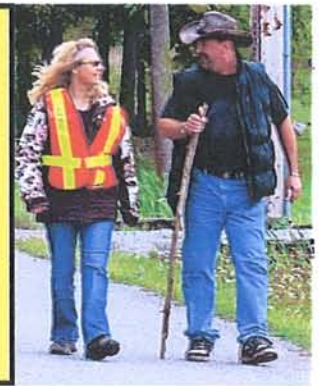
THANK YOU for your support!

Classic Farms and Sam & Fran Buma (*hosting the program and the event*)
Kelli Plas Photography (*grand prize of a \$350.00 photo shoot*)
John K. Lefurgey (*top walker prize of a \$100.00 gas card*)
Jennifer vandenBogerd and Cinch Magazine (*ceaseless publicity efforts for the event*)
Giant Tiger, Fonthill (*hot dogs and buns*)
Wal-Mart, Welland (*bottled water, condiments, sweets, etc.*)
Tim Horton's (Double Drive-Thru), Fonthill (*100 cups of coffee with "all the fixin's"*)



With your help, this year's
Ride & Walk-a-Thon
pledges totalled over

\$4,100.00!



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**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR
ALL LESSONS!**

**Thank you to each of
our riders, walkers,
volunteers, and all of
you who pledged your
support to H.A.T.S.!**

