

# THE HUSKY POLO POST

The Newsletter of the UConn Polo Club

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## POLO

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### Polo Pony of the Month



Copa Cabana, or commonly known as Copa, is an athletic bay mare that was generously donated by Martin Cregg. She has a big heart for the game and the flank to match. She is of the thoroughbred breed but has a quarter horse like build that can make a rollback like no other. Copa is especially loved by Anders Carlton, Varsity Team President and Captain. Anders spends countless hours riding and caring for Copa every week.



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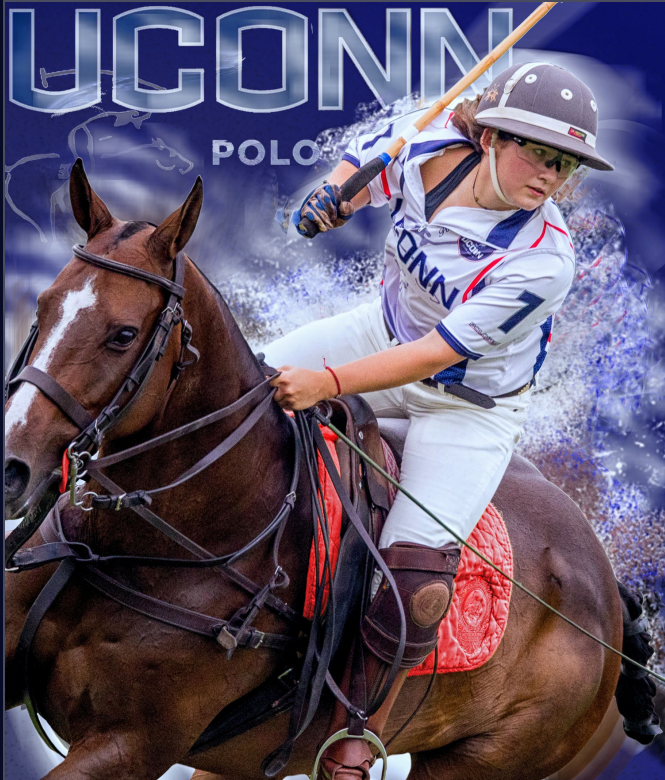
## About the Varsity Coach:

Patrick Marinelli, an alumni and former UConn player, started his polo career on the Shallowbrook High School team under the coaching of Hal Vita. Since graduating from UConn, Patrick has held multiple jobs in the polo world; working in locations such as Georgia, Texas, and Florida. Currently, he is the Assistant Manager at Farmington Polo Club in Farmington, CT. In addition, Patrick is a certified polo instructor and a USPA certified umpire on the grass and in the arena.



# Anders Carlton

Player of the Month



Anders Carlton is both President and Captain of the Women's Varsity Team. At age 13, she started her journey in the polo world; and within the next two years she began competing on the Gardnertown Interscholastic Girls' team. This summer, she worked alongside Coach Patrick Marinelli at Farmington Polo Club. She also went to represent UConn in China during the Intervarsity Tournament where the team secured 2nd place.

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## Welcome to Wellington

During the first weekend of October, Treasurer of the Varsity team, Anna McCarthy, was designated to represent the UConn Polo Club at the USPA College Polo 101 Workshop in Wellington, Florida. During the trip, she was given the opportunity to meet Robert Puetz, CEO of the USPA, learn what to look for in leather tack at La Tackeria, review I/I rules for game play, was taught drills to use in practices, visited Tato's Mallets to learn how mallets are made, discussed body condition scores, and made plans to help the club become more successful with fundraising tips and goals to increase Alumni interaction and involvement. Among the USPA representatives that helped run the workshop was Amy Fraser, UConn Polo alumni and USPA I/I director.



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## FACEBOOK

UConn Intercollegiate Polo Team

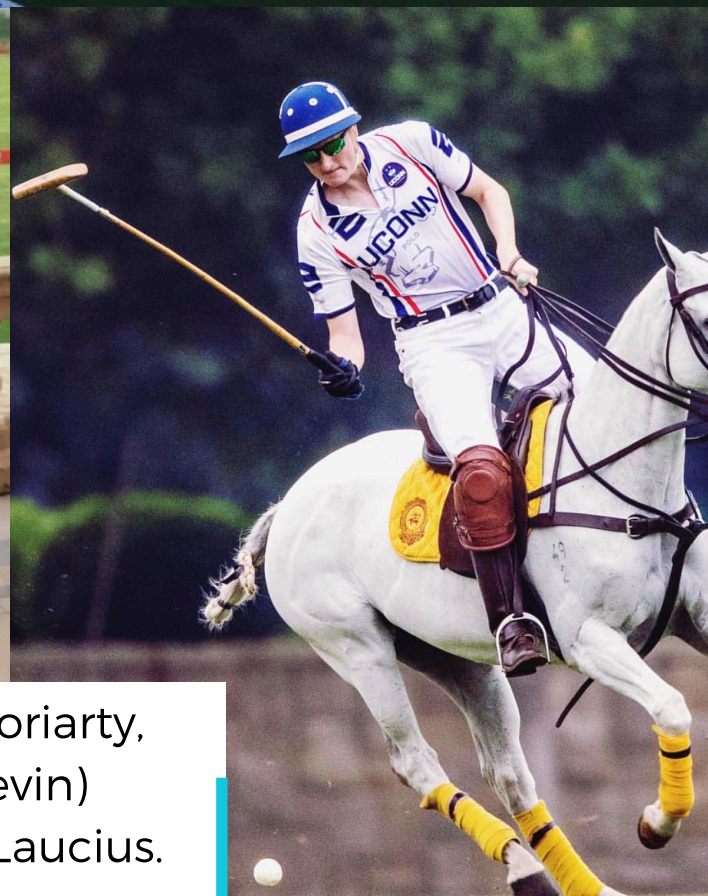
## INSTAGRAM

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# The Tianjin Goldin Metropolitan Polo Club

This past Summer, members of the varsity team traveled to the Tianjin Goldin Metropolitan Polo Club in Tianjin, China for the Metropolitan Intersarsity 2018 Tournament. They competed against teams including Oxford University, the University of London, Peking University, and Harvard. They earned their spot in the finals where they took second overall.



Teammates pictured above: Kathleen Moriarty, Patrick Marinelli, Sage Saffran, Zehao (Kevin) Quan, Anders Carlton, and James (Gair) Laucius.





# Post Polo Life



Leo and his new girlfriend, Gloria, have been neighbors at Foxfield F.A.R.M. in Granby, CT. Foxfield F.A.R.M. is a 501(c)(3) charity that has been established to provide an equestrian groundwork program for U.S. Veterans with PTSD.

Soledad has been teaching the new generation of riders with riding lessons and trail rides. She has made a new best friend named Cinder. Her new home is with Angel Horses, Inc. in West Granby, CT; not too far from Leo!







## Fall 2018 Game Schedule

Day	Date	UConn Team	Time	Team
FRIDAY	OCT 12TH	WOMEN	7:00	@YALE <b>W 17-9</b>
SUNDAY	OCT 21ST	WOMEN	12:00	@SKIDMORE <b>L 11-12</b>
SUNDAY	OCT 28th	<b>WOMEN</b>	<b>11:00</b>	<b>UMASS</b>
SATURDAY	NOV 10TH	WOMEN	7:30	@CORNELL
SUNDAY	NOV 11TH	WOMEN	2:00	@UMASS
SUNDAY	DEC 2st	<b>WOMEN</b>	<b>12:00</b>	<b>SKIDMORE</b>
HOME GAMES IN BOLD PLEASE KEEP UPDATED WITH OUR SOCIAL MEDIA ABOUT ANY GAME CHANGES.				

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Coach: Patrick Marinelli – [pmarinelli@farmingtonpolo.com](mailto:pmarinelli@farmingtonpolo.com)  
 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



# **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](mailto: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.