

Highlight on High Pocket Farm Bed & Breakfast

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It seems that BSTRA members were the first and second official guests at High Pocket Farm in Colrain, MA. Members Jan Key, Sandy Pearson and Gloria Fox were the first official visitors. From what owners Mark & Sarah McKusick were telling us, they had a super great time, even serving Mark his breakfast!!!! Rita Cardinal and myself visited the farm in June during midweek. I can't say enough about the place. We had the whole house to ourselves. Our room was already refurbished. The other two rooms were in

the process of being finished up, new paint and a bathroom in each room. Huge living room, very nice dining room, kitchen with pantry and down stairs bathroom. Hot tub outside with outside shower.

The scenery and views are absolutely breath taking. Mark and his sister took us out on the trails the first day. They are very considerate, checking the level of trail riding that you can comfortably do within your skills range. Rita said something about being challenging. So Mark and his sister (Lynn) headed up to the mountains for our challenge!!! Our horses and our skills were up to the task. For 2 1/2 hours we viewed the spectacular views, woods and flowers. Though for a while there we were teasing Mark that we weren't sure that we were really on a trail. He said it was one he checked out once a year and this was it. Then we further teased him and asked where his compass was and did we need our passports when we reached Canada!!!



Mark took all of this very good naturedly, I guess with wife, and three daughters he is used to being outnumbered by females!!! The next day, even though it was Thursday we asked for the Sunday Drive type trails, nice dirt roads and easy going. So Mark headed us out for another two hours of beautiful countryside. We saw some very nice places that we wished we owned!!! My highlight was when I found moose tracks on one of the trails we were on.

Sarah provided a most scrumptious breakfast, omelet with asparagus and mushrooms, fruit salad, scones with raspberry butter and your choice of coffee, tea, milk or juice. We had to go for a walk afterwards to work off that breakfast, but no complaints on that because it was that good.

You can bring along your own food for your other meals or you can check out the local restaurants. We checked out a local place for lunch and then went to Shelburne for supper. Nice little restaurant, the Copper Angel. Very good!!! The prices are quite reasonable and we are making plans to go up there this fall for the fall foliage season. So thinking of going someplace??? We highly recommend this bed & breakfast.

