

Lake Luzerne: 75th year of Bennett's Riding Stable

By David Cederstrom
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"My Uncle Willis [Bennett] always had horses," recalls Larry Bennett of Lake Luzerne. "As a teenager, he worked in the woods with his team of horses."

Dude ranches were big in Lake Luzerne in the early 1940s.

"Apparently, my uncle saw the opportunity for expanding his horse interest" and 75 years ago, Willis started Bennett's Riding Stable in the Town of Lake Luzerne's Lake Vanare area.

Larry said it's still very much a family business, now owned and operated by his wife Bonnie, with their children and grand-

**40 horses,
36,000
hay bales
annually**



children also involved.

Willis "never bought a square foot of land in the area, he always leased it," said Larry, so the stable moved around a little, although not far from its present location on Lake Avenue (Route 9N) about 5 miles west of Northway Exit 21. The Bennetts own the land where the stable is now.

From the right: Owner **Bonnie Bennett**, riding Sundance; her husband **Larry Bennett**, nephew of stable founder Willis Bennett, riding Dillon; their granddaughter and guide **Mackenzie Bennett**, riding Bullseye.

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Larry said that with developers buying and subdividing property in Luzerne and build-

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All quiet on LG's Log Bay front

By Gordon Woodworth
Chronicle News Editor

As law enforcement authorities promised, Log Bay Day didn't happen this year. A year after 8-year-old Charlotte McCue was killed in a boat collision on Log Bay Day night, there was no out-of-control party on the last Monday in July at Shelving Rock Bay and the nearby Log Bay.

"I am pleased with the outcome," Joe Johns, director of law enforcement for the Lake George Park Commission, told me Monday. "The plan to end Log Bay Day worked well, and most people were aware the bay was closed and stayed away."

"There were only a handful of

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Faults letter that criticized Post-Star, faults Chronicle too

To the Editor:

This letter is in response to Chuck Sharrow's front-page letter on the June 22-28, 2017 issue of *The Chronicle*, entitled "How to Fix the Post-Star."

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North Creek Mosaic's 2nd panel completed

From left, Willow Hogan won the drawing to place the last piece; **artist Kate Hartley** masterminds the gorgeous community project; and **Scott Willoughby** placed the next-to-last piece. Two panels remain to be done in the many year effort. **Also see p. 25.** *Mark Frost photo*

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