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# THE HUSKY POLO POST

The Newsletter of the UConn Polo Club



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# Pampita

## Polo Pony of the Month

Pampita is a thoroughbred mare who loves playing polo. She is a straight shooting pony and her athleticism shines through in her strong bumps and speed. Pampita is well-loved on the ground too, with her sweet and easy demeanor. She is easily recognizable in the arena, as one of UConn Polo's few chestnuts. Pampita was generously donated to UConn Polo Club by Charles Warren of Enfield, NH.



# **Player of the Month:**

#### **Toni Moore**



Toni Moore is the social media and outreach chair for UConn Polo! Her hometown is Garnerville, NY. She graduated from UConn in 2022 with a bachelor's in Mechanical Engineering and is currently a second-year graduate student in the Biomedical Engineering master's program. Toni started riding when she was 7 and has since ridden in many disciplines, competing in gymkhanas, cow-penning, western pleasure, trail, and hunter/jumpers. She started taking polo lessons during her freshman year in UConn's beginner polo lessons and joined the team 2 years ago. Outside of polo, Toni rock climbs, skiis, and hikes with her dog. Toni is also the current author of this newsletter.

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Happy Holidays!

Holiday Greetings from Lucia, Pampita, and Chukker

With love, UConn Polo

UConn Polo wishes you happy holidays! We hope that this season brings you joy, community, and festivities. We are so happy to have such a wonderful community.

Thank you for your unyielding support for our team and ponies!

UConn Polo Club has put together a holiday wishlist! We would greatly appreciate your generosity in helping us obtain these items.

#### https://www.myregistry.com/giftlist/uconn-polo-club-2023

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## -----SPRING SCHEDULE TBA------

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# \* Fall 2023 Game Schedule \*

Day	Date	UConn Team	Time	Team	
SATURD <mark>AY_</mark>	<b>··POST</b>	PONED TO	010-27	FARMINGTON POLO CLUB	
SUNDAY	OCT 8TH	WOMEN	12:00 PM	HARVARD	L 11-10
FRIDAY	OCT 13TH	WOMEN	6:00 PM	YALE	W 25-9
SATURDAY	OCT 14TH	WOMEN	1:00 PM	FAMILY WEEKEND INTERCLUB MATCH	
SATURDAY_	- OCT 28TH	CANCELLE	<b>D</b> -00_PM	<b>IC D</b> UBLIN	
SATURDAY	NOV 4TH	WOMEN	1:00 PM	SKIDMORE	W 9-5
SATURDAY-	NOV 11TH	CANCELLE	D:00-PM_	¥ALE	

#### HOME GAMES IN BOLD



Coach: Kylie Dalton – kylie.dalton@uconn.edu 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 Instagram page for updates \*\*

# **November Game Highlights**

Harvard, Yale, and More!

#### **UCONN VS. SKIDMORE 11-4-2023**



For our last game of the season, the team traveled to Skidmore Polo to play their women's team. Team members, Toni, Liz, Happy, Bow, Alexa, Ruby, and Anna made the journey to Bloomfield Farm in Saratoga Springs, NY. Players, Happy Doran (#1), Toni Moore (#2), and Liz Luedesdorff (#3) competed against, Skidmore's Katie (#1), Tamar (#2), and Ella (#3). The team secured a win, with the final score coming in at 9-5, UConn. Afterward, the team got some time with Skidmore's beloved barn dog, Hugo.

Fun fact: Toni and Skidmore team member, Ella (#3), worked at Giant Valley Polo together for the last two summers!

# **Temporary Residents of Storrs, CT**

**Skidmore Polo Ponies Stay at UConn for the Winter!** 



In a partnership with Skidmore Polo, the UConn Polo barn has four new residents! Skidmore ponies, Erebus, Voodoo, Gitana, and Mana have been entrusted to the UConn Polo Club for the winter. Instead of turning the ponies out for the winter, Skidmore Coaches Will and Tab Orthwein trailered these four ponies over to Storrs, CT where they will be kept in work by the team and lesson program! We are so grateful for this opportunity. The four ponies are fitting in nicely and are well-loved by the team already!

## 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 upcoming editions of this newsletter for the 2024 Spring Season.

\$20 for a quarter page ad.

\$35 for a half page ad.



Please contact Toni Moore by email or text with photos and information you want included:

> toni.moore@uconn.edu (845) 269-5430

# Are you:

- An alumnus 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 Toni Moore 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.