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Hunter and Jumper Horse Show rated Silver Sanctioned Event at this year's Norfolk County Fair and Horse Show

October 2, 2009 Simcoe- the Norfolk County Fair and Horse show is the largest outdoor horse show in Canada. This year amongst many horses competing in various categories the Hunter and Jumper Horse show will be a silver sanctioned event rather than a bronze as in previous years. The competition moves to the next level based on the number of days between shows, the increased level of prize money, as well as the quality of horse riders. As the level increases from bronze to gold, so does the level of coaching, from amateur to professional. Equine Canada determines the level of competition based on these perimeters.

Equine Canada is an extensive infrastructure of professional staff; volunteers with lifelong experience in the horse and sport industry, competition organizers, Provincial partners, affiliated National organizations and their members. Together, they provide programs and services for the entire equine community.

This year the Hunter and Jumper show has top circuit Judge Catherine Roy, from King City, Ontario, along with renowned course designer Felix Rommens, from Kitchener Ontario.

Attending this year's fair is championship rider Giselle Perry who has trained in Europe for the past six months and moves onto the Florida circuit in the winter. Peter Gisborn will be participating at this year's fair as well. Peter has been involved with horses his entire life and is a 4th generation horseman. His involvement began at his family's own Shady Hill Farm; a successful riding school and show stable in Caledonia, ON. His father Jack Gisborn competed internationally in show jumping for Canada. Peter has coached many riders to success on Ontario's 'A' circuit including the Royal Winter Fair and OHJA year-end awards. Peter is also well known after a successful university football career that went on to play in the CFL for the Hamilton Ticats.

You won't want to miss this impressive event. The Hunter Horse Show is scheduled for Wednesday Oct. 7th at 9:00 a.m. The Jumper Horse Show is scheduled for Thursday October 8th at 9:00 a.m.

The Norfolk County Fair & Horse Show is in its 169th year, and is the fifth largest fair in Ontario, with over 120,000 visitors each year. This year's fair features agricultural displays, craft exhibits, food vendors, art demonstrations, talent competitions, midway rides and many special events. For more information on the fair and any of the scheduled events, please visit our website at www.norfolkcountyfair.com or by phone at (519) 426-7280

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