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Besides catch riding for other owners, Jocelyn Martin will compete with her own mount, Bodine, a warmblood crossbred, in hunter competition this year at Devon. Photo by Michelle Kunjappu

Getting To Devon — From The Rider's Perspective

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DENVER (Lancaster Co.) — Jocelyn Martin has worked in her career of choice since she was born.

Although she has a criminology degree from Millersville University, her first pursuit is her career with

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Local Farmers Feed World-Class Horses At Hanover Shoe Farms

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HANOVER (Adams Co.) — Traveling on roads south and west of Hanover, you can't miss the horse pastures — about 3,000 acres worth, enclosed by some 240 miles of board fence.

Four hundred standardbred broodmares, hundreds of young horses, and a number of stud stallions have their home here.

Feeding and bedding the horses takes 1,150 tons of hay and 1,200 tons of straw a year, all of which is purchased from local farms. The horses also consume about 47,000 bushels of oats and 750 tons of performance feed per year.

Hanover Shoe Farms deals with 80 local businesses, feeds hay from 25 local farms, and employs about 100 people. That adds up to a huge impact on the local economy, not to mention the preservation of agricultural land in the area.

According to Ed Sponseller, operations and maintenance supervisor, keeping a close relationship with the local ag and business community is a

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Craig Arentz of Littlestown, right, delivers about 120,000 bales of hay and straw per year to Hanover Shoe Farms. Arentz, along with two brothers and father Vernon "Butch" Arentz, grow much of the hay themselves and also deliver hay from about 25 other farms in the area. Here, Steve Allison helps Arentz unload bales of timothy. Photos by Dave Lefever



A standardbred mare with her day-old foal out in a paddock at Hanover Shoe Farms.

Haflingers: All-Around Family Pony In A Pretty Package



The Haflinger mare flanked by two foals, above, and the stallion pictured at right are part of the herd at Spring View Farm, Centre County. At right Abraham Allebach, 3, has made a friend in "Turbo," a current national champion.

Photos by Michelle Kunjappu



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BELLEFONTE (Centre Co.) — The petite blonde foals frolicking around the pasture may look like small Belgians, but as these babies grow to full stature, they reveal that they are a different breed altogether.

new arrivals to the U.S., the honey-colored Haflinger ponies are already sought after for their quiet temperament and versatility. The amicable breed is marked by athleticism and a congenial disposition, however they are perhaps most recognizable for their unique color.

Although they are fairly (Turn to Page E10)