Mia Mia

Polo Pony of the Month

Mia Mia won the Iron Horse Award in 2016. Although she is not known for her height, she can turn for a back-shot quicker than most. Mia Mia teaches many beginners how to play polo while also giving the varsity team some of their best chukkers. Mia Mia is certainly a favorite of the barn, often fought over when given the chance to pick. She was generously donated to us from Heathcote Farms of Amenia, NY.
Nicole began her riding career at the early age of six years old and went on to compete in eventing and dressage. During her freshman year at UConn, she started playing in the beginner community polo lessons. Nicole has used her strong riding background and determination to further develop her skills; giving her a position on the varsity team. Nicole enjoys helping others learn the sport of polo the same way she did by assisting in the beginner lessons. Currently, Nicole is a senior majoring in Pathobiology. She is originally from Acton, Massachusetts.

Original photo taken by Judah Shingleton.
## Spring 2019 Game Schedule

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**This weekend!**

Coach: Patrick Marinelli

Home Games Held in Horsebarn Hill Arena located at:
3099 Horsebarn Hill Rd.,
Storrs, CT 06269

Free Admission

All Games subject to change- please check UConn Polo Facebook page for updates

More games will be added as the season continues.
Nicole Kula, Sage Saffran, and Anders Carlton pose for a picture after the game. Alternate Julia Marrinan took the picture above.

On February 2nd, the UConn women's varsity team traveled up to Cornell for a late game and came out on top with a score of 17 to 13.
UConn vs Harvard Game From February 9th
Photos taken by: Judah Shingleton

Kathleen Moriarty waiting for the third chukker to start.

Kathleen Moriarty racing for the ball on Sarah.

Julianna Gallo taking an offside forehand on Suerte.

Rachel Beach scoring from a nearside forehand.

Anna McCarthy backing the ball towards goal.

Sage Safran taking a free hit on Pampita.

Julia Martínez taking a nearside forehand on Mia Mia.
Alumni and Awards Dinner

WHERE: COVENTRY LAKEVIEW RESTAURANT AND BAR
50 LAKE STREET
COVENTRY, CT 06238
WHEN: SUNDAY, APRIL 28TH AT 5:00PM-10:00PM.

Alumni, community polo members, friends, and family are all welcome to come to the UConn Polo Alumni Dinner and Awards Banquet! Participants of the alumni game will receive awards, and door prizes will be available for all. The dinner will be buffet style. Tickets are $30 per person. Guests will pay at the door.

1997 UConn Women's Polo Team
National Intercollegiate Championships
Alicia Wells, Jen Freed, Meg Dinger, and Kim (Morgan) Syme

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https://polo.rso.uconn.edu/awards-dinner-rsvp/
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With your generous gifts and donations, we have obtained the following items:

- A new bit for Peanut Butter
- Six pairs of bit guards
- Numerous rolls of electrical tape
- Thrush buster
- Three pairs of new bell boots
- Tubs of mints for the horses
- A new pair of wide polo stirrup irons
- Ten new Pro Chukker arena balls

We are also in the process of replacing fraying gag rounds and draw reins.

We appreciate the help and support of our alumni, friends, family, and fans.
Thank you!
The UConn varsity polo team is one of sixteen collegiate teams to be partnered with the U.S. Polo Association. This program provides teams with jerseys, white pants, and polo shirts to wear at games and walking around on campus. The USPA is reaching out to collegiate teams in order to connect with the future players of polo. You will see the UConn polo team proudly show off their new apparel on various forms of social media as well as in person.

Interested in placing your ad in this newsletter?

With a one-time donation to the UConn Polo Club, you can place an ad in all the editions of this newsletter for the 2019 Spring Season.

$20 for a quarter page ad.

$35 for a half page ad.

Please contact Anna McCarthy by email or text with photos and information you want included:

anna.mccarthy@uconn.edu
(860)-383-3674
Are you:
- An alumni still active in polo?
- In the practicum lessons?
- A fan watching the games?
- A community member that has information or photos that could contribute to this newsletter?

We want to hear from you!

Please contact Anna McCarthy by email or text with photos or stories you want to share.
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Donations Needed

Sound horses, tack, etc.

Donations are tax deductible.

Polo ponies used by UConn Polo are generously donated by friends of the UConn Polo Club in the community. The club is currently looking for new horse donations for evaluation to expand the current polo string and to replace aging horses. Approval is done by The Department of Animal Science.

For more information, please email: uconnpoloclub1@gmail.com

We thank the University of Connecticut's Department of Animal Science for giving us the opportunity to use Horsebarn Hill Arena and the polo ponies to play every week. Without them, the club would not be possible.