

# TRANSITIONS

## HORSE CARE



Scratches, skin problems—we have been battling these for almost the past year. My horse, who only has one fetlock that is white, had scratches last summer for the first time. Several other

horses had them too. I had the hardest time getting it to totally disappear and just when I thought it was gone, a little scab would show up a couple of days later. We spoke to every Vet we saw and asked what to do. There were a series of suggestions; Keep the area clean and dry, desitin, dermaclenz, furazone & azium combined and covered and wrapped for a day or two, anti-fungal, anti-bacterial shampoos and creams etc... I also heard that spraying your horse with vinegar will prevent them. Whatever you do, *don't ignore* it. It can develop into something very serious. The horse can get cellulitis and one horse I know, ended up in the hospital twice, it had spread up his leg and his hock had to be flushed out. SO, if you know of a great treatment, please email or call me! You should see the number of products on my shelf at the barn!



## MORTGAGE RATE SNAPSHOT

National averages as of 5/13/07

Source: BankRate

	TODAY	LAST WEEK
30 yr. Fixed	5.78%	5.76%
15 Yr. Fixed	5.50%	5.50%
Jumbo 30 Yr.	6.10%	6.10%
5/1 Yr. ARM	5.54%	5.51%

May 2007

## A Note

from *Ginette*



## Greetings!

The real estate market has picked up and things have been very busy. Properties are selling but buyers are still cautious about how much they are paying. This is not surprising after the last couple of years but it is a good sign. Pricing continues to be key to securing an offer.

Everyone is asking me how the market is in terms of the horse properties. They are a special market that seems to be less affected by the downturn. Last year most of my sales were horse properties. Some years I sell more non-horse properties. We have some new listings coming on so hopefully if you are on the look out for the perfect property, you will find it soon!

Show season has started, finally, in New England and it is nice to be riding in the good weather again. I hoping to get to a few shows but finding the time will be a challenge. Hopefully all have gotten their spring shots and coggins tests by now and you will be ready to roll when the opportunity presents itself. New England Dressage Association has posted schooling shows on their website [neda.org](http://neda.org) to help with planning. If you know of any clinics or shows and would like help spreading the word, feel free to email the information and I will do my best.

This newsletter is also posted on my website: [homesandhorses.com](http://homesandhorses.com), and via email upon request at [ginette.brockway@verizon.net](mailto:ginette.brockway@verizon.net).

*Enjoy the Warm Weather!*



*Ginette*



## *Recognized Dressage Shows 2007*

	<b>SHOW DATES</b>	<b>Opening</b>	<b>Close</b>
<b>NEDA Spring Dressage</b>	5/12/2007 - 5/12/2007 <a href="#">Millis, MA</a>	3/26/2007	4/20/2007
<b>Centerline @ West-</b>	5/19/2007 - 5/20/2007 <a href="#">Westbrook, CT</a>	4/9/2007	5/2/2007
<b>Dressage at Saratoga</b>	5/26/2007 - 5/27/2007 <a href="#">Saratoga, NY</a>		
<b>Beland Stables Spring</b>	5/27/2007 - 5/27/2007 <a href="#">Lakeville, MA</a>	4/7/2007	5/7/2007
<b>Connecticut Dressage</b>	6/9/2007 - 6/10/2007 <a href="#">Bethlehem, CT</a>	5/1/2007	5/24/2007
<b>GMHA June</b>	6/15/2007 - 6/17/2007 <a href="#">South Woodstock, VT</a>	4/13/2007	5/25/2007
<b>Mystic Valley Hunt</b>	6/15/2007 - 6/17/2007 <a href="#">Gales Ferry, CT</a>	4/12/2007	5/29/2007
<b>University of NH</b>	6/29/2007 - 6/30/2007 <a href="#">Durham, NH</a>	5/9/2007	6/6/2007
<b>Centerline @ West-</b>	6/30/2007 - 7/1/2007 <a href="#">Westbrook, CT</a>	5/28/2007	6/13/2007
<b>Isaac Royal USEF/</b>	7/7/2007 - 7/8/2007 <a href="#">Dover-Foxcroft, ME</a>	5/14/2007	6/28/2007
<b>Kasson Ridge Farm</b>	7/13/2007 - 7/15/2007 <a href="#">Bethlehem, CT</a>	6/7/2007	6/28/2007
<b>King Oak Dressage</b>	7/20/2007 - 7/22/2007 <a href="#">Southampton, MA</a>	5/25/2007	6/28/2007
<b>GMHA Dressage Days</b>	7/27/2007 - 7/29/2007 <a href="#">South Woodstock, VT</a>	5/25/2007	7/6/2007
<b>Dressage UNH</b>	8/4/2007 - 8/5/2007 <a href="#">Durham, NH</a>	7/3/2007	7/20/2007
<b>Vermont Dressage</b>	8/10/2007 - 8/11/2007 <a href="#">Essex Junction, VT</a>	6/25/2007	7/20/2007
<b>Centerline @ HITS</b>	8/17/2007 - 8/19/2007 <a href="#">Saugerties, NY</a>	7/2/2007	7/24/2007 CDI
<b>Isaac Royal USEF/</b>	8/18/2007 - 8/19/2007 <a href="#">Dover-Foxcroft, ME</a>	6/18/2007	8/3/2007
<b>Isaac Royal Dressage</b>	9/1/2007 - 9/2/2007 <a href="#">Dover Foxcroft, ME</a>	23-Jul	8/23/2007
<b>Beland Stables Fall</b>	9/2/2007 - 9/2/2007 <a href="#">Lakeville, MA</a>	7/9/2007	8/13/2007
<b>NEDA Fall Festival</b>	9/12/2007 - 9/16/2007 <a href="#">Saugerties, NY</a>	7/16/2007	8/13/2007 CDI
<b>Connecticut Dressage</b>	10/7/2007	8/21/2007	9/18/2007
<b>Mystic Valley</b>	10/20/07-10/21/07	9/15/2007	10/6/2007

# MARKET WATCH



**HARVARD**– Amazing location. 12 acres with mountain views. "The Hutch" was designed by Fiske Warren in 1893. Distinctive features include wood paneling and iron scrollwork imported from Warren's castle in Ireland. In-ground pool, 11+ stall barn, fenced pastures and expansive grounds surround this historic estate. Five bedrooms, five baths, and stunning vaulted living room. National Register of Historic Places. Offered at **\$1,100,000**.



More details and photos are available on my website:

<http://www.homesandhorses.com> or feel free to contact me to view these and other properties that are available.

**TOWNSEND**– Circa 1840's antique . High ceilings, 11 rooms, gracious proportions. Mostly usable, level, 5 acres, 9 stall barn by A&B, multiple paddocks. Great location for trainer/veterinarian. Offered at **\$449,900**.



**NEW LISTING!!**