

THE HUSKY POLO POST

The Newsletter of the UConn Polo Club

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Highlights in this month's issue:

- Polo Pony of the Month: Dorado
- Player of the Month: Julia
- Fairwell to our seniors

Dorado

Polo Pony of the Month

Dorado is currently the single gelding of the polo barn. He has won Best Playing Pony in 2016 and the Iron Horse Award for 2019. Dorado is always a dependable horse that can excel in the beginner lessons as well as varsity matches. Dorado is Doc Dinger's favorite horse to play at the UConn Polo barn. Dorado was generously donated to the program by Leo Mandelbaum of Wellington, Florida.



PLAYER OF THE MONTH

UConn

JULIA MARRINAN



A lifelong horse enthusiast, Julia Marrinan has been riding her whole life. Outside of polo, Julia is a competitive eventer and dressage rider. She has competed through 1.10m jumpers and is currently working on her USDF Bronze medal. Julia began learning polo her freshman year of college in the UConn lesson program. Julia spent this past summer announcing for the outdoor season at Farmington Polo Club. Thanks to her strong riding background paired with her competitive nature and drive, Julia has quickly come along in a short 4 years to be an important asset to the varsity team. Julia is double majoring in English and Spanish and will be graduating this May. Her favorite horse of the UConn polo barn is Suerte.

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2019 Alumni and Awards Banquet

We thank everyone who came to our Alumni and Awards Banquet this year. Your support is greatly appreciated and keeps the club going. We hope to see everyone again next year!

Award Winners:

Sage Safran: Least Fouls Award

Anders Carlton: Most Goals Award and MVP Award

Anna McCarthy: Most Improved Award and Service Award

Julianna Gallo: Sportsmanship Award



Thank you to our alumni who attended the banquet!

Ethan Smith,
Patrick Marinelli,
Mark Tashjian,
John Bennett, Jim
(Doc) Dinger, and
Jimmy DeAngelis



Pictured: Anders Carlton, Julianna Gallo, Mathieu Colbert, and Sage Saffran. Mathieu Colbert worked with the team to create a detailed workout program to improve the varsity players' physical strength for the intense nature of the sport.



Pictured: Olivia Listokin, Chloe LaBranche, Julianna Gallo, and Anders Carlton.



Pictured: Rachel Beach and Lily Morenz. Rachel plays on the varsity team and Lily plays in community polo lessons on Monday nights. In addition, Lily competes on the UConn western and dressage teams.



Pictured: Varsity members (back row) Anna McCarthy, Julianna Gallo, Gair Laucius, Nicole Kula, Rachel Beach, (front) Anders Carlton and Sage Saffran.



Seniors Nicole Kula and Anders Carlton receive flowers from Coach Patrick Marinelli and Sage Saffran.



Pictured: Nadina Dellaripa, Kylie Dalton, and Heather Wirth. Nadina, Kylie, and Heather all play in the Wednesday night community polo lessons.



Pictured: the DeAngelis Family
Sophia, Jimmy, PJ, and Julie.
Jimmy DeAngelis is both a UConn alum and certified
USPA umpire who helps the varsity team during seasonal
games.



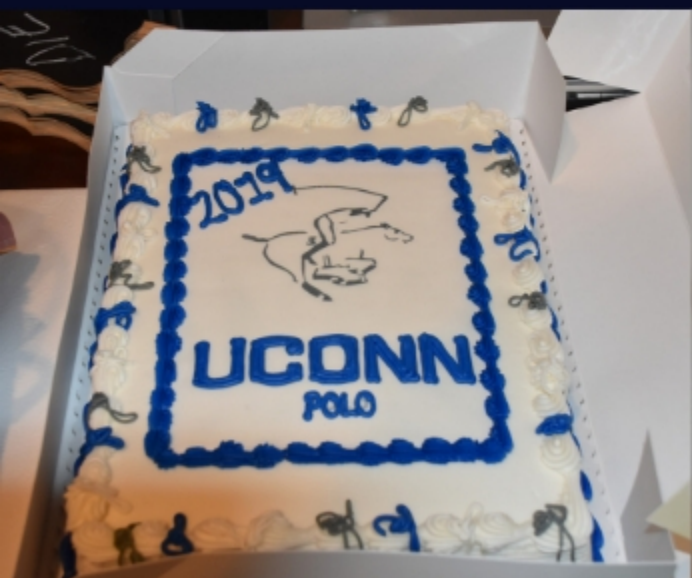
Pictured: Anders Carlton, Kate Griffin, Sage Saffran, and
Sophia DeAngelis.



Pictured: Senior Nicole Kula and with her parents; Julia
Miles and Lars Kula.



Coach Pat Marinelli and Anders Carlton pose for a picture.



2019 UConn Polo cake served at the banquet.



Seniors Nicole Kula and Anders Carlton take a photo with
their posters and flowers.

Farewell to our Graduating Seniors



Anders Carlton, Kathleen Moriarty, Julia Marrinan, and Nicole Kula

A Note From our President, Anders Carlton:

Reflecting on my 4 years at UConn Polo Club I have learned so much. I am thankful for all the opportunities I have been given and the people I have met through this club. A special thank you is needed for everyone who helped our team, not only this year, but every year. First, the Animal Science Department and Dr. Zinn for the use of the horses and arena. Kim and Lisa, our wonderful barn managers for always making sure our horses are happy and healthy. Doc and Peg Dinger, for all the time they have put into the program over the years. Our friends, families, and community members for always showing their support. Last but not least, my teammates, who have put in countless hours on and off the field to keep the club as successful as it is. Thanks so much for a wonderful season and an even better past 4 years. I am proud to now be an alumna of the UConn Polo program.

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text with photos and information you
want included:

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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.