

# Kenilworth Stables

*The Riding School at Kenilworth Stables offers lessons for members of all ages and levels in a monthly membership model. Our focus on proper horsemanship holds members to a high standard for the proper care and understanding of our equine athletes; riders learn to tack up, untack, and care for them independently, developing a sense of ownership and friendship with our amazing team of horses. As members advance, their education continues with ground (unmounted) lessons in various horsemanship topics as the occasional alternative to rides. Note please that availability for popular times is very limited, with some availability mornings and midday; please contact us promptly to schedule your first lesson or join the waitlist.*

## RIDING SCHOOL RATES

❖ *For new members and beginners...*

### INTRODUCTORY PACKAGE | \$600

4 private lessons | 75 min

Minimum age: 6 years old | Recommended age: 9 years old

The introductory package is designed to prepare riders for regular membership in the Riding School; it is repeated until riders can tack up and untack their horse independently with proficiency in our horsemanship standards. Much of the lesson time is spent working on the pre-ride and post-ride process, thus limiting riding time until students become more independent working with the horse. Note: younger children who need assistance working with the horses will stay at the introductory package level until older and capable of doing so safely on their own. Once per week is allowed for this package, twice per week highly encouraged.

Single introductory lesson | \$175

❖ *For riders who can tack up independently but still need private instruction...*

### INTRODUCTORY MEMBERSHIP | Starting at \$920

8 private lessons | 45 min | \$115 per lesson

Students continue Introductory Membership until they are able to safely ride with others in group classes. Riders work on their strength and balance in two-point, begin some no-stirrup work, develop independent hands, steering on the rail, and arena safety and etiquette. Twice per week minimum requirement.

❖ For riders ready for regular membership with group lessons...

**MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP | Starting at \$760**

Group lessons | 45 min - 60 min

All members must ride at minimum twice per week.

Riders come about 30 minutes prior to their lesson time to prepare their horse, staying after to untack and take care of them. All members must take at least one flat lesson per week if at the level of jumping. We maintain a very strict monthly minimum of 2x per week lessons or 8 per month with consistent lesson days; makeup lessons can be arranged as needed. Please review our Riding School policies for more information.

2x per week / 8 per month | \$760

3x per week / 12 per month | \$1020

4x per week / 16 per month | \$1200

5x per week / 20 per month | \$1500

❖ For riders needing or requesting private-only lessons...

**A la carte private lesson | \$115**

Please note that availability for private lessons can be very limited especially for popular times. If scheduling permits, private-only membership can be arranged starting at \$920/mo

❖ For riders wishing to lease a horse, advance their riding...

**MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP + PARTIAL LEASE | Starting at \$1320**

Members riding at least 3 times per week are eligible to lease a horse, which guarantees them the same horse for all lessons. This partial lease is only a flat rate starting at \$240, unlike a full lease which requires you to be responsible for all expenses and function as owner. Hacking (riding outside of a lesson) is not available on this lease.

3x per week / 12 per month | \$1020 + \$240 lease fee = \$1260

4x per week / 16 per month | \$1200 + \$320 lease fee = \$1467

5x per week / 20 per month | \$1500 + \$400 lease fee = \$1833

## **Riding School Policies**

### **Makeup lesson policy**

Missed lessons can be made up preemptively or any time within the month. If make up classes are not completed within the same month of the original lesson, the make up lesson will be forfeited.

### **Cancellation policy**

Lessons canceled within 24 hours prior to your lesson time are not eligible to be made up. We must receive more than 24 hours notice in order to offer a reschedule; this is a strict policy necessary to maintain the schedules for horses, arenas, and staff.

### **Pre-ride time policy**

Members must allocate at minimum 30 minutes before and after a riding class to properly care for the horse and equipment. Students who arrive too late to sufficiently prepare their horses for their class may not be able to ride per trainer discretion.

### **Barn rules and safety reminders**

Please abide by all posted signs on the property (parking lot, crossties, wash rack, tack cleaning area, arenas, etc). No umbrellas, strollers, or wheelchairs are allowed on the property unless necessary and prior approval is granted; this is to prevent our horses from getting spooked.

### **Parent/Guest policy**

Members may bring parents and guests to the barn under certain conditions. Members must go over the barn rules and safety prior to arrival (no running, no strollers or umbrellas, no petting or feeding horses, etc). A parent must be present if the guest is a minor - no exceptions. Guests and Parents **may not** be in the crosstie area, and **may not** handle or feed any horses. Parents and Guests may watch lessons in designated seating areas.

### **Tack Room Policy**

Bridles are to be put away clean and wrapped, saddle pads folded and stacked neatly, girths hung up, and saddles cleaned and put on the racks. Lockers are available to rent for \$20/month for riders wishing to keep their personal belongings at the barn (boots, helmets, vests, grooming supplies)

### **Chores / Communal Contributions policy**

Members arriving significantly early or staying late may be asked to help with the day's barn chores (ie hand walking horses, organizing, cleaning, etc). We strive to maintain a sense of communal responsibility in which everyone helps each other out, keeps our facility clean and neat, and contributes to the wellbeing of our horses.

### **Membership suspension policy**

If you wish to suspend your membership, **you must notify us by the 15th** to suspend membership for the month proceeding, and payment must be paid in full for existing month at time of notice. After the 15th, payment will be due in full for the next month. Please note that if membership is suspended (ie long period of travel, etc) you will forfeit your lesson times and be removed from the schedule, thus opening a spot off the waitlist.

### **Social media policy**

Posting photos and videos from Kenilworth is permitted and encouraged if kept appropriate, tasteful, and positive. Absolutely no negativity towards oneself, other members, or any horses is allowed. Inappropriate images or language is not permitted in association with Kenilworth Stables. Problematic social media posts will be asked to be taken down.

### **Proper turnout policy - Horses**

Horses must be thoroughly groomed and properly turned out (tacked up in a clean, correct, and neat manner) by the beginning of the lesson time. Riders whose horse is clearly dirty or insufficiently tacked up will need to return to the crosssties. Thorough grooming before and after the lesson is expected.

### **Proper turnout policy - Riders**

Riders must wear correct, clean, and properly fitted attire for their lessons. This includes an approved riding helmet, breeches, English boots (paddock boots with half chaps OR tall boots), and a fitted collared or athletic shirt (preferably tucked in with a belt unless pants are riding tights). Though not mandatory, it is customary to wear ones hair up in the helmet with a hair net. Boots and spurs must be clean at the start of lessons to ensure the health of the horse's hair. Please, no crop tops, tank tops, baggy or bulky clothing. Minors must wear a safety vest unless waived by parental consent.

### **Horsemanship policy - Horse Care**

Members must respect our horses and adhere to our standards of care. Riders are responsible for putting their horses away clean, cool, and dry - no sweat marks, no muddy hooves, no dirty legs, etc. Thorough use of the curry comb, brush, and hoof pick is mandatory before and after each ride. Riders are expected to always put the horse first, taking care of them efficiently and thoughtfully after each ride. Failure to do so will result in a horsemanship offense.

### **Horsemanship policy - Tack and Equipment Care**

After each ride, members are responsible for putting all tack away thoroughly clean and neat. Bridles must be scrubbed down with a damp rag followed by a sponge with leather cleaner and conditioner as needed. Bits must be scrubbed clean with a damp rag, and bridles wrapped up and hung on the proper hook. Leather girths and saddles must be wiped down too, and

saddles treated with cleaner and conditioner as needed. Boots must be cleaned thoroughly with a stiff brush followed by a damp rag, put away wrapped up and dry. Saddle pads (and coolers when needed) must be neatly folded and put on proper racks. If the saddle pad is wet or dirty it goes in the laundry baskets provided. All equipment must be put away clean and in its respective place. If using your own equipment, the same policies will be enforced.

### **Horsemanship policy - Communal Areas and Facility Care**

It is the combined responsibility of all members to keep all shared resources / communal spaces clean, neat, and welcoming for everyone. This means members must be responsible to clean up after themselves, be thoughtful and respectful of other members, leave areas cleaner than they found them, etc. For example, tack cleaning water should always stay clean (replace when dirty after use), dirty rags should go in the laundry, tack sponges put away in the shed, supplies should always be put away so they are available to others when next needed. A common problem is personal belongings such as clothing, water bottles, food and beverages, and riding equipment left out in common areas. All members are encouraged to “double check” before leaving to make sure they’ve cleaned up after themselves and have not forgotten anything.

### **Horsemanship policy - Offenses**

We take the care of our horses, equipment, and community very seriously. Riders will get a horsemanship offense from failure to properly care for their horse, equipment, or community/facility. These can vary from leaving personal belongings out or not picking your horse’s feet to not sweeping up your groom stall or leaving a dirty bit. A horsemanship offense must be made up with barn chores prior to your next lesson. If you do not have time to complete the chores prior to your next lesson, it is forfeited and barn chores will be completed during that time.